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LEAVE WAY OPEN FOR GOVERNMENT

IN ORDER THAT TROOPS MAY BE WITHDRAWN MINUS CARRANZA'S SIGNATURE OF PROTOCOL

(By United Press)

The American members of the Pan American Peace Commission will leave the path clear for the American government to withdraw its troops from Mexico minus the protocol signed by Carranza and will perhaps leave a loophole for the Conference to resume the discussion of subjects involving Mexican protection of lives and property south of the boundary after the troops are out.

The American members of the Commission will present to the President late this afternoon their recommendation for closing the Commission's session, will draft their answer to Carranza's rejection of the troop withdrawal protocol and will inform President Wilson that they have done their utmost to frame a satisfactory troop withdrawal protocol and since their efforts failed through Carranza's rejection it is useless to continue the session further.

To Amend R. R. Bill

Washington Jan. 3.—Judge William Chambers, U. S. Commissioner of the Board of Mediation and Conciliation, was today requested by members of the Newlands Committee to prepare an amendment to the proposed Railroad Bill that would give the courts the right to interpret and enforce the words of the Mediation and Conciliation Board. Judge Chambers was an unexpected witness. It was pointed out that the one weak point in the President's program was that it did not provide the means of enforcing the words of the Mediation Board.

During the hearing Senator Underwood compared the proposed arbitration feature of the President's program to the Peonage Law

Buried On Wedding Day

How Marvin Reynolds, a young man under twenty one years of age, met death at the eve of his wedding and was buried on what was to have been his wedding day is the story told here today by Charles Cooper of the John H. Small.

Young Reynolds went to see his bride-to-be on the night of December 28th. On the following morning his cap was discovered a short distance from the gate of the young lady's home and the track of his buggy showed that one wheel was dragging. The track was followed for two miles and when the buggy was come up to, Reynolds' lifeless body was jammed between the shaft and wheel.

Marvin Reynolds was the son of Mr. William Reynolds, a prominent farmer and business man of Tyrrell County. He was buried on December 28th at the very hour when his wedding was to have been celebrated.

Miss Ellen and Annie Melick returned from a visit to relatives in Washington in order to go to school again after the holidays. Miss C. W. Melick, Miss Billy and Susanne, are remaining in Washington for a longer period.

Mr. J. A. Scott Died Last Night

J. A. Scott died last night between midnight and one o'clock at his home on Shepard Street after an illness of about two weeks of heart trouble.

He was fifty years of age and was born in Pasquotank County about five miles from the city in Providence township. Since 1900 he has made his home in the city.

Mr. Scott was married three times and is survived by his wife, who before her marriage was Miss Della Spence of this county; by two children of his last marriage, Charles Fearing, six years old, and Edna, two years old; by one son of his first marriage, Marvin L. Scott of his county; also by four brothers, William, Charles, Seth and Walter all of this county.

The funeral will be conducted from the home Thursday afternoon at two o'clock, by Dr. B. C. Henning, assisted by Rev. J. L. Cunningham. Interment will be made in Hollywood.

No Blame For Lansing

Washington, Jan. 3.—Senator Stone today exonerated Secretary Lansing from any blame for leaks in the State Department.

HOME DEMONSTRATION BEGINS AGAIN

The Home Demonstration Work of the county begins again today with a meeting of the Riverside Club after two weeks intermission for the holidays.

NATIONAL COLUMN CO. PLANT BURNED

The plant of the National Column Company in Camden was burned down today.

Last week The Swan, a gas boat belonging to this company was burned at dock here.

FANNEY-JORDAN

Robert Moore Fanney and Edith Jordan, both of Norfolk, were married Tuesday by Rev. J. L. Cunningham at the First Methodist Parsonage.

Mrs. Fleetwood Snowden, of Snowden, was in the city Thursday shopping.

Victor Hoopr has returned to Chapel Hill after a visit to his parents here.

Mrs. E. H. Storr and children and R. H. Walker of Richmond are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Scott, on Selden street.

Mrs. C. B. Williams has returned from Jackson where she spent the holidays with her mother, Mrs. E. P. Burton.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Baum of Poplar Branch were in the city today.

Alonso Pugh and B. L. Sawyer went for a hunting trip in the county Tuesday.

Mr. A. L. Sanders has returned to Newport News after spending the holidays at his home on Riverside Drive.

Misses Pauline and Irene Tate of Cothlock spent Tuesday here the guest of Miss Pearl Mann on Riverside Drive.

Mrs. R. D. Fisher of Jarvisburg was in the city Tuesday shopping.

BIG AUTO SHOW OPENS SATURDAY

CONTINUES FOR ONE WEEK IN GRAND CENTRAL PALACE FEATURING AMERICAN CARS

(By United Press)

New York, Jan. 3.—The greatest auto show in the world, according to an advance indication, will open Saturday in Grand Central Palace, New York, to continue one week.

While monster exhibitions of automobiles and accessories were held in London, Berlin and Paris before the war, it is the opinion everywhere that the forthcoming show will eclipse anything the world has ever seen. It certainly will be more of an American show than any other ever held, for American manufacturers will be represented almost solely. The show will be the seventeenth annual exhibition to be held under the auspices of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, Inc.

Exhibitors will include, besides those who make automobiles from the tires to the tops, the small accessory manufacturer, and the sideline salesman.

There will be many new cars on exhibition, but the main group will include products of those manufacturers whose plants have been the basis of the growth of the automobile industry.

Every one of the sixteen types of bodies, and every price at which cars can be obtained will be represented. There are a few changes in body design, the main aspects being in motor construction. Four, six, eight, six, and four, representing the various styles of motor construction, will be present in profusion to cough and splutter their merits to the visitors.

Sixteen types of bodies, designated as roadsters, coupes, convertible coupes, clover leaf, touring car, sedan, convertible sedan, open sedan, limousine, open limousine, berlino, brougham and landaulet, will be on display.

Devices and accessories will be given space on the second floor of the palace. More than 225 exhibitors of this class of automobile products will have booths.

September Morn At The Alkrama

Miss 'September Morn' now bobs up as a new and brilliant musical comedy and is conceded the greatest of the many fine achievements of the producers, Messrs LeComte and Fleisher, under whose magnetic banner this unique attraction will be presented at The Alkrama Theatre on Tuesday night January 1st. Many names of artists prominent and well known to lovers of musical comedy are to be found in the cast of this big musical comedy which includes Ruth Wilkins, Wm. Moore, Maud K. Williams, Valere True, Leelle Jones, J. J. Patton, James Baber and Billy Murphy. The chorus is composed of the most attractive lot of girls that were ever gathered together in one company.

The production from a scenic and costuming standpoint is beautiful. A big dancing number embracing various styles of the famous Tango offers spicy moments of amusement and good wholesome entertainment. Other entirely new dance ensembles are introduced for the first time in this country.

The attraction comes from the La Salle Opera-House, Chicago, where it created a big sensation and is among the LaSalle's biggest successes. Seats will be on sale Saturday at Selig's Jewelry Store, adv

Mr. P. W. McMullan of Hertford was in the city today.

DECREASE IN NET REVENUE

FOR FIFTY-FIVE LEADING RAILROADS OWING TO HEAVY INCREASE IN OPERATING EXPENSES

(By United Press)

Washington, Jan. 3.—A decrease of more than a million dollars in net revenue of the 55 leading railroads of the country for the month of November was shown in the report of the Interstate Commerce Commission issued today. This, the first decrease in revenue recorded in more than two years, is attributed to the heavy increase of operating expenses.

The operation revenue for November, however, shows a gain of more than half a million over the same month of a year ago, while operating expenses jumped nine and a half million in the same period.

Progress On East and West

Berlin, Jan. 3.—The occupation from Bucharest to Patei in Rumania by German forces was announced today.

The advance of German patrols in the third French trenches in the Forest Priest on the western front was also announced. The patrols destroyed the defensive works there and returned with twelve prisoners.

Funeral Mr Raper

The funeral of Mr. Richard Henry Raper was conducted Tuesday afternoon from the home by Rev. I. N. Loftin and Rev. C. B. Culbreth and Rev. Rufus Bradley. Interment followed in Hollywood Cemetery.

The pall bearers were chosen from the Junior Order, the Elks, and the Odd Fellows, and these three orders attended the funeral in a body.

WEEK OF PRAYER

The meeting this afternoon in the Week of Prayer services at Blackwell Memorial church was led by Mrs. A. F. Tozey, the subject being, 'Teaching the Word.'

Thursday afternoon's meeting will be led by Mrs. Mary Britton, and the subject will be 'For the Healing of the Nations.'

ROLLS-NICHOLSON

Lee Joseph Rolls of Pascagoula, Miss. and Miss Blanche Anna Nicholson of Forksville, Va. were married by the justice of the peace J. W. Munden, Tuesday.

MANNING-GRAY

William A. Manning and Miss Zela Gray, both of Portsmouth, were married by Rev. J. H. Warren of the Pearl Street Methodist church Sunday.

Young lady desires Board with privilege of furnishing her own room. Apply to THE ADVANCE wed and thurs

Mrs. Joseph Fritchard left Tuesday night for Winston-Salem to visit her son, Mr. C. J. Fritchard.

Miss Mary Banks has returned to the Teachers' Training School at Greenville.

Miss Beulah Bowden left last night for a weeks visit to her home in Charlotte.

Miss Sarah Newbey left this week for Louisburg.

Gerard Talks With Holloweg

(By United Press)

Berlin, Jan 3.—A lengthy report was cabled President Wilson today by Ambassador Gerard following his conference with Chancellor Holweg.

When Gerard was asked what the Chancellor said, he replied: "Oh, lots of interesting things." It is authoritatively understood that they talked of the Allies unfavorable reply.

Russia Leads In Captured

(By United Press)

With the French Army, Jan. 3.—During 1916 the Allies captured 532,723 Teutonic prisoners. Russia leads in this respect, taking 400,000 Austro-Germans.

Potato Kings Meet Today

(By United Press)

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 3.—Aristocratic habits that sell for \$2 and \$3 a bushel here now, were the subject of much discussion when the Minnesota Potato Growers' association went into its second annual session at the Minnesota university farm. Topics of discussion this afternoon were strongly minus the cellar work, members of the association enriched by their combination to hold potatoes for a certain price, created a stir, in the in the capital city by their prosperous appearance today.

Society Girl Drives Nails

(By United Press)

St. Paul, Minn., Jan 3.—Driving twelve ten penny nails into a plank in one minute, fourteen and one half seconds, during which time she hit her thumb with the hammer only once, Miss Lillian Reiko, Fairfax, Minn., today has nailed down the Minnesota woman's nail driving championship, awarded by the Minnesota agricultural college. Miss Reiko drove a wedge into society at the same swing, and has made herself quite a favorite with the younger set. Her home is on a farm.

FELL FROM PORCH AND BROKE HIS ARM

James Provo, the fifteen months old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Provo on Ehringhaus street, fell from the porch Tuesday afternoon at about half past two o'clock and broke his arm half way between the wrist and elbow. "How getting along nicely" replied the father to the many inquiries about the little fellow this morning.

IMPORTANT CALLED MEETING

There will be an important called meeting of the D. H. Hill Chapter, U. D. C., Friday afternoon at three o'clock at the home of Mrs. William McQueen on Martin street. Very important business must be transacted at this meeting and every member is urged to be present.

Judge R. B. Albertson of Seattle, Washington, and little son, Robert Brooks, Jr. are here for a visit to Judge Albertson's sisters, Misses Marcia, Catherine and Minnie Albertson, on Church street.

Lev Gurkin has returned to Oak Ridge after the holidays.

STRIKE LEADERS ARE ON TRIAL

DEFENDED BY W BURKE COCHRAN, NOTED NEW YORK LAWYER WITHOUT COMPENSATION

(By United Press)

San Francisco, Jan. 3.—WILLIAM W. Bourke Cockran occupying the spotlight as chief counsel for the defense, the second trial resulting from the Preparedness Parade dynamiting here began in superior court today.

Thomas J. Mooney, alleged leader of the four men and one woman accused of having plotted to place the bomb which exploded in the midst of the paraders on last July, killing ten persons and injuring 50, was on trial for his life.

The presence of Cockran has drawn the attention of the country to the trial in much the same way that Calrencia Darrow's activity in the defense of the McNamara brothers drew the country's attention to that trial five years ago.

Following the conviction of Warren K. Billings, first of the five alleged conspirators tried, Cockran, noted New York lawyer, volunteered his service to the defense. He is serving without compensation, according to officers of the International Workers' Defense League which is conducting the defense.

Indicted with Mooney is a co-defendant is his wife, Rena Mooney, a music teacher and strike organizer. Thomas Mooney, leader of the defendants, was active in spreading strike propaganda and had planned to cause a general strike of United Railways platform men here a short time before the fatal preparedness Day parade.

It was alleged by the prosecution that the bomb had been set to explode at a time when non-union employees of the street railway lines would pass the point where the bomb had been placed at Stuart and Market streets but that a delay in the start of the parade upset the plans of the dynamiters.

The defense declares all the defendants are innocent and are victims of circumstantial evidence. Mooney surrendered to the police reading newspapers that stated he was implicated in the crime. He was stopping at a summer resort at that time.

The case has been festured by several alleged confessions which were later refuted. A number of photographs taken on the day of the Preparedness Parade are held by both sides as evidence.

The trial opened in superior Judge Frank P. Dunne's chambers. District Attorney Charles M. Fickert, and a corp of deputies represent the prosecution while Cockran and Maxwell McNut, represent the defense.

BIRTHS EXCEED DEATHS

According to the report of the Health Officer the temporary annual death rate for the city is 12 per cent; the temporary annual birth rate is 18 per cent.

During December the report of deaths is as follows:

White; male, 2, female, 3, total 5; colored; male, 2, female 3, total 5; births white, male 2, female 5, total 7; colored male, 6, female, 3, total 9.

Analysis shows the city water free from harmful bacteria but with excess of salt and alum.

Two cases of scarlet fever and one case of measles are reported and are under proper care and quarantine.

The general health and sanitary condition of the town are reported good.

The Gas Company and the Electric Light Company have each agreed to pay \$25 on the purchase price of a pulmotor for the city.