

Gen. Villa Refuses to Fight United States

El Paso, Tex., April 24.—Gen. Villa said today that he absolutely declined to be dragged into a war with the United States by anybody. His declaration was so positive and unreserved that it has allayed the war feeling that blazed here last night and this morning.

Villa made his statement to Special Agent for the State Department Carothers, who called on him at Juarez to get an expression of his intentions.

"THEY MUST THINK I AM CRAZY."

"Why," smiled Villa, throwing his arms on the shoulders of Carothers, "all Europe would laugh at us, and say that little drunkard Huerta has drawn them into a tangle at last."

"They must think I am crazy," he added.

Mexicans Attack Laredo, Texas.

San Antonio, Tex., April 24.—Long distance telephone messages received here today from Laredo say that at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon the Mexican Federals, who are still in control of Nuevo Laredo, fired the town, and were at that time firing across the Rio Grande river into Laredo, Tex.

Troops Off for Vera Cruz. Galveston, Tex., April 24.—Four transports with the Fifth Brigade U. S. Infantry on board sailed this afternoon for Vera Cruz. Gen. Funston is commanding.

Mobs Are Virtually in Control of Mexico City.

MEXICO CITY, via Refugee Train, enroute to Vera Cruz, April 24.—Mexico City is virtually in the possession of mobs who search for American flags and trample them under their feet. American pedestrians on the streets are threatened.

The position of Americans remaining in the city is critical, though there are still many of them who prefer to stay there and guard their property to leaving.

Refugees Reach Vera Cruz. WASHINGTON, April 24.—Admiral Fletcher has reported the arrival at Vera Cruz of 600 American, British and German refugees from Mexico City. They report that the tense excitement at the capital is such that it is not safe for foreigners to remain there.

Villa at Juarez. EL PASO, Tex., April 24.—Gen. Villa arrived at Juarez yesterday afternoon, and it is said, is preparing for hostilities on the border should occasion arise. It is believed that he will attempt to make an occasion.

Villa Threatens El Paso. EL PASO, Tex., April 24.—A statement made by Gen. Villa yesterday evening shortly after his arrival at Juarez, that he could "land 12,000 seasoned troops in El Paso within 48 hours," has caused great excitement here.

Conservative business men are afraid that border sentiment will become so intense that American citizens will commit some overt act that will cause an invasion of American territory by the Constitutionalists. In that event, it is conceded, nothing could prevent a general war with all the Mexican people.

Texas Expect to Fight Rebels. EL PASO, Tex., April 24.—The sentiment all along the border is that the Constitutionalists will join in making war against the United States. There is no doubt here this morning that they will attempt to prevent American troops crossing the border into Mexico.

The circumstance that Constitutional forces are being sent northward toward the border is believed to justify this belief, which has reached the point of conviction since the arrival of Gen. Villa at Juarez.

LEAVING ON SPOKANE. The following have taken passage on the Spokane, sailing South from Juneau tonight: For Seattle—Mrs. L. J. Wilhelm, H. A. Gabriel, Mrs. Stella Jones, Mrs. M. Winn, Mrs. H. Haslam, Mrs. J. H. Carby, Mrs. M. Bean, Mrs. John Museth, Julius Friedman and wife; for Ketchikan—S. Sariger, R. G. Hale and wife, M. E. Johnson; for Petersburg—C. B. Steen, J. Jansen-Fuhr, C. Tveton, N. S. Campbell.

TAKING CARE OF YOUR HANDS is made a pleasure if you use Henckel's nail file, scissors and cuticle knife, and then apply liberally, Perfection Toilet Cream, 25c a bottle. Sold only by the Juneau Drug Co., opposite Alaskan Hotel, phone 250. The store that has what you want—when you want it.

CHEAP ORANGES. Two dozen oranges for 35 cents at both stores. ROYAL FRUIT CO.—4-21-tf.

THE WEATHER TODAY. Twenty-four hours ending at 3 p. m.: Maximum—51. Minimum—36. Clear.

GREAT THROG AT BALL PARK SUNDAY

A tremendous interest has been aroused in the popular plan of erecting the grandstand and bleachers for the baseball grounds in the recreation park of Last Chance basin. The idea of having the ladies prepare sandwiches and serve them to the workers has been taken up with enthusiasm and there promises to be an immense throng out to the grounds next Sunday. The board of managers has secured assistance from every quarter. An augmented band, every member being a tried and true leather-hip, and every type of instrument in use from an elbow horn and swinette to the piccolo. The band will start things at Burford's corner in the morning.

Everybody's going. Listen to what a few of Juneau's prominent business men have to say:

T. F. Kennedy, president First National Bank—"The First National Bank will be first on the grounds."

Milt Winn—"My Sunday Address will be the baseball grounds, Last Chance basin."

Charles Goldstein—"The Goldstein store's crews and auto will be at the disposal of the committee."

Cash and Tom Cole—"You load the teams and we'll do the hauling."

James Barragar—"I'll never be arrested for hard work, but I'm willing to try."

Simon Hirsch—"If the ball season is as successful as this Sunday picnic, we will win every game."

Capt. A. A. Gabbs—"I'll be there Sunday if I have to run the Fox up Gold creek."

Guy McNaughton—"I'll be there and act as chauffeur of a wheel barrow."

Willis Nowell—"I'll be there with a wheel barrow full of sandwiches and energy."

B. M. Behrends—"I don't know much about this kind of work, but I'm going to start Sunday."

Sanitary Grocery—"There will be three of us there to look out for sanitary conditions."

George Burford—"It makes me sick to think I can't be there, but my auto will be at the service of the committee."

James King—"You'll think it's a laundrymen's picnic when we hit the grounds next Sunday."

C. W. Young—"Thirty men and thirty lunches ought to help some."

Winter and Pond—"We'll take picks—not pictures."

Hotel Cain—"Cain will be there if able."

B. L. Thane, by cable from Ketchikan—"Will be there if come overland."

J. R. Whipple—"Am not coming to listen to music but to work."

Bob Hurley—"Gee, I've bilsters already from thinking of the work I'm going to do."

Tom Radonich—"Just say I'll be there with 'chickens and coffee.'"

A. T. Spatz—"Gee, but I like music with my work."

Dr. L. O. Sloane—"First aid will be rendered free of charge with my new auto converted into an ambulance."

Jack Olds—"The only thing that can keep me away is a fire."

Alaskan Hotel—"Ladies with large lunch baskets may call up the hotel and we'll call with an auto."

29 DEAD IN COLORADO WAR

TRINIDAD, Colo., April 24.—The known dead in the fighting between the National Guard and the striking miners, which started Monday and is still progressing, numbers 29. The loss at the Ludlow battle numbered 21. State Troops Arriving. Several hundred State troops arrived today, and more are coming. The intention is to disarm the miners.

LEAGUE BASEBALL

STANDING OF CLUBS YESTERDAY NORTHWESTERN LEAGUE.		
	Won	Lost
Spokane	7	1
Seattle	5	3
Vancouver	5	3
Tacoma	4	4
Victoria	2	6
Portland	1	7

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE.		
	Won	Lost
San Francisco	14	6
Venice	12	9
Sacramento	8	10
Portland	7	9
Oakland	7	10
Los Angeles	8	12

AMERICAN LEAGUE.		
	Won	Lost
Chicago	6	1
New York	3	1
Detroit	4	2
Washington	3	2
St. Louis	3	3
Boston	3	4
Philadelphia	2	4
Cleveland	0	7

NATIONAL LEAGUE.		
	Won	Lost
Pittsburgh	6	1
Philadelphia	3	1
Brooklyn	3	1
St. Louis	3	4
Chicago	2	3
Boston	1	3
New York	1	3
Cincinnati	1	4

AMERICAN LEAGUE. Yesterday's Scores:		
At Washington—Boston, 5; Washington, 0.		
At Philadelphia—New York, 5; Philadelphia, 3.		
At Cleveland—Cleveland, 4; Chicago, 1.		
At St. Louis—Detroit, 3; St. Louis, 1.		

NATIONAL LEAGUE. Yesterday's Scores:		
At Pittsburgh—Pittsburgh, 5; St. Louis, 1.		
At Boston—Boston, 9; Brooklyn, 1.		
At New York—New York, 12; Philadelphia, 4.		
At Chicago—Chicago, 2; Cincinnati, 5.		

FEDERAL LEAGUE. Yesterday's Scores:		
At Pittsburgh—Pittsburgh, 6; Brooklyn, 5.		
At Indianapolis—St. Louis, 3; Indianapolis, 0.		
At Chicago—Chicago, 9; Kansas City, 1.		
At Baltimore—Baltimore, 4; Buffalo, 3.		

NORTHWESTERN LEAGUE. Yesterday's Scores:		
At Seattle—Seattle, 3; Vancouver, 2.		
At Spokane—Spokane, 6; Portland, 4.		
At Victoria—Tacoma, 5; Victoria, 0.		

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE. Yesterday's Scores:		
At Sacramento—Los Angeles, 9; Sacramento, 4.		
At Los Angeles—Venice, 7; Portland, 4. Called in the 8th; rain.		
At San Francisco—Oakland, 3; San Francisco, 0.		

UNION DID NOT GO ON STRIKE

William Hyde, business agent of the local longshoremen's union denies that the union went on strike while unloading cement from the La Touche or that the union or any of its members were in any way involved in the matter. As a matter of fact the union was locked out on this job, according to Mr. Hyde, and the cargo was being handled by non-union men who struck for more pay. The union has not handled any of the cargo, he says, nor does it intend to do so.

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING TONIGHT

There will be a special meeting of the city council tonight to which all of the building contractors of the city and dealers in building supplies generally are invited for the purpose of discussing building matters generally in Juneau. Another and special matter to be discussed will be the advisability of leasing out the municipal rock crushing plant.

ST. GEORGE HOUSE.

Everything new. Good light and well ventilated rooms. Baths, electric light. Good board. Reasonable rates by the day, week or month. 4-18-tf.

MRS. A. E. HOULIHAN.

DANCE. The young people's club will give a dance on Saturday, the 25th, at the Mayflower hall. Dancing starts at 9 o'clock. Admission 75c. Ladies free. SOLOMAN and JACKSON, Committee. Wed-Fri.

SURVEY FLEET FOR ALASKA WATERS

The fleet of U. S. geodetic survey vessels stationed on the Pacific coast will be engaged largely this year with work in Alaskan waters. Of the six vessels in the fleet the Yukon is now in the Kuskokwim where she laid up for the winter; the McArthur is on her way north and will work around Metlakahla; the Godney will work on the west coast of Prince of Wales Island; the Taku which wintered at Cordova, will work around Prince of Wales Sound; the Patterson now on the way from Hawaii, will go to Duval, Alaska, and the Explorer, which arrived in Juneau yesterday will put in the season or a part of it around Glacier bay and the Icy straits section.

Capt. R. S. Patton is in command of the Explorer and he said this morning that his most important work planned for this season would be the beginning of a complete survey of Excursion Inlet, Icy straits and Glacier bay. It is possible he said, that he may be ordered to the Westward, depending on the location of the proposed Alaska railroad terminal. One important little detail will be the charting of a rock recently found by a fisherman in the east entrance of South Inian passage near the Inian islands at the head of Cross sound. The Explorer will also go to Hoonah and Idaho Inlet completing the charts of those fishing stations.

"Very probably," said Capt. Patton, "we will be provided with a wire drag for our work, for the bill is now before Congress. This will be a distinct advantage in doing our work and make it absolutely reliable when once done. This drag consists of a sunken wire at a depth of 60 feet or any required depth for that matter to which floats with flags mounted are attached. Launches are then connected with each end of the sunken cable and it is towed through the channel or bay sought to be charted. If an obstruction is met the flag attached to the float is dipped, serving notice and then the obstruction is properly marked. Once the waters have been dragged in this manner they will be made perfectly safe."

BRAZIL SEEKS TO UNLOAD STEAMSHIPS

NEW YORK, April 24.—A Rio de Janeiro dispatch says the Brazilian government is seeking a purchaser for its steamship fleet of 65 vessels operating along the South American coast with a service between New York and Brazilian ports. The government values the line at \$15,000,000, and has received an offer of \$9,000,000.

BOSTON TO CONDUCT REAL ESTATE SALE

BOSTON, April 24.—Upwards of 4000 parcels of real estate in Boston will be sold May 6 at auction by the city unless the owners pay back taxes and assessments.

SCHOOL CHILDREN GO OUT ON STRIKE

WENATCHEE, Wash., April 24.—Three hundred school children went out on a strike here today because the school board last night refused to re-elect City Superintendent of Schools Brown and High School Principal Nelson.

GRAND THEATRE.

"The Innocent Victim," a big, interesting feature in three reels. A masterpiece production by the Italia people. We always guarantee our features, as they are of the very latest, and the kind that pleases the public. "Innocent Victim" is a story of family affairs.

A Gaumont Weekly with all the latest events, always good. We close with a big laughable comedy, "The Ghost in Uniform." The Thanhouser Kid in the leading parts, very good comedy.

For a real good picture show, always come to the Grand. Saturday matinee at 2 p. m. Admission 5 and 10 cents.

WHEN THE DOCTOR SEES YOU

bring a prescription to this pharmacy, he knows that his efforts will not be thwarted either by poor drugs or inaccurate compounding. We have a reputation among physicians for perfect prescription work. You can take their opinion as authoritative and bring your prescriptions here to be filled. "There's a Reason." Phone 3. Doran's Prescription Pharmacy. 4-24-tf.

CHANGE NIGHT AT RINK.

Tonight is change night at Jaxon's rink. A big, two-reel feature along with two other good stories; 10 and 15 cents, any seat, two shows a night.

AUDITING CITY'S BOOKS.

Ike Sowerby and H. R. Shepard are now busily engaged auditing and expending the books and accounts of the city.

YOU CAN AFFORD

to paper those rooms now. Eye-opener prices on wall paper. American Paint Co., opposite Dorans Drug Store.—4-22-3t.

When hungry, hit the trail for the Stampedo, cor. Front and Franklin. —2-12-tf.

Buy a meerschaum pipe at Burford's and treat yourself to a satisfying smoke after dinner. —2-15-tf

Galvanizing done by G. Roene, Sans Soucel Bldg., Douglas.

President Waits to Learn Enemies' Plans

HUERTA DECLARES FOR WAR

London, April 24.—A dispatch from Mexico City says that Gen. Huerta today issued a proclamation calling upon all factions of the people to come to the defense of the colors of Mexico. The proclamation grants amnesty to all the citizens of the country in the interest of united resistance against the United States. The proclamation was received with the greatest enthusiasm by the people of the capital. Two Americans Stabbed. Two Americans were stabbed while on the streets of Mexico City today.

EXCAVATION FINISHED FOR MESSERSCHMIDT BUILDING

The excavation is all finished for the new concrete Messerschmidt building on Second street and the steel will arrive Saturday. It is expected that construction will begin early next week.

INDICTED MERCHANT SELLS HIS COUNTRY HOME

NEW YORK, April 24.—Nathan Straus, Jr., has purchased Driftwood, the country home of Henry Siegel at Orienta Point, Mamaroneck, on Long Island sound. The price is reported as \$125,000.

EMPLOYEES OPPOSE GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP

LONDON, April 24.—The Amalgamated Society of Telephone Employees in convention at London claim that wages, allowances and other conditions of labor are worse since the government took over the telephone systems than they were under private management.

PHILLIPS ACADEMY GETS \$300,000 DONATION

NEW YORK, April 24.—A bequest to Phillips Academy, Andover, of \$300,000, made by Melville C. Day, who died last year in Italy, has been paid over to that institution. Day was a member of the class of 1858.

IOWA CONGRESSMAN AFTER TAX DODGERS

WASHINGTON, April 24.—Representative Solomon F. Prouty of Iowa in the House declared that millions of personal property is escaping taxation in Washington City. He declared that two men were commonly reported to have \$100,000,000 in Washington locked up in the safe deposits vaults. Washington, he claims, has become the asylum for the rich.

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY WILL USE PANAMA CANAL

BOSTON, April 24.—The American-Hawaiian Steamship company is preparing to use the Panama canal extensively, and will establish a line to run from Boston to Porto Rico, Mexico, Salina Cruz, Honolulu and other Pacific points.

TRADITIONAL ENEMIES PROPOSE AN ALLIANCE

LONDON, April 24.—The London Daily Citizen publishes from a diplomatic correspondent an article which states that on the initiative of Great Britain negotiations are now afoot for converting the Triple Entente among England, France and Russia into a triple alliance. This step has two objects. First, it may lead to a quadruple alliance which will include Germany, and second, such quadruple alliance may lead to an agreement for the limitation of armaments.

CHICAGO TO HAVE NEW BANK AND TRUST COMPANY

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 24.—The State of Illinois has issued a charter to the Guarantee Bank and Trust company, of this city, with a capital of \$750,000. The new bank will be located at Chicago.

CHICAGO BANKER REFUSES TO HELP THE KICKERS

CHICAGO, April 24.—George F. Reynolds, the Chicago banker who has been urged as a member of the reserve board, refuses to aid those cities which have asked for his aid in securing for them regional reserve banks. He says: "The law has been laid down and we must conform thereto. This is the time for constructive work, not criticism."

Baltimore Wants Freedom from Richmond.

BALTIMORE, Md., April 24.—It is rumored that three of the largest national banks in Baltimore will consolidate, in order to enable the city to be practically independent of the Federal reserve bank at Richmond.

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Washington, April 24.—The revelation of the purposes of Carranza and Huerta is awaited by the President before a complete military campaign is developed.

The President made it clear today that no blockade of Mexico has been declared and that before such step is taken all the foreign governments will be notified.

The only actual movement of troops that has been ordered is that of Gen. Funston with a brigade of infantry and artillery forces to Vera Cruz, and they are going for defensive purposes and not for aggression.

THREE MORE AMERICANS KILLED AT VERA CRUZ

Washington, April 24.—Admiral Badger has reported three more seamen killed and 25 wounded as a result of the skirmishing and desultory shooting from ambush by Mexican soldiers and others. The American casualties to date are 15 killed and 75 wounded.

Badger requested permission to capture all Mexican gunboats along the Mexican coast and other vessels carrying troops or ammunition for the aid of the Mexicans. He urges this as a means of protection to the American marines and bluejackets that occupy Vera Cruz.

Funston Commands First Army of Occupation.

WASHINGTON, April 24.—A brigade of infantry and some artillery under Gen. Frederick Funston has been ordered to embark on four transports at Galveston and proceed at once to Vera Cruz to support the marines and bluejackets that are ashore at that place. There are about 5,000 bluejackets and marines ashore there now.

Funston's Brigade Moves.

GALVESTON, Tex., April 24.—The fifth brigade broke camp at Fort Crockett at daylight this morning and moved to the transports in the harbor.

Troops Off for the Border.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 24.—Three thousand officers and men under command of Gen. Pershing entrained today and are speeding for the Mexican border.

Senate Passes Volunteer Bill.

WASHINGTON, April 24.—The Senate passed the volunteer army bill which passed the House several days ago. Under it all National Guards are available for the use of the United States.

The House promptly concurred in the Senate amendments, and the bill is in the hands of the President.

All Offer Services.

The Governors of practically all of the States have requested the President to accept the National Guards of their States in case of war. It is plain that there will be rivalry for the privilege of participating in the event of war.

Blockading Squadron Formed.

WASHINGTON, April 24.—Vessels are being crowded southward from Pacific Coast points to participate in a blockade of the Mexican Pacific coast. There are now ships at Mazatlan and other coast ports, but the purpose is to maintain a patrol of the entire coast, including the super-dreadnaughts New York and Texas.

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Vera Cruz Safety American.

VERA CRUZ, Mex., April 24.—The American forces here are not alarmed over the prospect of an attack from Gen. Maas, who is reported to be mobilizing his scattered forces about 20 miles away. There are more than 5,000 marines and bluejackets ashore to resist an assault if a Mexican force should attempt to pass through the zone that is covered by the guns of the naval ships in the harbor. Admiral Badger is in command of the fleet and Admiral Fletcher of the land forces, and acting for the United States government in all matters on shore.

Country's Representatives Leave Enemies' Capital.

WASHINGTON, April 24.—Nelson O'Shaughnessy left Mexico City last night on a special train for Vera Cruz. He was escorted by Huerta's chief of staff and a guard of troops.

WASHINGTON, April 24.—Charge d'Affaires Algara de Terreros, in charge of the Mexican embassy at this city, departed for Toronto, accompanied by Chief Flynn, of the secret service.

CALUMET AND HECLA STRIKE COST THE UNION \$1,000,000

CHICAGO, April 24.—Secretary Hietala says the Lake miners' strike which was effective for eight months and 21 days, cost the unions \$1,000,000.