

REBELS BEGIN ATTACK ON TAMPICO

Tidings of Battle Come As Surprise, As General Belief Was That Federals Would Evacuate at First Approach of Attacking Force—Fighting Reported Heavy.

Reports of Heavy Losses Confirmed

General Carranza Sends Letter to Member of International Peace Forum—Expresses Admiration For Americans and High Regard for President Wilson.

LA CRUZ, Mexico, April 7.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—Canada received wireless yesterday that heavy fighting between rebels and the federal forces began yesterday in outskirts of Tampico.

Messages were in the nature of a surprise as it was generally believed here that the Huerta forces holding the city would not give battle to the overwhelming rebel army and would evacuate the city at the first approach of the attacking forces. In fact, word to this effect had been sent to this city by the federal leader.

That Tampico is certain to fall in the hands of the rebels without a great struggle is the consensus of opinion here. Besides being greatly outnumbered and having few heavy guns to put up a defense, the federals have been greatly weakened by sickness brought on by the "Spanish" conditions resulting from frequent cutting off of the water supply by the rebels.

HEAVY LOSSES ARE REPORTED AT TORREON

JUAREZ, Mexico, April 7.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—Americas Consul Carothers returned here yesterday with General Villa to assist in negotiations looking to the welfare of the eight hundred Spaniards whom Villa has ordered deported from Mexico and who will be compelled to seek refuge in the United States, crossing the line from here into El Paso. Carothers declares that in the fighting at Torreon the rebel loss was 600 killed and 1400 wounded. The federal loss is unknown with any degree of accuracy, because of hundreds of bodies having been turned during the progress of the siege, but it is stated the 1 sees will run into many hundreds. Eight hundred wounded were found in hospitals when the city was taken.

CARRANZA ADMIRES AMERICANS DEEPLY

EL PASO, Texas, April 7.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—General Carranza, directing head of the Constitutionalists, in a carefully worded communication to Dr. Henry Tupper of the International Peace Forum, said yesterday that he possessed the deepest admiration for Americans and that he held President Wilson in great personal esteem. He declared his policy is to strengthen relations with all foreign governments.

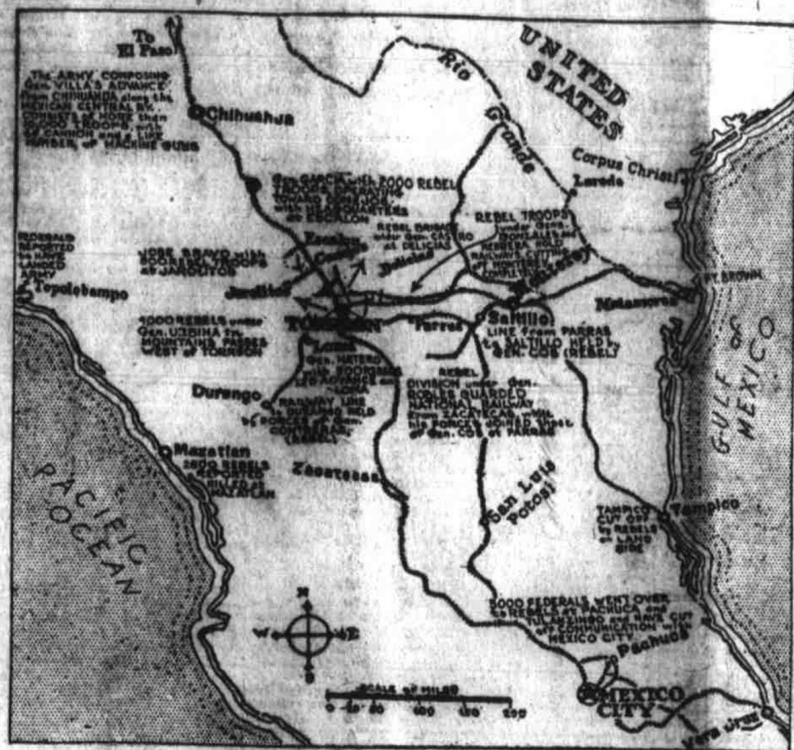
COURT DENIES FREEDOM TO MEXICAN REFUGEES

FORT WORTH, Texas, April 6.—(Associated Press Cable)—The United States district court today refused to allow habeas corpus action brought for the liberation of 3000 Mexicans who fled from the Presidio here.

ROCKEFELLER BIG OWNER IN COLORADO COAL MINES

WASHINGTON, April 6.—(Associated Press Cable)—John D. Rockefeller, Jr., today stated before the House committee that his father owns about 40 per cent of the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company, which is the central figure in the present Colorado industrial strife. He denied the contention that he is a dummy director of the corporation, although admitting that he delegated all investigations to subordinates. He affirmed the contention of the strikers that the employees have a sacred right to determine whether they shall belong to unions and estimated that in the neighborhood of 90 per cent of the employees of the company were unaffiliated with any labor organization.

Diagram Showing Movements of Troops Prior to Battle at Torreon



LOWER FREIGHT RATES EXPECTED

Hawaiian Sugar Men Expect to Reap Benefit as Result of Panama Canal Opening.

The opening of the Panama Canal to commercial use should reduce freight rates on Hawaiian sugars to Atlantic ports. Manager A. M. Nowell of the Sugar Factors Company stated yesterday that by way of Panama there will be an increase of only three days in the steaming time. Direct shipment will also obviate the delays due to the laying up of steamers at San Juan Cruz and Puerto, Mexico, while transshipping, virtually reducing the time to New York.

The last number of Shipping Illustrated, treats editorially of the proposed plan of the International Shipping Federation to lay up all its steamers for thirty days from April 1. This steamship trust owns or controls hundreds of tramp boats and liners of foreign register. The allegation is made that the shipping trust finds itself compelled to withdraw their vessels because of unsatisfactory business and paucity of capital for operating expenses.

INVITE PUBLICITY FOR TOLLS REPEAL DISCUSSION

WASHINGTON, April 7.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—The senate committee on interoceanic canals decided yesterday to invite publicity in regard to the bill for the repeal of the clause of the Panama Canal Act exempting American coastwise shipping from paying tolls for passing through the canal. The bill favoring the repeal of the clause recently passed the house and it is now up to the senate for decision.

KIYOURA WILL RESIGN AS JAPANESE PREMIER

TOKIO, Japan, April 7.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—It was announced yesterday that Viscount Kiyoura, recently named premier by the Emperor, failing to find suitable men to accept the portfolios of the new ministry, will resign the premiership.

FIRST RETURNS SHOW UNDERWOOD LEADING HOBSON FOR SENATE

HONOLULU, Hawaii, April 7.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—The first scattered returns from the primary election held today by the Democrats to nominate a candidate for the United States senate, the contestants being Oscar W. Underwood and Richard Pearson Hobson, gave Underwood a substantial lead over Hobson. Each of the contestants is now a member of the lower house and the campaign was one of the most acrimonious in the history of the State.

MOTHER TIES CHILD IN HAMMOCK; FINDS IT STRANGLED TO DEATH

An unnamed eight-months-old child, the son of Mrs. Ito, a Japanese woman living at the corner of Wilder and Metcalf streets, was strangled to death yesterday afternoon while asleep in a hammock. The mother found it necessary to make a purchase in a store near by and before leaving tied the child in the hammock. Upon her return ten minutes later, the child was found hanging half out of the hammock with the sash with which he had been tied in the hammock tightly pulled about his neck.

NINE MEN, WORKING 90 FEET UNDER WATER, KILLED

MEMPHIS, Tennessee, April 6.—(Associated Press Cable)—Nine caisson workers were killed here today while working ninety feet below the surface of the Mississippi river. An explosion of gas was responsible for the accident causing the deaths. The men were employed in laying the foundation for a new bridge to span the big river.

SUFFRAGE RESOLUTION INTRODUCED IN HOUSE

WASHINGTON, April 7.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—Representative Palmer of Pennsylvania introduced in the house yesterday a joint resolution proposing woman suffrage as a constitutional amendment similar to the resolution now pending in the senate.

OAHU ROAD PLANS FOUR-MILE SPUR

Proposed Line Will Serve Ranches on High Lands in Vicinity of Pearl City.

By building a branch from its Wahiawa line up Waikakalana gulch, the Oahu Railway and Land Company plans to furnish transportation facilities which have long been sought by pineapple producers and canners on the high lands in the vicinity of Pearl City. Surveys for the proposed branch have been made and President Dillingham said last night that the company expected to begin construction work soon. The cost of the branch will be between \$40,000 and \$50,000.

Leaving the Wahiawa line where Waikakalana and Kipapa gulches converge the route as surveyed runs up the latter gulch four miles to a point about a half mile above the government road to Wahiawa. The railway would serve a number of adjacent ranches, including the lands of the John H. estate and other smaller tracts whose development has been retarded by lack of transportation facilities.

NAVY OFFICERS RESENT PROHIBITION OF LIQUOR

WASHINGTON, April 6.—(Associated Press Cable)—Navy officers generally are hostile to the announcement made by Secretary of the Navy Daniels abolishing the wine mess. Daniels defends his action and backs it up with the statement that it is simply applying the same regulation to the officers which at present governs the enlisted men.

BECOMES ILL ON STREET

Private E. F. Gunter of the Second Infantry, at Fort Shafter, was taken to the Queen's Hospital last night at ten-five o'clock by Policeman Samuels.

House of Commons Defeats Amendment to Reject Home Rule

Speeches Are More Conciliatory On Subject Than in Former Years.

LONDON, April 7.—(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)—By a majority of eighty, the house of commons last night defeated the amendment for the rejection of the home rule bill. Without division the bill was given reading for the third time. At the second reading the speeches were more conciliatory in tone than in former years.

John E. Redmond again held out the olive branch to Ulster, but insisted that it was impossible for him and his colleagues to agree to the permanent exclusion of Ulster and to stand on principle "Ireland as a nation." Andrew Bonar Law, the opposition leader, though predicting that a civil war was certain if the Home Rule Bill was pushed through, asserted that the Unionists would gladly accept a proposal for the renewal of conversation with government leaders.

COUNTY OF MAUI SEEKING A LOAN

Conference Held With Governor; Investigation to Be Made By Territorial Secretary.

Matters in connection with a proposed loan for public improvements to be made by the County of Maui were under discussion yesterday afternoon between representatives of the county and Governor Pinkham. The conference lasted two hours and when all things had been considered Governor Pinkham instructed Attorney General Thayer to proceed to Maui to go over the situation with the officials there, "to check up the proposition," as he put it.

Between \$100,000 and \$150,000 is the amount wanted by the county, most of this to be used in building new bridges to the Governor's Islands. The present bridges are in such condition that it will be only a matter of a short time before all traffic will have to be stopped in the liana part of the Valley Island unless the needed work is attended to immediately. Some of the money to be raised through the proposed loan is wanted for a reservoir at Hilo, which is to form an auxiliary to the Kilauea pipe system and for a new road to Kihui. Several things will have to be done before the loan can be floated. The approval of Governor Pinkham will have to be secured first. On this score the Maui officials feel safe and certain already as the Governor stated yesterday that if everything was all right he would without question approve the project by the Governor's Islands. The project will be taken in the county to decide whether or not the voters desire to burden the county with the loan.

BREAKWATER OUTFIT SOLD BY TRUSTEES

(By Mutual Wireless.) HILO, Hawaii, April 6.—(Special to The Advertiser)—Julian Wells of Philadelphia, who arrived here recently from Honolulu, representing the trustees in bankruptcy in the case of the Breakwater Company of Philadelphia, today sold here the plant of the company in question, which has been used in the partial construction of the Hilo breakwater, to the Coast & Lakes Contracting Corporation. Unless arrangements are made whereby future contractors on the Hilo breakwater may take the property, it is expected that the plant, or as much of it as can be taken away, will be shipped from Hilo and the Islands to the Pacific Coast.

Since the Breakwater Company of Philadelphia was forced into bankruptcy considerable litigation over the receivership was carried on in Honolulu over the question of the former Philadelphia receivers' authority to delegate their power to a substitute receiver in Honolulu. The litigation ended finally when the new receivers were appointed some weeks ago in Philadelphia, and Wells was sent out to Hawaii to personally take charge of affairs. Who found the man lying prone at King and Fort streets. Witnesses stated that Gunter was standing on the edge of the curb, evidently waiting for a car, when he suddenly placed his hand to his heart and fell to the sidewalk. At the hospital the case was pronounced one of heart disease.

SOLDIER TRAPPED ON CLIFF; ANOTHER IS FOUND DEAD; WOMAN DIRECTS RESCUERS

Emmit Fisher and W. V. Parker, Missing From Fort Kamehameha for More Than Week; Found to Have Met With Tragedy in Wilderness of Koolau Range—Soldiers Go to Aid of Victim Who Signals From Cliff Side.

Far down on the precipitous slope of Wainohale Gulch in the Koolau range of mountains, only a short distance from the Harry Macfarlane place at Ahuimamau and a soldier camp at the Libby, McNeill & Libby packing plant, yet almost inaccessible to mankind, a waving hand fluttering a handkerchief to the breeze yesterday added another chapter to a tragedy in Fort Kamehameha soldier life which has been enacting for more than a week.

The waving hand and handkerchief, though only dimly seen because of distance and approaching darkness, are believed to have been signals from Private W. V. Parker of the Seventy-fifth Company, Fort Kamehameha, who has been missing since March 29 from his post, and who is believed to be lying injured and helpless down on a ledge of the mountain slope.

Dead Body Is Found. The signals of distress were first seen by a party from the Macfarlane place who had previously discovered and located in that part of Wainohale gulch known as the "Bishop's Garden" the dead and badly mutilated body of Private Emmet Fisher, also of the Seventy-fifth Company, Fort Kamehameha, who had disappeared with Parker. Hoping that the man on the slope, and who is firmly believed to be Parker by officers and enlisted men at Fort Kamehameha, may be still alive, Captain Clifford Jones, captain of the Seventy-fifth Company, left that post at three o'clock this morning with two thousand feet of heavy rope and block and tackle which will be rigged from the top of the ridge, men lowered to the man down on the slope and his family and from his office in the adjacent position. At that time the detachment leaving this morning was joined by the troops now camped near the scene.

The discovery of the dead body and the man signalling on the slope was made quite by accident. On Thursday, attracted to a waterfall in Ahuimamau gulch which runs only after periods of heavy rainfall, Mr. and Mrs. Macfarlane went up the gulch to watch the fall of water. Saw Body in Creek Bed. As their eyes strayed along the creek bottom they made out the form of a human body lying far down below in the creek bed. They returned to their home with the news. They told of their discovery to Miss Lady Macfarlane, who quickly organized a dozen Korean laborers into a rescue party and headed them to the scene.

Under direction of Miss Macfarlane the body was removed from the creek bottom and carried to the Macfarlane place and notification of the finding of the body was sent to the Honolulu authorities and also to the military authorities. This was Sunday afternoon. The body was kept at the Macfarlane place until yesterday when it was moved to Koolauapoko where an inquest was conducted by Deputy Sheriff R. W. Davis and a verdict of accidental death returned. The body was so badly mutilated that it was unrecognizable, only by tattoo marks on the arms which were recognized by a soldier companion who had seen the tattooing performed.

Several Theories Advanced. It is the theory that Fisher, while scaling a precipitous cliff, lost his foothold and fell down the slope several hundred feet to instant death. Both shoulders were broken, as were an arm and leg, and the features were almost unrecognizable because of bruises. It is believed that the accident occurred several days before and that the body had been swept down the gulch by the heavy rain waters and had also fallen over the waterfall, to find lodging below.

It is believed that Parker, in attempting to rescue his companion, either also fell and is seriously injured, or lowered himself to a position from which he cannot escape. Inasmuch as neither of the men carried food when they left the fort, it would appear that Parker has been eight days without food, and apparently would be in greatly weakened condition. Signals Seen by Several. The signal given by the man on the slope was not only seen by Miss Macfarlane but was pointed out to Captain Jones and several of his men yesterday afternoon when they visited the scene after being apprised of the sighting of the signals by the Macfarlanes. At that time, however, darkness was coming on and it would have been futile to have made an attempt at rescue. From the steep slope Captain Jones also decided that it would be impossible to descend to the city to procure the equipment and additional men. Besides the men from town who left at three o'clock, the men in camp on the other side of the ridge will go to the scene this morning and approach will be made from both sides. Fisher and Parker left Fort Kamehameha with two other companions on March 29 on a hunting trip. After several hours' outing two of the party decided to turn back, but Fisher and Parker decided to explore another gulch which appealed to them. Since leaving their companions neither of the two men was seen until Fisher's body was found and the signals of the man supposed to be Parker were noted on the mountain side. How Fisher came to his death or Parker became placed in the position he is in can only be told if Parker is rescued alive today and is able to tell the story. Diligent search had been made by officers and men of Fort Kamehameha ever since the men were reported missing. It had been feared that they had met with accident in the mountains and scouting parties were sent out daily. The only trace that could be found, however, was a hunting knife, and last Friday Captain Winn, commander of the fort, sent out an ambulance, but no actual trace was found until Sunday.

SYLVESTER BEING BROUGHT BACK FOR SECOND TRIAL

(By Mutual Wireless.) HILO, Hawaii, April 6.—(Special to The Advertiser)—Freeman Sylvester of this city, for whose arrest Deputy Marshal David K. Sherwood arrived yesterday morning from Honolulu, with a warrant which charges Freeman with a statutory offense, may see United States District Attorney Jeff McCarr for false arrest, it was stated here today.

Sylvester leaves Hilo tomorrow morning by the steamer Mauna Kea, in charge of Deputy Marshal Sherwood. His attorney, Claudius H. McBride, is already in Honolulu and will take charge of his defense on Sylvester's arrival there. Sylvester was arrested in Hilo during January on a statutory charge, which was dropped by the county attorney's department. He was rearrested later on a kindred charge, was sentenced to a month's imprisonment and served his sentence. Attorney McBride claims that the charge on which his client has been arrested by the federal authorities is the same for which he has already paid the penalty, and that therefore he is immune from further prosecution.

CHINESE GUARDSMEN TO BE INSPECTED

A large attendance is looked for by Major C. W. Ziegler at the inspection of Company H, National Guard of Hawaii, to be held at the armory tonight. This is the Chinese company, which has already made such a good showing in the national guard organization. The inspection will be carried on by Major Ziegler and Lieutenant A. L. Lump, the latter of the United States Army. It will start promptly at seven-thirty o'clock. Captain Redington is much pleased with the manner in which his company has already acquitted itself and is confident that in the event that the members can arrange, as now being planned, to attend the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco in 1915 that the Chinese-American soldiers will acquit themselves in a manner that will bring credit to Hawaii.