

OFFENSIVE OF GERMANS HAS BEEN SWITCHED

Succeeded in Entering First Line of French Trenches Near Ft. Douaumont

ATTACK IS PRECEDED BY ARTILLERY ACTION

French Meet Onslaught With Machine Guns—Heavy Losses on Both Sides

The Germans have switched their offensive from the region of Lemort Homme, northwest of Verdun, to the sector between the Thiaumont farm and Vaux, northeast of the fortress, and have succeeded here in entering French first line trenches between Fort Douaumont and the Vaux pond. The attack was made over a front of about two miles, and was preceded by violent artillery preparations. The French met the German onslaught with their machine guns and succeeded in holding back the attacking forces everywhere, except at the point between Fort Douaumont and Vaux pond. Heavy losses were inflicted on the Teutons, according to Paris.

The heavy fighting around Lemort Homme and the Avocourt wood has dwindled to intermittent bombardment since the German attacks, and the launching of a counter attack by the French, which gave them German trenches 400 meters in extent southeast of Lemort Homme.

The activity of the artillery on the other fronts in France has lessened in violence. In the Vosges mountains, near Altkirch, the Germans report the occupation of French positions 350 meters long, and about 350 meters deep, and the capture of prisoners and booty.

The Italians, according to Rome, continue to hold back attacks by the Austrians at various points, along the Tyrol front.

Artillery engagements and infantry fighting is in progress along the whole of the Russian fronts, but no changes in the positions of the Russians or the Teutons have been reported.

The Turks, taking the offensive at three points in Asia Minor, against the Russians, have temporarily, at least, brought the Russians to a standstill near Mesopotamia.

That the Serbs recently reported as having landed at Saloniki, are now in the Entente allied front, on the Greek-Serbian border, is indicated by the latest German official communication.

ELKS PURCHASE CITY PROPERTY

Will Build Temple at Some Future Date on \$3,000 Lot.

Announcement was made yesterday of an important real estate transaction that has taken place in this city. The B. P. O. E. lodge of this city has purchased the property next to the Dirlam property on Main street. The lot was purchased for \$3,000.

Members of the antlered herd are contemplating the erection of a modern Elks' temple on their new lot at some future date.

A new association has been formed by the Elks of the Capital city and will be known as the Elks' Home Association. The new organization is incorporated under the laws of this state.

Members of the lodge are making elaborate preparations to attend the annual state convention, which will be held at Dickinson this year. The band will make the trip with all other delegates and a jubilee session is looked forward to by all.

WILSON WILL MAKE CAMPAIGN SPEECHES

Washington, June 1.—Although President Wilson, so far, has made no plans for any long campaign trips this summer, he and several members of his cabinet, as well as democratic leaders of the Senate and House, are expected to make a number of speeches dealing with campaign issues.

Secretary Lane already has planned to speak in several places, and Secretaries Cahoone, Wilson, Daniels, Redfield, and Houston, probably also will take the stump. The continuance of congress in session is expected to keep most of the cabinet members in Washington, however, until at least the end of July.

BISMARCK BOOSTERS ARE ALL PREPARED FOR BIG "GET-ACQUAINTED" TRIP

SEC. DAVIS MADE APPOINTMENTS

Chicago, June 1.—Secretary Oscar King Davis, of the progressive national convention, today appointed five assistant secretaries to serve during the party's national convention.

Mrs. Sarah E. Lyon of St. Paul, Minn., was appointed an assistant sergeant-at-arms for the convention. She is said to be the first woman ever appointed to a position of the kind at a national political convention.

PRELIMINARY PLANS ASKED FOR PAVING

Committee Asks Engineer to Report on Change of Sewers

SOME STREETS MAY BE WIDENED

Commercial Club Directors Elect Advisory Committee on Request of Pres. Lucas

The city engineer was asked at the meeting of the paving committee yesterday to prepare plans whereby the sewers could be rearranged on the downtown streets to permit of paving the plans to be presented at a meeting of the committee Monday night at the city hall.

Widening of some of the streets was discussed. If this is done it will require a new ordinance. Suggestions provide for doing away with the boulevarding or, at least, a considerable reduction of it. This would allow widening of the sidewalks and the streets.

A committee from the Commercial club to act in an advisory capacity, at the request of A. W. Lucas, president of the city commission, was elected yesterday morning at a special meeting of the board of directors. The members of the committee are: E. A. Hughes, Col. C. B. Little, C. P. Remington, W. H. Webb, W. E. LaSalle, Henry Tatley and C. L. Young.

R. C. Batten is chairman of the paving committee, which is composed of the entire city commission.

Every attempt is being made to get as prompt action as possible on the paving. Mr. Batten expects that several miles will be paved this fall.

SENDS MESSAGE TO CUBA BY NEW WIRE

President Wilson Extends His Felicitations to Cuban Government

Washington, June 1.—President Wilson, enroute to Annapolis, on the yacht Mayflower, sent by wireless tonight, for transmission over the new Associated Press leased wire to Havana, the following message to President Menocal of Cuba:

"His Excellency, the President of Cuba,
"On the opening of another direct channel of news between the United States and Cuba, I extend to your Excellency my felicitations on this new evidence of the increase of mutual interest of our countries, which are being constantly drawn more closely by the bonds of sympathy which always has united the two countries and which I sincerely hope may never be broken.
(Signed)
"WOODROW WILSON."

WOMAN ON TRIAL FOR MURDER

St. Paul, June 1.—For the first time in seven years, a woman, Mrs. Helen La Motte, today appeared for trial on a murder charge, in the Ramsey county district court.

Mrs. La Motte is charged with the murder of Willard Williams, a negro, following a quarrel in a rooming house on East Third street, June 1.

Northern Pacific Special Decked Out in Flying Colors for the Journey

KILLDEER TRIP WILL TAKE IN MANY TOWNS

Citizens of Places To Be Invaded Are Planning Elaborate Receptions

From 80 to 100 Bismarck boosters will leave on a Northern Pacific special at 7 o'clock this morning for a "get-acquainted" tour over the North Branch. The tourists will be accompanied by the Elks' band and other entertainers and the train will be elaborately decorated for the occasion.

Officials to be aboard. E. E. Nelson, assistant general passenger agent, and William A. Cleland, division freight agent, from St. Paul, and William T. Kraft, traveling freight agent, with headquarters at Jamestown, arrived in Bismarck yesterday and will accompany the train in an official car. The dinner which has been chartered for the trip came in yesterday on No. 7.

Two 15-second blasts of the Hughes Electric company's siren, at 6:00 and 6:20, will herald the departure of the boosters from Bismarck. The train will leave at 7:00, sharp, at which time everyone is requested to be aboard, with tickets or mileage ready for presentation.

Planning Big Reception. Halliday, Golden Valley, Zap and other towns enroute have planned to receive the visitors in great style, and it is anticipated that the journey will be one of the most entertaining which ever has been taken by Bismarck boosters.

RESCUE SHIP TURNS BACK

Starvation Faces Shackleton's Band Marooned on Antarctic Island

London, June 2.—A long dispatch from Lieutenant Sir Ernest Shackleton, who has arrived at Port Stanley, Falkland islands, describes the misfortunes which overtook his Antarctic expedition. His ship, Endurance, was pierced by icebergs and sank in the Weddell sea, on November 20, and having been abandoned by all hands on October 27.

Shackleton and his crew reached Elephant island on April 14, in boats, after a series of privations and sufferings in the drift ice, several of the party being then on the verge of collapse.

Because of the seriousness of the food situation and the impossibility of finding any satisfactory camping place on the bleak coast, Shackleton decided to make an effort to reach South Georgia, 760 miles distant, leaving the main party on Elephant island in charge of Frank Wild, the second in command.

Lieutenant Shackleton left on April 24, with five volunteers. Then ensued a fortnight of terrible struggles against blizzards and other difficulties, but finally the west coast of South Georgia was sighted. After a mighty effort, lasting two days, they succeeded in beaching their boats and four days later arrived safely at the head of King Haakon bay. On May 19 they started to cross the island, reaching the Stromness whaling station on May 20. There they obtained an 80-ton Norwegian whaler for an attempt to relieve the men left behind.

The whaler started south with a volunteer crew on May 26, but they found the ice too formidable for an unprotected boat, and after several attempts reluctantly decided to turn north for assistance at the Falklands. The party had five weeks' provisions with the possibility of reinforcing these by the capture of seals.

BIG WOODMEN PICNIC.

Planned For June 10, at Montpelier—Several Camps Invited.

Montpelier, N. D., June 1.—The James River M. W. A. Picnic association, which comprises the camps of Marion, Grand Rapids, Dickey, Adrian and Montpelier, will hold their annual picnic at Montpelier on June 10. The committee on arrangements are working hard to make this the banner picnic of the association's history. They are getting the park on the river front in better condition than ever before; they have arranged for the services of a brass band and several speakers. There will be baseball games and sports of all kinds to amuse the young and old. This picnic is an M. W. A. outing, but everyone is welcome and requested to attend.

Attorneys File Motion in the Bragdon Case

Minneapolis, Minn., June 1.—Attorneys for Joseph W. Bragdon filed a motion today to set aside the last of three indictments against Bragdon on vice charges. Judge J. W. Molyneux will hear arguments on the motion Saturday.

BRANDEIS WILL SIT ON U. S. SUPREME COURT

Bitter Contest Ends With Confirmation of Wilson Nominee

WILL BE FIRST JEW ON HIGHEST BENCH

Three Republicans Vote for Confirmation and One Democrat Against

Washington, June 1.—The nomination of Louis D. Brandeis of Boston to the supreme court to succeed the late Joseph Rucker Lamar, was confirmed by the senate today by a vote of 47 to 22. The vote taken without debate ended one of the bitterest contests ever waged against a presidential nominee. Mr. Brandeis will be the first Jew to occupy a seat on the supreme bench.

Only one democrat, Senator Newlands, voted against confirmation. Three republicans, Senators LaFollette, Norris and Poindexter, voted with the democratic majority, and Senators Gronna and Clapp would have done so, but were paired with Senators Norris and Poindexter.

"I have a high admiration for Mr. Brandeis as a publicist and propagandist of distinction," Senator Newlands said, "I do not regard him as a man of judicial temperament, and for that reason I have voted against his confirmation."

Throughout the fight, President Wilson stood firmly behind his nominee, never wavering when it seemed certain an unfavorable report would be returned by the senate judiciary committee. Before the committee voted, he wrote a letter to Senator Culberson, strongly urging prompt and favorable action.

The new justice was born 60 years ago, in Louisville, Ky., graduated from Harvard university in 1877, and began practicing law in Boston in 1878. He probably will take the oath of office June 12, a week from Monday, just before the court adjourns for the summer recess.

GUILTY, VERDICT OF ALLEN JURY

Colored Man Who Stabbed White Man Convicted in District Court

James Allen, a colored resident, was found guilty of assault and battery yesterday by a jury in the district court. Sentence will be pronounced Monday.

The convicted man, according to the testimony, slashed James Allen, a white resident, when the latter came to the former's office to explain a misunderstanding which had resulted in James Allen, white, opening a package intended for James Allen, colored, and containing marked cards and other gambling devices.

EXAMINATION SOON FOR NAVAL ACADEMY ASPIRANTS

Examination of applicants for appointment to the Annapolis Naval academy will be held July 28, according to word received yesterday from Senator A. J. Gronna.

Senator Gronna asks that young men wishing to enter the academy send their application to him at Washington immediately. The following information must be given: Full name, place and date of birth, number of years resident of North Dakota; previous education, including marks in high school subjects and college grade, height, weight and condition of health.

Applicants must be between 16 and 20 years of age and the testimonials of two responsible citizens must be submitted. The examinations may be taken in North Dakota.

AMERICAN TROOPS WILL REMAIN IN MEXICO AND AWAIT FURTHER ORDERS

De Facto Government Must Demonstrate Ability to Police Border

PRES. WILSON WILL REPLY TO CARRANZA'S NOTE

Communication Not Treated as Pressing Matter and Will Be Answered as Such

Washington, June 1.—General Carranza's note demanding withdrawal of American troops from Mexico has brought no change in the determination of President Wilson to maintain the present troop disposition until the ability of the de facto government to police its side of the border has been demonstrated. It was stated authoritatively today that General Pershing's force would remain where it is until that time arrived.

A reply will be made to Gen. Carranza, but the form it will take had not been determined tonight. President Wilson read the translation of the long document last night.

Document Very Offensive. While official comment is withheld, it is understood he told that the document is decidedly offensive and that certain portions of it, such as the president is playing domestic politics in retaining the troops in Mexico, may draw a sharp rebuke. It is doubtful, according to authorities on the international correspondence of the United States, if the government ever has received a communication couched in as offensive terms and containing as many apparent violations of the ordinary rules of diplomatic courtesy as this 12,000-word arraignment of its good faith and honesty of purpose.

President Wilson himself will decide what course shall be pursued. The president left Washington tonight for Annapolis, to attend the graduating exercises tomorrow at the Naval academy.

The Mexican note was sent by messenger, requiring a week in transit, and was further delayed after its arrival here.

Officials feel there can be no question of urgency in a communication, so handled, and will not treat it as a pressing matter.

As a matter of fact, the new note caused hardly a ripple in administration circles. In view of the note's open threat of an attack on Pershing's columns, it was thought wise to give attention to the military problems, although no doubt is felt as to the complete security of the American force under any circumstances.

The Mexican embassy distributed copies of the note to all embassies and legations in Washington today.

Some diplomatic officials expressed the opinion that European influence might be behind the move, while others thought it merely an attempt to gain publicity, and noted that the matter was urged just on the eve of the political conventions in the United States.

As to the object of the expedition having been accomplished, a group of states believe that only the presence of Gen. Pershing's force, where it is, assures a large part of the border freedom from attacks. They are not disposed to depend on repelling invasions at the line, when it is feasible to prevent the attempts at short range before they start.

Co-Operation Plans Discussed. Plans for the cooperation between American and Mexican forces in Northern Chihuahua were discussed today at the first meeting between General Gabriel Gaviro, constitutionalist commander of Northern Chihuahua, and General J. P. Pershing, American expeditionary commander.

The two generals met in General Gaviro's private car, shunted on a track on neutral ground, half way between the American field base and the Carranza camp at Neuvo, Casas Grandes.

The conference continued for two hours, and was adjourned to be resumed late today. While it was known that the military situation in northern Chihuahua was discussed in detail at the preliminary conference, neither chief would divulge the details.

When General Pershing returned to camp, he confined his discussion of the conference to a brief statement, issued to newspaper men:

"General Gaviro and I had a very pleasant and profitable talk," he said. "No Fear of Attack. Major General Funston sent to the war department today all the information he had been able to obtain regarding movements in northern Mexico of Mexican troops. The report was made at the request of the department, and the details were not made public here.

Except for the fact that the number of troops the Mexican minister of war has sent into northern Mexico is so much greater than the number he had told Generals Scott and Funston he would send, army officers have seen little to cause them to believe

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WAIT AT BORDER FOR CATTLE

Fort Yates, N. D., June 1.—J. T. Wright and J. A. Stiles, who have been on the Mexican border the past three weeks to receive cattle for the reservation and the Stiles Cattle company, are still at Naco, Ariz., waiting for the cattle to be delivered on the American side of the border. It is reported that the company which contracted to deliver the cattle are having trouble with the Mexican authorities about getting them out of the country, but it is hoped that some satisfactory understanding will be reached.

LOUIS W. HILL CONFERS WITH HIS ASSOCIATES

Late Railroad Pioneer Made Exhaustive Arrangements for Management of Property

MEN CLOSE TO EMPIRE-BUILDER PRESENT

St. Paul, Minn., June 1.—Louis W. Hill, president of the Great Northern railroad and son of the late James J. Hill, today held a three-hour conference with a number of his close business associates, including E. T. Nichols of New York, a member of the Great Northern directorate; George P. Flannery, president of the Northwestern Trust company of St. Paul, and J. J. Toomey of St. Paul, former confidential secretary to James J. Hill and a director of the First National bank and the Northwestern Trust company.

When the conference concluded, shortly before 1:00 p. m., Mr. Hill declined to discuss its purpose and also refused to affirm or deny various rumors of the disposition of his father's great wealth.

It was indicated, however, that the late pioneer railway builder had made comprehensive and exhaustive arrangements for the management of the Hill properties.

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NEW BANK AT GRASSY BUTTE IS ORGANIZED

Dickinson, N. D., June 1.—A new bank has just been organized at Grassy Butte, some 40 miles northwest of Dickinson. It is expected that about June 15 this bank will be ready for business.

The board of directors follows: W. L. Richards of Dickinson, president of the Merchants National bank; M. L. Ayers, late editor of the Dickinson Press; Samuel Rhodes and Samuel Glerup of the Mary district, with Bert Waddell of Dickinson, as cashier.

The bank is capitalized at \$15,000, the larger part of the stock being taken by the residents of Grassy Butte. This opening for a live bank has been watched by many financial men, but it fell to the above to get in on the ground floor.

INDICTED FUGITIVE FINALLY CAPTURED

C. H. McDaniels, charged in an indictment by the federal grand jury of North Dakota with violating the Mann white slave act, under arrest in Florida, has brought the plea that he is not the man whom the federal officials of North Dakota are seeking. M. A. Hildreth, district attorney, has supplied the federal officials in Florida with such information as is available on the question of identity. The fact that two fingers on one hand are severed provides an excellent means of establishing the man's identity.

McDaniels, formerly of Dickinson, was indicted by the federal grand jury some time ago. He succeeded in evading the authorities until a few days ago, when the arrest was made. Mr. Hildreth has said that the case was exceptionally important.

McDaniels' demand for a hearing before the United States commissioner in Florida may necessitate the sending of a witness or two to Florida for purposes of establishing identification.

HERE FROM DICKINSON. M. L. Ayers, who was formerly connected with the Dickinson Post, was in the city Thursday, calling on friends and transacting business.

T. R. AND HUGHES DEFEAT PLAN OF NAT. COMMITTEE

Contest Over Delegates Will Be Heard by Sub-Committee at National Convention

SENATOR REED SMOOT AT HEAD OF THE FIGHT

Harold L. Ickes, of Illinois in Favor of Nominating Roosevelt

Chicago, June 1.—Political supporters of Roosevelt and Hughes were jubilant tonight over the defeat of the plan of the republican national committee to have the contest over delegates heard by the sub-committees instead of full committees.

When Chairman W. D. Hilles, suggested that the sub-committees be named to go over the documents, in the contests the Roosevelt and Hughes forces scented a possible plot to have the contest considered in secret session, and they viscerously protested.

Senators Reed, Smoot, National committee from Utah, and a Hughes supporter, lead the fight against the plan and succeeded in having the motion voted down. Roosevelt and Hughes forces in the committee joined hands to have it voted down.

Republican leaders today began to inquire what action will be taken by the progressive National convention which meets June 7th.

Harold L. Ickes, national committee-man from Illinois of the Illinois party declared he favored nominating Roosevelt regardless of what action may be taken by the republicans.

Word was received from numerous state delegations that they favored nominating Roosevelt on the first ballot and adjourn the convention without waiting to see what the republican plans will do.

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HEADQUARTERS ESTABLISHED

"Roger Sullivan for Vice President" Offices Opened at St. Louis

St. Louis, June 1.—The establishment of "Roger Sullivan for vice president" headquarters, and the arrival of a working quorum of the members of the sub-committee on arrangement of the democratic national committee were the principal developments in the pre-convention activities here today.

Chairman William F. McCombs, of the National committee, failed to arrive, having stopped over at Detroit, Michigan, but it is expected he will be here in time for the sub-committee meetings tomorrow morning. Homer S. Cummings, of Stamford, Conn. vice chairman of the National committee, will open the meeting, if Mr. McCombs does not arrive in time.

MAY STOP THE RISE IN COST OF PAPER

Washington, June 1.—News print paper made from hitherto unused wood, under the direction of the Forest Service laboratories, has been successfully tried by two large newspapers and, in all, 11 kinds of wood never used before have given promise of being suitable. A number of others have been found suitable for Manila and boxboard.

This announcement was made today by the Forest Service, which has made 70 samples of paper by different processes from practically unused wood.