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ARMS QUESTION OF INSURRECTOS

The Next Attack of Rebels Will Be Mexico City Reported

NOT GIVING OPINIONS

How the News of the Fall of Juarez Was Received in Washington—Insurrection Expected to Swarm into the Camp of the Insurrection.

Washington, D. C., May 12.—News of the fall of Juarez came to official Washington from various sources—

from the secret service agents of the Department of Justice who have been watching the border, from the collector of customs at El Paso and from the Signal Service men of the army.

The authorities here believe that General Navarro's soldiers were more than a match for a considerably larger number of untrained and ill-organized rebels.

To their mind it was evident that there had been a lack of information as to the real numerical strength of the Madero force.

The news of Madero's victory will spread rapidly throughout Mexico, and without doubt recruits will swarm into his camp.

Logically, with heavy reinforcements his next move would be a march on the capital itself, incidentally stopping on the way to besiege and capture all of the considerable cities and towns in his path.

There will be one formidable obstacle to such a campaign, the difficulty of arming and supplying with ammunition his augmented forces.

He can scarcely obtain these supplies from Texas, for the administration holds to its decision, that arms cannot be permitted to the rebels across the line before recognition of the belligerency of the Maderists.

And arms and ammunition cannot otherwise be gotten to Madero's army until he captures some seaport and establishes safe lines of communication with it.

So this question of recognition of his belligerency as sumer the first degree of importance to Madero, and without doubt through Senor Vasconcelos, the acting head of Juarez here, an effort may be expected to secure such recognition from the state department.

Indications are that such a request will not be granted, for the present at least. There is this serious objection to doing so; by that act the Diaz government would be relieved of all pecuniary responsibility for any damage inflicted upon Americans by the rebel operations.

The large American business interests in Mexico which have suffered severely by the insurrection would raise a strong protest against the adoption of a course that would prevent them from securing reimbursement for their losses.

Another consideration is that it would oblige the government to treat the Diaz government precisely as it does the rebels, in the matter of denying them the right to import arms and munitions of war, and would subject American goods entering Mexico to seizure as contraband at the whim of the rebels without any recourse.

Just to what extent Madero has benefited by the capture of Juarez in changing his status in the eye of international law, the officials here are not disposed at present to declare.

But off-hand it is said that the United States will be obliged to recognize the de facto control of Juarez as international port of entry. In the end he will be able to receive merchandise through his custom house and collect tariff taxes.

Mails to Mexico City are uninterrupted. Postmaster-General Hitchcock announced today that communication via Laredo is open and mails are moving in the usual manner.

Has Appendicitis. Mrs. James Wilcox was operated on at the Washington Hospital yesterday for appendicitis. The operation was successful and the many friends of Mrs. Wilcox wish for a speedy recovery to health.

TO EQUIP ARMY PUZZLING MANY

Uncle Sam Now Engaged Buying Extraordinary Supplies

EMERGENCY PREPARING

Whether Cruises in Mexico Is Desired to Take Advantage of Conditions to Equip the Army is the Question—Knowing Odds are Non-Placed.

Washington, D. C., May 11.—Extraordinarily large purchases of supplies for the use and equipment of the United States army are attracting the attention of newspaper men in Washington who are in the habit of looking beneath the surface for events.

The natural supposition would be that these preparations are a silent prophecy of a great military movement into Mexico in the near future. It was by studying the contracts of the navy department for coal that Mr. Stanhope Sims, a well-known Southern journalist then serving as a Washington correspondent was able to guess and predict, before the official announcement, the world-wide trip of the American battleship fleet during Mr. Roosevelt's administration.

But these guesses are not always safe. In the present case the big contracts for army supplies do not necessarily prove that the United States will invade the Mexican republic.

There are two very plausible explanations which do not contemplate the certainty of war or even of intervention—though it cannot be denied that a certain decided significance, not pleasing to those who are optimists with regard to the Mexican situation, attaches to the extensive preparations now under way.

One explanation is that Uncle Sam does not intend to be caught unprepared in Mexico's case, as he was in Cuba's in the event of the necessity of taking military charge of the tottering Latin-American republic. The poor equipment of the United States army, and the confusion resulting from the attempt to do in a few weeks what is bound to be the work of years if done properly, made this country the laughing stock of the world and ruined the Alger administration of the War Department.

The other explanation not based upon the certainty of an advance into Mexico is that Gen. Wood and the rest of the army staff are taking advantage of the serious condition existing in Mexico to get the government to do for the army, on the principle of wise precaution, what in ordinary times it seems impossible to secure by any amount of argument or persuasion, however eloquent or logical.

The fact remains that whatever the outcome of the turbulent state of affairs in Mexico, the United States army will emerge in the best condition it has known for forty-five years.

COMMENCEMENT OF TRAINING SCHOOL

Hold in Greenville May 21-23

The commencement of the East Carolina Teachers Training School will be held May 21-23. The commencement sermon will be preached by Rev. Charles E. Maddy of Stateville, on Sunday at eleven o'clock.

The annual address by Hon. Joseph Danforth of Raleigh, Tuesday at 10:30 a. m.

Monday afternoon class day exercises will be held in the park. A music recital will be given Monday evening. Tuesday will be commencement day with the graduating exercises, awarding certificates and announcements.

The board of trustees will meet Tuesday.

This will be the first class to graduate from this school.

The seniors are having their final examinations this week.

SUDDEN DEATH

Popular Colored Man Passes Away Suddenly at His Home Yesterday

HERMAN THE GREAT

Kept the Audience Spell Bound Last Night at the Grand Theatre

Those who witnessed the performance at his FOG theatre last night pronounce the act of Herman the Great, the best yet. He keeps his audience roaring with laughter while he entertains them with his short changes and tricks.

Last night he was in a complete change of program and the cross mystery was a very bewildering feat, after being securely tied with thirty-six feet of rope to a cross, he made his escape in ten seconds.

For tonight he gives a slight change from that of last evening and those who have not seen him could not be better entertained than visiting his place of amusement this evening.

AUTO PARTY Given by Mrs. James Weston Last Evening

Mr. Jim Weston gave an auto party last evening in honor of Misses Anna Keys and Mattie Clarkston of Raleigh. His guests were Misses Carrie Carroll, Annie Grice and Messrs. Clyde Stallings and Elbert Weston, Mrs. Chas. W. Thomas Chaperoned the party.

GRAZED WOMAN SAVED AT BRINK

Was Rescued From Niagra Cataract by a Constable

OVER SIXTY YEARS OLD

Dress Caught on Rock 15 Feet From Fall and Held Her Until Constable With a Boat Hook Could Reach Her

Niagara Falls, N. Y., May 10.—Fighting with grim determination to end her life, Mrs. Elizabeth Hartley of Buffalo, 60 years old, was rescued from death at the very brink of the cataract today by Constable Harrington, who faced constant danger of being carried over the falls with the struggling woman.

Mrs. Hartley, who came here today entered the water about 50 feet above the falls. Her dress caught in a jagging rock fifteen feet from the brink of the falls. There she was held until Harrington reached her with a pike pole and hoked it into her dress.

Her arm plinked by the terrific current, Mrs. Hartley tried to get free from the pole, but finally, weakened by her struggles she became quiet and was dragged ashore. At the hospital where she was taken it is said she cannot live.

On the river bank was found a letter and a bunch of flowers. The letter read:

"No longer to be treated as a thing demented."

Word received later from Buffalo said that Mrs. Hartley was an inmate of the state hospital there. She had been on parole for several weeks and left the institution today to take a position in a private family. She had shown no signs of her mental trouble for three months.

The Washington Post thinks the New York eat that has adopted a brood of chickens evidently believes in the conservation of natural resources—up to a certain stage.

GRAND LODGE ODD FELLOWS

The Three Link Men in Annual Session at Winston-Salem

W. H. OVERTON, G. M.

Other Officers Also Elected And the City of Raleigh Decided on for the Next Place of Meeting—The Date of Meeting to be Changed—Large Attendance

Winston-Salem, May 11.—Several of the most important questions confronting the grand lodge of Odd Fellows in this state were discussed at the sessions today.

Two sessions were held in the forenoon, the first being called to order at 8:30 o'clock. Scarcely anything was done at this session except hearing the reports of some of the committees. At 2:30 o'clock a recess was taken until 11 o'clock, so that the members of the grand lodge might attend in a body the memorial exercises held at the cemetery. At 11 o'clock the grand lodge again went into session and several matters of minor importance were discussed. Past Grand Master C. B. Edwards, of Raleigh, offered a resolution to change the time of meeting from the second Tuesday in May to the third Tuesday in May.

The object of the change is to avoid Memorial day exercises. The motion requires a constitutional amendment and cannot be acted upon next year.

At this juncture the election of officers was gone into. W. H. Overton, deputy grand master, of Durham, was unanimously elected grand master; Charles Dewey, of Goldsboro, retiring grand warden, was elected

deputy grand master without opposition. There were three candidates for grand warden, the initiative office that leads to grand master. M. L. Shipman, North Carolina commissioner of labor and printing, of Raleigh; K. Kendall, of Shelby, a man prominent in encampment circles, the higher branch of the order, and John W. Frazer, of Winston-Salem, were all nominated. The majority of the votes were cast in favor of Mr. Shipman and his election was made unanimous. B. H. Woodell, of Raleigh, was unanimously re-elected grand secretary to serve for his 27th consecutive term. B. J. Jones, the veteran Odd Fellow of the state, was re-elected to serve his 57th term as grand treasurer. The appointive officers have not been given out yet.

COMMENCEMENT WASHINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS THIS EVENING

To Begin Promptly at 8:30. The Exercises of the Graduating Last Night Much Enjoyed—Hon. O. H. Benson to Deliver Literary Address.

The commencement exercises of the graduating class of the Washington Public Schools for the year 1911 took place at the public school auditorium, this city, last night at 8:30 o'clock. A large number of friends, relatives and others of the graduating class were present—the auditorium being well filled. The platform was decorated in the class colors. All the members of the graduating class occupied seats on the stage and Principal P. Q. Bryan announced the program of the evening. Every number was much appreciated by those present.

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COLORED CITIZEN AN ARTIST

Daniel Slade Indicted For Wholesale Robbery Here

WAS A SLICK THIEF

Daniel Slade, Colored, Appropriated to His Own Use Several Hundred Dollars Worth of Property Belonging to the Southern Furniture Company.

Daniel Slade, colored, was arrested by the city police for wholesale robbery yesterday. He is now in jail awaiting his preliminary hearing before the recorder which will probably be not earlier than Monday. Slade is between sixty and seventy years of age and has been in the employ of the Southern Furniture Company for over a year. No one would have ever thought this ante-bellum negro could have appropriated so much to his own use without detection.

Mr. Oden, the manager of the Southern Furniture Company, received information that Slade had one of the best furnished homes in his section of the city. He decided to send a representative to investigate.

The report received by Mr. Oden was that everything needed in a first class home Slade possessed. This information was given to the police and the result was that Slade was arrested by the police and is now confined in the common jail of Beaufort county.

The property he appropriated to his own use can now be seen in the city hall—lower floor.

It consists of mattresses, stoves, looking glasses, rugs, comforts, chairs, carpets, shoes, suits of clothes and numerous other articles to the amount of several hundred dollars. No one suspected this aged colored man for the time being. He was a trusted employe and had the confidence and esteem of Mr. Oden. He resided in Fowle's Alley and was enjoying his property until he had to give an account. The sequence is however today a sadder but wiser man.

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THE COLORED SCHOOLS CLOSE

Exercises Last Night and Those Conducted This Evening

GRADUATING EXERCISES

The Program Was Much Enjoyed—They Will be Concluded This Evening—Graduating Exercises will Take Place Monday Night, May 15th.

The commencement exercises of the colored public schools for Washington, excepting the graduating exercises, took place last night and will be concluded tonight. The exercises were much enjoyed by all present. This school under the supervision of Professor Davis is advancing with rapidity and is a credit not only to Washington but to the colored race.

The graduating exercises will take place on Monday, May 15. Rev. F. M. J. Mashaw will preach the sermon to the class and Prof. J. H. Branch of Raleigh will make the literary address. The program of the program of the graduating exercises were published in this paper yesterday.

The teacher of grade 1B is Katie R. Truman. In this department is enrolled one hundred and twenty.

In the second grade Lavenia Hudson is teacher. She has seventy-two on the roster.

In the fifth and sixth grades there are fifty-five enrolled with E. J. Jones as teacher. This grade gives practical lessons in sewing every Wednesday during the session.

The seventh and eighth grades are instructed by the principal A. G. Davis.

In the domestic science department all the teachers of the school volunteer their services. This department is one of the features of this progressive institution. There are twenty one enrolled in this department.

The fourth grade is presided over by Josie B. Saunders. Thirty are enrolled. In this department, besides their regular studies the pupils do quilting, make napkins, handkerchiefs, etc.

Third grade, Flora Peyton, the teacher is doing excellent work in baskets and mats. There are seventy enrolled.

In grade 1A Dollie Keys is the preceptor. Forty-five are enrolled.

The total enrollment of the colored school this past session was over four hundred—being not quite as many as was on roll last year. The present quarters for the school is totally inadequate and also needs repairing.

Professor A. G. Davis, the principal deserves much praise for the fine record the school has made this year.

The exercises last night were witnessed by a large number. The concluding program occurs this evening and the graduating exercises Monday night. All invited to be present.

SUPERIOR COURT STARTS MONDAY

Civil Cases Tried for One Week Beginning Next Monday.

The May term of Beaufort county Superior Court will begin next Monday with His Honor, Judge O. H. Allen of Kinston, presiding. The entire week will be devoted to the trial of civil causes. On the following week the Hyde county superior court will be held at Swan Quarter. Then the Beaufort county superior court will be held for a term of three weeks for the trial of civil causes. Judge Allen has presided over the courts of this county for several terms and is very popular with a people.

It might seem different at close range, but after all it is said that Mexico disturbance does not remain with any great force of Sherman's force of war.

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