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DE LA ROSA BANDITS MARCH ON UNGUARDED TOWNS ON BORDER

Troops Rushed Toward Threatened Points as Mexican Raiders Are Approaching American Territory

FUNSTON FEARS ATTACK

U. S. Commander Determined to Punish Mexicans for Army Assault

SAN ANTCHIO, Tex., June 7.—General Funsion annos **Roed** yesterday that he had what appeared to be positive information that Luis de la Rosa was marching from a point south of Laredo in the direction of the border with the evident intention of adding the country somewhere west of Rio raiding the country somewhere west of Rlo Grande City. There are not now in that district enough American troops to prevent de la Rosa and his men from cross-

ing. General William A. Mann, commanding the American forces in that district, with headquarters at Laredo, has reported to General Funston that he is taking such measures as possible to strengthen the patrol toward the east and to guard Laredo. To the east of Laredo, in Zapatas County, across the southern boundary of which De Ia Rosa is expected to move, there is only one troop of American cavalry.

At just what point on the border the Mexicans intend to strike was not learned, and it was not announced just how far away they were today, but they were said to be comparatively near. If De la Rosa and his men reach the Ria

Grande before American troops can head them off, enough force will be sent against them to drive them back into Mexico and, it was intimated, to run them down on Mex-

De la Rosa was one of the leaders of the group that directed the raids west of Brownsville a year ago. Since then he has been a fugitive in his own country, with a price of \$1000 on his head, offered by the State of Texas.

The information that reached General Funsion indicated that De la Rosa would not be more than two or three days at the most in getting to the border. If raiders strike American territory in Zapata country little injury to the residents is antici-pated because, with the exception of one or two families, all are Mexicans. From or two families, all are Mexicans. From the farmers a large number of horses and mules could be commandeered. However, General Mann has at Laredo and in its vicinity one squadron of cavalry, a regi-ment of infantry and a battalion of artil-lery. It is from this force that he has dispatched additional patrols eastward.

MARATHON, Tex., June 7.—Captain An-drews, commanding the forces of the 6th Cavalry at Boquillas, has sent a detachment to Glenn Springs to investigate the rumor of another raid by Mexican bandits in that district. No evidence to support the rumor has been received here.

WASHINGTON, June 7.-Although Sec-retary Lansing has begun drafting a reply to General Carranza's demand for withdrawal of American troops from Mexico drawat of American troops from nextco, its preparation had not progressed far enough for submission at yesterday's Cab-inet meeting, and Mexico was not dis-cussed. Neither the State nor War De-partment had any new dispatches bearing on the situation.

CHINA'S NEW RULER WILL ASSUME OFFICE TODAY; FEAR REVOLT

Accession of Li Yuan Hung to Presidency of Republic Preg-

BRITISH ARTILLERYMAN, TRAPPED, PHONES RANGE FROM MIDST OF FOE

Germans Retake House in Which He is Repairing Wires. Officers Hold Jambalaya-Quick Wit Saves His Life and Brings Big Guns to Bear on Enemy

By ELLEN ADAIR

LOI DON, May 26. LOI. DON. May 26. My ever-cheery friend, the artillery man, has Been home on seven days' leave, but bling over with the joy of life and with the glad realization that for one whole blissful week—as far as he is concerned— the bombs will cease from troubling, and the field guing he at age. the field guns be at resi

The held guns be at rest. "It's glorious being back in dear, foolish, frivolous old London," said he, stretching his mud-encased limbs under the table of one of those gilded restaurants beloved of youthful officers on leave. "Twas only last night that the Boches were peppering us with their howitzers, and two of my menwith their nowitzers, and two of my men-poor devils !--were blown sky high under my very nose. Gad! what a night we had! Half the trench fell in on to, of me, and I've still got c pain in my little inside from the mud I swallowed, not ': speak of the in-fernal gas-whiff that came 'fore I could grab my confounded mask!"

grab my confounded mask!" Across the leather "Sam Brown" bando-ller of the artilleryman I notleed a long, dark, zigzag stain. His eyes followed my inquiring look, and "Sorry," he said, lacon-ically, "I know it's frightfully bad form to come out to dine like this but I can't get the infernal mark off, though I worked a couple of hours on it this afternoon."

"Machine-gun oil?" I inquired. "No," was the laughing answer, "nothing so seriousonly blood.

WOUNDED ON DUTY.

I asked no further questions. But for the first time I noticed a great jagged scar ap-pearing just above the artilleryman's khaki collar, and another all across the knuckles of his right hand. He raised the offending member and gazed at it reflectively. That's what comes of crawling out close

o the German lines to mend the telephone wires." he said; "the anipers nearly blew my knuckles off. Gad! but I was lucky to escape that time!"

Then I remembered what the papers had said about his bravery, and how, with the right hand almost shattered, he had calmly put a dressing on it and continued mend-ing the wires with the left hand, though badly wounded in the side and under con-stant enemy fire, "Twas nothing at all," he said airily;

"Twas nothing at all," he said aftry, " "the only thrilling time I ever had, was quite another episode. "Twasn't so very long ago, either. Did I tell you about it? I seem to forget things awfully quickly these days—my stupid head, you know!

LA BATTAGLIA INFURIA TRA BUFERE DI NEVE DA L'ADIGE AL BRENTA

Gli Italiani Riguadagnano Terreno sul Monte Cengio-Violenti Attacchi Austriaci Respinti a Coni Zugna

TOBLACH BOMBARDATA

ROMA, 7 Glugno, ROMA, 7 Glugno. La grande battaglia impegnata sulla fronte del Trentino tra le forze italiane e quelle austriache infuria sempre senza tregua, con la medesima violenza dei giorni scorsi. Sulle alpi si hanno violente tem-peste di neve che hanno servito a coprire alcuni attachi di sorpresa degli austriaci. i quali battono su tutta la fronte nella speranza di trovare il punto debole per sfondare la linea di resistenza italiana. I loro attacchi pero" sono stati tuti resmitti loro attacchi pero' sono stati tutti respinti, non solo, ma sul Monte Cengio gli italiani hanno anche guadagnato parte del terreno

che avevano previamente perduto. Del resto sulla fronte italo-austriaca co

Written Specially for the Evening Ledger. "We'd driven the Germans out of their first-line trench's, and those trenches were so thick with dead that I was keen to get a breath of air. So I went off ahead of the others to reconnoitre in a ruined farm-house. I'd a telephone with me, too, and installed it in the broken chimney, I'm grazy about telephones, and was so engrossed with this one that I didn't see the wily Huns return, recapture their trenches and surround the very house I was in. Gad, 'twas a nasty feeling! Through the holes in the wall I could see their officers holding a sort of jambalaya, and they'd point towards my hiding place and wag their heads as if they knew perfectly well I was

heads as if they knew perfectly well I was there. PHONES IN GREAT DANGER

"Istried to climb up the chimney, but my infernal feet are so huge that 'twas no use. 'Well,' I thought. 'I may as well die doing some useful work,' so I picked up the phone that I'd installed and murmured gently through it—oh, very gently, for the Ger-mans had strolled back from the trenches to within a few paces of my hiding place! "Hello! Is that you? I whispered to head-quarters. The Huns are here, thousands of 'em! If you'll wait half a mo' till I get a calculation. I'll give you the range and you

can open fire." The artilleryman paused. There was a curious gleam in his eyes, the gleam that only comes to men who for long months have walked hand in hand with death. "I got the range right, and phoned it gently through," he continued, "and how those German officers did swear when the shells came flying ! 'Can't understand how they're so accurate !' I heard some of them mut-tering. Gad, if they'd 'understood,' they'd have dashed into the ruin and cut me to

kept on whispering gentle into the phone for nearly an hour. 'Five hundred yards to the right-200 yards short-that's the range now-give it 'em hard-' and the Fritish shells kept flying hard—' and the Fritish shells kept flying like blazes. If those Germans had only found the cause of their undoing sitting peacefully on the chimney hearthstone close beside the little phone upon his knee, there would have been blue murder!" "The British drove them back?" I queried. "Rather," said the artilleryman. "I'd give a lot for another happy job like that! Talk about 'one crowded hour of glorious life'— 'twas absolutely great?"

'twas absolutely great!"

fensiva si trovano, si calcola, davanti a 500 o 700,000 austriaci. Esse sono agli ordini del generale Brusiloff che gia' comandava un'armata durante la prima in-vasione russa della Galizi. Da altra fonte si apprende che una vio lenta battaglia infuria da due giorni sulla fronte russa. I russi di Brusiloff ritornano alla loro tattica della prima invasione dell'Austria, facendo attacchi in grandi masse per sfondare le linee nemiche.

KITCHENER FU VITTIMA DELLE SPIE TEDESCHE

L'Offensiva Russa Obblighera' l'Austria a Ritirare Truppe dalla Fronte Italiana

Telegrammi da Londra dicono che la norte di lord Kitchener a bordo dell'incroclatore Hampshire ha causato un senso di rofondo rammarico ed una certa depres-one in tutta la Gran Bretagna, ma che la guerra continuera con la stessa perse-veranza con cui era condotta quando Kitchener era al Ministero della Guerra. Sembra che l'incrociatore sia stato silurato. Si dice che, nonostante la segretezza mannuta circa il viaggio di lord Kit



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nant With Many Serious Developments

MONARCHISTS SUSPECTED

PEKIN, June 7.—Yuan Shi-kal, Presi-dent of the Chinese Republic, died yester-day. Premier Tuan Chi Jui immediately advised Li Yuan Hung, the Vice President. of his accession to the presidency. Quiet prevails in the capital. The death of the Bardidat encember of the death

of the President apparently solves the heated political crisis. The Vice President's succession to the presidency of the republic appears to meet the demands of the leader of the southern provinces. Li Yuan Hung will take the oath of office today. The American and British commandants have advised their nationals living outside the legation quarter that it was safe to remain where they were for the present.

SITUATION IS COMPLETE.

At a meeting of the Cabinet after the President's death a feeling of confidence in the Government's ability to maintain order was evident. The situation, how-ever, is complex and developments may be of any character. While the death of the President robs

While the death of the President robs the southern provinces of all grounds of hostility to the north, it also leaves them nothing with which to bargain. Conse-quently it may prove that his death will have an unfortunate effect upon the politi-cal situation instead of solving it. Negotiations were on the eve of success-ful completion on the basis of the retire-ment of Yuan Shi-kai in favor of the vice president and the formation of a Coalition Cabinet in which the Southerners

Coalition Cabinet in which the Southerner expected to obtain a predominating post tion. They were to guarantee Yuan Shi-kai's safety. Now the Southerners have nothing to bargain with for power.

MAY HAVE MILITARY RULE.

Premier Tuan Chl-jul, supported by the troops, may be able to set up a quasi-military Government, in which the South-erners, if represented at all, will be in the minority

Chang Soulin, Governor of Mukden Prov Chang Soulin, Governor of Mukden Prov-ince. ma, make an attempt to reinstate the Manchu dynasty. It is also believed that Feng Kuocheng, Governor of Nanking, spires to the presidency. Yuan Shikai died at 1 o'clock yesterday morning in the palace, surrounded by his wives and older children. Rumors that he committed autoids are shouth denied by

committed suicide are stoutly denied by high officials. Uremia is given as the cause of death. He was reported to have been taken seriously ill on May 28.

CUTS OFF PORCH BREEZES

Neighbors Protest Before Judge Patterson Against Inclosing of Porch With Glass Sashes

Residents of the 2100 block South Broad streat say it is bad enough for a house-holder to cut off breezes by draping his porch in heavy awnings, but when he in-closes it with glas sashes, thus cutting off diances of air and light from neighbors' somes, then something should be done about it.

That is what they say Frank X. Mant-sion, of 2119 South Broad street, has done, and this dan't all. They may be has the from intention of converting his home into a contrast satabilinement. As a result of these alleged cumulative intrages the 11 protostants appeared before indige Patterson, in Common Plans Court No. 1, and made it very plain that there as a ome to be a scrap intege ine offend-by stants was removed and ine residential instants. It is allocated by the complain-tions is storating a inviting restriction in

ano a vedersi gli effetti dell'offensiva dei russi, e lo stesso Stato Maggiore austrico riconosce che la situazione e' immutata Ecco il testo del rapporto del generale ladorna pubblicato ieri sera dal Ministero della Guerra:

Nella valle dell'Adige domenica sera nol respingemmo un attacco di sor-presa fatto durante una tempesta di neve contro le nostre posizioni dell'alta Vallarsa e del Monte Pasubio. Ieri, dopo un' intensa preparazione di arti-glieria, colonne nemiche avanzarono per attaccare le nostre posizioni di Coni Zugna, ma furono ricacciate indietro in disordine dal nostro violento ed efficace fuoco d'artiglieria e di fucileria.

Sulla fronte Posina-Astico domenica sera, durante una tempesta, il nemico lancio' di nuovo grandi masse di fan-teria, appoggiate dal violento fuoco di numerone batterie di ogni catbro, con-tro le nostre posizioni tra il Monte Giove ed il Monte Brazzone. Il pronto intervento della nostra artiglieria e la fermezza con cui la nostra fanteria sos tenne l'urto riuscirono a respingere completamente l'attacco e ad infliggere al nemico perdite assai gravi. Nella stessa notte con un fortunato contrat-tacco nol riuscimmo a guadagnare ter-reno sui fianchi occidentali del Monte

Cenglo. Sull'altopiano di Asiago domenica sera e lunedi' mattina il menico man-tenne il suo violento fuoco di artiglieria e di mitragliatrici contro le nostre posizioni lungo la valle di Campomulo, e nel pomeriggio pronuncio' persistenti attacchi contro quelle nostre posizioni. Gli attacchi furono tutti vigorosamente

Nell'alta valle del Cordevole una colonna nemica che era in marcia da Pralongia verso Sief fu dispersa dall'accurato fuoco di una delle nostre batterie. Nella Val Pusteria nol abbiamo bom-

bardato coi nostri grossi calibri le stazioni di Toblach e di Innichen. Sulla fronte dell'Isonzo i nostri re-parti continuano a fare incursioni sulle linee nemiche.

Aviatori nemici hanno lasciato cadere bombe su Ala e su Verona. Tre per-sone sono rimaste ferite e si e' qualche danno materiale.

L'OFFENSIVA RUSSA.

Telegrammi da Petrograd dicono che il Ministero russo della Guerra annuncia che nell'offensiva iniziata dalle forze dello czar contro le lines austriache in Bucovina. Galizia e Polonia i russi hanno fatto finora 25.000 prigionieri, di cui 480 ufficiali, ed hanno preso al nemico 27 cannoni e 50 mitragliatrici. Lo stesso Ministero della Guerra austriaco ammette che gli austri-aci zono stati costretti a riplegare davanti all'offensiva russa che e' plu' violenta nel punto politicamente e strategicamente plu' debols, in Bucovina, verso il confine della Rumania. I russi minacceranno tra poco ancora Czernovits e ai avra' la possibilita' Telegrammi da Petrograd dicono che fi ancora Czernovits e si avra' la possibilita' di indurre la Rumania ad entrare nella guerra a fianco degli alleati. Le forze russe impegnate in questa of-

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(egli si dirigeva infatti a Pietroburgo per una missione speciale) spie tedesche infor marono l'ammiragilato tedesco del viaggio così che a Bèrlino si pote preparare l'at tacco contro l'incrociatore che viaggiava

I critici militari inglesi danno molta im-portanza al'offensiva russa contro le linee austriache della Bessarabia, Bucovina, e Galizia, offensiva che ha dato gia' alle truppe dello czar 25.000 prigioneri, pa-recchi connoni ed un buon numero di mitragliatrici. Si dice che questa offensive obblighera' gli austriaci a ritirare truppe dalla fronte italiana ed abbandona-re il piano di invasione dell'Italia.

Record Graduation at Columbia

NEW YORK, June 7.-Commencement exercises at Columbia University and Barard College #11 be held today, when, it was ambunced last night, the first named was an unced last hight, the first named institution will present more degrees this year that any other university in the his-tory of the Sorid. The total of diplomas and degrees will be 2212, which is several hundred more than last year.

Connecticut Trolley Strike Ends NORWICH, Conn., June 7 .- The trolleymen of the Shore Line Electric Rallway who have been on strike since June 1, reurned to work this morning. It is under tood the settlement is a cor

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Following is a list of the Pianos and Players with the Painter & Ewing prices as well as the Cunningham sale prices.

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