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MEDIATOR TO SEE WILSON

NAON TO REQUEST CHANGE OF POLICY

If This Falls, Indications Are Niagara Falls Conference Will Shortly Be Declared Closed.

OPPOSING DELEGATES STILL DEADLOCKED

The Attitude of American and Mexican Envoys Apparently Makes Further Negotiations Useless.

Washington, June 19.—The Mexican situation took an unexpected turn today when Romulo S. Naon, minister from Argentina and one of the mediators at Niagara Falls, arrived here unheralded and went to a hotel near the White House and state department. The arrival of the minister, undoubtedly with the intention of conferring with Secretary Bryan or President Wilson or both, at a time when mediation is threatened with complete failure, is highly significant. It is known among officials that Minister Naon was returning, but news of it had been carefully guarded. He arrived from New Haven and Cambridge where he was attending commencement exercises at Harvard and Yale.

At the White House it was said if President Wilson knew of Minister Naon's return to Washington he did not impart his knowledge to officials here. It is thought, however, that the mediators visit had been one of the subjects discussed at an early conference. All professed not to know of Minister Naon's arrival. The diplomat at first denied himself to interviewers. It was learned, however, that conferences had been arranged for later in the day.

Almost at the time of Minister Naon's arrival a long message was received at the White House from the American delegates at Niagara Falls. All members of the cabinet assembled at the White House upon learning of the minister's arrival and it was apparent that they had not officially been notified of his intention to return.

The Mexican statement and the reply of the American envoys admitted, has brought negotiations to an end unless one side gives away. Huerta delegates, standing firm for the selection of a "neutral" for the provisional president, and the Americans not less firm that the executive shall be someone approved by the constitutionalists, creates a deadlock which manifestly cannot be broken unless one side retreats from its position. The statement that Minister Naon had returned to the capital to use his influence with the president and secretary of state to prevent a break, was made by one high official circle.

Washington, June 19.—President Wilson stands squarely on the statement given out at Niagara Falls by the American delegates and will accept no settlement of the Mexican problem which is not based on principles there.

This was his attitude as expressed by officials who held an early conference with Secretary Bryan. If mediation falls the president plans to issue a statement informing the public of the situation and outlining his future course. The president has no plans for going before congress with the Mexican situation and all talk of further armed intervention is groundless at the present time, according to those in close touch with the situation. The same they say is true of reports that the United States plans to recognize General Carranza, General Villa or any other faction in Mexico.

May Confer Tomorrow.

Niagara Falls, June 19.—The American and Huerta delegates today hold firmly to their published statements regarding the next president of Mexico. The expectation is that neither will give way and that the deadlock will result in a complete breakdown of mediation.

To morrow on the return of Minister Naon of Argentina who has been absent receiving honorary degrees from American universities, there may be a conference of the mediators and the conference of delegates. It may be determined then whether any common ground remains for an agreement. Meanwhile the academic discussion on the type of man and the search for an individual acceptable to all parties continues. The American delegates still have some names to suggest, but the Huerta delegates have none. The Huerta delegates have been so far and there is little likelihood that a name emanating from the American delegates will be considered seriously.

The Americans, as a last resort will submit a list of five names. There is a faint hope that one of these will be accepted, but even the mediators do not profess optimism.

Beside the inability to select a man for provisional president, a controversy has developed between the American and Mexican delegates as to how the elections for a permanent president, to be conducted by the provisional government, should be supervised. Likewise the Americans, insisting on a constitutionalist for provisional president, have argued that the constitutionalist party not only dominates the country from a military point of view, but is numerically in the majority. Emilio Rabasa, head of the Mexican delegation, emphatically denied today that the constitutionalists controlled the greater population, saying millions of people had been passive and had not indicated in any way that they favored the revolution.

They argued also the impracticability of a bi-partisan election board such as has been proposed by the Americans.

The Mexicans were in conference early today discussing whether they should issue another statement in answer to the American utterances of last night. The most striking thing about the statement issued by Justice Lamar is its unflinching argument for a constitutionalist control of the government. This was on the ground that military success of the constitutionalists soon would give them that power and it was the duty of the Huerta party to co-operate with the American government in opposing further bloodshed.

The break between Carranza and Villa has not affected the viewpoint of the Americans, who believe Mexico's population sympathizes with the principles of the constitutionalist movement regardless of the personality of its leaders.

WILL INVESTIGATE GOLD MINE CHARGE

Alleged Use of Senate Stationery to Promote Property Under Inquiry.

Washington, June 19.—Investigation of the charge that senate stationery has been used to promote a North Carolina gold mine was approved today by the senate committee on contingent expenses. Senators Overman and Chilton were mentioned in published reports in this connection and John Skelton Williams, comptroller of the currency, was said to have aided by sending out an assay expert to look into the matter.

Senator Overman was author of the investigation resolution, in which the committee made no change, except to provide for an inquiry by the senate committee on privilege and elections instead of by a special committee.

WOULD FREE THE NORTH ATLANTIC OF DERELICTS

Revenue Cutters Will Endeavor to Remove Menace From Steamship Lanes.

Washington, June 19.—To free the north Atlantic from derelicts the revenue cutters Seneca and Howard, early in July will establish an international patrol on those waters as authorized by the international maritime conference last year. One of the cutters will make its headquarters somewhere in the Azores and confine its duty to the European end of the transatlantic routes. The other will make its headquarters either in New Foundland or Nova Scotia and limit its efforts to the American end of the well-travelled courses. This is the first time an effort has been made by international co-operation to clear the high seas of derelicts. The patrol will be paid for by all the countries that participated in the international conference and that signed the treaty growing out of it.

Derelicts in this part of the ocean are carried by the gulf stream and other currents from the United States toward European waters and deflected by other currents off the European coast. The revenue cutter off New Foundland will be able to destroy wrecks carried eastward and another cutter off the Azores can intercept southward bound wrecks which escape the Nova Scotia outlook, or which originate off the European coast. The two cutters will use gun power to demolish derelicts. They are equipped with wireless.

ELECT M'BRAYER AS PRESIDENT

North Carolina Medical Society Chooses Officers and Selects Greensboro as Meeting Place.

DELEGATES SELECTED TO OTHER SOCIETIES

Records for Attendance and The Number of Paid-up Members Broken at Raleigh.

Special to The Gazette-News.

Raleigh, June 19.—Greensboro was chosen by the North Carolina Medical society yesterday as the next place of meeting, the time to be the third Tuesday in June, 1915, and Dr. J. V. J. Battle of Greensboro, was designated as the chairman of the committee of arrangements for the Greensboro convention.

This, the sixty-first annual session of the society completed the work of the convention yesterday forenoon and adjourned, the convention this year having broken all records for attendance and the number of paid up members of the organization. The officers elected and duly installed follow:

President—Dr. L. B. McBrayer, Sanatorium, N. C.

Vice presidents—Dr. J. J. Phillips, Tarboro; Dr. C. W. Mosely, Greensboro; Dr. S. M. Crowell, Charlotte.

Leader of debate—Dr. L. B. Evans, Clarkston.

Orator—Dr. J. M. Northington, Boardman.

Essayist—Dr. Mary E. Bapham, Highlands.

Secretary—Dr. John A. Ferrell, Washington; Dr. L. H. Manning, Chapel Hill; Alternates—Dr. A. Brenner, Charlotte; Dr. D. T. Taylor, Washington.

Delegates to South Carolina Medical society—Dr. A. B. Croom, Maxton; Dr. J. N. Covington, Wadesboro; Dr. W. C. Galloway, Wilmington; Dr. W. A. McPhaul, Lumberton; Dr. J. A. Anderson, McAdenville; Dr. J. T. Burrus, High Point.

Delegates to Virginia Medical society—Dr. E. T. Dickerson, Wilson; Dr. J. A. Harrison, Elm City; Dr. Richard H. Duffey, New Bern; Dr. Bolton Rich Square; Dr. Chas. O'H. Laughlinhouse, Greenville.

Delegate to association of Medical Colleges—Dr. J. S. Long, Greensboro. Committee on scientific work—Dr. W. DeB. McNider, Chapel Hill; Dr. A. W. Pendleton, Raleigh.

Committee on public policy and legislation—Dr. J. H. Templeton, Cary; Dr. James M. Parrott, Kinston; Dr. G. G. Thomas, Wilmington.

Committee on publication—Dr. E. C. Register, Charlotte; Dr. J. Howell Way, Waynesville; Dr. William Allen, Charlotte.

Committee on finance—Dr. W. W. Green, Tarboro; Dr. C. M. Van Poole, Salisbury; Dr. Oscar McMullen, Elizabeth City.

Obituaries—Dr. M. H. Fletcher, Asheville; Dr. A. W. Knox, Raleigh; Dr. E. V. Dickinson, Wilson.

Chairman committee on arrangements next annual meeting—Dr. J. V. J. Battle, Greensboro.

The state board of medical examiners elected Wednesday night organized by the election of Dr. F. F. Highsmith of Fayetteville as chairman and Dr. H. A. Royster of Raleigh as secretary.

The society decided to let all proposed amendments to the constitution go to the next annual convention for final adoption or rejection.

With Dr. J. T. Battle of Greensboro as chairman, the convention heard a number of technical papers this morning on various phases of "Medical Jurisprudence and State Medicine". Doctors participating were Dr. M. Jones, Greensboro; Dr. R. A. Hocutt, Clayton; Dr. Beall, Greensboro; and Dr. L. B. McBrayer, Sanatorium.

There were 22 physicians who died in North Carolina the past year and received obituary tributes in the convention of the State Medical society in session here through report of the obituary committee. They follow: Dr. G. A. Coggeshall, Greenville county, aged 60 years; Dr. Nathan Anderson, Wilson, aged 63 years; Dr. J. T. Graves, Wilson, 79 years; Dr. G. E. Young, Forest City, 59 years; Dr. N. H. Street, New Bern, 55 years; Dr. J. W. McPherson, Alamance county, 43 years; Dr. J. R. Abernathy, Hickory, 63 years; Dr. J. R. Rutzel, High Point, 59 years; Dr. Durrant Hatch, Albright, Alamance county; Dr. L. A. Rutherford, Kinston, 64 years; Dr. W. D. Bullock, Wilmington; Dr. Robert S. Young, Concord, 50 years; Dr. Thomas A. Allen, Hendersonville, 59 years; Dr. E. E. Klutz, Rowan, 58; Dr. W. Wooten, Mecklenburg; Dr. Whitfield Brooks, Transylvania, 75 years; Dr. Priddy Thomas, Wilmington, 35 years; Dr. J. R. Moore, Henderson, 77 years; Dr. J. D. Croom, Boston, 59 years; Dr. S. A. Henley, Ashboro, 78 years; Dr. J. D. Wellens, Johnston county, 37 years; Dr. G. D. Moore, Mount Pleasant, 46 years.

LINER'S WHEEL OUT OF ORDER?

Ireland Would Not Respond to Helm Made At Inquiry.

STORY ORIGINATED WITH QUARTERMASTER

He Asserted That Canadian Pacific Company Wanted to Send Him Abroad—Story Denied.

Quebec, June 19.—Suggestions that the steering gear of the Empress of Ireland was not in order when she collided with the Storstad, and sunk in the St. Lawrence with a loss of more than 1,000 lives were brought forward at yesterday's session of government investigation into the accident. Attorney Haight in explaining to the court the trend of his cross examination of Lord Liddell, senior third engineer of the Empress, said: "Last night a man called me on the phone and said that he was a quartermaster of the Empress and wanted to see me. I asked him if he was a witness and he said he was not. I hesitated a little and then told him to come up to the hotel. I sent for my partner who also heard the story. The man said that on the night previous to the accident he had been at the wheel and the ship refused to answer her wheel for five minutes and that she had almost run down another ship. He said that the Canadian Pacific railway wanted to send him home to England on the ship Montreal. He showed a letter to the captain of the ship, signed by Captain Walsh, marine superintendent of the company, asking that he be signed on and taken home as he was a survivor of the Empress crew."

"Who is this man?" asked Lord Mersey, presiding.

"His name is Galloway and he is at the Neptune Inn."

"I advise that you let him out of that place at once."

Lord Mersey said that he thought Mr. Haight ought to be very careful in making such a charge. Mr. Haight said he regretted that he had been forced to say what he had and it was agreed to call Galloway later today.

Mr. Haight is counsel for the owners of the storstad. He recalled Captain Kendall and Chief Engineer Sampson of the Empress to the stand and cross examined them regarding the charges made in Galloway's story. Both denied that the liner had had trouble with her steering gear. Captain Walsh, marine superintendent of the Canadian Pacific railway was called and denied that any attempt had been made to get Galloway out of the country.

LLOYD VESSEL BADLY DAMAGED

Passengers of the Kaiser Wilhelm II. Tell of Their Experience After the Collision.

THE LIFEBOATS WERE QUICKLY MANNED

Closing of Watertight Compartments, However, Stopped Flood of Water From Big Vessel.

New York, June 19.—Seven large steamships in the last two days have reported difficulties from sharp collision to the comparatively mild accident of running ashore. This wave of accidents, which comes as a sort of aftermath of the Empress of Ireland disaster, has been due largely to fog.

The first accident yesterday was the running aground of the hospital ship Maine on the fifth or Lorne, Scotland. The ship was seriously damaged and her crew and passengers removed. On the heels of this misadventure came the report of the collision of the North German Lloyd liner Kaiser Wilhelm II and the Liverpool grain liner Incomore in the English channel. The Wilhelm II carried 1,000 passengers to Southampton, with a huge hole in her side. The Incomore sustained a badly crumpled bow.

The list was augmented today by an accident to the British freight steamer Hyndford, which was reported ashore off Iaspi in the Philippines in the path of a typhoon.

Later the Bufoel, belonging to the China line of the North German Lloyd line, went ashore near Myra, to the west of Portsmouth, England.

Still another accident was added to the list when the Hamburg-American collier Eutruia and the British coaster Copewood collided in the English channel. The Copewood was badly crippled by the Eutruia, which escaped without serious damage.

DISAGREE WITH WATTS' VIEWS

ASHEVILLE MAKES NOISE IN ATLANTA

Many Photographers May Visit This City—Honors For Local Men.

Asheville will probably not get the 1915 convention of the Photographers' Association of America, now in session in Atlanta, but the members of the association are well aware of the fact now that Asheville is on the map and this city stands in line for future consideration as a result of the invitation extended the association by the city of Asheville and the board of trade through L. L. Higginson of this city, who is attending the convention. Relative to Asheville's invitation the Atlanta Georgian has the following to say:

"Citizens of Asheville, N. C., have no notion of hiding their light under a bushel. They invaded Atlanta Wednesday with the arbitrary assertion that their fair city is nothing less than a suburb of heaven, and tried to persuade the Photographers' Association of America to come to Asheville for the 1915 convention.

"Asheville, however, has considerable opposition in the contest for the next convention, as bids already have been pushed by San Francisco and Indianapolis, who claim that the next convention should not go east or south."

A dispatch from Mr. Higginson to The Gazette-News is to the effect that he has little hope of landing the convention for Asheville next year, even though the invitation he presented on behalf of the city and the board of trade, published in The Gazette-News last Tuesday, was a glowing one. He is assured, however, that many of the delegates will accept the personal invitation extended them at the same time to visit this city following the convention will be accepted. He says that the southern delegates all favor Asheville for the next meeting place but that there is apparently an unwritten law that it must go west next year.

A message to The Gazette-News from Edgar Van Gilder, an officer and one of the prominent members of the association, is to the effect that the convention in Atlanta is a most successful one and that portraits displaying real art are in the exhibits. He refers to the fact that the portraits submitted by the firm of Pelton & Higginson of Asheville have been accepted by the judges and catalogued in the salon of honors, among the highest honors awarded by the convention. Mr. Higginson, a member of this firm, is one of the two delegates named from North Carolina to the next annual convention, the other delegate being Walter Holliday of Durham. The convention will close tomorrow.

Iredell Man's Position in Regard to Primary Not Endorsed in the State Delegation.

INTERVIEW "UNFAIR" ASSERTS COLLECTOR

Whereupon the Correspondent Adds Details of Mr. Watts' Comment on Sentiment Statewide Primary.

Gazette-News Bureau Wyatt Building, Washington, June 19.

North Carolina democrats here do not agree with Collector A. D. Watts of Statesville, that there is no sentiment in North Carolina for a statewide primary for the nomination of all offices. Neither do they believe any great number of people, with the exception of a few politicians, agree that the state convention acted wisely in refusing to adopt such a plan of primary as had been so urgently and persistently advocated by President Wilson. Congressmen as a rule do not care to express their views for publication just now. But they intend to do so on the stump when they go before the people this fall for re-election. Representatives Fou and Godwin have already stated their views, both declaring that the convention erred in not going the full length instead of only a third of a loaf.

President Wilson expressed surprise some time ago that North Carolina did not have a primary law. He may be even more so when he finds that Collector Watts, holding one of the best federal jobs in the state, thinks his ideas are "romantic" and is not only not in sympathy with the plan, but according to those close to the collector, he is using his best talent to prevent such a plan being enacted into law.

"The state convention cannot claim to represent the sentiment of the large majority of voters in North Carolina," said one congressman. "The state must either adopt a primary plan or the folks back in the rural districts will see to it that men are put in power who will do so."

After reading the story sent by this correspondent to The Gazette-News and the Greensboro News Collector A. D. Watts issued the following statement to North Carolina correspondents except the writer. The collector "rumored" quietly by The Gazette-News bureau and deposited the statement with another correspondent. Hear him:

"Mr. Parker R. Anderson, the Washington correspondent of the Greensboro Daily News, has in today's issue of that paper what purports to be an interview with me. 'I have given Mr. Anderson no interview. Yesterday he came into Senator Overman's office while I was there talking with the senator and soon introduced the subject of the action of the state convention as to primaries, stating that the convention had made a mistake as there was an overwhelming sentiment in the state in favor of primaries for all officers. All I said about the matter was in effect that I did not think there was an overwhelming sentiment in favor of primaries; that few, if any, county conventions had passed (Continued on page 11.)"

EIGHT COMMENDED FOR GALLANTRY UNDER FIRE

Men Who Showed Conspicuous Bravery at Vera Cruz Are Commended.

Washington, June 19.—Six privates, one corporal and a sergeant in the marine corps today were commended by Secretary Daniels for gallantry displayed in removing two of their wounded comrades to a place of safety while Vera Cruz was under fire. The men are: Sergeant Tracy Baker, Corporal William S. White and Privates Walter L. Harndvious, Carl H. Fullerton, Hiram W. Yant, William H. Briggs, John L. Streitenberger and Edwin R. Barton.

Private Haggerty, of those killed in the occupation of Vera Cruz, and Edward A. Giesburne, a third class electrician of the battleship Florida, were the two men rescued. With Haggerty mortally wounded, Giesburne, himself wounded, attempted to carry him out of the range of fire. His efforts were without success, however, and the men who today were commended, then proceeded under an effective fire and removed both wounded men.

A medal of honor already has been awarded Electrician Giesburne for valor shown in trying to help Haggerty. Besides commending the six privates and Corporal White and Sergeant Baker, Secretary Daniels has recommended that they be advanced to the next higher rating.

Cottonseed Quarantine Continued.

Washington, June 19.—The federal quarantine against foreign cottonseed has been continued for some time because of the conditions of the seed in foreign markets. The department of agriculture thus announced this morning.

GEORGE DUFFY NAMED TO SUCCEED PEARSALL

Appointed Clerk of the Federal Court at New Bern—Will Enter Duties July 1.

Special to The Gazette-News.

Newbern, June 19.—There has been much speculation in this city as to who would be appointed clerk of the federal court, to succeed Col. P. M. Pearsall, who a few weeks ago handed in his resignation to take effect on July 1.

The announcement was made yesterday that George Duffy of this city had been selected for this office and would take charge of the work on July 1.

Colonel Pearsall took charge of the office on January 1, succeeding George Green, who had been in charge for 25 years. In handing in his resignation Colonel Pearsall stated that he could not attend to the duties of the office and also take care of his law practice at the same time and give both the proper attention.

Mr. Duffy is well and favorably known all over eastern North Carolina and his friends predict that he will attend to the affairs of the office in a thoroughly and satisfactory manner.

GOES ON TRIAL FOR KILLING CANNON

Laurens, S. C., June 19.—Charged with killing James Cannon, Governor Blease's floor leader in the state house of representatives, Joseph G. Sullivan will be placed on trial in criminal court here today. Attorney Cannon was shot and killed at Gray court near here recently. The killing followed a trial in magistrate's court in which Attorney Cannon prosecuted a brother of Sullivan.

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