

MEXICANS' FIGHTING ABILITY IS PRAISED BY AN EYE WITNESS

Battle Near American Border Carried on Along Modern Lines, It Is Declared.

MASSED FORMATION USED

Retired Army Officer of Portland Gets Letter From Brother Who Is On the Border.

An interesting commentary on the fighting abilities of the Mexican troops and the military strategy employed by their leaders is contained in a letter received recently in Portland by a retired army officer from his brother, an officer in the regular army now stationed on the Mexican border.

After having seen both the Filipino and the Mexican in action he concludes that the latter is the better fighter. Not only have the Mexican tacticians made full use of American tactics but recently, guided by the successes of the German troops, he observes that they have taken to the mass formations of the German troops.

A portion of his letter having to do with warfare between the factionists in Mexico just over the American line follows.

Plan of Attack Praised.

"I happened to be near the boundary line at the time preparations were being made by Villa for the attack; the dispositions were well made; first, a line of skirmishers acting as ground scouts at wide intervals, followed at five or six hundred yards by the first attacking line and this latter line followed by two or three lines at about the same distance with small reserves held in the rear.

"The cavalry operated on the left bank (away from the boundary line) and the artillery in the center of the center about 3000 yards distant under cover of the advance was deliberate and almost copied from our own drill regulations though I see now instead of a succession of thin lines up to points of assault they are now resorting to mass formations copied from the Germans. Even the English have tried this latter formation.

"There is no question about the bravery of the Mexican individual. They seemed not to mind being under fire but I noticed the attackers did not deliver the assault through the wire entanglements.

"At no time did the line get closer than 400 yards and after an exchange of a terrible fusillade accompanied and supported by artillery, they drew off toward Nacoztlan (west). The retreat was across the front of the fortified town of Agua Prieta and but little was done to harass the column or to effect captures.

"Calles sent out a few hundred cavalry, but these were promptly chased back by Villa's cavalry. Calles lost the opportunity of his career in not sending out about 3000 or 4000 infantry and some light field pieces; had he done this he would have captured a big part of Villa's train. They say Calles hasn't much nerve.

"Both sides did remarkably well in keeping their fire from entering 'United States territory but of course incident to so much firing a few hundred bullets wildly aimed were bound to stray; many shrapnel burst on our side and 100 yards from our trenches but did no harm.

"Calles had about 24 pieces of artillery of three or four inches. Villa had about 36 pieces one pounders and 4 inch pieces. Villa's fire (artillery) mostly went high; most of the shooting was after dark. As a rule the artillery on both sides was poorly handled.

"Better than Filipinos. "I believe they would have made a determined stand against us unless the attack was very suddenly made at the very start; we would have had both ends of their trenches banked and made short work of the proposition.

"Villa had about 200 or 300 killed, although some say this is too high. Calles had about 35 killed and 65 or 75 wounded. Quite surprising considering great amount of firing done. Are now seasoned and better fighters than the Filipinos, in my belief."

JAPANESE BEAUTY SHOT

Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 20.—(P. N. S.)—Oriental jealousy today caused the serious and perhaps fatal injury of Miss K. A. Raki, a beautiful Japanese girl, who, while bidding farewell to O. Kodini, a wealthy gardener, was shot three times, according to the police, by G. Nishida, her rejected suitor.

One of the bullets struck the girl in the face, another in the shoulder and a third in the arm. A posse is in search of Nishida.

Bazaar on December 3.

The Ladies of the Central Presbyterian church will hold a bazaar Friday afternoon and evening, December 3, in the clubrooms of the church, East Thirteenth and Pine streets. A cafeteria dinner will be served from 5 to 8 p. m.

Specialist in City Building En Route

Allen D. Albert of Minnesota Will Arrive in Portland Tuesday to Deliver Address at Dinner.

Tuesday morning the president of the International Rotary club will be in Portland and during the day will be heard twice. He is Allen A. Albert of Minnesota, and a specialist in city building.

At noon Mr. Albert will lunch with the Rotarians and at 6:30 o'clock in the evening he will be dinner guest at the Chamber of Commerce, where he will deliver his lecture on "The Forces That Make Cities." Members of the chamber, Rotarians and their friends are expected to furnish a capacity audience for the evening event.

Mr. Albert is coming to Portland to lend his experience in advancing the trade and commerce of the city and state. He had made a special study of the great seaports Mrs. C. W. George E. Hardy, executive secretary of the chamber, who is now in San Francisco, heard Mr. Albert in the latter city last week and declares that every business man in the city should be present Tuesday night at the chamber.

Dinner reservations are now being made at the Chamber of Commerce.

Manchester Martyrs' Memorial Is Planned

Judge Kavanaugh Will Be Principal Speaker at Meeting at Hibernian Hall This Evening.

The forty-eighth annual memorial in honor of the Manchester martyrs, Allen, Larkin and O'Brien, will be fittingly celebrated in Hibernian hall, 340 Washington street, this evening under the auspices of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. Hon. J. P. Kavanaugh will be principal speaker. E. H. Deery will preside.

Following is the program: "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean," Miss Grace Dawson; piano solo, Miss Violet Grayson; "Erin's Flag," (recitation), John D. Walsh; president, A. O. H.; "The Harp That Once," Miss Frances McCarthy; address, Hon. J. P. Kavanaugh; "Mavis," Mrs. Henry W. Metzger; violin solo, Miss Anna Meagher; "Come Back to Erin," Mrs. J. C. Hayes, Mrs. F. A. McMenamin, accompanist; "The Songs My Mother Used to Sing," Fred Bauer, a well known tenor.

Miss Marie Chapman will be accompanist at the evening. The entertainment commences at 8:15 sharp. The public is invited. The committee in charge consists of E. H. Deery, F. A. McMenamin, S. O'Meara, Robert Day and D. W. Lane.

McCall to Be Guest of Honor

Governor-Elect of Massachusetts Will Be Given Reception at Press Club Tomorrow Night.

Samuel W. McCall, governor elect of Massachusetts, will be the guest of honor at an informal reception in the rooms of the Portland Press club from 6 to 7 o'clock tomorrow night.

Mrs. McCall will reach Portland from Prineville where he is visiting his son at 5:30 o'clock, and will leave for San Francisco at 8. Leslie M. Scott, president of the Press club, received a letter from him yesterday, accepting the club's invitation, but requesting that the affair be purely informal.

Members of the club and their friends are invited to meet Mr. McCall. It is not known at this time whether he will speak.

Stricken Jurist Is Slated for Pension

Savannah, Ga., Nov. 20.—(P. N. S.)—A rumor is current to the effect that Justice Joseph R. Lamar of the United States supreme court, a native of Georgia, may be retired from active duty and continued on full pay by act of congress for the remainder of his life.

Justice Lamar, who was appointed by President Taft, is now at Hot Springs, Va., suffering from a stroke of paralysis. It is not believed that he will be able to return to active service.

Another Victory Is Claimed by Drys

Word was received yesterday by R. P. Hutton of the Anti-Saloon league of another victory for the "dry." It is the winning over to the dry cause of Major Don Morgan Smith, who was formerly national counsel for the Moderate License league, and who in 1910 stumped Oregon for the wets with Clarence Darrow of Chicago.

Mr. Hutton was advised that Smith had taken charge of the dry campaign in Boston, where a local option election will be held December 14.

American Vessel Hit Mine.

Washington, Nov. 20.—(P. N. S.)—Ambassador Page at London today advised the state department that the American schooner Helen W. Martin struck a mine off Orfordness in the North Sea, Thursday. The vessel anchored and tug was standing by. No additional details were given.

THOSE WHO PAY AND THOSE WHO DO NOT GET LIKE TREATMENT

Children's Ward at Good Samaritan Hospital Doing Commendable Work.

Emily L. Loveridge, superintendent of Good Samaritan hospital, has rendered a report referring to the work being accomplished at the institution in behalf of deserving juvenile patients and calling attention to the urgent need of an endowment room. It is pointed out in the report, which is addressed to the bishop, that all patients in the children's ward, whether they pay or do not pay, are accorded the same treatment. Following is the report:

"My Dear Bishop: Here are a few items which I have prepared for themselves. Patients in ward 40 (children's ward): 'John, 13 years old, almost blind on admission, now able to see fairly well. He has been here months and will be here much longer. Father is a rancher, 30 miles from the railroad; has two smaller children, and no money. Free case.

"Lillian, six years old, has infantile paralysis with complete loss of use in both legs. This cannot be cured, but can be helped by braces, which are being given by some charitable people. Mother supports three other children by washing. Father sloped with another woman when this child was here and mother away. Free case.

"Jack, four years old, has disease of knee. Mother, a widow, has no living. The child is having cases on the knee; will be here some time. Free case.

"Anthony, six years old, spinal curvature, is in a Bradford frame. There is a large family of needy children. Has been here nine months and will be here that much longer.

"Annie, three years old, congenital dislocation of hip; has many children. Father gets small wages. The child has been here nine months and will be here many more. Paid \$20 and the rest must be free.

"Two children, both under two years, whose mothers are not only without money, but no one to care for their children while they are here for operative work. Both free.

"A girl recovering from an operation for abdominal sinus. Free case.

"A boy with a broken leg; parents at present out of money, must have long time on bill.

"George, a case of bronchitis, father out of work; has several children, and only day's work to provide for them. May pay.

"A small girl with pneumonia, free case.

"This is merely a record of one day, and is a fair sample of all days. Man Has Broken Back. "In adult wards, we have a man with a broken back, one woman with disease of hip, one with typhoid fever, one with only one joint (who has been here 18 years), several operatives, and others. To many we give rats so they can pay, to others a long time to pay bill, and many 'may pay.'

"We have no charity ward among our wards. Those who pay and those who do not pay receive the same treatment. In all this house we have not one endowed room, all endowed beds are ward beds. This is a great need—some place where the patient who cannot be alone. "Most truly yours, "EMILY L. LOVERIDGE."

Patrolman's Son Has Disappeared

Richard Wayne Field, 14-year-old son of Patrolman R. H. Field, has disappeared, and is supposed to be headed toward California in company with a man about 21 years old. The boy is about 5 feet 5 inches tall, weighs about 110 pounds, slender build, hazel eyes and dark hair. He is wearing a blue and brown over right eye. When last seen he wore a dark brown plaid suit, with brown khaki trousers and a light blue coat over his suit, and a soft black velvet hat. He had a few eruptions on his face. Circulairs are being sent out, which bear his description.

CHANGE TRAIN SCHEDULE

Several changes in Southern Pacific time schedules are announced to go into effect today. Its leaving time having been changed from 8:10 to 7:50 a. m. train 18 will reach Portland at 4 p. m. instead of 4:35 p. m. Train 13 which leaves Portland at 8:15 p. m. will reach Eugene 10 minutes earlier than has been the case and will leave the Southern Oregon city for San Francisco at 4:45 a. m. instead of 5 a. m. Schedules for trains on the west side of the bay are as follows: Portland are advanced 5 or 10 minutes for several trains. Trains 312, 313, 317, 318, 324 and 325 on the electric line will terminate at Qwago instead of Cook.

Wanted More to Eat.

Because she would only give him a loaf of bread and three pieces of meat for breakfast, Frank Tayas picked up a case knife and threatening Mollie Smith, grabbed her by the hair and pulled her into the street, where her screams attracted persons in the vicinity, who carried her to rescue. This occurred at 364 Front street. Tayas had been working for \$2 a week and board. Tayas was arrested by Officers Gill and Cameron.

Seaside Will Have Sing.

Seaside, Or., Nov. 20.—A chorus of 20 voices from the Methodist Episcopal church, is preparing special music for the Christmas holidays. Among the Christmas songs: "Godegod's List," "Babylon's Wave" and "The Christmas Babe's" and "The Christmas Herald," by C. Whitney Coombs. C. M. Godfrey is director.

Threw Suitcase Through Window.

Because Mrs. Helen Ingersley, landlady of the San Marco hotel, 425 1/2 Washington street, refused to pay him \$4 for work performed, Fritz Gronich threw his suitcase through the plate glass door of the hotel. He was arrested by Traffic Officer Stark. Gronich stated his act was one of revenge.

Paroled Attorney Here For a Visit

Max Cohen Receives Visits From His Friends; Will Proceed to New York, It Is Said.

Max Cohen, on parole from McNeil island, where he was sentenced to serve two years for subornance of perjury, spent yesterday at his home, where he received calls from friends. Cohen was convicted because of his conduct as an attorney in the case of Mike Gronich, a white slave. It was shown that on Cohen's advice Mrs. Gronich, known as Esther Wood, perjured herself in Gronich's behalf.

The defense offered by Cohen was that even though he had persuaded the woman to lie, he was not guilty, because in law a woman cannot be a competent witness against her husband. Federal judges ruled that in white slave cases where the wife was the white slave, this rule of law was inoperative, and that the wife could be a competent witness.

Cohen was paroled to Judge Sanders of New York, for which city it is understood he will depart today. It is believed certain that Cohen will renew his efforts for a pardon. He was paroled on petition of 600 Portland citizens to President Wilson.

Blind No More, Old Chief Rues Temper

Indian Whose Sonnabach Nearly Killed Daughter, Thanks Surgeons for Giving Him Sight.

San Bernardino, Cal., Nov. 20.—(P. N. S.)—For the first time the three-year-old daughter whom he nearly killed with a tomahawk several weeks ago, Perfecto Segundo, an old Indian chief, today sat up in his hospital cot and, with tears in his eyes, thanked the surgeons for giving him sight, which in all his long lifetime he never had enjoyed before.

Segundo, born in 1840, was a chief of his tribe for many years. His temper now and then got the best of him and some time ago, say the police, he hurled a tomahawk at his wife. The weapon struck his little daughter, who for several days was not expected to recover.

Surgeons soon will operate on the aged Indian's other eye in the hope of giving him complete sight. In the meantime, officers state that for the sake of the little girl, the charge against him of assault to murder may be changed to disturbing the peace.

Youth Is Arrested; Theft Is Admitted

Virgil Yates Confesses to Stealing Auto Light Tanks; Has Been in Trouble Before.

Though but 19 years old, Virgil Yates is keeping up his long criminal record and is again in the toils of the law. Last night he was caught stealing a light tank from an automobile on the Fourth street side of the Multnomah hotel. He maintained it was given him for a time, but broke down at last and admitted he was stealing. To Detectives Leonard and LaSalle, who arrested him, he admitted stealing light tanks from his following owners of machines: Dr. W. L. Coffman, 90 Medical building, Thursday; H. A. Anderson, 95 Fourth street, Tuesday; Rev. J. Richard Olson, 150 North Nineteenth street, November 12.

Yates' arrest clears up one of the 19 thefts from Mr. Olson in the past 18 months. He refused to tell the address of his parents, but he had been away from home for the past two weeks. He has been in court many times despite his tender years and had a long juvenile court record before he graduated from its control.

Two Women Are Granted Divorces

Lena B. Goodfellow yesterday secured a divorce from James Goodfellow, whom she married in Vancouver, Wash., July 10, 1913, on grounds of cruelty. A divorce was also granted to Annie Walters from Max Walters whom she charged with cruelty.

Hurt in Collision.

Leonard Verhagen, 688 Frederick street, was taken to the Good Samaritan hospital unconscious as the result of a collision between an inbound Woodstock streetcar, No. 719, and a one horse truck he was driving, yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock. The accident occurred at East Sixteenth and Woodstock streets. A later report from the hospital stated that he had regained consciousness.

Jail Break at Everett.

Everett, Wash., Nov. 20.—(P. N. S.)—James McNeal, alleged automobile thief, is at liberty today, following a successful jail break last night. George Reynolds and Frank Watson, who attempted to escape with McNeal, were captured by Police Sergeant M. J. Fox before they got out of the jail building.

OSWALD WEST CALLS ATTENTION OF BOARD TO COURT'S DECISION

Railroad Company Held Not Entitled to Dispose of Timber on O. & C. Land Grant.

Former Governor Oswald West sent a letter yesterday to the members of the O. & C. railroad land grant conference committee, calling attention to a portion of the United States supreme court opinion, which he said appears to have been overlooked. Mr. West's letter says:

"The report of the recent conference between the state and railroad officials in the matter of the O. & C. R. R. land grant, particularly the statement by the railroad's attorney, that the company could defer the sale of the lands until some distant date, and in the meantime remove the timber and enjoy the profits thereof, and those of the governor, who made the statement by the railroad's attorney, that the lands and timber should be sold at commercial prices and the profits, after payment of the claims and equities of the railroad, should be divided between the state and the railroad company, prompts me to call attention to a part of the supreme court's opinion which appears to have been overlooked.

"The court said: 'It is, however, clear, even from the government's summary of the evidence, that lands which may be fit for cultivation have a greater value on account of the timber which is upon them.'

"This, then, being the situation resulting from conditions now existing, it is the opinion of the court that the railroad company, the lands invite now more to speculation than to settlement, and we think, therefore, that the railroad company should not only be enjoined from any disposition of them whatever or of the timber thereon and from cutting or authorizing the cutting or removal of timber, but that an act of congress shall have a reasonable opportunity to provide by legislation for their disposition in accordance with such policy as it may deem proper, and the same time secure to the defendants all the value the granting acts conferred upon the railroads."

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CHURCH OFFICE IS MOVED

The office of the pastor and assistant pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church has been moved from the Northwestern Bank building to the church building, at Twelfth and Taylor streets.

Indications Point To Incendiary Fire

Fire, undoubtedly of incendiary origin, damaged a vacant house at 800 East Ninth street north about 6:30 o'clock last night. The family of H. Pennington noticed the flames through a kitchen window and summoned engine 14 and truck 5. The flames had eaten into the dining room before they were extinguished. The house was formerly owned by a man named Bicknell.

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Mexican Kills Aged Couple, Taking Girl

When American Parents Reject Him as Son-in-Law Teamster Crushes Heads With Bulldozers.

San Diego, Cal., Nov. 20.—(U. P.)—News of the brutal murder of Mr. and Mrs. G. Burlingame, an aged American couple, by a Mexican teamster, who fled to the hills near Ensenada with their 16 year old daughter after the murder, was brought to San Diego today by Captain Robert Israel of the power schooner Nonesuch.

The bodies of the murdered couple, their heads smashed with bulldozers, have been recovered about 100 yards apart from the road leading from their ranch at San Ysidro, Mexico, about 25 miles from the coast, to Ensenada.

Two brothers, G. H. and William Burlingame, have organized posses in Ensenada and are on their way to the hills.

The atrocity was committed yesterday. Permission to marry the girl had previously been refused the murderer. Details of the affair will be telegraphed to Washington.

Club Life's Whirl Leads Man to Cell

John Brokman, Former Chief of General Electric's Chicago Plant Arrested at Oakland.

Oakland, Cal., Nov. 20.—(U. P.)—Trailed almost across the continent by private detectives and the police of scores of cities, John Brokman, former superintendent of the General Electric company's big Chicago plant, is in the city prison, accused of embezzling \$30,000 from his employers.

Last night police officers went to the home of Brokman and placed him under arrest. He was torn from the arms of his wife, who is prostrated with grief over his arrest, and placed in a cell.

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