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## FRENCH SMASH LINES OF GERMANS IN NEW ATTACK NEAR VERDUN

Latest Advance Threatens to Cut Off German Wedge in Woerve. Fighting on St. Mihiel-Pont-a-Mousson Line.

Slavs Pierce Another Carpathian Pass-Capture Hun Villages-Bukowina Battle Vigorous-Austrians Cross Foe's Bessarabia Border.

Smashing with Irresistible force against the German wedge in the St. Militel region, the French troops made further gains in their great effort to dislodge the invader. Near Etain, 13 miles northeast of Verdun, two German positions were taken by storm. At various other points along the line further advances have been made, according to an official report issued at Paris this afternoon.

Both France and Germany are rushing all available reinforcements to the Woevre region along the line from St. Mihiel to Pont-a-Mousson, where the greatest battle of the last two months has developed. For the first time since the French offensive began in this district Berlin admits French gains.

Two French battalions have been annihilated in the flerce battle now in progress east and southeast of Verdun. according to an official announcement from the German War Office today.

The French official report states that gains have been made at several points, especially east of Verdun, also in the neighborhood of Ailly and Brule. In the forest of Le Pretre progress is also reported and six German battalions destroyed.

The advance of the French threatens to cut off the German wedge whose apex is at St. Mihiel and force a retreat toward Metz.

The hottest fighting of the last 48 hours has been in the vicinity of Ponta-Mousson, from which town the German lines extend westward to St. Mihiel. Here the struggle has been going on day and night, and despite thedesperate character of the German defensive the French seem to have crept slowly forward.

The Belgian troops last night attacked the German force which had occupied the village of Drei Grachten on the west bank of the Yser Canal. The Belgians reoccupied the town and cap-

tured three machine guns. Field Marshal von Hindenburg, the Heritage.

German hero of the Mazurian Lakes The prisoners are John Smith, German hero of the Mazurian Lakes Austrian forces are again across the streets. The places where these barder into the Russian province of were caught are rooming houses transient character.

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# THE WEATHER



second rule of billiards is to hit the second ball. The first rule of billiards Is to hit the first ball. There are any number of remedies for the treatment of Magistrate Beaton. spring colds. The first and most important, however, is not to get them. The hest way not to be hanged for murder is not to commit murder. That an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure is only a half truth. It's worth something that a mere pound is too small a unit with which to measure it. Remember that, as the Spaniard says: "He who sits with his back to an open window faces his coffin." But above all keep your feet dry. When earth's last picture is painted April is going to be a water color. Eighty-seven Per Cent. of Their Wear your rubbers!

### FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity-Fair tonight and probably Thursday; not much change in temperature; moderate winds, mostly northwest. For details, see page 2.

#### Observation at Philadelphia 5 A. M.

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The Tides

HESTNUT STREET WHARF BERDY ISLAND. BREAKWATER

Read today's interesting article on "Facta Oriental restaura restaura Fallacias" on logs 4 - dds.

# ATHLETICS ARRIVE FOR SERIES WITH PHILLIES



Ira Thomas, with a squad of Mackmen, reached the North Philadelphia Station at noon today. They play the Phila this afternoon. The players shown, from right to left, are—Voltz, Harper, Bostick, Ira Thomas, Wilbur Davis, Crane, Joe Ohl and Jimmy Walsh

## WOMAN, DISAPPOINTED FINLETTER APPOINTED IN LOVE, BETRAYS LAST OF "BIG PETE'S" GANG

tol Point, Confess to Nearly Forty Recent Safe Robberies in This City.

The last of "Big Pete's" gang of safeblowers, second-story men and sharp shooters has been rounded up. Three of the criminal syndicate, for such it was, were caught and confessed today that they and their "pais" were responsible for nearly two score of robberies and 'soup' safe blowing jobs throughout the city, dating back many months.

Confessions forced from three of the prisoners this afternoon by Detectives Doyle and LeStrange show that the robberies were planned in systematic and ingenious fashion by "Big Pete" and John

battle, has been ordered to the western front, according to reports from Berlin.

Marshall and Buttonwood Streets; Frank Henderson, who gave the same address, and Frank Smith, of leth and Walnut

WOMAN BETRAYED THEM. It was the old, old story of a woman betraying the men to the police because

she was spurned in a love affair. "What could we do against such a band were it not for the women playing false to the crooks?" said a detective after the arrests.

Knowing that the men were desperate, Bowing that the house populated by Governor Tener in Doyle and LeStrange went in the house in each case with pistols ready for action, while Lieutenant Stinger, of the 10th and Buttonwood streets station, and Acting Detectives Ernest and Wecksesser went to the rear. The prisoners were taken unsure.

"The game's up," cried one, and sur-rendered. They went quietly to City Hall. All were held in \$1000 bail for court by

"PETE" IN JAIL 29 YEARS. Heritage, who is mentioned as one of he leaders, is now in jail awaiting trial

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## WOMEN CAST BIG VOTE IN CHICAGO ELECTION

Registered Strength Recorded at the Polls.

CHICAGO, April 7. -Women-242,797 of them-cast 87 per cent, of their registered voting strength in Chicago's municipal election which gave the Windy City its second Republican Mayor since 1897. William Hale Thompson was the winning candidate. Complete returns today give him a plurality of 139,489 over Robert M. Sweltzer, the Hearst-Sullivan candidate, who led the Democratic ticket.

Contrary to prediction, the women did not combine yesterday on either candidate to wield a balance of power. Sixty per cent, of Thompson's vote was saxty per cent, of Thompson's vote was
cast by men, 40 per cent, by women.
Sixty-three per cent of Sweltzer's vote
was cast by men, 37 per cent by women.
The total vote cast was 69,389. Thompson received 29,699; Sweltzer, 251,207; Seymour Stedman (Socialist), 25,55, and John
H. Hill (Progressive), 2554. Thompson's
plurality was the greatest any Mayoralty
candidate ever received in Chicago. The
vote was the largest ever cast in any city

candidate ever received in Chicago. The vote was the largest ever cast in any city in the United States. New York formerly held the record with 642.763 votes, cast for governor in 1908. Eighty-eight per cent of the men registered voted.

Regusticals today insisted that the result was a "barometer" of what the country was going to do in 1916. They painted to the fact that Thompson, supported by only one of Chicago's eight newspapers, defested the man who had the active support of the two Hearst

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# COMMON PLEAS JUDGE IN WILLSON'S PLACE

pointed by Tener and Ruled Out by Supreme . Court's Declaring Void Act Creating Posts.



THOMAS D. FINLETTER

Thomas D. Finletter, one of the five udges appointed by Governor Tener in mon Pleas bench to succeed Judge Robert N. Willson, who resigned March 31.

The appointment was announced by Governor Brumbaugh following a visit, paid to him by Senator McNichol, and was said to have been the result of an agreement between the Governor and Senators Vare and McNichol reached at the time of the appointment of William H. Shoemaker, who was named several weeks ago to succeed the late Judge Kinsey in another branch of the Common Pleas

Court here. Senators Vare and McNichol at that time urged Governor Brumbaugh to appoint Mr. Finletter to the vacancy. The Governor, however, made a personal appointment, and named Mr. Shoemaker, agreeing at the same time, it is understoot, to appoint Mr. Finletter to the next vacancy.

ge Finletter has been close to Senator McNichol for many years. His ap-pointment is also agreeable to Senator Vare. He has been prominently identified with the Republican party for years.

#### COX CHILD LABOR BILL PASSES THE HOUSE

Only Six Votes Against Measure, Which Now Goes to Senate,

HARRISBURG, April 7.—The Cox child labor bill was passed by the House today by a vote of 129 to 6. The measure now by a vote of 179 to 6. The measure now goes to the Benate for flual passage.

The Philadelphians voted as a unit for the bill. The six members who voted against it were Representatives Baldwin, of Delaware, who led the fight resterday to extend the week to 5t hours; Heyburn, of Delaware; Body, Hothenberger and Sarig, of Berks, and Luppert, of Lycoming.

On the Rampage in Restaurants

When John Doyle, 30 years old, 4307 Walmit street, walked into Grace's Restaurant, at 3136 Market street, today section of the floor was roped off and woman was scrubbing it. Doyle picked out this section as the only suitable place for him to eat his breakfast, according to Howard Young, 315 North Walton street, who said Doyle "got mad" and threw a \$150 cash register on the floor to show how annioyed he was. The reg-ister was a wreck. Magistrate tiarris-held Doyle in 100 ball for further hear-ing Sunday in the 12d street and Wood-land avenue police station. The same hind avenue police station. The same man, it is charged, tried to wreck an Oriental restaurant at 6th and Market.

## PHILS AND ATHLETICS LINE UP FOR FIRST OF SERIES AT SHIBE PARK

See Initial Appearance of Teams - Moran's New Shortstop Holds Interest. Probable Line-up.

The Phillies and Athletics fined up at Shibe Park this afternoon in the first game of the city series. Prior to the

as follows: Byrne, third base: Bancroft, shortstop: Becker or Paskert, teff field; cravath, right field: Whitted, centre field; Niehoff, second base; Luderus, first base. Moran has a line bunch of pitchers to select from, and such men as Alexander, Mayer, Demarce, Tineng, Jacobs, Oeschger, Mattison. Baumgartner and Rixey should be able to take care of their end. Burna probably will catch.

The Phils, with Moran and Shettaline, arrived in this city last night.

The Athletics' sound has been cut in military and naval experts, but their per-

The Athletics' squad has been cut in two, the one with Harry Davis being still in the South. Mack and his band arrived in this city this morning.

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The game today marks the opening of the baseball season in Philadelphin, and the sound of the ball against the bat will be music from this time until fall. The two teams have grappled in three contests in the South. In the first engagement the score at the end of the nin-tanning contest was even. The second game found the Phillies on the top of the heap in a test at Jacksonville. The fol-lowing day the Athletics got the jump on the Phils and held it all the way through

the Phils and held it all the way-through a most interesting set-to. The two teams come to town to play off the tie honors. The fams now have a classee to see Me-ran's reconstructed band. Dave Banc-coft, who has been burning up the paths in the Southland and at the bat, plays short-stop for the Phils. He is a newcomer to this city. Bert Nichoff has been seen here this city. Bert Nichoff has been seen here in Philadelphia, but not at second base nor as a Phillie. He has been here in the uniform of Chelinati. Byine is at the hot corner for the Quakers and Luderus at first. Killifer, Burns and Adams are the catchers this year. George Whitted, Dugey and Stock are new players to arouse interest. Then Becker, Paskert and Crayath, of course, are here.

Russian Trade Conference Postponed Harry D. Baker, recently appointed ommercial attache of the United States Embassy at Petrograd, who was to have conferred with Philadelphia business men nterested in Russian trade at the Commercial Museum, 3th and Spruce streets, today, was compelled by business to post-pone the conference until tomorrow.

Woman, Victim of Burns, Dies Mrs. Lillian Cunningham, 752 Federal street, Camden, who fell against a stove when she suffered an attack of epitepsy yesterday, died early today in the Cooper-Hospital from burns. She has been treated at the hospital three times in the last

"On to Harrisburg" The State capitol of Pennsylvania is the Mecca this week for the advocates of woman suffrage. Tomorrow and Friday will take place in Harrisburg the State conference of suffragists to prepare for the approaching campaign.

The Evening Ledger is the leading newspaper advocate of the suffrage cause in Philadelphia. It will be represented by staff correspondents at the conference. If you would keep up with the suffrage nows in Pennsylvania, read

The Evening Ledger District Cont.

## BRITISH PROHIBITION TAKEN UP BY CABINET AS 110,000 SIGN PLEDGE

Yeggmen, Captured at Pis- One of Five Jurists Ap- Crowd of Fans Gathered to English Ministry Considers Anti-rum Measures-Strong Pressure Exerted by "Wets" to Restrict Legislation.

> LONDON, April 7.
> Whyn the Cabinet mer today to consuler the drink question more than 10,000 Pricons had pledged themselves to David game of the city series. Prior to the call for the start a inte-sized growd of fans had gathered to watch the men in their practice workouts.
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> Because of the recent had weather the diamond is not in the best of share, but a considerable amount of good work was a considerable amount of good work was the father. It is the remainder of the war. Most of the frumber of total abstinence had been made by letter to the Chancellor of the likeheaper who is the father of the prohibitive measure in England.
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> Because of the recent bad weather the diamond is not in the best of shore, but a confiderable amount of good work was done and an occasional good play brought forth applause from the stands.
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> Both Managers Moran and Mack were on hand and gare the players personal directions, but both delayed selection of their line-ups until the last moment. The Athletics probably will indeed a follows: Thompson, centre field; Waish, left field; Schang, catcher; Oldring, third base; McInnis, first base; Bostick, second hase; Crane, short stop; Davis, right field; Shawkey, Bush or Wyckoff, pitcher.
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military and naval experts, but their per-sonal recommendations to the Cabinet were not made public. When the Cabinet went into session be-

lief was expressed that no definite decis-ion would be reached at the meeting, but that preliminary steps would be taken upon which definite action could be based

Numerous protests against absolute pra-hibition have been sent to Promier As-quith, chiefly from the manufacturing dis-tricts of England and Scotland. One of the latest public figures to enter the fray upon the side of prohibition is Branwell Booth, head of the Salvation

## GERMANS ANNIHILATE 2 FRENCH BATTALIONS

Official Berlin Report Admits Great Offensive Move on in Woevre Region.

BERLIN, April L-Two French hattales have been annihilated in the fierce attle now in progress east and southeast of Verdun, according to an official an-nouncement from the German War Office

The War Office admitted that German troops have been combelled to evacuate the Helgian town of Drel Grachten, on the west bank of the Year. Helgian artillery totally destroyed the town, according to official dispatches, and made the German position intensity.

Ferman position untenable.

Some of the most desperate fighting Cansders of the most desperate fighting Cansders of the german advance on Paris last Pennsy fall is now going on in the region of wording to dispatches made public here and Ministerment. The French are throwing buriant the Constitution with regiments against the Constitution of age. German positions with reckless during, On the western border of Lb Pretre Furest, northwest of Pont-a-Mousson, the 13th French Regiment attempted to storm two blockhouses in the face of a terrible fire. The French suffered the heaviest tosses in the Combres Hills, uniquely be-tween Verdun and St. Mithel. They charged repeatedly against the German treaches, and two battalions were cut to pieces. At Ailly, east of St. Miniel, the French onslaughts were equally energetic.

Baby Cut in Two by Trolley

POTTSVILLE. Pa. April 7.-Just as a trottey car came along at Mahanoy Piane Moore, in charge of the work of locating today, John Fludash, 2 years old, started and rutating the loss submarine F-1 at to cross the street. He was thrown beneath the wheels and was instantly suffer, being cut in two.

WASHINGTON. April 7.—Admiral Moore, in charge of the work of locating today, John Fludash, 2 years and instantly suffer that he results had been met with thus far, although the results force was sort in overtime. killed, being cut in two.

## BULLETINS

#### ENGLAND REMAINS "WET"

LONDON, April 7 .- Prohibition advocates lost all immediate hopes for a "dry" England, when the British Cabinet adjourned an important conference late this afternoon without reaching a definite decision on the prohibition question.

It was given out that Chancellor of the Exchequer Lloyd-George will confer Friday with representatives of the liquor interests. This conference, it is understood, will result in the drafting of a com-

#### DETECTIVE MANEELY'S SLAYER ARRAIGNED

Jacob, Miller, who shot and killed Detective James Maneely on March 25, was arraigned before Judge Johnson, in the Court of Oyer and Terminer, today, He entered pleas of not guilt) to two bills of indictment, one charging him with the murder of Detective Mancely and the other with voluntary and involuntary manulaughter in causing the detective's death. No date has been fixed as yet for his trial. It will probably be held this week.

#### MAN WHO "RAN WILD" THOUGHT TO BE DRUG FIEND

A strest car conductor, running about on the lawns of fashionable houses near Phil-Ellena street and Lincoln drive, Germantown, and yelling, "I want to be shot at sunrise," was arrested today. The police of the Germantown station believe he is a drug fiend. The man is Hoyt Miller 16 years old, 88 Springer street.

#### CARPENTER KILLED BY TRAIN

Philip Nugent, 30 years old, of 236 Sycamore street, Camden, a carpenter employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad, was struck and killed by a fast train at Berwyn today. His widow and three children were notified of the tragedy.

#### DRINKING WATER ON EXCURSION TRAINS

An order enjoining the West Jersey and Seashore Railroad to provide drinking water on the third car of every train operated was issued today by the New Jersey Public Utilities Commission. There have been many complaints against the failure to provide water on Sunday excursion trains to Atlantic City,

#### TWO WOMEN FOUND DEAD IN BED IN NORTHEAST

Two women were found dead in bed in their homes today. Mrs. Cornelius Clesse, 70 years old, of 1617 Fillmore street, was found by her husband, George W. Geene, Heart disease caused her death, according to Deputy Coroner Greenhalge. Asphyxiation caused the death of Mary Kyle, 70 years old, 2050 East-York street. Gas from an open jet filled the room where she was found. According to the police, the woman left the light burning when she went to bed and it was blown out by the wind.

### GIRL BURNED TO DEATH

MOUNT CARMEL, Pa., April 7.-In a fire that destroyed a double block at Locust Gap today, Mary Claffner, 16, was burned to death,

### TWO SCHOONERS ASHORE OFF NORTH CAROLINA

WASHINGTON, April 7.-Two schooners were ashore and flying distress signais today on the Atlantic coast, the Coast Guard Service announced, but rescuers could not aid them owing to the surf. One was a three and the other a five-master, the former two miles off Pea Island and the latter off New Intelboth in North Carolina.

### MRS. PANKHURST'S VOICE NOT FOR PEACE

LONDON, April 7.-Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, leader of the British militants; today announced that the Women's Social and Political Union and other English suffrage organizations will not participate peace conference to open at The Hague April 28. This is no time to talk peace, said Mrs. Pankhurst. "We do not want to discourage the well-meant efforts of women of other countries, but it would be most Imappropriate for English women

### BRITISH CAPTAINS BALK AT WAITING ON EITEL

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., April 7.-British merchant skippers were making trouble today concerning the Norfolk port collector's refusal to permit pilots to take them to sea, a step designed to give the Prinz Eitel Friedrich a chance to escape,

They appealed to the Norfolk Chamber of Commerce, asking it to use its influence in their behalf with "United States Senators and Government officials." Collector Hamilton, asked if the Eitel would intern this afternoon, answered: "We are not even thinking about that now."

## POLICE RESERVES CALLED OUT IN NEWARK

NEWARK, N. J., April 7 .- Police reserves were called out to maintain today when more than 300 men and women employed by A. Hollander & Son. fur dyers and finishers, 143 East Kinney street, went on strike. One arrest was made.

## SCUTARI SHELLED BY AUSTRIAN AVIATORS.

AMSTERDAM, April 7.- A disputch from Berlin says that four armored Austrian aeroplitaes flew over Scutari, Albania, yesterday and dropped 12 hombs. A tobacco factory was damaged, but no one was killed. Scutari was occupied by Montenegro at the close of the Balkan war, but the Powers compelled the Montenegris troops to evacuate the town.

### MME. CURIE, SCIENTIST, INJURED

PARIS, April L.-Mme. Curie, discoverer of radium and the greatest woman scientist in the world's history, was injured in an automobile accident in a Southern suburb of Paris, today, when her car collided with a wagon and was hurled into a ditch. Physicians announce that Mme. Curie is not seriously hurt, suffering more from the shock.

### TETANUS CAUSES DEATH OF HARRY M. YOUNG

Camden Contractor and Politician. Succumbs to Dreaded Disease.

Harry M. Young, for years a prominent contractor and political leader in Camden, and one of the builders of the Pennsylvania Railroad's cievated roade in and out of Camden, died of tetanus this and out of Camden, died of retains this morning at the home of his purents. Mr. and Mrs. Philip Young, Cove road, near Burlington pike, Camden, with whom he lived. The man's hist hours were full of agony. Infection from a rusty nail on which he stepped a few weeks ago caused his death. Young was a bachelor, 20 years old.

[9] years old. For \$\overline{\text{S}}\$ years he was very influential in politics in Camden. For many years he served as a justice of the peace in Pensauken Township, and once he represented Pensauken on the Board of holders

Hundreds of units of anti-tetanus scrum Prench ouslaughts were equally energetic, were administered to Young in a fullebut in each instance the Germans main-tained their positions.

Last eight, however, the physicians gave up all hope of saving his life.

> No Success in Raising Sunken F-4 WHE WORKING OVERLINE.

#### WOMEN WATCHERS AT POLLS IN STATE SUFFRAGE ELECTION

Vare Introduces Bill, and No Opposition Is Expected.

HARRISBURG, April 7, Senator Edwin H. Vare, of Philadelphia, today took the first step to insure fair play to the stilfragists at the polls next November, when the proposed amendment to the State Constitution granting women the franchisin Pennsylvania will be voted on. He introduced a bill in the Senate providing for the appointment of two wanne watchers at each polling place.

This "complimentary recognition" of the Woman Suffrage Party has been granted in nearly every other State abon the question of woman suffrage has come up at the pells, and Senator Vare's bill is expected to meet with no opposition.

### The Kensingtonian Says:

Henry Muck made a fine catch failed day, when it his chest and full to the ground and got it on the bounce. Some outcher, Henry!!

### LOST AND FOUND

LACT SHOULD HOLD BE A MANUAL OF THE PARTY OF