

OFFICERS PLEASED AS MOBILIZATION IS ACCOMPLISHED WITHOUT ONE HITCH

Militia of Every State Is Now Ready to Embark For Mexico on Moment's Notice—Some Interesting Side Lights.

Men Answered Call With Marked Enthusiasm and All Appeared Anxious to Leave For the Border.

BUGLES are sounding in every state in the Union. Bands are playing, and khaki clad men are drilling. The mobilization of the national guard is complete. The men are ready to embark for the Mexican border at a moment's notice.

The mobilization call found the national guard of the United States prepared. The concentrations were accomplished with speed and dispatch. A few of the companies were lacking in guns and munitions.

The men answered the call with marked enthusiasm. While there were a few sad farewells between mothers, wives and sweethearts, optimism was general. Little did one realize that the soldiers were going away for a real

on that date, giving General Funston twelve new regimental units.

Officers say the reorganization can take place on the border without impairing the efficiency of the force. All the officers necessary for the new regiments will be drawn from the existing organization, and promotions all along the line will follow. The effect will be to leave the army virtually without second lieutenants, and it is here that the additional officers provided for under the bill will be added.

There will be many promotions also among the enlisted men. New non-commissioned officers will have to be selected in both the old and new regiments, as it is planned to distribute the seasoned men equally. They will be found in the ranks of the privates,

The Fight at Carrizal, Mexico.

The seventeen American soldiers, negro troopers of the Tenth cavalry, who were captured in the battle at Carrizal were taken to Chihuahua City, with Lem H. Spillsbury, a Mormon scout, employed by General J. J. Pershing, and were imprisoned.

Spillsbury said that Captain Charles T. Boyd commanded the Americans and, with Lieutenant Henry R. Adair, was among the killed.

Captain Moore, who was with the American detachment, was wounded in the shoulder, but escaped.

Spillsbury's story as announced by General Jacinto Trevino, commander of the Carranza forces in the north, was to the effect that seventy-six negroes, comprising Troop H of the Tenth, Captains Boyd and Moore, Lieutenant Adair and himself, composed the American detachment that encountered the Mexicans.

Spillsbury said he saw on the field the bodies of Boyd and Adair and at least eleven of the negroes.

Spillsbury's account follows:

"When we arrived at Carrizal Captain Boyd dispatched a courier to the jefe politico of the little village, advising him that we were on our way to Villa Ahumada.

"After we had waited some time Lieutenant Colonel Rivas came out and warned Captain Boyd that he had better turn back. Captain Boyd then ex-

GET-TO-GETHER MEET DELIGHTFUL SUCCESS

Visitors from Many Sections of this and Other States in Attendance.

The get-together meeting of the Presbytery of the Piedmont, held at the First Presbyterian church here yesterday, was decidedly one of the most enthusiastic and successful affairs of its kind ever held in Anderson.

The program was carried out to the letter, many delightful talks being made. Visitors of prominent were here from many cities of this and other states. With "the Generating of an Inspiration that will Promote the Interests of Presbyterianism within the Bounds of the Body" as its slogan, those in attendance entered enthusiastically into the spirit of the meeting. The banquet on the church lawn at 7 o'clock last night was much enjoyed and was reported a delightful feature of the session.

The following program was carried out:

Thursday, June 29, 1916.

Afternoon Session.
4:30 to 5:45—Rev. I. E. Wallace presiding.
Subject—The Sabbath school as a Factor in the Constructive Work of the Church Conditioned Upon:
1. A proper conception of its Sphere and Function.
2. An Efficient superintendent.
3. The Cooperation of the Officers of the church.
Discussion led by Rev. Gilbert Glass, D. D., of Richmond, Va., general discussion.

5:45 to 7:00—Geo. C. B. Waller, Presiding.
Subject—The Greater Efficiency of the Individual Church—condition upon:
1. A constructive and aggressive Eldership and Diaconate.
2. Upon the Loyal Support of Membership.
3. Upon an acknowledged and supported Church calendar.
Discussion led by Rev. H. O. Flynn, D. D., Atlanta, Ga.
7:00 to 8:00—Open Air Banquet—Friendly Fellowship.

Evening Session.
8:00 to 9:30—Rev. John E. Halley Presiding.
Subject—The Home Mission Problem of the presbytery.
Discussion led by Rev. W. H. Miloy, D. D., Atlanta, Ga., General Discussion.

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war. The majority of the men, rather than upon the activity as a vacation and were anxious to see actual service.

War department officials who had charge of the mobilization were plainly pleased. They expressed satisfaction at the perfect manner in which all members of the guard gathered at the various concentration camps. No hitches occurred, and every precaution was taken to keep supplies and equipment to the different units.

Several of the regiments were lacking in certain articles. It was also necessary to examine the physical condition of the men as fast as they reached the different points of concentration.

The militia was organized on the swiftest division plan prepared by the department and sent forward in properly organized units of friends and divisions whenever circumstances demanded re-enforcement of the border patrol.

Approximately 100,000 men are at the disposal of the department under the twelve division plan, with their own battalions and brigade commanders properly attached. This plan, which has been the scheme on which the national guard has been constructed during the last few years, provides for assembling of the various units from the several states in twelve regular divisions. Under it it is possible to expand the strength of the militia to nearly 200,000 men on a war footing, and this may be done.

Army Reorganization.

The scheme of reorganization for the regular army under the new army bill has also been announced. It provides for the addition of seven regiments of infantry, two of cavalry, three of field and heavy artillery and two of engineers. The act takes effect July 1, and by its provisions the first annual budget of Congress will be created

and the gap to be filled will be only in the grade of private.

An increase in the coast artillery is also provided for in the act, but so far no arrangements have been made for it. The reorganization will be made later, when more attention can be given to the coast guard.

The state troops are fed according to the allowance provided for the regular soldiers of the United States army. The average daily food each soldier will receive follows:

Fourteen ounces of fish.
Eighteen ounces of salt beef.
Sixteen ounces of fresh beef.
One egg.
One ounce of coffee.
One ounce rice.
One ounce potatoes.
Two ounces beans and butter.
Three ounces sugar.
Fourteen ounces cornmeal.
Bread.

The New Oath.

Under the provisions of the Hays Chamberlain bill a new oath for militiamen is required. Regular army officers expressed deep gratification over the expressed willingness of the men to take the new oath, which is as follows:

I do hereby acknowledge to have voluntarily enlisted with... as a soldier of the national guard of the United States and of the state of... for the period of three years in service and three years in the reserve under the conditions prescribed by law, unless sooner discharged by the proper authorities. And I do solemnly swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the United States of America, and to its state of... and that I will never take arms against it, nor shall I ever aid any person who takes arms against it, nor shall I ever aid any person who takes arms against it, nor shall I ever aid any person who takes arms against it.

Under this oath the men can be utilized in any way the president sees fit.

plained that he was in pursuit of some bandits who he had heard had looted Santo Domingo and also was bound to catch a negro deserter who he had heard was in Villa Ahumada.

"In reply to this Lieutenant Rivas notified the American that if he attempted to advance he would have to pass over the dead bodies of the Mexicans. He advised Boyd that he had better not argue the matter.

"Rivas returned to the village to report to his superior officer, General Gomez, who sent out a note inviting the Americans to enter Carrizal for a conference. Captain Boyd declined.

"On this ground Gomez went out in person and insistently urged the Americans to retire, pointing out that his orders from his superiors necessitated his acting on them without further delay. General Gomez repeated these words as he walked away. Boyd merely answered, "All right."

General Trevino's announcement then goes on to quote Spillsbury as saying that after General Gomez had retired in his troops, who were lined up outside the town, Captain Boyd ordered his men to advance, whereupon Spillsbury expostulated with him, arguing that a fight was sure to follow.

Spillsbury is reported as saying that Captain Boyd "obstinately refused to think that the Mexican general was only bluffing, and the firing quickly began. He is quoted further:

"Captain Boyd and Lieutenant Adair (a mortally wounded) Captain Moore was wounded in the shoulder, an immediately the horses fled with the Mexicans, leaving behind American bodies and weapons. We were forced to surrender.

"I saw the bodies of Boyd and Adair and at least seven negroes on the field of battle.

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