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MADERO SAID TO HAVE BEEN SHOT. RUMOR IS UNCONFIRMED

Following Its Spread Excitement is Great in Mexico City

AMBASSADOR AND RIFLE FIRING BEGINS AGAIN

Another American Killed—Rifle Ball Narrowly Misses Wilson

Mexico City, Feb. 15.—A rumor was current here tonight that President Madero had been shot. Great excitement prevailed following the spread of the rumor, but it could not be confirmed.

Madero is not at the palace, but it is believed to be possible that he is on the firing line with General Huerta, who is in charge of the Federal troops.

The Senate committee called at the national palace late today to demand his resignation. He was not there, having disappeared sometime previously.

Clearing the Streets.

Soldiers are clearing San Juan Letran street in front of the cable office, saying that there will be firing on the building. Cannonading and rifle firing began again late in the afternoon following a brief respite.

Federal troops in the State of Oaxaca and in Tehuantepec are reported to be in revolt and to be coming here to aid General Diaz, the rebel leader.

Ambassadors are trying to arrange a daily armistice of certain hours to allow people to get about the city without danger. They are also asking for a well defined neutral zone.

The Government has heeded the protest of Henry Lane Wilson, the American Ambassador, and removed the battery from the vicinity of the American embassy.

Another American Killed

R. E. Meredith, agent for the National Cash Register Company, was killed this afternoon by a rain of bullets as he was entering Porter's Hotel which shelters American women and children. Sidney Sutherland, an American reporter, was shot in the leg in the same fusillade. A rifle ball entered the American embassy this afternoon, missing Ambassador Wilson's head only a few inches.

Ambassador Wilson has invited the British, German, Spanish and French ministers to confer with him on Madero's refusal to resign.

Proclaims Himself President

Emilio Vasquez Gomez, a former Madero lieutenant, crossed the line into Mexico today and proclaimed himself President.

GIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Richlands Young People Delight Good-Sized Audience.

Richlands, N. C. Feb. 15.—The local talent of Richlands arranged a pretty entertainment, which was given at that place last night, for the benefit of the Baptist church. Richlands is well provided with talented young people who are independent of outside means of amusement, and when they combine efforts and make reasonable preparations, they can do as much as any group of young people to entertain and interest the public audience.

The entertainment was both musical and literary. There were two pianos, a table, piano solos and duets, readings and songs, solos, trios and choruses.

Those who faced inclement weather and slippery footways to attend this function, will gladly go as far and stay as long to hear and see the same class of entertainment, when these who gave last night's performance, see fit to give another one.

A good amount was realized for the church benefit, and it would have been much larger and the weather not been so discouraging.

Women like to attend a social function in order that they may be able to criticize it properly.

PROGRAM AT THE ATHENS TOMORROW.

Next show in the history of the Athens. All next week Charles Gramlich Comedy Co. in tabloids. Programs of show issued each day. "Get One" Picture program for Monday is a treat.

"Allan Ike's Motorcycle" is a scream, by S. & A. Co.

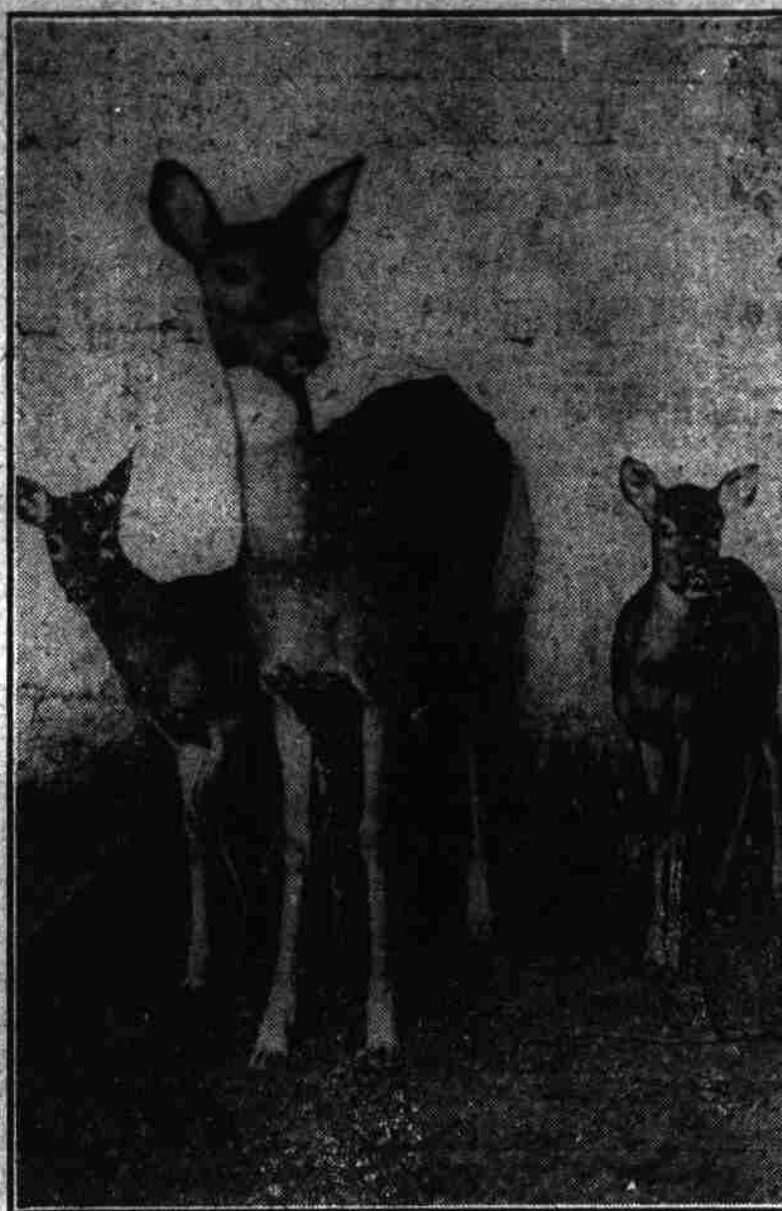
"At the Manquerade Ball" by the Edison Co. "The Scoop" by Vitagraph Co.

Remember, commencing Monday, January 12, 10c. Prices, children under 12, 5c. At night there will be but one show. So please be in your seats by 8 o'clock.

Prices at night: Balcony, children under 12, 10 cents, others 15 cents. First floor, children under 12 with parents 15 cents, others 25 cents.

This week's show costs several hundred dollars more than our regular show but we only charge a few cents more.

Twin Deer and Their Mother, Born in Captivity in America



TWINS always arouse interest. If Johnny and Jimmie are born as like as two peas in a pod all the good mothers in the neighborhood go nearly daffy with curiosity. So you can't in the least blame the folks who earn a living amusing others at the New York Hippodrome for feeling very proud of the twin deer born there last October. The picture shows just how they look now with their mother, one of sixteen Scotch highland deer brought to this country. It is said to be one of the few times twin deer were ever born in captivity in this country. The little animals are like all twins, just "the sweetest things ever."

VALENTINE PARTY A DRAWING CARD

FINE TURNOUT AT DOVER FOR ENJOYABLE CHURCH EVENT.

Dover, Feb. 15.—The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church gave a valentine party in Richardson's hall Friday evening Feb. 14. Quite a large crowd came from Comfort, and a large number of our home people turned out to aid in the merry making and all seemed to enjoy themselves. A nice little sum was raised for the purpose of purchasing some new furniture for the parsonage.

Mrs. G. V. Richardson and Mrs. Seth West went up to Kinston Thursday to attend the funeral of Mr. L. S. Swain. Mrs. Swain came home with them to spend a few days with relatives here.

Mrs. Eli Nachanson will leave Sunday for Baltimore, where she will buy her spring stock of millinery.

The Dover High School literary society did not meet in regular session last Friday evening on account of the valentine party given by the Ladies' Aid Society.

Mrs. Sadie Spivey of Kinston came down Wednesday night, and spent the night here.

The pupils of the high school gave a surprise party at Mrs. D. W. Richardson's in honor of Prof. Gaston's birthday, Feb. 7, after playing games and finishing several contests a three course luncheon was served at 11:30 o'clock. After which the guests departed all wishing Prof. Gaston many happy returns of the day.

Messrs. G. V. and D. W. Richardson returned from Raleigh Thursday night.

In keeping with his usual generosity, D. W. Richardson, general manager of the D. & S. B. R. R., ran an extra from Richlands to Dover Friday night, to accommodate those who desired to attend the valentine party of the Ladies' Aid Society. We take the liberty of publicly extending the thanks of the Ladies' Aid Society to Mr. Richardson for his generous act, as he ran the train without any compensation at all.

SPECTACLE CASE BACK TO OWNER

ASSISTANT P. M. LOSSES IT AND GETS IT BACK IN STRANGE MANNER.

That the new parcel post system is not only an excellent conveyor of parcels and packages but is also the means by which lost articles are found and retrieved was exemplified by an incident which had its culmination last night at the local post office.

Several days ago Assistant Postmaster T. D. Hewitt lost a case in which he was in the habit of placing his glasses when they were not in service. Assisted by the force of clerks and several of the carriers, the office was thoroughly searched but there was no least sign of the lost case to be found.

Finally the owner abandoned the search and made up his mind that the receptacle was irrevocably lost. Great was his surprise when opening one of the mail pouches arriving from Wilmington last evening to find the case reposing on top of the mail matter. There was no address, nor was the case even wrapped. It is supposed that it in some way dropped into a pouch in this city while the mail was being sorted by Mr. Hewitt and this pouch went to Wilmington and the man who opened it at that point realized that it belonged to some one in New Bern and sent it back at the first opportunity.

OYSTER ROAST AT ROPERS

Jolly Affair Friday Night in Boiler Room of Plant.

Unique invitations were sent out by the young men of the Roper Mill, inviting a few friends to an oyster roast Friday night, in honor of Miss Alice Pender, of Tarboro, guest of Miss Laura Ives.

It was indeed a merry crowd who met in the boiler room of the mill and enjoyed the roast.

During the evening each guest was presented with a souvenir of the jolly affair. These looked like oysters in the shell but when the oyster shells were opened they held, not oysters, but valentines. Those enjoying the occasion were: Misses Sara Stewart, Laura Ives, Beale Hollister, Gwendolen Johns, of Sedalia, Missouri, Lila May Willis, Mr. and Mrs. Marck Stevenson, Messrs. Nat. Green, John Bagg, Walter Sanbourn, Frank Feldman and Samuel Bridges.

If a man is punished for doing wrong he should know better next time, and if he is wise, there will never be a next time.

CHILD RUN DOWN NEW WRINKLE IN COMMENCEMENTS

OBSERVERS FEARED THAT SHE WAS MORTALLY HURT, BUT SHE WASN'T.

Jennie, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Mallard had a very narrow escape from serious or perhaps fatal injury yesterday morning at the corner of Johnson and Craven streets when she was knocked from a bicycle which she was riding and run over by one of the Hyman Supply Company's heavy trucks.

Mr. Mallard is the master mechanic at the local shops of the Norfolk Southern Railway Company and on Friday his wife and daughter came from Raleigh to visit him for a few days. Yesterday morning the little girl, in company with several companions was riding along Johnson street on bicycles. The heavy truck came round the corner and the little girl being unaware of its approach guided her bicycle right in its path.

The driver of the truck saw the little girl and made every effort to stop but was unable to do this before the wheels struck her. One of the heavy wheels appeared to pass over her body and those who saw the accident thought that she had been mortally injured. She was taken into a nearby home and a physician summoned. After making an examination he found that the little girl's injuries were very slight.

DWELLING BURNED.

Fire which is supposed to have originated from a defective flue almost completely destroyed shortly after 9 o'clock yesterday morning a two story frame dwelling on Lawson street and occupied by Silas Wood, colored. The fire had gained considerable headway before it was discovered and when the fire companies arrived on the scene fire was bursting out from all sides. However, they succeeded in confining the fire to this building. Wood lost the major portion of his household furnishings.

MARRIAGE LAST NIGHT.

Last night at 7:30 o'clock at his residence 15-1-2 George street, Rev. J. B. Phillips, pastor of Tabernacle Baptist church, performed the ceremony uniting in marriage Mr. George E. Broadstreet, Jr., and Miss Rosa Lee Smith. The bride has been an employe in the dry goods department of Hackburn's store for some time and is popular and attractive. The groom is in the employe of the New Bern Iron Works and has many friends who will be interested in the news of his marriage. The couple will board for the present.

COUNTY SCHOOLS OF ONSLOW TO CLOSE TERMS WITH UNION SERVICES.

(Special to the Journal) Jacksonville, Feb. 15.—The county schools of Onslow Co. will have a joint commencement this Spring. March 28 is the date selected, and the exercises will be held in the court house at Jacksonville. Previous to the closing of the schools, uniform examinations will be held for children desiring to be promoted to the high schools. Diplomas will be awarded at the occasion and will deliver addresses. Spelling and declamation contests will also be features of the exercises.

A remarkable family of Eastern Carolina is the Onslow county branch of the Kings. Of eight brothers and six sisters, all have lived more than half a century without a death among them. The youngest of the family is Brantley King of Folkstone, aged 56 years. B. R. King of Jacksonville is seventy-two years of age. The ages of the others are between these two.

FRANCIS E. WILLARD MEMORIAL.

The annual observance of the Francis E. Willard memorial will be held on Monday evening Feb. 17, in the Tabernacle church at 7:30 o'clock. The public cordially invited to attend. A very interesting program has been arranged for the occasion as follows:

- Music.
- Devotional Exercises.
- Conducted by Rev. I. W. Rogers, Prayer.
- Vocal Solo — Mrs. J. Aberly
- Reading — Mrs. Minich
- Male Quartet.
- Earl Smith
- Miss Jones
- Flora Bell Ellis
- Short Addresses.
- By Dr. Sumnerell, Rev. J. B. Phillips.
- Union Sisters be on time; Don't forget to wear your bow of ribbon, as the lady ushers are requested to seat all the "White Ribboners" in a body.

ERECT MUNGER MONUMENT.

E. L. Bunnell, sales manager of the Southern Marble and Granite Company of Sparranburg, S. C., is in the city making preparations for the erection of a handsome monument in the grave of the late C. W. Munger. The company which Mr. Bunnell represents is one of the largest of its kind in this country and has in the past few years erected a large number of very handsome monuments.

WOMAN'S CLUB FOR 6 MONTHS SCHOOL

After Much Discussion Members Approve Much Needed Public Reform.

GET READY FOR FEDERATION

Nominating Committee of Six in Connection With Annual Election of Officers.

(By Mrs. B. E. Moore, Cor. Sec.) The Woman's Club held an adjourned meeting in the Club rooms on Friday afternoon for the transaction of unfinished business and also for disposition of important matters before the club pertaining to the work of the Federation, and particularly to Legislative questions coming to us from abroad and in which we are asked to co-operate.

One such petition was sent us relative to better rural schools, and after much discussion motion was carried to endorse resolutions favoring the enactment of a law providing for a minimum school term of at least six months in every district of the State.

Another call comes to us from the Greensboro Club that we use our efforts in having the Lever Agricultural Bill so amended as to divide appropriation for Agricultural Extension Work equally between the A. & M. College of Raleigh and the State Normal College of Greensboro, thus dividing the benefits between the students of Agricultural and the students of Home Economics.

The following new members were unanimously elected members of the club: Mrs. James A. Bryan, Mrs. William Dunn, Sr., Mrs. Henry Henderson, Mrs. W. R. Cox, Mrs. E. C. Warren, Misses Jessie Wyatt, Nancy Watson, and Bessie Hawk.

The federation committees reported work begun and the program for the week was read and it was readily seen that a great occasion is before us.

The president called attention to the coming election of officers in the April meeting, and it was decided to have a nominating committee of six to be elected one from each department of the club and one from the list of members who are not members of any department. This it is thought will simplify and make regular the election of officers.

The meeting was a long and interesting one and it is regretted that more members were not present. It is in these regular and call meetings of the club general that the nucleus of the organization is reached. While the departments are necessary, interesting and instructive, they are nevertheless doing local work, but if we wish to take part in the big issues reaching out and helping humanity en masse we must listen to the appeals made to us individually through the "Woman's Club" and it is desired that every club member have a voice in this general club work.

DEAD IN BED, COVER BURNING

How the Bed Clothing Caught Fire Appears To Be Something of a Mystery.

NO EVIDENCE OF FOUL PLAY

Old Age and Exposure Probably The Cause of Old Man's Sudden Taking Off.

Roland Wright, an aged colored man who lived on South Front street near the Elm City Lumber Company's plant, was found dead early yesterday morning when neighbors saw smoke issuing from the building and broke down the door of his home to gain an entrance.

The old man was lying across the bed, the mattress and coverings of which were burning. Securing several buckets of water the neighbors soon succeeded in extinguishing the flames. In the meantime Policeman F. P. Rowe had been notified and he arrived on the scene and made an investigation.

There was no evidence of foul play to be found and the officer turned the case over to the county coroner, Dr. R. D. V. Jones. After making an examination the coroner decided that the deceased came to his death from old age and exposure and that an inquest was not necessary.

Several theories as to the manner in which the bed-clothing was set afire were advanced, the most plausible being that the old man arose for the purpose of securing a light for his pipe and that after lighting the match he had suddenly been stricken by death the lighted match falling from his fingers and igniting the bed clothing.

RIVER STEAMER STICKS.

Several days ago the river steamer Vancoboro, which plies the waters of this section, ran into a submerged log in Mecklenburg river between Snow Hill and Pool's bridge and stuck hard and fast. Despite the efforts of the crew the vessel could not be freed from its predicament and it was necessary to secure other assistance before this could be done. This boat was floated yesterday and will resume her regular run without any further delay. She is in command of Captain J. W. Dowdy.

CROPSEY'S BODY MAY BE EXHUMED

Members of Family of Supposed Suicide Claim It Was Not Self-Destruction.

COULDN'T HAVE TAKEN ACID

No Smell of the Poison in His Room and No Trace of It On His Features.

Elizabeth City, Feb. 15.—Members of the Cropsey family of this city are doubting the theory of suicide attributed to the death of young W. H. Cropsey in Berkly on the night of January 28. Some of the family do not believe that Will Cropsey killed himself and they do not believe that he died from carbolic acid poisoning. So strong is the doubt that the remains of the deceased may be exhumed for a post mortem examination.

When the police of Norfolk were notified of Cropsey's death they were told that he had committed suicide by drinking carbolic acid. Members of the family declare that there was no trace of carbolic acid on his features or in his mouth, no smell of carbolic acid in the room and no trace of carbolic acid on the premises. It is pointed out that victims of carbolic acid poisoning die in intense agony and that the acid leaves its unmistakable marks on the flesh, often distorting the features beyond recognition. There was nothing about the corpse of Will Cropsey to indicate that he died in agony; his features were calm and as in sleep.

Immediate relatives of the dead man believe that Will Cropsey was given a deadly poison or some less violent poison and it is suggested that he might have been drugged in this way before he entered his home for the last time that night.

It is known that Cropsey had an enemy.

There was another man somewhere in the case. Cropsey is said to have once attempted to brain this man with a chair.

It is certain the Cropsey are not satisfied with the theory of carbolic acid poisoning and herein may be the mystery with which the police may yet have to deal.

SMALL BLAZE IN HOTEL BASEMENT

WOODWORK CATCHES FROM FURNACE—QUICKLY EXTINGUISHED.

Late yesterday afternoon fire was discovered in the basement of the James Hotel. The flames originated from the heat from the furnace and were gaining rapid headway when discovered.

An alarm was turned in at box 24 and within a very few minutes every fire company in the city was on hand and had a line of hose ready for action. The blaze was extinguished without any trouble and the damage done was very slight.

Fortunately the fire broke out and was discovered before night, otherwise the damage might have been much greater.

Dense clouds of smoke poured from the basement before the firemen arrived and hundreds of persons were attracted to the scene.

AT THE CHURCHES.

Presbyterian Church—The usual service at 11:00 a. m. At 7:30 there will be union services. The annual sermon on Benevolence with special direction to Benevolent Society. Rev. J. B. Phillips of the Tabernacle will preach.

First Church of Christ, Scientist—Sunday service 11 a. m., 7 p. m. Subject: Soul, Lam, 3:25. Sunday school 12 m. Wednesday evening testimony service 7:30 o'clock. Reading room is open daily from 3 to 5 p. m. All are cordially welcomed.

Free Will Baptist—Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Subject of morning service, "Why We Take Membership." Subject of evening service, "Sowing and Reaping." We extend a cordial invitation to all. Sunday school at 3 o'clock. p. m., J. G. Brinson, Supt. Prayer meeting each Wednesday night.

Church of Christ, Hancock Street—Services Sunday, Feb. 16, at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Bible school 1:30 p. m. M. W. Fofria, Supt.

Christ Episcopal Church—Sunday Feb. 16, Holy Communion 7:45 a. m. Morning service and sermon 11 a. m. Evening prayer and sermon 7:30 p. m. Sunday school 3:30 p. m. All Saint's Chapel, evening service and sermon 5 p. m.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

E. B. Hackburn—Bechtel bank on National Bank of New Bern—Four per cent. on savings. People's Bank—The use of checks. New Bern Banking and Trust Co.—The first principles. J. M. Mitchell & Co.—Biggest value in North Carolina wool blankets. S. C. Clon & Son—All mail orders delivered free. Burrus & Co.—Farm implements of the better makes.