

bus, N. M., June 3.)—Lieutenant James A. Shannon, Eleventh Cavalry, with twenty Apache Indian scouts, a reconnaissance detail, encountered a detachment of Villistas near Las Varas pass, forty miles south of Namiquipa, yesterday afternoon, after following a week-old trail. The scouts engaged the bandits, wounding one and killing one. There were no American casualties. The fight was waged near a field where a detachment of bandits fought our cavalry a week ago, when snipers fled to mountain fastnesses before their fire could be returned effectually.

Lieutenant Shannon in his report gave credit to Jesus Velasquez, a scout, who presumably had led the reconnaissance party over the trail and killed the bandit, who was believed to be the outlaws' leader, as he carried a sabre. Colonel Wilder, who commands the cavalry column to which Lieutenant Shannon and his Indian scouts are attached, reports that the Lieutenant in his report did not give himself due credit for the success of his enterprise. The Colonel highly praises the work of the scouts under Lieutenant Shannon, and says:

"Only expert trailers could have succeeded."

Under cover of darkness a cavalry detachment was led to the bandits' hiding place, where a hundred rifles were concealed in a mountain cave fourteen miles from here. The troopers returned early today with the weapons. Former adherents of Candelario Cervantes, who was killed in the Cruces fight several days ago, revealed the whereabouts of the arms, most of which are in fairly good condition. This brings the number of rifles found up to nearly 500, besides eleven machine guns.

APACHE SCOUTS KILL OUTLAW IN SKIRMISH

*Lieut. Shannon's Detail Routs Band
and Follows Trail to 100
Hidden Rifles.*

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