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BORDER HEARS A RUMOR VILLA HAS **BEEN SHOT IN LEG**

Unconfirmed Report Tells of Out- GENERAL BELL SEES GAVIRA law Wounded, While Another of His Narrow Escape Reaches Columbus.

TORTU RED MAN TURNS ON HIM relative to the movement of supplies They Do Not Agree as to Whether

Putting Them to Torment as Gringo Lovers.

GIRLS HIDDEN AWAY FROM HIM

EL PASO, Tex., March 30 .-General Gavira said the message major said. came from what he considered a reliable source, but that he had wired General Bertani at Madera for con-

Narrow Escape for Bandit. FIELD HEADQUARTERS OF

FORCES. Chihuahua, March 26 .- (By Motor Truck to Columbus, N. M., March 30.)-It has been learned here that death five Mexicans. One of his victims leaped upon him and was strangling him when the Villista officers beat him senseless with the butts of their guns.

Mexican who almost succeeded in ending moved to El Paro and the line of com-Villa's career.

Meant as Warning.

The murder of five members of the Polanco family was said to have been intended as a warning to other Mexicans against having dealings with Americans. Investigation showed that the Polanco family was involved with no political faction in Mexico, but that they had a record of uniform honesty and reliability in dealing with the American managers of the Corralitos ranch, where they were born and reared.

When Villa, retreating from Columbus, arrived at Corralitos ranch, he had a list of all the Polancos, six men, the mother and two daughters. He seized the men and hunted for the daughtern, but the young women had been hidden so well, but he never found them. To five of the men, Gregorio and his

two sons, and Mucio and his one son, Villa said: "I am going to kill you because you are too Americanized. You are Gringo lovers."

Has Them Torrured

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Munitions Graft May Cause Cabinet Crisis in Canada

OTTAWA, Ont., March 39.-The govin England, regarding ing of munitions contracts. A message advising him of the charges has been sent General Huges, it was declared

Members of Parliament stated today that as an outcome of the allegations, an insurgent element has been created in the ranks of the conservatives, the government party, and something resembling a political crisis has arisen.

Middlemen's profits, aggregating more than \$1,500,000, are alleged to have been obtained through the awarding of con tracts by the Canadian shell committee G. W. Kyte, member of Richmond county, Nova Scotia, declared in a speech in Parliament. He said that the profits were divided between Colonel J. Wesley Allison, who was connected with the militia department; B. F. Yoskum, American railway magnate, and Eugene Lignanti, formerly leader of a hotel orchestra in Montreal.

The Weather



1916, 1915, 1914, 1917

Highest yesterday..... Lowest yesterday..... Mean temperature..... Prec pitation Temperature and precipitation tures from the normal:

Vormal tenever ture
Excess for the day.
Total excess since March 1...
Normal pretpitation
Deficiently for the cay.
Total rainfall since March 1.
Deficiently since March 1.
Excess for car, period, 1915.
Defi iency for cor, period, 1914. Reports from Stations at 7 P. M. Temp. High- Rain 7 p. m. est. fall

Station and State
of Weather
Cheyenne part cloudy
Davenport, cloudy
Denver, cloudy
Denver, cloudy
The Moines, rain
orth Platte, cloudy
(mana, clear
Rapid City, snow
Santa Fe, snow
Sheridau, clear
Figur City, cloudy
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FUNSTON IS TOLD TO MANY INQUIRIES

War Department Hints to American Commander at Border He Is Too Communicative.

EL PASO, Tex., March 30 .- General Bell, General Gavira and Mexi- RAILROAD OFFICIALS DIVIDED can Consul Garia held a conference over the Mexican Northwestern rail-Bandit Kills Five Mexicans After way. Afterward General Bell refused to discuss the conference, saying he was under orders to main- "DEATH COACH" WILL BE ISSUE tain secrecy.

already shipped from El Paso sup- twenty-seven bodies recovered from plies sufficient to eed the expedi- yesterday's wreck of three New York General Gabriel Gavira, Carranza tionary forces in Mexico for thirty Central trains at Amherst, O., atcommander at Juarez, said tonight days. Part of these supplies already tention was focused upon the sevthat he had received a message is at Casas Grandes, part is nearing eral investigations that were put from Madera, Mexico, which stated the field base and the remainder under way by federal, state and that Villa had been shot in the leg, would be there before long, the railway authorities to determine re-

Merchants of El Paso and its vicinity sentatives of the Interstate Comare besieging the army for contracts, merce commission, the utilities They offer to ship unlimited supplies south, the government to assume the committee of Ohio and various derisk. To all of them Major Elliott re- partment heads of the New York plies that they are free to transport Central were conducting investigastuff to Casas Grandes, but must do so tions in Cleveland and at other at their own risk. They are told, how-AMERICAN EXPEDITIONARY ever, that the field quartermaster will points in the vicinity of the wreck. COLONIA DUBLAN, probably purchase such goods if they Coroner Charles Garver of Lorain reach their destination.

Will Keep Motor Line Open.

though military supplies will be offered ing thereto. Francisco Villa nearly lost his life the management of the Northwestern raila few days ago on the Corralitos way at Juarez today for shipment to the ranch, a short distance from this American troops in Mexico, officers at place, where he tortured and put to army headquarters here regard the conditional use of the railroad as so experimental that the motor truck line from Columbus, N. M., will be maintained.

If supplies shipped as commercial gation. freight and unguarded en route by American troops arrive at destination with reasonable regularity and without serious Mucio Polanco was the name of the delay, the base at Columbus will be munication from the New Mexican border to Casas Grandes will be shifted east-

It was indicated at General Funston's would be asked for if the had condition of the Northwestern made it impossible to handle supplies properly or if the altered positions of the cavalry and supporting line engaged in the pursuit of Francisco Villa made advisable the use of a shorter and more direct route for supplies. It was suggested that if Carranza did not object to the use of the Northwestern, he probably would not object to the use of the other line.

If demonstrated that supplies are being held up or interfered with on their way to the front, General Funston, it is expected, again will urge that permission be secured to place escorts on trains

carrying them.

Tells Funston to Tolk Less. Whether specific orders had been sent But instead of killing them outright, piles under the terms of Carranza's per-Villa had them partly stripped and then mission was not stated at headquarters. beaten with the flats of heavy swords, where it was indicated that the War department had intimated to General Funston that he preserve greater silence on subjects connected with the operations in Mexico.

No report from General Pershing indicating any change in the situation 'south of Casas Grandes was received.

Miguel R. Davila, an agent of the department of the interior in Mexico, who arrived here today from Queretaro, said he saw General Luis Herrera there three rnment was waiting today to hear from days ago. General Herrora, who re-General Sir Sam Hughes, minister of cently was reported to have rebelled against Carranza, went from Chihuahua charges of favoritism recently made in to Queretare on a special train to talk Parliament in connection with the award- to carranza about securing more supplies for his forces in Chihushua.

The only dispatches received at headquarters from General Pershing today deal with routine matters and contain no mention of a fight with Villa or in timation that he has been trapped.

Husband of Gadski Charged with Plot To Blow Up Canal

NEW YORK, March 30.-Captain Hand Fauscher, husband of Johanna Gadski the opera singer, and said to be an officer in the German navy, was arreste today by special agents of the Depart ment of Justice on a warrant charging him with being concerned in alleged con aptracy to blow up the Welland canal

Tauscher, the federal authorities sale is head of the Tauscher Arms compan of this city and representative of th Krupp Gun works in this country. 14 arrest was brought about, it was stated through disclosures made by Horst vo. Der Goltz, allas Bridgman Taylor, who was brought to this country a day of two ago to be examined as to what I knew concerning alleged German plot Tauscher was arraigned before a United States commissioner, denied the charge and was held in \$15,000 ball.

DO LESS TALKING INTO TRIPLE TRAIN WRECK ARE BEGUN

Towerman Says He Was and that Signal S Second Train Work.

Blame Should Be Put on Tower Men or Engineer.

Major Elliott said today he has CLEVELAND, March 30 .- With sponsibility for the wreck. Reprecounty planned to begin an inquest at Elyria into the death of the SAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 30.-Al- wreck victims and the causes lead-

> The question of whether the so-called "death coach" on train No. 88 was of modern steel construction, as claimed New York Central officials, or was mainly of wood construction, promises to be an important feature of the investi-

Railroad officials today were still divided in opinion as to whether the blame should be placed upon the towerwas asleep and falled to give the proper House Votes for Alien Measure Daniels Says Wages Ashore Are General Pershing is Convinced that man, who, it is alleged by some officials. signal, or upon the engineer, who, they say it may be shown, either failed to see the signal or exceeded his orders.

Of the more than forty persons injured headquarters that the use of the Juarez- in the wreck, several were said to be Chihuahua line of the National railways in a precarious condition early today and more fatalities were feared. Railroad officials say that only twenty-seven bodies have been recovered and that they regard it as impossible that more bodies are in

> Unofficial, but what was regarded as reliable reports, placed the number of dead at thirty.

Enginemen and Towerman. The two men at whom most of the questions were to be directed at today's

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Russia Given Permit to Build Road in Manchuria

PEKIN, China, March 30 .- The Chinese government has signed an agreement permitting Russia to construct a rallroad which will give Russia control in northern Manchuria, in compensation for the railway rights granted to Japan in southern Manchuria. Japan has con-

curred in this arrangement The new line will run from Harbin, on the Siberian railroad, in a northerty direction across Manchuria to Algun near the Russian frontier. A branch line will be built from Mergen southward to Tsitsikhar, near the Mongolian border where it will form a junction with the trans-Siberian road. The new rallroad will be 662 miles long. The route is part of that formerly negotiated for hy Americans.

Russia will raise funds for construction f the road by floating a loan of £5,000,000.

Clyde Shops Strike Declared Irregular

LONDON, March 30 .- After an investiation of the grievances of the men who have quit work in the Glasgow disriet, the council of the Amalgamated ociety of Engineers decided today that the strike in six Civde shops was unstitutional and called on the men to return to work.

The council points out that the strike s in contravention of the munitions of war act. Two socialist speakers were arrested

this morning for inciting munitions workers on the Clyde to strike.

New Order-in-Council Is Issued by England

cessel nor its careo shall be immune from i capture for a breach of blockade upon the sole ground that it at the moment 'a on its way to a nonblockade nort.

German Stowaway Holds Up Briton Steamship Loaded with Munitions

LEWES, Del., March 30.-Ernest Schu- placed bombs in different parts of the ler, German, held up the captain of the ship, British steamer Matoppo shortly after man, and when the steamer hove in Sculer, who was a stowaway, put the wireless out of commission, locked

been landed this afternoon. The Matoppo passed out of Sandy Hook told the story of the holdon. at 5 o'clock last night and the attack on The man was brought ashore and is out to sea he made his appearance armed the mate of the Matoppo. forced the captain into his vabin.

the vessel passed Sandy Hook last night, sight of the Delaware capes its course bound from New York for Vladivostok was changed and it sent up a signal for with a cargo of munitions and war ma. immediate assistance, and at the same time a boatload of its crew went over the side to come ashore and summ the captain in his room all night and heat Philadelphia responded to the call. as did also the coast guard crew sta-The man is under acrest here, having tion at Cape Henlopen, Delawere. The pilot boat picked up the ship's crew, who

the captain was made two hours later now in irons at the custom house in Schuler, it is said, had been a stowaway Lewes. He has in his possession money 16 on the Matoppo five days. When well and papers belonging to the captain and

with two revolvers, it is alleged, and Federal authorities in Lewes have communicated with the United States The man told the captain that he had district attorney at Wilmington, Del.

FIRST PHOTO SHOWING WRECK OF THREE FAST NEW YORK CENTRAL TRAINS at Amherst, Ohio, where thirty people were killed on Wednesday morning. How the cars looked when daylight came.



IMMIGRATION BILL PASSES UNCHANGED

with Literacy Test Clause Attached.

ASIATIC EXCLUSION

WASHINGTON, March 30 .- The Burnett immigration bill with its literacy test and Asiatic exclusion edness plans were given today be- paign in the hunt for Francisco Villa provisions unchanged, passed the fere the house naval committee. house late today, by a vote of 308 to 87. It now goes to the senate. where favorable action is regarded as assured.

The literacy test was finally retained in the bill, when the house, wastage from other causes was ecrdon of Carranzista and American cept such an explanation as satisfactory. by a vote of 284 to 17, rejected the 8,250. To add a single man to the thoops. motion of Representative Sabath full quota, he added, meant that the Mexican officials said today they had of Illinois to recommit the bill with 8,250 must be first restored by new no news as to the whereabouts of Villa. whether any value longer could be atinstructions to eliminate the test enlistments. Requirements are so but that the troops of the de facto gov- tached to Germany's promises. provision.

Lobeck and Sloan voted to recommit, while Reavis, Stephens, Shallenberger and Kinkaid voted against recommitment On the passage of the bill every memher of the Nebraska delegation with the single exception of Lobeck, voted in its

Green of Iowa voted against the motion to recommit with instructions, as did of many officers, looked to a total en-Mondell of Wyoming, and both voted for the bill on its final passage As in former years it is believed that if the president vetoes the bill, he will be sustained.

Villa and Carranza Troops Reported in Fight Near Guerrero

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 30 .- Fighting, three days ago, between Villa troops and a detachment of Carranza's forces, was reported today by General Pershing to General Funston. No details of the engagement was given, but General Pershing said Vilia's men were moving south. It was believed Villa was with

COLUMBUS, N. M., March 30.-American troops have been using the Mexico Northwestern rallway for a distance of about 150 miles between Casas Grandes and Madeira daily for about ten days to transport troops and supplies, acrding to Walter Warren, a negro trooper in Troop A, Tenth cavalry, who reached here today.

Warren, who has been invalided at Fort Bliss, asserted that twelve men were inared in the wreck on the road near Musica station, March 21, which regulted in the death of Trooper Hudnelt. Warren affeced crushed hips and internal in juries. The train he said, was carrying cars loaded with horses and troops, and if was issued tonight "where neither a said that the other ten injured men are merce commission until July 29 pending being cared for at the fleid hospital at investigation Casas Grandes.

DOUGLAS, Ariz., March 30.-A new distribution of Mexican troops was an nounced today by Ives G. Lelevier, Mexican consul in Douglas, eGneral Calles expressed the belief that Villa is effectively cut off by the American troops on the north and the de facto troops or east and south, in Chihuahua, That eaves Sonorh, to the west, as his possible refuge.

According to the new orders 1,200 of General Gomez' cavalry have concenrated in Colonia Morelos, sixty-five miles sutheast of Agua Prieta. From there they can move rapidly either north o south along the adjacent Chihushus border, guarding Olitos and Carretas

Violent Battle on Along Italian Line

BERLIN, March 26.-(By Wireless to gaged on both sides. The official report of today announces the capture

In the Deberde sector there is spirited

GOOD MEN FOR NAVY ARMY PREPARES ARE HARD TO GET FOR LONG CAMPAIGN

Higher and Physical Standard is Exceedingly Rigid.

CARRIES ONLY SIXTH OF MEN ACCEPTED SUPPLIES ARE READY TO SHIP

WASHINGTON, March 30 .- Sec-

cussion of personnel. The annual is accepted.

Conflicting views as to the proper enmen should constitute reserve crews, His own recommendations, based on the experience of the department and advice tection for a long time.

listed atrength of 67,952 men. "In time of peac," he said, "I do not telleve we can add 20,000 men to the nava in one year as has been suggested. We now have difficulty in keeping the present quota full because of high wages

Omaha Preacher Declines Call from Eastern Church

Omaha is good enough for Rev. J. A. Maxwell, pastor of the Calvary Baptist He has declined the call which was re-

cently extended him by the First Baptist church at Roxbury, Pa., a suburb of Philadelphia. At the request of members of the local church Rev. Mr. Maxwell decided to remain in Omaha.

Since Rev. Mr. Maxwell came to Omaha two and one-half years ago, 200 new members have been added to the congregation of the Calvary Baptist church.

PROPOSED RAISE IN RATE ON RICE IS SUSPENDED

WASHINGTON, March 26. - Proposed increases of 10 cents per 100 pounds on rice Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Okiahoma, Texas, Wyoming and New Mexico, which would have been effective tomorrow, were was wrecked on a "shoo fly." Warren suspended today by the Interstate Com- (Continued on Page Two, Column One.)

Four U-Boat Bases Among Greek Isles

LONDON, March 30 .- The discovery by miente allied patrol ships of four hostile Rome this afternoon.

Chase for Villa Will Last Several Weeks.

El. PASO, Tex., March 30 .- Brigaretary Daniels' views regarding the dier General John J. Pershing has aggravating incidents will be combined navy's part in the national prepar- projected a long and relentless cam--a chase that may last for many Secretary Daniels began his state- weeks before the fleeing bandit is run any of the attacks and attempt to satisfy ment to the committee with a dis- to earth. This information was take had been made, offer to make reparagleaned here today from military tion and to punish the submarine comloss from terminating enlistments men who made no secret of their be- mander, the lasue would not by any was 12,875 men, he said, and lief that Villa has slipped through the certain that the United States will not ac-

rigid that only one in six applicants ernment were aiding the American soldiers in trying to round up the brigand The last of the information was that listed strength he said, were based on VI'la was moving through the Santa different ideas as to how many ships Maria valley. Once among his peon should be kept in reserve and how many friends, who would give the American troops misleading information regarding his whereabouts, VIIIa might escape de-

> Ranchers from the region west of the Chihuahua district said that when it became known that there was a price upon Villa's head, dead or alive, the bandit would be in constant danger of betrayal Whether the American troops have made it known that there is a reward for Villa has not been learned here, but it is assumed that the word has been spread about among the peon population as the American soldiers move from Boyleg bands of Villistas are reported

Maria valley, but apparently the American flying columns have not come in contact with them. Supplies Ready to Ship. Brigadier General George Bell, com mander of the base at Fort Bliss, awaited official orders today to ship supplies to the army over the Mexico cret instructions such as were advocated Northwestern railroad. Supplies, con-

sisting of gasoline, forage, canned goods

and flour, will go forward as soon as the

orders are received.

everywhere in the region of the Santa

Meanwhile Major Elllett, department quartermaster, is moving supplies in great bulk to Columbus, N. M., where they are carried in tsuck trains over the Mexican desert to the army base below Casas Grandes. Ten carloads were shipped to Columbus early today, while ien motor trucks were also sent to the hase there. Twenty-seven more motorrucks will go forward late today to Co-

Army officers here believe that Columbus will be continued as an auxiliary base for the American army in Mexico. They point out that no great reliance can be placed on the Mexico Northwest-

Taggart Will Not Be Candidate for Senate

WASHINGTON, March 20,-Thomas Taggert, recently appointed United States senator ad interim from Indiana to succeed the late Senator Shively, today is subma incluses among the Greek I lands sucd an announcement saying he would and passengers of ships reported to have is announced in a wireless dispatch from not be a candidate for the senatorial non Continued on Page Two, Column Four.) ination to succeed himself.

SHIPS STIRS IRE OF UNITED STATES Some Officials Credit Report German Subseas Ordered to Attack All Ships Bound

for Great Britain.

HUNT FOR CONCLUSIVE PROOF

Several Unarmed Merchant Ships Carrying Americans Attacked Without Warning.

VIOLATES RECENT PLEDGE

WASHINGTON, March 30 .- The United States government today is using every means at its command to secure conclusive proof regarding the disasters which have overtaken the Sussex and other unarmed merchant ships, all carrying American citizens.

All circumstantial evidence indicates that these ships were torpedoed without warning and that German submarines have begun an underwater campaign in violation of Germany's recent assurances to the United States.

Some officials credit the suggestion that German submarine commanders are acting under secret instructions such as were advocated by Admiral Von Tirpitz, to torpedo every vessel approaching the British Isles. Although official confirmation is lacking, some officials believe that the commanders of German submersibles have orders other than those of which this country is ad-

The Next Step. The next step of the United States is said authoritatively to have been determined upon. Unless Germany, in reply to the inquiries made by the United States through Ambassador Gerard. makes some statement to cause the State department to change its present intentions, it is understood that all the recently in one general formidable indictment which will bring the entire subject to a

Should Germany admit responsibility for at loast until time had shown what pr ishment actually was meted out to the

Will Proceed with Prol In the event of Germany disclaiming responsibility for the disasters, the United States will proceed with its investigation to determine to its own satisfaction whether the evidence which now strongly indicates that the Sussex and other stips were torpedoed without warning can be regarded as conclusive proof. With such proof before it the government probably would not promptly. Officials refrain from discussing what

the nature of the action would be The very number of apparently unwarranted attacks which have occurred recently is regarded by the administration as particularly significant. The number is said by officials to have disposed of the theory that the explosions might have been caused by mines. Some of the cases, it was pointed out, have occurred in localities where there is no possibility of mine fields having been laid because of the depth of the water and the distance from shore.

It became known during the day that the State department had heard unofficially the suggestion that German submarine commanders were acting under seby Grand Admiral von Tirpits to torpedo every neutral vessel as well as belligerent-owned approaching the British Isles. The Secret Order.

The United States was advised the new rders to submarine commanders, which went into effect March 1, provided for the attack without warning of all armed merchantmen of the entente allies. There had been no official confirmation whatever of the secret order report. However, the number of disasters which have overtaken unarmed merchantmen recently, including those under neutral flags, caused some officials to credit the suggestion that orders of some kind other than those of which the United States is advised, are in effect.

What is described in high administration circles as the extreme gravity of the situation makes it necessary for the United States to proceed with the utmost care in preparing for the next step. Especial effort is being made to have all the essential facts in each case developed from the best testimony and evidence avallable.

Will Collect Data.

Information is being, or will be, col-

ected through American embassies and

consulates, naval experts, officers, crews

Conscription of Wealth Advocated by the London Daily Chronicle They Get

LONDON, March 39.-The Daily Chrone: He says: trie gives a prominent position to an "Wealth can be taken in any formarticle orging the conscription of cash, stocks or real estate. wealth. The writer, who is said to be something like this is done our pear a well known economist, suggests that budgets will become crushing in their the chanceller of the exchequer should weight. With a debt of £10,000,000,000, make a levy on all the wealth in the interest and sinking fund payments will uckerton, N. J. A violent battle is in kingdom and thinks that a vast sum be over £120,000,000 pensions and other progress at the Gorizia bridgehead on could be raised in this way. He pro- war charges, £40,000,000 making the the Italian front, large forces being en sents a calculation to show how, on a probable annual total of the budgets as graduated percentage scale, £490,000,000 high as £400,000,000.

"Such budgets can be met, but only could be produced by an initial tery of I per cent on all projectly valued up to with hampering a national development £5,000, the percentage gradually increase and naturer to the nation's position in ing to .8 on property valued over £109, 16. the world."

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