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CARRANZA'S CAREER ENDS AT HANDS OF ASSASSINS

Killed by Some Troops of His "Loyal" Bodyguard—The Exact Manner of Death of the Old Dictator Is Not Fully Known.

(Associated Press)
Venustiano Carranza, president of Mexico and head of the seventy-seven government that country has had since 1821, was assassinated at El Paso, Tex., on Friday by Col. Rodolfo Herrera and his soldiers at Tlaxcaltepec, Puebla.

Permission has been granted relatives of the late president for the private interment of his body in Mexico City. These include his daughters, Julia, and Virginia, wife of General Candido Aguilar.

Washington, May 24.—A fugitive in the mountains of Puebla, Venustiano Carranza, the old man who kept the United States and Mexico in a state of anarchy for the last five years was killed on Thursday by some of the troops which has protected him as a loyal bodyguard in his flight from the Mexican capital.

Whether he fell fighting, or a victim of the celebrated "ley fuesga" which made dead men of Madero and Suarez, or actually was murdered in a coup d'etat, is obscured in some fragmentary information as has come out of the tropical fastness of Tlaxcaltepec, where he died presumably surrounded by a few loyal friends.

Aboard Special Train of General Calles, La Florida, Coahuila, May 23, via El Paso.—(By the Associated Press.)—The defacto authorities of Mexico have served an ultimatum on Francisco Villa, giving him until May 25 to decide whether he is to be at peace or at war with the new government.

GOOD LIST FROM WHICH TO SELECT COUNTY BOARD
Dr. Jack Bullock Out For County Coroner.

With nine good men on the ticket for county commissioner, it will be the fault of the voters if they do not nominate a strong board at the June primary.

All of the old board have announced their willingness to serve another term. Mr. B. I. Breedlove was one of the last to consent to run. He was besieged by many friends here Saturday and consented to put his name in the pot.

The four other candidates are: Former Commissioner T. G. Taylor, of Oxford, who was solicited by many business men and farmers to make the race; W. L. Clark, of Northern Granville, who was defeated two years ago by two votes; B. F. Curran, an able farmer who resides in the splendid section of the county between Hester church and Betsy; Graham Daniel, of Providence, one of the very best men in county. The old board is as follows: J. Ennis Davis, chairman; W. E. Canaday, Jerome Avertree, J. L. Peed, B. I. Breedlove.

Mr. Nelson Thomas, who has served as coroner for several years, declined to run again. Dr. Jack Bullock's name will adorn the county ticket for coroner.

OXFORD BAPTIST BARACA CLASS WILL ENTERTAIN
Big Blow Out At Mr. J. Robert Wood's Store Next Thursday Night.

If you are a member of the Oxford Baraca class, or if you have ever been a member or intend to become a member, a big time is in store for you next Thursday night.

Mr. J. Robert Wood will clear a space in the front end of his store large enough to entertain two hundred men.

General Royster and Judge Devin are on the program for short talks; two pretty little girls from the Oxford Orphanage will sing, and there will be several other interesting features, including a man size lunch and refreshments.

The object of the meeting is to get better acquainted; to strengthen the unit and to elect officers for the coming term. All members of the class, and those who have been members and also those who contemplate joining, are expected to be present.

FINALS AT OXFORD COLLEGE

Dr. T. W. O'Kelley, D. D., Preached Baccalaureate Sermon Sunday Morning.

The commencement exercises at Oxford College began Sunday morning at the Oxford Baptist Church with the baccalaureate sermon by Dr. T. W. O'Kelley, of the First Baptist Church, Raleigh.

Mrs. Annie M. Woodall, teacher of voice and expression, had charge of the music; Miss Fannie Breusler, teacher of piano, presided at the organ, and Miss Hazel Thompson, of Oxford, and Miss Mary Barber, of Zebulon, members of the student body, sang the offertory.

Dr. O'Kelley used as a text the 13th chapter of 1 Corinthians, stressing the last four verses of the chapter:

The Text.
9. For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. 10. But then that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away. 11. When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. 12. For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known. 13. And now abideth faith, hope, charity; these three; but the greatest of these is charity.

The Sermon.
Dr. O'Kelley first impressed upon the young ladies of the graduating class the importance of true knowledge. Many people, he said, claim to know more than they really know rather than to acknowledge ignorance. Truthfulness, he said, leads to knowledge, and knowledge is the beginning of wisdom; that it is not only a pleasure and a power to know God, but it is life and death.

Love is the greatest thing in the world, said Dr. O'Kelley. First of all, grasp the great truth that "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son." We have lived far below our blessed privilege to know God. A knowledge of literature is of no avail if we know not Christ, the son of God. Then, how can we learn more of God? By love, which creates a thirst for knowledge, and true knowledge leads to wisdom. Those who love God know that He guides their feet.

Dr. O'Kelley stressed the point that partial knowledge clears the way for perfect knowledge; that a thirst for true knowledge leads to a conformity to God's will, and that when we meet Him we shall know Him. Keep these things in mind and heart so that yours may be lives of joy and sunshine.

Evening Service.
Sunday evening at Oxford Baptist Church Dr. O'Kelley spoke to the Young Women's Christian Association. He spoke in a forceful manner on the subject of the "Bond Servant of the Lord Jesus Christ." He urged that every person before him set a lofty ideal and climb to that ideal through the vicissitudes of life. He told the young ladies that there is a call to service in the foreign field; that wherever they go they will find something to do for the Lord that will do them good unless they do it, and that they can do it better than any one else.

Monday.
Class day exercises were held in the forenoon, and the art exhibit and the domestic art exhibit were held at 3:30 in the afternoon, which were viewed and greatly admired by many.

The Graduates.
Graduating exercises will take place this morning at 10:30 o'clock, at which time Dr. Jackson, of Greensboro, will deliver the address. The graduates are: Mary Lou Redfern, Hattie Catherine Manning, Jessie Vimey White, Maud Lee Montague, Annie Cornelia Cain, Ellen Elizabeth Carrier, Grace Lee Curran, Annie May Watkins, Sallie Josephine Brown, Maude Timberlake Winston.

Girls Depart For Home.
Quite a number of the students left for home on the early train this morning and the remainder will probably depart this afternoon. The teachers will probably remain until tomorrow.

MIR. J. S. WATKINS IS A CANDIDATE FOR THE HOUSE
It Has Been Twenty Years Since the County Was Represented By a Farmer.

In the announcement of Mr. John S. Watkins for the House of Representatives, which was published in the last issue of the Public Ledger, the word "farmer" was inadvertently left out of the first line of the text. Mr. Watkins is not only a good farmer, but he is a splendid citizen. The paragraph referred to above should read as follows:

"Did you know that Granville County has not had the honor of being represented by a farmer since 1900, or twenty years ago? Is there any sound reason why a farmer should not hold this office and execute the duties of the same with credit to himself and to his county?"

MR. J. ROBERT WOOD WINS LAURELS AT CHARLOTTE
At the annual convention of the North Carolina Funeral and Embalmers' Association, held in Charlotte last week, Mr. J. Robert Wood, of Oxford, was re-elected first vice-president. He was assigned to the committee on by-laws and was also elected a delegate to the national convention to be held in Springfield, Mass., in July.

RACE WAR AT FAYETTEVILLE
Deputy Sheriff is Dead of Wounds Received in Fight

ROSE FETE AND GARDEN MART TO BE HELD TOMORROW AFTERNOON

At the Home of Mrs. R. G. Lassiter and Mrs. A. H. Powell.

The roses are here again and according to many have never been more beautiful. Other flowers, too, are at their best. So the time for the Rose Fete and Garden Mart has come.

That event, one of the most enjoyable of the season, will be presented to the people of Oxford on Wednesday afternoon from 4 to 6:30 in the gardens of Mrs. Lassiter and Mrs. Powell.

As usual, all who have plants of any kind to divide are asked to contribute them to help beautify the less fortunate gardens. The managers ask that these plants be sent to Mrs. Lassiter's garden as early as convenient Wednesday. Exhibitors are asked to arrange their flowers in their own containers and enter them by noon Wednesday.

Refreshments of ice cream, cake, and strawberries, will be sold. All are cordially invited to attend. Blue and red ribbons are offered for the following:

Roses.
(Hybrid perpetuals—Hybrid Teas, Teas, Moss, Climbing—all colors and Classes.)
1. Best vase, not more than 6—not less than 3. 2. Best bowl or basket of 12 or more. 3. Best vase of 10 or 12. 4. Best Collection of 5 or more specimens. 5. Best specimen bloom. 6. Best climbing roses.

Decorative and Artistic Classes
1. Best table decoration, any class of flowers. 2. Best table decoration for June wedding. 3. Best grouping or arrangement of Iris. 4. Best table decoration of ox-eyed daisies and wood ferns. 5. Best wild flowers in any receptacle. 6. Best arrangement of flowering shrubs. 7. Best arrangement garden flowers, one variety. 8. Best arrangement garden flowers, mixed variety. 9. Best vase or basket of lilies. 10. Best peonies in any receptacle. 11. Best perennial grown from seed. 12. Best poppies. 13. Collection of May blooming flowers. 14. Best bowl of pansies. 15. Best geraniums. 16. Best collection of sweet peas. 17. Best arranged bowl of sweet peas. 18. Best lavender sweet peas. 19. Best pink sweet peas. 20. Best red sweet peas. 21. Best white sweet peas.

Early Vegetables and Fruits.
1. Best head of lettuce. 2. Best radish. 3. Best asparagus. 4. Best Salad. 5. Best Irish potatoes. 6. Best Green peas. 7. Best onions. 8. Best strawberries.

LEE MEADOWS SLIGHTLY INJURED BY FOUL BALL
He Is Resting For a Few Days in Durham.

Lee Meadows, Oxford's famous baseball star, who is on the pitching staff of the Philadelphia Nationals, is now in Durham, where he plans to spend the greater part of two weeks "vacation" from big league duty, being out of the game with an injured eye secured in going after a high foul.

The Sporting News described Meadows' injury in the following light: "Just what everybody has been expecting for years has happened. In batting practice at Pittsboro Lee Meadows, of the Phillies, looked up to see where a foul fly would come down. It came down on his nose, broke his glasses and the result was rather disastrous, as Lee's face was badly pockmarked by broken glass. Luckily he saved his eyes and had a pair of spectacles in reserve."

OXFORD'S NEW SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT HERE
Will Move His Family to Oxford Next Fall.

Prof. Credle, the newly-elected superintendent of the Oxford Graded schools, was a visitor to Oxford Saturday.

He attended a meeting of the Teachers Saturday morning and was accorded a warm welcome by them. He returned to his home at Carthage Saturday afternoon.

Prof. Credle contemplates bringing his family to Oxford later in the summer.

TEACHERS 40 CTS. PER HOUR; BRICKLAYERS GET \$1.25 DITTO
H. R. Lehmann, of the Liberty Engineering and Construction Co., engaged in building Wilmington's \$350,000 school building, is in search of bricklayers. His company offers to pay \$1.25 per hour for such labor. When the building is completed it will be manned by teachers who will be paid approximately 40 cents an hour.

Card of Thanks
Dear Friends: The family of Mr. J. T. Britt was deeply touched by the kindness and sympathy shown them in their sudden bereavement. Who knows but what Brother Britt heard the sweet voices of the children in the "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere," and we extend our sincere thanks to each and everyone.

COMMUNITY SERVICE BEGINS WORK IN GRANVILLE CO. WITH MOVING PICTURES

Great Interest Exhibited in New Form of Education and Recreation Program—Miss Annie Lewis Bledsoe is the Director.

Granville County has succeeded in obtaining a Director of Community Service, who will work with the County Superintendent of Public Instruction and bring to the people of the county recreation in various helpful and entertaining ways. It will be a part of the duties of the Director to supervise Physical Education in the schools and to direct the play activities of the children during the summer.

However, the main feature of the summer work will be the moving pictures which are shown at ten points in the county twice each month. The six reels, which always go to make up a program, comprise one or two educational films usually one or two dramas, and always two comedies. The program being shown now is as follows:

The Cattle Industry 1 reel
The Burglar Man (Animated Doll comedy) 1 reel
Seasons of Childhood 2 reels
Vacation Days in the National Forests 1 reel
Mutt and Jeff in "The Dog Pound" (comedy) 1 reel

All of the pictures are sanctioned by the State Board of Education and contain nothing which any child might not see to advantage. There is nothing prosy about them, however, and each program is made up in such a manner as to be of interest to old and young alike. The pictures are as fine as are made. In the places already visited, the people are loud in their praise of the pictures.

From time to time the Director will take with her to these meetings speakers who will give ten-minute talks on subjects of general interest to the public. Other features, such as special music, readings, story telling, etc., will also be introduced into the meetings. The small sum of ten cents is charged for admission of all over six years of age. This covers only about two-thirds of the actual cost of showing the pictures, the balance being paid by the State Department out of a special appropriation made by the Legislature for this purpose.

This work is made possible by the State Board of Education in conjunction with the County Public School authorities. It has been established in fourteen counties and will be working in twenty by the first of July. It is expected that Granville County will by its hearty cooperation soon be leading the counties along this line, as well as in all other progressive movements.

A schedule of the remaining points to be visited with the pictures during the first two weeks is given below. The meetings are held at the school house at 8:00 P. M.

Tuesday, May 25 Wilbourn
Wednesday, May 26 Cornwall
Thursday, May 27 Knap of Reeds
Friday, May 28 Bethel
Sat., May 29 (Special) Culbreth

BIG CROWD EXPECTED HERE ST. JOHN'S DAY
A Cordial Invitation Is Extended the Public to Join in the Celebration.

St. John's Day, which, as every one knows, occurs June 24th, is almost here again. This year it comes on Thursday, one of the most convenient days of the week. The Orphan's Friend says:

"We hope to see the approaching anniversary resemble those good old days when Oxford and the Orphanage grounds were full of overflying on 24ths. It is now even easier to get here because the automobile is quick, reliable and convenient. Railroad companies will doubtless make their usual plans to handle visitors from distant sections of the state.

"We hope a tremendous crowd come. At any rate we anticipate one and are preparing on that basis. The program and plan of service are being worked out and will be announced later. The Grand Orator will be Hon. W. H. S. Burgwyn, of Woodland, and Rev. R. C. Craven is to deliver the address of welcome."

STATE TICKETS FOR THE JUNE PRIMARY ARE HERE
There was sent out from Raleigh last week 1,300,000 ballots for candidates, whose fate will be decided in the June Primary. There are half million gubernatorial tickets, carrying also the names of all contestants for State-wide offices and a quarter of a million tickets for any who feel disposed to vote as between Hiram Johnson and Leonard Wood.

Quite a generous supply of the little tell-tale tickets were received here last Saturday to be sent to the various voting places of the county.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION TO COST AROUND \$150,000
The cost of the Republican National Convention will be at least fifty per cent more than the 1916 convention, according to Fred W. Upham, chairman of the Chicago committee on arrangements and treasurer of the national committee. He estimated the cost of the next convention at \$150,000 with a probability that the cost would reach \$160,000.

A FAITHFUL PUBLIC SERVANT

Mr. Benjamin W. Parham is a Candidate for the Legislature—His Record.

Now that the time has expired in which candidates for the various county offices may file notice with the Board of Elections, it appears that the only contest of a local nature which we will have in the Primary will be for the Legislature.

Mr. Benjamin W. Parham has recently announced himself a candidate for the House. It has been known for some time that Mr. Parham would be a candidate, and it is needless to say that he would make a most capable representative and would reflect credit upon Granville county.

That Mr. Parham is in every way well equipped for public service cannot be denied. He was born on a Granville county farm and he knows what work means. He studied at Horner's School, graduated at Wake Forest College, and later spent two years at the Harvard Law School.

After securing license to practice law he located at Thomasville, in Davidson county, and by reason of his high character and splendid attainment both as a lawyer and man he was in 1910, elected to the Legislature from that county, which is usually Republican, and represented Davidson county in the General Assembly of 1911 in an able and most acceptable manner.

Upon the death of his father, the late A. C. Parham, he returned to his native county of Granville and began the practice of law here. In all those movements which meant the progress and advancement of the county and the town of Oxford he has been active and has rendered splendid service. During the war he did his full part in the Liberty Bond, Red Cross and other campaigns and as a member of the Legal Advisory Board for the county. His most acceptable service was as County Food Administrator, which required a sacrifice on his part of at least one-third of his time for the period of the war, a service which was absolutely necessary and essential to a successful termination of the war. His record in that capacity is well known. It speaks for itself.

In ability, in training, in experience in public affairs and in every other way Mr. Parham is splendidly equipped for service in the Legislature.—Political Advertising.

POLITICS AND RELIGION
There Are Enough Christians To Carry The Country For God.

John Willis Baer, first lay moderator of the Presbyterian Church, appealed to churchmen to take an active part in the politics of their country in his address opening the 132d meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., at Philadelphia last week. Notes from the moderator's address.

"The antidote for the ills of the times in the Christian religion, I ask my fellow citizens to refuse to be discouraged by despondent prophets."

"If this country is wrong side up there are enough Christian laymen in it to turn it over and over until it is right side up for God."

"There is great need of constructive legislation at home and abroad."

"The fear of the inrush of bolshevism from Russia may lead us to do something hysterical."

"The church of today is too soft in its individual life, and slothful and sluggish in its corporate life."

"It is time long overdue for the ministers to receive a living wage."

"A United Protestantism is a realizable ideal."

PRESBYTERIANS VOTE TO UNITE WITH NORTH

Southern Assembly In Session At Charlotte Adopts Resolution For Unification.

Charlotte, May 24.—The plan of union proposed by the joint committee on closer relations of the assemblies of the Southern and Northern Presbyterian churches was adopted without a dissenting vote at the session of the Southern Assembly here today.

The Plan.
It is proposed in the plan that the United Assembly which shall be formed from those Presbyterian churches coming into the agreement shall be known as the United Assembly of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches in the United States of America and shall represent in the body all the churches uniting in the union, this United Assembly to be the declarative, executive, administrative and judicial agency of the United States.

Northern Assembly To Act.
The Northern Assembly has not acted on the plan of union proposed, but will take some action on it at the Assembly meetings in Philadelphia, now being held.

ODD FELLOWS OF STATE HOLD ANNUAL SESSION
Mr. R. L. Hamilton Meets Many Old Friends—The Odd Fellows Home At Goldsboro.

Mr. R. L. Hamilton, who represented the Oxford lodge of Odd Fellows at the annual session of the State Grand Lodge, which was held in Gastonia last week, greatly enjoyed his trip. The order made substantial progress during the past year and the fraternal spirit which prevailed at the meeting was all that any one could desire, said Mr. Hamilton. He was glad to see on the floor of the Grand Lodge Mr. C. B. Edwards, of Raleigh, who has the distinction of being the only Odd Fellow in the State with a record of fifty years continuous active membership in the order. He wears a medal presented to him a few months ago by the lodge, Manteo, of Raleigh, on the occasion of the completion of his fiftieth anniversary as an Odd Fellow.

Mr. Hamilton is also pleased at the excellent condition of the Odd Fellows Home at Goldsboro which is doing a great work in educating the fatherless children of the order and preparing them to adorn high callings.

The Grand Lodge will meet in Salisbury next year.

THE AUTO SMOKE NUISANCE
The Gases Are Absolutely Poisonous.

Automobiles, little and big, fast and slow, multiply at an astonishing rate and the heavenward trend of gasoline prices. They fill the streets. Gasoline isn't what it used to be. Much of it, being of a base quality, turns readily to smoke. And we are becoming a community of smoke-eaters because of the negligence of motor drivers who are willing to waste good fuel and poison the air rather than take five minutes off to adjust the mechanism under the hood.

Somewhere on the books there is an ordinance which empowers the police to arrest and fine any one who operates a smoking motor vehicle in the streets. Yet a large number of drivers daily trail clouds of poisonous gases behind them in the main thoroughfares. The smoke law ought to be enforced. The gas from an imperfectly adjusted motor is not only offensive. It is poisonous.

REGISTRATION WAS HEAVY FOR THE PRIMARY
Following the close of the registration books last Saturday, and the expiration of the time limit for filing of notices of candidacy the County Board of Elections met Monday to certify all candidates entered for the primary June 5.

It is stated that the registration was heavy in Oxford and the other incorporated towns of the county, but rather light at some of the precincts.

TWO GRANVILLE COUNTY BOYS GO TO WEST POINT
The war department announce that two Granville county boys have passed the examination for entrance to the West Point Military Academy July 1.

The young men are: Joseph A. Morris, R. F. D. No. 2, Oxford, appointed by Senator Simmons; Thomas O. Lyon, Creedmoor, appointed by Hon. Charles M. Stedman, fifth district.

PERKINSON-GREEN COMPANY MAKE BIG REDUCTION
The Perkinson-Green Company announce on the third page of this paper a reduction, ranging from 25 to 50 per cent, on every article in the store.

Mr. Bryan In Auto Accident.
Mr. Charlie W. Bryan returning from a trip to Battleboro Monday night met with a serious accident near Fairport. As he was rounding a curve another car collided with his, tearing the engines of both cars into pieces.

Mrs. Sue B. Williams was in the car and both she and Mr. Bryan received severe bruises but it is hoped no permanent injury was done. The occupants of the other car were injured also.