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## UNITED STATES WILL NOT STAND FOR ANY FURTHER PROCRASTINATION CONFERENCE ON MEXICAN-AMERICAN REL'TNS, KNOWN

Only Baker and Daniels Know What Plans Are in the Event of Disbanding of Commission—Southern Republic Will Be Held to Stricter Accounting Should Atlantic City Meeting Break Up Without Result—Protection of American Rights and Property Big Thing With This Government—Few Days Will Tell Story of Peace or Invasion, It's Thought—Patience of Washington Is About Exhausted

(By R. J. BENDER)

Washington, Nov. 20.—The Administration will stand but little more "manana"—delay from the Mexican side at the Atlantic City peace conference. Its patience is at the breaking point. A few days may bring about portentous developments. The Mexicans will be told emphatically that the United States cannot sit in the peace sessions if dilatory, obstructive tactics are pursued. The border patrol is but a part of the Administration plans. Primarily, the protection of American rights and property in Mexico is the big problem. If these are unobtainable the border patrol will be unneeded and new steps will be taken. The United Press today learned authoritatively that what the alternative course will be in the event of failure at Atlantic City, no one can say. Secretaries Lansing and Baker alone know. It is intimated, however, that a shift of policy will result in a stricter accounting from Mexico.

## WINTER CRUISE WAS HALTED BY STORM; AN UNPLEASANT TIME

Stormbound for five days in one of the worst spots on the whole Atlantic coast, Mr. Dempsey Wood returned late in the past week from a cruise through Pamlico sound, which was not a very pleasant one. Mr. Wood and others of a small party left to make a visit to each of the East Carolina sounds on a small yacht. They were off Ocracoke, in Pamlico sound, last Monday when a heavy gale struck their little ship. There was no chance of making the passage through the sound in the weather, and the yacht was anchored right at the entrance to Portsmouth inlet, a short, shallow and very narrow passage, very seldom used as a ship channel because of its treacherousness. The anchor held; had it not, with the wind from the quarter it was most of the time, the little vessel would have been blown to sea or stranded, with a still less chance of weathering the tempest, in the inlet. Thursday the gale abated, but the seas continued so high and the current so strong that it was not until Friday that the crew could take up anchor and leave the place. There was no suffering on board. The yacht was quite comfortable and well provisioned, but frequently there were tense moments when "most anything could have happened." The anchor was the means of salvation, all right.

## NEW HANOVER GETS GOOD; JAIL EMPTY

Wilmington, Nov. 19.—For the first time within the history of Wilmington the New Hanover county jail is empty and the jailer enjoys the distinction of having a position that calls for no duties.

## BRIEFS IN THE NEWS

### NEIGHBORING TOWNS

(Daily Free Press—20th)  
A 12-year-old cyclist named Swann, colliding with an auto at Washington, was badly crushed between the car and a tree after being dragged fifteen feet, and may die.

Pitt county's roads are being improved at a rapid rate. The Grifton road to Greenville through Ayden will be a fine highway in a few weeks. Grifton is nearer to Kinston than Greenville, but the Pitt county market is making a thorough and quiet fight for the trade of the Grifton section.

George A. Oliver, 61, a well-known New Bern man, died at his home there Saturday.

## MONASTIR FELL TO VILLA SLEW RIGHT ALLIES IN VICTORY AND LEFT WHEN HE TOOK JIMINEZ TOWN

Serb Stronghold Has No Military Value, However, Berlin Claims—Garrison In New Positions to the North

(By the United Press)

London, Nov. 20.—With rain and sleet interfering with operations in the Somme, interest today switched to the Balkans, where further news increased the brilliancy of the Allied victory in the capture of Monastir. It is doubted if the Germanic forces can completely escape the rapidly encircling Allied vise.

Berlin, Nov. 20.—The evacuation of Monastir was "prepared for since several days ago," according to a special review of the Balkan fighting. "The city is without military importance."

Monastir Garrison Pursued.

London, Nov. 20.—Energetic pursuit of the Teutons retreating from Monastir is proceeding, says a Serbian official statement. News of the capturing of Monastir, ancient city of Serbian Macedonia, caused proud satisfaction and great joy in Serbia.

Berlin, Nov. 20.—Ejection of the British from the western part of the Salto de Grandcourt in a hand-to-hand engagement is officially reported. The British sustained heavy losses in attacks against German positions. The French were repulsed while attempting to enter the St. Pierre-Vaast wood from the north-west.

"New positions north of Monastir have been occupied by our forces, without being disturbed by the enemy," it is said officially. New Germanic forces have arrived in the fighting zone.

Roumanians Fall.  
Petropolis, Nov. 20.—Admission of capture of Roumanian attacks in the Kimpelung region of Transylvania is fully made.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST CONCERNING RURAL SCHOOLS OF COUNTY

Teachers' Meeting.

The Lenoir County Teachers' Association will hold the second general meeting of the year next Saturday, November 25th, at 10:30 in the lecture room of the Garden Street Christian church. The program is probably the best of the year, as Prof. C. W. Wilson of the E. C. T. T. School and Mr. L. C. Brogden of the State Department will address the meeting and Supt. Hay Taylor of Greenville will lead a discussion on language work in the elementary grades. The Board of Education offers to each group of teachers who are present and on time at the meeting, a set of the books to be used in the State Reading Circle work this year. Every teacher in the county is expected to attend the meeting Saturday, and to hear Prof. Wilson's address. Mr. Brogden will speak to the teachers about graduation and classification of pupils and the preparation of seventh grade pupils for examination.

Oak Dale.

Oak Dale school will have a basket party in the school building next Friday evening, November 24th. The public is invited to attend the party, for which an entertaining program of amusements has been arranged. Smith's School.

The public is invited to attend a rosette party and oyster supper at the school building next Friday evening, November 24th.

We wish to thank the patrons and co-workers in neighboring schools and visitors for their interest and

El Paso, Texas, Nov. 19.—An unidentified American was killed when a Villa band took Jiminez and four Americans were seen under a guard of bandits at Parral during Villa's occupation of that town, according to reports believed by Federal agents to be authentic, brought to the border by refugees.

Refugees further state that the district between Parral and Jiminez has been cleared by Villa's followers of more than 200 Chinese. The American killed at Jiminez was described as about 60 years old and known to be from Torreon on his way to Chihuahua City. He was murdered, said the refugees, in the Jiminez hotel and his body lay for some time in front of the building when after being robbed of clothing and valuables it was placed on a bonfire.

The same refugees say that two Mexican women who had married Chinese and their five half-breed children were found and thrown alive in the fire in sight of the crowd. The bodies of seven murdered Chinese, according to the same authority, were seen in the streets of the town.

## JOHN W. WOOTEN DIES AT HOME IN NEWBERN

John William Wooten, a well-known New Bern man, died following a few hours' illness. He was 72 years of age and a native of Fayetteville. He once lived in Jones county. The funeral was held in Trenton Sunday afternoon. Children, daughters and sisters of Mr. Wooten live in Baltimore, Cove City, Maxville, Pollockville, Kinston and other places.

## STRENGTH OF NATION IN ITS YOUTH, SAYS

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 19.—"The strength of a nation is found in the character of its young manhood and the Y. M. C. A. is unsurpassed by any other institution in the work of character building," declared Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy, to an audience of men this afternoon that packed the Academy of Music.

Referring to the navy he asserted, "that the youth of the enlisted men is responsible for the strength and glory of the American navy today." This aroused enthusiasm among the enlisted men present.

generosity in making the party at Hickory Grove, on Friday, November 17th, a success. Forty-one dollars was raised for school betterment. Misses Ethel and Iris Ives, teachers, Farm Valley.

The very enjoyable program and entertainment at Farm Valley school recently has been reported as one of the best of the many social gatherings in the rural school buildings this year. Sixty-five dollars was raised for the school. This amount was made, exclusive of expenses.

The class-rooms of the Pink Hill school building are completed and the school has moved in the comfortable building. Each room is equipped with new single desks. A teachers' desk has been bought for each room and new blackboards have been put in place.

The Betterment Association gave a play Friday evening and a large crowd was present in the new school auditorium. The night school or moonlight school of Pink Hill meets on Monday and Thursday nights of each week. Twelve pupils have been enrolled and some real work is being done.

Patrons and friends of the school are invited to the school building on Friday afternoon, November 24, at 2:30 o'clock. A program of entertainment by the pupils will be given. It is hoped that all patrons of the school will be present.

## DEMOCRATS SHOULD RALLY TO SUPPORT OF NAT'L COMMITTEE

In all probability it was the last \$300,000 spent by the Democratic National Committee which assured Mr. Wilson's re-election, the Finance Committee for North Carolina thinks. The national fund is about that much short.

Hugh McRae, secretary-treasurer for the State, writes The Free Press: "Will you not make this matter of Democratic credit the basis of a request for a popular subscription. (1) from all Democrats who wanted to give to the original fund, but for any reason failed to do so; (2) from those who gave to the original fund, but who would be glad to give more liberally; and (3) from those who were liberal in the first instance, but who feel sufficient joy over the victory to give more, in order to make a clear record, as well as a glorious one, for the Democratic party?"

## GAMBLERS AND OTHERS IN THE POLICE COURT

Monday morning's chapter of trials in the Police Court follows: Willie Cobb, Jacob Fleming, Johnny Jones and Lonnie Matthews, gambling, \$5 and costs each. Jesse Conway, speeding, \$5 and costs. Eugene Rayner, assault with a pitchfork, \$5 and costs. Johnny Gregg, disorderly and two cases for assault on a female, judgment reserved.

## SUFFRAGISTS READY TO HAGGLE CONGRESS

Washington, Nov. 20.—The suffrage hosts mobilizing here for the "big drive" on Congress during the coming session, when they anticipate the enactment of Federal woman suffrage legislation.

## NORFOLK SOUTHERN OFFICIALS IN CITY

Margen J. Perry, Chairman of the Norfolk Southern directorate, and President Joseph Young and a number of other directors and officials visited Kinston Saturday afternoon on a special train of six cars. The party was on a tour of inspection of the system.

## INSTITUTE NEW BERN TEMPLE ON WEDNESDAY

New Bern is all ready for the installation of that city Wednesday by hundreds of North Carolina and Virginia Shriners to assist in and witness the installation of Sudan Temple. The temple will be given a handsome start in life. Many Kinston Shriners will be present at the institution. New Bern Masonry has worked for the temple for years, and the dispensation was granted by the Imperial Council at Buffalo a few months ago.

## COTTON

Cotton brought from 19 3/4 to 20 1/4 here Monday. Some market receipts were around fifty bales.

New York futures quotations were:

	Open	Close
January	20.50	21.50
March	21.02	21.25
May	21.25	21.40
July	21.30	21.38
October	19.95	19.20
December	20.90	20.95

## VISITING SALVATIONIST.

Staff Capt. Jennie Crawford of Atlanta, secretary for the Salvation Army of the work in four States, will hold services in the Baptist church here Tuesday night. She is accompanied by Capt. Van Egan. The meeting will be at 7:30 o'clock.

## AIR RECORD OF THE YEAR MADE BY RUTH LAW, A PLUCKY GIRL

Flying 8 Hours and 59 Minutes, She Lands at New York After a Cold Trip From Chicago in Out-of-Date Machine

(By the United Press)

New York, Nov. 20.—Ruth Law, smiling little American, took her place as the premier woman aviator of the world when she equaled the American record of cross-country flying and landed on Governor's Island, having flown 840 miles from Chicago in an obsolete type of aeroplane, with but two stops, when she was forced to descend for gasoline. Exposed to a cold wind owing to the fact that the type of her machine forced her to sit out in front of the motor, and without a shield, the plucky young woman outstripped Victor Carlstrom's record for a continuous flight made on November 2, with a latest type machine, and then continued her journey and flew farthest of any woman in history, flying eight hours and 59 minutes.

Miss Law got a rousing reception on her arrival. Carlstrom characterized the flight as "the greatest aviation feat of the year."

## SEABOARD MUST GIVE IN TO CITY RALEIGH

Washington, Nov. 20.—The Supreme Court today affirmed the North Carolina court, denying the Seaboard Air Line an injunction to prevent enforcement of a city ordinance by the City of Raleigh, requiring the road to remove certain tracks from a public street.

## HORSE PREVENTED A JAIL DELIVERY

"Jim," at City Hall, Kept Tunnel Dug From Cell Closed With His Heels. "Nub" Stole Shoes Off Fellow Prisoner Before Digging the Hole to Escape

Bert Sellers, a fire wagon driver, stopped a game of setback at the station at City Hall Saturday night to go back to the stall of Jim, a handsome black, and remonstrate with him for the "worst carrying-on" one could imagine. For half an hour Sellers had been tolerating Jim's monkey business, and hoping that he would quit it. He found the horse standing in an attitude of intense excitement, snorting and pawing at the ground on one side of the stall. The cause of it all was "Nub," a small, one-armed, very ugly negro. Adjoining the engine house on one side is what the police call the "calaboose," which is about as bad a place to put a person in as could be discovered. The calaboose is not steamheated, and the cell-doors are full of cracks through which the wintry winds blow at will. In the cell with "Nub" were four other negroes. Three faced a trifling gambling charge, and one was too drunk to care what happened. "Nub," however, was accused of stealing a pair of trousers and had been caught after a chase the afternoon before. He tunneled a way through the plank floor of the cell and burrowed through the ground into the horse's stall. He had no assistance and only the one hand to work with, the others said. Through with his task, "Nub" put his head through to reconnoiter. He immediately withdrew it, however, and should be glad that he kept it. A hoof missed his little black cranium by the fraction of an inch. The fire horse stood guard and every time "Nub" protruded his kinky head his pate was fanned by the air from Jim's heels. That had been going on for fully 30 minutes before Sellers discovered the trouble, and all the prisoners were transferred to the county jail manly.

## WHOLE STORY LABOR AND CAPITAL FIGHT WILL BE LAID BARE

At Sessions of Congressional Investigators Started At Washington

## EVERY PHASE BE PROBED

Adamson to See President About Restrictive Legislation—A. F. of L. Won't Stand for Anti-Strike Legislation

(By the United Press)

Washington, Nov. 20.—The curtain was lifted here today on one of the most dramatic battles of industrial units in the nation's history, when the joint congressional committee in the interest of commerce started its investigation of conditions relating to commerce and labor. Every influence of capital and labor will clash during the hearings. In the meantime the government will keep a watchful eye on the interests of the public. Today Representative Adamson, author of the eight-hour law, will confer with President Wilson regarding additional legislation proposed for the settlement and prevention of industrial disputes. The American Federation of Labor has already challenged any legislation which might limit the right of labor to strike.

## WILSON TO SEE LABOR LEADERS.

Washington, Nov. 20.—President Wilson will confer with the four brotherhood leaders at the White House this afternoon. He granted them 15 minutes just prior to the appointment of President Wilson with Representative Adamson.

## WILSON AT NORFOLK ON ELEVENTH DEC'R

Big Gathering of Southerners to Attend Eighth Annual Convention of Commercial Congress—Many Delegates From Each of the 16 States In Dixie

(Special to The Free Press)

Norfolk, Nov. 20.—President Wilson's coming to Norfolk December 11 to participate in the opening program of the eighth annual convention of the Southern Commercial Congress following closely upon his re-election, will give an impetus to the southern invasion of Norfolk that is expected to assemble here that day the largest throng that has ever gathered for an event in Virginia. The day will be literally alive with features of the type calculated to draw crowds from distant as well as nearby cities and the lowest estimate that has been placed upon the expected multitude of visitors on Woodrow Wilson day is 50,000.

Henry C. Barbee, chairman of the Citizens' Executive Committee, estimates that the four days of the convention will draw to this city between 100,000 and 125,000 visitors. The sixteen State executives of the House of Southern Governors have each appointed upwards of 100 official delegates. Governor Stuart of Virginia is completing his list, which will include the names of probably 1,000 prominent Virginians.

called the intelligent animal to "kick up," those at the fire house think Jim used to pull a bell rope to annoy his human friends, and is admittedly a little vicious. He has been on his side of the pole for years and years now. "Nub" when he went to the jail had on a brand new pair of shoes. They were the property of his prostrate coltmate. The one-eyed one had swapped the stranger's were a little larger and he had to be admitted to the jail.