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AMERICAN ARMY

INVADING MEXICO

Unofficial Reports Reaching Colum-

bus and Relayed to El Paso Tell

of Guerilla Activity in

the Desert.

SIX OR SEVEN SOLDIERS HIT

Nothing to Show Which Column

Encounters These Bands of

Franctireurs.

AEROPLANES ARE TRIE D OUT

COLUMBUS, N. M., March 16 .--

(Via Mail to El Paso.)-While most

of the reports reaching here unoffi-

cially today from the Mexican border

indicated that the American troops

in Mexico were unmolested in their

advance there were also reports that

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AMERICAN CAMP TUBANTIA LIKELY STRUCK MINE, IT **IS SAID IN BERLIN**

Semi-Officially Stated that Dutch Ship Probably Hit Explosive and Reuter's Hears No. Americans On.

ALL PERSONS ON BOARD SAVED

Earlier Reports Indicated U. S. Citizens Among Passengers and that Boat Torpedoed.

REPORTS ARE CONFLICTING

BERLIN, March 16 .- (By Wireess to Sayville.)-It is semi-officially stated here, says the Overseas News agency, that the Dutch steam- to military news, the story of the crossship Tubantia, which is reported to have sunk near the Noordhinder lows; lightship, most probably struck a mine.

LONDON, March 16,-A later dis- the men. Then the column started out Ymuiden says it now is stated that four Brazilians, two Chileans, one Russian and one native of Switzerland on board, he says.

LONDON, March 16 .- "It is now progress toward the border, as viewed certain the Tubantia was torpedoed without warning,"' telegraphs the Pershing Goes in Other Direction, Amsterdam correspondent of the Central News. "There were three as far as the border, but he came back Americans on board. They were direction to the flank with a part of Richard Schilling, an American con- the troops. sul; Emma Schilling and Carmen Schilling."

A wireless dispatch sent from the Sixteenth infantry and other details that Tubantia last night was given out by had been encamped here. Reuter's correspondent at Ymwiden, Holland, that the steamship was tor- of the Mexicans, who promised that no pedoed. The correspondent asserts resistance would be made to crossing the there were Americans on board.

Text of Wireless Message.

The wireless message, which was signed "First wireless operator." WAB received last night at Ymuiden by way of Scheveningen, Holland, and is quoted as follows: Tubantia torpedoed and lost. Am now

leaving ship with captain. Don't worry." Among the passengers Reuter's correspondent says were "Some Americans

"The London agents of the Tubantia state that its crew numbered about 200. They have no information as to the numof passengers who embarked at Am-

A Reuter dispatch from Ymulden, however, says that the Tubantia carried forty-two first class, thirty-three second class, and eight third class passengers. A Reuter dispatch from the Hook of

PERSHING HEADS SMALLER BODY COLUMBUS, N. M., March 16 .---(Via Mail to El Paso, Tex.)-The American expedition which entered Mexico yesterday spent an uneventful night, encamped but a short distance across the American line

. Some of Villa's men, according to a report here, are down in Ascension. But Columbus slept more soundly at night than at any time since the horrors of exactly one week ago.

Methodical as Practice March. Despite the rigorous censorship, which closed all wires, telegraph and telephone. ing got out in one form or another by devious ways. The facts were as fol-

About 10 o'clock yesterday morning the troops fell in at their camp in full marching order. The order to move came about 11 and was answered by a shout from

patch from Reuter's correspondent at Cowboys off the ranges, enrolled as scouts, and cavalry led the way. Two infantry regiments, some field artillery there were no American citizens and a wagon train came after. "he deon board the Tubantia. There were parture of the force was unmarked by a single dramatic detail. It was as business like as a practice march. A long hazy line of alkali dust, standing out against the dull white of the plains and the blazing light of the sun marked their

from a hill above the village.

General Pershing accompanied the force later in the afternoon and took another The troops taking part in the movement

numbered about 5,000 and were composed of the Thirteenth cavalry, the Sixth and

During the preceding night it is said that Colonel Slocum met Colonel Davila border. At any rate, there was no 19sistance made, but the entire Mesican population in Palomas, soldiers and civillans, with one exception, cleared away.

Americans passed through this town or crossing the border, they saw the one exception-an aged and crippled man, perhaps a bezzar without a family. Flying Conditions Ideal.

Some acroplanes are believed to have passed in with the expedition is motor trucks, but only one was seen flying about here and that last evening. Flying conditions, owing to the clearment of the atmosphere, are ideal, but for local

topography. The army will role in the cowboy scouts. Toward sundown, while the first acroplane ever seen in Columbus, was skim-ming the sky to the south, may came back with the report that the expedition had encamped for the night without any ident to report. It is said in Columbus

OBJECT OF AMERICAN PURSUIT IN MEXICO-Francisco Villa and his staff, resting afetr a hard, long dash over the plains of Mexico on one of his recent raids. Arrow points to Villa. His horse is the one on the right.

All Branches of Service Represented in Main Force Which Marched from Columbus.

BELOW BORDER

VILLA AND HIS STAFF FRANK SHERCLIFFE DEMOCRACY OF

Colorado Governor on Recommendation of Pardon Board.

IS GIVEN A PARDON

WAS SERVING 25-YEAR TERM

DENVER, March 16 .- Frank Shercliffe, alias Sherman W. Morris, serving a twenty-five-year sentence for murder in the Colorado penitentiary, was granted an unconditional pardon late today by Governor Carlson on the recommendation of the State Board of Pardons.

Shercliffe is serving a twenty-five-year term for the murder in 1908 of John W. Walsh, a miner of Leadville.

board has passed upon Shercliffe's appli-cation for freedom, but in each instance, it is said, his release was opposed by the governor.

sult of a "frameup" and actuated by motives of revenge.

Board's Statement.

Plant at Sioux City

Granted Unconditional Release by Secretary Pool to Decide it on Complaint of R. W. Whited of

Ihi

Three times in six years the pardon

Counsel for Shercliffe has contended that the trial and conviction was the re-

Omaha.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, March 16 .--- (Special.) -Nebraskans and people of the dor, under instruction from his govwhole United States are now going ernment, formally notified the State to have an opportunity to discover department today that no German whether William Jennings Bryan is submarine was concerned in the sinka wolf in sheep's clothing. A pro- ing of the Norwegian bark Sillus, test was filed with the secretary of from which soven American members state today by R. W. Whited of 2715 of the crew were rescued. North Twenty-sixth street, Omaha, against the name of Mr. Bryan ap- also said the German government pearing upon the primary ballot as had not believed from the first that

the national democratic convention. Secretary of State Pool is to dit in the same and decide the merits and demorits of the case at 3 o'clock Saturday, March 18. That he will need the wisdom of a Solomon and the nerve of a hero to de-cide the matter is generally admitted.

man Submarine Sank Norwegian Bark Silius.

WASHINGTON, March 16 .- Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassa-

The ambassador's memorandum a candidate for delegate-at-large to a German submarine torpedoed the the national democratic convention. Sillus because such an attack upon a neutral ship was directly contrary to the bill is the most far-reaching mill-instructions under which submarine tary measure over favorably reported commanders are operating. Announcement that the Berlin

government had found after investi-gation that none of its submarines pieted its final review of the senate army

a few anipers had been encountered. There was nothing to show which of the American columns might have encountered snipers.

the night and Columbus awoke today to find the camp had grown considsprung up near the railway station.

Planes Tried Out.

In a sagebrush plain off to the side of the camp a number of acroplanes were tried out. They had been set up since their arrival yesterday and were tested thoroughly today. One or two at a time were in the air most of the day. Curiously, although a flying machine had never been seen here before yesterday evening, today the residents of Columbus scarcely took the trouble to look at them. None of the aviators has yet joined the

tained here. The strict military censorship of all

In Villa Territory.

EL PASO, Tex., March 16 .- The Seventh and Tenth cavalry, said to be advancing into Mexico by forced marphas from Culberson's ranch near Hachita, N. M., were nearing the Villa Corritory in the Casas Grandes region tonight, according to the most reliable information which could be obtained hare.

BERNSTORFF SAYS **DEFENSE BILLS HAVE BRYAN TO THE TEST** THE RIGHT-OF-WAY NO U-BOAT DID IT German Ambassador Asserts No Ger-

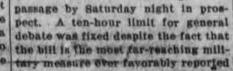
Both Houses of Congress Get Down to Business in Dealing with Preparedness Plans. WOULD KEEP NAME OFF BALLOT NOTIFIES STATE DEPARTMENT OTHER THINGS SWEPT ASIDE

WASHINGTON, March 16.-Sweeping aside intervening issues, congress set the stage today for prompt action on the national de-

fense measures urgently pressed by President Wilson since the session began. The house voted unanimously for a special rule under which the army increase bill will be taken up at 11 news on troop movement out of sClumbus o'clock tomorrow morning, with has not yet been relaxed. passage by Saturday night in prospect. A ten-hour limit for general

to the obdy.

In Hands of Printer.



OINTL FILM SERVICE

According to these reports six or Six or Seven Hit. seven soldiers of the American expedition had been hit by snipers. Troop trains came in here during

erably in population since last evening. A new lot of cavalry horses was noticed. Great piles of supplies in boxes and stacks of baled hay had

Quartermaster wagons left constantly over the road to the south during the day.

advance column, so far as could be ascer-

Holland says that a wireless measage has been received there stating that the large Dutch passenger steamship Tubantia, outward bound from Amsterdam to the River Plata, has been torpedoed and is in a sinking condition near the Noordliner lightship. All the passengers have been taken off in boats.

The London agents of the steamship Tubantia, which is owned by the Holland-Lloyd of Ansterdam, have received a essage saying the vessel struck a mine,

and is sinking. Another dispatch says the Tubantia was torpedoed. The steamship, which is of 15,000 ton gross, left Amsterdam yesterday for Buenba Ayres. It was to have stopped at Falmouth and peninsular ports, where the inajority of the passengers were to

have been taken aboard. A life saving boat has left the Hock of Holland to search for the sinking vessel and Dutch torpedo vessels are leaving Flushing to hurry to the reacue of the ship's passengers in the lifeboats.

The Tubantia was built in Glasgow in 1915 and is 540 feet long and 55 feet beam. It left Buenos Ayres on February 4 for Amsterdam and was reported as having passed Ferhando Noronha on February 14.

Schilling Is Not Consul.

WASHINGTON, March 16 .- State de partment officials say there is no Richard. Schilling in the consular service. The rectrds fail to show any man of similar name in any other capacity.

The Weather

Forecast till 7 p. m. Friday: For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity



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American Cavalry Lieutenant Kills Self at Columbus

BAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 18 .- Word was received at southern department headquarters from Houston of the subcide of First Lieutenant Edward M. Zell. Eleventh cavalry, at Columbus, N. M. to Tom Dennison of Omaha while the early Thursday. Lieutenant Zell's regiformer was serving a prison sentence at ment was a member of General Persh-Fort Madison, Ia., in which he was reng's command. Melancholia is given as ported as having referred to murdering the cause.

Walsh. This, the board says, hand writ-Lieutenant Zell was famous at West ing experts pronounced a forgery. Point as a star member of the base ball Shercliffe served eight years of and foot ball teams, having returned to sentence. the school several times to coach. He is survived by his widow and two chil-Strikers at Cudahy

dren at Fort Oglethorpe. It was suggested at Fort Sam Houston today that the machines of the first aero squadron be used to enable General Pershing to make swift trips back and forth.

Major Malvern Hill Barnum, chief-ofstaff to General Funston, today an-

a the capture of Villa

and on sugar.

The vote was 50 to 11.

House Passes Bill

s on the free list after May 1 next.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., March 16 .- Neafly all of the 1,000 strikers of the Cudahy plant nounced that the scattered patrol forces. along the border had been instructed to returned to work this morning, after be report all disturbances direct to heals ing on a strike since Monday. Several hours after the men returned about a quarters here. Hitherto these details score of butchers quit work. It is not

have been reported direct to the nearest commanding officer. believed the other workers will join the Strict guard is being kept over the govbutchers. rnment arsenal here. Troops surround Check for. Fortyit night and cay and searchlights play upon the immediate vicinity. It was feared some Villa sympathizer-might at-

tempt to blow up the arsenal. General Funston and his staff are de oting their attention to perfecting the border patrol and to placing in the most

NEW YORK, March 16 .- A check for \$48,538,131, one of the largest ever paid in strategic positions the reserves sent to the United States, passed through the the horder to relieve the troops released New York clearing house today. The for duty on the search of Vills. check was drawn on the Mechanics and

Metals National bank to the order of the Former Head of Guaranty Trust company in payment for Midvale Steel and Ordnance company Villa's Air Corps bonds recently sold by a banking syndi-



Mexico, where he had for two years icted as confidential agent and head of ST. LOUIS, March 16,-Robert E. Rigby, Villa's scroplane, corps, has offered the assistant cashier of the Wabash railroad covernment at Washington his eight today confessed to a shortage of \$18,000 eroplanes and an many aviators for use He has been arrested. Mexico, it was learned today.

Four Carranaa aviators are also in Chiago, awaiting orders from the de facto covernment to come to Mexico to assist For Women Specially The Bee's exclusive features relating to house-To Keep Sugar Duty hold topics, current WASHINGTON, March 16 .- The house te today passed the administration bill retain the present tariff of 1 cent per Under the sugar clause inine are unexcelled. the Underwood tariff act sugar would

fashions, social entertaining and the personal problems of the eternal fem-

Read Our Woman's Pages.

Hard and the state of the state

Whited Says Bryan Is Demagogue. R. W. Whited, 2715 North Twenty-sixth street, the Omaha man who filed a protest with Secretary of State Pool against the appearance of the name of William J. Bryan on the democratic primary bal lot as a candidate for delegate-at-large from Nebraska to the democratic national convention to be held in St. Louis in

June, declared that he represented a "faction" of Nebraska Wilson democrats. "There are several Omaha and Lincols nen behind me in this and their names

Return to Work will come out at the hearing," Mr. Whited said.

Whited charges the Bryan is not a demcrat. No action has been taken by the secretary of state. "I, and the men 1 represent, contend

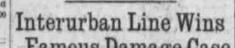
that Bryan's high-handed and dictating Mrs. Wright's Baby places him outside the pale of democracy Mr. Whited declared.

"Bryan is more of a demagogue than he is a democrat. His actions and methods Three Millions about forever bar him from rep the democrtic party in any way. should forever bar him from representing

'His name can appear as a prohibitionst, an independent, or whatnot, but we're going to do all in our power to see that it does not appear as a democrat We have engaged an attorney to repre sent us at the hearing at Lincoln.

Mr. Whited said that he was a resident of Lincoln for thirty-six years and a personal friend of "Bilf" Bryan in years past. While a resident of Lincoln he says he served at different times he secretary of the democratic committee of Lancaster county, as a member of the city central committee and as captain of the Bryan home guards, a semi-military organiza-

He has lived in Omaka eleven years. He is given in the city directory as a painte



Famous Damage Case

WATERLOO, In., March 16-(Special Felegram.)-The jury in the personal inury action for damages in the famous maries Scribner case returned a verdict for the defendant. This ends the long itigation with many sensational developnents in which the child once was awarded \$8,000 for injury, but will now seceive nothing from the Waterloo, Cedar Falls and Northern Railway company. The first trial was in 1914 and is the result of sensational perjury develop-

ments. The trial this week changed the verdict and the crippled child and chief witness in the trial receive nothing.

has been appointed to succeed him.



BERLIN, March 16 .- (Wireless to Say) ville.)-Desperate attacks on the Austrian lines along the Isonzo are being continued by the Italians in their determined offen sive in that region, according to the Austrian headquarters statement of March In the protest filed at Lincoln Mr. 15, received here today from Vienna, On the Podgora heights the Italians were only driven back from the Austrian positions by bitter hand-to-hand fighting. of a new Canadian loan, according to a statement issued by the Morgan firm to-

> Brought to El Paso Price of Raw Sugar EL PASO, Tex., March 15.-The habe of Mrs. Maude Hawk Wright arrived safely in Juarez today, an interesting example of the respect for childhood, which even the Villa bandits showed when they

NEW YORK, March 16 The continued aptured Mrs. Wright. After her husband had been slain at Pachuca, Mex., strong tone of the raw sugar market tobefore the Columbus raid, Mrs. Wright's day sent the price of granulated sugar to baby was literally forced from her arms. the highest level recorded since the out But the bandits treated it tenderly and break of the European war. One of the gave it to a Mexican family, which in largest American refiners quoted the urn delivered the child into the keeping granulated product at 7 cents while others of some of the Mormon colonists about advanced the price to 6.90 cents. The high Casas Grandes. Mrs. Wright, escaping price was attributed to the recent active from the bandits after the Columbus demand for sugar from abroad, owing to raid, has been here for a week awaiting the small European acreage of beet sugar affil large domestic buying. the haby.

Vigorous Campaign Against **Recruiting Carried On in Ireland**

part of the Sinn Fein society. It says:

"From motives of patriotism English juries or military tribunais. newspapers hithereto have refrained from commenting on the situation in pointed to organize the St. Patrick's Ireland, but it is developing with such day celebrations was offered the use of

longer possible. Through the south and west a vigorous participate, stating in reply: "The Brit-

LONDON, March 16-The Post pub-, the jury amid tumultuous applause from ishes a long article in regard to what those in the court room. All these trials it characterizes as the serious situation we await with impatience the time when took place before ordinary juries and in Ireland on account of activity on the the authorities will utilize their powers to have such cases tried before special

"in Cork a committee recently aprapidity and gravity that slience is no several companies of Irish soldiers, but the committee refused to allow them to

organized campaign against recruiting ish army is in hostile occupation of ire is being carried out without serious land and it would be as abourd for Rel. hindrance. Within a few weeks several gians to invite a contingent from the person have been indicted and tried in German army to participate in a Bel-Dublin, but in every case acquitted by gian national celebration.

To Be Completed Sconer.

Seventy Million

NEW YORK, March 16 -- A group

American bankers, headed by J.

day. The amount has not been finally

yould he in the neighborhood of \$75,000,0 0.

Continues to Climb

While the naval program has appeared

progress more slowly, possibly it will

dried up the water supply situation should be relieved. Clear moonlight nights make it possible to see after dark for some distance. Definite information that the Mormon settlements with their 500 American men, women and children were safe and eated was brought here today by Daniel Hurst, son of P. H. Hurst, the Mormon bishop resident here: Mr. Hurst brought news understood to be of much military importance which was forwarded to General Pershing.

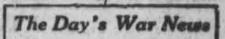
Mr. Hurst refused to make public its nature or details.

Loan in New York According to Mr. Hurst, Villa has at most 400 men, some of whom are wounded. He said also that it was not of believed in the Mormon colonies that the P. bandit chief had more than 500 men with Morgan & Co., are negotiating with the him when he raided Columbus. Canadian government for the flotation

Remain Mystery.

What the intentions of Villa are vanins a profound mystery today. Andre determined, but it was intimated that it Garcia, the Carranza consul here, asserted today that from information in his possession he was satisfied that Villa had dishanded most of his men and in-

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DISPATCHES FROM LONDON report the Dutch steamer Tubantia, of 15,000 tons, from Amsterdam for South America, in sinking condition off the Netherlands coast. Whether it struck a mine or was torpedoed has not been determined. The passengers and crew escaped in boats.

ONE OF THE FREQUENT pauses which have characterized the German campaign for Verdun is again in evidence. After having made their gains of Tuesday west of the Meuse, in the direction of Dead Man's Hill, the crown prince's forces have not again advanced to the attack.

IT IS OFFICIALLY declared in Berlin that the change in the head of the ministry of marine, involving the retirement of Admiral Von Tirpits, who is succeeded by Admiral Von Capelle, signifies no change in the government's submarine policy.

TODAT'S GERMAN official statement conforms with that from Paris as to the unchanged situation north of Verdan. Its text. however, apparently indicates that possession of Dead Man's Hitt. on which the Germans yesterday reported an advance, is claimed by the German war office.