FRENCH REPULSE FOE'S ATTACK ON **FIVE-MILE FRONT**

Three Assaults by Germans at Le Mort Homme Beaten Back

HALTED NEAR AVOCOURT

PARIS, April 25 Three attacks by the Germans against the new positions of the French at Le Mort Homme (Dead Man's Hill), northeast of Verdun, were repulsed by the French, the War Office announced today.

After an intense bombardment the Germans again assaulted the French positions of the Avecurt lines. These also ions on the Avocourt lines. These also were repulsed. The communique states repulsed. The communique states there were hand-grenade encounters

The fighting west of the Meuse, according to the official information, was on a front approximately five miles wide.

The assaults of the Germans were evi-

Intended as a counter-offensive to the steady advance of the French a that region. Great masses of men were hurled against the French positions by the frown Prince, and the Germans suffered

The text of the official communique fol

West of the Meuse the Germans yes-West of the Meuse the Germans yea-terday evening, after violent bom-bardment, launched several attacks against our new positions in the region of Le Mont Homme. His two first efforts having been completely checked, the enemy launched a later attack in which he used liquid firs extensively. Checked by our curtains of fire and our musketry, the Ger-mans were forced to return to their own lines after suffering severe losses. own lines after suffering severe losses There was intense artillery activity in the region of Avocourt. During the night the enemy attempted with-

out success to capture advanced posts at the Avocourt redoubt. Aast of the Meuse there was quite a sharp bombardment of our first and

second lines. In Apremont forest fighting with grenades occurred. In Lorraine we dispersed a strong reconnoitering party of the enemy which atempted to reach one of our small posts east of Neuville.

NEW DASH FOR VILLA LEADS TOWARD NONOAVA

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from Parral in the foothills of the Chihuaua Sierras.

Further confirmation of the dispatches m Columbus that the new Villa dash is

in progress was given by General Tasker H. Bliss, acting chief of staff. Army officers, upon hearing of the re-ports from the border and from Consul Letcher, pointed out that if they proved true, it indicated Villa had stopped his dash southward toward Durango, was doubling on his tracks slightly northward and westward toward the mountainous re-gion between the States of Chihuahua and

The War Department was advised the 17th Infantry, minus the 2d Battalion, had crossed the border at Columbus yesterday.

The horses of General Pershing's advanced column are so fagged that of-ficials doubted they could successfully con-tinue the Villa pursuit. "I think it would be foolish to start after him unless we were sure they could sustain a quick movement," said a high army officer today.

OBREGON MAY DEMAND U. S. RECOGNIZE HIM AS RULER

EL PASO, Tex., April 25 .- The conference between Major General Scott and General Alvaro Obregon, which will be held on the border during the next 10 days, may add further complications to the already tangled relations between the United States and Mexico. Predictions to at standing who have aba ned their interests in the interior of Mexico to seek safety on the northern bank of the Ric

They declared that Obregon would come to the border to represent the Obregon faction, which has superseded the Carranzistas in power. In their reports on conditions in Mexico they hinted that Obre-gon, in the course of his negotiations with General Scotf, would insist that he be recognized as the one man capable of restor-ing peace in Mexico, making this demand as a condition under which he would be ready to render aid in the task of elimi-nating Francisco Villa.

However much truth there may be in the stories brought out of Mexico, army

the stories brought out of Mexico, army officers admitted today that General Scott was confronting a most difficult task in his conference with Obregon. The

the telegraph lines for his reports to General Punston.

The first task of concentrating the troops where they could dig themselves in and prepare for protection in case of a great Mexican upheaval was the withdrawal of hundreds of soldiers from the most advanced posts toward Narsiquipe

most advanced posts toward Namiquipa, where General Pershing has established his headquarters.

This operation caused some uneasiness at Fort Bliss, where it was known that a force believed to number about 300 men had got out of communication in the Parral district. Unless these men have been reached by couriers and effected Parral district. Unless these men have been reached by couriers and effected their escape they are surrounded by far superior numbers of Mexicans.

Villa's reported presence at Nonoava, northwest of Parral, may indicate that he is himself planning to attack any American forces that may be isolated.

ORDERS FUNSTON TO JOIN SCOTT IN OBREGON PARLEY

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., April 28.—Major leneral Funsion today was ordered by the War Department to accompany Genral Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff, to the

border to meet General Alvaro Obregon, Minister of War in the Mexican de facto General Scott said this afternoon he was uncertain where and when the con-ference would take place.

WASHINGTON, April 35.—Results are awaited here from the General Scott-General Obregon conference at Juarez. Clothed with almost a diplomat's powers. General Scott will endeavor to develop a spirit of greater accord between the two Governments. He will explain the American alms in Mexico and seek to dissipate any idea that the Villa hunt is intended to do other than shatter bandlesses.

officials here believe he will be able to still any new demands for withdrawal of American forces before their mission is accomplished. Pending his session with Carranga's War Minister, action on Carranga's suggestions for withdrawal is in abeyance. Meantime Carranga probably will refrain from renewing his sug-

Belief grew here that the bulk of the advanced forces in Mexico will retire much to the north of Parral, thus avoiding danger of further clashes with Car-rangistas or civilians. At the same time the work of breaking up Villa's bands

continue. dix Diaz's operations in Mexico coupled with a depressed condition of the Carransa flat money, are giving of-ficials concern. They say Diaz's revolution plans may mean overthrow of Carranga's regime and a return to the old cientifico rule, under which Mexico was burdened for generations.

OBREGON EN ROUTE TO MEET SCOTT; OFFICIALS PLEASED

WASHINGTON, April 25 .- Eliseo Arredondo, Carranza's envoy at Washington, advised Secretary Lansing today that the de factor Government had agreed to a conference on the border between General Scott and General Obregon, in the hope of reaching an agreement covering the future operations of the American troops in Mexico. Secretary Lansing was informed that

General Obregon started from Mexico City last night for Juares, and that Gen-eral Carranza would like to have both General Scott and General Funston pres-General Scott and General Funaton pres-ent at the conference. The War Depart-ment was advised this afternoon that General Scott was preparing to return to Washington with a full "wort on con-ditions south of the bords out upon in-structions of Secretary Baker he will go to El Paso instead of returning to report

Secretary Baker. Mr. Arredondo called first at the State Department to say that his Government asked that some reply be made to the note of April 12, suggesting that American troops be withdrawn from Mexico. He was informed that the reply would be postponed until the situation has been discussed by Obregon and Scott. The latest advices received from Car-

ranza indicate clearly that he is de-termined to have the American forces make an early evacuation of Mexico. It will be the duty of General Scott and General Funston to impress upon General Obregon the fact that President Wilson is unwilling to withdraw the forces until

Villa is dead.

As a result of the conference it is deemed probable that Obregon will see the necessity of picking a force composed of the better class of his army to co-operate with small columns of the Per-shing expedition in the hope of putting a speedy end to the punitive expedition.

The State Department and the Mexican
Embassy appeared to be pleased at Carranga's prompt acceptance of the invita-

BERLIN IS HOPEFUL IN U-BOAT CASE

ion for the conference because it is be-

General Obregon can reach a satisfactory

that the American officers and

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the Ambassador was supposed to have used the Secretary said: "The attempted summaries of Ambas-sador Gerard's reports are entirely er-

This denial had to do entirely with the effort to interpret the reports of the Ambassador. There was no disposition on the part of the Secretary to assume a pessimistic attitude.

APER SAYS LATIN AMERICA WOULD BACK WILSON

RIO JANEIRO, April 25 .- The press continues to show approbation of President Wilson's course with regards to Ger-

O. Paiz says that the solidarity of the new continent is such that should occa-sion arise all the American Governments

would support without reserve the action of President Wilson. A Noticia declares all indications point to the evolution of the neutrals toward war. It adds: "It is impossible to think that the United States will back down."

Small Garrison Forces in Serbia PARIS, April 25 .- The German forces latter has issued orders to the Mexican range of the defeat of the defea is a small force of Austrian infantry, with Austrian artillery.

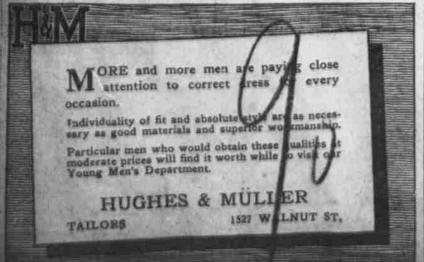
Wood Block Kills Laborer

A laborer employed at the Girard Point grain elevators was killed this morning when a block of wood fell from the upper part of the building and hit him on the head. He was Anthony J. Suhrer, 58 years old, of \$134 Haverford avenue.

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PRESIDENT INVOKES BUSINESS MEN'S AID IN INDUSTRIAL PREPAREDNESS

Co-operation Sought in Plan of Engineers and Chemists to Make Inventory of Country's Ca-pacity for Producing Military Supplies

NEW YORK, April 25.—In an open letter, made public today by the Committee on Industrial Preparedness of the Naval Consulting Board, President Wilson asks the co-operation of the businessmen of America in organizing industrially for national defense.

The work will start May 1, when agents The work will start May I, when agents of the committee will start a national inventory of factories and shops with a view to finding out just what their equipment is and just what their capacity would be for producing war supplies.

In addition to taking the inventory, the committee proposes to instruct manufacture in manufacture and a supplies and facturers in making war supplies and to organize to keep skilled workmen on the job in time of war by the formation of an industrial reserve.

The President's letter follows To the Businessmen of America: I bespeak your cordial co-operation in the patriotic service undertaken by the engineers and chemists of this

ntry under the direction of the Industrial Preparedness Committee of the Naval Consulting Board of the United States. The confidential industrial inven-tory you are asked to supply is in-tended for the exclusive benefit of

STUDY DR. WHITE'S BRAIN

Continued from Page One soon after become unconscious, dying

shortly after. Dr. White was first stricken last December, shortly after he returned from France, by a disease of the vertabrae which paralyzed his lower limbs. mind, however, retained its activity, and he followed with keenest interest the developments of the war, always maintaining his strong sympathy for the cause of the Allies. It was to serve as the chairman of the Philadelphia Committee for the American Ambulance Hospital in Paris that he went to Europe last June. Soon after he became ill Doctor White was taken to the University Hospital. In January, when Theodore Roosevelt visited

this city to speak at the Americanization Congress, Doctor White insisted upon be-ing removed to his home, where he entertained the Colonel. They were close personal friend for many years. Doctor White joined the Progressive party in Doctor White was 66 years of age. He

is survived by a widow. There were no children. DOCTOR WHITE'S CAREER.

Doctor White, violently pro-Ally, en thusiastic advocate of athletics of all kinds, of international fame as a surgeon and of wide renown in nearly every activity in which he engaged, was only matched for the vigor of his life by one other man of prominence—Theodore Roosevelt, one of his stanchest friends. Doctor White was a Progressive and whenever the "First Apostle" came to Philadelphia he was always sure to visit n the home of Doctor White.

Doctor White's activities were many and varied. He held four professorships at the University of Pennsylvania and died emeritus professor of surgery, though he had not been active since his appointment to the chair, in 1910. On June 12, 1915, Doctor White sailed for England and France to establish a new branch of the American Ambulance Hospital. He was the executive head of the expedition and was the chief one to gather the funds and recruit volunteers here.

FRIEND OF ATHLETICS.

connection with his interest in athletics, Philadelphia and the University of Pennsylvania, where his face at the games was as constant as the clock on the "gym."
owe to "Billy" White, as he was known
to thousands of old grads and undergrads at the University, both Franklin Field and the Army and Navy game. The latter was his "baby." After a lapse erifes, Doctor White succeeded in inducing them to meet on Franklin Field in 1899. He fought the hardest to have them con-tinue here. He was the principal one to get together funds for the erection of the Franklin Field and stadium and was chairman of the Faculty Athletic Committee for a time. He was an ardent golfer and won much fame by his swimming feats. He swam from Newport to Narragansett, about 10 miles, in 5 hours and 40 minutes

ALWAYS A PHILADELPHIAN. He was born in 1850 in Philadelphia and confined his strenuous life mostly to this city. He was a descendant of a signer of the Declaration of Independence. He was educated in Philadelphia public

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At my request the American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Institute of Mining Engineers, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the American Institute of

Engineers, the American Institute of Engineers, the American Institute of Electrical Engineers and the Ameri-can Chemical Society are gratuitously assisting the naval consulting board in the work of collecting this data, and I confidently ask your earnest support in the interest of the people and the Government of the United States. States.

The naval and military heads at Wash ngton, the Chamber of Commerce of the United States and the Associated Adver-lising Clubs of the World are backing

of Pennsylvania. He was a member of the American Surgery Association, the American Genito-Urinary Association and the College of Physicians of Philadelphia. He was president of the Rittenhouse Square Improvement Association and was a member of the Fairmount Park Commission, as the result of his activity in abolishing the dangerous automobile racing there. He was a member of the Ritten-house Club, the Corinthian Yacht Club, the Philadelphia Country Club, the Reform Club, the Landon Auto Club and the Swiss and American Alpine Clubs. He was active in the First City Troop and was

and Quaker schools and at the University

TEN PLACED ON MURDER JURY Only Two More Needed in Case of

Edward F. Keller

the first surgeon whose rank was of-

ficially recognized in the form of a comission from the Governor of the State.

Selection of the jury that is to try Edward F. Keller, of 3119 Frankford avenue, accused of the murder of Daniel J. McNichol, of 866 North 2d street, was begun today before Judge Bregy in the Court of Oyer and Terminer. Keller watched the proceedings apparently un-perturbed and sat at a table with his ounsel, Clarence P. Sterner.

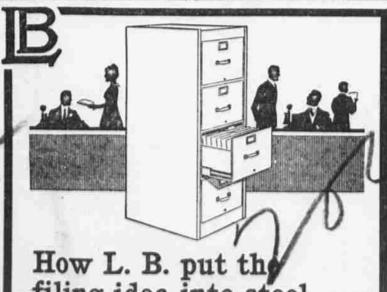
The following jurors were chosen up to an early hour this afternoon: James Evans, bookkeeper, of 1432 Orianna street: George W. Figler, salesman, of 2123 North 20th street; Harry Anderson, electrician, of 56 Dudley street; R. Shetz-line, commission merchant, of 5341 Locust street; William J. Miller, umbrella manufacturer, of 1919 East Orleans street : Harman Maur, insurance solicitor, of 7010 Lansdowne avenue; James Stewart, watchmaker, of 6910 Woodland avenue; W. B. Hooven, carpenter, of 2905 Dia-mond street; George Haddon, salesman, of 187 West Wishart street, and John J. McCutcheon, machinist, of 5728 Hazel

DIES JUST AFTER MAKING WILL Miss Susan Kready, Roherstown, Succumbs En Route Home

LANCASTER, Pa., April 25.-After visiting a lawyer's office this morning and making her will, Miss Susan C. Kready a prominent resident of Rohrerstown, went to the Conestoga Traction office to wait for a car for home. She had hardly sat down before she died, B. C. Kready, a leading Lancaster lawyer, is a brother.

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Attacchi Austriaci Respinti ad Est di Selz e Sulla Sommita' del Conquistato Col di Lana

GORIZIA BOMBARDATA

ROMA. 25 Aprile. Il Ministero della Guerra pubblicava eri sera il seguente rapporto del generale adorna:

Il cattivo tempo continua ma non ha interotto l'attivita' della nostre truppe. Nell'alta valle del Cordevole noi abbiamo respinto nuovi e per-sistenti attacchi del nemico contro le nostre posizioni sulla sommita' del Col di Lana. Alla testata della valle del Sexten.

e propriamente sulle Alpi di Sexten, noi abbiamo completato l'occupazione del Passo della Sentinella, che e' s 2717 metri di altezza sul livello del mare, ed abbiamo preso al nemico una dozzina di prigionieri, una mitraglia-trice, armi e munizioni.

Sull'altoniano del Carso, l'artiglieria nemica ha rovescalato ieri un uragano di fuoco da pezzi di ogni calibro sulle trincee che noi avevamo conquistato ad est di Selz, sulle fatde del Monte Cosich. Le nostre truppe hanno dovuto percio evacuare una piccola parte di una trincea nella vallata set-tentrionale di Selz, perche' troppo esposta al fuoco del nemico. Nella sera il nemico rinnovo' i suoi attacchi contro le trincee da noi conquistate nella parte meridionale della valle di Selz, ma fu ancora respinto da nostri vigorosi contrattacchi.

(Il Passo della Sentinella e' sulle Alpi di Sexten, tra la Cima Undici ad est e l'Oberbaucher Kanzel ad ovest. E' un valico di secondaria importanza che mette in comunicazione la valle del Sexten con la valle di Padola, e piu' precisamente e piu' direttamente la valle del Bacher, affluente del Sexten, con quella del Risens, affluente del Padola. Pero' il Passo della Sentinella sorge in una mag-nifica posizione dominante ed aveva un valore notevole per gli italiani specialmente per il fatto che dalla parte aus-triaca era facilmente accessibile, mentre scendeva ripidissimo ed aspro dalla parte italiana. Il Passo fu espugnato dagli italiani fin dal settembre dell'anno scorso, ma solo ieri l'altro ne fu potuta com-pletare l'occupazione. N. di R.)

Un comunicato ufficiale austriaco dice che la parte settentrionale di Gorizia e stata violentemente bombardata dalle artiglierie italiane di ogni calibro e che vigorosi attacchi italiani nella zona del Col di Lana sono stati respinti dalle forze austriache.

UN IRLANDESE TRADITORE.

Un telegramma da Londra dice che un piroscafo tedesco che tentava di sbarcare armi e munizioni sulla costa irlandese e a bordo del quale si trovava Sir Roger Casement, un irlandese gia' funzionario inglese ed ora alleato con la Germania, sulla cui testa pesava una taglia di \$25.-100, e' stato affondato dalle navi da guerra inglesi e Casement e' stato arrestato

Il piroscafo si era avvicinato alla costa irlandese con bandiera neutrale, scortato da una torpediniera tedesca. Sir Roger era stato creato baronetto da re Giorgio nel 1911 ed era funzionario nella carriera consolare. Il piroscafo era in realta' un incrociatore ausiliario tedesco, e gli in-glesi vi hanno fatto un numero di prigio-

I RUSSI IN FRANCIA. Mentre le truppe russe sbarcate la settimana scorsa a Marsiglia sono gia' sulla fronte di Verdun, giunge notizia da Parigi che un altro grosso reparto di forze russe c' stato sbarcato a Marsiglia questa

mattina. Sembra che altri trasporti con truppe russe siano da attenderal in questi giorni in Francia, dove i russi combatte-ranno a fianco delle forze francesi ed in-

Telegrammi da Parigi dicono che da fonte autorevole si e appreso che le forse gla' sbarcate in Francia non siano che l'avanguardia di un corpo di 800,690 russi che vanno in Francia a rinformare l'esercito della Repubblica, per 250,000 dei quali sono gia' pronti in Francia l'equipag-giamento e le uniformi. Si dice che i primo contingente era formato di 30,000 soldati. Essi erano vestiti in borghese e soldati. Essi erano vestiti in borghese e senza armi e si diceva che si trattava di rifugiati serbi, per evitare che il nemico venisse a conoscenza del fatto che truppe russe erano in viaggio ed attentasse all stourezza del trasporti

BATTAGLIA NAVALE NEL MARE DEL NORD

Le Forze Navali Tedesche Sconfitte dalla Squadra Inglese e Messe in Fuga

Un telegramma da Londra dice che nel Mare Nord, in prossimita' della costa nel Mare Nord, in prossimita della costa inglese, tanto che da terra si poteva udire il rombo del cannone, si e' svolta una battaglia tra le forze navali inglesi ed una squadra di incrociatori da battaglia tedeschi. Questi avevano prima bombardato le costa a circa 100 miglia a nord di Londra, ma avevano dovuto ritirarsi dopo venti minuti perche attaccati da navi leggere di difesa. Mandovido l'ilitarsi dopo venti minuti perche attaccati da navi leggere di difesa. Man-cano ancora i particolari di questa bat-taglia navale che si e' avolta appena questa mattina, verso le 5,

La squadra tedesca, che era formata d i incriociatori corazzati e di navi leg-e' stata battuta e messa in fuga, inseguita dalle forze navali inglesi.

Il comunicato ufficiale pubblicato leri era dal Ministero della Guerra italiano dice che gli italiani hanno completato la conquista del Passo della Sentinella, sulle Alpi di Sexten, ed hanno respinto ripetuti attacchi degli austriaci contro la sommita

'Old Homestead' Revived at American "The Old Homestead," which was re-vived at the American Theatre last night, afforded the George Arvine Players an

afforded the George Arvine Players an opportunity to display their histrionic talents in the interpretation of rural characters. Willard Dashiell portrayed the part of Joshua Whitcomb, the Down East Farmer who goes to New York in search of his son. The supporting cast included Henrietta Vaders, George Arvine, Richard La Salle, Marie Warren and Virginia Henriegs. The staging of the Virginia Hennings. The staging of the play was excellent.

Pancho Villa. illiterate goatherd and military genius, idol of the peon class, and creature of passions, feared and loved and hatedwhat was the one thing lacking to make him great? /mes Hopper tells in a diaracter sketch of ensuming interest in this week's



GIRL BURNS FATHER'S BARN

Only Fourteen, She Takes "Revenge" Because She Couldn't Marry

MARYSVILLE, Pa., April 25 .- Bacausa her father, William Barrick, of Deliville, refused to allow her to marry John Smith, 17 years old, of Donnaly Mills, 14-year-old Statta Barrick last night set fire to his barn. It burned to the ground, causing a loss of \$4000.

Statta at first said she had seen un from the barn, but later confessed. She implicated young Smith by declaring that he threatened to burn the barn and the house, with her parents and herself in unless she burned the barn. Both are being held for court.



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