

STILL IN HOPES TO AVERT WAR WITH MEXICO

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MEXICO OFFICIALS NOT OVER WAR-LIKE

First Militia Bodies to Go to Mexican Border Will Be 5,000 From Central States and 5,000 From Western States, As Soon As Ready for Service

Washington, D. C., June 23.—Hope persisted among officials today that war against Mexico would not become necessary. Mexico City dispatches indicated that the leaders of the Carranza government may show a similar attitude. The outlook is not bright, however, and orders have been issued for the transportation of 10,000 National Guardsmen from the central and western states as soon as they are ready for service.

The United States officials are greatly worried over the delay in getting news from the survivors of the Tenth cavalry, which engaged an overwhelming force at Carrizal.

Secretary of War Baker denied the rumors that an immediate call for volunteers to add to the regulars and National Guards was planned. Senator Stone, chairman of the Senate foreign relations committee, said today that Congress would do nothing in the crisis which might interfere with negotiations between the state department and the de facto government.

Whatever the facts may prove to be when General Pershing's report arrives, it is certain that no steps toward reprisal will be taken at least until that report has been carefully studied.

One of the first actions, however, would be to demand the release of the Americans said to have been captured. Neither is it probable there will be any immediate move as a result of the incident Sunday at Mazatlan, where Mexican soldiers made an unprovoked attack on American bluejackets, according to an official report to the navy department today from the commander of the gunboat Annapolis.

It is deemed probable that should General Pershing's report on the Carrizal fight show the Carranza forces to have been the aggressors there also, an opportunity to explain the two incidents would be given the de facto government before any drastic step was ordered by President Wilson.

Both cases have been officially called to the attention of the United States by the Carranza government's ambassador-designate, Eliseo Arredondo.

While this fresh cause for apprehension was occupying officials, a circular note addressed to the South and Central American diplomats by Secretary Lansing, was made public at the state department. It accompanied copies of the note to General Carranza, distributed as a matter of information and was accepted by the diplomat as the last word of the United States before proceeding with any steps which Carranza's course might make necessary.

The statement is a blunt assertion of the purposes of the United States to defend "our national peace and the safety of our citizens," even at the cost of war.

This communication was issued to the Latin-American diplomats, it is understood, to reassure them as to the policy of the United States and in an effort to keep intact the Pan-American understanding for which the administration has labored. European representatives will not fail to obtain copies of the document, and it is understood to be aimed partly at anti-American propaganda conducted abroad by Mexican agencies and other influences which are said to seek to promote hostilities between the two countries.

General Carranza took pains to see that his charges of bad faith against the United States were widely circulated both here, in Latin-America and in Europe. Secretary Lansing felt it advisable to counteract this. He would not discuss his reasons, but it is known that the state department has received much indirect information tending to show that German influences have been busy against the interests of the United States in Mexico, Latin-America and in neutral Europe. It was suggested also that Mr. Lansing might have intended the circular note to head off possible offers of mediation.

After a two hours' cabinet meeting Secretary Lansing said that there was no change in the situation and that the complete report of the Carrizal fighting still was awaited.

A bill to appropriate \$2,600,000 for the dependents of federal volunteers and enlisted men of the National Guard mustered in military service was introduced by Senator Lee of Maryland today and referred to the committee on pensions. Immediate action on his resolution authorizing the president to draft into the federal service the National Guardsmen willing to take the oath under the new

Santo Domingo, and also was bound to catch a negro deserter who he had heard was in Villa Ahumada."

MEXICANS DUG PITFALL.

American Cavalry Detachment Drove in and Many Were Unseated.

El Paso, Tex., June 23.—A new version of the engagement was brought here yesterday by a Mexican civilian, who was in Villa Ahumada early Wednesday afternoon and who said he assisted in dressing some of the Mexican wounded. He said that Gen. Felix Gomez, the slain Carranza leader, had been aware of the approach of the Americans for 12 hours and had sent a number of couriers to them warning them to return to their encampment.

When they persisted in their advance, he said, a pitfall several hundred feet in length was dug directly in the trail which the cavalrymen must traverse. This was cleverly concealed with brush.

As the Americans rode unhesitatingly through the sand dunes toward the encampment, Gen. Gomez lay concealed some hundred yards away in the mesquite. The horses of the American vanguard plunged into the pitfall, unseating their riders and injuring a number of them.

Then, the Mexican asserted, the Carranza forces lying in ambush raked the American ranks with a machine gun. The heavy fire forced the Americans to withdraw to reorganize their line and the Mexicans captured 17 soldiers who had been thrown into the pit.

He asserted that it was then that Gen. Gomez went forward under a flag of truce and that before the proposed parley had begun an irresponsible soldier again started the machine gun fire.

A small detachment of cavalrymen charged toward Gen. Gomez and his party, who were in the center of a field, directly between the two commands, their pistol fire killing the Mexican commander.

According to the story both commands withdrew.

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MONTEPELIER

Louis K. Marquette Died To-day After Operation Three Weeks Ago.

The death of Louis K. Marquette of upper Main street occurred at 1:30 o'clock this morning at Heaton hospital, where he has been since the first of June, an operation having been performed three weeks ago. He had been in ill health since last fall. The deceased was born in Montpelier July 6, 1866, the son of Peter and Cordeia (Rivers) Marquette and also resided in Montpelier, pursuing the trade of painter and paper-hanger. A number of years ago he purchased a home on upper Main street, where he has since resided. He belonged to the local aerie of Eagles.

He is survived by his wife, who was Ellen Counter; one son, Louis Richard Marquette of Montpelier; a sister, Mrs. Carrie Daucesse of East Montpelier; a nephew, Peter Marquette, and a niece, Mrs. George McGrath of Montpelier. The funeral will probably be held Monday morning from St. Augustine's church with burial in Catholic cemetery.

Mayor Boutilleville was authorized to appoint a committee of three citizens last evening at a special session of the city council, the duty of the committee to consist of taking charge of cases where families are dependent upon those who enlisted with Company H. A special city meeting was also called for July 6 for the purpose of authorizing the council to renew the lighting contract.

In probate court yesterday Mrs. Nettie Ferris settled her account as executrix of the will of Albert E. Loveloy.

Clerk of the United States Court Fred S. Platt left this forenoon for his home in Rutland after conducting sessions of naturalization court in Barre and Montpelier, Wednesday and Thursday. Clerk Platt and his assistants were in the federal court room at Montpelier yesterday forenoon, afternoon and evening, nine appearing and receiving their first papers and five making application for the final following is the list of applicants: First papers, Harry Hammerman, Russia, St. Albans; Joseph Bessette, Russia, Montpelier; Antonio Delavari, Italy, Montpelier; James Docherty, Scotland, Montpelier; Adrian J. Granger, Canada, Montpelier; Sigfred W. Olson, Sweden, Montpelier; Sam Robinson, Russia, St. Albans; Robert E. Susens, Italy, Montpelier; Archie J. Dupres, Canada, Randolph; second papers, Carello Della Sarta, Italy, Waterbury; Edward Docherty, Scotland, Montpelier; Joseph Granger, Canada, Berlin; Romolo Missetti, Italy, Montpelier; Anton Ouhroussi, Russia, Montpelier.

Chester W. Merrill of Cincinnati, O., is visiting in the city with his sister, Mrs. Charlotte Merrill of State street, it being his first visit to Montpelier in 31 years, having left for the West 46 years ago. He attended the 30th reunion of his class at Dartmouth college this week, there being less than a score of the class now living.

Mrs. Nettie Jerome has finished work at The Kelllogg and returned to her home in Northfield.

The funeral of Angelo Lamperti, whose death occurred Tuesday morning, was held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from his late home, 228 Barre street, the services being attended by many friends from Williamsboro, Northfield, West Berlin and Barre as well as from Montpelier. Burial was made in Green Mount cemetery and the funeral procession was one of the longest seen in the city for a number of years. The bearers were Andrea Cassani, Giuseppe Tobuzzo, Vitoerio Mattigius, Domenico Domini, Bartolomeo Augustina, Salvatore Natale. Among the relatives from out of town were Natale Ambrosini and daughter of Westbury, N. J.; Angelo Cemi and Frank Bernasconi of Northfield and Charles and John Cemi of West Berlin.

REPULED BY BAYONET IN CLASS OF 30 AT GODDARD

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The closing exercises were brief, but impressive. Prin. Hollister and Judge Darling spoke of the responsibilities resting upon the young men and women who are to carry Goddard's standard out into the world. The class, forming in single file, received their diplomas and then joined in singing the class hymn, a composition of three verses written especially for the occasion.

VERDUN SECTOR ALSO A BUSY PLACE

All Night There Was Violent Artillery Fighting, Especially on Vaux Front

Paris, June 23.—The Germans have launched a heavy attack in the Champagne district, three violent assaults on French trenches in the region of Mont Tatu being repulsed last night after severe fighting with grenades and bayonets, according to today's official statement.

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FRENCH REGAIN TRENCHES

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London, June 23.—On both sides of the river Meuse in the region of Verdun and east of the fortress in the Voivre at the foot of the Meuse hills the Germans are heavily bombarding the French. Especially heavy are the attacks against Hill 304 and Le Mort Homme northwest of Verdun and northeast of the fortress around Thiaumont, the Vaux wood, Chapitre and Fort Laufe.

In a counter attack the French have retaken from the Germans most of the trenches the Germans captured Wednesday night between the Fumin Wood and Chenois, northeast of Verdun.

The Germans, near Givenchy, captured brush trenches, but later were driven out, suffering heavy losses in the counter-attack.

KILLED IN FRANCE

Charles McBain, St. Johnsbury Man, Who Enlisted a Year Ago

St. Johnsbury, June 23.—Charles McBain of St. Johnsbury is reported among the missing in the recent casualties in France. McBain was employed as a farm laborer. He enlisted with a Canadian regiment a year ago. This is the third St. Johnsbury man killed or injured in the allies service. Private Trevor P. Jones, a former draftsman at Fairbanks shops was killed in action, and Norman Gibson is in a hospital in France seriously wounded.

ALLEGED DESERTER HELD IN ST. ALBANS

St. Albans, June 23.—An officer is expected here today to get Roy Witman of Scranton, Pa., a member of the 6th United States field hospital corps, who was arrested here Wednesday evening by Chief of Police Mahoney on a charge of desertion. Witman enlisted at Richmond, Va., about six months ago.

TALK OF THE TOWN

J. G. Tyler of Manchester, N. H., arrived in the city yesterday, where he will spend a number of days as a business visitor.

Miss Beatrice Goslant returned to her home in Lanesboro last evening after spending the past week at the home of Bennett Julian.

Raymond Sherburne, a Goddard alumnus, visited with friends in the city yesterday, returning to his home in St. Johnsbury last evening.

Louis Blann, who has been visiting here for the past few days, left for St. Paul, Minn., this noon to resume his duties as train dispatcher on the C. M. & S. P. railroad.

Mrs. Judson Bailey of Montpelier has been spending the week at the Goddard seminary commencement. Mrs. Bailey, who was Miss Hattie Templeton, was a graduate in the class of 1908.

Miss Jessie Murray and Miss Flora McDonald arrived in the city this afternoon from Sugar Hill, N. H., where they have been employed of late, to spend a few days with their people.

Ira Galef of Washington was in the city yesterday to attend the Goddard exercises. He was accompanied by Miss Olive Galef, who will be remembered as a member of the faculty a few years ago.

Allen Dix, who was graduated from the class of 1912 at Goddard seminary, has just completed his course at the University of Vermont and returned last evening to spend a part of the summer with his mother, Mrs. Hattie Dix on Wellington street.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Jason Martin passed through the city yesterday to their home in Williamsboro, having passed the last week attending the exercises at Wesleyan university, at Middletown, Conn., where Edmond Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin, has just received his degree.

Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Allen motored through the city yesterday, accompanied by Mrs. Allen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Richmond, and Miss Lizzie Knapp, returning to their home in Northfield, after visiting for a few days with Dr. Allen's brother, Dr. E. Allen, of Post Mills.

TO-MORROW THE LAST DAY OF FARE-REFUNDING SALE

The seven days' co-operative fare-refunding sale of Barre merchants closes at 10 o'clock to-morrow, Saturday, night. If you have not already availed yourself of the opportunity to come to Barre and have your fare paid, do not let this final opportunity pass.

Merchants' week in Barre promises to be one of the largest in business transactions in the history of the city.

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The program began at 10 o'clock. Seated on the rostrum were Prin. O. K. Hollister and Charles H. Darling of Burlington, president of the board of trustees. An orchestra of local musicians played a march while the 1916 graduates were ushered to seats fronting the stage. William McIntosh of Dorchester, Mass., acted as marshal. After the invocation, the orchestra gave an overture and Miss Mildred A. Kent of Salisbury, the third honor student in this year's class, was introduced as the salutatorian. Miss Kent had committed to memory an unusually fine piece of rhetoric and her greeting to the guests of the day radiated a welcoming spirit.

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Crimson Freshmen Came from Behind and Just Poked She' Head

HARVARD WON REGATTA

In Later Contest the Winning Crew Was Two Boat Lengths Ahead

Regatta course, New London, Conn., June 23.—Harvard won both the freshmen eight and varsity eight crews contests from Yale this morning. In the first race the Harvard freshmen won a thrilling victory, overtaking Yale in the last half-minute and winning by three-quarters of a boat length. The official time of the race was Harvard 10 minutes and 38.5 seconds; Yale, 10 minutes and 39 seconds.

In the second varsity crew race Harvard won by two lengths, Yale catching the water first and holding a lead during the first half-mile. Then Harvard began to pull up and passed the Blue.

The official time of the second crews' race was Harvard 10 minutes and 25 seconds, Yale 10 minutes and 27 seconds. The varsity race will be rowed late this afternoon, and Harvard is the favorite in this contest.

READY FOR ROUTINE AT VERMONT CAMP

Over 1,000 Men Slept Under Canvass Near Fort Ethan Allen Last Night—Average Strength Per Company is About 75 Men.

Burlington, June 23.—The average strength of the companies of the Vermont National Guard now mobilized at the state camp ground near Fort Ethan Allen is about 75 men. The company with the largest quota of enlisted men was Company K of Springfield with 101 men. Company H of Montpelier had the smallest number with 66 men. Company D of St. Johnsbury had 87 and Company M of Burlington had 91.

The last company to arrive on the grounds reached the reservation at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, while Companies C and M of Burlington and G of Winooski were the first, having gone there early in the forenoon. Tents were pitched during a heavy wind and in an amazingly short time, considering the handicap; and after the men had located they were summoned forth by mess call. Over 1,000 men spent the night under canvass and were ready for the routine of camp life this morning.

An innovation has been made in the method of camp administration this year by the establishment of a patrol consisting of members of the guard, which will operate in Winooski and Burlington.

The primary object of the patrol is to help the members of the regiment, but they will also conduct a camp member, found absent after taps or without permission and will be useful in other ways. Six men will be detailed for this work in Winooski and 12 in Burlington, and their headquarters will be made at the army of each place. The members of the patrol will act in pairs while on duty.

LETTER FROM CO. H.

Boys All Happy and Anxious to Leave for the Border.

The following letter, written last night by Private A. G. Edwards of Company H, V. N. G., to his Barre friends, tells of the doings of the Vermont regiment in camp near Fort Ethan Allen:

"Co. H arrived here at 2 o'clock. All happy and very enthusiastic over their send-off which they received. All quarters were pitched and mess call sounds at 6:30 o'clock. No one was allowed to leave quarters the first night and time was spent by the various companies in sports, such as boxing, wrestling; also quartet and trio singing. There is a brisk wind blowing and seems we are to have a cold night. The boys all seem to be anxious to leave here as soon as possible for the border. Will write more later. A. G. Edwards."

TWO SEVERELY INJURED

When Automobile Turned Over Three Times—Three Slightly Hurt.

St. Albans, June 23.—H. J. Preston and daughter, Mrs. Irving Stebbins, of Sheldon, are at the hospital and three others went to their homes yesterday afternoon after injuries had been attended at the hospital, following an accident near the so-called dry bridge on Georgia road shortly before noon, when an automobile owned and driven by H. H. Mower of Sheldon turned three somersaults.

The party was going to the Woodmen's gathering at Essex Junction. A woman was driving in front and it is said that when the automobile horn sounded she drove across the road in the direction of the car. To avoid hitting her, Mrs. Mower turned the car suddenly. Mr. Preston suffered severe injuries on the head, chest and back. Mrs. Stebbins suffered injuries to her face, arms and legs. Both are suffering from shock. Mr. Mower's right collarbone was broken. Two others in the party suffered a severe shaking up. Drs. E. J. Melville and Arthur Merton of this city, and W. H. Wright of Georgia, attended them.

Mrs. E. Mower and Duncan Trank of North Jay, Me., visited friends in the city yesterday while on their way to visit her daughter, Mrs. Milford Sanders, of Websterville.

Arvid Olsen, who went to Detroit, Mich., last fall to work in the automobile factories, arrived in the city this morning and will spend his vacation with his people, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Olson, of upper Washington street.

MADE PARTIAL RESTITUTION

So Merton Watson Was Placed On Probation After Pleading Guilty.

St. Johnsbury, June 23.—In Caledonia county court yesterday the case of State vs. Merton Watson was disposed of. Watson pleaded guilty to the charge of forgery on a Harvard bank and was sentenced to a year and a half in the house of correction, after which Watson was placed on probation. He has made partial restitution.

DAMAGES OF \$1,075.

Were Awarded G. H. Roben Against Eye-gate Light and Power Co.

South Ryegate, June 23.—The case of G. H. Roben against the Eyegate Light and Power company for failure to furnish the power agreed upon has been tried in the Caledonia county court this week and all the local grand men have been spending a good part of their time there, either as witnesses or spectators. The verdict was handed Thursday afternoon and Mr. Roben was awarded damages of \$1,075.