

YAQUIS BEING CONQUERED BY HUNGER, CLAIM CARRANCISTAS

Indians Driven From Their Sources of Food and Drink; Strongholds in Hands of the Enemy.

CAMPAIGN PREDICTED TO END IN FEW WEEKS

Old Men, Women and Children Are Already in Power of the de Facto Government.

Douglas, Ariz., May 23.—That starvation is rapidly decimating the ranks of the Yaqui Indians as a result of the de facto Mexican troops having driven them from their sources of food supply, was the statement of Col. Miguel S. Samaniego, who has arrived in Agua Prieta to visit with his family after a year's campaign in the Yaqui river valley.

ALLEGED WIDOW OF MILLIONAIRE LOSES HER CASE

Suit to Establish Claim to Estate of Winfield Scott Stratton Is Thrown Out of Court.

NEW CARRANZA PESOS NOW IN CIRCULATION

Douglas, Ariz., May 23.—Five million pesos of the new issue of Carranza currency has reached Hermosillo, the state capital of Sonora. Its circulation has started. It will be used exclusively to pay government officials and soldiers.

FIRST ARIZONA UNIT IS MUSTERED IN

Douglas, Ariz., May 23.—Company I, Arizona national guard, has been mustered into the federal service, being the first organization of the first Arizona infantry to be sworn in. It has seventy-one officers and men.

The Day in Congress

SENATE. Resumed debate on rivers and harbors appropriation bill. Motion to reconsider unfavorable vote on confirmation of George R. Brown as member of the federal trade commission, was lost, 38 to 38.

THE WEATHER

THE WEATHER FORECAST. Denver, May 23.—New Mexico: Generally fair south portion, increasing cloudiness north portion, with showers Wednesday night or Thursday, high southerly winds; cooler Thursday.

LOCAL WEATHER REPORT. For twenty-four hours, ending at 6 p. m. yesterday. Maximum temperature, 86 degrees; minimum, 46 degrees; range, 34 degrees; temperature at 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon, 77 degrees; south-west winds; partly cloudy.

CITY BANK CLEARINGS. Yesterday \$41,299.49.

according to officers. There has been one desertion, it is reported.

WOMEN PLEAD FOR LIFE OF DOOMED MAN

BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE. Denver, May 23.—A special meeting of the board of pardons may be held Thursday to consider another appeal for clemency for James C. Bulger, under sentence of execution this week for the murder of Lloyd P. Nicodemus, as the result of a visit of seven women, headed by Richard Wolfe, former justice of the peace, today to the board.

The delegation urged that the state through its licensing of the saloon which sold the liquor that made Bulger drunk and the merchant who sold the revolver with which the killing was done were parties to the crime. They also urged they could supply evidence that at the time of the murder Bulger was really insane.

It was said at the state house the new angle of appeal was taken under advisement and that the board may hold a special meeting Thursday to consider it further.

Blue Jay Claims Bought.

Denver, May 23.—Announcement was made today that the Murdoch Extension Mining company, composed chiefly of women, had purchased the Blue Jay claims, near Ward, in the turquoise district of Boulder county. The consideration was placed at \$25,000. J. Conners, formerly of Oatman, Ariz., is president of the company.

Rublee Case Not Reconsidered.

Washington, May 23.—Administration efforts to have the senate reconsider its refusal to confirm the nomination of George Rublee, of New Hampshire, as a member of the federal trade commission, failed late today by a tie vote of 38 to 38.

School for Children.

As a result the greater part of the men of the tribe, greatly weakened by hunger, have been driven steadily toward the Chihuahuas border, traveling in small bands. The old men and women have been placed in concentration camps in Guaymas. The children have been sent to Hermosillo and placed in a special school which has been established for them by General Calles.

Americans Confirm Statement.

Americans reaching here from the interior confirm the statement that hunger is driving the Yaquis from their native haunts. One case where two Indian boys were discovered by an American, in a pitifully weakened condition, was recounted by an arrival. The boys told the mining man who found them that they and other members of the tribe had been living for days on soup made from boiling a cowhide, in which a few herbs had been placed.

Mrs. Sophia Gertrude Chellev lost her fight for the widow's share of the estate of Winfield Scott Stratton, millionaire mining man, in the probate court this afternoon when Judge W. P. Kinney returned a verdict declaring that she had never married Stratton.

Judge Kinney declared that at the time Mrs. Chellev claims she married Stratton she was Mrs. A. M. Poor and her husband was living at that time. Attorney John T. Bottom, representing Mrs. Chellev, was given twenty days to file a motion for a new trial. The trial cost the estate and the plaintiff large sums, many witnesses having been brought from distant points.

Story of Case.

Mrs. Sophia Gertrude Chellev based her claim to the widow's share of the estate of the late Winfield Scott Stratton, millionaire mining man, upon an alleged marriage to Stratton when he was a penniless Texas cowboy. Suit was brought against the trustees of the estate who announced an intention to prove that the alleged marriage never took place.

Marries Again.

Mrs. Chellev further declared that Stratton left her and she was afterwards informed that he had been killed by Indians. Believing him dead, she married again. Years later, the complainant set forth, she and Stratton, then a millionaire, Colorado, and Stratton, then a millionaire, acknowledged their marriage, gave her some money and promised her half of his estate by will.

JONES EXPECTED TO MAKE KNOWN CANDIDACY FOR SENATE TODAY

Prediction Is Made That Former Announcement Will Come in Address to Convention.

NOT TO RESIGN FROM NATIONAL COMMITTEE

Governor McDonald Likely to Head Delegation to St. Louis Gathering; Lucero Probable as Chairman.

The democratic cohorts arrived last night from every section of the state for the convention which opens this morning with the keynote speech of Senator Isaac Barth, who has been designated by the central committee for the temporary chairmanship. The most important feature of the convention, however, is the assurance from his friends that Hon. A. A. Jones, who arrived from Washington City last night, will at some time during today appear on the platform of the convention and formally announce his candidacy for the nomination for United States senator.

When questioned last night regarding the report, Mr. Jones said he expected to address the convention but declined to say directly what the import of his remarks would be.

Friends very close to Mr. Jones, however, are confident that he will make a formal announcement and that coincident with his nomination, at the next convention, which is assured, as he is the unanimous choice of the democrats of the state, he will resign his position as first assistant secretary of the interior and devote his entire time to the campaign.

To Remain on Committee.

Also it is stated on apparently good authority that Mr. Jones will be re-elected national committeeman, or will merely hold over until the nominating convention meets late in August or early in September. If that policy should be decided upon it will be because Mr. Jones has been requested by the leading democrats of the state to do so in order that the selection of his successor shall not be complicated with the candidates who may be nominated on the state ticket. If, for instance, Governor McDonald should be nominated to succeed himself, he would not allow the use of his name for national committeeman. On the other hand, if he should not be nominated for governor it is believed that he would accept the position now held by Mr. Jones.

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YUAN SHI-KAI ORDERS STATE SECRETARY TO FORM CABINET

Chinese Dictator Admits He Has Been Responsible for Turmoil in Republic During Past Two Years.

CONCEDES RIGHT LONG WANTED BY REFORMERS

Revolutionists Have Insisted That Ministers Must Not Be Interfered With by Chief Executive.

(Associated Press Correspondence.) Peking, April 30.—Yuan Shi-kai has issued a mandate in which he authorizes Hsu Shi-chang, the secretary of state, to organize a responsible cabinet and makes the admission that the full assumption of all the executive affairs of state by himself has been responsible for the unhappy conditions in which China finds itself today.

This is one of the vital reforms demanded by the revolutionists, who have stoutly opposed the re-establishment of the monarchy, and insist that the republic must have a cabinet which is not dominated by the chief executive and a parliament which is honestly elected and permitted to engage in legislative work without the chief executive's interference.

Yuan Shi-kai's supporters are still hopeful that the cancellation of the monarchy and the creation of a responsible cabinet will make it possible for the president to retain office, but the more aggressive revolutionary leaders stoutly insist that Yuan Shi-kai must go before China can be assured of any genuine reform.

Yuan Shi-kai's announcement of the mandate was made as follows: "It is a recognized principle that centralization should be the policy of the administration. In view of the necessity of promptly attending to the multitudinous affairs of the state, the great president some time ago assumed full control of the powers of administration and appointed a secretary of state in order to assist me in the work of government.

During two years I have labored with my utmost ability, but the success achieved has been insignificant. Examining the root of this failure, I find that it has been due to the absence of a cabinet and the consequent lack of direct responsibility. The fact that I have merely assumed the appearance of an unlimited control of all powers of the state has been the cause of dissatisfaction on the part of the people. In these circumstances I have decided to effect drastic changes with a view to thorough and energetic reform. In accordance with article 21 of the constitutional compact, the mandate for the reorganization of a responsible government is hereby promulgated, and the secretary of state is hereby authorized to take full control of the affairs of the state and to organize a government with the ministers of the metropolitan ministries as members thereof who are to be mutually responsible to and for one another.

This is intended in the sense of a step towards the formation of a responsible government and the beginning of administrative reform. I hope that the members of the government to be organized hereunder will work unitedly and faithfully in order to remedy the difficulties of the day. In this I have great hopes."

Two distinct views are held by foreigners in China, and are voiced quite generally by the foreign press. One view is that Yuan Shi-kai is the single strong man in China who can keep peace and order, and must be held in the presidency at any cost. This view is held rather generally by both foreign and Chinese business men who are anxious to keep conditions settled so that ordinary commercial intercourse will not be interfered with.

The other view, which is held rather generally by returned students and advanced thinkers among the Chinese as well as foreigners, is that Yuan Shi-kai must be ousted at any cost, and that the Chinese should not have a pre-eminently strong man at the head of the government because such a man will inevitably become a military despot after Yuan Shi-kai's style.

Many of the most ardent supporters of Yuan Shi-kai are not his personal admirers, but merely accept him as the one man they believe capable of maintaining comparative peace in China. He is also regarded by most of his ardent supporters as the only man capable of standing resolutely against Japanese advances. On the other hand his detractors say he is the man who made it possible for Japan to line up the entente against China, and dictate Chinese internal policy in such a way that Japan is assuming directorship, with European approval, over all of China, rather than over the portions which were formerly its sphere of influence.

Roll Tablecloths. Instead of folding tablecloths after they are washed, roll them, folded once or twice, lengthwise on mauling tubes of cardboard. This makes a smoother cloth, with fewer creases, which is, of course, to be desired.

CLUB WOMEN OF 48 STATES HOLD CONVENTION IN NEW YORK CITY

Three Thousand Delegates and Alternates Present at Thirtieth Biennial Gathering of General Federation.

ARE ENTERTAINED BY MR. AND MRS. EDISON

Wizard Delivers Short Address on Woman's Suffrage and Preparedness; Politics Already Popping.

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE.) New York, May 23.—The thirtieth biennial convention of the General Federation of Women's Clubs of America opened here today with 3,000 delegates and alternates present, besides approximately 10,000 visitors, including the husbands of about 1,000 delegates. The first general session of the convention will be held tomorrow night and by that time it is expected another thousand delegates and alternates will have arrived.

The visitors to the city have been escorted to hotels and boarding houses without incident by reception committees, assisted by boy scouts. Preparations have been made to entertain many more delegates than have arrived. A list of "don'ts" sent to women's clubs throughout the country, warning delegates against possible perils that might beget them in the metropolitan, was cited today by some members of the local arrangements committee as a factor in keeping down the attendance.

"Don'ts" for Delegates. The "don'ts" suggested by the New York biennial board were: "Don't select a hotel or place to board without advice." "Don't call a physician without advice." "Don't go into a house if you are suddenly taken ill on the street; look for a drug store." "Don't engage a taxicab or other conveyance except at authorized stations and avoid riding alone at night if possible." "Don't let your sympathy be influenced by any one in apparent distress; if you must help, first call a policeman." "Don't accompany a stranger on any pretext however plausible, for many of the most vicious are apparently respectable." "Don't carry all your money in one place and avoid displaying it in public." "Don't forget to lock up money and jewelry when absent from your room."

Miss Wilson Guest of Honor. The convention officially opened this morning at 10 o'clock with brief meetings of the department chairmen and the board of directors. The session tomorrow night will be held at the seventh regiment armory with Miss Margaret Wilson, daughter of the president, as a guest of honor.

Today was "New Jersey day" and immediately after the business meetings the board members, headed by Mrs. Percy V. Penningbacker, the president, and Mrs. William Jennings Bryan, accompanied by Mrs. Yuan Shi-kai, left in special trains for Orange, N. J., to attend a reception given by Thomas A. Edison, and Mrs. Edison, one of the leading club women of her state.

At Edison's Home. The Edison home could not accommodate the throng and many of the visitors stood outside in the rain, waiting to be presented. After the reception the inventor delivered a brief address on suffrage and preparedness. When he had finished, the guests sang "The Star Spangled Banner."

It was officially announced tonight that delegations are here from forty-eight states. The last to arrive were those from Maine, Massachusetts, Florida and Maryland.

The campaign for the presidency is being vigorously waged by the supporters of Mrs. Samuel B. Sneath of Tiffin, O., and Mrs. Josiah Evans Cowles, of Los Angeles.

Another Richmond in Field. Interest in the presidential election deepened tonight when some 200 delegates from Illinois declared they will be prepared to introduce a new candidate. They announced Mrs. John D. Sherman as their favorite. She was recording secretary of the federation eight years ago.

The Maryland delegates brought with them a "boom" for Mrs. B. W. Corbett, Jr., of Baltimore, formerly president of the Maryland federation. Most of the 1,000 or more husbands who accompanied the delegates will attend the sessions of the convention. About 200 of them, however, have formed a "lonely husbands' club" to explore the city.

Texas Convention Opens. San Antonio, Tex., May 23.—Proceedings in the state democratic convention here today. Contests over seating of delegates, in which the negro question was predominant, occupied the convention throughout the day and made a night session necessary for the selection of delegates to the national convention and the transaction of other business.

Carrancistas Said to Be Spreading Rumors

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE.) Field Headquarters, Nampiquita, Mexico, May 23 (via Radio to Columbus, N. M.).—The Carranza garrison at Madera is engaged in spreading reports calculated to stir up both soldiery and natives against the Americans, according to a report received here today from that place. No charges have been reported, however, between members of the expedition and any of the Mexicans. Meanwhile, the expedition is quiescent, patrolling only a limited distance to the south. Carrancistas are keeping aloof from the American detachments.

General Pershing, through the press correspondents, thanks the American women who are contributing luxuries to the troops, but announces that the men are amply supplied with clothing and socks, and a further deluge of candles and delicacies would burden the army transport.

The members of the expedition are in the best of condition physically. Dentists who have lately joined the medical staff here have proved a welcome addition to the army, however.

PROHIBITION AND SUFFRAGE REJECTED

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE.) San Antonio, Tex., May 23.—National prohibition and woman suffrage forces at the state democratic convention met a severe setback late today when the committee on resolutions and platform prepared a report which declared against national prohibition and national woman suffrage. The report, to be submitted tomorrow to the convention, is not expected to be adopted without a fight.

Reversal for the prohibition forces was seen shortly after the convention met at noon, in a session of less than an hour, temporary organization was effected and committees named containing a majority of opponents of Thomas H. Love of Dallas, candidate for national committeeman, which was taken by many delegates to indicate a setback for the prohibition forces.

The committee report will urge the renomination of President Wilson and of Vice President Marshall. Adequate national preparedness will be advocated. The administration of Gov. James E. Ferguson will be endorsed.

"Q" Officials in Denver. Denver, May 23.—Hale Holden, president, and five other general officers of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad, arrived in Denver today on a tour of inspection. A conference is to be held with the officers of the Colorado and Southern, a subsidiary road.

DR. WAITE WILL TAKE STAND IN FIGHT FOR LIFE

Defendant to Face Wife and Her Brother Today; Victim's Relatives Will Testify Against Him.

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE.) New York, May 23.—Confronted by an unbroken chain of evidence which the state claims conclusively proves him guilty of the murder of his wealthy father-in-law, John E. Peck, of Grand Rapids, Mich., Dr. Arthur Warren Waite, the young New York dentist, will go on the witness stand in an effort to save himself from death in the electric chair. This decision was reached by his counsel by the end of the second day of his trial.

The defendant's most trying ordeal probably will come tomorrow, when his wife, Mrs. Clara Peck Waite, her brother, Percy Peck and Mrs. Margaret Horton, with whom Waite shared a studio in a hotel here, will take the stand against him. Mrs. Horton, accompanied by her husband, Harry Horton, and her sister, was in court today expecting to be called.

Who Sent Warning? It is also expected that the mystery surrounding the identity of the person who sent a telegram to Percy Peck the day Waite's aged victim was to be buried in Grand Rapids, urging that an autopsy be held on the body, will be disclosed tomorrow. The telegram gave the first intimation to the Peck family that there was anything wrong. It read: "Suspicion aroused. Demand autopsy. Examine body." "K. ADAMS."

Sender to Be Witness. District Attorney Edward Swann steadfastly has refused to divulge the identity of the sender of the telegram, but in announcing a list of the witnesses who would be called by the state, he included the name of K. Adams.

It is said that the mysterious person is a woman outside this state and that she exacted a promise from the district attorney not to disclose her real name until he was ready for her to appear at the trial and testify.

Negro Voters Eliminated. Fort Worth, Tex., May 23.—Negroes were eliminated as voting factors in the Texas republican convention here today. Contests over seating of delegates, in which the negro question was predominant, occupied the convention throughout the day and made a night session necessary for the selection of delegates to the national convention and the transaction of other business.

FORT DOUAUMONT ALMOST WHOLLY IN POSSESSION OF FRENCH ARMY

Heavy Masses of German Troops Vainly Storm Against Newly-taken Positions; Tens of Thousands Lose Elsewhere.

ROME ADMITS REPULSE IN SOUTHERN TYROL

Italy's Anniversary of Entrance Into European War Is Marked by Serious Loss of Ground.

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE.) The Germans have replied to the terrific French offensive in the Douaumont region with assault after assault and the deadly combat north-east and northwest of Verdun still is in progress. Heavy masses of German troops have been thrown against the crack French troops, whose successful attacks won for them the greater portions of Fort Douaumont and considerable ground adjacent to the fort of high strategic value.

These newly captured positions, the French have tenaciously held. Particular mention is made by the French war office of the maintenance of the position in Fort Douaumont conquered by the French Monday. The fighting at this point is characterized by Paris as "a murderous struggle." Each attack was preceded by powerful artillery preparations.

Italians Driven Out. Although they were hard held to the northeast, the Germans would not be denied at Le Mort Homme and after having been mowed down by the French machine guns with sanguinary losses in several attacks, finally gained a footing in trenches to the west of this much fought for position. Their tenure of the trenches was short lived, however, for the French in a counter-attack immediately drove them out.

Italy's first anniversary of her entry into the war found her troops on at least one sector in southern Tyrol forced back by the great Austrian offensive upon Italian soil, and in general retirement to their main lines of defense from the region south of Rovereto to the Val Sugana, southeast of Trent.

Rome Admits Repulse. Rome admits that between the Adige and Brenta rivers and in the Sugana valley the Italians have fallen back on their main lines of defense. While Rome asserts that the operations were carried out in perfect order after the Italians had repulsed Austrian attacks against the advanced line, Vienna says that in the retreat from Borgo the Italians were forced across the border by the Austrians. That the Austrians have advanced as far as the head of the Lake Garda and the Sarca region, is indicated by the Rome official communication which says that Austrian troop assemblages have been observed in the Tiva zone.

While along the Russian front the usual bombardments have continued almost continuously in the Priepet river region, the Russians have repulsed attacks by the Turks and also have rebuffed the Ottoman forces from positions on one of the slopes of the Taurus mountains. In their advance on Mosul, with Mesopotamia their objective, the Russians have captured Serbechi.

ITALIANS CAPTURE BULGARIAN SOLDIERS

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE.) Rome, May 23 (via Paris).—Along the Isonzo front the Italians have made prisoners of Bulgarians, showing them Bulgarians have joined the Austrians in their present offensive. The Austrian heavy guns are much more numerous in this region than those of the Italians, but they have not been able to overcome the well-organized Italian defenses, which thus far have checked the Austrian advance along the whole Isonzo line.

FRENCH ADMIT ALLY HAS FALLEN BACK

Paris, May 23.—The French military experts agree that the Italians have fallen back before the first shock of the Austrian offensive, but say they now are reforming their lines with heavy reinforcements. The operations in the center are in the area about twenty miles east and northeast of Lake Garda, where the Italians had made their first drive towards Trent. They were already posted at Rovereto, less than twenty miles from Trent, but withdrew southward under the heavy Austrian pressure until their lines are now about ten miles south of Rovereto.

The Austrians occupy elevated positions on what is called Santo hill, where the Italians face them from Passbio hill. Dante's castle is in this neighborhood. Dante was described this region in his "Inferno," as seamed with gorges cleft by an avalanche. Some fifteen miles further east the Austrians made another advance, the Italians retiring south of the line between Monte Maggio and Monte Pozenza.

The Italian advance had been on Austrian soil, but the Austrian offensive now has pushed the line back to