

UNITED STATES SENDS MEXICO NOTE AGREEING TO AID IN PACIFICATION

Latin Americans Join In Urging That All Strife In That Turbulent Country Be Ended and That a Period of Reconstruction Be Started--Answer Expected In Ten Days.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 14.—The communication sent by the United States and Latin-Americans to prominent Mexicans who possess political authority and military power says in part:

"The undersigned, inspired by the most sincere spirit of American fraternity and convinced that they rightly interpret the earnest wish of the entire continent, met informally at the suggestion of the Secretary of State of the United States, to consider the Mexican situation and ascertain whether their friendly and disinterested help could be successfully employed to re-establish peace in our sister republic.

"In the heat of the frightful struggle which for so long has steeped Mexican soil in blood, doubtless all may have lost sight of the dissolving effects of the strife upon the most vital conditions of national existence.

Men Must Help "Not only upon the life and liberty of its inhabitants, but on the prestige and security of the country. No one can doubt that the men who lead or aid in any way in this bloody strife, will not remain unmoved. No one can doubt that each of them, measuring his share in the glory of pacification and reconstruction of the country, will respond nobly and resolutely to this friendly appeal and give their best efforts to opening the way to saving action."

"We believe that if the men directing the armed movements in Mexico should agree to meet, to exchange ideas and determine the fate of the country, from such action would undoubtedly result strong and unyielding agreement requisite to the creation of a new provisional government which would adopt the first steps necessary to the constitutional reconstruction of the country and to issue an immediate call for general elections.

Offer Help "The undersigned, or any of them, will willingly, upon invitation, act as intermediaries to arrange the time and place and other details of such conference, if these actions can aid the Mexican people."

A reply is expected to this communication within a reasonable time and it is considered that such time would be ten days after the communication has been delivered.

WESTERN VISITORS HERE

Came To New Bern From Oak Ridge Prof. T. W. Whitaker, and son Zack, of Oak Ridge, have recently paid New Bern a visit and while talking with a Journal reporter Prof. Whitaker, stated that he has covered fifteen hundred miles in an automobile during the past few weeks, and expressed himself as being well pleased with the improvements that are being made to the public roads in all sections of Eastern North Carolina. "On an average the roads in this section are in good shape," said Prof. Whitaker. He said that the worst road that he has seen is between New Bern and Bayboro. Prof. Whitaker said that the crops in all sections of the State through which he has traveled are in excellent condition.

CRAVEN SUPERIOR COURT IN SEPT.

The September term of Craven county Superior Court will convene at the Court House Monday morning, September the sixth for a one week term for the disposition of criminal and civil cases, with Judge Bond presiding.

Only criminal cases in which the defendant is confined in jail will be used at this term, but there will be a pretty good size docket of those for there are quite a number of prisoners in jail now awaiting hearings on various charges, and it is very likely that there will be several other cases to be disposed before the date of the opening of court.

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CHARLES A. CULBERSON.

The Senior United States Senator From Texas.



ANOTHER BRITISH SHIP GOES DOWN

London, Aug. 14.—The British steamer Cairo, of 1,700 tons, has been sunk by a German submarine.

The Petrograd correspondent of the Times today reported that a German cruiser was sunk and several German warships damaged in an engagement with a Russian fleet near Oesel on Thursday. It is reported that the Germans attempted to bottle up the Russian fleet in order to transport troops to the Gulf of Riga unmolested.

MORE TROUBLE IS FEARED IN TEXAS

Laredo, Texas, Aug. 14.—Eight hundred Mexican bandits, under Capone are concentrating between Zapata and the Rio Grande, ninety miles from here, according to an American reaching here. He said that in the Zapata country cowboys are preparing to aid the cavalry at Zapata in repelling the party.

LOCAL PHYSICIAN SEES 'BIG SHOW'

Dr. N. M. Gibbs Pays a Visit to Panama-Pacific Exposition

Dr. N. M. Gibbs, who is one of New Bern's leading physicians, has recently returned from San Francisco, Cal., where he spent several weeks attending the Panama-Pacific exposition and visiting the many places of interest in the "Great West." Dr. Gibbs went the Southern route and returned by the Northern. A good part of the trip was made in the day and he had an exceptionally good opportunity of seeing the country, and he was profuse in his remarks about the territory through which he passed. Dr. Gibbs stated that it was a great trip and that the exposition was beyond the conception of any mind unless the possessor should see it.

SELF-CONFESSED WIFE SLAYER PAYS PENALTY

Hartford, Conn., Aug. 14.—With faltering steps Frank Grella, self-confessed slayer of his wife, was led to the gallows in the State prison at Wethersfield today and hanged for his crime. Grella pleaded guilty when arraigned in court and stated his incarceration, had frequently expressed the wish that the end be not delayed. The crime was committed on June 6 last.

AMMUNITION IS GROWING LOW

Athens, Aug. 14.—Despite optimistic statements from Constantinople, Turkish ammunition is growing exhausted as the result of repeated attacks by the Allies at the Dardanelles. Private advices say German and Turkish diplomats have renewed their efforts to obtain the consent of the British cabinet for the passage of ammunition to Turkey.

THOUSANDS HEAR REV. JOHN W. HAM

He Is Now Conducting a Revival in Western North Carolina

The following article taken from this week's issue of the Jefferson, N. C., Recorder, will prove of especial interest here: "The Revival Services continue with unabated interest. The largest crowds ever gathered in Jefferson for religious services, have been in attendance upon the series of meetings now in progress. The pastors of the churches together with Evangelist Jno. W. Ham have been delighted with the size of the congregations. The great Chautauque tent has been well filled at the day services and taxed for seating at night services. The preaching has been plain, fearless and fervent. Sin has been dealt with in no uncertain terms and the love of God presented in its tenderness and greatness for the sinner. The interest has been deep. The influence of the meeting is county wide daily people have been coming by buggies, automobiles, covered wagons and horse back for distances ranging from six to twenty miles. It has been an inspiring sight to see the grove packed with wagons and vehicles of various kinds. Dinners have been spread upon the grounds. The singing under Prof. Lyon's leadership has contributed much to the success of the meetings. The choir has led the large congregations in the soul stirring hymns. The call of the Evangelist to repentance and to come forward for prayer has met with a large response. The close of each service calls back to mind of the older members of the congregation the day of the gone by when 'camp meetings' were so popular with the people, to hear the shouts of new born souls and seeing mother and father embrace son and daughter down at the Altar after they have 'come through' is indeed a scene to warm one's heart and make all the assembled congregation to feel a nearness to God. Such old songs as 'Nearer my God to Thee. The old time Religion and How Firm a Foundation and Amazing Grace are sung with great fervor by the people. Large numbers have been converted during the meetings. The meetings will continue each day at 10:30 a. m. and 8 p. m., until Sunday night. On Sunday Mr. Ham will preach at 11 a. m. and 3 p. m., there will be a great song service and experience meeting, at night the Evangelist will preach his last sermon. Everybody in the county is invited for the remainder of these services. On Sunday dinner will be spread on the grounds and all are invited to come and bring baskets, rain or shine, the services will be held."

VARIOUS CHARGES

Many Prominent Men Are Mixed Up in Crooked Deals

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Two of the indictments were returned this afternoon against A. H. ("Tony") Besse of Norfolk. He is charged with having offered bribes of \$25 each to policemen, Maraglia and Dallas, of the Dupont force if they would fail to appear and testify in a case against Carmine Battiste. Samuel Saffer, a former policeman, was indicted for having accepted \$35 from John Lemon for "protection" from arrest for selling beer on Sunday. Saffer was jailed in default of \$3,000 bail.

Three indictments for bribery were returned against John Preter, deposed police lieutenant; one for bribery against H. W. Pollard, former policeman; two for bribery against Justice of the Peace William St. Paul Pulliam; and eleven misdemeanor indictments were returned, charging operating of slot machines. The misdemeanor indictments are against A. Blumberg, O. Benzoener, D. C. Guberatia, Emanuel Cian, J. Boskin, H. B. Irvine, F. A. Fick, J. S. Rarris, D. Huddell and Mike Reimoro.

SCHOOL BUILDING BEING CLEANED

Being Made Ready for Opening of the Fall Term

While it is more than a month before the New Bern schools will open for the 1915-16 session, the buildings are being cleaned up and some repairs made, and long before the opening date every thing will be ready for the opening, which will be the twenty seventh of September. This is a week earlier than is the custom of beginning a term, but this date has been named so that the opening events will be over with and the students down to regular class work by the usual time of opening.

Prof. H. B. Smith, of Tarboro, who has been elected as superintendent of the New Bern schools to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Prof. H. B. Craven, is expected to arrive in the city to be here permanently, within the near future. Prof. Smith is one of the most energetic educational men in North Carolina and the trustees were fortunate in making this addition to the faculty.

DIXON HAS NOT RECEIVED OFFER

Oriental Man Hasn't Yet Proved His Invention a Success

In an interview given out last evening, Will Dixon of Oriental, who has invented an appliance which he claims will prevent torpedoes from striking a ship, stated that reports that he had been offered half million dollars for his invention, were unfounded. Mr. Dixon stated that he is now adding the finishing touches to his invention and will within a few days go to Washington to confer with the Naval Board in regard to it. He has been in communication with several officials in regard to the invention and they have given him much encouragement.

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OKLAHOMA WIDOW SEEKING BALM FOR WEDDING DEFAULT

Says Property Is Gone and Asks \$20,000 for Breach of Promise

Oklahoma City, Ok., Aug. 14.—Details of another love affair got into court here, when a breach of promise suit was filed by Mrs. Maggie Rauck against G. W. Clark in which she demands \$20,000 because Clark did not marry her as he said he would.

Mrs. Rauck says she is a widow of irreproachable character and that Mr. Clark courted her with what she believed to be honorable intentions. He told her of his wealth, she alleges, and frequently took her automobile riding. Then he proposed to her, and she consented to marry him.

The courtship lasted a long time, according to the allegations contained in the petition filed, beginning in the spring of 1913. Mrs. Rauck was not to be won so easily, however, and she insisted that the date of the wedding be set for September of that year—not any earlier.

Taking the petition for it, Mr. Clark was not there when the wedding day arrived. He is not credited with having given any excuse, either. He just wasn't present, and the wedding would not go on without him.

By the time all that had taken place it was June, 1914. Mr. Clark courted her throughout another year frequently of his undying affection. He showed her with kindness and attention, she says, and the automobile rides were resumed. That state of affairs went on until another June arrived. The second date set for the wedding was the first of that month.

SENATOR SIMMONS TO HAVE VISITORS

Noted Suffragettes Coming Here to Call on Him

Senator Simmons, who is spending the summer here, will this week have visitors who will endeavor to see how he stands on the suffrage question as will be seen from the following dispatch sent out yesterday from Washington:

"The congressional union for Women's suffrage begins its bombardment of North Carolina Congressmen next week. It is announced by Miss Lucy Burns of the union tonight that Miss Emily K. Perry, of an old South Carolina family, will start for Raleigh, from Washington Sunday to see Judge Walter Clark and other prominent people favorable to the movement for votes for women.

"I am going to spend a month in North Carolina," said Miss Perry tonight; "and will go with deputations to see Senator Simmons at New Bern and Overman at Salisbury, and Representatives Poff at Smithfield, Kitchin at Seaboard Neck, Webb at Shelby, and Godwin, Page, Small, Hood, Doughton, Britt and Stedman at their respective homes.

"It is very important that we see the North Carolinians, as they hold prominent committee assignments. 'I want to get in touch with Mrs. Archibald Henderson of Chapel Hill. She is president of the State Woman's Suffrage Association.

"I expect to go to Charlotte, Greensboro, Morganton, Asheville, and other cities. In each congressional district I will organize a deputation of suffragists to call on their Representatives in Congress and urge him to support the Susan B. Anthony amendment to remove from the ballot the qualification of sex."

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THE SOLDIERS OF GEN. CARRANZA ARE VERY ACTIVE

Information Received in the U. S. Tells of Their Depredations

Brownsville, Texas, Aug. 14.—Carranza soldiers, it was learned today, temporarily took possession of island No. 10 in the Rio Grande for a short time while the Mexican raiding was at its height a few days ago. This island is large, containing pasturage for considerable stock. American residents of the vicinity, which is near Rio Grande City, 100 miles above here, were mystified by the actions of the Mexican soldiers. The latter finally withdrew from the island.

TAKE AN ISLAND

American Residents in the Besieged Section Are Mystified

Peace officers and rangers have adopted a summary code of handling suspected Mexicans. At Fort Brown here the following report was turned in, made by peace officers to an army patrol officer on duty at a small station northeast of Brownsville: "We met two Mexicans. They tried to escape. We could not identify them, so we left them there."

These Mexicans were killed. Owing to the slowness of means of travel and great distances, the full force of soldiers and rangers ordered out to quell raids did not all reach their assigned places until late yesterday or early today. As not discharging, they make a striking showing at railroad stations.

A Tented City At Harlingen a big cotton platform is covered with brown army tents. Mexicans everywhere are visible working in the fields or mixing with the soldiers and rangers at the stations. Mexicans on trains or those who seem to be going any distance by other means of travel, are closely watched. Train crews are ready to uncouple their engines at any time and turn them over to the use of soldiers or peace officers for runs to alarms or appeals for aid.

The entire lower Rio Grande Valley section has the appearance of martial law, but it is a silent law. The population is so comparatively sparse that strangers are recognized and checked up immediately, usually without being asked any questions.

Other considerations enter into the case, also, besides the factor of love. In the first place, it is stated in the petition, Clark is a man of wealth, and a widower. It is said that he always represented to the widow that he owned a great deal of property in Oklahoma City, and that he had money.

Mrs. Rauck says that at the beginning of the courtship she was in comfortable circumstances, but the property she owned in Oklahoma City was mortgaged and otherwise encumbered. She relied upon the promise of Mr. Clark to pay off the mortgages, and tells the court that by depending upon him she lost the property.

In addition to that she has suffered great mental pain and anguish, the petition recites, and has been greatly humiliated. Naturally she told her friends of her approaching marriage, and she alleges that Clark also made it known to many of them.

Mrs. Clark says she is the mother of six children and that through the proposal of Clark she lost her property. Clark's residence is given as 718 West Main street.

WIFE OF BANKER WANTS A DIVORCE

Not Only Does She Want Freedom But Craves Heart Balm

Talladega, Ala., Aug. 14.—What is expected to be the prelude to one of the most sensational divorce suits ever filed in the State of Alabama is the attachment in the Talladega City Court in equity of \$30,000 worth of marble quarry stock belonging to her husband, Charles J. Harrah, by Mrs. Florence McDonald Harrah, prominent in society of Alabama, New York and Havana, Cuba.

The exact allegations as set forth in the bill of complaint filed in the court, is not known, as the attorney for the plaintiff, J. K. Dixon, immediately borrowed the papers after filing, and refused to allow newspaper correspondents to inspect the file. Notice for publication for a non-resident, however, was made in a remote county paper.

Harrah, until recently, was an officer of the Royal National Bank of Cuba, of Havana, Cuba, which it is understood he and his wife did not live in harmony. Upon their return to the United States, Harrah proceeded to New York with their two children, while Mrs. Harrah came to make her home with her brother, William McDonald, superintendent of the Moretti-Harrah Marble Quarry Company, at Sylacauga, in this county. It is understood that the attachment of the stock is for the maintenance of Mrs. Harrah, until under the Alabama law, she can sue for divorce in this state.

ASKS \$200 DAMAGES FOR LOSS OF HIS MUSTACHE. Bartlesville, Ok., Aug. 14.—Two hundred dollars is the amount asked by Frank Walkaway for the loss of a mustache in a suit filed here against A. D. McClintock and Ous Begley. Walkaway was ordered to quit drinking out of a jail of water other workers used unless he cut off his mustache. The Palo did not heed the warning. Then some of the men amputated his mustache.

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