

ALL-DAY BATTLE

Diaz Troops Repulsed in Attack on Agua Prieta.

REBELS RETAIN ADVANTAGE.

Bullets Again Rain in Douglas, Ariz., and Seven Citizens of United States Are Wounded—Americans Want Something Done to Protect Lives.

Agua Prieta, April 18.—After seventeen hours of almost incessant fighting the battle between the Mexican federales and insurgents came to an end, with the rebels still holding almost every position they had at the start, although during the night the federales carried the battle to the borders of the town.

Just before nightfall the federal cavalry, each horse with two or three extra men clinging to it, made its way up a narrow ravine which extends to within 400 yards of Agua Prieta. Here the extra men dismounted and the horses were taken back for more until several hundred infantrymen had gathered close to the beleaguered town. Then darkness came.

This force crept up to the crest of the embankments and opened a severe fire upon Agua Prieta, shooting into every building within range of their guns, the rebels replying from the bull pen and every available cover. The federales also brought to their aid a three-pound piece stationed to the southeast and were pouring shells into the city.

Following the onslaught upon the town, Balasaria Garcia, commander-in-chief of the rebel forces, crossed the line and surrendered himself to the American officers, but the loss of their commander had no apparent effect upon the determination of his forces, who kept up the fight with the same courage that had characterized their action during the day.

200 Federales Killed.

The most important battle of the Mexican revolution was fought here between 1,600 federales, under command of Lieutenant Colonel Diaz, and 1,000 rebels, under Balasaria Garcia, and resulted in the repulse of the former.

The battle, however, was not finally decisive. Two federal machine guns are in possession of the rebels and the federales had suffered a loss estimated by the rebels as at least 200 killed and wounded. The rebels gave their own loss at twenty.

At the beginning of the battle, regardless of the warning given by the United States government to the leaders of both forces, a rain of bullets poured into the American town of Douglas, and when the day was over it was found that seven non-combatant residents of that city had been wounded. It was a day almost of terror in Douglas.

List of Douglas Wounded.

O. K. Goll, Tombstone, scalp wound on the side of the head, while watching the battle from Fourth street, Douglas.

E. Arco, Douglas, wounded in leg. Frank Williams, blacksmith helper, shot in back while standing outside of the so called danger zone. Wound dangerous.

Jack Hamilton, Douglas, wounded in back while watching the battle with forty others from the top of an adobe house several blocks from the international line.

Jesus Alcantara, Douglas, flesh wound in leg. Mrs. Larson, severely cut by shattered glass of kitchen window of a residence.

John Keith, Douglas, wounded in leg while walking on the street.

Soldiers Forced to Seek Shelter.

More than half of Douglas was under fire from the beginning until the end of the battle. The United States customs house was in the direct range of attack and soldiers near there were forced to seek shelter.

When the battle began, Colonel Shunk, commanding the United States troops, rushed his four troops of cavalry to the line and took every possible precaution for the safety of the citizens of Douglas, keeping them out of that portion of the city which was considered to be most exposed. This, however, did not save Americans from injury. Every indication points to a resumption of fighting today. If the federales should prove successful it means that the battle will be carried to the streets of Agua Prieta, with increasing menace to the citizens of Douglas. There is a movement among the leading citizens of Douglas to send a large number of telegrams to President Taft asking him to safeguard the lives of American citizens.

Diaz Issues Call for Volunteers.

Mexico City, April 17.—A general call for volunteer soldiers to serve for six months was posted here. The call is made to all citizens between eighteen and forty-five years of age who desire to lead their services to the country. The pay is 50 cents a day, besides clothing and equipment. The customary inducement of advancement in rank and pay to those who prove worthy is included.

McCoy Declared Bandit.

Bellevue, O., April 17.—Timothy McCoy was identified by two men as the bandit who recently held up and robbed passengers on a Big Four train in Muncie, Ind. McCoy was arrested here.

DR. B. CLARK HYDE.

Supreme Court Gives Him Another Trial on Swope Murder Charge.



REED TO PROSECUTE HYDE

Law Firm of Which He is a Member Retained by Swope Family.

Kansas City, April 18.—It became known that United States Senator James A. Reed and his law partner, Thomas A. J. Martin, will be employed by members of the Swope family to assist the state in the second prosecution of Dr. B. C. Hyde, charged with the murder of Thomas H. Swope. These lawyers assisted the state in the first trial of the physician. John H. Atwood, formerly a member of Senator Reed's law firm, who also assisted at the first trial, will not take part in the next trial, according to present arrangements.

The employment of Senator Reed may delay the next trial, as the senator will remain in Washington until the special session of congress adjourns.

PRESIDENT TAFT DRAWS LINE

Warns Mexicans to Keep Fighting Away From Boundary.

Washington, April 15.—President Taft is determined that battles between Mexican federalists and insurgents shall not be fought on American soil. He is equally determined that the lives of American non-combatants shall not be endangered by the forces of President Diaz and those of General Madero. Future combats between the rebels and the forces of the Mexican government must not be fought out so close to the American line as to put in jeopardy the lives and property of Americans. Through the state department the president notified the Mexican government that it must see to it in the future that no such unfortunate incident as that at Agua Prieta, near Douglas, Ariz., when two Americans were killed and eleven wounded, be allowed to occur. Through the war department and through the department of justice the president sent the same sort of warning to the leader of the insurgents at Agua Prieta.

The Mexican government, according to the view at the state department, will be held accountable for the loss of life and injury to Americans of Douglas, Ariz., during the fighting between federales and insurgents at Agua Prieta.

Proposed Reduction of Wool Tariff.

Washington, April 18.—From an authoritative source it was learned that the Democratic revision of the wool schedule contemplates reductions of about 50 per cent on raw wool and substantially 40 per cent on manufactured articles. This revised schedule is not yet ready for submission.

THE MARKETS

Chicago, April 17.—Closing prices: Wheat—May, 99c; July, 86½c. Corn—May, 49½c; July, 50½c@50½c. Oats—May, 31½c; July, 31½c@31½c. Pork—May, \$15.65; July, \$15.12½. Lard—May, \$8.12½; July, \$8.25. Ribs—May, \$8.70; July, \$8.27½.

Chicago Cash Prices—No. 2 hard wheat, 90¢@92½c; No. 2 corn, 50¢@50½c; No. 2 oats, 31½¢@32¼c.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, April 17.—Cattle—Receipts, 18,000; shade higher; beefs, \$5.20@6.85; western steers, \$4.90@5.90; stockers and feeders, \$4.10@5.85; cows and feeders, \$2.75@5.90; calves, \$5.00@7.00. Hogs—Receipts, 20,000; 10c higher; light, \$6.35@6.65; mixed, \$6.20@6.65; heavy, \$5.95@6.45; pigs, \$6.35@6.65; bulk, \$6.30@6.50. Sheep—Receipts, 20,000; steady; natives, \$3.00@4.70; westerns, \$3.15@4.70; yearlings, \$4.40@5.30; lambs, \$4.75@6.15.

South Omaha Live Stock.

South Omaha, April 17.—Cattle—Receipts, 3,000; strong; beef steers, \$5.55@6.30; cows and heifers, \$3.85@5.45; stockers and feeders, \$5.00@5.85; bulls, \$4.50@5.25; calves, \$5.25@7.50. Hogs—Receipts, 4,500; 10c higher; heavy, \$5.80@5.95; butchers, \$6.00@6.10; light, \$6.15@6.25. Sheep—Receipts, 5,000; 10¢@15¢ higher; ewes, \$3.50@4.25; lambs, \$4.15@4.65.

NEBRASKA NEWS

Eighteen Irrigation Measures Passed at Last Session.

OFFICIALS ARE WELL SATISFIED

Price, State Engineer, Says Regulations Now in Effect Will Produce Revenue and Aid Developments. Changes Made in Fees.

Lincoln, April 18.—A set of eighteen comprehensive irrigation measures were passed at the recent session of the legislature, nearly all of which were introduced by Senator Hoagland of North Platte. All of the measures had the emergency clause when passed by both houses and became laws when they were approved by Governor Aldrich.

The bills were the product of the legislative committee of the State Irrigation association. The men who drafted them were J. J. Halligan and J. G. Boehler of North Platte, W. P. Byron of Gothenburg, F. W. Williams and H. G. Hunt of Bridgeport, Fred Wright of Scotts Bluff and O. W. Gardner of Gering.

The step forward that western Nebraska has taken in the last two years has made a more satisfactory system of irrigation legislation necessary and on that account men who lived in that part of the state interested themselves in the matter. Most of those directly interested assert that the state now has a thorough and efficient set of laws and declare that the solving of the water problem will be simplified in the future.

The secretary of the state irrigation board, State Engineer D. D. Price, also says that the state now has a workable and revenue-producing set of irrigation laws. Several changes were made under the new laws in the schedule by which fees are collected for water usage. Where the former fees were \$2 straight, they are now as follows: For storage reservoir, \$5 per 5,000 acre feet; water for irrigation, \$5 per 1,000 acres; for power purposes, \$5 per fifty-horse power; for any other useful purpose, \$5 and expenses; for proposed dams, 50 cents for each foot in height and actual expense of examination.

HER EASTER HAT ABLAZE

Central City Woman Loses Headdress Because of Locomotive Spark.

Central City, Neb., April 17.—When Mrs. D. H. Burke, the wife of a wealthy farmer living west of the city, was driving home she met with a peculiar mishap. She was wearing a fine new Easter bonnet and in some manner the sparks from a passing locomotive lodged in the elaborate trimmings and set them on fire.

She did not notice what was happening to her headdress until the train had passed and her little daughter, who was riding with her, screamed out in alarm at her mother's blazing head dress. Mrs. Burke had difficulty in removing the hat from her head, as it was stayed by several strong hat pins, and she was somewhat burned in the operation.

TO CHOOSE ENCAMPMENT SITE

Board of Nebraska National Guard Meets April 24.

Lincoln, April 18.—The military board of the Nebraska national guard, General E. H. Phelps of this city, Colonel F. J. Mack of Albion, Colonel G. A. Eberly of Stanton, Brigadier General Storch of Fullerton and Colonel J. M. Birkner of this city will meet here April 24 to decide upon the date and location of the annual encampment to be held the coming summer. It is thought that the men will be taken to Ashland, as for several years past, but it is understood that two or three other cities are anxious to entertain the guardsmen and a change might be made in their behalf.

C. V. THORNE ARRESTED

Principal of Schools at Morrill Unable to Furnish Bond.

Morrill, Neb., April 18.—C. V. Thorne, principal of the schools of this place, was arrested upon complaint of Luther Murphy, who alleges that he fears Thorne will kill him. Thorne was taken before Justice Woodman, and upon a number of witnesses being examined, was held to the district court in bond of \$2,000, which the defendant failed to furnish, and he was turned over to the sheriff. Thorne has been having considerable trouble in the administration of the schools, which is largely the cause of his present predicament.

Oxford After Farm School.

Oxford, Neb., April 17.—P. A. Mitchell, J. A. Divan, Roy Moore, A. E. Smith, P. H. Gupton, Adam Walters, C. L. Struve and C. L. Anderson presented petitions to the people of the towns along the St. Francis branch asking the board of public lands and buildings to locate the new agricultural college at Oxford. They secured several hundred names and found the people anxious to do anything they could to help locate the school here.

John Dinamore Near Death.

Lincoln, April 17.—John B. Dinamore of Sutton is seriously ill at the home of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Matteson, in this city. His physicians say that he is making a brave struggle to resist, but they declare that it is only a question of time until he will succumb.

POISON IN RHUBARB

Botanical Experts Say It May Have Caused Death of Mrs. Crozier.

Lincoln, April 18.—That ordinary rhubarb, at a certain stage of its development, sometimes contains highly active poisons has been determined, and is fixed as the probable cause of the death of Mrs. M. W. Crozier and the severe illness of her husband, both of whom were poisoned at their home in University Place last week. Other vegetation found in the Crozier yard, from which the poisonous dish was taken, proved to have no dangerous qualities, according to an analysis made by Dean C. E. Bessey, head of the botanical department of the University of Nebraska.

According to Drs. Mayhew and Everett, who operated upon Mr. Crozier, rhubarb at times develops dangerous toxins, which, injected into animals, have caused conditions similar to those in the Crozier case.

GIRL HAS CLOSE CALL

Miss Eileen Wilson's Clothes Catch Fire While Riding Motorcycle.

Lincoln, April 18.—But for the assistance of a family who saw her body aflame and rushed to her aid, Eileen Wilson, whose clothes caught fire when she was riding on a motorcycle with Harry Baker, might have suffered an appalling death. The Hyatts, who went to the aid of the girl, grabbed rugs and portieres from their house and managed to extinguish the flames which enveloped her.

The manner in which Miss Wilson's clothes became ignited is mysterious, but it is thought that when she sat on the motorcycle directly over the tank she shut the air off in some way and that caused the tank to leak and become overheated.

GUARDSMEN TO COME HOME

Other Officers Will Be Sent South to Attend Maneuvers.

Lincoln, April 18.—Captains Johnson of Stanton and McCormick of Nebraska City, officers of the Nebraska national guard, who have been participating in the army maneuvers on the Texas border, in accordance with orders issued from the war department, will leave San Antonio this week and their places will be taken by Major J. H. Paul of St. Paul and Captain H. A. Jess of the Fremont signal corps. Stays of two weeks will be granted to each pair of national guard officers who attend the maneuvers, it is said at Adjutant General Phelps' office, and men will be sent south as long as the movement continues.

PROF. DAVISSON IS BURIED

Funeral of Head of Agricultural College Held at Lincoln.

Lincoln, April 18.—The funeral of A. E. Davison, the late principal of the university school of agriculture, was held here at the family home. Rev. M. A. Bullock conducted the services. Chancellor Avery, Deans Davis and Burnett, Professor Barber, Dr. P. L. Hall and Superintendent A. H. Waterhouse were the pallbearers. Burial was in Wynka cemetery. A large number of friends, students and former pupils of the deceased professor attended the services.

Cattlemen Harass Settlers.

Lincoln, April 18.—Edward Ohnesorge, a Kinkaid homesteader from Sioux county, was in the city to get Governor Aldrich to interfere, if possible, in the alleged differences said to exist in his section of the state between border cattlemen and settlers. The absence of the state's executive gave the western Nebraskan no chance to pour his tale into the governor's ears, but his private secretary, L. B. Fuller, assured Mr. Ohnesorge that in all probability Governor Aldrich would, upon his return, transmit the facts to the federal government.

Test for Chiropractors.

Lincoln, April 18.—The supreme court will hear argument Friday in a test case to decide whether the new art of chiropractic healing may be practiced in this state without the regular medical license. Ex-Governor Silas A. Holcomb, also a former judge of the supreme court, will prosecute the case in behalf of C. F. Wilson of Broken Bow, who was found guilty of violating the law relating to the practice of medicine in the state without a license.

Young Lepinski Ends Life.

Hastings, Neb., April 17.—Count Frank Lepinski, a barber, aged thirty-four, son of Anton Lepinski, shot and killed himself in his father's shoe shop. He has lately brooded over a separation from his wife, who obtained a divorce three months ago on the grounds of non-support and drunkenness.

Stella Citizen Dies Suddenly.

Sella, Neb., April 18.—S. R. Freed, an aged citizen, came in from his garden complaining of difficult breathing and died of heart failure in a few minutes. He leaves a widow and daughter, Mrs. Violet Hays, here and son, Will Freed, in California.

Johnson Appointed Prison Chaplain.

Lincoln, April 14.—Governor Aldrich named P. C. Johnson of Tecumseh as chaplain of the state penitentiary. The Methodist clergyman was a member of the session which terminated only Monday of this week.

To Observe Mothers' Day.

Lincoln, April 17.—Governor Aldrich issued a proclamation designating Sunday, May 14, as Mothers' day, and urging the people of the state to observe it.



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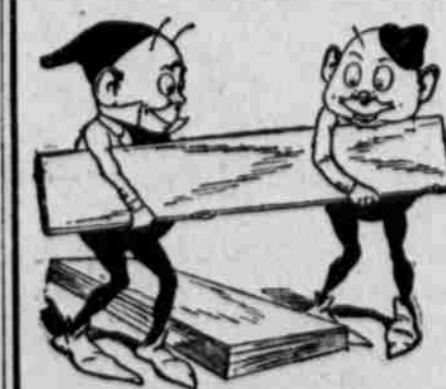
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