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# FRENCH BAYONETS STOP GERMANS IN CHAMPAGNE DISTRICT

ONLY FEW U.S. TROOPERS ESCAPED IN CLASH AT CARRIZAL

# JAPAN DENIES ANY INTENTION OF AIDING MEXICO AGAINST UNITED STATES

# **AMERICAN GUNS** AT MAIN POINTS **ALONG FRONTIER**

Guns Mounted to Stop Mexicans.

**FUNSTON READY FOR WAR** 

Mexicans Have Troops' Train Prepared for the Evacuation of Juarez.

**MEXICO OFFERS AMNESTY** 

Issues Manifesto Inviting All Rebel Leaders to Serve Under Carranza.

[Canadian Press.] El Paso, June 23.—American guns command the situation at every portant border point today. Field artilledy has been mounted on hillocks in the larger communities, the noses of their guns pointing in a southerly di-rection, while in the smaller towns, machine gun detachments have stationed. Military authorities here and in other border encampments announced that every preparation had been made for possible hostilities. Quiet at Juarez.

A few of the troops that evacuated Juarez had returned today, and there reports that the reoccupation of the town by entire former garrison of 4,000 is contemplated. During the early-morning hours in the Mexican town only a few scattering military patrols were on the streets. Gen. Francisco mandant, and Andres Garcia, consul at El Paso, who recent ly has been seeping on the Mexican side, rode through the streets horseback, apparently making an Street traffic across the river, which was stopped last night, was resumed today.

Troop Trains Ready, Indications that all preparations have been made in the event of a hasty departure of the remnant of the garrison is deemed expedient were found in the railway yards where two troop trains with steam up, stood for instant departure. On one of them fifteen machine guns and three seventy millimeter field pieces were loaded.

Reports current in Mexican circle that Gen. Alvaro Obregon, Mexican minister of war, has issued a manifesto offering to accept the services of all rebel leaders in the event of hostilities with the United States, found some confirmation in the fact that today a necessary. number of Mexicans, who had been exiled for political reasons, crossed into

Further indications that the Mexican people are being told that the United States is the agressor in the present crisis, and that Mexico has the for the transportation of ten thousand dispatch to the local consulate from the official information bureau in Mexico 'Cable messages from Buenos Ayres

say that newspapers of that city are emphatic in their disapproval of any possible intervention by the United States in affairs of Mexico."

#### ONCE MORE TALKING OF TUBE UNDER CHANNEL

Matter To Be Discussed in Commons at Early Date.

London, June 23 .- The movement for the construction of a tunnel under the English Channel has been revived, and the question is to be discussed in the House of Commons at an early date, and a resolution offered by Arthur Fell. member for Great Yarmouth, last night. This resolution sets forth that "the progress of the war has demonstrated the great advantages which would have ac- orders last night to Major-eGn. Barry at crued to the Allies if there had been a railway tunnel beneath the Channel, and plans should be prepared, so the work the central and western army departcan be begun immediately the war is

#### THE WEATHER

TOMORROW-FAIR AND WARMER. Toronto June 23-8 a.m. Forecasts.

Today-Light winds; fair, followed by showers tonight.
Saturday—Southerly and southeasterly winds; a few local showers or thunderstorms, but partly fair and

Tempera	tures.	
The following wer	e the hi	ghest and
lowest temperatures	during th	e 24 hours
previous to 8 a.m. to		
Stations. High.	Low.	Weather.
Victoria	50	Cloudy
Calgary 62	38	Clear
Winnipeg 68	52	Cloudy
Port Arthur 60	44	Cloudy
Parry Sound 66	44	Fair
Toronto 70	48	Clear
Ottawa 64	48	Cloudy
Montreal 64	52	Cloudy
Quebec 60	52	Fair
Weather	Notes.	

The area of high pressure is moving slowly eastward, and a trough of low pressure now extends from Manitoba to the Southwest States. Light showers have occurred in the Maritime Provinces and heavy rains have been fairly gener lin Manitoba and Saskatchewan. Elsewhere the wea-

ther has been fair.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last were: Highest, 68; lowest, 40.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 64; lowest, 41.

# CARRIZAL FIGHT TOOK BIG TOLL OF AMERICANS GEN. PERSHING REPORTS

Field Artillery and Machine of Seventy-Six in Detachment Which Engaged Mexican Force All But Few Stragglers Appeared to Have Been Killed or Captured-Outlook for Peace Between the Two Nations Not Bright.

> [Canadian Press.] Washington, June 23 .- Interest was expressed by officials of the war deppartment in the unofficial report that Villa is at Escaton, Chihuahua state, negotiating with the Carranza government for

> > SALT ALTERED

HIS RECORDS TO

**CLEAR PAYMENT** 

\$800,000 for the Caissons

at Winnipeg.

THEN TOOK TRIP SOUTH

Tells How He Received Money

From Time to Time While

Absent.

tiations in Connection With

Kelly Contracts.

[Canadian Press.]

the crown, asked permission of Mr.

decision until this afternoon.

was produced and identified.

assisting.

the depth.

and Chicago.

to him.

Salt's "Little Book."

he kept for Provincial Architect Hor-

wood. Salt's famous "little black book"

Salt stated that while the public ac-

counts committee was in session, Hor-

wood told him the caisson records

"would have to be doped," and made

to make a fresh book, and he did, but

The following morning he gave the

books to Horwood, and declined to do

any more altering. Salt said if he

were called before the committee he

would not stand behind. Next day

Horwood told him he had better take

Altered the Records.

twenty. In thirty comparisons ten cais-

ons had twenty feet or more added to

When Salt went south he left the

record books with Horwood. The wit

ness described his trip to Minneapolis

He started with \$300, given by Hor

wood, and later, Elliott, chief inspector

on the Parliament Buildings, took \$600

About the time M. G. Hook took \$300

more to him, Salt started home, but

Hook met him in Minneapolis with an-

other \$300 and instructions to stay

away. Salt thereupon renewed his

travels, but started home when funds

ran low and got as far as St. Paul,

when he was met by Hatfield, of Pink-

erton's Detective Agency. Salt changed

and another man to whom Hatfield in

William Salt, who was assistant in-

amnesty and a command in the Mexican army. Washington, June 23.-A preliminary report from General Pershing on the Carrizal fight, based on stories told by stragglers reaching the headquarters of the American expedition, and on Mexican rumors, was taken to the White House early today by Secretary of War

The secretary said General Pershing himself did not regard the report as an official statement of what had happened and indicated that no attempt to decide the course to be pursued by the United States would be made until a complete account had been received. In the meantime, the preliminary report will not be made public, although it is believed to be substantially in accord with the version given in border press dispatches.

Officials Are Worried. Officials are greatly worried over the delay in getting news from the surviving officers of the 10th Cavalry detachment which engaged a force of Mexicans. According to Mexican official accounts, there were about 76 Americans, 17 of whom were taken prisoner. Capt. Chas. T. Boyd, Lieut, Henry R. Adair and ten men are said to have been killed. Of the remaining 47, only a few stragglers reached General Pershing's headquarters yesterday, and today there had been no word from the two cavalry troops sent out to get in touch with the shattered General Pershing said he hoped to have a report from surviving officers by courier during

Secretary Baker denied rumors. of plans for an immediate call for volunteers to add to the regular and National Guard forces. also said there had been no additional orders overnight for troop movements.

[Canadian Press.]

Washington, June 23.-Hope persisted among officials here today that war against Mexico would not become Dispatches from Mexico City indicated that leaders in the Carranza Government may show a similar attitude, and will seek to avert the

The outlook was far from bright however, and orders had been issued moral support of all foreign nations national guardsmen to the border from were contained today in the following central and western states as soon as they are ready for service.

Await Pershing's Report.
Army officers looked today for the elayed report from Gen. Pershing on the fight between Carranza troops and American cavalrymen at Carrizal on Wednesday, and this report was to be considered by President Wilson and his advisers before any drastic action

Tension was not lessened by an official report to the naval department that there was no provocation by Americans for the attack on a boat from the gunboat Annapolis at Mazatlan on Sunday. Commander Kavanaugh of the Annapolis declared two American officers were seized by Mexican customs officers and soldiers, and that firing on occupants of the boat was started by

Mexicans. Rushing Mobilization

The war department was trying to hasten the mobilization of state militia today. State governors were under orders to send immediately a statement of when their troops would be ready for service. Secretary of War Baker issued Chicago and Major-Gen. Bell at San commanders respectively of ments, asking that the first five thousand militia units in each department ready for active service be dispatched

to the border. REFUGEES SAFE. [Canadian Press.]

Vera Cruz, June 23 .- Five first-class coaches full of Americans arrived here last night. They will go aboard the battleship Nebraska and afterward be transferred to a transport. A special coach also arrived with the American employees of the Aguila Oil Company. The refugees report that their trip down

was uneventful. James Rodgers, the United States diplomatic representative at Mexico City, will arrive here today with special trains bringing refugees from Real Del Monte and Pachuca in twelve box cars. According to the arrivals from the capital the general belief in Mexico City is that the trouble between the United States and Mexico will finally be troduced him paid him \$9,800. settled by arbitration.

### BERLIN CLAIMS PROGRESS MADE AGAINST RUSSIANS

and he is very weak today. Berlin, June 23.-Via London, 5:15 THREE SMALL CASES .-- At the p.m.—Continued progress for General Von Linsingen's forces in fighting west division court sittings this morning and southwest of Lutsk, despite re-peated counter-attacks by the Russians, was announced by the war office. a board bill, judgment in each being Russian attacks in the direction Brody were repulsed. tain sum each week.

# LOTS OF GRAIN, FEW POTATOES IN KAISER-LAND

Food Dictator Says British Cash Is Keeping Out Rutibagoes.

CAN'T STOP MEAT-EATING

Predicts More Potatoes for Next Year, But Much

TAKE STOCK OF FOODS

Households Will Be Permitted to Keep Only What Is Actually Needed.

Berlin, June 23 .- There is plenty of Thus Justified Expenditure of TOLD TO "DOPE" RECORDS

Witness Relates All His Nego. Control of Breadstuffs Winnipeg, June 23 .- J. B. Coyne, for

Justice . endergast at the opening of the fifth day of the trial of Thomas Kelly to call one Menzies to prove the regulate the whole year's potato supply. cutting of concrete samples from the This might result in reducing the num-Parliament Buildings' caissons. Tests, ber of swine available, but that, he said, of these samples figured in the evidence must be accepted as a part of the barof expert witnesses. In view of the gain,

In general, added Herr Von Batocki, fact that Menzies' name was not on an effort would be made, based on the the indictment, the court reserved its experiences of the last two years, to insure the most accurate establishing of amounts of food on hand, sharper control and the most equitable pos sible distribution. In the first of a spector for the Government on the Par. series of open letters which Herr Von liament Bulldings, was then called. He Batocki intends to write for the press was inspecting the caisson work, and treating on the work of his department took the depth of the caissons, entering he deals with taking stock of foodstuffs and the question of private the measurements in the notebook which stocks in households. Experience, he says, has not justified the assertions that a census would reveal great supplies in households; nevertheless such a census will be taken as soon as preparations can be completed, and process will be repeated from time to

several feet deeper. Horwood asked him There is no intention, however writes the food director, of confiscat-Horwood said these fresh records did ing all stocks thus found. The criternot show sufficient depth, so Salt start-ed on a second altered book, Horwood ion will be whether the amount possessed by any household is a proper quantity for the use of the family. If there is no undue retention of perishable foodstuffs, and no suspicion of an accumulation, beyond the needs of the household for speculative purposes, the stocks wil not be confiscated.

> Consummation Will Come Four Years After War's End.

Rev. Dr. D. L. McCrae, pastor of the and London's only ministerial commissioner to the recent general assembly of the Presbyterian Church at Winniwas a paramount issue, has returned to his home in London.

his mind about coming to Winnipeg,

were never bitter. It was a memorable occasion when the vote was taken. For their votes. Presbytery by presbytery rendered, the defendants paying a cer- the whole 76 representatives of the Can

WILL BE PROMOTED TO COMMISSION IN



## **ANOTHER CAR-LESS** SUNDAY LONDON'S **ASSURED LOT NOW**

Time for Calling Special Meeting Has Passed.

Company Representatives Got Cold Comfort From Hughes on Thursday.

There will be no Sunday cars this week, the time for calling a special Rifles, Ammunition and Bombs meeting to pass even a temporary franchise having passed.

No negotiations have been opened

If that could eventually be done, this will be any. The company is willing to proposal could be considered. dergone some modification during the It is learned that some representatives of the company discussed Sunday cars ment on military operations:

with Sir Sam Hughes, when he was here on Thursday. They got cold comfort, as Sir Sam decided not to interfere, as London in any event. So there can be west of Monte Pasudio. Rifles, ammuno pressure from the military authorities. It is none of their concern, they say, and so they will view it. The company is now not anxious for

it wants no extensions, and will insist sides. on that. It will agree to the doubleprogram in return for Sunday cars, but Spin were repulsed. nothing more than that. The board of control will meet this ed our pressure against the enemy's afternoon, but as Controller Moore and positions.

he discussed. The city will go ahead with a paving

Less Pork.

grain on hand in Germany to carry the ountry over until the harvests, declared Adolph Von Batocki, president of the food regulation board, in an address at Dusseldorf. The potato situation was more unfavorable, he said, and would be especially difficult during the next fortnight, but the deficit could be met by arranging for increased bread rations for physical laborers. The potato sitution in Western Germany had been made worse by Holland's prohibition upon exports due to the agitation there which, rr Von Batocki said, was probably inuced by "British money."

Herr Von Batocki said it had been proposed to prohibit meat consumption for two months, but that this was impracticable unless a better distribution

The control of breadstuffs during the past few days. oming year would be unchanged, said the speaker, except that flour of uniform grade would be introduced. An effort would be made in the autumn to

#### a holiday with expenses paid, and he **NO DISRUPTION TO** left for the south. The purpose in altering the books, said witness, was to justify the payment of about eight hundred thousand dollars for calssons. FOLLOW UNION, SAYS Salt read from his records of actual REV. DR. D. L. M'CRAE measurements and altered records the figures for some individual caissons. There was an occasional caisson for

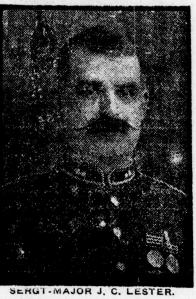
which depth was not altered, but in the Assembly Commissioner Demajority of cases several feet had been added, ranging from four feet to over clares Opposition Will Die.

**VOTE WAS OVERWHELMING** 

Hamilton Road Presbyterian Church, peg, where the church union question 'It was a most wonderful meeting,

declared the doctor in referring to the assembly. "It was without doubt the PRITCHETT VERY LOW .- Edward greatest assembly in the history of the Naturally the church debate Pritchett, the aged blacksmith who was church. knocked down by an automobile on question was the most important one. The debate on the question was with-Monday afternoon, is very low in Victoria Hespital. Pneumonia developed a out question one of the greatest ever few days ago and Pritchett rapidly beheard in Canada. It was marked by an came worse. His age is against him absolute lack of bitterness.

"The arguments on both sides were nusually strong ones, but the speakers A.M.C. TRAINING DEPOT



NO MILITIA INTERFERENCE ITALIANS ADVANCE

officially, at least, and there does not to be any likelihood that there

possibly Mayor Stevenson will be away, there is no chance that the matter will

# **Enemy Launches Furious Attacks** At New Sector; Beaten Back By French Grenades and Bayonets

Zaimis Names New Cabinet for the Greeks

[Canadian Press.]

Athens, via London, June 23 .-The composition of the new cabinet was officially announced today. It is as follows

Alexander Zaimis, prime minister and minister of foreign affairs. Gen. Callaris, minister of war and temporary minister of marine. Deputy George Rallis, finance. Phocian Negria, communications. Col. Haralambis, interior.

Anthony Momperatos, justice. Constantine Libourikis, public instruction. Colligas, national economy

The cabinet will be sworn in this

BY VALE AND PEAK AND TAKE SPOILS

Captured From the Austrians.

[Canadlan Press.] Rome, June 23, via London.-The war

office today issued the following state-"In the Arsa Valey we occupied some positions between Romini, east of the the camp was going to be moved from Mezzata Peak and on the Loraspur, nition and bombs were captured from

the enemy. "Along the Posina-Astico front there the Hamilton road extension. In fact, has been artillery activity on both

"Atacks by enemy detachments in tracking of Dundas street and a paving the regions and Oataglia and Monte "On the Asiago Plateau we maintain

'In the Carnia region and on the Isonzo the artillery activity was especially intense along the upper But. "Explosions and fires were caused by program, and allow the future to take our batteries at several points on the

## William Gray, M.P., Promised London 15,000 Troops, and Was Backed by Tory Paper

If the city council, board of trade and businessmen of London are disappointed over the proposed removal to Camp Borden of the largest part of the troops now in training in this city, they have good reason to be.

While they have been placed on the anxious seat several times by "official" announcements of removals, they have always been removed from it by statements from Mr. Gray and the local Conservative organ to the effect trac the authorities at Ottawa had changed their minds and that London would have "all the troops it could accomo- is as follows:

On May 20 it was announced in the local paper that espouses the cause of Borden, Hughes, Allison & Co., that London would have 15,000 men for the summer. This statement was made on the authority of William Gray, M. P.. who "represents" London at Ottawa. The headline over the article said:

15,000 MEN FOR LONDON'S CAMP First Estimate To Be Increased, Says William Gray, M. P.

Advance Parties Here

The article beneath this heading gave absolute assurance that the city would have not only 12,000 troops previously promised, but 15,000 men altogether, because of the decision of the militia department to bring additional battalions to the city. The article has the following to say:

"Mr. William Gray, M. P., has returned from Ottawa, and told the Free Press today that the full number of soldiers for whom camp accommodations have been secured at London will train here this summer, THE NUMBER OF UNITS PROBABLY TOTALLING 15,000 MEN. Mr. Gray's statement corroborates a dispatch from Ottawa last night, stating that as many soldiers as provision has been made for would be here, BUT MR. GRAY GOES FURTHER AND SAYS THE NUMBER MAY BE 3,000 MORE THAN INDICATED IN THE DISPATCH, WHICH ESTIMATES THE TOTAL NUM-BER AT 12,000.

The article then goes on to describe arrangements that are being made here, and proceeds to give the dispatch from Ottawa in which it was promised on the authority of an officer "in close touch with headquarters here" (Ottawa). The Ottawa dispatch

12,000 FOR CAMP.

(Special to the Free Press.) Ottawa, May 19,-Twelve thousand men WILL TRAIN at London, Ont., during the summer. No units will be taken from No. 1 Military District to train at Camp Borden. Men mostly from No. 2 District will concentrate there, to the number of 16,000. This is the gist of a statement made tonight by an officer who is in close touch with headquarters plans. He states that the department has now made provision for 12,000 men to train at

Some of the battalions now authorized in the London district are still under strength. Of these, some will be allowed to mobilize at London to complete training, while others will not be allowed to go to London until establishment is reached. ACCOUNTS FOR IT.

This will account for the difference between the 12,000 men who pected by London authorities. Further information as to the de parture of units, etc., is given in this "authoritative" dispatch from Ottawa, which with Mr. Gray's promises gave

assurance of the continuance of the erge camp. Mr. William Gray, M. P., could not be seen today to ascertain his views honorary rank of captain.
on the "throw down" given him by But one company office Ottawa. He is out of the city.

Germans Last Night Made Three Heavy Assaults Against the French Trenches in the Champagne District But Were Repulsed After Close Fighting.

(Canadian Press.)

Paris, June 23 .- The Germans have launched a heavy attack in the Champagne district. Three violent assaults on the French trenches in the region of Mont Tetu were repulsed last night after severe fighting with grenades and bayonets, according to an official statement issued by the war office today.

West of the Meuse, in the Verdun sector, the Germans again attacked Hill No. 304, and there was lively infantry fighting near Dead Man Hill. There was heavy artillery fire all night in this sector. It was particularly violent east of the Meuse, around the Vaux

French Official Report,

The text of the communication follows: "In Belgium a destructive fire of our batteries demolished certain

organizations of the enemy in the sand dunes. "In the Champagne district yesterday evening, following a bom-bardment of our positions between Maisons-De-Champagne and Mont Tetu, the Germans delivered three attacks upon our trenches along a front of about 1.200 yards. Each one of these attacks was either checked by our curtain of fire or repulsed with hand grenades. Some groups of the enamy which of the third endeavor had succeeded in penetrating one of our advanced positions to the west of Mont Tetu,

were immediately expelled at the

point of the bayonet. Ten prison-

northeast of Butte De Mesnil, were At Dead Man's Hill.

"On the left bank of the River Meuse the Germans have renewed their efforts in the region of Hill 304. Two attacks with hand grenades were checked by the fire of our machine guns. During the night there was spirited rifle firing in the Avocourt wood and at Dead Man Hill. There was also an intense bombardment in the sectors of Esnes and Chattancourt. "On the right bank of the river there was considerable activity on the part of the artillery along of entire from from the Meuse as fi as Moulainville. This was partic ularly noticeable in the region to

Vaux. Here the enemy used to a

produced a gas irritating to the

eyes. At Esparges a minor German

considerable extent shells which

## attack resulted in complete fail night several surprise attacks against small French posts to the NO HELP FOR THE MEXICANS FROM JAPANESE GOVERNMENT IS TOKIO OFFICIAL ASSURANCE

Tokio, June 23 .- "Of course any claim that the Japanese Govern ment will assist Mexicans with munitions and arms is out of the question and absurd." said Baron Ishii, foreign minister, to a correspondent of the Associated Press, who asked him today for his views on the Mexican situation. The interview was sought on account of declarations attributed to Mexicans that assurances had been received from Japan that munitions and other assistance would be given to Mexico in the

event of war with the United States. Japan Is Pacific. "Let me say this with all the emphasis and earnestness at my command," said the minister. "The Japanese nation sincerely hopes that armed conflict between the United States and Mexico may be avoided. Japan's interest in America, north, central and south, being essentially pacific and commercial any event bringing disturbances into theAmerican market would be felt keenly in Japan. This is especially true at a moment when the whole European trade is virtually closed

Never Heard of Iturbe. Baron Ishii expressed surprise and mystification when the correspondent referred to Gen. Ramon Iturbe, a representative of Gen Carranza, who was reported several weeks ago to be on his way to Japan on a secret mission. baron declared he never had heard of Gen. Iturbe or his projected visit. He explained that he regarded the Carranza Government as the defacto government of Mexico, and that the usual relations with Gen. Carranza

### to Japan and the Chinese market SENIOR MAJOR OF HIGHLAND UNIT IS CAPT. E. C. KENNING

21st Officer Named Second in Command of 241st.

MORE OFFICERS APPROVED Headquarters Announces the

Names of Those Who Have

Been Appointed. A partial list of officers of the 241st The diplomatic representatives of the (Highland) Battalion, which is to be Allies have recommended the immediate. raised in No. 1 military district under the command of Lieut.-Col. W. L. Mc-Gregor, was announced at district head-

have been approved by Ottawa Capt. E. C. Kenning of the 21st (Essex) Regiment is to be senior major and second in command. He was first appointed to the 21st more than thirteen

quarters today. The officers selected

years ago. Lieut. W. K. Bartlett, also of the 21st, will be adjutant with the rank of captain. Provisional Lieut. J. F. Reid will be quartermaster with the But one company officer with

rank of centain has been named.

is Lieut, George C. King. The following subalterns have been approved and appointed: George A. Urquhart M. P. Twomey. W. R. Brennan

SUBDUING OF TINO PLEASES ATHENS: **BLOCKADE TO LIFT** 

Athens, via London, June 23 .- There is general satisfaction shown among the public over the result of the ultimatum sent to King Constantine by the entente.

market is rapidly recovering from its. The chief of police of Athens who is understood to be under the ban of the

VICTIM OF SHOCK Word has been received here, an-

nouncing that Pte. James Northcott. Pipe Line road, had been admitted to No. 4 Hospital, London, suffering from shell shock.

Entente Allies, has asked for sick leave.

Pte. Northcott went forward with the second detachment of the 33rd Battalio He held the rank of sergeant, which gave up in order to get to the fro He sooner.