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CARRANZA'S COMMANDER KILLED BY OWN MEN

CONSUL WILLIAMS LEAVES TORREON; AMERICANS DETAINED

Washington Has Heard of no Bad Reports in Interior of Mexico

AMERICAN CONSUL HAS LEFT TORREON, MEXICO

Turns Consulate Over to British Agent There--Forty Americans Delayed by Wreck--Washington Worried--Are Troops Moving?

(By Associated Press.)
Torreón, Mexico, March 15.—The American consul, A. L. Williams, has turned the American consulate at Torreón over to the British vice-consul. More than 40 Americans are awaiting here for a train that has been delayed four days by the blowing up of a bridge on the railroad.

WASHINGTON SURPRISED

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, March 15.—State department officials are puzzled by the departure of Consul Williams from Torreón. They have given him no instructions to leave and have no reports of any disorder in that region; still they realize the consul must have some good reason for leaving. They are anxiously awaiting definite news.

COULD NOT CONFIRM NEWS

(By Associated Press.)
El Paso, March 15.—Reports that the American military force at Columbus, N. M., had broken camp could not be confirmed early today. Dispatches from Columbus started coming through the censor today, but nothing was said of troops movements.

NO NEWS COMING

(By the Associated Press.)
El Paso, Texas, March 15.—The wires from Columbus, N. M., where the first expedition was in readiness for entering Mexico, was working today, but no messages about the troops were received since last night. During the early hours this morning news was cut off completely.

READY TO MARCH

(By the Associated Press.)
Hachita, N. M., March 15.—The second cavalry brigade under command of Col. Geo. A. Dodd completed today preparations to go forward from Culberson ranch on the border south of here into Mexico. A quick movement was expected.

NO MOVEMENT YET

(By the Associated Press.)
San Antonio, Texas, March 15.—General Funston said this afternoon if there had been any army movement of American troops to Mexico he would have heard of it. He said General Pershing would have notified him immediately if he had crossed the border.

Interest Grows in City Primary Election; List of Candidates Urged

Interest in the primary election to be held Monday, March 27, to select candidates to run in the regular city elections has increased with each passing day, and rumor of additional petitions are the rule rather than the exception. So far six petitions have been filed—in each case by friends of the men endorsed. The first three petitions advocated Mr. S. L. Whitener for mayor, Dr. W. B. Ramsay for alderman in the first ward and Mr. J. L. Gilley for alderman in the second ward. Three other petitions were filed yesterday, Mr. J. D. Elliott being urged for mayor and Messrs. W. B. Menzies and Frank Johnson for aldermen. These last setiti ns contain the following names:

For Mayor
J. D. Elliott. Signatures: E. V. Morton, J. F. Click, B. F. Campbell, W. J. Kennedy, J. Lee Stone, J. A. Sellers, Donald T. Applegate, J. O. Rhodes, J. M. Stephens, W. E. Kuhn, S. R. Morrison, Dr. H. C. Menzies, F. A. Henderson, R. B. Shell, T. L. Henkel, R. E. Thomason, H. W. Jones, A. L. Moser, J. H. W. Jones, A. L. Moser, R. A. L. Riddle.

CASE DISMISSED AGAINST MR. OSBORNE

(By Associated Press.)
White Plains, N. Y., March 15.—Supreme Justice Tompkins today dismissed the indictment charging perjury against Thomas Mott Osborne, former warden of Sing Sing prison.

HICKORY SHIPPERS RUSH SIXTEEN CARS

Cars of freight moved out of Hickory Monday and yesterday for Bridgeport, Conn., in response to information received Sunday night that the embargo on freights declared by the eastern roads had been lifted for four days. The embargo was clapped on again at midnight last night. Three cars were made ready for shipment Monday and thirteen were sent rolling northward yesterday, the furniture factories and other wood-working plants loading their products in record time.

How long the embargo on this class of freight will continue railroad men are unable to say. It was estimated today that 10,000 cars moved northward over the Southern yesterday as a result of the lifting of the embargo. Congestion still is great at the big terminals in the east and north.

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Grimes, John C. Murphy, D. M. Boyd, Geo. R. Wootten, R. B. Fry, J. E. Abec, W. C. Shell, C. A. Moser, J. L. Riddle.

LARGE INCREASE IN COTTON USED

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, March 15.—Cotton during February amounted to 540,711 bales, the census bureau today announced. That compares with 463,307 used in February last year and 542,055 used in January this year.

COLD WAVE COMING TO STATE TONIGHT

(By Associated Press.)
Washington, March 15.—Cold weather for the south tonight, with a cold wave in North Carolina and frosts as far south as central Florida if the weather clears, was indicated by the weather bureau today.

The middle west storm has reached southern Virginia and North Carolina with further development of the cold wave to the northward. Storm warnings are displayed on the Atlantic coast from Jacksonville to Portland, Me.

REVIVAL OF INDUSTRY REPORTED IN FRANCE

(By the Associated Press.)
Paris, March 15.—Official figures just given out by the department of labor and inspection show a revival of industry and a decrease in the number of idle workmen in France. More than half of the industrial and commercial establishments of the country closed at the beginning of the war, when an average of twenty-four per cent of the workmen were called to colors. Forty-two per cent were thrown out of employment by the closing of the establishments, leaving only thirty-four per cent continuing to earn their wages. In about 50,000 establishments inspected, 1,700,000 workmen were employed in times of peace. The figures fell one-third of that number in August 1913, then increased progressively to 1,300,000 in January of this year, which is seventy-seven per cent of the normal. Taking into account the twenty-four per cent mobilized, there are actually employed now in French industries one per cent more of workmen than before the war.

These figures would seem incompatible with the fact that many industries are still closed, but it is expected that, though building industries and a few others have less work since the war began, other industries have more.

It costs the government 3,784,000 francs to support idle workmen in Paris alone during the second half of January, 1915. In the second half of January 1916 this allowance had fallen to 1,524,000 francs. In some other cities the number of people out of employment has been reduced to ten per cent.

Excepting among such employes as garment workers in Paris and kindred industries, all wages are higher, according to the official figures.

LARGE STILL DESTROYED
One of the biggest stills ever destroyed in Linville township, Burke county, was cut up Monday by Revenue Officer Richard Boger, according to information reaching Hickory today. The capacity of the still was not learned, but persons from that section say it was a whopper. No arrests were made, so far as known.

MARKETS

NEW YORK STOCKS
(By the Associated Press)
New York, March 15.—Activity and general strength were again the dominant features of today's early market, yesterday's buying movements being resumed on a broad scale. Gains of a point or more were registered on American Can, Baldwin Locomotives and Mexican Petroleum. The latter opened above yesterday's final quotation. Canadian Pacific led the rails with a rise of 1/4 while Reading rose nearly a point.

COTTON FUTURES
(By Associated Press.)
New York, March 15.—The cotton market opened steady today at an advance of three points to a decline of two points, and the active months sold four to six points net lower right after the call. The census figures on supply and distribution for the month of February made as bullish a showing as had been expected. This served to steady the market and prices rose five or six points before the end of the first hour.

HICKORY MARKETS
Cotton ----- 11 1/2
Wheat ----- \$1.20

THE WEATHER

For North Carolina: Cloudy tonight with rain near the coast. Coldest with a cold wave except extreme west portion. Thursday fair; colder east portion; strong west and northwest winds.

COMPARATIVE WEATHER
March 14 1915
Maximum ----- 78 65
Minimum ----- 50 35
Mean ----- 64 50

READY AT TWO POINTS

(By the Associated Press.)
El Paso, Texas, March 15.—United States troops with Camp Logan were under marching equipment at the Mexican border at daylight today in at least two positions. The troops in readiness were at Columbus and Hachita.

AUSTRIA DECLARES WAR ON PORTUGAL

(By Associated Press.)
London, March 15.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegram Company from Rome says that Austria has declared war on Portugal.

TO MAKE PICTURES OF POTATO GROWERS

Mr. R. G. Hanson Jr., of Asheville, in the land and industrial department of the Southern Railway Company, desires to have a group photograph made of the members of the Catawba Sweet Potato Growers Association and also a photograph of a car being packed with juicy vegetables. Secretary Joy of the Chamber of Commerce and Mr. W. J. Shuford will notify Mr. Hanson when a car is being loaded so that the photographs may be made. The pictures will be published in Southern Field, the road's industrial paper.

CANNOT PEDdle IN FIRE LIMITS

City Council passed on second and final reading last night an ordinance to prevent peddling in the fire district. The action was aimed at a class of peddlers who buy up provisions, apples, fruits, and vegetables elsewhere, ship them here on the railroad, and sell them in front of the stores which are compelled to pay taxes for the support of the community. The ordinance was not aimed at the farmer who raises his own produce, but was designed to protect merchants from unfair competition. Anybody can peddle in the residential district.

A number of merchants have protested against the custom of itinerant wagons pulling up in front of their stores, unloading their produce on the public—which invariably calls on the merchant for paper bags to carry the goods home. Several merchants said they had given away \$15 worth of paper bags in a single year, and they didn't appreciate it, either.

REV. R. G. MACE ACCEPTS A CALL

Rev. R. G. Mace has accepted a call to the Baptist church at Belmont and will leave tomorrow to take up his new work there. Mrs. Mace left today for Hendersonville to visit relatives before joining Mr. Mace in their new home.

FUNERAL PLANS FOR SENATOR SHIVELY

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, March 15.—Funeral arrangements were virtually complete today for the late Benjamin F. Shively of Indiana who died here late yesterday after a lengthy illness, aged 58 years. Death resulted from a complication of diseases.

MACE IS REPORTED CAPTURED IN BURKE

A report reaching here last night that Charles A. Mace, the Burke county wife-murderer, had been captured and was being taken to Morganton. It was said the man was located in the South Mountain section of Burke. A reward of \$250 has been placed on his head, and many efforts were made to take him. There has been several reports of his capture, and it is possible that this last report might be untrue.

CAVALRY AND INFANTRY

(By the Associated Press.)
San Antonio, March 15.—While regiments of United States cavalry, heavily supported by infantry, awaited orders to advance, General Carranza's troops worked desperately in order to forestall American troops by capturing Villa. General Funston worked until midnight.

FRENCH LAUNCH ATTACK ON GERMAN POSITIONS

Drive Out Invaders From Positions Won Earlier in Present Contest--Allies Successful Everywhere--Submarine Campaign Not Abandoned, Berlin Says.

GOVERNOR AFTER OFFICERS OF FORSYTH

(By the Associated Press.)
Raleigh, March 15.—Governor Craig announced today that if Mrs. Ida Ball Warren and Samuel Christy are not delivered by the sheriff of Forsyth county by tomorrow he will take steps to ascertain the cause of the delay on the part of the Forsyth county officials. It is understood the sheriff will be asked why he did not take steps to comply with the law by bringing them to the penitentiary twenty days before the date set for their electrocution. They are sentenced to die March 31.

CHRISTY'S WIFE SAYS SHE YET LOVES HIM

(By Associated Press.)
Raleigh, March 15.—The wife of Samuel Christy, with Mrs. Ida Ball Warren sentenced to be electrocuted for the murder of George J. Warren, the woman's husband, has written the governor from Texas asking for clemency for Christy. The woman says she still loves her husband and does not believe he participated in the killing. She expresses the opinion that Silver Street, now serving a sentence of three years as an accessory, is the guiltier one of the three persons.

SENATE APPROVES INCREASE IN ARMY

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, March 15.—The senate today approved unanimously the joint resolution adopted by the house yesterday to bring the mobile army up to its full strength, which would add about 20,000 men up to its full quota at once.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION PARISH MEETING TONIGHT

The annual Parish meeting will be held this evening at the Episcopal church at 7:30 p. m. The public is invited. The friends of the church are urged to be present. The work on the boys club room is going on. A good tennis court and basketball court has just been completed and are in use daily. The parish house adjoining the church has been painted and many other improvements are being made and others contemplated. The bible class for grown-ups is growing each Sunday in number, under the leadership of Mr. Berkley who has had much experience in that work.

(By the Associated Press)
The French have turned to the aggressive in the desperate struggle in progress northwest of Verdun and have recaptured a part of the ground gained by the Germans in their drive west of the Meuse, Paris announces today.

Yesterday in a two and a half hour battle, the crown prince's army by delivering mass attacks succeeded in gaining a footing in the French line at two points between Bethincourt and Deadman's Hill, the dominating height which is the immediate object of the present German drive.

Last night the French launched heavy counter attacks and by using the bayonet and hand grenade freely succeeded in retaking the positions lost.

The British evidently are breaking up the position of the Senussi tribesmen, led by Turkish officers, in western Egypt. An official report from Major General Peyton, commander of the British forces, says the occupation of Sollum on the Egyptian-Tripoli frontier, is imminent, and that the Sheikh Haran has surrendered and is in the British camp and that the head men of the Aulad Ali tribe are asking for pardons.

The Russians are still harassing the Turks on the Caucasus front and have made further progress against the Teutons in East Galicia. They entered German trenches in the region of Biga, killed the occupants and returned to their own positions without suffering any loss.

The Italians are keeping up their strong infantry offensive, begun several days ago, on the Isonzo front. Especially fierce have been the attacks around San Martino. Here, Dante Del Crovoglio, the pivot in the Austrian defenses, and in the same region stormed two other places and seized Austrian trenches.

Vienna, on the other hand, declares that near San Martino the Italians seven times attempted to storm the Austrian position, but were repulsed with heavy casualties. The Austrian Embassy in Berlin accuses an Entente Allied submarine with having attempted in the Adriatic sea off the coast of Ralmatia to torpedo, without warning, two Austrian passenger steamers. The steamers escaped only by skilled maneuvering.

In explaining the entry of Portugal into the war, the British Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Sir Edward Grey informed the House of Commons that the British government had urged Portugal to re-question the German ship—a right inherent in every foreign state and one that could not be challenged by any foreign power, he declared. Portugal promised to indemnify the owners of the vessels, but, said the foreign secretary of Germany saw fit to declare war, thus altering the whole position with respect to the payment of compensation.

FOR ABANDONMENT
Chief of Police Lentz today telephoned instructions to Baltimore officers to detain George Milton, a white man of West Hickory, there if he should attempt to pass by that station. Milton is wanted here for abandoning his wife, he having skipped a \$300 bond.

Why has no Republican candidate for the nomination at Chicago, in need of an issue, chosen 50-cent gasoline to prove the utter depravity of the Democratic party?—Charleston News and Courier.