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CARRANZA STOPS AMERICANS' ADVANCE AND TROOPS ASSEMBLE FOR PROTECTION AGAINST POSSIBLE ATTACK; WAR IS NEAR

What Will Wilson Do About Parral Affair? Question That Interests Washington—No Definite Information On Engagement Yet—Seems Only One American Was Killed In Clash Between Negro Cavalry and Mexican Mob—Parral Seething Still—Troops Won't Leave Mexico Come What May—"Withdrawal or Intervention," Says Senate Leader, Favoring Recall of Army—Cabinet Decides There Will Be "No Change" for Present

(By the United Press)

Columbus, N. M., April 14.—Carranza has withdrawn his request and has halted the forward drive of the American punitive expedition, according to information received here.

The smaller columns and detachments on Villa's trail are concentrating as rapidly as possible.

Until definite action is taken on Carranza's request the American lines of communication will not be extended further.

Americans In Danger at Parral.

El Paso, April 14.—The American troops around Parral are facing a critical situation. The Villista band defeated at Troya on Monday has retreated, but feeling about Parral is high against the Americans. It is unknown here whether Carranza soldiers participated in the Parral affair.

What Will President Do About Parral?

Washington, April 14.—Aside from the German-American situation Washington's attention is centered on two questions. What are the facts of the Parral incident? What will Wilson do? The department early this afternoon had no official details but expected them soon.

The second question may be answered at the Cabinet meeting. State Department reports from El Paso today said travelers' estimates of the Mexican dead at Parral ranged from a few to over a hundred, while the best information obtainable said only one American was killed. Reports did not mention resumption of the fighting at night.

Let Things Alone, Says Senate Leader.

Washington, April 14.—Withdrawal or intervention is the only course left for the United States, said a Democratic Senate leader upon returning from a conference with Secretary Lansing today. He said: "How long are we going to keep our army in Mexico. How long would we allow a foreign country to maintain an army in America? I've always thought we would never actually capture Villa, that we would have to withdraw without him. We've accomplished all we can do. If we're to adhere to our policy of the last five years we must recognize the government such as it is."

Army to Stay Where It Is.

Washington, April 14.—American troops will remain in Mexico for the present, at least. The Cabinet today decided upon no change of policy toward the Mexican situation nor in the immediate future. This means that the Villa hunt will proceed. It was stated that no answer would be made to Carranza's withdrawal proposals.

No Confirmation Parral Fight.

San Antonio, April 14.—Army officers today awaited anxiously a message bringing the details of the Parral fight, in which 150 colored cavalymen participated. No report has been had from Pershing since the Mexican official messages which indicated that the fight was not over when the messages were sent. In a second outburst many Americans are reported to have been killed and the cavalry is reported to have turned a machine gun on the Mexican mob.

So far as army men here are concerned, the Villa hunt will be continued vigorously until Villa is killed or captured.

RAILROADS HAVEN'T ANY IDEA OBJECTING TO THE DEPOT SITE

In Opinion Chamber Commerce Head; Plans Coming Here Soon

MATTER THOUGHT CLOSED

President LaRoque Thinks A. C. L. and N. S. Will Abide By Corporation Commission's Decision

The Corporation Commission has asked the Atlantic Coast Line and Norfolk Southern railroads if they have any amendments to propose to the plans for the union passenger station at Independent and Gordon streets here, it was stated on reliable authority this afternoon. This is taken to indicate that the Commission desires to be certain that the roads are satisfied with the plans, submitted by the A. C. L. and N. S. a day or two ago, before submitting them to the Chamber of Commerce and City Council of Kinston.

President Walter LaRoque of the Chamber of Commerce stated that he knew of no intention on the part of the railroads to object to the site; that he understood they had been instructed to use the Norfolk Southern right-of-way to the location, and that certain it is that they have been ordered to build on the site, selected some months ago by the Commission. The only reports that he had heard of tendency on the part of the roads to protest were rumors circulated on the streets for some time, he said. He felt sure that there would be no formal protest.

WITHDRAW ARMY OR SEND MORE TROOPS, SIMMONS' OPINION

Washington, Apr. 13.—The Mexican situation looks serious again and it is feared intervention will have to come in the near future. Discussing this subject today, Senator Simmons said: "I do not care to say what I think should be done at this juncture, but I am waiting to hear what the President has to say. But, if Carranza means in his note that, unless American troops are to be withdrawn, he will attack them, then we must either withdraw the troops or send more down there."

DEMOCRATIC FACTION WILL ENDORSE WILSON

New York, April 14.—Democrats representing different factions are expected to pledge their support to the policies of President Wilson at the annual Jeffersonian dinner given tonight at the Waldorf-Astoria by the National Democratic club. The dinner, characterized in the announcement as a "harmony feast," will have among its chief guests Attorney General Thomas W. Gregory, Senator James A. Reed, of Missouri, and Senator James D. Phelan, of California.

MATT. ALLEN OUT FOR STATE SENATE; GOOD RECORD IN ASSEMBLY

Goldsboro, Apr. 13.—Matt H. Allen, of this city has announced his candidacy for State Senator. In the last General Assembly Mr. Allen, then Wayne county Representative, was the author of much State-wide legislation. Mr. Allen was chairman of the Judiciary Committee of the House and was also a member of the Finance Committee, Appropriation Committee on Propositions and Grievances, and several other committees.

"Yes, I am in the contest. Save your votes for me."

BRITISH HURL BACK TURKS IN FIGHT ON SOUTH BANK TIGRIS

Severe Defeat Reported By General Lake, of Army En Route to Relief of Kut-el-amara—Weak Attacks by Germans in West

(By United Press)

London, April 14.—The British advancing to relieve their besieged comrades at Kut-el-Amara have inflicted a severe defeat on the Turks, General Lake today reported. The Turks were beaten from one to three miles on the south bank of the Tigris.

French Repulse Attacks. Paris, April 14.—Weak German attacks against French positions south of Douaumont and northeast of Verdun were completely repulsed last night, the war office today announced.

ONLY TWO MORE HONOR ROLL POSITIONS

Miss Glenn Suggs Winner On Thursday—All Contestants Striving for Two Final Places.

HONOR ROLL

Highest Daily Cash Report on Subscriptions

Two-Pound Box of Lowney's Chocolates, fresh from Skinner's, at 127 N. Queen Street, will be given to each Honor Roll candidate.

Mr. H. L. Pate, La Grange, R. 3, Monday.

Miss Lucille Brown, Ayden, Tuesday.

Miss Dora Diamond, Kinston, Wednesday.

Miss Glenn Suggs, Snow Hill, Thursday.

This week and next are the most important weeks of the whole contest. Forty thousand extra votes are given away with each set of five NEW six months' subscriptions to the Daily Free Press and each set of five NEW yearly subscriptions to the Semi-Weekly Free Press. For each set of similar old subscriptions an extra coupon of 15,000 will be given away. Besides this vote offer there is the 50,000 extra votes on each \$10 worth of new business that is turned in. These two extra vote offers are very important and play no small part in determining the winners at the end of the contest.

Any candidate on the list can pull his or her self up to the top of the list this week and next, and can secure such a reserve that none will be able to overtake them between now and the end. These opportunities all rest upon the individual contestants. Your own will, your own determination, and your own personality will dates. There will be eight winners at the end. Will you be one of those people?

The Prizes

There are the two capital prizes. Two Maxwell touring cars, fully equipped with electric starter and all. These cars were purchased at the Kinston Garage and are on display at this company. Then there are the two diamonds, perfectly cut white stones. These diamonds are on display at the Mewborn Jewelry Company. The next prizes are the two gold watches which are on display at the Mewborn Jewelry Company also. The final prize in each district is a cash amount of \$25, one at the First National Bank and one at the Merchants and Farmers' bank both of Kinston. Then there is the ten per cent, commission who remain in the contest until the close and turn in \$10 worth of new business during the last week of the contest.

Two Final Places.

In the race for the Honor Roll on Thursday and the big 2-pound box of Lowney's Chocolates, the outside district held the balance of power when the final count was made last night. After the last standing was (Continued on Page Four)

NAME CITY SCHOOLS AFTER HONORED MEN AND HISTORIC SPOT

"Grainger," "Lewis" and "Tower Hill" Buildings Officially Now

ACTION BY B'RD TRUSTEES

High School Called for a Dead Benefactor — Peyton Avenue House Monument to Aged Educator—Colored, "Tower Hill"

(Daily Free Press, April 14)

The City School Trustees Thursday night adopted resolutions formally naming the three school buildings of the Kinston system. The new High School building is today the Grainger building; the Peyton avenue house is the Lewis building, and the Tower Hill road house for colored is the Tower Hill building.

The Grainger building is named in honor of the late J. W. Grainger, Mr. Grainger was one of the original trustees, for many years a staunch friend of education in Kinston, and donor of the site for the Peyton avenue building.

Dr. R. H. Lewis, for whom the Lewis building is named, is one of Kinston's oldest citizens, has been a leading educator of the State, and is a beloved character. He has been honored numerous other times, both at home and abroad, for his work in the interest of "the light."

Tower Hill school is, of course, named for historic old Tower hill, a short distance from the city, for some years seat of the colonial government in North Carolina's early days.

SMALL ARMY TROOPS TO HELP CHARLOTTE CELEBRATE TWENTIETH

Raleigh, April 14.—Adjt. General Young announced yesterday that the entire national guard in the State will assemble at Charlotte for the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence celebration on May 20. Three regiments of infantry, a squadron of cavalry, two battalions of coast artillery and probably the naval brigade will be sent. There will be four bands and several hospital and ambulance companies with the troops. The entire outfit will number 3,000 or 3,500 officers and men.

DOINGS OF A DAY IN NEIGHBORING PLACES

The spring reunion of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, sitting in the valley of New Bern, will be held on April 18 and 19, says the New Bern Sun-Journal. The New Bern firemen made a long run in response to an alarm turned in by a negro who tried to post a letter in a Gamewell box.

The planters of Jones county are going to make record-breaking crops this year, according to a man who has just made a tour of the county.

Wooten of Onslow 'd Be Senator

J. Frank Wooten of Jacksonville today announced for the State Senate. He declares in a statement of his candidacy that he appreciates most sincerely the fact "that the people of Lenoir county have a most estimable gentleman and sterling Democrat," Col. W. D. Pollock, in the field. "But remember, you must nominate two Senators."

Wooten is a well-known lawyer, related to a number of prominent persons in Lenoir county. Pollock and Wooten are so far the only announced candidates in the Seventh district.

WILSON DETERMINED TO CALL IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT TO TERMS AT ONCE; GOV'T TO ISSUE STATEMENT TO PEOPLE TODAY

"United States Shall Have Satisfaction Even at Risk of Breaking Off Relations"—Satisfied of Germany's Guilt—Certain That the President Will Demand Immediate Showdown Without Equivocation—Berlin Sends More Data on Sussex Incident, Trying to Clear Accused Submarine of Charge—May Reach Washington In Ten Days!—This Government Not At All Likely to Wait That Long, Indicated In Officialdom

(By the United Press)

Washington, April 14.—The President has determined upon the course of action to pursue toward Germany on the submarine issue, and announcement of it will soon be made. The public will have it within eight hours, was the statement of a high government official just before the Cabinet went into session.

It is deemed certain that the President will demand an immediate showdown without equivocation. He is said to have determined that the United States shall have satisfaction, even at the cost of severance of diplomatic relations.

It is stated that America has all the facts to prove its case and will brook no further delay.

Germany Tries to Kill More Time.

Berlin, April 14.—Germany is forwarding to the American State Department all her evidence regarding the Sussex. The foreign office has given Ambassador Gerard two pencil sketches from a submarine commander of a boat he sunk near where the Sussex was attacked, tending to prove that the suspected submarine was not guilty. The data should reach Washington in ten days.

LA GRANGE EXPECT'D TO CARRY ELECTION FOR 3 BOND ISSUES

Town Officials Would Have Waterworks, Light Plant, Paved Streets, Sewerage and Town Hall—Issue of \$68,000

(Special to The Free Press)

LaGrange, Apr. 14.—LaGrange will vote simultaneously on three separate bond issues some time during the early Summer, if the intention of the Mayor and Commissioners is carried out. They are expected to fix the election date in May.

The proposed issues would be for \$40,000 for an electric light plant, sewerage system and waterworks; \$20,000 for street paving, and \$8,000 for a town hall. It is believed that all three will carry; the issue least popular is that for the town building. It would contain a Mayor's office and courtroom, the latter to be used for a meeting-place by the town board, on the second floor, and a market-place, fire department quarters and town jail on the first floor.

The style of street paving has not been officially considered.

LaGrange, with between 1,200 and 1,500 population, is without bonded indebtedness now. The town has never voted on a bond issue.

REPORT OF THE COTTON MARKET

(Daily Free Press, April 14)

About a dozen bales of cotton were sold here today by 3 o'clock, with 11-1/2 cents the high price. New York futures quotations were:

Open	2:40
May	11.80 11.82
July	11.94 11.96
October	12.08 12.10
December	12.28 12.30
January	12.33 12.35

GREENE COUNTY MEN IN FRACAS AT SNOW HILL

J. A. Albritton, lawyer, former Representative from Greene county to the General Assembly, and J. E. Debnam, editor of the Standard-Laonic are reported to have engaged in an

BROOKS OF TRINITY PRINCIPAL SPEAKER MOSS HILL SCHOOL

Last of County Group Commencements Held—Large Number in Attendance—Prize for Improvement in Grounds Awarded—Competitions Enjoyable.

(Daily Free Press, April 14)

The series of group center commencements which have been in progress throughout the country for the past ten days, were concluded today at the Moss Hill School. Dr. E. C. Brooks, head of the Department of Education of Trinity University and a native of Lenoir County, made the principal address. An interesting program was carried out. Dr. Brooks was introduced by Mr. H. Galt Braxton, Editor of the Free Press, and the children of the various schools represented in the group competed for declamation and story telling honors and the graduates of the seventh grades of the various schools were presented with diplomas by Superintendent Kinsey. One of the very interesting features of today's program that has not been a part of the program of the County group center commencements before was the exhibit of the Moonlight Schools work. Three men took part in this exhibit and announced to their hearers that before last November they could neither read or write. One of them gave a reading, another one wrote his name and address on the black board and the third did a sum in addition and multiplication. The Moss Hill School was presented with a five dollar gold piece, the prize offered by the United Daughters of the Confederacy for the greatest improvement in school grounds during the year. Athletic contests concluded the day's program and a fine old North Carolina dinner was enjoyed by the four or five hundred assembled.

affray in Debnam's office at Snow Hill Thursday. The result was proclaimed a draw. The trouble arose out of the recent lynching. It is said the men were hard at it for a considerable time, with no one to interfere.

O'BERRY PRESIDENT OF GOLDSBORO FAIR

Goldsboro, April 13.—Close to \$10,000 has been subscribed to the capital stock of the Wayne county Fair, and it is predicted that \$20,000 will be subscribed during the next few days. Capt. Nathan O'Berry, of this city, has been elected president.

VEGGMEN TO BE TRIED AT STATESVILLE NEXT WEEK

Statesville, April 13.—Next week's term of the United States District Court at Statesville promises to be one of unusual interest. The noted postoffice robbery cases are to be

GIFTS TO UNIVERSITY VIRGINIA ANNOUNCED

Charlottesville, Va., Apr. 13.—President Alderman announced at the Founders' Day exercises at the University of Virginia here today gifts of forty thousand dollars to the institution, including \$10,000 from Charles Steele, of New York, for equipping a new hospital wing.

tried at this term, the defendants now in custody being "Old Tom Dowd" and two of his confederates, James Donoghue, alias "Brooklyn Slim," and Grady Brown, alias Grady Koontz, etc. Dowd and his gang are charged with the robbery of the postoffices at Mocksville, Kannapolis, North Charlotte, Hillsboro and elsewhere.