

VILLA'S RETREAT TO SOUTH IS CUT OFF BY PERSHING'S TACTICS

Fear That the Bandit Chief Might Lead Chase to Central America Gone.

FIGHT SEEMS ASSURED

Funston Is Not Worried Over Absence of News From Front as He Is Confident of Outcome.

San Antonio, Texas, April 1.—(U. P.)—Francisco Villa cannot escape, sooner or later he must attempt to fight his way through a ring of American soldiers.

Standing out prominently tonight in the deduction drawn by the general staff at Fort Sam Houston was the fact that Villa's retreat to the south, off the bandits' flight southward, despite previous fears that the chase might continue straight through to Central America.

Since the receipt of Pershing's official report of the engagement Wednesday, indicating that Colonel Dorr's cavalry detoured through the mountains and came upon the Villistas from behind, army officers are convinced that the headlong chase is ended. They point out that a cordon of cavalrymen can now be drawn about the territory in which the bandits are hiding, the circumstance gradually narrowing until a death battle ensues.

Confident of the outcome, General Funston was not worried tonight over the absence of news from the front. Since Pershing's message yesterday, recounting the decisive defeat of Villa's main force by Colonel Dorr's cavalry, not a word has come from the Guerrero district in a carriage, following injuries sustained in the skirmish with Carranzistas.

He said the bandit leader probably has been carried into the mountains nearby where United States troops can soon bring him to bay.

VILLA MAY BE FORCED TO HAVE HIS RIGHT LEG AMPUTATED, REPORT

El Paso, Texas, April 1.—(U. P.)—Reports reached here tonight from Mexican sources that Villa was severely injured in the fight with Carranzistas at Guerrero that amputation of his right leg may be necessary. General Gavira, commandant at Juarez, received confirmation of the wounding of Villa. Gavira was informed that Villa was carried away on a stretcher by two Indian runners after being shot from his horse. The bandit leader fell heavily to the ground, and his right leg and was unconscious when picked up.

The Villistas made a surprise attack on Guerrero, killing the Carranza pickets before they could spread the alarm, and swarmed upon the town before the Carranzistas could get under arms. Villa was directing the fighting when he was hit in the right knee and fell from his horse. Fighting was in progress in the streets for several hours before the Carranzistas were able to make good their retreat into the hills. The Carranza army and at various sorts of entertainment, fought the Villistas from behind barbed wire.

There were upwards of 500 Villistas in the attacking force. The Carranza army was said to have numbered only 150. According to the Mexican reports tonight Villa remained in Guerrero until Tuesday where his wounds were attended to.

Hearing of the approach of the American forces he moved northward, evacuating Guerrero.

80 Villistas Killed.

El Paso, Texas, April 1.—(U. P.)—Eighty Villistas are reported to have been killed in a battle between Carranza troops and the forces of General Reyes, the bandit leader of the Laguna district. The losses to the de facto government's troops were said to have been a colonel, two other officers and several men killed. Dispatches from Torreon which carried news of the battle reported that the Carranza army undertook to exterminate the Reyesistas.

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Trout Fishing Season Has Opened

Streams Mecca For Scores of Anglers

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Anglers are out in force today. Every accessible mountain stream near Portland is being scoured for anything which looks like a fish and the trout which today escape the clutches of designing man will indeed be lucky. The season for trout more than six inches in length opened yesterday and it is said that if there is any stream within 100 miles of Portland which is not being diligently fished today it is because the stream is unknown or inaccessible.

Hundreds of fishermen left Portland yesterday and on early trains today bound for the home of the elusive and probably unhappy trout. Dealers in fishing tackle report that sales of fishing tackle were extraordinarily large during the week. While the big day for trout fishing is today, many fishermen left Portland Friday night to be on hand yesterday morning with the opening of the season. The season for fishing for trout more than six inches in length has been open for some time and it has been against the law to catch any trout under that length.

With the present regulation in effect, however, any trout which is more than six inches long and which can be hooked may be taken by the fishermen. Fish and game wardens are to make a special effort today to see that the law is not violated. The busiest scenes will be along today probably along the upper Clackamas and tributaries, which streams are easily reached.

Trains Carry Anglers. The Portland Railway, Light & Power company reports that all of its trains going out of Portland yesterday bound for points along the Clackamas, carried many fishermen. Many also purchased tickets for the "fishermen's special," which left

ITALIAN SUSPECTED OF MURDER 11 YEARS OLD DENIES HIS GUILT

Jailer Declares Prisoner Is Not Pietro Torturici, Wanted for Old Crime.

San Francisco, April 1.—(U. P.)—"I swear to you I am not the man," retorted this over and over, James Mariano, who, the police declare, is none other than Pietro Torturici, murderer of a woman, arrested here today from Seattle for trial.

Ever since his arrest, Mariano has professed his innocence. He declared he is the victim of a chain of circumstances linking him to a brutal murder committed by another man. Villard was butchered and his body dismembered. Mariano says he was in another city when that occurred.

Patrolman Identifies Him. "You are Torturici," asserted Patrolman Gilbert chase when the prisoner was taken into headquarters today, manacled to the detectives who brought him here from Seattle. "I remember you well," continued the policeman. "Don't you remember the teamsters' strike, when I was stationed near the California Cannery company, where you worked, Shukhande, Pietro?"

The accused man backed away, shaking his head. "I am not the man. I am not the man," he cried.

"I don't know you. I never saw you before. I never killed anybody. The police received a jolt when Mariano was taken before James Spoon, assistant jailer in the Hall of Justice, for identification. Spoon knew Torturici well. But when he looked at the prisoner from Seattle he manifested no sign of recognition.

No," Spoon declared, "this man is not Torturici. I would know Torturici anywhere. This man is too young. I don't know him. I would know him if he were the man who brought me the accused man's heart. He talked more freely after that."

Woman Is Mentioned. "My name," he said, "is not Torturici. It is a woman. I am either an James Gaffne. I am 26 years old and I don't know a thing about this murder. Why, I was never in California before in my life. When I was five years old my parents brought me to New Orleans from Palermo, Italy. We lived here and there in the south, and in 1903 I went to work as a waiter in Kansas City.

"It was there I met Mrs. Marie Bousier. She was a widow. We were both arrested for shoplifting, and she was paroled. Later, while I was out on bail I heard of her getting in trouble again in Seattle and went there to help her. I don't know anything about Torturici and never heard of this murder before."

Mariano was arraigned before Judge Brady on a murder charge today. He will plead later.

James Mariano, declared by the San Francisco police to be Pietro Torturici, the murderer, was held in Portland for a few hours while being taken from Seattle south to face the charge on which he was arrested.

Dishwasher Again College Professor

Professor Cecil Kayell, Who Lost His Identity for Two Years, Returns to Family, Ending Episode.

Colorado Springs, Colo., April 1.—(U. P.)—Reluctantly Cecil O'Brien, dishwasher, tonight decided to abandon that identity and become Professor Cecil Kayell, previous intellectual faculty member of colleges.

After two years' separation from his family fighting amnesia, a change of search was ended when Kayell agreed to go with Professor Donald McFarland, a cousin. The police turned Kayell over to McFarland on the understanding that he was to rejoin his family.

Pool Room Owner Arrested. P. Terenzio, owner of a pool room and soft drink establishment, 21 North First street, was arrested yesterday afternoon on the charge of allowing card playing. Three men were caught with cards by Sergeant Bole and Mallon who made the arrests.

G. O. P. LEADERS SAY LUNCHEON HELD FOR PARTY PREPAREDNESS

Former Secretary of State Entertained Roosevelt, Root and Other Notables.

PROGRESSIVES PRESENT

Gathering Given Rise to Report Move Is Afoot to Make Roosevelt Regular Republican Candidate.

Washington, April 1.—(U. P.)—Republican leaders today agreed that the luncheon at which Robert Bacon, former secretary of state, entertained Theodore Roosevelt, Elihu Root and others at New York yesterday was for the announced purpose of discussing preparedness.

"Preparedness for what?" several leaders asked, however. Root is the man whom the Progressives accused of rushing through the program whereby Roosevelt was elected for the presidential nomination at the Republican convention of 1912. The fact that Roosevelt and Root lunched together gave rise to a report that a move was afoot to make Roosevelt the regular Republican candidate this year.

"That is an interesting and now we are sure that the colonel will be a candidate for the Republican nomination," said Senator Gallinger today. "I have known it for months. But he will never succeed. The Republicans will nominate a man who is elected. There is a widespread feeling that Roosevelt is not that man."

"This means that the Republican party is drawing together," declared Senator Poinsett. "It will have a patriotic and progressive platform and a really progressive leader, very likely the one of the campaign battle cry. The exact date of the opening salvo is generally believed to be April 15, when the Congress convenes. The anniversary of Thomas Jefferson's birth, dinner President Wilson is expected to sound Democracy's battle cry for 1918.

Democratic leaders tonight admitted there is much more to be done. Several major parts of the work to be adjusted. Among the immediate problems is selection of a committee to succeed the late Thomas J. Pender. Two men have been mentioned as possibilities, Matt Kelly, postmaster of Jersey City, N. J., and W. B. Hollister, Senator Stone's secretary, who is acting temporary secretary.

The announcement came from Berlin today by Carl W. Ackerson, United Press staff correspondent, virtually confirmed here that Abraham Elkus of New York would be named ambassador to the Soviet Union. Elkus, who was in the city to give the peace strength of the army under the Chamberlain bill from 178,000 to 259,000 and giving it an approximate war strength of 375,000 men.

Wilson's Way FOLLOWED BY THE CONGRESS (Continued From Page One.) that may be a hazard. They believe also in a reasonable program of preparedness, and they are satisfied that the present administration, without being stamped to an anvil, is taking proper steps for the nation's security. The proposed government armor plant is one of the liveliest issues in Congress. The Tillman bill authorizing a \$11,000,000 investment has passed the senate. The Bethlehem Steel company, one of the three firms that has been supplying the government with armor, has undertaken a publicity campaign against it, and newspaper correspondents in Washington are being supplied with frequent installments of literature telling why it should not pass. The armor manufacturers all base their argument upon the declaration that they will go out of the business if the government goes in. Existing plants are ample for government needs, they say, and they have offered to reduce their price from \$40 to \$30 a ton. If nothing else had been accomplished, this reduction in price now offered is regarded as justifying the steps taken for a government plant. These steps probably have now gone too far to be retraced. There is considerable sentiment in favor of a government plant, independent of the business in the theory that the making of armor plate should be a government function, and that the elimination of private investment will help to "take the profit out of war."

McAdoo Displeased

Secretary McAdoo has cleared away the criticism aimed at him on account of the treasury statement, which he was accused of juggling, by showing that he followed good Republican precedent in treating as a part of the treasury assets all money deposited by national banks for retirement of the currency, outside the 5 per cent redemption fund.

He was accused of adding a mythical amount "covering a change in the form of statement. It develops that Secretary Windom, under President Harrison, did exactly the same thing "overnight." In July, 1917, increasing the general fund balance by \$54,000,000 in this way in one day. Secretary McAdoo transferred this fund to the liability column early in the term upon the advice of an expert accountant. He admits that this advice was bad, and to correct the error he has assumed the form used under Republican secretaries of the treasury since 1890.

The secretary has also called attention to the fallacy contained in frequent comparisons made as to conditions of the treasury based upon the daily balances. Corporation and income taxes which produce approximately \$7,500,000 a month, of course, do not appear as they accrue; and if such taxes which produce approximately the treasury statement, about \$54,000,000, are not taken into the treasury balance, by ignoring these ac-

Spy Provides Basis For Charges Made

When Police Cannot Determine Charge German, Who Captured Ship, Alone Tells of Plot Against Kiner.

New York, April 1.—(U. P.)—Not being accustomed to handling a "plot," it was not until tonight that a local police and federal authorities discovered a charge on which they could arraign Ernest Schiller, who captured single handed, the steamer Matoppe and her crew.

Schiller himself furnished the information. He told the officers he and three companions planned to capture the German liner "Panonia," which sailed from here March 6. Impersonating captain and crew and then sink the ship. Schiller will be arraigned Monday charged with plotting to blow up the ship.

Alarm Now Felt for Safety of Schooner

A. M. Baxter, 122 Days Out From Sydney for Willapa Harbor, Was Short of Food When Last Spoken.

Port Townsend, Wash., April 1.—(U. P.)—Fears are entertained for the safety of the schooner A. M. Baxter, now 122 days out from Sydney for Willapa Harbor. It is reported that on Tuesday she was short of provisions. Three days supplies were sent on board and the schooner sailed for the Columbia river, but on account of her short food supply and not having been reported as reaching her home port, a search is being made for the schooner.

A FIGHT AND I DIDN'T START IT



corred revenues, the treasury is made to appear worse off by more than \$66,000,000 than it really is.

WATER POWER BILLS GIVE WAY IN SENATE TO PREPAREDNESS

Washington, April 1.—Water power development legislation has been displaced in the senate for an indefinite period by the pressure of the appropriation and preparedness measures. This situation has been foreseen for some time, and is not regarded as discouraging.

Indeed, the fact that the senate made the Myers substitute for the Ferris bill its unfinished business in preference to a number of other measures while it was waiting for the supply and military bills indicates that this may be done again whenever the present pressure is relieved. It has been tacitly agreed from the first that all other legislation would have to give way for the military bill and for the general appropriation bills as soon as they were in shape for action.

President Wilson, in presenting to the Democratic house, caucus a list of measures, upon which he deems action necessary before congress adjourns, included the so-called conservation measures, by which is meant the general rearing bills and the water power bill. These measures were passed by the house some time ago, but it is difficult to say when the senate will take them up in earnest.

Senator Brandegee of Connecticut introduced an amendment increasing the peace strength of the army under the Chamberlain bill from 178,000 to 259,000 and giving it an approximate war strength of 375,000 men.

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Band Concert Sped Schley's Son on Way

Columbus, N. M., April 1.—(P. N. S.)—Major Thomas F. Schley, son of the late Admiral Schley, left today for San Francisco en route to Honolulu. He has been major of the Twentieth infantry.

The departure of Major Schley was made the occasion for a fitting ceremony. A band concert was tendered the major prior to the arrival of the Golden State limited.

THREE QUESTIONS ARE YET TO BE SOLVED IN WAITE MURDER CASE

District Attorney Would Know Who Sent Telegram and Where the Money Went.

Detective Will Seek to Learn Cause of Illness of Mrs. Waite After Barring Candy Sent by Her Husband.

New York, April 1.—(U. P.)—Three questions remained to be answered before District Attorney Swaine will be satisfied that every angle in the poisoning of Millionaire John E. Peck, of Grand Rapids Mich., by Dr. Arthur Warren Waite has been cleared up. Where is the \$1200 missing from the \$8000 "hush money" bribe Dr. Waite paid Eugene Oliver Kane, the embalmers?

Who is the sender of the now famous K. Adams telegram? Is Mrs. Arthur Warren Waite, wife of the poisoner, the victim of a pison attempt during the winter? Detectives of the district attorney's office were tonight working on the first two problems. Dr. Arthur Schindler is en route to Grand Rapids to learn of Mrs. Waite the nature of several sudden illnesses she suffered through the winter. The illnesses followed close upon Mrs. Waite's eating candy. The candy, in each case, is reported to have been a gift from Dr. Waite.

No trace can be found of the sender of the telegram. At first it was thought it was received from a friend of the Peckes who suspected Dr. Waite. Some officials now incline to the belief that it was sent by someone who knew Dr. Waite's work and intended to blackmail him.

Dr. Waite confessed to paying \$3000 to have Kane testify; if need be, that he used arsenic impregnated with ammonia lye on Peck. Until yesterday Kane admitted receiving the \$3000 from Waite.

Peck, who, with Detective Cunniff, dug up the money where he had buried it, but \$7500 was in the roll. Kane swore that he buried every cent he was given—that he never counted it. Kane has admitted receiving a check from Waite for \$4000 in addition to the roll of bills. Kane's books and those of the doctor, H. Potter, undertaker, who employed him, have been examined and do not shed light on the missing money.

Meantime Dr. Waite, seeking violence of death in the electric chair, is waiting in the Bellevue hospital. He will be arraigned Monday. He has grown restless of his personal appearance, is unshaven and untidily dressed—awaiting the end. He is convinced that his trial will be merely perfunctory.

REVIEW OF SATURDAY IN CONGRESS

Senate Summary.

Washington, April 1.—(U. N. S.)—After two months' investigation the senate judiciary sub-committee voted today 3 to 2 to recommend confirmation of the president's appointment of Louis D. Brandeis to be associate justice of the supreme court. The vote was divided along party lines. Senators Chilton, Walsh and Fletcher, Democrats, voting for Brandeis, and Senators Cummins and Weeks, Republicans, voting against him. The subcommittee's report will be submitted to the whole committee Monday and an early recommendation to the senate will be made.

The senate spent the entire day debating the Chamberlain army bill, accomplishing nothing except the exhaustion of oratory. Senator Brandegee of Ohio praised the national guard and urged adoption of his amendment creating a national guard army plan killed.

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House Summary.

The house spent the day in the conclusion of general debate on the rivers and harbors appropriation bill and in taking up the bill by paragraphs. A new angle was introduced as a reason for deepening the east and west coast harbors, particularly those harbors and approaches where navy yards are located. Congressmen pointed to the opinions of various naval experts who state that in the event of war with European power the United States navy must ultimately meet a fleet somewhere off the northern part of the Atlantic coast. First line ships, they declared, would be disabled and draw more than the usual amount of water and would make for the nearest harbor for shelter or for the nearest navy yard for repairs.

Unless the harbors are deepened, it was pointed out, the ships would be total losses. Indications were that the Taylor "stop watch" system in government plants, which the Tanager bill seeks to throw out, may become the center of another lobby investigation. Representative Tanager produced a letter from W. B. Richards, an engineer of New York, to John W. Powell of this city, appealing for funds to fight the bill. It is understood Mr. Richards will appear before the house labor committee next week to answer the charge against him of "lobbying."

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