

# Obregon Told To Beware End Madero Met

## Liberal-Constitutionalist Deputies in Warning Also Charge Calles and Huerta Are President's Enemies

### Radicals Storm Chamber

#### Firemen Break Up Crowds; Executive Stand on Rioting Praised by 2 Papers

MEXICO CITY, May 18.—"Beware the fate of Francisco Madero, who failed to heed solicitations to charge his policy and fell," was the warning sent to President Obregon last night by Liberal-Constitutionalist members of the Chamber of Deputies and the Senate. It was contained in a memorial drafted at a caucus of the Liberal-Constitutionalists, and it made pointed charges that P. Elias Calles, Secretary of the Interior, and Adolfo de la Huerta, the President, and now Secretary of the Treasury, had attempted to cause disaffection against the Obregon administration. The document was signed by 138 Deputies and several Senators.

Referring to the necessity of President Obregon changing his policy immediately, the memorial said:

"In connection with the invasion of the Chamber of Deputies by Radicals last night, the press has published statements which are almost identical with those made officially by the Confederation of Syndicated Workers. You have stated the attack was of small importance, but this is a statement which is at absolute variance with all the concepts of society."

In conclusion, the memorial declared that Francisco Madero's friends were convinced of the disloyalty of some of his alleged supporters, and that his friends had visited Madero in 1913 and told him it was necessary for him to change his policy.

# Mock's Throat Too Small Box of Opium Sticks In and Police Call Surgeon

As detectives were about to arrest him yesterday, Meek Hone, a Chinese laundryman, with a place of business at 162 Calyer Street, Brooklyn, seized a tin box about the size of a quarter and tried to swallow it. It stuck in his throat, and Detectives Haring and McCormack, of the Greenpoint Avenue station, sent a call for an ambulance to St. Catharine's Hospital.

An ambulance surgeon extracted the box from the throat of the laundryman. It was found to contain about \$50 worth of opium. Another box containing a similar quantity of the drug was found in the premises. Meek Hone was arrested for violating the public health law.

The detectives had gone to the place on complaint of neighbors that the Chinese was conducting a policy shop. No policy slips were found.

# Western Governors Would Make Desert Bloom for Soldiers

## Thirteen States Interested in Plan to Convert Into Farms 20,000,000 Acres of Arid District Land

A scheme which would entail the conversion of 20,000,000 acres of arid lands in the thirteen western states to well cultivated soil for the use of ex-soldiers, was outlined yesterday before Mayor Hylan and at a meeting held in the Orpheum Theater, Brooklyn, by visitors from the West.

Governors D. W. Davis of Idaho, Charles R. Mabey, of Utah, and Louis F. Hart of Washington, representing the Western States Reclamation Association, projected plans for the development of arid lands by extensive irrigation. They will tour the East to secure the interest and support necessary for successful consummation of their theories. It is their intention to seek Congressional aid at Washington.

The reclamation plan, as outlined by the Western governors, provides that the government should take over the arid land at a small figure and irrigate it. Individual states offer to equip the settler with farm implements and the necessary supply of food. They estimate that he will be self-supporting at the end of that period. The government will be asked to regulate the water supply and the land will be turned over to the settler free of charge.

It is estimated that 500,000 families could settle on the land now available. Soldiers and sailors will be encouraged to take advantage of the scheme. The commercial interests of the thirteen Western states are behind it.

Receiving the delegation at City Hall, Mayor Hylan confided to them his troubles with mandatory legislation at Albany. He appealed for the sympathy of the West and told them to encourage the fellow townsmen to come East and look New York over. It was as free from crime as any city in the world in proportion to its population, said his Honor, and a boosters' club was soon to be formed which would counteract the influence of the knockers.

The legislators who pass mandatory laws at Albany, placing a great burden on our taxpayers, are those about to investigate us to determine whether we are extravagant," he said. "Every one in the city knows that the legislative investigation is merely a probe for political purposes and nothing else. Those who are loudest in their protest against the high city tax rate are the people who advocate mandatory legislation increasing it. However, the people of this city are wide-awake. They see through the whole scheme."

Following the Orpheum Theater meeting the Western governors, accompanied by Delph E. Carpenter, representing the Governor of Colorado; Sims Ely, chairman of the Arizona Resources Board; C. L. Babcock, State Treasurer of Washington; Frank W. Brown, secretary to Governor Davis, and Colonel F. W. Galbraith, commander of the American Legion, proceeded to the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce for luncheon. From there they motored to the navy yard and on to the police air station, on the Shore Road. They dined at Coney Island and ended the day at Steeplechase Park.

The states taking part in the reclamation conference are California, Oregon, Washington, Arizona, New Mexico, Idaho, Wyoming, Montana, Colorado, Utah, Nebraska, Nevada and Oklahoma.

# Weeks Defends Publication of Slacker Lists

## Contents Men Who Failed to Notify Draft Boards of War Service Cannot Complain of Injustice

### Only Way to Clear Record

#### All Other Possible Methods of Discovering Errors Had Been Exhausted

From The Tribune's Washington Bureau  
WASHINGTON, May 18.—Insisting upon the government's right to publish as draft deserters the names of men who served their country, but failed to apprise their draft boards of this service, Secretary of War Weeks today made a vigorous reply to objections raised against the War Department's policy.

Responding to the assertion that "the burden of proving himself innocent ought not to be put upon any man," Secretary Weeks contends that no proof of "innocence" is required, but that all registrants are asked "to demonstrate that they are entitled to have their names removed from the lists to the same extent as were those other deserters from the draft whose names were withdrawn prior to the publication of the lists on account of service rendered during the period of hostilities."

Secretary Weeks asserts that the action of the War Department in withdrawing from publication the names of those whom it was possible to identify from the records as men who subsequently rendered service "was purely gratuitous."

"It having proved impossible to clear up all such cases," Secretary Weeks added, "the only course left open was to publish the list after every available means to clear up the remaining cases had been exhausted and to call upon the men themselves to assist in straightening out their records."

"A man who served during the period of hostilities and whose name nevertheless appears upon one of the lists of men charged with desertion from the draft, has, it is true, the privilege of having his name removed from the list, and the War Department will be only too glad to remove it, provided he submits satisfactory evidence of his service. But this far removed from placing upon him 'the burden of proving himself innocent,' it is simply giving him the opportunity to have his official draft record so amended as to show that he rendered service during his country's hour of trial. But as for proving himself innocent of the charge of being, at least technically, a deserter from the draft, that is something which it is practically impossible for him to do, and something which the department does not, of course, expect of him."

"It should be borne in mind that the men called upon to establish the fact of their service are those whose draft records the adjutant general of the army, and adjutants of states and the chairmen of draft boards, were unable to connect up with their records of service because of some change in the spelling of their names or a change in their home addresses."

# 5,212 War Dead Brought Home On Transport

## Body of First U. S. Soldier Killed in Germany Is Among Largest Group to Arrive Here From Europe

### Rest in State on Pier

#### Every State in Union Is Represented by Caskets; Harbor Craft Pay Tribute

The bodies of eleven nurses who lost their lives in France during the war and the body of Private Joseph Guyton, of Ewart, Mich., the first American soldier killed in Germany, were included among the 5,212 dead who were returned to the army pier in Hoboken yesterday on board the United States transport Wheaton. The Wheaton carried the largest number of bodies ever brought back on a single transport.

Every state in the Union, every overseas division and every cemetery in France except Romagne was represented among the hero dead. The 88th Division had the largest number, with a total of 475. Five bodies of members of the 27th are included in the number.

Private Guyton, according to War Department records, was killed on March 24, 1918, in Alsace. He was a member of Company I, 126th Infantry, 82d Division. The body will be sent to his father, W. L. Guyton, at Ewart.

The eleven nurses were attached to base hospitals, army nursing corps and to the Red Cross Nursing Corps. Although their names were given out by government authorities their home addresses were withheld. The list follows: Maude Evans, Base Hospital 103; Frances Bartlett, Base Hospital 113; Jeannette Bellman, Army Nursing Corps; Marism B. Knowles, Base Hospital 18; Harriet L. Kulp, Camp Hospital 12; Irene Ledford, Base Hospital 90; Noronen M. Royer, Base Hospital 46; Nina L. Seymour, Red Cross Nursing Corps; Magdolene Voland, Base Hospital 23; Anna K. Welsh, Base Hospital 55, and Annie Williams, Base Hospital 19.

The same solemn tribute which marked the arrival of the transports Somme and Cambria with bodies of hero dead marked the arrival of the Wheaton yesterday. All harbor craft saluted and flags were dipped to half-mast as the Wheaton made her way to the army pier.

The transport carried no passengers and made the trip from Antwerp and Cherbourg in fourteen days.

The full classification of the bodies, with division and number of men from each, follows: 1st, 136; 2d, 119; 3d, 120; 4th, 120; 5th, 136; 6th, 198; 7th, 60; 8th, 61; 26th (New England), 136; 27th (New York), 5; 28th, 294; 29th, 129; 30th, 20; 32d, 228; 33d, 29; 34th, 9; 35th, 116; 36th, 48; 37th, 48; 38th, 8; 39th, 6; 40th, 12; 41st, 45; 42d, 206; 76th, 22; 77th, 270; 78th, 142; 79th, 125; 80th, 70; 81st, 199; 82d, 55; 83d, 15; 84th, 15; 85th, 16; 86th, 15; 87th, 15; 88th, 475; 89th, 83; 90th, 99; 91st, 35; 92d, 80; 93d, 37.

Total by divisions, 4,063. Miscellaneous, not attached to divisions, 1,149. Grand total of soldiers, 5,212. Grand total, including bodies of eleven nurses, 5,223.

Funeral services for 1st Division men will be held at 12:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Services for the 27th and 77th will be held at 2 o'clock and those for the 6th Division will be held at 3 o'clock. None of the bodies will be removed from the pier until Sunday.

# Harvard Teacher Sentenced Three Months in Jail for Attack on Policeman

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BOSTON, May 18.—James A. Duncan, of Columbia, S. C., a teaching fellow at Harvard University, was sentenced today to serve three months in jail for assault with a knife on a negro policeman. He appeared and was released on \$1,000 bond.

Miss Frances Shannon, who said her home was in Fennoctet and that he was Duncan's fiancée, testified regarding the incident that led to the assault. She had previously given her name as Miss Alice Thomas, David R. Blair, the policeman, said he found the couple standing in a South End doorway on the night of May 8, while he was looking for burglars, and that when he spoke to Duncan the latter attacked him with a knife. The young woman said she and her fiancée had stopped a moment to discuss details of their approaching marriage after attending a dance together.

Miss Shannon, who also was charged with assaulting the officer, was found not guilty.

# Eight Enter Balloon Race National Contest Starts From Birmingham, Ala., Saturday

## The Aero Club of America Yesterday Announced Eight Entrants in the National Balloon Race, which will Start from Birmingham, Ala., next Saturday.

The Aero Club of America yesterday announced eight entrants in the national balloon race, which will start from Birmingham, Ala., next Saturday, under the direction of the Birmingham Civic Association. The race is being observed officially for the club by Alan R. Hawley, a member of the contest committee.

The winner of the race will represent the United States in the international balloon race, which will be held in Belgium this year for the Gordon Bennett Cup. Among the entrants in the national race are Ralph H. Upson, who won the Gordon Bennett Cup in 1913 for America; Lieutenant Commander L. J. Roth, U. S. N., and Lieutenant Colonel Frank P. Lahm, U. S. A.

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# Copeland Seeks Better Curb on Drug Traffic

## Recap of Legislation Said to Have Left No Legal Authority; Officials Confer

A committee was appointed yesterday at a conference held at the office of Health Commissioner Royal S. Copeland to submit an amendment to the sanitary code which would regulate the ground lost in the attempt to control the narcotic drug situation because of the veto of bills and the repeal of legislation.

It was said that there was no law now to prevent drug peddling or the distribution of narcotics in larger quantities, and that there was no longer any legal authority for holding 500 drug addicts, many of them criminals, who have been sent to Riker's Island for treatment.

"The price of narcotics is prohibitive now," said Commissioner Copeland, "but drugs are still to be had and our curative efforts fall in most cases. If the Federal government made the same enthusiastic efforts in attacking the opium evil that it does in attacking a lesser one—the sale of alcohol—the drug traffic would languish."

There were twenty-one persons at the conference, among them city officials, members of the Police Department, agents of the Bureau of Internal Revenue and physicians. Those named as members of the committee are Chief Magistrate William McAdoo, Justice Cornelius Collins of the Children's Court, Magistrate William T. Fetherston, Assistant District Attorney H. Anderson of Kings County, Will H. Fay, Dr. John Healey, Dr. S. Dana Hubbard, Dr. Thomas M. Joyce and Dr. Carleton Simon, Special Deputy Police Commissioner.

Broken Leg and Cuts Suffered By 2 in Plane's 50-Foot Fall

The motor of an airplane in which Captain Harry M. White and Sergeant John White had started a flight at Mitchell Field, Hempstead, L. I., went dead yesterday when they had attained a height of only about fifty feet. The airplane fell to the ground.

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# Reminded of Madero Tragedy

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Secretaries Calles and Huerta were charged with attempting to use their offices to propagate radicalism. There was no request made, however, for the resignations of the two members of the Cabinet.

Radical sympathizers attempted to force their way into the Chamber last night to attack members of the Liberal-Constitutionalist party while they were holding a demonstration, but the men engaged in the disorder were dispersed by the Fire Department.

Firemen Break Up Park Meeting

The streets near the Congressional Building were filled all the afternoon with idle curious persons who were awaiting developments. Aurelia Manrique, a Socialist Deputy, made an impassioned harangue, and large numbers gathered to break into the Chamber. The simply arrival of the firemen stopped the demonstration, and the Socialists transferred their activities to Alameda Park, in the center of the city, but the firemen again interfered and the crowd was dispersed. One Socialist Deputy, who remonstrated with policemen, was arrested.

In the mean time the members of the Liberal-Constitutionalist party had left the building. Some were openly carrying arms, but there were no attacks made upon them.

An explanation was made later in the evening that there was no attempt made to prohibit Socialist Deputies from entering the Chamber, but that the doors had been closed to forestall a possible demonstration by spectators. The crowds around the building, however, were led to believe there was governmental discrimination against the Socialists and in favor of their opponents.

The only Mexico City newspapers to comment editorially today on President Obregon's declarations regarding the invasion of the Chamber of Deputies and the recent rioting at Morelia were El Universal and The Excelsior, both of which praise the chief executive without reserve for his stand.

# Dead Son of Fighting Family on Slacker List

## Registered, Rejected and Died 3 Months Later, Says Father, Veteran of Spanish War

Governor's Island authorities yesterday made public sixty-two additional names of alleged draft evaders, which constitute the seventh list released thus far for publication in newspapers of the 2d Army Corps area. The only local man whose name appears on the list is George H. Le Claire Jr., of 1225 Fulton Street, Brooklyn, who died September 18, 1918. His citation as a deserter was declared a mistake yesterday by his father, who was indignant when asked about the appearance of the decedent's name on the "slacker" list.

Mr. Le Claire said his son, who was twenty-two years old when he died, was the fourth man to register under the draft from the district at Chateaugay, Franklin County, N. Y., where he was living at the time. The father said his son had been found physically unfit for service and was placed in Class 4-A. He died about three months later.

The elder Le Claire said that the young man's grandfather had fought in the Civil War and that he, the fa-

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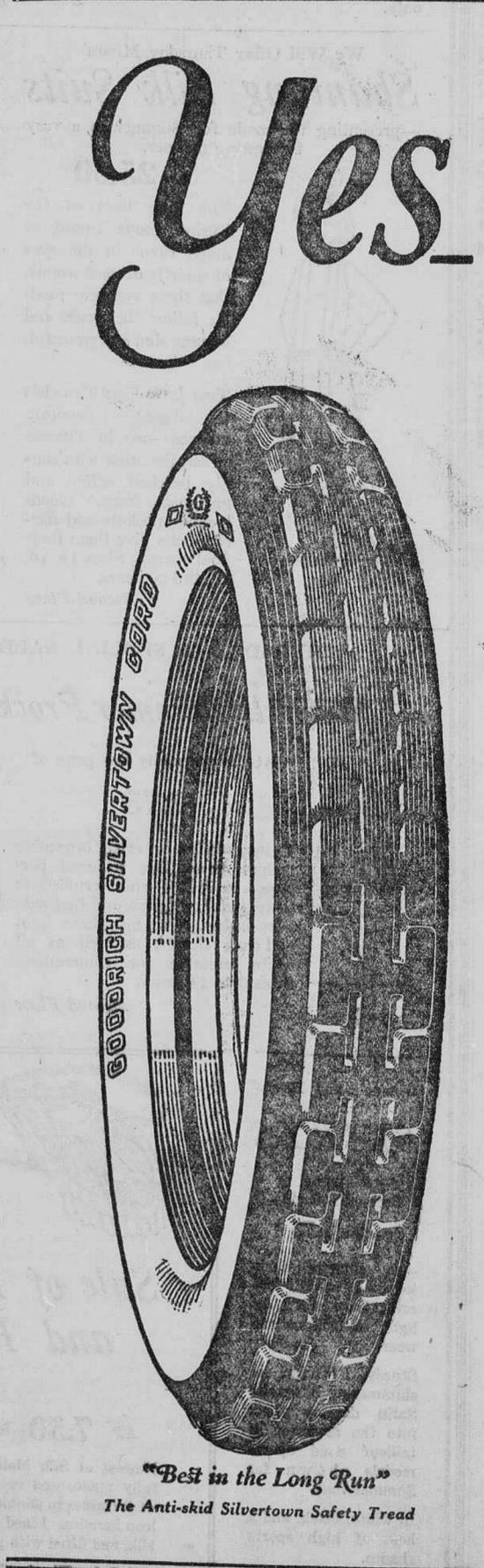
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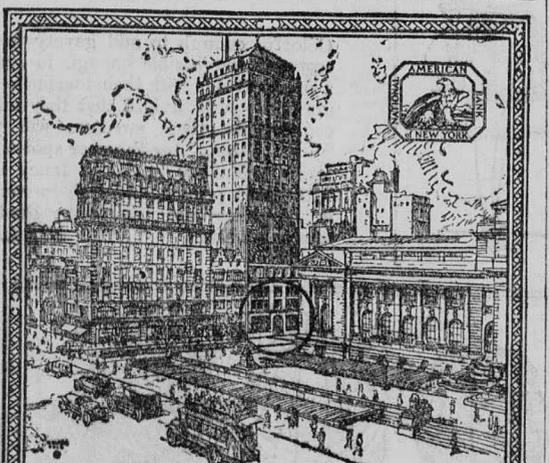


# Lengthen Skirts or Cut Legs, Voliva Orders

Special Dispatch to The Tribune  
CHICAGO, May 18.—Once more the law goes out from Zion City regulating women's dress. Voliva, Lord of Zion, is worth. Here he says he has issued to three thousand members of his flock who were assembled in the tabernacle today are not going to hell even if the rest of the world is. Some of you young ladies go around here with little sleeves up to here (pointing to his upper arm). Twenty-five years ago a woman would run into the house if she had her sleeves rolled and she saw a man coming.

"You hav' either got to add about twice as much goods to your dresses or burn them up and get you a decent dress. There is no modesty anywhere.

"Lengthen your skirts or shorten your legs, and be decent. No short sleeves go around here, and no transparent dresses. If you want to wear gauze, stay in your bedrooms. Don't come around this tabernacle dressed that way."



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