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ADMITS PLOT BUT DENIES REMINDER

That Madero Was to Be Slain Report Has No Foundation Says Prisoner

HE REVEALED HIS PLAN

REVOLUTIONARY LEADER EXPLAINS WHY SO MANY MADEBON ARE IN NEW GOVERNMENT—DE VILLIERS FORMERLY A LIQUOR DEALER IN SAN ANTONIO.

El Paso, Texas, May 30.—J. E. Wharton, the attorney who will defend Wm. De Villiers, arrested here on a charge of conspiring to murder Francisco I. Madero Jr., head of the late revolution, said yesterday:

"De Villiers admitted to me that his mission here was political and that he was to alienate some of Madero's friends, but he was absolutely guaranteed by those who employed him that there was to be nothing criminal in the movement. There is no criminal evidence in the case. De Villiers is in no way connected with the political movement. He was secured for the work because he was a Boer and knew Gen. Viljoen."

Gen. Viljoen, who is a Boer veteran, is Madero's chief military adviser. In order to discover the purpose and plans of the alleged conspirators it is said that he at first pretended to be an adverse to aiding them. It is rumored here that efforts will be made soon to start an investigation in the Mexican congress to determine the source of the plot, and that charges will be made against Pinedo, leader of the Cientifico element.

"For ten days we have been secretly working on this plot," said Madero. "When I was first informed of it I traced it to Mexico City. A small group of the old regime there decided to take a last desperate chance to save themselves in the hope that if I were overthrown they might continue in their old ways of exploiting the country for their private good."

"I have unlimited confidence in the faith which the Mexican people have for me. Only a small portion, for selfish motives, are likely to oppose me. There will be more plots, undoubtedly, but prompt steps will be taken to stop them."

Concerning reports from Mexico City that the new government appears to be taking on the element of a family affair in the selection of Madero and Gomez for office Madero said:

"These men have taken an active part in the revolution and were selected because of their fitness and their enthusiasm for the cause of liberty. Absolutely no consideration was paid to family ties."

"The charges of despotism are being trumped up by the small element which fears to see the dawn of the new era."

De Villiers formerly a liquor dealer in San Antonio.

San Antonio, Tex., May 30.—The Light this afternoon says that the men arrested in Mexico on suspicion of plotting to start a counter-revolution are well known San Antonians.

"The two men," it says, "are William L. Dunne, formerly a newspaper man and at one time managing editor of the Light, and Daniel De Villiers, a former liquor dealer in this city."

RECORD BREAKER ON LAST NIGHT

A Record Breaker Service Last Night

A large and deeply impressed audience greeted Evangelist Reblitt at the Christian church last night. The theme was "The Lost Boy" and the story of the Prodigal Son was used

As the date for the observance. At the close of the service one young man made the confession. A deep impression was left on the congregation, as to the necessity of immediate repentance of Christ.

The address tonight will be "The Missing Word of the Bible." Considerable curiosity has been manifested as to just what this word may be, as the management has been made from the pulpit.

The observance of baptism will be administered at Washington Park at 6:30 this afternoon.

There will be a meeting of the M. E. Church choir tomorrow evening at the usual hour. All members are requested to be present.

In San Antonio.

Rev. E. Lee Davis of Wilson, N. C., arrived in the city this morning. Mr. Davis is superintendent of the Antislavery League in North Carolina and is doing a fine work. He will be in the city until tomorrow. His many friends are glad to see him.

THE SERMON WILL ATTRACT

All Are Cordially Invited to Be Present Tonight.

The services at the First Baptist church last night were well attended, being one of the best services so far during the series of meetings. The sermon by the pastor was in keeping with his reputation as a speaker. It has been pronounced by those present as the best so far delivered by him.

The subject for tonight is attractive and no doubt will be heard by a large congregation.

Mr. Sullivan as a platform speaker needs no introduction to our people.

Not only does he deliver words of wisdom from the Bible but applies it to every day life.

The music at this church is one of the features.

The services for tonight begin promptly at eight o'clock. All are cordially invited to be present.

SHALL WE SECURE THE SCHOOL HERE

Our People Are Working For the Institution Here With a Will

MEANS MUCH TO COUNTY

OUR CITIZENS ARE WORKING FOR THE INSTITUTION—WE MUST PRESENT A GOOD DELEGATION ON JUNE SIX AT BALDWIN—NOW IS THE TIME TO WORK.

The citizens of the county have gone to work to secure the institution for the Feeble Minded here judging by the work so far done. The committee appointed at the last meeting in the courthouse have left no stone unturned and unless something unforeseen happens the board of trustees will seriously consider the claims of this county on June 8. Beaufort county cannot be surpassed as a location and our citizens realize this and are working with a will to secure the location here. No county in the state is better adapted for such an institution and if we fail to secure it then the fault lies with us and not some one else. It is to be hoped that every member of the committee from the respective townships in the county will lay aside every other business engagement and attend the meeting of the trustees on June 8.

If we are to secure this school we have no time to delay matters. To secure it means prosperity; to allow it to go to some other county surely means backwardness.

What shall we do in the premises?

THE VETERANS ARE PRESENTED WITH DIPLOMAS

Gov. Woodrow Wilson Makes The Annual Address at the University

WAS THE CLOSING DAY

PRESIDENT VENABLE REPORTS PROMISING CONDITION OF THE UNIVERSITY—LARGE CROWDS IN ATTENDANCE—A SIGNIFICANT COMMENCEMENT—THE CLOSING DAY.

Chapel Hill, May 31.—Scarcely has there ever occurred in the annals of university commencements an occasion that has been filled with more significant events and that has seen more activity in behalf of the future of the institution than the commencement just closed. Addresses have been made by Gov. Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey, an organization of the alumni into a more compact and serviceable body has been effected, the first reunion in 50 years of the war classes has been held, diplomas have been presented to the members of those classes, a sum approximating \$5,000 has been raised for the erection of a monument to the dead and living Confederate veterans who were students in this dispensary of knowledge.

A Significant Commencement

Yesterday has witnessed a culmination of the greatest commencement in many years, a commencement that has been dedicated not merely to the fact that honors have been paid where honors were worthy bestowed, but for the fact that in this occasion has been displayed in living thought and in concrete examples the moving spirit of the times, the spirit of progressiveness, a progressiveness that is fast rushing this nation into a new epoch, a progressiveness and a spirit that are moulding divided national life into a success, and that are fulfilling the idea of organization with a concerted activity.

Here on this campus and in this occasion has been advanced the principles that signify the condition of American life, that are to be tried in that life for its conservatism, that bespeak the ineptness of a new care. Here has been exemplified the spirit of the present in the making and the building of a greater, a broader, and a more powerful institution of learning, an attempt to more adequately fit it to fit men for the arduous life that the age requires.

The Closing Day

Yesterday was the closing day of the 116th annual commencement of the university. An address has been made by Gov. Woodrow Wilson, of New Jersey, diplomas have been conferred on the largest graduating class in the history of the institution and on men who left the institution 50 years ago to fight in the Civil War. The exercises were of noteworthy interest and of unusual moment.

Five Thousand People Present

At least 5,000 people were present to participate in the festivities; 3,000 heard Woodrow Wilson in memorial hall at 10:30 o'clock and hundreds were turned away when the massive doors were closed by the marshals. For the first time since the centennial of '95 the boistered hall whose size has been acclaimed as too great for the university, was filled to the uttermost, and men stood to hear the speaker of the day. People were present from all over the state. Orange county turned forth in all its splendor.

At 10:15 o'clock before the Alumni hall, on the old East walk, the procession of faculty, trustees, graduates, veterans and alumni assembled for the march to Memorial hall. The faculty were robed in their gowns of degree and the graduates in the conventional cap and robe of their standing.

The march to the hall followed the avenue north of the monument into the old West walk, and was led by the university orchestra.

The exercises were opened with

prayer by Rev. Dr. W. R. L. Smith, of the Baptist church.

Announcements by President

With brief words President Venable told of the work that has been accomplished for the university in the past year, expressing a gratification for the act of the legislature in making an appropriation of \$200,000, and in increasing the maintenance fund to \$27,000. He announced a gift from the Peabody educational fund of \$40,000 for the school of education. He announced the completion of a fund for the self-help home through the office of Rev. R. W. Hogue, of the Episcopal church, and the practical completion of a fund for a monument to all the sons of the university who were Confederate veterans, which the next commencement would probably see finished. Through Julian S. Carr a medal has been offered for the best junior debater during the junior week. From an anonymous source \$200 has been received for the department of chemistry.

HIS SPEECH STRONG PLEA FOR PEACE

President Taft Delivers the Memorial Address at the Arlington Cemetery

URGE AVOIDANCE OF WAR

DECLARES AWFUL HORRORS OF WAR FAR OUTWEIGH BENEFITS—MORE PATRIOTISM AND LOVE OF OUR COUNTRY IN ABOLITION—ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY SCENE.

Washington, May 31.—Under the shade arches of the Arlington National cemetery, President Taft spoke yesterday, not so much as the friend of peace, but as the enemy of war. Thousands of veterans tramped the hot asphalt of the capital's streets, crossed the Potomac and fringed the dusty roads to Arlington to hear the president speak. Thousands of others came in by automobiles and by street cars and when Mr. Taft with Secretary of War Stimson came whistling up to the vine covered amphitheatre there were fully 10,000 people in the seats and crowded about the speaker's stand. It was probably the most impressive and most largely attended memorial day celebration Washington has seen.

"Far be it from me," said the president, "to minimize in any way by these suggestions the debt we owe to the men buried here, who carried on the successful struggle that ended in the abolition of the cancer of slavery and which seemed in eradicable save by such an awful slaughter of the brightest and bravest and best of the nation's youth and manhood."

"I shall not stop to discuss whether it might have been possible to accomplish the same great reform by milder methods. Whether that be true or not, the supreme sacrifice of these men, who lie about us, in the cause of advancing humanity can never be lessened or obscured by such a suggestion."

"Let us leave this beautiful city of the national dead, therefore, with the deepest gratitude to the men whose valorous deeds we cherish with the tenderest appreciation of the value of the examples they set, but with a determination in every way possible consistent with honesty, and manly and national self-restraint to avoid the necessity for the display of that supreme self-sacrifice that we commemorate today to them."

Union Prayermeeting

The following appointments are made for the Union Prayermeetings tomorrow afternoon at 4:30 o'clock.

Mrs. E. L. Dawson's on Bridge St. led by Rev. Robert V. Hope.

Mrs. J. H. Wallace, on Market St. led by Rev. J. A. Sullivan.

Mrs. Louisa Cozens on Bonner St. led by Rev. R. H. Broom. All are cordially invited to be present and take part.

The modern range or cook stove and the sewing machine are fixtures

THE FARMER THE CREATOR OF SUCCESS

They Are Coming Into Their Own States the Correspondent Below

THE FARM LIFE SCHOOL

NO TWO FARMERS ARE EXACTLY ALIKE IN ANY RESPECT—NO SYSTEM OF FARM MANAGEMENT CAN BE GENERALLY APPLIED—ARE THE FARMERS ACTIVE.

Yes, sir, I am willing that my opinion be published and an writing this for that very purpose. It is only fair and just that questions of this kind be impartially discussed—the pros and cons dissected.

The question evolves itself as to whether the farmers are doing things for themselves, these days or are they merely the automatons of schools, boards and departments? In other words is the present flourishing condition of agriculture due to these agencies or are they merely creations of agricultural progressive-

As a matter of fact, the farmer is coming into his own and as a rule and as a whole each individual farmer, with the aid of Providence, is the creator of his own success. Every farm has become an experiment station. Every farmer taking a course in the great school of experience. What success has come our way as farmers, has come largely as a result of a healthy rivalry among ourselves. That principle has been growing of late years and the outcome has, to a very satisfactory extent, been lucrative and farm-life has expanded, and yet, none of us have done the best that was in us or as much as we knew. The great vampire, laziness, has been and is largely yet, a menace to the farm. So much is allowed to go to waste, and we are so prone to put off jobs, that through our indolence, the old robber, procrastination, gets off with a large per cent of the booty. We all know these things and what the farm papers have been telling us about it is nothing new, but to be taxed thousands of dollars annually, world without end pay Prof's or graduates of the A. & M. College to flaunt the same dirty rag in our faces is a thick—THICK proposition.

The district schools should be made efficient from a theoretic or technical standpoint, not that there is so much to be taught that is not already understood by the average farmer, but that the young people may become more interested, more impressed with the importance and significance of agriculture, but so far as demonstration work is concerned I am of the opinion it would be very unsatisfactory in the schools, for the reason that the many different soils, surface irregularities, thermal climatic and drainage conditions, etc., cannot be made a unit of measure for a country on any passable ten to twenty-five acres, as, for instance, the care and management required for crops on Norfolk or Portsmouth sand would be very inefficient to demonstrate what could be done on Selma clay, the loams or other soils. In a general way we have the agricultural department and state experimental work as explained in various bulletins, but for the fact, that no two farms are exactly alike in every respect, no system of farm management can be generally applied.

Whose girls is it who do not know how to cook and sew? If there is one anywhere, rich or poor in farm or city life, over the age of sixteen who cannot do both and those other things about the home (physically able I mean) should be allowed to go hungry and otherwise short of the blessings of life. It is certainly putting a small premium on the rural mothers of the country, to say the least, to even suggest that their daughters are incapable and ignorant of these every day farm life accomplishments.

The modern range or cook stove and the sewing machine are fixtures

home, but the question of how to make a question of matter and material to make material to stew, material to drink and much finer to sew. Fathers and sons must provide those things. They have been doing so these many, many years (with the aid of the mothers and daughters).

Do the promoters of the "Farm-Life School" see a reason or possibility for their not doing so in the future? Do they have such fears about it that they think it necessary to specially tax the farmers for what they must conceive inability on the part of the fathers to instruct their boys?

Farm-Life Schools will be a failure. The boys and girls who may need them are needed more on the farms to help maintain the farms, and here is a problem: How may the farmer maintain the farm with little or no labor; maintain his children in school and maintain the school also?

So long as the farmer was just "Old Hayseed," nobody thought of elevating or bringing him out on the front porch. There were no journals to laud him; no departments to aid him or "professionals" to encourage him. Society didn't touch him "Gentlemen" did not speak to him and "ladies" just sniffed in passing. Now, the order is changed: "Gentlemen" go arm in arm with him and "ladies" smile upon him; departments, etc., aid and encourage him. Legislation caters to his wishes, lawyers and judges sit and cajole with him. In fact, he is now the chief corner stone of our great American republic and why? because he is the hero of the age, having evolved himself into what he is today from the chaotic "hayseed" conditions of the past. He has made money, accumulated wealth and the world loves him for it—the

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THEY OPERATE BY LIGHTS OF AUTOMOBILE

Was Performed After a Thirty Two Mile Run and Was Successful

A RUN FROM DENVER

THEY RACE FROM BANQUET IN HARTFORD TO SAVE MAN'S LIFE IN WILLIMANTIC HOSPITAL IN LESS THAN HALF AN HOUR—AT CRITICAL POINT WHEN LIGHTS GO OUT

Willimantic, Conn., May 31.—Doctors raced thirty-two miles in an automobile last midnight to perform a delicate and dangerous surgical operation in St. Joseph's Hospital in this city.

At the moment they reached the critical stage of the operation all the electric lights went out. The operation was successfully finished by the light of the automobile's oil lamps, dimly reinforced by that of burning matches.

It was too hazardous for the resident surgeon, assisted by his fellows to undertake, so he telephoned to the hospital's visiting surgeon, who was at a dinner in Hartford. He and two other physicians hurriedly left the festive board, jumped into a motor car and burned up the thirty-two miles of good roads from Hartford here, making the run in less than half an hour.

Everything had been made ready for them, the patient awaited them on the operating table, which is brilliantly illuminated by big electric lights and reflectors. The operation for strangulated hernia is brief but dangerous, as great blood vessels are involved. At the most critical moment of the operation every lamp in the building was extinguished, the current had been cut off.

There was no time to procure lamps or candles from anywhere outside the hospital which is not supplied with gas.

A quick-witted orderly rushed to the waiting automobile, grabbed a wrench from the tool box and ran back with the two big lamps to the operating room.

BRYAN THROWS A BOMB AT DEMOCRATS

Does Not Like the Tariff on the Wool Industry and Takes Exceptions

REVENUE CAN BE RAISED

THE NEBRASKAN DECLARES ALL NEEDED REVENUE CAN BE RAISED IN LESS OPPRESSIVE WAYS—WARNED AGAINST THE DRIFT OF DEMOCRATS TOWARD A PROTECTIVE POLICY

Washington, May 31.—William Jennings Bryan yesterday took exception to the program of his party to the house and criticized sharply the majority of the democrats who have agreed to support the revised tariff schedule on wool and woolen goods. The criticism is contained in a statement made public through Representative Harrison of New York.

Chairman Underwood, of the ways and means committee, contented himself with the declaration that despite Mr. Bryan's stand the revised tariff would go through the democratic caucus with a two thirds majority.

Revenue Can be Raised.

"The democratic voters," said Mr. Bryan, "know that all needed revenue can be raised in less oppressive ways and they know the argument that the tariff is merely a subterfuge employed because those who employ it are ashamed to say they favor protection."

The Nebraskan warned against the drift of democrats toward a protective policy, which, he said, is most marked in those democrats who have "among their constituents influential beneficiaries of the system."

"The republicans want protection on wool because they believe in the principle of protection," he declared: "let us no democratic advocate of a tax on wool, masquerade behind the pretense that he is voting for a revenue tariff; let him not add hypocrisy to the sin which he commits against his party."

Criticism Evokes No Comment.

This criticism, apparently directed at the party leaders in the house, evoked no comment, except the suggestion that the votes in the caucus would disclose that Mr. Bryan has only one-third of the Democrats in the house behind him.

Mr. Bryan insisted if protection was to be accepted as a democratic doctrine, "that it be accepted openly and applied to everything and to all sections."

He said there is no reason for favoritism to a few sheep raisers at the expense of all who wear woolen clothing.

"Before the Democratic party is finally committed to the doctrine of protection," he declared, "it will be necessary to consult the voters of the party, and it may be well to remember that the voters of all parties are braver than the politicians. The republican voters were brave enough to turn out a lot of Republican Aldriches; what reason have our democratic congressmen to think that democratic voters are less courageous?"

Beer Stands Closed

All the near-beer stands are closed today due to the recent act passed by the general assembly of North Carolina. Things look more than quiet on Water street.

Condition Better.

The many friends of Mrs. Margaret Hoyt will be pleased to learn that her condition is much improved today. While still very sick she is not thought to be dangerous.

Mrs. Hoyt is one of Washington's oldest and most highly esteemed citizens.

Has Moved.

Mr. W. J. Pippin and family have moved to the Bogart residence on East Second street where they will reside in the future.