

OBREGON TO YIELD CAPITAL TO MOB; FORCE U. S. ACTION

Carranza Confirms Mexico City Will Be Evacuated by the Forces of His Commander.

DIPLOMATS HURRY WILSON ON

Washington Government Compelled to Move Through Pressure of Foreign Envoys.

AMERICANS IN A SAD FLIGHT

WASHINGTON, March 8.—Secretary Bryan stated later today that he had received notice from General Carranza confirming the report that Mexico City would be evacuated and that the diplomatic corps had decided to remain in Mexico City.

Scarcity of war munitions in Mexico, it is believed here, has affected Villa's campaign. The possibility that neither factory will be able to make a complete factory and that the situation may remain deadlocked indefinitely is known to have influenced the administration to take its stand.

Shelling Continuous.

The government recently has been subjected to a continuous bombardment of foreign industries. These activities of the foreign diplomatic representatives have constituted a moral pressure that has now practically compelled the American government to speak in emphatic language to Carranza.

The plight of Americans, however, has been of increasing concern. Obregon's repudiation of Villa's currency worked the first hardship, because it made many wealthy folk penniless. The poor rioted, clamoring for bread, and Obregon published announcements, practically sanctioned plunder and rioting, even forcing the evacuation of his own friends if the riots developed into extensive demonstrations.

Offer of Committee.

An international relief committee, composed of residents of the foreign colony, came forward with an offer of \$50,000 to buy food and take charge of the situation. But Obregon, by bringing facilities or permission to undertake the work. The committee recently sent a petition to the State department described as a most sensational character. Secretary Bryan has constantly declined to make it public, although apprised that the object of the committee in sending it was to give the statement publicity in the United States. Mr. Bryan believes that in the circumstances, while the American government is bringing strong pressure to bear on Carranza, it will not assist the plight of foreigners in Mexico City, if the statement is published.

In order to give his entire time to consideration of European and Mexican questions, President Wilson will receive White House callers only for an hour Wednesday and Thursday during the spring and summer. He will be in almost constant communication with Secretary Bryan and Counselor Lansing of the State department.

Wheat Rises Eight Cents on Rumor War Will Spread to Italy

CHICAGO, March 8.—Foreign buying associated with reports that Greece, Italy and other countries might suddenly take a hand in the war had much to do with causing an advance in the price of wheat. The chief upturn was in the May delivery, which rose 8c cents a bushel to \$1.66, as compared with \$1.61 on Saturday night. The bulk of business, however, was in the July option, which scored a gain of 4c cents on a rise to \$1.19.

JUDGE WADE RESIGNS AS NATIONAL COMMITTEEMAN

IOWA CITY, Ia., March 8.—(Special Telegram.)—Judge M. J. Wade, recently appointed judge of the southern Iowa federal district, resigned today as a member of the national committee of the party from Iowa. His possible successors include N. F. Reid, J. W. Reynolds and J. J. Hughes.

Proposes to Censor American Mails

LONDON, March 8.—A proposal to establish a censorship over the American mails was opposed in the House of Commons today by the Home Secretary, Raymond McKenna. The question was raised by Sir Henry Craik, who said he desired to prevent the distribution in New York of pamphlets emanating from German sources.

These pamphlets, he said, accused Great Britain and its allies of treachery in connection with their diplomatic action in Belgium. Mr. McKenna characterized those pamphlets as practically harmless and added:

"It has not been necessary in the past to establish a censorship over postal matter to or from the United States. To do so would involve an enormous addition to the censorship staff."

The Weather

Forecast till 7 p. m. Tuesday:
For Omaha, Clear, Breeze and Velocity—Unsettled; no important change in temperature.

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday.	
Hour	Temp.
5 a. m.	22
6 a. m.	22
7 a. m.	22
8 a. m.	22
9 a. m.	22
10 a. m.	22
11 a. m.	22
12 m.	22
1 p. m.	22
2 p. m.	22
3 p. m.	22
4 p. m.	22
5 p. m.	22
6 p. m.	22
7 p. m.	22
8 p. m.	22
9 p. m.	22
10 p. m.	22
11 p. m.	22
Midnight	22

Comparative Local Record.	
1915	1914 1913 1912
Highest yesterday	25 41 38 23
Lowest yesterday	15 18 18 11
Total rainfall since March 1	0.00 0.00 0.00
Mean temperature	24 23 22 18
Precipitation	T 0.00 0.00 T

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M.	
Station and State	Temp. High-Rain
Cheney, clear	26 .00
Davenport, clear	26 .00
Denver, cloudy	30 .00
Des Moines, clear	25 .00
Lander, clear	30 .00
North Platte, pt. cloudy	24 .00
Omaha, cloudy	22 .00
Pueblo, partly cloudy	30 .00
Rapid City, clear	20 .00
Salt Lake City, clear	45 .00
Santa Fe, cloudy	26 .00
Sheridan, clear	26 .00
Sioux Falls, clear	26 .00
Valentine, clear	26 .00
Yankton, clear	26 .00

T indicates trace of precipitation.

L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

STREETS OF ROME UNDER WATER—Scene at Piazza Pia, one of the public squares, during the February flood there, when the Tiber's waters reached the highest point since 1870.



EFFICIENCY REPORT WILL STAND IN PART

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WASHINGTON, March 8.—(Special Telegram.)—While there is to be no general adoption of the recommendations of the efficiency commission on the Omaha postoffice, enough will be required of Postmaster Wharton to "save the face" of the postoffice inspectors and at the same time inaugurate certain reforms that will tend to reduce cost of running the office.

This, in substance, is the report Senator Hitchcock gave out today after his conference with First Assistant Postmaster General Roper. The following statement was given out by Senator Hitchcock today:

"Senator Hitchcock had a conference with Assistant Postmaster General Roper today on the subject of the report of the efficiency commission on the Omaha postoffice. The result was that Assistant Postmaster General Roper announced that action upon the report would be deferred for the present, as far as it concerned Assistant Postmaster Woodard and Assistant Superintendent of Mails Kieflner. The assistant postmaster general indicated, however, that the department was disposed to accept the resignation of Colonel Akin and make some other changes recommended in the report.

Economics Ordered.

"Mr. Roper indicated also that the department would call upon Postmaster Wharton to bring about some economies in the operation of the Omaha postoffice and that he would be asked to accompany the committee."

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LIVE STOCK BOARD TALKS QUARANTINE

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WASHINGTON, March 8.—(Special Telegram.)—The Live Stock Sanitary board met tonight at the Lindell hotel to consider whether to raise the quarantine on live stock from eastern states.

At 8 o'clock Governor Morehead was introduced and he talked for an hour. A general discussion followed and at a late hour a decision had been reached.

The state veterinarian's office has been flooded with letters and telegrams the last two or three days, some pleading for and some against the continuance of the foot and mouth disease quarantine, a matter that is to be threshed out before the State Live Stock Sanitary board.

Sentiment Divided.

The sentiment seems to be fairly evenly divided and it is expected that a real scrap will be staged before the board. The present quarantine automatically expires at midnight Wednesday. It prohibits the shipment into the state from east, north or south of any cloven-footed animals, except those designed for immediate slaughter.

Robert Graham of Alliance, president of the State Live Stock association, has wired the board that the western part of the state practically is unanimous for the indefinite continuance of the quarantine.

Ashton C. Shallenberger, former governor and present congressman from the fifth district, on the other hand, writes from his home at Alma strongly advocating the discontinuance of the quarantine. Congressman Shallenberger is an extensive raiser of live stock. He says that the quarantine has caused more loss than the disease itself.

Shallenberger's View.

He writes as follows:

I note that your honorable board is to have a meeting to consider the question of longer continuing the present state quarantine that expires March 10. I hope your board will go into the matter and discontinue the quarantine. The live stock purchases and those who have been feeding live stock for the market have experienced a tremendous loss because of the disastrous outbreak of foot and mouth disease in this country. But you will note that the great loss is not to those who have cattle infected, because ordinarily the government and the state together have reimbursed them and the live stock has been destroyed. The greater loss has been because of the various quarantines established by state and national governments which have compelled the breaking up of trade conditions and induced millions of stock to be sold without regard to market conditions of the state of the live stock trade generally, because of losses feared by reason of the general disturbance and the possibility of infection or quarantines reaching into new territories.

If one can believe the reports, one state is often quarantined against another largely as a matter of retaliation rather than because of fear of possible contagion. I do not wish to prefer against quarantines that are necessary because of prevention of shipment of stock from infected areas, but I do think the live stock interests of the country, which have suffered tremendously already, should not be made to bear the burden of the limitations of markets by quarantine unless the same is plainly indicated as necessary. The loss upon cattle and hogs that have been slaughtered because of infection is trifling compared to the enormous loss upon cattle and hogs that have been fed high-priced feed at a time when worldwide conditions would warrant expectation of high prices for such staple food products, and have been sold upon a market that has been depreciated because of quarantines ordered and enforced to prevent further spreading of infections.

I hope your honorable board will take action to relieve the live stock interests as far as possible of these conditions.

LIBEL SUIT BROUGHT BY BARTENDER IS DISMISSED

SIoux FALLS, S. D., March 8.—(Special.)—A \$10,000 libel suit instituted against Charles F. Hackett, the veteran editor of the Parker New Era, came to a sudden end in the Turner county circuit court and terminated in a victory for the defendant.

When the plaintiff had presented his evidence it was moved that the court take the case from the jury, and this was done, and the court ordered the dismissal of the action.

The suit was instituted by an attorney in behalf of an individual named George Weber, a Marion bartender, and was based on the allegation that Editor Hackett libeled Weber in an account which he printed in his newspaper referring an alleged assault made by Weber on another man some months ago.

WRECK DUE TO POOR TIES AND TOO FEW SPIKES

DENVER, Colo., March 8.—Poor ties, insufficient spikes and too heavy an engine are given as contributory causes of the derailment of Denver & Rio Grande train No. 15, southbound, near Fountain, Colo., February 22 in the report of the state public utilities commission on the wreck, issued today. Two engines were killed and several passengers were slightly hurt.

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La Touraine Arrives At Port of Havre

LONDON, March 8.—A message to Lloyd's from Havre tonight announces the arrival of La Touraine at that port.

TWO TURK FORTS SILENCED; BRITON CRAFT DAMAGED

Allied Fleet Puts More Dardanelles Positions Out of Commission and Queen Elizabeth Injured.

OTHER SHIPS ARE ALSO HIT

Constantinople Asserts One French and Another English Armored Cruiser Crippled.

STATEMENT OF ADMIRALTY

LONDON, March 8.—It was officially announced in London this evening that the Turkish battery at Dardanus and the Forts of Rmilil, Majdidi Tabia and Hamidieh-Tabia in the Dardanelles have been silenced by shells from the allied fleet. The British battleship Queen Elizabeth was hit by shots from the Turkish forts and slightly damaged.

Statement of Admiralty.

The British admiralty tonight made public the following statement concerning the operations of the allied fleet against the Dardanelles:

"The operations against the Dardanelles are progressing in fine weather. Vice Admiral Sackville H. Carden reports that on March 6 the battleship Queen Elizabeth, supported by the battleships Agamemnon and Ocean, began an attack on Forts Hamidieh-Tabia and Majdidi Tabia, which are marked on the admiralty map as Forts Forts U and V, by indirect fire across the Hallipoli peninsula, firing at 2,100 yards.

"These forts are armed as follows: Fort U, two 14-inch guns and seven 9.4 guns; Fort V, two 14-inch, one 9.4, one 8.2 and four 4.9-inch guns.

"The Queen Elizabeth was replied to by howitzers and field guns and three shells from the field guns struck it, without, however, causing any damage.

"Meanwhile inside the straits the Venetian, Albion, Majestic and Prins George and the French battleship Suffren fired on Soolah Dere and Mount Dardanus batteries, marked F and E on the admiralty map, and were fired on by a number of concealed guns.

"Fort Rumlil Medjidieh Tabia, marked J on the admiralty map, which had been attacked on the previous day, opened fire and was engaged and hit by 18-inch shells.

"Majority of the ships in the straits were struck by shells, but there was no serious damage done and no casualties resulted.

French Ships Enter.

"On March 7, the weather continuing calm and fine, four French battleships—the Gaulois, Charlemagne, Bouvet and Suffren—entered the straits to cover the direct bombardment of the defenses of the narrows by the Agamemnon and Lord Nelson. The French ships engaged the Mount Dardanus battery and various concealed guns concealing the former. The Agamemnon and Lord Nelson advanced and engaged the forts at the narrows at from 14,000 down to 12,000 yards by direct fire.

"Forts Rumlil Medjidieh Tabia, marked J, and Hamidieh Tabia, marked U, both were silenced after a heavy bombardment. Explosions occurred in both forts. Fort U has not fired since the explosion March 5.

"The Gaulois, Agamemnon and Lord Nelson were each struck three times, but the damage done was not serious. The Lord Nelson had three men slightly wounded.

Light Cruiser Struck.

"While these operations were in progress the British light cruiser Dublin continued to watch the Bulair lighthouse. It was fired at by four-inch guns and struck three or four times.

"Owing to the importance of locating concealed guns, the sea planes had to fly very low at times.

"On the fourth instant a seaplane, Pilot Flight Lieutenant Garnet and Observer Lieutenant Commander Williamson, became unstable and fell into the sea. Both officers were injured. Flight Lieutenant Douglas, reconnoitering at close quarters in another seaplane, was wounded, but returned safely.

"On the fifth seaplane No. 172, Pilot Flight Lieutenant Brunet, with Lieutenant Brown, was struck twenty times and seaplane No. 7, Pilot Flight Lieutenant Hershaw, with Petty Officer Merchant, was struck eight times in locating concealed positions.

Equipment of Ark Royal.

"The Ark Royal (the mother ship for seaplanes) is equipped with every appliance necessary for the repair and maintenance of the numerous air craft which it carries."

A dispatch from Amsterdam to Reuter's Telegram company says the following official statement was given out today in Constantinople:

"The British ships Majestic and Irresistible have reinforced the enemy fleet. The fire of our batteries put a French armored cruiser out of action and damaged a British armored cruiser.

"Owing to our bombardment, the hostile ships retreated and ceased their fire. Our allies suffered no damage."

German Reservists Plead Guilty to Plotting to Get False Passports

NEW YORK, March 8.—Carl Ruocco, a German-American, and four German reservists, brought to trial in the federal court here today on indictments charging them with conspiring against the United States by obtaining false American passports, unexpectedly withdrew their previous pleas of not guilty and three themselves on the mercy of the court. All five pleaded guilty.

Ruocco, who was accused of operating a bureau for the issuance of false passports, was sentenced to serve three years in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta. The others, Arthur Wilhelm, William Sacher, a reserve in the German army; Walter Muller, August Meyers and Herman Wezener were left off with fines of \$50 each.

A sixth man, Hans Adam von Weddel, also indicted, and who was a fugitive from justice, has been apprehended in Scotland. District Attorney Marshall announced and negotiations for his extradition are understood to be under way. He was described by Mr. Marshall as the chief conspirator in the case.

In sentencing Ruocco the court dwelt upon the possibility of this country becoming involved with belligerent nations had the conspiracy not been discovered. The others were fined instead of being sent to prison, because in the opinion of the court they had not been inspired by criminal purpose in using the passports, but were actuated by a patriotic desire to get back to Germany and fight.

JURY SELECTED TO TRY HARRY THAW

Twelve Men Agreed On by Both Sides at First Day of Hearing on Conspiracy Charge.

FRANK F. BAILEY THE FOREMAN

NEW YORK, March 8.—The jury which will try Harry Kendall Thaw, slayer of Stanford White, and Thaw's co-defendants for conspiring to effect Thaw's escape from Matteawan asylum was completed late today.

Frank F. Bailey, the second talemans examined, was accepted by both sides and became foreman of the jury. Two other jurors were then accepted within a few moments.

Hypothetical Query.

Frederick Emmerich, a contractor, was asked by Thaw's counsel: "If we prove to you that Thaw was sane at the time of his escape would that prejudice you in determining this case?"

The district attorney's objection to this question, on the ground that whether Thaw was sane or insane, made no difference when it came to a conspiracy, was overruled. Emmerich answered in the negative and was accepted. Shortly afterwards Christopher Shultz, an elderly produce merchant, was selected as the fifth juror.

William L. Greer, an architect, who was examined at the afternoon session, said he was in the employ of Stanford White at the time of the latter's death. Greer was excused by the court. Frank E. Mainhart, a real estate dealer, was accepted, making the sixth juror.

Writer the Seventh.

The seventh juror selected was Lawton Mackall, a magazine writer.

Charles B. Curtis, a mechanical engineer, was quickly selected for the eighth seat in the jury box.

The ninth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth seats in the box were filled by Eugene Fuller, an assistant manager; Harry N. McConnell, a mercantile manager; Robert O. Winde, a clerk, and John D. Blackburn, agent of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad.

GREAT BATTLE IS DEVELOPING TO WEST OF VISTULA

Hints from Petrograd and Berlin that Decisive Fight of Eastern Campaign is On Near Warsaw.

BALKANS ARE IN A FERMENT

Indications that Greece and Bulgaria May Get Into the War Within Few Days.

ALL EYES ARE ON DARDANELLES

The Day's War News

DISPATCHES from Greece report the situation as grave as a result of the political deadlock over the question whether that country shall intervene in the war on the side of the allies.

BOMBARDMENT of the Dardanelles by the allies, which is primarily responsible for the present situation in Greece, has had its effect also on other nations. London dispatches say the Bulgarian premier has promised a statement concerning his government's position. Public opinion in Italy also is aroused.

PARIS NEWSPAPER, in a description of the recent battle in Noye Dame de Lorette, says that the Germans lost 3,000 men.

FIGHTING in the Capchians, which for prolonged and desperate encounters rivals any phase of the war, continues without a decisive victory for either side.

OFFICIAL STATEMENTS indicate that there was no fighting of great importance yesterday. The French claim slight gains in Champagne and Lorraine. The German statement asserts French attacks in Champagne were repulsed.

RUSSIAN apparently are maintaining the offensive in northern Poland. The German statement tells of Russian attacks at several points, but asserts they all were repulsed.

Increase in Price of Bread Causes Many Riots in Spain

MADRID, March 8.—(Via Paris.)—The economic situation in Spain is becoming steadily more serious, notwithstanding the efforts of the government to find a solution for the difficulties which confront the country. It is feared in some quarters that conditions soon will become so bad that they may lead to a conflict fraught with grave consequences.

Dispatches from the provinces tell of numerous riots, resulting from the high cost of food. In some interior districts and in the Canary Islands the people get food only every other day. Many families are said to be living on herbs and roots.

A woman, said to have been driven mad by privation, drowned herself with her children at Lazaretos.

Pierce rioting resulted at Laceda from the increased price of bread. The civil guards are reported to have fired into the crowd, killing one and wounding many.

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Edison Building Burned; Inventor Directs Firemen

WEST ORANGE, N. J., March 8.—Thomas Edison at work in his laboratory after midnight today discovered a fire in one of the buildings of his great plant here and summoned the firemen in time to prevent what might have been a serious loss. The fire practically destroyed a building where the most valuable photograph records were stored, but most of the records, which were in a concrete vault, were saved.

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Heavy Cannonading is Heard from the Hook of Holland

AMSTERDAM, March 8.—(Via London.)—For the first time since Admiral Sir David Beatty engaged a German squadron in the North Sea, the latter part of January, heavy gun fire, according to a dispatch from the Hook of Holland, to the Telegraph, was heard in the North Sea today.

CAPTAIN OF SAMARITAN ARMY VIOLENTLY INSANE

YANKTON, S. D., March 8.—(Special.)—Captain Richard Smith of the Samaritan army, who has been doing Sunday school relief work here for a year, is violently insane, according to county and city authorities. Smith insists he is Christ, himself, will not wear clothes nor eat. He says he is in heaven. Mrs. Smith is apparently backing her husband in his claims and is also before the insanity board.

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