

MARINES FIGHT MOB

AMERICAN TROOPS OCCUPY PALACE AND THE PORT OFFICE AT PORT AU PRINCE.

GUNBOAT PACIFIQUE SEIZED

General Bobo Protests Against Occupation—Patrols Fire on Crowds and Man is Killed—Re-Enforcements Sent to Haiti.

Port au Prince, Haiti, Aug. 9.—United States naval forces under Admiral Caperton took possession of the national palace and the office of the port and seized the Haitian gunboat Pacific, which arrived from Cape Haitien in the morning.

The crew of the gunboat was disarmed and landed. They were greeted on shore by a crowd which cried: "Hurrah for Bobo!"

During the operation to take possession of the port office the American troops were forced to fire and one Haitian was killed. The incident has caused a great stir in the town.

General Bobo arrived on the Centric from Cape Haitien and went to his chambers where he immediately indicted a protest against the American occupation.

The occupation is being extended not only on the palace, the fort and all other important places in the town, but three miles beyond the limits. American patrols are in the streets maintaining peace and order, and tonight the curfew law forbidding persons without authority to pass through the streets after eight o'clock was put in force.

The United States warship Connecticut landed 150 marines, who occupied the forts.

Washington, Aug. 9.—In dispatches to the navy department Admiral Caperton announced that revolt had broken out at Gonaves, on the western coast of Haiti, and asked that reinforcements be sent to him.

Admiral Benson, acting secretary of the navy, ordered the armored cruiser Tennessee, with 850 marines, to Port au Prince.

9 NEGROES HANG IN ONE DAY

South Executes Seven by Legal Process and Two Are Mob Victims.

Memphis, Aug. 9.—Nine negroes were hanged, seven legally and two lynched, while a tenth was being chased in the southern states on Friday.

Alabama led the list with four legal hangings. At Evergreen, Robert Watkins and John Salter were hanged for the murder and assault of Mrs. Mary Lassiter at Cullman.

George James was hanged for the murder of George Clayburn. Millard Carpenter was hanged at Birmingham for the murder two years ago of John T. Camp, a white man.

Mississippi hanged three negroes, two of them, Peter Bolen and Jim Seales, were convicted of murdering another negro.

Bunyan Walters was hanged at Fayetteville, Miss., for the murder of Tom Neala.

Dispatches from Shawnee, Okla., tell of a "quiet, orderly crowd arried to the teeth," which hanged Ed Berry to a Santa Fe railroad bridge, riddled his body with bullets and dispersed in an orderly a fashion as it had formed.

In the early morning hours at Tribby, Fla., a crowd, hypnotized with fury, lynched Will Leach, accused of attacking a thirteen-year-old girl.

TROOPS TO SHELL MEXICANS

Funston Men Massed Along Line Near Nogales See Villa Forces Beaten by Carranzistas.

Nogales, Ariz., Aug. 6.—After defeating the major portion of Governor Jose Maytorena's Villa army at Mascarras, ten miles south, on Wednesday, the Carranza forces under Gen. P. Elias Calles began an attack on Nogales, Sonora, while American troops lined the border to enforce if necessary the order to repel any invasion of American rights by Mexican factions. Calles soon forced the Villa troops back to the Mexican town of Nogales. Americans crowded the hills to watch the fighting. The American troops, a regiment of cavalry and a machine gun platoon, lined the border. The soldiers had orders to begin firing on the Mexicans the moment bullets flew into American territory.

Washington, Aug. 5.—Unusual activity in the war and navy departments was evident during the day, and an order from General Scott, chief of staff, directing a battery of the Fifth field artillery to proceed from Fort Sil, Okla., to El Paso, Tex., aroused considerable surprise. At the war department it was stated the artillery was ordered at the request of the state department.

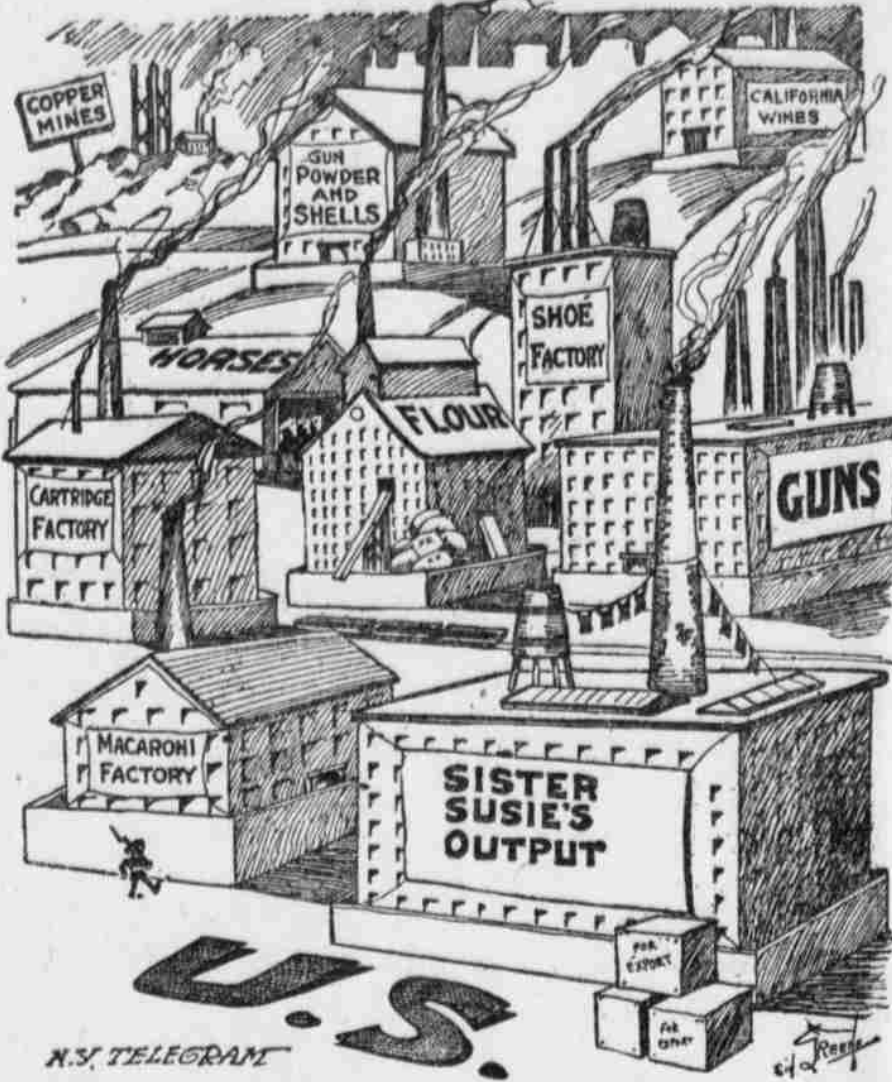
Eight Villa Troopers Killed.

El Paso, Tex., Aug. 7.—Eight Villa troopers were executed in Juarez on orders from General Villa. The men, it is said, rode through Juarez early in the day, yelling "Abio Villa! Vive Zapata!" (Down with Villa!)

New Strike at Remington Plant.

Utica, N. Y., Aug. 7.—At a meeting held on Thursday at Ilion, which was attended by about 1,500 piece workers in the Remington arms plant, a general strike of all piece workers was declared.

RUNNING FULL TIME



MANY PERISH IN FLOOD NO TREATY VIOLATION

CLOUDBURST SWEEPS SCORES TO DEATH AT ERIE, PA.

Buildings Are Swept Away When Torrent Hits City—Hundreds Are Made Homeless.

Erie, Pa., Aug. 5.—About fifty persons reported drowned, nearly one hundred buildings swept from their foundations, the city in total darkness, and the eastern section inundated and damage to property estimated at several million dollars is the toll of a cloudburst shortly after six o'clock Tuesday night.

It is impossible to ascertain the loss of life. Many are still imprisoned in their houses by the waters and the eastern portion of the city is cut off. Bands of rescuers, led by Mayor Stern and members of the city council, rescued families from the flooded districts.

The cloudburst came as the climax of three days of steady rain. Mill creek, which divides the city, already swollen beyond its banks, became a torrent when the clouds opened up and swept through the city, carrying all before it. The business section was flooded to a depth of five feet and all lines of communication were blocked.

The houses and buildings along the course of the creek began to tumble into the flood and were swept away.

TELEGRAPHIC NOTES

London, Aug. 6.—The ministry of munitions has decided to undertake the manufacture of munitions on a large scale in Ireland. A representative of the ministry will reside in Dublin and have charge of the organization of Ireland as a munition-producing area.

London, Aug. 6.—The British steamer Portia was sunk by a German submarine. The crew was saved. The Portia was captured from Germans at the start of the war.

London, Aug. 6.—The British steamer Costello has been sunk by a German submarine. One member of the crew was drowned.

WILSON PREPARES MESSAGE

President Will Make National Defense Principal Topic in His Communication to Congress.

Cornish, N. H., Aug. 6.—President Wilson is planning to make national defense one of the principal subjects in his next message to congress. While he will not decide finally on the policy he will ask congress to approve until after he has received the reports requested from Secretaries Garrison and Daniels, it became known that he already has given much preliminary thought to the question. While the president will make recommendations to congress on other subjects, the discussion of national defense is expected to attract much attention. He is expected to devote more time to the preparation of this portion of his message than he usually does to general recommendations.

Sees Slash in Tariff Rates.

Philadelphia, Aug. 9.—Senator Boies Penrose announced that he would introduce at the next session of congress a tariff bill that will contain reductions of 15 to 20 per cent on many of the duties in the Payne-Aldrich bill.

Belgian Miners on Strike.

Havre, Aug. 9.—Miners in the Mons district have gone on strike. Groups of miners clashed with German soldiers and a serious riot occurred in which two Germans and seven miners were killed.

GERMAN GOVERNMENT OFFERS TO PAY FOR FRYE.

Berlin Offers Indemnity to Owners of Vessel and Cargo Under Certain Conditions.

Washington, Aug. 6.—The state department on Wednesday gave out the latest note of Germany in the case of the William P. Frye, an American vessel sunk by the German cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich on January 28.

The note rejects the contention of the United States that in sinking the William P. Frye, Germany violated the treaty of 1799-1828.

It insists that the treaty stipulations merely oblige Germany to make compensation for the damage sustained by American citizens in the sinking of the vessel.

It suggests that each government designate an expert, who shall fix the amount of indemnity for the vessel and any American property which may have been sunk with 'er.

If this plan of settlement is not satisfactory to the United States, Germany suggests that the entire question of the application of the treaty be submitted to The Hague.

RUSSIANS IN MAD FLIGHT

Warsaw, Ivangorod, Novo Georgievsk Fall, Kovno Next to Go—All Vistula Ports Lost.

Petrograd, Aug. 7.—Warsaw and Ivangorod are lost to the Russians, but latest reports received at the war office indicate that Grand Duke Nicholas is withdrawing his main armies methodically, and checking attacks by the Austro-German forces on both his flanks.

Though the evacuation of Ivangorod was announced only a few hours after it was admitted that the troops left in Warsaw to protect the Russian retreat had withdrawn, the abandonment of the Vistula river front caused no panic in Petrograd.

London, Aug. 7.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Copenhagen says the Russians are evacuating Kovno. The governor and his official staff have gone. The population has been leaving for the last week.

Berlin, Aug. 7.—The Russian position at Novo Georgievsk, the only fortress on the Vistula river still held by Grand Duke Nicholas' troops, has been pierced by the Germans.

HEAVY FIGHTING IN WEST

British and Germans Engage in Terrific Battle Near Hooge, East of Ypres.

London, Aug. 5.—Telegrams from Courtrai, by way of Amsterdam, report heavy fighting between Britons and Germans near Hooge, east of Ypres. Many wounded are being sent back into Belgium from the German lines. Paris reports the allied battle line is maintained everywhere. Berlin announces the British have failed to recapture the ground the Germans recently won from the British at Hooge.

New Commander Appointed.

Paris, Aug. 9.—Gen. Maurice Serrail has been appointed commander of the French forces at the Dardanelles, it was announced here. A more energetic offensive by the land forces sent against the Turks is expected.

Murderer of Two Hanged.

Hartford, Conn., Aug. 9.—Bernard Montvid, convicted of the murder of Father Joseph Zebria, pastor of St. Andrew's Lithuanian Catholic church in New Britain, and Eva Gilmanaitis, was hanged at Wethersfield.

ONE LAST CHANCE

PAN-AMERICAN CONFERENCE TAKES UP PLAN FOR FINAL PEACE IN MEXICO.

MAY POLICE THE REPUBLIC

Commission to Take Over Revolutionary Country Discussed at Washington—Cruiser Sent to Republic—Artillery to Border.

Washington, Aug. 7.—The A. B. C. conference at the state department with Secretary Lansing forecasts a final decision to renew efforts to have Carranza, Villa, Zapata and other Mexican leaders compose their differences and set up a central government along the line of the protocol adopted by the A. B. C. mediators at Niagara Falls last year. Should this fall, strenuous action will be taken, it is believed.

The hope of success along the line expressed at the conference was based on the starvation conditions now existing in Mexico.

No attempt was made at the conference to reach a final decision on a new move to be taken by this government and the South and Central American governments participating, acting jointly to end the internal troubles in Mexico. The conference adjourned after a general exchange of the interested governments presented by their diplomatic representatives.

Different plans for bringing about peace in Mexico were submitted and are being considered by the delegates at an informal session before the conference is resumed in earnest again tomorrow.

It is understood that no action will be taken as a result of the full conference without the unanimous consent of parties to the conference.

Secretary Lansing laid stress on the informal nature of the conference, which he indicated might continue some days. The Latin-American diplomats, he said, had entered the conference on the understanding that its proceedings should be entirely confidential.

Aside from the plan of settlement among the Mexican leaders themselves, the proposal to establish a Pan-American commission to take over Mexico, require disarmament, restore civil government and conduct elections has been brought forward again. Another plan for policing Mexico with Pan-American forces also has been considered, it is said.

The diplomats were only partly advised of President Wilson's plan when the conference opened. The purpose of the conference was to invite their help in working one out. Their governments already have signified their willingness to co-operate in the work and after the conference, it is expected, the other Pan-American countries, including Cuba, not represented in the conference, will be asked to join in the work.

In connection with the conference it was announced that the cruiser Chattanooga has been ordered to Topolobampo to investigate conditions there and at the mouth of the Fuerte river. There has been no report of danger there, but the absence of American warcraft for some time has caused civilians to fear Indian uprisings. Three hundred marines are on board the Hector at La Paz, Lower California, for emergencies.

Battery D, Sixth field artillery, has been ordered to Nogales from Fort Riley, Kan., at the recommendation of General Funston. Another battery of light artillery has been ordered to Nogales from Douglas.

GENERAL TRACY IS DEAD

Stroke of Paralysis Is Fatal to "The Father of the Fighting Navy."

New York, Aug. 9.—Gen. Benjamin F. Tracy, who was President Harrison's secretary of the navy, died of paralysis here on Friday in his eighty-fifth year after a period of unconsciousness lasting nine days. Three years ago General Tracy sustained a shock of paralysis, but rallied from it after a few weeks and was able to resume his law practice. He was badly shaken up in an automobile accident last December day, but from this, too, he speedily recovered.

QUITS AS WARDEN AT JOLIET

Allen Wires His Resignation to Governor After Latter Refused Plea for Residence in Chicago.

Chicago, Aug. 9.—Warden E. M. Allen of Joliet penitentiary resigned his position on Friday. The warden sent a telegram to Governor Dunne giving up his place following a receipt of a letter from the governor in which he was informed that the Illinois law requires him to live inside the prison.

Gets Messages of Sympathy.

Cornish, N. H., Aug. 9.—Numerous messages of sympathy were received Friday by President Wilson, it being the first anniversary of the death of his wife. The president spent several hours upon the golf links.

\$25,000,000 for Evacuation.

London, Aug. 9.—"The Russian war office set aside \$25,000,000 to help pay the cost of the removal of Warsaw mills and factories to the interior," says the Petrograd correspondent of the Times.

STATE LEVY SLIGHTLY LOWER

Reduced One Mill on Account of \$10,000,000 Increase in Nebraska Taxable Property.

In view of an increase of nearly \$10,000,000 assessed value of property subject to taxation in Nebraska the state board of assessment has decided to reduce the levy for state taxes one mill. Last year the total levy for state purposes was 7.8 mills. This year it will be 6.8 mills. The general fund levy of 5 mills was reduced to 4.1 mills and the state aid bridge levy which the law says shall be of two-tenths of one mill was reduced to one-tenth of one mill. No change was attempted in the matter of the statutory levy of one mill for the support of the university, three-quarters of one mill for the university special building fund or .85 mill levy for the support of state normal schools. As a result of the increased assessed value of property reported by county boards and county assessors the state board was able to reduce the levy one mill and the total amount of taxes paid by the people of the state for state purposes will be about \$400,000 less than was paid last year. The increased valuation at the former rate of levy would mean an increase of about \$68,000 in state taxes and the decrease of one mill means a decrease of \$480,000 in state taxes.

The receipts in the office of Secretary of State Pool aggregated \$52,155.36 in July, as against \$45,996.40 in July of last year, the high water mark. The fees for annual permits to corporations to do business amounted to \$49,817, indicating that the total this year from this source may reach \$100,000. A heavy increase is shown in the automobile department, some 6,630 licenses on new cars having been applied for during the month. Thus far in the year, 21,715 licenses have been issued on new automobiles, while the number of renewals is greatly in excess of that in any previous year.

The state of Nebraska is going into the electric lighting business rather than pay private companies for light and power at state institutions. The Board of Control has completed arrangements for installing a new power plant to cost \$47,538 at the state penitentiary, to be operated by convicts. The Board of Public Lands in charge of the capitol has been paying a high rate for lights and current at the state house and other state institutions for some time. Under the new arrangement it is expected the state within a few years will save enough to pay for the new plant at the prison.

The Department of Experimental Agronomy of the University of Nebraska believes it would be a good practice for those farmers who have some of last year's seed corn to keep it for seed as an emergency in case their seed should not ripen satisfactorily this fall. Unless Nebraska should have an unusually late fall, much corn will be soft, and it will be difficult to secure satisfactory seed from many fields. It is with these facts in mind that the precaution is recommended.

General decreases in most of the materials used by railroads are alleged in a brief filed in the advance rate cases by Expert U. G. Powell of the Nebraska railway commission. Of ninety-three articles named by Mr. Powell as the most important materials used by the roads, 85 per cent he says has decreased and 15 per cent have gone up in price. The decreases, he specifies further, have been from 80 per cent at the top to 20 per cent at the bottom.

Operating twelve and a half miles of road, the Omaha to Papillion line did a total railway business of \$36,083 for the year ending June 30, last. The facts are contained in the annual report just filed with the state railway commission. The passenger earnings were \$3,486, the freight earnings \$35,778, and other earnings \$305. The total expense of operating this department of the holdings was \$31,212.

Thursday, September 9, will be Omaha day at the Nebraska state fair, according to an announcement by Secretary Mellor of the State Board of Agriculture. Special trains will be run for the occasion.

The town of Bridgeport has registered \$25,000 of bonds voted for the construction of a new school building. The bonds have been registered by the state auditor and the state will buy them.

The action of the state assessment board in reducing the state aid bridge levy from 1.5 of a mill to 1.0 does not meet the approval of State Treasurer Hall. He says the legislature fixed the amount and the board cannot lower it. An inspection of the bridge aid law, however, shows that \$150,000 from the proceeds of the 1.5 mill levy is appropriate—and as long as 1.0 of a mill would raise the amount the board thought it unnecessary to levy the full 1.5. The excess would only lay in the state treasury and this is believed not necessary.

TWO RACERS KILLED

AUTO RACES AT DES MOINES RESULT IN FATALITIES.

COOPER AND CHANDLER DEAD

Former Instantly Killed When Car Sails Over Edge of Speedway. Chandler Dies in Hospital.

Des Moines, Ia.—In a hair-raising 300-mile auto race before several thousand people Saturday, August 7, dedicating the new speedway, two men were killed and three probably fatally injured.

Early in the race Joe Cooper of Sebring, O., in his Sebring car blew a tire and went over the track, falling beneath the grandstand with the car on top of him, and dying instantly. His mechanic, George Peil, was probably fatally injured. He has two broken ribs, a crushed chest and internal injuries.

In the 238th lap the Deussenberg, driven by William Chandler of Fair Haven, N. J., went through the wire fence and turned turtle, pinning Chandler and his mechanic, Maurice Kleier of St. Paul, under the car. Chandler was thought dead for a moment, and Kleier dying, but doctors found a spark of life and rushed them to the hospital. Chandler died a few minutes after. The accidents are the first reported of a fatal nature on speedways this year.

Immediately after De Palma was declared the unofficial winner, F. M. Deussenberg, head of the Deussenberg racing team, filed notice of protest claiming that Mulford had won the race. Later the judges reversed their decision and gave Mulford first money, which amounted to \$3,000.

De Palma's time stands as the first world's record for a sanctioned 300-mile race on a mile wooden track. It was the first time in the history of the A. A. A. that a 300-mile race had been held on a mile motordrome, whatever time is officially recorded, the records will stand and be given official recognition.

Des Moines is moved by the baptism of blood at the opening of the speedway. Mayor Hanna, Safety Superintendent Mitchell, Sheriff Griffen and a number of leading citizens have protested publicly against further races. The management plans to hold another 150-mile race this fall, however. Condemnation of the racing game is heard on every side.

It is reported one board was raised above the track because the track swelled from the rains, and that this board caused the wreck of Cooper.

Few Russians Taken.

Berlin.—Fewer than 15,000 Russian were captured in the joint operations that led to the capture of Warsaw and Ivangorod. More than 100,000 Russians are two-thirds surrounded in the angle formed by the Bug and Vistula rivers. German forces from north and south of Warsaw are trying to close the trap. General Heitz has reached the Bug river near its confluence with the Narw and is attempting to cross the river to attack the Russian flank. Southwest of Warsaw the Germans are smashing toward the Warsaw-Siedlee railway. They menace the Russians who retreated from Warsaw and threaten to pierce the Russian lines between Praga and the region north of Ivangorod. Part of the Slav force in Praga has begun a retreat.

Rangers and Mexicans Clash.

Corpus Christi, Tex.—Six Mexicans have been killed and three Americans wounded in fighting on the Norias ranch between a raiding party of thirty Mexican outlaws and fourteen ranchmen. It was reported in a brief message from Norias. It was said the bandits raided the Norias ranch and drove away fifty horses and took a quantity of provisions and several rifles. Later the Mexicans returned to the ranch and a pitched battle started, the fourteen Americans barricading themselves in the ranch house. They telephoned from the ranch house to Sarita, Brownsville and Kingsville for help, before the Mexicans cut the telephone wires.

Bought 100,000 Boxes Apples.

Portland, Ore.—The largest contract for the purchase of apples of the season it has become known has just been closed with Hood river growers who have sold to O. Berg Huis-Krak, the Netherlands consul here, 100,000 boxes. The price paid was \$1.50 per box.

Belgian and French Miners Strike.

Havre.—Miners in the Mons district have gone on strike. According to reports here, groups of miners collided with German soldiers and a serious riot followed, during which two Germans and seven miners were killed. Disorders were reported elsewhere.

6 Eastland Indictments Predicted.

Chicago.—At least six persons will be indicted by the federal grand jury investigating the Eastland disaster, District Attorney Kline is reported to have said.