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**WATCH FOR IT!**  
Watch for what? Why, next weeks' story in The Times' Novel-a-Week series, of course! What is it? It's "An Outsider," by Louis Joseph Vance.  
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## President Wilson, Aroused, Today Is Sending 8,000 TROOPS TO MEXICO

### What Is Likely to Happen---



### VILLA'S STAR DUE TO SET

Francisco Villa is by far the most remarkable public figure developed by the Mexican reign of terror. His rise from peonage to the leadership of a fully equipped army of 27,000 men was as rapid as his fall. Only a few years ago he was a hunted bandit in the mountains of Chihuahua. At the height of his career he was the most powerful military leader in Mexico, then a few months later he was back again in the same mountains where he had committed the crimes of his youth. Although Villa in hundreds of interviews has stated that he was fighting for his people, not the honor of being president, the natives of Chihuahua smiled. "Gold, pure gold," they said, "is all that Villa ever will fight for."

In March, 1913, Villa joined the constitutionalist revolution and took the field with the equipment of a borrowed mule, a few sacks of flour, and nine men. His army grew until it was a fully equipped force of 27,000 men, with artillery. He drove the federal troops out of the northern part of Mexico and was supporting the Carranza cause in the north. Carranza, however, was selected as president by a few sections of the republic. This made Villa indignant and he turned against Carranza, and for the last year has been fighting the constitutionalists. He was successful for a time. Beginning last winter, however, he was forced to retreat from his positions in the northern center of Mexico. Then came the recognition of Carranza as the de facto head of the Mexican government. Villa is reported at that time to have threatened to kill all Americans he could catch. After the massacre of Americans at Santa Ysabel Carranza proclaimed Villa, Gen. Lopez and Gen. Castro outlaws and subject to instant death by any captor. Yesterday followed the Columbus, N. M., outrage. Tomorrow—well, tomorrow perhaps the scene pictured above will be enacted.

**GIVE GLAD HAND TO NEW MEMBERS**  
E. P. Kemmer, membership chairman of the Commercial club, has placed an office desk near the entrance of the club dining room, where he will offer the glad hand and court new members.

**GILLIES GETS AN EASY "PEN" JOLT**  
OLYMPIA, March 10.—John F. Gillies, convicted claim agent of the industrial insurance commission, was sentenced to four and a half years in the state penitentiary for stealing \$20,000. He maintained innocence.

**Parcel Post Farmer Counts Song and Game Birds An Asset**  
By Jack Jungmeyer  
A certain writer gained fame by declaring that the small bird is worth more than the big one.

**Advertisement**  
Rhodes Brothers  
STORE CLOSURE AT 12 P. M.

### While U. S. Forces Move to Exterminate Bandit, His Followers Continue Raids On This Side of Border.

EL PASO, March 10.—If the American troops start after Villa immediately they will clash within two hours provided he makes a stand. Villa is encamped within 10 miles of the border with several hundred of his best mounted followers. Gen. Pershing reported that the rebel chief is located 18 miles southeast of Columbus.

### TAKES FIRST BLOOD

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 10.—C. A. Reynolds, chairman of the public service commission of Washington, accompanied by Senators Jones and Poindexter, called on the interstate commerce commission yesterday and secured the restoration of the San Francisco to Tacoma passenger \$17.50 preferential rate case of the calendar and the fixing of May 9 as the date for hearing. Reynolds will return at once to Olympia. Railroads against which the suit is directed, the Southern and Union Pacific and its allied line, the O. W. R. & N., recently were successful in delaying the hearing. A postponement was secured when the railroads pleaded that more time was needed to gather and compile certain data relative to the suit. Reynolds says he ascertained that the railroads are already in possession of this data, and have been for some time, and were merely "stalling."

### CITY POLITICS CHAPTER II.

### Make Every Councilmanic Candidate Give You His Views On Franchises

BY THE EDITOR  
Yesterday I urged you voters of Tacoma to study the councilmanic candidates from two standpoints: first, their ability to administer one or another of the departments, and second, their qualifications as municipal legislators. I pointed out that the present council is reasonably efficient and satisfactory when judged by the first standard, but unfit when judged by the second. I advised strongly that in picking two new commissioners you choose primarily MEN ON WHOM YOU CAN RELY TO VOTE RIGHT.

**NEW CLEW TO GUNMAN**  
Andrew Bokken, a crippled peddler of pencils, was arrested last night and added to the five alleged "eggmen" held in the city jail following the murder Tuesday night of Vernon Lindsay, cripple. Bokken accompanied a group of Lindsay's friends to the Empire theater on the night of the murder, and has been the principal "alibi man" for the group of prisoners since their arrest. According to Chief Smith, one of the five prisoners broke down last night and told a story of all that he knew in connection with the murder. The facts are said to be startling, and may lead to the arrest of the murderer. Chief Smith is withholding the story until his officers can follow it up.

### ---to Bandit Villa!



sumably by Villistas. Along the vast plains and slopes of the desert hills, lights flared and fires flared brightly for a moment and then died. Ranchers watched the signals fearfully and gathered their families in the strongest houses. All men were marshaled together with rifles ready for immediate action. Villistas were reported today on American soil within a mile of Victoria, which is four miles north of the border. No attacks were attempted. A large detachment of infantry and a troop of cavalry arrived at Hachita today and went immediately southward to watch the movements of a band of outlaws near the border. Wierd signals were flashed along the border last night, pre-

### ÷Talk o' the Times÷

Greetings, have you bought your baseball book?  
Architectural Suggestion Why not send Col. House to see Gen. Villa?  
How are the Tacoma police going to spend their evenings now that the lid is down on boxing?  
Start a parcel post farm.  
The most polite man in Paris recently offered his seat to a woman street car conductor.

**MYSTERIES OF NATURE**  
LAP DOGS  
Lap dogs are alleged canines that look like a cross between a fur wristlet and a weazel. If it were not for women who don't have to do their own housework, lap dogs would have had to shift for themselves and the regular dogs would have eaten them up long ago. Lap dogs nearly passed out forever in the flood. But two of them sneaked aboard and Noah's wife, who was something of a social climber, thought it would be fashionable to have a lap dog. No. 324 St. Feb. 24, 1916.

**WE NEVER HEARD—**  
An orator refer to the days of ancient Greece as "the pantless past." (It seems a shame to let a high sounding phrase like that go unused.)  
The county judges aren't going to have anything on us. They've hung pictures of G. Washington. We're going to hang one of collob.

**GIRLS, TAKE NOTICE!**  
We hereby pin this tag, borrowed from Baby's Week, to our selves:  
Don't kiss us.  
We don't like it.  
You may have Germs.