

New Bern Bedecked With Gala Attire For The "Big Week"

Hundreds of Banners, Streamers And Flags Unfurled To The Breeze While Preparations For The Home Coming Celebration Move Onward

New Bern is decorated as it has never been decorated before. Fourteen blocks are arched with mammoth flag arches in honor of the visit of Secretary of State William Jennings Bryan, who will speak in front of the immense grandstand at the Fair grounds rain or shine.

Many of the leading business houses have decorated in honor of the Home Coming Celebration which will begin Wednesday and will continue Thursday Friday and Saturday.

All that is now needed is to press the button and the Celebration is on. Are they coming? The railroads have made preparations to handle the largest crowd ever assembled at New Bern during its history.

The Wright Passenger carrying aeroplane to be used by Eugene Heth here for the four days will be unloaded this afternoon at three o'clock at the Trent river warehouse, and will be drawn up Middle street out to the Fair Grounds.

The Home-Coming Celebration will open Wednesday with the following program: The Horse Racing Program will begin promptly at 1 o'clock.

1st race, 3-00 class Trot or Pace. Horses—Allen, Benson, Mary E, Billie Hal, Claud, B. Caroline, B., Kenny Bell, Billie, Boy.

2nd, race—2:15 class, trot or pace. Horses—Lady Gladwin, Jennie Blue, Doctor Wilkes, Glendwood.

The aeroplane flights will be sandwiched in between heats of the races. The first flight will consist of spiral glides, ocean wave, volplaning dip of death, figure eights and dropping hand grenades at an imaginary battleship.

The second flight will consist of races between the aeroplane and a Buick automobile driven by E. H. and Ben Williams, expert mechanics of the New Bern Garage.

The third flight will consist taking up Mr. R. C. Minich as a passenger.

Music will be furnished by the Peoples Concert Band, of New Bern.

Remember that transportation to the Fair grounds by boat from the foot of Union street (three blocks from the Union Depot) is only 10 cents each way, children under twelve 5 cents.

Fireworks will take place in front of the grandstand Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.

Miss Mary Turner Is Class Treasurer

GRADUATES AT SALEM FEMALE COLLEGE—PHOTOGRAPHS REPRINTED.

In looking over the various newspapers of the State on Sunday, reproductions of photographs of two New Bern ladies were found.

In the Winston-Salem Journal appears a picture of Miss Mary Turner, the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Turner of this city, and who is treasurer of the graduating class of the Salem Female College.

In the Charlotte Observer, under the heading of "News and Views of the Club World" appeared a photograph of Miss Mary L. Hendren, who is head of the literature department of the State Federation of Womens Clubs.

New Bern citizens gain honor and do not act on wherever they go and one early look at a newspaper without seeing mentioned the name of some New Bernian.

Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, of Wake Forest, was in the city Sunday night enroute to Yaxochitlan, when he will conduct a summer school for the students of Coahuila County.

Medical Society To Meet Here Thursday

DOCTORS OF THE SECOND DISTRICT ARE TO GATHER IN NEW BERN.

The second District Medical Society of North Carolina will meet in New Bern on Thursday of this week, holding their sessions in the lodge room of the Elks Club. The North Carolina Medical Society is divided into ten districts, and to New Bern falls the honor of entertaining the district in which the city is located.

Adj. General Young Says Guard is Ready

DECLARES THAT THE TROOPS ARE ONLY AWAITING ORDERS TO MOVE.

RALEIGH, May 25.—"The members of the North Carolina National Guard are just as ready to go to Mexico," said Adjutant General Young today, "as the 34 members of Company were ready to go to Lillington to protect the negro prisoner and as the men are ready to go to dinner. They are simply waiting for orders."

This was the answer of the adjutant general when informed today that the Mexican situation, judged by early press reports, was growing worse. General Young had nothing but commendation for the promptness of Captain Moody and Lieutenant Holderfield in assembling 34 men promptly. The order was received at 4:30 and at 6 o'clock the soldiers were on the train.

Military officers and men share the belief of nearly everybody else that it is only a question of a few weeks or months until the National Guard will be called to the colors. Every company will report for duty at the call, General Young has been informed, and the war department has been advised of this fact.

YOUNG ENGINEER WAS BADLY HURT YESTERDAY

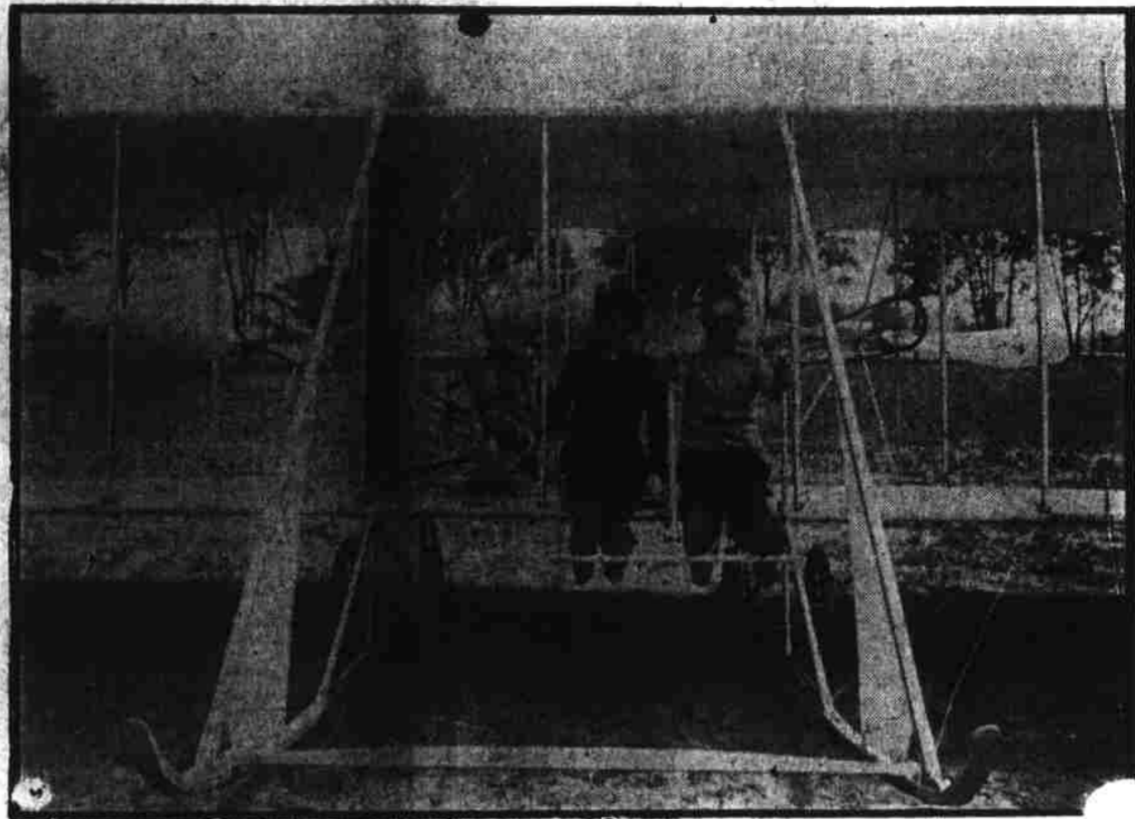
CARL DIZOR STRUCK ON THE HEAD BY A HEAVY PIECE OF TIMBER

Carl Dizor, a young white man who is employed as an engineer by the John L. Roper Lumber Company and who had charge of one of their locomotives, was painfully if not seriously injured at the company's local plant yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Dizor had just shifted several cars into a shed, having a clear track at the time, and while attempting to back out, was struck on the head by a heavy piece of timber which had dropped from a nearby stack of lumber and which was used by him.

The piece of timber cut a jagged wound in the man's scalp and it was necessary to carry him to the railway hospital for medical attention.

This Is A Reproduction Of A Photograph Of the Aeroplane Which Is To Make Flights Here this Week



THE MEDIATION CONGRESS MOVES ON WITH SPEED

Good Feeling Prevails Between Two Countries.

LAND QUESTION EMINENT Americans Insist On Permanent Peace Down In Mexico.

NIAGARA FALLS, ONT., May 25.—After a conference today between the mediators and the Mexican delegates it was announced that the progress of the mediation had reached a most satisfactory stage. The difficulties over the manner of introducing the land question into the discussion are being overcome and this point will be included in the scope of the mediation program.

The diplomats pointed especially to the good feeling that has prevailed between the American and Mexican delegates and is constantly growing stronger. Although there have been some differences of opinion, each side has recognized the earnestness of purpose of the other.

It was revealed also today that the discussion over the land question had not so much concerned the merits of any plan for the settling of Mexico's chief economic difficulties as the relative importance for the new provisional government.

The Mexican mediators, it is understood, are chiefly concerned now over the part the land question should play in the settlement of the Mexican problem. The view of the Mexican delegates has been that the agrarian question is a purely internal one and foreign to the issues which provoked difficulties between the United States and Mexico.

The American delegates, it is understood, have insisted that permanent peace in Mexico—the aim of all concerned—cannot be a reality unless economic questions are taken into consideration. The exchange of ideas on this phase of the negotiations, it is understood, was the principal subject before today's conference.

The presence here of Jose Requena and other intimate friends of General Felix Diaz, attracted some attention. Although they are not believed to be seeking audiences with the mediators, their conferences with the Huerta delegates spread the belief that they were seeking information as to the persons who would be suggested for the new provisional government that is to succeed the Huerta regime.

Alleged Plot To Kill Gen. Huerta Exposed

Inspector General Of Mexico City Police Dismissed By Present Dictator Of Affairs

MEXICO CITY, May 25.—An alleged plot to kill General Victoriano Huerta led to the dismissal today of General Manuel Guasque, inspector general of police in Mexico City, and the appointment of General Alberto Quiroz to take charge of the police department. Rumors of the plot have been heard for more than a week, but the police under General Guasque, it is said, were unable to discover who were implicated.

Today when secret service men learned who were the leaders of the proposed attempt on the life of General Huerta, it was said the provisional president became exceedingly angry that General Guasque's men had not been able to obtain facts in connection with the alleged plot, and summarily ordered the dismissal of the inspector of police.

General Quiroz, it was said, knows the men who are implicated and has them under close surveillance. Their arrest will be ordered, it was said, as soon as more evidence is obtained and their conviction is made certain. It is expected they will be taken before a military court for trial, and if convicted will be shot within twenty-four hours after the hearing is concluded.

It was rumored that the conspirators schemed to shoot General Huerta while he was entering the cafe Colon, a restaurant on the paseo de la Reforma frequented by him. An automobile was to have been in waiting and they proposed to escape during the excitement following the shooting.

Every effort will be made to guard the person of General Huerta and to prevent attacks on him by his political enemies.

The situation in the capital is quiet and order prevails.

MORE FIGHTING Constitutionalists on the Warpath Again.

VERA CRUZ, May 25.—A special train bearing several thousand Constitutionalists, was rushed south from Saltillo this afternoon to join in the attack at Gualalajara. It is reported that the Constitutionalists are vigorously attacking San Luis Potosi and Zacatecas.

General Funston gave out a statement this afternoon which was to the effect that the aeroplane regiment was being organized only as a precaution in case of the armistice being broken.

NELSON ANGELL STARTER Will Start the Horses All This Week.

Nelson Angell, a member of the National Trotting Association, has been selected as the official starter for the races to be held during the Home Coming Celebration.

Mr. Angell's ability as a starter has several times been demonstrated on local tracks and horsemen who participate in the events to be held during the week will learn with pleasure that he is again to act in this capacity.

Misses Elizabeth Carrow, Elizabeth Simmons and Mae Blount and Messrs W. A. Blount, J. L. Hamilton, E. W. Smith and Sam Fleming, of Washington, are expected to New Bern Sunday and will spend the day here as guests of the Casino Hotel.

BASEBALL SOON Kinston Nine Coming To Try Their Luck.

On Wednesday, June 3, the First Baptist Sunday school of Kinston, will operate an excursion to New Bern and the baseball team of that town, will be among those who come to this city on that day.

In order that the Kinston players may be sufficiently amused during their stay in New Bern, a team picked from the City Baseball League will cross bats with them at Ghent Park.

In the vernacular of the streets, this will be "some peach of a game" and will be awaited with interest by the local "fans."

Flames Which Razed Plant Still Burn

EVERY PROBABILITY THAT FIRE WILL NOT BE EXTINGUISHED FOR SEVERAL DAYS

Although several streams of water have been played on the fire since Saturday afternoon, the flames which destroyed the plant of the West Lumber and Box Company and the storage warehouse of the American Canning Company, are still burning and there is every probability that the fire will burn for several days. Thousands of spectators have visited the ruins since Saturday.

Whether the plant will be rebuilt is still a matter of speculation. Mr. W. A. West, the local owner, has not had sufficient time to consider the matter yet and before this is done he will have to confer with the other members of the company. However there is

PRESIDENT JOSEPH YOUNG PRAISES NORTH CAROLINA

Head of Norfolk Southern Likes This State.

SEES A GREAT FUTURE

Returns To Norfolk From Trip Over The Entire Road.

(Special to the Journal) NORFOLK, May 25.—Enthusiastic in his praise of the country he had passed through, Joseph H. Young, president of the Norfolk Southern railroad, returned last night from an inspection trip over the entire system. The special train carrying private cars 100 and 101 reached Norfolk at 9:30 o'clock last night, ending the trip that started last Monday morning. "I was greatly astonished at the beauty and possibilities of North Carolina," said Mr. Young. "I couldn't help liking it if I tried. I am convinced that the Norfolk Southern runs through a country with possibilities excelled by none. There is a large amount of undeveloped land that will be under cultivation in a few years and with the easy access to market that has always been theirs, the people of North Carolina will have one of the most productive States in the Union. They have a ready market for everything they can produce, and they are rapidly waking up to the hitherto undreamed of possibilities of the country.

Of course they are somewhat handicapped at this season on account of the lateness of crops, but this merely places them on an equal footing with some of the states further north. They might not get quite so much for their products as they would have had it not been for the cold weather, but they are always sure of a ready market. They have transportation facilities that enable them to get their products to New York and other northern markets in two days and to Norfolk the same day they are shipped, and this is a great incentive to trucking.

"All along the line I was impressed with the great amount of new land being placed under cultivation, and the many new homes being built. Farm land all over the State is on the increase. Land around Raleigh and Greensboro that could be bought for from twenty-five cents to \$1 an acre a number of years ago, now readily brings from \$100 per acre up.

"The Norfolk Southern is a fine piece of property for a road of its size, and is going to be much better every year. We figure that the progress of road depends principally on the progress of the country, and everything we put into improvements to give the people better service we get back in steady returns. Much work is being done on the road bed at the present time especially on the new lines, and ballast is being added where needed. On the new lines we have three steamshovels at work, and I was very well pleased with the improvement work being done in all branches."

Mr. Young stated that he expected to be in Norfolk some time getting more thoroughly in touch with local conditions.

Those who accompanied Mr. Young on the trip were C. H. Hix, former president; Marsden H. Perry, chairman of the board of directors; E. D. Kyle, traffic manager; F. L. Nicholson, chief engineer; J. W. Sasser, superintendent of motive power; J. M. Shea, superintendent; Colonel W. B. Rodman, counsel. Colonel Rodman and Mr. Hix returned to Norfolk Friday night, but the other members of the party came in with Mr. Young last night.

NEW YORK GANSTERS SHOOT UP DANCE HALL

(Special to the Journal) NEW YORK, May 25.—In a gang fight here this afternoon three men were shot. One of these was fatally wounded and the three others stand but little chance for recovery. The fight took place in a dance hall and the police had much trouble in quieting the riot which followed immediately after the shots had been fired. Every reason is believed that the hall will be rebuilt. One of the worst features of this fire is that it has thrown more than a hundred men out of work.