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Refugees Start March to Marfa.

PRESIDIO, Tex., Jan. 12.—Turning their backs on Mexico, the ragged soldiers and generals of the Mexican Federal army, routed by the Constitutionalists at Ojinaga, Mexico, opposite here, today began their march toward Fort Bliss, at El Paso, Tex., where they are to be kept indefinitely as wards of the United States Government. Only a portion of the refugees started, but the tattered line of soldiers, women and children, followed by horses, burros and dogs, as they straggled over the mountain road in clouds of dust, was a sorry picture of an army in retreat. The refugees on foot will be guarded by United States cavalrymen until they reach Marfa, sixty-seven miles from the border.

At Marfa ten trains of ten coaches each will carry the Mexicans to El Paso under escort of four companies of the Twentieth United States Infantry.

The refugees, as officially counted by Major McNamee, shows there are 3,352 soldiers and officers; 1,067 women and about 300 children and infants, who are to be housed and fed by the United States.

As he watched the vanguard of his army depart, all of them ill-fed, half-clad, footsore and disarmed, General Salvador Mercado, Huerta's former military chief in the north and himself a refugee, stood apart by the roadside. His own faded blue coat was dusty, the insignias of his rank were gone and on his face was an expression of suffering.

"There is no country except my own to which I feel more grateful than the United States," he said, and walked away.

The whole body of refugees will be en route to Marfa for three or four days, and it probably will be next week before they are put on the trains for El Paso.

Along the route Marfa, four camps, each marking the end of a day's march, are to be provisioned. From Presidio to Marfa there is no railroad and the progress of the soldiers and women necessarily will be slow. The detachment of four companies of infantry to take the refugees in custody to El Paso, was ordered by Brigadier General Bliss, in charge of the border patrol. At El Paso all the Mexican soldiers will be kept under guard constantly. It has been suggested that ultimately they may be removed

to Fort Rosecrans, Cal. Constitutionalists reported they found in Ojinaga after the Federal evacuation fourteen cannon, 22,000 rifles and 100 rounds of ammunition.

The Constitutionalists said they did not fire on the retreating Federals because they did not want to endanger life on the American side. General Mercado's version was that the Federals had evacuated some time before the Constitutionalists realized it.

With the departure of General Vill for Chihuahua, comparative quiet reigned on the Mexican side.

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J. S. Williams is Named.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 13.—President Wilson today nominated John Skelton Williams of Virginia, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, or Comptroller of the Currency and ex-officio member of the Federal Reserve Board, which will administer the affairs of the new currency system.

Mr. Williams is now Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, in charge of the fiscal bureau, and Secretary McAdoo's first assistant in matters of Government finance.

The office of Comptroller of the Currency has been vacant several months. From time to time various reports have been afloat in congressional circles of opposition being brought to bear against the nomination of Mr. Williams. It was said that the so-called great financial interests were opposing him.

There has never been recorded, so far as known, before any committee or official channel any opposition to his appointment, though there are various reports of impending opposition to his confirmation by the Senate.

Announcement of Mr. Williams' selection followed a conference between President Wilson and Secretary McAdoo. It is understood that during the President's absence Mr. McAdoo has been sounding Senators about the nomination and believes it will be confirmed. So far as known the President has made no other selections for the Federal Reserve

Board. Secretary Houston said today he did not plan to resign from the Cabinet to become a member of the Board.

Royal Mail Steamer Lost in Snow-storm

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 13.—Following her way toward St. John, N. B., through the blinding snow storm, the Royal Mail steamer, Cobequid struck on a ledge at the entrance to the bay of Fundy early today. After sending our wireless calls for assistance, the vessel's wireless apparatus apparently failed and it has not been possible to restore communication with her.

It was first reported that the steamer was ashore off Brier Island, on the east side of the bay, but the lighthouse keeper there later reported that he could not locate her. It was then thought she might be on one of the ledges at the western entrance to the bay. She is said to have 150 persons on board, including a crew of 75 men.

The Cobequid got off her course when bound from the West Indies and Bermuda for St. John, N. F. Reports received here stated that her forward hold was filled with water and that she was listing badly.

The Bay of Fundy was swept today by a terrific northwest gale, accompanied by thick snow, which made difficult the task of locating and assisting the steamer. The first news of the Cobequid's plight reached here in a dispatch to the department of marine and fisheries from the Cape Sable wireless station.

Flood Beneficial at Velasco Port.

VELASCO, Texas, Jan. 13.—This port has been materially benefited by the recent flood. The channel of the Brazos river has been scoured down until there is something like 25 feet of water in the river channel, while there is fully 22 feet of water over the bar at the mouth of the river. This is the deepest water this port has had in its history, and will promote inbound and outbound tonnage.

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The razor-back hog has been forced by the thoroughbreds to flee to the mountains and the distance they have traveled each year is measured and recorded by the judges of the Ft. Worth-Fat Stock Show. For eighteen years the National Feeders' and Breeders' have held the tape line of progress on this industry and the exhibits on November 22-23 promise to more nearly approach perfection and extend through a much wider range of breeds than any previous exhibits.

No other animal ever made such concession to the market as has the hog. He has given half his life to meet the demand for young stock and has surrendered the freedom of forests for the shackles of the pen where fat can be produced with the greatest economy. The human race has made no such sacrifices for success as has this dumb brute.

The new hog has become so popular with the housewife that we consume all of our home production and ship in \$24,000,000 of pork and its products per annum. He is one of the best revenue producers in the animal kingdom, and has shown an increase in value per head during the past five years of \$2.80. The statistics of the Federal Department of Agriculture pay a glowing tribute to the growing popularity of the Texas hog, and show a decrease of approximately a million head in number and an increase of over \$2,000,000 in aggregate value. We are traveling rapidly on the road of extermination of the swine industry in Texas, and the National Breeders' will make an exhibit at the Fat Stock Show that will seek to turn the tide. It is one of the missions of the management to balance production and consumption, and no more effective methods can be employed to encourage hog raising than to exhibit the leaders of the swine family to the farmers of Texas.

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of Governor Oswald West to have its incorporation declared void. The governor insists that the appearance of the town on the map, which he likened to a comet without a tail, has caused a right to have liquor sold in its borders and that is the sole purpose of the incorporation.

Miss F. Hobbs, the governor's secretary, who made an investigation reported that in places the town was less than 30 feet wide, this being done to exclude the homes of persons