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Sussex, Carrying Three Hundred Persons, Running from Folkestone to Dieppe, Meets Disaster.

ALL ON BOARD ARE RESCUED

Later Reports Say Vessel Still Afloat After Being Attacked Off Beachy Head.

ANOTHER ENGLISH CRAFT LOST

LONDON, March 24 .- It is reported that a cross-channel passenger boat from Folkestone to Dieppe was sunk this afternoon

This afternoon nothing is abtainable as yet from any reliable quarter here concerning the Folkestone boat, but it is understood to have been carrying 240 civilian passengers, in addition to a crew of sixty men

It is rumored that the steamer sank at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

#### All Are Saved.

The continental traffic office of the Brighton railroad says, that according to reports received, all persons on board the steamer were saved and the vessel is still afloat.

The Central News says the steamer was the Sussex, and that it was torpedoed off Beachy Head. The agency gives the number of passengers as 380, a few of whom were British. The vecsel was un-der the command of Captain Mouffet, while the crew numbered forty mostly French.

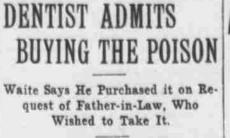
A later report-timed 10:30 p. m .- says the Sussex is still afloat and in charge of a tug.

#### Englishman Sunk.

The steamer Englishman of the Dominion line has been sunk, according to Lloyds. It is stated that thus far sixtyeight survivors have been accounted for The last record of the steamer English man shows that it sailed from Portland, Me., February 17, for St. Nazaire and Avonmouth. The Englishman was a vessel of 5,257 tons, and was owned by the Mississippi and Dominion Steamship com-pany of Liverpool. It was built in 1892 at Belfast.

### Abc Test Clause of Immigration Bill is Ridiculed by Cannon

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 24.-The literacy test in the Burnett immigration bill was supported by those who pointed to the possibility of vast immigration after the European war and opposed by former Speaker Cannon, who ridiculed it. Armed with a consus report of 1790 he Lieut. Pailthorp argued that the names of two-thirds of ars of the house were not



NEW YORK, March 24 .- District Attorney Swann announced late today that Dr. Arthur Waite, accused of the murder of his father-in-law. TW John E. Peck, had confessed that he had purchased a quantity of poise and given it to Peck in a small ing himself administered the

or knowing that Peck took it." The district attorney added that Waite had said he bought the poison at Peck's request, because the aged millionaire wished to commit suicide.

NEW YORK, Maren 2.-Soon after Dr. Arthur Warren Walto, accused of polsoning his father-in-law, John E. Peck. Bapids, Mich., ) had cenled the charge today, District Attorney Swann an-

Peck's death.

Brothers reported.

A. W. Walters.

Berkeley Fire

Trial of Orphet is

ndictment had been overruled.

General Otis is

set for April 10.

have improved.

of peace in Europe.

WAUKEGAN, III., March 24 .- Will H

Orpet, student of the University of Wis-

consin, charged with poisoning his for-

LOS ANGELES, Cal., March 24.-At-

eral Harrison Gray Otis, editor of the

Los Angeles Times, ill with pneumonis

DEMOS DECIDE AGAINST

as saying.

nounced that he had obtained a voucher from a druggist signed with Waite's name, for the purchase of a quantity of

arsenic on March 9, three days before District Attorney Swann said the drug-

gist's record showed that Walte had pur- hus, stating that five columns of Carchased enough arsente to kill several men. Dr. Waite, in denying to Assistant District Attorney Brothers the charge of with the aid of the Americans it was bepolsoning his father-in-law, said he had lieved that Villa would not be able to never purchased arsenic in his life. When escape.

informed of the druggist's record he "became suddenly glum and refused to talk." The district attorncy also examined

Miss Catherine Peck, the aged sister of States, the drug manufacturer. He announced he had learned from her that she had given \$40,000 to Walte to invest in mort-

gage bonds, but instead of doing so he General Cavazoa, General Garza, Colonel had used \$30,000 in a speculative account Cano, Colonel Salas and Colonel Herwith Wall street brokers and sent \$10,000 nandez. o his brother.

Dr. Walts admitted, according to Mr. today from General Luis Herrera at Chi-Brothers, that he had put something into hushua City, in which the latter denied Peck's soup some time prior to his death, emphatically that he had revolted against out declared that it was medicine, and the Carranza government and had joined Dr. A. A. Moore, the physician who at- Villa, "I deny with all possible emphasis conded Peck during his illness, had in- these reports given to the press by restructed him to employ this method of actionaries, who wish to stir up trouble giving the patient medicine, because Peck | among the Mexicans," the telegram said. had complained that it was bitter and "I intend to prosecute the campaign against Villa with more energy than behad refused to take it.

would be removed to Bellevue hospital. Sixty cases of rifle cartridges were prisoner, later in the day. His condi- turned over to Ives G. Lelevier, consul tion was not yet such as to permit his here for the de facto government, today removal to The Tombs prison. Dr. Waite told his guards, according to delivered to General Calles at Agua reports they made to the district attor. Prieta, Each case contained 1,000 rounds.

"And I will stick to her," he was quoted sufficiently to allow the Democratic Min-

Many Rumors at Columbus.

OMAHA, SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 25, 1916-TWENTY PAGES. **AMERICAN FORCE** 

U. S. OUTPOST ON MEXICAN DESERT-Here is an American outpost established on the Mexican desert, south of the international boundary, scanning the horizon for signs of Villa's troops.

## **MEXICAN BANDIT**

DENIES ADMINISTERING DRUG Gavira Hears that United States Troops Planned to Strike at Villa Band Near Nami-

quipa.

**ABOUT TO ATTACK** 

IS ARE NEAR THERE

umns of De Facto Troops Said to Be Closing in on Pancho.

## BELIEVED HE WILL BE TAKEN

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 24 .-General Gavira, Mexican commander at Juarez, advised Consul Beltran of the Mexican government

here, that he had been informed that an American army officer with the forces near Namiquipa, had notiwealthy drug manufacturer of Grand fied General Bertonie that they probably would attack Villa today.

> DOUGLAS, Ariz., March 24 -- General P. Elias Calles, military governor of Sonora. received a telegram today from General Enriquez, military governor of Chihua-

ranza troops were closing in on Villa and his handits near Namiquipa, and that

Governor Enriquez also telegraphed that reports concerning the revolt of General Herrera were false and an effort by the 'radicals" to cause trouble between the

Carranza government and the United The Mexican troops operating near Namiquipa, according to General Enriquez, were those under the command of

General Calles also received a telegram

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Mr. Brothers announced that Waite fore. by an express company and later were ney, that he would keep his lips sealed as to the identity of the woman with whom he lived at a hotol as Dr. and Mrs.

on the exportation of dynamite to Sonora ing company at Cannanea to obtain a

days unless the company can obtain the dynamite needed in blasting for ore.

U'S'OUTPOST IN MEXICO. WINEL FILM SERVICE DIETZ AFTER TROOPS BERLIN DENIES WILL NOT CALL OUT **DEFEAT BY RUSS** FOR AK-SAR-BEN

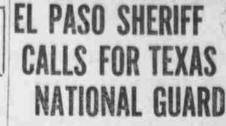
Quest for Army Men at Semi-Centennial.

the Board of Governors of Ak-Sar-Ben had interviews today with officials of the war department looking to the mobilization of troops in

Omaha in connection with the The Russian gun fire became incelebration of the fiftieth anniversary of Nebraska's admission into the sisterhood of states. Mr. Dietz was escorted by Representative Lobeck in his swing through the army and navy building, the congressman paving the way for the Omaha man, this fire. whose interest and enthusiasm in

At night the Russians attacked in thick the forthcoming celebration made a waves. The first two waves were mowed supply of explosives. One thousand em-ployes of the mine, he said, will be thrown out of employment within a few visited. Mr. Dietz was told that if troops were

a, dur- and the assailants were ejected by a



SINGLE COPY TWO CENTS.

Cloudy

County Official Appeals to Governor to Send State Troops to Help Defend the International Border.

AMERICANS NEED PROTECTION

Federal Authorities Think There is No Need to Tecl Any Alart.

#### SIGNS OF INCREASING TENSION

EL PASO, Tex., March 24 .- Evidence of the seriousness with which the local authorities regard the border situation was supplied tonight in an announcement by Sheriff Peyton James Edwards that he has telegraphed Governor James E. Ferguson that he believed the state militia should be sent to the frontier.

Sheriff Edwards said that he did not wish to be considered an alarmlst, but that developments in Mexico convinced him that additional protection was needed for Americans along the border. He refused to give the wording of his telegram or say how many additional troops he thought necessary.

The action of Mr. Edwards following that of the Arizona authorities in directing that border companies of militia of that state be recruited to full war strength gave renewed force to the tension which earlier in the day had shown signs of relaxing.

#### Their Views Are Different.

There is a sharp difference in the point of view between federal and local officials here. The former insist that while the situation is filled with dangerous possibilities, there is no reason to fear an immediate crisis. The local authoritics on the other hand are equally posttive that there is grave danger of an outbreak which will set the entire border in a blaze

The federal officials are showing increasing irritation over the alarming reports about conditions which are being circulated here night and day and which are being sent out to the rest of the country in news dispatches. They are fearful of the effect that these reports will have on the Membans, who have shown many signs in the last few days of increasing restlessness

Consul Thomas D. Edwards at Juares and several other to the residents in and several other the Mexican town um to the state department testing against the Virculation of these reports and asking that some steps ba taken to stop them. It is understood that similar messages have been sent to Washington from other federal officers with a direct recommendation that a censorship be established here.

No News of Fighting

BENLIN, March 23 .- (Via London, March 24.)-The importance of the struggle around Verdun naturally overshadows interest in

the contest on the eastern front, but the latest dispatches show that hard fighting is in progress in the northern sector of the Russian line.

tense on the evening of March 19. More than 50,000 shells, chiefly of heavy caliber, fell over a small section of the front near Postavy. German wire entanglements and the front line trenches were damaged by

position on a front of less than 100 yards

NATIONAL GUARD

On Trains, at Motel News Stands, etc. Se

MIGHT HAVE BAD EFFECT

ing, but it was decided there was no prospect of such action at this time. The cabinet was told that there was sontiment in congress to protect the constantly lengthening line of communications of the American punitive expedition by sending more regulars into Mexico

and placing guardsmen along the bor-der. "Major General Funston, however, had not asked for addition troops, it was said today, and War department officials did not believe mobilization of state troops was now necessary. After the cabinet meeting officials showed they feared a mobilization of guardsmen would have a disquisting effect in Mexico. They ex-

pressed confidence that American troops n Mexico were in no danger. Should

Omahan Meets Encouragement in (From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, March 24 .--- (Spe-Telegram.)-Gould Dietz, of

Muscovites Repulsed and Gap in Line Recovered. MAY GET THE GUARDSMEN FOUR DIVISIONS IN THE ASSAULT

War Office Says Four Attacks by Cabinet Decides After Discussion

that Services of Militia Probably Will Not Be Needed.

WASHINGTON, March 24 .- The question of calling the National guard for border duty to release regulars for service in Mexico, was discussed at today's cabinet meet-

found among those then recorded in the United States and that the names of many men foremost in national life showed by their absence in the list that their forefathers had been immigrants.

"There were no McKennas, Pitneys of Van De Venters for the supreme court." said he, "no McAdoos, Burlesons or Houstons to sit about the cabinet table. I can find among the first families of that time no Agassiz, Edlson or Westinghouse, no Carnegie, Harriman, Havenever, no Astor, Belmont or Lorillard, no Funston or Pershing, no Watterson or Pulitzer, no Gompers or Morrison or Billy Sunday.

"Another name not on the list is that of Roosevelt." The house cut loose with an uproar of

applause that continued until Mr. Cannon rose and bowed.

### **Entent Nations** Decline to Disarm Merchant Ships

WASHINGTON, March 24 .- The entents allies, replying individually to Secretary Lansing's suggestion for the disarmament of all merchant ships, have in effect declined the proposal.



Forecast till 7 p. m. Saturday: For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity Unsettled and colder. Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday.



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Shot to Death in Room on Cruiser COLUMBUS, N. M., March 24 .- No word

vas received at the military base here today from General J. J. Pershing's ex-SEATTLE, Wash., March 24.-Junior peditionary command, either by wireless Lieutenant Ormond C. Pailthorp, U. S. or courier. A motor truck train which N., was found today by officers of his was expected to arrive early in the day failed to report, but it was believed it ship shot to death in his room on board the cruiser Saratoga. may have been delayed by the dust of Lieutenant Pallthorp was 29 year old

norther and was appointed to the Naval academy With the interruption which, it was a from Michigan, his native state, in 1906. serted, was not due to a defect in the Investigation showed that Lieutenant wireless, numbers of rumors, all appar-Pailthorp's wound was self-inflicted. No ently without foundation, became current cause for suicide is known. Pallthorp One had it that American troops here. returned in February to the Puget Sound were engaged in a battle with Villa in yard from the Aslatic station. He was the vicinity of (deleted), south of Casas engineer officer of the Sartoga.

Grandes. Another had it that the bandit and a small band were surrounded in the same vicinity by American cavalrymen, who

rapidly were closing in on him. The rumors could be neither confirmed Chief Asphyxiated or denied by military authorities here because of the absence of dispatches. Be-BERKELEY, Cal., March 24 .-- James Kenny, chief of the Berkeley fire departlief was expressed, however, that all was well with the American forces below ment, met death here last night by suf-

Casas Grandes. focation while fighting a fire in oll works. While on his way to the fire A telegram from General Pershing later asserted that dust storms, which Kenney's automobile collided with a telegraph post and the chief was thrown have been raging, have made it imposfor a distance of about fifty feet. He sible for aviators to do scouting duty. It got up unalded and declared he was not is known also that the storms have interfered with troop movements. No menhurt. tion was made of a battle in General

Pershing's report.

Set for April Tenth Texas Sheriff Killed by Prisoner He Was Taking Back Home

mer sweetheart, Marian Frances Lampert, a Lake Forest High school girl, en-MUSKOGEE, Okla., March 24,-Three tered a plea of not guilty in the circuit ourt today after motion to quash the his bride, wanted in connection with the Judge killing of Sheriff Jacob Giles of Beau-Donnelly denied bail. Date of trial was mont, Tex., on a train near Checotah,

Okla., carly today. Hadley was being taken to Beaumont About the Same hills. They are said to be armed.



was "about the same. ' He passed a fair BERLIN, March 24 .- (by wireless to light, but it was thought advisable to Tuckerton, N. J.)-The long-expected split give him a mild stimulant. Yesterday in the German socialist party as the rehe passed the day without taking any suit of the political situation created by oplates. His condition was said not to the submarine warfare controversy in

the reichstag occurred today. A new party consisting of eighteen socilst members was constituted by the radical wing after EXCISE TAX UPON SUGAR a socialist caucus had been decided to a socialist caucus had been decided to

Iscipline WASHINGTON, March 24 .- Democrats The socialist's caucus was held after of the senate finance committee today closure had been applied in the reichstag rive here today on the steamship Matura, practically decided not to recommend an by the president when the resolution was returning from a six weeks' journey excise or production tax on sugar as an reached to exclude Deputy Haase, for through the West Indies. Some of the imendment to the pending house resothe same reason that Deputy Liebknecht colonel's admirers wanted to send a comlution repealing the free sugar provision was excluded from the organization, the mittee down the bay to welcome him, as of the tariff law. Senators Hardwick and minority assembled and resolved to leave they did when he returned from the of the tariff law. Senators Hardwick and Gore have been urging such an amendthe party.

ment, the latter also proposing a half cent increase in the sugar tariff to remain in effect until six months after a treaty minority on the last vote consisted of ne thirty socialists.

ing the week of October 2, they would be mobilized in Omaha for the semi-centennial celebration.

#### May Come to Omaha

Mr. Dietz suggested that if the national guard of a number of the states were encamped at Fort Robinson, as now planned in September, they might be moved to Omaha as part of their maneuvers, terminating their encampment at that point.

This suggestion, Colonel McKeever, in charge of national guard duties with the regular staff, thought well of and volunteered to work along those lines,

In view of the co-operation of the Nebraska delegation, through the efforts of Representative Kinkaid, it is now belleved that the National Guard of North around Verdun since yesterday, according and South Dakota, Colorado, Wyoming and Nebraska will be brought together in a general encampment at Fort Robinson this year. The date of this encampment is necessarily problematical, but it will be in all probabilyity late in the sum-

mer or early in the fall. It was learned today that the Kansas National Guard desires to join in the encampment and that Missouri is also seriously considering the question of joining sister states in making an encampment that will be worth while.

#### Mounts for Officers.

Colonel E. J. Murfin of Lincoln, judge advocate general of the Nebraska national guard, who has been in Washington co-operating with Judge Kinkald in bringing about a "great big" encampment of citizen soldiery at Fort Robin son, said today he had assurances from the war department that officers' mounts would be supplied and that the necessary horses and mules would be proosses are pursuing Paul V. Hadley and vided to make the encampment a military success, these animals to be late

returned to the permanent establishment Range at Ashland.

range at Ashland was practically comfrom Nebraska, to answer a murder plete, the only essentials being the recharge. After he killed Giles, it is alleged cording of the deeds and the payment of Hadley compelled the conductor to stop the purchase price. "This range," said the train and, with his wife, fied to the Colonel Murfin, "will make a concentration camp at Ashiand second to none the country, and will make Ashland at ideal place for rifle practice, not only for Nebraska troops, but for adjoining states that have no suitable range. This comes a permanent fixture for United States troops for rifle practice and practically establishes a post national in char-

acter for such purposes. **Roosevelt** Objects to Public Reception

African hunting expedition in 1910, but

half-formed plans were abandoned.

counter attack led in person by a regi-mental commander. At dawn the Russlans made a fourth attack, but it was smothered in its initial stages by German artillery.

participated in these movements. The Germans were compelled to summon few reserves. Their losses were heavier than on the two preceding days of the fighting on account of the Russian drum fire but is asserted that, nevertheless, they were surprisingly small.

Activity of the Russians at other points of Field Marshal Von Hindenburg's front is less marked."

#### Verdun Generally Quiet,

PARIS, March 24 .- (11:45 a. m.)-There has been no change in the situation to the war office announcement this afternoon.

West of the Meuse the night was calm East of the river there were intermitteni ombardments

The text of the statement follows: "In the Argonne our batteries last night annonaded with energy the enemy posttions in the wood of Malancourt. Near Hill No. 225 we caused the explosion of mine and occupied the resulting crater. "West of the Meuse the night passed guletly. East of the river there was intermittent bombarding in the vicinity of Douaumont and Damloup.

"In the Woevre there have been out oursts of artillery firs in the sectors of Moulainville and Eparges, both sides taking part.

"There has been no other developmen of importance on the rest of the front."

## Medics of Valley

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., March 24 .- The medi- leaves for Chicago this morning. cal society of the Missouri valley se-Colonel Murfin said today that the rifle lected Omaha as the place for its semi- a resident of Chicago and at this time

annual meeting in September, at its he is owner and manager of the Hipfinal meeting here today. podrome

large bodies of Carranza troops go over to Villa, however, the question of call-ing out the guard will be considered.

## Four Russian division are said to have Four Thousand New Voters Found In Douglas County

Four thousand new voters have been added to the poll books of Douglas county, during the last few weeks, according to Election Commissioner Moor

head. About 5,000 men have appeared to submit changes of address. Mr. Moorhead announced last night that he will keep his office open this afternoon and evening until 9 o'clock in

order to accommodate an expected fush of registrations. Fifteen days remain in which to register. The law reads that one cannot vote unless registered at least ten days before the election. Registering once is unless residence has enough. The other requirements are changed. that one must be over 21 years of age, a resident of the state for six months and the county thirty days.

WILLIAM R. BENNETT TO GO UNDER SURGEON'S KNIFE

William R. Bennett, now of Chicago but for years a resident of Omaha and one of the leading business men of the city, has sustained an attack of appendicitis. He is now in one of the Chicago hospitals and will be operated upon as soon as Dr. E. W. Powell of this city can reach him.

Dr. Powell is an old friend of Mr. Ben-To Meet in Omaha nett. Yesterday the doctor received a telegram from Mr. Bonneti, requesting that he perform the operation. The doctor

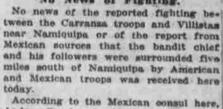
For some years Mr. Bennett has been

## Sir Ernest Shackleford is Back from His Antartic Expedition

SYNDEY, N. S. W., March 24-Lieulen- mile voyage from South Georgia, an un ant Sir Ernest H. Shackleton has re- inhabited island in the south Atlantic turned from his Antarctic expedition. ocean, about 500 miles due east of Cape News of the achievements of the expe- Horn, for Ross Sea, on the other side of the south pole.

From Tasmania, the second expedition The adventure of Lieutenant Sir Ernest meanwhile had salled also for the Ross hackleton, heading the British trans- Sea, there to meet Sir Ernest's expedi-Aniarctic expedition, had a three-fold tion with supplies necessary to come ou purpose, to navigate the Antarctic ocean of the Antarctic ocean by April, 1915, but on a meridian; to secure for the British conditions far from propitious made nec-Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt are due to aremblem thus to be taken from sea to sea which started from Tasmania was ob-across this south polar realm, and to liged to spend the winter of 1915-16 at the conduct scientific work relating, among Ross Sea to await Sir Ernest's arrival, other phases to meteorology, geography, which had been expected sometime this geology and geodetic survey. month. Sir Ernest sailed in the Endur-The expedition left England in two see- ance, a three-master, with auxiliary en-

tions about six weeks after the European gines which gave it a ten-knot speed. The total number of socialist members they learned from his secretary, John war began, but it was not until early in This vessel, of 360 tons, had accommoda in the reichstag is 100. The dissenting W. McGrath, that Mr. Roosevelt desired January, 1215, after delay due to unfavdemonstration in his honor. The orable ice conditions, that the party the party which sailed included fifteen headed by Sir Ernest set off on a 1,700- officers and scientista,



Andres Garcia, the Mexican wires have been cut between Casas Grandes and Madera. The same reason was given by consul Garcia for the dearth of news following the first battle reported near, Namiquipa some days ago.

## Artillery is Active All Around Verdun

PARIS, March 24 .-- Bombardments continue by the French of German positions in the woods of Malancourt and Avocourt and by both the German and French guns of opposing position on all sides of Verdun, according to the French official communication tonight. No infantry action has taken place, except in the Argonne forest, where the Germans entered Frepch first line trenches but were mmediately expelled with a loss of some

men taken prisoners.

## Brother of Herrera Released by U.S.

EL PASO, Tex., March 24.-Melchor Herrera, brother of General Luis Herrera, was released today by the United States authorities. He was taken into custody when reports became current here that General Herrera had revolted from the de facto government. The arrest was made just after a conference that Herrera had held with General Gavira, commander of the Juarez garrison Herrera went immediately to Juares after his release

#### M'DONALD NAMED POST-MASTER AT DEADWOOD

WASHINGTON, March M .- President Wilson today nominated Edward McDonald to be postmaster at Deadwood, S. D.

## 'Junk"

Every home and business house has a lot of used furniture and fittings which the owner describes as junk. But there is a market value on just such things as these, and a small ad in The Bee will find plenty buyers.

# dition is withheld for the present.

NEW YORK, March 24 .-- Colonel and