

## COL. W. C. RODMAN RECEIVES ORDERS

### Place Second Regiment On War Footing and Then Make His Report

No Official Report Says Secretary Bryan Has Been Received From Huerta Despite the Fact That He Had Accepted Mediation.

TOTAL AMERICANS WOUNDED NOW SIXTY-ONE

### Admiral Badger Reports That "Sniping" Continues At Vera Cruz. Japanese Ambassador Wants Immigration Laws Suspended.

**RECEIVE ORDERS.**  
Yesterday afternoon Colonel Wiley C. Rodman, commander of the Second Infantry, North Carolina National Guard, received a wire from Adjutant General Young, with headquarters at Raleigh, N. C., to bring the companies of his regiment up to the regulation order of fifty-eight men and then have them undergo a physical examination. After this is done the colonel is to report to the adjutant general. These orders coming from the adjutant general look as if the North Carolina boys will be ordered to the front right soon, unless Huerta decides to change his mind right quick.

Washington—It is reported that ten Mexicans were killed and twenty wounded, while they were attempting to cross the Rio Grande today to the American side.

**TRANSPORTS STOPPING.**  
It is reported that the transports conveying General Funston's brigade may be ordered to slow down. The surmise is that they may not land troops until the mediation matter is settled.

The War Department this afternoon closed the efficiency schools and ordered the officers stationed there to report for active duty.

**MORMONS FLEEING.**  
Two hundred and forty-six Mormons refugees arrived at El Paso this afternoon. Admiral Howard reports to the Navy Department that three hundred refugees today sailed from Manzanillo for San Diego.

**PREPARATIONS MADE.**  
Assistant Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt this afternoon made the statement that preparations had been made by the department along the Pacific coast to receive all refugees from Mexico City against the sentiment of anti-American demonstration.

**AMERICANS JAILED.**  
Secretary Bryan late this afternoon reiterated his former statement that no official word had been received from Huerta. The American consul at Saeillo and two Americans are now in jail placed there by Mexicans.

Washington, D. C.—The Japanese ambassador has asked of the State Department a suspension of the immigration laws so as to permit the Japanese now citizens of Mexico to cross the border into the United States. Secretary of State W. J. Bryan has referred the proposition to the Secretary of Labor.

The consensus of opinion here is this afternoon that Huerta will delay mediation answer for at least a week. His purpose will be in the delay, it is believed, to give him time to strengthen his forces.

**SNIPING CONTINUES.**  
Admiral Badger reported to the Navy Department this afternoon that "sniping" continues in Vera Cruz.

The number of wounded according to Admiral Badger now numbers 61. There are now fifty Americans including women and children and the American consul now imprisoned at Aguas Calientes.

**NO WORD FROM HUERTA.**  
Secretary Bryan gave out the information this afternoon that his department had so far received no word from General Huerta despite the fact that reports had been received accepting mediation. It is said that the constitutionalists are now attacking Tampico.

The Federals today turned loose the oil pushers and in consequence the land is flooded with oil. If this becomes ignited it will turn the country around and Tampico into a sea of flame and in all probability will destroy it.

**FUNSTON TO COMMAND.**  
Vera Cruz—The territory around this city is carefully guarded by the outposts which extend several miles. Trenches have been thrown up by the United States marines. General Funston, of the United States army, has been placed in command of the troops here. This city is now under martial law.

**DANGER IS WAVING.**  
Mexico City—All danger of the Americans in this city being attacked has abated. This does not mean, however, that the Americans are free from insults and they may not be molested at any time.

**HUERTA WILL FIGHT.**  
Washington—A report from the national palace at Mexico City gives out the following: The republic of Mexico has always fulfilled national obligations and at every crisis will defend the rights trampled on by the United States. Signed, Huerta.

The above report is not official and is current here since the statement given out that Huerta would accept mediation. This means it is thought, that General Huerta intends to fight.

Vera Cruz—Circulars which enumerated American business houses are being distributed in the streets of Mexico City. The handbills called on the populace to destroy the concerns listed. Some of the American stores whose names appeared in the circular already have been looted.

Another list being distributed is that of Mexicans managing some of the American stores. It is declared these men must be killed because of their identification with foreign interests.

The capital newspapers are publishing stories to the effect that the American forces at Vera Cruz are killing American women and children and the papers call on Mexicans in Mexico City to retaliate in a similar manner.

Other stories printed by the newspapers say that France, Germany, Great Britain and Spain have declared war against the United States and that American battleships have sunk several ships flying the flags of these nations. Mexicans also are told that the Mexican army has invaded the United States and that the negroes in the Southern States have risen and are assisting the Mexicans.

It is reported here that H. M. van Zandt, the president and all the trustees and officers of the American club of Mexico City are under arrest as are all officials of the Mercantile Banking Company. The officers of the banking institution were arrested because of their refusal to contribute to the Mexican government.

The American grocery was burned and an attempt made to fire the American club. Three other American stores were looted.

## If Board Of Education Has a Surplus Why Not Improve The County Schools Says Taxpayers

Editor Daily News.  
I hear thy address every word you said in the News on April 11 and 22, criticizing the Board of Education for creating a new office. Perhaps it is not a "new office," so far as "duties" are concerned, for we already have one hired and paid to look after school work, but it is a new office so far as our public money is concerned.

To start with, I will say that we do not expect the county superintendent to object to having help to do their work. There are few instances where people object to having an easier time.

If it takes separate individuals to look after the "corn clubs" and the "tomato clubs," then why not employ some one to look after a "potato club," a "hay club," a "bean club," a "cabbage club," etc.

If carried far enough on such principles as that we would all soon have a job. (But I would say here if they were all to be conducted like the "corn clubs," have been conducted in some sections, we better not have any of them). Instead of increasing offices it seems that condensing them would be a better policy.

Now if the lady teachers of our country think so differently from our own superintendent and he finds it necessary to get a woman supervisor because she would think as the women teachers think, then how does he expect to harmonize those different ways of thinking with his own? It looks like the same result would still exist, or does he expect the woman supervisor to be a kind of a "go-between," who will be in harmony with the teachers when with them and with the superintendent when with him?

The proposed supervisor is to look after the schools in the county. Now upon its face it is evidently an un-fair proposition. It is no benefit then it is a needless and extravagant expenditure of public money; if she is a benefit, then the 64 other white schools in the county should receive their share of the benefit.

As to the county commencement, hasn't Guilford county just had a most successful one? How many assistant supervisors did Prof. Frost have? He did have behind him a strong band of well paid teachers, and each one was an assistant supervisor. Where co-operation and harmony exist between the superintendent and a satisfied teaching force, you will find a strong school spirit. Yes, pay our teachers the surplus money. Keep our best teachers at home and there will be more than ten schools in the county that will profit by it. If our teachers are inexperienced and untrained, not qualified, then pay them enough that they may be able to go to school more and equip themselves; or else attract a more desirable class of teachers. An assistant supervisor will not do much toward educating our teaching force.

But if we have a surplus of \$980 a year that we must spend on the tomato club and domestic science business, then we still insist that the proposed way is not the best way to spend it. Why not say to the teachers and community thus: here is a certain amount of money we are going to give you if you make the tomato club and domestic science a success in your school—one half the money to go to the teacher, the other half to go to the school to buy whatever utensils are needed in the business? This would be more likely to stimulate a lively interest among the teachers and in the com-

munity. Then there would be no "ten school" partially business and besides, it is reasonable to believe that more good would be accomplished. Our superintendent and Board of Education should know that a strong corps of teachers count more than all the overseers and supervisors. The teachers get closer to the people, and I will tell you if the schools of Beaufort county are to ever accomplish what we want them to accomplish we must realize that a strong and satisfied teaching force is one of the most important adjuncts.

We are proud of Old Beaufort county and we believe any class of our citizens are as good as a similar class in any other county—even if our Board of Education does think to the contrary. Will they again go out of the county to get some one to help in our school work? Will they again decide that a given salary will attract a better class of people from other counties than it will at home? (This is a record they seem to be making and this is a record they are standing on and asking us—the people who find their office holders at home—to give them another office). Yes, we are proud of the record our Beaufort county boys and girls are making when they butt up against boys and girls from other counties. We are glad that Miss Elsie Reppas and Master Dewey Topping won such honors at Greenville recently. Our boys and girls—yes, and our older citizens—are continually proving that we can hold up our heads anywhere.

If we have surplus money, for the sake of our boys and girls, will we improve our school houses, improve the salaries of our underpaid teachers and make our school terms longer. Wouldn't that benefit progress?  
X TAX PAYER.

## Johnston Surrendered 49 Years Ago Today

### Took Place Near Greensboro. Copy of Order Has Been Preserved by Citizen Since April 27-1865.

Today is the forty-ninth anniversary of the surrender of General Jos. E. Johnston to General W. T. Sherman, which event occurred near the town of Greensboro, N. C., on April 27, 1865. Below is given the order by General Johnston made to his army that day. Mr. Thomas Latham J. Latham, former cashier of the Bank of Washington, and one of the city's most popular and highly esteemed citizens, was present at the surrender and made a copy of the order. He has prized it all these years as one of his most cherished mementoes. To a copy of the order follows:

(COPY)  
Head Qrs., Army Tenn.,  
Near Greensboro, N. C.  
April 27, 1865.

General Orders,  
No. 18.  
By the terms of a military convention made on the 26th inst by Maj. Gen. W. T. Sherman, U. S. A., and Gen. Jos. E. Johnston, C. S. A., the officers and men of the army are to bind themselves not to take up arms against the U. S. until properly relieved from that obligation and shall receive guarantees from the U. S. officers against molestation by the U. S. authorities so long as they observe that obligation and the laws in force where they reside.

For these objects duplicate number of all will be made immediately and after the distribution of the company papers the troops will march under their officers to their respective States and there be disbanded, all retaining personal property. The object of this convention is pacification to the extent of the authority of the commander who made it.

every hope of success of war imposed upon its General the duty of sparing the blood of this gallant army and saving the country from further devastation and our people from ruin.  
(Signed) JOS. E. JOHNSTON,  
General.

Signed official,  
Kenlock Falconer.

## MED. SOCIETY MEETS HERE ON MAY 6TH

The Beaufort County Medical Society is to meet in Washington on Wednesday evening, May 6. The society will be entertained by Dr. Louis Mann, of this city, and Dr. Jack Nicholson, of Bath. The meeting will be held at the home of Dr. Mann, on NORTH Market street.

Papers are to be read by Dr. S. T. Nicholson, of this city, and Dr. W. T. Potter, of Edward. Cases will be reported by Drs. J. G. Blount and B. M. Brown. A most interesting and profitable meeting of the doctors is anticipated.

### Children Love Washington Park.

### FROM PANAMA.

Miss Nora Angel and Mr. J. C. Angel, of Panama, are visiting their mother, Mrs. John G. Blount at her residence on East Second street.

### VISITORS TODAY.

Among the welcome visitors to Washington today is Mr. Henry Orr, of Morehead City, and Dr. Jack Nicholson, of Bath, N. C.

## Hospital Nurse Fires Five Times At Negro

### WILL CROSS BATS AT PARK ON TOMORROW

Washington and New Bern will cross bats at the Fleming Park tomorrow afternoon in a game of baseball. The contest promises to be one of interest and a close game is looked for, as both teams are said to be strong and "there with the goods." Weston in all probability will be the mound artist for the locals, which in itself means a close game. Every citizen should be present and encourage the home boys on to victory.

### CITY COURT TODAY HAD FIVE CASES

Several cases were disposed of at the City Hall this morning by Mayor Kruger. The following were tried: E. L. Brooks, speeding automobile; fined \$2 and cost. McDonald Gaultier, riding bicycle on sidewalk; attached with cost. Thomas Ruo, drunk; fined \$5 and cost. Jim Collins, colored, drunk; fined \$3 and cost. Moses Stuckey, colored, assault; bound over to the recorder.

### STORE AND GOODS WERE DAMAGED

### Two Alarms of Fire Turned In Sunday Evening. D. F. Sawyer's Store Discovered In a Blaze. About \$150 Loss

Sunday afternoon between 6 and 7 o'clock there came near being a serious fire. But for the fact that the blaze was discovered in time all probably thousands of dollars' worth of property would have gone up in smoke and ashes.

Yesterday at the hour stated the store building occupied by Mr. D. F. Sawyer, grocer, and owned by the R. L. Brown estate, was seen to be afire at the rear end of the building, near the ceiling and at the time of its discovery was making good headway. The alarm was promptly given and the department responded and soon it was extinguished. The building was damaged about \$100, and Mr. Sawyer thinks that the damage to his stock will aggregate about \$50.

The surmise is that the building caught due to carelessness on the part of some one loitering around the store, using matches possibly. Later in the evening a second alarm was turned in, proving to be the same building, but it was extinguished before the department reached the scene, and without any additional damage.

### CITY WATER GOOD.

Superintendent H. B. Charles has just received another report on the city water. The State director of the laboratory of Hygiene, Mr. C. A. Shore, reports that Washington's water is good.

It's Restful in Washington Park.

### Accosted Her On The Grounds Saturday Night

### Was Subsequently Arrested As The Man. The Ladies Exhibited Great Courage.

But for the timely pleading of Miss Goldston, the superintendent of the Fowle Memorial Hospital Sunday morning doubtless Thos. Bell, colored, would today be in another clime, however, he is today behind the bars to answer for doings on the night named.

Sunday morning between 1 and 2 o'clock, Miss Barnhill, one of the nurses of the hospital, started to the colored ward, which is located some distance from the main building for the purpose of giving attention to a colored patient, who had undergone an operation Saturday. When near the colored ward a colored man, who subsequently proved to be Thos. Bell, came out from behind some shrubbery and walked deliberately towards the nurse. She stopped and inquired what he wanted? He replied, "Will you tell me whether Dr. Jack Nicholson is in the hospital or not." Miss Barnhill replied "she did not know, but that she would return to the hospital and ascertain." This she did, but instead of learning whether the doctor was present in the hospital, she procured a pistol and with Miss Goldston started back to the colored ward.

The negro accosted her again and he was told that Dr. Nicholson was not there. He was then told that if he had no further business there he must get off the premises as it was against the rules for people to loiter on the lot especially at that hour of the night. The negro refused to move, but instead, began to make advances towards the women. They began to back and when the negro was seen to be gaining Miss Barnhill fired the pistol five times at him and would have doubtless killed him or seriously wounded him, but for Miss Goldston, begging and beseeching Miss Barnhill not to kill him.

The negro finally decided to take the ladies' advice, but took his own sweet time in leaving. The nurses in the hospital hearing the report of the pistol phoned for the police and Policemen Hays and Sadler promptly responded. They made a search for the man and found him still loitering near the hospital. After being placed under arrest the officers took him before the ladies and they without hesitation said that he was the party.

Both the ladies displayed a courage that today is the admiration of the city.

## WILL PLAY THIS CITY ON MAY SIXTH

Mr. Thomas C. Daniels, of New Bern, N. C., was here yesterday for the purpose of perfecting arrangements for the appearance of "The American Gentleman," on Wednesday evening, May 6, at the New Theater. The play will be produced by the local talent of New Bern and no doubt the attraction will receive a generous patronage from Washington theater goers.

### SPECIAL COMMUNICATION.

There will be a special communication of Orr Lodge, No. 104, A. F. & A. M., at their hall, corner of Third and Bonner streets, tomorrow night at 8 o'clock and all the members are urged to be present. There will be work in the master's degree. By order of the W. M. O. M. Winsfield, secretary.

## E. S. SIMMONS NEW MANAGER OF THE LYRIC

The Lyric theater has changed hands and from now this well known playhouse will be under the management of Mr. E. S. Simmons with Mr. W. A. Dillon as operator. Mr. Simmons is one of the city's popular young men and Mr. Dillon is an expert operator. They have secured one of the best film services in the country and propose to present only the very best pictures. A very interesting program has been arranged for this evening and three reels of entertaining and interesting pictures will be seen. Under the new management it is the purpose to give two matinees on Saturdays of each week. The first from 9 to 12 and the second from 2 to 4. Some of the best artists appearing in motion pictures will be seen nightly at the Lyric. Everything will be done by the management to please its patrons as has been the custom heretofore.

### BACK FROM GREENSBORO.

Ex-Mayor Edward T. Stewart has returned from Greensboro, N. C., where he went as representative from the council here to the State Council of Royal Arcanum.

Mr. Stewart has been honored as the representative of the local order for a number of years and he states that in all his experience he has never attended a more loyal and enthusiastic meeting. He says further that Greensboro citizens placed the latch string on the outside all during their stay.

### AUTO PARTY HERE.

Miss Clara Hampton, Miss Alice Phelps and Dr. C. C. Harper and Mr. H. G. Walker motored to Washington yesterday from their home in Plymouth.