

FOUR KILLED IN RAID BY MEXICANS FIFTEEN MILES INLAND ON U. S. SOIL

Texans Arm and Pursue Bandits— Funston Issues Orders

WHICH FACTION NOT KNOWN

Nine Cavalrymen Made Heroic Stand Against 70 Bandits at Glenn Springs—Establish Base at Marathon

Washington, May 8.—Secretary Baker stated today that the war department considers the agreement under which the army began pursuit of Villa bandits still in operation and that under the terms General Funston will take any steps necessary to pursue the band which Friday night raided the Big Bend country, without further instructions.

Hurried dispatch of additional troops to the raided district and possibly another punitive expedition were in prospect.

Alpine, Tex., May 8.—Villa bandits, some seventy in number, crossed the Rio Grande on Friday night and sweeping fifteen miles in upon American soil, raided the little settlement of Glenn Springs and attacked a detachment of American cavalry, consisting of nine men of Troop A of the Fourteenth cavalry. Three troopers and a 10-year-old boy were killed, two cavalrymen were wounded and another is missing. He is believed to be a prisoner of the bandits, who are now fleeing southward into Coahuila, Mex.

Two American citizens, J. Deemer and a man named Compton, according to reports received here, were carried across the Rio Grande and reports have it that their throats have been cut. A posse of fifty citizens of Marathon are in pursuit of the bandits.

Two troopers, Privates J. Birch and Frank Defree, were brought here badly wounded. Birch's body was filled with small brass pieces of tacks fired from a shotgun.

In a little adobe house, nine cavalrymen made their fight for life against the seventy or more Villista bandits at Glenn Springs. A hail or shot poured for more than two hours into the single window of the mud adobe, but the Americans refused to give up. The cavalrymen kept up a steady fire in defiant answer. Then the Mexicans' leader ordered fire balls to be thrown on the roof, thickly thatched with candlealdrin.

The blazing weed tortured the soldiers below and burnt their heads and bodies. Then, smashing the doors, the troopers broke for the open, firing as they ran. Two were shot and killed as they fled. One is missing and it is believed he is dead. Another was killed as he tried to climb through a window.

The attackers rushed madly on the hut, shouting "Viva Villa" and "Viva Carranza."

El Paso, May 8.—The raid ranks with Francisco Villa's famous attack on Columbus, N. M. Whether the marauders were Villistas or Carranza followers is not known.

Marathon, Texas, May 8.—W. K. Ellis, leading a posse of fifty Texans, started from here Sunday afternoon to pursue the Mexicans who raided Glen Springs and Boquillas Friday night and Saturday morning. Every member of the party is familiar with the topography of the Big Bend country and is an expert with both revolver and rifle.

PUNITIVE EXPEDITION INTO MEXICO HAS COST \$1,150,000

Washington, May 9.—The cost of the punitive expedition into Mexico to date is about \$1,150,000.

The items of expense are about as follows:

- Motor trucks and other means of transportation \$600,000.
- Aeroplanes \$100,000.
- Transportation of troops \$450,000.

FOUR MORE IRISH LEADERS SENTENCED TO DEATH

London, May 9.—Four more of the leaders in the Irish revolt have been sentenced to death by the Dublin court martial and executed, according to an official statement.

RUSSIA HAS LOST SIX MILLION IN CONFLICT

Vienna, May 9.—The total losses of the Russian armies since the beginning of the war are estimated at nearly six million men by the experts of the Austro-Hungarian general staff.

SOLDIERS AT FORT SILL LEAVE FOR THE BORDER

Lawton, Okla., May 8.—Orders for the immediate entrainment of Companies E and H, Nineteenth infantry, stationed at Fort Sill, were received here, from Washington and a special train was made up to take the soldiers to Fort Clark, Texas, for positions on the Texas-Mexican frontier.

SHIPPING BILLS UP BEFORE CONGRESS TODAY

Washington, May 8.—Various administration shipping bills, combined into one measure and amended so that Democratic leaders believe the united support of their party members and possibly that of some Republicans will be enlisted, was introduced in the house today by Chairman Alexander of the merchant marine committee.

TWO ARMY OFFICERS KILLED IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

Lawton, Ok., May 8.—Two lieutenants of the Fifth field artillery were killed and two other officers were injured in an automobile wreck at Fort Sill early Sunday.

THE THREE OFFICERS AT PROGRESSIVE MEETING

Hiawatha, May 8.—Only three persons attended the Brown county Progressive convention which was held here Saturday afternoon. The convention had been advertised for several days, but when the time for meeting arrived, M. G. Ham, chairman; Ralph Love, secretary, and George H. Larcum were the only persons present.

PRESIDENT OF SANTO DOMINGO RESIGNS

Santo Domingo, May 8.—General Juan Jimenez, president of Santo Domingo, has resigned. He took this action in order to prevent armed intervention by the United States. Quiet has been restored. Congress will appoint a provisional president.

40 AMERICANS ON SHIP FIRED ON BY SEA RAIDER

New York, May 8.—The steamship Venezia, arriving here from Bordeaux, France, with forty American citizens aboard, was fired upon and chased for several hours by two commerce raiders while off the Azores, according to a story related when the vessel docked.

GERMAN LAUNCH NEW STRONG VERDUN OFFENSIVE

London, May 9.—An entire new system of trenches on the northern slope of Hill 304, northwest of Verdun, has been captured by the Germans, according to Berlin, and the French in the fighting suffered extraordinarily heavy casualties. In addition, forty officers and 1286 soldiers were taken prisoner.

J. M. SULLIVAN RELEASED FROM REBELLION CHARGE

London, May 9.—James M. Sullivan, former United States minister to Santo Domingo, who was arrested following the recent uprising in Ireland, notified the American embassy here from Dublin that he had been released.

SENATE VOTES TO SPEND \$85,000,000 ON ROADS

Washington, May 9.—The senate passed without a record vote on the Bankhead good roads bill to spend \$85,000,000 in construction of post roads contingent on an equal expenditure by the states. Appropriation for \$10,000,000 for roads in national forests is included. It differs from the house bill.

ARMY BILL CONFEREES SPLIT ON NITRATE PLANT

Washington, May 9.—Conferees on the army reorganization bill disagreed on important features of the measure and adjourned until matters in disagreement can be taken up in the house. The rocks on which the committee broke were the federal volunteer army and the 15 million dollar government nitrate plant amendments adopted by the senate.

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HOUSE DISFAVORS SENATE'S INCREASE

Representatives Reject Army Raise Passed in Senate

MEASURE DEFEATED TWICE

It is Believed That Nitrate Plant Amendment and Volunteer Army Plan Both Will Be Defeated

Washington, May 9.—By two overwhelming votes the house declined to agree to the senate amendment to the army bill providing for a standing army of 250,000 men and a volunteer army of 261,000 pledged to thirty days' intensive training yearly.

A discussion followed the votes on the senate's nitrate plant amendment favored by President Wilson which was opposed by many Democratic and Republican members. Some leaders on both sides expressed belief that the proposal might be defeated. Outstanding in the debate on the proposed army increases was the declaration of Representative Kahn of California that he was convinced foreign nations at the close of the European war would demand indemnity from the United States for losses to their citizens in Mexico and that it would be advisable to have a large army in such a situation.

SOCIALIST MEMBER THREW HOUSE INTO TURMOIL

Washington, May 6.—Representative London, the only Socialist member of the house, threw it into a turmoil by some remarks on the suffrage clause of the Porto Rican bill. Later on objection by Mr. Austin, Republican of Tennessee, Mr. London withdrew his remarks.

COMMUTE DEATH SENTENCE OF IRISH REBELLION LEADER

Dublin, via London, May 8.—Countess Georgina Markovitz, one of the prominent figures in the Irish revolt, was sentenced to death after her trial by court martial, but the sentence has been commuted to penal servitude for life.

SALINA'S UNION DEPOT WAS OPENED YESTERDAY

Salina, May 5.—Salina's new union station was opened yesterday morning. The first train out was the Union Pacific local to Oakley and the first train in was Union Pacific No. 104. The depot has been in course of construction a year and a half and cost \$85,000.

Judge Lindsey Critically Ill

Denver, May 5.—Judge Ben B. Lindsey of juvenile court fame, who was recently operated upon for the removal of a tumor, is critically ill at his home here and his friends are greatly alarmed over his condition.

CREW OF TORPEDOED SHIP ADRIPT 150 MILES AT SEA

London, May 5.—The sinking of a French fishing vessel 150 miles from land by a submarine is reported. The crew of thirty-four escaped in boats. Eight of the crew were picked up. Twenty-six are still adrift.

CONGRESSMEN FLOODED WITH FORM PROTESTS

Washington, May 5.—Printed letters protesting against any step which may lead to war with Germany began pouring in by the thousands today upon members of congress as the sequel to the telegraphic propaganda which swamped the capitol and the telegraph companies last week.

MICHIGAN INSTRUCTS HER DELEGATES FOR HUGHES

Lansing, Mich., May 4.—Republicans of Michigan, at a harmonious state convention here, endorsed Justice Charles E. Hughes for president and selected four delegates-at-large to the national convention. The delegation, as a result of the recent state primary, must cast its first ballot for Henry Ford of Detroit.

Hollis Bill Passes Senate

Washington, May 5.—The Hollis farm loan bill, embodying the administration plan for establishing a system of rural credits, passed the senate by a vote of 53 to 5.

ROBBER CAPTURED POSSE'S AUTO AND ESCAPED

Ada, Okla., May 9.—During an exchange of shots with a pursuing posse, a lone robber, who had robbed the National bank at Francis, Okla., forced the driver of one of the posse's automobiles to take him in, and with a revolver held at the driver's head the robber disappeared in the hills.

1,300,000 ACRES OF LAND OPENED IN WASHINGTON

Washington, May 9.—President Wilson has signed a proclamation of the opening of the Colville Indian reservation in Okanogan and Ferry counties, Washington, embracing about 1,300,000 acres, of which about 350,000 acres will be subject to settlement at an average price of \$1.50 an acre. Applications for registration may be made at various points in Washington, July 5-22.

GERMAN BOMB PLOTTERS FOUND GUILTY BY JURY

New York, May 9.—The jury which, for ten days, heard testimony at the trial of Robert Fay, a former lieutenant in the German army, Walter Scholz and Paul Daech, charged with conspiracy to destroy munitions ships through bomb contrivances, returned a verdict of guilty against all of the defendants.

600 MILLIONS BRING NAVY TO GERMAN'S STANDARD

Washington, May 5.—It would cost \$604,012,179 to bring the United States navy up to the fighting strength of Germany's navy, according to estimates laid before the house naval committee today by the navy general board.

GERARD DOES NOT OPPOSE GERMANY

Works Only to Preserve Peace, U. S. Ambassador Declares

HE SEEKS TO AVOID A CLASH

Appeals to Noted Personages of Berlin to Support Him in His Efforts for Fair Dealing

Berlin, May 8.—In an interview in the National Zeitung, James W. Gerard, the American ambassador, is quoted as saying:

"In this crisis as in all previous crises, I attached the greatest value to removing misunderstanding between German and America and did everything in my power that a conflict between the two countries might be avoided. I want no war between Germany and America. I have never wanted and shall never want one.

"I assure you that the accusation that I am enemy of Germany is totally wrong."

Against those who have maligning him, Ambassador Gerard appeals to the leading personages of the German government, who, he declares, the quoted newspaper interview states, knew that he has done and is doing everything possible to preserve peace between Germany and the United States.

BILLY SUNDAY PRAISES KANSAS NEWSPAPER MEN

Lawrence, May 5.—The newspaper profession of Kansas received high praise from Billy Sunday in an address which the evangelist delivered as a feature of Kansas Newspaper Week at Robinson gymnasium Thursday morning. He paid personal tribute to a number of the present leaders of the profession.

GERMAN REPLY TO U. S. TO BE DELIVERED FRIDAY

Berlin, May 4.—German's reply to the American note will be handed to Ambassador Gerard tomorrow afternoon, says a dispatch received here from Berlin, quoting the Lokal Anzeiger as authority for the statement.

BRITISH HOUSE OF COMMONS PASSES COMPULSION BILL

London, May 4.—The government's military bill for immediate general compulsion passed its first reading in the house of commons. Its passage was loudly cheered.

REPLY AVERTS PRESENT BREAK WITH GERMANY

U. S. Will Probably Accept New Assurances Made by Kaiser

MEETS ALL WILSON'S DEMANDS

Note Signals Return of Cruiser Warfare and Informs of Visit and Search Orders to Captains

Washington, May 6.—Germany's note has postponed, if it has not actually averted, a diplomatic break with the United States.

President Wilson will make the decision after he has read the official text which reached the state department late last night by cable from Ambassador Gerard at Berlin. It was decoded in time to lay it before the president this morning.

It was stated authoritatively after the cabinet meeting that if the official text bore out the unofficial version transmitted in Berlin news dispatches, Germany's assurances undoubtedly would be accepted and before taking another step the United States would await the fulfillment of her latest promises.

The German embassy view is that the note gives all President Wilson asked for; that it signals a return to "cruiser warfare," the use of submarines as regular naval cruisers intercepting commerce with visit and search and that inasmuch as it makes no mention of the armed ship question, that perplexing feature of the controversy is not involved.

To Beautify Library Surroundings

An effort is being made to beautify the grounds around the foundation of the city library, and any donation of plants will be very acceptable. For this year, and only temporarily, annuals will be used, so that immediate beautification can be secured. Later permanent shrubs will likely be planted.

Persimmons as Food.

The only fruit, says a bulletin of the department of agriculture, which equals the persimmon in its value as a food is the date. Nevertheless many persons with fine persimmon trees in their possession are allowing the fruit to go to waste, either through ignorance of the many uses to which it may be put or through prejudice. There is a saying in the persimmon country that persimmons are "good for dogs, hogs and possums." This, however, is declared to be a gross injustice to a very valuable product.

One reason for the neglect of this fruit is the mistaken idea that persimmons are unfit to eat until they have been touched by frost. As a matter of fact, much of the best fruit is lost every year because it ripens and falls to the ground, where, not being touched by frost, it is left to rot. Such persimmons as are not edible before frost comes are a late variety of the fruit, and the reason that they pucker the mouth is because they have not yet ripened. In general, the best fruit is that which ripens just before the leaves fall.

Remembering Faces.

Hotel clerks have a way of recognizing guests as soon as they sign a register. The most successful hotel keepers have to have this power of remembering the faces of their guests and all about them or they would soon lose their custom by the mistakes they would make.

Charley Horse.

"Charley horse," dreaded by ball players, is an ailment consisting of displacement and stricture of the muscles of the leg, often the sartorial muscle. The trouble is commonly brought about, not by running, but by quick stopping at bases. The player who "stops on his feet" is almost certain to acquire the ailment in a short time. The overworked muscle, slipping out of place, knots itself into a great lump and exerts pressure on the surrounding muscles, producing lameness.

Massage will bring the muscle back to place, but the trouble returns at the next serious strain.

When you see a player make a long slide which appears unnecessary, the reason is that he prefers to scrape off a little skin rather than take chances on "horsing" himself by stopping standing up.—Exchange.

DICKINSON WITH 40, RANKS 11TH AT STATE NORMAL

Emporia, May 6.—Dickinson has forty students at the Kansas Normal school at Emporia this year. Of the one hundred counties represented at the big school Dickinson county stands 11th. Plans for an especially active social and athletic season are being made for the summer term beginning in three weeks. Among those from Dickinson county attending the normal are: Edna Baughman, Stella E. Bear, Agnes Bonfield, Anna Bonfield, Esther Callahan, Clara Cacklam, Essie Musch, Lillie Nemecheck, Florence Palmer, Helen Phillips, Margaret Phillips, Elsie L. Shippy, Marie Shippy, Ruth Taylor, James Wilson.

BRITAIN WILL MAKE RELEASE AS DEMANDED BY U. S.

London, May 6.—The British government has decided to release the thirty-eight Germans and Austrians who were taken from the American steamship China. The release of these men will be ordered immediately.

SALINA WESLEYAN FRATERNITY DISBANDS

Salina, May 6.—The Pi Kappa Delta fraternity of the Kansas Wesleyan university, recently organized, enjoyed a very short life. When it became known over the Northwest Kansas conference district that such an organization existed in the school, the ministers and others interested in Wesleyan immediately notified President John Harmon of their objections in no uncertain terms.

VILLA, ALIVE, LEADS A RAID

Mexican Authorities Report Bandits in Raid at Santa Barbara

HIS WHEREABOUTS IS KNOWN

Members of Horde and Villa Rode Stolen U. S. Cavalry Horses in Santa Barbara Raid Last Monday

Field Headquarters, Near Namiquipa, by wireless from Columbus, N. M., May 6.—A full squadron of two hundred and thirty men of the Eleventh cavalry surprised and routed a much larger force of Villa bandits at Ojo-Azules, 17 miles south of Cusi-huirachi, early yesterday.

By actual count 42 Mexicans were killed and a number wounded, but there were no American casualties.

El Paso, May 6.—Pancho Villa the pet bandit, the pursuit of whom the Washington government is willing to abandon, has assumed his rightful place in the Mexican news.

The Mexican authorities in Juarez, if for no other purpose than to enliven the situation, reported that Villa raided the town of Santa Barbara last Monday. The Mexicans added that several of Villa's band were mounted on U. S. cavalry horses taken in the Columbus raid. General Pershing gave out an official report from General Pershing, which surrounded the information from Mexican sources with an atmosphere of authenticity. Pershing announced he had received definite information of Villa's whereabouts and would make an effort to surround him.

No orders have been sent to General Pershing which would prevent the renewed effort to apprehend the bandit.

KAISER ASKS FOR PEACE IS REPORT FROM HOLLAND

A telegram to the Geoffroy Grain Company at 4 p. m. said a cablegram to Boston from Amsterdam reported that the Kaiser had asked Wilson to intercede for peace in the name of humanity. Washington refused to confirm or deny the story.

SPAIN BACKS UP U. S. IN SUBMARINE POLICY

Paris, May 4.—The Spanish government, is disposed to support the policy of the United States regarding submarine warfare and if America asks neutral powers in general to safeguard their rights, Spain is willing to subscribe to a general understanding with a view of preventing Germany from continuing the form of submarine warfare she heretofore has followed.