

CONDITIONS IN MEXICO ARE IMPROVING

DANGER OF AMERICANS BEING MURDERED IS ABATING.

Not Yet Free From Insults, or of Being Molested.—Plans of Influence of Mediation Exercised at Capital.—Strong Undercurrent of Opposition to Dictator.—Hundreds of Mexicans Still in Capital Against Huerta.

Vera Cruz, April 27.—The reports received here indicate that for the present the conditions are improved in Mexico City, and the danger of Americans being attacked and murdered has abated. This does not mean that Americans are free from insults or that they may not be molested, however.

In addition to the pacific influence due to submission of mediation plans probably exercised in the capital, there is a strong undercurrent of opposition to the dictator there, which the refugees, arriving here, declare began to assert itself before they left. Hundreds of Mexicans in the capital are still against Huerta.

FIRE IN NO. 3.

Mr. W. F. Smith's Residence and Several Outbuildings Destroyed by Fire.

The residence of Mr. W. F. Smith, one of the best known citizens of No. 3 township, was destroyed by fire Saturday night. The fire was discovered about 11 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Smith and two children were at home at the time. They gave alarm and a number of neighbors responded. The blaze gained such deadly momentum that the neighbors were helpless in checking it. Only a small part, with the exception of a piano, were saved.

The flames also spread to several outbuildings and they were destroyed together with contents. It is reported that the fire caught from a stove flue.

Mr. Smith's loss is about \$5,000 with \$1,000 insurance.

Salisbury Merchant Suddenly Disappears.

Salisbury, April 26.—Daniel Roseman, aged 24 disappeared after locking up his store on West Horth street last midnight and officers and friends have searched in vain for him today. Not a trace of his movements can be found. He is sober and thrifty, in good health, and has a happy home life. He had \$187 in his pocket when he left the store and the general idea is that he was robbed and the body disposed of. He has a wife and three small children.

LOOKKITES VICTORS

In Battle With Mount Pleasant at Locke Park Saturday Afternoon By Score 5 to 2.

"We have seen the enemy and they are ours," said Captain "Sparrow" Clark, of the Lookkites, Saturday afternoon to Manager Smart, as he buttoned his sweater and saluted his superior officer. "I have the further honor of reporting," he said, saluting again with a big baseball bat, "that your orders to go forth and take the game from Mount Pleasant have been obeyed, the same being taken by a score of 5 runs to 2.

"I beg leave to add (three more salutes, that is my pleasure to commend Artilleryman Graham for his superb bravery and efficiency in battle and express the wish that he be properly compensated for his magnificent services. (More salutes.)

The battle referred to was staged at Locke Mill ball park and consisted of more spectators than players, the spectators training to welcome the soldier boys back from Mexico and the players training for service there, indicated by their speed on bases and general activity in covering ground.

Graham adorned the firing line for the visitors and Wilson, sometimes called "Woody," was his opponent. Graham allowed nine hits and struck out nine while Wilson disposed of two by the air route and was tapped for nine hits. Other than the work of the pitchers and the score there were no particular features to the game as evidenced by Captain Clark's report.

The detailed report, showing the wounded, injured and heroes is herewith appended:

Mt. Pleasant	Ab.	R.	H.	P.	A.	E.
Edwards, cf	4	0	1	0	0	0
Proctor, 2b	4	0	0	2	3	0
Cress, c	4	0	0	4	1	1
Goodman, lf	4	1	2	4	0	0
Moore, cf	4	1	2	0	2	0
Wilson, p	4	1	3	0	2	0
Lentz, 1b	4	0	1	8	0	0
Foil, ss	3	0	0	4	1	0
Lee 3b	3	0	0	0	1	2
Total	34	3	7	24	8	3

Locke Mill	Ab.	R.	H.	P.	A.	E.
Kimbrell, ss	5	1	2	0	1	0
Allred, lf	4	1	1	2	0	0
Sappenfeld, 3b	4	0	0	1	0	0
Cook, rf	4	1	2	1	0	0
Clark, cf	3	0	1	0	0	0
Barns, 1b	4	1	2	6	1	0
Moser c	4	0	1	10	0	0
Ardner, 2b	3	0	0	4	1	2
Graham, p	4	1	0	3	7	0
Total	35	5	9	27	10	3

"Powhatan" to Davidson.

The opera "Powhatan" will be given in Davidson Tuesday, 28th, at the auditorium at 8 o'clock. The Davidson students have planned for an informal reception, in one of the halls after the performance.

All members of the Powhatan cast who intend going to Davidson are requested to meet at the Lutheran Church corner not later than 4:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

MEXICAN OIL WELLS IN DANGER OF FIRE

WANT UNITED STATES TO PROTECT THEM.

Federals Have So Tampered With the Wells That Oil Is Spreading Out, and Covers a Large Area—Would be Impossible to Extinguish Fire.—Very Cruz Sniping Has Ceased.—Officials Continue Endeavors Toward Reorganization of Municipal Government.

Washington, April 27.—Admiral Mayor has reported to the Navy Department that two of the big oil wells, 50 miles north of Tampico, are in danger of catching fire, and intimated that it will be well for the United States to take some steps toward protecting them. It is understood that the federals have so tampered with the wells that oil is spreading out over a large area. The admiral reports that if they once catch fire there will be no chance of extinguishing them.

Admiral Fletcher reported from Vera Cruz that sniping had entirely ceased and the municipal officials and merchants are continuing their efforts towards effecting a reorganization of the municipal government.

SALEM COLLEGE PROGRAM.

Commencement Exercises This Year Will Begin Saturday, May 23.

Winston-Salem, April 25.—The following is the official program for the commencement season at Salem College. Preceding the commencement week proper graduating recitals will take place:

Saturday, May 23, 8 p. m., lower campus, commencement play, "Love's Labour's Lost," direction of Miss Aunsbaugh.

Sunday, May 24, 11 a. m., Memorial hall, baccalaureate sermon by the Rev. A. A. McGeehey, pastor Second Presbyterian Church, Charlotte.

Sunday, May 24, 4 p. m., Memorial hall, senior vespers.

Monday, May 25, alumnae day, business meeting, 1 p. m., in Memorial hall, luncheon, 2 p. m., in college library.

Monday, May 25, 4 p. m., class day, exercises on campus by the seniors.

Monday, May 24, 8 p. m., Memorial hall, grand concert.

Tuesday, May 26, 10 a. m., Memorial hall, commencement day, graduation exercises; address by Dr. David James Burrell, pastor of the Marble Collegiate Church, New York.

The following is a complete list of the recitals to be given in Memorial Hall prior to and during the actual days of the commencement:

Thursday, May 7, 4 p. m., Memorial hall, expression recital, Miss India Meador, North Carolina.

Saturday, May 16, 4 p. m., Memorial hall, expression recital, Miss Elizabeth Duncan, North Carolina.

Wednesday, May 20, Memorial hall, vocal recital, Miss Eula Davis, North Carolina.

Thursday, May 7, 4 p. m., Memorial hall, expression recital, Miss Ernestine Lott, North Carolina.

Saturday, May 23, 11 a. m., Memorial hall, organ recital, Miss Annie Sorsby, North Carolina.

Saturday, May 23, 4 p. m., Memorial hall, vocal recital, Miss Laura Ridenhour, North Carolina.

PASTOR RESIGNS.

Young Pastor of First Baptist Church Tendered His Resignation Yesterday.

At the morning services at the First Baptist Church yesterday morning, Rev. R. E. Brown, who has been pastor of the church since last August, tendered his resignation. The resignation is to take effect immediately.

Mr. Brown left this morning for Durham to attend the Barnea-Philanthropia convention. He will return the latter part of the week and he and Mrs. Brown will leave for Louisville, Ky., their former home.

The church has not yet called a successor to Mr. Brown.

Border Calling for Protection.

Ft. Sam Houston, Texas, April 27.—Border towns are still calling hysterically on General Bliss for troops for border protection. General Bliss believes the greatest danger is in possibility of outbreak of Mexicans on the Texas side rather than invasion.

A large number of Concord Woodmen attended the exercises at the unveiling of the monument to the late Sovereign Dr. G. D. Moore, by the Mount Pleasant Camp yesterday afternoon. The exercises were presided over by Consul Commander Suther and the address was delivered by Prof. G. F. McAllister.

Little Maude Haney, daughter of Mr. J. B. Haney, of the Young-Hartwell mill, is very ill with pneumonia.

The Pulpit of Pauline is at the Pulpit today.

NORTH CAROLINIANS WHO WILL SEE SERVICE

Naval Officers of State Either Now at Vera Cruz or on Way There.

Washington, April 25.—The following North Carolinians are either at Vera Cruz or on the way down there:

Captains—Andrew T. Long, commander Des Moines; Robert A. McNeely, on Louisiana; Arthur Crenshaw, commander Cummings; Pope Washington, on the Missouri.

Lieutenant commanders—Lyman A. Cotton, attaché to Kyo and Peking; H. J. Winston, on Pittsburg, engineer on staff of fleet; R. W. Vincent, on waiting list; Samuel W. Bryant, Radio station.

Lieutenants—Adolphus Station, on South Carolina; Percy F. Foote, on inspection duty; George S. Bryan, Naval Academy; Alexander L. Wadsworth, Jr., recruiting duty; John J. London, Mayflower; Louis P. Davis, Panther; Matthews E. Manley, on Wyoming; William R. Law, Charlestown Navy Yard; William R. Smith, Jr., Nashville; Paul L. Holland, under treatment; John W. Rankin, commander C-5 submarine; Robert L. Young, Jr., Wilmington.

Ensigns—Lee P. Johnson on Connecticut; Augustus W. Reizer, on Ohio; Henry G. Cooper, Jr., on Quiras; Channey A. Lucas, Georgia; Leslie L. Jordan, on Georgia; George B. Ashe, on Louisiana; Donald P. Patterson, on South Carolina; Eugene T. Oats, on Raleigh; George F. Parrott, Jr., on New Hampshire; Robert so. J. Weeks, on Florida; Jay L. Norley, on Tennessee; Donald C. Godwin, on Rhode Island; Paul Hendren, on New Hampshire; Michael Hudson, on South Carolina.

STREET IMPROVED.

Big White Truck Crowns Corbin Street From Lutheran Church to Depot in an Hour and Forty-Five Minutes.

The big White, six cylinder, 60-horse power, 5-ton tractor truck, which has been demonstrating in road work here for the past few days, was demonstrated in town Saturday afternoon. The truck was in charge of Mr. Williamson Menefer, of the White Company, and the demonstration took place on West Corbin street. Starting at the Lutheran Church corner the street was crowned to the depot, the work beginning at 1:30 and ending at 3:15. A large number of people gathered along the sidewalks and watched the big truck work. Many expressed themselves as surprised at the ease with which the dirt was moved and the street built up by the machine, and the speed with which it worked was a revelation in road work in this county.

MINE WORKERS OF AMERICA TO MEET

To Decide Whether a General Strike Shall Be Called as Protest Against Conditions in Colorado.

Indianapolis, Ind., April 27.—Vice president Hayes, of the United Mine Workers of America has announced a meeting of his executive board to be called on May 4th to decide whether a general strike of the 500,000 miners throughout the country shall be called as a protest against condition in Colorado.

Atlanta Society Has "Tango Leg."

Atlanta, April 27.—Atlanta society women, particularly the matrons who are not as slender as they once were, are suffering in many instances with a new ailment, "the tango leg," which has become as distinguished an honor as having the appendicitis used to be.

The tango leg, which has unmistakably arrived, according to the testimony of physicians, is not a species of St. Vitus' dance, as might be surmised by those who haven't seen it. It is a kind of muscular rheumatism and muscle fatigue, coupled with a stiffness of the knees. It comes from dancing long and violently, becoming overheated and then cooling off suddenly.

"Any dancing could produce it, in which there is a good deal of bending of the knees," said a physician, dismissing the symptoms, "but so far as I have known there was never any general complaint until the advent of the tango."

Democratic Primaries.

Under the Democratic Plan of Organization the State Executive Committee has fixed May 16th for the precinct primaries and May 23rd for the County Convention, for the naming of delegates to the State, Judicial and Congressional conventions. The Democratic Executive Committee of Cabarrus county has fixed 2 p. m. as the hour for holding the primaries on May 16th in the several wards of Concord. At the primaries there will be selected five as a township executive committee, the chairman of which becomes a member of the County Democratic Executive Committee for the next two years.

By order of the Democratic Executive Committee, Cabarrus county, J. P. COOK, Chairman.

TEN THOUSAND MEN LANDED VERA CRUZ

MARINES AND BLUE JACKETS MAY BE WITHDRAWN

Four Regiments of Fifth Brigade, Under Command of General Funston Have Landed.—All Territory Guarded by Outposts Will Be Extended Several Miles.—General Funston in General Command.—City Now Under Complete Martial Law.

Vera Cruz, April 27.—Four regiments of the fifth brigade, under command of Brigadier General Funston, have landed at Vera Cruz, on four transports arrived outside harbor late last night. With the arrival of these troops it will be possible to marshal a force of 10,000 in Vera Cruz in case of attack.

It is believed, however, that the marines and bluejackets will be withdrawn and land operations be left with the army. All territory, guarded by outposts, has been extended several miles, and trenches thrown up by marines.

General Funston will be in supreme command ashore. The city is now under complete martial law.

TO MOVE MEXICAN SOLDIERS FROM FORT BLISS.

Five Thousand Soldiers Now Held There Will Be Transferred to New Mexico.

San Antonio, Texas, April 27.—Orders have been received by General Bliss to move five thousand Mexicans, now held at Fort Bliss on the border, to Fort Wingate, New Mexico, under guard of two companies of the twelfth cavalry. It is claimed that their presence at Fort Bliss offered constant temptation to Mexicans to cross the border and release them.

REFUGEES IN MEXICO TO BE MOVED TODAY.

Their Condition is Improving.—Tampico District Now Cleared of Americans.

Washington, April 27.—The 250 American refugees in Mexico City will be taken from there as far as Soledad today, according to advices received at the Navy Department. The refugee conditions are improving according to a report from Admiral Mayor, who said that Tampico district is now practically cleared of Americans.

Medicine Seller Dies From Overdose.

Charlotte Observer, 26.

When Proprietor F. H. White, of the Mansion Lodging House, knocked at the door of E. A. Potent's room yesterday at noon he received no answer. The door was locked. He called Officers House and Gardner. When they broke in they found the occupant dead on the bed. He was in his night clothes, with his right hand lying beside his head on the pillow as though death had come while he was fast asleep.

Potent was 35 or 40 years old and is said to have been a resident of Salisbury, where he has a wife. He came to the lodging house which is known as the Mansion House Friday night between 7 and 8 o'clock. The place is at 205 West Trade street over Kendrick's drug store. It had been his custom to stop there and he was given a room as usual.

When the body was discovered Coroner Hovis was notified and he summoned County physician C. S. McLaughlin. The physician thinks death was caused by an overdose of a hypo-bromide compound. A bottle that had contained this stood on the washstand. Only a few drops remained in it. A glass beside the bottle showed that the dose had been taken from it.

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COURT ADJOURNS.

Flowe-Hardwick Case Tried Saturday. Only Civil Case Tried Last Week.

The case of Mrs. M. S. Flowe vs. R. B. Hardwick, the only civil case tried at the Superior court last week, was concluded Saturday evening.

The case had been in court several years. It involved the title to a farm in No. 10 township. Mr. Hardwick purchased the farm from Mrs. Flowe and her children, a deed was made but was not delivered to Mr. Hardwick, who had deposited the purchase price \$3,300, in a bank for the purpose of payment. Mr. Hardwick, however, took possession of the land and refused to give it up. Later suit was filed, Mrs. Flowe and children, decided that the deed did not want to sell the property at that price. Mrs. Flowe and her two sons, Messrs. H. B. and H. P. Flowe, had signed the deed and it was alleged that Mrs. R. J. Williams, a daughter of Mrs. Flowe, has signed.

Judge Harding ruled that there was not sufficient evidence to show that a privy examination had been made when Mrs. Williams signed the deed but a verdict was rendered giving Mr. Hardwick the life interest of Mrs. Flowe in the property and the interest of Messrs. H. B. and H. P. Flowe. The plaintiff was also required to pay the cost.

CARPENTER-RAIFORD.

Popular Concord Couple Are Married in Charlotte.

Mr. Prentice L. Raiford and Mrs. Kate Carpenter, both of Concord, were married in Charlotte Saturday. The ceremony was performed at the home of the officiating minister, Dr. A. A. McGeehey, after which Mr. and Mrs. Raiford returned to Concord and will live at the home of the bride on North Union street.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Raiford are popular here with a large circle of friends. The bride was formerly a saleslady at the store of Parks-Belk Company, while the groom holds a responsible position with the Locke Mills Company.

Linen Shower Saturday.

Miss Edna Correll was the honoree at a delightful linen shower Saturday afternoon at the home of Miss Catherine Goodson on West Depot street. There were 20 guests and "Rum" was played. Following the game the hostess entered bearing a large basket decorated with wisteria and presented it to the honoree. It was filled with many dainty and useful gifts for the bride-elect. Refreshments of ices and cake were served.

Mrs. W. H. S. Burgwyn, of Raleigh, and Miss Esdale Shaw, of Rockingham, will arrive tomorrow to visit the Jackson Training School. Mrs. Burgwyn is president and Miss Shaw vice president of the King's Daughters. During their stay here they will be the guests of Miss Jenn Coltrane.

SOLUTION MEXICAN TROUBLE IN SIGHT

HUERTA WILL SEIZE THE OPPORTUNITY.

Says Brazilian Ambassador Dagama.—Secretary Bryan Has Had No Authoritative Announcement to That Effect.—Receipt of Advices Point to Early Adjustment.—Bryan Hopeful to Make Satisfactory Turn of Events.

Washington, April 27.—Although Secretary Bryan announced that he has had no authoritative information concerning Huerta's position on Argentine, Brazil and Chile mediation plan, he acknowledged the receipt of advices which pointed to a satisfactory solution. Brazilian Ambassador Dagama called on the Secretary to discuss the latest developments. These developments showed that Latin American, in general, is delighted with the mediation proposal, and Argentine, Brazil and Chile powers are confident that Huerta will seize this opportunity to "save his face" with great satisfaction.

Secretary Bryan is apparently hopeful of a satisfactory turn of events.

JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER TO MEDIATE IN COLORADO

Oil Magnate is Dominant Factor in Coal Strike.

Washington, April 27.—That a direct demand has been made upon John D. Rockefeller to take steps immediately to end the Colorado civil war, was learned here today. Mr. Rockefeller, as dominant financial factor of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company, practically controls every mine whose employes are now on strike. It is understood that Chairman Foster, of the House Mines Committee, is in conference in New York with Mr. Rockefeller.

Civic League Meeting.

Saturday, May 2, is the day appointed for the regular monthly meeting of the Civic Improvement League. The President wishes to meet the executive committee in Central graded school building at 3 p. m. It is desired that all the committees and all other members of the League will be there for conference and also to receive their registration cards, and pay dues. All who are willing to pay the whole of their yearly dues, 60 cents, are requested to do so at this meeting, as the funds of the league are low and the work pressing. The membership has reached 210, 16 of whom are men. It is hoped that the number of men, at least, will soon be greatly increased. The Junior League will meet in the opera house on Wednesday at 4 p. m.

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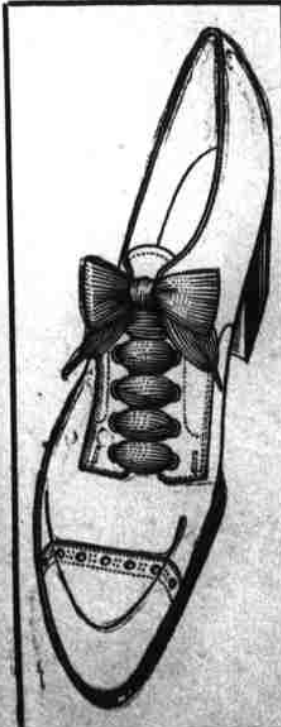
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