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THE WORLD IN PARAGRAPHS

A BRIEF RECORD OF PASSING EVENTS IN THIS AND FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

IN LATE DISPATCHES

DOINGS AND HAPPENINGS THAT MARK THE PROGRESS OF THE AGE.

ABOUT THE WAR

Russia admits one of her destroyers was sunk by submarine in Black Sea.

German suffered heavy losses in attempt to capture "Dead Man's Hill" at Verdun.

Artillery of both sides active along entire western front and is especially violent around Douaumont.

Dutch passenger ship Tubantia sunk by submarine of mine, with 387 aboard. United States will investigate.

Italians continue strong attacks on Austrians along Isonzo front. Both sides claim successes at points on Italian front.

Military experts say the German military machine has been more or less crippled by heavy losses in the drives against the French cannon at Verdun.

The British report that the uprising of the Senussi tribes in western Egypt is being broken. The head men of the tribes are asking for pardons, it is said.

Around Riga terrific artillery duels are raging. In Galicia southeast of Kolki and along the middle of the Stripa river the Russians have made small gains.

The various federal states which with Prussia constitute the empire of Germany have shown signs of dissatisfaction with the manner in which the kaiser's government is carrying on the war.

Russian troops in Persia are sweeping the Turks before them and will soon be able to relieve the strain on the British at Kut-el-Amara. The Czar's army is within fifty miles of the pass that will place them in the rear of the Moslem forces, who will then be cut off from their base.

WESTERN

Mr. and Mrs. James D. Hagadorn, formerly of Denver, but now of Raton, N. M., are principals in a divorce proceeding in the New Mexico city.

Two hotels and a store were destroyed by a fire at Cape Girardeau, Mo. The damage was estimated at \$200,000. Several hotel guests were badly burned.

William T. Thornton, governor of New Mexico from 1893 to 1897, who also served in the territorial Legislature and as mayor of Santa Fe, died at Santa Fe at the age of 73.

Dr. H. J. Haiselden was suspended from membership in the Chicago Medical Society for "conduct unbecoming the ethics of the profession." This action was a result of the Baby Bologner case.

Commanders of Texas militia companies have received orders from Brig. Gen. Cecil A. Lyon, commander of the Texas National Guard, to recruit their commands to war strength of 150 men.

While most of the reports reaching Columbus, N. M., unofficially from the Mexican border indicated that the American troops in Mexico were unmolested in their advance, there were also reports that a few snipers had been encountered.

The baby of Mrs. Maude Hawk Wright arrived safely in Juarez on the 17th, an interesting example of the respect for childhood which even the Villa bandits showed when they captured Mrs. Wright, after killing her husband, near Columbus, N. M.

WASHINGTON

The House passed legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill carrying approximately \$37,000,000.

The House passed, 346 to 14, bill to repeal provision of tariff law which would put sugar on free list after May 1.

The Senate military committee completed drafting administration army increase and reorganization bill and ordered it favorably reported.

The Senate adopted resolution to bring the mobile army to its full strength immediately, which had already been passed by the House.

The State Department is considering issuing another warning to Americans against remaining in Mexico while conditions are unsettled.

Senator Shafroth was the principal speaker in the Senate Thursday against the Myers bill to lease the public lands for water power sites.

The Senate passed the House bill amending the postal savings bank law so as to increase the individual deposit maximum from \$500 to \$1,000.

The House passed an urgent deficiency bill carrying \$3,260,800, of which \$2,575,000 is for navy ordnance stores, repairs and other immediate needs of the department.

Secretary Lansing went to Pinehurst, N. C., for a week's vacation.

FOREIGN

The Nova Scotia Legislature passed the prohibition bill by a vote of 25 to 3.

Unconfirmed dispatches from Rome said that the kaiser's throat is again giving him trouble.

The London Opera House, which was built by Oscar Hammerstein in 1911, has been purchased by a vaudeville syndicate.

Premier Asquith is ill, it was announced in a bulletin issued at his office in London, stating he is suffering from bronchial catarrh.

Gen. Joseph Simeon Gallieni, minister of war, has resigned because of ill health, and Gen. Charles Roque has been appointed to succeed him.

At Liverpool, the Irish Nationalists, celebrating the eve of St. Patrick's day under the chairmanship of T. P. O'Connor, pledged allegiance to the allies.

Four German submarines are reported to be in the English channel, prepared to enforce rigidly Germany's recently announced policy of naval warfare.

A great avalanche has interrupted traffic on the railway between Cuneo and Tenda which, next to Mont Genis, furnishes the best Alpine communication with France.

An Athens dispatch to the Geneva Berner Bund says the Zeppelin raid over Greek territory near Soloniki several weeks ago caused damage estimated at nearly \$1,250,000.

The remodeling of the system of the government of the British empire after the war was predicted by Herbert L. Samuel, secretary for home affairs, at a dinner given in honor of the Australian premier, William Morris Hughes in London.

Ten thousand civilians, including government employees and school teachers, paraded Mexico City, carrying the national colors and banners bearing the inscription: "Homage to Venustiano Carranza, the savior of his country's honor."

Figures published in London show that the total consumption of alcoholic liquors in 1915 in the United Kingdom was 92 per cent of that of the previous year, while expenditure for this year increased 10 1/2 per cent, reaching the total of £182,000,000 (\$310,000,000).

With the object of securing arms and ammunition, a force of rebels recently raided Shuntak in Kwangtung province, twenty miles south of Canton, China. They secured a quantity of these munitions and escaped after a fight with government forces in which the casualties on each side were estimated at 300.

SPORTING NEWS

The Pan-Hellenic Olympian games have been cancelled owing to the mobilization of the Greek army.

Sir Thomas Lipton, in a letter to the Essex Yacht Club, says he hopes to compete next year for the American cup.

Women golfers of Denver and Pueblo met with Colorado Springs women players and formed a state association. A state tournament is planned.

The Coronado Country Club four won at San Diego the Pacific coast junior polo championship for 1916 by defeating the Riverside four by a score of 6 1/2 to 5 1/2. Coronado now has two legs on the championship trophy.

Tham Langford, the Boston Tar Baby, who is rounding out his fifteenth year in the prize ring, is headed toward Denver again. The official forecaster announced that the dark cloud on the fighting horizon would arrive shortly after March 21, or in time for public exhibition March 21.

GENERAL

A check for \$43,538,171, one of the largest ever paid in the United States, passed through the New York clearing house.

The body of a Mexican found near the border at Columbus, N. M., was identified as J. Peryra, personal representative of the Mexican consulate in El Paso.

Approval of the stand taken by Carranza in entering into a reciprocal agreement for the passage of troops from one country to another has been given by all general officers of the de facto government's army.

William Lorimer, whose seat in the United States Senate was declared vacant on the ground that it was the result of a political crime, listened to a recital of his alleged financial crimes. The recital was by William H. Holly, assistant state's attorney.

The 2-year old son of Mrs. Maude Hawk Wright, who was given to a Mexican family when Wright was murdered by Villa bandits, and Mrs. Wright was forced to accompany the soldiers to Columbus, N. M., is with Charles Peeler, a friend of the Wrights, at Pearson, twenty-five miles southwest of the Wright ranch. Mrs. Wright will remain in El Paso until she receives the baby.

The funeral of Henry Gasaway Davis, former United States senator, who died at his home in Washington, was held at Elkins, W. Va.

An unpledged delegation to the Republican national convention at Chicago was chosen at the first presidential primaries ever held in New Hampshire.

Allan L. Benson of Yonkers, N. Y., has been chosen a candidate for president of the Socialist party by a referendum vote. George R. Kirkpatrick of New York was nominated for vice president.

ALMOST ESCAPES ON VILLA'S HORSE

Woman Ready to Mount When She is Caught.

HEARS HUSBAND IS SLAIN

Mrs. Wright Says Mexican Rebel Chief Expected Help of Germany and Japan in Trouble With the United States.

El Paso, Tex.—Mrs. Maude Hawk Wright, the American woman who rode nine days with the Villa troops preceding the raid on Columbus, N. M., learned that her baby, which had been taken from her and given to a Mexican family, was safe at Pearson, Mex., and that her husband had been murdered by the soldiers a short distance from their home. Mrs. Wright arrived in El Paso with Mrs. H. J. Stocum, wife of the 13th cavalry commander.

"I want to go to my baby," Mrs. Wright said. "It would only take me three days to walk to Pearson."

She was informed that the child probably would be brought to Juarez on the train which is to bring the Mormon colonists.

Stoical, She Tells Story.

Dry-eyed and stoical after the terrible experience in which she had suffered hunger, thirst, exposure, facing almost inevitable death, in addition to the sorrow and worry over the loss of her husband and child, Mrs. Wright told her story to a representative of the Associated Press as though it were commonplace. She had suffered so much she apparently had lost all sense of fear. Because she suffered in silence, never complaining, and holding herself aloof from the border of soldiers, fugitives, derelicts and vagabonds on the border, she was called "La Reyna" queen of the Villistas, by the troops. Villa had told one of the officers that he preferred to have her die of exhaustion rather than to kill her outright—and because she proved to be able to withstand hardships better than his own men he promised he would release her after he had sacked Columbus. He also agreed to give her \$100 gold and a permit to travel unmolested through any part of Villa territory.

Villa Expected German Aid.

"Villa only talked to me twice," Mrs. Wright said. "I avoided talking with him because he would have thought I admired him and would have forced me to accompany him. He told his officers how he would wipe out the town of Columbus and when the United States tried to invade the Mexican territory Germany and Japan would step in to intervene. Villa believed this firmly. I have overheard him make such remarks from time to time. Whether agents of these two countries are making him believe this or whether it is an idea which came to him I do not know. But he is convinced that he will be assisted in the fight he has started."

"How I wanted to escape to tell the people of Columbus about the attack! But I was watched all the time. The first night I was allowed to sleep in an abandoned adobe hut which was prepared for me. About thirty saddles were piled in front of the door. The guards slept with their heads to the door, and their feet to a fire just beyond."

Tries to Flee on Villa's Horse.

"I lay down, but not to sleep. About midnight, I heard the snoring of the Mexican guards. I peered through the opening of the saddles and spied Villa's charger, a splendid steed, about fifty feet from the hut. One by one I removed the saddles and stepped over the sleeping forms until I reached the horse."

"The horse was tangled in his rope I began to untangle the horse and then one of the Mexicans turned over. He saw something was wrong I stood behind the horse. But the horse refused to stand still and I kept me busy keeping behind the animal. Finally the guard came out to where the horse was."

"What are you doing here?" I asked. "What are you doing here?" he asked.

"Untangling this horse," I replied. Then he finished the task I started. I longed for a baton, a dagger, a pen knife, anything to kill the man. I could have shot him had I had a gun. But if I could have killed him I could have escaped, since none of the other horses could have overtaken me."

"I returned to the hut. From then on I was watched constantly. For three days and nights we were without fire in the frost-covered mountain country of northern Chihuahua. For thirty hours we were without water. But the soldiers often did without rather than see my canteen empty."

"When we neared Columbus Major Nicholas Hernandez, one of the meanest men I have ever known, said I

was to be given a rifle to kill the 'gringos' in Columbus. I told him I would shoot him first.

"I believe you would," he said.

Mrs. Wright was guarded outside of Columbus, about 500 yards, while the attack was made on the city. She asked to be released, but her guard said he must have Villa's consent. When the troops retreated she started toward Columbus. Villa, one of the last of the fleeing raiders, stopped beating his horse and men with his sword upon seeing her.

"Do you want to go home?" he asked.

"Do you mean to Mexico?" she asked.

"No, to the United States."

"Yes."

"Go," he said.

"May I take my mare and saddle?" she asked.

"Yes," he answered, and rode on. Mrs. Wright then rode into Columbus.

REGAINING PLACE AS IDOL OF PEONS

Villa's Audacity Wins Him Sympathy Among the Ignorant Mexicans.

Villa's audacity in making such a bold attack on American soil and his escape from the small mounted forces that pursued him from Columbus has done much toward placing him back on his pedestal as the popular idol of the peons and ignorant Mexicans.

The American invasion has given him the argument that Carranza is in league with the "gringos" and the declaration that plans are on foot to place the states of Chihuahua and Sonora under American rule, after the example of Texas and California.

In all public statements since the Columbus massacre, Carranza has carefully avoided reference to the American invasion, of which he has received both personal and official information.

In El Paso, it is taken for granted that the "gringo hate" so carefully cultivated in Mexico for the last sixty years, is now so strong that Carranza would lose all prestige if he recognized an invasion by the despised men of the North, whether that invasion was under the name of "punitive expedition" or any other innocent appearing phrase.

It is believed the general plan of invasion of Mexico under consideration by the American forces is laid along three avenues of entrance. According to this theory, one, United States column will enter Mexico through Juarez another from Douglas, Ariz., and a third will start from the blackened ruins of Columbus.

The theory is based on the belief that the war department has decided to take measures by which it hopes to throw a line of forces midway east and west across the state of Chihuahua, thereby cutting Villa off from further recruiting his forces in the central part of the republic.

With this line on the south the Douglas column on the west and the Juarez column on the east, it is believed Villa will be cornered in a "U" the tips of which will touch the international border line.

Then by the closing of this cordon and the starting of the third expeditionary force on a straight sweep south from Columbus, it is believed that the bandit chieftain and his forces will be surrounded and forced into a decisive battle, instead of an endless period of guerrilla warfare in the hills.

The cordon would further have the effect of starving out Villa and his followers and isolating them from all communications with potential assistance in other parts of the republic.

The success of the plan is admitted to depend largely upon the ability of the American forces to overcome the ever spreading Carranza opposition which is now being considered one of the strongest factors in the campaign.

With the pitifully small forces available at present, it is believed the American forces will experience great difficulty in covering the 30,000 or more square miles in the prescribed area of the "U," and at the same time protecting their lines of communication, both from the onslaughts of the entrapped bandits and the hostile disposition of the Carranzistas.

The last is a negligible quantity by no means. Mexicans are Mexicans first and Carranzistas second. As Carranzistas they hate Villa, but as Mexicans they solidly hate Americans.

AMERICAN NEWSPAPERS BARRED FROM MEXICO

Brownsville, Tex.—An official decree barring all American newspapers from Matamoros, the Mexican town across the Rio Grande from Brownsville, was issued by the military authorities there today. No reason was given. The action came as a surprise here and two arrests of newspaper carriers resulted.

U.S. REPLY TO CARRANZA

LANSING DISAVOWS ANY INTENTION BY UNITED STATES TO INTERVENE IN MEXICO.

Washington, March 15.—Secretary Lansing, following the publication of the reply to Gen. Carranza, gave out the following statement of assurance to the Mexican people:

"In order to remove any apprehension that may exist, either in the United States or Mexico, the President has authorized me to give in his name the public assurance that the military operations in contemplation by this government will be strictly confined to the object already announced, and that in no circumstances will they be suffered to intrude in any degree upon the sovereignty of Mexico or develop into intervention of any kind in the international affairs of the sister republic."

"On the contrary, what now is being done is deliberately intended to preclude the possibility of intervention."

United States Concedes Right.

Following is the answer of the United States to the Carranza note suggesting a reciprocity agreement in the matter of troops from each government crossing the boundary line in pursuit of bandits, sent to Carranza through Consul Silliman at Guadalupe:

"You are instructed to reply as follows to Secretary Acuna's note of March 10:

"The government of the United States has received the courteous note of Senor Acuna and has read with satisfaction his suggestion for reciprocal privileges to the American and Mexican authorities in the pursuit and apprehension of outlaws who infest their respective territory along the international boundary, and who are a menace to the lives and property of residents in that region."

"The government of the United States, in view of affairs which have existed for some time along the international boundary, and earnestly desiring to cooperate with the de facto government of Mexico to suppress this state of lawlessness of which the recent attack on Columbus, N. M., is a deplorable example, and to insure peace and order in the regions contiguous to the boundary between the two republics, readily grants reciprocal rights for military forces of the de facto government of Mexico to cross the international boundary in pursuit of lawless bands of armed men who have entered Mexico from the United States, committed outrages on Mexican soil and fled into the United States, on the understanding that the de facto government of Mexico grants the reciprocal privilege that the military forces of the United States may pursue across the international boundary into Mexican territory lawless bands of armed men who have entered the United States from Mexico, committed outrages on American soil and fled into Mexico."

"The government of the United States understands that in view of its idea of the reciprocal arrangement proposed by the de facto government the arm is now complete and in force and the reciprocal privilege thereunder may accordingly be exercised by either government without further interchange of views."

"It is a matter of great satisfaction to the government of the United States that the de facto government has been so friendly in the matter of cooperation with the United States to apprehend and punish the bands of outlaws who seek refuge beyond the international boundaries in the erroneous belief that constituted authorities will resent any pursuit across the boundary by the forces of the government whose citizens have suffered by the crimes of the fugitives."

"With the same spirit of cordial friendship the government of the United States will exercise the privilege granted by the de facto government of Mexico in the hope and confident expectation that by their mutual efforts lawlessness will be eradicated and peace and order maintained in the territories of the United States and Mexico contiguous to the international boundary."

(Signed) "LANSING."

URGES SPEED ON LEGISLATION

Senate Warned Villa May Unite Mexico Against Punitive Army.

Washington, March 14.—Danger of grave complications growing out of the sending of American troops into Mexico to hunt down Villa and his bandits was urged in the Senate by Senator Chamberlain, chairman of the military committee, and Senator Borah, Republican, in advocating laying aside temporarily all other legislation in order to dispose promptly of preparedness measures. Their statements precipitated a general discussion in which Senators Vanderman and Simmons deprecated suggestions that the United States was not prepared to deal with any situation that might arise in its relations with Mexico.

While the Senate debate was in progress, Speaker Clark and Majority Leader Kitchin were reporting to their colleagues of the House on a conference with President Wilson who urged them to speed up the legislative program with a view to action on all important measures in time for adjournment in June.

Mexicans Burn Monterey Presidio.

Monterey, Cal.—The headquarters building at the Monterey Presidio was totally destroyed by fire Monday morning, about six hours after being vacated by troops of the First cavalry who left for the Mexican border. Firemen attempting to extinguish the flames found that the water supply had been cut. An investigation was started immediately by caretakers left in charge. It is believed by the authorities that the fire was started and the water supply cut off by Mexicans.

Average Age Increasing.

The number of people who attain the age of a hundred grows greater yearly. This is not a fancy, but a definite statistical fact, which proves that the average length of human life on this planet is slowly but steadily increasing.

Big Advantage.

There must be a tremendous advantage in being so rich that a merchant is afraid of making you mad in sending a bill.

To Clean Glass.

It is a good idea to clean the glass over pictures with a cloth wrung from hot water and dipped in alcohol. Polish them immediately until they are dry and glossy with chamols or tinsu paper.

Japanese Like Yams.

Japan has erected a monument over the grave of the scientist who introduced the sweet potato into the empire for general cultivation more than two centuries ago.

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