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## SONORA FORCES PROGRESSING.

Carranza Forces Defeated and Prisoners, Arms and Horses Captured by Insurgents.  
A dispatch of the 18th from Agua Prieta, Sonora gives the following: Despite resistance from Carranza soldiers, General Angel Flores, Sonora commander, has progressed at the rate of 30 miles a day, according to a message received here by Francisco Elias, a leader in the Sonora revolutionary movement.  
After defeating Carranza forces yesterday 30 kilometres south of Guanachil, Sonora, killing twelve soldiers, capturing six wounded and thirty unharmed prisoners, General Flores was quoted as having found a locomotive, nine cars, "plenty of arms" and some horses. The prisoners were said to include six officers.  
More than one thousand troops, principally Yaqui Indians, have assembled in Agua Prieta. Five hundred more are at Naco, a few miles south of here, and one thousand more en route. The troops at Naco are reported to have thirty Browning machine guns.  
The state of Nayarit, Mexico, has endorsed the steps taken by Sonora against the Carranza government, according to a message received last night from General P. Elias Calles, commander-in-chief of the Sonora forces and acting governor.

**Governor Rubio in Flight.**  
Mexico City, April 18.—A revolt in the State of Michoacan, engineered by General Pasqual Ortiz Rubio, governor of the State, and a strong supporter of Lieutenant Colonel Alvaro Obregon, is announced in the government's second war bulletin, issued early today. Governor Rubio, the bulletin states, has fled from Morelia, the State capital, with 100 men.

## FILE NOTICE OF CANDIDACY.

**Candidates for County Offices Should File Notices at Once—Board of Elections Organizes.**  
The county board of elections met in the court house here Saturday and qualified and organized by electing Mr. Frank Gough of Lumberton chairman. Mr. E. Fisher, Fairmont, secretary. The other member of the board is Mr. J. C. Snoddy of Red Springs. Mr. W. S. Britt of Lumberton and Mr. L. M. Oliver of Marietta, who were first appointed members of the board, declined to serve, and Messrs. Gough and Fisher were appointed in their stead.  
Candidates for any county office should file notice of candidacy at once. Upon application, Chairman Gough will furnish proper blanks. Each candidate at the time of filing notice shall pay to the county chairman the sum of \$5, except candidates for surveyor, coroner, and county commissioners, who shall pay the sum of one dollar.

## MR. HUBBARD A CANDIDATE.

**Name of One Candidate for Alderman Inadvertently Omitted From News Item.**  
Correspondence of The Robesonian.  
Fairmont, April 16.—In the dispatch from Fairmont published in Thursday's Robesonian the name of Mr. W. N. Hubbard was inadvertently omitted from the list of candidates for alderman. This makes six candidates for this office. Mr. Hubbard is a member of the present board and is a candidate for reelection.  
The town primary will be held April 27.

## Sheriff Killed in Fight Between Negroes and Officers.

Winston-Salem dispatch, April 18.—Ex-Sheriff Lee Joyce was killed, Jim Matthews, special deputy, was shot through the neck, probably fatally wounded, and three negroes were killed in a fight between officers and negroes at Walnut Cove, fifteen miles from this city, late this evening. According to reports received here, the officers attempted to break up a card game said to have been in progress in a restaurant operated by Nick Hairston, a negro. When the officers entered the restaurant the negroes, according to the report received here by the police, began shooting. Ex-Sheriff Joyce is said to have been killed immediately, and in addition to the neck wound Matthews was badly beaten.

## New Government Announced in Guatemala.

Estrada Cabrera, president of Guatemala for 22 years, capitulated to the revolutionary forces of Carlos Herrera Friday night after the latter had enveloped his stronghold La Palma, states a dispatch of the 17th from Guatemala City. The new government was announced Saturday with Carlos Herrera as president and all the new ministers are prominent men.

## New Orleans retains her position as first city in the South, and, perhaps, as fifteenth in the nation, in point of population, according to the census figures, issued Saturday, which give the Louisiana capital 387,408, an increase of 48,333, or 14.3 per cent, over the 1910 census figures.

Mrs. Louis S. Zanto of Richmond, Va., and Miss Mary Daniel of Charlotte Court House, Va., arrived Friday evening and are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. McAllister, Chestnut and Seventh streets.  
Mr. Robt. Turner of R. 4, Lumberton, is in town today.

## SHOT AND KILLED IN CHURCH.

**Crazy Man Shot and Killed One of The Collectors in a Fashionable New York Church Sunday.**  
Dr. James Markoe, a well known surgeon, was shot and killed Sunday while taking up the offering at the morning service in the fashionable St. George's Protestant Episcopal church, 15th street and Stuyvesant place, in the old aristocratic district of New York, states a dispatch of the 18th from that city.  
His assailant was captured after a short chase by a group of parishioners. The prisoner gave his name first as Thomas W. Shelley and later as Thomas W. Simpkin. The police said he told them he had escaped Thursday from the eastern State hospital for the insane at Williamsburg, Va.  
Dr. Markoe, a wealthy vestryman of the church, was a friend and personal physician to J. Pierpont Morgan, also a parishioner there. He was 56 years old.  
The church was crowded with parishioners, many of them representatives of the wealthiest families in New York, when the shooting took place. Dr. Markoe was walking down the left aisle taking up the collection while the choir was singing an anthem. As he reached the twelfth pew from the rear and leaned over to pass the plate, Shelley, who was seated next to the aisle, whipped out a revolver and fired at the physician. The bullet struck him over the left eye and he collapsed in the aisle.  
The murderer said that "The preacher in his sermon at the church told them to be good to strangers but no one spoke to me and I resented it." He said he never saw the man he shot before.

## RUN DOWN AND KILLED.

**Two White Men Victims of Reckless Negro Driver.**  
New Bern Dispatch, April 18: Paul Taylor, of Pollockville, was killed, Sam Wilkerson, one of the employees of a local shipbuilding plant, was fatally injured, and Frank Johnson was painfully injured when a big Cadillac touring car, driven by Harvey Gaskins, colored, and owned by the Marks family, ran down the white men on Pembroke road two miles from the city this afternoon. Wilkerson's skull was fractured. He was removed to a hospital where he expired tonight shortly before 10 o'clock.  
There were nine negroes in the car and the driver is said to have been giving the machine all the gas possible and traveling at a speed of 40 miles or more an hour. After striking the three white men the machine crashed down an embankment and turned turtle and was almost completely demolished, but none of the occupants were killed, though several were injured.  
The driver was badly lacerated by flying glass, but made his escape before the police arrived on the scene and is still at large. Four of the occupants of the machine are in jail here and the officers are scouring the territory for the other men.  
Taylor was a son of Frank Taylor, of Pollockville, and a brother of Mrs. E. T. Bender, of Raleigh. He was about 30 years of age. Wilkerson was about 45 years old.

## SOLUTION IS SELF-DENIAL.

**Governor Bickett Sees Harm in Overall Club Movement.**  
"Most emphatically I do not intend to become a member of any overall club," declared Governor T. W. Bickett when asked if he would become a member of the overall organization that is being formed by federal and railroad employes at Raleigh states a dispatch of the 16th from that city.  
"There is no good in it, and there is positive harm. It will run the price of overalls up to a figure that cannot be paid by those who of necessity must wear them."  
The governor continued:  
"I would agree to pay more than \$5 for a hat. You can get a decent hat for that sum. I would agree not to pay more than \$7.50 for a pair of shoes, nor more than \$3 for a shirt, \$40 for a suit of clothes, 50 cents for a pair of socks and 20 cents for a collar. I think that members of such a club ought to agree not to buy an automobile until prices have dropped 25 per cent. So long as people are willing to pay any price for the things they want and are not willing to practice self-denial all talk about cutting down the high cost of living is gabble."

## PROTEST AGAINST H. C. L.

**Woman's Club of St. Pauls Passes Resolutions — Members Pledge Selves to Economic.**  
Correspondence of The Robesonian.  
St. Pauls, April 16.—At a meeting of the Woman's Club of St. Pauls on April 14, a motion was made by Mrs. E. C. Murray, seconded by Mrs. L. L. McGoogan, and passed almost unanimously, to adopt the following resolutions:  
"We, the woman's club of St. Pauls, put ourselves on record in a protest against the prevailing high cost of living; we pledge ourselves to buy only absolutely necessary articles of clothing etc. and we endorse all measures of economy tending to relieve present intolerable conditions.  
Aside from this, a very interesting demonstration was given by our county demonstration agent, Miss Andrews, which all enjoyed, especially as we now feel, and sincerely hope, that Miss Andrews is on her way to recovery from her recent accident."

## Appointments for Community Service.

Appointments for Community Service for week beginning April 19th: Union Chapel (Ind) Monday night, April 19th. Philadelphia Tuesday night, April 20th. Oakdale Wednesday night, April 21st. Long Branch Thursday night, April 22nd. Centenary Friday night, April 23rd. Tabernacle Saturday night, April 24th.

## Director Community Service Robeson County.

**Sonora Troops Capture Sinaloa Capital.**  
Nogales, Ariz., dispatch, April 17: Gen. Angel Flores, with 5,000 Sonora troops, captured Culiacan, capital of the adjoining state of Sinaloa, this morning, according to official announcement from Sonora military headquarters at Hermosillo.

## RAILROAD STRIKE SEEMS TO HAVE COLLAPSED.

**Railroad Officials Report Bulk of Men Had Returned to Work.**  
The nation-wide railroad strike apparently has collapsed, states a press summary in this morning's paper.  
Except in a few isolated sections, railroad officials reported last night the bulk of the men who followed the leadership of John Grunau, a Chicago trainman, had returned to work.  
Normal passenger service was virtually restored, they said, while substantial progress had been made in moving the vast amount of freight that has been accumulating throughout the country, especially in the east, during the past three weeks.  
Many of the strikers went out without presenting any grievances and later announced that failure to receive increases in wages granted to other railroad men prompted their action. The strikers, who acted in defiance of the railroad brotherhood chiefs, have generally returned without any definite promises of more pay.  
In many cases, however, they have been assured their demands will be presented to President Wilson's labor board, which is empowered under the Federal transportation act to settle disputes between the railroads and their men. The board is now sitting in Washington.  
In Chicago, the original strike center, railroad officials reported the strike had lost its effectiveness, while brotherhood chiefs declared action would be taken today towards revoking the charters of locals whose members refused to return to work by midnight Saturday.

## TELLS OF SPLENDID WORK.

**District U. D. C. Leader Makes Interesting Address Before Local Chapter.**  
Reported for The Robesonian.  
Mrs. J. H. Anderson of Fayetteville, director of district No. 11, U. D. C., addressed the Robeson chapter and friends Friday evening in the municipal building. The hall was beautifully decorated with cut flowers, red and white the division colors.  
Mrs. L. T. Townsend, president of Robeson chapter, introduced Mrs. Anderson.  
Mrs. Anderson made a very interesting and inspirational address, telling of the splendid work accomplished by the North Carolina division, U. D. C., also of the district work.  
The North Carolina division having 101 adult chapters, sixty children chapters. There are more than 5,000 members in North Carolina and 800 or more of C. C.  
The North Carolina division supports 135 scholarships, district No. 11 one scholarship at Flora Macdonald, Red Springs. These scholarships are given to descendants of veterans of the war between the States.  
North Carolina division also maintains a room at Sanitarium for the benefit of those who are not able to pay for the treatment.  
Mrs. Anderson also spoke of the wonderful work for the old ladies home at Fayetteville and the soldiers home at Raleigh. She stated that Robeson chapter was one of the strongest in the district and that the standard of excellency was the very best.  
The motto of the Southern division is "To Live. To Think. To Do. To Dare. To Pray."  
Mrs. Anderson was the guest of Mrs. L. T. Townsend and Mrs. E. L. Holloway while in town.

## Anti-Malaria Campaign Reached 300,000 Persons.

It is estimated that 300,000 persons, children and adults, white and colored, were reached by the anti-malaria educational campaign which has been waged by the North Carolina Landowners' association and which came to an end yesterday.  
School teachers to the number of 2,700 and 65 city and county superintendents have taken the most active interest in the essay contest and the dissemination generally of anti-malaria instruction.  
The campaign was carried into thirty-six counties, and in every one, according to reports, the keenest interest was shown by school children and by adults as well.—Wilmington Star.

## GARDNER SPEAKS HERE.

**Candidate for Governor Lauds Record of Democratic Party and Replies to Butler's Charges—Favors Pardoning Board, Hard-Surface Roads and Adequate School System.**  
"If any have come here expecting to hear the deride either of my opponents they will go away disappointed," declared Lieut. Governor O. Max Gardner, one of the three Democratic candidates for Governor, in an address in the court house, here Friday evening. Continuing, Mr. Gardner said that if he could only become Governor by tearing down another he would never be Governor of North Carolina.  
Mr. Gardner diverted his attention largely from his own candidacy and answered in a masterly manner the charges brought against Woodrow Wilson and the Democratic administration by Marion Butler here Thursday. He declared, however, that he was making the race for Governor on the State Democratic platform and the principles of Democracy. "I will make no promises. If I cannot take the Governor's seat with untied hands and a free man, then I will not take it." I invite the voters of North Carolina to search my life and character and see if I am fit to fill the office.  
In beginning his review of the things accomplished by the Wilson administration, the speaker said there had never been a time when it meant so much to be a Democrat as now. We are enjoying a prosperity that is universal and general. It is a great time to behold the record of the party. Under Republican rule we enjoyed an unjoined prosperity. Two per cent of the people owned and controlled 60 per cent of the wealth of the country. Under the Wilson administration this prosperity has been passed around until you and I and all the people get some of it. I offer this as a challenge to Marion Butler and his crowd. Where did this prosperity come from? The ground-log of it lies in the Federal reserve system, given us by Woodrow Wilson. The Democratic administration in seven years has passed more legislation favoring the masses than the Republicans passed from Lincoln to Taft.  
Butler would class Wilson as a dangerous man. He is a dangerous man. If you don't believe it ask Chas. Evans Hughes. Mr. Gardner recalled the Roosevelt panic of 1907 and declared that no man could wish to return to those days. This marks the inability of the Republicans to handle the affairs of the nation. One should be proud to be a Democrat.  
The speaker declared himself to be in favor of a system of hard-surface roads in North Carolina. It is true that the State administration is spending money, but it is being spent for hospitals, homes for the fallen and in promoting health work among the people. In telling of the great work being done by the State Board of Health among the school children, the speaker said it was his ideal to see the humblest child in North Carolina have a chance to be what God put into it.  
I am pledged to stand by the re-valuation act until it has been given a fair trial. It is not perfect. If there is an injustice brought about it will be corrected. The law was passed to correct an injustice and not to create one. Marion Butler and his squad would condemn it without a trial. The law was not passed to raise more tax money, but to regulate. The result of the law will be that North Carolina will have the lowest tax rate of any State in the Union.  
The speaker made a strong plea for an adequate school system, declaring that there is no slavery but ignorance. Bolshevism is ignorance set on fire. There are thousands of people living in North Carolina who never had a chance. Can't we give them a chance? If I can serve my State in the way of lifting up humanity, it will be a great joy to me.  
When asked how he stood on pardoning, Mr. Gardner declared that he was in favor of a pardoning board and against giving the power all to one man.  
In spite of the rain and two other attractions in town several hundred people, representing all parts of the county, heard Mr. Gardner. Mr. H. M. McAllister, president of the "Gardner for Governor" club in Robeson, presided and Mr. T. L. Johnson, Mr. Gardner's campaign manager in Robeson, introduced him.  
The East Lumberton band furnished music for the occasion. The speaker was heartily applauded and many declared the address one of the very best they ever heard.

## White Pond School Finals.

White Pond (Fairmont, R. 1), April 16.—The White Pond public school closed Wednesday with a concert by the school Wednesday night. The teachers were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bullock and Miss Myrt Lawson. The term was one of the most successful in the history of the school.

## White Pond School Finals.

Mrs. Frank B. Kelly and small daughter, Daisy, of Wilmington arrived Saturday evening and are guests at the home of Miss Josephine Breece, Fifth street.

## Messrs. J. E. Nye, N. F. Barden and Henry Leggett of R. 2, Fairmont are among the visitors in town today.

## HON. R. N. PAGE SPEAKS HERE.

**Has Clear-Cut Business Program the Unfolding of Which Holds the Absorbed Attention of His Audience—Thinks Taxpayer Should Know Whether or Not His Money is Being Spent to Best Advantage—No One Shall Suffer Injustice Because of Revaluation Act if He is Elected Governor, He Declares.**  
"My greatest inducement to become a candidate for Governor came from within and not from without," declared Hon. Robt. N. Page, one of the three Democratic candidates for Governor, in an address at the court house here Saturday. Mr. Page said that his reason for entering the race was not for mere gratification.  
"I am taking the people into confidence and not hiding anything from them," Mr. Page continued. The people should know for what a candidate stands. I am making the race with no prejudice against any of my opponents—running on my merits and not on their demerits. I believe that there is an opportunity for service by a man trained in business.  
If I am elected Governor my first recommendation to the General Assembly will be to select a body of the best men to be found to make a complete State governmental survey. I have no charge to make against the State administration. I am ready to defend it. The question is, are the State affairs administered in as business-like manner as they could be. The administration has not been extravagant. The State has advanced industrially, but has the government advanced accordingly?  
Any government should be conducted economically because the government is for all the people. Every dollar of State money comes from the pockets of the people. It is a trust fund and should be administered in the interest of all the people. Taxes is a necessary burden. Are the people compensated for the expenditure?  
Mr. Page advocates a more adequate school system and more pay for teachers. There is great need for enlarged facilities for training teachers. Then the teachers must be paid the same wage that they could make in some other occupation. We cannot expect teachers to teach for from 50 to 75 per cent of the salary they could command for some other work.  
"If elected governor I shall do all in my power to strengthen the health department. This is a matter of supreme importance. The draft showed that one-third of the young men of the State were incapacitated for service. There is no power on earth except government that can protect and conserve health."  
Mr. Page says the revaluation law is nothing new. The State has only been departing from the law, according to the constitution, which says all personal property shall be listed at its true value in money. This departure from the law by machinery acts has brought about a condition of inequality in communities, counties and in the State. Something had to be done. The law has discovered enough lands that had heretofore been unlisted to make two of the largest counties in the State. There is no danger of having to pay more taxes as a result of the revaluation law. Under the old law the great bulk of the personal property was not upon the tax books. There was a good reason for it. The revaluation law will not hurt any honest man.  
Mr. Page said that he was satisfied that the tax rate would be divided by 6 or 8 and that the man whose property had not been on the tax books at less than a sixth of its value would not pay more taxes; and he declared that if he were elected Governor he would exhaust the power of that office to prevent the humblest citizen from suffering the least injustice in the working out of this law. He said that corporate property was affected in the same way as real estate and was being placed on the books at its real value whereas formerly it had been on the books at a small per cent of its value.  
The speaker came out strong in favor of good roads, but is inclined to think more of working the roads in the remote parts of the country than of making hard-surface highways leading from county seat to county seat. In all of his travels he had found no farm house vacant or farm deserted upon a good road. He is so strong for good roads that he is ready to help pay for them. The road problem should be put foremost.  
Mr. Page is against class legislation and declared that he was not a socialist, as had been charged. He harbors no socialistic idea. He is in favor of deporting every alien that would lift the red flag against the government and placing in the penitentiary every native who would utter a word against the stars and stripes.  
The speaker denied the charge which had been made that he deserted the administration in a time of stress. He did not resign as a member of Congress, in which he served 14 years, but declined to enter the race for re-nomination for personal reasons. While in Congress he voted in every instance with the Wilson administration, both in efforts to keep out of the war and in preparing for it after it was declared.  
Mr. K. M. Barnes of Lumberton presided and the speaker was introduced by State Senator H. E. Stacy, who referred to Mr. Page as the peer of any man in North Carolina as a

## BRIEF ITEMS LOCAL NEWS.

—Regular meeting of the Eastern Star Tuesday at 3 p. m. in the Masonic hall.  
—Regular meeting St. Alban's lodge No. 114 Tuesday evening. Work in 3rd degree.  
—License has been issued for the marriage of Silas Tillman Maynard and Belle Boydworth.  
—Mr. Max Schwartz has opened a junk and hide shop in the old Beasley building at foot of Pine street.  
—Messrs. W. V. and Raymond Branch of Gaddy township were Lumberton visitors Saturday. Mr. W. V. Branch is considering "coming out" for the Legislature.  
—It rained again Friday, as usual. Somebody with a good memory for weather recalls that Friday of last week was the ninth Friday in succession that rain has fallen.  
—The store of Len Peppers, colored, in Newtown, near Lumberton, was robbed yesterday. Entrance was made through a window and the major part of the stock was stolen, it is said.  
—It is expected that the Trinity college gleu, club will give a concert in the high school auditorium on the evening of April 30. This is said to be the best gleu club the college has had.  
—Lella Arnette and Oscar H. Sinletary, a colored couple, were married in the office of Register of Deeds M. W. Floyd Thursday afternoon at 5 o'clock. Justice F. Grover Britt officiated.  
—A campaign against the mosquito was planned at a meeting of the mayor and town aldermen Thursday afternoon. Oil will be sprinkled in all places in town where mosquitoes are liable to breed.  
—The Lumberton overall club will meet in the court house, at 7:30 this evening. Plans for the working of the club will be made at the meeting this evening. The club numbers more than 300 members.  
—All soldiers who were in the army at the time for listing taxes for 1919 will be allowed to vote in the November election without paying 1919 poll tax, according to Attorney General J. S. Manning.  
—A U. S. navy recruiting party arrived here today and will be at the Lumberton postoffice until Thursday of this week. Those wishing to enlist or make inquiries about the navy should see the men in navy uniform.  
—Mr. J. P. Townsend returned Thursday evening from Raleigh, where he visited the automotive show, with which he was very much impressed. He says he never in his life before saw such a magnificent show of automobiles of all kinds.  
—A tame fox belonging to Mr. J. W. Long of West Lumberton left home two weeks ago, and Saturday was run down by Mr. Long's pack of hounds. The chase lasted an hour and a half. The fox was "jumped" by the dogs about a mile and a half from Mr. Long's home.  
—Dr. H. M. Baker will go this evening to Charlotte, where tomorrow he will read a paper treating upon the regulation of diet before the State medical meeting. Several Lumberton physicians are expecting to attend the meeting which opens tomorrow and closes Wednesday.

## THE RECORD OF DEATHS.

**Oliver Stephens, Near Mt. Elim.**  
Mr. Oliver Stephens, aged about 22 years, died Friday morning at his home near Mt. Elim. Deceased had been in ill health for several months and his death was not unexpected. The funeral was conducted at the grave Saturday at 11 a. m. by Rev. Mr. Dodd, pastor of Mt. Elim Baptist church, of which deceased was a member.

## Church Notes.

The T. E. L. class of the First Baptist Sunday school will meet Tuesday evening at 8 with Mrs. A. H. McLeod.  
A series of meetings will begin at Chestnut Street Methodist church the first Sunday in May. The pastor, Rev. Dr. R. C. Beaman, will be assisted by Rev. H. M. North, presiding elder of the Rockingham district.  
A revival meeting will begin at Long Branch church next Sunday night, April 25th, at 7:45. The pastor, Rev. I. P. Hedgpeth, will be assisted by Rev. A. E. Paul of Davis, this State. The public is invited to attend these services.  
A crowd the size of which must have been exceedingly gratifying to Mr. Page heard him with close attention and the clear-cut business program he so forcefully presented made a profound impression upon his hearers. In conclusion he said that the "ground-swell is on" and that he had no doubt about his nomination and election.  
Mr. Page spoke at Maxton Friday night. He is traveling by automobile and he and Mrs. Page, who is with him, remained over in Lumberton, guests at the Lorraine hotel, until this morning, when they left for Elizabethtown, where Mr. Page was scheduled to speak today.

## DR. WILLIAM W. PARKER EYE SPECIALIST.

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