

VILLA MOVES HIS FORGES AS PEACE CONFERENCE PENDS

Mobile Army of 30,000 Men, Marching Against Carranza, Occupies Zacatecas—Meeting May Avert War.

JUAREZ, Sept. 28.—Despite the arrangements for a peace meeting between General Francisco Villa and commissions of generals from his army and that of President Carranza, Villa today continued his military operations. Nearly all of his mobile force of 30,000 men are now marching against the troops of Carranza. They have already occupied Zacatecas. In the central military zone, fronting the Carranza mobilization point at Aguas Calientes. Reports that Villistas have occupied San Luis Potosi have not been confirmed. A secret movement of troops into Sonora was discovered today when Villa's personal brigade, commanded by General Rodriguez, reached the Sonora State line to co-operate with the revolutionary Governor, Maytorena, in driving out Carranza troops under General Hill.

The meeting between commissions of generals from the armies of Villa and Carranza will be held at Aguas Calientes. They will decide whether Carranza shall resign from the provisional presidency, to be succeeded by Fernando Iglesias Calderon to avert the threatened war.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—Efforts to patch up the break between Villa and Carranza were scheduled today at Zacatecas, according to a message from Consul Carothers to the White House today. It stated that representatives of both Villa and Carranza would be present.

AMERICAN TROOPS GUARDING MEXICAN BORDER REINFORCED

Action Taken in View of Battle Imminent at Naco. DOUGLAS, Ariz., Sept. 28.—Five more troops of American cavalry took up positions along the Mexican line today to prevent any violation of United States territory in the battle now imminent between Carranzistas and Villistas at Naco.

MEXICAN PRIEST TELLS OF SUFFERING INDIGNITIES

Carranza Men Paraded 40 Ecclesiastics With Ropes About Necks. NEW YORK, Sept. 28.—A number of refugees from Mexico who heard the War Minister Espinosa when she arrived today from Vera Cruz, Mexicans tried to prevent some of the fugitives from leaving the country, but were unsuccessful, owing to the intervention of United States troops at Vera Cruz.

LEPROSY PLAGUE IN MEXICO

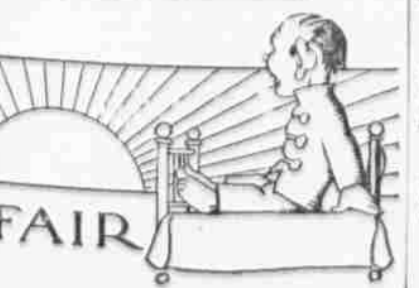
U. S. Health Authorities Powerless to Institute a Quarantine. WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—Leprosy has broken out in Mexico, according to reports to the Public Health Service. In Mazatlan alone 120 cases were reported there last month. Two deaths from the disease have been reported so far.

CHOLERA RAGES IN TRIESTE

Inhabitants Fleeing Austrian City to Escape Plague. ROME, Sept. 28.—The Austrian city of Trieste reported that an epidemic of cholera has broken out there, and that residents of the city are fleeing.

Pope Receives Bishop McDonnell

ROME, Sept. 28.—Bishop C. E. McDonnell, of Brooklyn, was received in private audience yesterday by Pope Benedict XV. He is the first bishop admitted to the presence of the new Pontiff.



GERMAN PROVINCE GIVES UP

British Take Capital of West African District and Another Town. LONDON, Sept. 28.—The unconditional surrender of Duala, capital of Kamerun, in German West Africa, and Bonanous to the British was officially announced today by the Government press bureau.

GOVERNMENT MEN AFTER CHAMELEON-LIKE NOTES

Eight in Circulation Call for Different Sum on Either Side. There are eight chameleon-like bills drifting about the country and each calls upon the Government to pay \$30 to the bearer, that is, if the owner will add together both sides of the bills. The secret service men here are looking for them.

PRESIDENT INSISTS ON WORLD-GIRDLING AMERICAN MARINE

Favors Ship Purchase Bill That Will Enable Capture of New Trade Channels in Every Direction. [FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.] WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—President Wilson informed earlier this morning that he is still of the opinion that the Alexander ship purchase bill, providing for a Government-controlled line of steamships to be used in the South American trade, should be passed at this session of Congress. He made it clear that he would not abandon this measure because of the opposition that has developed among the Democrats of the House who are opposed to the measure.

The President insists on a world-girdling merchant marine that will not only capture commerce in all channels, but will retain it. Following his conference with the newspaper correspondents at 10:30 o'clock this morning, the President received Majority Leader Underwood and Representative Alexander. They called at the White House, it is understood, to tell the President of the threatened split in the Democratic ranks of the House if the ship purchase measure is pressed by the Administration at this session. President Wilson is believed to have informed Representatives Underwood and Alexander that some stronger reason must be presented for dropping the Alexander bill from the Administration's legislative program.

The opposition in the House to the passage of the measure seems to be well organized and some of the Democratic leaders say that the President is inviting defeat for the first time in Congress by insisting upon the enactment of the law providing for the Government-controlled steamship line.

The President, however, does not seem in the least worried by the threatened revolt in the House, and the Administration leaders profess to be confident that the Alexander bill will become a law before the Senators and Representatives are permitted to adjourn Congress and get back to their homes to look after the mending of their "political fences."

LIPTON'S YACHT BECOMES AID TO RED CROSS WORK

The Erin Sail to Havre With 100 Nurses. NEW YORK, Sept. 28.—The steam yacht Erin, owned by Sir Thomas Lipton, and which recently toured the Shamrock IV to New York, has been turned over to the British Government for hospital purposes, according to a cable message received by Thomas Crane, the New York representative.

SENATE FOR OIL PROBE

Passes Resolutions to Investigate the Business in United States. WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—Two resolutions providing for investigations of the oil business of the United States, particularly the Standard Oil Company, today were adopted unanimously by the Senate.

RUSSIAN CRUISER WRECKED

Oleg, With Contingent of 573, Suffers Disaster Off Finland. STOCKHOLM, Sept. 28.—The Russian cruiser Oleg is reported to have been wrecked off the coast of Finland, according to the captain of a Swedish ship arriving from Helsinki.

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BASEBALL RESULTS AT A GLANCE

Table with columns for National League and American League, listing teams like Cincinnati, Phillies, Chicago, Boston, St. Louis, Brooklyn, Pittsburgh, and New York with their respective scores.

CLOSE CONTEST WAGED BETWEEN PHILS AND REDS

At End of Seventh Inning Teams Are Tied, 3 All. Oeschger and Benton Pitchers.

PHILADELPHIA. CINCINNATI. Read, ss. Daniels, cf. Byrne, 2b. W. Killefer, 2b. Magee, rf. Grob, ss. Cravath, rf. Yaling, lf. Becker, cf. Miller, rf. Ludrus, lb. Gonzales, c. Kelleger, 3b. Graham, lb. Burns, c. Benton, p. Oeschger, p. Klem and Emslie. Umpires—Klem and Emslie.

BEACHEY STARTLES PRESIDENT WILSON BY AERIAL PRANKS

"Wonderful, But Reckless," His Comment on Viewing Aviator's Flops Over White House Grounds.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—"Wonderful, but startlingly reckless," said President Wilson today when Lincoln Beachey, the aviator, turned a double aerial somersault over the White House grounds some 150 feet up in the air. The President watched the aviator drive his tiny aeroplane through hair-raising evolutions and heaved a sigh of relief when the machine darted off in a straight line toward the Capitol at the other end of Pennsylvania avenue.

FLEEING GERMANS TURN ON PURSUERS IN FIERCE BATTLE

Retirement* From Poland Stops as Kaiser's Force Faces Russian Horde in Suwalki District.

PETROGRAD, Sept. 28. It is officially announced that a great battle has commenced between the Germans and the Russians along the line of the railroad just inside of the East Prussian frontier. The battle line extends from far to the north of Bydgoszcz through Goldapp to Lyck.

U. S. ASKED TO FIX BLAME FOR COALING OF KARLSRUHE

England Protests Against American Steamships' Aid to German Cruiser. WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—England has asked the United States to fix the responsibility for the alleged act of the American steamship Lorenzo in coaling the German cruiser Karlsruhe in British West Indian waters a short time ago.

BRITISH SEARCH NORWEGIAN SHIP OFF NEW YORK PORT

Officer From Cruiser Caronta Inspects Papers for Hour. NEW YORK, Sept. 28.—Just as she was about to enter New York harbor today, the Norwegian steamer Kierland was stopped and searched by the British cruiser Caronta.

GERMANS ARE REPULSED EVERYWHERE. SAYS WIRELESS

Marconi Gets Eiffel Dispatch of Allies' Victories. LONDON, Sept. 28.—The Marconi Company today gave out the following wireless dispatch sent from the Eiffel Tower at Paris:

25 NIGHT RIDERS INJURE FIVE

Two of Three Men Attacked May Die. LEXINGTON, Ky., Sept. 28.—A band of 25 night riders attacked the home of Grover Todd in Hopkins County early today, wounding three men and two female members of the family. Two of the men may die.

FURIOUS CLASHES ON WHOLE LINE AS END APPROACHES

Desperate Charges Repulsed at All Points, French Say, While Germans Claim Successes in Centre—Part of Verdun-Toul Forts Reported Silenced.

British War Office Reticent, But Believed To Be More Optimistic Than at Any Time Since Marne Battle—Mons Reported in Flames.

The War Today

PARIS, Sept. 28. Furious charges and countercharges, with no definite result, marked the 16th day of the battle along the entire line in France. German onslaughts were desperate, especially between the Aisne and the forest of Argonne, and on the line of French forts linking Verdun and Toul. These assaults have been repulsed, according to the official announcement this afternoon. The statement says the general situation is unchanged, but that attacks are being made continually by the Germans at certain points. There is nothing new in the general situation. Relative calm prevails on the front. At certain points, particularly between the Aisne and the Argonne, the enemy continually attempts new and violent attacks, which have been repulsed. This statement was regarded as the most satisfactory from a news standpoint that has yet been issued. It made absolutely no mention of the situation on the right and left wings, where the heaviest fighting of the 16-day battle has been in progress. The brevity of the official announcement was taken as an indication that the wishes of the British Government as to the publication of military details would be observed, at least in part, hereafter. It is understood here that a certain plan that had been conceived in the War Office at London was upset by the publication of certain details made public in Paris. It was frankly admitted at headquarters here today that though the decisive phase of the conflict had been reached the Allies had been surprised by the continual attacks of the Germans, and it was impossible to predict when the struggle would end. "The break must come, however," said one officer. "It is almost impossible that the enemy can withstand much longer the steady pressure of the Allies. Their recuperative power has surprised us. Their repeated counterattacks are most amazing. We know that they have suffered heavily, and yet their attacks are apparently as strong as ever. There is a hard task before us, but our troops realize that the final result will be in their favor." Mons is reported in flames. This may prove a forerunner of the most important development in the battle of the Aisne. At Mons, the German battle line, running north from the Aisne, begins to turn northward and moves through Belgium. Between Mons and Antwerp is the southwest corner of the square, Von Kluck is defending the southwest corner of the square so successfully that there does not seem to be any immediate prospect of the allied armies dislodging him by direct assault. It has been suggested in this column that in consequence of von Kluck's success the Allies would turn to the northwest corner of the German battle square and try to break through there. If the reported destruction of Mons is true, it probably means that this northwestern attack is beginning to develop. It is rumored here that the Germans have made gains along the Meuse and that they are now in strong force on the west bank of the river near St. Mihiel. Military headquarters, in contradiction of this, says that St. Mihiel still is held by the French, but gives no details. The right center French armies are under constant pressure in the territory east of Rheims where the crack German regiments continue to try to break