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## GUARDSMEN OF TEXAS BATTLE WITH BANDITS NEAR AJO DE AQUA

### Three Mexicans Killed While American Troops Escape Injury---Reinforcements Rushed to Scene

By International News Service.  
Mission, Texas, July 19.—In a battle between members of the Fourth Texas National guards at Ajo de Agua this afternoon, and Mexican bandits, three of the latter were reported killed. No Americans were injured.

The Mexicans fired across the river and the Americans returned the fire. The American river guard was reinforced by fifteen soldiers after the first volley. The Mexican bandits, with headquarters near Matamoros, have been causing trouble for several weeks. Two hundred reinforcements from forts in Texas will be rushed to the scene of the trouble.

## LITTLE CHANGE IN STATE SERVICE

By the proposed curtailment of trains the railroad service into New Orleans will not be hurt in the general opinion among passenger men of this city.

The Railroad War board has formulated a plan which means the saving of more than 4,200,000 tons of coal per annum and cuts out 16,267,628 miles of passenger service throughout the country without discommodating the public, according to Fairfax Harrison, president of the Southern and chairman of the board.

In Louisiana, the state railroad commission has taken under advisement the requests of the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley, the Texas & Pacific and the Southern Pacific for curtailment of service. The Yazoo & Mississippi Valley is asking to take off some extra branch trains of the Slaughter branch; the Texas & Pacific asks to take off two Torres trains on the Addis branch and two trains, the Hot Shot and the Merry-go-Round, on the Opelousas, Gulf & Northern; and Southern Pacific asks to take off two trains on the Alexandria branch out of Lafayette and two trains operating between Lake Charles and De Ridde on the Lake Charles & Northern.

## TO MAKE SURVEY AT CAMP BEAUREGARD

Three officers of the United States Engineering Corps left New Orleans yesterday to survey the grounds of the camp site at Alexandria where 25,000 National Guardsmen will be stationed.

Col. W. C. Howell and Major W. L. Guthrie, of the engineering corps, and Col. A. C. Dalton, of the quartermaster corps, are the officials who will supervise the survey to start Friday. They expect to remain in Alexandria until the work is completed.

A concentration point for the national guard units of Louisiana, Arkansas and Mississippi, the Alexandria "soldier city," to be known as Camp Beauregard, will be the biggest military body ever assembled in one place in this part of the country. The organization will consist of nine regiments of infantry, three regiments of artillery and one regiment of cavalry.

With the aid of local surveyors, the three officers will proceed immediately upon their arrival to lay out the street plan of the camp. Work of installing a water supply and drainage, Col. Howell said, already is under way. In addition the camp building task includes erection of storage warehouses, mess halls, officers' quarters and auditorium.

## PICNIC SUPPER TONIGHT

Complimentary to New Orleans Delegates to Y. M. C. A.

To celebrate the opening of the national conference of the Y. W. C. A. in the camp grounds in North Carolina, the members of the Blue Ridge Club, of the Y. W. C. A., will entertain New Orleans delegates with a picnic supper tonight.

The delegation from New Orleans to the conference includes Miss Ethel May Harton, the business secretary, and the following: Misses V. E. Williamson, Elizabeth Wahl, Clara Eismann, Odette Wehrman, Eva Brandao, Charlotte Voltier, Hazel Smith, Ruth Pellegrino, Molly Goughlin, Alice Shepherd, Hattie Miller, Stanley Chunn and Mrs. C. Voltier.

Devoluntary services at the Y. W. C. A. Friday at 12:30 o'clock will be in charge of Mrs. William Lamb, president of the Bombay Club.

## SHOULD APPLY FOR LICENSES

Boat owners within the Second Section of the Eighth Naval District, which comprises waters from Mobile Bay, Alabama, to Sabine Pass, Texas, should immediately make application to the Licensing Office, 215 Goodrich Building, New Orleans, La., for application cards, which are to be filled out and returned to that office, when licenses will be issued. No charge is made for this license. All boat owners should make immediate application for these cards.

Skiffs or rowboats are not required to be licensed, but all boats propelled by machinery or sail must carry a "license to navigate." This license is in addition to any that may have been issued already by any Government Bureau.

## HERE ARE JOBS FOR BAKERS

The United States army is in need of 3,700 bakers. The pay for this branch of the service is \$30 per month to a private and \$36 per month to a corporal with subsistence. Each baker's unit is made up of six men who will supply bread to 1,800 men daily.

## JOINED GULF COAST SURVEY

Frank C. Loubat, stenographer for the cotton firm of Well and Walsh, has been placed aboard the U. S. hydrographer in charge of the Gulf coast and Geodetic surveys. He recently enlisted in this service.

## PROTECTION TO BIRD SANCTUARY

### CONSERVATION REGULATIONS UPHELD BY THE COURTS

### FINES FOR EIGHT POACHERS

#### Who Invaded Marsh Island, Wild Life Refuge, and Were Forcibly Removed Therefrom

The celebrated Marsh Island poaching case when eight men were arrested last November on the big wild waterfowl sanctuary, given the state by Mrs. Russell Sage, and their dwelling burned down by agents of the state Department of Conservation came to an end in the nineteenth judicial district at New Iberia Wednesday when the poachers pled guilty to the charges brought against them and the charges of arson against the conservation agents were not pressed.

Those placed under arrest and who pled guilty were: Robert LeBlanc, John LeBlanc, Romil LeBlanc, Claiborne Smith, Wilfred Chataignier, Ferdinand Barras, Arthur Barras and Davis Aucoin, all of Del Cambre, La. Judge James Simon, upon the defendants entering a plea of guilty, fined them \$50 apiece and the costs of court with an alternative of 90 days in jail.

The arrest of the LeBlancs last November by the agents of the Department of Conservation created a sensation. The men had gone to the big wild life refuge and refused to leave. A force of conservation agents, headed by Col. William S. Holmes, superintendent of the game division, and including A. D. Diebold and Robert Sterling, went to the camp of the trappers on the patrol boat Opelousas and placed the men under arrest. This was the second time that they had been arrested and removed from the island and to insure their non return the conservation force fired their shells and huts that had been erected.

When charges of violation of the game laws were made against the trappers at New Iberia those charged under arrest filed counter charges of arson against Col. Holmes and agents Diebold and Sterling. The conservation men were defended by Senator Walter J. Burke but when their case was called Wednesday the attorney for the trappers, Edwin S. Broussard asked that the case be not pressed.

"The outcome of the case shows the absolute authority that the state has in preventing trespassers from camping on any of the big wild life refuges given over the protection of the migratory water fowl," Commissioner M. L. Alexander said in discussing the case, "and the same protection will be given all such places by the Department of Conservation." Commissioner Alexander said also that he believed that this settled one of the most important cases the state has had to deal with in the matter of guarding those resting places for the wild ducks and geese.

## NOT ROADHOUSE BUILDER

New York Visitor Denies Connection With New Project

Mr. W. E. D. Stokes, owner of the Ansonia Hotel of New York city, who has been in the city for several days denied yesterday that he was considering the building of a \$25,000 roadhouse on the shell road as had been rumored.

Mr. Stokes, however, says he is not building roadhouses, nor even running hotels. He is investing his money, but not breaking into the limelight as a roadhouse promoter. The nearest he gets to the sporting world is the fact that he is owner of a big stock farm in Lexington, Ky., and is extensively engaged in the breeding and selling of fine horses.

## Censor Censors Michaelis' Talk

By International News Service.  
Amsterdam, July 19.—Up to a late hour tonight not an inkling has filtered out of Germany of what happened in the Reichstag this afternoon. Chancellor Michaelis was scheduled to speak at 3 in the afternoon, but up to the time of this dispatch the censor had failed to let anything pass.

## NEARING THE END OF ITS LABORS

The Louisiana legislature yesterday achieved the primary object of its meeting by completing the passage of the bill amending the statute regarding the widow's dower in such manner that the Federal Farm Loan bank may make loans in Louisiana. The bill goes to the governor and will probably be signed today.

A number of the "war measures" are approaching a final vote in either house. The talk of vagrancy act has never emerged from committee and may be abandoned, according to present plans, final adjournment will be reached Wednesday night.

Prospects seemed brighter yesterday for the passage of the Williamson cattle tick bill than at any time since a fight was opened upon it in the house. The substantial majority given the bill in committee has greatly strengthened it and practically every part urging enactment of the measure greatly increased its chances for success.

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## PATROLMAN ROUNDS-UP

MILNEBURG ESTABLISHMENTS

Patrolman George D. Healey, of the Fifth precinct, has made a round-up of Milneburg mercantile establishments, as a result of which six places are charged with operating without a license. Affidavits have been filed in Second Recorder's court against the following: Joseph D. Asara, retail private market; George Saitzman, retail private market; Fred Romer, restaurant; John Quarrella, confectionery; Joseph Tchepelovich, retail grocery.

## RUSSIA REVOLT LOSES STRENGTH

### FIVE HUNDRED WERE KILLED IN TWO DAYS

### GOVERNMENT NOW CONTROLS

#### Another Minister of Cabinet, Portfolio of Justice, Resigns From Government

By International News Service.  
Petrograd, July 19.—While 500 were killed or wounded in riots of the past two days, the government has the situation under control. Temporarily at least. Heavy fighting is in progress around the Galician town of Lalusa.

Another member of the Russian government resigned today. The minister who tendered his resignation was M. Pervezoff, who held the portfolio of justice.

London, July 19.—A Reuter dispatch from Petrograd says the number killed or wounded in the two days of disorder there is estimated at about 500.

## EDISON ON VERGE OF THE SOLUTION?

New York, July 19. There are broad intimations that Thomas A. Edison has solved the submarine problem, the best intimation coming from Edison himself, who announced today that "We now have all the rebellious elements under control." He also told visitors today that they would always remember the date as being "contemporaneous with the time when he removed the last jinx from the record."

Three days ago a high government official said Edison had just completed a task that would make him the greatest man in the world. There is also some speculation over the anxiety of the Westinghouse people to secure a thousand experienced workmen who will agree to be locked up in the factory, working on war munitions, for a period of ten months, this precaution being necessary to guard a military or munitions secret of the greatest value. Today's intimations from Germany also would indicate that spy system is working well and that the German jokers have heard something that has greatly upset their equanimity.

## TO KEEP INCOMING TRAINS

Traveler's Aid Society Appoints a Special Committee

Miss Mary Werlein, Mrs. Alice Goss and Mrs. A. S. Beecher have been appointed a special committee by the Traveler's Aid Society to meet all trains at the various railroad stations and render what assistance they could.

Monthly reports of Traveler's Aid agents from the various stations were given at the meeting. Those reporting were Mrs. Mary Pickens, Miss Mary O'Leary, Miss Julia Ryan and Miss A. E. Shield.

Mrs. J. T. Benedict, president, outlined the proposition of the Association of Commerce for a philanthropic bureau for the generalization of charity work. The society endorsed the plan.

## SHORT WILL FILED

"I leave to my wife, Mamie Weber, all that I die possessed of," Robert Weber. "This was the way a will filed in civil court yesterday reads. It is probably one of the shortest wills ever filed in the local courts, containing but fifteen words, including the signature.

## ELEVENTH HOUR CHANGE IS MADE IN THE METHOD OF DRAFT DRAWING

### Bungle of New Jersey Officials Make Drawing of 10,500 Numbers Instead of 1,000 Necessary---All-Day Job

By International News Service.  
Washington, July 19.—The draft will be started tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock and will be completed tomorrow night. A widespread error in numbering the registration cards by the New Jersey officials upset the calculations of the government and forced the War Department this afternoon to abandon the plan announced earlier in the day and substitute a straight draft in which 10,500 numbers will be drawn instead of 1,000. This will require ten hours instead of one hour.

Provost Marshal General Crowder made the following announcement tonight: "Advices late this afternoon indicated that certain boards, in numbering the registration cards, have kept the cards segregated by election districts and that serial numbers have been assigned to the whole group for a board while the cards were thus segregated. If the drawing is conducted as originally planned in groups of 1,000, the result would be that considerable portions of certain districts will be brought up for examination together. This would result in drafting persons from one locality within the jurisdiction of a board before any person is drawn from another locality within the same jurisdiction.

"For this reason it has been decided to abandon drawing by thousands and to draw 10,500 numbers, which is in excess of the highest number of cards under the jurisdiction of any one board. The only change in the plan will be one drawing instead of two, and that every number drawn will establish the order of every man in the United States whose registration card bears that number.

"The advantage will be greater simplicity. The disadvantage will be that the drawing will require ten hours to complete."

The draft will be one of the most difficult propositions to handle that the telegraph companies and press associations have ever faced. Approximately 32,000 words will be required to transmit the numbers completely and safely. A double check is being made on each number to prevent error. Each exemption board has its own list of registrants and numbers will be compared with these in each city. Thus the names will be made known. No names will be sent from Washington.

## TEDDY ANSWERS LABOR CHARGE

By International News Service.  
New York, July 19.—The failure of any person to "unionize and strike" does not, in the opinion of Colonel Roosevelt, warrant their wholesale murder. Roosevelt made this point clear to Victor Olander, secretary of the Illinois Federation of Labor. Roosevelt referred to a statement accredited to Michael Whalen, an East St. Louis labor leader, that "the chief objection to negroes is they would not unionize and would not strike."

## NAMES FOR APPEAL BOARD

Submitted to Washington by Mayor Behrman

Names of men of the New Orleans District who are suggested for the appeal board from this section in regard to the army draft have been sent to Washington by Mayor Behrman. The men proposed for these positions are:

T. Sumner Walmsley, representing the law; Theodore Wilkinson, for agriculture; A. C. Carpenter, of the Gulf Bag Co., representing industry; Dr. C. Jeff Miller, for the medical profession, and John Stadler, representing labor.

Official appointment of this board and the exemption district quota are expected in New Orleans hourly.

Out of the ten million registered 887,000 are wanted now for the war army. As it is estimated that fifty per cent of the men called before the boards will be exempted, each board will be directed to call double the number of its quota for examination, in the order in which their numbers appear on the district list after the drawing.

That means that 1,347,000 men will be notified to appear for examination within the next few days. If more are necessary, they will be called for as needed by the local boards in the order provided for in the drawing.

In some districts, the fifty per cent allowance for exemption may be too large and in others too small, but the local boards will be instructed in every case to continue calling for men until the district quota is filled. Each State governor is now allotting to his districts their respective portions of the State's quota.

In each of the 4,557 exemption districts, among which the ten million registration cards have been divided, the cards have been given serial numbers. The number of registrants in each district varies from about 185 in the smallest to more than 10,000 in the largest, so that the serial numbers to be dealt with in the drawing range from one to between ten and eleven thousand.

## DECISION IS PROTESTED

Dolan won from Bridges last night at the Tulane Athletic club and Referee O'Brien called it a draw. This decision caused a demonstration on the part of the fans.