

CONFEREES HAVE APPROVED APPEAL TO MEXICO CHIEFS

Meeting Adjourns After Diplomats Take Action Regarding Plea to Leaders of Warring Factions.

WILL BE DISPATCHED TODAY
No Further Gathering of the Envoys Will Be Held Until Some Answer Received.

INTERVENTION NOT DESIRED

BULLETIN.
BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Aug. 11.—Practically every American citizen in the three southernmost countries of Texas, Cameron, Hidalgo and Starr, is under arms tonight in fear that the overwhelming Mexican population of the section may break out in a racial riot.

BULLETIN.

EL PASO, Tex., Aug. 11.—Representatives of the foreign mining interests in Villa territory in Juarez today were presented a proposition by General Villa to pay their employees in Villa paper currency, revoking a recent decree requiring payment in silver.

NEW YORK, Aug. 11.—The conference adjourned late today after having approved the appeal to the Mexican factions, which will probably be dispatched tomorrow, following a conference in Washington of President Wilson and Secretary Lansing.

At the conclusion of the conference Secretary Lansing said:

"The conference agreed on a form of note to be sent to the different factions in Mexico urging them to compose their differences, and we have also agreed on the policy we will recommend with reference to a movement in Mexico."

Secretary Lansing said there would be further meetings of the conferees. He did not think, however, another meeting would be held until after some reply had been received from the Mexican factions. The secretary added that American intervention was not desired in the conference.

Result of a Texas Feud.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—General Funston reported to the War department today that best information he can gather indicates that the brigandage in Cameron, Hidalgo and Starr counties, Texas, was caused by Texans with headquarters at Brownsville, who, having a political feud, sent bandit gangs to rob and attack each other.

The majority of those engaged in the lawlessness, General Funston reported, were residents of the United States, although some are known to have come from the Mexican side.

Secretary Garrison said he had no report that Carranza troops had entered Texas territory. If they were captured, he said, they would be disbanded. If they attempted to resist, he declared, they would be shot.

Secretary Garrison today telegraphed to the general Funston he would send all the troops available if the general needed them. The secretary said General Funston had not asked for more troops and that none had been ordered to Texas or been given orders to be in readiness to move. The War Department has referred to General Funston for report of all calls for more troops, including that of the American consul at Nuevo Laredo, Tex.

Fight Near Harlingen.

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Aug. 11.—Forty or fifty Mexicans were in a running fight this afternoon about twelve miles from Harlingen with a detachment of soldiers reinforced by a citizens' posse. These same Mexicans were seen earlier in the day trotting their horses westward toward Mercedes. There were then about forty of them.

Rangers today captured in Hidalgo (Continued on Page Two, Column One.)

WOUNDED GERMAN PRISONER being examined by French officers seeking information about conditions in the camp of the enemy.



GERMAN FORCES TAKE BENJAMINOW

Berlin War Office Announces Capture of Fortress East of Novogeorgievsk.

RUSS ATTACKS ARE REPULSED

BERLIN, Aug. 11.—(Via London.)—The German war office announced today the occupation of the fortress of Benjaminow, which lies to the east of Novogeorgievsk, the Russian stronghold on the Vistula, northwest of Warsaw.

The statement follows:

"Western theater: North of Souchez a French hand grenade attack was repulsed."

"At Courcy, north of Rheims, the French were prevented from occupying a crater which they made before our front by mine explosions."

"Late in the evening our infantry repulsed an attack at Lingekopf."

"Eastern theater: The army under Field Marshal Von Hindenburg easily repulsed strong advances made by the Russians during the last five days along the Huta-Milau road. An attack by strong Russian forces from Kovno failed. The number of Russians taken prisoners three since August 5 has been increased to 2,116 and of machine guns to sixteen."

"East of Lomas our troops are advancing in the direction of the Ebrar-Naragd line. The enemy still holds the bridgehead at Wisnia. South of Lomas, the entire Russian line is retreating. The strongly fortified sections of the Carwony-Brok position could not be held by the enemy. Our pursuing troops crossed the Carwony-Brok position and are advancing to the east thereof. The railway junction southeast of Osetrov was captured."

"East of the Novogeorgievsk fortress of Benjaminow, which was evacuated by the enemy, was occupied. Bombs were dropped by our airplanes on the fortress of Novogeorgievsk and Beest-Litovsk."

"The army of Prince Leopold of Bavaria, during a sharp pursuit on the left wing of the allied troops, reached the region of Kalusyn. On the right wing the army of General Von Worszech took by storm early this morning rear guard positions on both sides of the Blanka, west of Lukow. More than 1,000 prisoners were taken."

"The army of Field Marshal Von Mackensen is engaged in making attacks on enemy positions behind the sectors of Bystra, southwest of Radzyn; Tienietz, west of Karzew, and on the Ostrow-Uchreck line."

Cashier Confesses to Robbing Bank

CEAR RAPIDS, Ia., Aug. 11.—Officials of the Cedar Rapids National bank, which was robbed a week ago today of \$20,070, announced today that the mystery of the robbery had been cleared by the confession of Leo Ferrin, paying teller, that he had taken the money to settle debts incurred in land speculation.

It was rumored here today that an out-of-town man, a banker in a small Iowa city, had been implicated by Ferrin.

Northern Pacific Loses Land Suit

SPOKANE, Wash., Aug. 11.—Title to 41,000 acres of land valued at more than \$1,000,000, comprising the old numbered sections in the Spokane Indian reservation was decided today in favor of the Northern Pacific railway as the plain-iff in the suit.

CLOSING OF OGDEN GATEWAY IS LEGAL

Commission Upholds Proposed Cancellation of Through Route and Joint Fares.

ARRANGEMENT IS VOLUNTARY

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—In the so-called Ogdan gateway case the Interstate Commerce commission today held the proposed cancellation by the Union Pacific of through routes and joint fares in connection with the Denver & Rio Grande through the Ogdan gateway was fully justified, but suggested continuance of through accommodations for travelers desiring to pass over that route at the lawful fares available.

The commission laid down the proposition that "the commission has no power to prevent the cancellation of through routes and joint fares voluntarily established by the railroads when the circumstances and conditions are such as would not warrant an order by the commission to compel such arrangements if not already in effect."

The Union Pacific's proposal caused widespread protests.

"The controversy," the commission says, "is of importance not only to the travelers, who heretofore have been accorded a free and unrestricted choice of routes in going to and from points between the Oregon Short Line, but is important to the Denver & Rio Grande the principal protesting road."

The protest contended that any changes in the conditions under which travel passes through Colorado Springs, Salt Lake City and other places where large investments have been made in hotels and other accommodations for tourists would mean a substantial loss to that region and to the farming and fruit regions of western Colorado.

The commission's decision holds that there is no vested right in the present through arrangements.

Poland and Section of France Will Be Asked by Germany

BERNE, Aug. 11.—(Via Paris.)—The Tagwaeb prints the text of a manifesto issued by a group of German professors and intellectuals enumerating their ideas of the only acceptable peace terms. These, according to the manifesto must insure the free expansion of German culture, industry and commerce. Belgium for military and commercial purposes must be subject to Germany. France must cede to Germany all territory north of a line from Belfort to the mouth of the river Somme and pay a large indemnity. Russia must cede Poland and the greater part of the Baltic provinces and other territory in lieu of indemnity which it could not pay.

The manifesto is signed by Prof. Meinkes, Seeburg and Schaefer of Berlin university; Oncken of Heidelberg university; Schumacher of Bielefeld; Director Kirdeln of the Geiselskirchen mines and Imperial Minister von Scherwin, mayor of Frankfurt-on-the-Oder.

Two Men Killed by Texas Rangers

HARLINGEN, Tex., Aug. 11.—Two brothers named Brady were reported killed near here yesterday by Texas rangers. The Bradys were formerly residents of Harlingen, and were alleged leaders of Mexican outlaws. The rangers came upon them with a number of Mexicans and, it was stated, the Bradys fired upon the rangers, the encounter taking place west of Sebastian, where the two Austins were killed last Friday.

GERMAN VESSEL DESTROYING BRITON WARSHIP IS SUNK

Commander of Meteor Blows Up Own Craft After It Has Sent an Auxiliary Boat to the Bottom.

FIVE ENGLISH OFFICERS LOST
Victim Ship Is Ramsey, Merchantman Taken Over by Navy Last Year.

OVER FORTY MEN REMOVED

LONDON, Aug. 11.—The British warship Ramsey has been sunk in the North sea by the German steamer Meteor, it was announced officially tonight. The Meteor, as it was being chased by British vessels, was blown up by its commander, the statement adds.

The text of the statement follows:

"H. M. S. Ramsey, Lieutenant S. Raby, R. N. R., a small armed patrol vessel, was sunk by the German armed fleet auxiliary steamer Meteor on the August 8, in the North sea. Four officers and thirty-nine men were saved."

"The Meteor subsequently sighted a squadron of British cruisers and its commanding officer realizing that escape was impossible ordered the crew to abandon the ship and then blew it up."

"The admiralty in a casualty list issued tonight said five officers were lost in the taking of the Ramsey, and that two were lost in the sinking of the torpedo boat destroyer Lynx, when it struck a mine in the North sea last Monday."

The Meteor was formerly owned by the Hamburg-American steamship company and was built at Hamburg in 1904. It was of 2,613 gross tons, 225 feet long, forty-four feet beam and eighteen feet deep.

The Ramsey was a merchant vessel which went in commission in the British navy in November, 1914.

Ten Men Killed in Fights With Bandits Along Texas Border

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Aug. 11.—Little lessening of activities on the part of Mexican ranch raiders in the Rio Grande valley was indicated in reports reaching here in the last twenty-four hours, which told of numerous attacks by the bandits and of several battles between the Mexicans and soldiers. Ten men were reported to have been killed in the battles yesterday and last night, including the death of the commander of the outposts of the raiders, up to nearly twenty.

The ten men reported dead included one United States trooper, four Americans, believed to be members of the bandit bands, and five Mexicans.

The trooper was killed last night at Palm Gardens, near Mercedes, Tex., when he, with several other cavalrymen, was attacked by Mexican bandits who appeared suddenly out of the darkness, shot at the soldiers and quickly disappeared. The Mexicans, according to reports, had cut the telephone wire connecting Palm Gardens with Mercedes. A farmer found the break, connected the wire and reported the shooting to Mercedes. Additional soldiers and a posse of citizens immediately left for Palm Gardens. News of their possible meeting of the bandits was awaited today.

The latest trouble to be reported occurred at Sebastian, Tex., early today, where two Mexican bandits, captured by Texas rangers last night, attempted to escape and were shot and killed.

Bush Special Train Wrecked in Colorado

GRAND JUNCTION, Colo., Aug. 11.—A special train carrying B. F. Bush, president of the Denver & Rio Grande railroad, was wrecked four miles south of here late today. O. M. Potter, engineer, was fatally hurt. The wreck was caused by a landslide, which crashed into the locomotive, which tumbled into the ditch. The private cars were undamaged.

Foot and Mouth Disease Reappears

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Aug. 11.—The Union Stock yards at Chicago, was quarantined against a restricted area of six Illinois counties which were placed in close quarantine today by federal and state authorities, following new outbreaks of the foot and mouth disease. State authorities said the fresh outbreak had been traced to infected anti-hog cholera serum.

Moving Picture Play with Miss Wolz Driving a Cub Tractor as the Heroine

FREMONT, Neb., Aug. 11.—(Special Telegram.)—In the creation of a new moving picture film based upon the Fremont tractor show and the development of agriculture, Fremont and a Fremont girl are to figure prominently. O. W. Holt of Manhattan, Kan., a moving picture photographer and writer of movie plays is at work now upon the film, which will continue to operate his camera, showing the enthusiastic greetings to the Cub and its driver, the people lined up along the streets and various Fremont activities along the way.

Mr. Holt has been engaged every day this week making moving pictures of the tractor show and he believes he has created some good films. He had something like a dozen movie settings today. Work is progressing on the agricultural portion of the film that will show the development of agriculture. It has been decided to take the camera up to the Indian reservation for the purpose of getting pictures of the Indians at work with their primitive implements.

Three Battleships Instructed to Await Orders in Southern Waters

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—Secretary Daniels late today denied reports that the Atlantic fleet at Newport, R. I., had been prepared to sail for Mexican waters, but announced that he had ordered the battleships New Hampshire, Connecticut and Louisiana to await further orders in "southern waters."

Secretary Daniels said the situation at Vera Cruz might be such that it would be unnecessary to send the battleships there. He added that generally unsettled conditions in southern waters required the presence of greater naval forces. The American society in Mexico City today appealed to the State department to send a representative in place of Senor Cardoso, the Brazilian minister, who is coming to the United States. The society asked for a man from outside of Mexico, "a man of force, ability and prestige." The United States is without a diplomatic representative since the Brazilian minister's departure.

RATES DECISION FAVORS SHIPPERS

Commission Allows Increases on Bituminous Coal, Coke, Fruit and Vegetables.

DENIED ON GRAIN AND STOCK

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11.—The Interstate Commerce commission today granted a portion of the freight rate increases asked by the western railroads and refused to sanction others. The advances which the roads are allowed are comparatively small. On the items which would have netted the greatest revenue the increases were denied.

On the ground that their income was too low the roads asked for increases in carload rates on commodities, but did not ask for any uniform advances. Their program would have increased their income approximately \$10,000,000 a year.

The majority of the commission in refusing the principal increases, took the view that some of the roads which were in straits suffered from bad management and financial operations. Commissioners Daniels and Karlan, the minority, agreed with all the increases granted, contending that others should have been allowed and held that improper financial management should not debar the roads from receiving reasonable rates for service.

The decision affects all the roads west of the Mississippi river and in the southwest. Indirectly it affects every railroad in the United States.

The commission summarized its findings as follows:

Proposed increase carload rates on grain and grain products considered as one commodity not justified.

Proposed increase from 30,000 to 40,000 pounds in the minimum carload weight of grain products justified.

Proposed increase carload rates on live stock not justified.

Proposed increase carload rates on packing house products and fresh meats, except as indicated between points on the Missouri river, not justified.

Proposed increase carload rates on fertilizer and fertilizer materials, not justified.

Coal increase justified.

Proposed increase rates on bituminous coal, except as to South Dakota points, justified. The rates on coke here proposed, which are the same as on coal, justified.

Proposed increase carload rates on brewer's rice and less than carload rates on domestic rice justified.

Proposed increase import rates and proposed increase in carload minima from gulf ports justified.

Proposed increase carload rates on fruit and vegetables justified.

Proposed increase carload rates on hay and straw, where not in excess of class C, justified.

Proposed increase any-quantity rates on cotton piece goods and proposed increase carload rates from points in Texas, not justified.

The decision affects freight rates mainly west of the Mississippi and in the southwest. (Continued on Page Two, Column Two.)

Barton Does Not Want Nomination for Governorship

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Aug. 11.—(Special Telegram.)—Former Congressman Barton stated that he has received information from several friends at various points in the state that petitions are being circulated for the purpose of placing his name on the primary ballot for the republican nomination for governor. Mr. Barton adds that this is being done without his knowledge or consent, and that he will not accept such a nomination. In due time he will announce his candidacy for the republican nomination for congress, but declares there is plenty of time for that.

WATCH AND WAIT FOR HARRY THAW

Tractor Men at Fremont Anxious to See Man, but He's Not Strong for Plow.

BIG CROWDS IN ATTENDANCE

Thousands of eyes searched the tractor demonstration field all Wednesday afternoon at Fremont. They were searching for one man. "I wonder where he is," men were saying.

"Would he be in an auto? They say he has a party with him."

Still the great tractors plowed acre after acre and field after field. Yet the eyes of the multitudes were more engaged in searching the stubble field for this one much-sought man, rather than in watching the splendid power farming demonstration that was going to waste.

That one man was in Omaha all the time, riding around in a big touring car with John C. Wharton. He had no intention of going to Fremont. He was Harry K. Thaw, who is motoring to California, and is stopping in Omaha on his way.

Some mischief lover had spread the word at Fremont that Harry Thaw was to motor to Fremont, Omaha, that he would then and there mount a giant tractor, kick the throttle and gallop around the big field with a cluster of gang plows roaring at his heels.

But Harry Thaw is not strong for the plow. He believes in wheat and corn. In fact, he is in favor of agricultural products. But he prefers them after they have gone through the deft hands of the chef of the Fontelle hotel.

Just stays in Omaha.

For that reason Thaw did not show himself at Fremont and for that reason he stuck close to the Fontelle hotel in Omaha where so coarse a commodity as wheat presents itself only in the form of pie crust, and where corn is served in oat glass with a chaser.

When the rain was over, however, and the crowd had about convinced itself that Thaw would not appear, interest began to center in the tractor demonstration again, and a big demonstration it was, too.

With the third day of the tractor show relegated to history, the 1,000-acre field is beginning to turn black, instead of the golden hue of the stubble field. That is, the tractors drawing huge gang plows of many bottoms are rapidly converting a gigantic stubble field into a field of fall plowing.

Orders are being given steadily for tractors. The farmers from a half dozen states, who are visiting the show are more than ever convinced that the horse for heavy farm work has passed and that the tractor age is upon them. While last year, which was the second year of the show, many tractors were sold on the ground, the orders are coming much better this year. Salesmen and demonstrators are kept busy taking orders and explaining technical points of the various machines each day after the big demonstration, during which the farmers have selected the tractor they want.

From Hungary to Bay.

One man came all the way from Hungary to buy tractors for some Hungarian concerns.

Stout City, Lincoln and Beatrice special trains over the Burlington road brought in large crowds during the day.

The first section of the 1,000-foot moving picture reel was taken by the Holt Feature Film company. This is the first section of the reel of the "Romance of the Plow," which is to cover a half century of agricultural progress in Nebraska. The Indians, who are to form a part of the finished film, will probably not be brought to Fremont, but will be photographed later on their reservation, where the setting will be better for the result that is expected, namely, a view of the very primitive days of the Nebraska prairie, with the squaw working their corn fields with clamshell hoes.

Here is today's program:

Nebraska-South Dakota and Albin day 9:30 to 11:30 a. m.—Private demonstration.

11:30 to 1:30 p. m.—Tractor show, course 1:30 to 4:30 p. m.—Public demonstration.

Chicago & Northwestern railway, Albin, Norfolk and Hastings divisions excursions.

Union Pacific train No. 18 will stop going east tonight and tomorrow night at Valley, Elkhorst and Waterloo to permit passengers from Fremont to return conveniently.

HORSE STEALING CHARGE PREFERRED AT STURGIS

STURGIS, S. D., Aug. 11.—(Special Telegram.)—Arthur and John Guffey, Max Pfeiffer and Chick Mason, arrested on a charge of horse stealing, were arraigned before Justice Payne. The first three named were placed under \$1,000 bonds and the last named under \$500 bonds to appear for preliminary hearing to be held August 24.

NEW RECORD IN PLOWING MADE AT TRACTOR SHOW

A new world's record was hung up at the tractor show at Fremont yesterday, when the Wallis Cub tractor plowed three acres in seventy-seven minutes. This is ten minutes short of the time taken for the same feat at last season's show, and makes the Qase crew feel pretty jubilant.

ALLIES LANDING LARGE FORCE ON GULF OF SAROS

Movement is Apparently Aimed at the Strong Turkish Defenses on Neck of the Gallipoli Peninsula.

ATTEMPT TO RELIEVE RUSSIA
Supposed to Be Answer to Rumor that the Kaiser is to Attack Serbia Next.

VILNA IS PARTLY DISMANTLED

BULLETIN.

LONDON, Aug. 11.—General Sir Ian Hamilton reports from the Dardanelles that the area held by the entente allies in the Asiatic zone on the Gallipoli peninsula has been nearly trebled. Five out of six guns in the Turkish Asiatic batteries are reported to have been put out of action by the French battleship St. Louis.

BULLETIN.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 9.—(Via Berlin, Aug. 11, by Wireless to Sayville.)—Enver Pasha, the Turkish minister of war, declared today that, according to his information, the entente allies in their latest operations at the Dardanelles had landed three divisions of troops, composed of about 50,000 men. The losses among them, however, he asserted, already had been very heavy.

LONDON, Aug. 11.—Recognition of the imperative importance to the allies of forcing the Dardanelles, as the short road to retrieving Russian reverses and regaining the initiative now in the hands of Germany, is demonstrated amply by the sudden landing of British forces in the vicinity of Karachail, on the north of the Gulf of Saros, and resumption of the offensive, both at the southern end of the Gallipoli peninsula and north of Gaba Tepe.

Strengthen Position.

The Australians and New Zealanders recently have been strengthening their position at Gaba Tepe. The new landing place on the Gulf of Saros, being on the flank and rear of the German lines, is developed would menace the strong Turkish defenses across the neck of the peninsula. Coming at this time, when there is so much discussion whether Germany will attempt to crush Serbia preparatory to linking forces with Turkey by way of Bulgaria, these developments at the Dardanelles assume a special importance.

As yet there is no proof that the Germans have withdrawn or are preparing to withdraw any considerable proportion of their forces from the eastern front. On the contrary, the offensive which led to the fall of Warsaw, has not been relaxed and the position of the retreating Russians is still perilous.

Partial dismantling of Vilna, preparatory to evacuation, as reported from Petrograd, is somewhat puzzling in that commentators, inasmuch as the Russians assert they have repulsed German attacks around the fortress of Kovno, which is sixty miles northwest of Vilna.

The Zeppelins, reported yesterday over Holland, sailing in the direction of the Scottish coast, have not been heard from. The German attack on the fortress of Kovno has been pressed close. Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd points out that the village of Pile, on which the Germans have retained their hold, notwithstanding the fierce counter attacks of the Russians, is only six miles west of Kovno. It lies on the left bank of the Niemen.

Preparations are under way for the possible evacuation of the fortress. All military supplies and government properties have been removed and factories are being dismantled.

A Zeppelin has appeared for the first time over the fortress of Dvinsk, on the Dvina, 110 miles southeast of Riga. The airship circles the ramparts.

The Weather

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday.
Forecast till 7 p. m. Thursday.
For Omaha, Council Bluffs and vicinity.—Showers, not much change in temperature.

Hour	Temp.
5 a. m.	53
6 a. m.	54
7 a. m.	55
8 a. m.	56
9 a. m.	57
10 a. m.	58
11 a. m.	59
12 m.	60
1 p. m.	61
2 p. m.	62
3 p. m.	63
4 p. m.	64
5 p. m.	65
6 p. m.	66
7 p. m.	67
8 p. m.	68

Comparative Local Record.

1915	1914	1913	1912
Highest yesterday	73	74	75
Lowest yesterday	53	53	52
Mean temperature	72	72	71
Precipitation	.12	.09	.04
Temperature			
Normal precipitation	12 inch	12 inch	12 inch
Deficiency for the year	12 inch	12 inch	12 inch
Total deficiency since March 1	233	233	233
Normal precipitation	12 inch	12 inch	12 inch
Deficiency for the year	12 inch	12 inch	12 inch
Total deficiency since March 1	233	233	233
Excess since March 1	29 inch	29 inch	29 inch
Deficiency for cur. period, 1914	4.1 inch	4.1 inch	4.1 inch
Deficiency for cur. period, 1915	2.8 inch	2.8 inch	2.8 inch

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M.
Station and State Temp. High-Low.
Chryse, cloudy 73-74
Davenport, part cloudy 70-69
Denver, rain 70-66
Des Moines, cloudy 70-62
Dodge City, part cloudy 70-64
Lander, cloudy 70-61
North Platte, part cloudy 70-62
Omaha, clear 72-63
Pueblo, cloudy 70-64
Rapid City, clear 70-60
Salt Lake City, clear 70-64
Santa Fe, cloudy 70-64
Sheridan, cloudy 70-62
Sioux City, part cloudy 70-67
Valdese, clear 70-62

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