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## Note Given Out In Mexico City For Home Consumption Only

### Believed That Text of Carranza's Reply When Received Will Be Pacificatory And Cause No Break

### PREPAREDNESS COSTS WILL BE BORNE BY INCOMES, INHERITANCES, AND MUNITIONS

### This Will Be Effect of New Revenue Measure Introduced In House To-day

## Passage Of Hay Bill Authorizes War On Mexico

(By United Press)

Washington, D. C., July 1st.—The Hay Resolution appropriating two million dollars for militiamen's dependents passed the House today by a vote 295 to 2 and authorizes war.

Under the provisions of the bill a militiaman's family without income will receive an allowance of fifty dollars monthly.

The two Congressmen voting against the measure were Small of North Carolina and James of Michigan.

(By United Press)

Washington, D. C. July 1.—Contrary rumors as to the tone and tenor of Carranza's reply to the United States Government, which is now momentarily expected at Washington, but has not yet been received, are afloat in the capital today.

American friends of Carranza are confident that the attitude taken in the note will not be defiant but that the demands of the United States Government will be answered in a conciliatory spirit while at the same time Carranza will emphasize what he considers a violation of Mexican sovereignty by American troops.

An informant of the United Press whose reports have heretofore proved correct, is confident the note will not bring about a breach between the United States and Mexico. He thinks that the statement given out yesterday from Mexico City by the Foreign Office was intended solely for consumption in Mexico.

The Carranza note up to this time, has not been received here.

### HOW TO MEET WAR COSTS

The Administration is planning to raise revenue for preparedness costs by inheritance and munitions taxes. In this event of war a bond issue will be resorted to make funds for its vigorous prosecution immediately available.

The shifting of the burdens of taxation almost entirely upon accumulated wealth and big incomes is accomplished in the Administration's new revenue bill, which will be introduced in the House this afternoon.

Experts believe that the new bill will raise one hundred million from incomes and sixty millions from inheritances and fifty millions from munitions.

The income tax begins at twenty thousand and increases at the rate of one per cent for each classification until ten per cent is levied on all incomes exceeding half a million

dollars. The inheritance provisions exempt all estates under fifty thousand dollars.

### "THE TONGUES OF MEN" AT ALKRAMA MONDAY

"The Tongues of Men" is the title of Monday night's picture at the Alkrama and the story is a most interesting one, having to do with a prima donna and her persecutions, as well as with a rector and his difficulties. The ending is an unexpected one, and the story holds the playgoers' interest, preaching a sermon at the same time. Constance Collier stars in the play, and the attraction is shown at popular prices.

W. J. Griffin of Manteo was in the city Friday.

### TO ADVERTISERS

The Advance of Monday evening and Tuesday morning—the semi-weekly edition—will reach goodly number of subscribers before they leave home to be here on the Fourth. Copies will be also distributed among the visitors free of charge after their arrival here, as will also copies of the issue of Tuesday afternoon. If you want to invest in advertising that will reach the Good Will Day crowds, ask for a call from the Advance advertising man. He can put you next to this paper's plan of campaign for Good Will Day.

## OLD BESS CITY PROSPEROUS NOW

### Bank Statements Show Big Gains During Business Year Just Past.

A happier day for Good Will Day in Elizabeth City could hardly have been set in Elizabeth City than somewhere about this present time.

A great deal has been heard recently to the general effect that prosperity was coming this way, but a great many people were found to admit when you pinned them down that he had not arrived at their house yet.

But it is now a generally admitted fact that he has arrived. Business is good, collections at last are above normal, and money is circulating freely everywhere.

A great many causes have contributed to this general prosperity in Elizabeth City. In the first place, the merchants of the town this year were foresighted in supplying their needs for the spring and summer trade and purchased before the seasonal rise in prices that have marked the two seasons. Consequently they have been able to sell their goods at remarkably low prices, considering the general conditions, and at the same time at a fair margin of profit.

Another contributory cause to the arrival of General Prosperity in Elizabeth City is the high price for potatoes that prevailed during the North Carolina shipping season just passed. Something like three thousand carloads of potatoes, on a rough guess, were received at Norfolk from this section and in no case was the price received unsatisfactory so far as the writer has heard of.

Many other causes might be mentioned, but lack of time and space forbid a more detailed discussion of conditions in this section. But always the best index of the financial condition of any section are the statements of the conditions of its banks. A glance at the statements of the various banks of this city can not fail to assure the investor that the prosperity which is here is genuine.

The First National Bank As the oldest bank in this section this bank naturally attracts first attention. For twenty-five years this bank has employed its large resources in the commercial development of the beautiful town of Elizabeth City and its surrounding territory.

## GERMAN TRENCHES LOST TO BRITISH

### First Forward Thrust of Tremendous Smash Nets Allies Gains along the Somme

(By United Press)

London, July 1.—The long expected British offensive in France was launched at seven-thirty this morning with a tremendous smash against the Germans along a twenty mile front on the river Somme.

This information is contained in brief dispatches which assert that the first line of German trenches was taken as well as many prisoners. The British attacks are being continued and pressed with the utmost violence.

This news, coincident with the announcement of the vastly important railroad center, Kofomea, by the Russians has aroused intense enthusiasm.

The British forward thrust follows four days of the most lavish expenditure of shell fire ever witnessed in the history of the world, in which the German front for nine miles was literally bathed in explosive shells.

The British War Office announced early this afternoon that the German forward defenses were broken along a sixteen mile front.

### DR SELIG MOVES INTO NEW QUARTERS

Dr. Julian Selig has moved his headquarters to the Flora Building next to Selig's Jewelry Store. His new offices have been very comfortably and attractively fitted up and Dr. Selig is well prepared to serve those in need of his services.

### TONIGHT AT COURT HOUSE

Tonight at 8:15 at the court house Dr. A. S. Pendleton of Henderson, will lecture on "The Prevention of Insanity."

Doctors, teachers and the public generally are invited.

A year ago the First National Bank had deposits aggregating \$551,528.16 at the close of business yesterday afternoon the bank's books showed deposits of \$711,986.45—a gain during a twelve month period of nearly \$160,000.00.

The Savings Bank & Trust Co. The Savings Bank & Trust Company is the youngest bank in Elizabeth City and is proud of the distinction. It has just closed the most successful and prosperous six months period in its history. Its resources have increased nearly a hundred thousand dollars in the past twelve months and its deposits are the highest since the organization of the bank.

According to the statement of June 30th., this bank's deposits show over \$462,000.00 and the officers and directors expect that very soon the deposits in this bank will reach the half million mark. Having made during the last two years an increase in deposits of about \$150,000.00, it would seem that this expectation is most conservative.

The Citizens Bank Mr. M. R. Griffin, cashier of the Citizens Bank, stated this morning to a representative of this newspaper that the Citizens Bank is making preparations for an important announcement in the near future and that he would withhold any definite statement for publication until that time. This bank is firmly entrenched in the confidence of its stockholders and depositors and its growth has kept pace with the progress of the town.

## Official Program Of Good Will Day Events

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Following is the program for 'Good Will Day, July 4th.

10:15, Marriage at Mitchell's Department Store.

10:30 Grand Parade: (Assembles on Penn. Ave., continues out said Avenue to Burgess street, up Burgess street to Road Street; South on Road Street to Matthews street; East on Matthews Street to Martin Street; South on Martin Street to Main Street; West on Main Street to Seldon Street; South on Seldon Street to Church Street; East on Church Street to Poindexter street; North on Poindexter Street to Fearing Street; East on Fearing street to Water Street; North on Water Street to Main Street; West on (Main Street front of court house.)

12:00 Fat and Lean Men's Race (Main Street front of court house.)

12:30 Intermission.

1:00 Exhibition City Fire Department (Engine House to Road; down Road to Main; down Main to river for motor truck. For engines; Engine House to Elliott street to Main Street, down Main to River.)

1:45 Hydroplane Flight (Rising from Riverside Drive near Hayman's old ship-yard)

2:30 Athletic Events (At High School grounds) (Band Music).

3:00 Boat Races (Starting and finishing at foot of Main st.)

4:00 Hydroplane ascension (circling the Ball Park and High School grounds)

4:30 Base Ball (Plymouth—vs—Elizabeth City.)

5:30 U. S. Coast Guard 'Aquatic Drill' (foot of Main street.)

7:00 Band Concert and awarding prizes (Band Stand, Court House Lawn.)

8:00 Odd Fellows' Orphanage Singing Class (High School Auditorium).

Overture by Band.

8:30 Sparring Exhibition (Charlie Quinley of Washington, D. C. VS. Wheeler H. Bateman of Elizabeth City, N. C., (Alkrama Theatre) Special music.)

NOTE: Hydroplane from Curtiss Aeronautical School, The Court House bell will be rung indicating the time of the Hydroplane flights.

U. S. Revenue Cutter Pamlico anchored in harbor by consent of Navy Department as a feature of celebration.

Greased pole with watch on top (back of band stand on Courthouse Lawn) for the first person climbing pole and securing the watch.

PRIZES: First prize for Ragamuffin will be given by Twiddy & White, Elizabeth City's Bargain Store any hat in the house. Second Prize, one gallon of ice cream given by W. T. Deans Confectionery Company, South Poindexter Street.

Fat Men's Race prize, given by McCabe and Grice a pair of good pants. Lean Men's Race prize given by Weeks & Sawyer, the best hat in the shop.

First Prize for first boat race, silver cup, value \$25.00. Second Prize \$5.00 in gold. Second boat race, first prize silver cup value \$15.00. Second Prize five gallons of cylinder oil.

ATHLETIC EVENTS: Trophy cup for winner in all events. Twelve bronze medals first prizes; sixteen ribbons appropriately inscribed second and third prizes.

REVIEWING COMMITTEE P. G. Sawyer, Mayor of Elizabeth City, N. C. J. B. Fearing, Chairman County

## ARE OPPONENTS FOR PEACE OR WAR

### This the Question Which President Wilson Puts Squarely Up to Republicans

(By United Press)

Washington, D. C. July 1.—President Wilson has taken the administration's Mexican Policy as the Democratic campaign issue and has put that issue squarely up to his political opponents.

This is the opinion of official Washington and is the view taken of the intent of the President's recent Philadelphia and New York speeches which showed unmistakably that the President won't countenance war with Mexico except as a last resort in settling the vexing Mexican border troubles.

However the President has made it equally as plain that no steps will be omitted in complete preparation for the worst while hoping for the best. Those closest to the President do not believe that Pershing's expedition will be withdrawn and are convinced that until the establishment of satisfactory conditions in Mexico the strength of the army along the border will be constantly increased at the most rapid rate possible.

## Guardsmen Reach Border

(By United Press)

El Paso, July 1.—Before the end of the coming week 25,000 guardsmen will be stationed on the border between this city and Columbus, thus releasing 6,000 regulars to reinforce Pershing.

The advance guard of the militia numbering ten thousand are expected today.

With the release of the regulars, General Pershing will have under his command in Mexico 17,000 regular troops, which is estimated as about one third the numerical strength of the Carranzista forces which have been concentrated in such a position as to form a horseshoe about the American expedition.

### CITY ROAD CHURCH

Dr. Turrentine, Pres. of Greensboro College for Women, will preach at City Road Methodist church Sunday evening at eight o'clock. The public is extended a cordial invitation to hear him.

Board of Commissioners. J. C. Commander, City Manager, Elizabeth City.

W. J. Woodley, Chairman County Highway Commission.

W. G. Galther, Jr., President Chamber of Commerce, Elizabeth City.

J. B. Flora, Jr., M. L. Sheep, C. R. Wilkinson, Executive Committee Chamber of Commerce.

C. R. Pugh, Manager Chamber of Commerce.

Visitors—to be invited.