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S. CAVALRY MAKES DASH **INTO MEXICO, SAY MESSAGES:**

4500 Troops Said to Have Made Initial Move From Columbus, N. M., Before Dawn—Second Detail 3 Miles From Line

Carranzistas in Race to Catch Outlaws Before Arrival of American Forces-Refugees From Interior Tell of Outrages Committed by Bandit Bands

American troops have crossed the Mexican border in pursuit of Francisco villa and his band of outlaws, according to reports from various points along

4500, commanded by Colonel George A. Dodd. It left Columbus, N. M., at 130 o'clock this morning, according to the reports.

orce, largely cavalry, had mobilized at Culberson's Ranch, three miles from border, south of Hachita, and was ready to follow the first division into

prorts say the force is obeying orders, going southward to join in the hunt fer Villa.

Conflicting reports tell of an attack on Hachita, N. M., one to the effect hat Villista raiders last night swooped down on the town, looting and ing. Another said Carranzistas made the attack, engaging the 7th Ditted States Cavalry and taking the town. Still another said all was goit at Hachita. The reports lacked confirmation. The Mexican headquarters at Juarez denied that Carranza forces had made any such attack.

southward in pursuit of Villa and that their leaders are confident of effecting the capture before the arrival of American forces.

rel Rojas, a powerful Carranza lieutenant at Ojinagas, aroused new fears American officialdom that Carrnza would not be able to hold his forces in theck and that the American expedition would meet armed opposition by the Constitutional troops.

other toward Chihuahua City or to the mountain fastnesses. At Chihuahua a strong Carranza garrison and an expedition of search is expected to tart from that point.

Mention of an article calculated to incite anti-American riots.

United States troops, detailed to hunt

Cavairy forces numbering 4500 men firmed that section of the punitive exmillion said to have crossed the border is Mexico from Columbus, N. M., early

column included portions of the

The column included portions of the life. 10th. 8th and 7th Cavalry. Accompanied by two ambulance companies and a field hospital company.

According to the reports, Col George A. Lond, commander of the 2d Cavalry begale, was in command of the invading comm. General Pershing having retained at Columbus. This was taken to man that Columbus would be only the first and not the only place where troops and enter Mexico to hunt down Villa. Wan the reports concerning the army weenents were taken to Major Barnum. General Punston's chief of staff, at Sandande, he said:

"I ran tell you nothing."

Tan tell you nothing."

General Funkton was seen later at his underse. He said:

of officially tell you whether have crossed the border, because, by I don't know. I have left all a General Pershing's hands. If he to Mexico early this morning I of yet received word to that effect." one of the invasion came from sevenius and all agreed that the start on made at about 2:30 o'clock this

was expected the advance guard all dash for Guzman, Mex., and estab-the first base of operations against

the latest reports early today Villa Tear the Galeana district, moving and Chihuahua City. General Luis urrez was to leave Juarez today for hahua City personally to lead the mana pursuit of the outlaw. His ear-statement that he had 6000 men on the hels already has been revised to differ in or en route to the Galeana. in or en route to the Galeana t to begin the pursuit.

rantistas have not given up hope their military activity toward cap-

Villa will prevent or at least post-Centinued on Page Four, Column One

THE WEATHER

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'y, music, money—more
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's hee days more till spring!"

FORECAST Philadelphia and violnity rning to snow and much colder with temperature fulling to rees by Thursday morning;
by partly cloudy and colder;
a northwest gales.

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PHILADELPHIA, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 1916.

PRICE ONE CENT

RUMOR OF CARRANZA REVOLT

he international boundary.

Part of the force invading Mexico is said to be a cavalry detachment

A message from Hachita, N. M., stated that a second expeditionary

Carranzistas, numbering approximately 1200, stationed at Las Palomas, miles south of Columbus, have evacuated the post, it is said, in revolt gainst Carranza, and are on their way to join Villa and his outlaws. Other

Frontier messages declare that Carranza forces are rapidly moving

Intimations continued that the Carranzistas were engaged in efforts to delay and finally prevent the punitive expedition, and fears of clashes between United States troops and the Carranzistas were not wholly relieved. The revolt of Carranzistas at Presidio, Tex., and the execution of Gen-

Villa is still in the Galeana region, according to latest reports, headed

The editor of a Carranza newspaper in El Paso was arrested for pub-

4500 U. S. SOLDIERS CROSS BORDER IN HUNT FOR VILLA. SAY REPORTS FROM FRONT

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Although there was not the slightest doubt that the Pershing expedition to "get Villa" was EL PASO. Tek., March 15. may have crossed the Mexican border w if on its way south from the New Mexican border, the War Department withheld official announcement today. There a sveral points, according to messages stated here today.
Official confirmation of the troop movement was not obtained.
Cavalry forces numbering 4500 men was no mistaking the air of expectancy, however, among the officers on duty. They of the punitive expedition, which now must engage in a race with the Carranzista

> Confidential advices from the border ow that Carranza now has more than half of his entire army tracking Villa and his officers are bending every effort to get him before the American forces reach the scene.

RACE TO GET VILLA STARTS

BETWEEN U. S. FORCES AND

TROOPS OF CARRANZISTAS

the scene.

The censorship over the operations on the border was made absolute today. Because of the danger of attempts to cross and attack isolated American towns or settlements, General Funston has spread his men all along the line. At certain places these forces have been made very strong because of secret information con-veyed to the War Department by the agents of the Department of Justice. But all information is withheld as to disposi tions to prevent the news reaching Mex-

was stated today that the response to the orders to recruit the army to full war strength probably will be the greatest in the States along the border. Nearly every recruiting officer in that section has a long waiting list of eligibles, and they will be sent for at once. While awaiting the certain favorable action of the Senate on the Hay resolution granting authority which passed the House yesterday the army experts will examine these men, perfect their enlistment papers and get them ready to start to the recruit bases at

There will be no attempt to drill these green men together. Instead, all will be sent directly to the border or to army posts where troops now are and incor-porated with the well-trained units already on duty. In this way the recruits will become immediately available for service, as they will be hedged in on every side by men who know the ropes. Secretary Baker declined to answer a question as to whether or not the War

Department had received the request the Carranza commander at El Paso to delay the American expedition after Villa. This was taken here to mean that the request had been received, but that no action would be taken regarding it. It was thought the request would be placed before the State Department and allowed to stay there without answer until after

to stay there without answer until after the expedition is well under way.

Annument was expected from General Funston today regarding reassignment of border patrols. Citizens of Arizona were especially fearsome of raids At Nogales and Agus Pietra Carrangista garrisons were reported withdrawn in the pursuit of Villa, leaving the Arizona border free to operations of small outlaw bands which recently have raided American ranches.

JOB FOR NEWSPAPER MAN

Elmer Schlichter Named Special Agent for Department of Wharves, Docks and Ferries.

Elmer Schlichter, 1611 North 17th street, who for ten years has been the City Hall representative of the Evening Bulletin, was today appointed to the position of special agent of the Department of Wharves, Docks and Ferries. The place carries a minry of \$2000 a year. In making the appointment, Director Webster stated that he wanted a nawe paper man for the place, as the duties of the office are fargely those of a publicity status.

SUBMARINE IN 15 DAYS OFFERED TO U. S. BY EDISON

ing of Aeroplanes Overnight

URGES BIG LABORATORY TEUTONS HOLD CORBEAUX

tion of Parts and Abolition of Red Tape

WASHINGTON, March 15.—"Give me the men, the material and the plant and I'll build you a submarine in 15 days," was the preparedness message delivered to the Henry N was the preparedness message delivered to the House Naval Afairs Committee to-day by Thomas A. Edison, the electrical and mechanical inventor. With wagging head and nervous gestures the genius gathered the committee in a little group about him and impatiently waved aside all objections to his creed of "standardization and speed."

Submarines in two weeks, aeroplanes overnight and all sorts of preparedness material in the twinkle of an eye, were promised the committee by the greatest inventor of his time. He explained in rapid short sentences how it could be

"Eliminate Government red tape," demanded Edison impatiently, shaking two accusing fingers at the committee, "and give us a Government laboratory whereby intensive experiments can be conducted and we can establish standards on which everything we need can be built."

"What kind of a submarine could you build in two weeks?" Representative Rob-

erts of Massachusetts asked. "Any kind of a submarine. The E-boat the Government is now building." returned Edison.

"You mean you could build one if you had all the material assembled?" "No. I could build it if I had the proper plant, the proper men, and a scrap heap," shouted the genius, wagging his head impatiently.

Mr. Edison was asked what the Gov-ernment ought to appropriate for yearly Continued on Page Seven. Column Three

VILLA, BELLOWING

IN RAGE, SPURRED MEN TO BUTCHER

Refugee Describes Maniacal Harangue Prior to Columbus Attack

"KILL THE AMERICANS"

EL PASO, March 15.-Francisco Villa halted his outlaws eight miles from the border to urge them on to butchery before he led them to the massacre of Ame: icans at Columbus.

Villa rode out before his men and put all the violence of his nature into a flery denunciation of the Americans. He shook his fists toward the sleeping American town while the curses fell from his frothing lips. As he roared out his impreca-tions, his men, who had been worn out by the long ride through the mountains secame a hysterical pack of human wolves They flung themselves upon the ground, sobbing and writhing at the feet of their leader. As the outlaws wept and bowled, Villa spurred them on. Finally he paused. There fell a silence as the men awaited

Vilia pointed to the lights of Columbus twinkling in the distance.

"Go and kill," he cried. "Kill the Amer-

With a shout, the men sprang to their horses, and as they spurred the jaded an-imals forward they shouted: "Kill the Americans."

As they g. nearer to the town Villa litted his arm. Once more his men were quiet and they began approaching Columbus stiently and cautiously.

The dramatic story of Villa's address hefore the massacre was brought to the border today by Edwin R. Spencer, a negro scout, who has been attached to the sions of the Pennsylvania and Reading Railroads is crippled. Ravines and cuts are filled with snow and miles of heavy

army for duty on the expedition. Spence saw the execution of the three American ranchers, Williams, McKinney and Cor Centinued on Page Five. Column One

THIEVES CUT WIRES; "OWL" TRAIN DELAYED

Newtown Division Signal System Crippled-Detectives Seek Robbers

The signal system of the Newtown Division of the Philadelphia and Read-ing Railway was crippled and a theatre train, crowded with passengers, was obliged to proceed at a snail's pace with an advance guard of detectives, after thieves had slashed 1200 feet of wire between Walnut Hill and Valley Falls.

Although the wire theft took place early esterday, it was not made known by the Abington police until today, when they arrested Louis White, who says he lives in Philadelphia.

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As soon as the train dispatcher at the Reading Terminal discovered the break he held up the "Owl" theatre train, which left the terminal at 12:10, and was heading toward the danger sone. The train slowed down as it neared Walnut Hill, and the conductor crawled out on the cowcatcher to make observations. Sergeant Ferguson and Policeman Nice, of Abington, and several railroad detectives preceded the slowly moving train for a distance of two miles to Valley Falls. The policemen and detectives were equipped with pocket lamps, and they searched the underbrush along the track. Passengers were mystified by the proceeding, but the crew of the train refused to give any explanation.

White was found hidding in a barn a short distance from the scene of the wire robbery. He gave two addresses in Philadelphia which the police say are fictilieus. The Ablegton police, with railroad detectives, are today searching the mighborhood for other men believed to have been implicated in the robbery.

Plan Also Includes Build- Germans Assert Big Gains Made Northwest of Verdun Forts

Wants Plant for Standardiza- Paris Says Counter-Assaults Regained Positions on Hill 265, Lost Yesterday

> Vicious French counter-attacks have halted the new German offensive launched yesterday on the west bank of the Meuse, northwest of Verdun, according to official dispatches from Paris this afternoon. Berlin, however, as serts the Germans have made impor tant gains.

The French War Office statement is apparently confirmed in the official statement from the German War Office. Berlin claims further gains by Silesian regiments at Le Mort Homme (Dead Man Hill), and the capture of 1025 French prisoners, and reports the repulse of four French counter-attacks. These gains, it is apparent, are those admitted in the French official statement, given out last night. The Germans did not return to the attack last night, the French War Office asserts.

Paris dispatches confirm the report that Germans attempted to encircle Bethincourt and Le Mort Homme (Dead Man Hill), after 36 hours' artillery preparation. Both positions are firmly held by the French, the French War Office announces, as well as the village

In announcing that the French hold the southern edges of Cumieres Wood." the Paris Office, however, admits for the first time that the Germans have recaptured a portion of the forest and all

recaptured positions taken by the Germans on Hill 265, the northeastern spur of Goose Hill.

up by a mine, the German War Office reports. Berlin also announces the destruction of two French aeroplanes northwest of Verdun and one English biplane near Bapaume.

MAYOR'S SON-IN-LAW GETS CITY JOB; HEAD OF RESEARCH BUREAU

Civil Service Commission Berth Has Nothing to Do With Relationship

PLACE PAYS \$1800 YEAR

Mayor Smith's Four Personal Appointments

Dr. Wilmer Krusen. Appointed physician to Smith family. Salary \$10,000.

Joseph C. Smith. Appointed private secretary to Mayor. Mayor Smith's brother. Salary \$6000.

trict elevator inspector. No relative to Mayor, although same surname. Employed as butler in Mayor's Glenside home. Salary

ed chief of investigation and re-search of Civil Service Commission. Job just created by Councils. Mayor's son-in-law. Salary \$1800. Total salaries of Mayor's per-

sonal appointees, \$18,800.

William S. Robertson, son-in-law of Mayor Smith, has been appointed chief of the Bureau of Investigation and Re-search of the Civil Service Commission by the Mayor.

but City Hall gossip indicated that Rob ertson would be the new chief in the new office, which pays \$1500 a year. Robertson will take charge of the new bureau tonight, to begin his duties tomor-row. Four weeks ago he was appointed acting special examiner for the commisacting special examiner for the commis-sion. Frior to that he was engaged in the roofing business with his brother. James G. Rebertson, a contractor, of \$176 Germantown avenue

Robertson married Miss Ruth Smith

Rumors in City Hall were confirmed by Robertson today, when he was asked about the reported appointment.

"Yes and no." he replied when asked if he were related to the Mayor.

"Are you a nephew?" he was asked.

"Nephew? No! I'm his son-in-law," was the reply. "And I'm a good friend

was the reply. "And I'm a good friend of the Mayor. But my appointment has absolutely nothing to do with my relationable with the Mayor. I presume that I was appointed because I possessed the necessary qualifications. I intend to get lists harmen at once to merve the com-

Continued on Page Pers. Column Four | Critics are making for pardon."

QUICK NEWS

P & O. LINER BURNS AT SEA, PASSENGERS SAVED

MARSEILLES, March 15 .- The steamship Karulak arrived here today with the passengers of the P. & O. liner Morea on board, the Morea having been abandoned by them on account of fire,

GERMANS TO CALL OUT BOYS OF 17

COPENHAGEN, March 15 .- The German War Office is preparing to call to the colors youths of 17 and 18 at the end of the month, it was reported here today.

NATIONAL TUBE COMPANY PLANT TO BE ENLARGED

PITTSBURGH, March 15 .- The seamless tube plant of the National Tube Company, at Elwood City, Pa., is to be enlarged. Announcement to this effect was made today by Judge Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the Board of Directors of the United States Steel Corporation. The sum of \$1(480,000 will be expanded on the improvements, which will greatly increase the capacity of the plant,

PRICE OF QUICKSILVER REDUCED

NEW YORK, March 15,-The price of quicksilver has been reduced to \$225 a flask, a decline of \$75 since March 1. The report is current in trade circles that Great Britain will remove the restriction on shipments of quicksfiver from Europe, thus releasing large stocks held abroad.

FOOD RIOTS IN BULGARIA; STORES RAIDED BUCHAREST, March 15.-Food riots have started in Varna and Philip-

popolis, Bulgaria. Stores were raided and foodstuffs seized.

tribute the proceeds to the new German war loan.

WILL ARREST BOYS FOUND "HITCHED ON BEHIND" In the hope of decreasing the death toll among children who steal rides the rear of wagons and other vehicles, Director of Public Safety Wilson, Superintendent of Police Robinson and Coroner Knight today authorized every

policeman in the city to stop any vehicle on which children are riding in the rear. The order gives authority to any policeman to stop any trolley car or wagon on which children are stealing rides and to arrest the offender and to send them to the House of Detention if they are under age. If the offenders are over 16 years of age they will be sent to the nearest police station

KAISER TO SELL HIS CASTLES

ROME, March 15,-Press dispatches received today from Switzerland say that the Kaiser has ordered the sale of several of his castles in order to con-

DUTCH SHIP DAMAGED AT SEA; CAUSE NOT TOLD LONDON, March 15.-The Dutch steamship Jan Van Nassau, bound from New York to Rotterdam, today signaled the wireless station at the Libard that

The Jan Van Nassau is a new yessel of 2320 tons, in the Holland-American trade.

she had been damaged at sea, but the nature of the accident was not given.

AUSTRIA DECLARES WAR ON PORTUGAL ROME, March 15.-Austria has declared war on Portugal, according to dispatches received here today. Dispatches from Geneva say Austria has recalled her Minister to Lisbon and has handed the Portuguese Minister his passports.

BRANDEIS GOT \$225,000 FEE IN OLD DOMINION CASE

WASHINGTON, March 14.-Louis D. Brandels received \$225,000 as his fee from the Old Dominion Copper and Smelting Company, so Charles S. Smith. president of the Old Dominion Company, told the Senate Investigating Committee today. He added that directors of the company believed they had got

SNOW DRIFTS 35 FEET HIGH IN NEW YORK STATE ROME, N. Y., March 15,-Snow from four to five feet deep covers a big area of central New York as the result of a storm which has lasted several days. At some places in the Adirondacks drifts are 35 feet high,

GOEBEN LANDS GUNS AT TREBIZOND

ATHENS, March 15 .- The Turkish cruiser Sultan Selim, formerly the German cruiser Goeben, according to Nea Hellas, has succeeded in eluding the Russian Black Sea fleet and landed a number of German officers and guns at Tre-

TWO AIRMEN OF CITY VOLUNTEER FOR U. S. SERVICE Two expert Philadelphia aviators have volunteered their services to the

War Department to assist in tracking Villa through Mexico. They are Harvey Wilbur Kays and Haldeman von Figyelmessy, both of the Aero Club of

DISABLED MUNITIONS SHIP CONTINUES VOYAGE

NEW YORK, March 15 .- The steamship Zealandia, of the Federal Forwarding Company, reported in trouble, is proceeding on her way following slight difficulty with the steering gear, Captain Barlow reported today in a wireless message to the company's offices. The Zealandia gave her position as 680 miles from New York bound to Malta. She is laden with munitions for the British

AUSTRIA SAYS ALLIES TORPEDOED UNARMED SHIPS

WASHINGTON, March 15.—The Austrian Embassy here today filed a formal nemorandum with the State Department, alleging that the Entente Allies' aubmarines had torpedoed two unarmed Austrian passenger steamships without warning. The vessels were the Daniel Erno and the Zagreb. The attacks occurred in the Adriatic. The Austrian statement said that both vessels escaped by skilful maneuvers. Officials at the State Department indicated that no action would be taken by this Government, as it is not concerned.

WILL NOT ABANDON PLATTSBURG CAMPS

Military training camps will be held this summer at Plattsburg according to schedule, despite the report published in New York to the effect that the camps would be abandoned due to shortage of officers. The Military Training Camp Association, composed of Philadelphians who have taken the course at Plattsburg, an announcement to this effect today, after being assured by General Scott, Chief-of-Staff, U. S. A., that the camps would be held during the summer months from May to August.

NEW REVOLUTION IN CHINA

WASHINGTON, March 15.-New revolutions have broken out in China, according to dispatches received at the Navy Department today from Admirat Winterhalter, commanding the Asiatic fleet. Rebels, he reported are plainting an attack in force on Luchow and fighting is in progress in the provinces of Chichiang and Hunan-

BRITISH CRUSH REVOLT IN EGYPT

LONDON, March 15.-According to an official dispatch from Carro, made public here, the revolt of the Senussi on the western frontier of Egypt has completely collapsed "Our forces under Major General Peyton," the disputch mays. will occupy Sollum (the outpost on the Tripoli frontier, evacuated last full when the Senusal want on the warpath) today. The Senusal camp at M'Sead in reported unoccupied and no opposition is expected. The Bedouins who elected in join forces with Seyyid Ahmed (the Arab robel leader) are demoralized and sur fering greatly from hunger and disappointment. The Sheik Harun of Eawlet Harun, cast of Merm Matruh (where the Senural were routed by the British In January) has surrendered and is in our camp. The head men of the Atlant Ab



A. T. DICE IS ELECTED PRESIDENT OF READING TO SUCCEED VOORHEES

Vice President and Traffic Manager Chosen to Principal Post by Board of Directors

STARTED AS FLAGMAN

Agnew T. Dice, vice president and general manager of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company, was elected president of the road at a meeting of the board of directors held, at the Reading Terminal this afternoon. He succeeds Theodore Voorhees, who died at his home in Elkins Park last Saturday night. Mr. Dice has been connected with the railroad since 1891.

Since Mr. Dice had been reported as the most likely successor to Mr. Voor-hees, his election today was not a surprise.
Mr. Dice was born at Scotland, Pa.

November 2, 1892, and has been in the service of the Reading Railway since April 1, 1894. He began railroad work in 1881 as a flagman with a Pennsylvania April 1, 1894. He began railroad work in 1881 as a flagman with a Pennsylvania Railroad engineer corps. From 1882 to 1887 he was rodman and assistant engineer on the same road, and from 1887 to 1888 was engaged on special work in connection with signals at Altoona. Subsequently he was made assistant supervisor of signals for the Pennsylvania Railroad, remaining in that capacity until 1890, when he was promoted to supervisor of signals. He continued in that position until January 1, 1892, when he went to the New York Central as superintendent, of signals. On January 1, 1893, he was made assistant superintendent of the Hudson division of that road, which position he filled until April I, 1894, when he was made superintendent of the Reading's Atlantic City Railroad. After remaining there nearly three years.

After remaining there nearly three years, he was appointed, on January I, 1897, as-sistant superintendent of the Reading division in charge of terminals in Philadelphia, and on February 1 following was promoted to his present position as super-intendent of the Shamokin division. Since then he has been with the Reading eral superintendent, general manager and

vice president and general manager. Mr.
Dice is a member of the Union League,
Rittenhouse Club, Engineers' Club of Philadelphia, New York Railway Club, Seaview Golf Club and Berkshire Country CENTRE OF STATE

GRIPPED BY BLIZZARD State College Men Shovel Train Out of Drifts-40-Mile

· Gale Blowing

SUNBURY, Pa., March 15. — Central Pennsylvania is in the grip of a flerce blizzard which started early last night. now is falling and a 40-mile-an-hour gale s blowing. Railroad service on the mountain divi-

drifts were encountered between here and Bellefonte.
State College students were marooned n a train and helped to shovel it out. A freak of the storm was a lightning display in the heavens and thunder.

LA PRIMA FASE DELLA BATTAGLIA DI GORIZIA

La Lotta Si Riaccende Con Un Importante Successo Italiano a San Martino

Con la loro violenta offensiva, violenta specialmente nel esttore compreso tra il Sabotino e l'altipiano di Doberdo', gli ital-iani hanno iniziato ormai la battaglia di iorizia. La lotta si e' accessa in particolar modo vigorosa tra il villaggio di San Martino ed il Monte San Michele. a sud di Gorizia, dove la brigata Regina formata del reggimenti di fanteria 910 e 1910, lanciata ad un assalto alla baionetta dopo una terribile preparazione di artiglieria, ha conquistato una forte trincea austrinche che formava il perro della difesa di quella zona. Si tratta probablimente della quota 197, nelle vicinanze dell Chiesa di San

nonostante che gli italiani abbiano occu-pato tre delle quattro somnita' principali, esiste tuttora una formidabile serie di trincee blindate e murate. (Leggere in 7a pagina le ultime e plu' dettagliate notizie sulla guerra, in ital-

San Martino e' una frazione Sagrado,

ma ha importanza apeciale perche' vi passa la linea delle trittee nemiche e perche' di li' si sale al San Michele dove.

House Debates Sugar Bill MASHINGTON, March 18.—The House this afternoon took up for consideration the sugar bill, which continues the present duty of 1 cent a pound, which automatically expires May 1 under the Enderwood tariff bill. No limit was set on the debate, but it is expected to be finished tomarrow. The present tax nets the Goyarament \$40,000,000 yearly.

FRENCH ATTACKS HALT FOE'S RUSH WEST OF MEUSE

of Cumieres, east of Dead Man Hill.

of Corbeaux Woods. French counter-attacks, Paris reports,

An English position near Neuve Chappelle, with its occupants, was blown

BERLIN, March 15. German troops have occupied the crest Continued on Page Two, Column Two

William S. Robertson Says

Director of the Department of Pub-lic Health and Charities. Family

Herman Smith. Appointed dis-

William S. Robertson. Appoint-

NEPOTISM (nep-o-tim), s. — Favoritism shown to nephews and other relatives; be shown of patronage by reason of relationship rather than of merit. From nepodism Alexander, V was safe, fo "From nepatism Alexander V was safe, for he was without kindred or relatives." Milman. —WEINTER'S NEW INTERNATIONAL DIC-TIONARY.

This became known today. The posi-tion was created by Councils several weeks ago. The appointment came soon thereafter, aithough until today nothing

the Mayor's daughter, a year ago. Their home is at 106 West Cliveden avenue, Rumors in City Hall were confirmed by