

U. S. PLANS NAVAL BLOCKADE

WILSON SENDS CARRANZA CURT, DEFIANT NOTE

WHISKERS CLUB NEUTRAL? OH MY, NO!

Ladies and gentlemen, The Times takes pleasure today in announcing the Tacoma Whiskers' club, purely a political organization, in no way affiliated with the Young Men's Republican club, and founded on principle of life, liberty and the pursuit of keeping the stray ends out of the soup.

"United We Stand, Divided We Fall" is the motto.

"Hughes or Bust; Whiskers for Ours," the slogan.

Yet at this moment, while we announce the falling in line of the noble throng of those who dust their celluloid collars with a whiskbroom, rumors are rife of dissension in the ranks. We have found evidence of disloyalty in the Whiskers Club!

One or two of the boys whose lower jaws look like the rear end of a sprinkling wagon are for the whiskerless Wilson! Take Leslie R. Mutch, the famous Tacoma anthropologist and authority on Shakespeare's physog, for instance. He's on the fence. He says if Wilson handles the Mexican situation

all right, nobody ought to condemn him just because he shaves his sideboards.

And there's George H. Plummer, N. P. magnate and charter member of the club, who is death on Venustiano Carranza. And Venus never has chopped up the side of his jaw, not even since Uncle Sam began twisting the long ones.

"Carranza gets my goat," says the wrought up Mr. Plummer.

But the majority, while they don't have much to say about the old whiskers down in Mexico, remain staunch supports of Charles Evans Hughes, he of the bushes divided in the middle, yet loyal in the end.

They insist the whiskers don't make any difference, but they know nobody believes them.

There's George L. Gower, dad of the city parks.

"If whiskers made any difference in my choice for president, I would have voted for James Hamilton Lewis, my

friend," says he.

"I'm for Hughes anyway, whiskers or no whiskers, shave or no shave. He used to go to Brown university, class of 1881, you know. So did I, class of 1871. We're alma maters.

"I started voting for Gen. Grant, and I've been voting republican ever since."

And then there's Henry W. Lueders, the rogue. He's a lawyer and ought to know better.

Hen calls V. Carranza "just one of the old boys down there."

"Wilson is too wobbling," he says. Meaning, of course, that without sideboards to balance, there can be no equilibrium.

But along comes Dr. Francis Atwell, with whose face we are all acquainted, with the hair trigger alibi.

No 'sree, he's not for Hughes, and he wears whiskers and

he's against dear, clean shaven Woodrow, because—

"I have been a republican for 25 years," he explained today. Before that I was a democrat. I started being a republican when I got married. The wife I married was a republican; so were her aunts and uncles and her whole family.

"I joined the ranks of the G. O. P. to keep peace in the family, and peace and harmony have reigned ever since.

The doc is the pride of the Whiskers club.

"How long have I worn the things? Since I was 21 years old," says he. "I'm for Hughes."

Chief of Police Fackler, sergeant-at-arms of the new club, has nothing to say.

He hides behind the bewhiskered rules of civil service. But he lets it be known on the q. t. that he's a staunch republican.

Funny, isn't it, that all these members of the Whiskers Club are republicans?

ONE CENT

DO YOU KNOW THAT— a fly in the milk may mean a member of the family in the grave?

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WEATHER

Tacoma: Unsettled tonight and Wednesday, probably showers.

Washington: Same, warmer northeast portion tonight.

RAID ALFRED'S

ARREST 9; CHARGE IS GAMBLING

Culminating a vigilance that has existed since Commissioner Pettit took office, Detectives Wiley and Garberg swooped down upon a private card room in the rear of W. L. Alfred's cigar store, 1152 Pacific avenue, last evening and arrested eight men said to be playing "freeze-out" poker.

"We have been trying to stop gambling in this place for weeks," declared Pettit today, "but the games were so carefully guarded that police detectives could not get inside. We have plenty of evidence this time, however."

"Alfred came to my office today and protested that he had never allowed gambling of any kind in his place, but the evidence will prove a different story."

According to the police, card games were played with "trade checks" as counters. These checks could be redeemed in trade or in cash, officers say.

Alfred was arrested on a charge of conducting a gambling house.

R. W. Sorley, Henry Wahlers, C. Newman, G. F. Swan, Frank Hoffman, Fred Thomas, Gus Boyer and Joseph Howard were charged with gambling.

All of the men were released without bail, on Alfred's promise to produce them in court.

Alfred is one of the most prominent cigar and tobacco dealers in Tacoma, and an officer in the Retail Cigar Dealers association of the northwest.

TODAY'S CLEARINGS 6

Clearings \$ 454,915.62

ances 76,234.02

Transactions 1,261,768.12

We are not disposed to overlook the fact that the interests of the bank and those of the people are closely bound together. They cannot by any means be separated.

PUGET SOUND STATE BANK

H. N. Tinker, Pres.

Is Your Name On This List of Who's Who Notables?

Tacoma is well represented in the latest edition of "Who's Who," which has just appeared.

Those of us who probably will never see our names in anything more interesting than the delinquent tax list may point with pride to the following roster of distinguished citizens: Beverly W. Colner, Frank B. Cole, Edward E. Cushman, Elmer Dover, Addison G. Foster, Henry Hewitt, jr., Frederick W. Keator, Emmett N. Parker, S. Albert Perkins, Eustace B. Rogers, Thomas Sammons, Ezra P. Savage, Theodore

Talk o' the Times

Greetings, have you entered your roses yet?

If water flowed uphill it would be very wet on the top of Mount Tacoma. If Cover is the weather man for that point, also, it probably is anyway.

Oh, Death, where is thy sting? A Rhode Island man was killed with poisoned cream puffs.

Methuselah slept on his sleeping porch with the germ-proof screens all round, and he dreamed of the good old days of yore, ere diseases had been found. He dreamed of his giddy schoolboy days when he was a callow boy not more than 200 years of age, when his life overflowed with joy.

A great - great - great grandson then, with a whisker four feet long, awoke the dreamer as he passed, with a snatch of a rag-time song. "The years of my life," the old man said, "are nine hundred sixty-nine, and never have I heard a song so out-of-tune as this!"

And never in my lengthy life have times so out of joint been governed by such officers as those to whom I point! I've never seen such wayward boys as those these days produce, and women never in my day kicked up the vereduce.

The taxes never were so high, nor were the crops so small; the bugs were never quite so thick; the weeds were not so tall!

The servants, who had heard this stuff for 700 years, pretended to believe it all, and shed the usual tears. They slipped some sleeping powders in Methuselah's cold tea. They buried him at sunset, on a hill beside the sea.

And to think that vacation should start with a rain storm!

Rain Will Not Spoil Rose Show

The rain will not hurt show roses.

So say the expert rosarians who are in charge of the rose show which is to open tomorrow at Lincoln Park High school.

It is the sun that comes out later that does the damage, they say.

Exhibit roses will be received tomorrow morning from 7 to 10 o'clock, and the show will be open to the public at 2 p. m.

Autos will collect roses for decoration this evening. Cash prizes are offered for those bringing the greatest number.

Rose trees and gardens are being judged today.

SEATTLE — A first degree murder charge has been filed against John Soudas, cigar merchant, charging him with murdering Mrs. Blanche R. Coleman. He claims he was a victim of a "badger game" and acted in self-defense.

WILSON VOICES THREAT

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 20.—Secretary Lansing today made public the text of the note to Carranza flatly refusing his demands for the withdrawal of American troops.

It is the curtest note President Wilson has yet sent. It threatens Carranza with the "gravest consequences" if he attacks the Americans.

It exhortates Carranza's failure to co-operate with the U. S. and resents his muskiness.

"The de facto government has been pleased to ignore its obligation to protect American rights and chase bandits, and to believe that in case of the refusal of the U. S. to retire there is no further recourse than to defend its territory and appeal to arms," was the diplomatic jab in the note.

Resents Tone of Note.

"The United States surely would be lacking in sincerity and friendship if it did not frankly impress upon the defacto government that the execution of such a threat will lead to the gravest danger."

It bluntly tells Carranza that he cannot recede from the settled determination to maintain our national rights and prevent further raids across the boundary.

It charges that the bandits have gone unimpeded and unpunished, reciting instances.

It charges Carranza with indifference, declaring that he even encouraged and sided with the bandits.

It resents the discourteous tone of Carranza's last note.

Reviews Year of War.

The note begins: "I have read the communication on the presence of the American troops in Mexico and would be wanting in candor if I did not, before answering, express surprise and regret caused this government by the discourteous tone and temper of the last communication of the de facto government."

The note reviews the last three years of bloodshed and civil war, details of the attacks at Brownsville, Redhouse Ferry, Progreso, Las Peladas and others, declaring that Carranzista adherents and even soldiers participated in the looting, burning and killing.

It cited the Santa Ysabel massacre and the Columbus massacre and declared the Carranzistas brought none of the bandits to justice.

Let Bandits Go.

"After murdering, burning and plundering Columbus, Villa and his bandits, fleeing south, passed within sight of the Carranzista post at Casas Grandes and no effort was made to stop them."

"The marauders who engaged in attacks were driven across the border by American cavalry and subsequently pursued into Mexico. Without co-operation, despite requests, the Americans pursued the lawless bands to



President Woodrow Wilson headed a monster parade in Washington which served to celebrate Flag Day and demonstrate the sentiment of the marchers in favor of national preparedness.

Close Shave for Justice

Judge DeWitt M. Evans of the Tacoma police court owes his life today to a peculiar trick of fate.

He had the closest escape from sudden death at 4 o'clock yesterday that has ever occurred in his experience.

Just after Judge Evans had stepped into the corridor of the fifth floor of the city hall to drop a letter into a mail chute, a round iron ball, five inches in diameter, plunged through the ceiling and struck with a crash on the tile in front of the letter chute. Evans was less than two feet from the spot when the ball fell.

Investigation today proved that the ball had been used as the weight for a safety valve on an antiquated steam system at the city hall, used years ago for operating the elevator. It slipped from its fastening in the attic of the building yesterday just as the police judge was stepping back from the mail chute, tore a large hole through the fifth floor ceiling, and shattered the tiling on the floor where it struck.

LONDON—Food riots are reported in Aix la Chapelle.

HURRY TO GET MORE RECRUITS

While troop B is marking time awaiting general orders from Adj. Gen. Thompson that will send the troopers to American lake, Capt. Hartwell Palmer will establish a recruiting station at the Milwaukee ticket office at 10th and Pacific ave.

The office will be under the supervision of Lieut. Graner and Lieut. Cronander. The office at the Armory will still be maintained.

Local interest is growing and applications and inquiries are coming in fast. Many out-of-town men have telephoned long distance for information regarding enlistment.

The Armory may be several thousand miles away from the Mexican border, but as far as military activity is concerned, Gen. Pershing's camp has nothing on Capt. Palmer's place of business.

Like the Real Stuff.

Clothed in a heavy military overcoat to keep the rains out, the captain didn't even have time to take it off. In fact, he didn't eat breakfast until nearly 11 o'clock.

Telephone orders were kept busy scouting about for corporals. Messenger boys came with telegrams every few minutes.

Lieut. Cramer would tend to a long distance call, answer a thousand different questions from nearly as many different sources and conduct the business of the office all in the same breath.

"Mack" Batson, who used to cook for the Northwest Mounted Police, felt the call of the mess tent. He appeared for a job cooking for the troop in Mexico.

He's Too Bulky.

The only trouble with his requirements was the fact that he tipped the scales at 210 pounds and the government requires that all cavalymen must weigh under 165. However, Batson believes he can reduce.

The troopers are undergoing a five-hours' drill daily. At present they are forced to march down town for their meals, pending the final orders which will move them to the lake.

Capt. Palmer said today he believed the camp at Cosgrove would be ready for occupancy within three days.

Those in charge of recruiting today were stumped on whether it would be proper to allow a man with a wife and two children to enlist. His case was taken under advisement.

Will Get Jobs Back.

Maj. Griggs, of the St. Paul mill, said his company would see that all employees received their jobs back when they return. He also said some provision would probably be made for men with families.

Sergeant William R. Tyree, who served for more than 23 years in the regular army, having had experience in the Zulu campaign, in the Philippines and in Mexico during the revolution in which Garcia attempted to overthrow the Diaz regime, has come back to the life to which he has given most of his career.

Typhoid Toxine Coming.

He is the busiest man at the Army, showing the recruits the first rudiments. The first rudi-

EXPECT MILITIA WILL GO

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 20.—President Wilson today urged members of the senate naval committee to specify one and possibly two dreadnaughts in the navy bill.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 20.—Pessimism over the Mexican situation predominated in official quarters today.

Hope was abandoned that an American mobilization would tame Mexico's martial spirit.

IT IS STRONGLY FELT THAT THE MILITIA WILL GO TO MEXICO.

The administration expects to bottle up Mexican ports immediately, it is reported.

Officials admitted this was possible, though they would not admit they anticipated doing so.

The Pacific fleet is on the way to the west coast of Mexico.

It hoped to blockade Tampico without hampering the oil supply for the British fleet.

This supply of oil must not be stopped for fear that England and the United States may become involved in a dispute.

The armored cruiser Maryland left the Puget Sound navy yard for the south today.

Sec. Lansing's advices showed that the cost of living in Mexico has risen 500 per cent since June 1.

All U. S. consuls pictured chaos in Mexico. A thousand American men in Mexico City. Some of them are finally heading repeated warnings to leave.

MORE PREPAREDNESS

SAN ANTONIO, June 20.—Gen. Funston announced today that the quartermaster department had been ordered to purchase 50,000 horses and mules for the militia.

There will be established several stations throughout the country to advertise for bids immediately.

The war office has asked Gen. Funston to notify it immediately how many militiamen will be needed. It is said the wire from Funston requested a considerable force, but declined to state the exact figures.

It is believed he asked for 65,000, perhaps more. The troops will be distributed from the Gulf of Mexico to California by brigades.

It is believed New York and Illinois will receive the most orders.

ment, one will learn if he observe this seasoned campaigner, is politeness, especially to the superior officers.

Men who have never known the meaning of "I thank you" or "Sir" utter these words a dozen times every five minutes.

A consignment of typhoid toxine is on its way to Tacoma from Seattle. Dr. C. P. Gammon will inoculate all of the recruits and those of the seasoned troopers, who have not had the "shot" yet, as soon as the shipment arrives.

Two former members of the troop have been discharged for physical disabilities.

Chick With 4 Legs Hatched

Alex Knight of Puyallup valley, who lives a mile south of Woodland station, is sorrowing today over the death of a tiny four-legged chicken.

The unusual chicken was hatched out with 13 other diminutive Plymouth Rocks yesterday.

"Although it could not use its extra two legs, it hopped around just as lively as the others," reports Alex.

PORTLAND—The Oregon national guardsmen have moved to the Clackamas rifle range, requiring less than 24 hours to mobilize.