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FEDERALS REPULSED IN BIG BATTLE AT AGUA PRIETA

FIFTY FEDERALS ARE KILLED; REBELS LOSE TWENTY MEN

ATTACK MADE AT EARLY HOUR

Federal Troops Are Under Command of Ronalde Diaz Nephew to President

AMERICAN CAVALRY IS ON BOUNDARY LINE

Two Thousand People Witness the Battle From the Tops of the Buildings—Many Bullets From Federal Guns Go Over Into Douglas—American Troops are Showered—Seek Shelter Behind Houses—Schoolhouse in Douglas is Riddled With Bullets—Firing Ceases at Noon—Many Believe Intervention Near.

Douglas, Arizona, April 17.—Late this afternoon a column of federal infantry is seen through glasses advancing on Agua Prieta from the southeast. The column is making a detour north. There are about 300 soldiers in the column. It probably means a third advance against Agua Prieta.

Douglas, Ariz., April 17.—Promising to take Agua Prieta from the rebels or leave his dead body on the field, Ronald Diaz, a nephew of the president, led one thousand federal troops to attack on the town this morning. The action was started at 3:30 when two machine guns were brought into play. These were silenced after an hour. Later the first federal attack was repulsed.

Federals Driven Back. Shortly before eight, 200 federal infantry charged, but were driven back leaving a dozen wounded on the field. At eight o'clock the firing fell off and five ambulances manned by the red cross raced across the line to bring the wounded into Douglas. At eight thirty the main body of the Diaz forces came up and threw out a semi-circular wing. The rebels lined to conform in pits 500 yards from the federals. At nine o'clock the rebels began firing. Many bullets from the federals went over Douglas and a shower among the American cavalry horsed and ready at the boundary. One of the rider's hats was pierced. Then Captain Guajot ordered them to seek shelter behind the houses on fifth street. At 9:30 the first ambulance with the wounded was brought into this city. Over 2,000 people were on the roofs watching the battle, which resumed soon after the federals' first repulse.

Firing Ceases. At eleven o'clock Lopez said that 14 rebels were killed. He said he believed that at least 50 federals are dead. The firing fell off at noon. It is believed that the federals were repulsed the second time. Goll, the American wounded in the rebel trenches is a newspaper man. The American troops drove the citizens back from the danger scene.

Bullets Riddle School House. No attempt is being made to keep school. The second street school is literally riddled with bullets. A number of missiles struck the seventh street school house. The American custom officials fled from the custom house, and took refuge in a ditch; at 10:30 the second ambulance brought in wounded. The ambulance men said that the rebels seemed to be more than holding their own.

Newspaper Man Injured. Oscar Goll of Tombstone, Arizona, shot in the side of the head by a stray bullet from the Agua Prieta fight, was only slightly wounded. The bullets also struck the residences of several.

Fifty Federals Killed. Douglas, April 17.—This afternoon there is only desultory firing. The federal loss is estimated at fifty killed and insurgents twenty. Jack Hamilton, aged 14, of Nace, Ariz., was first American wounded in Douglas. Half a mile from lines spent bullet slightly wounded breast.

Governor Sloan Watches Battle. Governor Sloan was on the line watching the battle today. He has summoned the militia who are ready to help the regulars in case intervention is necessary. When the firing

INDIANS BEAT AGED COUPLE NEAR NORTH YAKIMA

North Yakima, Wash., April 15.—Mr. and Mrs. William Lusby, an aged couple who are occupying rented Indian land near Alfalfa, were attacked sometime after midnight Friday and so severely clubbed that the man will die. His wife, who went to his rescue, was unconscious until this evening, when she revived enough to say that an Indian named Johnson was the assailant, and that another Indian, Billy George, accompanied him. Their house resembled a shambles. The Indians are in jail at Toppenish, and neighbors of the Lusbys are so incensed that feeling is running high, and there has been talk of a lynching, the more pronounced as the man Johnson is said to be a "bad" Indian. It is said that he had been fed at the Lusby home but that his demands for money had been refused.

Revolution Beyond Control.

Mexico City.—The indications are that the revolution is growing beyond control. Diaz has posted notices for volunteers. All men between 18 and 45 are called to the colors and offered 50 cents daily.

Shoot at Atlantic City. Atlantic City, N. J., April 17.—Crack shots from several cities are entered today in the trapshooting tournament of the Atlantic City Gun club.

VICTORS IN DEBATE.

University Suffers But One Defeat in Six Debates. University of Oregon, Eugene, Ore.—The recent victories of the University of Oregon in debate over Stanford University and the University of Washington, once again brings the coveted honors of championship to the University and to Oregon. The University's debating teams have won from their opponents in the triangular debating leagues, both on the negative and affirmative sides of the question, for two consecutive years. Within that time, out of a total of six debates with the universities of Washington, Idaho, Utah and Stanford University the University of Oregon has lost but one debate. That was to Utah the present year by a two to one vote of the judges.

These repeated victories in debate are more gratifying to the students of the university than victories in athletics. It is felt that they are a just refutation to the charge of over-athleticism in the university.

PIPE ARRIVES FOR ASYLUM WATER MAIN

Five carloads of eight inch pipe, for use in constructing a water main to the branch asylum grounds, are here and will be spotted on the Walter's spur below the city. The pipe was purchased by the Sutherland company of Walla Walla, which has the contract for laying the main. In a phone message to Captain Murphy, Mr. Sutherland said yesterday he would arrive this morning with a crew of men and would start work on his contract today. He did not arrive on the morning train but is expected here this evening or tomorrow.

Under the contract with the state the Sutherland company is to lay an eight inch main a distance of 4000 feet. It will require about 30 days in which to do the work, after operations are started.

FIRE CHIEF CROKER RESIGNS HIS POSITION

New York, April 17.—Fire Chief Croker resigned today. He intends to devote his life to a crusade for fire prevention. Since the triangle fire here 143 died, he has spent his time looking up other places of like character.

NATIONAL CONGRESS OF D. A. R. OPENS TODAY

Washington, April 17.—Welcomed by President Taft, the national congress of the Daughters of the American Revolution opened here today.

School Boy Championships.

Atlantic City, N. J., April 17.—Middle Atlantic interscholastic athletic championships will be divided here today and have attracted a number of schoolboy athletes.

TWENTY-FIVE DROWN WHEN STEAMER SINKS

Oporto, Portugal, April 17.—Twenty-five were drowned today on the Spanish steamer San Fernando which sank off Cape Finistere. The German steamer or Portinako picked up four of the survivors.

WILL INTRODUCE PATENT BILL

Concerns the Desert Land Entries of The Umatilla Irrigation Project

TO BE PRESENTED BY HON. A. W. LAFFERTY

Bill Is For the Purpose of Giving Desert Land Entrymen Their Patents After Complying With the Law in Regard to Cultivation, Residence and Irrigation—If Bill Is Passed Residents Will Not Have to Wait Ten Years Until Water Right Is Paid to Get Patent—Cannot Be Taxed Under the present Conditions.

WOOL NOT ON FREE LIST THIS SESSION

LEADERS AGREE ON FIFTY PER CENT REDUCTION

Members of the Ways and Means Committee Announce That Decision Has Been Reached—Local Wool-growers Think Plans of Committee If Executed Would Mean Utter Ruin of the Industry—Think Senate Will Defeat the Measure.

Washington, April 17.—Wool will not go on the free list in the democratic tariff revision this session. The leaders of the party here today agreed on reductions of forty to fifty per cent in duty on manufactured wool and fifty per cent on raw wool. Members of the ways and means committee announced that this decision has been reached.

Wool Not on Free List This Session

Should congress reduce the tariff on wool to the extent of 50 per cent it would mean the ruin of the wool industry of the country. This is the way Dan P. Smythe, secretary of the state wool-growers' association regards the matter and his views reflect the sentiment of sheepmen in general. However, Mr. Smythe does not believe there will be any change in schedule K at this session of congress. He believes the senate will stand by the schedule and await the report of the tariff board next winter. He feels that the ways and means committee of the house has agreed upon a 50 per cent reduction with full knowledge that the same will be defeated in the senate. Otherwise the committee would have taken a less radical stand regarding the tariff on raw wool.

Carnival in San Antonio.

San Antonio, Tex., April 17.—With Uncle Sam's soldiers as a side attraction, carnival week in San Antonio had an auspicious inaugural today and the great gala affair, which culminates with the "battle of flowers" and the celebration of the anniversary of the battle of San Jacinto, April 21, promises to break all records in attracting visitors to the Alamo City. The city is lavishly decorated and preparations have been made for a pageant that will surpass in beauty and effectiveness the Mardi Gras parades in New Orleans.

NEW AVIATION FEAT TO BE ATTEMPTED

What will be a feat unequalled in the history of aviation, may be pulled off in Walla Walla, says the Union, if the plans of the advance manager of the International Aviators, who are to be here next week, do not go astray. He is planning a stunt that he says has never been accomplished, and if it is done here, should be a thriller. The scheme is to fly a monoplane from the fair grounds to the Baker building, a seven story structure, and make a landing on the top of the structure. After a landing and ceremonies of some sort on the top of the structure, the aviator is to start from the top of the structure and fly back to the fair grounds. This has never been done. It is stated by K. L. Bernard, advance manager of the International aviators, and he is anxious to try it out here.

MERRIMAN BOOMS LAFOLLETTE FOR NEXT PRESIDENT

Chicago, April 17.—"LaFollette for president" is the slogan of the movement started here today in the Illinois branch of the National Progressive League which is being fathered by Merriman who was recently defeated for mayor.

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Gray Reserve Vets Celebrate.

Philadelphia, April 17.—A three-day celebration in commemoration of the semi-centennial of the First infantry was commenced today with anniversary services at Holy Trinity church. Tomorrow the Veterans' Corps will give a banquet at the Academy of Music, when, it is expected, President Taft, General Leonard Wood and other high army officers will be present. The celebration will include Wednesday with the unveiling of the Gray Reserve statue on the north plaza of the city hall. An historical pageant will be a feature of the day.

Georgia Librarians.

Athens, Ga., April 17.—Librarians from all the cities and important educational institutions of the state gathered here today for the annual session of the State Library association. The session will continue three days.

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COAST COMPANY GETS CONTRACT

Councilmen Select New Main Street Bridge Costing Thirty Five Thousand.

TO BE READY FOR USE BY AUGUST 15

Contract to Be Let at Once and Work Started Quickly—Traffic Will Be Interrupted for 15 Days—New Bridge Will Contain 455,000 Pounds of Steel—Will Have 30 Foot Roadway With Eight Foot Walks.

The new Main street bridge has been selected and if the city council ratifies the selection of the bridge buying committee Wednesday night the contract will go to the Coast Bridge company of Portland. This company submitted a bid under which they propose to erect the bridge at the following prices: \$10 per cubic yard for concrete work; six and 55-100 cents per pound for steel and \$2,800 for walks.

To Cost \$25,000.

As estimated by Mayor E. J. Murphy, the bridge to be erected by the Coast Bridge company will cost approximately \$25,000. Of this amount \$20,000 will go for the superstructure while the sum of \$5,000 will be for concrete work.

The bridge which the Coast Bridge company offers to erect is one of the heavier structures. It will contain about 455,000 pounds of steel. It will have plate girders 92 feet long and 194 inches through. There will be one pier which will be of concrete and the abutments will also be of that material. The bridge will be 184 feet in length and will have a 30 foot roadway with an eight foot walk on each side.

Ready by August 15.

If the council approves of letting the contract to the Coast Bridge company, as it seems certain of doing, the contract will be awarded at once and the material ordered immediately. It is figured that the bridge will be in place and ready for use by August 15. According to Mayor Murphy it will probably be necessary to have the bridge closed to traffic for about 15 days. During that time temporary accommodations will be provided for traffic across the stream. Foot walks will be built for pedestrians and teams will be required to ford the river some distance down stream.

To Try Degenerate.

Asbury Park, N. J., April 17.—"Adolescent paranoia" will be the plank of the defense in the trial of Frank E. Heldemann, the degenerate and moral pervert who has confessed to slaying Marie Smith, a ten-year-old school girl of this city. The trial commenced today in the county court at Freehold.

Judge William T. Hoffman has been appointed counsel for the self-confessed slayer, and will be assisted by A. J. Stokes. They expect to prove that Heldemann is insane. The crime for which he is to be tried was a most brutal one. The little girl, on her way from school, was assaulted and killed on the shores of Deal Lake, Nov. 9, last. Heldemann testified at the coroner's inquest, but he was actor enough to fool jury and officers. For a time there was no clue to the mystery of the murder, but Ray Schindler, a detective, succeeded in fastening the crime upon him and securing a full confession.

In his statement to the detective, Heldemann told all the details of the attack upon the little girl in the woods near the greenhouses where he worked. He said he killed her with a hammer, and the weapon is now in possession of the prosecution.

MORMON MISSIONARIES MUST LEAVE ENGLAND

Birkenhead, Eng., April 17.—An ultimatum to the Mormon missionaries was given this city within eight days was given today following a serious rioting in which two were hurt and seven arrested. The Mormon meeting house was wrecked. The rioters were enraged by reports that th Mormons were sending many girls to the United States.

AMERICAN CHILDREN ARE HEALTHY IN PRISON

San Diego, April 17.—Consul Schumcke at Ensena wired to Washington today saying American children prisoners at Alamo are healthy but supplies are short.