

New York, Aug. 4.—Silver, 64 3/4c; lead, \$6.00; spelter, not quoted; copper, \$25.00@27.00.

The Ogden Standard.

WEATHER—Utah: Local Thunder Showers Tonight or Sunday; Not Much Change in Temperature.

FEARLESS, INDEPENDENT, PROGRESSIVE NEWSPAPER.

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Russians Are Advancing On Kovel Desperate Fighting On At Verdun

FRENCH HAMMERING BACK GERMANS AT GATES OF GREAT FORTRESS

Brilliant Attack Made at Fleury and French Carry It by Storm—Crown Prince Furiously Counter-attacks and Troops Regain Southern Section of Village—Small Gains on Somme Front—Russians Break Strong Teutonic Resistance and Break Through to Within 19 Miles of Kovel—Austro-Germans Gaining Ground.

Desperate fighting is in progress north of Verdun, where the French, three days ago, took the offensive and have scored notable gains in the effort to drive the Germans who had been hammering at the gates of the fortress for more than five months.

Italian steamship Citt di Messina of 2,454 tons gross, has been sunk, according to an announcement made at Lloyd's today.

The Citt di Messina was 300 feet long, 40 feet beam and 15 feet deep. She was built at Sunderland in 1894.

Two Schooners Torpedoed. Havre, Aug. 4.—Two British schooners were torpedoed in the English channel on Wednesday night.

Belgians Are Advancing. Havre, Aug. 4.—Further progress for the Belgian forces invading German East Africa, is announced in an official statement issued by the Belgian war office.

Two Steamers Sunk. London, Aug. 4, 9:50 a. m.—The Japanese steamer Kohina Maru and the British steamer G. C. Gradwell have been sunk.

Italian Submarine Sunk. Rome, Aug. 4, via Paris, 9:15 a. m.—The loss of two Italian submarines is officially announced.

A Vienna dispatch of August 3, reported the capture of Italian submarine Giacinto Pailino by the Austrians in the north Adriatic.

Italians Issue Decree. Rome, Aug. 4, via Paris, 3 p. m.—The Italian government, according to the Messaggero, is about to publish a decree forbidding all Italians, including those living abroad, from doing business with nationals in alliance with enemies of Italy.

Suez Canal Bombarded. London, Aug. 4, 3:45 p. m.—A bombardment of shipping on the Suez canal by hostile aeroplanes was announced today in an official statement.

ITALIAN STEAMSHIP SUNK. London, Aug. 4, 1:10 p. m.—The

either attack, according to the official statement, which says:

"Two enemy aeroplanes dropped a large number of bombs in an attack on shipping on Lake Timsah and the town of Ismailia, on Thursday. No damage was done.

Berlin, Aug. 4.—By wireless to Sayville.—The German admiralty today announced that English motor sailing vessels and one English trawler, were sunk by a German submarine off the English east coast on July 28.

Austro-Germans Gain Ground. Berlin, Aug. 4, via London, 5:06 p. m.—Austro-German troops have regained all the territory which they had lost in the region of Rudka-Mirynskala to the east of Kovel, according to the German official statement today.

London, Aug. 4, 4:50 p. m.—Minor operations last night by the British on the Somme front resulted in the gain for them of some ground west of Pozieres, the war office announced today.

Germans Regain Fleury. Berlin, Aug. 4, via London, 5:05 p. m.—The village of Fleury, north of Verdun, was regained by the Germans this morning, it was officially announced today by the German army headquarters.

The situation at Fleury and its vicinity, the statement adds, now is the same as it was before the French attack.

OFFICIAL REPLY FROM MEXICO

Ambassador-Designate Arredondo Announces Appointment of Three Members of Joint Mediation Commission.

TO ACT PROMPTLY

Foreign Secretary Aguilar Hopes to Arrive at Early Solution of Difficulties.

Washington, Aug. 4.—General Carranza's reply to the last American note accepting his suggestion for a joint commission to adjust border difficulties but proposing a broader scope for the commission's work was referred to the state department today by Eliseo Arredondo, the Mexican ambassador-designate.

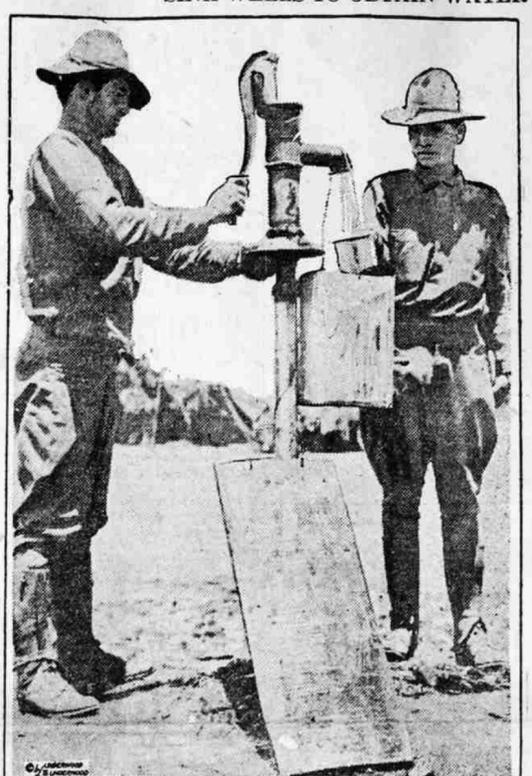
Thus the de facto government apparently rejects the proposal that the commissioner consider other questions than the military situation and limits its discussions to the subjects originally suggested by Carranza—withdrawal of American troops from Mexico; formulation of a protocol to cover future operations against bandits and intervention of interests which may have promoted border raids.

Washington, Aug. 4.—Eliseo Arredondo, Mexican ambassador-designate, delivered a note to the state department today, replying to the last American communication to the de facto government and announcing the appointment of three Mexican members of a joint commission to undertake settlement of border difficulties.

That at this time—the most prosperous period that Ogden has ever enjoyed—there are people in this community in want and distress. Not people who have received that position through shiftlessness, carelessness or extravagance; but people of our best blood—people of the heroic class—who have let fathers, sons and husbands—their means of support—go to the front to protect their country—

Now it's up to the people of Ogden to take care of these dependents until such time as government relief is offered—What are we going to do about it? National Guard Benefit Fund—Ogden Standard, \$50.00 a month for 12 months; Dr. Kanzler, \$2.00 a month for 12 months; Methodist Sunday School, \$5.00; Oracle Theatre, \$5.00 a month for 6 months; A. W. Meek, \$1.00; C. B. Sears, \$5.00; O. A. Parmley, \$5.00; Dr. E. P. Mills, professional service, \$5.00.

TROOPS IN MEXICO OBLIGED TO SINK WELLS TO OBTAIN WATER



The scarcity of water in Mexico has proved one of the biggest problems for the army men to solve. Some of the soldiers at Pershing's headquarters at Colonia Dublan have sunk a well in the camp. Here most of the drinking water is obtained. The water from this well is not like the water from the spring wells in the mountains and is not cold, but it is free from germs and that is the main essential.

CLIFF DWELLERS' CAVES FOUND

Captains With Pershing Expedition Find Homes of Ancient People in Escudidos Mountains.

Field Headquarters, American Punitive Expedition, Aug. 3.—Via Radio to Columbus, N. M., Aug. 4.—Caves of ancient cliff dwellers were discovered today by Captains George F. Patton and Hugh S. Johnson while on a hunting trip in the Escudidos mountains.

The caves were smoke grimed. Fragments of pottery were strewn on the floor. There was no sign of writing or other characters. The dwellings were said to be somewhat similar to those near Flagstaff, Arizona.

General J. J. Pershing returned today from El Valle, and Major-General Tasker H. Bliss reached headquarters from the United States.

It is expected that when Senor Cabrera, who is secretary of finance, leaves the federal capital, control of the finance department will be vested in Rafael Mieto, the sub-treasurer.

Commissioners En Route. Mexico City, Aug. 4.—The departure from Mexico City of Luis Cabrera and Albert Pani, who, with Ygnacio Bonillas, have been selected to reach a settlement with the United States commissioners of the questions at issue between the two countries, will not be long delayed, according to general belief here.

It is possible that the commissioners may travel north on one of the vessels of the Mexican navy, the Bravo or the Zaragoza which are now at Vera Cruz, if it appears that their departure would be delayed by the infrequent sailing of merchant vessels.

HUH! "O, Matrimony makes me laugh." Said bachelor Bill Bing; "They call a wife the better half. When she's the whole blame thing."

VERDUN AGAIN CENTER OF WAR STAGE; GREAT ELATION IN FRANCE

Great Three-day Offensive Marks Epoch in the Six Battles for the North Section of Fleury and Violent Struggle Still Going On—German Artillery Powerful, But Crown Prince No Longer Able to Throw in Masses of Troops or Operate on Old Overwhelming Scale.

Paris, Aug. 4.—Noon.—On the right bank of the river near Verdun the battle continues along the front of Thiaumont-Fleury, the German attacking several times during the night with great force, it was announced officially this afternoon by the French war office.

At one period of the fighting the French withdrew, owing to the intensity of the German bombardment, taking eighty prisoners.

Around Fleury the struggle was equally violent, the statement adds, the Germans attacking the village several times and succeeding finally in getting a footing in the south part of the village.

Verdun Again War Center. Verdun is again in the center of the war stage. The recapture by the French of nearly all the village of Fleury which had been held by the Germans for more than a month has caused great elation in France.

The Germans appear to be less and less capable of operating on their old overwhelming scale and the initiative, military men here think, is about to pass to the French for good.

While the German artillery continues to be as powerful and as well supplied as ever, the Germans no longer are able to gather the masses of troops necessary to reap the benefit of artillery preparation.

German's Last Big Attack. It is twenty days since the Germans made their last big attack on the right bank of the Meuse by which they obtained small results at a heavy cost.

French bomb throwers for a fortnight past, in anticipation of the present offensive had been creeping forward by the Vignes ravine, west of Froide Terre, with the object of getting near Thiaumont work by working around Hill No. 365.

The bombers first reached the Bras-Fleury road. They then separated into two parties, one going to the eastward toward Thiaumont work and the second pushing northward toward Vacheraville and Pepper Hill.

Last week the first party stormed a redoubt west of Thiaumont and after a stiff fight went beyond that position. The second party reached the little wood of Vacheraville.

The whole section from Vacheraville to the approaches of Souville were in the hands of the French and the higher command judged the time ripe to attack from all sides at once.

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The evening, however, the Germans launched a furious counter attack and after several violent attempts succeeded in getting a footing in the southern part of the village.

The night passed in relative quiet on the rest of the front.

During the night of August 3-4 one of our air squadrons dropped eight shells of large caliber on the railroad station at Noyon and on a munitions factory. Fifty shells were thrown by another squadron upon railroad stations and bivouacs of the enemy in the region of the Somme.

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French official statement issued last night by the French war department announcing the capture of Fleury by the French troops and recording other operations of the day along the western front said:

On the right bank of the Meuse our infantry, continuing their offensive action on the Thiaumont-Fleury front captured during the day by a series of violent attacks the trenches comprising a point southeast of Thiaumont work and in the vicinity of Hill No. 320.

The village of Fleury was attacked simultaneously on the northwest and on the southeast and was entirely occupied by our troops after a brilliant action. The number of prisoners taken in the course of this action and so far counted exceeds 650.

About the same time we delivered in the region of Chenois a sharp attack which enabled us to recover the greater part of the ground lost by us the day before yesterday.

SHOWERS BREAK DROUGHT. La Crosse, Wis., Aug. 4.—Showers off Wisconsin, Iowa, Minnesota and North Dakota last night broke the severe drought according to reports to the United States weather bureau. The showers extended as far south as Keokuk, Iowa, and as far north as the Great Lakes. At Milwaukee 1.8 inches of rain fell.