ROCKY MOUNT, N. C., THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MARCH 9TH, 1916 (HOME EDITION) VOLUME VIII, NO. 138 FAIR and COLDER PRICE: FIV VILLA BANDIT TROOPS HOLD AMERICAN TO AND PILLAGE, ROB AND MURDER ITS CIT

COLUMBUS, NEW MEXICO, IS RETAKEN BY U. S. SOLDIERS

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Four American Soldiers Were Killed and Seven Wounded in Recapture of City Which Was Left in Flames by Mexican Bandits

NATION'S LEADERS VERY MUCH AROUSED

DARING ATTACK OCCURRED AT 4:30 O'CLOCK THIS MORNING, AND WIITH HOTELS AND BUILDINGS SET ON FIRE, FIVE HUNDRED MEXICANS MADE SPORT OF KILLING AMERI-CANS AS THEY WERE DRIVEN INTO STREETS BY FLAMES AND SMOKE; THREE TROOPS OF THIRTEENTH CAVALRY GO TO RESCUE OF AMERICAN RESIDENTS.

(By Associated Press.)

COLUMBUS, New Mexico, March 9 .- Five hundred Villa bandits attacked this point at 4:30 o'clock this morning, killing a number of civilian men and women, and had possession of the town for an-hour and a half. They were then driven off by three troops of the Thirteenth Cavalry. They retreated at 6 o'clock, leaving part of the town in flames.

Colonel Slocum announced that four American soldiers were killed and seven wounded. Fourteen dead Mexicans were counted near the army camp. A large number of Mexicans were killed, their bodies dotted over the streets where they had been posted, picking off Americans who emerged from the hotels and dwelling houses. There appeared to be none wounded. Several guests were burned in the Central hotel, which was one of the first buildings fired by Villa's men. Mexican bandits standing outside of

also in propagadiness.

"PEACE AND PREPAREDNESS," SLOGAN OF NEW WAR SECRETARY

THE EVENING TELEGRAM

NEWTON D. BAKER'S RAPID RISE

Important dates in the life of Newton D. Baker, named by President Wilson as Secretary of War, are as follows: -

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Citizens Here Enthusiastic United States May Over Indications of Attendants at Meeting.

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INTEREST FROM ALL SECTIONS OF STATE

Dozen or More Citizens Who President Attended Meeting of Democratic Executive Committee in Raleigh Are Very Enthusiastic.

Local citizens are at home from Raleigh, where they yesterday aftended the meeting of the State Democratic Executive committee and mingled with the political leaders of the State. They report considerable enthusiasm for the cause of Lieutemant Governor Baugh-tridge for the nomination for Viever-

Upwards of a dozen local eitizens wore present in Raleigh vesterday in the interest of the candidney of the gentleman from this eity, and this namber, coupled with those now domiciled in Raleigh, where they are directing the campaign from the Daughtridge head-quarters, caused a large representation com this city.

The friends from the gity give re mination of the farmer-candidate new friends came presented by d by over increasing rar fis almost daily there come: pr ports anties that are assuring p. Daughtridge vote. As the time approache campaign from all sections of the State and his prospects of non-mation at the hands of the voters is growing brighter daily.

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the burning building shot down A. L. Ritchie, proprietor of the hotel, and W. R. Walker, a guest, as they attempted ing such an international crisis as the existing non to dash out of the door. Both were dead when picked up later. Baher said.

C. C. Miller, owner of a drug store, was shot as he tried to enter the door of the Hoover hotel, an adobe structure whose mud walls protected a score of cowering women and children who remained in the rooms, while a howling mobile as asked

of bandits surged through the surrounding streets. During the first attack of the Thirteenth Cavalry it in suffered little, although a number of American soldiers were killed and wounded and a number of cavalry horses ridden off by the Mexicans as they fled back toward Mexico after daylight.

WASHINGTON AROUSED BY REPORT

Washington, March 9.-First report of the Mexican raid on Columbus, N. M., was received at the White-House while President Wilson was having his first conference with Newton L. Baker, the new Secretary of War.

Officials admitted that the raid put a very serious as-pect on the Mexican situation. While the policy of the administration so far has been to look to the Carranza forces t 'eal with the bandits, some officials declare that it was a grave situation whether such a raid as that on Columbus was not sufficient evidence of inability of the Carranza government to deal with the situation to warrant sending American troops over the line.

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been lead by Francisco Villa; crassed the barderunder the eaver of darkness The Valla men were said to have been ained by Christian soldiers after they reased the border. A deep ditch par-lieffed the United States army camp. early today and attacked this town killing a dozen or more American men and women, including at least six United States soldiers. When the box the enstous house, and the railroad sta-rion. Through this galley the bandits dits fied toward Mexico some hours made a concealed approach. After posting suppres at advantageous points later they were pursued by United States troops who are said to have crossed the border. A large number of Mexican dead were left bring in the the bandits set fire to buildings, in childing the deput-and hotels. As people ended from their homes they were shot down by the surpers. Civilians armed themselves and together with United streets of Columbus and at the border the Mexicans were subjected to a flank attack of American troops and eighteen States soldiers fought a battle of sev eral hours with the bandits. more of their number were killed. Nev eral American citizens in Columbus de elared they personally saw Villa direct-(Continued on Page Eight)

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ROLL GAME TONIGHT The fitst and second teams, of the glocal Association rolled a contest game

glucal association rolled a contest game last gight. Team No. 2 winninge the Game by 65 pins. However, it was only a prac-tice game for the firts team. Owing to the "Bowling by Wire" costest that is to be rolled tonight, the fellows on Team Ni. 1 did not care to overwark is to be rolled tonight, the fellows on Team Ni. 1 did not care to overwork themselves. The following associations are in the bowling by wire contest: Florence, Richmond, Waycrosse and Rocky Mount. So far Rocky Mount is leading them all. There will be a large recoved present tonight to cheer the fellows on to victory. All are invited, especially the ladies.

SPORTSMEN HERE TWO AMERICANS IN TO FORM ACTIVE ORGANIZATION

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there was an informal discussion after domain which a temporary organization was phis. gone into with a view to enlisting greater interest and looking to the formation of a permanent organization later. The permanent organization will pephably be formed sometime during the coming week at which time a

unme will be selected. Every citize is invited to attend week's meeting if he may be interest-ed in sports and especially hunting and ishing. The temporary organization or list night named Mr. H. M. Finch as chairman and Dr. L. R. Gorham as

secretary. There was appointed a committee on constitution and hy-laws which was composed of Mr. A. F. Syd-

which was composed of Mr A. F. Syd-enstricker, chairman and Messrs. John Bentan, T. E. Jenkins and H. S. Pool. Charged hands are Dr. B. C. Willis, chairman and Messes. W. A. Bullack, S. S. Henry J. L. Horne Mr. and Dr. L. S. Gorham. Jr., and Dr. L. R Gorham,

with him at the time the magnified lack appeared suddenly in the road and revering them with a pixed ency ed Mr. Wirght to hand over his noney under a threat of taking his live, are operating. Mr WrWight reported the incident to the police and a few days later an arrest occurred. -

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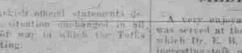
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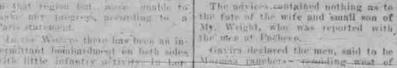
Paris statement.





El Paso, Tex., Murch 9 .- Accredited but uncouffrmed, reports today by Gen-eral Galoriel Gavira at Juanza, state two Americans named Franklin and Wright, were killed by Villa ban-

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MEETING OF NASH MEDICAL SOCIETY

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A committee was appointed to draft witable resolutions over the loss of Dr. T. J. Denn, of Nashville,

Those present were: Drs. E. S. Boues, Matthews, Whitnker, Braswell, Jt., Quillen, Dr. Fred M. Parker, of Enfletd N. C., was a welcome visittor.

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and handed its passports to the Portuguese minister.

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ally in the western Arguman and in the region of Montfoncon and Man The Turkish attend statements de