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NEGRO OUTRAGES 6-YEAR-OLD CHILD CLUBBING MOTHER

Arrested, After Wounding Several, and Carried To Jail at Snow Hill

LATER FRIDAY NIGHT TAKEN TO GOLDSBORO

Little Girl Reported in Terrible Condition; Mother, Mrs. Leon Tyson, Badly Bruised. George Suggs, Wounded Posseman, Badly But Not Seriously Hurt

(Special to the News and Observer.)

Kinston, April 1.—Will Black, a young negro, sealed his doom Friday afternoon when near Snow Hill he committed a bestial outrage upon a 6 year old white child, clubbed the little girl's mother to the ground in order to complete his crime and finally, when brought to bay after a chase through the woods shot J. O. Sugg, a former Greene county official, and one other man, name not learned.

The little victim is in a terrible condition, it is reported. Her mother is badly bruised. Suggs is stated to be badly but not seriously wounded. The other white man was slightly injured. Black was wounded in several places. His injuries are trifling.

No telephone communication with Snow Hill has been possible since Friday afternoon. The accounts of three responsible Greene county men here tallied in the following details:

Black, who is about sixteen years old, encountered little Mattie Tyson, daughter of Leon Tyson and wife, and a smaller brother of the girl, playing in a tobacco barn on Tyson's farm some miles from Snow Hill. He seized the girl, the tiny brother running screaming to his mother. Mrs. Tyson rushed to the scene. Black, angry at the interruption, deliberately beat down the woman. Two minutes later he left the prostrate woman and pitiful victim and ran for the woods.

A posse was soon searching for the negro. Two men ran up with him and discovered that Black was armed with two shot guns and a pistol. They engaged him in a fight from behind trees. The main body of the posse came up and it was then that the two white men and Black were shot. He was taken and hurried to jail in Snow Hill.

Hundreds of men flocked to the little county seat town. They would raze the jail, their leaders declared. Lynching would have been the least thing possible for the negro they said. Sheriff Williams spirited Black away in an automobile just as they anguard of the mob arrived.

Sheriff Edwards at Goldsboro, the recollection of a recent lynching there fresh in his mind, hesitated to admit today that Black was in jail there. Finally, under pressure, he stated that a negro concerned in some manner with a criminal assault case was carried there from Snow Hill Friday night.

The trouble with the long distance wire from Snow Hill to Kinston was stated to be "natural."

Black's father, who furnished his son arms, was arrested.

As Heard In Greenville.

Greenville, April 1.—Late yesterday about 5 p. m. a young negro named Black committed a criminal assault on a little white girl on the farm of J. T. Dixon, in Greene county, about four miles from Farmville, this county.

The negro was in Farmville at three o'clock and later left for his home at or near Mr. Dixon's. About five o'clock he met or found the little girl near her home on Mr. Dixon's farm. He attacked her and succeeded in his purpose before her cries attracted her mother, Mrs. Tyson. Mrs. Tyson went to the rescue of her little daughter and was met by a blow with some weapon from the negro, which rendered her unconscious. The negro then fled or went home. His father, Joe Mack, assisted him in hiding and gave him a gun to resist arrest.

The commission of the crime aroused the neighbors and soon a number were on the hunt for the negro. The sheriff of Greene and deputies were soon on the scene. The negro was finally located in his hiding place. As the sheriff and posse were closing in on him he opened fire, hitting one of the posse, Mr. Sugg, in the legs. He then ran and the posse opened fire on him. He was making good his run, escaping the bullets, when a man who had no gun grabbed a gun out of another's hands and opened on him. Some of these shots took effect and he was soon captured. For safe keeping, the sheriff thought it best to take him to Goldsboro and started for that place about eight o'clock or soon thereafter. Later, on account of the negro's father's part in assisting him to escape and threats, he was also taken in charge by officers.

The little girl is between six and eight years old and was seriously injured by the negro. Physicians gave her immediate attention and say she will recover. The people of that community are greatly wrought up and all wonder how the negro escaped immediate lynching. Mr. Sugg was the only one of the posse hit by the negro. The negro was hit several times in the back before he was taken.

Recruits Accepted Number 2,250.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, April 1.—Since recruiting was begun to secure the 20,000 men needed to bring the army up to maximum strength, 2,250 had been accepted from 8,969 applying. San Francisco, Chicago and New York led in the number of recruits applying with 451, 383 and 356 respectively.

TO RENEW EFFORT TO FLY ACROSS ATLANTIC

Rodman Wanamaker Will Take Up Project Abandoned in 1914

(By the Associated Press.)

New York, April 1.—In a new aircraft, to be equipped with six motors of 300 horsepower each, capable of making a speed of 100 miles an hour, carrying six persons, Rodman Wanamaker will renew the attempt to fly across the Atlantic ocean which he abandoned in the summer of 1914 when his flight commander, Lieut. John C. Porte, was called to England by the European war. This was announced tonight by Allan R. Hawley, president of the Aero Club of America.

It is expected the attempt will be made some time this summer. The designs for the new craft, which will be named "America" after the old, have been prepared by Glenn H. Curtiss and W. Starling Burgess. It is entirely different from any hitherto constructed, Mr. Wanamaker says in a letter to Mr. Hawley, explaining that the machine will be especially adapted for alighting on and arising from rough seas. The aeroplane when completed will be tested at the Atlantic Coast Aeronautical Station at Newport News.

HIGHER RANK FOR CHAPLAINS IS ASKED

(By the Associated Press.)

Newark, N. J., April 1.—The Newark Methodist Episcopal Conference, representing churches of northern New Jersey, today adopted a memorial protesting against "the present low regard shown for army and navy chaplains," which it was said "subjected them to unjust and invidious discrimination and humiliation and affects their efficiency and manliness."

The memorial asks that chaplains be ranked with surgeons, construction engineers and government academy instructors and that they enjoy the same emoluments.

By a vote of 57 to 53 to memorial from the Mississippi conference favoring the election of racial and language bishops was disapproved.

Another Conference Acts.

Norwich, Conn., April 1.—The Southern New England Methodist Episcopal Conference today adopted a resolution criticizing discriminations against chaplains in the army and navy.

The memorial to provide bishops for races and languages was rejected by a vote of 42 to 5.

CARRIAGE TRACKS HOPE OF TROOPERS

May Lead To Lair of Bandit Chieftain, Says Word From Mexico

(By the Associated Press.)

Camp of Commanding General, at the Extreme Front, April 1.—(By Aeroplane to Field Headquarters and by Wireless to Columbus, N. M., April 1.)—Hopes of the American cavalrymen under Col. George A. Dodd of finding Villa among the snow clad slopes of the Continental Divide are based on the discovery today of the track of carriage wheels in a mountainous waste near here.

These, it is believed, may have been made by the vehicle which carried away the injured leader. Ever since they defeated the Villa commander at San Geronimo ranch with heavy losses last Wednesday, the American cavalrymen have searched ceaselessly for the bandit leader, but up to late today no definite information concerning his whereabouts had reached this camp.

Villa has disappeared in a way, which, considering the relentlessness of the American pursuit, seems mysterious. The American troops have not encountered any natives who will even admit they have seen Villa.

Every gorge, canyon trail and watering place in the mountainous posses in this vicinity is being watched by American air scouts or searched by cavalrymen in the hope of discovering the bandit's hiding place. The aviators also are keeping the column informed as to the movements of the scattered remnants of the band. Hope is expressed that one of these, at least, may attempt to rejoin their chief and thus lead the American forces to his hiding place.

PORTER GRAVES OUT OF RACE FOR CONGRESS

(Special to the News and Observer.)

Winston-Salem, April 1.—Solicitor Porter Graves today announced that he would not be a candidate before the primary for Congress. He expresses appreciation of requests from every county in this district, but says that in as much as Major Stedman has signified his intention of going before the people it is the part of wisdom that there be no contest in the primary and that nothing be done that may diminish the ardor of Democratic voters in this district at the November election.

"As I conceive it," he said, "this year of all years is one when Democrats should lay aside every matter of difference, subordinate every personal ambition for the common good for the maintenance and perpetuity of good government in the State and Nation. No matter how sanguine my friends might be of the result I must decline to permit my name to go before the people for any office this year."

THREE TO TWO FOR CONFIRMING BRANDEIS

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, April 1.—By a vote of three to two, the Senate Judiciary subcommittee considering the nomination of Louis D. Brandeis for the Supreme Court, today voted to recommend confirmation to the entire committee.

FARMERS STRIKE FOR HIGHER MILK PRICES

Carry Out Threat To Dump Product Into Ditches As Retaliation Move

(By the Associated Press.)

Chicago, April 1.—The dairy farmers of Northern Illinois made good their threat today to dump milk into the ditches rather than see it go to Chicago distributors who refused to meet the demand for an increase of 22 cents in thep rice. Dealers early in the day found their bottling plants picketed by farmers armed with eggs and other missiles ready to prevent the delivery of milk by nonstriking farmers.

At Mokena one dairy company was forced to ask aid of the sheriff when strikers began stopping wagons on the way to its plant. The plant of one of the biggest companies at Huntley was closed indefinitely. At Marengo a crowd of farmers dumped ten cans of milk brought in by Fred Secore. At Dundee, where the plant generally receives the milk of forty farms, only nine reported. At Algonquin 19 farmers instead of the customary one hundred brought in their milk.

Similar reports came from other points where the great Chicago milk supply is gathered. At Batavia and North Aurora, it was said 200 farmers gave away 22,000 pounds of milk rather than deliver it at a price under their demands.

A wagon load of milk brought to Crystal Lake by a farmer was purchased by the local branch of the Milk Producers Association and dumped on the road. The farmer was told that if he brought another load Monday it would be confiscated without payment.

At the offices of the distributors in this city the situation was admitted to be serious, although it was said that the full effect could not be known until Monday or Tuesday.

SCHILLER, ALIAS HUDSON, FACES NEW CHARGE

(By the Associated Press.)

New York, April 1.—Charged with attempting to place dynamite on the Cunard line steamship Pannonia, Clarence Hudson, also known as Ernest Schiller, the German stowaway who took possession of the British steamer Matoppo at sea last Wednesday night, was locked up tonight at police headquarters. According to the police Hudson and three other men planned to blow up the Pannonia on the night of March 3 while she was moored in the North river.

Hudson admitted he had used a motor boat in which dynamite was stored, but refused to state where the launch or the explosive could be found. A trunk belonging to him was confiscated at his boarding house, but information as to its contents was refused.

The plot to destroy the steamship was abandoned, Hudson said, because two of the three men he had engaged as confederates backed out at the final conference, and he decided the task was too big for two men.

SAYS SCHILLER'S REAL NAME IS SCHRODER

(Special to the News and Observer.)

Goldsboro, April 1.—"There is little doubt in my mind that Ernest Schiller, who recently lived in this city, is a German officer," a lady formerly of Pennsylvania, but now a resident of Goldsboro, said tonight. His real name is Ernest Schroder, according to her statement.

"He is from a prominent family and his home is in Germany where his parents reside, but he has several prominent relatives in Pennsylvania and a sister now attending school in New York City," she added.

"I was surprised when he was introduced to me at a church social I attended in this city several months ago as 'Mr. Schiller,' for I recognized him as Ernest Schroder. It was none of my affair so I never mentioned the discovery to anyone."

OBSERVER SOLD

Charlotte Morning Paper Acquired By Curtis Johnson and W. B. Sullivan.

Charlotte, N. C., April 1.—The Charlotte News today announced the purchase of The Charlotte Observer by Curtis B. Johnson of Knoxville, Tenn., and Walter B. Sullivan, of Columbia, S. C. The property is sold by Ward, H. Wood and George Stephens, local bankers who have owned it in recent years, since the deaths of J. P. Caldwell and D. A. Tompkins, its former proprietors. The Observer is among the oldest morning dailies in the South, it having been established in 1869, and a member of the Associated Press.

Mr. Johnson is publisher and principal owner of the Knoxville Sentinel. He was formerly one of the owners of the Chattanooga News and of the Bristol Courier. Mr. Johnson's new interest in The Observer in no way will affect his connection with The Sentinel. Mr. Sullivan, who today became the publisher as well as a partner with Mr. Johnson in the ownership of The Observer, has been with the Columbia Record as publisher and part owner of that property for a number of years. He relinquished this interest and will immediately take up his residence in Charlotte.

THE DAY IN CONGRESS

SENATE.

Met at noon.

Continued discussion of the army reorganization bill.

Judiciary subcommittee voted three to two to recommend to full committee confirmation of Louis D. Brandeis nomination.

Recessed at 4:45 p. m. to noon Monday.

HOUSE.

Met at 11 a. m.

Debate on the rivers and harbors bill continued.

Adjourned at 5:10 p. m. to noon Monday.

GERMANS GETTING NEARER TO VERDUN

Gradually Drawing Their Lines Closer and Closer To French Fortress

GAIN FOOTHOLD IN VAUX

Spirited Fighting at Close Quarters Before Crown Prince's Forces Finally Succeed in Pressing Part Way Into Village; After Bad Weather Fighting Resumed

(By the Associated Press.)

London, April 1.—The Germans are gradually closing in on Verdun, drawing their lines a little closer northeast of the fortress, where by massed attacks from two directions they have secured a footing in the village of Vaux.

Their successful attempt to penetrate the French lines was preceded, according to Paris, by an assault that was checked by the French curtain of fire and the infantry, and there was spirited fighting at close quarters before the Crown Prince's forces finally succeeded in pressing part way into the village.

The German infantry has not moved from its trenches west of the Meuse since the capture of Manonvillers village followed shortly by the unsuccessful drive of the French against positions northeast of Hill No. 304 in the region of Haut Mont Hill. The artillery, however, continues active in the Malancourt region and further attempts by the Germans to continue their drive on the French left flank are considered probable to occur without much delay.

The German official statement refers only incidentally to the fighting about Verdun, mentioning only artillery duels there and in the Argonne, with other activity by the big guns on the Aisne front and further north on the line. A British hand grenade attack near St. Eloi, where the Germans recently lost some ground, was repulsed.

The aviators of both sides on the France-Belgian front have been busy. Four French machines fell victims to German battle aircraft in various engagements.

After a period of bad weather fighting has been resumed on the Austro-Italian front. For the most part, however, the activities are confined to artillery engagements, and such infantry clashes as have occurred have not resulted in changes of position.

Berlin summaries the recent Russian offensive, now apparently at a standstill, as barren of results for Emperor Nicholas' forces, while the Russian casualties are estimated by the German headquarters staff to have been at least 140,000. More than 500,000 men were engaged on the Russian side, according to Berlin, and the expenditure of ammunition by the attacking forces is declared to have been on an unprecedented scale for the eastern front.

The air raids of Friday night over the English coast counties were apparently on the most extensive scale yet attempted by the German Zeppelin fleet. They resulted, according to the official British reports, in the killing of twenty-eight persons and the injury of forty-four, while unofficially it is declared that the airships flew at such a height that they were unable to select their targets with accuracy and many of the seventy-six bombs dropped appeared to have been cast off indiscriminately.

The sensational feature of the raid was the falling of a damaged Zeppelin, the L 15, in the Thames estuary, where it was captured by British patrol boats, its crew surrendered. The airship sank however, while an attempt was being made to tow her in. The dirigible was hit near the tail by gunfire while it was over the eastern counties.

The British Premier, Herbert H. Asquith, was received today by Pope Benedict, with whom the British statesman talked in private for a half hour.

TRINITY ALUMNI IN RICHMOND BANQUET

(Special to the News and Observer.)

Richmond, Va., April 1.—The navy blue banner of Trinity, North Carolina's big Methodist college at Durham, hung on all sides in the supper room of the Jefferson Hotel tonight in honor of the first gathering of Trinity alumni ever held in Richmond. To the dinner came alienated Tar Heels from Petersburg and the DuPont plants at Hopewell. Louis I. Jaffe was toastmaster and Robert L. Flowers, professor of mathematics at Trinity, was the guest of honor. Speaking to the toast, "The College and Alumni," Prof. Flowers brought a message of good will and congratulations from the alma mater. Prof. W. H. Wannamaker, of the department of German, also took part in the program.

Dr. Paul V. Anderson, of Richmond, spoke on "The Occasion," and expressed his gratification at the tribute paid Trinity upon this occasion.

DRUNK, SHOOTS INTO CROWD, WOUNDS FOUR

(Special to the News and Observer.)

Lumberton, April 1.—During the closing exercises of the school at Smith's schoolhouse, nine miles east of here last night, William Nance, who is said to have been badly intoxicated, became angered when refused the loan of money to bid on articles offered for sale, and began shooting a pistol in the crowd, with the result that one man and three women were wounded. The man and two of the women are in the hospital here, one of the latter being seriously injured. The man was held under guard until Sheriff Lewis and deputies arrived on the scene and brought him to jail. Today he denies any knowledge of the crime.

CARRANZISTAS AND AMERICANS CO-OPERATING TO BLOCK VILLA

[General P. Elias Calles, military governor of Sonora, expressed the belief that Francisco Villa, reported near Guerrero, see accompanying map, was effectually cut off by the American troops on the north and by the Carranza troops on the east and south in the State of Chihuahua. That leaves the State of Sonora to the west as his possible refuge. Twelve hundred of General Gomez's Carranza cavalry have concentrated in the northwestern part of Chihuahua. From there they can move rapidly either north or south along the adjacent Chihuahua border, guarding the passes, according to Ives G. Leclevier, Mexican consul at Douglas, Ariz. The line of dots and dashes in the map, at the left, is the dividing line between the States of Chihuahua and Sonora. The photograph shows American mountain artillery with Pershing's expedition in Chihuahua.]

DODD'S FLYING COLUMN HAS NETTED VILLA, GAVIRA HEARS

Rumor Reaches Carranza Commander at Juarez That Bandit Has Been Taken

WASHINGTON CONFIDENT

Night Watch Maintained at War Department in Hope That Further Dispatches From Pershing Would Be Received: Trail Will Not Be Allowed To Grow Cold

(By the Associated Press.)

San Antonio, Texas, April 1.—Villa's loss in dead at the battle with Americans at Guerrero Wednesday was placed at sixty by General Pershing today in a report to General Funston.

(By the Associated Press.)

its climax. Three days hace

Washington, April 1.—Although no word came through today from General Pershing's expeditionary force in Mexico, there was a growing confidence here that the expedition was rapidly nearing, if it had not already reached, its climax. Three days have passed since Colonel Dodd's cavalry dash at Guerrero scattered Villa's main command and established definitely the presence in that locality of Villa himself; and army officers are certain that the American troopers did not allow the trail to grow cold.

Hope for early capture of the bandit chief was increased tonight by a rumor reaching General Gavira, Carranza commander at Juarez, that Dodd's flying column had netted the fugitive. The War Department had no information to confirm the report. Officials pointed out however that General Gavira had news of the Guerrero fight hours before General Pershing's account reached General Funston.

A night watch was maintained tonight at the War Department in the hope that further dispatches from Pershing would be received. Secretary Baker wired General Funston to endeavor to get further details of the Guerrero engagement especially regarding the four cavalrymen reported slightly wounded. It was believed their injuries were so trivial that General Pershing did not forward their names.

Think Dodd Didn't Tarry Long.

Colonel Dodd is far from a point of communication of least fifty or seventy-five miles. While he probably halted his troops for a brief respite after their fifty-five mile dash followed by a running fight of five hours, officers here do not believe he tarried long. Difficulty in securing supplies and water at their distance from the main command may have caused a short delay.

Initiation of the agreement giving American troops temporary use of the Mexican Northwestern Railway apparently has been halted through the failure of the Carranza authorities at Juarez to receive instructions regarding it.

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VILLA MURDERED FIVE MONDAY AT MINACA

Carries Out Announced Intention of "Death To All Gringoes"

(By the Associated Press.)

El Paso, Tex., April 1.—The story of the murder of three Americans, a German and an Englishman at Minaca, was brought here today by Americans arriving from Chihuahua City and was accepted as authentic by Federal officials.

The bandit's victims were Benjamin Snell, Dr. A. I. Steel, Lee Lindesley, Americans; Hermann Blankenburg, a German, Donald Mestrigor, also known as Bruce, a British subject. Two other Americans, Henry Ackin and Frank Woods, were in Minaca at the time but their fate is unknown. The news was brought to Chihuahua City by J. H. Locke, the only American known to have escaped the massacre.

According to the story Villa captured Minaca, Guerrero and San Isidro last Monday. Everywhere he went he announced his intention of putting to death every "gringo" that fell into his hands, and he carried out his intention. As far as the Mexicans were concerned the bandit promised safety to all those who did not take up arms against him. No quarter was shown to the Carranza troops who attempted to resist him, it was said.

The one gleam of light in the dark story is the probability that Villa's activity is what enabled Colonel Dodd to deliver his crushing blow at San Geronimo ranch two days after the crime of Minaca, a blow that has raised high hopes that the bandit days are numbered.

According to the refugees, General Luis Herrera left Chihuahua City on Tuesday with a large number of troops. His destination was not made public.

There were numerous reports in El Paso today that Villa was already captured. Some of these were of long distance and none could be verified.

NEARLY $66,000 IN 1915

(Special to the News and Observer.)

Winston-Salem, April 1.—Winston-Salem claims the honor of having the largest taxpayer in North Carolina. In 1915, R. J. Reynolds, head of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, paid as personal taxes the sum of $66,000. This does not include any of his personal taxes outside of the State. He amount to some than double that paid for a similar purpose by any other citizen of North Carolina and does not, of course, include any portion of the large tax paid by the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, nor any other of other North Carolina concerns in which he holds an interest.

Meet Next in Asheville.

(Special to the News and Observer.)

Richmond, April 1.—The Tobacco Association of the United States in session here, tonight selected Asheville for its meeting place in 1917.

[illegible] RIDING HARD TO CAPTURE OR SLAY BANDITS

Four Hundred Under Col. Dodd Push On After Victory of San Geronimo

PERSHING SPEEDING TO THEIR ASSISTANCE

Commander of Expedition Too Much Occupied With Task To Take Time To Send Reports; Doubt Exists as To Whether Villa Was Party of Bandits Routed Wednesday

(By the Associated Press.)

Queretaro, April 1.—Villa has lost a leg, according to a dispatch received by the War Department from the municipal president of the town of Temosachic, Chihuahua, who reports that Villa was so badly wounded in the surprise attack recently made on the Constitutionalist garrison at Guerrero that amputation of the limb was necessary.

Columbus, N. M., April 1.—Riding mercilessly four hundred American troopers under Col. George A. Dodd are making desperate efforts to capture or wipe out the survivors of Francisco Villa's largest command, which they defeated at San Geronimo ranch several days ago, according to meagre reports from across the border today.

The speed and the relentlessness with which the pursuit is being made is indicated, according to army men here, by the fact that General Pershing, who, last reports said, was speeding from Namiquipa across desert trails and through mountain passes to the scene of action, has not even taken time to make a detailed report of the engagement. Nor was any word received from Colonel Dodd, although service at the army wireless station here, interrupted by climatic conditions, was resumed today.

Military headquarters here made this statement:

"No details of the engagement have been received. The only messages received from the south were of purely routine nature and in none of them was the engagement mentioned."

Other information indicated however that there is still much doubt at the American field headquarters as to whether Villa was with his forces during the engagement. One report, given much credence, was that he sustained the wounds which broke his leg and shattered his hip bone in the attack made on the Carranza garrison at the town of Guerrero, March 27, and was carried away by a few chosen followers to a secret hiding place in the wilderness around Guerrero.

Task Not Minimized.

Although the pursuit by the Americans is a new experience for Villa, army men here are not inclined to minimize the task before Colonel Dodd.

The Guerrero district, in which Villa, with a price on his head, was able for eight years to escape capture by Porfirio Diaz rurales, is admittedly one of the most isolated regions in Mexico and the one in which the bandit has the largest number of friends.

From the moment the news of the battle was announced the greatest excitement has prevailed in Columbus. Scores of civilians and soldiers gathered around the army wireless station expecting momentarily the news that he had been captured and was being brought to Columbus. Some suggested that even if Villa is captured it would be unwise to bring him across the border because of the feeling of the people.

Hatred For Bandits Shown.

Something of this sentiment was expressed at a sale of thirty four Villa mounts captured by American troopers after the raid on Columbus. Men gazed at the pitiful wrecks of what once were stout cow ponies, the bones of which even three weeks of American grain had been unable to conceal and the flanks which had been cut into strips by cruelly rowelled spurs, and cursed the bandits. The jibes of the auctioneer, who pointed to one sorry animal and said, "He must have been a good one; see he looks like they'd all taken turns at riding him," aroused no response. The ponies brought from $4.50 to $20. These were the best horses captured, the others being in such condition that it was necessary to kill them.

At the quartermaster's department here there was no indication that the chase for Villa is nearing an end, three truck trains of supplies and equipment leaving for the front today.

Lieutenant Colonel Frick, in charge of the hospital here, said tonight he had received no information concerning the four American troopers wounded in the San Geronimo engagement.

Villa Wounded at Guerrero.

It was in the raid on Guerrero last Monday that Villa was wounded, being shot in the knee, according to a message received today by General Gavira at Juarez from General Gutierrez, telegraphing from Chihuahua City. Gavira had asked for further information about Col. Dodd's battle. Gutierrez explained that the wires were working badly and he had only the bare details of what had been accomplished by the Americans but the telegram received said that Villa broke into Guerrero at 3 o'clock Monday morning. The garrison engaged the assailants in heavy street fighting. A number were killed on both sides. Then the Villa forces looted the stores, and made off as soon as the Americans [illegible] Villa was wounded in the knee.

Telegrams from Chihuahua City received in Juarez today said a freight and passenger train on the Mexico Northwestern Railroad had been wrecked a few weeks ago between Minaca and

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Chas. W. Stewart Librarian of the Department of the Navy