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Midwinter Fair, Brownsville, Jan. 7 to 17

ALL READY FOR THE BIG FAIR

PRESIDENT MCDAVITT OF FAIR ASSOCIATION SAYS VALLEY PEOPLE NEED NOT STAY AWAY OPENING DAY.

UP TO WEATHER MAN

SUCCESS OF GREAT EXHIBITION WHICH BEGINS WEDNESDAY, DEPENDS UPON A DEPENDABLE CLIMATE.

"The people of Brownsville and the valley need not stay away on opening day," said President W. E. McDavitt of the Mid-Winter Fair Association today.

"When the gates are thrown open to the public next Wednesday everything will be ready and in place. The amusement attractions will open promptly on the first day and the complete program will be carried out exactly as advertised." Such was the unqualified statement of the president of the Fair Association.

The success of the Sixth Annual Mid-Winter fair is now in the hands of the weather bureau. Everything has been done by the management that could possibly be done to insure the success of the fair. The officers and directors are well pleased with the preparations that have been made.

The program this year is much more elaborate than ever before. More and better amusement features have been provided and much larger prizes and premiums offered. The agricultural and industrial exhibits promise to be the best ever gotten together at this season of the year in any country.

Stanley H. Watson, press agent for the fair, returned today from a trip up the valley and is enthusiastic over the prospects for a large crowd. He stated today that if the weather was favorable throughout the fair that he looked for the biggest crowds ever assembled in Brownsville. The people up the valley are much interested and look upon the fair as much their fair as it is a Brownsville fair. "Every human with the time and money to spare will be here," is the way Mr. Watson expresses it.

Friday will be "Press Day" and the head of every publication in the valley has been invited to come for that day and the following two days if they can spare the time as the guests of the Fair association. Practically every editor in the valley has accepted and arrangements have been made for their comfort and entertainment.

MEXICAN BURNS FOOT TO PREVENT POSSIBLE ATTACK OF TETANUS

Hoping to prevent a possible attack of tetanus as a result of sticking a nail in his foot, a Mexican late Saturday afternoon poured a liberal dose of kerosene over the injured member, struck a match and lighted the kerosene oil. He may have anticipated the attack of tetanus, but nevertheless he is now an occupant of the Charity hospital, nursing a badly burned pedal extremity.

Asked as to how he happened to adopt this method for preventing tetanus he stated that a friend had advised him to try it. Pursuing the matter, however, it was found that the friend had really advised him to soak the injury with kerosene, and to cauterize the wound with a hot wire. He had simply misunderstood the instructions.

He may be able to walk within a few weeks.

RACE OF NEGRO GIANTS

THEY ARE DISCOVERED IN AFRICA BY ENGLISH MISSIONARY, WHO SAYS THEY ARE NOT CANNIBALS.

London, Jan. 5.—The Rev. C. L. Wilson who conducts a mission in the district of White Nile, a thousand miles south of Khartoum, has arrived in England with interesting facts about a race of negro giants, who inhabit the Bahrel Ghazal, two hundred miles west of the river. These natives practice neither cannibalism nor human sacrifices and have some admirable traits. Unlike their neighbors they are never cruel to women or children, and their habits of decorating themselves are somewhat akin to the people of civilization.

For reasons unknown even to themselves, the adults all have six of their lower teeth removed. Of those remaining, however, they take the most scrupulous care, cleaning them daily with a native brush and wood ash. They take much pride in dressing their hair, powder their faces and wear ostrich feathers. They believe in a supreme being to whom they make sacrifices through their chiefs or witch doctors.

LAREDO FIGHTING MAY BE DELAYED

CONSTITUTIONALISTS AT DISADVANTAGE FOR LACK OF HEAVY ARTILLERY ARE FORCED TO RETIRE INDEFINITELY.

FEWER KILLED

AMERICAN OBSERVER OF FIGHTING DOES NOT BELIEVE AS MANY KILLED OR WOUNDED AS HAS BEEN REPORTED.

The constitutionalists were forced to retire indefinitely at Nuevo Laredo for the lack of heavy artillery, according to Collector of Customs Frank Rabb who is here from his headquarters at Laredo. Mr. Rabb stated that he does not believe the battle will be resumed very soon as the federal's behind their entrenchments had decidedly the advantage of the attacking constitutionalists and forced a heavy fire continuously into the ranks of the besiegers.

Mr. Rabb was an interested observer of the battle almost from the very start and he said that both the attack and the defense of the city were carried through in a most courageous manner, both sides doing heroic fighting. He does not believe that the estimates of the killed, running from 150 to 250, will be found true and he stated that so far as he could learn not more than 110 constitutionalists were wounded during the fighting.

Hundreds of people watched the battle from the American side of the river, at Laredo, Texas and Mr. Rabb considers it remarkable that more persons on this side were not injured during the hot firing. Only two persons were struck on this side of the river, neither of whom was dangerously wounded. A great number of bullets sped into Laredo, but most of them were in the air, doing no damage.

"MOTHER" JONES CAUSES TROUBLE

UNION HEADQUARTERS ADVISES STRIKERS TO ARM THEMSELVES TO RESIST ATTEMPTS TO DEPORT HER.

SITUATION ACUTE

UNION OFFICIALS MAKING PREPARATIONS FOR HER RETURN FROM TRINIDAD, TO WHICH PLACE SHE WAS DEPORTED.

(By Associated Press.)

Denver, Col., Jan. 5.—Union officials today began preparations for the return of "Mother" Mary Jones from Trinidad whence she was deported yesterday by state troops.

Adjutant General Chase has given orders to arrest her upon her return to the strike zone.

Union headquarters has advised the strikers to arm themselves to resist any attempt at deportation.

500 INVITATIONS OUT

PARENT TEACHERS ASSOCIATION NEXT THURSDAY AFTERNOON, PLAN TO HAVE BIG MEETING

If the five hundred women of the city who have received invitations to attend the meeting of the Parent Teachers' Association next Thursday afternoon, attend there promises to be not only the biggest, but also the most interesting meeting of this association ever held in this city. The meeting will be held at the grammar school building, at 3:30 o'clock, Thursday afternoon, January 8, and if any parents interested in the welfare of their children attending the schools do not receive invitations, it will be because their names have been missed in some way.

The meeting will be opened with the usual business of the organization, after which there will be a reception and a musical program. Refreshments will also be served, and the afternoon promises to be most interesting in every way.

Officers of the association say it is their desire to increase decided on this big reception for the purpose of showing to those who are not members of the great benefit which may be rendered to the school children by the combined organization of teachers and parents.

ROB ROY WILL ARRIVE SOON

Grahame-White and Soldier Testing Gun For Aeroplanes.

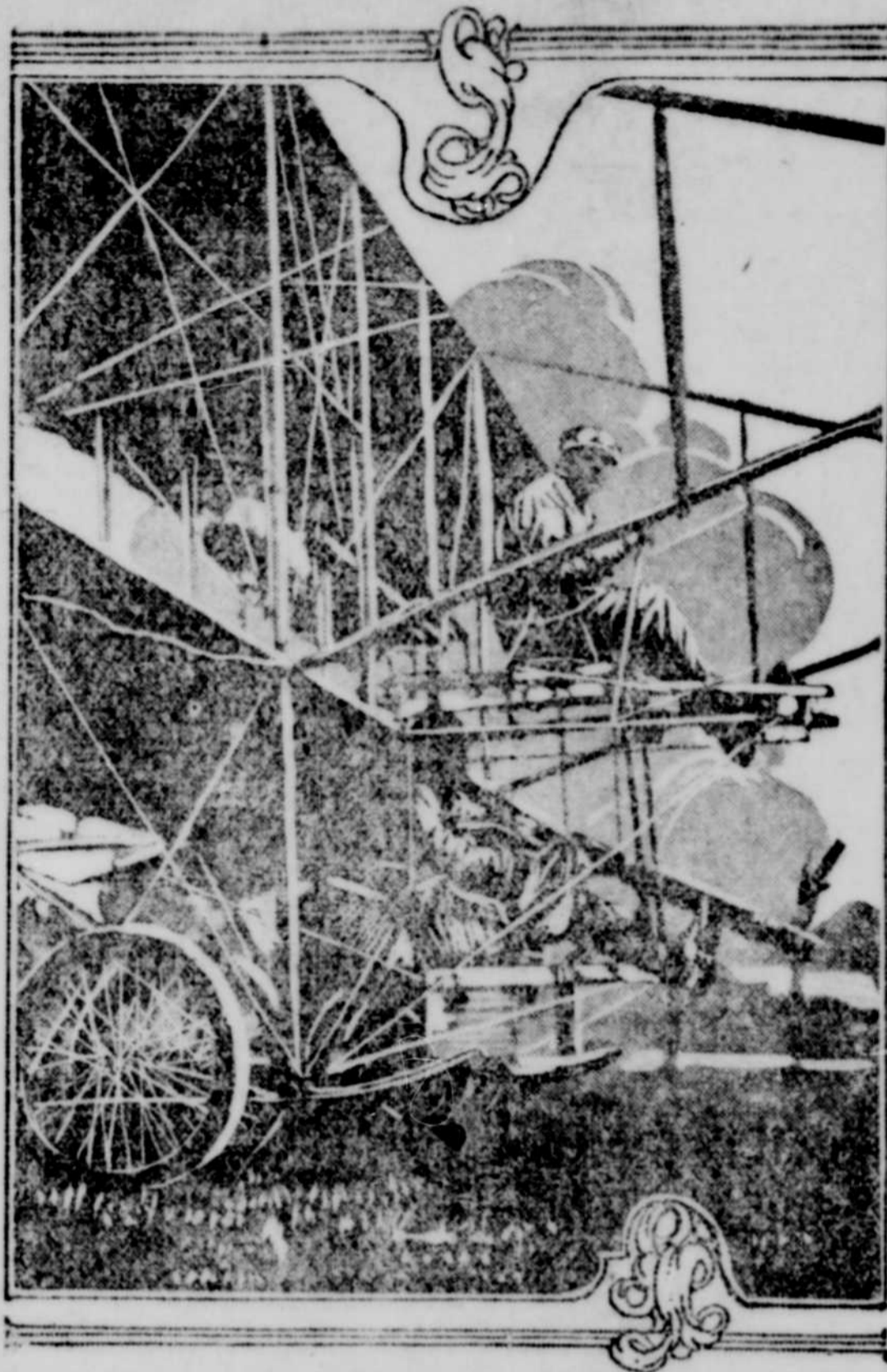


Photo by American Press Association.

The British army is greatly interested in the trials of the air cooled aeroplane machine gun invented by Colonel I. N. Lewis of the United States army and which was recently tested at Bisley. The gun, especially designed to be carried on an aeroplane, was tried out by the aviator Grahame White and a British soldier, and it was demonstrated to be thoroughly effective. The cut shows Grahame White and the gun operator ready to begin a trial trip.

TO ENFORCE THE FULL RENDITION

STATE TAX BOARD ADOPTS RESOLUTIONS TO EXERCISE ALL ITS POWERS TO SEE THAT LAW IS COMPLIED WITH.

MAY PROSECUTE

ALL UNDER ASSESSMENTS WILL BE HANDLED OVER TO ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR PROSECUTION, SAYS RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

(By Associated Press.)

Austin, Texas, Jan. 5.—The State Tax board today adopted resolutions to exercise all its powers to see that the law requiring full rendition of property and the assessment at its reasonable cash value be complied with.

The board decided that all under assessments will be turned over to the attorney general for prosecution. A copy of the resolution is being sent to all tax assessors and county judges throughout the State.

A. F. OF L. MAY CALL STRIKE OF LABOR UNIONS

(By Associated Press.)

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 5.—Charles H. Moyer was credited today with the statement that Samuel Gompers and other officials of the American Federation of Labor would meet soon in Washington to consider the advisability of calling a general strike of all labor organizations in sympathy with the Michigan copper miners.

Moyer said that any demand for a nation wide strike must be made on the American Federation of Labor.

Asked if he asked for such a strike Moyer said that considerable pressure had been brought that such a demand be made, but the Western Federation plans are not determined.

ROB ROY ON WAY

WHEN PRESIDENT WILL FIGHT TO WILSON RETURNS THE LAST DITCH

THEN WILL ACTIVITIES OF TEXANS AT WASHINGTON QUICKEN — AUSTIN MAN, T. W. GREGORY, ASSISTS ATTORNEY GENERAL.

GETS AFTER N.Y.N.H.&H.

MR. GREGORY PREPARES SUIT AGAINST LINE, BUT LOOKS LIKE CASE OF "ERRER POSSUM" COMING DOWN BEFORE DAVE SHOOT.

(Special Staff Correspondence.)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 5.—Texas activities at Washington promise to quicken with the return of President Wilson and the reassembling of Congress in mid-January. Many of the Texas Congressmen have gone home for the holidays to look over fences and visit with their constituents. Some are tarrying in Washington, among them Representative Garner.

One of the active Texas men here just now is T. W. Gregory, of Austin, who is serving as a special assistant to the Attorney General, Mr. Reynolds. He has in charge of prosecutions contemplated against the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, which has a transportation monopoly in New England. It looks now like a case of "Erreer Possum" coming down the tree before Dave Shocket shoots. Mr. Gregory has prepared his suit, but the railroad officials are pressing the department for a peaceful settlement without litigation and they probably will get it. The terms, however, must be kept in keeping with the government's demands for the dissolution of the monopoly.

Southern men at Washington say the talk of business depression is unwarranted. Officials of Southern Railway lines who met here a few days ago, reported no evidences of coming business depression in their territory, even though the speculators in New York were grumbling about hard times. Representative Garner says President Wilson's policies will be reassuring to the country. "Business interests need not be alarmed about this administration," he adds. "No harm will be done, legitimate business."

Representative Garner has recently been seeking the improvement of the telephone service at the Capitol, having introduced a resolution for an additional telephone operator there for the remainder of the session of Congress. The Capitol switchboard is as large as would be required for a town of several thousand inhabitants. It carries over 600 telephones.

The Fifteenth District Congressman has likewise presented a petition of the Port Lavaca Commercial Club. It asks for an appropriation for the Navidad and Lavaca Rivers and was referred to the Rivers and Harbors Committee, now wrestling with the annual appropriation bill. He has also presented a petition of numerous residents in his district asking legislation with regard to mail order houses.

CARDEN WILL BE TRANSFERRED

BRITISH MINISTER WHO BECAME INVOLVED WITH UNITED STATES OVER MEXICAN POLICY GOES TO BRAZIL.

CHANGE VERY SOON

WOULD HAVE BEEN MADE EARLIER, BUT FOREIGN OFFICE WOULD NOT ACT WHILE HE WAS UNDER FIRE FOR INTERVIEW.

(By Associated Press.)

London, Eng., Jan. 5.—Sir Lionel Carden, the British minister to Mexico soon will be transferred to Brazil according to an announcement today.

Charles Murray Marling, now accredited to Turkey as senior counselor in the diplomatic service, succeeds Carden. Carden's transfer would have been made earlier, but the British foreign office refused to make a change while he was under fire for his alleged interview criticizing the policy of the United States in the Mexican situation.

Egg Eaters Threaten

To Strike; Prices Go Down Quick As Result

(By Associated Press.)

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 5.—The announcement of an egg consumers' strike instigated by the Peoples' League, caused a reduction of five cents a dozen in the price of all eggs today.

FEDERALS AT OJINAGA DETERMINED TO DEFEAT ATTACKING REBELS OR FIGHT TILL EVERY MAN IS KILLED.

INTERVIEWS GIVEN OUT

FEDERAL COMMANDERS SAY THEY EVACUATED CHIHUAHUA BECAUSE THEY WERE ISOLATED—REASON FOR RETREAT.

(By Associated Press.)

Ojinaga, Mexico, Jan. 5.—All doubt as to the intention of the federals to defeat the rebels or fight until every soldier is dead was dispelled by General's Castro and Salazar in an interview today.

The federal commanders said they evacuated Chihuahua not because they wanted to cross the border, but because they were isolated there and the retreat to the United States would be induced by only some unexpected event.

The bodies of many soldiers lie unburied in the federal outer trenches.

TANK STEAMER SINKS 24 DROWN

ONLY CAPTAIN AND SEVEN MEMBERS OF CREW WERE TAKEN FROM GREAT OIL STEAMER OKLAHOMA BEFORE SHE SUNK.

FREIGHTER STANDS BY

ALTHOUGH SEVERAL VESSELS WERE NEAR ILL-FATED VESSEL, ONLY HAMBURG AMERICAN FREIGHTER ASSISTED IN RESCUE.

(By Associated Press.)

New York, N. Y., Jan. 5.—Twenty-two members of the crew of the oil tank steamer Oklahoma perished yesterday when she went down off Sandy Hook, according to wireless reports today. Eight members of the crew were saved. The Hamburg American freighter Bavaria was the only one assisting the Oklahoma.

The Bavaria wireless this morning she had been able to take off Captain Gunter and seven others of the crew of thirty, indicating twenty-two perished.

The Oklahoma, owned by the J. M. Guffey Petroleum company, left here Saturday for Port Arthur, Texas. The disaster occurred less than one hundred miles off Sandy Hook.

The Bavaria later said the Oklahoma is not sunk entirely, but is partly submerged and is drifting helplessly.

COPPER STRIKE INVESTIGATION

GOVERNOR OF MICHIGAN BEGINS INVESTIGATION INTO SITUATION AT COPPER MINES AROUND CALUMET.

BOTH SIDES DUBIOUS

NEW FIELD MAY BE OPENED LOOKING TO SETTLEMENT WHEN EMPLOYERS ARE GIVEN THEIR "LAST WORD."

(By Associated Press.)

Calumet, Mich., Jan. 5.—Another investigation of the copper strike situation, this time by Governor Morris, began today.

Mine managers and leaders of the western Federation of Miners were prepared to give all information possible, but both sides were dubious over the chances of settling the trouble.

Solicitor Deansmore asked the strikers how far they would go, and then asked the operators to meet these terms, but employers have never been asked to give their "last word," and a new field may be opened there.

WEATHER.

New Orleans, La., Jan. 5.—Coast weather: Tonight fair, frost; Tuesday, generally cloudy; warm; or with light northerly to easterly winds.