

## SCOTT-OBREGON MEETING ENDS IN A DISAGREEMENT

**Split Of Question Of Withdrawal Of American Troops From Mexico.—Cabinet May Decide To Give Carranza Another Chance To Co-Operate With America.**

Washington, May 11.—President Wilson and his cabinet will consider a new policy to be used in the Mexican situation.

Realization of the fact that the conference at El Paso ended in disagreement brought the Administration face to face with the fact that a new policy must be adopted.

The rock on which the countries split was that the demand of the Mexican Minister for the withdrawal of American troops and the refusal of General Scott under orders from the department.

President Wilson and Secretary Baker were not prepared tonight to make official announcement of future steps. They were not willing to admit that the last diplomatic plans had been resorted to.

There was reason to believe tonight that the department is waiting on final diplomatic answers from Carranza before taking further action.

The gravity of the situation was fully realized. However it was admitted that aggressive action by General Obregon's army might formally be held before diplomatic measures are exhausted.

It was intimated that the cabinet tomorrow will decide to give Carranza one more chance to co-operate with the United States in suppressing outbreaks along the border.

It is known that the President has reached the conclusion that if intervention is the only means left for the settlement of the Mexican situation, he will apply that remedy.

Until the courts of the United States have fully decided, it was said tonight, no further steps will be taken to reinforce the army in Mexico.

If the situation is bound to fall on intervention, however, the President will go before Congress and place the whole situation before them.

Orders for the militia and cavalry for the United States will be given for an increase.

Orders would be given for volunteers enough to increase the army to 250,000 would probably be the next step.

### Laurinburg Versus Locals At Fair Grounds Today

Laurinburg will be here today at the fair grounds with a delegation said to be the strongest in the Cape Fear circuit. They will bring with them a twirler, Bob Covington, better known as 'the boy wonder' which name was attached to him last year.

The locals have already shown what they can put up giving the big Raeford team a defeat Wednesday, and by some pretty exhibition games.

The following line up will probably be the ones chosen to meet the mighty on coming of the renowned Laurinburgians:

McNeill vs. Ewing 3b, Williamson rf, Person c, Currie p, Hart 2b, Tomlinson 1b, Morgan cf, and Neimyer lf. Game will be called at three thirty sharp.

### Robt. Herring Injured.

Mr. Robert Herring, who has been working on the new Presbyterian Mission Sunday School building on Hillboro street, fell from a scaffold Wednesday and received several severe bruises. His injuries are not serious, however, and he will be out again in a few days.

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## CHICAGO PREPARES FOR REPUBLICANS

**Thousands Of Delegates Make Largest Crowd In Her History.**

**WEEK OF JUNE SEVENTH**  
Headquarters of North Carolinians Will Be At Hotel Lexington.—All Presidential Candidates Will Be Under Congress Roof.

Chicago, May 11.—Chicago is preparing to entertain the largest crowd in her history the week of June 7, when thousands of Republicans in all their varied states of belief, will flock here to select a 1916 standard bearer—maybe two standard bearers.

Never before, according to hotel men here, who are used to national conventions, has there been such a nation-wide cry for accommodations. They freely predict that all records will be broken. Even now, it is practically impossible to secure accommodations in the hotels in the "Loop."

Beside the male visitors to the Republican and Progressive conclaves, hotel men are confronted with the task of caring for several thousand women who will be here to attend the Woman's Convention the same week. It is the women that are planting grey hairs in the inn-keepers' heads. Local suffragists and women's clubs are co-operating with the hotel men in an attempt to solve this problem, but even with their help it has monumental proportions.

The task of caring for the women is infinitely more puzzling than that of the men. Mere men, it was pointed out, can be stuck on cots in semi-public places with perfect propriety, whereas Chicago will hardly permit of the same treatment to her female guests.

Extra waiters by the hundreds are being drilled and booked for emergency calls.

Many of the reservations have been made in the larger hotels ever since the Republican National Committee announced that the convention was coming here.

Headquarters of the various State delegations have been established. Following is a partial list of them: Congress Hotel: California, Colorado, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Idaho, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, New York, New Jersey, New Mexico, Ohio, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia. Wisconsin and Delaware will be at the Kaiserhof, Maryland and New Hampshire at the LaSalle, NORTH CAROLINA at the Lexington, Kansas and Utah at the Auditorium, South Dakota at the Palmer House and Florida at the Grand Pacific.

Colonel Roosevelt has yet to select his personal headquarters. Three suites have been reserved for him—at the Congress, Blackstone, and LaSalle hotels, respectively. The Progressive party has reserved 540 rooms at the LaSalle, 100 rooms at the Auditorium and the ball room at the latter place for committees.

All presidential candidates will be under the Congress roof. The Florence room is occupied by the Roosevelt-Progressive headquarters. Theodore Burton and his Ohio supporters will be in the Elizabethan room, and the English room will be filled with Charles Warren Fairbanks and his Indiana and Kentucky adherents.

Senator Cummins and his Iowa delegation have the Oak room. The presidential suite "1102" will be occupied by Senator John W. Weeks and his Massachusetts boosters. Senator Borah and the Idaho men will be in 1154.

New York has made its headquarters in B6-B8, from which both the Hughes and Root candidates will be promoted.

Pennsylvania has taken the green room, excepting to have a candidate in either Knox, Penrose or Brumbaugh.

### WHILE MEN FIGHT THEIR WIVES GAMBLE

Berlin, May 11.—Newspapers here complain that some of the women capital whose husbands have been called to the front are falling into evil ways. Many of them, so the papers allege, have started to gamble and are financially ruining their absent husbands.

That this charge is not entirely without foundation was proven by a raid made recently on the establishment of a tobacco dealers in the Alto Schoenhauer street.

Behind the store an elegantly furnished gambling house filled with fashionable dressed women was found. The police arrested about thirty of the women. All of them belong to the so-called better classes and are the wives of wealthy business men, lawyers, college professors, etc., who are fighting for the Fatherland.

### MOTOR CAR INVADES HAUNTS OF RED MAN

Washington, May 11.—Mark the progress of the Indians! They have now gone to using automobiles in the wild lands of the Oklahoma Indian country. The superintendent of the Osage possessions has just been given permission to buy a register at government expense for travelling around the big estates.

The superintendent appealed to Washington for permission to buy an automobile after he had found that the once famous cayuse ponies had got the eight-hour-day habit and were not as dependable as was desired.

### AUSTRIAN SOLDIER KILLS SIX OF HIS COMRADES

Vienna, May 11.—In the barracks of the First Austrian Landwehr Regiment Private Leopold Fitchner suddenly became violently insane, posted himself at a window and began to fire on a company drilling in the yard.

Almost every bullet of the lunatic found its mark and before he could be overpowered he had killed six of his comrades, and wounded five others.

### WEATHER.

For North Carolina: Partly cloudy Friday; cooler in central and west portions. Saturday partly cloudy and probably showers.

## SUBMARINE ISSUE SEEMS TO BE CLOSED

**Germany Accepts Last Note Of President Wilson Without Comment.**

**NO MORE CASES REPORTED**  
No Further Reports Are Received On The Cymric Case.—Renewal Of Submarine Question Thought Will Not Be Needed.

Washington, May 11.—Officials of the State Department regard the submarine issue as closed by Germany accepting the last note of President Wilson.

Secretary Lansing said today that the State Department would probably make inquiry to learn the damages in the cases of the Sussex and the Arabic amounts to. Similar inquiry will also be made in the case of the Anconia sunk by an Austrian submarine.

Officials would not admit just what disposition would be made of these cases.

Secretary of State Lansing today revealed a cablegram from Ambassador Gerard announcing the receiving of the latest note of yesterday. Mr. Gerard made no announcement with reference to the manner the note was received. From official sources, it was learned, however, the American government has been advised that Berlin receives the President's acceptance of Germany's plans for submarine practice, as closing the view of the government on the boat issue, and would not be inclined to raise a renewal of the question over the United States' refusal to suggest to Great Britain the discontinuance of her illegal acts with submarine boats.

No further submarine cases have been reported to the government nor have any further reports of the sinking of the liner Cymric.

### TABERNACLE SERVICES ONLY THRE MORE DAYS

**Fire Interrupted Services Last Night.—Meeting Draws Near a Close.**

The services last night marked the close of the third last day of the warehouse meeting. The services were well attended. The services were opened with a series of sentence prayers from persons scattered through the house. Mr. Clatworthy sang, "Somebody Knows," as a solo.

Many people think of no one else save self. But Christ established new relations between man and his brother when he said: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." It is the things that we do when no one sees us that really counts.

The evangelist illustrated this point by a very touching and very tender incident from the last day of the life of Rev. Sam Jones. Just before he died he gave a good night's rest to a poor consumptive from the West. He had planned to send the man home the next morning but death came to him during the night. The sick man was "one of the least of these."

"I have taken this idea in order to impress upon you the duty of personal work. Have you asked the merchant, the carpenter, the blacksmith, the man who has your papers, have you asked them if they have been to the services?"

The meeting is drawing to a close. The spiritual feeling ought to be at its white heat in the Tabernacle. The "we" and "us" ought to feel. We must not aside our preconceived notions of personal work. There is no water in the world than the Tabernacle after song and prayers. We ought to put aside every thought except the man with a lost soul. Some stand by the side of the unsaved man and never move their face. You Christians have had opportunities at your elbows during this meeting and you haven't taken advantage of

### MOB OF MEXICANS ATTACK PATROL GUARD

El Paso, Texas, May 11.—Rioting started at Chihuahua, a small city near the city limits of El Paso tonight when a mob of thirty Mexicans attacked the patrol guard of American soldiers with bricks.

The guards consisted of eight United States soldiers.

The soldiers returned a fire but there were no fatalities.

When the incident was reported to General Bell, at Fort Bliss, he immediately sent additional troops to the city and to join the patrol.

### INDEPENDENCE AND CREDIT FOR THE PHILIPPINES

Washington, May 10.—The question of granting independence to the Philippine Islands is commanding serious attention upon the part of Congress and while there are those who are pushing for action, yet the probabilities are that some more resolutions in national political platforms will be required before any definite action is taken by Congress.

Rural credit is also up for consideration, but it appears that the big insurance companies, the trust companies and other money lenders, are on the job; and they believe the present high rates of interest should not be meddled with. Therefore they are fighting all forms of rural credits, which might result in loans to western farmers at four or five per cent.

### Greatest Baby Parade.

New York, May 11.—In hundreds of automobiles prize winning babies and their mothers paraded up Fifth Avenue today. At the same time smaller parades were held in thirteen city parks. It was the greatest baby show ever held, according to authorities here.

## CIVIL PROCEEDINGS AGAINST OBREGON

**Claiming His Automobile Has Run Down Several Citizens Of El Paso.**

**FOR THIRTEEN THOUSAND**  
Obregon Left Scene Of Conference And Rushed Down Streets Of El Paso, But Was Detained By Deputy At The International Bridge.

El Paso, Texas, May 11.—Major General Scott, Chief of Staff of the army, notified the Mexican Minister of War Obregon today that President Wilson has authorized him to refuse the demands for the withdrawal of the punitive expedition from Mexico.

An unqualified official statement said the fifteen days' conference between the military representatives of the two countries was ended. The conferees separated at 6:35 this evening, taking every precaution to avert the immediate breach of diplomatic relations.

The official statement announced today that further negotiations would be conducted between the foreign departments of Mexico and the United States.

After leaving General's Funston and Scott, Obregon started back to Jaurez in his automobile. He passed thru the streets of El Paso at a lively clip, but was halted at the International Bridge by a deputy sheriff.

General Obregon learned over the side of his automobile and inquired the cause of the delay. After legal papers were thrust into his hands requiring him to answer a suit for civil damages amounting to \$13,000.

The action is based on an incident in which Obregon's auto is said to have struck and injured several residents in El Paso, several days ago.

Generals Scott and Funston are awaiting orders from the War Department tonight. It is General Funston's desire to return to headquarters as soon as possible, but he cannot leave El Paso without orders. General Scott expected to leave for Washington as soon as he heard from Secretary of War Baker.

## BOMBARDMENT AT VERDUN CONTINUES

**French Are Attacked On Both Sides Of The Meuse.**

**NEW ATTACK ON HILL 304**  
Three Hundred Russian Soldiers And Six Officers Are Taken Prisoners At The Mount Jove Sector.

London, May 11.—The Crown Prince resumed today with fury his bombardment against the French on both sides of the Meuse, and north of Verdun, also west of the river while the French held its lines on the opposite side and in the Avocourt section. Very heavy bombardment continued around Caille Woods, extending as far as the second line which was subjected to heavy artillery fire.

The renewal of the artillery duel followed during the night in which the French report a German attack made upon the Vaux was repulsed. Germany has opened up a new attack on the French at Dead Man's Hill and on the south of Hill 304.

News from Germany tonight is to the effect that the Crown Prince is bringing up his heavy guns for the entrenchment on Hill 304, which the Germans claim to have captured.

There was still artillery fighting in the region of Ramstalle and Schoore tonight. The reciprocal bombardment in the sector of Eximude continued today.

Six Russian officers and 300 soldiers were taken prisoners by the Germans at the Mount Jove sector.

The enemy was driven at the point of bayonets, from a position over a front of more than three kilometres.

Other Russian attacks were repulsed with heavy losses.

### FIRE LAST NIGHT DID \$10,000 DAMAGE

**Originated In Third Story Of Saleeby Building.—Mostly Water Damage.**

Last night a few minutes before eight o'clock smoke was seen billowing from the third story of the building on Hay street, owned by T. S. Saleeby and Company, and the fire alarm turned in. The hose wagon drawn by a horse was on of scene in good time and soon the volunteer fire company had a stream of water on the flames, which had not spread and after a short while were under full control.

It is reported by Mayor McNeill that the fire originated under the stairs leading from the second floor to the third, which was the stage of the old opera house and was made of pine lumber. The lumber being very dry was inflammable and had not the company did good work would soon have set the whole block alight.

Owing to the location with so many buildings around and adjoining it looked as if the fire might result in a big conflagration. Most of the damage is said to be done by smoke and water.

The building was damaged very little but the work of several different concerns was badly damaged and the total loss may be around ten thousand. It was estimated by one of the occupants of the building.

Dunn and Company, wholesale grocers, are probably the heaviest losers. Their stock is said to be damaged by smoke and water in the sum of five to eight thousand dollars. The exact damage not being known because of not being able to know the water damage.

Judge Printing Company will probably suffer the next greatest loss. On the second floor where, in the stock room, several thousand dollars worth of paper was stored water did considerable damage, estimated at from one to two thousand, partly covered by insurance.

The Palace Bowling Alley is reported as ruined, with a loss of over two thousand dollars. Water running

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