

RETAKE A POSITION

CORBEAUX WOODS RECAPTURED BY THE GERMAN TROOPS—PARIS ADMITS GAIN.

FRENCH RETAKE FORT VAUX

Crown Prince's Army Launches New Drive East of Verdun—Fierce Artillery Duel in Progress—Foil Attempt to Wreck Bridges.

London, March 13.—With Fort de Vaux again in French hands, according to the official statement from Berlin, the crown prince's troops launched a new and desperate artillery attack against the entire French line east of Verdun, pouring thousands of tons of explosives into the French positions.

The official communique issued at Paris discloses a violent artillery bombardment against Eix, Moulainville, Villers-Sous-Bonchamp and Bouge, which lie to the east of Verdun and south of Vaux.

In addition to this terrific attack the Germans resumed their desperate action west of the Meuse, sacrificing thousands of men in the recapture of positions in the Corbeaux woods, which were taken by the French on Wednesday. In this battle, one of the most desperate and sanguinary of the Verdun campaign, the Teutons made assault after assault upon the French positions, losing men, according to the French communique, "out of all proportion to the objective sought." These attacks were repulsed until the Germans brought up 20,000 men and launched their entire strength in the great drive which cleared the woods of the French, but left the ground carpeted with dead.

A German ruse, apparently to blow up the bridges on the Meuse below Verdun and thus hamper the supplies of the French and cut off the retreat of troops is revealed in the statement, which declares the Germans set floating mines in the river. The French, however, fished out the mines before they did any damage.

TWO BRITISH WARSHIPS SUNK

Destroyer and Torpedo Boat Hit Mines—Sent to Bottom Off East Coast.

London, March 11.—The British destroyer Coquette and torpedo boat No. 11 have been sunk by mines, the admiralty announced. Four officers and 41 men are missing, and it is believed they perished.

The Coquette, a ship of 355 tons, was armed with one 12-pounder and five six-pounders. She carried a crew of sixty men and was commanded by Lieut. Frederick A. Warner.

The torpedo boat No. 11 was armed with two three-inch guns and three 18-inch torpedo tubes. She carried a crew of 35 men. The torpedo boat displaced 253 tons and was built in 1906.

J. E. WATSON ADMITS DEFEAT

Harry S. New Leads Indiana Senate Race by 8,202 Votes—Goodrich and Adair Increase Leads.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 11.—With 2,794 of the 3,177 precincts of the state in and with Harry S. New leading by 8,202 votes, word was received on Thursday from James E. Watson that he admitted he had been defeated on the first choice votes in Tuesday's primary for the Republican nomination for United States senator.

James P. Goodrich and John A. M. Adair continued to increase their leads in the contests for the nomination for governor on the Republican and Democratic tickets, respectively.

M'CUMBER CHANGES HIS MIND

North Dakota Senator Withdraws His Resolution Warning Americans Off Armed Ships—Tells Why.

Washington, March 10.—Senator McCumber brought his resolution warning Americans off armed ships before the senate and then withdrew it because, he said, there were very strong indications of a settlement of the U-boat controversy without congressional action.

Senator McCumber read a brief statement saying that in view of what purported to be an authoritative statement from Secretary of State Lansing that Americans were to be indirectly but effectively warned off armed ships, he considered the purpose of his and the Gore resolution accomplished.

Mrs. Hefflin Dies.

Lafayette, Ala., March 10.—Mrs. Thomas J. Hefflin, wife of Congressman Hefflin of the Fifth Alabama district, is dead at their home here.

This One Breaks Record.

Washington, March 11.—The treasury department's "conscience fund" has been made richer by \$30,000. It was the largest sum ever contributed to the fund. The money came in a letter dated Philadelphia.

Austrian Ships for Turks.

Rome, March 11.—Two of the most powerful of Austria's dreadnaughts are being prepared in Dalmatian ports, the Tribuna says, with the intention of forcing the allies' blockade of the Adriatic in order to reach the Dardanelles.

ANOTHER ONE?



HOUSE KILLS MEASURE BOWS TO LAW OF SEAS

M'LEMORE WARNING RESOLUTION IS DEFEATED.

Big Victory for President Wilson When the Measure is Tabled 276 to 142.

Washington, March 9.—The house of representatives capitulated completely to the Wilson administration. By two test votes early in the day it showed its confidence in President Wilson and on Tuesday night it crowned a day of chaos and confusion by tabling the now famous McLemore resolution, warning Americans off armed ships, by a vote of 276 to 142. The first test vote resulted in a victory for the administration adherents, 256 to 160, and the second resulted in 271 votes for the Wilson policies against 138 opposing. Both votes were on parliamentary phases of the situation, but they clearly forecasted the vote that was to come in the evening.

Warnings that no nation "divided against itself shall stand" were received in solemn silence. Excoriation of American citizens whose "foolhardiness and recklessness" in traveling on belligerent ships might "plunge the country into war" was cheered.

The final argument and appeal which aroused the house most was the demand that the country stand firm behind the president in his fight.

STEEL FIRMS ARE INDICTED

E. H. Gary of U. S. Company and Six Corporations Named in Ohio Inquiry—Wage Trust is Alleged.

Youngstown, O., March 9.—Indictments were returned on Wednesday against the Youngstown Sheet and Tube company, the Briar Hill Steel company, the Youngstown Iron and Steel company, the United States Steel company and E. H. Gary, executive chairman of the United States Steel company. The defendants are charged with having formed a trust to fix the wages of common labor in violation of the laws of Ohio. These indictments followed a sweeping investigation of the East Youngstown riots and labor troubles in January. Indictments were returned also against Mayor W. H. Cunningham and six councilmen of East Youngstown, charging them with being financially interested in property purchased for village purposes.

IMPORTANT NEWS ITEMS

London, March 11.—British troops in German East Africa have occupied Taveta and Salaita, it was officially announced.

Petrograd, March 11.—Turkish-Persian troops under German officers are evacuating the Persian city of Ispahan before the Russian advance.

London, March 10.—German naval and military prisoners in the United Kingdom total 13,821 and all of them receive the same pay as British soldiers, according to a statement made in the house of commons by Harold J. Tennant, parliamentary under secretary for war.

German Town Swept by Fire.

Amsterdam, March 11.—A great fire has destroyed warehouses and a large quantity of merchandise at Muenchen-Gladbach, a town in Rhenish Prussia, sixteen miles southwest of Dusseldorf. The damage was extensive.

British Commandeer Liners.

New York, March 11.—Officials of the White Star line conceded that the freight space in their transatlantic steamships had been commandeered by the British government for the accommodation of munitions and grain.

GERMANY APPEALS TO UNITED STATES' FRIENDSHIP.

Kaiser's Government Will Yield If Great Britain Heeds International Regulations.

Washington March 10.—Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, on instructions from his government, handed to Secretary Lansing on Wednesday a long memorandum explaining in detail the German position in regard to armed merchant ships and the causes leading up to the decision of the central European powers to torpedo without warning all armed merchantmen of their enemies.

The memorandum contains the allegation that Great Britain had taken advantage of the contention of the United States that Americans must be safe on defensively armed merchantmen, to have those ships attacked offensively toward enemy submarines.

The German government expresses a willingness to operate its submarines in accordance with international law prevailing prior to the war, provided Great Britain does not violate the same laws.

The German government concedes that as submarines are a new engine of warfare, international law as at present constituted makes no provision for their use.

The memorandum contends that the evidence appended to the late German announcement proves that British ships armed ostensibly for defense have been instructed to act, and have acted offensively, and that they are not peaceful traders, as the United States was assured they would be by Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador.

The memorandum also reiterates the previous declaration that submarine warfare was begun by Germany in reprisal for the announced intention of Great Britain to starve the civilian population of the central empires.

The memorandum also refers to the long-standing friendship between the United States and Germany, and expresses the hope that the American people will, when familiar with the explanation offered, fully appreciate the position in which Germany finds herself as a result of the blockade.

By way of supporting the contention that Germany's reprisals are justified, the memorandum enumerates various actions of Great Britain, which have operated against the interests of neutrals and their citizens. These are cited to show that Great Britain has violated international law.

INCREASE IN RATES GRANTED

Interstate Commerce Commission Decides in Favor of Railroads in Western Rate Case.

Washington, March 11.—The interstate commerce commission has granted substantial rate increases to western railroads in a decision in the western advance rate case No. 3, following decisions favorable to the railroads as to many commodities handed down last year in the first two parts of this case. The decision declares justified the proposed increase from 30,000 to 40,000 pounds in the minimum carload weight on grain.

\$100,000 to Pension Ministers.

Wichita, Kan., March 10.—A \$100,000 endowment with which to pension aged Methodist ministers was started on Wednesday afternoon at the southwest Kansas conference of Methodist ministers.

Earl Curzon Hurt in Accident.

London, March 10.—Earl Curzon of Kedleston, lord of the privy seal, is confined to his residence, suffering from a fractured left elbow, the result of an accident, according to an announcement made here.

PURSUIT IS DIFFICULT

RAIDERS HAVE BROKEN UP IN SMALL GROUPS.

AMERICA A WORLD POWER

State Affairs of the World Cannot Be Settled Without Her—Carranza Issues a Manifesto.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. Columbus, N. M.—Reports multiply that Francisco Villa is disintegrating the force of 1,500 to 2,500 men whom he used to support or to make the Columbus raid last Thursday.

American military authorities say that if possible it would have been advisable to go after Villa Thursday when his raiders fled southward. They were then demoralized and were dropping loot and war material before the attacks of fifty-nine men under Maj. Frank Tompkins, Requests of Col. Herbert Slocum, commanding the Thirteenth cavalry, and of Major Tompkins to be allowed to renew the pursuit Friday with a larger force were denied pending the organization of the large punitive expedition.

Issues Manifesto.

Mexico City.—General Carranza has issued a manifesto to the nation declaring that under no circumstances would the Mexican government grant the right to the United States to violate Mexican territory by sending in an armed force in pursuit of Villa without consent and the reciprocal privilege being first obtained and admitted. It was sent to confidential agents of the first government at Washington to make immediate representations to this effect.

AMERICA A WORLD POWER.

Cannot Settle Affairs of the World Without Her.

London.—Nation, in an article discussing the position of the United States as a world power, says:

"America is slowly moving away from her old mooring and will shortly have entered more consciously and definitely into world politics as a great power. It would be idle for the European belligerents to pretend that they will and can settle the affairs of the world without her. America's strength, both material and moral, will be relatively so much greater that her will and intentions must operate with weight upon the policy of reconstruction in Europe."

Germans Gain More Footing.

Berlin.—French assaults in massed formation against the newly won German positions on the left bank of the Meuse northwest of Verdun were repulsed with heavy losses to the attackers, Saturday, says the official statement. Since the present operations were commenced in the Meuse region, the statement adds, 26,472 unwounded French soldiers and men and 189 guns and 232 machine guns have been captured.

Were Found Discriminatory

Washington.—Rates of the Colorado & Southern, and other roads on coal from South Canon, Colo., to Wyoming, South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas were found unjustly discriminatory by the interstate commerce commission in so far as they exceed rates from Walsenburg, Colo., to the same points by more than 25 cents per net ton.

Saved His Toll, Anyway.

St. Louis, Mo.—Almost dead from exhaustion and freezing from repeated drenchings, Jay Kerns, laborer, was rescued at Sergeant Bluffs after floating fourteen miles on an ice cake. He was refused the use of the Missouri river bridge here because he had no toll money and tried to cross on the ice, when it began breaking, and he jumped from cake to cake until he landed on one ten feet in diameter. He was twice immersed.

Washington.—Despite the perils of submarine warfare 400,000 persons crossed the Atlantic between American and European ports as passengers last year. Figures assembled in the bureau of navigation show that 250,000 of them traveled on vessels owned by the belligerents.

Washington.—The treasury department has asked the house to pass a bill providing for admission free of duty of 145,000 pounds of dry color to be imported by the bureau of engraving and printing from Germany. The request was referred to the ways and means committee. When it arrived discussion of the dyestuffs shortage was in progress on the floor of the house, resulting in the doubling of an item of \$5,000 in the pending legislative appropriation bill for experiments in color standards by the bureau of standards.

Fatalities Among Non-Combatants.

London.—The number of non-combatants killed by Great Britain's enemies since the beginning of war aggregates 3,153. Premier Asquith writes in reply to a request for information by Major Hunter. Forty-nine men, thirty-nine women and thirty-nine children were killed in coast bombardments. One hundred and twenty-seven men, ninety-two women and fifty-seven children were killed in air raids. Approximately 2,750 non-combatants lost their lives on board British merchant and fishing vessels.

MONTHLY REMITTANCES.

State Treasurer May Require Payments at Such Intervals.

State Treasurer Hall's fight to compel monthly remittances from county treasurers was brought to a successful finality when the Nebraska supreme court handed down a decision upholding his legal right to require payments at such intervals. The case decided is that brought by Hall against Treasurer W. G. Uro, of Douglas county, for a writ of mandamus compelling the latter to pay over state funds in his possession. It is held by the court, in brief, that county treasurers are required by law to make settlements with the state in February and October of each year, and that the state treasurer may require payment of state funds from county treasurers at other times. The demand of State Treasurer Hall that county treasurers should remit once a month the state funds in their possession is declared to be a reasonable one.

Muzik Gets Life Term.

Emil Muzik, convicted of wife murder, sentenced from Douglas county as the second man in Nebraska to suffer death by electrocution, will not be executed for the crime, but will instead receive a sentence of life imprisonment. The state supreme court in reviewing Muzik's case, has ruled that the evidence was sufficient to sustain his conviction, but not to justify the death penalty, and it therefore reduces the sentence. Muzik's defense was insanity. He cut his wife's throat with a thin table knife one morning because she urged him to get up out of bed and go to work. The opinion of the high court, written by Judge Fawcett, takes the ground that while Muzik was probably not insane in the usual sense his mind nevertheless was abnormal and the degree of the crime was not so great as to call for capital punishment.

New Plan for State Reading Circle.

"A course of reading for teachers that will lead somewhere" is the announced purpose of the state reading circle board, which met at the state superintendent's office to select reading matter for the coming year. According to Superintendent Thomas, a member of the board, it aims to bring about these changes:

Modernize and reform the reading courses for teachers. Establish a three-year course which will be used as a means of renewing certificates and giving credit in colleges and normal schools. Recommend a dozen or more books, from which teachers may choose a line of study suiting their individual needs.

The reading circle board comprises State Superintendent Thomas, Aletta Neff of Holdrege, I. N. Clark of Pawnee City, W. T. Poucher of Tekamah, and W. T. Davis of McCook.

State Land Increase in Price.

The state board of educational lands and funds has disposed of requests from Howard county for a reduction in the appraised value of 5,388 acres of state school lands under lease in that county. The board adopted a resolution declaring it to be the sense of the board that the appraisement of 1914, made by the county board of Howard county be allowed to stand. The adoption of this resolution was a polite way the board had of rejecting requests for a reduction which have been before the board in different forms several times during the past year. The resolution of the board recites that in view of the advice of the attorney general's department that the state board has no power to change an appraisement approved by a former state board in 1914, and in view of other matters set forth in the resolution, the former appraisement should stand undisturbed.

Must State Party Affiliation.

An elector who fails to state his party affiliation at the time he registers will not be allowed to participate in any primary, according to an opinion which has been furnished to Addison Watt by County Attorney Hager. Mr. Watt wrote to the county attorney, informing him that 152 men who had registered had failed to state their party affiliation and asking him what their status would be in the primary. Mr. Hager finds that section 2185 of the statutes provides that failure to give party affiliation will not interfere with the right of a person to vote at the general election, but that he can not vote at the primary.

The Nebraska state fair board will go after the Gotch-Stecker westling match to be held Labor day under Gene Melady's promotion. "We can show Mr. Melady something attractive," said Secretary Mellor. "We believe we can provide several thousand more people than could any other point at that time." The fair will be on at that date.

Charles W. Pool of Hyannis, has filed with the secretary of state as a candidate for re-election to that office on the democratic ticket.

Alleging that it has no present purpose to violate the Nebraska 2-cent fare law, but insisting that the restraining order of the Nebraska supreme court now in effect is an infringement upon its right to apply for relief to the United States court if it should see fit to do so, the Northwestern railroad has filed in the former tribunal a demurrer to the state's petition and a motion to dissolve the order. A similar motion and a demurrer have been filed on behalf of the M. & O. road, which is part of the Northwestern system.

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The Optimist.

Charles F. Murphy, the Tammany leader, praising optimism, said: "When I am looking for cheery, bracing optimism, I often think of the street musician playing 'Christians Awake' on a cornet in the midst of a driving snowstorm on Christmas day. 'The snow fell, the wind blew, and the musician, standing in a deep drift, tooted away when a lady passed. 'The man looked down at his shabby attire and said to himself proudly and optimistically: 'How lucky it's only my shoes that's full of holes. They don't show at all in this deep snow.'"—Washington Star.

A GRATEFUL ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Mr. F. C. Case of Welcome Lake, Pa., writes: "I suffered with Backache and Kidney Trouble. My head ached, my sleep was broken and un-

refreshing. I felt heavy and sleepy after meals, was always nervous and tired, had a bitter taste in my mouth, was dizzy, had floating specks before my eyes, was always thirsty, had a dragging sensation across my loins, difficulty in collecting my thoughts and was troubled with shortness of breath. Dodds Kidney Pills have cured me of these complaints. You are at liberty to publish this letter for the benefit of any sufferer who doubts the merit of Dodds Kidney Pills."

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A Whale Market.

Jonah complained, "We are always advised to buy at the bottom, but there is nothing for sale," he cried.

The Philosopher.

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