

MEXICAN SITUATION OPTIMISTIC; NATIONAL GUARDS TO BE KEPT AT BORDER

JEFFERSON HIGHWAY OFFICIALS PLEASED WITH ITASCA PARK

People of the Central Route Give Clarkson a Royal Welcome.

ROADS IN GOOD CONDITION; TRIP MADE TO PARK IN 1:08

Tour to End Sunday; Decision to Be Made as Soon as Possible.

(By Special Correspondent)
Wadena, Minn., June 30.—If the decision of the routing of the Jefferson highway in the state of Minnesota north rests on the membership, material and public interest in the construction of a highway points, the Central route will undoubtedly be selected.

Clarkson Pleased.
J. D. Clarkson, general manager of the Jefferson Highway association, who is personally inspecting the three proposed routes in Minnesota, arrived here with his party last night from Bemidji. He was very enthusiastic about the good roads and was pleased in regard to the scenic values in the Itasca State park and along the road to this city.

Mr. Clarkson and his party left Bemidji shortly after 3:15 p. m. yesterday. There were four cars in the party, three besides the official car. The cars were owned by F. S. Lyeon, W. P. Dyer and R. H. Schumaker.

Despite the fact that there had been one of the heaviest rains of the season Wednesday, the roads from Bemidji to the park were in excellent condition. One car made the trip in 1:14 while it is reported that another car made the trip in 1:08.

Royal Welcome.
At the park the party was greeted by over 100 people from Wadena, Verndale and Park Rapids who had motored to the park to meet Mr. Clarkson and escort him to Wadena. The Park Rapids band was there also and gave Mr. Clarkson a warm welcome, who in a short address thanked the people for their interest in the highway.

Dinner was taken at Douglas Lodge and before the trip to Wadena began, the party was escorted to the forestry school and other points of interest.

Make 95 Miles.
At Park Rapids the party was joined by a large party from Wadena who escorted the party to Wadena. The party made 95 miles yesterday. The points by which a route will be judged are as follows:
1—Soil conditions for roads (10); 2—available road surfacing materials (10); 3—mileage now hard surfaced (10); 4—present condition of road (10); 5—surface, bad grades, sharp turns, bridging, railroad crossings; 6—contour of surface relating to road building purposes (10); 7—total mileage between termini (5); 8—taxable wealth (10); 9—population (5); 10—scenic values (10); 11—hotels (5); 12—garages (5); 13—membership material and public interest in construction of highway (10).

THOMAS KELLY FOUND GUILTY

Winnipeg, Man., June 30.—Thomas Kelly, millionaire contractor, accused of defrauding the province of Manitoba in the erection of parliament buildings here, was found guilty by a jury in the assize court last night. Kelly's trial, on three counts— theft, receiving and false pretenses— lasted ten days. The jury was out three hours.

Sentence was deferred pending a new trial.

* **BEMIDJI MAN OFFERS SERVICES TO COUNTRY** *
* (By United Press) *
* St. Paul, June 30.—"I love my wife and family of five children but want to do my duty for my country," Robert Gelniski of Bemidji wrote the army recruiting officer here. *
* The army recruiting officer wrote Gelniski, stating: *
* "We have plenty of unmarried men. You had better stay at home and look after your family." *

PROGRAM COMPLETED FOR BEMIDJI'S BIG FOURTH CELEBRATION

Races to Be Held in Morning; Militia Parade at 10:45 o'Clock.

PINE RIVER VS. BEMIDJI IN AFTERNOON CONTEST

Boat Races, Log Rolling Contests and Fireworkson an Evening Program.

Railways in Bemidji today announced that they would hold their trains in Bemidji so that their passengers could take part in the Fourth of July celebration. The Minnesota & International will leave Bemidji, north bound, at 7:15 p. m. instead of 6:15. The Soo Line, west bound, will be held until 6 p. m. The Minneapolis, Red Lake and Manitoba train will be held until 6 p. m.

Bemidji merchants were today notified that special prizes of \$15 and \$10 would be given on the Fourth for the best window display.

E. B. Berman is in charge of the celebration. Anyone desiring privileges should see Mr. Berman at once.

The program for Bemidji's biggest Fourth of July celebration was completed this morning. It consists of races, contests, fireworks, parade and a baseball game. It is expected that over 5,000 people will be in the city to participate in the celebration.

The Bemidji band will give concerts the entire day.
The program is as follows:
Morning.
9:00—Bicycle race for boys under 18 years on Beltrami avenue from Seventh to Third street. First prize, a bicycle lamp, second prize \$1.
9:15—Girls' nail driving contest. First prize \$2, second prize \$1.
9:30—100-yard dash, free for all, Third street from Beltrami to Minnesota avenue. First prize \$3, second prize \$2.
9:45—Potato race on Minnesota avenue from Second to Third street. First prize \$2, second prize \$1.
10:00—Boys' race under 16 years on Beltrami avenue from Second street to Third street. First prize \$2, second prize \$1.
10:15—Bicycle race, free for all. First prize \$5, second prize \$3.
10:30—Cracker eating contest. First prize \$2, second prize \$1.
10:45—Naval militia, band and cavalry parade. First prize, best rider and mount \$5, second \$3.

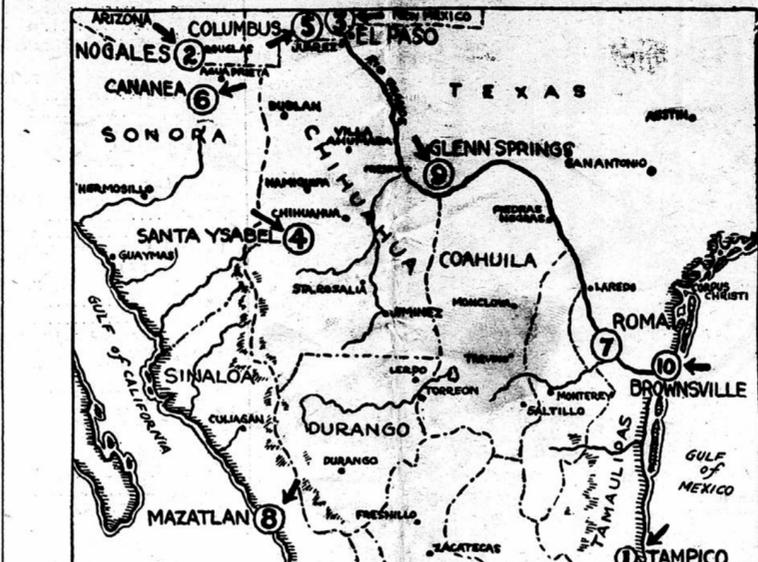
Afternoon.
1:30—Tug of war in front of the Smith-Robinson Lumber company's office. Ten men to a team. Prize \$20.
2:30—Baseball game: Pine River vs. Bemidji. Pine River is coming to Bemidji strengthened by professional players.

Evening.
7:00—Log rolling contest. Prize \$10.
7:15—Canoe race. First prize \$3, second prize \$2.
7:30—Tub race. First prize \$2, second prize \$1, third prize 50 cents.
8:00—Naval militia boat race. Prizes, \$15 and \$10.
The day's celebration will end with a display of fireworks. W. A. Elliot, who is in charge of the fireworks display, has secured some of the best displays possible.

VIRGINIA SUPERINTENDENT GIVES ADDRESS AT SCHOOL

P. P. Colgrove, superintendent of schools at Virginia, Minn., gave a short address before the Teachers' Training school this morning during chapel period.

TEN REASONS WHY MANY AMERICANS WANT INTERVENTION



Accompanying this map is an extract from the recent note sent to Carranza by Secretary of State Lansing citing the deplorable conditions existing in Mexico for the last three years. The purpose of the map is to point out the places where some of the outrages against Americans were committed.

It is impossible to illustrate more than meagerly the location of these crimes, as they have been too widespread to keep track of in entirety, even were the extent of them known. But among the principal causes of the present American-Mexican crisis are the following:

- 1—Unarmed American crew went ashore at Tampico flying American flag. They were arrested and afterward released with an apology. But the salute to the flag demanded by President Wilson never was given.
- 2—Mexicans raid Nogales. Three United States soldiers killed.
- 3—Great influx of American refugees at El Paso and other border points. Shots exchanged across the boundary. Troops called to repel invaders.
- 4—Nineteen Americans killed at Santa Ysabel.
- 5—Raid led by Villa on Columbus, N. M., army post. Seventeen Americans, including seven soldiers, killed.
- 6—American flag on Consul W. A. Julian's office in Cananea riddled by Mexican bullets.
- 7—Six shots fired at Troop M, Third cavalry, by Mexicans hidden in bush at Roma, Tex.
- 8—Gen. Flores, Carranza governor at Sinaloa, refuses to permit Americans to leave Mazatlan. Clash between bluejackets and Mexican soldiers. American boatswain's Mate I. M. Laughter seriously wounded.
- 9—Glenn Springs, Tex., raided by Mexican band; American soldiers and civilians killed and two Americans carried away as prisoners.
- 10—Attacks on Brownsville, Red House Ferry, Progreso postoffice, and Las Peladas.

REPORTED RUSSIANS HAVETAKEN GALICIAN CITY OF KOLOMEA

Germans Begin a Series of Sudden Drives Along the Riga Line.
Lieutenant Thaw, American Aviator, Decorated With Legion of Honor.

Russians Take City.
Petrograd, June 30.—The Russians have captured Oberytn.

(By United Press)
Paris, June 30.—Newspapers declare that the Russians have taken the important Galician railway city, Kolomea, yesterday.

Grand Offensive.
Berlin, June 30.—There is little doubt left here but that the Allies are in the early stage of their grand offensive. British artillery assaults leave this impression.

Gets Legion of Honor.
Paris, June 30.—Lieut. Thaw, American aviator, has been decorated with the Legion of Honor.

Intervene for Casement.
Washington, June 30.—Senator Martine has introduced a resolution in the senate empowering President Wilson to intervene to save the life of Sir Roger Casement.

Begin Attacks.
Petrograd, June 30.—The Germans have begun a series of sudden attacks against the Russian line at Riga and Dvinsk.

Liquid Fire Battles.
Paris, June 30.—The Germans last night shifted their attack to the west bank of the Meuse and delivered several violent attacks with liquid fire.

Call More Troops.
Rome, June 30.—Fulfilling their promise of a more vigorous campaign, Italy has called to the colors all classes from 1882 to 1895.

Traucher Not Guilty.
New York, June 30.—A jury today found Hans Traucher not guilty of conspiracy in regard to the Welland canal.

Attacks Repulsed.
Berlin, June 30.—The British attacks at various places have been repulsed.

McUMBER AND FRAZIER INCREASE LEAD IN N. D.
Grand Forks, N. D., June 30.—P. J. Mcumber and L. T. Frazier continued to increase their pluralities for the nominations of United States senator and governor on the Republican ticket in returns received today. Kraebel has been nominated lieutenant governor. Attorney General Linde appears to have been renominated. John Burke was nominated U. S. senator on the Democratic ticket and D. H. McArthur governor.

CYCLONE AT MORRIS CAUSES MUCH DAMAGE
(By United Press)
Little Falls, Minn., June 30.—It is reported that a small cyclone did considerable damage at Morris, Minn., last night. An electrical storm here caused small damage.

BARON HAYASHI IS JAP MINISTER TO CHINA
(By United Press)
Tokyo, June 30.—Baron Hayashi has been appointed Japanese minister to China. He will attempt pacification of the Chinese international troubles.

The Queen Esther Circle of the Methodist church will hold a candy sale at the Netzer Pharmacy and the Carlson Variety store Saturday afternoon and evening. The money raised is to be used for the education of an orphan girl which the Circle has adopted.

SMALL INCIDENT MAY THROW U. S. AND MEXICO IN WAR

Mrs. W. A. Casler Returns to Bemidji From Deming, New Mexico.

FEELING ALONG BORDER INTENSE; VILLA ACTIVE

Mexicans are Treacherous; Mexican Forces Exhausted From Hunger.

"I expect at any time to hear of a small incident which will throw the United States and Mexico into a disastrous warfare."
This statement was made today by Mrs. W. A. Casler, former resident of Bemidji, who arrived in this city last evening from Deming, N. M., for a few months' visit with her daughters, Mrs. George Kiehm and Mrs. Alice Benner.

War Inevitable.

Mrs. Casler is pessimistic in regard to avoiding war. The Mexicans, she stated, are continually making preparations for war. War is inevitable with Carranza's forces concentrated at Chihuahua and with Villa's hatred for Americans.

"Villa is again active," said Mrs. Casler today. "His hatred for the 'gringos' will induce him to rally his entire strength to the support of Carranza in case of war."

According to the general opinion in the border towns the forces of both Villa and Carranza are nearly exhausted from hunger and poverty.

Tells of Battle.
Telling of the reports of the battle of Carrizal, Mrs. Casler said:

"In some places the whole affair is blamed on the Americans, but the general opinion is that it was the trickery of the Mexicans.

"Following a deserter, the American troops rode to the outskirts of Carrizal from their place of encampment. They had received warning from General Trevino not to enter Carrizal, but had also been ordered by their commander to enter the city if necessary in search of the deserter.

Hand to Hand Battle.
"Despite repeated warnings from the Mexicans, when drawing near the town, they were face to face with a series of trenches, thrown up in preparation by the Mexicans. The Americans continued their march until within close range of the trenches, when the first shot was fired, by which side it is still uncertain.

"A hand to hand battle ensued during which the twenty-three American troopers were captured. Mexicans claim that their loss in the struggle totaled only fourteen, while Americans place it in the neighborhood of sixty. That is one characteristic of the Mexicans, however, to underestimate their losses and overestimate the American losses."

Fire on Town.
Marathon, Tex., June 30.—It is reported that Carranzistas stationed at Ojinga fired upon the American town of Presidio, Tex., last evening. Reinforcements have been started for Presidio.

Trooper Silences Guns.
El Paso, June 30.—Survivors arriving here report that William Gibson, trooper, alone silenced the Carranzista machine guns at Carrizal. His commander told Gibson that he wished that the guns could be stopped. Gibson picked off both operators. They were apparently the only operators the Carranzistas had as the machine guns stopped.

To Recover Bodies.
Mexico City, June 30.—General Obregon has ordered that Americans be permitted to recover the bodies of troopers and officials slain in the Carrizal battle, now lying under the sun and at the mercy of animals.

DANGER OF WAR WITH MEXICO IS REPORTED WANING

Officials Believe That Situation Will Be Solved; Prisoners at El Paso.

FOUR VILLISTAS ARE HANGED AT DEMING

National Guard Will Be Kept at Border; Excellent Chance for Vigorous Training.

Villa Joins Carranza.
Eagle Pass, Tex., June 30.—It is reported that Villa has joined Carranza forces at Monclova with several hundred men.

Take Gold Ore.
Washington, June 30.—(Official)—Carranza has seized \$500,000 worth of concentrated gold and silver ore owned by Americans in the Manzanillo district.

(By United Press)
Washington, June 30.—The danger of war with Mexico is waning, officials believe here today. Despite this belief, however, the militiamen continue to pour toward the border. Although the Mexican situation is optimistic it is likely that the guard will be kept at the border some time. This is an excellent chance for vigorous training.

President Wilson does not take the view that the release of the prisoners settles the questions between the United States and the de facto government.

There are other problems to be settled. Officials are waiting for Carranza's reply to President Wilson's demands.

Four Hanged.
Deming, N. M., June 30.—Four Villistas, participants in the Columbus raid on March 9, were hanged in pairs on a double scaffold here this morning. Taurino Garcia begged forgiveness, Eusivo Henteria smiled, Juan Castillo and Jose Ranget were defiant. All protested their innocence.

A Spanish padre accompanied the four Mexicans to the gallows. The quartet faced death with the same stoicism that characterized the execution of the two Villistas June 9 on the same scaffold. All the six were tried in Deming, found guilty of murder in the first degree and ordered executed.

New York at Dallas.
Dallas, Tex., June 30.—Colonel Vanderbilt's regiment of New York guard passed through here this morning.

Take Refugees.
Vera Cruz, June 30.—The battleship Nebraska and the Ward liner Monterey arrived here today to take away the American refugees. The Nebraska will take 500 and the Monterey 300.

Delivers Orders.
Washington, June 30.—Consul Arrendondo called on the state department this morning and delivered the official copy of instructions releasing the American prisoners.

Tell of Attack.
San Antonio, June 30.—Two wounded American soldiers are expected to arrive here soon to tell of the Mexican attack upon Madona.

Troops Unprepared.
Washington, June 30.—The condition of organized militia has as a whole proved disappointing. There is a lack of equipment; guardsmen have refused to take the federal oath; the condition of the men physically is disappointing; military training is lacking and there has been difficulty in recruiting the guard to war strength.

Note Nearly Completed.
Mexico City, June 30.—The foreign office has practically completed the reply to the last American note. It is the general belief that it will reply pacificatory relieving the possibility of war with the U. S. Several American refugees have resumed their work in Mexico.

Not Very Strong.
Columbus, June 30.—Scouting around Guzman, Mex., where large Carranzista forces are reported to be concentrated, it was learned that the Carranza forces near the communication lines are not sufficiently strong enough to constitute a menace.

To Return Horses.
Washington, June 30.—General Bell reported today that Gonzales has promised to turn over horses and equipment taken from the American

SCOOP THE CUB REPORTER



It Sounded Rather Uncomplimentary



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