

## NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST

NEWS THAT IS NEWS, WHEN IT IS NEWS, FOR ALL.

## FROM EVERY CORNER OF THE LAND

Happenings the Wide World Over of Important Events Condensed to Good Reading.

### WASHINGTON NEWS

The strongly belligerent spirit manifested among a considerable group in congress, headed by prominent democrats, has been toned for the time being by the mediation negotiations for the solution of the Mexican problem undertaken by the three great South American governments—Argentina, Brazil and Chile. Leaders of these elements had claimed among themselves that at least one hundred members had expressed themselves in favor of more aggressive action toward Mexico.

George Pinsett of Philadelphia, the seaman on the Florida killed at Vera Cruz, Mexico, Tuesday, was eulogized in the house Saturday as the "Worth Hagley of the Mexican trouble" by Representative Moore of Pennsylvania.

The volunteer army bill, to which the president would resort to augment the land forces of the United States in case of war, received final approval of both houses of congress Friday, was signed by Speaker Clark and President Pro Tem Clarke of the senate.

Representative Henry of Texas introduced a bill directing the secretary of war to make a survey of the Brazos river in Texas, with a view of navigation and flood control.

The senate Thursday passed the horse bill appropriating \$500,000 to care for postmasters.

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President Wilson signed the joint resolution passed by the house and senate authorizing him to use armed force to uphold the dignity and honor of the United States at 2:05 Wednesday afternoon.

### STATE AND DOMESTIC NEWS

Motor boats will race over the longest course ever laid out for craft of their class when they start from New York in 1915 to reach San Francisco by way of the Panama canal for the \$100,000 in prizes, the authorization of which was recently announced by the Panama-Pacific Exposition. The start of the race will be at the exposition grounds when the motor boat regatta to be held in October is in progress.

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The Noss Mills Company will bring 150 families, principally from Holland, and settle them on its lands in Hardin county, Texas. An inland steam agent called from Galveston the past week for Holland, and he expects to return about August.

Chester H. Terrell, speaker of the lower house of the Texas legislature and until recently a candidate for the governorship of Texas, and John Francis Archer, "the blind orator," have announced their candidacy for congress.

Labor organizations of California are dissatisfied with the alien land act, claiming that it is not strong enough.

With a burst of patriotic feeling such as occurs only when a nation is on the verge of war, the Fiesta San Jacinto, San Antonio's spring carnival came to a close Saturday night after a week of festivities that drew thousands of visitors from all over the Southwest.

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Among the correspondents sailing from Galveston Friday with the Fifth Brigade for Vera Cruz was Colonel Frank P. Holland of Dallas, editor of Farm and Ranch.

Mrs. A. V. Lane of Texas was elected president of the Daughters of the American Revolution, at their meeting in Washington a few days ago.

Within a stone's throw of the Rio Grande, the United States and Mexican border, a regiment of the Texas National Guard and two squadrons of United States cavalry are now encamped.

British subjects in Mexico were warned Friday to leave immediately. The warning came from the British ambassador, Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, at Washington, to H. C. Miles, British consul at El Paso, Texas, who at once wired to consul in Mexico, Alexander Britton in Mexico.

Acting upon the advice of Hon. Ed S. Koss, state commissioner of agriculture and C. C. French, secretary of the Southwestern Boys' and Girls' Club, the Texas Industrial Congress has extended the conditions governing its offer of stock to include all members of the baby beef and Lamb club of the state. Entering the stock classes of the congress will require the members of these clubs to enroll their names and to keep cost records on feeding.

By way of bringing the work of the Beaumont export station more interesting to the farmers of Jefferson County, a permanent exhibit of the products of the station is to be fitted up and maintained there.

The navy department has arranged to bring to the United States a number of sailors or marines from Vera Cruz and either forward them to relatives or make final arrangements for national emigration, as the families desire. All expenses of transportation are being borne by the United States.

Dallas was chosen as the next convention city of the Southwestern Retail Saddle and Harness Dealers' Association at the final session of that organization's annual meeting, held at San Antonio Friday.

Colonel Thomas H. Ball, prohibition candidate for governor of Texas, is expected to visit Dallas at the end of the week.

Monday, addresses commemorative of the battle of San Jacinto, of which Tuesday was the seventy-eighth anniversary, and reading chapter reports completed the program rendered to the first session of the thirty-third annual convention of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, which opened in San Antonio, Texas, Tuesday.

On a 20-acre tract two miles below the town of Comfort, Texas, on the picturesque Guadalupe river, the Texas Order of Herman's Sons will begin construction on July 1 of a home for the aged and orphans.

San Phillips, a trapper, in the past eight days has trapped twenty-one snakes in the southwest part of Llano county, Texas. The stockmen and ranchmen of the county pay \$5 bounty a scalp in addition to the \$5 bounty paid by the county.

## NATIONAL EDITORIAL ASSOCIATION

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Other officers elected were: W. R. Hodges of Sleepy Eye, Minn., treasurer; George D. Schlosser of South Dakota, secretary, and the following members of the executive committee: Senator T. W. Perkins, John C. Oswald, Frank Roderus, H. C. Hotelling, William M. Glenn and Homer Harwood.

The legislative committee was appointed as follows: Will H. Mayes, chairman; J. B. Sherrill, A. B. Moffett, Sheridan Plouffe, H. A. Cassel, Captain Sheehan and Edward Albright.

"It has been a pleasure and a privilege to act as head of this association," said John Clyde Oswald, the retiring president, just before he handed the gavel to Mr. Hosmer. "Hearty co-operation has been given me by the members whenever I called upon them for aid."

"I trust that the same co-operation will be accorded me during my administration as has been accorded Mr. Oswald," said Mr. Hosmer. "I expect to make this year a record-breaking one, and to do this I require the aid of every member."

The selection of California as the location of the next convention was made after considerable argument, although the only city besides San Francisco making a fight for the convention was New Orleans, represented by Colonel Dymond. California was proposed by Mr. Baumgartner. Letters were received from Baltimore, Detroit, New York, St. Louis and Nashville, urging their respective claims.

Talks in favor of holding the 1916 convention in the East, preferably New York, were made by President Oswald and John R. Young. It was pointed out that for several years the conventions had been held west of the Mississippi, and that it was no more than fair that the East, where the greater portion of the editors resided, should have the convention brought nearer to them.

Delegates from California and Pennsylvania approved the ideas expressed by the men from the East. Delegates say it is almost assured that the 1916 convention will be held in New York.

The committee on resolutions introduced a resolution which was passed by the editors, advising the Audit bill, a measure to allow private printers to print stamped envelopes, and not allow the government the exclusive privilege.

A deficit in the treasury of the association was shown by the report of the auditing committee, composed of J. Ross Woodring, Frank Roderus and Edward H. Fox. The receipts for the year were shown to have been \$1,059.66 and the disbursements \$1,225.10, leaving a deficit of \$175.44. It was the opinion of the committee that the deficit could easily be overcome during the ensuing year. Much business was transacted at the three-day meeting.

Forty Teachers Named. Port Arthur, Tex.—The school board, in session Wednesday, reappointed forty teachers in the city schools for the next year.

The Houston Chamber of Commerce gave a complimentary banquet to the editors and their wives at the Hotel Grand Saturday night. Editor Odell Lovett of the Rice Institute acted as

toastmaster. Galveston, Sugarland, San Marcos, San Antonio, Georgetown, Temple, Waco, Fort Worth, Wichita Falls and Dallas will be the cities visited on the circle tour of Texas.

Bryan Denies He Will Resign. Washington.—Secretary Bryan Saturday denied widespread and persistent reports that he would resign from the cabinet. When informed of published reports that he would resign, he said: "The subject of my resignation has never been discussed with anybody nor thought of by me."

Judgment by Agreement. Austin, Tex.—Judgment by agreement was Wednesday entered in the twenty-sixth district court in the case of the State vs. the Farmers and Merchants Cotton Oil Manufacturing Company of Mount Pleasant, whereby the defendant is to pay the state penalties in the sum of \$900 and is to be perpetually restrained from taking part in an alleged combination to fix the price of cotton seed.

Highway Bond Issue Carries. San Marcos, Tex.—The \$100,000 bond issue, a part of which is to be applied on the National Post highway between Austin and San Antonio, the remainder for good roads throughout Hays County, was carried by 8 to 1.

For Texas Postmasters. Washington.—Texas postmasters sent to the senate Tuesday for confirmation are: L. V. Vanek, LaGrange; C. A. Lawler, Jacksonville; R. C. Dial, Greenville; J. N. Falls, Clinton; A. J. Pace, Com.

WAGNER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE RATES. Commissioner Collier Willing to Approve Rates Which Are 6 Per Cent Higher Than Proposed.

Austin, Tex.—Insurance Commissioner Collier announced his decision Friday on the question of workmen's compensation insurance rates, and suggests that he will approve rates about 6 per cent higher than the proposed rates of the Texas Employers' Insurance Association, but will permit a scheme of merit rating to be applied thereto under which a maximum credit or deduction of 20 per cent may be made from these rates. The proposed rates of the Texas Employers' Insurance Association did not have in contemplation any deduction on account of accident prevention work done by the employers. Commissioner Collier's rates, therefore, will enable those who adopt reasonable rules for the prevention of injuries to their employees to get lower rates even than those proposed by the association.

It is said that the result of these rates and the accident prevention reductions will reduce the present rates to employers in this State at least 10 per cent, and this means more than \$100,000 in actual saving, since the premiums on employers' liability and workmen's compensation insurance in this State total \$1,000,000. The rates have been before the insurance department since December 1, when the association filed its general schedule. Hearings have been held and witnesses summoned from New York as well as Texas. The testimony covers hundreds of pages of typewritten matter besides countless pamphlets and documents and a great mass of statistics compiled from many sources. The investigation has not only been thorough, but the conclusion reached only after mature deliberation, and after having given all parties to the controversy an opportunity to be heard.

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## HUERTA'S "NAVY" DIDN'T KNOW OF WAR

MEXICAN GUNBOAT PROGRESO STEAMED TO THE HARBOR MOUTH AT VERA CRUZ.

## ADMIRAL ISSUES PROCLAMATION

The Vessel Was Allowed to Put to Sea After Being Boarded by a Member of Rear Admiral Badger's Staff.

Vera Cruz.—The Mexican gunboat Progreso with more than 500 soldiers aboard steamed to the harbor mouth Friday, but no further. The commander of the Progreso had not heard that the Americans were in possession of the city.

The Progreso was hailed by the flagship and boarded by Lieutenant Byron McCandless of Rear Admiral Badger's staff, who informed the commander that he had the choice of remaining under the guns and searching for the flag or putting out to sea. He was informed that the United States was not at war with Mexico, but that the presence of Mexican gunboats and soldiers at Vera Cruz was not desirable.

When Lieutenant McCandless reached the Progreso he asked that a gangway be lowered, but this was refused and he jumped for the side of the vessel and clambered aboard. The interview was brief and ended by the Mexican gunboat putting to sea.

The Progreso came from the south, probably from Frontera. The captain of the Mexican steamer Tehuantepec and a government fireboat in the harbor were also boarded by the Americans and they were "detained."

The Tehuantepec carried a detachment of 20 regulars, in charge of 25 prisoners detained for service in the Mexican army. The two vessels anchored near the deserted Mexican training ship Zaragoza, which was in the harbor when the port was taken. The Tehuantepec and the fireboat came from Frontera. The former carried 12 American passengers, who were taken off in launches and put aboard the battleships.

The most spirited action of Thursday was the taking of the Loyal Army. Aside from that fight there was no definite organized opposition. A fire was poured into the Americans, advancing from the naval academy, but a few well directed shots from the cruiser Chester, San Francisco and Prairie's long ranging holes in the stone walls and silenced the rifle fight of the Mexicans inside. The blue jackets then were enabled to proceed with the task they had in hand.

A squad of soldiers, despite the shelling it had received, continued to give considerable trouble to the Americans from the battered Benito Lopez tower.

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this port are invited to continue in the discharge of their offices as they have done up to the present.

"The military authorities will not intervene in civil and administrative affairs so long as good order and peace in the town are not impaired. "All peaceful citizens may continue in their usual occupations, certain that they will be protected.

"The commander signing gives assurance that there will be no interference with the civil authorities except in cases of absolute necessity, and guided always by the observance of the law and order.

"The taxes due and the use of them will continue being made in the same form as up to the present time and in conformity with law.

"Rear Admiral F. F. Fletcher."

Bell Road Bonds Are Sold. Temple, Tex.—With the satisfactory sale of \$600,000 in good road bonds recently voted, the Bell County commissioners court expects to have all in readiness to advertise for bids for the construction of ninety miles of country road in road district No. 5, of which Temple is the hub.

Grain Rates Cancelled. Washington.—An increase of 2½ cents a hundred pounds on wheat and grain products from points in Oklahoma to Memphis, Tenn., for beyond, was held by the Interstate Commerce commission to be unjustified by the investigation and the advance was ordered cancelled.

Poultry and Egg Demonstration Train

The United States Government Will Demonstrate Proper Way of Cooling and Packing Eggs.

Washington.—To aid Texas poultry producers and shippers to get their produce out of the state in perfect condition, the United States department of agriculture is sending its poultry and egg refrigeration car on a demonstration trip to Texas poultry and egg shipping towns. The car will begin its tour at Temple Monday, May 4. The itinerary for the first ten days is as follows:

Temple, Monday, May 4; Waco, Tuesday, May 5; Hico, Wednesday afternoon, May 6; and Thursday morning, May 7; Dublin, Friday, May 8; Greenville, Monday, May 11; Denison, Tuesday, May 12; Gainesville, Wednesday, May 13; Wichita Falls, Thursday, May 14.

The car, which is in charge of two government specialists in handling poultry and eggs, is a complete refrigerating laboratory on wheels. It contains two chilling rooms—one for preliminary chilling of warm eggs or poultry and a second room in which to hold the chilled stock. The reason for the two rooms is that if warm poultry is introduced into the refrigerating room it will cause the poultry already chilled to sweat. The car has its own gasoline engine for running the refrigerating blowers and for generating the electric lights used in the road rooms.

The engine drives a fan, the shaft of which pulls air through the false walls and dampers of the car and forces this fresh air through a large bunker of ice and salt. In thirty minutes the blower will reduce the temperature of the cold room to 32 degrees. It will chill eggs to 40 degrees inside of twenty-four hours.

New Truck Train Established. San Benito, Tex.—To better facilitate the shipment of truck from its territory the San Benito and Rio Grande Valley Railroad Company has scheduled a three-trip per day service on its Rio Hondo division running east of San Benito.

Tin Can Hearing Date Set. Austin, Tex.—The railroad commission Saturday gave notice of hearing for May 12 to consider the matter of reducing all minimum weights on tin cans, carloads, to 2,000 pounds.

## GROCERY SPECIAL

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## \$5.00 CASH OR PRODUCE

24 lbs. Rice	.....	\$1.00
20 lbs. Sugar	.....	1.00
5 lbs. Coffee	.....	1.00
7 bars Soap	.....	.25
7 boxes Washing Powder	.....	.25
5 cans Salmon	.....	.50
3 lbs. Baking Powder	.....	.25
3 cans Tomatoes or Corn	.....	.25
5 gals. Extra Headlight Oil	.....	.50

\$5.00

Gasoline, per gallon, 15c.

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