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## CARRANZA DROPPED FROM PEACE PARLEY

### His Delay in Answering Mediators' Note Eliminates Him as Factor

## HOPES SCOPE WILL WIDEN

### Internal Affairs of Mexico May Be Discussed at Conference—Huerta's Gunboats Arrive

(WNU News Service.)

Washington, June 10.—President Wilson said that the canal tolls repeal bill, when amended as the senate compromise proposes, would not be what he asked for in his message. The Simmons-Norris compromise amendment does not alter the repeal in the least degree, he explained, but it is quite unnecessary. The president contends that legislation does not waive treaty rights and that the amendment will not alter the character of the legislation at all.

The proposed amendment is in the form of a declaration that the United States does not, by repealing the tolls exemption clause, surrender the right to exempt American coastwise vessels in the future, if it so desires. The amendment probably will be voted on immediately.

Asked if the amendment really raises the question of whether the United States is right or wrong in exempting American coastwise ships from toll, the president answered in the negative. He said there was a strong intimation that some of the senators who would vote for repeal did not wish it understood that the question of right or wrong was being settled by their vote. The president added that any one of these men who so felt could have done what he had done by the amendment by a personal statement on the floor of the senate.

## COOK SHOT ON TRAIN

### Geo. Williams Shot in the Hand by John Crocker at Illmo

Geo. Williams, a school and living here in the Cape, and who is in the employ of U. H. Chagrin, superintendent of the Memphis division of the Illinois railroad, was shot in the hand on the south bound train No. 805 which passed through the Cape at 1:25 p. m. Monday morning. He was shot on board the train while near Berkeley by John Crocker of Illmo who is a handcarper for the Cotton Belt R. R. on work under the supervision of M. Morris, foreman. Crocker was arrested by special agent Taylor, who happened to be on the train. He was brought to the Cape and placed in jail, where he is awaiting for some medical attention and his trial.

Crocker states that Williams while boarding the train at the Cape hit him with a gun case and on speaking to him about it, Williams hit him again after which he drew his revolver and shot him. Williams states that in the crowd of people getting on the train he accidentally hit him with his suit case for which he apologized after getting on the train. Crocker followed him into the coach and took a seat nearby opposite him after which Williams noticed him pulling a gun from his pocket. Williams jumped from his seat and started to push the gun up then the weapon was discharged, the bullet going through his hand.

John Crocker was formerly from Arkansas but refused to state the name of the town.

Trial will come up before Justice Wilber Friday June 12th.

### Heavyweight Family.

Newark, O., June 5.—At a reunion of the family of George Heffley here eight sons and the father presented a combined age of 543 years and combined weight 2,066 pounds. The average age is 60 years and their average weight 230 pounds.

## PRESIDENT WILL ACCEPT THE TOLLS BILL

### Will Make No Fight on Amendments Added to His Pet Measure

## NOT WHAT HE ASKED FOR

### Executive Says Simmons-Norris Compromise Unnecessary, but Will Sign Bill

(WNU News Service.)

Washington, June 10.—With danger of a clash between the United States and Huerta averted at Tampico, interest in the Mexican situation was turned abruptly to the mediation conference after the receipt of reports that the South American envoys personally were inclined to consider at an end their efforts to bring Carranza into the proceedings unless he agreed to an armistice.

The mediators stated that they would make public all the correspondence that had passed between them and the constitutionalists. They were said to take the ground that they had given Carranza sufficient time to reply to their note of last Tuesday.

Reply is Expected.

Constitutionalist agents here expected to hear from Carranza hourly. Persons close to them asserted Carranza would not agree to any armistice with the federals. The constitutionalist chief was believed to have arrived at Saltillo. If his answer were received it was planned to forward it to the mediators immediately.

Belief was expressed that the events of the next 48 hours would determine the scope of mediation—whether it would be confined to differences between Huerta and the United States or extended to a general discussion of Mexico's ills. Meanwhile the federal and American missions continued their negotiations which promised to reach a point where a protocol finally might be drafted within a day or two. Both since had presented to the mediators a plan for Mexico's pacification. It was said to be practically the same in principle, contemplating establishment of a provisional government which would provide for an early general election for a permanent administration.

### Huerta's Gunboats Withdraw.

Huerta's gunboats that had threatened a blockade of Tampico sailed back to Puerto Mexico, but interest continued as to whether the steamer Antilla, which cleared from New York carrying arms for Carranza, would deliver them. Official statements of the disposition of the vessel were not forthcoming. An official of the Ward line, which owns the Antilla, was quoted as saying that the steamer was due to arrive at Tampico Wednesday unless the United States government sends orders to her captain not to go into that port.

## SUEZ PROFITS CAUSE A ROW

### Dividends Amount to Only 33 Per Cent, Which is Large Decrease, and Stockholders Object.

(WNU News Service.)

Paris, June 10.—Criticism of the management of the Suez canal was uttered for the first time in years at the annual meeting, when the usual 33 per cent dividend was declared. Some shareholders demanded to know why the amount was not larger.

Charles Jonnart, former French minister, now president of the company, said the Suez canal tolls had been reduced by 10 cents a ton to meet the rates fixed for Panama.

## FILES SUIT FOR \$1,000 DAMAGES

### White Serenading Young Ladies at Normal Dormitory, Young Man is Shot

## IS SERIOUSLY INJURED

### Mr. McMasters Was Victim of What Seems to Have Been a Cowardly Attack.

Inspired by a charge of No. 6 hot, shilled shot fired from a gun said to have been in the hands of one, W. H. White, superintendent of the Normal grounds, a young man by the name of L. A. McMasters is reported to have suddenly abandoned his intentions of serenading the young ladies of the dormitory, and beat a retreat with much of the same alacrity and speed as the fabled cat in the "Box of Tacks" story, and under conditions quite similar. "But the cat came back" and so did Mr. McMasters when he filed suit a few days ago in the Common Pleas Court, against said White, in which he seeks damages to the amount of \$1,000.

It seems that on the evening of May 21st, a party of young men, equipped with musical instruments, entered the Normal grounds and obtained permission from the watchman to serenade the girls in the dormitory. The boys state that after taking this precaution they felt secure, and proceeded at once with the concert. They had only fairly started, however, when they were fired upon, guerilla fashion, from the darkness. The first two discharges missed the mark, though the boys say they heard the shot striking all around them. Needless to say, they shifted their position at once, and while passing around the corner of the building they were again intercepted and fired upon. Mr. McMasters was the victim of the seemingly cowardly and unprovoked attack. He was quite seriously injured, having received a large number of the leaden pellets in his back, side, arm and legs, many of which are still deeply imbedded in the flesh.

The youngsters who have been interviewed, state that all members of the party were conducting themselves properly and that the assault was entirely unprovoked. Some of the boys state that after hearing the shot they rushed into the school and called one of the janitors to the scene, and in the confusion of the moment they were unable to do anything.

Mr. McMasters' injuries appear to be serious with severe attacks due to the fact that a number of the lead pellets are in the deep muscles of his legs. He is represented by the law by Attorney R. E. Alexander of Illmo.

## SENTENCE BOYS TO SPANKING

### They Cussed Cop Who Ordered Them to Stop Swearing at Recalcitrant Auto.

(WNU News Service.)

Atlantic City, June 10.—Because they cussed Patrolman Harold, Raymond King and Louis Kippel, each 17 years old, were sentenced to "good, old-fashioned spanking" by Judge Ketter. Their parents were compelled to file bond for the faithful performance of the sentence, and Harold was sent by the court to witness the punishment, which he did with much satisfaction.

The boys had been working under an automobile, stretched flat on their backs for two hours, tinkering a recalcitrant engine. Harold heard them swearing and ordered the use of softer words. They swore at him instead.

"I'll admit you were justified in doing some cussing at the engine. I've been in the same fix myself. But swearing at officers must stop. The dignity of the force must be maintained," the court ruled.

### Mount Lassen Again Steaming.

Red Bluff, Cal., June 10.—Another column of steam, 700 feet high, is reported to be spouting from Mount Lassen. It is reported the mountain is emitting fire.

Lassen, at the foot of the Cascade range and in a vast volcanic field, began to steam last Monday. Investigation by forest rangers showed that melting snow, running into fissures, had started a new geyser formation. The mountain quieted down after a day or so.

## ESCAPED CONVICT MARRIES

### Offers His Wife as a Reason Why He Should be Paroled—May Get Pardon

## LIVING EXEMPLARY LIFE

### Says He Was Victim of False Friend Who Persuaded Him to Flee and Then Snitched

(WNU News Service.)

Little Rock, Ark., June 10.—Taken back to the prison from which he had escaped on Jan. 7, 1913, W. D. ("Shorty") Jones, aged 35 years, has left in Little Rock the wife he married while free. Jones believes that when Gov. Cruce of Oklahoma hears the circumstances he will grant a pardon to him.

Jones was the victim of a false friend, who betrayed his presence to a Little Rock officer. He had been a resident of Little Rock 15 months and was making an honorable living soon after his arrival here. He married an attractive widow with two children, became affiliated with a local Baptist congregation and in all respects was living an exemplary life.

Jones was serving a 37-year term in the penitentiary at McAlester, Ok., for conviction for assault on a woman. He was a trusty because he abstained from drinking with a man who pretended to be his friend, a former convict. He persuaded Jones to escape, which he did while he was under the influence of liquor. The man who had that man saw Jones in Little Rock. Ten days ago that man notified the prison authorities at McAlester that Jones had married, reformed and was doing well in Little Rock. The arrest followed.

Petitions for pardon are being circulated in Little Rock to be forwarded to Gov. Cruce, asking him to pardon Jones so that he may return to this city and take care of his wife and her two children.

## OLDCAPERESIDENT DIES

### Mrs. E. Bahn Passes Away After a Lingering Illness

Death came at 2:30 Wednesday morning to Mrs. E. Bahn, of Illmo, who had been suffering from a long illness. She was 77 years of age and was a member of the Methodist church. She was born in Germany and came to this country in 1845. Her only son, Joseph, died three years ago and her daughter, Miss Anna Bahn, who is still surviving member of the family, left to mourn her mother's death. The funeral services will take place from the residence on Main street at 10 a. m. Thursday, June 11, at the Lutheran church, and burial will be in the Lutheran cemetery.

## SIKESTON VOTES DRY

### Votes Dry by 173. Majority Out of a Total Vote Cast of 797

Sikeston held their wet and dry election Tuesday June 9th and when the votes were counted it was found the city had gone dry by 173 majority out of a total vote cast of 797.

It is stated the contest found the wets without an organization. Some effort was made toward organization but it was very weak, whereas on the other side the dyes were thoroughly organized and on election day a committee of 50 men and women were delegated to search out suspicious parties and any one that looked like making an effort to distribute any wet goods, were followed all day until the polls closed.

There are seven saloons at Sikeston who will go out of business as soon as their licenses expire. One of this number near the Frisco depot goes out of business this (Wednesday) night at midnight.

## CORPORATION CONTROLS THE TIMBER PRICE

### Unique Scheme is Used by the American Car and Foundry Co.

## HOW THE SCHEME WORKS

### Road Thirty Miles Long, by Manipulation, is Able to Fix Price Paid for Timber

(WNU News Service.)

Jefferson City, June 10.—A unique scheme of the American Car and Foundry company, a \$60,000,000 corporation, through subsidiary corporations to force timber owners of four Missouri counties to sell to it their timber at practically its own price is detailed in an opinion handed down by Commissioner William P. Woerner of the public service commission of Missouri.

By dividing 30 miles of railroad, all owned by the American company, through subsidiaries, into four separate parts, the rails of which connect, but which are controlled by corporations of different names, the company has for years successfully prevented timber owners from reaching outside markets with their timber. The commission holds that the entire railroad shall be opened to public use.

### How the Scheme Works.

The scheme, as explained in the opinion, is:

The Frisco railroad has a spur five and one-half miles long from its tracks to Sligo, in Dent county. The Sligo Furnace company owned land about Sligo from which it got its timber. Having exhausted the timber supply within reach, it became necessary to extend a railroad into the forests.

It organized the Sligo & Eastern as a common carrier, this being necessary because it must cross public highways. Between the two it interposed 1,000 feet of rails on its own property, which it has contended, were private.

After exhausting the timber along the Sligo & Eastern railroad, the company desired to extend its rails farther. It acquired control of a strip of land 11 miles long. As it did not have to cross public highways, this 11 miles of railroad was constructed as a private logging road of the furnace company.

The timber along this route being exhausted, the road was organized the Iron County Central railroad, extending six miles into Iron county. This route of line was organized as a common carrier because it crossed public highways.

The effect of this scheme is that the Sligo & Eastern operates trains for the furnace company over the entire length of road, but refuses to haul freight for any other company except the furnace company. It contends it has the right to refuse to permit freight to be hauled over its 11 miles of private track between the Sligo & Eastern and the Iron County Central, and over the 1,000 feet of private track between the Sligo & Eastern and the Frisco spur.

## Boys Freed, Theft Discovered.

New York, June 10.—Two boys caught in Madison Square Garden pleaded so pitifully they were released. Later reports showed how \$2,000 worth of guns, watches and stockings had been stolen through the roof.

## Drowned Changing Seats.

Oshkosh, Wis., June 10.—The authorities searched for the bodies of Jacob Deber, 19, and Joseph Hirzig, 21, who were drowned when three companions upset the boat in which they were riding while attempting to change seats.

## See as Aeroplane Model.

Philadelphia, June 5.—"Give us something that beats the air 200 times a second and we will have real airplanes," Thomas A. Edison declared after watching a bumblebee.

## Private Banker "Broke."

Chicago, June 10.—A. N. J. Baumgartner, former plumber, whose private bank went broke, admitted in bankruptcy proceedings that he made more money fixing gas pipes than he did playing banker.

## Governor Pumps Handcuff.

Crocketon, Minn., June 10.—Gov. Eberhardt and three companions pumped a handcar 14 miles to return here after the executive's automobile had stranded in the mud near Grand Fork.

## BODY OF GIRL IS FOUND IN A STREAM

### Had Been Missing For Four Days After Taking a Boat Ride

## NO SIGNS OF VIOLENCE

### Last Seen in Company of Former Employer Was Working on a Baltimore Paper

(WNU News Service.)

Baltimore, June 10.—Miss Ella Winter, a stenographer, disappeared. Her body, fully clothed, but with a slight cut over the right eye, was found in Curtis creek. Justice Charles H. Fisher of Brooklyn, Anne Arundel county, immediately ordered an autopsy. It showed no signs of violence.

D. Meredith Reese, Jr., the last man who is known to have seen Miss Winter alive, and whose guest she was on his motor boat Thursday evening, says he has no theory as to how she died. He does not believe she was murdered, is sure that she was not in a suicidal mood when she left him and he cannot understand how she could have been accidentally drowned.

Reese and Miss Winter had been close friends for about five years. His parents, her mother and brother knew of his attentions to her. Reese is divorced. It was generally believed that they were engaged.

When Reese went to New York some time ago to engage in business, Miss Winter went there also and got a place as a stenographer. When he returned to Baltimore she, too, came back and obtained employment as the stenographer for J. W. Stoddard, business manager of the Baltimore American, which position she filled at the time of her death.

The body when found was fully dressed, even a raincoat and yellow chamois gloves, which Miss Winter wore when she left her home Thursday about 7:30 o'clock. The hat, however, was missing. The back and body were badly swollen. There was a slight abrasion of the skin over the right eye. Several diamond rings, which are believed to have been presents from Reese, were on the fingers and at the neck there was a diamond brooch.

## CAPAHAS WIN, 3-2

### Hubbard's Home Run in 10th Inning Saves the Close Game

The Cape Green Sox and the Capahas of the ball park Sunday had a close game, and kept the crowd on its feet from start to finish. The first inning showed the Cape with a lead of 1-0, but it was not until the last half of the sixth inning that the Cape took the lead.

During the game the Cape and Capahas were neck and neck and Hubbard's home run in the 10th inning saved the Cape from a defeat. The score at the end of the game was Cape 3, Capahas 2.

Hubbard got the best of the game by putting the Cape in the lead in the 10th inning. He hit a home run in the 10th inning, which gave the Cape a 3-2 lead. The game was a close one and the Cape was favored to win.

One of Sikeston's most popular citizens to pick up some extra money, and he did so by making a few dollars and he was arrested by Officer Taylor. Portuguese detective Christopheroff by the name of R. to C. Charles and was arrested by New Mexico by the name of R. to C.

## PRINTER WANTED AT ILLMO

A printer by the name of W. B. is wanted at Illmo for printing. He came to Illmo to work for the Illmo Herald and stayed only a few days and left suddenly taking a watch and other articles. Should any one know of his whereabouts, please notify The Illmo Herald by phone at their expense.