

THREATENS TO INVADE MEXICO

General Bell's Ultimatum to Carranzistas.

MAY START MORE TROUBLE

Stock Was Driven Into Guadalupe. The Mexican Commander Notified That the Stock Must Be Returned.

El Paso, Texas.—Gen. George Bell, Jr., has informed the Carranza commander at Guadalupe, 60 miles southwest of here, that unless the bandits who raided the Reynolds ranch are apprehended and the stock returned, he will pursue the raiders into Mexico with an armed force.

TREVINO TRANSFERRED.

Commander Of Mexican Forces Is Called To The Capital.

Washington.—Gen. Jacinto Trevino, commander of the Carranza forces in Northeastern Mexico, has been ordered to Mexico City and will be succeeded, at least temporarily, by Gen. Luis Herrera, commander of the Chihuahua City garrison.

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"DRYS" TO TELL HANLY AUG. 8.

Candidate Will Be Notified At Indianapolis Home.

Chicago.—Formal notification to J. Frank Hanly of his nomination for the Presidency on the Prohibition ticket will take place August 8, according to information given out here by Oliver W. Stewart.

ALICE MASARYK IN PRISON.

Former Chicago Settlement Worker, Reported Executed.

Washington.—Dispatches to the State Department from Vienna brought word that Miss Alice Masaryk, the former Chicago settlement worker reported executed in Austria, was alive and well, but confined in prison charged with attempting to aid her father to escape Austrian military service.

67 TELEPHONE GIRLS SAVED.

Impelled By \$250,000 Fire At Austin, Texas.

Austin, Texas.—Damage estimated at \$250,000 was caused in the business district here by a fire during which occurred a terrific explosion in a garage. All telephones were put out of commission by the destruction of the plant of the Southwestern Telephone Company.

PAVING WAY FOR PEACE.

News Agency Found In Berlin To Supply Propaganda.

London.—A Reuter dispatch from Amsterdam says: "A news agency called the Deutsche Nachrichten Verkehrs Gesellschaft has been founded in Berlin. Its apparent object is to supply propaganda for the new German peace committee under Prince Charles von Wedel."

TO GIVE FACTS ABOUT TROOPS.

War Department Arranges For Weekly Reports From Camps.

Washington.—The War Department has instructed army commanders on the border to submit weekly reports showing the actual physical condition of their commands, describing the treatment accorded the men, and detailing the duties they are performing.

HAY NAMED JUDGE.

Chairman Of House Military Committee Will Accept.

Washington.—President Wilson nominated Congressman James Hay, of Madison, Va., to be a judge on the United States Court of Claims.

FORCES GRIPPED IN MIGHTY STRUGGLE

200,000 French and British Troops Engage in Attack.

BATTLE FOR FOUREAUX WOOD

Germans Fighting Desperately To Hold This Strategic Point, the Capture Of Which Would Place the British On the Highest Ridge.

London.—Some idea of the huge forces now engaged in the battle of the Somme, in Northern France, is given in the official statement from Berlin, in which it is stated that more than 200,000 French and British troops are attacking the German lines north and south of the Somme on a front of 27 miles.

The news from the battleground, which has been contested bitterly since July 1, shows no great change in the relative positions of the Franco-British and German forces.

The British have again pressed forward to the German third line in the Fouraux wood, northeast of Longueval. This wood is an important strategic point, the capture of which would bring the forces of General Haig to the highest point on the ridge commanding the German positions in the less hilly country beyond, which is not so much broken up and not wooded, lending itself not so well to defense.

This probably explains the desperate attempts of the Germans to hold the wood, where the heavy fighting continues.

Testing German Lines.

The Germans are bringing masses of troops from Verduin and guns from other points in an endeavor to stem the Entente Allied advance. Meanwhile, the indications are that the Allies are testing the strength of the German line at other points.

The trench raid by Australian troops in the neighborhood of Armentieres attracts much interest in this connection.

Russians Cross the Lipsa.

The Russians have forced a passage of the Lipsa River and have captured 1,900 prisoners and four cannon from the Austro-Germans.

"General Sarhoff has crossed the Lipsa," says the official statement. "In the battle on the northern bank of the Lipsa and at the Sty crossings the prisoners taken by us were increased to 75 officers and 2,817 men. Besides three guns and a vast amount of material was taken."

Berlin and Vienna had previously admitted the withdrawal of the Kerben salient near the south of the Lipsa, and a retirement to Berestek. The loss of salients on the Sty, beyond its confluence with the Lipsa, also has been admitted. It was asserted, however, that the Russian advance had been halted.

The Russians also are striking blows which imperil the Austro-German lines in the Riga sector.

The Germans in an attack on the British on the northern edge of the Leipzig salient succeeded in occupying British front trenches, but later were driven out, according to the British official communication.

According to the report the Germans' assault on the Deville wood area on a front of 200 yards was made by at least 13 battalions from four different divisions. The enemy's losses were correspondingly great. The statement follows:

"The battle continues without intermission between the Leipzig re-entrant on the west and Delville wood on the east. North of the Bazentin-Louperval line the British advance has been pushed to Fouraux wood, from which we drove the enemy."

AMBASSADOR PAGE GETS LEAVE.

Coming Back For a Month and Will Confer With Department.

London.—Walter Hines Page, the American Ambassador, has been granted a short leave of absence and with Mrs. Page will leave on July 29 for the United States for a month's stay. Ambassador Page, who has not been home in three years, intends to visit Washington for a conference with the State Department.

WILSON PICKS ELKUS.

New Yorker To Become United States Ambassador To Turkey.

Washington.—President Wilson nominated Abram Elkus, New York, to be United States Ambassador to Turkey. The nomination was decided on several weeks ago, but sending it to the Senate was delayed pending inquiries as to the acceptability of Elkus to the Turkish Government.

CASTRO FREE AGAIN.

The Former President Of Venezuela Given Admission To America.

New York.—Former President Cipriano Castro, of Venezuela, was released from Ellis Island. He said that the decision of Secretary Wilson, overruling the special board, which had denied him admission to the United States, was what he expected. He declined to discuss his plans.

POSTOFFICE BILL REPORT UP.

Permits Commerce Commission To Substitute Space For Weight.

TRYING TO MAKE THE BABY LAUGH



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PROHIBITIONISTS NOMINATE HANLY

Dr. Landrith, of Nashville For Vice President.

CONVENTION IS ADJOURNED

Finley C. Hendrickson, of Cumberland, Is Placed in Nomination For Vice-President, But Withdraws.

St. Paul.—The Prohibition National Convention, after being in session here three days, adjourned sine die after nominating J. Frank Hanly, former governor of Indiana, as candidate for president of the United States, and Dr. Ira D. Landrith, of Nashville, Tenn., candidate for vice-president.

Dr. Landrith's nomination was made unanimous after the other vice-presidential candidates had withdrawn. Mr. Hanly's nomination came on the first ballot and followed a number of hurried conferences between advocates of the candidacy of William Sulzer, former governor of New York, and several brief demonstrations in the latter's behalf, which, however, were offset by the outburst of enthusiasm that followed every mention of Mr. Hanly's name.

The Vote.

The vote for Mr. Hanly was decisive. He received 440 votes, as against 101 for Mr. Sulzer. Finley C. Hendrickson, of Cumberland, Md., received 51 votes; James Gilbert Mason, of New Jersey, 10; P. F. Ferguson, of Pennsylvania, 4; Sumner W. Haynes, Indiana, 2, and Henry Ford, Detroit, 1.

A motion to make Mr. Hanly's nomination unanimous was defeated, when objections were offered by Eugene W. Chaun, of Arizona, and a score of other delegates. After the nomination of Dr. Landrith the assembly arose, sang the doxology and ended a six-hour session, marking the close of the three day's convention.

MOTOR-DRIVEN BABY BUGGY.

Washington Man Applies For License To Operate One.

Olympia, Wash.—A man in Vancouver has a motor-driven baby carriage and has applied to the Secretary of State for a license to operate it. He wrote as follows: "A short time ago I took out a license for a motor attachment for a bicycle and now I want to transfer that motor to a baby carriage that I purchased when twins were born into my family. May I do this without taking out a new license?" I. M. Howell, Secretary of State, replied that the transfer would be allowed.

HORSE BITES WOMAN'S EAR.

Dobbin Was Trying To Get Green Flowers On Hat.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Reaching out for the three green leaves that adorned the hat of Mrs. Mary Miller, 60 years old, a stall old draught horse missed the trimming and bit off the left ear of the woman at the Ninth Street Market. Terrified and shrieking with pain, Mrs. Miller ran into a produce stall nearby and collapsed. She was revived and taken to the receiving hospital, where she told the surgeons how the accident happened.

80-YEAR-OLD RUNS AWAY.

John Staats, Fearing Asylum Life, Walks Fifteen Miles.

New York.—John H. Staats, an octogenarian, of Chatham, Morris county, N. J., who had overheard relatives planning the night before to take him to an asylum on Saturday, got out of bed before daylight and walked to Newark, about 15 miles. He wandered into the Public Service Terminal Station, where he admitted he was lost. At the police station Staats said he had fled from the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. E. Beerbower.

FLOOD TAKES 73 LIVES.

Reports From Isolated Sections Increase Fatalities.

Asheville, N. C.—The list of deaths from the recent flood in five South-eastern States, which has been constantly growing as channels of communication were restored, now stand at 73 with nine persons still reported missing. Most of the deaths have been in Western North Carolina. Property loss also has been heavy, great damage being done to railroads.

GERARD GOING TO SCANDINAVIA.

American Ambassador's Trip Without Significance.

Washington.—Ambassador Gerard, at Berlin, has advised the State Department he will soon leave Berlin on a trip to the Scandinavian Peninsula. Officials of the department explained that Mr. Gerard was merely going on a vacation without special instructions and that no significance could be attached to his trip. He will probably visit both Norway and Sweden.

FULL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS SOON

Early Agreement on Border Differences Officially Promised.

CARRANZA CONCILIATORY

Villa Said To Have Discarded His Crutches and To Head Big Band. Pershing Supply Train Raided.

Washington.—Preliminary negotiations between Acting Secretary Polk and Eliseo Arredondo, Mexican Ambassador-designate, for peaceful settlement of border differences is progressing so well that a formal announcement that an agreement as to the method to be followed would be reached "very soon," was officially predicted.

It is understood the discussions under way deal particularly with the powers to be conferred upon a joint commission, should that plan of settlement be followed. So far no definite agreement on the course to be pursued has been reached, but latest developments indicated that only final word from General Carranza and President Wilson was lacking. It was stated officially that the American commissioners had not been selected.

Officials said also that Mr. Fletcher would not head the American membership, as had been reported, because it might impair his diplomatic usefulness.

Full Diplomatic Relations Soon.

It is understood Mr. Fletcher will go to his post in Mexico City soon after Secretary Lansing returns from his vacation, about August 1, provided the favorable turn of events beyond the border continues. At the same time Mr. Arredondo will be formally received by President Wilson as Ambassador from the republic of Mexico and full diplomatic relations be restored.

A dispatch from General Pershing, saying that General Gonzalez had conferred with him as to reports of the seizure of the Hearst ranch in Chihuahua and then had proceeded to investigate the case, was viewed here as further evidence of the more conciliatory attitude of all Carranza officials. General Pershing had called attention to this change previously, saying that the general opinion of those Mexicans with whom he came in contact was that a peaceful adjustment of all differences would be found.

The American aeroplane abandoned west of Dublin July 14 has been recovered.

Villistas Get Pershing Supplies.

El Paso, Texas.—State Department agents here have received reports that a train carrying provisions to Pershing's forces was held up by Villa soldiers in Casas Grandes division and all the Carranza guards were killed. The bandits looted 10 carloads of provisions, which consisted of meats, canned goods and other foodstuffs and forage. The supplies were loaded on pack mules and taken to the mountains by the bandits. According to another report, the bandits secured none of the supplies, but that six Carranza soldiers were killed and that they lost seven dead.

Another Attack Beaten Off.

Chihuahua, Mexico.—A band of Villa bandits attacked a train on the Mexico Northwestern near Santa Ysabel, about 50 miles west of here, according to a report to Gen. Jacinto Trevino. The bandits were beaten off and eight of them were brought here for trial by court-martial.

Villa Heading For Minaca.

Columbus, N. M.—A report reached Columbus that Villa is heading a large number of bandits toward Minaca, 85 miles west of Chihuahua City, on the line of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient Railway. The bandit leader, it was said, has discarded his crutches and is riding a horse.

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STATE NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD

The Latest Gleanings From All Over the State.

TOLD IN SHORT PARAGRAPHS

Justice M. A. Stees, of Steelton, secured the first hunter's license from Dauphin county for next season.

Daniel Ott, ninety-six years of age, the oldest resident of Snyder county, and last of the buffalo hunters of central Pennsylvania is dead.

Prospects are that the payment of school appropriations this year will be late due to the heavy demands now being made upon State funds.

Robert E. Thompson, aged six years, son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Thompson, of Steelton, died from tetanus, caused by scratching his arm where he had been vaccinated.

Stepping in the path of a Pennsylvania Railroad yard engine in the car shops at Altoona, John C. Eberlin, aged sixty-nine, an employe in the planing mill, was killed.

State Department of Agriculture reports are to the effect that the hay crop this year may go over 4,700,000 tons. Potatoes will probably run about 18,000,000 bushels. The hay is above the average and potatoes below.

James Shultz, a farmer of Cross Roads, near Mifflin, shot and killed his wife and himself in the presence of their nine children. The frightened children ran to the homes of neighbors after the tragedy.

Sessions were completed by the Public Service Commission and the next meetings will be held early in August. The commissioners have completed several cases upon which the opinions are now being written. They are mostly from central Pennsylvania.

Arthur C. Tedford, instructor at the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, was drowned while attending the Presbyterian Sunday School picnic at Alfarrata Park, near Alexandria. He was aged about thirty years, the son of a Presbyterian missionary to India, and leaves a wife and two children.

Crazed with heat after having spent the day in the fields picking huckleberries, David Davis, a miner of Grier City, aged forty-seven years and the father of five children, standing before them, said, "I'll end it all," and placing a revolver at his right temple, fired a bullet into his brain, dying instantly.

Official notice was received in Sharon of a further advance in the wages of tonnage men employed by the American Sheet and Tinsmith Company. The company advanced wages in February and again in May. The latest increase will amount to about eight per cent, making a total increase for the year of nineteen per cent.

Berks county is about to harvest the greatest wheat crop in its history, according to a statement issued by E. S. Wertz, an expert, who made a tour of the county. An average Pennsylvania crop is 16 1/2 bushels to the acre and Mr. Wertz predicts that the Berks yield this year will average twenty-five bushels to the acre and he points out a number of farms from which the yield will be forty bushels.

Hugh McNicholas, aged thirteen years, son of John McNicholas, of Phillipsburg, lives after clutching an electric high-tension wire carrying 15,000 volts. He was playing on the 1 1/2-high Valley Railroad bridge when he slipped and fell, landing on a cross arm on a pier carrying the wires. His hands grasped two wires and he fell twelve feet to the ground. His condition is serious.

Ten thousand men, women and children participated in a preparedness parade at Shamokin, under the auspices of the Northumberland County Patriotic League. The route of the parade was decorated with the