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## PRIVATE PROPERTY IN MEXICO UNSAFE

### Rebels At Panuco Destroy Buildings And Commit Other Depredations.

#### NO FAMINE IS REPORTED

### Doubt Whether Japan Would Allow Its Officers To Serve Huerta.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Conditions in regard to the safety of private property in central Mexico continue to be unsatisfactory, according to the latest State Department reports. Owing to the fact that the territory from Durango northward is in the sole possession of neither warring faction and both telegraphs and railroads generally have been destroyed, communication is so slow that it required seven days to get news to the Department from the City of Torreon. A week ago that important strategic point still was in the hands of the Federals, but the revolutionists were in control of the surrounding district.

On the Gulf Coast the rebels were active up to Christmas and the Consul at Tampoco reported that General Aguilar with several hundred rebel troops took possession of the town of Panuco, December 24. They destroyed some buildings and committed other depredations and the Consul is trying to ascertain whether American life and property were menaced.

The State Department has caused representations to be made to General Villa at Chihuahua in the interest of the women and children of the Spaniards and other foreigners who were expelled from that town by the rebels. The American Consul was assured that these families would be permitted to leave Chihuahua, but for some reason the promise has not been kept.

The naval supply ship Glacier arrived at Tepicbampo on the west coast of Mexico last Wednesday and sailed away yesterday. In reporting these movements, the captain of the ship made no mention of famine among the American colony there, although he had ample provisions aboard to meet any probable needs.

An offer of Japanese Army officers to enlist under the Huerta Standard, which the Mexican War office claims to have received through its Embassy in Tokio, has not been made known to the State Department, whether this service could be rendered, it is pointed out, would depend upon the status of the Japanese making the offer and it is not doubted that their own government would refuse the permission to leave their own country if they are still on the active list of the Japanese Army.

The State Department has received information as to the reported landing of 600 marines from the British cruiser Hermione in British Honduras. Officials of the Department stated today, however, that if such action were taken merely to enforce British neutrality on the southern border of Mexico and prevent the entry of arms and munitions of war consigned to the rebels, there could be no question as to the propriety of the act.

## EXCITING HORSE RACES ON THURSDAY AFTERNOON

### WILL BE SEEN OUT AT THE FAIR GROUND TRACK.

Lovers of horse racing should bear in mind the fact that one of the most exciting races of the year is to be held at the Eastern Carolina Fair Grounds race track Thursday afternoon, beginning at 2 o'clock.

A number of horses are to be entered in these races and among these are some of the most fleet footed animals in North Carolina. Past speed tests at the Fair ground track have proven unusually interesting and thrilling, but the approaching event bids fair to surpass any of these.

The price of admission will be only twenty-five cents and no charge will be made for seats in the grandstand.

J. E. Latham, of Greensboro, arrived in the city last evening to attend the funeral of James W. Moore.

## ANNUAL DINNER AT THE GASTON

### New Bern's Chamber Of Commerce Will Be The Host.

#### SENATOR SIMMONS TO SPEAK

### Mayor Bangert Will Deliver The Address Of Welcome.

Tonight at 7 o'clock the second annual dinner of the New Bern Chamber of Commerce will be held at the Gaston Hotel. Extensive preparations have been made for this event and that it will be a success in every sense of the word there is not the slightest doubt.

Senator F. M. Simmons will be the principal speaker of the occasion. Senator Simmons arrived in the city yesterday direct from Washington, D. C. This speech will be the feature of the evening. The senator is an orator of ability and those who will hear him have a rare treat in store for them.

Mr. M. D. W. Stevenson will act as Toastmaster, and will call for the following toasts:

"Welcome to our City," Hon. A. H. Bangert, Mayor.

"Our Chamber of Commerce," B. B. Hurst, vice-president.

"Why New Bern should have a Tobacco Warehouse," J. Leon Williams, secretary.

"Our Lawyers," Hon. O. H. Gibson.

"The Health of the Community," Dr. H. M. Bonner.

"Our Manufacturers," Clyde Edy.

"Our Churches," Rev. J. B. Phillips.

"General Business," T. A. Green.

"Farm Development," Monroe Howell.

"Our Banks," W. W. Griffin.

"Education," S. M. Brinson.

"Our County," C. D. Bradham.

An informal reception will be held in the lobby of the hotel at 6:30 p. m. Music will be furnished by the High School Orchestra.

Among the visitors who will be present at the dinner will be Edward Brittan of the Raleigh News and Observer; Leake Carraway, secretary of the Greater Charlotte Club; J. L. Mayo, editor of the Washington News; Matt H. Allen, of Goldsboro, Fred I. Sutton, of Kinston; Hon. Jno. M. Faison, of Faison; Major H. W. Stickle, of Wilmington.

## MRS. LAVINIA H. BRINSON PASSES AWAY.

Mrs. Lavinia A. Brinson, wife of David H. Brinson, died at her home No. 3 Union street following a lingering illness. The funeral was conducted from the residence yesterday afternoon by Rev. E. H. McWhorter, pastor of Centenary Methodist church, assisted by Rev. W. A. Cade, junior pastor. The interment was made in Cedar Grove Cemetery.

## DEATH OF AN INFANT SUNDAY NIGHT.

Elizabeth, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Yancey A. Williams, died at the home of its parents on Pollock street Sunday night. The funeral was conducted from the residence yesterday afternoon by Rev. J. N. H. Summerell, pastor of the Presbyterian church, and interment was made in Cedar Grove cemetery.

## SENATOR F. M. SIMMONS IS IN THE CITY

### ARRIVED YESTERDAY FOR A VISIT OF SEVERAL DAYS.

Senator Simmons, chairman of the Finance Committee of the United States Senate, is in the city, arriving here yesterday morning from Washington, D. C. The Senate adjourned for the Christmas holidays several days ago but it was impossible for the Senator, to leave the capital at that time on account of the fact that his duties demanded that he remain for a few days longer.

Tonight Senator Simmons will be the guest of honor of the New Bern Chamber of Commerce at their annual dinner, and will be the principal speaker of the occasion.

Thursday, January 1, 1914, New Year's Day, being a Legal Holiday, the banks of the city will be closed.

## C. R. THOMAS MAKES HIS ANNOUNCEMENT

### His Excellent Record Well Known to the Democrats of this District— His Friends Demanded That He Should Enter the Race

In Sunday's issue of the Journal was stated that Hon. Charles R. Thomas would be in the race for Congress from this district. Mr. Thomas was out of the city at that time and could not make a formal announcement then. He returned yesterday and his announcement follows:

To the People of the Third Congressional District of North Carolina:

Pursuant to an interview given several weeks ago to the New Bern Journal and published in a number of State papers, I hereby announce that I am a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Representative in the Sixty-fourth Congress from this District.

It was my intention, as then stated, to make formal announcement on or after January 1st, but recent events indicate the wisdom of making such announcement now.

At a later date, in person and otherwise, I shall present to the Democratic voters of the District the reasons for my candidacy and my views upon public questions. My past record is well known to them, and of that record it is not for me to speak at this time. If I shall be found worthy of the Democratic nomination and election by the people, I promise the same record of active and faithful service in the future.

I am in full accord and sympathy with the policies and administration of President Woodrow Wilson, and I believe also, in close touch with all the needs and interests of the people of the District.

There is a demand that I should become a candidate. To what extent this demand is common has not been estimated at this time, but I shall put the matter to the test before the Democracy of the District, and if it is their desire to return me to Congress I shall be glad to receive the nomination and to serve the people as Representative.

At this time I have no desire for, nor have I sought any other position within the gift of the people or of the government. There are many able men in the District who might serve the people in the capacity of Representative in Congress, but it is for the people to say whom they think can and will serve them best, and I shall cheerfully abide by their decision.

In my campaign I will not attack or

reflect upon any other candidate, unless I shall be first attacked and it shall become necessary to defend my record or my candidacy. I wish it distinctly understood, however, that I shall not hesitate to do this in the most vigorous manner, should it become necessary.

I am not a candidate for any other office and have not been and am in this contest until the Primary or Convention is held. I desire and ask the support of all Democrats in the whole District. I nominated and elected, I shall endeavor to deal justly and fairly with all Democrats and all the people, and as a man, however, humble or however high his position, will receive anything but fair treatment so far as my influence extends, if his request is consistent with right and principle. I believe a public office is a public trust and is to be used, not for the benefit of the officeholder, but for the benefit of those who elect him. And I believe furthermore, in the rule of the Democratic majority, I hope and shall respect that the Democratic Committee will call a primary for the nomination for Congress to be held today upon which every Democratic voter has had his choice. And if the amended plan of organization of the Committee on such a day, and if the rules for such a primary, however, if they shall deny this request, I shall still be a candidate to make the Democratic organization hence the Democratic Party, Primaries and caucuses, and 1914 Congress.

To those who have suggested me for the race, and those who have suggested me for the race, I am deeply indebted, and I am sure that my previous record will be taken into account and give me the rank upon committees, and after with more mature judgment, with experience, and close touch with the people in the four years of my retirement, I will be able to render better service.

While, to every man, the honor and salary of an office are proper considerations, the highest consideration which moves me is the love of the work and the glory of the service.

CHARLES R. THOMAS,  
New Bern, N. C.,  
December 29, 1913.

## BIGGEST HIT AND BEST VAUDEVILLE

### This Season at the Athens

Frank King's "Winning Girls" Co., made the biggest hit of this season to two packed houses at the Athens last night. There was not even standing room at the first show except on the outside where the lobby and sidewalk was filled waiting for the second show. The entire audience was kept in a roar of laughter from start to finish. The "Winning Girls" succeeded in winning praise from every one who saw them last night. The show is a good, clean one throughout. The song numbers we all good, the comedians was splendid and the closing song "Life is a See Saw," made a decided hit. This same act will be repeated to night matinee and night. This part of the Athens show alone is worth fifty cents, but you still get more for five, ten and fifteen cents, for there is a good picture program.

First a Biograph:

"The Girl Across the Way."

A good Western picture by Selig.

"The Silver Grindstone."

and everybody's favorite

Pathe Weekly.

Showing all the latest happenings of interest.

Matinee daily at 3:45. Night, first show 7:30; second about 9:00 o'clock.

No Advance in Price.

### EPWORTH LEAGUERS TO GIVE SOCIAL.

The Epworth League of Centenary Methodist Church will give a social Wednesday evening in the church parlors. Every member of the league is urged to be present and participate in the event.

## SPARTANBURG PEOPLE LIKE CAPT. SATTERFIELD

### SALVATION ARMY LEADER IS DOING GOOD WORK THERE.

Captain J. M. Satterfield, former commander of the local branch of the Salvation Army but who left a few weeks ago to take charge of the post at Spartanburg, S. C., is doing fine work in that city.

The Spartanburg Journal has the following to say about the dinner he gave the poor and needy on Christmas Day:

"For several weeks the local branch of the Salvation Army, has been putting forth every effort to prepare Christmas dinner for the poor. On December 24 Captain Satterfield had everything ready, and fully an hour before the time set for the distribution of the baskets, people began to flock to the hall, 114 Wall street where the things were given out. There was only a short service—a song and prayer by Rev. Wright, after which Rev. W. A. McAulay gave a short talk on the goodness of God towards us and how we should give him our lives in return. Then came the giving out of sixty well-filled baskets to the ones who had been provided with tickets. It could be seen from the expressions on their faces how glad they were to have a good Christmas dinner.

"Captain Satterfield told the people he was glad he could make them happy, but not to thank him, for it was only through the generosity of the kind people of Spartanburg that he was able to give out these baskets." "Captain Satterfield, through this

## A COMPLICATED CASE IS THIS

### Is An Express Package In Transit After Arriving At Its Destination?

#### A QUESTION OF LAW

### Unusual Case Comes To Notice Of Local Federal Authorities.

A case which contains a very fine point of law has been brought to the attention of the local Federal authorities and is greatly perplexing them. The case in question is an alleged offense of the Federal law relative to the theft of goods or packages which are in transit.

Several days ago the express agent at Pollockville was called by a client and eight packages of whiskey were stolen therefrom. Following the theft of the whiskey one of the thieves made an attempt in which he told of the whole affair and to some of the particulars of his statements, took the authorities to a point near and showed them where he and his partner in the crime had placed the whiskey they had been able to steal.

This whiskey was shipped from Virginia and contained in bottles at Pollockville. It had been received at the destination but not been delivered to the consignee. The question then arises as to whether or not the whiskey was in transit at the time it was stolen.

The Federal law provides that any person who shall steal any goods or packages which are in transit shall be fined not more than \$1000 or imprisoned not more than one year, or both. The question then arises as to whether or not the whiskey was in transit at the time it was stolen.

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## MARINE NEWS

The large Neptune is at the A. C. L. R. Co.'s pier taking on a cargo of lumber for Philadelphia.

The large Edward A. Scherer, of Philadelphia, arrived in port yesterday with a cargo of phosphate.

The gas freight boat Fannie Boyard of Galatia Creek arrived in port yesterday with a cargo of sweet potatoes.

The gas freight boat Brooklyn, of Baird's Creek, arrived in port yesterday with a cargo of general merchandise and left yesterday evening for Baird's Creek with a cargo of general merchandise.

The gas freight boat Ruth C. Watson left yesterday for Baird's Creek with a cargo of general merchandise.

The barge Ramocais arrived in port Sunday with a cargo of phosphate for E. K. Bishop & Co., from Norfolk.

The barge Uranus, of Baltimore, arrived in port last week with a cargo of 581 tons of phosphate for E. H. & J. A. Meadows Fertilizer Co., of this City.

### FIRE AT NORFOLK SOUTHERN SHOPS SUNDAY.

Fire which is supposed to have originated from a spark, caused damage estimated at six hundred dollars at the local shops of the Norfolk Southern Railway Company Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. The blaze originated near the saw dust conveyer, running from the planing mill to the boiler room. Prompt action on the part of the fire companies averted more serious damage.

article, wishes to thank the school children for their gifts and every one else who has helped him in any way towards this effort.

## "PENNSY" PLANS FOR BIG TRAFFIC

### Charlotte Office To Handle North Carolina And Southern Virginia.

#### GIVES ATTENTION TO NEW BERN

### Will Cater To The Shippers Of This Part Of The State.

Charlotte, Dec. 29.—Because of the growing importance of the South as an originator of freight traffic, and in order to keep directly in touch with those shipping over the lines, the Pennsylvania Railroad System—on behalf of the company's east and west of Pittsburgh—will, as previously mentioned, on January 1, 1914, establish offices at three important points in the South—Atlanta, Charlotte and Jacksonville, Mr. W. M. Turner has been appointed to the new position of district freight solicitor at Charlotte. His territory will include southern Virginia and all of North Carolina.

The new territory with which the Pennsylvania is thus seeking to establish closer relations will include southern Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. A weekly freight agent will be located in Wilmington, while district freight solicitors will be located at Atlanta and Jacksonville.

Mr. Turner will be the immediate representative in North Carolina and southern Virginia of the entire Pennsylvania system east and west of Pittsburgh. While his appointment dates from January 1, 1914, he has already begun his office in Charlotte on December 29.

For the convenient relocation of the people of the territory to be covered by Mr. Turner, the Pennsylvania has issued a notice giving a list of three cities to which the business which he will have special attention. These include in North Carolina: Asheville, Beaufort, Burlington, Charlotte, Concord, Durham, Edenton, Elizabeth City, Fayetteville, Gastonia, Goldsboro, Graham, Greensboro, Greenville, Henderson, Hendersonville, Hickory, High Point, Kinston, Lenoir, Lexington, Monroe, Mooresville, Mount Airy, New Bern, Oxford, Raleigh, Reidville, Rocky Mount, Shelby, Statesville, Tarboro, Thomasville, Washington, Wilmington, Wilson and Winston-Salem; and in Virginia: Bedford City, Berkley, Big Stone Gap, Danville, Farmville, Lynchburg, Marion, Martinsville, Newport News, Norfolk, Petersburg, Portsmouth, Pulaski, Radford, Roanoke, Salem, South Boston, Suffolk and Wytheville.

Acting Postmaster Romulus A. Nunn returned yesterday from New Orleans, La., where he and his wife and daughter spent Christmas. Mrs. Nunn and daughter will remain in New Orleans during the remainder of the winter.

### WOMAN'S CLUB CALENDAR.

Canterbury Club will meet with Mrs. Kate Spencer at 4 o'clock.

Shakespeare Club will meet with Mrs. T. D. Warren at 4 o'clock.

### MEETING OF SHAKESPEARE CLUB.

There will be a meeting of the Shakespeare Club this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. Thomas Warren, on Pollock street.