

INCREASE REGULAR ARMY TO A HUNDRED THOUSAND MEN; VILLISTAS ATTACK TOWN IN NEW MEXICO; TROOPS SAID BE MOVING

Houses in Outskirts of Hachita, on American Side of the Border, Looted Tuesday Night—Quiet Today—Cavalry Base in Mexico Selected—Secretary of War Wants Million or Two for Expenses of Expedition—Army Enlargement Resolution of Hay and Chamberlain Unanimously Passed in Senate—Sherman Would Have the Troops Brought Back From Philippines for Service in Campaign South of Rio Grande

(By the United Press)

El Paso, March 15.—A Villista band looted homes in the outskirts of Hachita, New Mexico, last night, say reports to El Paso and the Southwestern Railroad offices. All is quiet today. There is still no news of troop movements, nor the hour for crossing the border.

Increase Army to 100,000 Immediately.

Washington, March 15.—The Senate unanimously adopted the Hay-Chamberlain resolution for immediate increase of the army to one hundred thousand. The adoption followed a short debate. Hoke Smith advocated a two-year enlistment instead of four. Newlands wanted to unify the whole preparedness program. Sherman of Illinois introduced a resolution to bring twelve thousand troops now in the Philippines to serve on the border. He said they would be ideal forces for work in Mexico.

Baker to Ask for Emergency Appropriation.

Secretary Baker today practically decided to ask Congress for an emergency appropriation of one or two million dollars to cover the expenses of the Mexican expedition.

Believed Expedition Has Started.

El Paso, March 15.—A rigid censorship established today led to the belief that the expedition for Mexico is starting. It is believed the advance guard of three thousand and cavalry will start for Guzman, Mexic, and make its base there.

SAY ALLIES TRIED TO SUBMARINE TWO UNWARNED VESSELS

Austrian Embassy Gives State Department Report and Berlin States Name of Craft—Ships, Owned in Hungary, Got Away

Berlin, March 15.—The Hungarian steamers Daniel Erno and Azab have been attacked unwarned by Allied submarines off Dalmatia, say Vienna dispatches. They escaped by outmaneuvering the enemy craft. Austrian Embassy Gets News.

Washington, March 15.—The Austrian embassy today notified the State Department of alleged attempts by Allied submarines to submarine two vessels without warning.

WARREN WOMAN AND CHRISTY TAKEN TO THE PENITENTIARY

Winston-Salem, March 15.—Still protesting their innocence, Ida Bell Warren and Samuel Preston Christy, doomed to die in the electric chair at Raleigh on March 31, for the murder of the former's husband, G. J. Warren, in this city in August, 1914, left here at 8:10 tonight for Raleigh in the custody of Sheriff George W. Plynt and a deputy.

EJECTION HEARING PUT OFF UNTIL LAST DAY MARCH BY JUDGE

(Daily Free Press, March 16) The Norfolk Southern motion for ejection of various persons alleged by the railroad to be holding property decided to the A. & N. C., leased by the N. S., many years ago, will come up on March 31. Counsel for the defendants at New Bern Wednesday afternoon, when the matter was brought up before Federal Judge Connor, asked that time be given the defendants in which to prepare evidence. Judge Connor accordingly set the hearing for the last day of the month, to be held at Wilson.

BEST OFFER EVER MADE FOR A LOCAL BOND ISSUE, SAID

Stacy & Braun of Toledo Would Give Par, Accrued Interest and Big Premium for \$275,000 Worth to Cover Special Paving

(Daily Free Press, March 16)

Par and accrued interest amounting to five per cent. and a premium of \$1,700 was offered City Council for the extra paving bonds by a representative of Stacy & Braun of Toledo, O., Wednesday night. A special meeting of Council was held to receive the bid. The proposition was not accepted, and it will have to be presented when bids are opened at a time to be announced, in the Fall probably, the agent was informed.

Administration members were enthusiastic about the offer, however. It was better than any ever made for Kinston bonds before, Clerk Coleman said today, and the would-be-purchasers are well-known to the city officials. Stacy & Braun bought an issue of graded school bonds here two or three years ago.

The extra paving issue will be for \$275,000, in 10-year serial and 30 year coupon bonds. The 10-year class will be for loan to the individuals who are to stand about 55 per cent. of the expense of the paving, they to repay the city in ten annual installments.

ANOTHER CANDIDATE FOR CONGRESS IN SEVENTH

Carthage, Mar. 15.—U. L. Spence, of Moore county, today, definitely decided to enter the race for the nomination for Congress from the Seventh Congressional District. For the past week leading Democrats from many sections of the district have been urging Spence to make the race and have been offering him their support.

Chicago, March 14.—The Associated Bill Posters of the United States and Canada was held to be a combination in restraint of trade by Federal Judge Landis today.

SO. KINSTON WOMEN GO FREE; EVIDENCE COULD NOT BE HAD

Latest Movement Against Segregated Section Was a Failure—Solicitor Asked for Dismissal — No One Would Testify

(Daily Free Press, March 16)

All the defendants in the South Kinston resort cases were discharged today when the prosecution moved for dismissal. The latest move to eradicate the so-called vice district fell flat with that action, not a one of the 12 defendants arraigned Tuesday having been convicted. Men could not be found to testify.

Recorder Wooten stated that lack of evidence caused the Solicitor's action. A statement was issued that jurymen summoned for Friday need not appear.

Trial of the South Kinston proprietesses of alleged bawdy houses was resumed in the City Court this morning, with ten judgments to be disposed of. Of these one case had been tried, together with two others in which the defendants were acquitted by juries Tuesday.

REAFFIRMS DEATH OF TURK WAR MINISTER

Newspapermen at Athens Says Successor to Enver Pasha Has Been Appointed—Tufeliseiff, Bulgarian Irregular Leader, Assassinated, Reported from the Greek Capital Today

London, March 15.—Reaffirming the story that Enver Pasha, Turkish war minister, had been assassinated, the Exchange Telegraph's Athens correspondent today said Ishmail Haiki, president of the Commercial Administration, had been named Enver's successor.

Athens dispatches said the noted Bulgarian comitadj leader Tufeliseiff had been assassinated.

GERMANY DENIES SHE WILL STOP SUBMARINE WAR AGAINST TRADERS

Amsterdam, March 15.—An official Berlin statement telegraphed to this city today denies rumors that Germany plans to abandon the submarine war on armed merchantmen.

INDICTMENT AGAINST OSBORNE DISMISSED WITHOUT TESTIMONY

White Plains, N. Y., March 15.—The indictment charging Warden Thomas Mott Osborne of Sing Sing with perjury, was dismissed by Justice Tompkins today before the defense started presenting its case.

HOPEWELL IS GRANTED LIBERTY; HEAVY BAIL

W. R. Hopewell, charged with giving poison which caused her death to his wife, Mrs. Rachel Hopewell, last summer, has been released on bail in the sum of \$2,500 at New Bern. A habeas corpus hearing which was to have been held at Beaufort before Judge Whedbee today was waived after Solicitor Chas. Abernethy had consented to the bond. It will be several months probably before Hopewell is brought to trial.

ADAM FIRST TO SHUN RESPONSIBILITY, SAYS

Rev. John H. Griffith, rector of St. Mary's Episcopal church, "shamed" Adam for laying the blame for the tragic garden affair on "the woman thou gavest me" in an interesting sermon at a Lenten service in his church Wednesday night.

Mr. Griffith declared that every drunkard placed the blame for his intemperance upon someone else; that every gambler held to account the person who taught him to play, and that everyone who lives a life of shame throws it up to another. Adam should not have put the responsibility upon his helpmeet, Mr. Griffith said in his illustration.

REPORTS ON VERDUN SITUATION DIFFER; BOTH CLAIM GROUND

Germans Say Pressure At Any Time Would Force Evacuation Positions

MOVEMENTS BACK LINES

Reinforcements for Teutons Evidently Are Coming Up—French Counter Attacks Reported to Have Resulted in Gains

By CHAS. P. STEWART, (United Press Staff Correspondent)

London, March 15.—The Germans have driven a wedge into the French front, between Bethincourt and Dead Man's Hill, say Berlin dispatches arriving via Amsterdam. Bethincourt is claimed to be two-thirds surrounded. A slight advance will force its evacuation, it is said. Paris reports are contradictory.

Fresh German Troops for Verdun.

Amsterdam, March 15.—Many depleted German regiments are arriving in Flanders from Verdun, and fresh troops are going from the Flanders front to Verdun.

French Deny German Gains.

Paris, March 15.—The French, by an effective counter attack, have captured several trenches at Hill 265, northeast of Verdun, it is said officially. There were no German infantry attacks during the night on the west bank of Meuse around Bethincourt. The French still hold Bethincourt, Dead Man's Hill and the Cumieres Wood.

Troops Leaving Near East.

Athens, March 15.—Large German detachments are moving from Macedonia and Serbia to the western battle front, say reports.

German Gains Officially Stated.

Berlin, March 15.—Silesian regiments have advanced further to the southeast of Bethincourt, capturing a thousand French prisoners, it is officially said. Four counter attacks on the west bank of the Meuse have been repulsed.

SENATOR SHIVELY OF INDIANA DIES IN WASHINGTON

Washington, March 14.—Benjamin F. Shively, senior senator from Indiana and for years a prominent figure in Congress, died late today at a hospital here. He had been ill many months from a complication of diseases and for more than a year has been unable to perform actively his official duties. He was 58 years old.

Washington, March 14.—Immediate construction of eight or nine battle cruisers to provide an element of strength now sadly lacking in the American fleet was urged before the house naval committee today by Captain Sims, commanding the battleship Nevada.

MRS. RAOUL IS GRANTED DIVORCE FROM HUSBAND

Millen, Ga., March 16.—Mrs. Winifred Raoul was today granted an absolute divorce from William Green Raoul. Her husband was charged with having been familiar with the former wife of Upton Sinclair.

COTTON STATISTICS FOR MONTH FEBRUARY

Washington, March 15.—Cotton consumed in February, exclusive of linters was 40,711 bales, by census reports.

THE ACHEs OF HOUSECLEANING

The pain and soreness caused by bruises, over-exertion and straining during house cleaning time are soothed away by Sloan's Liniment. No need to suffer this agony. Just apply Sloan's Liniment to the sore spots, rub only a little. In a short time the pain leaves, you rest comfortably and enjoy a refreshing sleep. One grateful user writes: "Sloan's Liniment is worth its weight in gold." Keep a bottle on hand, use it against all Soreness, Neuralgia and Bruises. Kills pain. 25c at your druggist. adv

AIRMEN OF ALLIES ATTACK ESSEN AND OTHER TOWNS, SAID

Munich and Gladbach Raided Along With Seat of the Krupp Works, Reported. London Is Enthusiastic Over the Feat

London, March 15.—The Allies destroyed six sheds at Essen, the Amsterdam Telegram today reported.

London, March 15.—Allied aviators have raided Essen, the home of the Krupp gun works, according to Amsterdam dispatches.

Other air squadrons attacked Munich, the capital of Bavaria, and the city of Gladbach, it is said. The news, though unconfirmed by the war office, aroused much enthusiasm here today.

AUSTRIA BREAKS OFF RELATIONS WITH THE LISBON GOVERNMENT

(By the United Press)

Amsterdam, March 15.—Austria has severed diplomatic relations with Portugal, a Vienna dispatch today announced. Early dispatches said Vienna had recalled the Austrian minister and handed the Portuguese minister his passports. Whether there will be a declaration of war is unknown.

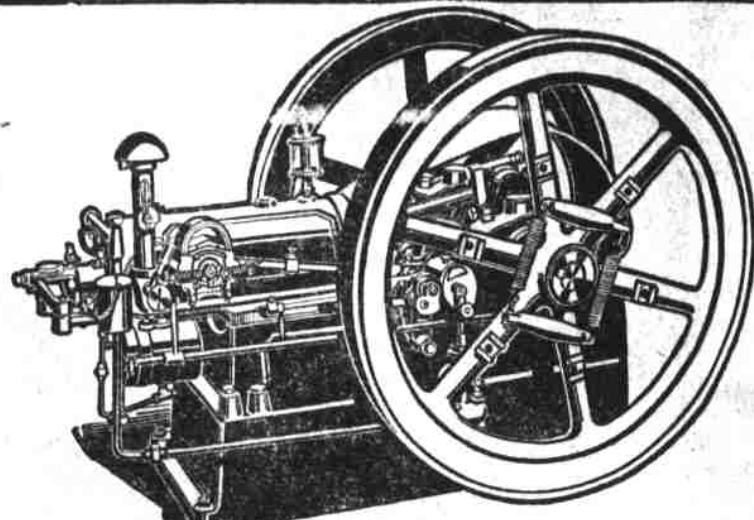
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LAST CALL FOR TAXES!

State and County Taxes are now long past due and will be collected by distress after April 1st, and if you have not paid them costs will be added besides your name being published in the Delinquent List. A rush is expected in the Sheriffs office during the late days of this month, to insure prompt service with comfort to yourself in not having to wait a long time in line, settle now, A large amount of money is due and payable by the County on or before the 24th of this month and this URGENT APPEAL is made to all who owe Taxes to come forward at once and settle.

Respectfully,

A. W. TAYLOR, Sheriff.