

ROOSEVELT AT CALL OF HIS COUNTRY

Former President Says Crisis Confronts Nation and Strong Man is Needed.

GREAT TASK FOR CONVENTION

NEW YORK, March 9.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, who is now at Trinidad, British West Indies, in a statement given out today, through the New York Evening Mail, emphatically declines to be a candidate in the primaries of Massachusetts or of any other state.

"I will not enter into any fight for the nomination," the colonel says, "and I will not permit any factional fight to be made in my behalf. Indeed, I will go further and say that it would be a mistake to nominate me, unless the country has in its mood something of the heroic; unless it feels not only like devoting itself to ideals, but to the purpose measurably to realize these ideals in America.

This is one of those rare times which come only at long intervals in a nation's history when the action determines the life of the generation that follows. Such times were those from 1776 to 1789, in the days of Washington, and from 1864 to 1868, in the days of Lincoln.

Great Task for Conventions. "It is for us of today to grapple with the tremendous national and international problems of our own hour in the spirit and with the ability shown by those who upheld the hands of Washington and Lincoln.

Whether we do or do not accomplish this feat will largely depend upon the action taken at the republican and progressive national conventions next June. Nothing is to be hoped from the present administration. * * * All that they offer us is a choice between degrees of hypocrisy and degrees of infamy. But disgust with the unmanly failure of the present administration, I believe does not and I know ought not to mean that the American people will vote in a spirit of mere protest. They ought not to, and I believe they will not be content merely to change the present administration for one equally timid, equally vacillating, equally lacking in vision, in moral integrity and in high resolve. * * *

Must Define Policies. "We must clearly define our policies. We must show that our belief in our governmental ideals is so real that we wish to make them count in the world at large and to make the necessary sacrifice in order that they shall count surely. We of this great republic have a contribution to make to the cause of humanity and we cannot make it unless we first show that we can secure prosperity and fair dealing among our own men and women.

I believe that in a crisis so grave it is impossible too greatly to magnify the needs of the country, too strongly to dwell on the necessity of minimizing and subordinating the desires of individuals. The delegates who go to Chicago will have it in their power to determine the character of the administration which is to do or leave undone the mighty tasks of the next four years. That administration can do an incalculable amount to make or mar our country's future.

Strong Men Are Needed. "The men chosen to decide such a question ought not to be politicians of average type and parochial outlook. Still less should they be politicians controlled by sinister influences from within or without. They should be the very best men that can be found in our country, whose one great mission should be to declare in unequivocal terms for a program of clean cut, straight out national Americanism, in deeds not less than in words and in internal and international matters alike and to choose as a candidate a man who will not merely stand for such a program before election, but will resolutely and in good faith put it through if elected. * * *

Delegates Should Be Unpledged. "June is a long way off. Many things may occur between now and then. It is utterly impossible to say now with any degree of certainty who should be nominated at Chicago. The crying, the vital need now is that the men who next June assemble at Chicago for the forty-eight states and mingle the views of the entire country shall act with the sane and lofty devotion to the interest of our nation as a whole, which was shown by the original continental congress. They should approach their task unhampered

HIGHER SPATS AND MORE BUTTONS are two of the newest features of the spring outfit. A smart costume of black and white check flannel seen recently had a coat with a pointed circular flounce, a fuller skirt, and the suit boasted of sixty buttons. The spats were twelve inches high.



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by any pledge, except to bring to its accomplishment every ounce of courage, intelligence and integrity they possess.

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HOLDREGE FIREMEN WILL BUY MOTOR HOSE TRUCK

HOLDREGE, Neb., March 9.—(Special.)—Members of the volunteer fire department of this city have decided to buy a motor truck for fire fighting purposes. The truck will carry 1,000 feet of water hose and a chemical engine. One-half the amount required to buy this is now in the company's treasury. The other half will either come from the city or will be raised by a series of entertainments.

HOLDREGE WILL BE MADE FREIGHT TRANSFER STATION

HOLDREGE, Neb., March 9.—(Special.)—Burlington officials are considering making Holdrege a transfer station for the Sterling division. All freight for the Sterling division will be unloaded and reworked here by a night crew, saving time of the train crew, who now must unload freight at each station from a number of different cars. This will mean a larger freight platform and more trackage in the Holdrege yards.

FREMONT MAN KILLS SELF BY DRINKING COAL OIL

FREMONT, Neb., March 8.—(Special.)—Nicholas Thede, for forty years in the employ of the Union Pacific at Fremont, died at a local hospital following a short illness. When Mr. Thede failed to show up at his post as crossing flagman yesterday morning a messenger was sent to his room. He was found in a critical condition, having drunk coal oil. He was 66 years of age and a native of Germany.

GERMANY DECLARES WAR ON PORTUGAL

Portuguese Minister at Berlin Was Handed His Passports Wednesday Afternoon.

GERMANS ARE LEAVING LISBON

BERLIN, March 9.—(By Wireless to Sayville.)—Germany declared war on Portugal at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon and handed his passports to the Portuguese minister.

"The German government therefore considers itself from this time in war with the Portuguese government," is the conclusion of a declaration handed today by the German minister at Lisbon to the Portuguese government and in Berlin to the Portuguese minister, a semi-official Overseas News agency announcement states.

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WOMAN CAPTIVE OF VILLA TELLS STORY

(Continued from Page One.) Everything. They took thirteen horses and every other animal on the ranch. I protested to Servantes again and he said he would order the flour to be returned, but the man to whom he gave the order never moved.

All Three Tied Up.

"My husband was taken out to the gate of the ranch yard and ranch gate and tied there with Hayden. I went out with the baby to see him and saw that they also had made a prisoner of a Mexican who had been working on the place. All three tied up. A Mexican soldier ordered by husband not to talk. I said to my husband: 'I am sure they intend to kill you.' The soldier told me to shut up and my husband said he thought everything would be all right, if I went into the house. He said it was too cold for the baby outside. So I went into the house, but soon afterward a soldier came in and said my husband wanted to see me. When I went out he told me to leave the baby with the wife of the Mexican who had also been taken prisoner. I did that. The soldier and I went out together after he told me that my husband was at the top of a hill a short distance away.

"The soldier told me to mount behind on his horse. When I refused he put me on one of the pack mules taken from my husband. I was suspicious and said so. I thought they intended to take me away, but the soldier told me everything was all right, but I did not see my husband. When I called he did not answer," then I said, 'I am going back to my baby.'

Draws His Sword.

"Then the soldier replied, 'We have given your baby to a Mexican family,' that made me frantic and I said, 'I am going right back to my baby,' whereupon the soldier drew his sword and declared if I did he would kill me. I dismounted from the mule, but he forced me back and I knew then I was a prisoner. "We rode all that night and reached Jiminez, where we made camp for three hours. Three hours was the longest we ever stopped in any twenty-four hours until we reached the Boca Grande river. "I saw Villa at Jiminez, but refused to talk to me. 'I am too busy,' he would always say. 'Talk to one of my colonels, that is what they are for.' Throughout all the nine days I was a prisoner I slept only in the saddle, or the camp a little while with my head against a tree, or stump. The men guarding me treated me well and one of them told me that Villa's men did not love him but were ruled entirely by the fear he had instilled in them. Villa was protected from assassins throughout the march by his officers—a score of colonels and a picked body of men known as "dorados," who camped and rode by themselves.

Water Gives Out.

Mrs. Wright then told of how the meat supply and water gave out during the march northward through the desert region of Chihuahua and how men, their tongues swollen, eyes glazed and abso-

lutely exhausted, would drop from their horses, only to be beaten and prodded with swords by Villa's officers until they remounted and again joined the column. "From the first I knew that Villa intended to attack Columbus," Mrs. Wright. "It was freely discussed by the men and the officers. Some of the latter told me that Villa intended to kill every American they could find, but they pointed to me as an example of their decision not to harm women. Later as we approached the border from Boca Grande; these same officers told me that Villa, his rage growing as he neared the boundary—had declared he would make torches of every woman and child, as well as every man in Columbus. "He intended," they said, "to pay the whole of the United States and would be helped by Japan and Germany." At Boca Grande we saw evidence of their determination. I did not see the three American women named, McKinney, Corbett and O'Neill, slain, but I saw officers wearing their clothing. That was after Villa had sent out twenty men to break up the Palomas cattle round up and supply the hungry column with meat.

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"In view of the turn in our international affairs during the last twenty-four hours," said Senator McCumber, "I feel that seagoing Americans have been as effectively warned of their peril as though either the McLennore or the Gore resolutions had been adopted, and considering new proposals tending toward an amicable settlement of the questions in controversy, I feel that reopening of the discussion might be embarrassing and improper.

"The resolution, which was introduced at a time when the president was asking for an expression of the sentiment of the senate, should be withdrawn. As it is a concise expression of my views on the subject, I may introduce it again should the occasion demand, but I hope the controversies will be amicably settled."

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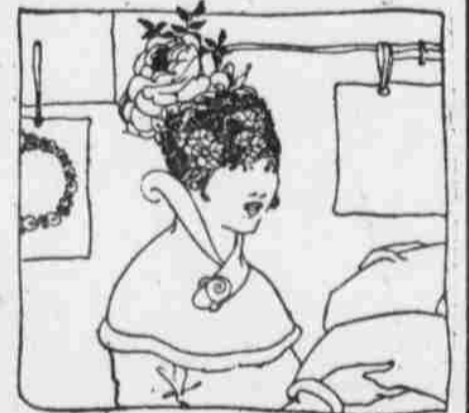
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