

CARRANZA ASKS THE UNITED STATES TO REALIZE POSITION

Up Against Real Obstacles In Campaign Against Villa Bandits

CORPSE OF RODRIGUEZ

Shown In El Paso as Proof of De Facto Government's Intention of Business—Congress Inclined to Be Calm Over Situation

(By the United Press) Washington, Jan. 17.—Feeling over the Santa Ysabel massacre was considerably allayed today by Carranza's assurances to Consul Silliman that he is placing the murderers outside the law.

El Paso, Jan. 17.—The corpse of General Rodriguez, the executed Villa leader, was placed on exhibition here today to show Carranza's intention to kill all the leaders of recent massacres.

Washington, Jan. 16.—General Carranza today renewed his assurances to the United States that he would make every effort to punish those responsible for the murders of American mining men near Santa Ysabel.

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PAPAL INVESTIGATION ATROCITIES IN BELGIUM

Resident Cardinal Furnishes Vatican With Mass of Information Bearing Out Allegations of German Misconduct in Catholic Nation—Commission to Be Appointed by Pope

(United Press Staff Correspondent) Rome, Jan. 17.—Pope Benedict is to name a commission to conduct an investigation into alleged German atrocities in Belgium, it is learned.

PRESIDENT TO CONSIDER SUPREME COURT VACANCY

Washington, Jan. 16.—President Wilson will devote much time this week to hearing delegations who will propose candidates for the Supreme Court vacancy caused by the death of Justice Lamar.

PHILADELPHIA GARMENT WORKERS ON STRIKE

(By the United Press) Philadelphia, Jan. 17.—Most of the ten thousand garment workers here went on strike today. The remainder will be out before night.

ENGLAND PROPOSES REAL BLOCKADE ON GERMAN COAST NOW

Would Alter Situation Existing Between London Government and America to Some Degree, But Bring Up Other Matters

(By the United Press) Washington, Jan. 17.—England and the United States are prepared to join issue over the question of British trade interference. Agitation in London for an actual blockade of Germany to replace the orders in Council today promised to bring the dispute to a head.

BUGS NOW QUOTED ON THE OPEN MARKET AT TEN CENTS A HUNDRED

Columbus, O., Jan. 17.—If anyone happens to have a hundred live bed bugs handy, and is willing to admit it, Professor P. B. Wiltberger of the Ohio State University will pay a dime for them.

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RAILROAD MACHINIST CRUSHED BY LOCOMOTIVE

Asheville, Jan. 16.—E. L. McClain, a machinist living on Blanton street, was crushed between a locomotive and a post at the Southern roundhouse yesterday, and his injuries are believed to be fatal.

RIOTING BY RIVAL FACTIONS AT CHURCH

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 16.—Rioting which broke out between rival factions at the Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in DuPont, near here today, resulted in the death of one man, the probable fatal injury of two others and the serious injury of at least a dozen more.

ALLEN'S CHANCE AS GOOD AS ANY OTHER MAN'S, IT'S STATED

Representative Matt Allen Says North Carolina Justice Is Bucked Most Vigorously by Virginians Kelly and Montague

Representative Matt Allen of Goldsboro returned to that city today after a weekend visit in the home of his father, Judge Oliver H. Allen.

Senator Simmons informed him. Mr. Allen stated that the North Carolinian is fully as strong in Washington as any of the other possibilities.

COTTON SALES TODAY SMALL, PRICES GOOD

The weather's inclemency had its effect on the Cotton Exchange today, and sales were very small. The prices paid for such as was marketed were very good.

Table with columns: Month, Opn, Close. Rows: January, March, May, July, October.

MANY NAT'L BANKS LIKE SHYLOCK OF OLD, SAYS GEORGIAN

Representative Howard Declares That Large Number in Southern Districts Charge Usurious Interest Asks Investigation

(By the United Press) Washington, Jan. 17.—Many national banks, especially in the Atlanta, New Orleans and Dallas reserve districts, are pictured as modern Shylocks charging usurious interest by Representative Howard of Georgia.

Howard quoted Comptroller of the Currency Williams today in support of his talk before the Rules Committee and asked for an investigation.

WILSON LOOKING AFTER PLANS FOR MOBILIZATION

Washington, Jan. 15.—President Wilson has begun to put into operation the plan he outlined in his last message to Congress for preparing the nation's manufacturing, railroad, and other business resources for quick mobilization in case of emergency.

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STATE BUREAU WILL TAKE HOLD UNIFIED EXTENSION EFFORTS

Activities of Agricultural, Health and Education Departments Along Some Lines to Be Conducted On Better Plan Now

(Special to The Free Press) Raleigh, Jan. 17.—A "State Bureau of Community Service" has been organized after months of preparation to "organize permanent community service leagues" with public schools as centers.

FURTHER TESTS OF EDISON BATTERIES BY NAVY DEPARTMENT

Before They Will Be Installed In Other Submarines, Decision Following Saturday's Explosion On E-4, At Brooklyn

(By the United Press) Washington, Jan. 17.—Plans of the Navy Department for the general equipment of submarines with the new Edison batteries have been halted as a result of the explosion on the E-2 at New York.

ASHEVILLE'S MEMBER FORD PARTY IS BACK

Asheville, Jan. 16.—Fred L. Sealey, proprietor of Grove Park Inn, and Asheville's only representative with the Ford peace party, returned to Asheville yesterday after making a special trip through England.

NEWS IN BRIEF OF NEIGHBORING TOWNS

A new sawmill to be operated by the East Carolina Lumber Co. will be started up at Carolina City, in Pamlico county, this week. It will employ a large number of men.

MIGHT INDUCE TWO MORE RAILROADS TO CONNECT WITH CITY

Pointed Out That Dover & Southbound and East Carolina Lines Could Be Easily Linked to Roads Entering Kinston

Some of the "substantial business men are in favor of inducing Mr. Bridges to extend the East Carolina Railroad from Hookerton to La-Grange. The statement occasioned some interest here this morning, and it was recalled by men who discussed it that some years ago there was a plan on paper to extend the road to Kinston from Hookerton.

Then, there is a good chance to connect the Dover & Southbound with this city. A line to Haskins' Chapel, in Jones county, runs a part of the distance almost parallel with the D. & S. B.

Neither idea is a "pipe dream." The benefits to be derived by the several communities, especially Kinston, might not be immediately very great, but Kinston is growing fast in population, and in a very few years' time the benefits would be immense.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS BEFORE INCREASED ARMAMENT FOR HIM

Between Two Bills Clark Favors Omnibus — Britton Accuses Navy Dept. of Misuse of Money Improvement at Charleston

(By the United Press) Washington, Jan. 17.—Representative Clark of Florida spoke today in the House favoring the omnibus public buildings bill against preparedness, if the latter interferes.

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COMMUNITY EXPERT WILL MAKE ADDRESS FEBRUARY SECOND

Edward J. W. Proffitt of New England to be Guest of Norfolk Southern In This State—Chamber of Commerce to Entertain

The Norfolk Southern Railroad wants Edward Proffitt, a noted municipal expert of the New England States, to see Kinston. The Chamber of Commerce is in receipt of a letter from Col. H. S. Leard, General Passenger Agent of the Railroad, saying: "We expect to have with us Mr. Edward J. W. Proffitt of Providence, R. I., who has studied the problem of community interest for some time, and has become rather famous in the Northeastern States for his talks and suggestions in regard to same.

Secretary Sutton of the Chamber after conferring with President LaRoue immediately addressed a letter to Col. Leard stating that Kinston will be very glad to have the New England man for its guest from 7:50 a. m. to 4:41 p. m. on the 2nd, and to hear him speak at 2 p. m. An automobile trip around town will be provided for the visitor and the accompanying railroad men.

HEAD BROKEN IN AFFRAY IN ASHEVILLE HOTEL

Asheville, N. C., Jan. 16.—J. C. Miller of Waynesville is in the Meriwether Hospital with a fractured skull, and Clement Smathers and Bradley Gilmer of Waynesville are under arrest as the result of a fight at a local hotel last night in the course of which Smathers is said to have struck Miller across the head with a water pitcher.

FORD LEADERS SAY MUST STUDY A YEAR

(By the United Press) The Hague, Jan. 17.—A year's study may be necessary, the Ford leaders today admitted, before they can submit a peace plan to the belligerents. They expect the war to last that long.

BULLETINS

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ROME ABANDONS THE IDEA OF SENDING A FORCE TO BALKANS

Will Press Campaign on Austrian Frontier to Shake Off Teutons

ENEMY IS PROGRESSING

Vienna Expects All Albania and Montenegro to Be In Hands of Central Powers Within a Month — Small Countries Crushed

(By the United Press) Athens, Jan. 17.—Reports that the Austrians and Montenegrins had agreed upon an armistice were corroborated by today's dispatches.

Vienna, Jan. 17.—Italy has abandoned all plans for participating in the Balkan campaign, and is to evacuate Albania, it is reported. Her forces will be withdrawn, leaving the Montenegrins to be crushed between the Austrians and Bulgarians.

The withdrawal will be the result of Italian conference which decided to pursue the campaign on the Austrian frontier. Then, if victorious, Italy can loosen Austria's hold on the Balkans.

BRITISH GUNNERS KILLED CIVILIANS

Berlin, Jan. 17.—Sixteen civilians were killed and wounded at Lens by British artillery fire, it is officially stated. Snow impedes activity in the East.

BRITISH VICTORY IN MESOPOTAMIA

London, Jan. 17.—The British forces marching to the relief of the British in Kutelmara has defeated the Turks and captured a position, it is said officially.

RUSSIAN WARRIORS TURKS

Constantinople, Jan. 17.—The Turks in the Caucasus have been forced to retreat several miles by Grand Duke Nicholas, it is admitted. The Turkish Gallipoli forces are being rushed to aid the army on that front, and to the East in an attempt to halt the Persians and British.

GIVEN TIME TO PROVE HE IS FULL WHITE MAN

Recorder Will Take Up Cases Against Claud Penuel and Girl He Married Thursday—Both in Danger Jail Sentences if Gorman Cannot Disprove Allegation of His Relation to Ham

Recorder T. C. Wooten Saturday afternoon gave Claud Penuel until Thursday to prove that he is not of mixed blood. Penuel eloped from Jones county with Cora Jones, spent several days with the girl here, took her to Norfolk and, he claims, married her. With them came a minor sister of the Jones girl, of her own free will, it is said. The couple were formally charged with fornication and adultery and kidnapping the child.

Judge Wooten sent Cora Jones or Penuel back to Jones county with relatives. He had intimated before the hearing of Saturday was concluded that he would send both to jail if Penuel proved to be mixed blood, which would make the marriage void in this State and the couple accordingly guilty of fornication and adultery. Probable cause being shown in the kidnapping case, they would be sent on to Superior Court for trial on that count. Penuel remained here. He denies the admixture of blood, although persons who know him say that he is not generally regarded as a "white man" in Jones county.

BIG PEANUT FACTORY AT SUFFOLK BURNED

Suffolk, Jan. 16.—Fire last night destroyed the Lummi's peanut factory, a four-story brick structure, and one of the largest and oldest plants of its kind in the city. The loss is estimated at between \$20,000 and \$70,000.