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## COUNTER ATTACKS BY GERMANS FAIL

### FRENCH HOLD POSITIONS

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### CHASING RUMANIANS

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PARIS, Oct. 25.—(via London, 11:54 p. m.)—Three successive counter attacks by the Germans north of Verdun, in the region of Haumont and Douaumont were repulsed by the French today, says the bulletin issued by the war office tonight. The prisoners taken by the French now exceed 4,500.

### ASSOCIATED PRESS RESUME.

From three points the Teutonic allies are working with feverish haste in an attempt to encompass Rumania—from the northeastern and eastern borders of Transylvania, and through Dobruja. In the latter region and on the east Transylvania front further inroads into King Ferdinand's territory have been made. On the northeast Transylvania front, however, in engagements with the Rumanians, they have been driven from the heights south of Dorna Watra. Keeping up his drive in Dobruja, Field Marshal von Mackensen has brought his line well above the Constantza-Tchernavoda railway line, the right wing resting approximately on Tachaul, near the Black sea, twelve miles north of Constantza, and the left north of the Tchernavoda, whence runs the only bridge across the Danube in this region. Whether the Rumanians in their evacuation of Tchernavoda left intact the four-kilometer bridge which would be of immense strategic value to the Teutonic allies in a diversion toward Bucharest, has not been made known, but following military precedent, despite the quickness of Mackensen's forward push, it probably was blown up or otherwise badly damaged.

Further ground on the eastern Transylvania front on the Rumanian side of the Vulcan and Predal passes has been given up to the Austro-Germans by the Rumanians, but according to Bucharest the Teutonic east of the River Aluta, in Transylvania, have been driven northward, while in the S'uil and Oltuz valleys, the Rumanians have made advances.

In the region of Verdun, where the French Tuesday made their spectacular drive over a wide front north and northeast of Verdun, they are still holding the ground gained despite the vicious counter attacks delivered particularly in the region of Haumont and Douaumont, and east of the Fumini wood and north of Chenois have gained further ground. More than 4,500 German soldiers have been captured by the French in this region. Elsewhere along the front where the French and British are facing the Germans in France little activity, except by the big guns, has been shown.

Likewise in the Austro-Italian theater the artillery is doing the greater part of the work along the entire line of battle. The northern part of the Carso plateau is under a heavy bombardment.

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**IN WINDHAM SECTION.**  
Former County Treasurer J. M. Croft is in the city from Windham, this being his second visit to Lewistown in a couple of years. Mr. Croft has considerable wheat to thresh and expects to get started on it this week. Several of his neighbors have not yet threshed.

**TO MAKE SOIL SURVEY.**  
Prof. R. M. Pinkney of the chemistry department of the agricultural college at Bozeman, will arrive here today or tomorrow to accompany County Agriculturist Carl H. Peterson on a trip to the eastern end of the county where a somewhat extensive soil survey will be made.

**TUTSCH-ROBERTS.**  
Herman Tutsch and Miss Irene Roberts, both of Denton, were married here yesterday. Judge B. H. Foley performing the ceremony.

C. H. Anderson of Denver, Colorado, representing the Western Union, is in the city checking up the company's local office. Mr. Anderson states that of all the towns he has visited on his trip Lewistown is the liveliest one of them all in its class. Mrs. Ray Swift, Mrs. Poe and Miss Thompson, leave today for California where they plan on spending the winter. Mrs. Swift will stop over at Townsend to visit for a few days with Mr. Swift's relatives.

### John J. McNamara Plans to Apply For a Parole

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 25.—Twenty charges of murder still stand against John J. McNamara, formerly secretary and treasurer of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, who, it became known today, is planning to apply for a parole from San Quentin penitentiary. Upon his plea of guilty to the charge of dynamiting the Llewellyn Iron Works here, McNamara was sentenced to fifteen years in prison. James B. McNamara, a brother, is serving a life term in San Quentin, having pleaded guilty to the charge of murdering Charles Haggerty, one of the victims of the dynamiting of the Los Angeles Times building in 1910.

## THE CREAMERY IS PURCHASED

HOME OF "JUDITH GOLD" BECOMES THE PROPERTY OF DISSLY BROS. OF HELENA.

### BOTH EXPERIENCED BUTTER MEN

The Fergus County Creamery, established by William Castberg and which has been a decided success ever since it opened its doors, was purchased yesterday by F. L. Dissly and W. G. Dissly, both the brothers being expert creamery men from Helena. They purchased the building, plant, business and all accounts and are now in possession of the property.

W. G. Dissly was formerly the deputy state dairy commissioner for Montana and for the past year has operated the Whitehall creamery at Whitehall, Montana.

F. L. Dissly has been manager of the Helena Creamery company at Helena for the past three years and worked up a fine business there, winning a high reputation as a first class buttermaker and a square business man. His butter took the first prize at the state fair at Helena, in competition with the products of all the creameries of the state.

### FUNERAL OF LATE D. P. HARRIS HELD FROM CREEL'S TUESDAY

The funeral of the late D. P. Harris, late postmaster of Malden, and one of the old-time prospectors of that section, was held Tuesday afternoon from Creel's chapel in this city. There was a large attendance of old-time friends of the decedent, the pall bearers and others coming in from the camp.

Rev. H. P. Crege delivered the address, paying a deserving tribute to the worth of the decedent and offering consolation to the relatives and friends. The interment was made in the Lewistown cemetery. J. W. Harris of Santa Rosa, Cal., a son who came here for the funeral, leaves for the coast this morning. He wishes to express his deep appreciation for the sympathy shown and the services rendered.

**TENNY IN TOWN.**  
C. W. Tenny, independent candidate for state superintendent of public instruction, was in the city Saturday interviewing the voters. He is hopeful of election, saying he has figured out that it is "impossible for him to lose."

**JOHN COLONIAL STAFF.**  
Miss Olga Borchsenien of Colorado Springs has accepted a position with William L. Allen in the Colonial. Miss Borchsenien formerly managed an establishment of this kind and has wide experience in this line of business.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to Walter W. Brooks of Winnett and Miss Bernice Surlock of Flat willow.



OUR WILSON-MADE UNCLE.

Compare him with the Roosevelt-Taft Uncle Sam of 1907-8. Why give the untired Hughes a chance to make another mess of things?

## ORGANIZE THE STEWART CLUB

E. G. WORDEN IS CHOSEN AS CHAIRMAN AND AN ORGANIZATION IS FORMED.

### COMMITTEE OF EIGHTY-ONE NAMED

There was a large attendance of those interested in the success of Gov. S. V. Stewart at the polls at democratic headquarters Tuesday evening when a Governor Stewart club was formed. This organization has but one purpose—to work energetically from now until Nov. 7 for the re-election of Governor Stewart.

H. L. DeKalb called the meeting to order and made a brief address of encouragement, expressing his sympathy with the movement, and E. G. Worden was then chosen chairman.

The following committee of 81 was chosen to carry on the work of the club in Governor Stewart's interests:

- E. G. Worden, Tom Shaw, J. E. Lane, R. G. Poland, H. L. DeKalb, H. L. Linn, Alvin Martin, Mrs. J. E. Lane, H. L. Fitton, Lloyd Raw, Mrs. Dimple Halvorson, C. J. Marshall, J. W. Burke, Roy C. Cromer, F. L. Cunningham, Mrs. G. C. Walsh, Mrs. L. C. Walsh, Mrs. Fred Skalnecky, Mrs. H. L. Linn, Mrs. L. W. Royce, M. J. Hall, Mrs. M. J. Hall, Mrs. M. J. Gosh, Miss Newell Lane, Miss Edith Lane, Henry Neill, J. A. Weaver, Mrs. J. A. Weaver, S. C. Purdy, E. D. Barney, A. A. Thacker, J. T. McDonald, Mrs. J. T. McDonald, Merle C. Groene, Mrs. S. C. Purdy, I. M. Shaw, James Blevins, G. W. Anderson, Mrs. G. W. Anderson, S. C. Weaver, Mrs. S. C. Weaver, Mrs. A. T. Miller, J. E. Brown, Mrs. J. E. Brown, A. J. Melver, Mrs. A. J. Melver, Chas. W. Buntin, L. P. Slater, O. Lueier, I. M. Beatty, Charles Dalen, Buclah Meek, Rachel Meek, Mrs. Dallen, Mrs. Grant Robinson, J. C. Miller, Jack Heavlin, D. J. Fox, J. E. Miller, E. J. Morrow, A. T. Miller, Dean Dorman, Alex Brown, Mrs. Alex Brown, Mabel L. Berkin, S. W. Barnes, Grant Robinson, Mrs. L. A. Badger, W. A. Badger, Charles Woodworth, J. W. Piper, Mrs. E. G. Worden, Claude Baker, Mrs. C. M. Baker, F. O. Beatty, B. H. Foley, Clara A. Foley, Mrs. Mabel Walker, Ellen Ayers, G. A. Hanson, T. A. Berkin.

### HERBERT W. SADLER TO BECOME CASHIER OF HOBSON NATIONAL

Herbert W. Sadler, for the past six years connected with the First National bank in responsible capacities and at present receiving teller, has resigned to become cashier of the First National bank of Hobson, assuming his new duties on November 1. Mr. Sadler has long been prominent in the Elks and is the secretary of the Moose lodge and both he and Mrs. Sadler have a wide circle of warm friends in Lewistown who will regret their departure from the city, while wishing them all success in their new field.

John Lucas, the tailor, leaves today for his old home, Indianapolis, on a visit.

## WILSON ON HIS WAY TO OHIO

VISIT MARKS THE OPENING OF THE BIG DRIVE PLANNED BY CAMPAIGN MANAGERS.

### ON BOARD PRESIDENT WILSON'S SPECIAL TRAIN, MARTINSBURG, W. Va., Oct. 25.—With the election less than two weeks away, President Wilson is traveling towards Ohio tonight on his third and final middle western trip of the campaign.

He goes most of the way through territory which he has not visited before in the campaign. The president is due to arrive in Cincinnati at 11:30 tomorrow morning for three, and possibly four addresses before different audiences.

The visit to Ohio will mark the opening of the "big drive" planned by democratic campaign managers for the last two weeks of the campaign. Encouraged by optimistic reports from Ohio, the president plans to see as many people as possible in Cincinnati and during his ride through the state in the morning en route to Cincinnati.

Mr. Wilson shook hands with crowds today at Philadelphia and during two brief stops in Baltimore. He did not speak at either place. Many of the men who greeted him were railroad employees and several times they called him "eight-hour" Wilson.

For several hours tonight the President traveled through West Virginia, but no long stops were made. Tomorrow morning he will stop at Chillicothe, Ohio; at Greenfield, Ohio; at Blanchester, Ohio, and at Loveland, Ohio.

In Cincinnati Mr. Wilson will speak at a reception at the Chamber of Commerce, probably at a luncheon at the Women's City club, at a dinner at the Business Men's club, and in the evening at a meeting at the Music hall.

## DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CANDIDATES

- District Judge—ROY E. AYERS.
- Representatives in Legislature—CHAS. ANDERSON, JOHN A. COLEMAN, JOHN M. COOPER, B. C. WHITE.
- County Commissioner—JOHN S. RILEY.
- Sheriff—GUY TULLOCK.
- Clerk and Recorder—W. W. WHEATON.
- County Treasurer—MIKE GOSCH.
- Clerk of Court—JAMES L. MARTIN.
- County Attorney—STEWART M'CONOCHIE.
- Assessor—FRED B. RICKS.
- Surveyor—AXEL REFER.
- Superintendent of Schools—EILMA M. BAKER.
- Public Administrator—J. W. BARKER.
- Auditor—E. P. DURNEN.

## HAS VILLA CAPTURED CITY OF CHIHUAHUA?

### Two Young Women Lose Lives in New York Fire

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—Two young women were killed in a fire which wrecked a seven-story loft and factory building in East Houston street tonight, causing property damage estimated at about \$100,000. Several other persons had not been accounted for late tonight. Five years ago, within half a dozen blocks of tonight's fire, occurred the Triangle Waist company tragedy in which 147 persons, mostly girls, lost their lives. According to the police, the two known victims tonight were killed in jumping from the roof of the burning building to a tenement house adjoining, a fall of two stories. Firemen were trying to rescue them when they leaped.

## ASSESSMENT IS WRONG, HE SAYS

SHOEMAKER BRINGS ACTION TO PREVENT COLLECTION OF TAXES ON BIG AMOUNT.

### OREGON MAN IS ARRESTED HERE

C. E. Shoemaker has brought an action against Rufus Poland, as county treasurer, asking that the defendant be required to appear and show cause why a permanent injunction should not issue restraining him from collecting taxes upon an assessment of \$100,000 assessed against the plaintiff on "stocks and bonds," and that on the final hearing such assessment be declared illegal.

It is set out in the complaint that the plaintiff was regularly assessed upon his home and furniture, the amount being \$2,000; that thereafter the assessor, Carl W. Riddick, made a pretended assessment against "stocks and bonds," alleged to be owned by the plaintiff to the amount of \$100,000. It is set out that the assessor did not deliver a copy of this assessment to the plaintiff showing the correction or increase in assessment as required by law nor examine the plaintiff nor any other person, so far as known, regarding the assessment.

Mr. Shoemaker declares that he was not the owner of any bonds whatsoever assessable under the law of the state; that all stocks owned by him are stocks of Montana corporations whose property is within the state and is taxed and that therefore such attempted assessment of "stocks and bonds" is illegal and void.

### WANTED IN OREGON.

John H. Perkins was brought in from Grass Range yesterday and is confined in the county jail, having been arrested upon a warrant telegraphed from Eugene, Oregon, charging him with a felony. An officer is now on the way here for the man. The exact nature of the offense Perkins is alleged to have committed is not stated. He himself says he is merely wanted as a witness.

## FIRST ANNUAL ELECTION OF THE PARENT-TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

The regular annual meeting of the Parent Teachers' association of Lewistown will be held at the high school gymnasium next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. The principal address of the evening will be made by Principal Cummings of the high school. This association did much to aid the schools in their work last year. It is making plans for larger things for the coming year. Plans will be announced as soon as the new officers are elected. Everyone in the city interested in our schools is urged to attend this meeting.

### BURIAL OF MRS. GROVE.

Chester Grove, a well known young farmer of Coffee Creek, arrived here Saturday afternoon from Jacksonville, Ill., bringing the body of his wife, who died at that place on Saturday of last week of heart ailment. She had been in a sanitarium there for a year. She was 27 years of age and besides the husband is survived by four children. The interment took place Saturday afternoon at the Lewistown cemetery.

### ON SECRET MISSION.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Oct. 25.—Col. Juan Barragan, chief of staff to Gen. Venustiano Carranza, left here tonight on his return to Mexico City after two weeks in the United States on a secret mission during which he is said to have visited Washington.

### LUND-MAU.

Walter Ray Mau and Miss Nikolle Lund of Ballantine were married Tuesday evening by Rev. Paul Meyer, pastor of the German Lutheran church. Mr. and Mrs. Mau will make their home at Ballantine.

## RUMOR WILL NOT DOWN

Fighting Going On For Possession of Important Mexican City.

## DENIED BY TREVINO

Military Leaders Believe That the Presence of General Pershing's Forces in Mexico Has Served to Keep Bandits From Operating Near the Border—With Villa in Possession of Chihuahua City, It is Pointed Out, He Could Compel the Surrender of Juarez, and Might Take Torreon, Monterey and Saltillo.

### BULLETIN.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Oct. 25.—Persistent reports of the fall of Chihuahua City to the Villa forces, which have been current here, have not been confirmed in advice to the southern department headquarters of the United States army. Major General Frederick Funston, questioned directly regarding the reports, said tonight that so far as he knew, they were not true.

### TREVINO SAYS NO.

EL PASO, Tex., Oct. 25.—General Gonzales at Juarez tonight announced the receipt of a message from General Jacinto Trevino at Chihuahua stating that all was quiet there and advising him to deny "in vigorous terms" the report that the city had fallen before an attack by Villa.

The rumor of Chihuahua's fall reached Soriano Bravo, Mexican consul at El Paso, from the Mexican embassy at Washington. He immediately asked General Gonzales by telephone to telegraph General Trevino.

### TREVINO WILL STICK.

CHIHUAHUA CITY, Oct. 25.—Skirmishing between General Carlos Ozuena's advanced forces and those of Francisco Villa continue although the general engagement is being delayed by General Jacinto Trevino until all his troops have been placed in strategic positions in western Chihuahua. The excitement caused by the approach of the Villa forces has been quieted and the concentration of 8,000 troops here has restored the feeling of security among the inhabitants.

Two military trains carrying a part of General Maycotte's command from Torreon arrived here today and General Maycotte is expected here tomorrow.

General Trevino today authorized the Associated Press to make an official denial of the rumors that he was preparing to evacuate the city. He characterized these rumors as "malicious inventions."

General Trevino stated that the situation in the field and in Chihuahua City was entirely satisfactory.

"Any fear that Chihuahua City would be captured by bandits is simply absurd," he said.

### TRANSFERRED TO WASHINGTON.

ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 25.—Unless an agreement on an adequate and amicable plan of border control is entered into by the Mexican-American joint commission within a few days, it appeared a virtual certainty today that a serious effort would be made to have the conference transferred to Washington.

That an agreement will not be reached before General Carranza has demonstrated his ability to eliminate Villa and his followers is admitted by those in touch with the commissioners. The Mexicans were still without definite news of the campaign against Villa, but they continued to profess a belief in the success of General Trevino's operations about Chihuahua.

The removal of General Carranza and General Obregon from Mexico City to Queretaro was explained by the Mexicans to the American commission as having to do merely with the constitutional convention which will convene there Nov. 20. They pointed out that by official decree Queretaro was made the capital almost a year ago and that it remains the capital, while Mexico City has been merely the temporary capital in the past few months.

The following statement was issued by the commissioners tonight: "The gist of two telegrams just received from General Pershing to the effect that Villa has with him personally about 500 armed men and a considerable number unarmed. This is not understood to include a number of scattered detachments of unknown strength. He is moving about in the region southeast of Lake Babicora. Three days ago he was at Santa Ana, but yesterday cowboys reported by telephone from Santa Ana that Villa was at Neurachi. There are no de facto government troops between Laredo and Chihuahua City.

"A column under General Ozuena, according to information reaching the Mexican commission, has left Chihuahua City to operate against Villa and the commanding officer of the de facto troops near El Valle has orders to cooperate with him in preventing Villa's escape northward."

R. O. Harlow of Moore is in Lewistown attending to some business matters.