

## MEXICAN SITUATION BECOMES SERIOUS

### Conference Between Obregon and Scott Expected to End in a Deadlock

#### Interventionists Are Openly Active Along the Border, Endeavoring to Influence Military Men

By E. T. CONKLE, United Press Staff Correspondent. El Paso, May 2.—The Scott-Obregon conference is expected to reach a deadlock today when instructions from Washington arrive, telling Scott to refuse at this time to discuss the question of withdrawal. When they arrive Scott is expected to immediately tell Obregon of the Washington decision.

Obregon is expected to politely but firmly tell Scott that he won't talk anything else until the withdrawal matter is settled. Under such circumstances an immediate adjournment of the conference is anticipated.

Interventionists are openly active along the border. Every effort is being made to offset these activities.

By CARL D. GROAT, United Press Staff Correspondent. Washington, May 2.—Intervention interests at El Paso have been endeavoring to bring the atmosphere and if possible influence the opinions of military men. Secretary Baker has been informed. Baker, however, reposes the utmost confidence in Scott and the latter's ability to handle the situation in spite of the fact that many other military men are pro-interventionists.

Mexican officials here made no effort to minimize the gravity of the situation. They said that there was always a possibility that isolated Carranistas, through their dislike of American soldiers, their partial friendliness to Villa and their disgust over the small pay they receive, might attack the American forces. The longer the Americans remain, the greater this danger will increase, it is believed.

Perishing Prepares for Attack. Columbus, N. M., May 2.—General Pershing is concentrating and disposing his forces as if an attack were momentarily expected. With the Scott-Obregon conference hanging fire and the situation admittedly tense, he is taking no chances. Every movement in the conference room is reported to the commander by wireless. Scattered columns are being called in to their bases. Additional defense works are being constructed along certain points.

## SPURT NOW MAY CAUSE VICTORY

### CONTESTANTS HAVE ONLY FOUR MORE DAYS TO FIGHT FOR THE LEAD IN VOTES.

#### RACE IS YET EXTREMELY CLOSE

Biggest Contest of its Kind Ever Held in Washington Will End on Saturday Night, Very Little Difference in the Leaders' Standing.

The end of the campaign is rapidly approaching and only four days remain of this interesting contest.

Upon the effort of the contestants during the next four days will depend their success at the finish. The race is so close in each one of the five districts that the subscription turned in between now and the close must be the deciding factor. There are instances where as little as five dollars worth of subscriptions represent the difference between candidates competing for first district position. There are instances where as little as fifteen dollars worth of subscriptions represent the difference between the highest four candidates in the district.

Now, who would care to miss a big vacation tour worth hundreds of dollars for a matter of fifteen or twenty dollars worth of subscriptions?

This contest is unique in the fact that no single contestant, nor any several contestants have outdistanced the others. As the race stands every contestant who has made any effort at all has a chance, and a good chance to win one of the trips.

How To Win. To win you should plan wisely and execute your plan with energy. Make a list containing the name of every person to whom you can look to for the slightest help of any kind. See every person on your list and present your case and refuse to take "no" for an answer.

A few subscriptions for several years will finish your campaign in winning style. Your friends will want the Daily News for a number of years to come and they can easily afford to pay up a few years in advance when it will mean a big prize for you.

The Daily Voting. The limit governing the number of votes that may be published in one day has been raised to twenty thousand.

Final Offer. For the remainder of the contest the following offer is made. There will be no further change of any kind.

## W. M. BUTT IN THE RACE

### Bonnerton Citizen Announces His Candidacy for Office of County Representative.

In another part of today's paper appears the announcement of the candidacy of W. M. Butt of Bonnerton for the office of representative in the next General Assembly. Mr. Butt has been a member of the county board of education for a number of years and is also well known as a farmer. In his announcement, he gives some measures for which he will stand, should he be elected.

#### HAD NO BETTER SENSE.

Than to buy the highest price, and the very latest and the finest photographic mountings the drummers had to sell this season. They have just arrived. They are in stock to be seen. We are going to make photographs worth your while. Just keep your eyes open.

BAKER'S STUDIO.

Each club of six dollars worth of subscriptions will earn sixty thousand and extra votes.

The Prizes. There are six big summer vacations trips. One for each of the five districts, and one of the ladies may take a companion with her. The candidates having the highest vote of all will be awarded the extra trip.

Also there are five gold watches, one for each district. And five diamond lavallieres, one to be awarded in each of the five contest districts. The watches and lavallieres were purchased of and may be seen at the jewelry stores of the following: R. L. Stewart, J. S. Campbell, Wm. Bell.

The Vote Table.  
3 Months...\$ 2.25... 5,000 Votes  
1 Year...\$ 3.00... 12,000 Votes  
2 Years...\$ 4.00... 25,000 Votes  
3 Years...\$ 5.00... 40,000 Votes  
4 Years...\$ 6.00... 55,000 Votes  
5 Years...\$ 7.00... 70,000 Votes

## 500 REBELS IN IRISH REVOLT WERE KILLED

AT LEAST 1,500 WERE WOUNDED ACCORDING TO STATEMENT BY MILITARY OFFICIALS.

### REBELLION HAS BEEN PUT DOWN

Many Bodies Are Under the Ruins of Buildings, Hospitals Are Crowded With Men, Women and Children. Reconstruction Work Begun.

By WILBUR S. FORREST, United Press Staff Correspondent. Dublin, May 2.—At least 500 rebels were killed and 1,500 were wounded in the seven days' fighting according to an estimate made by military authorities after a canvass of the city.

Many bodies are believed to be under the ruins of buildings. The hospitals are full of wounded, including women and children. Officers say that several fanatics are holding out. They are without food and the few buildings they are holding are expected to be taken shortly.

Rebels Up for Trial. London, May 2.—All rebels who bore arms in the Irish revolt will be brought here for trial. All suspected Sinn Feiners will be tried in Ireland, authorities announced today. Reconstruction work in Dublin is rapidly going forward.

## AYDEN TO BE FOURTH TEAM

### Baseball Meeting Held Yesterday. Schedule Committee Has Been Appointed.

At the meeting of representatives of the Eastern Carolina baseball league, which was held at Greenville yesterday afternoon and was well attended, the league was formally organized, Ayden being the fourth team to come in.

A schedule committee was appointed to arrange a schedule of four games a week during the season. The committee consists of the following: L. C. Warren of Washington; Co. C. Lanier of Greenville; Dr. McKinney of Ayden, and Will Hooker of Aurora.

Season tickets were discussed and a resolution was passed requesting the secretary to have tickets printed which will be sold for \$4 each and will be good for twenty games.

A provision was also made that the president of the league must be informed seven days before any new players is to take part in any of the games.

## Mrs. Sweet Here Tonight

### She and Her Daughters Will Appear Before Washington Audience Tonight.

Mrs. Sweet and her family of seven daughters arrived in the city this morning. (No, gentle reader, it was not they whom you saw at the corner of Main and Market street this noon. That was the band of a minstrel show which will perform here tonight for the benefit of the colored population.)

Mrs. Sweet, or "Ma" Sweet, as she is more generally known, dropped into the office this morning and gave us the "line-up" for this evening's performance. It will be as follows: Ma Sweet, Miss Bessie Conley, Arminty Ann, Miss Sallis Carrow, Betsy Helinda, Miss Mason, Carolina Cordella, Miss Reta Warren.

Dorothy Delilah, Miss Madelein Ellsworth, Elizabeth Eliza, Miss Florence Harris, Francis Padora, Mrs. E. R. Windley, Giordanna Gadabout, Miss Adele O'Brian.

"BIS-MAC" IS A PATTERNER AND BODY BUILDER 5-1-1w.

# TIDE OF BATTLE HAS TURNED; FRENCH ON THE OFFENSIVE

## AUSTRIANS CAPTURED BY RUSSIANS



Great column of Austrians taken prisoners by the Russians in the recent fighting and being escorted to detention camps in the rear.

### Many Yards of Trenches Have Been Captured From the Germans in Last Few Days

## BIGGEST SUCCESS SINCE THE START OF VERDUN CAMPAIGN

(By United Press) Paris, May 2.—In the most successful offensive blow delivered by General Petain since the Crown Prince began the Verdun offensive, the French yesterday captured over 500 yards of German trenches southeast of Fort Douaumont.

trenches at Dead Man's Hill Saturday and Sunday, the war office announced today, amounted to over a thousand yards.

The publication of these facts caused the wildest enthusiasm here and is interpreted as meaning that the German drive has been definitely checked with the offensive taken up by the French.

## Thespis Club Coming Here

New Bern Club to Stage "The Misunderstanding" at the New Theatre.

"The Misunderstanding," by the Thespis Club of New Bern, will be presented at the New Theatre tomorrow night.

The manager of our local theatre has been fortunate in securing their services for this occasion. The Thespis Club is an organization that has already made its mark in North Carolina, for the excellence of their plays and the way they are presented. By many who are conversant with affairs theatrical this body of Thespisians has been placed above the average professional and on a par with some of the best companies that have toured the Southern States. It is hoped that the people of Washington will turn out en masse so that an opportunity will be afforded to enjoy their efforts again at some future date.

## Chautauqua Committees

Were Appointed at Special Meeting of Guarantors Held Here Last Night.

First arrangements for this year's Chautauqua, which will be held in Washington during the week of June 12, were made at a special meeting of guarantors, which was held last night in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce and at which Mrs. Heysler, organizer of the Swarthmore Chautauqua Association was present.

Plans for the coming event were thoroughly discussed and the organization of the local Chautauqua was perfected. The chairman of the various committees are as follows:

- Advertising Committee: Hugh Watson.
- Ticket Selling Committee: C. A. Flynn and J. G. Bragaw, Jr.
- Hospitality Committee: Mrs. Jno. H. Small.
- Grounds Committee: M. A. Smith.
- Junior Chautauqua: Miss Lucretia Hughes.
- Reception Committee: E. L. Siewart.
- Parade Committee: George T. Leach.

## ALDERMEN MET LAST NIGHT

### Will Sue for Opening of Charlotte Street. Several New Ordinances Passed.

At the meeting of the board of aldermen last night, notice of suit was filed in the case of City vs. E. H. Harding for the opening up of Charlotte street. It is alleged that Mr. Harding's building and lot will take up about seventeen feet of the street which properly belongs to the city.

A letter, from the local Elks lodge was read at the meeting, requesting the board to put in additional lights for the parade which will be held here during the convention. The parade will form at the postoffice, move east to Harvey, south to Main west to Washington, north to Second, east to Market, south to Main and west to the Elks home. Mayor Sewart was appointed a committee of one to take the matter up with the light and water commission.

An ordinance was passed making it prohibitive to throw rubbish or refuse of any kind on the streets and also providing for fly and water proof cans for the contain of garbage which is to be collected. A fine of \$5 was fixed for violations.

Another ordinance was adopted making it prohibitive to sell fresh meats in the city between the hours of 11 a. m. and 4 p. m. during the months beginning May 15 and ending September 15. A fine of \$5 was fixed for all violations. Applications for stalls in the city market were granted to E. B. Cozens, O. Runley, W. C. Dudley and

## Will Wrestle At Plymouth

### Willis and Hansen to Meet in That City Tonight and Here Thursday.

Joe Willis, the local wrestler, will meet Fritz Hansen, welter-weight champion, at Plymouth in a finish match tonight. The match has aroused considerable interest in that city and a large crowd is expected to be on hand to witness it. Several will also go from here to encourage Joe in his bout.

Hansen will meet Willis in this city on Thursday night.

## "BIS-MAC" CONTAINS NO DOPE.

### UNION OF METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCHES ENDORSED BY BISHOPS

#### All Forms of Child Labor Also Condemned at the Saratoga Conference.

(By United Press) Saratoga, N. Y., May 2.—The union of the Methodist Episcopal and Methodist Episcopal South churches was endorsed today by the bishops in their annual session in addresses before the general conference. All forms of child labor of child labor were also condemned and the Keating-Owen bill was highly endorsed.

## "BIS-MAC" CONTAINS NO HARMFUL SUBSTANCES.

J. H. Eeklin. A bid for assessing the city offices for \$18.50 was received from D. T. Ross and was accepted.

## USE WIRELESS PHONE ON SHIP

### New Means for Communication to be Tried Out by Navy Department on Saturday.

(By United Press) Washington, May 2.—For the first time in the history, wireless telephone messages will be flashed ashore from a battleship far out at sea. At the same time the navy department will be in instantaneous telephone communication with every naval station along the Atlantic and Pacific coasts. The time set for the trial is Saturday. The New Hampshire will be the battleship from which the messages are to be sent. The tests are designed as part of the preparedness measure.

## BUY A DOZEN BOTTLES OF "BIS-MAC."

### BICKETT HERE MONDAY.

Attorney General Bickett, candidate for governor, will speak here Monday, May 8, instead of Saturday, as was previously announced in these columns.

#### ROYAL ITEMS.

We are having some very unpleasant weather for the spring. Farmers are all hoping it will soon be better. H. W. Hudnell has a new Studebaker car and also has had his house painted. Quite an improvement to Royal. Wonder who will be the next to use the paint brush?

There was an Easter egg hunt at Mrs. W. H. Dunbar's last Monday evening. Quite a number of children were present. Master Elmont Mallison found the golden egg. Miss Kathleen Purse entertained the ladies with music.

Miss Margaret E. Dunbar expects to leave us soon on a trip to Macon, Ga., where she will spend the summer.

Rev. O. Maddox will fill his regular appointment at the Christian Church second Sunday.

We have two very nice Sunday schools here at the Christian church at 10 a. m. and the Baptist at 3 p. m.

Miss Phebe Clayton, of Idalla, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Misses Rena and Kathleen Purser.

Miss Margaret E. Dunbar spent the night with her sister, Mrs. L. M. Hollowell Thursday night.

Miss Esther Mae Kramer attended the ball game at Aurora Friday afternoon.

Mrs. N. E. Berry spent the day with her daughter, Mrs. T. M. Gower, Thursday.

J. F. Clayton, of Idalla, passed through Royal Sunday afternoon driving his new car. R. W. Calloway, who has been very ill is rapidly improving. Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Cox, who have been attending the union meeting at Friendship, returned home this afternoon.

## BELIEVED THAT GERMANY WILL AVOID ISSUE

(By United Press) Washington, May 2.—German officials believe that the Kaiser's expected note to Wilson will temperize and that it will suggest, if not actually request, further negotiations on the submarine issue. It is believed that Bernstorff will shortly receive instructions to ask for the resumption of "informal conversations" with Lansing, pending which Germany is expected to agree to make the submarine warfare meet the American demands.

## Will Open Up Picture Show

### New Enterprise to Start in Washington Thursday Night. Two Performances Daily.

John R. Smith will open a moving picture show in the building which has in the past been occupied by the Bellmo theatre. The opening performance will take place Thursday night. Thereafter there will be matinee and night performances daily, the matinee starting at 4 o'clock. Each child under 12 years of age will be admitted to the matinees when accompanied by some older member of the family.

The building has been thoroughly renovated. A four-reel picture program will be rendered each day.

Mr. Smith was formerly manager of a carnival company which exhibited in Washington several times. L. N. Woodard, formerly with the New theatre, will be manager in charge.

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TRY AN ICE COLD BOTTLE OF "BIS-MAC." 5-1-1w.

### NEW THEATRE

TO-NIGHT  
Paramount Program  
Theodore Roberts  
—In—  
"Mr. Grex of Monte Carlo"  
a picturization of H. Phillips Oppenheim's novel  
"Sweet Family" vaudeville  
at night, 10 & 20c  
Matinee 5 & 10c