

BRIEF NEWS NOTES FOR THE BUSY MAN

MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS OF
THE PAST WEEK TOLD IN
CONDENSED FORM.

WORLD'S NEWS EPITOMIZED

Complete Review of Happenings of
Greatest Interest From All
Parts of World.

Southern.

Two were killed and three others slightly injured by the derailment of the Southern Railway passenger train No. 43, en route from Washington to Atlanta. None of the passengers were hurt. The engine and the mail and express cars turned over, but the coaches and Pullman sleepers did not leave the track. Estados Caudos, a Spanish storekeeper, was shot to death in front of his place of business by a mysterious negro, believed to be the assassin who has already committed deadly assault on seven women, two of whom were white and both of whom were killed by shots fired through a window. Caudos was sitting in front of his store at the time he was fired upon. Viola Denford, the white woman who was shot, died at a hospital. Tampa, Fla., is all excitement over these homicides.

The extra session of the Florida Legislature adjourned after two days' normal time consumed, all bills relating to Jacksonville passing both houses without debate. The session's principal work was the passing of a bill giving Jacksonville the right to bond to the sum of one and a half million dollars for the purpose of buying, equipping and maintaining municipally-owned docks. The entire expense of the session was borne by the Jacksonville board of trade.

The South Carolina Democratic executive committee, at its session in Columbia, declared Cole L. Blease, the incumbent, the Democratic nominee for governor. On the face of the revised returned Blease had a majority of 3,000.

In response to a general strike order issued at Augusta, Ga., the conductors and trainmen of the Georgia railroad are on a strike. Three hundred men are affected. The strike order has been generally obeyed.

Complaint by a convict at Sing Sing prison, New York, that \$1,300 which he had stolen had strangely disappeared when it came into the hands of the police, is being investigated. The convict charges that Lieut. Charles Becker was on desk duty at the police station at the time of his arrest.

Two Pullman sleeping cars, four day coaches and two express cars broke away from a rapidly moving Louisville and Nashville train near Elkton, Ala., plunging down an embankment, then caught fire and burned, but every passenger escaped death and less than a score received minor injuries. An express messenger who was caught in the wreckage of his car was cremated. The flames spread so rapidly that occupants of the sleeping cars were compelled to flee in their night clothing, and abandon all their baggage.

General.

William Sulzer, representative in congress from New York City, was nominated for governor of the state of New York by the Democratic state convention. It was the seventh time he had been a candidate for this nomination. His nomination came on the fourth ballot, when Governor Dix's name was withdrawn after it became evident that he had no chance.

Two hundred and five men are reported killed in a battle in which about one thousand rebels and Federalists participated at Aura Pass, not far from Moncton, Mexico, according to reports reaching Eagle Pass, Texas. Seven Federal officers are reported killed. The rebels retreated when reinforcements came up for the Federalists.

Jose Balado, a Spaniard, was killed and Juan Ramalero and Jesus Martinez were fatally wounded in what is supposed to have been a mutiny on board the steamship Brunswick. A mutiny with a United States marshal, was summoned by wireless as the steamship lay off Fort Dade. The mutiny was turned over to the marshal, Captain Avery of the Brunswick formally charged the men with mutiny on board.

"Gumbert" Smith of California knocked out Jim Savage of Orange, N. J., in the third round of a scheduled ten-round bout at Madison Square Garden, New York City. The knockout blow was a right upper.

Alfred W. Quigg, brother of ex-Governor Quigg of New York, has been charged with larceny of \$25,000. President Logan W. Page opened the American Road Congress at Atlantic City, N. J., with the declaration that "more had been accomplished in road improvement during the past two decades than had been done for the past 100 years previous."

Because the landlord of his flat refused to turn on the steam heat, Arthur Dowling, his wife and three children went down town in Chicago and slept in the LaSalle street railroad station.

Three brothers, Alfred, Fred and Harry Graves will be hanged at Halifax on January 15 for the murder of Kenneth Lea, near Fort Williams, in June. The brothers started a quarrel with Lea, and one of them struck him with the butt of a pistol, which was discharged, mortally wounding Lea.

The British submarine B 2 was run down by the Hamburg-American liner Amerika at Dover. It sank, drowning fifteen of the crew. The liner Amerika appears to have cut the submarine completely in halves. This is the sixth disaster to British submarines, each of them involving the loss of from 11 to 15 lives.

Four masked men held up the Kansas City Southern passenger train No. 4, northbound, three and a half miles north of Petau, Okla., ransacked the mail, blew the safe in the express car and escaped into the wood-covered hills that skirt the railroad at that point. Their work done, the robbers ordered the trainmen to "go ahead," commanding them not to look behind, and disappeared into the woods.

Governor Garranza of the state of Coahuila, Mexico, is authority for the report received here that 200 rebels were routed near Santa Elena by Federals who captured seventy horses and all equipment. Santa Elena is near San Blas. Further reports of the San Blas battle are that 135 rebels and 35 Federals were killed and 13 Federals wounded. A Federal force is en route to Salinas and a second detachment is bound for Cuatro Ciénegas to fight rebels.

The 3,500 employees of the Nevada Consolidated Mining company of Ely are on a strike. They demand an increase of wages and other concessions. Last week the Nevada Consolidated Mining company offered the miners an increase of 25 cents a day, but refused to treat with a committee from the union.

A joint demand upon China for immediate payment of arrears on the Boxer indemnity, about \$50,000,000, has been proposed by Russia to the other five interested powers. It is not denied that this movement is intended as a sharp and forceful rebuke to the Chinese government for contracting loans with independent bankers in disregard of the warnings of the powers, and after rejecting the proposed international loan. No official intimation has been given as to what will be the attitude of the United States, or of the other powers.

When the city tax books of New York City were opened to the public, it was shown that real and personal property assessable for 1913 totals in value slightly more than \$7,640,000,000, a net increase of nearly two hundred million dollars over figures for the present year.

Balkan difficulties have developed with alarming rapidity to a point where only a spark is needed to set the whole of southeastern Europe aflame. Three Balkan states—Bulgaria, Serbia and Greece—by common consent, have ordered simultaneous mobilization of their armies and are making every preparation for immediate hostilities.

Washington.

The Mexican government is making no secret of the fact that it is now negotiating with the rebel, Zapata, for peace, according to reports to the state department in Washington.

"Out of some 1,500,000 deaths annually in the United States, at least 630,000 are preventable," declared Prof. Irving Fisher of Yale university, in his address before the fourth national conservation congress in Indianapolis, Ind. E. E. Rittenhouse of New York said: "There is not an adequately financed health department in the United States."

Determined to prevent interference in Central America by extending protection to foreigners, as well as to Americans in Nicaragua, and at the suggestion of the Nicaraguan government, Rear Admiral Southerland proposes to use his marines to drive the rebels out of their fortified position on Barrancas hill if they persist in obstructing free communication between Barrancas and Managua. This step has been decided upon as a result of the request of the British minister at Managua.

Frederick A. Cleveland, chairman of the economy efficiency commission, in a statement, outlines the plan that will be followed in submitting to congress a budget of public estimates and expenditures, declared that "by ten years of continuous persistent effort, the government could reduce its running expenses nearly \$300,000,000 a year."

The explosion of the forward end of the port turbine, together with the steam chest, on the torpedo boat destroyer Walker, off Brenton's Reef lightship, instantly killed Lieut. Donald P. Morrison of Washington, D. C., the chief engineer, and wounded eight others. The explosion came just as the Walker started on a full speed contest in company with other destroyers of the third group.

Whether American or British mechanics will make nearly \$1,000,000 worth of armor-piercing shells for the United States navy next year, probably will depend upon a decision by the attorney general as to the applicability of the eight-hour law to the contractors for the shells. An English firm bid lowest for the contracts, but the American company, which offered the next lowest price, now claims that the bid was made with the understanding that its establishment would have to be placed on an eight-hour basis. Otherwise it will make a big reduction in its figures.

THE INDICTMENT OF CONVICT HANDLERS

OF WAKE COUNTY CONVICT
CAMP RETURNED BY THE
GRAND JURY.

THOSE WHO WERE INDICTED ARE SUPER-
INTENDENT WIGGS, J. N. NIPPER AND
JAMES JOHNSON.—There is Much
Interest Being Shown in Case.

Raleigh.—W. L. Wiggs, road superintendent of Wake county; J. M. Nipper, superintendent of the Nipper camp, and James Johnson, guard, were indicted by the Wake county grand jury and will appear before the court in January to answer the charges brought against them by the jury.

The grand jury made a report to the court severely condemning the Nipper camp, and Judge Ferguson declined to allow the jury to go without further investigation. In the following investigation the body found facts enough in its mind to proceed and returned a bill against Wiggs for failure to provide clothing, proper sleeping quarters and incidental things. It charged him with not having made sanitary arrangements.

J. M. Nipper and James Johnson are charged with whipping the white prisoner, Dan Gallagher, and Mr. Nipper is indicted with failure to provide food, clothing and the like. These cases will not be heard at this term.

Mr. Wiggs was seen and said that the indictments came as a great surprise to him. He is indicted merely as the head of the system. He declares that the small quarters, against which so much objection was urged was necessary a short period on account of being unable to get to bigger house across a creek over which there was no bridge. He does not think there has been a time when the prisoners were not well-fed and cannot remember any occurrence in which the clothing was noticeably disgraceful.

All the men feel deeply the situation and are greatly worried over it. Mr. Wiggs says, in defense of the charge of flogging Gallagher, that he was an Irishman who would not talk and failed to indicate his feelings if it was one of illness.

Politics in Henderson County.

In the largest and most enthusiastic county Democratic convention ever held, the Democrats named a strong ticket and are now in fine shape to fight the enemy. The ticket named is as follows: For sheriff—J. W. Carson, chief of police of Hendersonville. For representative—J. P. Patton. For registrar of deeds—C. S. Corpening. For county commissioners—R. K. Stepp, W. B. Maxwell and J. P. Maxwell. For tax collector—C. V. Shepherd, renominated. For county surveyor—George W. Lyde. For county coroner—Dr. Guy E. Dixon.

Socialist Ticket in Rowan.

A full legislative and county ticket has been put out by the socialist party in Rowan and includes the following nominees. For congress, eighth district, Walter H. Jenkins of Rowan; state senate, E. P. Deal of Spencer; legislature, Thomas H. Stewart and H. C. Buck of Spencer; trial justice Rowan county court, John Ridenhour, Salisbury; for sheriff, W. C. Crowell; county treasurer, C. W. McCarn, registrar of deeds, C. M. Jenkins; township tax collector, J. B. Donavant; for county commissioners, G. W. Davis, Cicero Ridenhour, C. E. Kneeburg, J. F. McCarn, Sr., and A. L. Cousins.

Approve of Fire Observance Day.

Insurance Commissioner Young says he has received many letters from every section of the state expressing hearty approval of fire observance day, October 9, and he feels confident of amking the day a success.

Runaway Box Car Wrecks Bridge.

Forty feet of the Piedmont Toll bridge on the Rowan side was torn down as a result of a runaway box car, which broke loose on a switch. The car dashed against a row of "bad order" cars on a dead track, driving them into the bridge at the end of the line. The wooden portion was demolished, the gates torn down and traffic on the National Highway stopped for 24 hours. The Southern wrecking crew pulled the cars out, and a bridge gang set to work at once to replace the highway bridge.

Has Admitted Shooting Conductor.

Jack Holmes, a negro who shot and killed Archie B. Morgan, for several years conductor on the Norfolk and Western railroad yard at Winston-Salem confessed that he did the shooting, after being confronted with the pistol which did the fatal work and the hat and coat worn by Holmes. Mack Tyson, colored, who was with Holmes admitted that Jack killed Morgan. Both allege that the white man was endeavoring to shoot Holmes when the latter wrenched the pistol from his hands and fired.

NORTH CAROLINA STATE FAIR

Automobiles One of the Features—
Big Event This Year to Have Many
Attractive Features.

Raleigh.—Thirty-four automobiles, the finest makes sold in the state, have entered for the state fair, beginning October 14 and running through the 19th.

These come from Raleigh, Charlotte, Henderson, Louisburg and Rocky Mount. These go into competition for prizes and no one feature will be more interesting. This was the latest development and from now until the fair is formally opened, there will be something daily new and interesting.

In nearly every department, there is a 50 per cent improvement over all predecessors. Last year's exhibition far surpassed anything before undertaken. It was not such a radical and sweeping betterment, however. This year, encouraged by the success of the last, the management will present the greatest attractions, the largest number of horses and the most magnificent prizes offered at any North Carolina exposition.

In tobacco alone, the fair is giving \$350. This is likewise a newly announced feature. Three hundred and fifty dollars is to go to the tobacco raisers of the state is an unknown prize. It will stimulate the interest in the tobacco test farm which is a new agricultural feature for the department of state.

Plans have been announced for the decoration of a large number of automobiles advertising the business of men and set off with attractive slogans. An expert decorator is here now from New York. If the agreement is completed, there will be seventy-five or more of these in the parade.

Representing what the state has done in education, the department has arranged for an exhibit and the United States government will have some of its machinery for roadbuilding on exhibition. These will be accompanied by lecturers who know how to tell it.

Politics in Moore County.

Dissensions political 'amongst the Republicans of Moore county are beginning to make themselves evident. The friends of Mr. H. F. Seawell, who was a Roosevelt nominee for the judgeship which Taft defaulted to Judge Connor, rather dominated in the late county convention, and put out a Progressive ticket. Still, there is a sprinkling of Taft men in the neighborhood. A small gathering of the latter met in the court house at Carthage and selected a county chairman. It is said that they also intend to put out a ticket. The Democrats are united on the question of the county and state tickets, but there is a bit of muddle in regard to the senatorial situation.

Political Situation in Duplin.

The Bull Moozers of Duplin held their convention at Kenansville. It was the same old gang of Republicans under a new name. They endorsed Teddy, ignored Taft and nominated a full county ticket, with J. J. Best for the legislature, who is at present residing in Franklin county as principal of the Youngville high school. The postmasters were conspicuous for their absence, although it is said they are for Teddy. And Bull Moozers of the first water, J. B. Winders, postmaster at Warsaw, Taft's appointee, was elected chairman of the Progressive party at Warsaw Township, and H. J. Faison, one time Democrat, next Populist, then Republican and at present Bull Moozer, was made chairman of the county.

Warrant For City of Fayetteville.

A warrant citing the City of Fayetteville to answer in the United States court for the Eastern District of North Carolina at Raleigh on the fourth Monday in November, as defendant in an action instituted by F. I. McGuire of Norfolk was served on the mayor of that city by a United States deputy marshal. The action is for recovery of \$1,649.68, due for paving laid there by McGuire which balance the municipal officials refused to pay owing to the claim that the paving is not according to specifications.

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MAKES HIS REPORT

UNIVERSITY FACULTY'S HAZING
INVESTIGATIONS LAID BE-
FORE COMMITTEE.

THE CASE REFERRED BACK

The Synopsis of the Circumstances
Which Led to the Expulsion and
Suspension of the Students.—Presi-
dent F. P. Venable's Report.

Raleigh.—After hearing the report of President Venable, and listening to the defense of D. L. McWhorter, a suspended junior, the executive committee of the University of North Carolina declined to go behind the faculty's probe in the matter of hazing last spring and this fall and referred such matters back to the faculty. President Venable made a lengthy report in which he said that the faculty, in investigations of hazing incident to the Rand affair, had learned that sophomores of the previous year had been guilty and these had, so far as was possible, been punished by suspension.

Hazing began at the university this fall even before registration day. The first Monday night of opening week some sophomores made freshmen dance. This was followed Tuesday and Wednesday nights, and on Thursday night, the night Rand fell from the barrel, three distinct incidents occurred. Freshmen were made to dance, Dr. Venable said, but in the investigation it was shown that no sophomores laid violent hands on the freshmen.

Seniors and other upper classmen interfered, and in one instance a sophomore drove a crowd from his room. Only 15 men, as far as could be learned, had been guilty of hazing.

University men and others in Raleigh, it is said, do not approve of the faculty's action in going after last year's alleged hazers, believing it too farfetched. Those men suspended or expelled have been given the privilege of appealing to the faculty.

After the coroner's inquest and the meeting of the executive committee of the trustees the faculty made as thorough an investigation as possible not merely of the Rand hazing, but of all hazing this session and of the hazing last spring.

Get Lots of Corn Liqueur.

Rockingham.—Sheriff Homer D. Baldwin got wind of a wagon loaded with corn liquor passing through Richmond county. The sheriff and his deputies were soon on the spot where the wagon had camped for the night between Hoffman and Hamlet, about two miles from the latter place. The wagon was found in charge of a white man and a negro, both of whom were asleep. The vehicle and its contents, some 200 gallons of the wet goods in barrels, were brought into Rockingham, and the white man and negro placed in jail. The wagon was being drawn through the country from Danville, Va., and the liquor was billed to T. D. Green, Lancaster, S. C.

Duke Democratic Club.

Duke.—There was called a mass meeting of the voters of Duke and Duke township to be held in the auditorium for the purpose of forming a Duke Democratic club. The result was most encouraging. A large number of enthusiastic Democrats met and completed the organization by electing L. E. Stancil as president and E. E. Thomas secretary and treasurer. Several committees were appointed each with a specific work to do. Mr. Thomas announced that he was ready to receive contributions for the campaign fund and a liberal amount was donated.

Patents For North Carolinians.

Washington.—Messrs. Davis & Davis, patent attorneys, report the grant of the following patents to North Carolina citizens: S. J. Dixon, Littleton, extensible window screen; J. L. Miller, Goldsboro, sweet potato vine clipper; Y. M. Westmoreland, Greensboro, automatic fire-alarm; W. E. Wine, Washington, N. C., ladder—two patents.

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FROM THE TAR HEEL STATE

Short Paragraphs of State News That
Have Been Gotten Together With
Care By the Editor.

Zebulon.—All records were broken several days ago in the sale of tobacco at Zebulon, all houses being filled from wall to wall, and the Planters conducted a second break. Thousands of pounds are being marketed daily.

Wake Forest.—Rather than answer for the offense of having stolen a suit of clothes from a negro pressing club, in Wake Forest, Frank Wyche, a young negro man about 24 years of age, resisted arrest by officer bearing a warrant, and as a result was killed.

Winston-Salem.—Archie Morgan, aged 30, yard conductor for the Norfolk & Western, was shot and killed here by an unknown negro. During an altercation with two negroes one of them seized Morgan's pistol and killed him.

Raleigh.—The work of putting up the transmission lines of the Carolina Light and Power Company from Raleigh to Goldsboro, a distance of forty-five miles, has been completed and within the next few days the current will be turned on.

Littleton.—Governor Kitchin spoke here in the interest of his candidacy for the senate. The governor was in excellent condition and held the undivided interest of his audience for two hours and twenty minutes, speaking to a crowd conservatively estimated at 400.

Salisbury.—Clarence Trolinger, who has been held without bail on account of injuries he inflicted upon Charlie Woodrum during an affray at the Southern hotel, was ordered released on \$2,500 bond. Woodrum's condition shows improvement and he will likely recover.

Raleigh.—The solicitor of this district, Herbert E. Norris, gave notice of appeal and Ridenbark was committed pending the passing of the supreme court on the point. Judge Ferguson held that the defendant is sane now. It is said that this question has never been presented in North Carolina and the case will be watched with interest.

Washington.—Reports coming to Washington from the Aurora section of the county state that B. H. Thompson, during the past several days has caught two large black bears on his farm near Aurora. It seems that the bears had been stealing his corn and he set steel traps for them. One weighed 20 pounds and the other 160 pounds.

Waynesville.—While digging sand under an overhanging bank several days ago, John Sorrells, an employe of R. N. Barbour, was caught under a cave-in and completely overwhelmed by the mass of fallen earth. Heroic efforts were put forth by those near him to dig away the earth and he was gotten out in about five minutes. He was so badly crushed, however, and suffocated that he died in a very short time.

Dunn.—Mr. W. K. Allen, of Wilmington has been appointed engineer for Stewart's Creek Drainage District, situated just across Cape Fear river from Dunn, and is making the permanent survey of the district. There are about 8,000 acres of land in the territory which will be drained, and as it is near town and unusually fine farm land it will add greatly to the material prosperity of the county.

Hendersonville.—As the senatorial primary contest draws nearer, interest in the race daily increases in this section. The speech made in Henderson by Judge Walter Clark is being freely distributed throughout this section, 3,000 copies having been printed for distribution. On the day of the speaking a Clark club was organized here and the members are busying themselves for the senatorial aspirant.

Asheville.—There has been concern expressed in this section as to the disposition of the bumper fruit crop at good prices. There are so many apples that there has been some fear that they could not be disposed of advantageously. Speaking of this question a day or two ago, a prominent fruit man said that the fruit growers need have no fear of not getting good prices for their apples, if they will grow the kinds of apples that the people like.

Wadesboro.—Lester Horne, a fifteen-year-old boy, fell from a scaly bark tree near Peachland and was killed instantly. He was alone but the body was found in a short time. He fell a distance of fifty feet and his skull was fractured.

Winston-Salem.—The revenue derived from the sale of tobacco stamps at the United States internal revenue office here for the month of September aggregated \$393,016.40 which means that a total of 4,512,670 pounds of manufactured tobacco were shipped last month by Winston-Salem tobacco manufacturers.

High Point.—The new \$20,000 Elks home is to be built at once. The plans have been finished, contract signed and excavation will begin in the near future.

Hendersonville.—Judge Walter Clark spoke here recently in advocacy of his candidacy for the United States senate. He had a court house nearly filled with the voters of Vance, who were anxious to hear Judge Clark on the issues of the campaign and especially to hear him define his position and express his opinion of those who are in the race for the United States senate.

NINE KILLED IN AUTOMOBILE CRASH

GOING AT TERRIFIC SPEED CAR
BREAKS RAILING OF BRIDGE
FALLING 75 FEET.

THE MACHINE WAS SMASHED

A Wealthy Young Man Was Taking a
Party of Friends Home After an
Evening Spent in Rioting—List of
the Dead Given.

Philadelphia.—Nine young men lost their lives when an automobile in which they were joy riding crashed through the railing on the side of the new Twenty-third Street Boulevard at Master street and fell into a coal yard 75 feet below. The machine, a big touring car, turned turtle in the descent and the occupants were found crushed and mangled in the hood of the machine. The body of the car was smashed to splinters.

The dead are: Robert A. Boyd, 27 years old; Gordon H. Miller, 21; William M. Lawrence, 25; Edgar M. Shaw, 19; Thomas Nevin, 18; Daniel J. Wilkes, 25; Jesse Holmes, 23; Ernest Schofield, 27; Robert Geisel, 22, all were from Philadelphia.

Edgar M. Shaw, 19 years old, a son of James Shaw, a lumber merchant, who owned the car, was taking a party of his friends home after an evening spent in various cafes and saloons. Nine young men were in the machine and six others were in a smaller automobile when the party came at terrific speed down Thirty-third street. In turning to avoid the smaller automobile which was in the lead Charles I. Spayd, who was driving an automobile, collided with the rear wheel of the Shaw machine.

The heavily loaded car swerved and crashed through the iron railing of the bridge. When those in the other machine had made their way to the coal yard, only one occupant of the ill-fated car showed any sign of life and he died shortly after at the hospital. The others were all pronounced dead when the institution was reached.

Operators Must Have License.

Washington.—Four hundred wireless equipped American ships, nearly one hundred commercial wireless stations, many more stations connected with colleges, schools and experimental laboratories and several thousand amateur wireless stations are affected by the regulations promulgated by acting Secretary Cable of the Department of Commerce and Labor to enforce the radio-communication beginning December 13. The act establishes a complete Federal control system over radio-communication and requires licensing of all wireless operators working across state lines or in communication with ships at sea.

Mexican Rebels Slaughter.

Mexico City.—Word was brought into Huicla, southwest of here, of the almost total annihilation of a detachment of rural guards and a number of women and children in a fight with Zapatista rebels near Sultepec. The sole survivors of the rurales and their party—three men and a woman—staggered into Toluca. They said the detachment of sixty rurales with a number of women and children was stationed on a hill near Sultepec and was surprised by the rebels while feeding their horses.

Falls 2,200 Feet and Lives.

Washington.—Falling in an aeroplane from more than 2,200 feet in the air and escaping with only a few scratches was the remarkable experience of William Kabitzke, a professional aviator for the Wright Company, at the army aviation school at College Park, Md. Kabitzke was attempting to complete a 2-hour engine endurance test and had flown 24 minutes when the engine suddenly stopped and the aeroplane started a rapid descent.

Americans and Nicaraguans Clash.

Washington.—In a gallant assault, American marines and bluejackets drove the Nicaraguan revolutionary leader, General Zeledon, and his forces from Coyotepe and Barrancas Hills, near Masaya, but in the action four privates of the United States Marine Corps were killed and a number were wounded. The victory of the Americans opened the way for the Nicaraguan government troops to assault the town of Masaya, which they took from the revolutionists and the starving inhabitants were relieved.

Hope of Avoiding War Abandoned.

Constantinople.—In spite of the diplomatic efforts to maintain peace, prospects in this direction are diminishing so rapidly that there is practically no hope here that war with the Balkan States will be avoided unless at the last moment the powers agree upon armed intervention. The Porte is resolved not to listen to proposals of reform from any quarter or to entertain an idea of reducing its forces until the Balkan States demobilize and abandon their present policy.