

DIAZ FLEES FROM MEXICO.

GLOOMY LEAVE-TAKING AT EARLY HOUR OF MORNING.

Guarded by Few Faithful Friends, Aged and Ill Ex-Ruler, Steals Away in Dead of Night from Former Seat of Power, Boards Special Train and Takes Ship Passage at Vera Cruz—Becomes Honorary General in Spanish Army—De La Barra Takes Oath

Mexico City, May 26.—Porfirio Diaz stole from the Capital with great secrecy at 2 o'clock this morning. Only a few devoted friends, whom he dared to trust, followed him to the station. He was bound for Vera Cruz to take ship for Spain. In the distance could be heard the voices of a few more enthusiastic celebrants, who were still acclaiming the new President, Francisco Leon De La Barra, and shouting, "Viva Madero."

So carefully were the arrangements made for the Ex-President's escape that detail could not be confirmed until this afternoon. Secrecy was due less to apprehension of a popular outburst here than to a desire to reach Vera Cruz without the fact being known to marauding bands along the route.

Travel between this city and the seaport usually is over the Mexican Railroad, a standard gauge line with modern equipment. Rails along this route, however, frequently have been removed of late by bandits, who were determined that Diaz for reasons best known to themselves, should not leave the capital. They are reported to have harbored the idea that Diaz would follow the precedent of other Latin-American Presidents and carry the national funds with him.

There is another railroad to the coast, a narrow gauge, owned by the Government. Taking it for granted that Diaz would take the more luxurious route, the bandits have not molested it. For this reason it was chosen by the Ex-President for his trip.

The general should have reached Vera Cruz during the afternoon, but whether he has done so is not generally known. Newspaper men at Vera Cruz have long since given up attempting to transmit news over the Federal telegraph lines.

Presumably De La Barra and the officials, have been informed, but their lips are sealed on every detail. Senor De La Barra, who was inaugurated as Provisional President only today, it is realized has not yet had time to bring about the reforms of "free speech," and "liberty of the press," which have been demanded.

Gen. Diaz, still feeble from his illness and far from being a well man, left his home at 2 o'clock in the morning. A more dreary leave taking could hardly have been witnessed. Rain was falling and by the time the Ex-President emerged from a house, a November chill was in the air. He was closely muffled and to aid in the disguise a borrowed automobile was used.

The route to the San Lazaro station had been mapped out over unfrequented roads. By a prearranged scheme, at the last moment, police were scattered along the line. At certain points the close friends of the former chieftain excluding those who will accompany him across the Atlantic fell in behind his car.

The "Diaz Special" followed a pilot train. The first train was occupied by a detachment of the 25th infantry. Mr. Diaz was accompanied by his wife, son and a few close friends.

The trains ran without orders, to prevent rebels along the line picking up news of Diaz's coming from the wires. Just when or on what ship Gen. Diaz will sail, is a matter of conjecture. The French ship Espagne was due to leave Vera Cruz yesterday, but may have been held at the disposal of the party from Mexico City.

A Spanish liner, the Manue Calva, is scheduled to weigh anchor tomorrow, sailing via Havana to Barcelona. A German ship, on which the Diaz party recently reserved state rooms reports that the reservations have not been cancelled.

Gen. Diaz will probably make his home in Spain, probably at Madrid. Senora Diaz was made a lady in waiting to the Spanish Queen, and Gen. Diaz has been made an honorary general in the Spanish army.

The inauguration of De La Barra as Provisional President was a very brief affair, occupying but ten minutes. To spectators it seemed he had scarcely moved down Avenida Cinco de Mayo with his splendid escort before he was on his way back to the National Palace at the heels of his galloping troopers, his carriage smothered with flowers.

The oath was administered by the President of the Chamber of Deputies. De La Barra stood with his hands extended and repeated the oath.

The afternoon was spent in a continuous reception. Private telegrams received here tonight report the arrival of Gen. Diaz

at Vera Cruz at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

According to the advices he boarded the Ypiranga, a Hamburg-American boat, tonight. The Ypiranga is due to sail South to Coatzacoalcos tomorrow. She will return to Vera Cruz and sail for Europe Wednesday.

Railroad reports received tonight state that the pilot train was stopped by insurgents below Jalapa, but after learning that it was serving as a pilot to the general's train, it was permitted to proceed. None of the three suffered other delays.

TRAIN STARTS ABOUT JUNE 5.

Winthrop College Has Added Another Car to Contain Exhibit of Household Conveniences.

Clemson College, May 25.—Owing to circumstances that could not be controlled the date of the starting of this train has been somewhat delayed, and it is now planned to get it under way about the 5th of June. A schedule of the points to be visited and the dates thereof has been submitted to the railroads for their approval, and as soon as this is obtained the itinerary will be given to the public. While this train is planned and equipped by Winthrop and Clemson colleges, yet without the hearty cooperation of the railroads of this State its operation would not have been possible. The three great railroad systems, the Southern, the Seaboard Air Line and the Atlantic Coast Line, have from the very beginning met the proposition in a most cordial and liberal manner. Not only are they furnishing the cars for the transportation of the exhibits of the train, but they are also moving that train free of charge. It is but proper that this fact should be known to the people of the State as showing to them the interest that these great corporations are taking in their material welfare.

Since the last notice of this train was given to the public another car has been added by Winthrop college. This car will be filled with an exhibit of household conveniences and should prove quite an attraction and of high educational value.

Clemson college has also found it possible to add more live stock than was at first counted upon, so this feature will be specially complete.

The visit of this train should be of particular interest to the boys of the various corn clubs over the State, and it is expected that they will turn out in force. Special work along the line of corn judging and cultivation will be given by Prof. Napier and others of Clemson college and the train will also be accompanied by Prof. B. C. Haddon, who is now in charge of the boys' corn club work of the State, working in cooperation and under the joint direction of Clemson college and the United States farm demonstration work.

Miss Hyde, in charge of the Winthrop cars, will have a competent corps of assistants and has outlined an extremely interesting programme.

HEAT RECORD BROKEN.

Temperature of 96 Common in the South—Fall of Snow in Wyoming.

Washington, May 26.—Season heat records were broken today by a hot wave that extended through the Middle West, the Interior East and the South, while people at Sheridan, Wyo., shivered in a snow storm. The weather bureau, summing up tonight's conditions the country over, showed that up through the Mississippi valley temperatures ran from 90 to a little better than 94 in Chicago and 96 was common in the South.

The East today enjoyed a respite from extreme heat, but a hot wave that may swing the temperature again into the 90 mark is scheduled for tomorrow.

Stolen Wheel Recovered.

Wedgfield, May 25.—I notice in Tuesday's Item the following item: "Henry Williams, a negro, stole a wheel last night from another negro named Evans and with it made for the tall timbers. He was stopped for awhile at Wedgfield, on suspicion, but after putting up the plea that he had borrowed the wheel and a good slick story to back this tale he was released. Constable Muldrow was sent out this morning to Congaree to try to catch the thief."

The writer was the first one here to suspect it was a stolen wheel and told Mr. M. M. Mellette who borrowed a wheel and overtook him at Malta. He was brought back here and after communication with police headquarters, where, on investigation it was found that Evans had rented the wheel to Williams, told Mr. Mellette he could not hold him. The next morning he was trying to sell the wheel and it was taken away from him. I only want to keep the record straight. The fault lies in Sumter and not here.

Mrs. M. G. Ryttenberg, of New York, is spending sometime in the city.

BIG CROWD SAW DRESS PARADE.

SUMTER BAND PLAYS IN OLD TIME TIP-TOP STYLE FOR HIGH SCHOOL.

Battalion Drill, Extended Order Drill, and Competitive Drill Attract Much Attention—Audience Cheers Performers.

The Sumter boys from the Boys' High School entertained their friends Friday afternoon at the local baseball park by displaying their ability to drill and exhibiting the battalion in the ceremony of dress parade. The Sumter band, despite its disorganized condition, had been gathered for the occasion and was there with the goods and played for the parade in its old time pleasing manner.

The school battalion formed at the boys school and marched to the Washington street school green, here it was joined by the band which led it out to the baseball park, where the drills took place. At the baseball park the battalion was formed by Adjutant McFadden and the band played the "sound off" for retreat, ending up with the "Star Spangled Banner." The battalion then passed in review before the major, Capt. W. M. Scott, commandant of the battalion, after which there was an exhibition of battalion drill. One feature of the drill was the execution of the setting-up exercises in uniform time by the battalion.

The next feature was the extended order drill in which the boys of the fifth and sixth grades, boys too small to carry their guns yet awhile, showed that they had mastered the principles of extended order and were capable of executing the commands like veterans.

The boys who were successful in the preliminary drill some days ago, twenty-five in number, were next called upon to do their part of the entertaining by giving an exhibition of drilling in the manual arms. These boys had been selected from the battalion to drill on this occasion and from them the six best drilled were to drill at commencement. Each one of the boys of the twenty-five had his heart set on being in the six, and for this reason put up the drill of his life to be among that coveted number, and the judges had to look-out sharp to catch anyone making sufficient errors to be thrown out.

The judges were Messrs. C. W. Hutchison, G. C. Warren, P. M. Brown, and B. O. Cantey, all of them militia officers of long standing. The drill continued for almost an hour before the number of boys drilling dwindled down to six, the desired number. These six boys when their names were taken were found to be: Allen Brown, Wilcox DesChamps, Robert Dougherty, Archie LeGrand, Roger Siddall and Wilson Spann. The others of the twenty-five were: Ladson Owens, Walter Cheyne, Thomas Childs, Horace Muller, James Pitts, Norman Chandler, Leon LeGrand, James Purdy, David Doar, Deuward Bultman, Joe McClure, Harry Bultman, Shepard Nash, Moultrie DeLorme, Irvine Richardson, Robert McKay Ervin Shaw, Virgil Corbett, Clinton Lawrence.

One of the pleasing features of the day to the people of Sumter was the fact that the Sumter band had "come back," and people here will never believe again that things cannot come back after they have been laid upon the shelf for a time. Only recently there has been much talk of the band having been disorganized and there being nobody to play and nobody to direct it, and things like that, but Friday afternoon showed this talk to be that of the "knockers." The band, fourteen strong, played in its old time style and many persons were heard to say that the music was simply fine, which, of course, was no more than was expected. With a little practice it will be as good as it ever was and the people of the city are looking forward with pleasure to hearing it again commencement night, on which occasion it has always been one of the pleasing features.

KILLED BY FLOWER POTS.

Child of Congressman and Mrs. Legare Crushed to Death.

Charleston, May 26.—Rosa, the 5-year-old daughter of Congressman George S. Legare, died this morning as the result of a most deplorable accident. Yesterday evening the little girl was playing at a neighbor's house and accidentally pulled down upon her tiny body a shelf containing heavy plant pots and she was pinned to the piazza floor by the weight of the debris. Internal injuries were caused which brought about her death this morning.

Congressman Legare arrived home from Washington to find his youngest child in extremis. He had known nothing on route of her sad condition.

The boy stood on the burning deck contingent of the Tennessee Legislature is still on the job.—Memphis Commercial-Appeal.

THREE AEROPLANES ORDERED.

Contracts for Nucleus of Uncle Sam's Aerial Navy.

Washington, May 25.—The foundation of Uncle Sam's aerial navy was laid today when Assistant Secretary Winthrop signed contracts aggregating \$33,000 for the delivery at the Naval Academy by July 1 next, of three aeroplanes. This will represent the very latest developments in aeroplanes. They will be capable of carrying at least one passenger and will be equipped with a wireless outfit. They will be furnished by the Wrights.

Immediately upon the delivery of the machines, a naval school of instruction for aviators will be established at Annapolis, under the charge of Capt. Chambers, who has made a specialty of aeroplanes.

Resolution of Thanks.

On Wednesday, May 17, the Civic League held a festival for the purpose of raising funds with which to carry on the work of the ensuing year. The small membership dues of 50 cents is not sufficient to meet the many expenses of the league, therefore it was necessary to have a large entertainment, from time to time, in order to raise the money to carry on the work in its various branches.

At said festival the league was the recipient of much help from the citizens and organizations of Sumter, therefore be it

Resolved, that to all those who gave so freely of their help and support, their kindness and generosity, that the Civic League extends its heart-felt thanks. To the local press and to the correspondents of out-of-town papers, to the Sumter Lighting Company, for wiring grounds and supplying lights for that occasion; to the parties who loaned the lots on which it was held, to the street commissioner for cleaning up the premises, to the fire department for loaning the hose and wagons and watering the heavy ground and keeping down the dust; to all the merchants for their donations and for closing their stores at 4:30 o'clock, which materially helped to make the affair a success; to all who took part in the parade, and last but not least, to the participants who gave their time and efforts to make their entertainments and booths attractive. To the horse-back riders and the Beauties of all Nations, the May Pole Dancers and the clowns, Mrs. Jarley's Wax Works, and the Wild Animal Show, the Babies and the candy sellers; to lemonade dispensers and those presiding over the fish supper and cake tables, the ice cream parlor and peanut vendors and fish pond makers, and to any individuals who lent their help the league sends assurance of its deep appreciation.

Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be published in the Daily Item, and enrolled in the minutes of the league.

Mrs. Ashleigh Mood, Miss Armida Moses, Mrs. Nina Solomons, Committee.

The Holy Supper is kept, indeed, in whatso we share with another's need;

Not what we give, but what we share, For the gift without the giver is bare; Who gives himself with his alms feeds three—Himself, his hungry neighbor and Me.

—Lowell.

Prayers of love like raindrops fall, Tears of pity are cooling dew, And dear to the heart of our Lord are all,

Who suffer like Him in the good they do.

—Whittier.

Governor Blease says that if some newspapers would print the truth about him one time the sheet would fall to pieces before it left the press. The Journal has at all times printed the truth about Mr. Blease and has never had any such trouble on the press as he describes.—Carolina Spartan.

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WINTHROP INVITATIONS OUT.

Only One Representative From Sumter to Graduate This Year.

The invitations to the Winthrop College Commencement are out showing a class of ninety-three graduates, one of whom is from Sumter county. Miss Louise Yeaton has the honor to be the single graduate from this place.

In the graduating class are ninety graduates with the A. B. degree, two with the degree of B. S. and one with the degree of L. I.

The commencement exercises will commence on Sunday, June 4, when the baccalaureate sermon will be preached and will continue through Tuesday evening, at which time the diplomas will be delivered to the graduates.

Dr. S. H. Steele, of Brownwood, Texas, will deliver the graduating address.

From seeming evil still educing good. James Thompson.

WINTHROP COLLEGE.

Scholarship and Entrance Examination.

The examination for the award of vacant scholarships in Winthrop College and for the admission of new students will be held at the County Court House on Friday, July 7, at 9 a. m. Applicants must be not less than fifteen years of age. When scholarships are vacant after July they will be awarded to those making the highest average at this examination, provided they meet the conditions governing the award. Applicants for scholarships should write to President Johnson before the examination for scholarship examination blanks.

Scholarships are worth \$100 and free tuition. The next session will open September 20, 1911. For further information and catalogue, address Pres. D. B. Johnson, Rock Hill, S. C. 4-27-11aw to 7-7-W.

EXIT HANGING IN KENTUCKY.

Negro Murderer Last Executed that Way—Electrocution Hereafter.

Frankfort, Ky., May 24.—Kentucky's last execution by hanging took place here this morning at sunrise. Roger Warren, a negro, who killed another negro prisoner in the Frankfort penitentiary last year, was hanged. Warren confessed to the murder, declaring he would kill again under circumstances that he says prompted the crime.

The electrocution law recently went into effect in Kentucky.

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Patents to South Carolina.

Washington, May 25.—The following patents have been issued to South Carolinians: Robert E. Hale, Yorkville, aerodrome; Charlton E. Leaphart, Lexington, cotton picker; William H. McKinney, Sumter, device for hairing violin bows; James H. Shiver, Rock Hill, combined book mark and paper clip; John P. Todd, Anderson, metallic shingle.

J. M. Howell, a popular druggist of Greensburg, Ky., says, "We use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in our own household and know it is excellent." For sale by all druggists.

Out of the one hundred fifty-five pensioners to receive pensions out of the State Confederate pension fund, one hundred forty-one have already secured their pensions.

The Standard Oil Company was not dissolved by its own water, and the nation waits to see if the Supreme Court decision will be an emulsion or dissolvent.—Birmingham Ledger.

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