

# Militia of Other States Will Be Called if Conditions Warrant

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## VIRTUALLY ALL U. S. TROOPS MOBILIZING FOR BORDER SERVICE

### Ten Thousand Men Including Militia, Regulars, Coast and Field Artillery Getting Ready For Service; National Guard of Other States Will Be Called if Situation Warrants; Americans in Mexico Preparing to Leave

### PROPOSED MILITARY AGREEMENT BETWEEN CARRANZA AND U. S. IS STILL UNSIGNED

#### Three Hours' Conference Last Night Ends Without Definite Decision; Continuing Today; Pennsylvania Troops Will Probably Be Among Next Detachment to Be Called Out; Men Are Splendidly Drilled and Fully Equipped

Washington, May 10.—Virtually all the American troops in the United States were being mobilized to-day for Mexican border service. With the National Guard of three states, they were under orders to hasten to reinforce General Funston's army. The total of between nine thousand and ten thousand included eleven companies of coast artillery ordered out last night by Secretary Baker. The proposed military agreement between the Carranza and American governments remained unsigned and General Obregon, Mexican war minister, after a three-hour discussion with General Scott last night, arranged for still another conference to-day.

If the situation warrants, National Guards of other States will be called out for border patrol duty, officials declared. Secretary Baker stated, however, that no further mobilization orders are contemplated immediately. In addition to the 4,000 United States soldiers and an equal number of militiamen from Texas, New Mexico and Arizona ordered to the border yesterday, Secretary Baker announced that 1,000 soldiers, comprising eleven companies of coast artillery, stationed at Gulf and Atlantic seaboard posts, had been ordered to San Antonio to serve as infantry with the border patrol.

The secretary also said five batteries of the Fifth Field Artillery had been ordered from Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Three additional batteries of the third field artillery were held in readiness at Toiyahanna, Pa., under orders to-day.

#### 45,000 Troops Ready

Unofficial estimates placed the number of troops now on Mexican duty or under mobilization at about 45,000.

#### Admiral Winslow, Commanding on the West Mexican coast, reported to the Navy Department to-day that the steamer San Juan had taken 43 American refugees from Manzanillo and 23 from Mazatlan, and was proceeding with them to San Diego, Cal. The admiral made no reference in his dispatch to the best trained troops of the coast but said there was a general feeling among Americans to leave Mexico.

#### May Delay on Pennsylvania

It is believed that troops called yesterday were selected because they can be more easily acclimated to the hot climate of northern Mexico than the troops of the States further removed from the border. In all likelihood the next step of the War Department will be to complete the Fifteenth division, and it may be that the National Guard of Pennsylvania, Ohio and New York, the best trained troops of the National Guard, will not be called for several weeks, even if intervention is decided upon.

#### In Splendid Condition

In Col. Elmer C. Mervin, Chief of the Division of Militia Affairs, said: "The Pennsylvania National Guard comprises an efficient and well-drilled division of the organized militia. As to equipment and property, the Pennsylvania Guard is in splendid condition. The same applies to the National Guard of Ohio, where the militia is well equipped for service."

#### According to the report made on December 31, 1915, by Governor Brumbaugh and corrected to May 23, the militia of Pennsylvania consists of 745 officers and 10,154 enlisted men. Governor Willis' report for Ohio shows 543 officers and 6,983 enlisted men. West Virginia has 113 officers and 1,643 enlisted men.

#### As to whether the troops of these States will be called into service along the border or in Mexico, we cannot say at this time. So far as I know, no orders have been sent to them to get in readiness for active duty. Developments will determine this, no doubt. But we all know that with large detachments of the regular army

## HARRISBURG SOLOISTS ASSISTING IN CHORAL SOCIETY FESTIVAL



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## GOVERNOR REFERS HIS INQUIRERS TO COL. KOLB TODAY

### Says Treasurer of Campaign Committee Told the Truth About \$5,000 Contribution

Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh today referred to Colonel Louis J. Kolb, of Philadelphia, treasurer of the Brumbaugh Citizens' Campaign committee, all inquiries for statements regarding the charges made by Representative Isador Stern, of Philadelphia, to the effect that \$5,000 had not been accounted for in his campaign.

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## LINER TORPEDOED WITHOUT NOTICE U. S. CONSUL FINDS

### Cymric Sent to Bottom Unwarned; Wake of Projectiles Clearly Seen

London, May 10.—Wesley Frost, American consul at Queenstown, sent a telegram to-day from Bantry to the American embassy here announcing definitely that there were no Americans on board the Cymric. Mr. Frost said no warning was given but that the wake of a torpedo was seen, and

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## BASEBALL LID BLOWS OFF IN STATE LEAGUE

### Six Clubs in Al. Lawson's Circuit Also on Schedule For Opening Day

The baseball lid blew off in six cities to-day. To-morrow there will be more uncovering exercises in six more cities. The Pennsylvania State League includes Harrisburg, York, Lancaster, Lebanon, Reading and Shamokin. The Atlantic League includes Reading, Allentown, Chester, Paterson, Pottsville and Wilmington. The inauguration of baseball in these cities to-day marks the revival of league sport in Central Pennsylvania.

Unusual interest is manifested in both these organizations because it promises to be a fight for supremacy. The State League, which was promoted by Leo Groome and Abraham Rosenbluth, will have protection and a salary limit of \$2,000. The Lawson circuit has no protection and a limit of \$1,000. Each league has a team in Reading and Allentown. Sunday baseball will also be a feature of both organizations.

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## EDISON IN PARADE

New York, May 10.—Thomas A. Edison, the inventor and chairman of the naval consulting board, expects to march at the head of twenty engineers, all of whom are members of that board, in the great preparedness parade in which nearly 145,000 persons will take part here on Saturday. The consulting board is composed of 24 members and all of them may march in the parade.

## 1,000 MORE TAILORS OUT

Chicago, May 10.—One thousand tailors employed by B. Kuppenheimer and Company, were called out to-day to join the six hundred cutters and trimmers who struck yesterday.

## HEAVY FIGHTING BEFORE FRENCH FORT SLACKENS

### Desperate Struggle in Verdun Region Is Diminishing

Paris reports diminishing activity in the Verdun region following the desperate fighting of the past few days. On both banks of the Meuse the artillery fire has slackened, that east of the river being described as intermittent.

## British Destroyer Badly Damaged in Fight With German Torpedo Craft

Berlin, May 10. (By Wireless).—In an engagement off the Belgian coast on Monday between German and British torpedo craft, a British destroyer was badly damaged by artillery fire, according to official announcement by the German admiralty under date of May 9.

## German Casualties During War Placed at 2,822,079; in Last Month 91,162

London, May 10.—An official British estimate of German casualties in April, issued here to-day, places the total at 2,822,079. The number of German casualties in April was 91,162.

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## GERMANY ADMITS SUSSEX ATTACK IN LATEST NOTE

### New Communication on Way to Washington Asserts Commander Was Punished

#### PROMISE REPARATION

### Imperial Government Is No Longer in Doubt That Sussex Was Boat Torpedoed

Washington, D. C., May 10.—Secretary Lansing received a message from Ambassador Gerard to-day giving notice that a new note on the Sussex case had been handed him and was on the way to Washington. It has been indicated that the German government now admits attacking the Sussex, gives notice that the submarine commander responsible has been punished and promises to make reparation.

Amsterdam, May 10.—A semi-official dispatch from Berlin says that as the result of the German government's investigation concerning the explosion which damaged the steamship Sussex it can no longer be doubted that the vessel torpedoed by a German submarine on the supposition that it was a warship was in fact the Sussex. The dispatch says the German government has acquainted the United States government with this fact, adding that in accordance with the note of last month Germany will draw its conclusions from the evidence which now has been adduced.

## CHORAL SOCIETY SPRING FESTIVAL PLANS COMPLETE

### Seat Sale Now on; Final Rehearsal of "Atonement" Tonight

If you haven't yet engaged your seats for the Spring music festival, to be conducted Friday by the Choral Society, you'd better hurry. A messenger "round the block" in the afternoon at 9 o'clock this morning and a long line of waiting music-lovers greeted the expectant clerk at the little ticket window. At a late hour this afternoon the sale had already reached such proportions as to make the unprepared shopper a bit apprehensive as to their chances for Friday evening.

What is true of the Choral Society's concert in the evening is equally true of the afternoon program by the Philadelphia Orchestra. The orchestra will entertain the society in the evening in the rendition of Coleridge-Taylor's "Atonement." In the afternoon beginning at 2 o'clock, the orchestra alone will entertain with a feature program. Final rehearsal will be held this evening in Fahnstock Hall at 7:45 o'clock and Dr. Wollie, the leader, reaches here from Bethlehem early this afternoon to conduct.

At this evening's rehearsal the final accounting of returned tickets will be made.

## Believe Early Agreement on Army Reorganization Bill Will Be Reached

Washington, D. C., May 10.—Work on the army reorganization bill was resumed to-day by the conferees, committee of the House and Senate with indications of an agreement being near at hand. It was expected that virtually a new bill, the result of a compromise, would be ready to be laid before President Wilson next week.

Prospects are that the Senate conferees will have to give up the volunteer army provision for a reserve of 261,000 men in view of its repudiation by the House. Senate conferees hope, however, to strengthen the House provision authorizing citizen instruction camps which would afford the nucleus of a volunteer army.

It was expected that a regular army with a peace footing of approximately 175,000 men with the Senate expansive organization system for 220,000 men in time of need would be agreed to. The House provision for reorganization and federalization of the national guard, which would provide for a defense reserve of about 400,000 men, also probably will be approved. It was regarded as likely that the House amendment for a nitrate plant to cost \$20,000,000 would be accepted.

## French Battleships Are Searching Atlantic Off Coast For German U-Boats

West Chester, Pa., May 10.—The British steamer Kinnmount, which arrived here to-day from Cape Haitien, reported that on Monday afternoon at five o'clock, about 100 miles southeast of Cape Henlopen, Del., the steamer was stopped by two French battleships which inquired if the Kinnmount had seen any German submarines.

On being told that none had been sighted the battleships with three cruisers, which had been waiting some distance off, proceeded north toward New York. The warships, the Kinnmount reported, were equipped with steel nets strung along their sides.

It is believed here the warships were searching for supposed submarines recently reported near the American coast.

## SUSPEND BLOOD FEUDS

Berlin, May 9.—According to a dispatch from Scutari, the chiefs of all the Albanian clans, in a meeting there, have voted unanimously to suspend for six months the custom of blood vengeance. Blood feuds have been universal in Albania for centuries.

## SCHOOL TAX RATE JUMP FROM 8-12 TO TEN MILLS IN HARRISBURG DIST.

### Deficit Between \$95,000 and \$100,000 Must Be Met, Says President, Stamm

#### HAS BEEN PILING UP FOR LAST FIVE YEARS

#### Little Waste, He Finds; New Rate Would Cover Expenses of New High School Loan

The school board this afternoon took up the report of the finance committee, adopted yesterday afternoon, increasing the tax rate in Harrisburg for the coming year at ten mills. The tax rate last year was 8½ mills.

President Stamm, when asked by a representative of the Telegraph as to the reason for the increase, said that it is absolutely necessary. "What else is there to do," said he. "The board finds itself with a deficit of between \$95,000 and \$100,000, and with an income of \$25,000 or \$30,000 too little at the old rate to meet current expenses. This deficit has been accumulating for five years. It began in 1912 with the arbitrary and unlooked for addition by the School Code of one month to the school year. The tax rate for that year had been fixed long since when, of course, the Board was not contemplating this additional expense. The Board seems to have gone along from year to year without increasing the rate. In the budget, doubtless, that either the assessments would increase or the expenses would decrease and enable it to get through without increasing the taxes, but neither hope was realized."

#### Deficit For Year \$20,000

"The deficit for the current year alone will be approximately \$20,000. There seem to be no two sides to the

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## LORD LIEUTENANT OF IRELAND RESIGNS

London, May 10.—The Marquis of Crew announced in the House of Lords to-day that Baron Wimborne, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, had resigned. Premier Asquith told the House of Commons there was reason to believe there would be no further necessity for extreme measures with the Irish rebels.

## CITY SCHOOL TAX RATE 10 MILLS

Harrisburg.—After waiting some time to procure a quorum the school board met this afternoon with Directors Stamm, Yates, Boyer, Houtz, Enders and Werner present. Soon after convening the report of the finance committee advancing the school tax rate from 8½ to 10 mills for the coming year was presented. Without debate or discussion it was adopted, all six directors voting for it. The tax rate for the coming year will be ten mills.

## C. C. ZIMMERMAN DEAD

Harrisburg.—Charles C. Zimmerman, aged 59 years, clerk in the County Commissioners' Office, died at his home in Halifax this afternoon.

## AGED WOMAN HANGS HERSELF

Lancaster, May 10.—Mrs. Annie Wenditz, aged 77, proprietress of the People's Restaurant, committed suicide by hanging herself to the railing of a rear stairway this morning. She was the wife of City Councilman Wenditz.

## SEIZE MILLION ROUNDS OF AMMUNITION

Laredo, Tex., May 10.—One million rounds of rifle ammunition, which Mexicans attempted to smuggle across the river into Mexico near here was confiscated by troops here to-day. It was believed the ammunition was intended for use of bandits in Mexico.

## CIVIL ENGINEER KILLS SELF

Media, Pa., May 10.—E. Mervin Lewis, a civil engineer of the Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington Railroad, shot and killed himself to-day at the home of Horace R. Manley.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

Sylvester Eichelberger and Nellie Gregg, city.  
Fert Locke, Steelton, and Carrie Viola King-Smith, Enola.  
Spencer Alexander and Hattie Childs, Steelton.

## THE WEATHER

Harrisburg and vicinity: Unsettled weather to-night and Thursday, probably showers. Warmer to-night, lowest temperature about 60 degrees.

Eastern Pennsylvania: Unsettled to-night and Thursday, probably showers. Warmer to-night. Winds becoming south and increasing.

### River

The Susquehanna river and all its branches will probably fall slowly or remain nearly stationary. A stage of about 4.8 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Thursday morning.

### General Conditions

The disturbance that was central over Wyoming Tuesday morning has moved rapidly eastward with increasing strength and now covers the middle part of the country with its center over the upper Mississippi valley.

It is 2 to 10 degrees cooler in the Middle Atlantic States and New England.

Temperature: 8 a. m., 52.  
Sun: Rises, 5:04 a. m.; Sets, 7:00 p. m.  
Moon: Full moon, 17, 9-11 a. m.  
River Stage: 4.8 feet above low water mark.

Yesterday's Weather  
Highest temperature, 66.  
Lowest temperature, 39.  
Mean temperature, 62.  
Normal temperature, 60.