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TEUTONS RESUME ARTILLERY FIGHT **AGAINST HILL 304**

Germans Bombard Fiercely Key Position of French

REOPEN HARD FIGHTING

Joffre's Troops Shell Crow Wood and Forges in Reply

PARIS, April 15. A violent bombardment of the French positions on Hill 304, northwest of Verdun, presaging a renewal of the infantry assaults, was carried out by the Germans vesterday and last night.

The French War Office, in an official communique today, stated that the Gertes, artillery massed in the region of 4 . court kept up a terrific cannonade. French replied to this fire by __:22 g their big guns against the Gerena position in Bols Corbeaux (Crow

" o d) and in Forges. A mighty artillery duel thus developed to the west of the Meuse River with hundreds of heavy pieces of artillery engaged.

The weather, which has been foggy with frequent storms, has cleared up, opening the way for a resumption of the hard fighting on the Verdun front.

The activities of the Germans indicated that they intended to concentrate all their energies toward the capture of the French key position—Hill 304—before making any further great efforts on the right bank of the Meuse with their infantry. The text of the official communique fol-

North of Roye a reconnoissance of the enemy that tried to reach our trenches in the region of Parvillers was dispersed by our fire. There was no infantry action during the night in the entire Verdun region.

West of the Meuse there was a very lively bombardment of our positions between Malancourt woods and Hill

Our batteries were very active on this part of the front particularly to the west of Corbeaux woods (Crow woods) and upon the paths of the ravine of Forges.

To the east of the Meuse and in the

Woever region there was an intermittent bombardment.

In the Vosges there yere some patrol engagements. German reconnoiseance forces were severely re-pulsed by French troops to the south of the height of Sainte Marie Aux

TITANIC, WITH 1650 SOULS, SANK FOUR YEARS AGO TODAY

Rich and Prominent Men, Some Philadelphians, Victims of Disaster

Four years ago today the White Star liner Titanic, at that time the largest steamship affoat, sank in mid-Atlantic after she had struck an iceberg on the night of April 14, 1912. Of the approximately 2400 souls aboard, only 705 were saved, although the steamship remained afloat long enough for removal in small boats if there had been enough of them. Men famous for wealth, social position, business and industrial achievements were lost. The death list included John Jacob Astor, Major Archibald Butt and William

UN NUOVO ATTACCO A LE MORT HOMME?

I Tedeschi Bombardano da Ieri la Sanguinante Collina e la Quota 304

A Verdun nella giornata di teri e nella notte scorsa non si sono avuti che duelli di artiglieria, che forse fanno presagire un nuovo attacco delle fanterie tedesche. L'artiglieria tedesca si e' accanita contro le poszlioni di difesa della Quota 304, a nord-evest di Verdun e flancheggiante ad ovest la collina di Le Mort Homme, e si attende che contro Le Mort, Homme e la Quota 364 si vada sferrando il nuovo at tacco. Sembra che queste due colline siano diventate la chiave della situazione a Verdup, perche' i tedeschi si accaniscono contro di esse senza riguardo a perdite ed I francesi le difendono con un vigore veramente straordinario.

(Leggere in 4a pagina altre e piu' det-tagliate notizie sulla guerra, in italiano.)

THE WEATHER

There would seem to be little risk in predicting that today is a fine clear day. There is a heafing quality in a high wind—It delves before it the mints and imperfections, with the clean certainty of athlatic enterprise. We watched the beginning of this day; not at rosy dawn this morning, but last night just after sunset—that was when today really began. For that was when today really began. For it was the wind that was sweeping the skies then in the late twilight that created this day of radiant blessing. The wind was whipping across the sky the vague, hunched animals of defeated cloud—dilapidated camels, fragmentary lions, disin-tegrating hears and whales. Ogres of storm, they fled before the swift dogs of the wind.

So, while the children slept, the Hound of Heaven washed clean and fresh for them the coming day

FORECAST

Far Philadelphia and vicinity— Fair tonight; Sunday increasing cloudiness probably followed by rain by night; moderate variable winds.

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SET NEW RECORD IN MEXICAN FLIGHT



Lieutenants Edgar S. Gorrell (right) and Herbert A. Darque yesterday flew 310 miles without stopping in 4 hours 5 minutes over the Sierra Madre Mountains to Columbus, N. M. This is declared to

SLAV ARTILLERY RENEWS ACTION ON GALICIA LINE

Heavy Pounding of Austrian Positions Admitted by Vienna

BATTLE ON LOWER STRIPA NOTE LIKE ULTIMATUM

VIENNA, April 15. Austro-Hungarian positions in Galicia have been heavily bombarded by Russian artiflery, the War Office announced today in an official statement.

Near the mouth of the lower Strypa
River a battle developed which is still

in progress.

Northeast of Jazlowice the Russians penetrated the advanced positions of the Austro-Hungarians, but were afterwards Following is the text of the official re-

East front—Russian artilery actively shelled our positions on the lower Strypa, on the Dniester River and northeast of Czernowitz.

Near the south of the lower Strypa.

southeast of Buczacz, severe combats developed between the advanced troops and they are still in progress. In the southern part the occupant of the trenches that formed one of our salients were withdrawn to the main position.

Northeast of Jazlowice the enemy entered one of our advanced posi-tions, but was immediately ejected by a counter-attack. One officer and 100 men and three ensigns were captured. An Austro-Hungarian detachment, by means of a surprise attack, occupied an advanced position of the Russians on the Buczacz-Czortkow road.

Philippine Officials Resign

MANUA, P. L. April 15.—Jeremiah L. Manning, insular treasurer, and Robert C. Baldwin, assistant insular treasurer, have accepted. They will enter private busi-

Arms and Legs," Says

"New Woman"

NEW YORK. April 15. — "Don't be ashamed of your arms and legs. Get acquainted with them. You are far more immodest in evening clothes than you would be in breeches."

That argument, backed up by a dem-onstration by Miss Anna Higgins, turned the tide and today the American Woman's League for Self-Defense is decided in fa-vor of adopting the garb of the male sol-

Military efficiency for a time sequed likely to be brushed aside by sentiment. Afra J Hungerford Milibank asking the assembled women to ponder of the thoughts of "contemplative husbands and sweethearts" as they gazed at the skirtless ladies.

U-BOAT BREAK CERTAIN UNLESS BERLIN YIELDS

Only Complete Satisfaction of Demands Can Satisfy Washington

WASHINGTON, April 15. The final touches are being put on this Government's communication to Germany today. The affidavits forwarded here by American consular agents at Paris and London reached the State Department last night, and early today Secretary Lansing was hard at work going over

Most of the evidence contained in the affidavits had already been sent to the State Department in summarized form. The affidavits themselves will be used as 'exhibits."

Additional information, tending to sup-port that already in the President's hands on the Sussex and other recent U-boat attacks, is being drawn up by Lansing for incorporation in the President's statement to Berlin.

BREAK IS LIKELY.

Officials think the note must result in a diplomatic break between the United States and Germany, unless the latter agrees to a complete change of submarine

Officials frankly say that the note of necessity will directly impugn the good faith of the German Admiralty in keeping the promises previously made by Ambassador von Bernstorff. It will make no threats, it is explained, neither will it contain any time limit, but in all other respects It will be in the nature of an ultimation.

The communication will recite the circumatances surrounding the sinking of more than a score of merchant vessels absolutely without warning. It also will emphasize the belief of the President and his Cabinet that the channel steamship Sussex was torpedoed by a German sub-

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HENRY FORD WILL NOT WEAR BREECHES, CRIES FEMINIST TO SISTERS RUN FOR PRESIDENCY

'Don't Be Ashamed of Your Auto Man and Peace Advocate Denies He Will Organize Third Party

DETROIT. Mich., April 15. — "I'm a business man—not a politician. I have no political ambitions. Under no condi-tion would I consent to run for the Presi-

This was Henry Ford's statement here today in response to persistent reports that he would organise a third political party and run for President on a peace platform. He refused to comment in any way on reports of political activities by his lieutenants.

Berlin Hears of Irish Riots

BERLIN. April 15.—Advices received from Amsterdam by the Gversens News Agency state that political riots in Ireland have extended and that street fighting has occurred at several points glong the coast. The British military authorities are reported to have taken control at various places and to have suppressed more Irish newspapers. "Dresses belong to the women of the last generation." Miss Hisgins countered. "Dresses have been the curse and the burden of women. Come forward and show that you have the courage to be a new woman."

U. S. TROOPS AND MEXICANS CLASH AGAIN NEAR PARRAL IS REPORT; CHASE CONTINUES

Pershing's Forces Drive Southward Disarming Mexicans and Confiscating Arms Regardless of Request for Withdrawal

WASHINGTON, April 15 .- Consul Marion Letcher, at Chibuahua, today reported to the State Department that the Chihuahua newspapers gave an unimpassioned account of the Parral fighting saying one American soldier was killed, but failing to state the Mexican casualties.

El Paso reports today state that American forces sent into Mexico to get Pancho Villa again have clashed with Mexicans near Pavral. Some Americans are reported killed.

The troops are driving southward, abandoning somewhat their erstwhile politeness toward Carranzistas and Mexicans generally, for dispatches say, they are disarming the natives as they proceed and confiscating their arms. This is a precaution against such attacks as occurred at Parral Wednesday.

General Funston is "sticking to the job," ignoring diplomatic negotiations for the proposed withdrawal of the expeditionary forces. In fact, the commander is strengthening his lines, rushing added supplies, indicating an even more vigorous pursuit of the outlaw bands.

Washington is willing to "treat" with Carranza on his demands for evacuation of Mexico, of course, but there has been no intimation that the expedition would be abandoned. "Treating" will consume some time. General Pershing is said to have moved his field base southward, prob-

The massing of Carranzista forces under General Gomez gave Washington some uncasiness. Two American aviators left Columbus again today to watch these movements.

ably in the vicinity of Parral. Advanced troops are reported in the State of

DISARMING ALL MEXICANS

EL PASO, April 15 .- Reports that another fight had taken place between Unit-ed States troops and Mexicans in the vi-cinity of Parral, in which some Ameri-cans were killed, were circulated here but lacked confirmation. (Parral is in the southern part of Chihuahua, 125 miles south of Chihuahua City and 26 miles from the border of Durango.)

General Pershing is strengthening the defenses of the lines of communication in Mexico, and at the same time many more machine guns and thousands of additional rounds of ammunition went over the border today for the United States the border today for the United States

forces.

The American military units in Mexico are now said to be fully prepared for any emergency that the diplomatic parleys between First Chief Venustiano Carranza and the control of and Secretary of State Lansing may bring forth.
Auto trucks guarded with machine guns

Auto trucks guarded with maxima guin-and convoyed by cavalry are rolling across the border from Columbus, N. M., piled high with supplies of all kinds. The base of the United States punitive expedition is being moved southward, aca code message received It stated that the new base (the location

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SECOND BRYN MAWR GIRL BECOMES BRIDE BY 'CONTRACT' FORM

Anne Page, 2d, and R. L. Wolf, Harvard Graduate, Joined in "Partnership" Bond as Most Satisfactory Domestic Arrangement

LAW AND LOVE IN UNION

second contract marriage with Bryn Mawr girl as one of the contracting parties excited more than an ordinary interest at the Main Line school today. interest at the Main Line school today, when news of the marriage became known. The "contract" bride was Miss Anna Page, 2d, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Page, of Brookline, Mass., a Bryn Mawr student in 1910-12. She is pretty, a goo horsewoman and a suffragist. Today a weeg ago she signed a marriage contract in New York with Robert Leopold Wolf, of Clevaland, a Harvard graduate. The papers were filed yesterday in the New York County Clerk's office.

The unique form of marriage raulted

New York County Clerk's office.

The unique form of marriage resulted from the sociological studies made by the bridegroom and bride. Miss Page, who is a graduate of Radeiffe College, met Wolf while the two were studying in Cambridge. They leraned that there are four forms of marriage ceremonies; by a leader of the Society for four forms of marriage ceremonies: by a ciergyman or a leader of the Society for Ethical Culture; by a mayor, recorder, alderman or magistrate; by a Justice or a Judge, or by means of aw ritten contract. The last-named, which places the wife in the position of "partner" of her husband, fascinated them and they decided that their marriage was to be performed in this manner.

By a strange coincidence the same clergyman who performed the religious mar-

By a strange coincidence the same clergyman who performed the religious marriage ceremony, which followed the civil marriage of the first Bryn Mawr girl to sign a marriage contract, played an important part in the wedding of Miss Page, whose uncle he is. He is the Rev. Percy Stickney Grant, rector of the Church of the Ascension, New York. When Justics Edward B. La Fetra, of the New York City Court, demurred over issuing a license for the contract marriage the clergyman was called on the telephone. He assured the Justice that the marriage was "ail right." "all right."

One clause in the contract reads: "We promise faithfully to perform to the com-munity all the duties of marriage necessary to its welfare"

The bridegroom is the son of L. J. Wolf The bridegroom is his so of it. 3 work and is connected with the American Telephone and Telegraph Company. The bride's family is very prominent. Her mother, Mrs. Mary Hutcheson Page, is a leading suffrage worker in Massachusetts and former president of the Massachusetts Equal Franchise Society.

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PERSHING DRIVES SOUTHWARD, BURNED AT STAKE, THEN BEHEADED BY

FANATICAL TURKS

Dr. Joseph Shimoon, Jefferson Medical Graduate, Put to Death for Refusing to Renounce Christian Religion

WAS PERSIAN BY BIRTH



DR. JOSEPH SHIMOON

nd the beheading of a former Philadelphian, Dr. Joseph Shimoon, class of 1993, Jefferson Medical College, and communi-cant of St. Stephen's Church, a medical distonary in Persia, have been received by the Montana Churchman, a Protestant Episcopal publication. The report gives no date, and it is not known here when the man was put to death.

The Churchman says the doctor was martyred by Turks, who seized him at Urmi, Persia, and tried to compel him to acknowledge Islam.

"Seized by Turks, Doctor Shimoon was offered his life and a place as surgeon in their army if he would profess Islam," according to the dispatch. "He answered; I cannot do that, because I am a Christian." They then saturated his clothing with oil, told him they would give him one more chance, saying "Acknowledge Mohammed to be your prophet." He replied: Jesus is my Saviour." They then et him on fire, burned him to death and ut off his head."

Doctor Shimoon was a Persian by birth, who came to this country from Oroomiah for his education, according to men who were graduated with him at Jefferson. American citizen, but were not sure of this. The college records show that when he was a student be lived at 745 South 15th street. The woman, who lived at that number when he was a student, was named Wallace. She is dead. Neighbora questioned this morning remember that New Wallace lived there and that also had Mrs. Wallace lived there and that she had roomers, but they do not remember the medical student from Persia.

Dr. Alfred Heineberg, 1642 Pine street, and Dr. John Edward Beardsley, of the class of 1902, now a member of the medi-cal staff of the Jefferson Medical College. remembered Joseph Shimoo well, and spokwith real feeling when they heard of the fate of their former classmate.

QUICK NEWS

FOUR INJURED IN FIRE; OTHERS TRAPPED

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., April 15 .- Four persons were injured and several four-story business and tenement buildings destroyed by fire here today. Several persons, it is feared, are trapped in the upper stories of the buildings still burning. The fire is of unknown origin.

SENATE RATIFIES PLAN TO FEDERALIZE NATIONAL GUARD

WASHINGTON, April 15 .- The Senate, by a vote of 33 to 23. today adopted Senator Wadsworth's plan for federalizing the National Guard by requiring guardsmen to take a double oath on enlistment, one to the State and one to the Federal guard.

PRICE OF GLASS TABLEWARE GOES UP WITH WAGES

PITTSBURGH, April 15.—The price of glass tableware has been advanced 10 per cent. The glass workers will ask another advance in wages and, if it is granted, a further rise in glass prices will be made.

POLICEMAN USED AS DIVER TO RECOVER RING

A \$300 diamond ring lay in the mud and rubbish at the bottom of an inlet at the corner of Rittenhouse street and Germantown avenue all night. District Detective Corry acted as diver today when grappling books failed to rescue the ring. He was lowered into the opening and soon found it. The ring was the property of R. L. Ambler, 5219 Wissahickon avenue, who dropped it when he pulled off his glove there last night. He saw it roll into the inlet.

WOMAN TRIES TO KILL LIEBKNECHT

THE HAGUE, April 15 .- News of an attempt by a woman to assassinate Dr. Karl Liebknecht, the Socialist leader in the German Reichstag, was brought here today by travelers from Berlin. Two shots were fired, both of which missed. The woman was arrested, but the German papers were forbidden to publish the

BRITISH VESSEL SUNK BY MINE

LONDON, April 15,-The Fritish steamship Shenandoah bus been sunk by a mine, with the loss of two members of her crew. The captain and the remainder of the crew were landed today. The Shenandouh, a vessel of 3886 tons, halled from Liverpool. She sank in 12 fathoms of water.

DERBY DEFENDS CALLING HUSBANDS TO COLORS

LONDON, April 15.-Lord Derby, Director of Recruiting, presided yesterday at a meeting of the Association of Municipal Corporations. Replying to a demand that all single men be called before the married men are called be said he did not believe anything could be more foelish. To do so, he added, would have saved him trouble and would have brought his task to a speedier end, but such a step would have been absolutely ruinous to the industries of the country,

BRITAIN DRIVES DOWN PRICE OF GRAIN TO ALLIES

BUENOS AIRES, April 15.-Argentine growers of grain, who recknied on war prices and large profits, have been grievously disappointed. The markets of Great Britain and her allies are virtually the only ones open to Argentine produce, and having organized a colossal "corner," Great Britain in best the granary and storehouse of the group. She buys for all, carries for all pays for all. By thus doing away with competition between themselves, the Allies are in a position to dictate prices rather than have prices dictated to them.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN DIED 51 YEARS AGO TODAY

Abraham Lincoln died 51 years ago today. On April 15, 1865, he succumbed to the effects of the shot fired the night before in Ford's Theatre by John Wilkes Booth, who slipped up behind the President and fired a bullet into his head. The 50th anniversary of Lincoln's death was calabrated wide Wilson issued an official proclamation ordering flags on Government buildings, naval vessels and at army posts displayed at half-mast. The bell on Independence Hall was tolled 50 times in accordance with the proclamation issued by Mayor Blankenburg.

CANADIANS URGE CONSCRIPTION UPON PREMIER

OTTAWA, April 15.-National registration, with a view to some form of conscription, was urged on Premier Borden and members of his Cabinet yesterday by a delegation representing 42 recruiting leagues of Ontario, the maritime provinces and the west. They told the Premier the present voluntary system was not getting enough men, and that those who were coming forward were the ones whom Canada could least spare. The Premier reminded the delegation that men were coming forward at the rate of 1000 a day.

BALTIC ENTRANCE CLOSED WITH NETS BY GERMANY

COPENHAGEN, April 15.—The Norwegian Shipping Gazette says the German navy has stopped the international passageway to south of the sound (the strait between Denmark and Sweden), not merely by the usual mine obstructions, but also by steel nets designed to trap British submarines seeking to enter the Baltic. Danish terpedoboats, says the Shipping Gazette, are watching the operations to make sure that obstructions are not placed in Danish territorial

KAISER'S AVIATORS' ATTEMPT TO KILL CZAR FAILS

LONDON, April 15 .- News of an attempt on the life of the Czar by Austro-German aviators has reached here. Learning that the Czar was reviewing his troops at Ivantz, on the Daiester, two Teuton aeroplanes set forth with a supply of b) bs. When the machines reached Khotin, across the Dniester from Ivantz, Russ'an machines ascended to meet them. A furious battle in the air followed, in the course of which the Russian aviators forced one of the hostile planes to retire. The other aviator managed to get past, Souring across the Duiester, he descended to lower altitudes above Ivantz and succeeded in drooping his store of bombs. Petrograd reports that only a sentinel was injured.

PANAMA CANAL REOPENING SCHEDULED FOR TODAY

WASHINGTON, April 15.-The Panama Canal, closed to commerce since eptember 18 by slides, is scheduled to be reopened today. War Department efficials said last night that no word had come of a change in the plans, and it was assumed that ships would begin passing through according to program. Many vessels are reported at both ends of the canal awaiting the reopening.

THREE STRIKE AGITATORS JAILED IN SCOTLAND

EDINBURGH, April 15.-Sentences have been imposed on three men for the publication of ceditious articles in connection with the recent strike of munitions workers on the Clyde. William Gallagher and John W. Muir were sentenced to 12 months in prison. Walter Bell was given a term of three

REPORT \$300,000 COMPROMISE ON MILLION-DOLLAR SUIT

It is understood that \$300,000 is the sum on which the suit of Edward B. Smith & Co. against Worth Brothers, of Coatesville, has been compromised. The bankers sued for a commission on the sale of the Contesville Rolling Mills and Worth Brothers' Company plants to the Midvale Steel and Ordnance Company, on the ground that they engineered the deal. Worth Brothers averved that the sale was consummated solely through their own efforts.

BATTLESHIPS BACK FROM TARGET PRACTICE

The battleships South Carolina, Michigan and Kansas have arrived at the League Island Navy Yard from Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, where they were recently engaged in target practice. Only the South Carolina docked. The others remained in midstream. The South Carolina shows no effects of the collision with the Michigan, which happened while the vessels were proceeding northward. It was said a few plates are dented. The Michigan will have new guns installed in the forward turret. The old scout cruiser Chicago is expected at the Navy Yard today. She will be used as a training ship for naval militia

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