

EL PASO HERALD

NEW YORKERS, MISSOURIANS, ZAPATISTS BURN DOWN VILLAGE

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HE SAYS INDEPENDENCE FOR PHILIPPINES SHOULD NOT BE GRANTED AT THIS TIME.

REBEL BAND AT TOLUCA DEFEATED

Mexico City, Mex., Dec. 6.—The town of Toluca, state of Mexico, was practically destroyed today by Zapatista rebels under the command of Genovaro de La O, because the inhabitants refused to deliver over to them 19 young women residents.

After consulting with leading citizens, the prefect advised them to refuse the rebels' demand and told them they had better take to flight. Few of them took more than a blanket and a limited supply of food with them.

A body of rebels who attacked the mining town of Temascaltepec, near Toluca, the capital of the state of Mexico, was repulsed by the rural guards with a loss of 20 killed and many wounded. The federal casualties have not been reported.

OROZCO'S AIDS ARE ACTIVE IN DURANGO

Indio Mario Captures San Juan del Rio—Cheche Campos and Luis Caro—Havre Forces Estimated at 2000.

Mexico City, Mex., Dec. 6.—The extraordinary activity of the rebels in the state of Durango, commanded by men once prominent in Orozco's army in Chihuahua, is taken here as another indication that Orozco again is directing a large organized campaign.

Two hundred rebels under Indio Mario have captured the town of San Juan del Rio, after defeating the garrison of 70 men. The federal garrison of 500 men at Casas Blancas, a few miles north of Durango, and about 20 miles south of San Juan del Rio may be able to capture the town.

Cheche Campos and Luis Caro are operating in the same part of the state and have occupied with little resistance such points as they desired. Reliable estimates place the number of their men at from 1500 to 2000.

Now that a new congress has been elected on a platform of tariff reform, it is to be expected that the president will make no further effort to have congress reduce the tariff. In a "general" message to congress, submitted today, the president clearly indicated his intention of leaving further tariff revision to Mr. Wilson and the congress just elected.

Mr. Taft came out strongly against independence for the Philippines, proposed, he said, in a bill now before congress. He deprecated the new policy of one battle after another, and indorsed again the scheme of currency reform proposed by the national monetary commission.

Conservation was lightly touched, the president recommending the amendment of bills now before congress so that water power companies which dam navigable rivers will contribute to the improvement of these streams.

He declared that no radical change in the Sherman anti-trust law was needed, and praised the supreme court for its recently announced changes in rules of equity procedure. In this connection the president asked congress to pass legislation which would allow the supreme court to formulate rules of procedure under the common law in federal courts and predicted that such action would facilitate justice in those courts and reduce the cost of litigation to the public.

The Panama Canal was dismissed in a few words, the president prophesying its opening in the latter half of 1913. He took occasion, however, to declare that congress should reward the work of Col. Goethals by an appointment as major general with the provision that he should be relieved of his present term of the present incumbent expires. He made only a brief reference to the

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PORCH SLEEPERS DRIVEN TO COVER

Col. Lane, weather expert, prosaically calls it frozen rain. The poets call it "a beautiful, etc." What the pedestrian public called it Friday morning would be a better title to print.

It's some little town that can scorch up a regular snow-storm in the south for the delectation of a bunch of Illinois and Democratic visitors from two other big cities.

It was some little winter scene that was presented free of charge Friday morning when the crowds straggled downtown for the daily grind in the mountains with their profiles outlined in white. Before the traffic started the streets and walks were covered with snow and the people were

Porch sleepers were either driven in or under cover by the snow, which beat in on beds and covered every exposed part of the body. The snowstorm was accompanied by a brisk wind, which drove the snow in every crevice of the exposed places.

At that time was but one and one half inches of snow fell during the night and early morning, according to Col. Lane's estimate. The snow was sufficient to have the old inhabitants, including Capt. Major, the other weather prophet, to remember that more than eight inches of snow fell on November 15, 1906.

The accompanying temperature at 6 o'clock this morning was 29 above zero, or three degrees below the freezing point. This, the local weather man explains, is the difference between rain and snow. Had the temperature been above 32, it would have rained and nothing stronger than "darg" would have been said by the public with a hole in its off shoe. Reduced to acre feet of water, this snow amounted to six one hundredths of an inch.

Downtown the smooth shod express and dray horses slipped and slid on the half melted snow, the army transport wagons skidded around corners with their soldier chaplains wearing the yellow cavalry hood down over their ears, and the motormen slithered between runs at the transfer plaza.

Thin clad Mexican laborers hurried through the streets, their feet shod unless equipped with tire chains as an antidote against skidding. Few autos except the for hire cars were on the streets Friday morning. The streets were sloopy with melting snow and the north Oregon storm covers were running full with the snow water. A force of street cleaners was at work Friday morning cleaning the walks in San Jacinto plaza and many private enterprises of the similar character were carried on in front of the business houses.

All in all, it was a nifty young snow as appreciated by a snow hungry populace, for it made the fair weather stuff all the more appreciated in a winter climate where snow is the exception and not the rule.

Free Cold and Wood. While the cold weather continues

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DECLARES ON WITNESS STAND IN 34TH DISTRICT COURT THAT CASEY WANTED HIM TO CALL HIS BROTHER OUT, AND WHEN HE FAILED, CASEY WENT IN, CURSING HIS BROTHER AS A COWARD—SAYS WHEN HE SHOT, CASEY'S ARM DROPPED.

G. W. Amerson testified on the witness stand in the 34th district court Friday morning that J. P. Casey shot and killed his brother, Wm. J. Amerson, on the night of Aug. 2. He also said that he fired one shot at Casey as Casey was coming out the door and that Casey dropped his gun and his arm fell by his side, Casey was wounded in the arm on that night.

This was the most important testimony brought out by the prosecution in the first day of the trial. Efforts were made by the defense to tangle up the witness in regard to whether or not a light was burning in the back room on the night of the killing. He admitted that he might have testified at the preliminary hearing that there was no light there but stated that there positively was one there.

W. C. Wickham, one of the jurors, asked if he might be permitted to ask a question. Leave was granted and he asked if the back room, which the witness said was used as a garage and repair shop for the messenger company, was used for anything else. The witness replied that it was not.

J. C. Darcey, first witness. J. C. Darcey, assistant auditor of the city schools, who resides at 215 East Franklin street, was called as the first witness and testified.

That man was dressed in a light suit and was of a build similar to that of the man who shot me, he said. He had a gun of some kind held in his right hand at his side. He approached me from the doorway and could see through the window he raised the gun. Then he lowered it and approached me from the doorway.

Will Amerson lying back against the partition. He was still alive. I straggled his head. I went to the hospital with him and on the way, he died.

Hal Wilson, who works at the Tip Top Messenger service, then testified: "I was in front of the Bellevue office the night Bill Amerson was killed. I saw a man in his shirt sleeves come with a gun. He raised it. Darcey tapped me on the shoulder and said: 'We

don't want to see anything like this. We want the Acme Messenger service on Stanton street."

On cross examination he said he thought Darcey was assistant city auditor. He also testified that he saw Casey on the night of the shooting.

Did Not Recognize Man. C. W. Lorenz, the third witness, who conducts a dental supply business in the Herald building, testified: "I was across the street from the Bellevue the night of the killing. I saw a man stop and speak to someone on the sidewalk and then go in. I think he told that man to get a gun. I do not think he then said 'Come on out Amerson.' I believe he had a gun. I did not recognize him then nor could I now."

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Flashlight photo of guests and El Pasoans at banquet in Hotel Paso del Norte Thursday night; photo by Homer Scott.



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MOYE BOYS ZEIGER HOTEL TO BE WRECKED SHORTLY FOR A BANK HOME

E. Moyer bought the Zeiger hotel property from Fred and William Fencher for \$150,000 Friday morning. He has been looking for a location upon which to build a home for his bank. He was planning at one time to buy the corner on San Antonio and Oregon streets, which is occupied by Bryan Bros. store. He also considered a number of other downtown properties and bid \$200,000 for the American National building, which was finally bought by the First National bank for \$200,000.

For the present, Mr. Moyer says that the Zeiger will continue to be run as a hotel. It is one of the oldest hotels in the city and has been the home of cat-tlemen of west Texas and Arizona, while in El Paso, Mr. Moyer says he has not yet decided upon his location for the new bank building, but expects to wreck the Zeiger building and erect a modern bank building, which will be one of the finest in the southwest.

Block Sells for \$6000. Broadwood and Le Baron have sold for H. B. Stevens block 29, in Alexander's addition. E. M. Whittaker and J. F. McNamee were the buyers. The consideration was \$6000.

Cottage Is Sold. Mrs. Mary Irwin has sold in A. M. Sayer the four room brick cottage at 715 Federal street, Highland Park. The selling price was \$1350. Hawkins Bros. made the sale. Mr. Sayer is connected with the city and has been the home of cat-tlemen of west Texas and Arizona, while in El Paso, Mr. Moyer says he has not yet decided upon his location for the new bank building, but expects to wreck the Zeiger building and erect a modern bank building, which will be one of the finest in the southwest.