

**TO WITHDRAW TROOPS.**

**MEMBERS OF AMERICAN-MEXICAN COMMISSION AGREE UPON PROTOCOL.**

Agreement Must be Accepted by United States and Mexican Governments Before its Terms Become Effective—Opportunity Offered Carranza to Bring Peace to Southern Republic.

Atlantic City, N. J., Nov. 24.—Withdrawal of the American troops who went into Mexico in pursuit of Francisco Villa, after the Columbus held, and the patrolling of the border by the respective armies of the United States and Mexico, was agreed to in a protocol signed here late today by the members of the American-Mexican joint commission seeking to adjust differences between the two countries. Adjournment of the conference session was taken immediately to allow Alberto J. Paul, one of the Mexican commissioners, to go to Mexico to place the proposals before Pina Chief Carranza for approval.

The plan, characterized by Secretary Lane, chairman of the American commission, as the beginning of a policy which will "make a Mexico that we can live with," provides that Gen. Pershing shall bring his men across the line within 40 days after the protocol is finally approved by the two governments unless by that time the conditions in northern Mexico have become such that the American border is endangered by bandits. The admission is contained in a separate document, however, that the United States reserves the right to pursue into Mexico any bandit force that crosses the international line. The question of cooperation on the border is left to the commanding officers of the two armies.

After the protocol was signed Secretary Lane issued a statement defining to a certain extent the policy of the United States government towards Mexico. He stated that his belief was that Carranza a strong man and that he should be given a "fair chance" adding that "Mexico will do right without our help or without it. This is her choice."

Secretary Lane left here late today with a copy of the protocol to be taken to the American government. He stated that the question of other matters affecting the two countries, especially those related to the protection of life and property of Americans and other foreigners in Mexico, if ratified by either government is withheld the work of the conference will be declared at an end.

Where the adjourned sessions of the commission will be held was left to Secretary Lansing and Ambassador DeSagredo.

The right of the American government to send troops across the border in pursuit of bandits was not incorporated in the protocol but was made the subject of a supplemental memorandum. The Mexicans had contended earnestly against signing any agreement in which they appeared to sanction what they termed the violation of their national territory. It was the agreement of the Americans finally to content themselves with stating the attitude of the United States in a separate memorandum that induced the Mexicans to sign the agreement.

It became known today that the first request of the Mexican for a recess was made several days ago. They desired to submit to Gen. Carranza all the facts in the case. The Americans contended that more delay was inadvisable. Yesterday the insistence of the Mexicans resulted in consideration of the suggestion and today the discussion was resumed with all members of the commission present. The Mexicans were not yet willing to sign, but the Americans convinced them that inasmuch as the correspondence which had led to the creation of the commission provided for the submission of the agreement to their respective governments for approval valuable time could be saved by taking the signed protocol to Carranza.

The clause providing for the withdrawal of Gen. Pershing's force states that should the bandits in Chihuahua appear near the border in such force as to prove a menace the American troops, acting independently or in conjunction with the Mexican forces, may disperse them. In such case the time for their withdrawal shall be extended to such time as necessary.

The Mexican commissioners agreed that as the American troops are withdrawn Mexican troops shall be moved forward to occupy the territory evacuated. The disposition of the Mexican troops shall be left to the Mexican commander. Gen. Pershing is to have charge of the plan of withdrawal and the right to use the railroad to Juarez to transport his troops and supplies if he desires.

**PELLAGRA DISEASE OF DIET.**

**FEDERAL SURGEONS CHALLENGE NEW YORK THEORY.**

Wheeler Denies Spartanburg Commissioners Are Responsible for Infection Postulate.

Spartanburg, Nov. 23.—Dr. George A. Wheeler, chief in charge of the United States pellagra hospital here, tonight said that the United States commission at Spartanburg is in no way responsible for the findings of the Postgraduate Medical School of New York relative to pellagra as announced in Associated Press dispatches Sunday. The New York statement said that the conclusion reached—that pellagra was due to lack of sewerage facilities, and was certainly communicable—was based upon investigations conducted here.

Dr. Wheeler says that no such report has been made from his office here. The Spartanburg hospital has put to a thorough test the theory that pellagra is a communicable disease and the results have been absolutely negative.

The United States service announces in addition that similar experiments were conducted in Columbia, in Washington, in New Orleans; that every known effort was made to inoculate healthy people (16 volunteers), and that in each case the effort was a failure. This means, contend the local United States officials, that the disease is due to diet.

**COACH FALLS OFF BRIDGE.**

Three Persons Injured When Car on Greenville & Western Tilts Off Trestle.

Greenville, Nov. 24.—A wreck the most remarkable feature of which is that no one was killed, occurred early this morning on the Greenville & Western railway when a passenger coach of an outgoing train fell from a trestle eight miles from Greenville and was smashed when it struck the ground some 30 feet below. Three persons, the only occupants of the car, were injured. Mrs. O. M. Vernon, wife of the conductor, has a broken leg. G. L. Lents of North Carolina also suffered a broken leg, while Brooks Hambo, roadmaster, had one of his arms pierced by a brake rod and suffered other injuries.

The coach of the train jumped the track before reaching the trestle. This car, however, did not fall. The middle car was tilted and it fell from the trestle. The engine did not leave the rail.

**HIRAM MAXIM DEAD.**

Great Gun Maker Dies at Age of Seventy-Six.

London, Nov. 24.—Sir Hiram Maxim, aged 76, died today.

**New Russian Premier.**

London, Nov. 24.—A Petrograd dispatch states Gen. Treppoff has been appointed Russian premier, succeeding Stuermer, who becomes Grand Chancellor.

of a clause providing that if troops were sent across the line in pursuit of bandits they should be moved only to certain distances; that they should comprise only certain arms of service and include only a specified number of men; that they should be kept in the country only a certain time and that they must be moved only in certain regions. To all these arguments the Americans firmly replied that there must be no limitations.

The article providing for the military control of the border was condensed from elaborate and intricate plans whose consideration has taken much of the time of the commission. The Mexicans have been insistent that there should be defined a neutral zone in which the armies of the two governments might operate but since consideration of that point invariably brought the commission back to the question of limited pursuit it was definitely rejected by the Americans as was the suggestion for cooperation in which American troops might find themselves commanded by Mexican officers.

The Mexican commissioners were noncommittal tonight as to their hope of ratification by their first chief. The Americans "hoped" Gen. Carranza would approve the plan but it was manifest they were not unduly optimistic.

Throughout the conference that began on September 4 the Mexicans have insisted the first chief and his official family would not agree to any occupation of Mexican territory.

If the agreement is ratified there will begin a long consideration of the remaining questions that the American government regards as vital to the full restoration of friendly relations with Mexico. These include taxes, threats to confiscate property, sanitary conditions and claims. Such problems are regarded by the Americans as essentially basic and necessary to an understanding.

**ISSUES THANKSGIVING CALL.**

**GOVERNOR ASKS SOUTH CAROLINIANS TO SHOW GRATITUDE.**

Says People of State Have Enjoyed Health, Peace and Prosperity and They Should Indicate Their Appreciation of These Blessings by Almsgiving.

Columbia, Nov. 24.—Gov. Manning yesterday signed the following Thanksgiving day proclamation:

"While other nations and peoples have suffered horrifying destruction of life and property, and have endured the stupendous catastrophe of war, our people have enjoyed health, peace and prosperity.

"Our unbroken custom has been to acknowledge by public act our gratitude to Almighty God for mercies vouchsafed us.

"Thanksgiving and prayers should be accompanied by generous gifts for the relief of those who are in distress and of those in want.

"Now, therefore, I, Richard I. Manning, governor of the State of South Carolina, do appoint Thursday, November 30, 1916, as a day of thanksgiving and prayer. On that day I urge our people to lay aside business and labor, repair their places of worship, lift up their hearts in fervent prayer to God and express our gratitude by contributing to the relief of the suffering and want of those who are in need of our sympathy and aid."

**THE COTTON OUTLOOK.**

What The Wall Street Journal Thinks About It.

Wall Street Journal. If the Census Bureau figures of amount of cotton ginned between November 1 and November 14 are remarkable for anything, it is the dissipation of hopes based on earlier figures. The figures for the first period showed almost twice as much cotton ginned as at the corresponding period of 1914, when the crop in our history was produced. By shutting their eyes to crop conditions, it was easy for some to make out an enormous crop. But the promises were not made good.

The ginnings for the first period were 75 per cent. larger than in the second period. The third report seemed like calling a spade's bluff, for the ginnings were 34 per cent. smaller than for the corresponding period of 1914. At the next report they dwindled to 34 per cent. less, and this decrease has been somewhat enlarged in the latest return. From 75 per cent. increase to more than 34 per cent. decrease—what a falling off!

The crop is made, and perhaps 90 per cent. picked. For price purposes it makes little matter just what percentage is unpicked, for the crop is demonstrably short. The total amount ginned up to November 14 is \$11,833 bales. Consumption in the United States is running at rate of 7,000,000 bales a year. Probably 2,350,000 bales have been exported since August 1. Practically the entire ginnings are thus far marked for consumption, and eight months of exports yet to be provided for.

It is not present supply, but future prospects that create a delicate situation. There is sufficient cotton today, but what of the supply before another crop comes on the market. The future outlook is bullish. Yet there is danger of that very bullishness creating a dangerous situation.

**TO ERECT WIRELESS PLANT.**

Big Receiving Station for Charleston.

Charleston, Nov. 24.—Plans of the navy department to build one of the most powerful wireless receiving stations in the country on a site being negotiated for here, at the foot of Tradd street, Ashley river, became known locally today. Two masts, 200 feet tall and a lofty tower, plus a building for the equipment, and another for use as quarters for eight operators, a yeoman and a cook, will be built in the near future, bids now being received for the work. The receiving station will be of sufficient power to catch messages from as far as Berlin. The new plant will be used for receiving purposes only, and will serve to relieve the present radio station at the local yard in handling a growing and very large wireless traffic. The receiving station will be located at the edge of and partly on the new lighthouse district station property. It is sufficiently far from the main radio plant at the yard to prevent interference in operation, at the same time being near enough for convention joint service.

**Andrew Carnegie's Birthday.**

New York, Nov. 25.—Andrew Carnegie is 81 today. He is in good health. He spent the day quietly in his Eighty-second Street home.

**TO ARREST LABOR LEADER.**

**SPARTANBURG MAYOR AFTER BROTHERHOOD OFFICER.**

Two Strikers Taken in Custody After Departure of Lovell for Greenville.

Spartanburg, Nov. 23.—Police officials of Spartanburg have received positive orders from Mayor John F. Floyd to arrest Arthur J. Lovell, vice president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, the minute he enters Spartanburg.

Mr. Lovell is in Greenville handling the strike of motormen on the Piedmont & Northern railway, but was in Spartanburg yesterday with W. P. Langston and C. F. Dodd, two of the striking motormen. Police arrested Dodd and Langston, charged with trespassing on railroad property and interfering with labor, but before the arrests were made Mr. Lovell had left the city. The two strikers were detained at the police station from 2:30 o'clock until 7 o'clock, when their Spartanburg legal counsel secured their release by furnishing bond in the sum of \$100 for each defendant.

The vice president of the brotherhood was sent to South Carolina as the personal representative of the order's president. Mr. Lovell is from Peoria, Ill.

**U. D. C. ELET OFFICERS.**

Mrs. J. L. McWhirter the New President.

Union, Nov. 23.—The South Carolina United Daughters of the Confederacy convention in session here today selected Florence as the next place of meeting and elected officers for the ensuing year, as follows: Mrs. J. L. McWhirter, Jonesville, president; Mrs. John Cart, Orangeburg, first vice president; Mrs. U. R. Brooks, Columbia, second vice president; Mrs. C. J. Milling, Darlington, third vice president; Miss Bertie Smith, Greenville, fourth vice president; Mrs. J. W. Mixson, Union, recording secretary; Miss Sarah Garvin, St. George, corresponding secretary; Mrs. W. H. Cely, Greenville, treasurer; Mrs. John Allison Lawson, Charleston, historian; Mrs. T. R. Trimmer, Spartanburg, registrar; Miss Lillie Cooper, Denmark, recorder of crosses. The position of auditor has not been filled. Laurens asked for the next convention this year but withdrew in favor of Florence, owing to the fact the convention was held in a contiguous county this year.

**FAIR MADE MONEY.**

Orangeburg's Success Artistic and Financial.

Orangeburg, Nov. 23.—The Orangeburg County Fair association, through its secretary, Jerry M. Hughes, announces, that the fair just held has been a big financial success, the income exceeding that of any other fair by over \$3,000. The receipts this year total \$11,326.20, a magnificent showing. The receipts came from entrance fees, midway, restaurant, automobile races, football game and parking cars.

Probably there is no better county fair in the South than the Orangeburg county fair. Another building will be erected by the next fair, which will be larger and better than any yet held.

**PAPER PRICE PROBE.**

Federal Trade Commission Will Take Testimony in Washington.

Washington, Nov. 24.—The federal trade commission this afternoon announced the start of a thorough investigation of the news print paper shortage beginning with a public hearing in Washington on December 12th. Testimony will be taken from manufacturers, jobbers, publishers and others.

**VILLA DRIVEN BACK.**

Carranzistas Claim to Have Won Victory at Chihuahua.

Washington, Nov. 24.—Gen. Ozuna, with a force of Carranzistas is driving the Villistas, who attacked Chihuahua south toward the forces of Gen. Murgula who is hurrying reinforcements to Gen. Trevino, according to official dispatches.

**FRENCH CAUTURE TRENCH.**

Germans Taken by Surprise in Alsace Paris, Nov. 24.—The capture of a number of German prisoners in a surprise attack on a German trench in Alsace was officially announced today. Great artillery activity is reported in the vicinity of Sally Salliset.

**JEWELRY THIEVES CONFESS.**

Large Part of Mrs. Harriman's Jewelry Recovered.

New York, Nov. 24.—Orville and Arthur Daggett have confessed to robbing Mrs. F. H. Harriman of \$67,000 worth of jewels. All but \$10,000 were recovered.

**GREECE DEFIES ALLIES.**

**DECLINES TO YIELD ARMS TO ENTENTE FORCE.**

Cabinet Says it Can Not Consent to Surrender Its Last Means of Defense.

London, Nov. 23.—The Greek government has refused to comply with the demands of the entente allies for the surrender of part of its supplies of arms and ammunition, Reuter's Athens correspondent cables.

The dispatch follows:

"The Greek government has refused the demands of Vice Admiral La Fournet that Greece surrender 18 field batteries, 16 batteries of mountain artillery with 1,000 shells for each, 40,000 Mannlichers with 220 cartridges each, 140 machine guns with ammunition and 50 motor vans.

"Referring to Admiral Du Fournet's contention that the cession of war material to the Bulgarians and Germans had disturbed the equilibrium the government replies that although it does not desire to enter into the details of that operation, it must point out that the cabinet then in power could not approve of resistance to the central powers without abandoning neutrality, but duly protested. It also contends that the guns already taken by the entente are modern, while those taken by Bulgaria were obsolete.

**ROUMANIAN RESISTANCE BROKEN.**

German Armies Continue Victorious—Progress in West and in Dobrudja.

Berlin, Nov. 24.—Orsova and Turnu Severin were captured by von Falkenhayn's forces from the Roumanians, according to the war office. In the western part of Roumania all hostile resistance has been broken. The Russians were slung back in Dobrudja by von Mackensen's forces, it is also announced. The number of prisoners taken at Orsova and Turnu Servinn, it is believed is large.

**DISSENSION IN ENGLAND.**

Dissatisfaction With Cabinet May Result in Ousting of Asquith.

London, Nov. 24.—Dissension has again risen in the British cabinet. There are strong indications of an attempt by a powerful political faction to oust Premier Asquith and substitute War Secretary David Lloyd George. The Daily Chronicle parliamentary correspondent admits that the house of commons is very critical and dissatisfied with the government, but states that the rumors spring from a state of mind rather than from reality.

**WOMEN SPIES EXECUTED.**

Carranzistas Shoot Women Who Betrayed Them to Villa.

Pershing Field Headquarters, Nov. 24.—Margarita, Maria Acosta, sisters, and a servant girl, were executed by the Carranza garrison at Elevale yesterday on charges of conspiracy to assassinate Gonzales Diaz, the commander of the garrison. The actual crime, however, was that they "double crossed" the Carranza garrison, which employed them as spies and sold themselves to Villa. The conspiracy was exposed by a lieutenant in the garrison.

**DESERT TO VILLA.**

Carranza Troops Refuse to Fight Enemy.

El Paso, Nov. 24.—Refugees arriving today declared that large bodies of Carranza troops sent out to attack Villa's advance guards deserted to Villistas.

**WORK ON MORAL QUESTION.**

Bryan, Giving up Economic Problems, Will Devote Himself to Ethical.

New York, Nov. 23.—William J. Bryan has given up attempting to solve economic problems and hereafter will devote himself to moral issues, he declared here today in an address before the Rotary club. The tariff, he said, was discussed 100 years before he took it up "with all the zeal of a young man" and probably would be discussed for another hundred years, but as to the moral question, when that is settled it stays settled, and so "I expect quicker and more satisfactory results from my efforts."

**BRITISH ATTACKS FAIL.**

Berlin Reports Defeats in Both West and East.

**VILLA LOSES FIGHT.**

**BEATEN OFF BY DEFENDERS OF CHIHUAHUA.**

Carranza Troops Said to Be Actively Pursuing Bandits After Repulsing Them.

El Paso, Nov. 23.—Francisco Villa withdrew his surviving forces in defeat from Chihuahua City at 6:15 o'clock tonight after a battle of seven hours during which he made fruitless attempts to carry Gen. Trevino's protecting works by assault, according to reports from Juarez.

Dispatches received from Chihuahua City by Carranza officials in Juarez tonight added that government troops were actively pursuing the retreating bandits. The telegraph operator in Chihuahua said that the firing still could be heard clearly but it was becoming more distant.

A small party of bandits engaged in a skirmish with a Carranza outpost near Chihuahua last evening, according to Juarez officials, who added that the military authorities there were undecided at that time as to whether it was only a roving band or an advance portion of Villa's column.

**RAILWAY TO BUILD DEPOT.**

Atlantic Coast Line to Erect \$20,000 Station for City by Edisto.

Orangeburg, Nov. 23.—The Atlantic Coast Line Railroad company will erect a \$20,000 depot in Orangeburg shortly. The plans are in Orangeburg and in the possession of W. Eugene Atkinson, president of the Orangeburg Chamber of Commerce. Some time ago a set of plans was offered, but was not approved owing to their inadequacy for a city of the size and future of Orangeburg. The plans have been greatly improved and enlarged and from them it appears that Orangeburg will have a fine brick station in the near future.

There have been some here who contend for a union station and this agitation has held off improvement of the local station by the Atlantic Coast Line railroad, but with the promise of this station it is the opinion here that work should commence at once.

**ANDERSON FORCE REDUCED.**

Two More Companies of Coast Artillery are Relieved From Strike Duty.

Columbia, Nov. 24.—Two more companies have been relieved from duty at Anderson by Gov. Manning. One company was withdrawn yesterday and another goes tomorrow. Maj. W. F. Robertson was asked to designate the companies to be withdrawn. The companies are ordered to proceed to their home stations and demobilize at once. The governor acted on recommendation of Maj. Robertson.

**SURVEY NEW COUNTY.**

Territory Would Come From Williamsburg and Florence.

Columbia, Nov. 24.—Gov. Manning yesterday appointed commissioners in the matter of the proposed new county of John Rutledge to be formed from Florence and Williamsburg counties. The commissioners are: J. J. M. Graham of Cades, M. D. Nesmith of Lake City, W. S. Eaddy of Leo and Walter C. Wilson of Kingstree.

**GERMANY SENDS PROTEST.**

Objections Filed to Expulsion of Diplomats from Greece.

Washington, Nov. 24.—The Berlin foreign office today forwarded protests to every neutral government against the "expulsion" of German diplomats from Greece, which they claim is a "violation of the rights of nations."

**TEST SUIT AGREED ON.**

Government and Railroads Will Take Eight Hour Law Into Court at Once.

Kansas City, Nov. 24.—It was virtually admitted today that an understanding had been reached between attorneys for the government and railroads to test the eight hour law. The terms of the agreement were not announced, but it is understood that the government has consented to make the Santa Fe injunction suit the test case. In return the railroads agreed not to press the other suits.

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