GERMAN ATTACKS FORCE FOES BACK **UPON VAUX LINES**

Second Terrific Attack North of Verdun Wins Part of Town

TEUTONS IN MALANCOURT

French Guns Mow Down Advancing Troops of Crown Prince Like Grain

PARIS, April 1. German troops renewed their terrific at-tacks against the fortifications of Verdun, on the east bank of the Meuse, dur-he night. They delivered two at-with strong forces against Vaux. The first one according to the official com-munique issued by the war office this af-ternoon, was checked by rife and artillery fire, but in the second the Germans directed their efforts to the west of Vaux and succeeded in gaining a foothold in the outlying houses.

munique states that the Gersuffered heavy losses in their as-

further infantry attacks were No further infantry attacks were launched by the Germans in the Maian-court region during the night, but it is expected that another offensive will be opened there in a few hours.

The defense of Malancourt was one of the most heroic episodes of the war. In the all-night, house-to-house fighting that

the all-hight, house-to-house fighting that resulted in the French retirement, 1980 French soldiers stubbornly resisted Ger-man troops, whose number is estimated at from 20,000 to 20,000 men. What the defenders lacked in numbers they made up in machine guns. Every bit of shelter hid one of these death-dealing machines, and when the Germans, from three directions, swarmed into the village, they, as a French officer described it, "fell like flies" before the deadly fire.

Only eight yards separated the successive waves of German troops and the machine guns' execution was terrific. The first attacks were stopped dead be fore the wire entanglements.

General Petain had ordered the ad-

vanced battalion to evacuate the salient after inflicting heavy losses on the assult-Owing to the density of the attackers, the order was amply fulfilled in the first hour of the battle, but it was

two o'clock in the morning before the batallion began to withdraw. One company remained to protect the retirement. Under cover of the ruins of houses in the eastern part of the village this company raked with rifle and machinegun fire a Bavarian regiment attempting to clear the ruins. When word arrived that the main part of the battalion had reached cover, the remnant of the heroimany fell back to trenches fifty yards from the eastern limit of Malancourt There the French heroes are standing to prevent the Germans debouching from

SEGER ASKS COMPLETE TAYLOR TRANSIT PLAN

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over 19th street and Henry street to h. A high-speed railway to be located mainly on the surface of the land, without grade crossings, ex-tending from a point of connection with the Frankford elevated line in Prankford to a point near Bustle-ton, thence near City Farms at By-berry to the northerly section of the 35th Ward.

Sixth Ward.

Sixth A subway railway, if required by City Councils as a connection between the elevated railways leading to Frankford and to Darby, such subway to be built mainly under Chestnut street.

In November last voted on the constitutional amendment increasing the borrowing capacity from 7 to 10 per cent, for the purposes therein named, and particularly for transit. It seems to me that it is only proper at this time that the people should get what they voted for, and that no diverting of this mey for purposes other than that specifically enumerated should be tolerated.

"The amendment that I propose to offer carries out the features of the Taylor

McFerran street mentioned in the Seger statement runs southwest from Old York road, and is practically the same as Pike street, the northern end of the Broad street subway under the Taylor plan. Asked today if he would step out if the Mayor adopted the Taylor plans, Mr. Twining said he would not answer any

hypothetical questions. "I have only read the statement in the official demand for me to resign. My happens. I do not anticipate anything.

I have submitted my recommendations and it is up to Councils to approve or rethem. I have no apologies to make

and my conscience is clear."

In West Philadelphia especially the opposition to the Twining plan is emphatic.

A meeting will be held on Monday night
by the Aliled Business Men's Association
and the West Philadelphia Councilmatic
Association at the latter head-universe. Association, at the latters headquarters, \$109 Chestnut street, when steps will be taken in the hope of eliminating the Twining plans from all consideration.

ASK TWINING TO RESIGN. Following the demand of Chairman Mc-Faydan, of the All Philadelphia Transit League, for Mr. Twining's resignation, many other organizations have made a similar issuest Their views follow: John T. Pediow, president of the Wood-land Avenue Business Man's Association. "The situation is either a man controlled by somebody else or at least not in ac-

me situation is either a man controlled summehody eine or at least not in acritance with the ideas of the people. The people is a first in the controlled by the ayer? Certainly, I have more confince in a man with the integrity of Mr. Other. If there is no other way to get ound the situation, the resignation of rector Twining should be asked for." Character Twining should be asked for. Character Twining should be asked for."

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see thousands of others.

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The probability that the item for transit in the municipal loan will be increased from \$35,000,000 to \$50,000,000 caused considerable speculation in City Hall and transit circles today following the Segerstatement. To give the people what they demand would require about \$50,000,000. As the bonds would not have to be sold until the money is actually needed for the transit contracts there would be no loss in either interest or sinking fund charges by making the transit item as large as will be needed eventually. In, the \$95,000,000 loan projected last December an Hem of \$50,000,000 for transit was included, which, according to the estimates of former Director Taylor would have completed the entire comprehensive have completed the entire comprehensive program of high-speed subway and ele-vated lines.

At the meeting of the Financial Committhe meeting of the Financial Commit-tee on Wednesday when the complete plans of Director Twining were made public, Select Councilman Harry J. Train-er, of the 3d Ward, suggested that the transit item be increased to the larger amount. To follow out this suggestion it was declared in transit circles today, will be the first step of the Administration to prove that it intends to keep faith with the people

Director Twining has also been request-ed to appear before the Finance Committee on Monday. Whether or not the Director will be grilled by the members of the com-mittee is not known. It is understood, however, that he will be ready to offer arnents in defense of his plans

DELAY IN TRANSIT CALLED CRIMINAL BY FAMOUS ENGINEER

Joseph T. Richards Suggests Hanging for Men Responsible for Plan to Hold Up Program

L E T EXPERT DECIDE

In the opinion of Joseph T. Richards the delay in giving Philadelphia such rapid transit as A. Merritt Taylor planned is

Mr. Richards is the retired P. R. R. engineer, as famous for his works outside this city as he is for accomplishments Among other things he helped build the Market stree subway and the Hudson River tunnels for the Pennsylvania Rall Talking about the transit situation today he exploded:

The person responsible for the delay in pushing rapid transit plans through should be hanged; the action is criminal." Then he relaxed and smiled, "That"

going pretty strong for a Quaker," he said but it gives an idea of the way I feel. Mr. Richards is for anything that will do away with the holding up of what

ought to be done right away. "Time is money." he said, "and the most costly thing about the transit bill before it's paid." he said, "will be waiting until we get it." This is his solution

"It seems all sides are deadlocked. What's worse, everybody seems to be going the step beyond disagreement, and reaching the stage of anger. If they can't got fogether they ought to summon some outside expert, and put the matter up to him. Both sides have their plans worked out and an expert could study the situation and give a decision in less than a

Mr. Richards thought George Fillmore Swain, of Boston, would be the ideal

Professor Swain, he said, had been all through the mill; he had planned Boston's whole subway system, had been a great administrator (find still is), and a great educator (head of the engineering lepartment at the Massachusetts Institute Technology).
"It would cost a good deal of money to

get him." said Mr. Richards, "but you would have a man of tremendous ability and absolute integrity—a man whom no influence but the facts could reach." Mr. Richards said later in the inter-view that Professor Swain was the only

man in the country that could be picked sible peer of A. Merritt Taylor granted that one could be picked at all.

Money spent getting him to solve the tangle, he thought, would be well spent regardless of the amount, because no ex-penditure for an opinion like his could possibly equal the criminal waste now resulting from inaction, he said.

A Merritt Taylor's plan, Mr. Richards thinks, makes the absolute transit ideal for the city to grow to. The Smith administration plans he considers money virtually thrown away. He spoke so highly of Mr. Taylor that he was asked if he considered him a 190 per cent. man. "Hardly that," he answered. "I should

say a 99.97 per cent man." Mr. Twining, too, he considers as exthe Market street subway to prove it. The plans that have been criticised so much he doesn't consider the child of Mr. Twining's brain. He takes the view that Mr Twining was told to work out plans or a certain assignment and worked them

out as expertly as any one could do.
"I don't see." Mr. Richards said, "where the P. R. T. has any kick coming. If the Taylor plans are followed the P. R. T. will make money by operating the lines or so will any company which operates them. It's practically a sure thing. It will work out here as it did in Boston, where the city built the lines and a private corpora-tion operated them, and everybody made

He reverted to the theme of delay, say

"Who is responsible for holding up the "Who is responsible for holding up the plans is largely a guess, but I suppose everybody would guess the same. That must be stopped. That sort of thing can't be condemned too much. Everything has been worked out down to the last minute detail, and it's a crime to cast all saide for something that the sponsors ought to know won't be acceptable to the public." "Do you think that a man of only half intelligence would fail to recognize the auperiority of the Taylor plans over the city administration plans?" Mr. Richards

"A man of one-third intelligence could cognize that," he replied, "but then recognize that." he replied, "but then you know the old saying: 'None are so blind as those that won't see." Mr. Richards favored a bit of a com-

promise.
"If all that's holding the Mayor is the question of locating the City Hall station," he said. "then I'd favor giving in somewhat on that point. The station—to please him. mind you—could be located north of the City Hall and the four tracks. and every other detail be arranged for anyway. I wouldn't put it so far north as to make impossible the transferring of passengers from the Broad street subway to the Market street subway. But that would be to make the Mayor agreeable; as an engineering question it outs no ice at all. The station could very well be located under the Hall without the slight-

est difficulty."

"If the City Hall is weak in its foundations, as has been suggested, wouldn't the
building of the underground station furush an opportunity to strongthen it?"

Mr. Richards answered:

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altrast are invitation. But the people ejected the Mayor and they could afford to ini him have his way in thi. I may this because we sught to get started, and if that would refleve the deadlock Fm for it. Title detay—may it again—is oriminal."

Auto Hits Boy, Then Speeds On

MEXICAN CAMPAIGN AT A GLANCE



The map shows development of the punitive expedition sent against Villa from the start at Columbus, N. M., to the scene of yesterday's conflict, when the bandit chief was wounded and his forces routed. The route of the United States troops was from Columbus to Colonia Diaz, to Casas Grandes, to Pearson, where Colonel Dodd continued along the railroad to Madera and General Pershing went around the hills to Namiquipa. These points have become the bases of the two divisions. Colonel Dodd chased Villa from Guerrera to near La Junta, where yesterday's conflict took place. In the meantime, General Pershing is leading his forces toward Terrezas to cut off an at-tempted escape in this direction. The Carranzistas, working from Chihuahua, are believed to have troops from that city as far as

LIFE IN JAIL AS A PIRATE FACES SCHILLER, MARINE BANDIT

Threats were being made that Schiller ought to be "hanged as a pirate." As these threats continued a high-speed automobile

HANDCUFFED TO DETECTIVES.

"We are going to take you to New York," said Justice Register.

"You said Justice Register.

Several times the automobile stopped at different points. Schiller smoked eigars. He talked constantly about his capture of the Matoppo. During the last

nand," replied Schiller. Schiller was handcuffed to Detective Correll. He sat between the detective and Doctor Messick. Two other guards armed with revolvers were also in the machine. A second large automobile carry ing newspapermen followed.

The village town hall was jammed with fishermen, travelers, "natives," children, women, farmers, sailors and constables from nearby towns when the machine,

containing Schiller left Lewes. HISSED BY SAILORS I may be back again in the Breakwater with another ship soon," were Schiller's parting words. His threat was hissed, es-

ecially by the sea captains. The machine took a read not known to most automobilists. This was done for fear that friends of Schiller might follow. Justice Register took along with him sev-eral "John Doe" warrants, which he an-nounced he would serve on any person who attempted to interfere with him.

roads, across railroad crossings, up inclines, across fields and through valleys.

"If you don't answer me I will be at the appointed place because I feel certain that you will be there. So please do not The chauffeurs of both cars were disappoint me."

Instructed to put on full speed. It was thought "German sympathizers" might be in the car. The automobile containing Schiller succeeded in getting out of the sight of the mysterious automobile

York," said Justice Register.

"You can take me to any place you folded new details as to what occurred choose, but don't put me aboard the Majoro, to details as to what occurred after he ordered Captain Bergner, of the Matoppo, to take off his heat with the mand," replied Schiller.

word "Captain" inscribed on it and told him to place it on his. Schiller's, head,

TELLS OF LOVE AFFAIR. Once during the trip Schiller unfolded a

The romance dealt with a love affair with a French-American young lady the daughter of a respectable family liv ing at Salem. He gave her name as Rose Gaborio. He admitted that it was her money (\$59) which actually helped him to finance his expedition to capture the Ma-"But Rose Gaborio never had anything

to do with the capturing of the Matopp insisted Schiller. The detective wearied of the story.

"Why speak of love?" he yawned. As Schiller spoke he displayed a letter. It was written by Miss Gaborio to Schiller on the business writing paper of a prom-inent Salem lumber firm. In the letter she addressed him as "Dear Clarence." The writer of the letter who signed her-

ounced he would serve on any person self "Sincerely yours. Rose," asked Schiller to meet her at an appointed place in Salem during the last week in March. A

SCHILLER TELLS STORY OF HIS LIFE TO EVENING LEDGER MAN

Born in Russia and Bred in England, Captor of Matoppo Deserted From English Army, Came to U. S. as Stowaway and Then Conceived His Exploit

Ernest Schiller, who, single-handed, captured the Matoppo, dictated the story of his life today to a reporter of the EVENING LEDGER. His story follows:

I was born December 31, 1893, in Petrograd, Russia. My father, Richard Schiller, who is the director of a large textile factory in Moscow and my mother now reside in a little town near Moscow. I folks I ever saw. have two brothers and two sisters, both of whom at present are attending a uni-versity in South England. My parents are of German descent. For generations our ancestors have had a bitter hatred toward the English. However, my father sent the English. However, my father sent me to a university in England to be educated.

"When I was 11 years old my father ent me to a private boarding school in condon. I left the boarding school two years later and was placed in another school where I remained until I was graduated and returned to my parents' home in Petrograd. Later I returned to England and attended a university, but do not care to mention the name because my sisters and brothers are about to be graduated and I do not desire to give hem any notoriety.

"I left the university when I was 21 years old. After that I became a roamer and have been one over since. It was my father's intention that I should become a textile engineer. I took up this course for a while and dropped it.

STOLE WAR CRAFT PLANS. "When I was barely 22 years old I ob-tained a position in a large munition plant located in Harrow-in-Furniss, which is in Cumberland County, England. While working at this munition plant I successed in getting hold of many plans for submarines and other wareraft.

marines and other warcraft.

"I want the American public to clearly understand and also to believe me that I am not a German spy. I was never a npy. Of course I hated the English nation, but not once did I betray any of England's naval secrets to Germany—the country which my parents sisters, brothers and I leve. I simply studied the plans to become acquainted with them from a mechanical and educational viewpoint.

"I left the mynition plant at Regrow in

"I left the munition plant at Barrow-in-Furnites and went to work for different English firms. White at the university and also white working at the Barrow-in-Furnish plant I posed as an Englishman. I

"One day I was assigned, with a bunch

of other recruits, to go with my regiment to Salisbury Plains, in England, which is a military camp. There I drilled daily with many soldiers who are now members of Field Marshal Kitchener's own regiment. I became disgusted after being at Salisbury Plains a few weeks and made up my mind to desert. I never enlisted as a patriot. I simply became an English soldier for the devilishness that was in me. Say, you ought to see Field Marahai Kitchener's box. The first thing that they Kitchener's boys. The first thing that they ask for when they open their eyes is for ham and eggs and marmalade. Most of the soldiers are quitting Kitchener because they can't get enough ham and eggs and jelly for their bread. DESERTS FROM ARMY.

"One night I walked out of the camp. I succeeded in passing the sentry. I suppose he had his mind on ham and eggs and jelly. I made my way to the next largest city, and by slow progress succeeded in reaching Hult. I arrived at Hull on April 15, 1915, and boarded the Wilson liner Colorado, which sailed the Hull on April 15, 1915, and boarded the Wilson liner Colorado, which sailed the following day for New York. I didn't board the steamer as a first-class or stearage passenger. I simply stowed away, I was discovered two days after the ship was out and I was put to work as an oiler. A first-class passenger, with whom I became acquainted gave me one dollar during the trip. The ship landed in New York harbor about April 10, 1915. "Soon after the ship dropped anchor I got off. I won't tell you how I succeeded in getting off the vessel. That's something for the Government and the steamship company to find out. I found myself in Hattery Park with that dollar bill which the first-class passenger gave me. I in Battery Park with that dollar bill which the first-class passenger gave me I walked up Bowling Green. Then I found myself on Broadway and later I was on the Bowery I walked many miles that day until I cound myself in a freight yard and boarded a freight car. Trainment discovered me. I told them that I was a German houset and broke. I asked them to permit me to ride until I reached some country than. They allowed me to remain from the train until I.

For some reason, Miss Gaborio, who is the daughter of a well to do family, always insisted on calling me Clarence.' Our acquaintance ripened into piatonic love. I still love her now and am anxious to know how she feels toward me at the present time DECIDES TO CAPTURE SHIP. "I left Salem three weeks ago. Before leaving that place Miss Gaborio loaned me \$50. I went to Worcester, Mass. and worked for a little while in a textile fac-tory. With the \$50 given to me by Miss Gaborio I went to New York. Ten days ago I made up my mind to capture an English ship. With the few dollars of the \$50 I had left I went to Hoboken and the \$50 I had left I went to Hoboken and purchased my revolvers at a store called the New Shop. Then I visited the river front and made up my mind to capture the Matoppo. The rest of the story has been told. I had four accomplices, but they were nothing but plain "river rats" or bums. They agreed to stick by me, but didn't have the nerve. I promised to make them officers of the Mctoppo. At the appointed time the four men now failed to show up. I had my revolvers, 312 cartridges, and my plans were ready to be executed. I decided to capture the to be executed. I decided to capture the ship singlehanded, and I succeeded. I made my one mistake, and that was trying to get ashore. If everything had turned out as I originally planned I would have salled the ship to Mexico and prob-ably sold the vessel to Villa or to some revolutionist.

where I became acquainted with a protty young Frenchwoman whose name is Rose Gaborio. Here is her letter in which she addresses me as 'dear Clarence.

"HAD LOTS OF FUN." "I had lots of fun, I am glad that I had he satisfaction of making the captain of the Matoppe take off his gold-braided coat, his captain's hat and belt. I put these on myself and for a while had the ship under German command. I take my hat off to the second officer of the Matoppo. He is a man of his word. He could have shot ne several times if he wanted to violate his promise. After capturing the Matoppo he promised me that he wouldn't touch his revolver and he didn't.

"I'm ready to take my medicine and hope that the punishment won't be hard. When I'm free I shall capture another ship, but it won't be a steamship carry ing freight exclusively.

"My next ship will be an ocean grey

bound and I may say right now the ves sel to be captured by Ernest Schiller will be the Mauretania. "My last wish before I am placed in a cell is that I will be forgiven by Miss Gaborio."

Evest Schilley SAN MARINO 'ELECTS'

Smallest Republic in World Knows How to Do Away With Campaign Oratory

TWO RULERS TODAY

REPUBLIC OF SAN MARINO, —San Marino, the smallest republic in he world and the oldest independent State n Europe, is holding its semi-annual elec-ion today, in about the same way that hey raffic off a turkey in America.

The United States uses eight months of ervid campaign oratory to elect a single resident. San Marino elects two today in eight hours. Twelve centuries of ex-perience have convinced the 11,000 in-habitants of the Lilliputian republic that they can get as good a president by draw-

The Grand Council met today and se lected 12 presidential electors by drawing names at random from a box. The 12 electors afterward nominated six nobles and six civilians. From this list the Grand Council chose three nobles and three ivilians, the actual candidates.

Following a torchlight precession to-night, all the people who can crowd into the Cathedral will witness the "election." A solemn religious function will first be celebrated. Then a blindfolded child will draw two printed slips from the six held by the priest. The men whose names are on these two slips are the presidents, or "regent captains."

The successful candidates can't refuse the jobs. If they do they are fined \$100

and suffer other penalties.

AUTOMATIC DOORS END FIRE

Workmen Rush Out of Oil Room and Flames Are Smothered Automatic doors smothered a fire in the

plant of the Barret Manufacturing Com-pany, Margaretta and Bermuda streets, to-day. The fire started in one of the huge ight oil vats, where thousands of gallons of oll were at a boiling point.
One of the workmen allowed the pip

One of the workmen allowed the pipe feeding the vat to overflow, according to the police. The oil ran over the sides into the flames and in an instant the room was ablaze. As if by a signal, the hundred workmen rushed out and doors and windows automatically shut. The fire was sealed within the one room, which was constructed of iron. The fire continued to have notificate account of the continued to account the content of the continued to account the content of the co ourn until the oxygen had been exhausted and by the time the firemen had arrived it had burned itself out. Oil valued at several hundred dollars was lost,

Woman, Ill, Despondent, Dies of Gas Efforts to forestall the effects of gas which she inhaled Thursday morning end her life proved futlis, and Mrs. Cath-erine Gannon, 58 years old, of 1806 North Camac street, died early today at St. Joseph's Hospital Mrs. Gannon, who had been ill and despondent for several weeks, was found unconscious in her room on Thursday morning.

Thirty Years in the Postal Service Congratulations were given Maurice Walsh, 5023 Chester avenue, today, in honor of his 30 years in the postal service. Walsh is secretary to Edward W. Alex-ander, chief clerk of the postoffice.

TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

ELL.—Suddenly, on March St. 1916 JD-SEPH, son of the late Joseph and Sarah Neil Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral on Monday atternoon, at 1 30 o'clock, from his late residence, 1020 Parkelde ave. Service at St. Asatha & Church, 38th and Spring Garden Sts., at 230 o'clock. Interment private. Remains may be vinered Sunday evening, 7 to 9.

HELP WANTED-FEMALE

COOK, white Protestant; country place near Reading 17 Apply stating caparisnes, to Cadar Hill Farm, Reading Pa. DRESSIALCERS to learn operating on welsts \$15 to \$18. Adelphi Walst Co., \$37 N. 7th street.

HELP WANTED-MALE

TO GUERRERO HILLS

I made up my mind to go to some large town. At Salem. Mass, I obtained a position with the Boylestown Company in the callco department. While in Salem I lived at 15 Harbor street and my roommate was a young Frenchman named Napoleon Leavengue. He was the best fellow I ever met. From Salem I went to Plainfield, Conn. I kapt away from New York because I was afraid that I would be caught by the immigration authorities and be deported back to England. I forgot to tell you that while I worked in Salem I went under the name of Frank Robinson. From Plainfield I went to Boston. Then I went to Danbury and later found myself again in Salem, where I became acquainted with a pretty Continued from Page One
into American territory reached here early
this morning. It was to the effect that
a small body of bandits had crossed the
border 10 miles east of El Paso and
robbed an American ranch house. The report was brought by an employe of the
Interurban Street Car Line and a detachment of soldiers was immediately sent
along the border to investigate.
Villa has not only been defeated by the
American troops, but his forces in the
Torreon district also, led by General
Canuto Reys, have been defisively beaten
in a battle with Carranza troops. Reys

in a battle with Carranga troops, Rey was attempting to destroy the railroad near Torreon when he was surprised by a Government force and suffered heavy

Heavy rains have set in along the bor-der and far south in Mexico. It is be-lieved, however, that the American troopneved, however, that the American troop-ers are pursuing Villa despite the water pouring down the guilles and making the paths increasingly difficult to follow. Somewhere, just a few hours before them, it was reported that Villa and his scattered men were making an effort to reassemble. Villa himself was carried on

a litter by chosen followers,
Some reports conveyed information that Villa had gathered scattered forces at some rendezvous and was preparing to fling them at Chihuahua City in a last desperate effort to recoup. His defeat at Geronimo meant something than the loss of 30 men, and his ablest general, Elisco Hernandez. It meant a powerful blow at his "amigos" in the Guerrero country.
Villa had promised that he would wip-

the American expedition out and send it flying back to the border. Villa was con-fident that American cavalry could never operate successfully against his own wild

"Their horses are too big," he said.
"They are clumsy. They cannot live in mountains,"

It was just this view that accounts for the surprise at San Geronimo. Villa's scouts had reported that the American cavalry was 55 miles away. General Hernandez received the reports and no doubt was moved by Villa's contempt for the American cavalry. He made camp, Meanwhile Colonel Dodd and his cavalry-men were pounding their way from the neighborhood of Namiquipa.

As they approached the Villista camp, the Americans spread out. They approached through arroyes and guilles. Hernandez's men were at mess. The men sat wrapped in their serapes, making a meal of cracked corn and evil-smelling coffee. American carbines began to crack before Villistas were aware the enemy was within 40 miles. The Mexican return of the bombardment of the Americans was wild and showed the characteristic abandon with within 140 Mexican return of the bombardment of the Americans was wild and showed the characteristic abandon with within the Mexican return of the characteristic abandon with within the Mexican return of the service of the characteristic abandon with which the Mexican return of the service of the characteristic abandon with the characteristic abandon with which the Mexican return of the service of the characteristic abandon with the service of the service of the characteristic abandon with the service of the se istic abandon with which the Mexican

wastes ammunition.

The complete report of that rout was still awaited today, but some of its de-tails were known. It was enough to know that American cavalry had Villa on the run and was wearing the legs off

the Villista horses.

There is still some doubt regarding the fate of Pablo Lopez, the Villa "butcher." Once he was reported killed at the Co-lumbus massacre. Later he was reported wounded. Now comes the report that he lagged behind his men and was taken at San Geronimo. But Lopez, murderer though he is, is less than secondary con-Americans is the picture of Pancho Villa roaring in his rage, trying to rally his panicky followers about his litter.

\$50,000 REWARD FOR VILLA MAY PROMPT BETRAYAL

WASHINGTON, April 1.—With Villa's personal command smashed by Colonel Dodd and his swift cavalry troops, officials expect here momentarily the news of his capture and the final extinction of his gang as an effective band of bandits. his gang as an effective band of bandits.

Divested of his prestige, Villa will find
much less support and aid among the
peon inhabitants of his old stamping
grounds than formerly, if army officers
who have served on the border understand the Mexican character.

News that some one of his followers
had succumbed to the temptation of the
\$50,000 reward for his body, dead or alive,
is not unexpected, now that the probability of a deadly vengeance is not so im-

ity of a deadly vengeance is not to attempt the deed. At any rate Villa is sorely wounded and probably will be unable to shake off his pursue able to be moved along the mountain cliffs and gulches with enough speed to clude the galloping Americans,

Once Villa is taken, or positive news that he is dead is received, the American troops will march out of Mexico, according to all reports, with the utmost good feeling of the de facto Government and the respect of the Mexican people. Their abandonment of Mexican soil will be prompt. In line with the Administration's determination to show that determination to show that the expedition was turely punitive.

Latest reports have Villa, his hip mashed and a bullet through his leg, being hurried away as fast as the peril ous mountain trails will permit, presum ly to some mountain fastness. With the American and Carranzista

troops, however, are men who know this region only slightly less than the bandits It would not surprise the War Depart-

ment to have the message of congratula-tion, sent last night by the President and Secretary Baker to General Pershing and Colonel Dodd, crossed by messages from the latter telling the final success of the expedition. It is emphatically declared, on the other hand, that a long, hard huit may yet be ahead of the troops.

VILLA MAY DIE OF WOUNDS AS HE FLEES AMONG HILLS

QUERETARO, Mex. April I.—General Alvaro Obregon, Minister of War, was notified today that Francisco Villa was wounded during the recent battle between Carranzistas and bandit forces at Nami-quipa. Villa was shot in the knee. EL PASO, April 1 .- If his wounds are

as serious as reported, the possibility was discussed here of Villa perhaps dying from lack of medical attention. He was from lack of medical attention. He was officially said to be permanently disabled by Wednesday's rout. Word of further fighting in the three days that have elapsed since the first clash between the expedition's vanguard and Villa's forces, was momentarily expected. The pursuit was believed to have been resumed after Colonel Dodd's men rested from the long night ride to Villa's camp and the five-hour running fight which scattered the bandits fleeing to the hills.

GERMANY WAITS **U-BOAT REPORT** GERARD CABL

Admiralty Probes Torpe ing of Sussex and Englishman

BURDEN OF PROOF ON

able Data on Recent Sul marine Attacks WASHINGTON, As Secretary of State Lansing an today Ambassador Gerard at Bereported he had been advised by officials that the German Admiral vestigating the attack on the Sustantian of the Englishment

Lansing Compiling All

the sinking of the Englishman, su by submarines. Mr. Gerard add they assured him they would info at the earliest moment of the out that investigation.

The submarine controversy, the cannot be brought to a head for days, officials explained. The f Germany declines to assume resity on information it now has has, as expected thereon the bound of the control of t has, as expected, thrown the b proof on the United States, pointed out today that to am proof may take a week or 10 days

while Secretary Lansing will con of the evidence that can be g using that from American citizens basic proof, and that from allens ar the French and British Govern supplemental. supplemental.

The situation easily may be clat any time by Germany's receipt report from a submarine commande out that he attacked the Sussex.

An obstacle to any immediate ac developed today, is that the affida Americans so far filed here are ceptable under the rules of evidence of the great essentials in these cables.

of the great essentials in these cable uments are based on hearsay ovid which is not conclusive.

Teutonic circles continue to exprehope that an amicable adjustment of ioints in dispute will be reached. At he German and the Austrian emba great stress is laid upon the belie the pledges already given could no been violated with official consent.

RAIN AND MUD BLOCK TRE TRAINS TO SUPPLY PERS

COLUMBUS, N. M., April L .- Mr. axle-deep in the ruts is holding ibson's ranch a truck train that o'clock yesterday afternoon to supplies to General Pershing's trocheavy rain continued today, and provement in weather conditions

e, and they are being loaded to I as soon as there is a chance of their Lieutenant Brunzell, provost marsl last night arrested Jean Dufresne, former lieutenant of Villa. The prison was released after he had given a sat factory account of his movements.

STORM IN MEXICO HOLDS BACK NEWS OF BATT

SAN ANTONIO, April . 1. 4Gen Funsion had expected to find awaiting at headquarters today a more deta report of the victory won by the Ameri troops over Prancisco Villa's troops, instead was notified that the wireless practically out of commission between lumbus and Casas Grandes, owing heavy storm. The field telegraph was also working only spasmod was expected to fail entirely

Despite the lack of news, General F ston predicted that Villa's capture wor be only a matter of days. It is assume that if the bandit leader's wounds such that he has to travel in a litter



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