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End Notes

1. This article was written by S/A Wayne Goldstein, Naval Criminal Investigative Service.


5. Ibid. p. 120.

6. 38 Stat 770. Enabling legislation was also passed three days later to provide for raising volunteer forces as needed "in time of actual or threatened war." See: Stat 347-51.

7. Memo Chief of Staff for TAG, 3 Mar 1914. This crippling restriction against crossing the border was not lifted until after General Pershing's Punitive Expedition had entered Mexican territory in 1916.

8. 38 Stat 514-16.


10. The latter item had recently received its first boost since 1903, in the meager form of an increase from $10,000 to $11,000 for FY 1915.

11. Memo, Chief of War College Division for Chief of Staff, 3 May 1915.

12. Ibid.

13. A German sabotage campaign at impeding the flow of munitions and supplies from America to the Allied powers was in full swing at this time. See: Henry Landau, The Enemy Within, New York, 1937.


15. Telegram Squire to AG for McClellan, 14 December 1912.

16. Memorandum from Col. Biddle to Col. Hughes, 9 February 1914, and Memorandum from Col. Biddle to Chief of Staff, 27 April 1914.

17. Memorandum from Brig. Gen. Macomb for Chief of Staff, 3 August 1914. Nevertheless, Lt. Col. George O. Squier, the American Military Attaché in London, was allowed to visit the British Army in France as an official military observer from 16 November 1914 to 2 January 1915.

18. Memorandum from Brig. Gen. Charles G. Treat, Acting Chief of War College Division, to Chief of Staff, 14 November 1916.

19. War Division memorandum 14 November 1916.


23. From August 1911 to July 1914, Maj. Ryan had been an associate professor of modern languages at the United States Military Academy. He was replaced as Expedition Intelligence officer by Capt. (later Lt. Col.) W.O. Reed, 6th Cav, on 30 April 1916.


Capt. (later Col.) Campanole succeeded Capt. W.O. Reed as Expedition Intelligence Officer, effective 10 October 1916, and then remained in that capacity until the withdrawal of the force from Mexico on 5 February 1917.

28. Harry Aubrey Toulmin, *With Pershing in Mexico*, Harrisburg, 1935, pp. 85-88. This turned out to be the last time that the US Army employed a regular Indian Scout unit in its field operations.

29. Van Deman memorandum, 8 April 1949.

30. Ibid.


32. Three years earlier, in compliance with a formal request from Secretary of War Stimson, the General Staff had prepared a full report on “The Organization of the Land Forces of the United States,” which recommended several specific military reforms regarding the effective mobilization of American manpower. As soon as Woodrow Wilson became President in 1912, however, this so-called “Stimson Plan” was pigeonholed. See: “Report of the Secretary of War,” *War Department Annual Reports*, 1912, pp. 69-128.


34. “Report of the Secretary of War,” *War Department Annual Reports, 1915*, pp. 22-23. This plan was generally known as the “Continental Army Plan.”

35. Memo from Chief, War College Division for Chief of Staff, 11 December 1916.

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39. Francisco Almada’s *La rebellion de Tomochi* (Chihuahua, 1938) is the standard source for the insurrection. Also see the U.S. v Victor L. Ochoa, District Court, El Paso, FRC-FW, No. 893 and District Court, El Paso, nos. 4, 8, 7, 6, 5, 1009, 1024, all in FRC-FW. See also Yolanda Guadarrama Alexander, “Las Palomas: Years of Turmoil, 1893-1917” (Graduate Seminar Paper, Department of History, New Mexico State University, 1974), pp. 7-16.


43. Ironically, the Rangers, whose strength had been more than doubled (15-43) in October, 1911 at federal expense to pacify the Texas border had been reduced to their former numbers by late January, 1912, because the border appeared peaceful. Senate Document no. 404, 62nd Cong., 2nd sess. (Washington, 1912). During the Orozco rebellion, after first being ordered not to assist Federal officials in the enforcement of the neutrality laws, they generally worked closely with the Bureau of Investigation. See Texas Governor O.B. Colquitt to Adjutant General Henry Hutchings, February 2, 1912, Walter Prescott Webb Papers, vol. 18, Barker Texas History Center, University of Texas at Austin. Also see Monthly Returns Company A, March, April and June, 1912 and Company B, February, May and June, 1912,
The key word in the statement is blatant. As is well known, the British Secret Intelligence Service operated on a rather large scale in the United States during both World War I and II; however, they were rather more discreet. See for example, H. Montgomery Hyde, Room 3603: The Story of the British Intelligence Center in New York during World War II (New York, 1963) and William Stephenson’s somewhat sensationalized A Man Called Intrepid: The Secret War (New York, 1976).

H.A. Thompson to S.W. Finch, April 21, 1912, National Archives, Federal Bureau of Investigation (hereafter cited as BI), Record Group 65, microcopy, no number, roll 1; See also Edward Tyrell to Chief, U.S. Secret Service, September 26, 1912, National Archives, Microcopy no. 3, 157, Record Group 87, Records of the U.S. Secret Service, Daily Reports of Agents, 1875 through 1936, Daily Report, March 1, 1912, BI, roll 2.


Testimony of James G. McNary, Vice-President, First National Bank of El Paso, who stated that $500,000 was involved, Revolutions in Mexico: Hearings Before a Subcommittee of the Committee on Foreign Relations, United States Senate, 62nd Cong., 2nd sess. (Washington, 1913), 169; Felix Sommerfeld who should have known gave the figure as being between $600,000 and $700,000, ibid., 437. Two stories, emanating from officials of the Huerta government in 1913, cite Llorente’s expenditure as being $283,943 and another account states that $150,000 was spent. See El Paso Morning Times, June 3, and July 21, 1913.

See the Sommerfeld file. Military Intelligence Division (hereafter cited as MID), National Archives, Record Group 165, Records of the War Department General and Special Staffs, MID, 9140-1754; Sommerfeld’s testimony in Revolutions in Mexico, pp. 387-447. Also see Michael C. Meyer, “Villa, Sommerfeld, Columbus y los alemanes.” Historia Mexicana 28 (April-June 1979), pp. 546-566.


L.E. Ross reports, March 1 and 9, 1912, BI, roll 2.

Lancaster reports, March 1 and 9, 1912, roll 2 and March 4, 5, 6, 8, 1912, roll 1; Ross report, March 19, 1912, roll 1; Thompson to Finch, March 3, 1912, roll 1; Thompson, April 19, 1912, BI roll 1; C.D. Hebert to Finch, April 29, 1912, roll 1; Hebert reports, May 5, 8, 14, 15, 1912, roll 2 all in BI. For example, see the Thiel Agency’s reports, entitled “Revolutionary Information,” March 4, 5, 6, 8, 16, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29, April 2, 4, 8, 10, 22, and 28, BI, roll 1. For the Thiel Agency’s reports to the Mexico Northwestern, see Revolutionary Information,” October 22, 1912, John H. McNeely Collection, Box 13, Packet “Mise. 1912-1914,” Records of the Mexico Northwestern Railway, Archives, University of Texas at El Paso. For the Thiel Agency’s reports to the Mexican government, see Isidro Fabela et al., (eds.) Documentos historicos de la Revolucion Mexicana, 27 vols. (Mexico 1964-1973) (hereafter cited as DHRM) VII, pp. 371-375, 391-394, 416-418.

Lancaster to Finch, “Personal and Confidential,” March 23, 1912, BI, roll 1.


Thompson report, June 21, 1912, BI, roll 1; E.M. Blanford report, April 7, 1913, roll 3, both in BI, Manuel Cuesta to Secretario de Relaciones Exteriores, March 9, 1912, DHRM, VII, 183; Enrique de la Sierra to same, February 24, 1913, Ibid., XIV, pp. 78-79.

Lancaster reports, March 13, 18, 22, 1912; Ross report, April 24, 1912; Hawkins reports, April 17, 18, 24, 1912; Thiel Agency report, March 27, 1912; and Thompson report, April 19, 1912, all in BI roll 1.

Ross reports, March 19, 20, 23, April 5, 23, 1912, roll 1; Hebert report, May 8, 1912, roll 2, all in BI.

M.L. Gresh report, October 22, 1912, roll 2; J.W. Vann report, October 28, 1912, roll 3; C.E. Breniman reports, October 25 and 30, November 3, 4, 24, 1912, roll 3, all in BI. Ross’s reports to Llorente, dated October 18 and 19, November 1912, are in the Enrique C. Llorente Papers, Manuscripts Division, New York Public Library.

Inspector of Consulates to Secretario de Relaciones Exteriores, May 14, 1913, DHRM, XIV, pp. 229-230; See also Abraham Molina to Jose Maria Mayorena, April 22, 1913, Ibid., XIV, 190; Jose Maria Mayorena to Abraham Molina, May 8, 1913, Ibid., XIV, 221.


61 Zork Hardware Company Records, Archives, University of Texas at El Paso. In 1912, the firm’s name was Krakauer, Zork and Moye’s Sucs., Inc. The company was one of the largest hardware dealers in the Southwest, with assets exceeding $1,100,000. Although the 1912 account books do not indicate to whom the sales of arms and ammunition were made, they clearly show that a sizable percentage of the firm’s sales for the year were munitions.

62 Revolution in Mexico, 124.


65 See cases in footnote 28.


68 U.S. v. Fred Freepartner, W.E. Mason, Joe de Lauter, Lou Mullady, Enrique Esparza, Agustin Gallo, U.S. Commissioner, El Paso, nos. 1060 and 1067, District Court, El Paso, no. 1598, both in FRC-FW.

69 U.S. v. John Dickson, U.S. Commissioner, El Paso, no. 1097, District Court, El Paso, no. 1598, both in FRC-FW.

70 Testimony of Felix Sommerfeld, Revolution in Mexico, pp 427-431; El Paso Herald, August 22-23, 1912; El Paso Morning Times, July 2, 25, 1912.

71 Ross reports, May 18-22, 1912; Thompson reports, May 21-23, October 3, 18, 21, 1921; Hebert report, May 22, 1912; Harris reports, May 25, 28, 29, June 6, 7, 10, 14, October 13, 18, 1912, all in BI, roll 2; Gresh reports, October 27 and 30, November 3, 4, 6, 1912; Brenman report, November 13, 1912; Gianfredo report, November 14, 1912; Harris to A. Bruce Bielaski, November 20, 1912, all in BI, roll 3; U.S. v. Ignacio Salvador Rojas Vertiz, Frank Borbon, T.C. Cabney, Pascual Orozco, Jr., Gonzalez C. Einrele, U.S. Commissioner, El Paso, FRC-FW, no. 1089 and District Court, El Paso, FRC-FW, nos. 1628, 1633.


73 Thompson report, June 7, 1912; Barnes report, June 8, 1912; Ross reports, June 8 and 10, 1912, all in BI, roll 2; U.S. v. Castulo Herrera, Ignacio Gutierrez, Eduardo Ochoa, Jesus de la Torre, Ignacio Nunez, U.S. Commissioner, District of New Mexico, Federal Records Center, Denver (hereafter cited as FRC-D), No. 1161, District Court, Santa Fe, FRC-D, no. 85; U.S. v. Ignacio Nunez and Jesus de la Torre, U.S. Commissioner, District of New Mexico, FRC-D, nos. 1024 and 1604, District Court, Santa Fe, FRC-D, no. 1654; U.S. v. Ignacio
Gutiérrez, U.S. Commissioner, District of New Mexico, FRC-D, no. 1251.

74. U.S. v. Lazaro Alanis (Jose) Ines Salazar, Roque Gomez, Concepcion Tovar, Marcial Andujos, U.S. Commissioner, District of New Mexico, FRC-D, nos. 1158 and 1268, U.S. Commissioner, El Paso, FRC-FW, nos. 1158 and 1167, District Court, Santa Fe, FRC-D, no. 84; Thompson reports, August 12 and 14, 1912, Bl, roll 2; Ross report, August 14, 1912, Bl, roll 2; Barnes report, August 16, 1912, Bl roll 2, El Paso Morning Times, August 13, 1912.

75. Testimony of Manuel L. Luján, Revolutions in Mexico, pp 296-297; Dispatches from the U.S. Military Attaché, Capt. W.A. Burnside, July 24, 1912, MID 5761-532 and July 24, 1912, MID 5384-16.

76. Francisco I. Madero to Enrique Llorente, May 30, 1912, DHRM, VII, 422.

77. Charpentier's testimony in Revolutions in Mexico, pp. 447-451, 505-528; McDonald's testimony, Ibid., pp. 680-683; Mahoney's testimony, Ibid., pp. 683-686.

78. Charpentier, Mahoney, and McDonald were tried and acquitted in 1912. See U.S. v. E.L. Charpentier, D.J. Mahoney, Robert McDonald, A Monahan (sic-J.H. Noonan), District Court, El Paso, FRC-FW, no. 1607; Llorente's case was continued until April 14, 1916, when it was dismissed. See U.S. v. Enrique C. Llorente, R.H.G. McDonald, D.J. Mahoney, J.H. Noonan, E.L. Charpentier, District Court, El Paso, FRC-FW, no. 1650.

As an example to the permutations that occurred among border characters, in 1914 Victor L. Ochoa was enlisting men for the Carrancistas, and one of those he enlisted was R.H.G. McDonald. See U.S. v. Victor L. Ochoa, Fred Mendenhall, R.H.G. McDonald, Agustin Pantoja, Ramon Gutierrez, District Court, El Paso, FRC-FW, no. 1810; U.S. v. E.L. Holmdahl, Victor L. Ochoa, Tandy Sanford, Fred Mendenhall, U.S. Commissioner, El Paso, FRC-FW, no. 1363; U.S. v. Victor L. Ochoa, Tandy Sanford, John Sanford, Fred Mendenhall, Rafael Diaz, R.H.G. McDonald, Jose Orozco, Francisco Rojas, Vicente Carreon, U.S. Commissioner, El Paso, FRC-FW, no. 1359.

79. Ernest Knable, Assistant Attorney General to Secretary of State, May 15, 1912, National Archives, Record group 60, Department of Justice (hereafter cited as DJ), file no. 90755-1557; Also see Wickersham to Charles Boynton, May 16, 1912, DJ, 90755-1562 and May 20, 1912, DJ 90755-1565; Charles Boytton to Wickersham, May 17, 1912, DJ, 90755-1564 and June 8, 1912, DJ, 90755-1590; Not until it was obvious that Orozco had lost did the U.S. government begin putting pressure on Llorente. See Huntington Wilson to Wickersham, June 24, 1912, Records of the Department of State Relating to the Internal Affairs of Mexico, 1910-1929, National Archives Microfilm Publications, Microcopy no. 274, file no. 812.00/4246; Wickersham to Boynton, June 27, 1912, DJ, 90755-1605 and J.A. Fowler to Secretary of State, June 28, 1912, DJ, 90755-1605; Thompson reports, November 6, 7, and 30, 1912, BI, roll 3.


81. El Paso Morning Times, June 24, 1912.

82. Ross reports, July 6 and September 8, 11, 1912, roll 3; Harris reports, July 29, August 2, 7, October 31, 1912, roll 3; R.L. Barnes report, September 28, 1912, roll 2, all in BI.

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89. Heinrich von Eckhardt.


93. 41st Cong., Sess. III, Ch. 14.


95. 28 U.S.C. 533 (3).


98. 33 U.S. Statute at Large 1214.

99. 39 U.S. Statute at Large 889.

100. Cir. Ltr, Bruce Bielaski to all Special Agents and Local Officers, Bureau of Investigation, 22 Mar 1917.


102. History of MID, p. 1042.

103. Letter from Mcaadoo to Gregory, 2 June 1917.

104. Letter from Mcaadoo to President Wilson, 2 June 1917.

105. Letter from Gregory to President Wilson, 14 Jun 1917.


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117. The only printed source which treats the Jahnke conspiracy in detail is Henry Landau, *The Enemy Within: The Inside Story of German Sabotage in America*, GP. Putnam's Sons, N.Y., 1937, which can still be read with profit although it contains errors and is undocumented. Surprisingly, this study has generally been neglected by historians of American intelligence.


119. Landau, *op. cit.*, pp 77-84 and 114.

120. “Affidavit of Admiral Sir W. Reginald Hall,” former chief of British Naval Intelligence, 28 December 1926, with annexed copies of 327 German cablegrams intercepted by the British government during World War I, Volume VII, Exhibit 320, MCC, United States and Germany, Federal Records Center, East Point, Ga.

121. Major R.L. Barnes to Colonel Garrison, 9 April 1919, National Archives, Record Group 165, Records of the War Department General and Special Staffs, Military Intelligence Division (MID), 51-45.

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Testimony of Altendorf and Gleaves, "U.S. War Department Record of the Court Martial of Lothar Witzke," *op cit.*


Testimony of Gleaves, Altendorf, Nuenhoffer and Major R.M. Campbell, "U.S. War Department Record of the Court Martial of Lothar Witzke." *op cit.*

Testimony of Altendorf and Major R.M. Campbell, "U.S. Department of Record of the Court Martial of Lothar Witzke," *op cit.*; and Van Deman to intelligence officer, Western Department, 17 January 1918, MID, 10541-268.


See Chapman's cipher telegram to Butcher, 26 January 1918, in National Archives, Record Group 84, Records of the Foreign Service Posts of the Department of State, Nogales, Sonora, Mex., Consulate Files, 1918, File Number 820.

Special Border Report, 4 February 1918, Nogales, Ariz., MID, 10541-268.


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Court-Martial Verdict, "U.S. War Department Record of the Court Martial of Lothar Witzke," *op cit.*

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Campbell to chief, Military Intelligence Branch, 4 September 1918, MID, 10541-367.

See Consul Chapman to Consul Lawton, 26 March and 18 April 1918, Consul Lawton to Consul McPherson, 20 April 1918, Consul Chapman to Captain Joel Lipscomb, 29 April 1918, and Consul Sinapich to Consul Lawton, 3 May 1918, all found in File Number 820, 1918, Nogales Consulate File, Captain G.L. Jones to R.L. Barnes, 14 May 1918, MID 8536-314; and Captain H.S. Dickey to chief, MID, 28 August 1918, MID 51-45.
The correspondence can be found in Department of State File Number 150. 636/31, National Archives; Nogales Consulate File 820, 1918; and Colonel Marlborough Churchill to A. Caminetti, 4 August 1918, MID, 51-45.


Acting judge advocate general to the adjutant general, 17 January 1921, Volume II, Exhibit 157, MCC, United States and Germany, Federal Records Center, East Point, Ga.; and Gregory to Wilson, 25 November 1918, MID, 10541-268. See also Edmund M. Morgan, “Court-Martial Jurisdiction Over Non-Military Persons Under the Articles of War,” Minnesota Law Review, January 1920, pp.76-116. Morgan, however, has one serious error in the article—that Witzke died in prison (p. 80). For Wilson’s commutation of Witzke’s sentence, see enclosure in the “U.S. War Department Record of the Court-Martial of Lothar Witzke,” op cit.

Captain Frank P. Stretton to director of Military Intelligence, 2 October 1919, Major R.B. Woodruff to same, 26 January 1920 and MID Memorandum, 25 May 1921, all in MID, 10541-268; and interrogation of Witzke, June-18 September 1919, Volume II, Exhibit 24, MCC, United States and Germany, Federal Records Center, E. Pt., Ga.

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See the voluminous Altendorf file, MID, 51-45. The last entry, referring to his activities in Havana is Lieutenant Colonel V.W. Cooper to Major J.C. Schwenck, 5 November 1928.

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Confidential Memorandum to all Special Agents and Employees, 8/12/19.


Preston, op cit., p. 221.

Confidential Memorandum, 8/12/19.

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