

Weather: Fair and Colder

MADERO PUT TO DEATH; CIRCUMSTANCES UNKNOWN

Mexico City, Feb. 23.—Francisco I. Madero and Jose Pilo Suarez are dead in a midnight ride under guard from the national palace to the penitentiary they were killed.

The circumstances surrounding the death of the deposed president and vice-president of the republic are unknown, except as given in official accounts, which do not in all cases conform. The only witnesses were those actually concerned in the killing.

The provisional president, Gen. Victoriano Huerta, says the killing of the two men was incidental to a fight between their guard and a party attempting to liberate them. The minister of foreign relations, Francisco de La Barrera, adds that the prisoners attempted to escape. Neither makes a definite statement as to which side fired the fatal shot. It is not impossible that neither knows.

An official investigation has been ordered to determine the responsibility and solemn promises have been made that the guilty will be punished.

Mexico City, Feb. 24.—Francisco I. Madero's wife stood by General Victoriano Huerta, the provisional president of Mexico, Saturday, and pleaded for clemency for her husband. She left the national palace with no assurance for his safety and she was forced to forego the consolation of conversation with the imprisoned ex-ruler, whose guards are enforcing rigidly the order of incommunicado.

General Huerta treated the downcast, frightened woman with every courtesy, but he explained to her that in view of the investigations to which ex-President Madero would be subjected, his fate was in other hands, intimating that Congress probably would render the final decision.

TEACHERS MEETING

A teachers' meeting was held Saturday at 11 o'clock in the school building, this being a meeting of the Third Division, comprising Bath, Pantego, and Long Acre Township. The session lasted about two hours, and a discussion of the third part of the book, "Reading in the Public Schools."

The superintendent conducted a discussion of the formal teaching of reading in intermediate and grammar grades. In this period of rapid development and growth, and the child must be forced to learn by constant drilling. Superintendent W. L. Vaughan devoted special attention to the physical position while in the act of reading. Reading, he said, should be taught from the standpoint of appreciation. He advocated the free use of the dictionary by the child.

The same meeting was held Friday at Aurora with the exception that it was Division Two, comprising Richland Township, instead of Division One.

The next meeting will be a meeting of all the teachers in March. Before this meeting they are requested to read the book, "Checking the Waste."

MOVING PICTURE MAN MAKES A MISTAKE

Washington, Feb. 24.—A moving picture man, unintentionally and without malice, has played a trick on Gov. Locke Craig of North Carolina.

The camera man, a stranger, went to Raleigh to get pictures of the inauguration. W. W. Kitchin, the outgoing official, was pointed out as "the Governor." After that Mr. Kitchin was taken for Mr. Craig and Mr. Craig for Mr. Kitchin.

The pictures, which have just been put on throughout the country, show Mr. Kitchin at every turn of the proceedings, and Mr. Craig once, just as Mr. Kitchin was saying goodbye and passing out.

One of Mr. Craig's Washington Congressional friends went to see his friend Locke and was very much surprised when his old-time foe, ex-Gov. Kitchin, took the leading part in the show.

TEACHERS HAVE TO MOVE

Prof. M. A. Huggins and part of his corps of lady teachers were charged to find themselves shut out of Mrs. B. B. Moore's home yesterday, where they boarded. There is a case of scarlet fever in the house, and the ultra-strict school regulations forbid them to enter it. They were therefore compelled to seek new quarters temporarily.

ANOTHER BODY CONCEALED IN TRUNK

Atlantic City, Feb. 24.—Detectives here are carefully inspecting every piece of baggage that comes into the city. They are acting on advice from Baltimore which say a box or trunk containing the bodies of two murder victims, a man and a woman, have been shipped from Maryland to Atlantic City.

Chief McGovern of the Baltimore department got into telephonic communication with Richard Whalen, captain of detectives here, late Tuesday night and, according to Whalen, declared that a Baltimore detective had learned that the two bodies had been shipped Tuesday morning. The identity of the victims and circumstances surrounding the tragedy were not disclosed.

The police have been unable to obtain a single clue.

WHARF NOTES

The "Nautillus," of Blounts Creek, Capt. C. B. Edwards is in port.

The Anna B. McNally and Rebecca T. McClain, lumber boats from Philadelphia, are still in port.

The "W. B. Blades," of Hyde County, Capt. Edward Bell, leaves today for Bayada with a load of logs.

The "Eloise," the new excursion steamer for Bath, in charge of Capt. H. L. Brooks, is lying in port.

The "Elfrida," the ship devoted to the Sixth Division of Naval Reserves, is now in plain view, as she rests upon the bosom of the river. The vessel has come to take the Reserves to the inauguration, under command of Lieutenant Charles F. Morton.

The "A. L. White," of Hatteras, Capt. Luther, left at 13 o'clock noon today for Hatteras.

The "Maud and Roginaid," Capt. J. W. Dudley, left today on a fishing trip.

The Tar River Oil Co. of Tarboro has two vessels in port today loading up with fertilizer; the "Tarboro of Tarboro," Capt. John Roberts, and the "Shiloh," Capt. W. A. Parvin.

The gas boat "Hyde," of Hyde County, Capt. Robert Burrus, is lying in port.

The "Jupiter," of Philadelphia, Capt. B. H. Newton, owned by the F. W. Munn Co., is unloading sacks of fertilizer from Baltimore. She will be loaded with lumber for the return trip.

CELEBRATES SEVENTY-SIXTH BIRTHDAY

Mr. W. T. Farrow recently celebrated his seventy-sixth birthday. At the home of his son-in-law, Mr. Walter Credit, an elaborate dinner was tendered him the evening of his birthday. The guests included some in the community.

This birthday dinner is an annual affair, and the many friends of Mr. Farrow hope that he will enjoy many more of them.

MISS JESSIE WILSON TO DELIVER AN ADDRESS

Wilmington, Del., Feb. 24.—Miss Jessie Woodrow Wilson, daughter of the President-elect, will deliver an address in the New Century Club here tomorrow night in support of a Ten-hour Workday bill for women, now pending in the Delaware General Assembly. Federal Judge Geo. Gray will introduce Miss Wilson. The members of the Legislature, Gov. Miller, Lieut. Governor Ferguson and Secretary of State Miller have been invited to attend.

The President-elect's daughter will speak at the request of the Consumers' League, which is back of the bill. Some of the Wilmington manufacturers are opposing the measure.

Mrs. W. McIlhenny has accepted a position in the millinery department of the J. K. Hoyt store. Mr. Hoyt intends to make his millinery department a special feature this season, and has just returned from purchasing stock which he is confident will please the ladies of Washington.

40,000 SOLDIERS ORDERED TO GALVESTON

Washington, Feb. 24.—About 40,000 soldiers were ordered yesterday to Galveston, Texas, and vicinity, the nearest seaport adapted to the embarkation of troops for Mexico. They are not under orders to proceed to Mexico, and it is the expectation and the hope of the administration that it will not be necessary to issue orders for such a movement. The situation in that country, however, is regarded as sufficient to warrant the concentration of a force strong enough to take possession of a seaport and open the way for an invasion of the country.

It will be for President Woodrow Wilson to determine whether such an expedition will be dispatched, although, of course, it is assumed that he first will seek the guidance of Congress. Through trusted agents, though not directly, the President-elect is understood to have expressed his interests in the situation and has placed himself in a position to acquire specific knowledge as to all the details before he comes to Washington, March 3.

A QUEER KIND OF DRINKARD

A bartender, writing an article entitled "What a Man Will Do for a Drink," in the March American Magazine, tells the following story:

"I had one customer who was a puzzle to me.

"He was a whiskey-drinker, a hard one. Recently he began to call for port wine. The change made me curious. He came in one day cold sober."

"Jim," he said, "I'm dead broke. I want a drink. I may never pay you for it, but can I have it?"

"I looked at him in surprise. He was clean, well dressed, close-shaven, and sober."

"Sure, what'll it be?" I inquired.

"Port wine."

"If he had asked for whiskey, brandy, anything else, I would not have given it a thought. But I could not conceive of anyone begging for a five-per-cent alcohol drink which was sweet. He took the glass of wine, sipped a little from it, took a small vial of ether from his pocket, floated the ether on the wine, and gulped it down. In a few minutes he was maudlin, pitifully drunk. He recovered in a short time, and went for a walk, returning inside of an hour to beg for another glass of port. The fumes of the ether had cleared away, and he was sober. I asked him why he took that stuff. The confession he made amazed me, in spite of my long association with drunkards. He loved to get drunk, and drank with the set purpose of becoming drunk. He loved whiskey, but the firm that employed him gave him his choice between quitting whiskey or their employ. He quit whiskey. Six days a week he did not drink. On his day off he wanted to get drunk as quickly as possible, and, as he said, 'enjoy himself'; so he had evolved the other drink. He died about two months later, and the coroner kindly said 'heart-disease.'"

Messrs. W. R. and C. R. Galloway of Blounts Creek arrived here this morning to attend court on the Washington and Vandemere.

"GOD IS WITH US" REV. R. V. HOPE'S THEME

Rev. R. V. Hope last evening unfolded the lesson contained in the story of "Jacob at Bethel" to a large congregation which completely filled the Christian Church. The singing was spirited and there was an atmosphere of earnestness which had its effect upon every one present. In short, those present seemed to gain genuine-keen enjoyment from both the service and the sermon.

It was announced that the attendance at Sunday school yesterday had broken all records, 182 being present.

Mr. Hope took his text from part of the fifteenth verse of the twenty-eighth chapter of Genesis: "I am with thee and will keep thee whithersoever thou goest." Jacob, because of his treachery, his way of living and the fact of his having taken a birth-right which did not belong to him, was compelled to leave home and seek another country in which to reside. He did not wish to go, being the type of man who loves to stay at home. But circumstances compelling him, he set out, and camped for the night at a place which he afterwards named Bethel. It was here that he lay down, pillowing his head upon a stone, and saw the vision of the golden ladder reaching to heaven and angels ascending and descending.

God told him of the future glory of his children's children, and the wonderful land they were to inherit. While Jacob might have been a trickster at that time, God saw in him a leader of men, with possibilities for greatness. "Surely God is in this place," cried Jacob, and he vowed a vow saying if the Lord would keep him, give him food and raiment, and bring him again to his father's house, then should the Lord be his God, and he would give one-tenth of the possessions vouchsafed him unto the Lord.

Jacob was no longer a trickster, for here he realized the awe-inspiring truth that God is everywhere, and used Jacob to widen the scope of achievement for a great nation.

"Yet we must remember that God can only use men when they will be used. He can only use a congregation when it wills to be used. We must pray for we ought to work for, and conversely if a thing is worth working for, it is worth praying for."

"We must not get the idea that God is only in the churches; God is everywhere and often speaks to us, as He spoke to Jacob, in the open. This fact is borne out by the thousands of young men who are going out every year as missionaries, 'strong of body, vigorous of mind—strong men going out to cope with the great ills of the world.'"

"If we fulfill the conditions and devote our very best efforts to a task, God will answer prayer. Rev. A. C. Dixon, now preaching in London, prayed for 100 converts during the coming year. 'If God will give me just 100 converts,' he said, 'no more, no less, then I will know that God does answer prayer.' The year drew near its close and he had 95 converts. At the last moment four more professed conversion. Just as he was about to immerse them, a man stepped up and asked that he also be baptized. Dixon protested that the gentleman was not ready, being in his Sunday clothes. But the latest convert insisted, and went home with his best clothes drenched—but Dixon had got his 100 converts, no more, no less."

"But in order for God to use us we must put forth our own best efforts," concluded Mr. Hope.

TAFT RECEIVES FAREWELL PRESENTS

Washington, Feb. 24.—A magnificent set of pearl studs for President Taft and a diamond necklace of pure white stones for Mrs. Taft will be presented to them at the White House as farewell gifts from a circle of close friends which the Tafts have made during the President's long residence in the national capital.

The President and Mrs. Taft will give their last formal entertainment at the White House, a dinner, to be followed by a musicale, and the presentation will be made then. Miss Mabel T. Boardman, of the American Red Cross and a leading spirit in raising the subscription fund for the purchase of the gifts, probably will make the former presentation speech.

BOYS RUN AWAY FROM CRUEL TREATMENT

Philadelphia, Feb. 24.—Eighteen boys ran away from the Glen Mills School, a reformatory, rebelling against treatment from the keepers. After several hours' chase over the countryside they were recaptured. Four are now in the hospital with frozen feet. One broke his leg by his jump from the third floor of the dormitory in his effort to escape.

Recently the reformatory, which has come in for much criticism, has been under investigation by a board of inspectors appointed by the governor. Following the charges made, Dr. R. W. McCafferty, resident physician, and his wife, the head nurse, have resigned because of the alleged cruelty to the boys. As proof of this cruelty they offered the medical records of the school.

It was testified today at the hearing that rattan sticks soaked in vinegar were used in inflicting punishment. Boys were compelled to walk five, sometimes ten miles in the snow in their bare feet with a keeper at their side as a specially prescribed tonic for nervousness. Besides these, the keepers are alleged to have inflicted the "pumping punishment"—making boys use their arms like a pump handle until swollen and blackened.

Several boys have been crippled for life, according to Dr. McCafferty, who declared that he could no longer retain his professional dignity and remain in charge of the medical staff. The inspectors are to report on the charges which Dr. McCafferty has made, and an investigation by the legislature is in contemplation.

LYRIC OFFERS PICTURES EXCLUSIVELY TONIGHT

Motion pictures exclusively and good ones too are the offering at the Lyric Theatre today, presenting some of the best dramatics and comedies of the season.

The manager of the Lyric announces that his future bookings in vaudeville will be the last half of the week only, and especially during the lent season. This move gives the public a chance to see exclusively motion pictures for the first half of the week, and vaudeville for the last half.

Today's offering in motion pictures speak well for themselves, and ones that are well worth an hour of your time.

COTTON MARKET.
Lint Cotton, 12c
Seed Cotton, 4 1/2c
Cotton Seed, 22c.00

Mr. W. D. Livermore of Sydney is a visitor here today.

makes little difference after all how much success we achieve. It makes a great difference whether or not we are headed in the right direction. If we are faithful in the battle of life, we will some day be able to say, 'I was there—in the thick of the fight,' and in that day there will be glory for you, glory for me, glory for this world of ours."

Mr. Hope is a preacher of rare magnetic personality, and it is easy to see why his church is so remarkably successful in work among young men.

DR. KREBS TO LECTURE ON BUSINESS

The evening of Thursday, March 6, in the public school auditorium at 8:50 o'clock, Dr. Stanley L. Krebs will deliver a lecture upon city growth and expansion.

He is widely known over the United States as a business authority, and is brought here by the Chamber of Commerce at some expense to give the town the benefit of his knowledge and business experience.

Admission is absolutely free, and every clerk or employe of any kind, as well as an instructive lecturer, is requested to be present. The promoters of this lecture are willing to guarantee you will be glad you come.

Dr. Krebs is a witty entertainer as well as an instructive lecturer, and you may rest assured there will not be a dull moment.

He has been lecturing for some years on business getting and business building, speared with wit and humor, told simply, elegantly, clearly and dignified by science.

Science, believes Dr. Krebs, has a much to do with selling as with manufacturing. He knows life—and men. He has traveled over three continents studying human conditions and business relations; he is a member of the London Society of Arts, the American Academy of Political and Social Science, the Academy of Political Science (New York), the National Geographical Society, the Medical-Legal Society, etc.

He is the man whom John Wanamaker had lectured to his great mercantile family of over three thousand employes for three consecutive years at regular hours each day on business building, store ethics, and salesmanship.

He is the author of four volumes on "The Science of Merchandizing," and "Retail Salesmanship"; of three volumes on "The Intellectual Powers Applied to Industry"; of one volume on "The Buyer's Part"; and of three books on political economy and applied sociology that have enjoyed a wide circulation here and abroad.

He has lectured in every State in the union except three.

He makes plain the obscure and renders easy what is difficult, therefore he is a teacher. His personal magnetism has its pleasing and inspiring effect upon his audiences; therefore he gets return dates all along his track. He possesses a native vein of humor which sparkles up into witticisms of all kinds and at all times therefore he is entertaining.

He handles important and vital subjects; therefore he is instructive and worth while.

The following is what John Wanamaker says about him:

"By mixing with the world he learned men. His suggestions to business people for practical work are admirable. The education of our salesforce is their work with him has been of great benefit to us all."

The following is the opinion of Montgomery Ward and Co., of Chicago:

"The results of Dr. Krebs' lecture will be beneficial. It was put before an audience of 250 of our men in such a clear and happy vein that the general opinion was 'A most instructive and enjoyable evening.'"

The Columbus, Ind., Herald has this to say:

"Practically every business man in the city made it a point to hear Stanley Krebs on 'Psychology in Business,' and each one came away with broader views of his work as a profession and a science. Through the medium of a chart to fix the outlines of his thoughts before the audience in black and white (the better to impress it upon the mind) and a thorough knowledge of a science which many did not suspect existed in their business, Dr. Krebs proved to the satisfaction of every dealer present the why and wherefore of success or failure. Hard-headed business men in the audience who had never thought of science applying to the ordinary walks of life, soon saw that Krebs had the situation at his finger tips. Krebs is able to hold the interest of his audience not mainly by humor interspersed through his lecture, but by the necessity and delight of closely following his arguments, because he builds thought as a mason lays a wall, block by block, until the whole is a perfected thing."

Mr. W. A. Whitford and wife of Craven County are in the city.

CURRENT WATSCO CREDIT TO HIGH SCHOOL

The January number of the *Washington Daily News*, issued some time ago, is a distinct improvement on the *Washington High School*. The assertion may be made with safety that here is not a similar magazine in the State of a nearer appearance, or of greater literary merit.

The girls usually furnish most of the short stories to school publications, and the *Watisco* is no exception to this rule. The two stories in this issue, "Wen by the Last Hit," and "Love Conquers All," are by *Olivia Jordan and Betty Spencer*, respectively. The first tells how a lovers' quarrel was made up when the hero knocked a home run and won the game. It is reeking with the tense excitement of the baseball field, and its author is evidently a lover of the sport and should make a valuable rooter for the *Washington High School*. We should not be a bit surprised, incidentally, if she has read a few of her brothers' "boy books," if she has any brothers.

The following vivid account of the winning run is enough to quicken the pulses of the most hardened "leading business man," and make him long for warm sunshine and a seat on the bleachers:

"He raised the massive bat, and with his steady arm, received the ball, and before anybody knew what had happened, he had knocked the ball straight out in left field. Off he darted like an arrow, determined to make a home run if possible. As he reached third base, the ball seemed to drop in the fielder's mit, and for a moment all seemed lost, but he fumbled and dropped the ball, and as Jack lurched forward, almost out of breath, he reached the home plate while in the same second the ball kicked his head, and fell on the home such in a dead faint."

The other story is fully as good, relating in irresistibly amusing fashion how a pair of lovers "got away with" a stern maiden aunt by ending out her own engagement to the person.

Under the title "Confidences," Mabel Dailey gives us a diverting and enlightening specimen of the conversation of two young ladies who have not seen each other in a long while, and consequently have some confidences to relate. While we feel a little guilty at being permitted to overhear such a charming conversation, we dare say the young gentlemen of the High School sincerely hope it is a typical sample.

Elizabeth Taylor in her poem "Winter," sings of the joys of the icy season, while Margaret Wells in her poem "A Storm" gives a good description of a battle of the elements, creating a striking effect by contrasting the storm with the calm pictured in the last stanza. "A Student's Dilemma," humorous verse by Bruce Hodges, will bring back to the alumnus the days when he, too, was laboriously looking up Latin words.

The three stories by Jack Harris, Josie McCullers, and Helen Shaw are all cleverly done. Little sketches like these add much to any magazine.

The leading editorial tells how to go about making Washington a "city beautiful." High School students, co-operating with bodies such as the Woman's Betterment Association, can make their influence felt in improving the town "both from a sanitary and aesthetic standpoint."

The past football season, in which Washington won four out of six games, attaining the position of fourth place in the State, is ably reviewed by James Fowle. The Cornelian Club is reported upon by Charles Meekins. Ella Lee Campbell and Garland Baker have "athered up some live local happenings, Sallie Carow discusses the exchanges, and Evelyn Jones and Elizabeth Carrow have charge of the joke department. "Along the Corridors."

The editors-in-chief, Ella Lee Wright and Garland Hodges, are to be distinctly congratulated upon the issue.

SUPERIOR COURT ON DAMAGE SUIT.

At the hour of adjournment this morning the superior court was upon the case of the State Board of Education, S. R. Fowle, W. B. Whitley and others, against the Roanoke Railroad and Lumber Co. Compensation for alleged fire damage is asked to the extent of \$15,700. The case came up by special order, and gives promise of lasting several days.