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SHELL GERMAN SUPPLY TRAIN

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On the west of the Meuse a German attack against Hancourt failed.

BERLIN, April 4.—(Via London.)—Strong French positions southwest of Douaumont and in the Callette wood northeast of Verdun, have been taken by German troops, the war office announced today. Recapture by the British of a mine crater at St. Eloi, south of Ypres, which the Germans had been occupying is also reported in the official statement.

PARIS, April 4.—No infantry attacks were made last night by the Germans in the Verdun region, the war office announced this afternoon. The French continued their heavy bombardment along the Douaumont-Vaux front, northeast of Verdun.

The response was feeble. There were violent artillery exchanges near Avocourt and Malancourt.

The text of the statement follows: "In the Argonne district we have bombarded certain of the German organizations, particularly in the region of Mont Falcon and Malancourt.

"West of the Meuse there has been artillery fighting of considerable violence along the front from Avocourt as far as Malancourt. East of the Meuse the night passed relatively quiet.

"The Germans have made no attack against the front between Douaumont and Vaux, re-established by our counter attacks yesterday.

"French batteries have been particularly active in firing upon enemy positions in this region. The enemy has responded but feebly.

"East of the forest of Le Pretre a strong reconnaissance by the enemy has been dispersed by our fire.

"In Alsace, French batteries were successful in shelling a German supply train on the highway between Thann and Muelhausen."

Brandeis Object of Systematic Attack

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Senator Clifton's reason for recommending the confirmation of Louis D. Brandeis as a supreme court justice was made today to the judiciary committee. Mr. Clifton was chairman of the subcommittee which heard charges against Mr. Brandeis and one of the three democrats who reported in his favor.

"Such a man as Mr. Brandeis," said Senator Clifton, "so prominently active in public and private life and at the period of construction of the Sherman law, the weakening of the states to their duty concerning industrial combinations and the determination of the dividing line between state and national power is bound to have engaged in contests before the courts and before legislative bodies more or less bitter, and he would indeed be a human prodigy if he had not aroused some bitter antagonism. It is in evidence that there was a systematic campaign of advertisement to injure him in the estimation of the public."

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STRATEGY OF CHASE OF VILLA OUTLAW

Correspondent at Front Describes Long Ride to Guerrero and Battle in Village Streets.

BANDIT HAS NARROW ESCAPE

AT FRONT, March 31.—(Via Aeroplane and Motor Courier to American Border, at Columbus, N. M., April 4.)—The strategy whereby after two weeks of pursuit the Villa band under General Eliseo Hernandez was overtaken by American troops and dispersed was revealed here today. The plan was to send the American column in a straight line along the "string of the bow," while Villa was taking a longer route along "the arc of the bow." Coupled with this maneuver was a general order: "Spare nothing except horseflesh."

Under these instructions the cavalrymen, with Colonel George A. Dadd's brigade always in the van, pushed straight southward from the border through the Santa Maria river valley. Villa meanwhile, after passing Casas Grandes and points south of there, had swung eastward behind the ridge of mountains, close to 5,000 feet high and topped with huge copper-green cliffs, which border closely to the eastern side of the river. In this swing to the east Villa's position was difficult to locate, sometimes it seemed sheer guesswork. Nevertheless the cavalry steadily hurried southward along the shorter line, trusting that Villa finally would try to turn ahead of them to his old haunts, literally nothing except horse flesh was spared by the Americans.

Dadd's Force Reduced.
On March 25 Colonel Dadd's men were reduced, by the necessity of leaving patrols and by the illness of about forty men, to a total advance guard of about 400. They had run completely out of provisions for the men and feed for the horses. Nevertheless instead of halting in a small town they pushed on, leaving no regular lines of communication with the columns in the rear. For one solid week they lived on their wits, their reserve strength and such scanty food as they could pick up, but always following the order, "spare nothing except horse flesh."

How well they spared the horses was proven by their final dash into the Villa stronghold Wednesday morning, a march which for endurance and brilliant effort never has been surpassed. Before this dash on Monday an aviator flying over unknown mountains, farther into Mexico than any of the aeroplanes had probably penetrated, had discovered Dadd's column. The next day he flew back to General Pershing, who had started south from field headquarters, giving the general the most important news of the campaign to date, namely, that Dadd believed he knew where Villa was. The night of that same Tuesday Dadd's column, 400 strong, started for Guerrero, fifty-five miles away, where it was reported that Villa with 600 men had captured the town from the Carranzista garrison.

Forced March of Americans.
The Americans made fifty-five miles in seventeen hours, riding on a chilly night which cut to the bone of the men who had discarded every piece of nonfighting equipment except blanket and canteens and made little of them. Some of them even had thrown away their blankets.

The fifty-five-mile march to Guerrero was not planned in the hope that the town would be reached before daylight. However, a mistake in roads cost an

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HEADS OF KANSAS CITY POLICE FORCE ORDERED TO JAIL

Commissioners Lapsley and Lamb Sentenced to Lockup by Judge in Municipal Election Dispute.

THEY WOULD NOT HONOR WRITS

Officials Disregarded Habeas Corpus Command in Case of Men Arrested.

CHIEF ALSO SENT TO BASTILE

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 4.—Municipal elections here today mark the close of the bitterest campaign in Kansas City in many years. Mayor Henry H. Jett, Democrat, seeks re-election. His republican opponent is George H. Edwards. Within a few hours after the polls opened the police had arrested 13 men and women in North Side wards. Opponents of the mayor charged that the arrests were made to prevent the casting of votes against the democratic administration.

Captain Thomas P. Flahive, acting chief of police, was committed to the county jail this afternoon by Circuit Judge Burney, for refusing to honor writs of habeas corpus for release of the ten men arrested by the police.

St. Louis Man Elected President Of Zion Society

INDEPENDENCE, Mo., April 4.—(Special Telegram.)—At the morning session of the annual convention of the Zion's Religious Society of the reorganized church, in progress at this place, Grandville Trobridge of St. Louis, Mo., was chosen president for the coming year, Thomas J. Elliott, also a St. Louis man, was chosen vice president. Arthur E. McKim of Excelsior Springs, Mo., secretary, and G. A. Becker of Columbus, O., treasurer, were re-elected.

Miss Louise Evans of Grand Rapids, Mich., was chosen a member of the literary commission, and the following officers were re-elected: James Hunt of Independence, Mo., superintendent of temperance department; F. P. Wiper of Chicago, superintendent of home department; Harvey Sandy of Kansas City, superintendent of the gospel literature commission; R. W. Farrell of Boston, member of the social purity board.

The General Sunday School association took up its business this afternoon. A story-teller's conference was held at 4 o'clock, with Mrs. Walter W. Smith of Philadelphia in charge. The value of the story in teaching children manners, morals and truth of all kinds is being emphasized strongly in these sessions, and the gathered teachers are being instructed in its use and importance. A juvenile chorus of 25 voices furnished the music at the evening session of the convention.

Check for Seventy Million Dollars for Canadian Loan

NEW YORK, April 4.—A check for slightly more than \$70,000,000, said to be the largest ever drawn, passed through the New York clearing house today. It was made by J. P. Morgan & Co on a local bank to the order of the Canadian government in payment of \$70,000,000 par value, 5 per cent bonds recently purchased by a syndicate of bankers.

These bonds were recently sold by the banking syndicate at public offerings at prices slightly under par.

Mrs. Waite Files Suit for Divorce

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., April 4.—Mrs. Clara Louise Waite today filed suit for divorce in superior court here against her husband, Dr. Arthur Warren Waite of New York, who had confessed to the murder of her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Peck.

Borah Objects to Putting State Police Upon National Pay Roll

WASHINGTON, April 4.—(Continuation of the news reorganization bill was continued in the senate today, with renewed warning by Senator Chamberlain, in charge of the measure, that unless greater progress is made he would demand that signed bills on the National Board plan as not justifying the expense if passed today.

The federalization of the state militia is not the worst feature of what is proposed in this bill. We must not lose sight of the fact that the militia is the only force of the state and that we propose here to build up and extend the power of the state police and put it on the federal payroll.

We must take into consideration the fact that there will be problems of demoralization to be met in this country after the war is brought to a close. It will be necessary for the first in the history of this government or any free institution I know of, to put on the national pay roll twenty thousand men and women who are in the business and politics of this country today and who will be the main force of the country after the war is over.

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STATE TOWNS VOTE ON LICENSE ISSUE IN CLOSE CONTESTS

Drys Appeal of King Gains Accents of Cities of Nebraska.

FAIRBURY CHANGES TO DRY

Hildreth and DeWitt Are Registered in the Wet Column Again After Vote.

NORTH PLATTE DRY FIRST TIME

Norman	Wet
Elkhorn	Wet
Harrison	Wet
West point	Wet
Commerce	Wet
Burlingame	Wet
De Witt	Wet
Silver Creek	Wet
Franklin	Wet
Big Horn	Wet
Fremont	Wet
Crete	Wet
Wilbur	Wet
Grand Island	Wet
Springfield	Wet
Clay Center	Wet
York	Wet
David City	Wet
Union	Wet
Gibbon	Wet
Nebraska	Wet
Cotelefield	Wet
Wilder	Wet
Grand Island	Wet

Nebraska cities voted on the wet and dry issue yesterday. The early reports indicated that the wets and dries were starting one of the fiercest battles in the history of the state. North Platte went dry for the first time in the history of the city by a majority of 96 votes. Airbury, in Jefferson county, went dry by a majority of 100 votes, changing over from the wet column.

Hildreth and De Witt went wet again after being in the dry column.

Giltner, in Hamilton county, went dry, making Hamilton county entirely dry. A number of close votes were cast in scattering cities, where wet towns remained in the wet list.

Benson, a suburb of Omaha, went republican by a large majority. Fred A. Bailey, a liberal candidate for mayor, winning the office.

Fairbury Switches to Dry.
FAIRBURY—After one of the most strenuous battles in the history of Fairbury between the wet and dry factions, Fairbury reversed its policy and switched to the dry column by an estimated plurality of 130 votes.

Three wards went dry by heavy majorities, overcoming the one wet precinct. Twelve hundred and ninety votes were cast in the election, the heaviest in its history.

No contest was made on the citizens' ticket, only a couple of councilmen and two members of the school board being elected.

BROKEN BOW.—A. R. Humphrey, heading the republican municipal ticket, with a vote of 410, defeated J. W. Watson, the republican candidate for mayor by a comfortable majority. Pool and billiard halls also carried by good majorities. The liquor question was not an issue.

BANCROFT. Bancroft remained wet at the election today. Bonds for a municipal electric light plant, carried, 120 for to 30 against. J. G. Crippie, A. G. Burke and F. Koepnick were elected to succeed themselves on the board.

KESAWA. Kesawa went dry today. R. J. Hilsabeck, T. M. Robinson and P. C. Arrington were elected to the board of trustees.

SARGENT. Sargent went dry again. A ban on pool halls was also voted. New members of the board are Dr. Fenschler-Mecher, P. E. Motowil and C. Eker.

HILDRETH. Hildreth changed from the dry to the wet column. Perry McClellan, Dr. W. W. Griffin, Dr. A. Swartz were elected on the town board.

ALHON. Alhon remained wet. A. Swartz was elected clerk, W. C. Day, treasurer, J. P. Shirley and S. J. Clark, councilmen; J. M. Beck, engineer, W. E. Bolen, P. J. Mullick and F. W. Weitzel, members of the board of education. The town remains dry.

TILDEN. Tilden changed from dry to wet. The vote on pool halls was a tie, 115 votes being cast each way. Robert Ashburn, A. H. Hart, A. Smith were re-elected to the city council.

BATTLE CREEK. Board of trustees were re-elected. No politics or issues here. Town is wet.

GRIFFITH CENTER. M. J. Harshill, W. C. W. Griffin, W. H. Town were elected on the town board.

CLARK. Clark remains in dry column. No change. Entire vote ticket elected.

STAMPELTON. Citizens' ticket elected. Town went wet by 20 majority.

WILBUR. Wilbur remains wet by 20 majority. Last year, Dr. J. B. Dodge, Leo Roberts and Fred Spahr were re-elected village trustees.

BENNINGTON. W. Glandt, the military organization within the state.

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SPANISH CROWN PRINCE AN EXPERT HORSEMAN— The heir to the throne of Spain, like his father, King Alfonso, is decidedly fond of outdoor athletics. Prince Alfonso will celebrate his ninth birthday on May 10, next, and is already an accomplished horseman.



REYES IS READY TO GIVE UP STRUGGLE

Villa's Chief Supporter Offers to Surrender if He is Guaranteed Amnesty.

TORREON, Mex., April 4.—General Canuto Reyes, commanding the Villa forces in this locality, has sent a letter to General Trevino, Carranza commander, offering to surrender with all his forces if given amnesty. This information was given out today by General Trevino.

Carranza authorities here say that the surrender of Reyes would break organized resistance to the de factor government and end the hopes of Villa. There is a disposition, however, to take his offer conservatively, as the letter says six weeks will be necessary for General Reyes to notify all of his followers and there is a possibility that this may be a ruse to gain time for Villa.

It has been frequently reported lately that Villa was making his way to the north of Torreon in order to effect a junction with Reyes.

In the letter to General Trevino, the signature of which has been positively identified, Reyes says he deplores the useless continuance of a bloody and hopeless struggle.

In answer General Trevino said today that he was preparing proclamations which would be distributed broadcast, allowing all bandits ten days to come in and give up their horses and saddles. He says that he is confident that because of their knowledge of his just treatment to those who surrendered in the Chihuahua campaign the Villistas will respond readily.

General Reyes is the recognized chief of all the small bands operating in the Laguna and Durango districts, including those of Contreras and Hilarrio Rodriguez.

There have been no signs lately of aggression by Contreras in the Nazas district. This probably is due to the fact that strong Carranza forces now are located at Valaderra.

Three Sea Planes Which Made Attack on Ancona Taken

ROME, April 4.—(Via Paris.)—Among the details given in an official communication regarding the raid on Ancona yesterday by five sea planes, supported by two torpedo boats, as a result of which three persons were killed and eleven injured, are the following:

"The enemy sea planes were attacked by an anti-aircraft gun on an armored train and by four of our aeroplanes. The sea planes fled, but three of them were brought down. One was the I-2, which was captured intact. The second was marked O-3; it burst into flames and destroyed. The third sank while it was being towed in port. The enemy torpedo boats had remained far out at sea during the attack."

RAILROAD BECOMES IMPORTANT.
Army men here believe that as Villa moves southward, with his trail well covered for the time at least, it will be necessary to establish new army bases and strongly guard the line of communication. To do this large reinforcements of American troops will be needed. Meanwhile the use by the American army of the Mexican Northwestern railroad for the transportation of supplies becomes more important.

Although the question has arisen how far the pursuit of Villa will continue and it is believed here that the developments within the next few days will bear on the answer.

Pershing is Far to South.
COLUMBUS, N. M., April 4.—(General J. Pershing has established his camp so far into the wilderness of the Chihuahuan mountains and so far beyond the range of communication that his staff officers were obliged to report again today that they had no knowledge of his whereabouts. This information came in only to demands on the part of the War Department for a list of American casualties in the San Geronimo engagement