

VILLA SAYS BENTON ATTEMPTED TO KILL HIM DURING QUARREL

Official Reports Say British Ranchman Entered Rebel Camp Well Armed

ENGLAND SEEKS INFORMATION

Full Investigation Awaited Before Opinion Is Expressed at White House

Washington, D. C., Feb. 21.—White House officials stated to-day that official reports from General Villa and his friends declared William S. Benton, the British ranchman, was executed because he entered the camp of Villa armed and threatened the life of the Constitutionalist commander.

In view of this latest report there was a disposition at the White House to await a full investigation of the facts before expressing an opinion. It was also stated that Great Britain was holding in abeyance any representations pending the completion of the report on the affair by the American government.

Late official dispatches to the State Department containing Villa's version of the affair were brought to the White House, but a complete account of the killing as personally explained to Consul Edwards is on its way by mail.

Official dispatches from American consular representatives say further that Villa claims Benton came to him armed and that during the course of a long argument and quarrel Benton raised a gun to shoot, but was disarmed, and a trial by a military court followed.

Villa takes the position that a foreigner who threatened the life of a military officer is subject to no immunity or the rights ordinarily extended to noncombatants.

Cavalrymen Shoot at Mexicans in El Paso

El Paso, Texas, Feb. 21.—A squad of soldiers of Troop M, Thirtieth Cavalry, had a brush with a score or more Mexicans last night during which fifteen or twenty shots were fired, one Mexican wounded and two taken as prisoners. Captain Harry M. Cootes, of Troop M, had received word that filibusters might attempt to rush the barracks where his detachment is housed on the outskirts of the city in order to obtain arms and ammunition, and was on the watch.

Corporal Jensen first noticed the presence of the Mexicans in an alley. He called upon them to give an account of themselves and was greeted by a shot. He replied with a bullet into the crowd and was quickly reinforced by some of his comrades who also shot at the Mexicans. The latter returned a few shots and disappeared in the darkness. The troopers pursued, but all but two escaped. The wounded man escaped, but hobbled to a hospital to have his wounds treated from his leg. The incident occurred near the river in a district known as Harts Mill.

Captain Cootes was busy with his duties as provost marshal and the

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INDIAN "BOOM SESSION"

The annual "boom session" of the Harrisburg tribes of the Improved Order of Red Men will be held next Thursday evening at 8 o'clock at the City Grays' armory, Second and Foster streets. More than one thousand members will be taken into the seven local tribes. Many visiting officers will be present. Addresses will be delivered by Richard Tongue, of Philadelphia; Charles E. Pass, of this city, great senior sagamore of Pennsylvania; and Samuel Walker, of Philadelphia, junior sagamore of Pennsylvania. The delegates will be conferred by the Complanter, Octorara and the Warrior Eagle tribes.

Late News Bulletins

"WATCHFUL WAITING" A FAILURE

Washington, Feb. 21.—A telegram from R. M. Dudley, of Dudley, El Paso, Texas, to Senator Fall, declaring Benton "was murdered like a dog" was read in the Senate to-day at the request of Senator Fall. He also had read a telegram from the El Paso mass meeting. "No evidence that Benton was the aggressor," added the Dudley telegram. "Everything shows it cold-blooded murder. Watchful waiting a failure."

FELIX DIAZ REACHES NEW YORK

New York, Feb. 21.—Felix Diaz, who helped bring about the downfall of Madero, but later had to flee from Mexico for his life, arrived here to-day from Havana. He declared that he had no intention of allying himself with Carranza and Villa and declined to discuss what plans, if any, he had for regaining the power he once had in Mexico. He said he feels safer here than in Havana, and did not say when he would go to Mexico.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Feb. 21.—William Upercraft, an aged veteran of the Civil War, who recently came here from Dayton, Ohio, to see a dying brother an dwho has since been living in a shanty in a lonely part of O'Hara township, was burned to death to-day when the shanty was destroyed by fire.

Rome, Feb. 21.—Three passengers were killed and six seriously injured in a railway collision to-day near Grosseto. There were eleven Americans on one of the trains, but none of them suffered injury.

Highland Light, Mass., Feb. 21.—The Italian bark Castagna, which was wrecked on the ocean side of Cape Cod on Tuesday, with the loss of her captain and four of the crew, was torn to pieces to-day by a northeast gale and scattered along the beach for many miles.

Washington, Feb. 21.—Without any amendment whatever to limit their scope the Senate by more than a two-thirds vote to-day ratified general arbitration treaties between the United States and Great Britain, Japan, Italy, Spain, Norway, Sweden, Portugal and Switzerland.

Hiroshima Japan, Feb. 21.—A Japanese submarine attached to the protected cruiser Hirado, has been missing for three days. The naval authorities believe she has met with disaster and that all on board have been drowned. The submarine had been dispatched to search for torpedoes during practice off Kakumajima.

Hollidaysburg, Pa., Feb. 21.—John G. McGraw, a director of Hollidaysburg, Bedford and Cumberland Railroad, who was associated in the building of that line with President Rea, of the Pennsylvania Railroad, died to-day. He was 74 years old. President Rea started on his railroad career in McGraw's office here in 1870.

Philadelphia, Feb. 21.—The gunboat Sacramento was launched from the Cramp shipyard to-day. The new addition to the navy was christened by Miss Phoebe Briggs, daughter of Dr. Ellory Briggs, of Sacramento, Cal.

GRAZED SALESMAN SHOTS TWO WOMEN AND THEN HIMSELF

One Woman Dies Few Minutes After Stray Bullet Penetrates Back

MAN'S CONDITION IS SERIOUS

Carl Kinlock Jealous When He Sees Ora Griffin With Another Man

Philadelphia, Feb. 21.—Becoming suddenly frenzied through jealousy, the police say, Carl Kinlock, 38 years old, an automobile salesman, smashed breakfast dishes in a restaurant and then shot up the place, killing one waitress and seriously injuring another with whom he had been infatuated. Then he turned the revolver on himself with probably fatal effect.

The restaurant is in the heart of the retail shopping district. Kinlock was eating his breakfast when he suddenly rose and began shooting at Ora Griffin, 20, with whom he had been infatuated. A bullet struck her in the side but he kept on shooting at her as other patrons of the place and waitresses rushed for the doors or dodged behind tables. When Anna Phillips, 55, fell with a wild bullet through the back, Kinlock exclaimed: "She got all I have and I might as well go to h—l," and shot himself through the lung.

The Phillips woman, who did not know Kinlock, died in a few minutes. Kinlock made this statement to the police:

"I am a divorced man. I met this Griffin woman last summer. I saw her last night with another man. I asked her this morning to explain. She refused. She even refused to wait on me. I told her I would shoot her if she did not explain. I became crazy, I guess, when she flouted me before everybody. She ruined me, but I am all right now even if I soon will be in h—l."

PAXTONIA INN, OLD ROADHOUSE, WILL BE DRY AFTER MARCH 1

Application Withdrawn Before Remonstrance Hearing Began This Morning

Paxtonia Inn will be "dry" during 1914. That the bar at that well-known roadhouse hostelry will be closed after March 1 was assured at to-day's session of Dauphin county license court by the withdrawal of James Wix' application for re-licensing.

Charges that liquors had been sold to inebriate patrons and to minors were filed to serve as remonstrances against the re-licensing of the place. The withdrawal of the application however was rather unexpected. Several of the pretty girl witnesses who had been interested spectators throughout the session of license court left the courtroom immediately after the withdrawal and this led to the report that they were to have figured as witnesses.

The withdrawal of the Paxtonia Inn application, the conclusion of the hearing of the Keystone hotel remonstrances at Halifax, and some rather startling disclosures as to the conduct of the Haefert House, the Derry township roadhouse, conducted by

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ASK SCHOOL BOARD TO BOOST APPROPRIATION FOR PUBLIC LIBRARY

Say Maintenance Fund Should Be Increased From Three to Five Thousand a Year

BOOKS NEEDED FOR CHILDREN

May Establish System of Mouth Hygiene Following Investigation of Committee

Harrisburg's school authorities were last night asked to aid the educational work which the new Harrisburg public library is doing by increasing the annual appropriation for the maintenance of the library from \$3,000 to \$5,000.

Facts and figures showing that since the library began its free book service on January 3, over 18,500 books had been circulated and that the cost per book was so low as in any library in the United States were submitted and a committee consisting of Directors William A. Boll, A. D. Houtz and William N. Yates was named to confer with the trustees, who will present a complete statement of the cost of operation which can now be ascertained since the library has passed its first month.

The unexpectedly large operations of the library were submitted by a committee of the trustees consisting of Arthur D. Bacon, chairman; D. Bailey Brandt and A. Boyd Hamilton, Casper Dull, president of the trustees, also being present. Messrs. Bacon and Hamilton submitted the situation, going into the details of the cost of operation and the fine results obtained, notably in the children's department, which has been patronized beyond what was planned.

Good Work Being Done

The statement submitted showed the following: "In January 11,888 books were circulated and in February to the 19th, inclusive 6,730. The number of children taking out books in January was

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FORRER NOT TO BE DISMISSED AFTER ALL, RUMOR HAS IT

Taylor Declines to Discuss Report; So Does Commissioner Lynch

Rumors were again current in municipal offices to-day to the effect that V. Grant Forrer, park superintendent, may not be dismissed after all.

Commissioner M. Harvey Taylor, the head of the parks and public property department, declined to comment on the report. Commissioner W. H. Lynch also declined to talk on the subject.

The resolution in question is due to be passed upon finally Tuesday, to become effective March 1, unless amended.

Commissioner Taylor has declared he means to extend Forrer's time until April 1. The resolution to be proposed City Planning ordinance ample time for hearing and discussion. The plan suggested is to make J. R. Hoffert, assistant park commissioner, engineer for the commission. In this event Hoffert could hardly be retained to fill Forrer's position as had been announced. This would make Forrer's retention possible, as Mr. Taylor has repeatedly said that there is nothing personal back of the removal—merely a desire to economize.

Whether or not there will be any changes in the resolution which will provide for the retention of some of the men slated to be dropped by Commissioner Lynch wouldn't say. "I don't know what will be done," said he.

Call For Forrer's Retention

Resolutions asking Council to retain Forrer were adopted last evening by members of the Harrisburg Track Athletic Committee. Monday evening Churches will meet in special session to adopt similar resolutions, and the

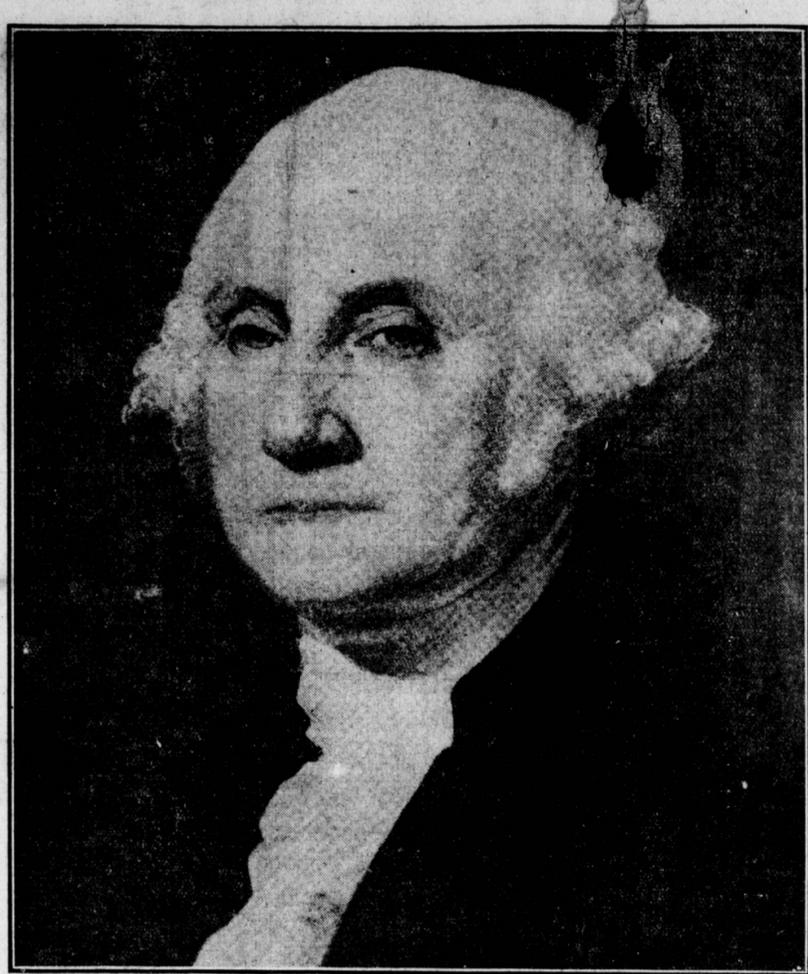
Post Office Athletic Association will adopt resolutions on Monday. This organization comprises 130 mail carriers. The resolutions will be sent to Council. The track athletic committee did not meet in the park board offices, as had been announced, Super-

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Charters Are Issued to Fifteen Companies

State charters were issued to-day to these Philadelphia corporations: United States Hardware Manufacturing Company, capital \$5,000; Atkinson Co., Inc., livery, capital \$5,000; Insurance Service Company, capital \$50,000; Ann Thorpe Company, real estate, capital \$30,000; Central Dairy Company, capital \$10,000; Fraternal Enterprise Association, Realty, capital \$20,000; Federal Brokerage Company, capital \$5,000; Jacoby Company, merchandise, capital \$50,000; Thompson, Zeigler & Leiman, woollens, capital \$10,000.

Other charters issued were: Arcade Amusement Company, Mount Carmel, capital \$5,000; Atwood Silk Company, Plymouth, capital \$100,000; Brown's Boot Shop, DuBois, capital \$40,000; Fibre Specialty Manufacturing Company, trunks, etc., Kennett Square, capital \$75,000; Lehigh Valley Amusement Company, Easton, capital \$5,000; Moulton Coal Company, Scranton, capital \$20,000.



THE FATHER OF HIS COUNTRY

WASHINGTON—THE MAN

God made him man! What right have we To lift him to idolatry? He had his faults although the years Have washed away their trace in tears.

God made him human! We re-make His memory for history's sake, A thing too perfect. For to be Much overpraised is mockery.

God made him kind! Ah, therein lies The power of him. Stronger ties Did never friend and foe unite Or deeper confidence invite.

God made him wise! A nation grew Upon that wisdom. Yet he knew His own shortcomings. Why should we Exalt him to idolatry?

—ANNA H. WOOD. Written for the Telegraph.

1,300 MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN PUT TO DEATH IN CHINA

Bandits, Led by "White Wolf," Murder Missionary and Hold Persons For Ransom

Peking, Feb. 21.—The bandits led by "White Wolf" massacred 1,300 men, women and children when they sacked Lian-Chow, province of Ngan-Hwei, on January 29. On that occasion they murdered Father Rich, a French Jesuit missionary, and captured and held two other foreigners for ransom.

An army of 25,000 Chinese troops is now converging on "White Wolf's" strongly entrenched position in the vicinity of Cheng Yang-Kwan, further to the north in the same province. "White Wolf" has a force of 2,000 bandits, half of whom are armed with modern rifles.

Dr. Surface Is Again Head of Bee-Keepers

Dr. H. A. Surface, State Zoologist, was elected president of the Pennsylvania State Bee Keepers' Association to-day for the tenth time at the close of the tenth annual convention of the association, H. C. Kilinger, of Liverpool, being re-elected secretary and treasurer for the eighth time. E. A. Weimer, Lebanon; Mrs. L. Weaver, Philadelphia, and R. L. Coons, Coatesburg, were elected vice-presidents.

During the day G. H. Rea, Reynolds, State apary inspectors, reported in detail on the inspection work, showing how the disease known as foul brood was spreading and stating that of 365 cases found 226 had been cured and 34 hives destroyed.

Dr. E. A. Phillips, of the Bureau of Entomology, Washington, was the principal speaker, advocating renewed activity to prevent spread of diseases which are threatening many valuable colonies of bees.

POSSES ON TRAIL OF TRAIN ROBBERS WHO KILLED THREE MEN

After Robbing Passengers on Great Northern Train, Bandits Start For Water Front

ESCAPE AS TRAIN SLOWS DOWN

Automatic Revolver Is Emptied Into Body of One of the Dead Men

Bellingham, Wash., Feb. 21.—A trail leading along the water front to a boat landing was the clue followed to-day by posses from two counties seeking the three bandits who shot three passengers to death on a northbound Great Northern train near here late last night.

The bodies of the dead were taken to their homes. They were: Thomas S. Wadsworth, Vancouver, B. C., Canadian Pacific Railroad conductor.

R. L. Lee, Bremerton, Wash., time clerk, Puget Sound navy yard. His parents live in Ackerland, Kan.

H. E. Adkins, Vancouver, B. C., traveling salesman.

The bandits boarded the train at Burlington, a few miles south of here, and passed from the smoking car into the day coach, wearing white handkerchiefs over their faces. One stood on the platform of the day coach, a second stepped just inside and a third walked the length of the car. As the robber started to lock the door the three men sprang at him. While he shot them down the robber at the other end of the car began shooting out the lights. His companion emptied an automatic pistol into Lee's body and then ran the length of the car, snatching as he ran purses offered by frightened passengers. The train slowed down in response to a pull at the bell cord and the three disappeared.

Murders Wife and Then Tells Sanatorium Clerk

Danville, N. C., Feb. 21.—Simon G. Cooney, of Bradford, Pa., killed his wife at a sanatorium here to-day, Cooney, unperturbed, announced the fact to the clerk. Investigation resulted in the finding of Mrs. Cooney's body in the room assigned to her couple on their arrival last night. She had been hit on the head with a pitcher and then choked.

Mr. and Mrs. Cooney arrived here last night, the wife stating that her husband was ill and that she had brought him to the sanatorium for treatment. Examination to-day by Dr. Arthur Jackson, head of the sanatorium, indicated that Mr. Cooney was suffering from acute mania. Cooney is 45 and his wife about 40.

PAPER OF 1800 TELLS HOW FATHER OF HIS COUNTRY WAS BURIED

Multitude Assembled at Mt. Vernon to Pay Last Tribute to Chief

The deep grief which flooded the country at the death of George Washington is pictured in a newspaper of January 4, 1800, on exhibition to-day in a window of H. Marks' store, Fourth and Market streets.

This newspaper, published in Kingston, Ulster county, New York, is attracting much attention. The inside pages (there are only four) are lined in black and an original poem "by a young lady" is published beside the story of the funeral.

Washington was buried at his Mt. Vernon home on December 17, 1799. The newspaper, published 500 miles from Mt. Vernon, tells of the funeral under a date line of "George Town, December 20."

Here is what the writer of those days saw at the funeral: "On Wednesday last, the mortal part of Washington—the Great—the Father of his Country and the Friend of man, was consigned to the tomb with solemn honors and funeral pomp.

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Washington Hose Co. Celebrates Anniversary

The good work performed by the Washington Hose Company No. 4, and the best wishes for continued success, came last night from Mayor John K. Royal and others, who spoke at the seventy-third anniversary banquet of the company at Hotel Dauphin.

George Kennedy, president of the company, opened the banquet with a timely address. The speakers were Mayor John K. Royal, Assistant Fire Chief Charles F. Spicer, treasurer of the company; Charles E. Ripper, secretary of the company; William L. Jauss, Captain Harry Leong, Robert Free, Anthony Kramer and Wellington G. Jones.

Anti-American Attacks in Mexico Must Cease

Mexico City, Feb. 21.—Ignacio Alcocer, minister of the interior, last night notified all the newspapers that anti-American attacks by them must cease. The minister also said that "Master Lind," a new weekly newspaper which was wholly devoted to attacking Americans, would be suppressed.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair, continued cold to-night with lowest temperature about 15 degrees. Sunday fair and warmer.

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to-night with a few showers and moderate southwest winds.

No important changes will occur in the river stages or ice conditions.

General Conditions: The South Atlantic coast storm has moved off northeastward along the Atlantic coast. It caused a heavy snowfall of 8 to 12 inches at Hatteras, heavy snow in Southern Virginia and heavy rain in the Carolinas and Georgia and light rains in Northern Florida.

It is 8 to 22 degrees colder in the West than in the East, and 10 to 15 degrees colder in Eastern Tennessee, Western Texas and New Mexico.

Temperature: 8 a. m., 12 2 p. m., 21. Sun: Rises, 6:47 a. m.; sets, 5:42 p. m.

Moon: New moon, February 24, 7:02 a. m.

River: Stages: 3.1 feet above low water mark.

Yesterday's Weather: Highest temperature, 28. Lowest temperature, 21. Mean temperature, 24. Normal temperature, 31.

This Town's Best Salesman

No merchant or manufacturer with an honorable proposition to put to the people of this town can find a better salesman than the advertising columns of this newspaper.

It is a daily visitor into the homes of this city and has the confidence in it. Many of them regard it in the light of an intimate personal friend.

They believe, and properly, that it would not introduce them to anyone not worthy of a hearing. They turn to its advertising when they are in need because they are finding it profitable to do so.

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