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## MEXICAN BULLETS HIT NEAR SHELTER TENTS

### Five Drop Around on American Soil Where U. S. Troopers Are in Camp.

Naco, Ariz., Dec. 18.—Five bullets from the Mexican fight around Naco, Sonora, struck near shelters built by United States troops on the border. Many other shots fell on United States territory.

Bank camps east and west of Naco, Ariz., were established by the American troops. The brigade of infantry and three batteries of artillery en route are expected here tomorrow. Ammunition arrived today.

Intermittent firing on the Mexican side continued all day. Hill's rangers troops, defending Naco, seemed to be doing most of the shooting.

George C. Carothers, special agent of the American state department arrived today at the camp of the besiegers. He went into conference with Governor Maytorena.

Carothers broached the subject of the coming visit of Brigadier General Hugh L. Scott. It is understood Maytorena favored meeting General Scott at the international boundary.

After returning to the American side Carothers talked with brigadier General Bliss and then left for El Paso, Tex. He probably will rejoin General Villa.

### Zapata's Spokesman Is Executed.

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 18.—Private messages received here today reported that Paulino Martinez, who acted as spokesman for General Zapata at the Aguas Calientes convention, had been executed near Mexico City. None of the dispatches stated the charges brought against Martinez.

A later dispatch stated that Martinez was executed in Mexico City by order of General Angeles. It is reported that he had been sentenced to the gallows for an act made in violation of the law of 1862.

### Carranza Takes Large City.

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 18.—San Luis Potosi, one of the largest cities in Mexico, has been surrendered to Carranza forces according to advices received tonight by representatives of General Carranza here. General Samuel de los Santos and the San Luis Potosi garrison of several thousands men have sworn allegiance to Carranza, the dispatch declares.

### PROMPT ACTION WILL STOP YOUR COUGH

When you first catch a Cold (often indicated by a sneeze or cough) break it up at once. The idea that "It does not matter" often leads to serious complications. The remedy which immediately and easily penetrates the lining of the throat is the kind demanded. Dr. King's New Discovery soothes the irritation, loosens the phlegm. You will be better at once. "It seemed to do the very spot of my cough" is of many honest testimonials. 50c. or Druggist.—adv't.

### The Alternative.

Automobile has improved my appetite tremendously. "That's good!" "Yes; but now I can't afford to eat."—Philadelphia Ledger.

### Keep it Handy for Rheumatism

No use to squirm and wince and try to wear out your Rheumatism. It will wear you out instead. Apply some Sloan's Liniment. Need not rub it in—just let it penetrate all through the affected parts, relieve the soreness and draw the pain. You get ease at once and feel so much better you want to go right out and tell other sufferers about Sloan's. Get a bottle of Sloan's Liniment for 25 cents of any druggist and have it in the house—against Colds, Sore and Swollen Joints, Lumbago, Sciatica and like ailments. Your money back if not satisfied, but it does give almost instant relief. Buy a bottle today.—adv't.

### Saved by not Saying.

Poor Man—I've never been able to save anything. Millionaire—Then you've saved yourself a whole lot of worry.—Boston Transcript.

Can't look well, eat well or feel well without pure blood. Keep the blood pure with Buckle Blood Bitters. Eat plenty, take exercise, keep clean, and your health is pretty sure to follow. A bottle.—adv't.

## Opinion of Supreme Court in Hoyle Case.

Walter Clark, Jr., reported the case of Miss Ollie Hoyle vs the City of Hickory in the News & Observer as follows:

"Hoyle vs. Town of Hickory is an action to recover damages for injury sustained by a property owner by negligence in raising a street. Verdict for plaintiff.

"Justice Walker sums up the matter thus: "It was decided in the former appeal, (165 N. C. 79) that, while plaintiffs could not recover for any detriment to their property which was the result merely of the proper grading of the street, which had been done in due exercise of the discretionary power of the city to make needed improvements, it being damnus absque injuria, yet they could recover for any damage done thereto which was caused by a negligent grading of the street, following the principle as adopted in numerous decisions of this court. The jury having found under proper instructions that the injury resulted from negligence, there was no error."

### Oh, Tender Tale of Old.

Oh, tender tale of old,  
Live in thy dear renown!  
God's smile was in the dark—behold

That way his host came down.  
Light up, great God, thy word,  
Make the blest meaning strong.

As if our ears, indeed, had heard  
The glory of their song.

It was so far away;  
But thou couldst make it near,  
And all its living might display  
And cry to it, "Be here!"

Here, in the unresting town,  
As once remote to them  
Who heard it when the heaven  
Came down

On pastoral Bethlehem.

It was so long ago,  
But God can make it now  
And, as with that sweet over-throw,

Our empty hearts endow.  
Take, Lord, those words outworn;  
Oh, make them new for aye;  
Speak—"Unto you a child is born,"

Today, today, to us."  
—Jean Ingelow.

### California Woman Seriously Alarm

"A short time ago I contracted a severe cold which settled on my lungs and caused me a great deal of annoyance. I would have had coughing spells and my lungs were so sore and inflamed I began to be seriously alarmed. A friend recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, saying she had used it for years. I bought a bottle and it relieved my cough the first night, and in a week I was rid of the cold and soreness of my lungs," writes Miss Mary Gerber, Sawtelle, Cal. For sale by Grimes Drug Co., and Lutz's Drug Store.—adv't.

### Seaboard Xmas Holiday Rates.

For the Christmas and New Year Holidays the Seaboard Air Line will sell tickets between all stations at greatly reduced rates on December 16 to 25 inclusive, also December 31 and January 1, good for return trip until January 8, 1915.

Take advantage of these low rates during the holidays. For further information call on your nearest Agent or address the undersigned.

John T. West, James Ker, Jr.,  
D. P. A. T. P. A.  
Raleigh, N. C. Charlotte, N. C.

### HOW'S THIS?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last fifteen years and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out all obligations made by him.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75c per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.—adv't.

### Taxes.

This is the last chance to pay without paying the penalty, which is equal to 12 per cent.

Beginning December 1st, I will be at City Manager's Office in rear of Southern Express Building every day from 2 p. m. to 6 p. m., except Saturday which will be from 9 a. m. to 7 p. m. until January 1st.

11th from 9 a. m. to 1 p. m. Please meet me and get your receipt.

Respectfully,  
J. P. Burns, Deputy Sheriff

Doan's eye wash physics. The reaction weakens the bowels, leads to chronic constipation. Get Doan's Regulets. They operate easily, 25c at all stores.—adv't.

## IN DIVIDED OPINION COMMISSION ADDS TO RAILROADS' REVENUE

Washington, Dec. 18.—Further increase in the freight rates were granted to the eastern railroads today by the Interstate Commerce Commission in a decision from which Chairman Harlan and Commissioner Clements dissented vigorously.

Except on lake and rail traffic, coal, coke, iron ore and certain other traffic, upon which the commission heretofore has fixed rates adjudicated "reasonable," all railroads operating in the territory between the Atlantic seaboard and the Mississippi north of the Potomac and Ohio rivers were allowed the flat five per cent increase for which they have been asking for four years.

The railroads hoped to get increase which would add to the annual revenues some \$50,000,000. The commission's decision is expected to give them an additional revenue approximating \$30,000,000.

### Christmas in Syria.

The Rev. Dr. D. G. Howie, the well known Palestine missionary, describes a Christmas celebration at midnight in a mountain village in Syria:

"From different directions men and women and children bearing their flickering hand lanterns wound their way through the muddy, slushy, crooked and dark lanes under the falling sleet and over a thin layer of snow already on the ground. Men and boys entered by a huge door in the middle of the south wall and occupied the body of the church; women and girls entered by another south door and stationed themselves in the western division of the immense building, which is screened from the other divisions by wooden lattice-work. All stood erect, motionless, in the cold, comfortable and very dimly lighted and too airy building.

"A few had umbrellas, but waterproofs were unknown, and consequently many of them must have stood in partly wet clothes. The question did occur to me at the time as to whether many British people could be drawn out of their beds, out of their homes, at that hour of night in that kind of weather, fasting, to attend Christmas service amid such dismal, comfortless surroundings."—Tid-Bits.

### A Test for Liver Complaint Mentally Unhappy-Physically Dull

The Liver, sluggish and inactive, first shows itself in a mental state—unhappy and critical. Never is there joy in living, as when the Stomach and Liver are doing their work. Keep your Liver active and healthy by using Dr. King's New Life Pills; they empty the Bowels freely, tone up your Stomach, cure your Constipation and purify the Blood. 25c. at Druggists, Bucklen's Arnica Salve excellent for Piles.—adv't.

### Modest.

Man—I want you to paint me a life-size picture of the "maskie" I taught on my vacation. He was about two feet in length.

Artist—How long?  
Man—Better make it five feet, I don't want to exaggerate too much.—Chicago News.

### How to Give Quinine to Children.

FEBRILINE is the trade-mark name given to an improved Quinine. It is a Tasteless Syrup, pleasant to take and does not disturb the stomach. Children take it and never know it is Quinine. Also especially adapted to adults who cannot take ordinary Quinine. Does not nauseate nor cause nervousness nor ringing in the head. Try it the next time you need Quinine for any purpose. Ask for 2 ounce original package. The name FEBRILINE is blown in bottle. 25 cents.

### Her Idea.

"She's one of those high-toned women."  
"What do you mean?"  
"She insists that children should be seen and not heard, but thinks it cruel to muzzle a pet bull dog."—Detroit Free Press.

### Hives, eczema, itch or salt rheum sets you crazy.

Can't bear the touch of your clothing. Doan's Ointment is fine for skin itching. All druggists sell it, 50c a box.—adv't.

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### The President Names Four New Postmasters.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The President nominated the following North Carolina postmasters today: John H. Wilson, Sylva; Mary H. Osborn, Oxford; Robert V. Brawley, Statesville; and David T. Clark, Weldon.

Three or four letters protesting against the appointment of Wilson at Sylva have been received by the senate committee on postoffices and postroads.

### A Christmas Carol

"What means this glory round our feet,  
The Magi mused, "more bright than morn?"  
And voices chanted clear and sweet,  
"Today the Prince of Peace is born!"

"What means that star," the shepherds said,  
That brightens through the rocky glen?"  
And Angels answering overhead,  
Sang "Peace on earth, good will to men!"

"Tis eighteen hundred years and more  
Since those sweet oracles were dumb;  
We wait for Him, like them of yore;  
Alas, He seems so slow to come!"  
But it was said, in words of gold  
No time or sorrow n'er shall dim,  
That little children might be bold  
In perfect trust to come to Him.

All round about our feet shall shine  
A light like that the wise men saw,  
If we our loving wills incline  
To that sweet life which is the law.

So shall we learn to understand  
The simple faith of shepherds then,  
And clasping kindly hand in hand,  
Sing, "Peace on earth, good will to men!"

And they who do their souls no wrong,  
But keep at eye the faith of morn,  
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### Annual Stock-Holder Meeting.

The Annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank, Hickory, N. C., will be held at their office Tuesday, January 12, 1915, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the election of Directors for the ensuing year, and transaction of any other business that may be brought before them.

G. C. MENZIES, Cashier.  
12-17-14 4t.

### LAST CHANCE

To pay taxes before penalty is added. Please call and pay your taxes at once as a penalty will be added after the first of the year on all those who do not pay before then. CITY MANAGER.

### Administrator's Notice to Creditors.

Having qualified as Administrator of the estate of James M. Edwards, deceased, late of Catawba County, N. C., all persons holding claims against said estate are hereby notified to present such claims duly verified, to the undersigned administrator for payment, at his office No. 1030 14th Street, City of Hickory, N. C., on or before the 10th day of December, 1915, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of payment. All persons indebted to said estate are urged to make immediate payment to the administrator.

This the 10th day of December, 1914.  
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### Fit His Case Exactly.

"When father was sick about six years ago he read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Tablets in the papers that fit his case exactly," writes Miss Margaret Campbell of Ft. Smith, Ark. "He purchased a box of them and he has not been sick since. My sister had stomach trouble and was also benefited by them." For sale by Lutz's Drug Store and Grimes Drug Co. adv't.

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## Special Meeting County Commissioner.

A special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was held on Tuesday.

Some errors as to the tax list were corrected. The special school tax at Catawba was made out on a basis of 25 cents on property and 75 cents on polls.

This was a mistake as the tax voted was only 20 cents on property and 60 cents on polls. It was ordered corrected.

### REPORT OF ROAD SUPERVISORS.

G. H. Geiner reported for Hickory township.

Interest, \$3,000.00  
Sinking fund, 1,500.00  
Estimated taxes, 6,500.00  
Sinking fund & interest, 4,500.00  
Available funds, 2,000.00.

### CALDWELL TOWNSHIP.

E. D. Hewitt, reported approximate sum coming on hand for road work \$600 on property. Polls about \$162. Salary \$2.50 for extra work, and \$1.00 per mile for letting out roads. 49 1-2 miles in township. Pay teams \$2.50 and laborers \$1.05 per day.

### CLINES TOWNSHIP.

John Heffner, reported some tools. His compensation \$1.00 per day for letting contract, for extra work \$2.50 per day.

### CATAWBA TOWNSHIP.

M. S. Ally, reported some tools on hand and timber. Contract prices range from \$12 to \$25. Compensation \$1.00 per mile for letting contract and supervising. Extra work \$2 about 67 miles road in township. Township fund for working roads about \$1,475.00 on property, on polls \$280.00.

### JACOBS FORK.

R. L. Shuford reported property with \$307.00, 51 miles of road in township. Fund by taxes \$800. Polls \$60. Contracts let at about \$10 per mile.

### NEWTON TOWNSHIP.

G. W. Setzer spent out of county funds for bridge \$4,000.00. Received from special road taxes 4,200.00.

Interest on bonds 2,500.00  
Sinking funds 770.00  
Available funds for working roads 930.00  
Have about \$400, from bond issue.

Cash on hand, \$4,000.00  
20 head of m. l. s.

### BANDYS TOWNSHIP.

J. D. Johnson reported 52 miles. Contract price \$9 per mile. Road taxes about \$500.

It was ordered that D. E. Sigmon and G. W. Setzer secure iron and material necessary to erect bridges on new graded road, known as the Sandy Ford Road.

The estate of D. McD. Yount was relieved of one thousand dollar property tax, on account of clerical error.

W. W. Sigmon asked to be allowed to return Ida Finger to the County Home. It was so ordered.

### TOTAL ROAD FUNDS BY TOWNSHIP FOR 1913.

Catawba, \$1,551.22  
Caldwell, 225.03  
Clines, 1,530.53  
Bandys, 517.11  
Mt. Creek, 859.14  
Jacobs Fork, 764.10  
Newton, 4,554.36  
Hickory, 6,415.20.  
—Catawba County News.

### How to Bankrupt the Doctors.

A prominent New York physician says, "If it were not for the thin stockings and thin soled shoes worn by women the doctors would probably be bankrupt." When you contract a cold do not wait for it to develop into pneumonia but treat it at once. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is intended especially for coughs and colds, and has won a wide reputation by its cures of these diseases. It is most effective and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by Grimes Drug Co. and Lutz's Drug Store. adv't.

### Why She Was Prouder.

"Why should you regard yourself as her social superior? Her family is as distinguished as yours."  
"Yes; but my alimony is much larger."—Washington Star.

### You Cold is Dangerous. Break It Up—Now.

A cold is readily catching. A run-down system is susceptible to Germs. You owe it to yourself and to others of your household to fight the Germs at once. Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey is fine for Colds and Coughs. It loosens the Mucous, stops the Cough and soothes the Lungs. It's guaranteed. Only 25c at your Druggist.—adv't.

### Cured of Liver Complaint.

"I was suffering with liver complaint," says Iva Smith of Point Blank, Texas, "and decided to try a 25c box of Chamberlain's Tablets, and am happy to say that I am completely cured and can recommend them to every one." For sale by Lutz's Drug Store and Grimes Drug Co. adv't.

### Killed the Romance.

"I had a boiled egg served me for breakfast with the name Genevieve on it."  
"Now, isn't that romantic?"  
"It didn't strike me as being so romantic. There was also the date, 1908."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

### Whenever You Need a General Tonic Take Grove's.

The Old Standard Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic is equally valuable as a General Tonic because it contains the well known tonic properties of QUININE and IRON. It acts on the Liver, Drives out Malaria, Enriches the Blood and Builds up the Whole System. 50 cents.

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## FIVE YEARS TO MAKE OUR NAVY EFFICIENT

### Rear Admiral Fiske Gives Ex- pert Testimony Before the House Naval Committee.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Five years would be required to put the United States navy in the highest state of efficiency to meet a hostile fleet, according to a statement today by Rear Admiral Fiske before the house naval committee. The admiral, who is chief of the bureau of operations, member of the general board and a former president of the naval institute said the navy was deficient in air craft, mines, scout cruisers, torpedo boat destroyers, submarines and in number of trained officers and men, and had no mine sweepers.

Members of the committee were particularly interested in the possibility of foreign dropping bombs on our cities. He expressed the opinion that an attacking fleet sending its air-ship dropping flights over New York from a range of 500 or 600 miles off the coast.

One foreign navy, which was not named, the admiral said, was more efficient than the American fleet in gunnery. This he declared, however, was so only because the American marksmen had not been given adequate opportunity for practice. In speaking of the "highest state of efficiency," the officer explained that he had in mind the state of a certain unnamed power, whose officers and men have inbred the spirit of a military nation.

The German raid on the British coast was referred to several times, and the admiral suggested that if the British had had five or six fast submarines in the vicinity of the attacked ports the possibility of the bombardment would have been reduced.

He said that if the German cruisers passed through English mines the explanation might be "that the wonderful system of spies Germany has it may have found out just where those mines were located." He added, though that possibly the German cruisers carried mine sweepers.

The officer said no enemy could attack the Panama canal so long as the American navy controlled the sea. With the fleet defeated, however, he thought there would be no security for this, "the most vulnerable part of our possessions."

"Couldn't you mine there as well as anywhere else and protect the mouth of the Panama canal?" he was asked.

"Yes."  
"Could you prevent a hostile fleet from coming into the canal with the defenses now?"  
"I should not not."

The fortifications alone, he explained, would not be sufficient, "because a hostile fleet could land men a few miles away."

Under further questioning the admiral said the European war would bring changes that no one could prophesy and that among the possibilities was an agreement between some of the foreign nations "to let one another alone" on certain conditions, which might involve the integrity of the canal zone.

Representative Gardner of Massachusetts will be the final witness in the naval hearings tomorrow.

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