

RUMORS PERSIST OF VILLA'S WOUND IN RECENT BATTLE

WASHINGTON, April 7.—American Consul Letcher at Chihuahua, in a dispatch received at the war department today through Major General Funston told of some of the results of the clashes between American troops and Villa forces at Agua Calientes on April 1, and the fight between the bandits and Carranza troops near Cuernavaca three days later.

Letcher reported a persistent rumor in Chihuahua that Villa had been wounded. He said the fight at Agua Calientes resulted in the killing of 20 or 40 bandits by troops of the Tenth cavalry under Colonel Brown. Brown's troops were reported as living for two weeks on beef and corn with supplies almost exhausted. A mining company, Letcher said, had relieved the shortage by sending a special train with supplies and forage.

At the fight of Cuernavaca, the Carranza forces under General Cavazos captured two bandits of the fifty engaged. Letcher reported the Carranza troops were co-operating with General Pershing and that General Guiterrez had informed the American authorities of the Carranza troops disposition about Chihuahua.

A resume of a telegram dated April 3 from the American consul general at Monterey made public by the state department today said:

"Telegraphic and mail reports from Torreon and Durango indicate a marked improvement since the arrival of General Jacluto Trevino at Torreon and the establishment of his headquarters there. Monterey is quiet and all interior consulates report good order and friendly feeling toward Americans."

DECREASED YIELD WHEAT FORECAST BY GOVERNMENT

WASHINGTON, April 7.—A total production of 425,000 bushels of winter wheat was forecast today by the department of agriculture, basing its estimate on the condition of the crop April 1 and an assumption of average abandonment of acreage and average influences on the crop to harvest.

That compares with 655,045,000 bushels, the estimated production in 1915, and 684,990,000 bushels in 1914.

Condition of winter wheat on April 1 was 78.3 percent of a normal, against 88.8 last year, 95.6 in 1914, and 87.3 the average for the last ten years. There was a decrease in condition from December 1 to April 1 of 9.4 points compared with an average decline of 2.5 points between those dates in the last ten years.

The department of agriculture in a statement analyzing the report said: "The small production forecast is due partly to a reduction of about 11 per cent from the acreage of the preceding year and to a low condition of growth, namely, 78.3 per cent of normal, which is lower than the condition on April 1, in any year since 1904; it is 10 per cent poorer than the ten-year average on April 1.

"The cause of the low condition was a wet, cold fall, causing poor seed beds and poor start for wintering. Much of the crop was sown late, partly from necessity of the season and partly to avoid Hessian fly.

"The Hessian fly is reported to be present and active in many sections of the southern part of the belt."

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MOST OF VILLA'S FORCE ACCOUNTED FOR ALREADY

PERSHING'S CAMP AT SAN GERONIMO RANCH, CHIHUAHUA, April 3, by aeroplane and motor courier to Columbus, N. M., April 7.—A good-sized portion of the bandits with whom Villa raided Columbus, N. M., March 9, already has been accounted for by the expeditionary force.

At least 46 of them, and probably 50 or 60, were killed in the Guerrero fight. About two dozen others wounded and left behind by Villa in his flight from the border have been collected and held by the American authorities at points along the line of communications. Reports have come in indicating that some others deserted Villa. Most of these claimed that they were forced to join his band in the first place. This means about 100 accounted for in the march of the expeditionary forces.

In addition, about 350 others were scattered over the mountains of this section by the fight at Guerrero. One of the evidences of the effectiveness with which they have been scattered is the numerous reports about the hiding places of Villistas now coming to military authorities. Some of them are absurd, as one from an apparently high authority which named this headquarters camp positively as Villa's hiding place. There is no place for any one to hide here, not even a tent, and the Mexican population is so small that it can all be counted in five minutes.

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PLAN VOCATIONAL EDUCATION FOR REGULAR ARMY

WASHINGTON, April 7.—With the federal volunteer army plan of the army reorganization bill out of the way after one of the most strenuous fights in the present congress, the senate resumed work on the measure today, confronted with prospects of other contests to follow over certain sections.

The senate military committee today decided not to incorporate provisions for a government nitrogen plant in the army reorganization bill. The proposed legislation, it was decided, can be considered separately.

An amendment for a system of vocational education in the regular army offered by Senator Smith of Georgia was accepted by the senate after Chairman Chamberlain approved it in modified form providing that men enlisted hereafter shall have opportunity to "receive instruction upon educational lines preparatory for their return to civil life." A limit of 75 hours a month is provided.

Senator Weeks opposed the plan, saying he did not know one naval officer who approved the educational policy established by Secretary Daniels. He read several letters from naval officers attacking the plan.

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MILK FAMINE THREATENS CHICAGO

CHICAGO, April 7.—The seriousness of the milk shortage in Chicago by the refusal of the distributors to grant the dairymen an increase of 2 1/2 cents a hundred pounds was revealed today when the distributors began taking a census of families having babies or invalids, with a view of supplying them first.

GERMANY SEIZES COFFEE AND TEA

BERLIN, April 7.—The government today expropriated coffee, tea and chicory and appointed a commission to regulate their distribution. The regulation applies to persons having in their possession ten kilograms of unroasted coffee or five kilograms of tea.

It is announced that there is a visible supply of coffee sufficient for about six weeks, that the army's needs are covered for four weeks and that there is enough tea for about a year.

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LILY AND ROSE AT PAGE THEATRE

A well-rounded, artistic and intensely interesting play is the Griffith supervised Triangle picture play, "The Lily and the Rose," in which Lillian Gish stars with Rozsika Dolly of the world's famous Russian dancers, the Dolly Sisters. The play offers one of the most absorbing stories recently seen in the films and it is predicted that it will have extraordinary popularity on its presentation at the Page today and tomorrow. The many fine settings around the old garden of the Lily's suits and the unusual photography and toning are artistic points in favor of this picture play which will not be overlooked by the most discriminating audience. Lillian Gish stars as the Lily. She is described in a subtitle as being "most adorable." Rozsika Dolly as the Rose is one of the most attractive "sirens" who has been seen on the screen for a long time. The fascinating character of the dancer is displayed to the utmost advantage in a scene at the beach. Dressed in bathing garb with filmy draperies, Miss Dolly does a whirling, thrilling dance on the sands and ends up with a race to the top of a rock and a leap into the surf.

That personification of good humor is Charles Murray in that Triangle-Keystone, "The Great Vanumn Robbery." The idea of robbing a bank by means of a vacuum cleaner, where bills are sucked up at one end and whirled out the other, makes an audience laugh, sixty laughs to the minute.

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