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"Warning" Shots on the Border.

Acknowledgment that the American Army aviators were fired upon and one of them wounded by Mexican federal soldiers curiously enough relieves the situation somewhat of acuteness. This avowal by Mexican authorities is accepted as promising corrective representations from the government at Mexico City and obviating the need of quick reprisal action by the military forces of the United States.

It is indicated that the claim may be set up that the aviators were flying over Mexican rather than American territory when the shots were fired. Army reports are to the contrary. If the Mexican government sets up the contention that any American aviator who crosses the boundary may be fired upon by federal troops an issue of difficulty will be created. The air patrol of the boundary, which has become necessary as a means of protecting American interests from the Mexican banditry, would in such conditions be accompanied by incessant peril of conflict. It is impossible for flight to follow exact lines of flight, even with the river as a mark, and encroachments on the actual boundary are virtually certain to occur from time to time.

The Mexican consul at Laredo declares that the aviators were fired upon by the federal troops merely to cause them to fly higher, as their plane was frightening the cavalry horses grazing near by. It is, however, to be remembered that one of the aviators was wounded and several bullets pierced the wings of the planes. Mexican marksmanship has often been described as temperamental rather than accurate and this case would seem to prove the charge. If the planes were not actually fired at but the Mexican troops were simply shooting to make a noise it would be quite logical for the bullets to go at the planes, whereas if they were shooting at the plane the aviators would probably have been perfectly safe.

New York has abolished its law making attempted suicide a felony. Suicide is contemplated only in a fit of depression, and a penitentiary sentence is in no way calculated to relieve temperamental gloom.

The ex-kaiser is still rehearsing for a return to Berlin politics. He will be portrayed possibly as a man of the people who studied diligently while pursuing the humble toil of a wood-chopper.

It is not believed that the most expert and conscientious endeavors can avert the cost of living down as fast as it went up.

The hopeful way of handling a strike is to talk the matter over and find out what the trouble is.

Seeking a New Field.

Representative La Guardia has been nominated by the Republicans of Greater New York for president of the board of aldermen.

We may see by this how important a city New York has become. Here is a man who has taken a good position in Congress, and yet is willing to leave the national for the municipal field.

But, if elected he will find opportunity for large usefulness, and maybe for promotion. He may pass from the chair in the chamber of aldermen to the mayor's chair in the city hall, and then to the governor's chair at Albany.

But even while occupying the first chair, Mr. La Guardia will be concerned with big things. New York is a big town. Bigness pertains to the public affairs of the metropolis of America now. America is a big country, in its recent development, in its new relations and its prospects. The rule is for men seeking office to start in a municipal or a state field, and pass thence to the national field. They learn their trade at home, so to say, and thus qualify for more important work here at the National Capital.

But all they learn here may be turned to excellent account back home again. In fact, the thing works both ways. If a man makes good in a municipal or a state office, he is very likely to make good in a national office.

Mr. La Guardia has served in Congress at a time when the members have learned much about the conduct of public affairs. A great deal and a

great variety of business has been in hand. Legislators have had to study many questions, and inform themselves about how best to do many things. This experience has broadened and matured them; and whether they continue to serve in Congress or are transferred to other public places, their experience should show in their performances.

It was Tim Sullivan who said he would rather be a hitching post in New York than a congressman in Washington. But Tim as a public official was a misfit—one of those men whose personal popularity secures for them preferment wholly out of line with their qualifications. He was not suited for office anywhere, and was bound to fail in this town.

But many New Yorkers, Mr. La Guardia among the number, have served well in Congress; and some have continued in commission there many years. Their share in the work has been prominent, and satisfactorily performed, and their constituents have asked them with repeated approval at the polls. And some after making good records here have returned home and made good records there with the aid of experience gained here.

The Mob, and After.

The Knoxville orgy is over, much to the relief, we may all be sure, of the good citizens of the town. They are doubtless numerous. It is a wide-awake and prosperous community, and in these progressive times stands to go still further forward.

That the mob that has stained the town's name was composed in the main of undesirable citizens—men who, under excitement, readily resort to violence—is an easy guess. Such is the composition of every mob everywhere. Men of order, who build a community, and make it attractive for people of their kind, are seldom guilty of flouting the courts and taking the law into their own hands.

But these men have a duty to perform now; and the courage with which they take it up and the measure of their success in discharging it will inure to the community's benefit.

Reference, of course, is to the official investigations that will soon be going on.

It should not be difficult to secure indictments or the attendance of witnesses. All reports state that not a mask was worn. Every face was bare. Leaders and followers alike went about the hideous business openly and apparently unafraid.

In a town the size of Knoxville this means that the participants in the violence were recognized by many observers of the proceedings. They did not shrink from observation, but rather courted it. The time was night, but the streets were well lighted, and the mob moved against a particular spot—the jail. At the beginning there was no division of forces—no dodging about from place to place, making identification of individuals difficult.

We see by this how bold mobs have grown. A few years ago members of a mob were careful about concealing their faces. A handkerchief or a crude domino served their purpose. They thus paid tribute to the law and to those charged with its execution.

But concealment now is quite out of fashion. Mobs have come to have the right of way—the right to the middle of the road, and they take it. "Whos afraid? Dash the consequences!"

Plain as its duty is, however, and helpful as its discharge is to a community, it is not discharged without peril. Testifying, either in the privacy of a grand jury room, or in open court, against a mob leader—usually a man of vindictiveness as well as of violence, who boasts that he "keeps books" and "settles" with his enemies—is attended with risk either of life or property, or of both, for if the accused goes free he is in position to take his revenge as soon as he feels safe in doing so.

A Chicago citizen who admitted shooting a gunman has left the authorities in doubt as to whether he has made a confession or a justifiable boast.

China has pointed out that a Chinese signature, though grotesque and meaningless to the occidental eye, may have a great deal of significance in world affairs.

In order to settle industrial questions in six months, the deliberations will have to work a little faster than the Paris conference did.

The Plumb plan still has one enthusiastic and uncompromising advocate in Mr. Plumb.

A Division of "Regulars."

The 1st Division of the American expeditionary force, now returning to this country and soon to march in grand review in Washington, is known officially as a division of regular troops. The ceremonies planned here are designed as a recognition of the services rendered by the Regular Army. This designation of the 1st Division should be explained. The division went to France with more than 26,000 men in its ranks, all of whom had been enlisted as regulars. It now returns, after two years as a fighting division, with only 5,556 of these regulars left in the ranks. Over 20,000 of its original complement of men are absent from its ranks today. The records show that 4,411 of these made the supreme sacrifice, and 17,201 were wounded or gassed. This is a measure of what the nation owes the regulars of the 1st Division who were the first to go at the sudden call for men.

The casualties from which the 1st Division suffered were replaced from

time to time by drafted men, who soon caught the spirit of their tired comrades and kept the fighting efficiency of the division at the top and worthy of the name "regular." Thus recruited as occasion required, the division as it will march in Washington with its full complement of men typifies the spirit and training of the Regular Army, and it is a concrete example of the absolute dependence the country can always place in that force.

Policemen's Organizations.

If the District Commissioners were denying the policemen the right to organize for their mutual protection and advantage they would be decidedly wrong in their position. But the Commissioners are not so denying a right which any body of workers has, or should have. The policemen of the District have been organized for many years in an association. They have the privilege now of forming additional or supplementary organizations if they desire. The only prohibition imposed by the Commissioners is against the admission of any of the policemen's organizations with a national body that may interfere between the District government and its employees to the possible detriment of the public welfare.

As for the policemen's pay question, the formation of their new organization has unquestionably served to delay rather than facilitate action. It is generally recognized that but for the agitation over this question of union affiliation the police pay bill, now pending in the two committees of Congress, would by now have been enacted into law. The movement for higher pay for the police was begun by the Commissioners before the question of union affiliation arose.

The court may grant a temporary injunction against the Commissioners to restrain them from dismissing policemen who refuse to obey the order to retire from the organization if it retains its outside affiliation. That, however, will not settle the issue that has been raised. If the Commissioners have exceeded their legal authority in dictating the manner in which the policemen may organize the question must be answered by the court after a thorough consideration, which temporary injunction proceedings will not permit.

Carranza has been sneering at the Monroe doctrine. There is a gathering impression that Villa does not manage to keep that cantankerous old party busy enough.

A desire for a return of the monarchy is attributed to the pan-German league. Germany was at one time busily engaged in protest that she was fighting for democracy.

Those were comparatively easy times when the most conspicuous foreign complication the country had to worry about was the little Filipino, Aguinaldo.

Foch's address of farewell to the commander of the A. E. F. warrants the belief that had he not been a fighter he would have been a poet.

SHOOTING STARS.

BY PHILANDER JOHNSON.

The Stage Set.

"Remember," said the haughty artist, "you are not in my set." "Mebbe," replied the stage hand very seriously, "if we get it in mind not to handle scenery there won't be any set."

Rest in the Old Home.

"Won't you be lonesome without the summer boarders?" "No," replied Farmer Cornstossel; "we are goin' to take a little rest ourselves now. Nobody around the house is goin' to play jazz on the phonograph or say a word about the league of nations."

The Parlor Bolshevist.

All bolshevists that I recall Were in a state that wasn't glad some. They had no work to do at all, And couldn't do it if they had some.

Materialism.

"People as a rule are less imaginative than they used to be." "Yes, And I don't like it so well. Where we used to hear about a searperpent they now take us down to the shore and show us a real live shark."

Where Optimism Ceases.

"Do you think pessimism is justifiable?" "In some degree. When a man sees a thunderstorm coming he ought to be sufficiently pessimistic to reach for an umbrella."

September.

The world is startin' over, with September in the air. The bee has quit the clover that was blossomin' so fair. Out yonder where the boats are restin' lightly on the sea I hope somebody's grabbin' up an oyster for me. Dark times an' bright times Have to come an' go. We're sure to get the right times In about a week or so.

The stars seem very knowin' as they're winkin' in the sky.

The breeze that comes a-blowin' seems to laugh instid of sigh. And over where the grasses grow so tall an' wave so free, I bet somebody's aimin' at a reedbird for me.

Good times an' bad times; Turn about they range.

We've had some pretty sad times.

An' we're ready for a change.

"The Visitors" Written by a Nine-Year Old Girl, Daisy Ashford. Her spelling, punctuation and her phraseology unaltered. Sir James Barrie has written the preface, remarks: "The novelist will find the tale a model for his future work. It is an amusing and realistic little story of a man who was 'not quite a gentleman,' and of his progress in Victorian society." Price, \$1.00 Book Section, Second floor.

Woodward & Lothrop Open 9:15 A.M. New York—WASHINGTON—Paris Close 6 P. M.

Important Savings on Furs During This Summer Fur Sale Third floor.

Remnant Day Economies in Quality Merchandise

Quality is a very important element to consider these days when you spend your money for the purchase of some needed article. More attention than ever before is being centered on quality, because of conditions which have militated against quality for some time past and because of the prices of all articles. Here you are never in doubt about quality, Remnant Day or any other day. Remnants here are mostly small and broken lots which are reduced for this reason; when an article is defective, soiled or marred, we tell you about it, and you buy it with full knowledge of its exact condition. That is why we have made the ruling—

No Remnants Returnable, None Sent C. O. D. or on Approval. No Mail or Phone Orders Accepted

Friday Special in Crepe Kimonos, \$2.50 Each. The favorite Cotton Crepe Kimonos that young girls like so well for college and seminary use. They may be had in the shades of pink, light blue, Copenhagen, rose and lavender, some finished with white crepe collars and cuffs and others made breakfast coat style, with ribbon trimming and another model in coat style, with hemstitched collars and cuffs. A very special value at \$2.50 each. Kimono Section, Third floor.

Women's Blouses. 39 White, Flesh and Black Crepe de Chine Blouses, in tucked tailored styles, with high or convertible collars, all one- and two-of-a-kind models, reduced from \$7.75, \$6.50 and \$6.75 to \$3.95 each, in the following sizes and quantities: Sizes 34 36 38 40 42 44 46 Quantities 5 5 9 8 4 2 6

2 White Georgette Crepe Waists, tucked round neck style with light blue collar and cuffs, sizes 38 and 40. \$2.95 each; were \$5.75.

20 White Voile Waists, tucked and lace trimmed styles; sizes 2-34, 4-38, 4-40, 5-42, 3-44 and 3-46. One each; were \$1.00.

17 Colored Striped Percale Waists with white plique collar and cuffs; sizes 2-34, 2-36, 4-38, 1-40, 1-42 and 1-44. \$1.00 each; were \$1.50.

Women's Coats

1 Tan Duvelite Imported Wrap, blue Crepe de Chine lining; size 40; \$60.00; was \$175.00.

1 Light Tan Silk Jersey Wrap, satin messaline lining; size 38. \$60.00; was \$145.00.

1 Taupe Satin Wrap, lined with navy blue satin messaline; size 36; \$60.00; was \$125.00.

1 Dark Tan Satin Wrap, tan silk lining; size 38. \$35.00; was \$70.00.

1 Black Velvet Cape with gray silk lining; size 36. \$18.50; was \$45.00.

1 Green and White Checked Rubberized Raincape; size 18. \$15.00; was \$30.00.

1 Green and White Checked Rubberized Raincape; size 38. \$15.00; was \$35.00.

Women's Coats, Third floor.

Infants' and Little Children's Wear. 6 Children's Light-weight Coats of good quality serge with collar, belt and pockets; box style. The colors are navy, Copenhagen, tan and green; sizes 2 to 6 years. \$5.00 each; were \$7.50 and \$8.00.

7 Children's Sweaters, green, yellow and old rose colors with white turn-over collar and belt; also some in plain white coat style; odd sizes. \$1.50 each; were \$2.50.

6 Children's Cotton and Wool Knit Drawers, knee length, 4-year size, button-on band. 65c pair; were \$1.00.

Children's Silk and Wool Rubber Shirts, double-breasted style with high neck and long sleeves; 2-year size. \$1.50 each; were \$2.00.

6 Infants' Hand-made Long Nainsook Petticoats, finished with deep hem and beair stitching; other hem hand scalloped. \$2.00 each; were \$2.75.

2 Fanny Weave Shetland Wool Sweaters in Nile green with wide sailor collar and turn-back cuffs and sash; sizes 42 and 44. \$5.00 each; were \$9.00.

1 Gold Brushed Wool Sweater, with French gray brushed wool collar, cuffs and border; size 40. \$6.75; was \$12.75.

1 Hunter's Green Knit Wool Sweater, trimmed with buff striped border on collar, cuffs and bottom; size 36. \$10.75; was \$12.75.

1 Chartruse Brushed Wool Sweater, with orchid brushed wool sailor collar, turn-back cuffs and pockets; fasten with wide patent leather belt; size 38. \$10.75; was \$12.75.

1 Hunter's Green Plain Knitted Wool Sweater, with fanny weave collar and cuffs; size 40. \$8.75; was \$10.00.

40 Men's Fine Wool Suits Reduced to \$24.75 Each. Were Formerly Priced up to \$45.00. Every suit from our own stock, in good fall and spring weight woolen fabrics suitable for present and later wear in climates of this locality.

Single and Double Breasted Sack and Waist-line Styles. Sizes 34 to 40 Regular and 38 and 40 Stouts in the combined lot. For men and young men; finely tailored garments, some with silk sleeve linings, and there are quarter, half and full alpaca lined coats; excellently made garments in colors of blues, browns, greens, grays, shepherd checks and the popular iridescent weaves.

They are suits that we cannot duplicate; and the price and quality are such that we have no hesitancy in saying you cannot duplicate. \$24.75 each; were up to \$45.00.

Men's Clothes, First floor.

Friday Clearance of Men's Tan and White Oxfords. It will be a splendid investment for men to buy now and lay them away for next season's use.

Dark Tan Oxfords, Reduced to \$5.25 Pair. Good color and good wearing quality made on neat and desirable last; blind eyelets, tipped toes.

A width, size \$2. B width, sizes 6 1/2, 7, 10, 10 1/2 and 11. C width, sizes 6 1/2, 6 3/4, 10 1/2 and 11. D width, sizes 5 1/2, 6, 10, 10 1/2 and 11.

White Canvas Oxfords, Reduced to \$3.75 Pair. Three different models, but only broken sizes in each; some with leather soles and heels and some with Neolin.

Men's Shoes, First floor.

Men's Wear. 42 Men's Fancy Silk Crepe and Foulard Four-in-Hand Ties, neat colors and pronounced effects. 50c each; were \$1.00 and \$1.50.

60 Pairs Men's Fine Ribbed Gauze Knee Drawers, with extra strong gusset in the seat; sizes 34, 36, 38, 40 and 44. 3 pairs for 50c; were 50c pair.

48 Pairs Men's Fine Checked Nainsook, Striped Madras and Plain Handkerchief Cloth Union Suits; sleeveless and knee length styles; perfect quality; sizes 34, 36, 38 and 42; 46 and 50. \$1.00 the suit; were \$1.50 and \$2.50.

38 Pairs Men's Pure Thread Silk Socks, with lisle double toes, soles AND HIGH SPLICED HEELS; gray, navy, cordovan and tan; sizes 9 1/2, 10 and 10 1/2. 50c pair; were 50c.

6 Men's Cotton Crepe Bath Robes, in good colors; medium size. Special price, \$2.85 each.

4 Men's Two-piece Woolen Bathing Suits, green mixure; sizes 36, 40 and 42. \$4.50 each; were \$7.00.

48 Pairs Men's White Socks, silk and lisle mixtures; seamless double heels, toes; and soles; sizes 9 1/2, 10 and 10 1/2. 50c pair; were 75c.

Men's Wear, First floor.

Friday Clearance of Boys' Sport Blouses and Pajamas. Summer is nearing the end, so we are closing out the entire lot remaining of Sports Blouses, long and short sleeve styles, with collars made to be worn high or low as the boy may like; they are in all white, stripes and plain colors, and in sizes 7 to 15 years. The very best qualities obtainable at this time.

\$1.50 Blouses Reduced to \$1.15 \$1.00 Blouses Reduced to 78c. A small lot of Boys' Cotton Pajamas, nainsook and mercerized fabrics, in a very good showing of colors and patterns; broken sizes in the several groupings but a complete range in the lot; 6 to 18 years.

Remnant Price, \$1.20 the Suit. Boys' Section, Fourth floor.

Final Clearance Price on Women's Summer Frocks. Delightful materials and fascinating styles in these Summer Frocks that so many women will still have need for. Not more than three or four of any one style—but every style is a most desirable one.

Sheer Colored Organadies in white, blues of several tones, peach and orchid. Linens mostly in plain colors. Ginghams in plaids, checks and most attractive color combinations. Voiles in stripes and figured effects.

SIZES 34, 36 AND 38. Any one taking a late vacation and those desiring sheer and appropriate frocks for parties and for house wear will find excellent selection in this assortment.

\$12.50 Each. Were \$17.50 to \$34.50. Women's Dresses, Third floor.

Friday Clearance of Stout Women's Skirts. All the broken lines have been grouped together for a complete clearance tomorrow. Women who can wear sizes 34 to 40 waist measure will be very fortunate. The lot consists of:

- 2 Navy Blue Plaited Mohair Skirts. 1 Black Plaited Mohair Skirt. 2 Blue Satin Plaited Skirts. 1 Green Satin Plaited Skirt. 1 Gray Mohair Skirt. 2 Gray and Black Striped Mohair Skirts. 15 Navy Blue Panama Skirts. 5 Navy Blue Serge Skirts.

\$8.00 Each; Were \$10.00 and \$12.50. Special Size Section, Third floor.

A Friday Sale of Women's Silk Hose, \$1.65 Pair. This is one of the very best values obtainable today in Silk Hose, and the quantity is quite large—75 dozen pairs, so that almost all women should be able to share in this splendid offering. The Hose comes from one of our best manufacturers, otherwise such small defects would not be noted.

They are of pure silk, with lisle soles and garter hems, in black, white, navy, buck and taupe, with just the slightest unevenness of weave, which accounts for them selling at \$1.65 pair instead of \$2.25, which is the regular price for perfect hose of this grade.

Also 70 pairs of Women's Full Fashioned White Lisle Hose; soiled. Sizes 8 1/2, 9, 9 1/2 and 10. 40c pair; were 60c.

Various qualities, styles and colors of Women's Silk, Lisle and Cotton Hose are offered at greatly reduced prices. Hosiery Section, Main floor.

Women's Crepe Combinations, \$1.35 Garment. A small lot, but a big value. Good quality cotton crepe, in corset cover and short skirt and corset covers and drawers styles, finished with hemstitched fold; sizes 36 to 44. Very specially priced, \$1.35 suit.

5 Pairs Women's Open Bloomers, ruffled and edged with Valenciennes lace. 58c each; were \$1.00.

7 Long White Cambric Petticoats with Swiss embroidery ruffe and insertion; 35 and 38 inch lengths. \$1.85 each; were \$2.25.

Undermalms Section, Third floor.

House Dresses. 15 Voile and Lawn House Dresses in a variety of figured, plaid and checked materials and neat colors; some are double breasted; all prettily made with white organady collars and cuffs. Sizes 40 to 46. \$3.50 each; were \$6.75.

11 Billie Burke House Dresses of lawn; colors are brown, green and blue plaids with white organady collar, cuffs and belt; sizes 28 to 44. \$3.50 each; were \$5.00. House Dress Section, Third floor.

Women's Petticoats. 2 Heavy White Satin Petticoats with Dresden printed flounce; 38-inch length. \$6.95 each; were \$9.00.

2 White Silk Jersey Petticoats with Dresden silk taffeta flounce; 24 and 28 inch length; were \$2.50. 26-inch length. \$7.95 each; were \$9.00.

2 White Silk Petticoats with Dresden printed flounce; 38-inch length. \$6.95 each; were \$9.00.

1 White Taffeta Silk Petticoat with Dresden flounce, 38-inch length. \$4.95; was \$6.00.

1 Pettibocker, a combination petticoat and knickerbocker garment, of white Jersey silk with pleated ruffles; 36-inch length. \$6.50; was \$7.50. Petticoat Section, Third floor.

Corsets. 2 Pairs Parame Corsets, girde top and long skirt; boned with walloch; size 23. \$5.00 pair; were \$10.50.

4 Pairs Ideal Maternity Corsets, white coutil, button front; lacing at the sides; shoulder straps; sizes 24 and 28. \$1.50 pair; were \$2.50.

10 Pairs Royal Worcester and W & L Special Corsets, in pink and white coutil; low bust and long hip; some with elastic waistline; sizes 19, 20, 21, 25, 26 and 28. \$1.50 pair; were \$2.00 and \$3.00. Corset Section, Third floor.

Lane Bryant Maternity Apparel. 2 Blue Serge Suits, sizes 36 and 38. \$15.00 each; were \$22.50.

2 Serge Capes, black and blue. \$20.00 each; were \$24.75.

2 White Wash Satin Skirts. \$20.00 each; were \$24.75.

4 Linen Dresses, 2 white, sizes 38, 40 and 42; one lavender, size 38. \$14.75 each; were \$24.75. Maternity Section, Fourth floor.

Housefurnishings. 1 White Mountain Ice Cream Freezer, quart size; slightly imperfect. \$1.75; was \$2.25.

1 Oak-finished Bedside Table, slightly imperfect. \$4.50; was \$7.25.

1 36-inch Lapboard, showprow; \$1.00; was \$1.55.

1 Large White Bread Box, slightly imperfect. \$1.75; was \$3.15.

1 Large Galvanized Garbage Pail, dented. \$1.25; was \$2.00.

1 Medium-size Garbage Pail, dented. \$1.00; was \$1.75.

1 Market Basket, slightly imperfect. \$1.00; was \$1.95.