

OCCUPATION OF NORTHERN MEXICO CONSIDERED AS RETALIATORY MEASURE FOR CARRIZAL MASSACRE

AMERICAN TROOPS WILL BE FIRED UPON UNLESS THEY RETREAT IS ORDER

COLUMNS SEEN ADVANCING IN MEXICO TODAY

Moving Toward Ojo Caliente—Trevino Orders Carrizal Treatment if they go On

PRISONERS NOT TO BE HANGED

Names are Sent to General Pershing — Announce Spillsbury's Statement

Chihuahua, City, June 24.—American columns have been seen advancing from the American field base in the direction of San Antonio and Ojo Caliente.

Trevino said the Americans would get the same treatment received at Carrizal, as he is determined to carry out his orders. In this, he said, he had all his subordinates with him.

It was officially announced today that the names of the prisoners brought here will be handed, that "not being the custom of a civilized country."

Lem Spillsbury, a Mormon scout, captured at Carrizal, also is in prison. The troops brought here are: Privates Page, Peterson, N. Lloyd, W. Ward, Jones, Soakes, Marshall, Oliver McDonald, Williams, Givens, Stone, Harris, Lee and Graham of troop H, and Howe and Alexander of troop C.

According to a statement, said to have been signed by Spillsbury, which was made public today by Trevino, neither he nor the negroes knew which side began the firing.

Spillsbury's statement says C troop was the first to advance against the Mexicans. It adds that practically all the Americans who lost their lives were killed when they advanced to a deep ditch in which the Mexicans were stationed, and when other Mexicans, getting around to a deep ditch in their rear, attacked them from the flank.

Taken to Prison. Chihuahua City, Mex., June 24.—Seventeen American negro troops, captured in the Carrizal battle have been placed in the penitentiary here.

El Paso, June 24.—Army officers believe the column bound for Ojo Caliente, which Trevino has threatened to attack, probably is composed of troops surviving the Carrizal battle.

MINES NOT SEIZED. Douglas, Ariz., June 24.—George Kingdom, general superintendent of the Cananea Consolidated Copper company, denied today that any branch of the Mexican government had seized the mines and smelter of his company at Cananea, Sonora.

The last news received in the company's employ arrived here.

WEATHER FORECAST. North Dakota: Fair tonight and warmer in west portion. Sunday partly cloudy and warmer.

UNIVERSITY READINGS. 7 a. m. 51.9; maximum 56.1; minimum 47.5; barometer 29.78; wind northwest, 24 miles; precipitation .4.

RUSSIANS ARE HARD PRESSED BY THE GERMANS

Teutonic Counter-attack Develops Along Long Line.

VERDUN BATTLE STILL RAGING

French Regain Large Portion of Ground Lost Yesterday.

Berlin, June 24.—(Via London.)—The German counter attack against the Russians under General Brusiloff in Volhynia now has developed over a front of 80 miles, extending from Kolk on the Bzur river almost to the Galician frontier.

Although reinforced, von Linzingen is confronted here by highly superior forces, which, however, are unable to check the counter attack and start the Russian steam roller again in the direction of coveted Kovel and Vladimir-Volynski.

The Russian losses here are described as enormous.

Active on Verdun Front. Paris, June 24.—The battle of Verdun continued last night with violence on both sides of the Meuse. The French regained a large part of the ground lost northeast of Verdun, near Hills 230 and 231.

Undertaking a vigorous offensive, the French drove back the Germans over the ground they won yesterday. The battle was particularly violent in the vicinity of Fleury. The French did not succeed in regaining possession of Thiaumont works.

Over six German divisions participated in the offensive actions east of the Meuse yesterday.

German Repulse Attacks. Berlin, June 24.—(Via London.)—The Germans repulsed the attempts of the Russians yesterday to advance south of Houskat and north of Widzy in the Vrnisk sector, according to the army headquarters statement.

Fortress Taken. Berlin, June 24.—(Wireless to Sayville.)—The capture of the armored fortress Thiaumont, north of Verdun, and the fort and village of Fleury, farther south, was announced by the war office. Ground also was gained south of Vaux. The Germans took 2,066 prisoners.

N. D. COWBOYS TO OFFER SERVICES

Former Friend of Roosevelt Organizing "Rough Riders."

(Herald Special Service.) Mandan, N. D., June 24.—George Gardner, former friend of Roosevelt and for years one of the best known ranchers of the Dakota had a land country, is now active in organizing a troop of 250 cow punchers who will volunteer their services to President Wilson for use as scouts or cavalry.

The cowboys would emulate Teddy's Rough Riders of 1898, and are flocking to the call from every section of the cow country.

Each man is furnishing his own horse, saddle and equipment and the government is expected to furnish provisions and weapons.

MEXICAN BULLETINS.

Hold Up Freight. Washington, June 24.—Customs officials along the border were ordered today to hold up freight shipments into Mexico, and advise railroads to keep their rolling stock on the American side of the line.

Enlarge Base Hospital. El Paso, Tex., June 24.—Preparations are being made to enlarge the base hospital at Ft. Bliss in the event of hostilities with Mexico. Calm prevailed on both sides of the river today.

"Nothing to Say." Washington, June 24.—After a conference with President Wilson, Secretaries Lansing and Baker refused to make a statement.

"I cannot say a word," Lansing declared. Then, for the first time since taking office, he cancelled his morning engagement with newspaper men.

Mexicans Discredited Report. El Paso, Texas, June 24.—Mexican military authorities have received no reports indicating that the entire command of Americans engaged at Carrizal were wiped out and are inclined to discredit it. The story to this effect was taken to Columbus today by arrivals from the interior.

Pope Against War. London, June 24.—A wireless from Rome says the Pope appealed to Wilson and Carranza to use their earnest endeavors to avert war.

NOTHING TO MEDIATE, SAY U. S. OFFICIALS

Intimated that Proposals May Not Meet With Favor.

San Salvador, Republic of San Salvador, June 24.—(Special.)—Received a cablegram from the Ecuadorian government, urging all Latin American governments to take common action to avert war between the United States and Mexico.

The Salvadoran government cabled instructions to Rafael Salvidor, minister at Washington, to propose mutual action of the diplomatic representatives of Central and South American republics in an effort to prevent hostilities.

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WASHINGTON, June 24.—Relations between the United States and the defacto government of Mexico are close to the breaking point today as the result of the apparently well founded belief that the American cavalry was massacred Wednesday at Carrizal by Carranza soldiers.

Secretaries Lansing and Baker were early at the White House, conferring today with President Wilson. It is known that the possibility of drastic retaliatory action against the Mexican forces in Chihuahua was given grave consideration.

It is believed that the first act of the Washington government, when full information is at hand, will be to demand repudiation of the Carrizal attack by the Carranza government. Reports have convinced officials here that the American troops deliberately were led into a trap.

In the latter event, unqualified repudiation of his act and the immediate surrender of the prisoners probably will be demanded. General Gomez, the Carranza commander at Carrizal, was killed in action, according to Mexican reports.

It will require nearly a week, it is understood, to complete the mobilization of the national guard on the border to make possible a movement in force beyond the line. The border patrol must be maintained and strengthened even if occupation of Northern Mexico is undertaken.

American lives and property would be in danger otherwise and the first purpose of any action will be to safeguard the towns and ranches along the international line. It is regarded as probable that the regular army regiments, now on patrol duty, will be promptly relieved by national guard regiments as they reach the border.

Complete Disorganization of Two Troops is Indicated. 43 MEN ARE HELD AS PRISONERS

No Word Has Come From Commander of Relief Squadron.

San Antonio, Tex., June 24.—Complete disorganization of two troops engaged at Carrizal and the practical annihilation of those actually in the fight, are indicated in the report from General Pershing to General Funston today.

General Pershing, in offering a summary and explaining his conclusions based on such information as secured from stragglers and from press reports, called attention to the indications that there were 57 missing and that his reports indicated 14 of these were dead and 43 are prisoners.

Pershing does not account in his report for the number wounded, but appeared to assume that those wounded have been captured.

Pershing reported that he received no report from the commander of the two squadrons of the Eleventh cavalry sent forward to rescue the remnant of the Tenth.

Pershing, in his report today, referred to the number of those who were returned to the American line as eleven, although in previous dispatches he fixed the number at seven. With those rescued by Lieutenant Meyer the total number of those who had returned is 27.

FEAR NOTHING CAN PREVENT HOSTILITIES. Washington, June 24.—With reports available that nearly the entire American cavalry command of about 100 soldiers may have been annihilated in the fight at Carrizal Wednesday, grave fears were expressed in official circles today that not even diplomatic representations from Mexico City can prevent open hostilities.

Another Alamo is Fought. San Antonio, Texas, June 24.—In the shadow of the Alamo, where the deeds of Davy Crockett, James Bowie, Colonel Travis and Colonel Bonham, made history 70 years ago, the citizens of San Antonio today are convinced that another Alamo was fought Wednesday at Carrizal, and that the names of Captain Boyd, Moore and Lieutenant Adair will go down into history alongside their illustrious predecessors.

BRITISH SHIP IS CAPTURED. Defense Fails in Orpet Case. Judge Denies Motion to have Case Taken From the Jury.

SHIP LOST IN MID-OCEAN. Tokyo, June 24.—Japanese authorities think that the cargo steamer Tokiko Maru of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, which left Tacoma for Japan on the 22nd of March has been lost in mid-Pacific. The steamer chiefly carried munitions of war ordered by the Japanese government. No information as to the exact fate of the steamer is forthcoming.

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