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OLD HUERTA IS DRINKING HEAVILY

A REVOLT IN THE CAPITAL REPORTED AGAINST HIM

Even Mexicans Are Fleeing From Mexico City to Gain Protection of American Flag at Vera Cruz—It is Feared That Zapata, Villa or Castro May Seize the Capital.

Vera Cruz, May 6.—With a revolt in the capital city reported as threatened against him, and even Mexicans fleeing from city to gain protection of the American flag here, refugees declare that Huerta is drinking heavily, but the strain under which the dictator is laboring apparently was greatly relieved by the selection of the government's representatives in the mediation negotiations.

Refugees declare that some of the most prominent residents of Mexico City have arrived here.

It is feared that Zapata, Villa or General Castro will seize the capital. It is said to be rumored that the capital police have been approached by Villa's agents with the proposition that they seize the capital upon the rebels' approach, thus preparing the way for the triumphant entry. The police are equipped with rifles, but Huerta is afraid to disarm them.

RELYING UPON THE CONSTITUTIONALISTS

To Save the Mexican Situation. — Waiting for Them to Rout the Federalists.

Washington, May 6.—The United States is relying upon the Constitutionalists to save the Mexican situation. It is learned that President Wilson and Secretary Bryan believe that long before any acceptable plan of mediation is arrived at the rebels will drive Huerta out of Mexico City. Then they believe the mediators can submit to the conquerors a plan of action which will provide for a legally elected president and congress and strong support from without in crushing rebellion until the new government is firmly established. Because of this fact the Administration is well pleased with the announcement that formal sessions of the mediators will not commence until May 18 at Niagara Falls, Ontario. By that time the Constitutionalists probably make strong gains. One obstacle, however, is a possible break in the ranks of the Constitutionalists.

CONSTITUTIONALISTS MAKE SHARP ATTACK

On Federal Reinforcements in Northwestern Part of Vera Cruz Province.

Washington, May 6.—The Constitutionalists made a sharp attack on the Federal reinforcements in the Vera Cruz province yesterday during a decisive engagement, according to message from Admiral Badger. The Mexican troops in the vicinity of Vera Cruz are anticipating a possible American advance on Mexico City as indicated by General Funston's dispatches. However, it did not indicate the belief that these soldiers will make an aggressive move on Vera Cruz.

PRETTY SENORITAS WERE SMUGGLERS

Mexican Girls Who Smiled on Uncle Sam's Custom Officers Smuggling Arms Across the Border.

El Paso, Texas, May 6.—That the pretty señoritas who smiled so sweetly on Uncle Sam's custom officers and soldiers at this end of the international bridge were smuggling cartridges across the border to the Constitutionalists was the discovery made today. All Mexican girls crossing the border hereafter will be searched.

Congress to Adjourn July 10.

Washington, May 6.—At a conference of Senate leaders with the President July 10 was tentatively fixed as the goal for adjournment of Congress.

FEW GUESTS TO BE AT WHITE HOUSE WEDDING

Fourteenth Wedding in Executive Mansion Will Be a Quiet One.

Washington, D. C., May 6.—Tomorrow's wedding of Miss Eleanor Wilson, daughter of the President and Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, and William G. McAdoo, the Secretary of the Treasury in President Wilson's cabinet, will be one of the quietest weddings that has ever taken place in the White House. It will be the fourteenth wedding in the executive mansion and the second that has taken place since Mr. Wilson became President, the first having been that of Mr. Sayre and Miss Jessie Wilson, sister of the bride tomorrow.

In accordance with the wishes of Miss Wilson and Mr. McAdoo the wedding will be very small. In that respect it will resemble the ceremony which united President Cleveland and Miss Frances Folsom. It is understood that the guests will number only about fourscore. Besides the close relatives of the contracting parties there will be present at the ceremony the Vice President and Mrs. Mersereau, the members of the cabinet circle and the secretary to the President and Mrs. Tamm.

Miss Eleanor Wilson is probably the most vivacious of the three daughters of the President and Mrs. Wilson and has manifested more interest in the ordinary routine which society life offers in the capital than either of her older sisters, both of whom have devoted much of their time to philanthropic and charitable work. She is talented and widely read and a good linguist. She has all the domestic accomplishments of young women in her state of life, plays tennis and enjoys outdoor life in all its phases.

Mr. McAdoo is fifty years old and a native of Georgia. He was admitted to the bar in 1888 and practiced law in Chattanooga until 1892, when he removed to New York city. Soon after he became a resident of New York he came into prominence as the organizer and chief director of the company which constructed the Hudson River "tubes," connecting Manhattan with the New Jersey side. Mr. McAdoo took active part in the campaign that resulted in Mr. Wilson's election to the Presidency and was rewarded with the treasury portfolio in the President's cabinet.

Since he came to Washington Secretary McAdoo has his home at 1400 Pennsylvania Avenue. He has been presided over by his second daughter, Miss Nona McAdoo. He has two other daughters, one married and living in the West, and a younger one, Sally, still a little girl. He has a married son, Francis H. McAdoo, and two younger sons in college. Mr. McAdoo's first wife was Southern born. He has been a widower several years.

MILL MEN PROMOTED

China Grove Man Goes to Concord to Become Superintendent of Cannon Mills.

A China Grove dispatch of May 5 says: The following change has taken place at the Patterson Manufacturing Company's cotton mill at China Grove. Mr. J. R. Killian, former superintendent, has been promoted to the superintendency of the Cannon Manufacturing Company, mills Nos. 1, 2 and 3, at Concord. Mr. C. G. Voss, of Randleman, formerly superintendent of Deep River mill No. 2 at that place, is Mr. Killian's successor here, and the people of this town extend to him a most cordial welcome and wish him success.

While we regret to lose Mr. Killian, we also know that the promotion he has received was deserved, and we hope our loss will be his gain. Mr. Killian leaves a host of friends and they all extend to him their best wishes for success in his new field.

The War Prayer.

O Lord, help us to tear the soldiers of the foe to bloody shreds with our shells; help us to cover their smiling fields with the pale forms of their patriot dead; help us to lay waste their humble homes with a hurricane of fire; help us to wring the hearts of their unoffending widows with unavailing grief. Blast their hopes, blight their lives, water their way with their tears.

TRUE BILL RETURNED AGAINST SID FINGER

Finger and Alexander Returned to Greensboro Jail for Safe Keeping.

Greensboro News, 6th. Sid Finger and Floyd Alexander, the two negroes who are charged with the murder in the first degree of Clerk Preston Lyerly and the burning of his store at Barber Junction on the night of February 24, last, were brought to this city and placed in the county jail last night for safe keeping. Deputy Sheriff Frank C. Talbot, of Iredell county, had charge of the prisoners.

Sheriff McKenzie, of Rowan, came to this city on Monday evening, and yesterday morning carried Finger and Alexander to Salisbury, where their cases were passed upon by the grand jury yesterday. The grand jury returned true bills of indictment against both prisoners, though the bill against Alexander was not brought until after Finger had gone before that body and told the story of the crime.

When the true bill was brought against Finger, Solicitor Clement ordered that Finger be carried before the grand jury and made whatever statements to them that he wanted regarding the crime. The prisoner in his statements to the grand jury confessed to being present when the crime was committed and he gave evidence which caused a true bill of murder in the first degree to be returned against Alexander.

Deputy Sheriff carried Finger to Salisbury this morning on train No. 11, where today he will be placed on trial before an Iredell county jury charged with murder in the first degree. Alexander will remain here until Finger is tried, when he also will be carried to Salisbury and tried.

Joe Maxwell, Will Kirkpatrick, and Will Fitts, all negroes, are material witnesses in the case. Finger in his confession to the crime, which occurred in the sheriff's office in this city when the prisoner was brought here for safe keeping, implicated Maxwell, Fitts, and Kirkpatrick, but all three proved alibis.

Both Finger and Alexander have been held in the county jail in this city since their arrest, though it was understood that they have been carried to the State prison farm at Raleigh.

SEVERE STORM OVER CHARLOTTE TUESDAY

Several Trees Uprooted and Small Houses on Outskirts Laid Low.

Charlotte, May 5.—During the storm this morning considerable damage was done by the wind to the south of Charlotte. Several trees were blown down, a house or two in the direct path of the wind laid low and fences blown down. The velocity of the wind was 36 miles an hour. J. E. Wyatt, of this city, was driving from the south toward town. The wind blew his glasses off his nose, carrying them to an adjoining field and out of sight. The electric current and transmission lines from the Southern Power plant, and the Catwaba, at Charlotte was interrupted and the street cars stopped for an hour possibly.

BILLARD TABLE IN CHURCH.

Pastor Caswell Says One is Needed, Also Bowling Alley.

New York World. Three hundred members and friends of First Methodist Church of Flushing who welcomed their new pastor, the Rev. Lincoln H. Caswell last night, approved his declaration that if he could have his way there would be a bowling alley and a pool and billiard table in every church. Mr. Caswell said he believed thoroughly in athletics as an accessory to church work, and that in a village of 50,000 population there were too many places where young men in search of recreation can be led astray. He said the church should be attractive seven days a week.

WANT CENSOR FOR SONGS.

Women Start National Campaign to Expurgate Popular Music.

Raleigh, May 5.—A national censorship of popular songs is the demand that the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs will address to Congress this week, when the body meets in Fayetteville.

The agitation for the expurgation of popular music comes from Raleigh, with its 500 women club members. School teachers have taken songs down as recited to them by children of all ages, with the result that a great agitation against popular music has followed.

Transports Being Provisioned.

Galveston, Tex., May 6.—Although no orders have been received to embark additional troops for Vera Cruz, according to officers, the government transports here are again being provisioned with foodstuffs.

To Proceed Without Carranza.

Washington, May 6.—The mediators are planning to proceed with negotiations without Carranza's participation, according to one of the mediators, following a conference with Secretary Bryan.

NO REASON FOR HITCH IN WORK

CITY OFFICIALS THOUGHT LAW ONLY FOR SIDEWALKS.

Bill Passed By the Last Legislature Giving Board of Aldermen the Right to Assess One-Fourth of Permanent Street Improvement Work Against Property Owner. — Bill Was Drawn By Former City Attorney Hartzell at Suggestion of Former Mayor Wagoner and Passed at Last Legislature. — No Legal Reason for Hitch in Work.

Plans were about ready to begin work on putting down a permanent pavement on Union street from the Lutheran Church to the St. Cloud Hotel the first of the week. Engineer Firth, of Charlotte, who has been engaged to assist in the work, arrived and with City Engineer Long began measuring the distances, etc.

A meeting of the mayor and the street committee was held Monday afternoon and there was a hitch in the work. The members were advised that there was no law requiring the property owners to pay a portion of the expense and that the law of this nature only applied to sidewalks. It was then suggested to make an effort to get the property owners to sign a petition agreeing to pay part of the expense. It was also suggested that the work be postponed for a year in order for a bill to be introduced into the Legislature giving the city a right to assess part of the cost to the property owners.

Yesterday a representative of this paper asked Mayor Hartzell if the city had decided on what kind of pavement would be used for the work.

"We have engaged an engineer who will have charge of that part of the work," he replied.

"Is the city going ahead with the work?" the mayor was asked.

"We can't tell just yet," said the mayor, "there is no law by which the property owners can be assessed part of the cost except for sidewalks."

"There is a law, though," ventured the writer. "It was passed by the last Legislature and says specifically 'street' and not 'sidewalk.'"

"I would like to see such a law," said the mayor, as he ended the conversation.

For the benefit of the property owners and the enlightenment of the city officials, the law, in part, is herewith given:

"Private Laws of North Carolina, 1913, chapter 186: That the board of aldermen of the city of Concord shall have full power and authority to lay out districts or sections of streets (note word street) for permanent improvement, and of equalizing assessments on real estate to pay the cost of such improvements as may be just and proper; and in order to more fully carry out the duties imposed by the provisions of this act for more permanent improvements of all streets said board of aldermen shall have the power to pass an ordinance assessing one-fourth of the cost of streets with bitulithic, asphalt, vitrified brick, tarvia, or other permanent paving on the real estate abutting on one side of said street, or portion on one side of said street, and one-fourth on the other side of said street, and it shall be incumbent on the owners of real estate abutting on each side of the street to pay the amount so assessed for such improvement and said assessment shall constitute a lien on the lot or lots on said land owners abutting on the street, provided, however, that the board of aldermen shall cause to be published in a newspaper published in Concord at least ten days before such work shall commence, a notice that the board has ordered said streets to be paved, which notice shall be full and sufficient notice to all property owners abutting on said street."

Section 2 provides: "That if any street railway company or corporation have tracks running through or across any street ordered to be paved with bitulithic or other permanent paving, then said street railway company shall pay the cost of paving the space laying between its rails and for twenty-four inches on each side of each line of track as they are now constructed or may hereafter be constructed. Provided, however, that whatever of the cost of street improvement which may be assessed against the street railway company shall be deducted from the proportion of the cost which the city is liable."

There are also a number of other minor provisions of the act. The act was drawn by Mr. L. T. Haysell, former city attorney, adopted by the former board of aldermen and passed by the last Legislature.

MOTHERS LET THE CHILDREN SEE THE BABY'S DOLL AND THE FAMOUS EOLAR KIDS AT THE PASTIME TODAY.

SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO CHILDREN TODAY AT THE PASTIME.

COMMENCEMENT AT MOUNT PLEASANT

Programme of Exercises at the Institute and Seminary.

The following is a programme of the commencement exercises of Mt. Pleasant Collegiate Institute and Mount Amoena Seminary: Sunday, May 24, 1914.

11 a. m.—Baccalaureate Sermon, Rev. Geo. H. Cox, D. D.

8 p. m.—Address before Luther League, Rev. V. C. Ridenhour. Monday, May 25.

10.30 a. m.—Contest in Declamation, M. P. C. I.

3.30 p. m.—Alumni address, M. P. C. I., Rev. P. D. Brown, Class '06.

8 p. m.—Annual drama. Tuesday, May 26.

10.30 a. m.—Contest in debate, M. P. C. I.

1 p. m.—Meeting of board of trustees.

3 p. m.—Literary Address, J. M. McConnell, Ph.D.

6 p. m.—Alumni meeting and luncheon.

8 p. m.—Recital and contest in expression. Wednesday, May 27.

10 a. m.—Graduating exercises. Presentation of diplomas. Awarding of medals. Announcements.

SMITH THE WINNER.

Indications Are He Has Many More Delegates Than Beale.

Columbia, C. C., May 5.—Practically complete reports brought from the conventions held in the 44 counties of South Carolina yesterday, indicated that the supporters of United States Senator Smith would have a large majority in the Democratic state convention here on May 29.

Unofficial reports place the number of delegates who are avowedly supporting Governor Cole L. Beale in his contest for the nomination for United States senator against Senator Smith at between 40 and 60 with between 250 and 275 delegates are said to be opposed to the governor.

BECKER'S TRIAL MAY BE DELAYED

A Demand for a Change of Venue Is Said to Be Likely.

New York, May 6.—Reports that there will possibly be a delay in the trial of former Police Lieutenant Becker to open today were current as the court convened. It was stated in various quarters that the defense counsel would start a fight by an attempt to have District Attorney Whitman committed for contempt of court on the charge that he had given a newspaper interview prejudicial to Becker's case. A demand for a change of venue is said to be likely.

Confederate Veterans in Reunion.

Jacksonville, Fla., May 6.—This was the opening day of the twenty-fourth annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans, for which Jacksonville has been preparing for nearly a year and to which every survivor of the legions that wore the gray has been looking forward with eagerness. Thousands of men and women filled the great auditorium and enthusiastically greeted the opening addresses and speeches of welcome.

It was only a small remnant of the gray-clad host that was able to answer the roll call, but it made up in enthusiasm what it lacked in numbers. The gathering was formally called to order by the commander of the Florida division. Prayer by the chaplain and songs by the reunion choruses were followed by addresses of welcome delivered by Governor Trammell, Mayor Swearingin and the heads of the Florida organizations of the United Daughters of the Confederacy and Sons of Veterans. The response was made by Gen. Bennett H. Young, of Louisville, commander-in-chief.

Unveiling Postponed.

The unveiling of the monuments to deceased brothers, which was to have taken place Sunday, has been postponed to a future date on account of the smallpox situation. KANNAPOLIS CAMP W. O. W.

THIS IS CHILDREN'S DAY AT THE PASTIME.

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ZAPATA THREATENS MEXICO CITY BY BLOOD AND FIRE

Morelos Chieftain Issues a Proclamation Saying the Capital Will Be Captured and That the Federal Officials Will Suffer Death.

Vera Cruz, May 6.—Reports emanating from the capital that General Zapata has agreed to make common cause with Huerta against the United States seem to be disproved by a proclamation, dated May 1 and bearing the Morelos chieftain's signature. The proclamation reads: "Emiliano Zapata, supreme General of Division Central and South of the Constitutional army, to the inhabitants of the City of Mexico: Be it known that a council of war held for the purpose of defeating the ambitions of the man, who, by treason, overthrew the Government constituted by the voluntary act of the people, has decreed the following: That Mexico City is to be taken by blood and fire.

That justice shall be meted out to all enemies of our cause who are responsible for unspilled crimes; they to be judged summarily by authorities designated for that purpose.

That the property of those condemned shall be appropriated for the support of the army.

That all chiefs and officials of the Federal army shall be shot without trial, they being the ones who have sustained the usurper.

That the traitors, Huerta and Blanquet, shall be submitted to summary trial and publicly judged for their general bloodthirstiness.

That the lives and property of foreigners who preserve a neutral attitude shall be respected; only those to be punished who take or have taken part in the political disturbances of the country.

That five days will be given all residents of the City of Mexico who desire to flee from the horrors of combat in which to remove themselves.

That the disgraceful press of the government shall also be judged severely by court-martial and punished as an example.

Denial of Change of Venue Made.

New York, May 6.—Later a prompt denial that a change of venue of the Becker trial would be made came from Justice Seabury shortly after court opened, and subsequently to an attempt by Becker's counsel, to have District Attorney Whitman declared in contempt of court. The latter phase was put in the form of a motion by the defense by Attorney Seabury. The judge promised to rule on the motion this afternoon.

Eugenie's 88th Birthday.

London, May 5.—The ex-Empress Eugenie, who has been making her customary spring sojourn in the south of France, attained her eighty-eighth year today, having been born May 3, 1826. During the past winter the ex-Empress has suffered from a series of colds, which, though slight, have caused considerable uneasiness on account of her age and enfeebled condition.

Mr. T. D. Maness has gone to Union county to spend several days.

Mr. J. O. Walker, Jr., of Asheboro, is a Concord visitor today.

CABARRUS BLACK BOYS MONUMENT

MOVEMENT FOR MONUMENT AGAIN ON FOOT.

Two Contributions Have Been Voluntarily Made—Mr. Shakespeare Harris Donates \$25 and Company L. \$25.—From the Deeds of the Cabarrus Black Boys Grew the Spirit of Liberty Which Blossomed Forth Into the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence. — Spot Where Powder Train Was Captured Only a Short Distance From Concord.

A movement, which was started several years ago to erect a monument to the Cabarrus Black Boys, is again being agitated. When the matter was first brought to the attention of the public there were a number of favorable responses but those behind the movement failed to pursue it to a successful conclusion and it was dropped. The present agitation comes from individuals more than from any organization, but, owing to strong sentiment in favor of building the monument, it is likely to succeed.

Mr. Shakespeare Harris, one of the county's best known citizens and a descendant of the Black Boys, has offered a contribution of \$25 to the fund and Capt. Louis A. Brown, of Company L, announces that the company will contribute a like amount.

It is the purpose of those behind the movement to raise sufficient funds to purchase a suitable monument to perpetuate the memory of this brave band of patriots, whose daring deeds are yet unheralded and have never been accorded the conspicuous place in the history of the State that they deserve.

The nine patriots, James White, William White and John White, brothers, Robert Caruthers, Robert Davis, Benjamin Cochran, James Ashmore and Joshua Hadley came upon the British wagon train encamped on Parker's Hill, three miles from Concord, only a short distance from the home of Mr. R. V. Caldwell and captured the guards and teamsters. They then destroyed the powder and other munitions of war.

From their deeds grew the spirit of liberty that blossomed forth into the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, May 20, 1775.

The spot where the Black Boys displayed their courage and heroism is yet unmarked. Their deed marked the first open revolt against British tyranny and a perpetuation of their memory is of interest not only to the people of Cabarrus but to the State.

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Mr. J. O. Walker, Jr., of Asheboro, is a Concord visitor today.

The Important Question

with those who would like to marry is "Have I saved enough from my weekly income to begin housekeeping on?"

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