



Surrounded By Force Of Rebels, Carranza's Men Make Determined Stand

Mexican President's Army Of 4,000 Men, Almost Totally Corralled by Rebel Forces, Making Determined Fight Near San Marcos, According To Last Direct Reports—The State Department at Washington Learns That Carranza And His Adherents Left Mexico City Friday Morning Via Rail, Going Apparently Toward Vera Cruz.

MEXICAN GARRISON TOWN SURRENDERS VERY QUIETLY

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—President Carranza, his cabinet officers and other adherents left Mexico City last Friday morning by train apparently going in the direction of Vera Cruz. The State Department was advised today by message from the American embassy at Mexico City.

Carranza's train was preceded by ammunition trains carrying troops and supplies, and also by a train carrying his family and supplies also were held on trains waiting at the railroad station, some hours after Carranza left.

Carranza's Army Makes Stand. WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—President Carranza's army of 4,000 men virtually surrounded by rebel forces commanded by General Hill and Treviño is making a determined stand in a strong position between San Marcos, Puebla and the village of Huastla, ten miles northwest of the city of Puebla, according to reports received here. The struggle went on all day today and according to the latest reports the Carranza forces had not been broken.

Rebel reinforcements have been reported in the neighborhood of the scene of today's battle probably for the purpose of preventing the escape of Carranza should he succeed in breaking through the lines thrown around him. The reports said that the Carranza forces are entrenched along the Mexican National Railroad.

Rebels Near Falls. EAGLE PASS, Texas, May 12.—Rebels near Eagle Pass were surrounded by revolutionists at midnight last night. Not a shot was fired. The dispatches which were dated May 7th, 8th and 9th and which were held up by the interruption of the telegraph lines quoted an official bulletin published in Mexico City newspapers on May 8th announcing that forty-three cannons and ten trains of equipments, supplies, etc., and one train with funds which had accompanied Carranza's train had been captured by the revolutionists.

The newspapers of May 8th, the dispatches said, published statement that there was no confirmation of report that Carranza had been captured.

CHARLES G. WILSON HEADS V-C COMPANY

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, May 12.—Charles G. Wilson, of Richmond, Va., has been elected president of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company. It was announced today by the board of directors.

MISS SUSIE EATON WINNER OF MEDAL

Recitation Contest Held at Public Schools This Morning. The contest in recitation in Griffith school room at 11:30 o'clock this morning resulted in victory for Miss Susie Eaton. The medal will be presented on the night of June 4, at the annual commencement night. The judges were Mrs. G. W. Lane, Mrs. W. C. Angewick and Miss Pattie Smith.

The medal offered in today's contest is given annually by Hon. S. M. Johnson, Congressman from this district. Next Wednesday morning at 11:30 o'clock the second of the series of contests will be held.

AS ACTING SPEAKER OF NEW YORK ASSEMBLY SHE MADE THE MEN BEHAVE



Making men politicians behave is an awful job. But women can do it. This refers to the case of Miss Margaretta Smith, republican member of the New York State Assembly. She had half an hour's session as acting speaker and was obliged to rule on technicalities of parliamentary procedure. Although two assemblymen insisted upon talking at the same time, Miss Smith's forceful gaze finally forced them into their seats.

UNDERWOOD AHEAD IN CLOSE CONTEST

Indications Point to Victory For The Senator in Alabama Primary. (By Associated Press.) BIRMINGHAM, Ala., May 12.—Returns from yesterday's primary gathered by the Birmingham Age Herald from fifty out of sixty-seven counties indicate the renomination of Senator Oscar W. Underwood to succeed himself in a close three-cornered race for the seat of the late Senator Bankhead. Representative Heflin, Frank White and Former Governor O'Neal are the contenders for the short term, the figures running very close.

According to the Age Herald returns Musgrave, the Union Labor candidate against Senator Underwood developed unexpected strength in Underwood's home county and in central and northern parts of the state.

GRAVEN SECURES A NEW ENTERPRISE

Vanceboro Brick and Tile Company Secures a Charter. Craven county's latest business enterprise is the Vanceboro Brick and Tile Company, located at Vanceboro but whose offices are located at No. 23 Middle street, this city.

This concern, which has just been granted a charter, intends to manufacture brick and tile. The promoters are well known business men included among whom is Mr. T. P. Ashford, of this city.

FUNERAL SERVICE FOR WILLIAM DEAN HOWELL

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, May 12.—Funeral services for William Dean Howells, distinguished novelist and editor, at the church of the Ascension of Fifth Avenue today drew a throng of friends and admirers, among whom were many of the foremost figures in American literary life.

The body will be cremated and the ashes taken to Cambridge, Mass. Miss Annie Ship, of New Bern, spent Monday in the city with friends.

UNDERWOOD LEADS IN NUMBER VOTES CAST IN ALABAMA

Incomplete Official Returns To Birmingham News Shows Him Ahead. (By Associated Press.) BIRMINGHAM, Ala., May 12.—Incomplete official returns to the Birmingham News from thirty five of the sixty seven counties in the state early this afternoon gave Senator Underwood a lead of 6,750 votes over L. B. Musgrave, the union labor candidate in the primary for nomination of United States senator.

Estimates from twenty one counties give J. Thomas Heflin a lead of approximately 5,000 over his nearest opponent, Emmett O'Neal.

Official returns from ninety boxes out of 121 in Jefferson County which includes the city of Birmingham gave the long term:

Underwood 8,513; Musgrave 7,513; Weekly 915.

Short term: Heflin 4,203; O'Neal 3,692; White 3,597; Rushton 1,126.

Underwood ahead in close contest. Indications point to victory for the senator in Alabama primary.

MATERNITY AID BY GOVERNMENT GETS LIBERAL SUPPORT

Prominent Women Appear Before The Senate Committee. (By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—Federal maternity aid was frankly sponsored before the senate public health committee by several prominent women who urged adoption of the bill presented by Senator Shepard, democrat of Texas, providing for an annual appropriation of four million dollars to be spent through the states in the care of infants and in their education.

"I am here today because of the skill of physicians who saved me from kidney trouble with my first child," Mrs. Josephus Daniels said. "I am here to send up a cry for the mothers of the country, the women of America who offer their body and blood for the children they bring into the world. They ask now for your help."

Lack of care and lack of education she said, was causing the unnecessary death of hundreds of mothers and infants. Mrs. Henry W. Keyes, wife of the republican senator from New Hampshire, declared that every objection to the bill she had heard "was not only silly and stupid, but wicked."

BEAUFORT COUNTY GOES OVER THE TOP

(Special To The Sun-Journal.) ATLANTA, Ga., May 12.—Information was received at the headquarters of the Salvation Army in Atlanta Wednesday, that Beaufort county is the first county in North Carolina to raise its quota in the Salvation Army's second home service fund appeal.

Beaufort county, which is in the New Bern district, raised its quota of \$1,750 in one day, the campaign having been opened there Tuesday.

Reports from other sections of North Carolina and in fact from every State in the South Atlantic division indicate that the Salvation Army's appeal for funds with which to carry on its work among the needy is meeting with unqualified success. The amount subscribed is already approximately 25 percent more than was obtained the first day of the campaign last year.

JOHN A. PARK NOW PUBLISHER OF NEW BERN SUN-JOURNAL

Paper is Fourth in Group Owned By Mr. Park; Plan New Building. The New Bern Publishing Company, publisher of the Sun-Journal today passed into the hands of John A. Park, publisher of The Raleigh Times, Fayetteville Observer and Turner's Almanac. Owen G. Dunn, former editor and manager of the Sun-Journal retires to devote his entire energies to the printing business and sale of business office supplies and equipment.

The Sun-Journal will be temporarily published from the present quarters. As soon as a building is available Mr. Park plans to move the paper into a larger and more spacious establishment. This building will be equipped with modern and up-to-date equipment for the publication of an afternoon newspaper. In the meantime new machinery and composing room equipment has been ordered and will be installed upon arrival.

The new publisher will furnish the mechanical department of the paper with complete and adequate equipment suitable to the needs and demands of the publication. The new owner of New Bern's afternoon newspaper has been owner and publisher of The Raleigh Times since 1911. This paper was established in 1875. In February of this year Mr. Park acquired the Fayetteville Observer, the oldest newspaper in North Carolina and with Turner's Almanac, established in 1828, the Sun-Journal is the fourth publication in the group owned by him.

Mr. Park, with George B. Hellen, who is to be business manager of the Sun-Journal, Robert M. Duckett, managing editor of The Raleigh Times, J. M. Broughton, attorney, and B. A. McKinney, accountant, arrived in the city Wednesday morning.

Mr. Hellen, who comes to New Bern as business manager of the Sun-Journal, has acted in similar capacity with The Raleigh Times for a number of years. During the war he served with the 113th Field Artillery in France.

J. T. Gary, C. R. Galloway and Miss Velma G. also arrived in New Bern Wednesday and will be connected with the subscription department of the paper.

The news staff of the paper is to be immediately enlarged.

Failure Of British To Use Big Fleet Surprised Wilson

AT 94, IS STILL ACTIVE IN DIRECTING GREAT LUMBER AND NEWS PRINT PLANTS. Confidential Cablegram From President to Rear Admiral Sims Sent During War Read To Senate Investigating Committee; Message Declared British Admiralty Was "Helpless To Point of Panic"—American Plans Were Rejected For Some Reason of Prudence.



John Rudolph Booth. Although he recently celebrated his ninety-fourth birthday, John Rudolph Booth, pioneer lumber manufacturer and owner and operator of the largest lumber plants in the world, is still actively engaged in directing his business. Mr. Booth is a Canadian and his plants supply Canada and the United States with thousands of tons of paper which make possible the production of our newspapers. He is also a director of several Canadian railways.

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SIMS' LETTER TOLD OF PLANS FOR ATTACK

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—A confidential cablegram from President Wilson to Rear Admiral Sims in London sent during the war was read to the senate naval investigating committee today by Secretary Daniels. It expressed surprise that the British Admiralty had failed to "use Great Britain's great naval superiority" effectively against the submarines and called on Admiral Sims for comments and suggestions based on "independent thought" and without regard to the "judgements of anyone on that side of the water."

The Admiralty was "helpless to the point of panic" in the face of the submarine, the message said. "Every plan we suggest they reject for some reason of prudence," Mr. Wilson added. "In my view this is not a time for prudence but for boldness even at the cost of great losses."

In conclusion, President Wilson asked Admiral Sims to advise him as he would give advice "if you are running a navy of your own."

Admiral Sims' reply said Secretary Daniels, who presented the President's message in connection with his answer to Sims' charges against the Navy Department's conduct of the war was "a long telegram of generalities of what the British Admiralty was doing."

Mr. Daniels also read a letter from Admiral Sims to former Ambassador Page at London written August 7, 1917 which in part said:

"In this connection I have a suggestion to make. I have received word practically direct from the President that he was much displeased with my reply to his cablegram; that it did not change his opinion at all; that he regards me as opposed by the Admiralty and so pro-British that he seriously considered the advisability of replacing me by some other officer."

Admiral Sims' reply to the President also told of plans for a combined sea and land attack to turn the German right flank and cut off the Bourge as a provisioning base," Mr. Daniels said.

"That was the kind of 'bold and audacious' thing the President and the Navy Department had been urging from our entrance into the war," declared the Secretary.

Secretary Daniels presented a letter from former Representative Carlisle of Virginia, dated last April 30th, and stating that while Mr. Carlisle was visiting London in December 1918 Admiral Sims had "disabused his mind of the view" that our navy had been of great importance during the war and had accomplished any results.

"He told him our navy was small and ineffective as compared with the British navy and that our achievements had amounted to but little during the war," wrote Mr. Carlisle. "I remember that after leaving the Admiral I told my son who was with me that the Admiral should be in the British navy and on their payroll and not on ours."

FORTY-SIX HUNS ON CRIMINAL LIST

These Rank From Army Corps Commander to a Simple Private. (By Associated Press.) BERLIN, May 12.—Forty six Germans, ranking from an army corps commander to a simple private, are on the allies first specified list of war criminals to be arranged in the Leipzig supreme court.

Prominent among them are Prince Ernest of Saxony and General Von Bulow, commander of the second army corps who together with some of their subordinate officers are accused of cruelties in the Namur district of Belgium.

MARGIN OF PROFIT IS SET ON SUGAR

One Cent on Pound For Wholesalers, 2 Cents for Retailers Allowed. (By Associated Press.) BOSTON, Mass., May 12.—Attorney General Palmer today set the margin of profit to be allowed on sales of sugar at one cent a pound for wholesalers and 2 cents a pound by retailers. In a telegram to United States Attorney Thomas J. Boyton, the attorney general ordered that steps be taken immediately to prosecute persons taking larger profits.

BAPTIST CONVENTION OPENS AT WASHINGTON

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—Delegates from all parts of the south are here to attend the seventy-fifth annual Southern Baptist Convention which opened today. The program included addresses of welcome by Vice-President Marshall on behalf of the government.

Commissioner Brownlaw, for the District of Columbia and the Reverend J. J. Muir of the Temple Baptist church speaking for the Washington Baptists.

Vice-President Marshall in an address opening the convention characterized the church as "one of the anchors of the republic" but warned against entry of the church as an organization into politics.

Mr. Marshall was introduced to the convention by Doctor Gambrell, who told the Vice-President that the Baptists came from a land of much water where democrats and Baptists went together.

"I have been greatly shocked to learn that democrats and water went together but there is nothing between you and me save a little water," responded the Vice-President who is a Presbyterian.

Referring to the early days of his own church the Vice-President said that the pioneer Presbyterians flowed over into the Ohio Valley and according to history erected their houses and set up their stills.

Mr. Marshall asserted that the separation between the church and the state would continue forever. "I know," he added "because there are not enough Presbyterians to constitute a state church but the separation of church and state does not absolve men from the solemn obligations of worshipping God and obeying the divine commandments."

Sale of the Sun-Journal

The entire capital stock of The New Bern Publishing Company, publishers of THE SUN-JOURNAL, has been sold to John A. Park, publisher of the Raleigh Times and the Fayetteville Observer.

As the largest stockholder in THE SUN-JOURNAL property, I decided to retire from the newspaper business for the sole reason that it required more of my time and attention than I felt I could give it without a financial loss to my other business, which during the past few years has grown by leaps and bounds, and which I believe has a great future before it.

THE SUN-JOURNAL was organized and began business thirteen years ago, and it was the aim and intention of its organizers to give the people of this section a paper of which they would feel proud, and we hope this aim has been accomplished. The paper has enjoyed a flattering patronage, and for this I must say the management is extremely grateful, and we appreciate their loyal support throughout the past thirteen years.

It is not without regret that I give up my association with THE SUN-JOURNAL, but in doing so I believe the paper has fallen into the hands of a man whose aim is to give the people of this section a bigger and better paper, and whose knowledge of the business puts him in excellent position to do this.

I wish to thank every subscriber and advertiser who has helped make THE SUN-JOURNAL the paper it is today and to ask their continued support of the paper under its new management, that it may continue to grow and be a factor in the upbuilding of New Bern and Craven county.

It is my intention to continue my business as manufacturing stationer and office outfitter, and with increased floor space, additional machinery and workmen, I will be able to conduct a plant and office supply store that will be second to none in the State, and be in a better position to give better and quicker service on all special work than has heretofore been the case.

Let me ask for your continued support of THE SUN-JOURNAL and express my deep appreciation for past patronage.

OWEN G. DUNN.

Statement From Purchaser

The opportunity to become identified with New Bern's rapid development is a privilege that I value very highly. My confidence in this splendid city's future and the realization of its present possibilities are entirely responsible for my entry into the local field.

I have no favors to ask and no promises to make. To my mind a newspaper is a sacred trust that cannot rightfully be used for selfish purposes. Its success is entirely dependent on the response it arouses by inward aggressiveness and sincere service. THE SUN-JOURNAL will not beg for support; the paper will either earn it or retire from the field.

JOHN A. PARK.