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BANDITS GET RANSOM, FREE YANK FLYERS

The Lighter Side
In the Day's News

EXPECT FIGHT ON H. C. L. TO BEGIN TODAY

President Asks for Speedy Settlement of Peace Pact

DAYLIGHT SAVING REPEAL BY HOUSE DESPITE WILSON

DECLARES PROSPERITY AWAITS RATIFICATION

American Lieutenants Cross Border; Money for Release Easily Raised.

By United Press:
EL PASO, Texas, Aug. 19.—Lieuts. H. G. Peterson and Paul H. Davis, set free by Mexican bandits on payment of \$15,000 ransom, arrived on the American side of the border early today, according to reports from Marfa, Texas.

Capt. Mattach of the eighth United States cavalry, carried the ransom money to the bandits' camp, returning with Davis while Peterson preceded them.

The ransom money, raised by private subscription in the vicinity of Marfa, reached Candelaria, Tex., opposite the bandits' hiding place last night. Capt. Mattach, in charge of a small squad of cavalrymen escorting Vice Pres. F. M. Fennell of the Marfa bank with the money, was selected to carry the ransom across the border. Signal lights had been agreed upon. Mattach crossed alone.

The aviators' story of their experiences since crashing down during a patrol flight Aug. 16 is expected to bear out the belief that they were taken prisoner by a roving Mexican band on the American side of the Big Bend district. Messages from both men had stated they were uninjured.

The donor of the ransom will be reimbursed by the United States government, according to word here from Maj. Gen. Joseph Dickman, commanding the southern department.

EXPECT DEVELOPMENTS.

By United Press:
WASHINGTON, Aug. 19.—Interest in the Mexican situation growing out of the kidnapping of two United States army aviators by bandits centered in a promised development from the war department today.

Sec'y of War Baker has promised to issue a statement "as soon as it is safe to do so."

The state department today was awaiting a reply from Carranza to its not demanding "immediate adequate action."

On the reply to this note may hinge the future action of this country toward Carranza and the present Mexican regime.

Following announcement of dispatch of the note yesterday the state department received word that A. Goenaga, a Porto Rican doctor, was being held for ransom near Mexico City. Word was also received at the department of robbery by Mexican bandits of the payoffs of American firms in Mexico.

The Mexican government will provide ransom money demanded by the bandits who captured Lieuts. Davis and Peterson. Ygnacio Bonillas, Mexican ambassador, said here today.

"Although I have had no advice from my government concerning the ransom," said Bonillas, "I know the Mexican government will not permit the families of the aviators to provide the money if it becomes necessary to pay it."

TEXAS EXPECTS CLIMAX.

By United Press:
AUSTIN, Tex., Aug. 19.—Anticipating an early climax in the Mexican situation Gov. Hobby today ordered speeding of recruiting of the Texas national guard to full strength of 18,000 men. Adj. Gen. Harley was ordered to proceed to recruiting centers through the state to hurry recruiting.

Texas guard consists of two brigades of cavalry and one brigade of infantry.

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BULGARIANS DEMAND ABDICTION OF KING

By United Press:
LONDON, Aug. 19.—Sanguinary disorders in Sofia, Bulgarian capital, were reported today in a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Copenhagen. The dispatch stated demonstrators had gathered in front of the palace, demanding abdication of King Boris and establishment of a republic.

The rioters were dispersed. Later French troops were involved in the efforts to maintain order.

HUNGARY AGAIN TO BE MONARCHY, SAYS REPORT

By United Press:
ROME, Aug. 19.—A dispatch to the Popolo Romano from Trieste reported today that the issuance of a decree restoring the monarchy in Hungary appeared to be imminent. It was also reported that efforts were being made to form a union between Hungary, Rumania, and Serbia. The Corriere Della Serra ridicules the report.

Hearings on Packer Bills Are Suspended Until Wednesday.

By United Press:
NEW YORK—Victory is crumbling. That is the victory arch on Fifth av. is. A couple of horses cracked under the rain yesterday.

NEW YORK—Seventeen years ago Partolman Caddel of the New York police wished a tramp good luck and bought him a suit. Yesterday the tramp rode up in an automobile and invited him to California.

NEW YORK—Mrs. Anita Comfort Brooks wants back her cat, which strayed away. The cat was a present from Kling Edward.

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Mrs. Katie Kudy experienced a pleasant surprise when she let her husband into her darkened room. His kisses and then she discovered curly locks. Her husband was bald. Jacob Gobin, a roomer, got six months.

MILWAUKEE—It cost Nessie Hiken \$25 to recover a 50 cent handkerchief which his wife had accidentally dropped into another auto. Hiken caught the car. He was pinched for speeding.

ST. PAUL, Minn.—It was murder the voice on the phone assured the police. The police thought so too, when they peered into the murky waters of the Mississippi and saw a "human form" floating with the current. The body was pulled ashore and the coroner was paged. A skeptical reporter solved the "murder mystery." The "human form" was a wax model.

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At the post offices clerks were swamped with orders from citizens. No estimate of the number was forthcoming today, but officials expressed a fear that department store sales might exhaust supplies before applicants for post office service could be satisfied.

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and implication of certain articles of the covenant of the League of Nations; and I must frankly say that I am unable to understand why such doubts should be entertained.

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