

Carranza's Reply Means War

MEXICAN FOREIGN OFFICE DENIES STATEMENTS IN LANSING'S NOTE

Memorandum Issued Containing 35 Counts Considered Equivalent to Answer to State Department—Defies Washington to Produce Proof of Assertions and Declares Energetically That United States Has No Right to Maintain Armed Forces on Mexican Soil.

Mexico City, June 30.—The foreign office today issued a memorandum in reply to Secretary Lansing's recent note in which the correctness of assertions in the communication, from Washington were repeatedly denied. The memorandum declares that the United States had no right to maintain its armed forces on Mexican soil.

The memorandum contains 35 counts. Although not in the form of a direct reply to the Washington note, it is considered equivalent to an answer to that document.

It expresses surprise that the Washington government should have been pained at the tone and the contents of the Carranza document since it intimates that the United States has sent to the constitutional government not only one, but many discourteous and even overbearing notes.

Emphatically reiterating the Mexican government's position denying the right of the United States to keep bodies in Mexico, the memorandum denies energetically that the Mexican government has protected bandits who had committed depredations in the United States and defies Washington to produce proof of the assertion.

Blame for the Santa Ysabel massacre is placed on the so-called impulsive and irascible disposition of Charles Watson, general manager of the Cushuhriachi company, and General Scott and General Funston are accused of bad faith and lack of honor in misleading General Obregon in an alleged evasive reply regarding the crossing of American troops into Mexico after the Glenn Springs raid.

Mexico City, June 30.—The memorandum asserts that while it is true that the United States arrested General Huerta, the motive which prompted this act was not a purpose of aiding the constitutionalist government but because the United States feared that General Huerta was plotting with Germany.

The note concludes by declaring that the presence of American troops in Mexico invites rather than prevents bandit raids along the border. The memorandum was issued at the same time that the foreign office authorized publication of Secretary Lansing's recent note.

Washington, June 30.—Private advice reaching Washington from a reliable source in Mexico City today said General Carranza and his advisers had determined to stand by orders to General Trevino to attack American troops in Mexico moving in any direction except toward the border, and that no way was seen to avoid a break with the United States.

A faction of the Mexican cabinet, it was said, was urging an even more defiant attitude and wanted to include in the reply to the American request for a statement of intentions, a new demand for immediate withdrawal of all United States troops now on Mexican soil.

The advice did not indicate when the response from Carranza might be expected. The last word on the subject to the state department came in a message from Special Agent Rodgers who said he expected the note to be handed him Wednesday night.

When President Wilson met with his cabinet today just before leaving for New York the unfavorable private reports had not reached him and there were practically no new developments in the Mexican crisis to be considered. Military preparations are being rushed to completion, however, but diplomatically there is nothing to be done until Carranza's reply is received or it becomes apparent that he will not respond within a reasonable time.

A brief talk with Ambassador Arredondo, Mr. Lansing making it plain that the Washington government expected an early reply to its note.

All members of the cabinet agreed after the meeting that both the situation and the policy of the United States were unchanged.

The release of the captured troops has delayed military action, but not relieved the critical diplomatic situation.

Several reports from Special Agent Rodgers referring to refugees in routine matters does not mention the Mexican note.

It is known, however, that interests in the Mexican capital which have been exerting every effort to prevent a break, are much discouraged.

Should the Mexican reply follow the line indicated and be in defiance of the United States, President Wilson probably would arrange to lay the whole matter before congress immediately.

War department officials appeared to be satisfied with the progress of the national guard mobilization.

Effect of Draft Order. It was learned today that war department legal experts construe the resolution adopted by congress, and sent to the White House yesterday as granting authority to draft every enrolled member of the National Guard into the federal service whenever the president shall decide the step is necessary. The draft would apply, they believe, to all guardsmen, whether they take a new oath or not. Under this construction the whole enrolled strength of the state troops, now upwards of 130,000 men, could be called into the federal service without delay and be used either on the border or in Mexico.

Washington, June 30.—Word from Special Agent Rodgers at Mexico City regarding Carranza's reply to the American note demanding a statement of his intentions still was awaited today.

Formal announcement of the surrender of the Carrizal prisoners was conveyed to Secretary Lansing by Eliseo Arredondo, the Mexican ambassador designate. He talked with the secretary for ten minutes. Later he said he had discussed the general situation with his government.

Mr. Arredondo also took up with Secretary Lansing again the question of alleged mistreatment of Mexicans on the American side and asked that steps be taken to prevent further trouble of this sort.

On returning to the embassy he made public a message from Mexico City saying that although the state department had telegraphed Special Agent Rodgers to warn all Americans to leave Mexico immediately, or the United States government would not be responsible for the consequences, actually less than 300 had left Mexico City and not more than 200 left the surrounding country.

Americans Stay in Mexico. "The greater majority of Americans in Mexico City," said the dispatch, "have elected to remain as they have been in Mexico throughout all the trouble in the last five years, and no one of them who has not gone out of his way to invite trouble has ever been molested. The Mexican government has given positive guarantees

for the protection of the lives and property of Americans in the states of Tabasco and Guanajuato whenever such Americans express a desire to remain and unquestionably it will do so in all other portions of the republic."

In conclusion the message said: "Since the beginning of international difficulties no disposition has ever been exhibited here, at any time, to molest any American on account of his nationality, although those who have sought trouble usually have been accommodated."

Official reports to the state department have shown that only a few hundred Americans are left in all Mexico.

War Risk Insurance. Washington, June 30.—Mexican and Central American ports were added today to federal war risk insurance bureau's special list to which no insurance on either ships or cargoes is issued except on arrangements direct with headquarters here. Such risks are made at special premiums. Officials of the bureau declined to say whether developments in the Mexican situation were responsible for their action.

Gonzales to Command at Border. Brownsville, Texas, June 30.—It was reported on good authority in Matamoros and here today that General Pablo Gonzales, former commander of Mexico City, and son-in-law of General Carranza, has been detailed to command the Mexican border opposite this section, succeeding General Alfredo Ricaut. The report could not be officially confirmed.

Both state and federal troops will move under a veil of official secrecy in the future, as orders went out last night from the headquarters of the western division of the army forbidding the giving out of any information regarding mobilization.

The first detachment of California soldiers to entrain from Camp Hiram Johnson at Sacramento, consisting of 150 men of the first squadron of cavalry, were nearing Nogales, Arizona, today, having left the mobilization camp in a special train last night. The first battalion of field artillery, and the Second and Fifth infantry regiments were to leave today.

Oregon's mobilization headquarters at Camp Withycombe were deserted today, the last troops having left last night for San Diego.

The second Montana regiment of infantry was to depart for Douglas, Arizona, today if rolling stock could be secured.

Militia Preparing to Move. Denver, Colo., June 30.—Mustering and physical examination were continued today at the mobilization camp of the Colorado National Guard in the absence of additional orders for the movement of completed units.

Battery B was being transferred from state to federal troops today. Adjutant-General H. P. Gamble announced mustering had been completed in the First battalion infantry and the First squadron of cavalry.

Troops Pass Through Chicago. Chicago, June 30.—Chicago continued today to be the "change cars" or rather "change roads" point in the movement of federalized national guards from the eastern department.

During the night the First Connecticut cavalry, the Connecticut signal corps and the Eighth Massachusetts Infantry passed through Chicago.

Chicago, June 30.—Progress of preparing national guardsmen in the central department of the United States army to entrain for the border reached final stages in six of the fourteen states today, according to reports received at the headquarters of Major-General Barry, department commander.

In Missouri, Kansas, Illinois, Indiana, Colorado and Nebraska inventories of property have been taken in certain units. Progress in mustering is reported in Wisconsin, Iowa, North Dakota, Ohio, Michigan, Minnesota, while in Wyoming and South Dakota the organizations are being prepared for muster.

Big Parade at Sioux Falls. Sioux Falls, S. D., June 30.—Preparations seemed crystallized here today in a parade in which the marchers numbered over 15,000. Governor Byrne and Mayor Burnside of Sioux

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REFUGEES STAY ABOARD WASHIPS

Washington, June 30.—Many of the 1200 refugees from Mexico at Galveston on the navy tender Dixie and other vessels probably will be compelled to stay aboard ship for at least a week.

Assistant Secretary Newton of the treasury announced that women, children and invalids would be allowed to land after medical examinations but that delay could not be avoided in other cases because the immigration barracks and quarantine station at Galveston can accommodate only about 400.

Members of Loan Board to Be Named. Washington, June 30.—Nominations of the five members of the farm loan board created by the new rural credit act, will be sent to the senate in a few days.

Pershing Line is Still Open. Officers here said today that the line of communications was entirely open. They denied a report that truck trains bound from Columbus to Colonia Dublan had been turned back last night through fear of a Mexican force of 2,000 men. They said that no truck train had left Columbus and that none was then ready to leave.

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Further Gains Made in New Drive Over 25-mile Front—German Crown Prince's Troops Carry Redoubt East of Hill 304, Literally Crushing Defenders—French in Spirited Counter-attack Drive Germans Out—Lively Engagements Continue Along British Front—Germans Capture 100 Russian Prisoners in Counter-attack.

Petrograd, via London, June 30, 6 p. m.—The war office announced today the capture of the town of Obertine, south of the Dneister river, and villages north and south of that point.

The statement follows: "In the region south of the Dneister we are pursuing the enemy. The Austrians, panic stricken in their flight, are leaving behind a large number of convoys. Military material and more prisoners have been brought in."

"According to telegrams received here, the town of Obertine was taken after a fight as well as villages in the neighborhood north and south. Northwest of the confluence of the river Lipa and Styr our detachments approached unperceived the settlement of Covbane and took possession. After having put the garrison of Covbane to the bayonet we took possession of the village to which the enemy had fled in panic. Some prisoners were taken by us."

London, June 30, 7:14 p. m.—Obertine, the capture of which is reported in today's Russian official communication, is 14 miles northeast of Kolmea. The occupation of this town by the Russians represents a further gain in the new drive over a 25-mile front.

Rome, June 30, via London (5:50 p. m.—The Italian offensive on the Trentino front continues unchecked. The war office announcement today says that in the Arsa valley the Italians occupied the Val Morbia line and the southern slopes of Monte Spil. Along the Posina they captured ground on Monte Calgari and Monte Sogli Bianchi.

Paris today announces that the German crown prince's troops carried a redoubt east of Hill No 304 in the Verdun region, literally crushing its defenders, but that a spirited counter attack ultimately drove them out.

Lively engagements, chiefly between artillery forces and patrol detachments, continue along the British front and large sections of the French line, south of the Argonne. The Germans apparently are endeavoring to wrest the initiative from the Franco-British forces.

Germans Make Terrific Attack. Paris, June 30, 12:30 p. m.—In a terrific attack upon the French positions east of Hill 304 in the Verdun sector the Germans captured a fortified work in the first line of the French trenches after the garrison had been literally buried under a storm of shells. The position was recaptured by a brilliant French counter attack, according to an official statement issued by the French war office today.

The Germans also delivered a powerful attack on the French positions in Avocourt wood and west of Hill 304 but all their efforts were declared to have been checked with heavy losses to the attackers. Considerable activity is reported on the front from Neuport to the Aisne.

The statement says: "In Belgium last night at about 11 o'clock following a preparatory artillery fire, German forces attacked a salient of four lines far from the road between Neuport and Lombardzyde. A counter attack was immediately delivered which drove the enemy out of the trenches where they had gained a footing between Chauines and Roye. A strong German reconnoitering party, caught under our fire, was dispersed before it could reach our trenches.

"Between the Oise and the Aisne two other German patrols were dispersed in a like manner, one in front of Quenevillers, the other northeast of Vingres.

"In the Champagne district an enemy attack with hand grenades upon our advanced posts west of Butte de Mesnil was easily repulsed."

British and French Repulsed. Berlin, June 30, via London, 4:50 p. m.—Attacks by the British and French at various places along the western front yesterday and last night were repulsed by German troops, the war office announced today. The official statement adds:

"South of Tahure and near Maisons de Champagne, advancing French detachments were sanguinarily repulsed.

"On the left bank of the Meuse we made progress on Hill 304.

"The total of prisoners taken since June 23 and 70 officers and 3072 men.

"On the evening of June 27 Lieutenants Borkle shot down his nineteenth enemy aeroplane near the Thiaumont farm and Lieutenant Parschau brought down his fifth enemy aeroplane near Peronne.

"Eastern front: Apart from an encounter which resulted in our favor north of Lake Iliskin southwest of Dvinsk nothing of the moment is reported from the front.

"Army group of General Linsingen: Counter attacks made on positions from which our troops recently drove the Russians were futile. We captured more than 100 prisoners."

Turks Defeat Russians. Constantinople, June 30, via London, 2 p. m.—Russian troops in Persia have withdrawn from their fortified positions near Kerind after two desperate attacks which were repulsed by the Turks, says today's official Turkish announcement.

Fire at Marseilles. Marseilles, June 30, 1:30 a. m.—The third serious fire within a fortnight on the dock front of Marseilles caused extensive damage today. The fire is believed to have been incendiary.

Paris, June 30, 3:50 p. m.—The bill imposing a tax on all extraordinary and supplementary profits during the war was passed today by both the senate and the chamber of deputies.

Four Villistas Are Hanged at Deming. Deming, N. M., June 30.—Four Villistas who took part in the Columbus raid were executed by hanging in the county jail here today.

The men were put to death in pairs. Eusebio Renteria and Taurino Garcia were placed on the scaffold first. They were not pronounced dead until after twenty minutes had passed.

Jose Pangel and Juan Castillo were next. Their necks were broken and death was almost instantaneous.

The four men were calm. Jose Rangel smoked a cigarette as the noose was adjusted. None would say anything except Garcia who exclaimed, as he was led to execution: "I hope God will forgive my enemies."

This completes the disposition of the cases of Columbus raiders. Jose Rodriguez recently was granted a stay of execution and is serving a life sentence.

Company D, New Mexico National Guards, was held at the armory in case of an attempted demonstration. A force of forty deputies, appointed by Sheriff W. J. Simpson, guarded the jail during the night. There were no disorders.

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