



# Kaiser and Holtweg Confer on Note at Front; Berlin Plans Delay; Gerard Gives Little Hope

## SCOTT STARTS NORTH TO-DAY; REPORT READY

Withdrawal of Army Expected to Ensur Within 10 Days.  
1,800 MORE TROOPS SENT INTO MEXICO  
Move to Strengthen Punitive Forces Arouses Carranza Officials.

San Antonio, Tex., April 22.—Major General Hugh L. Scott had practically concluded late to-day the mission on which he was sent here by Secretary of War Baker, and at departmental headquarters it was said he probably would leave to-morrow for Washington. He will make to the Secretary a personal report on which it is believed the Administration will base its decision whether the American troops are to remain in Mexico or are to withdraw.

Since his arrival here General Scott has been with General Funston almost constantly. Together they have read such reports as come from the base at Columbus, from officers along the line of communication, and from General Pershing. None of these indicated fresh activity by the American forces, but preparation for attack was indicated, and General Scott gained at first hand an idea of the defensive attitude the punitive expedition has assumed.

Capture of Villa Unlikely.  
As to conclusions he had reached and the nature of the report he would make, he was non-committal. He was asked if he had been decided to withdraw the troops and replied, "We have not reached a conclusion." He nodded his head toward General Funston when he said "we."

It was regarded here as possible that General Funston would concur in a report stating that the capture of Villa with the present organization operating along the same lines was impracticable. He and almost all other army officers have realized for many days that if Villa is to be captured more troops must be sent into Mexico and the campaign must be conducted on much broader lines than heretofore. In view of the formal protest by Carranza and the evident antagonism encountered in the north, it also has become evident that such increased activity probably would meet with formal armed opposition by the Mexican government troops. In these conclusions army men here take it for granted that the chief of staff will concur, thus making it necessary for the Administration to decide at an early date the nature of future operations in Mexico.

## Ford Says He Will Not Pay Peace Party's Bills

Doesn't Know Just What His Political Victories Mean and Thinks No Man Should Want to Run for President.

"I don't think any man should want to run for President," said Henry Ford at the Biltmore yesterday. "The people of this country ought to push forward the candidate they want, and he should be allowed to hold his office as long as he served the country well."  
Sitting with his knees drawn up under his chin in the corner of a deep divan in the living room of his suite, Mr. Ford talked informally with newspaper men on subjects ranging from politics to submarines. He confessed frankly that he knew more about the latter than about the present political situation.

"Government a Business."  
"I have always been more or less interested in politics," he said, "or, rather, in organization. I have read a great deal on the subject. I feel that the government is as much an organization as is a great factory or a home. If it isn't it should be. The ideal government would be one where the office sought the man—where the President would really be the people's choice. In my factory I advance the men who have proved themselves responsible. I remove them when they fall in their duty, and not before. That's the way it should be with the office of President. The government is a huge business proposition and should be run as such."  
Mr. Ford was asked what his victory over Senator William Alden Smith for the Presidential nomination in the Michigan primaries and his near vic-

## FORD AGAIN LEADS IN NEBRASKA COUNT

Returns from 50 of 91 Counties Put Cummins 100 Behind.  
Omaha, Neb., April 22.—Henry Ford, of Detroit, has again taken the lead from Senator Albert B. Cummins, of Iowa, in the race for the Republican Presidential nomination at the Nebraska primaries, according to complete returns from 50 of the 91 counties in the state. Late returns gave Ford a lead of less than 100.

## PERSHING TROOPS NOW WITHOUT SINGLE AERO

Six of Original Eight Destroyed—2 Others Being Repaired.  
Columbus, N. M., April 22.—Six of the eight aeroplanes which have been used by the expeditionary fliers in Mexico have been destroyed as worthless junk. It was learned here to-night. Two of the planes are now undergoing repairs here.

## QUARANTINE STRICT, EVEN FOR M'ADOO

Goethals Won't Receive Him if He Visits Infected Ports.  
Panama, April 22.—The stringent quarantine regulations now being enforced on the isthmus may interfere with the visit of the Secretary of the Treasury, William G. McAdoo, and his party to the canal zone, according to Major General George W. Goethals, Governor of the zone. Major General Goethals has cabled Secretary McAdoo that if the Secretary and his party visit a port on the west coast within seven days prior to their arrival at Balboa it will be impossible to make an exception in favor of the official party.

## DEPEW AT 82 IS TOO HAPPY TO BE SERIOUS

Ex-Senator on Birthday Says World Is Growing Better.  
Chauncey M. Depew is eighty-two years old to-day, and he finds that the world is getting better all the time. The former United States Senator from New York laughed yesterday when asked for a serious statement on the completion of his eighty-second year.

## R. F. WAGNER SAYS HE ASKED J. P. MORGAN TO KILL

REJECTS OFFER OF POSTOFFICE COL. HOUSE FAILS TO INDUCE MINORITY LEADER TO ACCEPT.  
WILSON SENDS NAME TO SENATE  
Politicians See Move to Placate Hyphen Vote in Nomination.

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## COLONEL RESTS TO NURSE COLD

Friends Laugh at Message Stating He Promised to Support Root.  
Colonel E. M. House, President Wilson's close adviser, on Friday called on Senator Wagner and told him that the President wanted him to reconsider his refusal of the postmastership. Senator Wagner again said that he could not accept the appointment.

## GERMAN SUBMARINE SINKS NEUTRAL BARK

Crew of Norwegian Victim of U-Boat Saved.  
London, April 22.—A Norwegian bark (name not given), says an Exchange Telegraph Company dispatch, was sunk to-day by a German submarine.

## INFANT BEGINS LIFE IN DEATH

Quick Operation Saves Unborn Child—Mother Drops from Window.  
For Baby Buchers, one day old this afternoon, the order of things was reversed, and the great adventure came at birth rather than at death. Medical science literally brought life out of death with the arrival of the infant, who this morning is as healthy an inmate of the Long Island College Hospital as could hope to remain in an institution for the sick.

## CHIEF OF GERMAN STAFF CONSULTED ON ANSWER

WASHINGTON MAKES FULL PLANS TO MEET BREAK WITH GERMANY

Washington, April 22.—The United States government has made tentative plans to cope with every conceivable situation which would result from the severance of diplomatic relations with Germany. For reasons they said were obvious, officials to-night deemed it unwise to discuss the details.

## Danger of Break Seen in Reports from Berlin

Gerard's Messages Are Discouraging—Washington Expects to Learn Nature of Reply Early This Week—Relations with Vienna in Balance.

Washington, April 22.—Reports of an unyielding attitude in Berlin have caused the belief here that an immediate break with Germany will follow the German reply, expected here in about a week. Dispatches from Ambassador Gerard, giving his view of the situation, are closely guarded by President Wilson and Secretary Lansing, but there are indications that Mr. Gerard is not hopeful of a satisfactory reply to the President's demands.

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## LAST HARPER'S FERRY RAID SURVIVOR DEAD

George Pilson Was Employee of Man Who Backed Enterprise.  
George Pilson, for more than fifty years a sanitary inspector in Yonkers and the sole survivor of John Brown's raid on Harper's Ferry, is dead at his home in Yonkers, in his sixty-ninth year. Mr. Pilson was an employee of the late Eliza Otis, inventor of the Otis elevator and founder of the company bearing his name, and is credited with the statement that Otis was really responsible for the raid, having financed the expedition as a youth.

## Montague Glass

leads Birsky and Zapp into a discussion of war charities this morning. It's about the real war sufferers at benefit concerts and those who endure the dangers and hardships of charity bazaars.