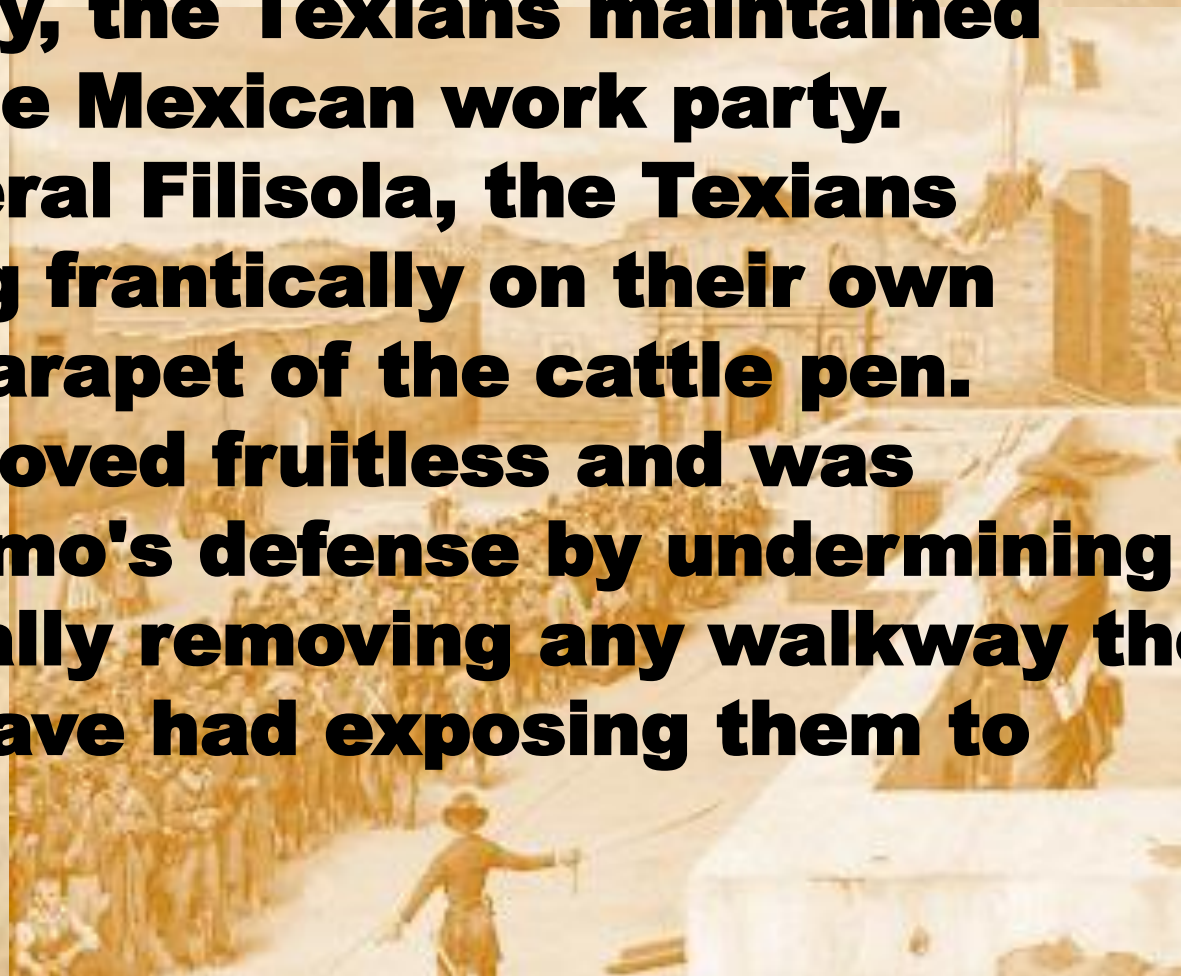


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Day 5

Throughout the day, the Texians maintained constant fire on the Mexican work party. According to General Filisola, the Texians were seen working frantically on their own ditch inside the parapet of the cattle pen. This effort later proved fruitless and was harmful to the Alamo's defense by undermining the walls, essentially removing any walkway the defenders might have had exposing them to Mexican fire.



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General Santa Anna Sends a letter to his General Filisola

*From the moment of my arrival I have been busy hostalizing the enemy in its position, so much so they are not even allowed to raise their heads overs the walls
Preparing everything for the assault which will take place when at least with the first brigade Arrives which is now 60 leagues away. Up to now they still act stubborn
Counting on the strong position which they hold Hoping for much aid from their colonies and from the United States But they will soon find out their mistake
After taking Fort Alamo, I shall continue my operations against Goliad and the other fortified places so that before the rains set in, the campaign shall be absolutely terminated up the Sabine river which serves as the boundary line of our Republic and the one of the north*

