



FRENCH CAPTURE EPARGES BUT FAIL AT OTHER POINTS

Both Armies Suffer Frightful Losses as Germans Are Forced Back in Woivre.

Kaiser's Troops Lose Important Position, But Berlin Reports foe Checked Near Flirey and at Combres Heights. Offensive Less Vigorous.

Paris Reports Fifteen Counter Attacks at Montmare Woods Repulsed and Advanced Positions in Ailly Wood Maintained—Say Champagne Trenches Retaken.

Suffering heavy losses, but inflicting greater ones upon the Germans, the French have driven the Kaiser's troops from Les Eparges, making further inroads upon the flanks of the great German wedge in the Woivre. This town dominates the plains of the Woivre and clears the way for further advances towards Metz, while at the same time threatening to cut off the troops at the apex of the German triangle resting upon St. Mihiel.

The French official report admits the stubborn resistance of the invaders and says that the captured trenches were literally filled with dead and wounded. At several other points in this district the French report the Germans making desperate counter-attacks. Fifteen times they tried to wrest trenches in the Montmare Woods from the French, but were repulsed each time. At Ailly the French maintained their advanced positions despite desperate assaults.

Berlin reports that attacks of the French have been repulsed with heavy losses at Flirey, on the Ailly-Apremont front, and at Combres Heights, north of St. Mihiel.

The Russians raiding the Carpathians have been halted at the strong Austrian positions on the western slopes, according to an official report from Vienna. The drive on the important railway centre of Barfield, in Hungary, has been checked, the official report says.

THE WEATHER



CLOUDY

There was almost no weather talk in the paper today. And now that we are started, we are not at all certain we will get to the end. Our head feels as if it were upside-down and turned backwards. It is more than obvious that our left foot is where our right should be and vice versa. Our knees are like a bouncing spring board. With the "misery" doing us worse we are supremely conscious of every portion of our anatomy. We would like nothing better, if we were in a state like anything, than to settle down in some armchair and remain there indefinitely. Nor once there do we believe an earthquake could stir us. We have spring fever.

FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity: Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday, probably with showers; not quite so warm Sunday; fresh south winds.

Observation at Philadelphia

Table with 2 columns: Observation at Philadelphia (S. A. M.), Temperature, Wind, etc.

On the Pacific Coast

Table with 2 columns: On the Pacific Coast, San Francisco, Los Angeles, etc.

Almanac of the Day

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Lamps to Be Lighted

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The Tides

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CHESNUT STREET WHARF

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REEDY ISLAND

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BREAKWATER

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SWALLOWS A TOOTH; SUES DENTIST FOR \$20,000

Man Treated for Various Ailments Before Trouble Was Discovered. NEW YORK, April 10.—Swallowing of a wisdom tooth by a dentist's patient was a basis of a \$20,000 damage suit brought in the Supreme Court today against Dr. Perry R. McNeill, of Bayonne, N. J., by William B. Peck, a draftsman.

PHOTOPLAY MAGNATE FIGHTS SHERIFF HERE AS WILLARD LOOKS ON

Fred Mace, served with attachment on Detectives' Claim for Watching Wife's Actions, Locks Himself Up on Train.

Fred Mace, photoplay magnate, New York sporting man and the official announcer at the Willard-Johnson championship fight at Havana, locked himself in the washroom of a Pullman car of the Pennsylvania Railroad at the West Philadelphia Station today after being served with an attachment for \$182.45 for services rendered by the Taylor National Detective Agency.

Mace is interested in the Willard-Johnson flat pictures and his share of the promotion of the pictures, it is said, will be more than \$20,000.

Before Mace locked himself up a flat fight occurred on the platform between him and Deputy Sheriff Emil J. Nell. Those who witnessed the fight were Jess Willard, the new champion; Tom Jones, Tex O'Rourke and a crowd of fight fans who had assembled at the station to welcome Willard to Philadelphia.

The serving of the Sheriff's papers was the result of a chase of more than 200 miles. The plaintiff in the suit is John B. Taylor, former superintendent of police of this city.

According to Taylor, who now is the head of the detective agency, he was engaged on July 15, 1914, to obtain evidence against Mace's wife.

WAITED FOR MACE'S TRAIN. Mace was married several years ago to Gertrude Johnson, the daughter of T. Johnson, a millionaire and known as the "King of the Bill Posters". The wedding took place in New York following a rapid-fire courtship.

When the car containing Mace, who was seated in the same corner with Tom Jones, Jess Willard and other sporting men, reached the West Philadelphia station, Deputy Sheriff Nell and Detectives James Corcoran and Edward Exley were on the platform. Jess Willard and Tom Jones were the first persons to alight. They were followed by Mace. Mace had just reached the waiting room when Deputy Sheriff Nell approached him.

"I have a telegram for you, Mr. Mace," said Nell.

SERVED WITH ATTACHMENT. "I hope it is good news," replied Mace. Deputy Sheriff Nell gave no answer. He brought forth a copy of the attachment and handed it to Mace.

Mace read the document. He threw it on the ground.

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WILD SCRAMBLE ON STOCK EXCHANGE

Frenzied Wall Street Brokers Fought to Execute Orders. Prices Broke After Initial Rise.

NEW YORK, April 10.—Wildest scenes of the stock markets were rivaled today in the frenzy of a short two-hour Saturday session. The floor attendance was the largest in months. Piercing, deafening din swept out to Wall street. Brokers literally fought their way to posts to execute orders.

The scramble in the Stock Exchange was duplicated in the Consolidated. The riot spread to the curb market. Spectators thronged all markets to view the scenes, unparalleled for almost a year.

United States Steel was the storm center and huge blocks changed hands. Advances ranging from a fraction to nearly 5 points at the opening brought heavy realizing sales and prices broke under the abundance of offerings. Bethlehem Steel fell 5 points.

Supporting orders appeared before the close, however, and the market became steadier. In all nearly 900,000 shares changed hands during the two hours of trading, an almost record-breaking Saturday. The fluctuations of individual issues will be found on the financial page.

WORLD'S CHAMPION ARRIVES IN TOWN TO VISIT FRIENDS



Jess Willard slipped quietly into the city today, getting off at the West Philadelphia station, where this picture was taken. The contrast in the size of the champion and that of his surrounding admirers is evident.

LUMBER SWINDLERS NOW IN CELLS BEHIND PENITENTIARY DOORS

Four of Five Convicted Men Surrender Themselves to United States Court, Protesting Time Will Prove Innocence.

The ponderous iron door of the Eastern Penitentiary closed early this afternoon on four officials of the great International Lumber Company swindle, John R. Markley, Isaiah B. Miller, Colonel Albert C. Stewart and Charles H. McMahon.

Their last word before entering the gray-walled prison was through Colonel Stewart. He went to jail protesting the innocence of himself and his associates, and predicting that time would prove their innocence.

Markley, Miller, Stewart and McMahon went through the worst of their ordeal in the one hour preceding their start from the Federal Building with United States Deputy Marshals Kelly, Kenny and McCaffrey. Formal papers of commitment were being drawn up. The four men were occupying a cell for the first time.

They were put into the little square room with a steel-barred door in a corner of the Marshal's office shortly after 11 o'clock to wait for these papers. A few moments later a woman, veiled, entered quietly and spoke to one of the deputy marshals. He bowed respectfully and escorted her to the bench just outside the cell door.

The woman was Miller's wife. She lifted her veil and talked to her husband and the other men quietly. There were tears in her eyes and her voice was husky, but she made a desperate effort to hide her grief and cheer up her husband. He smiled and said to her: "Buster, this will come again."

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GET OUT YOUR GAYEST 'GLAD RAGS' FOR THE PARADE TODAY

Post-Easter Fashion Carnival Will Be Merry One, They Say. Rainbow colors will reign from hat to shoes, they say. Easter this will come again.

Get out your violet shoes and your indigo vest, to that add a heliotrope shirt and a rose-pink tie. Top this off with an aureole blue Fedora with a salmon-colored band, and connect the extreme points with a sky-gray suit.

It has been decided to have a post-Easter parade over the following route: From 8th street up Chestnut to 18th, to Walnut, around Rittenhouse Square, countermarch on Walnut to Broad, to Market, to 6th, to Chestnut—and disband.

Those who are going to the shore can ride to the ferry from the point of disbanding.

The weather today will stand the lightest colors and fabrics, but the sun shows indications of being unrelenting, so go prepared to brave its rays. It is hinted that there will be parades in the grand procession, so try to spring a surprise or two with the others.

Extremes are not considered abnormal today, so bring forth your dreamiest sweats and start the pace. And this is confidential—we have heard that several of the regular routs are coming out in short pants, or, to be correct, knickerbockers.

CROWDS HAIL WILLARD ON CHESTNUT STREET; TO BOX HERE TONIGHT

Champion Fighter Almost Mobbed by Cheering Throng as He Ventures From Hotel—Appears at National Club at 8:15.

"Gee! that was some crowd." Jess Willard, champion heavyweight boxer of the world had just escaped a mob on Chestnut street and was regaining his breath in the Adelphi Hotel.

The Kansas cowboy, now the idol of the fight world, arrived in this city at 11 o'clock this morning to fill his engagement at the National Athletic Club tonight. He came unheralded. But that was designed. Experiences in Washington and Baltimore had taught Tom Jones, manager for the new champion, that the fight-loving populace were not at all particular as to the manner in which they handled a world hero.

In fact, while in Baltimore Jess Willard barely escaped with a whole skin, and some of that was exposed to public gaze. The crowds did not seem to mind, just so they got some kind of souvenir, whether it was a piece of the fighter's trousers or not.

At about noon today, Willard ventured his massive head and still more massive body outside his hotel. He wanted a new hat, and of course he wanted to get it in Philadelphia. So he thought just the short distance across the street to Stewart's would not be too long a journey for a poor, unprotected hero. But he found out differently. Somebody whispered Willard's name, and by the time he had made his purchase and had adorned himself with a new headpiece, Chestnut street was blocked by a mass of scrambling humanity.

There was not a chance. Willard, champion fighter of the world though he is, could not have made the trip back to his hotel alone. Mounted police had to charge the crowd on the sidewalk and make way for the fighter. At the signal, Willard ducked and sprinted across the street, while the great crowd cheered lustily.

Willard, in his room at the Adelphi declared he was pleased to be back in Philadelphia.

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STEEL CORPORATION REPORTS SMALLER UNFILLED TONNAGE

Total at End of March Was 4,255,749; Decrease of 89,622.

Table showing Steel Corporation reports for various months: January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, December.

NEW YORK, April 10.—The United States Steel Corporation today reported the total amount of unfilled orders on its books on March 31 as 4,255,749 tons, against 4,345,371 tons on February 28, a decrease of 89,622 tons.

A comparison of the unfilled tonnage with previous reports follows:

Table showing comparison of unfilled tonnage with previous reports for various months.

'TOOTHLESS' BILL VETO HOUSING VICTORY FOR CITY ADMINISTRATION

Governor's Action Is Hailed by Workers for Correction of Tenement Evils as Opening Way for Real Reform.

Governor Drumbaugh's last-minute veto of the Granback "toothless" housing bill, at Harrisburg last night, has caused a deep stir in political circles in this city.

The killing of the measure, framed to permit Councils to evade compliance with the Philadelphia Housing Code of 1913 and to substitute a law acceptable to the Organization, was hailed today as a signal victory for the Blankenbush administration and for social and church workers who fought the Granback bill.

Organization Councilmen who went to Harrisburg on Thursday to ask the Governor to sign the bill, for the most part declined to make any comment on the Governor's action. They made no attempts, however, to conceal the fact that it was very displeasing to them.

The opponents of the act of 1913 had not a fair opinion as to its operation could be formed. In scoring the utter defiance of Councils in repeatedly refusing to enforce the law, the Governor said: "The health of the people should no longer be jeopardized by delay."

Director Ziegler, of the Department of Public Health and Charities, who appeared at Harrisburg on Thursday, today expressed his approval of the Governor's action.

"The opponents of the act of 1913 should stipulate definitely their objections to that measure, and if their objections would not emanulate the act entirely, there is no doubt in my mind that their suggestions would be received in a conciliatory spirit by the advocates of the measure and given every consideration," said Dr. Ziegler.

Instant conference by both sides and agreement upon a bill which will be enforceable and which will give Philadelphia a housing code of the most advanced nature was urged by the Governor. In the event of no agreement being reached, he said that a repealer was now before the Legislature which would throw the city back upon the old code if passed.

The fact that politics and enmity to the measure pointed out that the 1913 law had not been enforced and for that reason no fair opinion as to its operation could be formed.

FIRE SWEEPS WORLD'S LARGEST WAREHOUSE

Tobacco Plant Wrecked in Liverpool. Loss \$1,250,000.

LIVERPOOL, Eng., April 10.—The Stanley Dock tobacco warehouse, the largest in the world, was swept by fire today. There were 60,000 cases of tobacco in the building when the fire started. The flames spread rapidly, carried by a high wind, and a number of ships anchored nearby had to be moved out of the danger zone. The loss is estimated at \$1,250,000.

VATICAN DENIES PEACE RUMOR

ROME, April 10.—The Observatore Romano, official organ of the Vatican, today formally denied the report that the Holy See had been asked by Austria to use its good offices to obtain peace proposals. Rumors inspired by the Pope's announced desire of ending hostilities, have been particularly persistent during the last week that Austria was interceding for peace through the medium of the Vatican.

BULLETINS

AUSTRIANS ATTACK SLAVS ON RUMANIAN FRONTIER

BUCHAREST, April 10.—Two Austrian armored trains attacked the Russian position at Bojan, about a mile from the Rumanian frontier, but were driven off, according to word received here. The Slav artillery completely destroyed one of the trains and forced the other to retire after inflicting heavy casualties on the attacking force.

904 GERMAN NAVAL OFFICERS LOST

COPENHAGEN, April 10.—Nine hundred and four officers in the German navy, not counting those who went down with the Bleucher, have been killed in action, according to figures issued by the Admiralty in Berlin today.

AGED MAN RUN DOWN BY WAGON

A runaway team, drawing a heavy ice wagon, this afternoon knocked down and severely injured Benjamin Crowe, 72 years old, who was standing on his own doorstep, at 2035 Rush street. The man was taken to the Episcopal Hospital, where he is in a serious condition.

GERMAN PEACE TALK CALLED 'PLANT'

WASHINGTON, April 10.—That the "peace story" now being exploited throughout the United States is a "plant" by the German Government, was the report in official circles today. It is said Germany has revived the peace talk because she wishes to sound the full strength of the Triple Entente.

Germany is basing this propaganda, according to reports in Washington, on the belief that the war must last for several years longer unless peace be concluded soon. She has no doubt of her ability to continue a defensive warfare, but is said to believe that when France and England begin their new operations on the western front they will be committed to a fight to the bitter end.

CARGO OF AMERICAN COTTON BURNS AT NAPLES

NAPLES, April 10.—Ten thousand bales of American cotton in the hold of the American steamship San Guglielmo were destroyed by fire today. The loss is \$200,000.

MISTOOK IODINE FOR COUGH MEDICINE

Frank Warren, 16 years old, is in St. Joseph's Hospital as a result of swallowing iodine, which he mistook for cough mixture, at his home, 1620 North Broad street. Other members of the family notified the hospital and he was hurried to the receiving ward in the ambulance. The stomach pump was used and it is expected that Warren will recover, although he drank a large quantity of the iodine before discovering his mistake late last night.

SCHOONER ASHORE ON BARNEGAT BAR

SANDY HOOK, N. J., April 10.—The schooner Flora A. Kimball, from Morgan city, La., for New York, with a cargo of lumber, struck on Barnegat Bar today. Seven members of the crew were brought ashore in a lifeboat. The vessel is not in a dangerous position.

POLICE NET SPREAD FOR SHOOTER

The police of this city have asked the authorities in Baltimore to hold David Bender, alias Daniel Martell, arrested in that city after a thrilling chase in taxicabs, for extradition to Philadelphia, where he is wanted for the shooting of a player in a poolroom and a policeman who attempted to arrest him.

FIRE IN BUTON FACTORY CAUSES \$3000 LOSS

Fire did about \$3000 damage to the plant of the Imperial Button Company, third floor of the building on the southwest corner of Lawrence and Vine streets, early today. Water damaged furniture and fixtures of the Allover Express Company, on the first floor, to the extent of \$300 or \$400. The second floor of the three-story brick building was vacant. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

PROFESSOR FRIEDRICH LOESSLER DIES

BERLIN, April 10.—Prof. Friedrich Loessler, discoverer of diphtheria bacillus, died today.

SCHOONER ABANDONED AT SEA; CREW SAVED

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., April 10.—The American schooner William R. Huston has been abandoned at sea. The schooner Ada Peard reported by wireless to the Cape Race station today that she has on board seven members of the Huston's crew.

JITNEY ARRIVES IN MANAYUNK

Manayunk had its first jitney bus this morning. It runs from Levering and Main streets to City Hall. The fare is 10 cents. One of the first passengers was a woman.

POPE ORDERS 'PEACE PRAYER' RECITED IN CHURCHES

ROME, April 10.—Pope Benedict XV today ordered his "peace prayer" recited in all Roman Catholic churches throughout the month of May. At the same time the right has been granted to the bishops to interpret the prayer and translate it in such a way that its recital will not offend patriotic Catholics of the warring nations.

EXCHANGE SEATS SOAR

Membership in Wall Street Rises as Market Expands. NEW YORK, April 10.—The recent upswing and expansion in the stock market is responsible for a sharp advance in seats on the Stock Exchange. On Wednesday of this week a seat changed hands at \$4,500, and now a membership has sold for \$60,000, the highest price in a long while.

When the Stock Exchange closed on July 30 the price of membership declined and gradually became cheaper, until in October a seat sold for \$24,000, just \$16,000 below the last sale price. Predictions are being made that if the present advancing tendency continues the price of seats will rise even further.

British Help Acts as Messenger LONDON, April 10.—The Prince of Wales arrived from the front today bearing important military dispatches from Sir John French, to Earl Kitchener, Secretary of State for War.

The Kensingtonian Says: Little Hughie McGovern to again spend his Sundays out at Bala. What's the attraction, Eucure?

LOST AND FOUND

- LOST—Between 18th and Rittenhouse and 18th and Chestnut on 13th st. car and from 13th and Chestnut to 8th, pair large diamond earrings and one gentleman's diamond ring. Return to 1322 Rittenhouse.
- LOST—A small black-and-tan dog, white spot on breast; answers to the name of Earl. Reward if returned to 120 W. Seymour st., Germantown.
- LOST—Neighborhood 18th and Spruce, white Maltese terrier, called "Pat." Reward if returned to 1821 Spruce.
- LOST—Small gold box; initials F. E. L. on cover; Brouse and 11th in Chestnut. Return to 1025 Spruce. Suitable reward.
- LOST—From 41st Ledy ave., small white French Poodle dog, 1 1/2 yrs. April 8th. Reward. Please telephone 1717 T.
- LOST—Near Newton Square, Pa., a small brown Labrador dog, 6 years old, returned to H. H. Burtin, Newton Square.
- LOST—Lady's gold watch with initials C. W. on case. Found by Frank W. Brown, 2000 E. 11th St. Please return to 2000 E. 11th St.