

# President Calls State Troops to the Colors

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### ARMY HEADS FEAR WAR WITH MEXICO TO BE INEVITABLE

Opinion Expressed by Some Officers at Border Headquarters Clash Near if Threat of De Facto Is Carried Out.

SEE SITUATION VERY SERIOUS

Crisis Reached When Three Hundred American Soldiers Cross the Border.

TENSION AT CAMP IS EVIDENT

San Antonio, Tex., June 18.—United States army headquarters here tonight regarded the Mexican situation as most serious. Assuming that the de facto government would authorize General Alfredo Ricaut to carry out his threat to attack any American force that crossed the line into Mexico, some declared their belief that war was almost unavoidable.

The crisis was reached today when more than 300 men of the Third cavalry crossed the river below Brownsville in pursuit of the bandits that attacked a little detachment of the Twenty-sixth infantry at San Benito last night.

General James Parker, commanding at Brownsville, sent cavalry scouting the country in the vicinity of San Benito and on a "hot trail" discovered by Lieutenant Newman, commanding troop H, the Americans were sent toward the border. The trail led across the river and Lieutenant Newman led his troop across late in the forenoon.

Bandits Put to Rout.

Major Anderson with a squadron of the same regiment and a machine gun company closed in on the same trail and early in the afternoon followed the lieutenant and his troop into Mexico. He was too late for the fight and bloodless skirmish that had taken place. Troop H engaged the bandits almost immediately after getting on the trail, but General Parker indicated no one on either side was injured. The bandits fled without great resistance.

The pursuit was continued. Late today Major Anderson had moved his force up the river towards Matamoros, the Mexican town opposite Brownsville. He was still on the Mexican side tonight.

General Parker reported that he had sent to Consul Garza in Brownsville a note informing him that American troops had crossed the international boundary in conformity with the spirit of the agreement between the two countries authorizing the passage of troops when on a "hot trail" in pursuit of bandits.

Expresses Regret.

He also called the attention of the consul to the fact that the bandits had been run back to a district which American authorities had long insisted was the rendezvous of the bandits, and outlaws.

Consul Garza replied, acknowledging receipt of General Parker's note, adding that he knew what it meant and expressed his deep regret.

Army officers here regarded Consul Garza's note as a tacit admission that he believed his government would resent the entrance of this latest punitive expedition, perhaps even to the point of attempting to force it from the country.

General Parker reported to the detachment of the Twenty-sixth infantry late last night but it was not until today that he supplemented this with any information as to the measures he had taken to run down the attacking party. His first report brought the news that a detachment of cavalry had entered Mexico.

Third Battalion Arrives.

General Parker has ordered the Third battalion of the Third Texas regiment from San Benito to Brownsville and it is understood to have arrived there tonight. Other precautionary troop movements were made. His action that he was not reporting was indicative of the character of orders that the commanding officer on the border has. All are under orders to run down any band of raiders and to follow them across the international boundary line if there appears a reasonable chance of getting in contact with them.

The raid on the camp of the small infantry force at San Benito has resulted in one Mexican killed and the

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CHARLES E. HUGHES, JR., A PLATTSBURGH—This photograph shows the son of the republican presidential nominee reading a telegram containing a statement by his father. Young Hughes is one of the most enthusiastic "rookies" in the preparedness camp at Plattsburgh.



CHARLES EVANS HUGHES JR.

Orth. Film Service

### G. O. P. CHAIRMAN MUST BE NEUTRAL

Hughes Seeks Man to Head Committee Not Identified With Any Faction Past.

EASY DAY FOR THE NOMINEE

Washington, June 18.—Charles E. Hughes, republican nominee for the presidency, devoted most of his time today to consideration of whom he would select as chairman of the republican national committee. He discussed the chairmanship with many callers, including several members of the progressive wing of the party.

The nominee is said to have reached a decision as to the type of a man he will select and is reported to have narrowed the field eligible to two or three. Indications tonight were that Frank Hitchcock, who has been mentioned as one of the leading candidates, virtually had been eliminated from consideration, that it was unlikely that William Hayward, public service commissioner of New York and close friend of Governor Whitman, would be chosen. That William Loeb, jr., whose selection was advocated by progressive supporters of the nominee was a possibility and that Herbert Parsons of New York also stood a chance of selection.

Selection Not Final.

Some time between now and Monday afternoon when Mr. Hughes meets the national subcommittee on organization at headquarters in New York, a tentative choice will be made. This selection, however, will not be final as the nominee wishes to hear the views of the committee. It is probable that Mr. Hughes will place before the committee the names of two or three men who he believes to possess the proper qualifications.

Mr. Hughes' advisers said tonight that the nominee was seeking a chairman possessing the following qualifications:

He should be a man who has not been actively identified with any faction of the party.

He should be acceptable to the progressive as well as to republicans.

If possible he should be a resident of New York, and.

He should know politics, but the nominee would prefer a man who has not been too actively identified with politics during the last few years.

Has Many Callers.

Callers kept the candidate busy all day. Dozens of friends and many party leaders from various parts of the country were among them.

More Warcraft Are Ordered to Mexico

Washington, June 18.—Secretary Daniels tonight ordered several additional gunboats and other small craft on both the east and west coasts to Mexican waters.

IOWA VISITOR TO G. O. P. CONVENTION IS MISSING

Chicago, June 18.—William E. Kurtz of Nevada, la., who came to Chicago for the republican convention and was stopping at the home of Carter A. Wood, stock yards commission man, has not been seen for three days and search is being made for him. Kurtz, who is the son of a millionaire stockman, had \$600 when he left, Mr. Wood said, and it is feared he may have been slugged and robbed.

### Mexican Paper Says Texas Negroes Rebel

San Antonio, Tex., June 17.—Texas is in the throes of a revolution led by negroes, who are seeking independence for this state and complete equality with the whites, according to a special dispatch from Saltillo, Coahuila, published June 15 in an extra of La Voz de la Patria at Piedras Negras. Copies of the Mexican newspaper were received here today.

The Saltillo dispatch says the information was brought there by travelers from Texas. The revolution is said to have "already blown up many trains and torn up great stretches of track."

MATT SAVIDGE IS KILLED IN FLIGHT

Nebraska's Foremost Aviator Loses Control of His Machine at Ewing.

CONTROL WIRES ARE JAMMED

Ewing, Neb., June 18.—(Special Telegram.)—While making a practice flight this evening, Matt Savidge of the Savidge Brothers Aviation company was almost instantly killed. He had spent the winter in Texas making practice flights and was most successful. He originated the feat of writing his name in the air in his flying machine. His looping won him renown and he was known all over the middle west as a daring flyer.

His brother, John, had just finished a trial flight and upon his return Matt took his place at the wheel. The machine had just been assembled in the afternoon and as a result Matt's last words to his brother John were that he would not try the loop. Turning at a right angle almost as soon as he left the ground he rose rapidly to a height of about 350 feet. The machine seemed to be under perfect control and he started a short spiral glide. Within fifty feet of the start of the glide, he seemed to lose control of the machine and it was seen to start straight as an arrow for the ground. His engine was running all the time of his fall and he could be seen trying to regain control of the machine.

The machine fell within 200 yards of hundreds of spectators who failed to realize that he was falling to his death until the machine struck the ground.

The Savidge Brothers were the first boys in Nebraska to fly and have built at least twenty machines. Most of their success has been due to the fact that they have built their own machines. While it will never be known, it was thought the accident was caused by the control wires jamming.

JITNEY BUS MEN HELD TO BE COMMON CARRIERS

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

Lincoln, June 17.—(Special Telegram.)—An inquiry was received by the State Railway commission this morning from the Railway commission of California asking for information regarding the control of the jitney bus corporations in this state. The letter stated that the commission was gathering information in order to discover how other states handled the question.

They will be informed by Colonel Browne, secretary of this commission, that Deputy Attorney General Dexter Barrett recently handed down a weighty opinion that jitney carriers under the laws of the state which place them under the jurisdiction of the Railway commission.

### EDITORS TO WORK FOR GOOD OF STATE

Elkhorn Valley Association Holds Annual Meeting at Long Pine.

HOWELL IS CHOSEN PRESIDENT

Long Pine, Neb., June 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Co-operation for the general development of the state through concerted action in constructive work and pledged assistance to any propaganda for bettering conditions within the state were the keynote of all papers and discussions at the third annual meeting of the Elkhorn Valley Editorial association.

The meeting was held in the recently-completed club house owned by the association here today. The organization is unique in that it is the only one owning its home, which was built by popular subscription. The Omaha Bureau of Publicity was a subscriber.

Among the speakers was E. V. Parrish of Omaha, who spoke on "Publicity," and explained Omaha's attitude of friendliness to the state and trade territory.

Elmer Howell of Wood Lake was elected president; Frank Gailbraith, Ainsworth, vice president; George Miles, O'Neill, secretary-treasurer. The first Saturday in June next year was selected for the annual meeting.

Among those who attended the meeting were: C. B. Backhaus, Plover; M. F. Cronin, Chambersburg; C. A. Mohrman, Register; C. W. Mays, Rushville; Standard; B. A. Thomas, Long Pine; Journal; C. M. Cooper, Rushville; Recorder; Leroy Beebe, Johnston; Enterprise; R. W. Hitchcock, Cody; Cowhey; G. A. Miles, O'Neill; Independent; Elmer Howell, Wood Lake; Stockman; Frank Gailbraith, Ainsworth; Register; T. M. Rice, Valentine; A. W. Kelly, Atkinson; Graphic; J. M. Kelly, Sioux City; Tribune; Edgar Howard, Columbus; Telegram; O. Goodwin, Omaha; E. V. Parrish, Omaha.

MASONS IN NUMBERS AT FREMONT MEETING

Fremont, Neb., June 18.—(Special.)—Over 300 Masons filled the Masonic lodge room Friday evening when officers of Fremont lodge, No. 15, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, were installed and the third degree was conferred on a class of candidates. A special train was run from Missouri Valley over the North-western to accommodate railroad men who came for the meeting, a prominent Fremont railroad man being one of the candidates.

Masons of Council Bluffs, Blair, Schuyler and lodges from the intermediate towns were present. Grand Master Andrew H. Viele of Norfolk was the installing officer.

Lancaster Republicans Are Boosting Solidly for Hughes and Fairbanks

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

Lincoln, Neb., June 18.—(Special Telegram.)—The Lancaster County Republican club held a lively session this evening at the Lindell hotel, with a good crowd present. The name of the club was changed for the campaign to the Lancaster County Hughes and Fairbanks club on motion of Senator E. J. Burkett.

Several speeches were made, the most important being that of Senator Burkett. The senator said that while considerably disappointed at not receiving the nomination for vice president, he was sure that the convention had made a wise selection and that the ticket would be elected. He proposed to get into the campaign for Hughes and Fairbanks and believed that the rank and file of the republicans of the country were for the ticket, as well as three-fourths of the progressives.

The nomination of Hughes, the senator said, was made against the wishes of what are called the bosses and it was clearly the will of the people expressed at the convention. He said that he had the pledges of several delegations Friday night, sufficient to have nominated him, but it appeared to be for the best interests of the party to nominate Fairbanks and whatever was for the best interests of the republican party, he was heartily in accord with.

Speeches were made by S. M. Melick, L. L. Lindsey, Judge J. B. Strode and several others, all along the line of a sure victory in November for the republican party in the state as well as the nation.

### President Calls on Entire National Guard to Meet South Border Situation

Washington, June 18.—President Wilson has called out the militia of every state for service on the Mexican border.

In announcing the president's decision today, Secretary Baker said the militia would be sent to the border whenever and as fully as General Funston determines to be needed.

Statement By Baker, Secretary Baker issued the following statement:

"In view of the disturbed conditions on the Mexican border and in order to assure complete protection for all Americans the president has called out substantially all the state militia and will send them to the border wherever and as fully as General Funston determines them to be needed for the purpose stated.

"If all are not needed an effort will be made to relieve those on duty there from time to time distribute the duty.

"This call for militia is wholly unrelated to General Pershing's expedition and contemplates no additional entry into Mexico, except as may be necessary to pursue bandits who attempt outrages on American soil.

Mobilization at Home Station.

"The militia are being called out so as to leave some troops in the several states. They will be mobilized at their home stations, where necessary recruiting can be done."

Brigadier General Alfred Mills, chief of the division of militia affairs, estimated the minimum militia force to be called out to be 145,000 men.

Siezes Rail System.

Tucson, Ariz., June 18.—Sonora military authorities have seized the Southern Pacific of Mexico system and cut all telegraph wires at the border, according to private advices here late today.

### Pershing's Punitive Expedition Sleeping On Arms in Mexico

Columbus, N. M., June 18.—The American punitive expedition in Mexico is sleeping on its arms prepared for any eventualities. According to reports here tonight General Jacinto Trevino's threat is taken seriously by the army members, more especially since he occupied the better part of last week reforming his entire line south of Namiqipa.

American scout patrols have been detailed to watch the Mexico Northwestern railroad to prevent any surprise troop movements from north or south.

Information leaking through from the south today indicates that the American troops are being re-disposed in sections where surprise attacks might be possible. Outposts in every direction have been withdrawn and detailed to vantage points for protective purposes.

While no immediate attack is looked for yet, General Pershing is taking every precaution to protect his command, it is said. It is also understood that General Pershing's instructions from his superiors give him perfect freedom of action in case of attack by the Mexican de facto troops.

Meantime, ammunition and supplies were being rushed from Columbus to Namiqipa in huge quantities today and tonight.

### MILITIA STRENGTH OF ALL THE STATES

Organizations of Guard Called Out, With Places of Assembling Designated.

THEIR POWER ANNOUNCED

Washington, June 18.—Organizations of the militia and national guard called out by telegrams to the various governors, with places and assembly designated as follows:

Alabama—One brigade, of three regiments of infantry, two batteries field artillery, one company signal corps, at Montgomery.

Arkansas—Two regiments of infantry, at Fort Logan H. Roots.

California—One brigade, of three regiments of infantry, one squadron of cavalry, one battalion of field artillery, one company signal corps, one ambulance company, one field hospital, at state fair grounds.

Colorado Strength.

Infantry, one squadron of cavalry, two batteries of field artillery, two companies of engineers, one company of signal corps, one field hospital, at rifle range, near Golden.

Connecticut—Two regiments of infantry, two troops of cavalry, one battalion and three batteries field artillery, one company signal corps, one ambulance company, one field hospital, at Niantic.

Delaware—Two battalions of infantry of New Castle.

Florida—One regiment of infantry, at state camp, Duval county.

Georgia—One brigade of three regiments of infantry, one squadron and one troop of cavalry, one battalion of field artillery, one field hospital, at Macon.

Idaho—One regiment of infantry, at Gem, state fair grounds.

Illinois Force.

Illinois—Two brigades of three regiments each of infantry, one regiment cavalry, two battalions field artillery, one company engineers, one company signal corps, two field hospitals, at Springfield.

Indiana—Two regiments and two separate battalions and three separate companies of infantry, one battalion field artillery, one company signal corps, one field hospital, one ambulance company, at Fort Benjamin Harrison.

Iowa—One brigade, three regiments of infantry, squadron cavalry, one battalion field artillery, one company engineers, one field hospital, one ambulance company, at Des Moines.

Kansas—Two regiments of infantry, one battery field artillery, (Continued on Page 2, Column 3.)

### AMERICAN FORCE RE-CROSSES LINE AT BROWNSVILLE

Fourth Punitive Expedition of United States Army Withdraws From Mexico After Accomplishing Object.

IT DISPERSES RAIDING BAND Carranza General at Matamoros Promises to Run Down and Punish Offenders.

TWO OF BANDITS ARE KILLED

Brownsville, Tex., June 18.—Having accomplished its object, the dispersing of Mexican bandits who Friday night raided Texas ranches and attacked a detachment of the Twenty-sixth infantry, east of San Benito, Tex., and upon promises of the Carranza commander at Matamoros that he would run down and punish the outlaws, the fourth American punitive expedition to enter Mexico was withdrawn today. There were no American casualties.

Two bandits were killed and two others wounded in a rear guard action when the Americans began to withdraw.

Sleeping on Mexican Soil.

Brownsville, Tex., June 17.—The second squadron of the Third United States cavalry, upwards of 400 strong, after a battle with bandits slept last night on Mexican soil, less than ten miles from Matamoros, the Mexican town opposite here, where the Mexican population, fully armed with pistols and rifles is awaiting developments with anxiety.

The soldiers' crossing was occasioned by the pursuit of the cavalry under command of Major Edward Anderson and Lieutenant Newman of a "hot trail" of Mexican bandits who attacked detachments of the Twenty-sixth infantry near San Benito last night. Crossing, which was started at 10 p. m., was finished at sundown without a mishap of any kind at a point about ten miles from here. The point of crossing is known as Naranjos, a small Mexican river settlement.

Volley of Shots Heard.

Within half an hour after the first troops had crossed, volleys of shots were heard from the brushy ambushes of the Mexican side of the river, indicating that at least part of the thirty bandits had been encountered. They were known to have been chased across the river by Lieutenant A. D. Newman and Troop H of the Third cavalry. No casualties on either side attended the crossing.

A field wireless apparatus has been established on the American side of the river tonight, which will keep in close touch with the fourth punitive expedition into Mexico. Troop H was the first body of soldiers to cross the river. Most of the day these soldiers exchanged shots with bandits after the small expedition had crossed the Rio Grande, but the sole "casualty" was one Mexican bandit's horse. It was brought to the bank of the Rio Grande as a souvenir.

After an all-night chase Lieutenant Newman's troops ran the bandits who attacked the infantry detachment from a point east of the sleeping town of San Benito, fifteen miles to the bank of the Rio Grande, near the San Pedro ranch. Here the band apparently split in two sections, one crossing the river above the ranch and the other below. The cavalry followed by the northern ford.

Skirmish Bloodless.

At 11 o'clock this morning, after spending one hour on Mexican soil, Lieutenant Newman's camp came into contact with the marauders and a lively though bloodless skirmish ensued, neither being able to see the other on account of the dense brush.

After crossing the river, Newman dispatched a messenger to inform headquarters at Fort Brown of his crossing. The messenger, a private of Troop H, lost his horse in the middle of the Rio Grande and swam to the other side, almost losing his own life.

The trail of blood followed last night by the cavalry led to the body of a Mexican peon. His only possessions were two bullet holes, a rifle and some ammunition. He carried no papers which might have disclosed his name or affiliations.

The situation at Matamoros tonight was serious. Every business house in the town was closed with the exception of one saloon. In this rendezvous were gathered army officers,

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### Owner Savage Fires Manager Lattimore; To Rejuvenate Team

Topeka, Kan., June 18.—R. J. Lattimore, manager of the Topeka team in the Western league, was given his unconditional release by Owner John Savage tonight. The release is the result of the recent slump of the Savages during which they have won but nine out of the last twenty-nine games played.

Savage has no successor in sight for Lattimore's job and will manage the team himself from the bench until he can get a pilot. Glen Trainer will play second base for Topeka for the present.

Savage says he is going to put his club into the first division and that if the present members cannot do it, he will go out and get an entirely new team.

### The Weather

Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday.	Hours.	Deg.
6 a. m.	62	
7 a. m.	62	
8 a. m.	61	
9 a. m.	64	
10 a. m.	68	
11 a. m.	71	
12 m.	71	
1 p. m.	71	
2 p. m.	72	
3 p. m.	71	
4 p. m.	71	
5 p. m.	70	
6 p. m.	70	
7 p. m.	69	

Comparative Local Record.	Official record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding period of the last three years.
1916, 1915, 1914, 1913.	
Highest yesterday	72 72 99 93
Lowest yesterday	59 57 45 44
Mean temperature	68 68 78 74
Precipitation	.06 .09 .00 .00
Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal.	
Normal temperature	72
Deficiency for the day	6
Total excess since March 1	20
Normal precipitation	11.11
Deficiency for the day	11.11
Total rainfall since March 1	6.48
Deficiency since March 1	4.63
Deficiency for the period, 1916, 1915, 1914	1.43
Excess for period, 1916, 1915, 1914	1.43
L. A. WEBSTER, Meteorologist.	