

CORTEZ ELUDES PURSUERS

WILY FUGITIVE SEEMS TO HAVE ESCAPED FROM THICKET AND RESUMED HIS FLIGHT.

The Belief Is Strong That a Mount Was Secured Last Night and That Daylight Found the Murderer Of Texas Sheriffs In Close Proximity To Border.

Owing To Hot Weather and Dryness of Country the Dogs From San Antonio Refused To Trail.

Captain. Rogers' Ranger Company Is Patrolling the Rio Grande Front and There Remains a Chance To Intercept Him -- Posses Are Abandoning the Long Chase -- Latest From the Field.

Enclnal, Tex., June 21 --(Special) As planned, the trail of Cortez was taken up bright and early this morning near Twobig, where it was dropped last night at dark. It was too dry and hot for the dogs from San Antonio to make any headway, and the posses soon took up their old way of keeping the trail. Owing to the many circuitous routes made by Cortez and his success in almost completely wiping out his tracks, very slow progress was made today, and he is still at large at last report from the posse at 2:30 p. m. At that hour they were on his trail only a few hours behind and six miles from the Mathews' ranch, located thirteen miles west of this place. They had just passed the spot where Cortez had stopped for a noon rest and a smoke, having found a stub of a cigarette. He is still afoot, and as he knows this country well, he is making good headway for the border, and unless the posses have succeeded in capturing him before this he stands a splendid show to make it across the river by morning. Cortez is personally known through this section by both Americans and Mexicans, and it will be no trouble at all for him to secure a horse tonight, which will complete the success of his escape into Mexico. Captain Rogers and his company of rangers from Laredo are now patrolling the river front from Laredo to above the coal mines to intercept him if he outgenerals his pursuers and makes it to the Rio Grande.

What San Antonio Hears of the Chase

News from the pursuit of Gregorio Cortez Friday was not encouraging. There were indications in it that the pursuers were beginning to lose hope of capturing the slayer of Sheriffs Morris and Glover. The first news of this nature came from Sheriff John Vann of Kerr county, who has been leading a posse from San Antonio, to