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NEW BERN, N. C., FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26 1913— SECOND SECTION

OFFICERS AND MEN EXECUTED

Members Of The Federal Garrison At Guaymas Put To Death.

HAD PLANNED TO DESERT

All Of The Commissioned Officers And Sergeants Of Tenth Battalion Were Shot.

Hermosillo, Mex., Dec. 22.—The commissioned officers and many sergeants and corporals of the tenth battalion of the federal garrison at Guaymas yesterday were executed at sunrise at that city, according to word brought here to-day. Officers and men of the tenth were disgraced several days ago by General Ojeda, federal commandant, when he discovered that they were plotting to desert to the insurgents.

Accompanied by three of the federal officers, who surrendered to the insurgents at Maytorena, General Oregon field commander of the constitutionalists in Western Mexico, last night returned here to assist in locating the scattered groups of federal soldiers who had deserted from the Guaymas garrison. General Ojeda and his remaining troops are in Guaymas, as far as could be learned, but sentries reported that one of the federal gunboats had disappeared. This was taken as an indication that at least a part of the federal garrison had departed for Mazatlan or Manzanillo.

It was announced last night that the services of neither officers nor privates of the deserting federals would be accepted in the constitutionalist army.

Pay \$250,000 For Terrazas' Release.

Juarez, Mex., Dec. 22.—Although negotiations have been under way for payment of \$250,000 for his release, Luis Terrazas, Jr., today still was held prisoner by General Villa at Chihuahua. His father, whose vast estate, together with that of the Creels, was confiscated through a decree issued by Villa, attempted to procure the prisoner's release and safe conduct to the border, first through an appeal to Washington and now by the payment of money to the rebels.

When Terrazas, Sr., accompanied the federals in their flight to the border the women members of his family refused to leave. They are still in Chihuahua, helping in their efforts to release Terrazas.

Terrazas was not charged with any activity against the rebels, but was arrested because of his father's great wealth. The elder Terrazas was reported to have taken much of his cash and securities to the United States, and Villa is asking for the return of some of it. The division of the million acres of Terrazas' land among the rebels is one of the planks of the revolutionary platform.

Looters Will Be Shot.

Chihuahua, Mex., Dec. 22.—"Anyone who hereafter loots or molests property of foreigners or Mexicans will be executed. The right to confiscate property will rest only with the constitutionalist government."

General Francisco Villa today issued this order as showing his intention to maintain strict military discipline. As an example he executed on the plaza a band of rebels who had been found guilty by court martial of sacking the home of a wealthy Mexican. While the six rebels were marched before the firing squad the stolen goods were returned to the owner.

All stores confiscated from the expelled Spaniards today were closed and sealed. Orders were given that no more goods are to be taken from them.

BUSINESS GOOD.

Satisfactory Condition Down At Oriental.

John Gibson, one of the prominent citizens of Oriental was here yesterday and while in conversation with a Journal reporter, stated that business conditions in that town were very gratifying just at this time.

Oriental and surrounding section was one of the sections which suffered considerably during the September storm and flood, but the people there were not dismayed by the damage wrought and cheerfully started out again to repair the loss.

That Christmas feeling is in the air there as well as in New Bern and, according to Mr. Gibson's statement, the citizens are preparing to observe the occasion in a very fitting manner.

Electric Bitters

Made A New Man Of Him.

"I was suffering from pain in my stomach, head and back," writes J. J. A. Wood, Danbury, N. C., "and my bowels were not working right. After four bottles of Electric Bitters I am now as good as a new man."

WHOLE SALES AT ALL DRUG STORES.

FIVE HUNDRED KILLED BY VOLCANIC ERUPTIONS

Details Of Disaster On Island Of Ambrian, In New Hebrides Group Reached Sydney—Awe Inspiring Night Scenes.

Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 22.—Incoming steamers bring terrible details of the recent volcanic eruptions on the island of Ambrian, in the New Hebrides group, in which 500 natives lost their lives. Witnesses of the disturbance describe it as having been so sudden and violent that they expected to see the whole western side of the island disappear.

With a terrific roar, which was followed with a rapid succession of artillery-like detonations, all the craters of the volcano entered into full activity, spouting flames and lava, and throwing out huge boulders.

Great streams of lava were soon rushing down the slopes, cutting off the villagers from escape. In one instance two currents of the molten mass joined and made an island of one entire

section of a village. Here 50 or 60 persons perished.

The scenes at night were awe-inspiring. Flames shot into the air to a height of a thousand feet, illuminating the whole area of destruction. The ocean seemed to boil as huge, super-heated masses of stone fell into the sea and streams of lava poured into the bay. Dust from the craters gradually formed a black cloud which blotted out the stars.

The bay after the eruption, was filled with dead fish and large numbers of dead turtles. The water in the river was hot.

The British hospital buildings were wiped out, but previous to their destruction the doctors pluckily removed all the patients to a launch and escaped with them.

BIG ILLICIT STILL IS FOUND

Sixty-Five Gallon Plant Confiscated Near Town Of Vanceboro.

ALLEGED OPERATOR IN JAIL

Sheriff Richard B. Lane And Several Deputies Due Credit For Their Work.

One of the most successful raids ever made in this section took place yesterday afternoon when Sheriff R. B. Lane, accompanied by Deputy Sheriff J. W. Huff, Samuel Lilly and Will Bonds went to the home of Leon Laughinghouse, about four miles from Vanceboro and after confiscating a sixty-five gallon illicit still, took Laughinghouse under arrest and brought him to this city and placed him in the county jail.

Sheriff Lane and several of his deputies went to Laughinghouse's home about two weeks ago and made a search of the premises, but at that time they failed to find anything which even resembled a still. However, Sheriff Lane had reliable information that Laughinghouse was engaged in the business of illicit distilling and he made up his mind to catch him napping.

Yesterday morning the Sheriff and the parties mentioned above, left New Bern in an automobile. They reached Laughinghouse's home without any delay and started a search of the premises. Laughinghouse was on hand and was at once taken into custody and kept under guard while the search was being made. The searchers found a spot which they judged to have been the location of the still but the object of their search was not to be found there.

A close inspection of the premises showed that on a trail leading down through the woods there was a quantity of soot. Sheriff Lane at once came to the conclusion that the still had been hurriedly taken up and carried to some other point and secreted. This trail of soot was followed up and in the center of a marsh some distance away was found the still, it having been carried there when it became known that the officers were in that section.

Laughinghouse denies all knowledge of the operation of the still but Sheriff Lane believes that he has a strong case against him and that he will be convicted when the case comes to court.

THE MUNICIPAL TREE A COMPLETE SUCCESS

THOUSANDS VIEW SPECTACLE AS THE BAND PLAYS.

New Bern's municipal Christmas tree which was erected on Broad street near the corner of Middle Tuesday afternoon by the City Beautiful Club, was last night viewed by several thousand persons who were down in the business district of the city seeing the sights and mingling with the jolly throng of shoppers.

It might be said that the tree was formally dedicated last night. The Peoples Concert Band furnished music for the occasion and as the melodious strains of several well known and popular selections were wafted on the air, those standing around were profuse in their commendation of the occasion, and the City Beautiful Club who are responsible for the erection of the tree.

Tonight the tree will again be brilliantly illuminated and the band will again render a musical program. The public is extended a cordial invitation to attend this event.

ALIENISTS TESTIFY IN THE SCHMIDT TRIAL

COURT ADJOURNED EARLY TO ENABLE COUNSEL TO CONSTRUCT.

New York, Dec. 23.—The procession of alienists began their march to the witness stand today in the trial of Hans Schmidt for murder. After Dr. Smith Ely Jelliffe, of New York, had testified for the defense, court adjourned early to enable Schmidt's attorneys to construct a hypothetical question which will be put to Dr. Jelliffe and other medical experts tomorrow.

Practically all Dr. Jelliffe's testimony was that Schmidt was abnormal. The witness said the priest complained to him that his bishops and fellow clergy refused to acknowledge his authority.

The defendant accused his forgeries of the signature of his professor at Munich by saying "I was in high spirits and good health and I entered into the personality of the professor. I was the professor. So it was not wrong for me to sign his name."

Dr. Jelliffe asked Schmidt if he ever played the violin in a bath tub, as a former witness had testified. "I did," said Schmidt. "It was nobody's business what an inspired man does. Heaven wishes him to do."

During one of his visits to Schmidt's cell, said Dr. Jelliffe, another physician who accompanied him, pricked his forefinger with a needle and showed the prisoner a drop of blood. Instantly Schmidt's face became livid. "All blood is mine," he shouted, making a lunge for the physician's hand and trying to raise it to his lips.

FIVE KINSTON YOUTHS ASSAULT LONE LOVER

SHOW HIM THAT HIS PATH WAS STEEP AND ROCKY.

Kinston, N. C., Dec. 23.—Five young men of the neighborhood of the Caswell Cotton Mill in the eastern end of the city, were fined in the Municipal Court for an assault upon Kelly Alexander of the country. Alexander drove into the city to visit a girl near the mill. At the conclusion of his visit the swain was waited upon by the five and told that he would be given three minutes to leave the vicinity. He was willing to comply, apparently, but about the time he was well under way a wheel came off his buggy. The tap was gone. When the three minutes had expired the delegation "commenced firing" and an uncomfortable period for young Alexander followed. He escaped injury fortunately, but only by hastening from the locality.

R. L. Johnson of the same section of the county as Alexander was the victim of unscrupulous youths of another mill settlement. He also was courting a young woman here. Johnson's buggy harness was cut to pieces and he was required to stay in town over night. Country lads, in revenge, cut to pieces bicycle tires belonging to Clay Stroud and John Baker, young men who went from Kinston to Woodington to attend a rural entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Barrington and daughter, Pauline, left yesterday for

Family to spend the holidays. The stocking follows the bag. Shopping weather all the while. No cold storage brand of Christmas trees.

Very few useless gifts will be discovered by the recipients.

DORTCH AND WEBB ARE NOT IN YET

West Virginia Senator Takes A Hand In The Matter.

BALEY MARSHAL IN WEST

Senator Simmons Is Praised By President Wilson.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 23.—Senator Goff, of West Virginia, successfully blocked the confirmation of W. T. Dortch and Charles A. Webb, who have been nominated for marshals to succeed Dockery and Logan, when he sent a telegram to Washington today asking that these nominations be held up until his return to the city, which will be the latter part of next January. Judge Goff said he wanted to be heard before these nominations were made, and of course, his request will be granted.

Out of deference to Senator Overman, who is the acting chairman, the Judiciary committee today paved the way for the confirmation of Webb and Dortch by making a favorable report to the Senate. But before an executive session could be called, a telegram was received from Goff protesting. This means at least a month's delay before the confirmations can be had. As nominations for judges and district attorneys cannot be reported from the committee until after a regular meeting of the committee, the same delay will apply to Judge Winston.

Judge Boyd today notified Senator Overman that he had appointed J. M. Baley to act as marshal for the West pending the confirmation of Webb, Baley was chief deputy to Marshal Logan.

Representative Godwin has secured a special examination for Luther McDaniels, of Maxton, for postoffice inspector. McDaniels is a railway mail clerk. Mr. Godwin has appointed J. E. Elliott, postmaster at Thor-wal.

In a letter to Congressman Gland Kitchin, every member of the House from the State pledged their support in electing him chairman of the Ways and Means committee to succeed Oscar Underwood.

Secretary of the Senate James M. Baker has presented Senator Simmons with the first bound copy of the Underwood-Simmons tariff bill to come from the printers. The book is something that not only Senator Simmons, but the people of the entire State may well feel proud of. In addition to the autobiographies of every Senator in Congress, the book contains a letter from President Wilson, written in his own hand-writing, in which the President takes occasion to again assure him of his high appreciation of the work of the Senior Senator in putting the tariff bill through the Senate. The letter is full reads: "My Dear Senator Simmons: 'I welcome this opportunity to express again my warm appreciation for your leadership in the great fight for this bill and my deep sense of the service you have rendered the country. Ability, knowledge, tact and patience combined to accomplish a great thing. 'Cordially and faithfully yours, 'Woodrow Wilson.'"

RALPH LOPEZ STILL IN THE UTAH MINE

BULKHEADS WILL NOT BE REMOVED UNTIL AFTER HOLIDAYS.

Bingham, Utah, Dec. 24.—If Ralph Lopez, slayer of six men, is still in the Utah-Apex mine, where he took refuge on November 27, he is securely sealed up and will be held a prisoner there until after Christmas. Not a sound has come from the mine since December 14 when heavy bulkheads were erected in the tunnel mouths to prevent a dash for liberty.

Although Sheriff Smith, now in charge of the man hunt was confident today that the desperado is either dead or alive in the mine many believe he escaped shortly after sundown were lit on December 1 for the purpose of asphyxiating him and the mystery of the mine will not be cleared until the bulkheads are removed and the workings searched for the gunman's body.

Other than the stories of miners who said they had encountered Lopez and talked with him there has been nothing to indicate Lopez's presence in the mine since November 30 following his killing of two deputies in the Andy tunnel. The pursuit of Lopez began on November 21, after he had killed a Mexican. Before the day ended he had killed the chief of police and two deputy sheriffs.

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L. G. DANIELS TO TAKE CHARGE JANUARY 1st.

His Nomination For Postmaster at New Bern Confirmed Yesterday - Thomas Appointed Income Tax Collector by Commissioner Osborne.

Louis G. Daniels, who was last week recommended for postmaster in this city by Senator R. M. Simmons, will take charge of the office on January 1, his nomination being confirmed yesterday. John Thomas, Jr., who was appointed deputy collector of the income tax, was also appointed by Commissioner Osborne and will take charge of his new duties on the same date.

The news of his confirmation reached Mr. Daniels last night and the message relative to the appointment of Mr. Thomas also came in last night. It was thought by Mr. Daniels' friends that his confirmation would probably

Senator Simmons was desirous of getting the New Bern office in full swing once more after so much turmoil of the past few months and lost no time in having the successful candidate confirmed.

Nothing was said in the message received here in regard to Stephen H. Lane who has been recommended for assistant postmaster. However, it is believed that he will go into office at the same time with Mr. Daniels.

R. A. Nunn, who has been acting postmaster since the dismissal of J. S. Basnight, will remain in charge of the office until January 1. He is believed to be delayed until after the holidays but

L. I. MOORE NOT IN RACE FOR CONGRESS

Prominent New Bernian Declines to be a Candidate—States Reasons In Letter to The Journal.

Along about January 1st the three candidates for the office of Congressman from this district: Cong. Jno. M. Faison, of Faison; Hon. Charles R. Thomas, of this city, and George E. Hood, of Goldsboro, will probably make their announcements and officially "come out."

It has been rumored that L. I. Moore of this city would be one of the candidates for this office, but this rumor is absolutely without foundation as is evidenced by the following letter written to the Journal by Mr. Moore: "To the Editor of the Journal:

"I desire that you state for me in your paper that I have not seriously considered, at any time, becoming a candidate for Congress in this district at the coming election. I appreciate the compliment which your reference to me in this connection contained, but I find my time is occupied in the practice of my profession and I am not

willing to give a divided attention to any public duty. I have been urged by many of my friends to become a candidate at this time, but the demands upon me in my practice make it quite out of the question for me to do so. It is an office of honor and importance to the people and I do not believe it should be used as a means of gratification of any personal ambition or occupied simply for the compensation rendered to the people of the district. Yours truly, L. I. Moore. Dec. 23, 1913.

This action on Mr. Moore's part leaves the field open for three candidates. That the fight will be a warm one there is not the slightest doubt. Each of the gentlemen named above who will enter the race, have numerous friends and they have been promised their entire support.

SUCCESSFUL FALL TERM AT BINGHAM SCHOOL

CADETS DISTINGUISHED IN SCHOLARSHIP AND DEPARTMENT.

(Special to the Journal.)

Mebane, Dec. 23.—The Bingham School, near Mebane, has just closed a successful fall term. The examinations are over and the cadets have returned to their homes for the holidays.

The department and scholarship grades have been unusually high and the boys speak of the faculty as one of the best that they ever knew in Bingham. The same efficient corps of teachers has been engaged for the Spring Term and all of the boys say that they will return. School will reopen after the holidays, on Tuesday, January 6th.

Major Adrian Nalle who stood first in the military department at the V. M. I. for four years and who was first captain in his senior year, has been re-engaged to act as Commandant for the spring term, which is his fifth at Bingham. He will also teach military science and tactics in the department of Science. Major La S. Gerow, a distinguished graduate of the V. M. I., will continue to be in charge of the departments of English and German. Captain M. W. Hester, a leading graduate of the Citadel, the Military College of South Carolina, will continue to teach French, Mathematics and Latin. Captain T. K. Cobb will again be in charge of the department of History and Captain Charles B. McCutchen will teach classes in Science and English. The department of Bible, which for many years has been conducted by Col. Gray, will continue in his charge.

The Bingham boys distinguished on scholarship and department on the reports just sent out are as follows: Russell Gibson, Preston Lewis Gray, Jr., Norman Harvey, Frank Harris, Fred James, Robert Jones, Henry Johnston, Marion Johnson, Wilbur McFarland, Melvin McManis, Knott Proctor, Hubert Seaman, George Wheeler and John Wallace.

A great many holiday "packages" do not get into the parcel post.

OWEN H. GUION IS A CANDIDATE

Ex-Judge Of Superior Court Will Be In The Congressional Race.

MAKES AN ANNOUNCEMENT

Is A Man Of Marked Ability And sterling Character.

The announcement of Judge O. H. Guion which will be found elsewhere in this issue of the Journal, will be read with interest all over the State. Judge Guion will be in the race for Congress next year along with the several other candidates and his friends believe that he will be the victor.

Judge Guion is a man of marked ability. A shining light in the legal profession of the State and a gentleman of sterling character. It is at the request of his numerous friends that he will make the fight for election as Congressman from this district.

Since his retirement from the Superior Court bench a few years ago Judge Guion has been associated with his sons Rodman and John, in the law business under the name of Guion and Guion. His practice has been large and remunerative and it is by no means for monetary gain that he desires to represent this section in Congress, but on account of the fact that he believes he can be of real worth to this district.

Congressman Faison, the present incumbent; Charles R. Thomas and George E. Hood, who will also be in the race, will have an opponent worthy of their best efforts in Judge Guion and the coming fight bids fair to be one of the hardest waged ever made in this section.

ALLEGED DISTILLER SENT BACK TO THE JAIL

LEON LAUGHINGHOUSE COULD NOT RAKE UP A BOND.

Leon Laughinghouse, the white man who was placed under arrest at his home near Vanceboro several days ago by Sheriff Lane and several of his deputies on a warrant charging him with operating an illicit distillery, was given a preliminary hearing yesterday afternoon before Justice of the Peace W. F. Hill.

The defendant stoutly protested his innocence, but the evidence brought out by attorney George T. Willis, who represented the State, was of such an incriminating nature that "Squire Hill found probable cause and bound him over to the next term of Craven county Superior Court under a bond of two hundred dollars.

Laughinghouse made an attempt to secure bail in this amount but failed and was sent back to jail to await the term of Court.

ASK FOR RESIGNATION OF POLICE JUDGE

ASHEVILLE PAPER PRINTS ALLEGATIONS AGAINST JUDGE JUNIUS ADAMS.

Asheville, Dec. 24.—Demanding the "voluntary or involuntarily retirement from office" of Judge Junius G. Adams, of the city police court, the Asheville Gazette-News of today carries an article of six columns and a column of editorial matter alleging that while sentencing bootleggers and small dealers in whiskey to the roads the presiding officer's law firm, Morrison, Adams & Adams, has acted as attorneys for a liquor house in the collection of bills for whiskey alleged to have been sold at the barroom of the "Battery Park Hotel," which has been operated for the past two years and which is said to have been closed following the recent investigation by Judge Frank Carter in this city.

Copies of letters alleged to have been written by the firm to W. E. Sevier, proprietor of the barroom, and James I. Alexander, proprietor of the hotel, are published in the local paper together with affidavits from F. H. Thrash and W. S. Dickson, to the effect that Judge Adams collected liquor bills from Sevier, according to the latter's statement.

For Sale

Mercantile business with bright future. Best location in town. Long lease on building. Will sell on sacrifice if taken by January 1st. All clear new goods. Address Box 316.

"Peace on earth," is found mostly in the Christmas cards.