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As an autumn sport the tango is throttling football.

The one most rare thing of the age is a movie film with a kissless plot.

Some oysters lay 50,000,000 eggs a year and yet they never cackle over the feat.

To call the sleeping porch a "solarium" makes it more habitable in cold weather.

A scientist declares the oyster digests itself. It should prove a boon to the lazy man.

Smoke is said to cost Pittsburgh \$10,000,000 annually. It certainly gives color to the city.

A new use for giants has been found. They are fine as fruit pickers and are in great demand out west.

You always are advised to look before you leap, but what's the difference so long as you leap?

Those new English overcoats for men give the wearer the graceful contour of a shock of fodder.

The way most theatrical men develop a sense of discrimination is by hooking their chariots to stars.

The meteorological preparations for next year's wheat crop, so far as they have gone, are pretty satisfactory, too.

It is not infrequently the case that when a man brags that he doesn't stay out late at night he is simply henpecked.

When real Havana cigars may be known by the label there will be justification for looking a gift cigar in the hand.

The Pittsburgh man who was fined \$25 for winking at a girl will leave the country if he ever has the St. Vitus dance.

Any millionaire who objects to the income tax can readily find plenty willing to take over his burden of wealth, tax and all.

An explorer claims to have discovered an island where the women have two voices. Why can't he let bad enough alone?

Doctors say that the tango is responsible for a new disease. Most persons won't hesitate in calling the dance itself a disease.

Three women have organized a law firm with the likelihood that not one of the three wants to be known as the senior member.

Mesothorium being far less expensive than radium, cancer comes that much nearer being placed within the means of the poor.

When it gets down to brass tacks, it will be generally agreed that, after all, mother does the best job as a teacher of sewing.

Now that the Gatun locks have settled down to the job it looks as if it would take something more than an earthquake to disturb them.

Over in Germany they have found a new way of beating the income tax. First thing we know there will be an exodus to Germany to learn the secret.

Five husbands up for sentence for non-support in Philadelphia pleaded that they could not find work. They should be compelled to take in washing.

Among the other big jokes of the season might be mentioned the rumor that hoopskirts are coming back. Can you imagine it?

An eastern preacher says society is on the way to purgatory. Any one watching some of the present fashions may have little difficulty in agreeing with him.

The suit for alienating \$1,000,000 worth of a man's affections raises the interesting speculation whether affections that are worth that much can be alienated.

Why trouble ourselves with speculating as to what might happen if the earth moved sixteen times as fast as it does now, when we have such a momentous question as the movements of our office boys on our hands.

One hundred and twenty-five miles an hour at the International aeroplane races is plenty of speed. At that rate it will take less than 24 hours to cross the Atlantic when a fuel is invented so light that a supply for that length of time can be carried.

Among a lot of funny things the federal government does, here is a plan to haul several carloads of prunes from coast to coast for the purpose of seeing just how much a prune shrinks in transit.

Gloom and worry cause appendicitis, while smiles and cheer are its deadly foes. Which recalls the dramatic command of the western photographer while pointing a pistol at his patron to smile or take the consequences.

## WOMEN PLAY PART IN MEXICAN WAR

MANY OF THEM ARE ACTING AS FORAGERS FOR THEIR MEN.

ACT AS SCOUTS FOR ARMY

Many of the Women of Mexico Joined Ranks Rather Than Stay at Home Alone.

Del Rio, Texas.—Women of Mexico are playing a prominent part in the warfare of the southern republic, either as "soldaderas," foraging successfully for their men, or occasionally as actual fighters.

This is true probably because the present revolution has touched individuals and the homes more intimately than any other conflict of recent times. Nearly every woman in northern Mexico has seen warfare, shorn of its theatricality, because it entered the home and left death and want. Many of these women have left their homes rather than to remain alone, and a few of them have gone under fire to get revenge.

In the siege in progress at Monterrey, a valued member of Gen. Pablo Gonzales' Constitutional command is Senorita Maria Sanchez, said to be a wealthy Castilian whose brother was shot by Federal irregulars. She gave up the comforts of a luxurious home and begged for permission to replace her brother.

A few months ago at Monclova a son of Senora Pimental of that city had been sentenced to be shot. The mother got into the Federal jail by stealth and stabbed two of the guards and rescued her son, escaping to the Constitutionalist headquarters, then at Hermanas, 20 miles away.

In the Federal ranks there is told the story of the wife of an officer who led the Constitutionlists into an ambush at Puerta Carmen, and, though fired upon by the maddened troops, galloped through the lines to her husband's side.

When less than a month ago the Federal army of General Maas occupied the Constitutionlists' provisional capital at Piedras Negras, on the American border across from Eagle Pass, the "soldaderas" played an important role in the bloodless capture. A small group of them pitched their tents on the overlooking hills two days before their men arrived, acting as lookouts. When the army arrived, fully five hundred of these soldier women accompanied it, most of them guarding the wagon trains, which their skill as foragers had stuffed to bursting. A few hours after the city was occupied the women spread supper for the entire army in the open plaza.

### SENDS MESSAGE TO WILSON

General Carranza Tells President How to Deal With Mexico.

Nogales, Sonora.—Through Dr. H. A. Tupper of the International peace forum, General Venustiano Carranza, head of the Constitutionlists of Mexico, transmitted to the United States government an official statement that suggests that President Wilson can solve the Mexican problem by merely according to the Constitutionlists the right to import arms freely from the United States.

The struggle in Mexico will continue until one side or the other is beaten into helplessness, the statement asserts. It further declares that the Constitutionlists are confident of wiping out Huerta and his partisans in a short time if the embargo on arms is lifted.

Carranza came here from Hermosillo, the rebel capital, with Doctor Tupper, who had been with him there for several days.

General Carranza's statement, which was submitted in a formal letter to Tupper will be communicated by the latter to Secretary Bryan.

Tupper telegraphed to Secretary Bryan asking him if he desired the statement. The secretary replied in the affirmative, adding, however, that it would receive only unofficial attention. Tupper's recommendations and impressions also were requested.

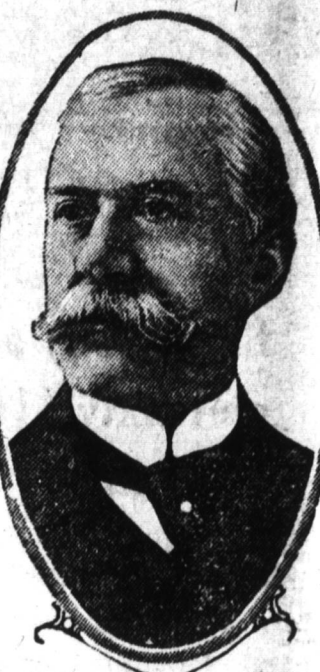
### Prank With Gun Causes Death.

Tuskegee, Ala.—Sterling Floyd, 23 years old, son of a large turpentine operator, is in jail, charged with murdering G. T. Boles, aged 30, at Milledgeville. Floyd is said to have playfully put his shotgun in the face of each of five young men standing in front of a store, when he returned from hunting. Boles warned him that he might accidentally shoot some one, when Floyd, it is claimed, raised his gun, knocking Bowles' hat off. This, Boles resented, and Floyd pulled his pistol and shot Boles.

### Shoots Four Men for Fall.

Evanson, Ill.—An unknown man shot four young men who threw him from his bicycle, and two of them are expected to die. According to August Steinkle, the only member of the party who was not wounded, one of his friends shoved the rear wheel of the bicycle and the rider had a bad fall. Getting to his feet the cyclist drew a revolver and began firing. Two were shot in the abdomen and may not recover. The others were shot in the legs.

## GEN. THOMAS J. STEWART



General Stewart is president of the National Guard association, having been re-elected at the meeting of the association recently held in Chicago.

## POWERS WILL NOT OPPOSE

UNITED STATES WILL ASK CO-OPERATION OF EUROPE TO ELIMINATE HUERTA.

Great Britain, France and Germany Have Agreed to Wait for the American Proposal.

Washington.—Three European nations, Great Britain, Germany and France have agreed to adopt no new policy toward Mexico until the government of the United States can submit for their consideration a definite plan for the future treatment of the revolution-torn republic in Central America.

That a request of the powers to await a proposal regarding Mexico from this government had been made and that the three great European nations had yielded to the request was announced by Secretary Bryan.

Mexico City.—In the event that the Huerta-Blanquet ticket is shown to have polled a majority sufficient to be declared elected, as now seems probable, congress will declare the Huerta votes void and Blanquet will take the oath as vice president and assume office as president pending the calling of further elections.

## A DEADLOCK THREATENED

Advocates of Central Bank and Friends of Regional Bank May Not Agree.

Washington.—A threatened deadlock in the senate banking and currency committee over the proposal to substitute a government-owned bank for the regional reserve bank plan in the administration currency bill became apparent when the committee began executive consideration of the measure. Discussion was confined to the central reserve bank scheme, and while no vote was taken the debate disclosed six senators for the government controlled bank and six for the administration regional system.

The five Republicans on the committee, Senators Weeks, McLean, Nelson, Crawford and Bristow, argued for the central bank scheme. They were joined by Senator Hitchcock, one of the Democrats, who has opposed the administration bill in many of its provisions. Senators Reed and O'Gorman, who had expressed themselves in favor of the central bank plan, swung into line with the other Democrats.

### Hester's Monthly Cotton Figures.

New Orleans.—Secretary Hester's New Orleans cotton exchange statement issued covers the monthly movement to October 31. Compared with last year it shows a decrease for the month in round figures of 16,000, an increase compared with year before last of 129,000 and with 1910-11 an increase of 456,000. The total for October was 2,917,422, against 2,933,813 last year, 2,788,324 year before last and 2,461,016 for the same time in 1910.

### Troops Ordered to Strike Region.

Denver, Col.—Mobilized in approximately six hours, the commands of the Colorado National Guard began moving toward the south Colorado coal fields, where martial law has been established in compliance with the governor's proclamation. While the ordering of troops to the coal fields followed the failure of Governor Ammon's efforts to arrange a settlement, an additional reason for the action was found in the list of casualties and property damage that have marked the thirty-five days of the strike.

### Mrs. King Comes Clear.

Gray, Ga.—The hand of the law that held her in prison since last Christmas, charged with killing her husband, was lifted from Mrs. Kate King, when Foreman W. W. Barron, brother to one of the lawyers who convicted Nick Wilburn, read a verdict of "not guilty" after the jury had been out for four hours. Only a deep sigh betokened what the woman had heard. From beneath her black veil not a trace of emotion could be seen. She seemed to realize the import of the verdict.

## THE COTTON CROP SHOWS A DECLINE

DROP OF FIVE POINTS IN COTTON CONDITION—KILLING FROST THE CAUSE.

MANY ESTIMATES ARE MADE

Georgia Crop Declined 4.3 Points. Average Estimate of the Output 13,747,000 Bales.

New York.—According to 1,644 reports of the special correspondents of the Journal of Commerce bearing an average date of October 23, cotton shows a deterioration of 5 points in condition was 67.1. Killing frosts and excessive rain were the chief cause of damage. A year ago at this time condition lost 1.5 points, in 1911 it lost 1.5 points, in 1910 it lost nothing in 1909 it lost 3.9 points, and in 1908 it lost 3.6 points. Declines occurred in all states except Tennessee and Florida, which improved 2 points and 3 points, respectively. Important declines were: Louisiana, 15 points; Mississippi, 8.6 points; Texas, 6.3 points; North Carolina, 6.8 points; Georgia 4.3 points, Arkansas 4.5 points, and South Carolina, 4 points.

Condition changes for the past four years together with percentage condition last month, are given in the accompanying table:

States.	Oct. Nov. '12 '11
N. Carolina . . . . .	7.43 5.8 7 .5
S. Carolina . . . . .	7.40 4.0 3.3 2.0
Georgia . . . . .	7.58 4.3 5.3 2.0
Florida . . . . .	7.79 3.0 8.4 3.0
Alabama . . . . .	6.82 1.0 4.0 .6
Mississippi . . . . .	6.80 8.6 2.0 3.4
Louisiana . . . . .	6.24 15.0 1.5 6.0
Texas . . . . .	6.46 6.3 2.1 1.3
Arkansas . . . . .	6.70 4.4 .6 1.2
Tennessee . . . . .	6.80 2.0 1.8 4.2
Missouri . . . . .	5.20 1.0 5.0 6.5
Oklahoma . . . . .	5.05 2.0 3.0 .2
Totals . . . . .	6.7 5.00 1.5 1.5

From the above table it will be seen that condition on October 23 was 61.1, against 68.8 a year ago, 69.3 in 1911.

The Journal of Commerce has no opinion of its own to offer regarding the yield of this season's crop; but in order to gather the consensus of Southern opinion its correspondents were specially requested to give their individual estimates of the crop, with these results. Thirty-two replies ranged twelve million to thirteen million five hundred thousand; 97 replies ranged thirteen million to thirteen million five hundred thousand; 226 replies ranged thirteen million to fourteen million; 121 replies ranged fourteen million to fourteen million and five hundred; 71 replies ranged fifteen million to sixteen million.

The average of all replies received is thirteen million seven hundred and forty-seven thousand bales, which closely approximates the estimates made by several good authorities outside of the growing districts, where the tendency is usually to underestimate the crop.

Out of the 547 estimates received 347 ranged between thirteen million five hundred thousand and fifteen million five hundred thousand bales.

## U. S. WANTS FAIR ELECTION

Believed the United States is Planning to Take Active Part.

Washington.—Reference which has enveloped the plans of the Washington on the Mexican problem continues.

In whatever is attempted, due consideration of the Constitutionlists as an important factor in the situation will probably be given. It was inferred in many quarters that the cardinal features of the administration's plan will be a comprehensive scheme to bring about a fair and free election, efforts to be made by the American government to use its good office to secure the participation of the Constitutionlists.

In some quarters the suggestion was advanced that the Washington government contemplate assisting materially in the conduct of the proposed elections to insure certain safeguards. It is admitted that no action will be taken until an announcement of an official character is made in Mexico as to the result of the elections.

### Woman Found Guilty of Murder.

New Haven, Conn.—Mrs. Beesie J. Wakefield of Bristol, mother of the three little children, was found guilty of murder in the first degree for her part in the killing of her husband. Evidence in the trial showed that Mrs. Wakefield conspired to get rid of Wakefield. While Mrs. Wakefield took her children out for a walk, James Flew partly drugged her husband and then shot him to death. A knife was driven in the body and a rope placed around the neck to give the appearance of suicide.

### Two Men Are Killed.

Atlanta.—Two men were killed outright and two seriously injured and a hundred passengers severely shaken up when Southern railway passenger train No. 29, en route from Columbus to Atlanta, was derailed along a curve over a steep embankment near Griffin, Ga. The dead men are Engineer Thomas H. Gay and Fireman E. C. Pearson of Atlanta. They were buried beneath the heavy engine. Conductor D. Williams was terribly cut about the face.

## ANTHONY COMSTOCK



Mr. Comstock is the ever active foe of vice and indecency in New York.

## LEICHER ELECTED AGAIN

FLORIDA SENATOR RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT AT MOBILE CONVENTION.

Seventh Convention of Southern Commercial Congress Comes to a Close at Mobile.

Mobile, Ala.—The seventh convention of the Southern Commercial Congress was brought to a close after a directorate composed of many new members was elected and resolutions upon important subjects discussed had been passed. Soon after the election these directors present met and heard arguments of representatives of Oklahoma City and Houston in favor of their titles for the next convention, and selected officers. The directors will meet the next meeting place at some future date. Only the two cities mentioned put in a formal invitation for the 1914 convention. These officers were elected:

President, Senator Duncan U. Fletcher; first vice president, T. S. Southgate; second vice president, Albert P. Bush; managing director, Dr. Clarence J. Owens; treasurer and resident director, W. H. Sanders.

Chief among resolutions adopted was one instructing the directors of the congress to at once begin a systematized propaganda aiming at diverting trade made possible by opening the Panama canal to southern ports. Officials of the congress are ordered to do this as quickly as possible. Another important resolution urges upon the United States congress to put into effect as soon as practicable a system of rural credits. This resolution was adopted unanimously after it had been pointed out in several speeches how the Southern farmer is handicapped by lack of a sound system of credit and how much is lost to the South each year because of the absence of system in growing and handling crops.

The Federal government is called on in another resolution furnished early in each year the cotton spindle capacity of the country so that the producer may have an equal advantage with the consumer in this respect. The congress also urged that cotton be graded at the gin under Federal supervision in order to save the great total loss caused by taking samples from bales and that bonded warehouse receipts be given certifying the correct weight and grade of the product.

## BUSCH LEAVES MILLIONS

Only \$210,000 of the Brewer's Estate for Charitable Purposes.

St. Louis.—The will of Adolphus Busch, filed for probate, makes charitable bequests aggregating \$170,000 to a number of St. Louis institutions, and places the bulk of the estate in trust. Mrs. Lillie Busch, Charles Nattel and August A. Busch are named trustees.

In addition to the charitable bequests in the will, Mr. Busch left a private memorandum requesting members of his family to make certain other donations, most of which are private in their nature. The attorneys, however, made public the names of eight St. Louis institutions, which are to receive, under the memorandum, a total of \$40,000, making the total bequests for charitable purposes \$21,000.

### Big Rail Bond Issue Fought.

Boston.—Former Governor Morgan G. Bulkeley of Hartford, Conn., and Charles S. Ensign, of Newton, brought a bill in equity in the supreme court asking that the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad company be enjoined from issuing bonds to the amount of \$67,552,000 and 675,520 additional shares of stock authorized at the meeting of stockholders August 22. The complainants, who are stockholders, say it is contemplated that the additional shares of stock shall be distributed.

### Killed 80-Year-Old Wife.

Pelham, N. H.—The 80-year-old wife of Ernest McCoy, a farmer, was found murdered in the parlor of her home with two revolver bullets in her body. McCoy made an attempt at suicide by shooting himself in the head just as his three daughters arrived hurriedly in response to letters he had written them, saying he was about to commit suicide. While McCoy was receiving medical attention, an inquest was being held in the parlor of the house to determine whether he should be charged with killing his wife.

## HUERTA MUST GIVE UP PRESIDENCY

FORCED TO GIVE ONE OF TWO ANSWERS; BUT HAS NOT ANSWERED YET.

DIPLOMATIC CORPS MEET

Southern Republic No Longer Doubts That Washington Government Favors Rebel Cause.—Wilson and Bryan Plan to Assist Carranza.

Mexico City.—President Huerta has been told he must resign the presidency of Mexico without loss of time and that he must not leave as his successor Gen. Aureliano Blanquet, his Minister of War, or any other member of his official family or of the unofficial coterie whom he might be expected to control. This ultimatum from Washington was conveyed to President Huerta through his private secretary, Senor Rebago by Nelson O'Shaughnessy, the American Charge d'Affairs, acting under instructions from the state department.

Senor Rebago presented the memorandum to his chief recently, but President Huerta has returned no answer and, as far as could be learned, had guarded its contents from almost all of his official and intimate counselors.

Those who learned of the Washington note regard General Huerta's position as one in which he will be forced to give one of two answers—refusal point blank, to comply with the demand, possibly going so far as to hand the diplomatic representative his passport, or the elimination of himself officially. Those most intimate with the President insist that the latter course will not be taken for many reasons, chief among which is that such action would be tantamount to submission to the rebels. Official Mexico is no longer in doubt that the Washington Administration favors the rebel cause and is convinced that this is the means adopted by President Wilson and Secretary Bryan to assist Carranza to win.

General Huerta summoned to the National Palace the Diplomatic Corps, but for what purpose was not revealed. Three of the Ministers, those of Germany, Norway and Russia, were absent. They have been in Vera Cruz, where they were in conference with President Wilson's representative, John Lind, who is understood to be fully conversant with the latest representations from Washington.

### Fire Causes \$5,000,000 Loss.

Bucharest.—A loss estimated at \$5,000,000 has been caused by fires which spread from one oil well to another in the petroleum district of Moreni. The fires started with the explosion of a large well and spread through the whole valley and along the hillsides which were a mass of flames. Over 25 wells were afloat, all burning furiously.

### Two Killed by Falling Building.

Hartford, Conn.—Two persons were killed, three fatally injured and another seriously hurt here when the entire side of a four-story brick store house in North Front street collapsed and crushed through the adjoining frame dwelling house of John Hughes. The dead are: Joan Hughes, 59 years old, and Eva Dooty, 5 years old, his granddaughter.

### High Tides Cause Damage.

Windsor, Nova Scotia.—Immense damage has been caused by the recent high tides along the coast between Windsor and Grand Pre. Several miles of dikes have been swept away and large areas of valuable land are under several feet of water.

### Spanish Officer Executed.

Madrid, Spain.—A firing squad of Spanish troops at dawn executed Captain Manuel Sanchez, a Spanish army officer found guilty by a court martial of the murder of Don Garcia Jalon, a wealthy land owner last May.

### Train Strikes Boulder.

Lacrosse, Wis.—Passenger train No. 56 on the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad was wrecked near Genoa, Wis., when the locomotive struck a boulder half the size of a box car, weighing 100 tons which had been dislodged by recent rains and rolled upon the bluff onto the track. Engineer James M. Pratt, of Lacrosse, was possibly fatally injured. His jaw was broken and the side of his face crushed in. Four Italian track laborers and a negro porter also were injured, but not fatally.

### Edward Morris, Packer, Dead.

Chicago.—Edward Morris, president of Morris & Co., packers, died at his home recently after an illness of more than a year. Mr. Morris was born in Chicago 47 years ago and was the eldest son of the late Nelson Morris, pioneer packer. He suffered a nervous breakdown about a year ago and was obliged to give up active business. He spent last winter in traveling in search of health but when he returned last spring his friends noted that he had not been seen since.