

CLAIM DIAZ AND VILLA IN PLOT

Zapata Also Said to be in on Understanding Among Leaders.

MEXICO CITY, March 2.—It was announced at the military headquarters here that signal successes have been won Wednesday in the campaign in the state of Puebla, where, it was stated, the entire region has been cleared of Zapata forces by government troops after 36 hours of severe fighting.

EL PASO, Tex., March 1.—Felix Diaz, nephew of the former Mexican president, Porfirio Diaz, who is said to have landed on the east coast of Mexico to launch a new revolt, has effected an understanding with Zapata and the followers of Villa, according to friends of the latter here. They declared Wednesday that conferences—held here last week with emissaries of Diaz—had resulted in an agreement between the leaders.

A junta, it was also stated, had been established here, but federal officials who examined a number of refugee Mexicans suspected of being interested in the movement said they were unable to secure definite information concerning its operations.

Villa Men Are Frank.
Villa followers frankly declared that their leader, the proscribed Chihuahua chieftain, would willingly cooperate with Diaz. Villa previously had an understanding with Zapata. Villa's principal desire, they said, was to overthrow Carranza, and he would give or accept any aid in accomplishing that purpose.

Villa partisans who said they took part in the conferences declared they had been assured that Diaz was amply provided with funds to finance a far-reaching revolt in Mexico, but that no proof was furnished them.

If Diaz has sufficient financial backing, they declared, his revolt would succeed. If not, it would fail.

ENDORSE FAIRBANKS

Eight Delegates From Kentucky Get Instructions.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 2.—The candidacy of Charles W. Fairbanks of Indiana, former vice president, was endorsed by the republican state convention in session here Wednesday night. Eight delegates at large with one-half vote each, were instructed to vote in the national convention for Mr. Fairbanks for president as long as his name is before the convention.

E. P. Morrow, recent gubernatorial candidate; Augustus E. Wilson, former governor; John W. Langley and Caleb Powers, representatives in congress; E. C. O'Rear, Richard P. Ernst, William Marshall Bullitt and Phil Brown, a negro editor were elected members of the at-large delegation.

SLASHES WIFE'S THROAT

Cannelton Man Then Cuts Own and Dies.

CANNELTON, Ind., March 2.—John Kingham slashed his wife's throat with a razor Wednesday night and then cut his own throat. He died in a few minutes. Mrs. Kingham is still alive Wednesday night, but physicians say she has slight chances of recovery. Three children of the Kinghams, the eldest eight years old, were the only witnesses of the first part of the tragedy and they were too excited Wednesday night to tell what led to the trouble between their parents.

Britain Says She Finds Rubber in Germany's Mail



CONFISCATED MAIL PACKETS. (COURTESY, THE POST OFFICE)

This picture, which comes from England, is said to show packets of rubber which the British confiscated in mail from neutral countries to Germany. It will be noticed that the address "Hamburg" is plainly shown on some of the packets. According to the British these packets are usually marked "samples of no value," in an attempt to smuggle them past the allied censors.

On Feb. 24, 1285 packets were taken from the S. S. Hoolandia and 1,390 from the S. S. Gelria. These consignments were made to Holland.

WOULD SET IRISH RIGHT WITH U. S.

New York Societies Incensed at Proposed Anti-British Demonstration.

NEW YORK, March 2.—Denouncing as "a violent attack on American neutrality" a proposed anti-British demonstration of Irishmen to be held here March 4 and 5, the executive committee of the American-Irish societies, which includes the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the United Irish League of America, Wednesday adopted resolutions for the purpose of "setting the record straight with the people of the United States."

The resolutions assert that the Irish in Ireland are better judges of their rights, policies and duties than "any number of professional Irishmen in America, or descendants of exiled Irishmen in America, whose sole idea on the Irish question is the legacy of hate inherited from the days of oppression, and who are ignorant of or shut their minds to the happy change that has come over the green island since the rule of democracy has been substituted for that of feudalism."

Not Contract Breakers.
"The Irishmen in Ireland are not contract breakers," the resolutions continue. "Now that home rule is granted them, they are keeping their part of the contract. They have sent 12,000 of their sons voluntarily to the front and are adding to that force at the rate of 1,000 a week."

"The Irish in Ireland will not soon forget the fate of Belgium nor their centuries old friendship for that distracted country of France even if some of our long-distance Irish patriots on this side of the Atlantic choose to ignore them."

Addresses rebuking the alleged attempt of the "extremists" to make the public believe that all the Irish in America are "opposing Pres. Wilson's earnest efforts to preserve American neutrality" were made by Patrick Egan, former minister to Chile, and Dennis J. Hanlon, national president of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, board of Erin. Thirty-six Irish societies of New York were represented.

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Take Crucifix Inch Long From Child's Throat

INDIANAPOLIS, March 2.—Physicians at a local hospital succeeded Wednesday in removing a crucifix an inch long from the throat of Ruth Kelly, 13 months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Kelly of Bloomington, Ind. The child's recovery is believed certain.

The baby and her sister were playing, and the sister gave Ruth the crucifix to which one head was attached. A short time later Mrs. Kelly heard the baby coughing and found that she had swallowed the crucifix. Bloomington physicians endeavored to remove it, but were unsuccessful and sent the child to Indianapolis. The X-ray was applied and the crucifix was removed by an operation.

STEPS INTO HOT METAL

Walter Bybee of Niles is Seriously Burned.

News-Times Special Service 2.—WALTER NILES, Mich., March 2.—Walter Bybee, who left Niles about five weeks ago to work in the Round Oak Stove factory, was seriously burned there Tuesday when he stepped into a case of hot metal. He had laid the hot metal down and accidentally stepped backward into the case. The flesh was cooked to the bone. He had not been in the employ of the company long enough by a few weeks to become a member of their factory benefit association.

SPEAKS ON OPPORTUNITIES

Rev. Henry L. Davis, pastor of the First Methodist church, spoke last night at the last meeting of the high school Bible classes held at the Y. M. C. A. in the boys' department, using as his subject "Opportunity in the Future For Our Boys." He spoke of the various opportunities the boys of today have over those of the past century. The Bible classes will be resumed in the fall, when a new organization will be effected.

HELD ONLY ON ONE COUNT

According to Harry Wilbur, one of the men arrested in the "vice crusade" through the circuit court grand jury, he was arrested on but one count. It seems the information was secured to the effect Wilbur was wanted on a charge of gambling and of frequenting a house of ill fame, while only a gambling charge exists against him.

G. B. COX SERIOUSLY ILL

Cincinnati G. O. P. Leader Stricken With Paralysis.

CINCINNATI, March 2.—George B. Cox, for many years the leader of the republican party in this city, and nationally known in republican organization circles, was stricken with paralysis here Tuesday and Wednesday night in a critical condition.

The fact that Mr. Cox had been stricken was closely guarded and, according to the reports Wednesday night, it was only after his condition had become decidedly serious that the information was allowed to become known.

George B. Cox was known for years in this city as the leading politician, and while he never publicly aspired to any office himself, yet it is claimed that he has been the deciding figure in numerous political nominations, ranging from local alderman to positions of national prominence.

He retired from politics several years ago, but his opponents have always claimed openly that his influence has since played a large part in the elections, particularly for local offices.

CAN'T HAVE HIS NAME

HARTFORD CITY, Ind., March 2.—Robert Guseman Wednesday filed suit for divorce on the grounds of cruelty. He asks that his wife be compelled to resume her maiden name.

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A modification of the farm home water system worked out by the Government. It can be made and installed for from ten to twenty-five dollars.

And Don't Miss

this week's installment of *Diana of the Moorland*, the story by Louis Tracy; the latest addition to *A Game and a Gamble*, about implement dealers, their credits and creditors; *On the Road of Progress*, by Herbert Quick; *A Stove-Heated Hotbed*; *The Buff Orpington*, by Judge W. H. Card; *Tomatoes in Cool Climates*; *How to Balance a Ration for Farm Stock*; *Getting Rid of Groundhogs*; *Forty-Dollar Cottonseed Meal*; *Going to School at Home*, for farm children.

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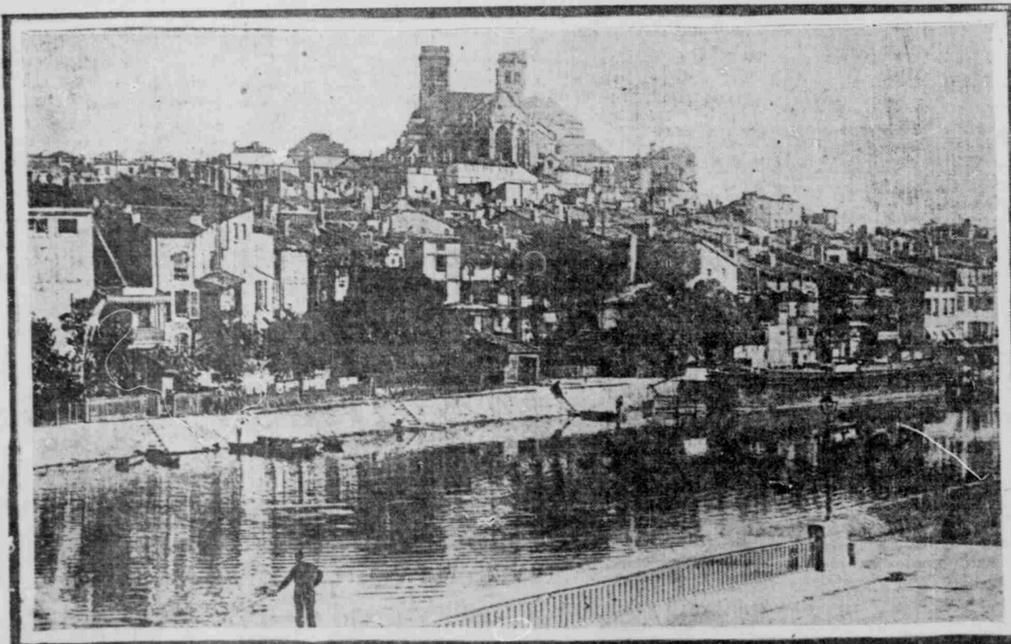
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A Page of Spring Fashions

A page for the farm mother—the home dressmaker. A number of attractive, simple patterns illustrated and described.

THE KAISER'S GOAL—VERDUN



A view of the strongly fortified city on the Meuse river in France, against which the Germans are bending every energy in their great drive. It is reported that the French fort of Douaumont, which defends Verdun from the northeast and but four miles from the city's outskirts, already has fallen before the Teutonic attack.

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