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MUTINEERS WERE EXECUTED TODAY

ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-NINE WERE SHOT.

In Squads of a Dozen Each They Were Executed.—Huerta Ordered the Strictest Discipline Enforced at All Garrisons.—Huerta Will Go to Front When His Successor is Decided Upon.

Mexico City, March 18.—In squads of a dozen men each one hundred and forty-nine mutineers were taken from the federal barracks at Joluita, lined up against a stone wall and executed. Huerta ordered the strictest discipline enforced at all garrisons. It is stated that when Gov. Lind will have a chance to size up the man selected by Huerta to become temporary executive head of the government, should he decide to go to front. Minister of Foreign Relations Rojas will meet Gov. Lind in Vera Cruz tomorrow. It was said here that the plans for the meeting are the result of the recent conference between President Wilson and Sir Lionel Carden.

GOLDSBORO BANKER CHARGED WITH OVER \$70,000 SHORTAGE

Shortage Discovered in Two Banks in the Town. — H. C. Smith is Accused.

Goldsboro, March 17.—For several days past an expert bank examiner has been in the city inspecting the books of the Goldsboro Savings and Trust Company and the National Bank, being summoned here by Geo. A. Norwood, president of the National Bank, who had suspected something wrong was going on, but so quietly had the affair been kept from the public that not until today was a shortage of the two above banks given to the stockholders and the public in general. This afternoon the stockholders of the two banks gave out the following statement:

"That the Goldsboro Savings and Trust Company had discovered a shortage of \$50,000 and some few hundred dollars, and the National Bank a shortage of \$25,000, a defalcation by H. C. Smith, an employe of the National Bank and for two years cashier of the Goldsboro Savings and Trust Company."

The first shortage was discovered in the National Bank but relatives of young Smith promptly made good that sum and the affair was kept quiet.

Today an inspection of the books of the Goldsboro Savings and Trust Company disclosed a shortage of \$50,000 but the loss will only be \$40,000; since Smith was bonded by an insurance company for \$10,000.

DEBATE AT MOUNT PLEASANT.

Churchland High School and College High School to Hold Debate Friday.

Much interest centers in the debate between Mount Pleasant Institute and Churchland High School, of Linwood, which will be held at Mount Pleasant Friday evening at 8 o'clock, at the auditorium. Messrs. George S. Bowden and Z. Lester Edwards will represent the Institute and C. F. Sprague and H. C. Reid, Churchland. A small fee will be charged for admission to defray the expense of holding the debate.

Mr. Edgar Pharr is at Work for Mr. Webb.

Charlotte Observer.

Mr. Edgar W. Pharr, of the local bar, has been appointed campaign manager for Congressman E. Yates Webb in Mecklenburg county and he says he is planning an aggressive fight. Mr. Pharr admitted yesterday that in his opinion Mr. Webb will be re-elected by a safe majority and he will carry Mecklenburg county, despite the fact that it is the place of residence of Mr. E. R. Preston, Mr. Webb's only opponent.

Varner and Page.

Greensboro Record.
Editor Varner, of the Lexington Dispatch, after "feeling" around for some time, announces that he will enter the race against Page for Congress. Mr. Page is not smart. Why did he not get Brother Varner a job? Why did he not choke him with position paying several thousand, with little work to do? He failed to even try and now he faces a calamity, for Varner is going to run. What will happen to Page will be a plenty.

Salisbury proposes to put people's mouths to work. A new enterprise there is the Dixieland Gum Works, which will manufacture chewing gum.

BISHOP SAYS CITIES ARE DESTROYED FOR WICKEDNESS

Wrath of God is Revealed From Heaven Against Ungodliness.

Charlotte News.

Trinity Methodist Church was crowded again last night with people crowded again last night with people who came to hear Bishop John C. Kilgo, who is the main speaker at the series of successful meetings that are being held there. The meetings are constantly growing in interest and much good of a tangible nature has already been accomplished.

A feature in connection with the meeting is the open-air service held each evening at 6 o'clock at Independence Square and which is listened to by a great crowd each time, many of whom could not be reached otherwise, since they do not attend the meetings. The singing is a specially attractive feature of these meetings. Familiar hymns are sung and enough of the crowd usually joins in the singing to raise a great volume of sound.

Preceding the sermon last night at Trinity, Dr. Plato Durham, presiding elder, made a call for volunteers in religious work. "Such hosts of people have been swept into this movement that the ministers are no longer equal to the task of coping with the situation."

Bishop Kilgo announced as text for last night's discourse "For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold truth in unrighteousness," the text being from Romans, 1:18.

"It is an inspiring truth that God is love," said the speaker, "but we have thrown so much emphasis on the love of God and we have given it such unwarranted construction that we have made it an occasion of fear. Instead of making it a subject of fear we have made it an advantage of the cheapest kind of sin and have indulged in all kinds of tooseness and license.

"No man can minimize God's love and no man is more consciously dependent on it than I am, but there is nothing on earth or in heaven that I am more afraid of than God's love."

Answering an imaginary question as to whether or not God now destroys cities for their wickedness as he did in the olden days, the speaker declared his belief that God did destroy them for their wickedness just as he did Sodom, Gomorrah, Babylon and other ancient cities. "What about San Francisco, Galveston, Lisbon and others that might be named?" he asked. The disastrous floods of the Mississippi and other disasters from natural sources were explained by the Bishop on the same principle:

"A little over 150 years ago," said the speaker, "when a great skepticism and deism, and debauchery had swept over England, Methodism was sent to redeem it, and later God took a little hand and sent them to the United States to turn back the rising tide of French infidelity. Now there seems to have come another time. God wants a Church that will go where men are dying; one that will not content itself with holding conventions and debating societies over 'The Value of Religion in Civic Life,' but He wants a Church bound in the bonds of servitude to Jesus Christ. Is God calling the church again into the streets? It looks like it. We are 14,000 preachers. Will we go? Do you think we can stand the strain? You are no better than Wesley, you are no better than George Whitfield, you are no better than Paul, and you never will be as good as Jesus. It would be a great thing to walk up to the judgment bar some day with a soul and say, 'I got him on the square.' I heard a fine little sermon this afternoon on the street by the Salvation Army captain. The greatest thing about the sermon was the captain himself. A finer, cleaner, sweeter face I never saw on this earth. It was a face that Jesus made. Christian people have a face that the world hasn't got. It's been so through all the ages."

The bishop enjoined those who have church letters in their trunks to exchange them. "You are living in one place and trying to serve God in another and dodging God everywhere. Some of these days the judgment trump is going to sound and you won't have time to get those letters out and I'm not sure that they would be worth a picayune if you did."

Master William Sprinkle, a six year old son of Rev. and Mrs. H. C. Sprinkle, on Friday gave an interesting "millinery opening" at the Methodist parsonage in Spencer. His apartments were tastefully decorated and well stocked with hats by him from paper, and the innovation in millinery circles was greatly admired.

The North Carolina Confederate reunion will be held in Raleigh this year on the 10th of June.

POLICE ACTIVE.

Police Unrelenting in Their Efforts to Trail John Barleycorn to His Lair.

The police are unrelenting in their trail of old John Barleycorn this week. Ad testificandum writs and search and seizure warrants have been resorted to in a number of cases.

Every offender that has been placed on the rack this week on the charge of being intoxicated has had an additional charge to answer by virtue of the fact that City Attorney Maness invoked the ad testificandum examination. The examinations failed to reveal where the liquor was purchased. One person, it is reported, secured his from a person he met on the street who was so generous and free with his liquor that he naturally produced a bottle and gave him several drinks. Strange to relate the generous person's name could not be remembered. Another had ordered his.

The search and seizure warrants were issued against a number of colored residents whom the police suspected of having more liquor than the law allows. The suspicion was aroused by the express books which showed certain people getting a rather large supply. The searches failed to develop a case, although practically every house searched had a certain amount of liquor in it.

MEN BURIED BENEATH DEBRIS WHEN CLUB WALL TUMBLED

Another Tragedy at St. Louis Athletic Club Building.—Several Lives Are Lost.

St. Louis, March 17.—At least three persons were killed, 15 buried under debris and 10 injured when the west wall of the Missouri Athletic Club building, which was destroyed by fire in which 30 persons lost their lives, a week ago, collapsed under a high wind here late today and crashed through a four-story building occupied by the St. Louis Seed Company.

The wall of the Missouri Athletic Club building which stood seven stories high, crumbled when a 35-mile wind veered to the northwest. A few minutes before the collapse, Building Commissioner McKelvey, who was directing 170 men in the work of exploring the ruins of the Missouri Athletic Club, feared the wall would fall and ordered his men out of the debris. This action probably prevented a heavy loss of life.

VILLA'S FORCES ARE BEING HARD PRESSED

Everything is Not Going Well With His Army.—Censorship Over News.

El Paso, Texas, March 18.—That Gen. Villa's forces at Escalon are being hard pressed by the federals was the interpretation placed on the fact that not a single word of news regarding the battle has been allowed to come out of Chihuahua and the south for twenty-four hours. The last dispatches said that the federals from Torreon are attempting to get to the rear of Villa's army, and that there was desperate fighting. Constitutional officials at Juarez insist that there is no battle in progress. The censorship is very strict which is taken to believe that everything is not going well with Villa's army.

They Will be There With Bells On Siler City Grit.

The Executive Committee of the State Press Association met in Raleigh yesterday and selected Wrightsville as the next meeting place and June 24th and 25th as the dates. This is entirely pleasing to this scribe and we will be there literally with bells on.

Webb Asks for Segregation of Negro Railway Mail Clerks.

Washington, March 17.—Representative Webb requested the Postoffice Department to segregate the negro railway mail clerks that run between Washington and Hamlet and the Seaboard. There are two of these clerks, Bryant and Gordon—the one from Florida and the other from South Carolina.

Honor Roll of Mount Gilead School.
Clyde Cook, Thelma Misenheimer, Aubrey Misenheimer, Herman Misenheimer, Walter Patterson, Mary Walter, Francis Walter, George Walter.

Although he made his fortune of considerably more than \$500,000 in the wholesale liquor business, Jacob Friday of Pittsburg, Pa., had inserted in his will, which is being contested, a provision expressly stipulating that "any beneficiary who directly or indirectly engages in the liquor business shall forfeit all rights and claims to the estate."

Cleve to the good and use a clever on the rest.

FROM THE NATIONAL CAPITAL TODAY

SERIOUS CHARGES ARE MADE AGAINST A LOBBYIST.

President of Ship Building Company Says He Paid Deking \$1,000 to Have Provision Forbidding Use of Canal to Railroad Owned Ships Stricken From Bill.—Raid of Yaqui Indians on Ranch of American Near Nogales.—Reports in Regard to Benton's Death Denied.

Washington, March 18.—The State Department is informed of a raid by Yaqui Indians on the ranch of an American named Dingfel, near Nogales. Dingfel resisted the raiders and is said to have killed two.

The State Department denied the receipt of official advices that Benton was stabbed to death instead of being shot, and that his body was buried at Juarez and not at Chihuahua.

A thorough search is being made for those guilty of the murder of Postmaster Johnston at Tecate.

An admission that he paid Clarence W. Deking, an alleged lobbyist, a retainer of a thousand dollars and promised him a contingent fee if he succeeded in having the provision forbidding the use of the Panama Canal to railroad owned ships stricken from the Panama Canal bill, was made to the Senate Lobby Committee today by former Real Admiral F. T. Bowles, president of the Fore River Shipbuilding Company. Bowles testified that Deking wrote him that he knew tactics which might prevent the measure from ever reaching a vote in the Senate.

MISS VAN BUREN TO SPEAK.

Will Address the Concord Civic Club April 1 at Central School.

At the meeting of the Julia Bagender Book Club yesterday it was reported by the club secretary that she had received a letter from Miss Van Buren, saying she will come to Concord on April 1, and remain over the 3d, giving at least three public lectures—one especially for children. Mr. Webb has most kindly offered the graded school auditorium for this purpose. The amount necessary to defray all expenses is \$25.00. Of this the Virginia Dare Club has pledged \$3.00, and the Julia Mezgruder \$6.00. Mrs. J. F. Cannon, president of the Civic League, will be glad to answer any inquiries in regard to it.

The Slender Damsel With the Sea-Green Hair.

Atlanta, March 18.—A slender damsel with sea-green hair tripped daintily down Peachtree this morning, while the crowd stared in open-mouthed amazement—and with some admiration, for she was pretty.

Her blue eyes had a greenish tone, and her hat was of the latest "absinth" shade. Her silken hose, which peeped out at each step from the slit of a shimmery clinging green skirt, were of transparent Nile green silk.

In fact, she was a symphony in green, a human blade of grass. In fact, she was a whole lawn. Freakish as the new style is, her walk down Peachtree street convinced a lot of folks that some people can be pretty in anything.

The appearance of the bright-colored wig on Atlanta's streets came as a surprise, though wigs of purple, pink and green have been shown for some time past in the high-class stores here, to go with elaborate evening costumes.

It was predicted that they would soon be seen with evening toilettes, but right out on the street in broad daylight with bright green hair! Well, Atlanta is no village, but she did sit up and take notice.

Mr. James W. Waters, special representative of the Spartanburg Music Festival, is in the city today. The festival this year will be held on May 6, 7 and 8, this being the twentieth annual season. This festival marks the completion of a long series of musical events of the highest order of merit and constantly increasing success. In commemoration of this unbroken record of artistic achievement, it will be made a gala occasion, and will be celebrated in a manner to cause it to become one of the most memorable gatherings the South has ever known in the cause of musical art. Five concerts will be given, three in the evenings and two in afternoons.

A lady in Texas devotes to the Lord's cause all the eggs laid by her hens on Sunday. This looks like a dead set against sin.

UNCLE SAM PREFERS FOR WAR WITH MEXICO

Now Has 81,000 Enlisted Men.—One Third Now at Galveston.

Galveston, Texas, March 18.—Just at this time when so many fresh difficulties are springing up in the Mexican situation there are perhaps few citizens of the nation who do not wonder how well our army is prepared for actual warfare—for it would be actual warfare to try intervention in Mexico. The United States army is now composed of approximately 81,000 officers and enlisted men, of which number 29,000 are on duty outside of the United States while the remaining 52,000 are at home stations, mostly on border duty and at the large government posts. One third of the quickly available standing army is now mobilized at Galveston and Texas City while there are scattered along the Texas border many companies of infantry and cavalry. At Fort Sam Houston, the second largest army post in the United States there is a brigade of the Texas National Guard, ready at a moment's notice, numbers 15,000 men. The entire second division is mobilized here and has been under canvas for one year.

In case of actual warfare approximately 40,000 men can be immediately thrown into action in the field according to figures obtained here. The militia furnishes better fighters than volunteers, but the militia cannot be counted regulars for it would require perhaps three months to get them in proper fighting trim. That section of the regular army mustered at Galveston now is in the finest kind of fighting condition. Lying in the open, under canvas, for one year the officers and men have faced summer heat and winter cold alike and are hardened to the maximum point, while tedious and brilliant maneuvers that are constantly being held have kept all of the battalions on their toes until they are up to the latest war tactics. Every effort of the generals and commanders here during these maneuvers has been directed toward simplification, efficiency and effectiveness and perhaps there is nowhere in the world today a better trained and more alert army division than that now here.

Great advances have been made by army officials. For instance the rifle now in use has a range of 2850 yards, more than one and one-half miles, and it has the necessary wind ranges for various winds. The militia, regular infantrymen, and the navy have the same style and model guns, whereas during the Spanish-American war the navy had one kind, the army another kind and the militia were supplied with a half dozen different model and calibers. Various size cartridges had to be supplied with a half dozen different model and calibre guns and one department could not use the same ammunition as the other, resulting in a great amount of confusion which is now completely done away with.

Our navy now has 29 modern battleships, 15 first class cruisers, 3 second class cruisers, 14 third class cruisers, 21 submarines, 40 destroyers, 32 torpedo boats and 35 submarines. The best part of this force could be quickly mobilized to effectively blockade all Mexican ports. Soldiers of the regular army and the militia have been given thorough practice in handling guns and firing their rifles, the amount of rifle practice now given each man being more than double what it was a few years ago, so that the men are all familiar with their arms and 90 per cent. of them are good shots at stationary and moving targets, for all kinds of surprise firing has been lately introduced. The heaviest obtainable type of automobile trucks that can carry several tons of provisions, arms, ammunition, etc., have added much to the speed with which supplies, and consequently troops can be moved overland. These trucks are capable of making 20 miles an hour if such speed were necessary. Motorcycles have been furnished members of the aviation and other squads which need to make trips about the field or post, and these have greatly shortened the time required for establishing wireless camps and caring for aviators and aeroplanes. So many automobiles, trucks and motorcycles have been already put into use that it is certain that in the event of war with a foreign country the automobile would play a considerable part but the horse and mule would not be eliminated.

The army at present is sadly lacking in field artillery batteries, that being its most striking efficiency, but on the other hand the signal corps is far advance of other armies as here will be found every one of the very latest discoveries in wireless telegraphy, telephony and telegraph as well as the most serviceable instrumental and the quickest possible sort of method for getting from one place to another, the motorcycle. Our battle-ships along the Gulf coast could effect a perfect blockade of every port with-

in 24 hours. The troops now stationed here and other points in Texas could be gotten to any section of the Texas border within less than 24 hours while those sent out for the Mexican Gulf ports on the transports would reach their destination anywhere from 36 to 60 hours after embarking here. The large transports now in Galveston harbor can accommodate an average of 30,000 men each, carrying on board rations for 18 days, and they are already started with these necessary rations. The men could be safely on board and out of port a few hours after orders for embarkation were received.

On the whole, the land fighting force of the United States today, while somewhat small is admittedly the flower of all armed bodies ever raised by this country. With militia-men to the number of 122,000 ready for call and countless thousands of volunteers available all the men necessary could be sent into the field within six months, in prime condition and ready for fighting against the best trained soldiers of any country.

Wants Wheeler's History Published Again.

Dr. H. C. Herring recently wrote to Col. Fred A. Olds, of Raleigh, for the purpose of finding where he could secure a copy of Wheeler's History of North Carolina. Colonel Olds states in reply that the price of the book is \$10 but that copies cannot be secured at this price. He suggests having the book reprinted and is anxious to secure the opinion of any interested in re-publishing the rare book.

Mrs. Caillaux Refuses to Eat.

Paris, March 18.—While sporadic demonstrations against her husband occurred in the streets, Mme. Caillaux, who brought France to the verge of a political crisis by slaying Editor Calmette, sat in her prison cell brooding and weeping. She refuses to eat. The violence of the attacks made upon Caillaux and wife aroused the sympathy in some quarters. Both are on the verge of collapse.

No Opposition to Senator Shively.

Indianapolis, March 18.—Many delegates have arrived in city for the State convention of Indiana Democrats which is to meet here tomorrow to nominate a candidate for United States senator in compliance with the constitutional amendment providing for the direct election of United States senators. It is expected there will be no opposition to the renomination of Senator B. B. Shively.

Dr. Turrentine Inaugurated.

Greensboro, March 18.—Interesting exercises conducted in the presence of a distinguished audience attended today's inauguration of Dr. S. B. Turrentine as ninth president of the Greensboro College for Women. Governor Craig, Bishop Kilgo and the heads of many well known Southern institutions of learning were among the participants in the programme.

Best Mill Items.

Miss Essie Litaaker, of No. 11, is visiting at the home of Mr. F. L. Best in Concord.

Mrs. Bertha Hyles and Miss Lucy Kriminger have returned from Albemarle, where they have been visiting friends.

Master W. C. Coggins is quite sick at the home of his parents.

Searching for Missing Persons.

St. Louis, March 18.—Search for the six persons missing, and who are supposed to be under the wreckage of the St. Louis Seed Company building was resumed today. Four are known to have lost their lives when the wall of the Missouri Athletic Club crumbled a seed shop.

Death Postponed a Year for Schmidt.

New York, March 18.—Death in the electric chair to which "Father" Schmidt was sentenced "during the week of March 23d," was postponed today for probably a year. The respite came automatically with the counsel filing notice of appeal.

The State of North Carolina will receive \$100,000 as a result of the death of George W. Vanderbilt, the corporation commission having estimated that the inheritance tax of the deceased will not be less than this amount. The property of the deceased in North Carolina, the Biltmore estate and the Pisgah forest property is that upon which the revenue tax will be based.

Recently W. A. Pegram, who lived in Vaughan neighborhood, Warren county, took his axe and left the house to cut timber. He did not return and after a search of two days and nights his dead body was found beside a tree he had chopped down. It is supposed he dropped dead from the exertion of cutting down the tree.