U. S. CAVALRY ROUTS VILLA BAND

Chief, Wounded and Crippled, Escapes Before Battle.

AMERICANS' LOSS & WOUNDED

Capture Believed Question Of Days. General Elisco Hernandez Among Dead Left On Field.

El Paso, Texas. -- Four hundred American cavalrymen under the command of Col. George A. Dodd, galloping down from the granite slopes of the great continental divide, have fallen on the main body of Francisco Villa's bandits at the San Geronimo ranch, scattering them in many directions and driving the bandit chief, wounded and crippled, to seek a hiding place in the mountains. Villa was hurried from danger in a carriage.

The fight opened at 6 o'clock in the morning of March 29 and continued for several hours. The news of the exploit was flashed into Juarez and cent a thrill along the border.

Taken By Surprise.

For 17 hours the veteran Colonel. with his picked troopers of the Seventh and Tenth Cavalry, drove down the valley of the Santa Marta soldiers two days previously at Guer-

one hip shuttered, was hurried from the scene, barely in time to escape the troops pressing forward from the rear onsinught of the Americans. The bandits made a brief but hopele's taining the most gallant of American stand before a charge of Colonel Dodd and his troopers. Then they broke and fled, leaving 31 dead on the field, Including their commander, General Elisco Hernandez. Two machine guns, a number of horzes, rifles, ammunition the others are said to have hardened and equipment fell into the hands of the Americans.

Pable Lopez Wounded.

Among the known wounded is Pablo Lopez, Villa's lieutenant in the Columbus raid. The American casualties were four privates wounded.

The American soldiers did not linger on the field of victory. For five hours they drave the enemy before them into the wilderness of mountain peak, desert and canyon, where roads or even trails are unknown and where a misstep means death to horse and rider. They halted only after the chase had led them 10 miles and the fugitives were scattered into little bands of half a dozen men each.

Villa's Power Broken.

Villa's career has ended; his power bas been broken. His death or capture is only a question of days. Such is the inevitable conclusion reached here as little by little the details of "Dodd's rids" reached the border. It

It is not certain that Villa himself took part in these murders, as it is thought improbable that he could have made his way from Minaca to the San Geronimo ranch, 30 miles to the northeast, in the time elapsing between the murder of the foreigners and the fight on the ranch with Colonel Dodd's riders.

Some time before the Minaca massacre Villa descended on Guerrero, where he slaughtered all the Carranza troops he could find. Prisoners Released.

After the battle on the San Geroimo ranch the American soldiers released a large number of General Carranza's men whom the bandit chief was holding. It is probable that it was at the Guerrero massacre that Villa was wounded.

Excitiment in El Paso and along the border is at fever heat in expectation hat at any moment the wires may flash the news of Villa's death or capture.

EXCEED SHERMAN'S MARCH.

Troops' Line Of Communications in Mexico Longer Than Famous Drive To Sea.

By aeroplane to field headquarters, Colonia Dublan, Chihuahua, Mexico (by aeroplane to Columbus, N. M.) .-The line of communications maintained by General Sherman in his march to the sea has been exceeded already in the line stretched by the American troops southward into Mexlength.

American troops, without a railroad, have opened a line directly into Villa's noted hiding places, all in less than river. At the end of a 55-mile ride two weeks. At the head of this line they fell upon the unsuspecting Villa are columns guarding avenues which camp, where 509 bandits were cele. Villa might try to use for doubling brating the massacre of 172 Carranza on his trail, while at the front is a body of men whose identities the cen- Belief Of Some Officials That Towerorship has hidden thus far, but whose Villa, shot through the leg and with exploits are daily filtering back along the long communication line, filling the stations with anticipation, and mainmilitary traditions. As a result of the hard campaigning

about two dozen of the vanguard troops have dropped from the ranks for hospital treatment. Meanwhile to their work as they advanced. In a town which a week ago was

considered notorious for the number of Villa sympathizers, army men report hat within a very few days they have discovered evidences of a seemingly, real transformation of sentiment in favor of the American Army.

LATEST U-BOATS OF HIGH SPEED.

Can Take Crews Of Ordinary Ships Aboard, Says Paper.

Copenhagen .- According to the Danish newspaper Politiken, the Jatest type of German submarines are so large that they can take aboard the crews of ordinary merchant ships which they sink. Politiken states that the submarine which recently sank the Norwegian steamship Lindfield carried a crew of 80 and was capable of very great speed. This submarine, says the standing its impact with the wreckage newspaper, took the Lindfield's crew from the other trains, emerged almost

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concerned over the present situation. and at some points were only a mile tary, political or economic question If it is proved that submarines again are attacking merchant vessels with-The conference separated into out warning-and the prepanderance groups, according to the questions to of evidence obtainable through diplointo the wreckage of the other two be determined, this process facilitating matic and unofficial sources seams trains which bulged over from the the reaching of common understandcompletely to demonstrate this-it is unlikely that there will be any further diplomatic negotiations on the subject. Instead the President will

Decisions Binding On Nations. The decisions of the conference present all of the facts in the case to have the force of the decisions of the Congress and announce that in his respective governments, because each, opinion the time has come for definite with the exception of Russia, was repaction. resented by its principal ministers and generals. WAR HIT NEUTRAL SHIPS HARD.

The delegates began departing tonight in the same silent and unobtru-208 Sunk Up To March 25, Nelson sive why that they assembled. Premier Asquith and Field Marshal Earl Kitch-

Britain. Sections, Including Scotland, Were Attacked, Not Included In These Totals.

IN LONDON CITY

London.-The coast of Scotland and the northern and southeastern counties of England were attacked by an official announcement by the Secretary of War. The announcement

"A Zeppelin raid took place Sunday night, when the coast of Scotland and the northern and southeastern countles of England were attacked. "Bombs were dropped at various

places. No details are available." With the exception of the big air

raid of Jonuary 31, when the casualties were 67 persons killed and 117 injured, the Zeppelin raids of Friday and Saturday nights caused greater loss of life than any previous aerial attack this year. The total casualties for the two

nights, according to an official report. were 59 persons killed and 166 wounded.

Cheered By Zeppelin's Destruction. As acme compensation for this sacrifice of life, however, the British public finds satisfaction in practical proof afforded of a great improvement in the defensive methods dealing with nerial incursions. For the first time since the inception of this method of warfare on the British coast, not only has one raider been brought down and its crew taken prisoners, but the official report recounts an exciting aerial

fight between a Zeppelin and a British airman, Lieutenant Brandon, who, mounting to a height of 9,000 feet, flew over the raider and dropped several bombs on it with effect.

The machine of Lieutenant Brandon was hit several times by machine-gun bullets from the Zeppelin. It is still unknown whether the Zeppelln in this fight was the L-15, which was brought down off the Thames estuary or another craft which is believed to have dropped its machine gun, petrol tank

and other parts. [®]Alfred Brandon, the British airman, is a native of Dellington, N. Z. He is 32 years old and only joined the flying corps last July.

There has been constant agitation in the newspapers for British airmen to ascend and attack Zeppelins, and the fact that this now has been successfully done gives promise of still greater achievements in the same direction. At the same time it will tend to increase public confidence that the authorities are making progress in their efforts to deal with the Zeppelin danger.

MAY 25 NAMED AS GOOD ROADS DAY

Harrisburg .--

Formal designation of Thursday, May 25, as Good Roads Day for Pennsylvania was made in a proclamation lasued by Governor Brumbaugh. This is the second time that the people of the State have been called upon to give their labor or substance for the better ment of the highways, the first Good Roads Day having been observed last May. In his proclamation the Governor refers to the interest aroused last year and to the requests made by organizations in various counties for a similar day this spring. The people are called upon to either devote the day to work or to contribute for labor or road materials. Last year the Governor spent the day on the roads, as did Highway Commissioner Cunningham and many State, county and local

State Charters Granted.

officials.

State charters approved include the following:

Mutual Distilling Co., Loraine, Berks county, capital \$290,000; treasurer, Jacob Greenbaum.

The Fabric Specialty Co., canvas gloves, etc., Cochranton, capital \$5,000; treasurer, Frank H. Powell.

Caltsburg Coal Co., Philadelphia, capital \$10,000; treasurer, William J. Schafer, Marlton, N. J.

American Export Co., general merchandise, Philadelphia, capital, \$5000; treasurer, Machiel Fendrich, 627 Ritner street.

The Puritan Mfg. Co., clothespins, Ellenton, capital \$6,000; treasurer, J. Fred Clark, Canton

Acme Walst Co., Philadelphia, capital \$5,000; treasurer, Benjamin A. Raab, 213 Delancey street.

The West Walnut Street Building and Loan Association, Philadelphia, capital \$1,000.000; treasurer, Dr. Michael F. Sullivan, 2767 North Twenty-fifth street.

State College Has 1,250 Troopers.

Dr. Edwin E. Sparks, president of State College, told the members of the Philomusian Club, that his institution was capable of turning out, in time of need, 1,250 men, fitted to drill and lead a charge of troops.

The meeting was to discuss the ways to better conditions in the rural sections. It was opened with two selections rendered by the Glee Club of the West Philadelphia Boys' High School

Miss Caroline Foresman, national secretary of the Young Women's Christian Association in the Middle Atlantic States, told of the work accomplished in the rural communities. The advantages to the farmers derived by the growth of the railway were pointed out by F. R. Stevens, of Geneva, N. Y., a representative of the Lehigh Valley Railroad.

Governor Speaks.

The new Pennsylvania State Soclety, composed of the heads of depart ments of the State Government, and members of commissions, gave a reception in honor of the wives and familles of members at the Capitol. In addition to a musical program there were addresses by Governor Brumbaugh, Secretary of the Common

wealth Woods and Secretary of In

ternal Affairs Houck. The affair was

the first of the kind ever given at the

Capitol, and was held in the hall of

Revenue Cut By Potash Scarcity.

Agriculture announced that the effects

of the war in cutting off the supply of

potash were shown strongly in the de-

cline in receipts from State licenson.

Last year, 1,487 brands were licensed,

the State receiving \$25,350. This year,

there were but 1.071 licensed, the in-

come being \$19,040. The greatest do-

cline is in brands which depended on

National Guard Changes.

Charles L. Schafer, Kingston, was

May Let Short Contracts.

for the Insane in this city, Deputy

Attorney General Hargest says that

contracts for supplies for the institu-

tion may be let for a period of less

To Complete Normal School Deals.

The State Board of Education ar-

ranged to complete details of purchase

of the State Normal Schools at Blooms-

burg and several other places. Nego-

tlations are in progress for control of

Kutztown, Millersville and Shippens-

Twenty-one Bridges Approved.

The State Water Supply Commission

announced approval of twenty-one

bridges, most of them to be construct-

appointed a State fish warden for

Scranton Alderman Appointed.

ter F. Jones as Alderman of the Twee

State To Set 5,000,000 Trees.

sent out in the next month in State

reserves in an elaborate plan of re-

forestation. All of the trees come from

Frank Baumgardner, a brother of

Chief of Folice Baumgardner, of Green-

castle, who is employed on the Harry

farm near Waynesboro, prevented

a robbery by flashing a gun. One of

the party, however, struck him on the head from behind, knocked him down

and beat him. All escaped.

Over five million young trees will be

Governor Brumbaugh appointed Les-

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Western Pennsylvania.

ty-first Ward, Scranton.

State nurseries.

foreign potash.

Officials of the State Department of

the House of Representatives.

seems impossible that the crippled bandit can long remain hidden, even in the mountain wastes in which he has sought refuge.

The scene of Colonel Dodd's victory is a broad valley lying at the head of the Santa Maria river. On the west Gerard's Talk With Chancellor About rise the barren foothills of the continental divide and to the east is a trail, made famous by Villa, which lends through the Laguna de Castilla district to Santa Ysabel. It was at the latter place that Villa killed 18 American mining men-a crime which sent a thrill of horror throughout the United States and marked the beginning of what many believe to be the end of his blood-stained career. It was toward Santa Ysabel that he was believed to be heading when the troopers of the United States swept down from the north upon his camp.

Panic-Stricken By Attack.

From the measure details which have reached here from Mexicans and American military sources, Colonel Dodd's men made their way unnoticed through the Arroyos, or deep gulches, which split the foothills in all directions, and were almost in the camp before the alarm was given.

Villa is reported to have been in a small tent nursing his injuries when the crash of the American volley fire awoke the bandit to punic-stricken action.

The extraordinary hold the bandit chief has on his followers is shown by the fact that their first thought was to save him. Unable to walk or ride, he was placed in a light wagon and driven over the rough mountain trails to some secret lair.

While 31 of the bandits are known to have been killed, it is said the number may have been considerably larger. Nothing is yet known as to the numher of wounded, although it is presumably in proportion to the dead.

Three Murdered By Bandits.

The last outrage credited to Villa occurred at Minaca, a town about 10 miles southeast of Guerrero on the Mexico and Orient Railroad. Here the Mexicans are reported to have mur dered Herman Blankenburg, a mine foreman, and two other foreigners. It is feared that the two unknown victime were Americans. Four Americans Acklin, Hemple, Locke and Dr. Stellar -are known to have been in or near Minaca recently.

AEROPLANES AT \$1 EACH.

Aero Club Offers Two To Government For Mexican Campaign.

New York .- The Aero Club of America announced that, because of the law which prevents the United States Government from accepting rifts, it had offered to sell to the Government for \$1 each the two highpowered aeroplanes it recently proffered for use in Mexico. The offer to sell the machines at this price has been forwarded to Secretary of War Baiter.

four days, finally trans-shipping them | ward journey, its passengers uninjured to Norway.

PEACE NOT EVEN MENTIONED.

Nothing In Particular.

Berlin, via London.-"An indefinite conversation about nothing in particular" was all there was to the recent talk between Uhancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg and Ambassador Gerard, the Ambassador declared. It was this conversation which led to reports in the United States that the Chancelfor had broached the subject of peace negotiations to the American Ambassador. "The question of peace was not discussed or even mentioned," said Mr. Gerard.

PRISON FOR NEW YORK WOMAN.

Found Guilty In Switzerland Of Being German Agent.

Berne, Switzerland --- Charlotte von Kuehnan, an artist of New York, who has been residing for some time in Representative Balley, Friend Of Lucerne, was sentenced to imprison ment for two months, followed by banishment, on a charge of having engaged in secret service work on behalf of Germany. It is said she was implicated in a plot with a German agent named Lattke and a girl named Corin, both of whom received the same entences.

MONGOLIANS NOT WHITE.

Honolulu Court Decides That Japanese Art Net Eligible To Citizenship,

Honolulu - American citizenship to the principle. was denied to Takao Ozawa, a Japanone, in a test case here. The court ruled that Japanese are Mongolians and that the word "white" does not include the Mongolian race.

NO REVISION OF ALLIANCE.

Japan Foreign Office Says Japan and England Are Agreed.

Tokio .- The Foreign Office declares hat rumors concerning a revision of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance are baseters. Japan and Great Britain have reached an amicable understanding letters; concerning patrols in the Pacific for the inspection of ships.

TORNADO KILLS EIGHT.

Had Taken Refuge In Farmhouse In Storm's Path.

Oklahoma City, Okla.-Eight persons were killed in a farm house two miles cast of Davis, O.da., by a tor nado which struck that section. The path of the tornado was eight miles wide.

The color magenta is named after a battle which was fought in the year of its discovery.

except for a severe shaking up.

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Twentieth Century Limited plowed

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14 coaches overturned.

of 20 on board and carried them for unscathed and proceeded on its west-

The great conches and engines of

Two cars were smashed to junk and

No. 86 were toppled over and debris

Twentieth Century Goes On.

The Twentieth Century, notwith-

parallel tracks and the three were ings.

A pall of fog from Lake Erie had settled down over Northern Ohio, and the night was of almost inky darkness. This, with the alleged failure of a towerman to do his duty under the rules, was ascribed by some of the railroad officials as the cause of the wreck. The towerman, it was said, had been without sleep most of the time since Sunday night, his wife being ill and requiring his attention when he was not on duty

The wreck was one of those rarest of railroad calamities-not one colliion, but two, involving three trains on two tracks. When the half-dozen investigations already under way are concluded, the blame will be fixed. A block signal, set suddenly and without warning, against a train speeding along eastward, with another train following in the next "block," lies at to the real cause of the wreck.

FOR ONE TERM OF SIX YEARS.

Bryan, Offers Resolution.

Washington .- Representative Bulley, of Pennsylvania, one of the close friends of W. J. Bryan in the House, introduced a resolution to increase the Presidential term to six years, with a one-term limit. In a statement, Mr. Bailey said the Democratic party and President Wilson had been unjustly criticized in connection with the single-term plank of the Baltimore platform, and pointed out that Mr. Wilson did not pledge himself to one term, but merely was pledged by the convention

WANTS WARSHIPS, NOT SEEDS.

Farmer Shows Feeling Of People On Preparedness.

Washington .- Another indication of Houston Newspaper Increases Price Of how the country feels on the subject of preparedness is seen in the reply of an Ohio farmer to his Representative egetable and flower seeds.

ships, not seeds."

"TOM" PENCE DEAD. He Was Secretary Of the Democratic

National Committee.

spaired of his recovery.

ener will visit Italy before returning to London. The conference adopted the follow-

was to be submitted.

ing resolutions just prior to adjourn- Danish and Dutch merchant vessels ment:

"The representative of the Allied March 25. Of these 97 were Nor-March 27 and 28, 1916, affirm the complete community of views and solidarity of the Allies. They confirm all the measures taken to realize unity a cruiser.

of action on unity of front. "They understand by that, at the same time, unity of military action,

assured by the Entente, concluded between the general staffs, unity of economic action, the organization of which the present conference has regulated, and unity of diplomatic action, which is guaranteed by their unshaken will to continue the struggle to victory for the common cause.

To Starve Out Enemy.

"The Allied governments decided to he bottom of the doubt that exists as put into practice in the economic domain their solidarity of views and interests. They charge the economic conference, which is to be held shortly at Paris, to propose for them appro-

> priate measures for the realization of this solidarity. "With a view to strengthen, co-or-

dinate and unify the diplomatic action to be exercised to prevent the revic- man was injured. tualing of the enemy the conference has decided to establish at Paris a permanent committee, in which all the Allies will be represented.

"The conference has decided: First, to continue the organization, already begun at London, of an international central bureau of freights; second, to proceed in common, and with the briefest delay, to seek practical means to apportion equitably between the Allied nations the charges for maritime transportation and check the rise

in freight rates."

HIT BY PAPER SHORTAGE.

Edition To Get Down, Sales

Houston, Texas. - Owing to in Congress asking whether or not he scarcity of print paper, as a result of Kee, grandson of President Harrison wanted any of the Government's free the freight congestion in the East, a and son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Mclocal afternoon paper increased the Kee, will start for Paris Saturday to The farmer addressed a postal card price of its street editions from 2 to 5 join the American ambulance corps, of on which was written in large, hold cents, with the expectation that a curtailment of 20 to 30 per cent. in street

11 HURT IN MINE DISASTER DIE.

of paper in two weeks.

Explosion Near Bluefield, West Vir ginla, Injured 23,

Bluefield, W. Va .- Six of the miners Washington .- Thomas J. Pence, sec- who were injured in the explosion in retary of the Democratic National the mine of the King Coal Company committee, died at his home, here, fol- at Vivian, W. Va., died in the State owing a lingering illness, due to com- Miners' Hospital at Welch, W. Va allcations. Ponce was stricken with Two others had died the previous oneumonia early in January and for night and several more are critically two months was confined in the hos- ill. Of the 23 men who were in the pital. A week ago specialists de shaft where the explosion occurred 11 resentatives were on the Senate floor are dead.

Washington .-- Senator Nelson submitted a memorandum to the Senate showing that 203 Norwegian, Swedish,

Tells Senate.

had been sunk in the war zone up to

Governments, in conference at Paris, wegian, 50 Swedish, 28 Danish and 28 Dutch. Submarines sank 136, 66 were de-

> stroyed by mines and I was sunk by Since the war began, the report said, Germany had detained or seized 226

Swedish vessels, while England had seized or detained 136.

FOUR MORE SUNK.

Two British, One Russian and a Dutch Steamer Sent Down,

London .- The sinking of four more steamships was announced. They are: The British steamship Kilbride, of 1,712 tons, owned by Connell Brothers,

of Glasgow The British steamer Lavinia Westoll, of 3,131 tons, owned by J. Wes-

toll, of Sunderland. The Dutch steamer Duiveland, of

1.297 tons, from Rotterdam. The Russian steamer Ottoman The crews were saved in every case, but on the Lavinia Westoll, one

EIGHT KILLED IN MINE.

Strike Probably Saved 26 Others Who Stayed Away.

Johnstown, Pa.-Eight men are known to have been killed as a result of an explosion of gas in the Robin- by a ferocious bull. He is in a critical dale mine of the Conemaugh Smolleless Coal Company, at Seward, eight miles west of here. Thirty men are regularly employed in the mine, but because of a strike only four reported for duty.

BABY M'KEE A SCLDIER.

To Join Charles Carroll's Ambulance Corps In France.

New York .- Benjamin Harrison Mc which Charles Carroll, of Baltimore, is one of the financial backers. He was "Cut out this graft-we want battle- sales will effect a saving of a carload known as Baby McKee when his grandfather was in the White House.

TAGGART SWORN IN AS SENATOR

Most Of Indiana Delegation Present At Ceremony,

Washington. - Thomas Taggart, Democratic National Committeeman from Indiana, appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Sen ator Shively, took the oath of omre It was administered by Vice-President Marshall and most of the Indiana Repduring the ceremony.

SOUTHERN EXPRESS TO ADAMS.

No Change in Management, Says President Barrett.

New York .-- William M. Barrett, president of the Adams Express Company, announced here that the controlling interest in the Southern Express Company had been acquired by his company. He said, however, that there would be no change in the management of the Southern Express Company: that Morton F. Plant would remain as chairman of the board of directors, T. W. Leary as president and

E. M. Williams as vice-president. U. S. MARINES IN CHINA.

Landed From Wilmington As Swatow

When Native Troops Revolt.

appointed a first lieutenant and assistant surgeon in the National Guard Peking .- Marines from the United and assigned to the Ninth Infantry. States gunboat Wilmington "went Joseph B. Roulston, Philadelphia, was ashore Sunday at Swatow, where the appointed a first lieutenant and as-Chinese troops have declared their insigned to Company L, Sixth Infantry. dependence of the central Government. The detachment reconnoitred and found the city quiet. A Chinese In an opinion given to George W. gunboat also is anchored off Swatow Reily, treasurer of the State Hospital which is a scaport of Kwangtung

province, 120 miles south of Amoy, BULL GORES AGED FARMER.

than one year. James Pumpeny In Critical Condition Near Wellsburg.

Wellsburg, W. Va .- James Pump-

ney, an aged farmer of Brooke county, residing near Wellsburg, was gored condition at his home. Mr. Pumpney was attacked on a roadway near his home while leading a cow to pasture. when the bull charged through a fence.

The aged man was unable to escape or to defend himself and the bull's horn pierced his breast.

KILLED BY B. & O. TRAIN.

West Virginia Farmer Run Down In State Fish Warden Named. Tunnel Rev. A. Watson, Slippery Rock, was

Clarksburg, W. Va .- While walking through a tunnel near Ellenboro, Free man C. Starr, a Ritchie county farm er, was struck by a fast passenged rain of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad and was instantly killed. He was 55 years old.

05 LIVES LOGT WITH STEAMER.

Wakatsu Maru, Japanese Vessel, Strikes Sunken Rock Tokio .- The steamer Wakatsu Mard,

ound from Nagasaki for costal points,

as been wrecked on a sunken rock.

lighty-nine of her passengers and 16

rembers of the crew are believed to

ave been drowned. The Wakatsv

Venice has 60,000 residents, and the

faru was a vessel of 252 tona.

town is built on 70 or 80 inlets.