

TWO U. S. TROOPERS KILLED IN BATTLE

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CROSSED THE RIO GRANDE AND ATTACKED AT 2 A.M.

Inlanders Repulsed by American Soldiers After Half Hour's Fighting, Leaving Dead on Field.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., June 15.—Reports received by Gen. Funston state that two American soldiers were killed early today in a fight with bandits near San Ignacio, forty miles southeast of Laredo.

The fight took place on the American side, the Americans engaged, according to latest reports, being troops M and O of the 14th Cavalry, under Maj. Gray, a total of 140 men.

Bodies of Six Mexicans Found. Mexicans numbering about 100 attacked troops M and O at 2 a.m. The sharp attack was met with a spirited defense and at the end of half an hour the Mexicans were in retreat.

The water soaked clothing of the dead Mexicans was reported as indicating that they had crossed the river from Mexico. At the time the official report was made by Maj. Gray he had not ascertained the name of the Mexicans' leader, nor any information that came from where they came or to just what organization they belonged.

Famine Conditions Around Torreon. EL PASO, Tex., June 15.—Two thousand refugees, including four Americans, are in Juarez today, having arrived from Chihuahua and the district around Torreon.

Women Would Fight for Mexico. DOUGLAS, Ariz., June 15.—Mrs. Laura V. de Tovar of Agua Prieta, president of the Sonora Women's Rifle Association, received a letter from Gov. Adolfo de la Huerta of Sonora yesterday accepting her proffer of the services of the 2,000 members of the association as soldiers in case of American intervention.

Careful to Avoid Playing Politics. In his treatment of the Mexican problem Mr. Wilson is said to have worked always with regard to the effect each step might have upon Latin American nations generally, hoping to give them a clear demonstration of the good faith of the United States in its declarations of friendship.

Secretary Lansing and his advisers are said to have given careful consideration to the possibility that the administration may be charged with playing politics in dealing with the problem. Administration officials are still visibly worried over the possibility of serious anti-American outbreaks in Mexico, but the United States is not granting Carranza's request for the withdrawal of the 12,000 United States troops in Mexico under present conditions.

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LITTLE STORIES for BEDTIME

By THORNTON W. BURGESS. (Copyright, 1916, by T. W. Burgess.)

Bluffer Tries Another Kind of Bluff.

There are more ways than one almost all things to do. If you just keep on trying you will find this is true. Bluffer the Adder knows this. He has proved it more than once. He doesn't believe in giving up just because he has failed once. He had tried his very best to bluff Farmer Brown's boy into thinking him very ugly, fierce and dangerous. To bluff, you know, is to try to make other people think you are what you are not.

"Oh!" cried Farmer Brown's boy. "I didn't mean to kill him. I didn't mean to hurt him. There must have been a stone in that little clod of earth, and I didn't know it. I wouldn't have killed him for the world. I know now that he was perfectly harmless, and he had just as much right to live as I have. What a stupid, great brute I am. First I frightened Digger the Badger when I wanted to make friends with him, and then I tried to kill a perfectly harmless snake when I didn't know anything of the kind."

"It's too bad, too bad," murmured Farmer Brown's boy. "I didn't mean to do it. I suppose this fellow is what some people call a blow adder and others call a hog-nosed snake. I never saw one before and I didn't suppose it was so easy to kill one. I'm glad I saved Old Mr. Toad from him, but I wish that then I had left him alone."

When Farmer Brown's boy saw that Bluffer didn't open his mouth when he struck as the coat waved at him he knew right away that Bluffer was just pretending and that there was nothing to fear from him. So then he decided that he would do a little bluffing himself. He would pretend that he was going to kill Bluffer. You see, he didn't have the least idea of the truth that Bluffer was even then in terrible fear. He certainly didn't look it. If Farmer Brown's boy had even suspected this he wouldn't have done anything to increase that fear, for he is one of the best hearted boys in the world. But he thought that Bluffer

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