

COMPLICATIONS THREATEN RESULTS

Steady Abatement of "War Talk" Is Now Dominant Feature

No Prospect For Peace In Mexico Is The Opinion Of The Knowing Ones. Carranza Still Holds Aloof.

MEDIATOR'S WORK FEATURE

Huerta Gives Out Statement That Armistic Has Been Accepted Upon Condition Rebels Do Not Attack Federals.

HUERTA'S SAY. Mexico City, May 2.—Complications now threaten the result of the dismissal of the foreign minister, Fortillo R. Horta. It is rumored here this afternoon that there is a split between Generals Huerta and Blasquez.

They are enjoying greater freedom from apprehension, more personal liberty and a larger measure of prosperity owing to the influx of American money than they have known in many years.

Some careful observers among the Mexicans, however, take a pessimistic view of a complete American occupation of Mexico would bring about the desired results.

CABINET MEMBERS HOPEFUL

At the regular cabinet meeting held yesterday afternoon following the discussion was devoted principally other than those of Mexico, showing that much of the tension had been disappeared.

Secretary Bryan stated that the point in the negotiations where it was necessary to submit a basis for the American government's position had not as yet been reached.

CONSUL PROMISED PROTECTION

Secretaries Bryan and Daniels today made efforts to neutralize the oil wells at Tampico. Secretary Daniels gave out the information that most of all the wells had been capped with cement and that ordinary gun fire would not ignite them.

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED

Summing up what the mediators have accomplished, a well posted authority has said that it represented more actually done in a given time than had ever occurred in the history of intermediation.

ASSURANCES OF PEACE

Assurances of peace with a steady abatement of "war talk" was the dominant talk in the capital today with reference to the Mexican situation.

STATE DEPARTMENT BUSY

The State Department was busy today getting out of Mexico American citizens.

Vera Cruz.—With the occupation of Vera Cruz by American soldiers under Brigadier General Funston, an accomplished fact, and the return to their vessels in the harbor of sailors and marines who took the port from the Mexicans, questions of the future today are beginning to engage the attention of American refugees and Mexican business men.

The future policy of the Washington administration is being debated with much interest.

Americans and Mexicans alike lack nothing in the nature of a definite statement on this subject and they all are trying to interpret, from the trend of events since the seizure, whether the American occupation of Vera Cruz is to be permanent.

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The meeting with Mrs. Leach was much enjoyed by all. She proved her usual gracious self. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Hathaway at Washington Park.

STRONG FACTIONS

INTRIGUING AGAINST HUERTA

In the capital Provisional President Huerta is in the saddle, but strong factions favoring Carranza, Felix Diaz or some other aspirant to the presidency are intriguing against Huerta and each other.

AMBITION, NOT PATRIOTISM, ACTUATES LEADERS

There is also an element of Mexican and American refugees now in Vera Cruz who express doubt that the mediation undertaken by Argentina, Brazil and Chile or that similar negotiations will bring about a stable coalition of the warring factions in the republic or result in the re-establishment of order.

THINK PROTECTORATE NECESSARY

Another idea as presented today by thoughtful Mexicans is that the only solution of the problem lies in a partial occupation of Mexico by the United States and the establishment under American protection of a government similar to that formed in Nicaragua which latter would be succeeded by duly elected Mexican officials, the United States supervising the elections and vouching for their fairness.

The idea is receiving considerable endorsement from a group of Mexican officials who have remained in the city.

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IT'S RESTFUL IN WASHINGTON PARK

Children love Washington Park.

PROSPECTS ARE BRIGHT

Mr. C. R. Galloway, of Blount's Creek, who was in the city yesterday, speaks very encouragingly as to the crop prospects in his section.

HAVE RETURNED

Mrs. T. E. Cutler and daughter, Miss Mary Cutler, returned yesterday from an extensive visit to Mrs. Cutler's daughter, Mrs. Leon Joyner, at Henderson, N. C.

O. HENRY CLUB GUESTS OF MRS. LEACH

A most delightful meeting of the O. Henry Book Club was held with Mrs. George Leach on Thursday afternoon. Mrs. H. W. Carter presided over the meeting with her usual grace.

S. M. POLLARD SENTENCED FOR 5 YEARS

Samuel M. Pollard, who was convicted of manslaughter in Greenville yesterday afternoon for the murder of Policeman Smith at Farmville, has been sentenced to the penitentiary for a term of five years by Judge Daniels.

GIRL'S CLUBS BANQUET THE SENIOR CLASS

Commencement with all its pleasures was ushered in at the High School last night when the Girls' Clubs, the Eta Kappa and Cornelian, gave a most delightful banquet to the members of the senior class.

Rocky Mount Downs The Local Highs By Score of Ten to Two

GRIMESLAND SCHOOLS TO CLOSE MAY 7

Colonel Alston Grimes, of Grimesland, N. C., was here this morning shaking hands with his many friends.

See-Saw Contest Between Teams Until 11th Inning

Washington Was Weakened By The Absence Of Two Of Its Best Players. Last Game Of The Season Next Friday.

With a team weakened and disorganized by the absence of two of its best players, Washington High School held Rocky Mount's strong baseball team for a 11-inning contest yesterday afternoon in Fleming Park.

The final score was 10 to 2, in favor of Rocky Mount, but the score does not tell the game by any means. It was a beautiful see-saw contest, first one and then the other, until the eleventh inning when Washington began to show signs of the quelling contest, weakened and their strong adversary took advantage.

The locals' regular pitcher, "Big Jim" Weston, was disabled by a sore knee and "Chief" Howard, the husky caretaker of the inner garden, was substituted. Howard had never pitched a game before, but everyone agreed after the contest that he had pitched one game at least, and had done it well, too.

Watkins, the youngster, who has made an enviable reputation for himself in high school baseball, was



"Chief" Howard Was There With (?) Goods.

on the mound for the visitors. He did creditable work, but failed to prove such a terror to the Washington boys as was first supposed.

Edward Forbes rapped on him several times for bases; Merritt Foushee got next to him and nearly every one on the team did something to punch holes in his batting record.

Washington's school boys play their last game of the season on the home grounds next Friday when they meet Tarboro. Next week is commencement and it is hoped that a large crowd will be present to help the boys close the season with honors.

Score by Innings: R. H. E. Wash. . . 101 000 000 00—2 5 4 R'y. Mt. . . 001 010 000 00—10 8 3 Batteries: Howard and Foushee; Watkins and Harris. Umpires, Messrs. Brown and Wallace.

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FIRST OF SEASON. Mr. R. B. Weston, proprietor of the Weston House on East Main street, enjoyed new Irish potatoes yesterday, being the first day of May. So far as we know they are the first of the season.

Annual Sermon To 1914 Class City Public Schools Sunday Night

Tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock at the Public School Auditorium the annual commencement sermon before the graduating class of the Washington Public Schools will be delivered by Rev. J. C. Caldwell, D. D., president of the Atlantic Christian College, Wilson, N. C.

SECURING HIS SERVICES AS THE COMMENCEMENT PREACHER

Dr. Caldwell will arrive here tomorrow morning before the graduation exercises which will be held at the public school auditorium at 8 o'clock.

MAY POLE DANCE FOR LITTLE TOTS

Misses Mary Virginia Bonner and Mary Lillian Ellsworth, the kindergarten teachers in the Washington Public Schools, gave a May Pole dance to the little tots on the grounds of the school building this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock.

HERE TODAY

Mr. R. L. Barr, of Chocowinity, N. C., was among the visitors to the city today.

VISITORS TODAY

Among the welcome visitors to Washington today are: J. A. Wilkinson and W. E. Stubbs, of Belknap. Their many friends are glad to shake their hand.

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CITY COURT HAD SEVEN CASES TODAY

Several cases were disposed of by Mayor Frank Kulger at the City Hall this morning. Those disposed of were as follows: J. Havens, speeding automobile; fined \$1 and cost.

CELEBRATE START OF SUBWAY

Brooklyn, N. Y., May 2.—The turning up of the first shovel of earth for the building of the six-track subway that is to run through the Flatbush district of this city took place today.

WILL CLOSE ENGAGEMENT THIS EVE.

Another excellent show was pulled off at the New Theater last night by the Bartles Musical Comedy Company and as has been the custom all the week, those present were given the opportunity to enjoy a good old-fashioned laugh from beginning to end.

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C. E. McINTOSH WAS VISITOR HERE FRIDAY

C. E. McIntosh, of the State Department of Education, was in the city yesterday on his way to Elizabeth City, where he is scheduled to make the commencement address at a school near that place.

INTEREST AMONG THE RURAL SCHOOLS

Mr. McIntosh is trying to stir up interest among the rural schools of the State for better rural education, an education that will fit young people for work they purpose to do—remain on the farm and improve conditions.

BABY SAVING SHOW OPENED

Philadelphia, Pa., May 2.—A baby saving exhibition has been opened here and it is proposed to conduct it throughout the summer months under the auspices of the Child Federation, which organization will bear all the expense.

HORSE SHOW AT CAPITAL

Washington, May 2.—The annual spring horse show will open here today and last a week and in point of number and quality of entries this is to be the biggest meeting of the national capital has ever seen.

IN THE CITY

Mr. I. P. Hodges and sister, Miss Rosa Hodges, of R. F. D. No. 2, are spending the day in the city.