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HONOR HEROES OF VERA CRUZ

Nation's Distinguished Men Gather to Pay Tribute to Nineteen Men Killed in Mexico.

THOUSANDS IN STREETS TO WITNESS CORTEGE

The President Delivers Funeral Address—Ceremonies Simple and Comparatively Brief.

New York, May 11.—The dead from Vera Cruz were landed on American soil today and city, state and nation paid them tribute.

Two hours before the city was astir 17 flag draped coffins were removed from the boat deck of the armored cruiser Montana and placed on caissons on the plaza in Battery park. Five witnessed this ceremony for the sun was but half risen; but thousands later lined the streets to watch the slow procession wind its way to the navy yard. Perhaps not since the Dewey parade has there been such a spontaneous demonstration. That, however, was a noisy tribute to a returning victor; this, a reverent one to the returning dead.

The weather for the occasion could not have been better. The sky was almost cloudless and there was just enough breeze to stiffen aloft and ashore the thousands of flags which flew at half mast.

Silent thousands long before 8 o'clock began making their way toward lower Manhattan; others massed about the city hall where the procession was to halt briefly; still others lined the approaches to the Manhattan bridge and finally a great throng gathered at the navy yard where eulogies were to be said. Many wore little bows of black; others wore bands of black upon their sleeves.

President Wilson arrived in the city from Washington shortly after 7 o'clock. He was taken immediately to the home of his friend, Colonel E. M. House, and thence to the Battery to take a place in the procession. It had at first been arranged that President Wilson go directly to the navy yard but at the last moment Mr. Wilson changed his mind and was driven to the Battery to participate in the ceremonies from the beginning to end.

Order of March.

Twenty-four picked mounted police led the way. Behind them were the combined bands of the dreadnoughts Wyoming and Texas and behind the bands 600 bluejackets from these ships.

Next came the coffins in single file. At the side of each rode a policeman and at the corner of each caisson trod a national guardman. The stars and stripes alone covered the caissons.

Behind the last caisson came the carriage bearing the president, the secretary of the navy, senators, congressmen and representatives of the state and city. They moved in the following order:

- No. 1.—The President, Woodrow Wilson, Dr. Grayson, Mr. Tumulty.
- No. 2.—Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels; Governor Glynn; Lieutenant Commander Jones, U. S. N.
- No. 3.—Assistant Secretary of the Navy Franklin D. Roosevelt; President of the Board of Aldermen, George McAneny.
- No. 4.—Rear Admiral Bradley A. Fiske, U. S. N.; Lieutenant Colonel Cornelius Vanderbilt and other national guard officers.
- No. 5.—Collectors of the port of New York, Dudley Field Malone; Brigadier General George Barnett, U. S. M. C.; Captain William D. McDougal, U. S. N.
- No. 6.—General Horace Porter; Former Mayor Seth Low; Surgeon General William C. Braisted, U. S. N.; Corporation Counsel Frank L. Polk.
- No. 7 to 9.—Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia university; Joseph H. Choate, A. Barton Hepburn, Dr. St. Clair McKelway and others.
- No. 10.—Police Commissioner Arthur Woods, the mayor of Chicago's committee.
- No. 11 to 21.—Congressional committee.
- No. 22 to 25.—State legislative committee.
- No. 26 to 27.—Officers from Governor's island and navy yard.

The cortège began to move at 9 o'clock, the ship's bands playing a funeral march. The crowd stood with bared heads, silent. Through the skyscraper canyon of lower Broadway, past old Trinity church and into the city hall plaza the procession passed.

At the city hall, whose columns and portico were draped in black, the cortège halted while Mayor Mitchell placed upon a caisson a wreath of orange, the city's tribute. As he did so the bluejackets stood at present arms and 400 school children sang "Nearer, My God, to Thee."

10,000 in the city hall were gathered and the city hall were perched 18,000 spectators.

REBELS SEIZE RAILWAY LINE

Complete Control of Railroad From Torreon to Monterey And Saltillo by Capture Of Reata.

ABANDONED FEDERAL GUNBOAT IS BURNED

Rebel Artillery Drives Federal Transport Out of Harbor At Mazatlan, Howard Reports.

Torreon, Mexico, May 11.—Taking of Reata by the constitutionalists clears the line of communication between this city, Monterey and Saltillo and gives the constitutionalists complete control of the railroad to Eagle Pass.

Great satisfaction has been expressed by the constitutionalist government over the news that about 200 American had returned to Cananea, Sonora, to open the mines and smelter there.

Consular Agent Williams has received orders from the United States state department to secure the names and addresses of all Americans who have refused to leave Mexico. He also has been notified to use all possible means to get word to Americans to leave Mexico until peace has been restored.

Blow Up Gunboat.

Washington, May 11.—Rear Admiral Howard, commander of the Pacific fleet, reported today that the abandoned Mexican federal gunboat Morelos was yesterday boarded, set fire to and blown up by the constitutionalists at Mazatlan.

Admiral Howard reported that the constitutionalist artillery at San Pedro de Kerrigan out of the harbor. Skirmishing between federal and constitutionalists at Mazatlan continues. All Americans are reported safe in the Culiacan district. The Paul Jones has arrived at Mazatlan and the Stewart at San Blas. The yacht Iola has been towed from Guaymas to La Paz by the Cleveland.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF LENOIR MAY REOPEN

If It Remains Closed Asheville Bankers May Be Interested In New Institution.

An Asheville man just returned from Lenoir stated today that the First National bank of that place, which closed its doors last Thursday following the report of a national bank examiner, may be opened again at an early date as efforts are being made to rehabilitate the institution and put it on a sound business basis again.

In case this bank is not reopened, however, it is stated that another institution will be organized within a very short time and the opinion is expressed that in this case Asheville bankers will be interested in the new institution.

UNITED STATES CONSUL IN MANCHURIA, SUICIDE

Harbin, Manchuria, May 11.—Southard P. Warner, United States consul here, committed suicide today in a hospital here where he was undergoing treatment.

Mr. Warner had held the appointment here since August, 1912, and had been in the American consular service since 1904. He was born in Washington, D. C., in 1881.

FESPERMAN TO HORNETS; BULLS LOSE HARGROVE

Auburn, N. Y., May 11.—The National Board of Baseball Arbitration today handed down the following decisions:

Bristol and Johnson City dropped from the Appalachian league; the franchise and players of Pineville, Ky., in the Appalachian league transferred to Harrison, Tenn.

Services of players awarded: Fesperman to Charlotte; Smallwood to Savannah.

Claims disallowed: Thoman against Norfolk; O'Brien and George Dedon against Charleston, S. C.; Hargrove against Durham.

MR. THOM OPPOSES ANTI-TRUST BILL

Pleads for Segregation to Railroads in Administration Of Trust Measure.

Washington, May 11.—A plea for segregation of railroads from trade and industrial corporations in the administration anti-trust bill was made today before the senate interstate commerce committee by A. P. Thom, general counsel for the Southern railway.

Mr. Thom said that he and other railroad men who protest against provisions of the senate bill represent 150,000 miles of road. He declared that the problem of the railroads should be studied by itself.

With Mr. Thom appeared Judge Robert S. Lovett, chairman of the Union Pacific board, President Samuel Rea of the Pennsylvania railroad, his special assistant, A. J. Comity, Frank Trumbull, chairman of the boards of the Chesapeake and Ohio and Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroads, and general counsel for several other lines.

Mr. Thom declared that the bill which proposes elimination from interstate business as the penalty for maintaining interlocking directorates, made it possible for a system such as the Pennsylvania technically to go out of business entirely merely by creating an interlocking board.

MACON COUNTY MAN HELD FOR MURDER

Carl Shope, Charged With Killing Monroe Sanders, Is Brought to Waynesville.

Special to The Gazette-News.

Waynesville, May 11.—Carl Shope of Otto, Macon county, who Wednesday morning killed Monroe Sanders, after Sanders had shot and killed the former's father, J. C. Shope, was brought here Sunday evening by Deputy Sheriff Elmer Johnson, accompanied by his attorney, Fred Johnson, to secure bail before Judge Carter, who is holding civil term of court.

Judge Carter fixed bail at \$5000 which is said Shope can readily give in his county. The two men killed were neighbors, the killing resulting from some trouble over a hog. Shope, with his attorney, returned home this morning in custody.

METHODS OF TEACHING HYGIENE TO CHILDREN

Discussed by Dr. Frances Sage Bradley at Charities and Corrections Meet.

Memphis, Tenn., May 11.—"New Methods of Teaching Child Hygiene," was discussed by Dr. Frances Sage Bradley, of Atlanta, Ga., before the health division of the National conference of Charities and Corrections here today.

The speaker declared that every school room and every community abounds in ample material for the demonstration of the laws of hygiene and sanitation, and expressed the belief that they could be utilized by the teacher of average training and intelligence.

Dr. Bradley favored the establishment of children's health conferences, especially in smaller towns where parents could be taught the value of physiology and hygiene in the bearing and rearing of children.

She discussed the feasibility of a simple public health exhibit being carried to the rural schools and churches, accompanied by a competent physician to instruct men and women in their responsibility, and expressed the belief that such a system would materially raise the standard of the generation.

Dr. Bradley called attention to a recent report of Dr. T. D. Wood of Columbia university, showing the increased percentage of both physical and mental defects of the country as compared with city children.

CONTEMPT FINDING SET ASIDE TODAY

Washington, May 11.—The contempt sentences imposed by the District Supreme court upon Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell and Frank Morrison, labor leaders, were set aside today by the Supreme court for the second time as barred by the statute of limitations.

SUFFRAGE RELEASED

London, May 11.—Mrs. Mary Wood, the suffragette who on May 4 mutilated Sargent's portrait of Henry James in the Royal academy, was released temporarily today. She was in a very weakened condition from a hunger strike.

MME. NORDICA PASSES AWAY

Noted Grand Opera Star Died Last Night at Batavia, Java, After Long Illness.

BEGAN HER CAREER IN U. S. FORTY YEARS AGO

True Name Was Lillian Norton—Probably Be Buried Near Old Homestead In Maine.

Batavia, Java, May 10.—Lillian Nordica, the singer, died here last night. Mme. Nordica had been ill since the steamer Tesma on which she was a passenger, went ashore in the gulf of Papua, December 28 last. Nervous prostration was followed by pneumonia.

Arriving here, the singer received somewhat after a stay of three weeks. A relapse occurred, however, and physicians gave up all hopes of her recovery.

Lillian Nordica was an American singer of world-wide fame. The purity of her voice, employed in many tongues, had delighted hundreds of thousands since the day, 40 years ago, she first appeared in public as soprano soloist at Grace church in Boston.

Nordica and Eams—although the latter was born of American parents in far off China—were of old New England stock, both claimed by the state of Maine, and they made up a notable American contribution to the operatic world. A farm house built by the prima donna's great grandfather on a hill just outside the village of Farmington, Maine, was Nordica's birth-place, in 1859. Her true name was Lillian Norton. She changed it to the Italian, Nordica, 20 years later.

After her graduation from the New England Conservatory of Music at Boston, and successful singing of the leading roles in several of the oratorios given by the Haendel and Haydn society, she went to Europe, in 1878, as a soloist with Gilmor's band.

Her debut in opera was at Brescino in 1879 in "La Traviata." After a trip to St. Petersburg she appeared for trial before Ambrose Thomas and the impresario, Vancorbell, who engaged her for the Grand Opera house in Paris. Her first appearance there, in 1882, as "Marguerite" in "Faust" was a triumph.

She returned to America and toured this country with great success. In the succeeding years she appeared in opera or concert in almost every city of musical culture in the world. Her repertoire included more than fifty operas. Her success with Wagnerian roles became the pinnacle of her fame.

Her matrimonial ventures numbered three. She was first married in 1882 to Frederick A. Gower, a wealthy electrician and a native of her state of Maine, whom she met in Paris. Shortly after she had begun separation proceedings in 1884; Gower disappeared. He attempted a balloon trip across the English channel. Although the balloon was later found, nothing was ever heard of seen of him.

In 1896, Mme. Nordica married Zoltan Doeme, a Hungarian army officer and singer, from whom she secured a divorce in 1905.

Her third marriage was in London, in 1909, to George W. Young, a wealthy New York banker.

Her body, undoubtedly will be brought directly to this country and be buried near the old homestead in Maine.

The Nordica fortune must be large. It was published as a fact in 1909 that she had made \$125,000 during that season alone. Much of her money went toward realizing her dream of "a Bayreuth in America."

Body to United State.

Batavia, Java, May 11.—The body of Mme. Lillian Nordica, the American singer who died here from pneumonia last night, is to be sent to the United States. It will leave here on May 19 enclosed in a Chinese casket.

MEXICAN REFUGEES PLOTTED TO ESCAPE

Gallup, N. M., May 11.—Acting upon information that a general break for liberty was to be made by the 5000 Mexican refugees interned at Fort Wingate, Captain Parker, in command of the camp, has thrown a heavy cordon about the unfinished stockade. The refugees are being forced to hurry the completion of the compound under the increased guard.

Information of the alleged plot is said to have come from one of the four generals among the refugees.

CONSIDER 2ND HUERTA NOTE

Mediators Take up Protest Concerning Reported Seizure of Lighthouse by United States Force.

SOME THINK ACTION NOT ENTIRELY WISE

Third Mediation Delegate May Be Named With Justice Lamar and Frederick W. Lehmann.

Washington, May 11.—Huerta's protest over the reported seizure of Lobos Island—an important lighthouse point off the eastern coast of Mexico—by a landing party from United States torpedo boats was taken up today by the South American mediators. Foreign Minister Ruiz in his telegram to the mediators stated that the Americans arrested the light keepers but had released them after they had turned over apparatus for operation of the strategic beacon. Huerta's government contended this was a violation of the armistice.

It was generally believed that a reply to the note already had been made and in some quarters the conviction was expressed that Ambassador Da Gama had taken it up at a White House meeting Sunday.

Information was obtainable neither from the mediators nor the White House concerning the Ruiz dispatch. However, it was believed that it would be contended that the seizure was in the nature of a precautionary measure to safeguard shipping. The reported occupation of the island, it was believed in Washington, was probably effected after its light was threatened.

With details for the Niagara Falls conference completed by the appointment of the American mission, the South American envoys hoped today speedily to dispose of the latest incident in their negotiations. Names of the American delegates—Associate Justice Lamar of the Supreme court, and former Solicitor General Lehmann—were announced soon after the receipt of dispatches from Vera Cruz telling of the arrival there of Huerta's representatives.

Announcement of the American mission disclosed that two men with extensive public experience had been chosen. Joseph Rucker Lamar, associate justice of the federal Supreme court, was a schoolmate of President Wilson in Augusta, Ga. He is 58 years old and was born in Ruckersville, Ga. Admitted to the bar in 1879, he practiced law in Augusta until 1903. He has been a member of the Georgia legislature and justice of the state Supreme court. He assumed his duties as associate justice of the federal Supreme court January 3, 1911. Frederick William Lehmann has had a distinguished career in public life. Probably his most important post was that of solicitor general of the United States in the Taft administration. He is 62 years old and was born in Prussia. Admitted to the bar in 1875, he practiced law in Nebraska City, Neb., later moved to Iowa and in 1890 took up his profession in St. Louis.

Despite the absence of President Wilson and Secretary Daniels, who were in New York today at the memorial services for the Vera Cruz dead, war and navy departments continued working out their precautionary plans. Ambassador Da Gama of Brazil, re-

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DR. PRATT SPEAKS ON CRIMINAL CORRECTIONS

State Geologist of N. C. Discusses Employment of Prisoners on Roads.

Memphis, Tenn., May 11.—Today's session of the National Conference of Charities and Corrections here considered the subject of criminal corrections.

Among the speakers were Joseph Hyde Pratt, state geologist of Chapel Hill, N. C., who spoke on "Employment of Prisoners on Public Roads," and Professor C. S. Potts, of the University of Texas, Austin, who took as his subject, "The Farm System for State Prisoners in Texas."

At the sectional meeting devoted to health and principal speaker was Dr. Frances Sage Bradley, of Atlanta, Ga., who spoke on "New Methods of Teaching Child Hygiene."

Miss Julia C. Lathrop, chief of the children's bureau of the department of commerce and labor has been added to the list of speakers at tonight's session.

MILITIAMEN IN LUDLOW BATTLE COURT-MARTIALED

All Officers and Enlisted Men In Fight Are Being Tried Today.

Denver, May 11.—The general court-martial of all officers and enlisted men of the state militia who participated in the Ludlow battle with strikers April 20 began today at the state rifle range at Golden.

The court-martial was the result of the recommendation of the military commission appointed by Adjutant General Chase to investigate the battle. Among the subjects particularly inquired into were the deaths of Louis Tikas and James Fyler, union men taken prisoners at the beginning of the battle of Ludlow.

Mines Remain Closed.

Washington, May 11.—No mines will be permitted to reopen in the Colorado strike district for the present, Secretary of War Garrison announced today. He denied that orders had been issued forbidding importation of strikebreakers but explained that while the situation remained threatening the mines not already running probably would be kept closed until in his judgment their opening would precipitate no further trouble.

CATAWBA LAD IS KILLED IN SLEEP

Special to The Gazette-News.

Hickory, May 11.—A 6 years old son of Pink Barger, who lives in the Barger neighborhood near this city, was so badly injured Saturday morning by a falling tree that he died Saturday evening.

The little fellow had gone with an older brother to cut some trees and while his brother was engaged in cutting a tree he went to sleep near by in some bushes, the tree falling on him and fracturing his skull.

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