



DEVELOPMENTS AT STANDSTILL UNTIL ARRIVAL OF REPLY

Government Awaits Impatiently Carranza's Statement of Intentions; No Mention of Mexican Answer Contained in Dispatches From Special Agent Rodgers; Private Advices Indicate Hostile Answer

ARMY PRACTICALLY READY FOR ANY EVENTUALITIES BEYOND THE BORDER

Preparations Advancing With Great Strides; Thousands of National Guardsmen Have Already Reached Line or Are on Their Way; Will Not Be Able to Pat Matter Before Congress Until Wednesday as It Adjourns

Washington, July 1.—Developments here in the Mexican crisis were at a standstill again to-day while the United States government awaited impatiently Carranza's reply to the note sent last Sunday, demanding a statement of his intentions toward the American expedition in Mexico.

Messages received at the State Department from Special Agent Rodgers at Mexico City made no mention of the Mexican answer. Mr. Rodgers, so far, has been unable to forecast the action of General Carranza, and the only intimations reaching here have been through diplomatic and private dispatches. These have indicated that the de facto government was preparing to stand by its attitude of hostility toward United States troops across the border.

Upon his return from New York President Wilson went over all the advice at hand but learned virtually nothing he did not know when he left yesterday. After to-day, if it should become necessary for him to address the Congress, he would wait until Wednesday, as both houses arranged to adjourn over the Fourth of July.

Reports to the War Department during the day continued to show satisfactory progress in the military preparations for any eventualities on or beyond the border.

Recruiting shows big increase. Recruiting for the regular army increased more than 100 per cent. during the week ending at noon yesterday, following an increase of more than 50 per cent. the preceding seven days. A total of 2,036 men were sworn in this week as against 1,105 last week. The preceding average weekly enlistment was in the neighborhood of 700.

During the 90 days of recruiting under the authority granted by Congress to increase the regular army immediately after the outbreak of the war, a total of 13,501 men have been accepted out of 58,406 applicants for enlistment.

The War Department issued to-day a brief bulletin under its new censorship rules. It reported that increments of the California and Illinois National Guard entrained for the border last night, and contained excerpts from messages from General Funston giving a variety of border reports already covered in the press dispatches.

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THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Probably fair to clear, with a slight increase in temperature. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Probably fair to clear, with a slight increase in temperature.

River. The Susquehanna river and all its tributaries will fall slowly to-night and Sunday and probably for several days. The stage of about 4.5 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Sunday morning.

General Conditions. No important changes have occurred in the distribution of atmospheric pressure over the United States during the last twenty-four hours; it is highest over the Susquehanna Valley and the Lake Region and lowest over the extreme Southwest.

Showers have fallen generally in the Lower Ohio Valley and in the Atlantic States from Virginia southward and locally in the Gulf States, and scattered showers are reported from Wisconsin, south Dakota, and more rain fell along the Pacific coast from California northward.

It is 2 to 12 degrees warmer over nearly all the territory west of the Mississippi river. The temperature continues moderate over the eastern part of the country and is 2 to 4 degrees lower than on Friday morning in the interior of New York and over nearly all the territory south and east of the Ohio river.

Temperature: 8 a. m., 58. Sub: 53. 4:30 p. m., 57. 7:37 p. m. First quarter, July 8, 6:55 a. m. River Stage: 5.3 feet above low-water mark.

Yesterday's Weather. Highest temperature, 75. Lowest temperature, 53. Mean temperature, 62. Normal temperature, 62.



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ACROSS THE BORDER IN MEXICAN TRENCHES



MEXICANS ENTRENCHED. (INTL. FILM SERVICE.)

Here is the type of Mexican soldiers, who are now mobilized in that country in the present crisis, which may not result in war because of the release of the captured American cavalrymen on Carranza's orders.

EXPECT TO GET THIRD REGIMENT STARTED SOON

Final Organization of First Brigade May Leave at 6 O'clock

FEW PHYSICAL DEFECTS. Rejections in Second Brigade Small; Camp Alive With Squads

By Associated Press. El Paso, Texas, July 1.—Twenty-five hundred sacks of corn, consigned to Mexican merchants in Juarez, were passed by United States customs officials to-day after each sack had been emptied in a search for contraband articles. Two days were required to empty and resack the grain.

A rumor was current in Mexican circles in El Paso to-day that Francisco Villa had taken charge of the Carranza force of 15,000 men being collected at Bustillos, about seventy miles west of Chihuahua City on the line of the Mexico Northwestern railway. Authorities in Juarez, however, declared the report unfounded.

June Breaks Records For Lovin' and Lawin'

Take it from Jake Alvord, Dauphin county's marriage license clerk, June, 1916, will go down in history as a record-breaking month for marriages. The month of brides and roses just closed produced the biggest month for licenses issued in the history of the Recorder's office. Just 192 marital permits were granted, some sixty-four more than last year and 101 more than in May of this year. And June broke all previous records for number of cases. There were fifty-eight.

Graduated, Ordained and Married in a Month

Special to the Telegraph. Hershey, Pa., July 1.—The past month has been a busy one for the Rev. John Irwin Meek, who will take formal charge of the Evangelical Church of the Holy Trinity to-morrow. Three weeks ago he was graduated from the Mt. Airy Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, and was ordained at Reading June 15. At Macon, Pa., on Monday he was married to Miss Ruth Walbert, of Allentown. The officiating minister was Mr. Meek's uncle, the Rev. L. C. Hoffman, of Philadelphia.

WILL TATOOED ON BACK

Special to the Telegraph. Pittsburgh, Pa., July 1.—An ingenious and lasting method of executing a will was revealed yesterday, when Dr. Schildecker, coroner's physician, discovered the last testament of George Ballantyne Hood, who was shot some time ago by footpads, tattooed on his back. The will, surrounded by beautiful scroll work, read: "All my earthly possessions, my bequest to my beloved mother." With the exception of his face, hands and feet, Hood's body was covered with tattooing. Hood sustained the wounds which caused his death several months ago, when three footpads attempted to rob him of \$5,000. Hood resisted and was shot through the chest and abdomen. His mother is dead.

FIND MAN BELIEVED MURDERED

Cambridge, Md., July 1.—William H. Medford, clerk of the Dorchester County Court, who was thought to have been murdered, Thursday night, was found late last night wandering in a dazed condition on a road twelve miles from here. It is thought Medford was stunned when his automobile ran into an obstruction and that he wandered away dazed.

PRESIDENT IS BACK

Washington, July 1.—President Wilson returned from New York shortly before 8 o'clock this morning.

MIDDLETOWN IN GALA ARRAY FOR BIG CONVENTION

Will Royally Entertain Cumberland Valley Volunteer Firemen Next Week

Hundreds Will Be Forced to Sleep in Fair Grounds Buildings

Middletown is ready for the fifteenth annual convention of the Cumberland Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association which opens for a three-day session Monday.

The national colors are everywhere and the town presents a gala appearance in honor of the delegates and visiting firemen. According to the executive committee in charge of the convention, the town is ready to receive the guests in a most hospitable manner.

Pennsylvania Leads Country in Depositors

Washington, D. C., July 1.—Pennsylvania leads the country in the number of depositors in national banks with 2,021,878. This is an increase of 722,738, or 60 per cent., compared with 1910. Pennsylvania leads New York by more than 800,000, although New York increased 75 per cent. since 1910 and has 1,192,471 depositors. In Pennsylvania there are 100 national bank accounts for every 414 persons, while the average for the entire country is 100 accounts for 704 persons.

These facts are brought out in a statement issued by Comptroller of the Currency, Williams, based upon sworn returns of 7,524 national banks of May 1. Forty of the national banks failed to make reports. The figures show an unprecedented increase in the number of national bank depositors throughout the country. The total number on May 1, 1916, was 14,288,959, against 7,590,468 on June 30, 1910, the increase being 6,597,891, or 36 per cent.

Permanent Dry Bill Is Passed by Russian Duma

Petrograd, July 1.—The duma yesterday passed the bill permanently prohibiting the sale of drink containing more than 1 1/2 per cent. of alcohol. The measure must be passed by the upper house and signed by the Emperor before becoming a law. According to the terms of the bill, strong drink means any liquor containing more than 1 1/2 per cent. alcohol and, therefore, includes light wines and beer. Amendments proposing a change in the definition of "strong drink" to liquor containing more than 8 and even 13 per cent. of alcohol were summarily rejected by the duma, and the bill was passed in its exact form as drawn up by the committee.

Whistle Blasts Greet First Penna. Regiment

In accordance with orders issued yesterday by the War Department to railroads to withhold news regarding troop movements, the lid went on to-day. All train movements out of Mount Gretna after 6 o'clock this morning will be on secret orders. It was said, however, that no trains were scheduled for to-day as far as was known. Part of the First Pennsylvania Regiment went west early this morning on their arrival at Harrisburg the troops were welcomed with a prolonged blast of engine whistles. The first train arrived at 5:30 and the second at 5:45. Each train was held in this city twenty minutes to ice the cars.

FRANK B. BLACK STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER

Member of Agricultural Commission Appointed to Succeed Late R. J. Cunningham

COMES AS SURPRISE. Generally Believed Patton Would Get the Place and Black Succeed Patton

Frank B. Black, of Garrett, Somerset county, a member of the State Commission of Agriculture, was to-day appointed State Highway Commissioner to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Robert J. Cunningham. The appointment comes as a surprise.

\$75,000,000 May Be Tcked on Army Bill

Washington, D. C., July 1.—Additional totaling \$75,000,000 have been agreed on tentatively by the Senate appointed State Highway Commissioner to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Robert J. Cunningham. The appointment comes as a surprise.

\$315,836,843 Naval Bill Is Reported to Senate

Washington, D. C., July 1.—The naval bill, carrying the increased building program agreed on by the House, was reported to the Senate yesterday. It carries an appropriation of \$315,836,843 for 1917 and contemplates a total expenditure of \$588,150,576 for construction during the next three years.

Motorists Can Use New Parkway on the "Fourth"

Formal opening of the new parkway drive leading from Derry street to Reservoir Park has been fixed for Tuesday, July 4, so that motorists and promoters who plan to have a little quiet drive or stroll on Independence Day will have their chance on the new highway. Commissioner E. Z. Gross, park superintendent, made that announcement officially.

The City Planning Commission will likely be taken on the official inspection trip over the road on Wednesday. Several members of the Park Advisory Board went over the roadway yesterday afternoon. The question of whether or not the subway on the Philadelphia and Reading lines can be constructed during this summer is problematical. A concrete structure will cost in the neighborhood of \$30,000, while a girder trestle will cost possibly \$15,000. The Park Department expects to ask for estimates on both types.

ALLIES IN FURIOUS DRIVE BEAT GERMAN BACK ON BIG FRONT

Terrific Bombardment Precedes Offensive Launched Supreme Effort to Break Teuton Lines in North France; Advance to Second Line Trenches and T Important Tactical Points; Have Gone Five Miles

CURTAIN OF FIRE PREVENTS SOLDIERS OF KAISER FROM GETTING FOOD FOR FIVE DAYS

Attack Comes as Culmination of Shelling During Which 5,000,000 Rounds Are Fired; British Employ 2,000,000 Well Trained Men; Advance to Battle Though on Parade; New Mortars Rain 35 Shots Minute

British Headquarters in France, July 1.—A tremendous British offensive was launched at 7.30 this morning over a front extending twenty-five miles north to the Somme. The assault was preceded by a terrific bombardment.

The British troops already have occupied the German front line and have captured many prisoners.

The British already have captured Serre and Montauban. The Germans hold Fricourt, Ovillers and Beaumont-Hamel.

Reports received from the front up to 12.30 o'clock, five hours after the combined French and British offensive was launched, showed that the allies had captured the towns of La Boisselle, Serre and Montauban and Curlo and Faviere wood. The main first line trenches over the entire front under attack are reported to have been stormed, and at various points the fighting has reached the main second line.

These reports show that the French and British, at the points of their furthest advances, have broken through a distance of more than five miles beyond the first German trenches. Montauban is

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SUPREME COURT BYRILLS LOCAL JUDGES

Harrisburg.—The Supreme Court, at Philadelphia to-day, sustained Judge Kunkel of the Dauphin county court in three appeals. The case of the Adams Express Company vs. the City, et al, appealed from the Superior court was dismissed. The case is an outgrowth of the Express Company's effort to have the city restrained from assessing, for general taxation purposes, horses owned by the company. The city won a verdict before Judge Kunkel, who was sustained by both higher courts. The case of Commonwealth vs. DuPont Land Company was to determine whether the corporation was liable for a tax on a land mortgage assumed in purchasing property. The local court decided in favor of the land company and is now sustained by the higher tribunals. The decision of the local court in the case of the Commonwealth vs. the Pottsville Water Company, in another tax case, was also affirmed by the Supreme court.

READOPTS DEPENDENT RESOLUTION

Congressman Benjamin K. Focht late this afternoon send this wire to the Telegraph: "By an almost unanimous vote the House has just readopted the resolution providing compensation for those dependant upon enlisted soldiers. It is believed the Senate will now recede from its adverse position on this question."

M'AFFE BOY'S BODY FOUND?

Harrisburg.—Edward Hauser, of Middletown, while boating in the middle of the Susquehanna river about 2.30 this afternoon found the body of a small boy believed to be Edward McAffe, 1913 North Fourth street, who was drowned near his home, Thursday afternoon. The body has not been positively identified.

PLACES FOR RECRUITS

Harrisburg.—There are still places for recruits in Companies D and I, of the Eighth Regiment, but applicants will have to go to Mt. Gretna to enlist.

APPOINTMENTS MONDAY

Harrisburg.—It is believed that a list of appointments for the Eighth Regiment and other regiments at Mt. Gretna will be made on Monday, from information received to-day.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Charles A. Swartz and Martha Harbour, city. Franklin Horst, Lancaster, and Jessie E. Edwards, East Fenfeld, Pa.