

UTMOST SECRECY REGARDING THE FORWARDING OF WAR SUPPLIES

Train Is Ready but Nothing Has Been Started From Juarez by Railroad to General Pershing.

WILDEST RUMORS ARE CIRCULATED AT EL PASO

Villa Believed Moving Toward Parral; One Story Says Bandit Was Badly Wounded at Columbus.

El Paso, Texas, March 30.—The problem of forwarding supplies to the American Expeditionary Force...

THE WEATHER

WEATHER FORECAST. Denver, March 30.—New Mexico: Friday clearing and not so cold, north portion; Saturday fair and warmer.

LOCAL WEATHER REPORT.

For twenty-four hours, ending at 6 p. m. yesterday. Maximum temperature, 52 degrees; minimum, 25 degrees; range, 27 degrees; temperature at 6 p. m., 46 degrees; cloudy; 1-2 inches of snow.

CITY BANK CLEARINGS.

Yesterday \$29,317.24.

mission to guard the supplies was a sharp disappointment and a surprise to American army men, and it was believed that even yet some arrangement might be made whereby supplies entering Mexico might be self-guarded.

Taggart Not to Be a Candidate For U. S. Senator

Washington, March 30.—Thomas Taggart, recently appointed United States senator ad interim from Indiana to succeed the late Senator Shively, today issued an announcement saying he would not be a candidate for the senatorial nomination to succeed himself.

Lifts Livestock Quarantine

Washington, March 30.—All foot and mouth disease quarantines and restrictions on the shipment of livestock are removed by an order issued today by the department of agriculture to become effective tomorrow, with the announcement that the country now is entirely free of the dread stock scourge.

Waite Forced Money Upon Him, Embalmer Says

New York, March 30.—Eugene Oliver Kane, the embalmer the body of John E. Peck, for whose murder Dr. Arthur Warren Waite is under arrest here, went to District Attorney Swann's office here today and denied he ever had any intention of testifying that the embalming fluid used on Peck's body contained arsenic, as Waite is said by Mr. Swann to have alleged.

Gave Him Check for \$9,400 and Then Thrust Big Roll of Bills Into His Hands, Kane Tells District Attorney.

Kane admitted, however, that he had received \$9,400 in cash and a check for \$5,400 from Waite, which the young dentist had said was to be in exchange for swearing that there was arsenic in the embalming fluid and placing the poison in a sample which he delivered to Mr. Swann. According to the embalmer's story, the money was virtually forced upon him.

Forced Money on Him.

Kane said he was sent to Waite by John S. Potter, the undertaker who had charge of Peck's funeral. Potter told him he wanted to ask him about the embalming fluid. At Waite's solicitation, he met the dentist in a garage where he said Waite asked him if he could put arsenic in a sample of embalming fluid for the district attorney. Kane said it could be done, but against the law. Waite then offered him a check for \$9,400, which he said he did not want, but he did not return it. Waite, he promised to make him "comfortable for life."

Supply Movement Over Railroad Delayed

San Antonio, Texas, March 30.—General Funston delayed the using of the Northwestern railway today for sending supplies to troops in Mexico pending a conference of General Gavira, commanding Mexican troops in Juarez, General Bell, commanding at El Paso, and Andres Garcia, Mexican consul at El Paso.

The Day in Congress

SENATE. Resumed debate on army reorganization bill. Adopted resolution asking attorney general investigate gasoline prices. Adjourned at 5:45 p. m. until noon Friday.

HOUSE.

Met at 11 a. m. Secretary Daniels testified before the naval committee. Discussion of the immigration bill was resumed. Burnett immigration bill with literacy test and Asiatic exclusion provisions passed 208 to 87. Adjourned 5:22 p. m. to noon Friday.

CROWN PRINCE'S GUNS SEND RAIN OF SHELLS ON FRENCH LINES

Vast Clouds of Smoke Mark Site of Burning Suburb of Hard Pressed Gallic Stronghold.

VERDUN IS BEING PUT TO DESPERATE TEST

Artillery Fire of Terrific Intensity Is Being Maintained; Joffre's Positions Slowly Yielding.

GERMANS MAKE PROGRESS

The Associated Press correspondent has made an inspection of the ground gained by the Germans on the Verdun front in the fortnight since the last previous visit of the correspondent.

French Guns Are Active

French guns are less active than the German, although their fire is more scattered. This is because the task of the German batteries hidden over the entire landscape and restrict their activity as much as possible. The French gunners seem to be performing their task well. They know the position of many batteries and shoot with uncomfortable accuracy, as the correspondent experienced personally when a shell dropped squarely in the battery by which he was standing.

APPEALS TO PATRIOTISM OF AMERICAN PRESS

Queretaro, Mexico, March 28 (via Mexico City).—In a statement given to the Associated Press today, Gen. Candido Aguilar, Mexican minister of foreign affairs, deplored the attitude of some sections of the press in the United States, which, he declared, had published a number of false stories and distorted facts in an effort to embarrass the Mexican government and to prevent its efforts to solve amicably the present situation.

Final Submarine Lines.

London, March 30 (6:27 p. m.).—The discovery of an entente allied patrol ship of four hostile submarine bases among the Greek islands, is announced in a wireless dispatch from Rome this afternoon.

New Order in Council.

London, March 30 (5:27 p. m.).—An order in council was issued today "where neither a vessel nor her cargo shall be immune from capture for a breach of blockade upon the sole ground that she at the moment is on her way to a non-blockaded port."

Parish Priest Is Dead.

Santa Fe, March 30.—Rev. Adrian Cozales, parish priest at Tierra Ancha, and former assistant at the Cathedral at Santa Fe, died this week of pneumonia.

The Minneapolis Sinks.

London, March 30 (4:27 p. m.).—A Reuter dispatch from Lima today reports that the steamer Minneapolis, which was torpedoed in the Mediterranean last week, sank last Tuesday.

WASHINGTON IS ANXIOUS OVER GERARD'S DELAY TO MAKE REPORT

No Word Has Come From Germany Regarding Recent Disasters to British Vessels Bearing American Citizens.

SUSSEX TRAGEDY TO BE FULLY INVESTIGATED

Government Officials Do Not Conceal Gravity of Situation, but Are Waiting for Conclusive Proofs in Case.

Family of Gains Said

The Polanco family is said to be waiting for the state department to make a report on the situation with his cabinet.

Men Are Tortured.

Instead of killing them outright, Villa had them partly stripped and then beaten with the flat of heavy swords. Mucio Polanco, desperate at the sight of his son's torture, broke away from his captors and got one hand locked about Villa's throat before he was beaten off.

All Buried in One Grave.

To the residents of the ranch, all Mexicans, Villa said: "You may bury them or not, as you please."

Burnett Bill Passes House by 284 to 107

Literacy Test and Asiatic Exclusion Features Are Retained in Measure; Senate Expected to Act Favorably.

Problems Quickly Solved.

In few campaigns has the American army been called upon for more successive tests of endurance, pluck and ability of its men to think quickly in emergencies than in the present chase of Villa. From the day when the troops went over the border of New Mexico and the officers in the hard march across the desert began receiving orders to pour down the back of a half fainting man and how much to save for the thirst of the final hour of the march, every minute has been occupied in inventing a means of saving who are projecting this expedition more than 200 miles into Mexico.

Now Party Lines Drawn.

Each record vote on the literacy test and on the passage of the bill. Majority Leader Kitchin voted for the literacy test and for the bill. Minority Leader Mann voted against the literacy test and then for the bill.

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By the hundreds of new problems solved in a night by the American fighting men and which are not forbidden jurisdiction of the spirit of the large majority questions that have been met. Today, for example, a snowstorm has over field headquarters.

VILLA NEARLY LOSES LIFE, IS STORY BROUGHT TO AMERICANS

While Bandit Leader Was Torturing Five Mexicans, Preparatory to Murdering Them, One Tries to Strangle Him.

PERSHING'S FORCES LEARN BY EXPERIENCE

Encounter All Sorts of Conditions, Including Snow Storm, and Promptly Meet All Emergencies.

Equipment Is Light.

At another camp the men had gone in with baggage so light that no one had anything larger than a shelter tent, but large enough for two men to be under. Three days later, however, to the extent that the first regulation army camp outfit at this patrol station. Probably none except a practiced military eye would have noted that the commanding officer's tent had entirely the wrong angle at its top.

How Tools Were Secured.

"But who brought the nails on this bike?" he was asked. "Nobody, we took the nails from some boxes of supplies which were used in camp."

Who Carried a Saw?

"Nobody with our outfit. We borrowed one saw while its outfit was halted in front of our camp."

Who Carried a Saw?

"That did the wood cutting?" "The instructions not to occupy cities have multiplied the men's problems, for not only are the camps pitched at a distance from cities, but the men and officers stay away from the towns, which otherwise they might frequent to make purchases of food supplies or souvenirs. Hence it comes about that in a fast marching command, the men run out of tobacco or else use up all their matches before their stoves are gone.

Who Carried a Saw?

The great cottonwood trees which abound wherever there is water have been the first aid for comfort of this expedition.

Cottonwoods a Blessing.

First of all the cottonwood, its green visible for many miles across an arid plain, is the sign that a watering place is near. Then the boughs of the tree, with their thick fringe of leaves, have furnished hundreds of saws against the cold and sand, shelter which enabled the men to keep their integrity.

Who Carried a Saw?

When Villa, retreating from Columbus, arrived at Carrizillo ranch he had with him the Polanco family, the mother and two daughters. He seized the men and hunted for the daughters but the young women had been hidden so well that he never found them.

VILLA KILLS GARRISON AT QUERRERO; IS NORTH BOUND

At Head of Considerable Force Bandit Chief Is Reported on the San Geronimo or the Quemada Ranch.

172 CARRANZA MEN ARE EXTERMINATED

De Facto Government and United States Troops Are Closing in on Force, General Funston Is Informed.

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