

## OPERATIONS ON IN THREE FIELDS

### Germans Still Pounding at the Allies in Effort to Reach the Coast

### RUSSIANS RESUME MARCH TO HUNGARY

### Army Landed at Dardanelles Reported to Have Taken Town From the Turks

London, April 28.—Military operations of critical importance are now under way simultaneously in three distinct fields of action.

In Flanders the Germans once more are engaged with the British, Belgians and French in a struggle for mastery of the territory near the Yser canal, where several months ago there occurred what was perhaps the most terrible struggle of the war thus far.

In the Carpathians the Russians are again assuming the offensive in another of their repeated efforts to push over the mountain barrier into Hungary.

At the Dardanelles the allies have succeeded in landing troops on both sides of the straits, inaugurating the combined land and sea attempt at the conquest of Constantinople.

A British correspondent in northern France telegraphs that the German effort to turn the left British flank near Ypres has failed and that the Germans have been checked definitely, although the battle continues with violence.

French military authorities are cautious about accepting the theory that the plan of the Germans is to break through to the English channel, but they regard it as patent that such a huge concentration of troops on a limited front means that the present drive is preparatory to some more important undertaking.

An official Belgian statement indicates that the German attack is lessening in force. It is said the artillery fire against the Belgian front has largely died away.

Russian and Austrian official statements indicate that fighting in the Carpathians is becoming more intense. Each side claims to have defeated the attacks of the other, but it is apparent that gradually the activity is spreading along greater sections of the battle line.

Petrograd says more decisive operations than have occurred hitherto are expected shortly.

The situation at the Dardanelles remains obscure, although it is apparent that the French and British have made some headway with their landing operations. The Parli war office has announced the capture of Kum Kaleh, on the Asiatic side. The Turkish government, although reporting the repulse of the landing forces in some cases, does not claim that in every instance the Turks have been able to drive them back.

Italy is still debating the question whether she shall intervene in the war. The Italian ambassador in France, one of those summoned home to consult with the government, has had a long conference with the king concerning international affairs.

Landing Prevented.  
Berlin, April 28.—(By wireless to Sayville)—The Overseas News agency says:

"Turkish troops have repulsed four landing detachments of the allies on Gallipoli peninsula. Mohammedans among the French troops deserted to the Turks."

## FLOODS IN TEXAS SLOWLY RECEDING

Houston, Tex., April 28.—Central and south Texas flood conditions improved steadily last night and today, strengthening the belief that the worst is over, although transients and streams are out of banks at many points, and damage is continuing. No rain, however, has fallen along the lower reaches of the rivers in more than forty-eight hours and the waters are receding slowly.

Crests of north Texas floods will not arrive for several days and by that time it is believed the southern rivers will have fallen enough to enable the water to pass into the gulf without trouble.

Government officials reiterate the warning that the chief center of disturbance is along the lower sweep of the Colorado river.

## REFUGEES LEAVE TOWN IN FLANDERS

Paris April 28.—Three hundred refugees from Poperinghe, eight miles west of Ypres, which had come under the fire of the German artillery, have arrived in this city on special trains. Most of them are inmates of an orphanage and a home for the aged, conducted by Franciscan sisters.

When the bombardment was begun on Sunday, the sisters declare, the institutions were not spared, although they were flying the Red Cross flag. Three nuns were killed while superintending the removal of their charges and several of the inmates were wounded.

## French Cruiser Sent to Bottom

Berlin, April 28, (by wireless to Sayville)—The French armored cruiser Leon Gambetta has been torpedoed by an Austrian submarine, according to news received by the Overseas News agency. Part of the crew of the French warship was saved.

The French armored cruiser Leon Gambetta displaced 12,416 tons, carried from 700 to 800 officers and men, was 486 feet long, 70 1/2 feet beam, 26 1/2 feet draft, carried four 7.6 inch guns sixteen 6.4 guns and twenty-four 3 pounders and was equipped with five 18 inch torpedo tubes; cost \$5,850,000.

## CRUISER IS RUN ASHORE

Report From Italy Confirms Loss of French Vessel at Hands of Austrian Submarine.

Brindisi, Italy, Tuesday, April 28.—The French cruiser Leon Gambetta, torpedoed by an Austrian submarine in the strait of Otranto, has been run ashore. Fears are now entertained that she may float away on the next high tide.

## EXPRESSES FEAR OF RUSS VICTORY

### HUNGARIAN DIPLOMAT SAYS SAFETY OF EUROPE IS UP TO ITALY AND TEUTONS.

Turin, Italy, April 28.—Count Apponyi, leader of the opposition in Hungary, is quoted in an interview in the Stampa as declaring that the war must lead to the reconstruction of a powerful Germano-Italian alliance, capable of enforcing peace by force and also the freedom of the seas.

To attain this object the count is reported to have declared it is necessary to avoid resentment between the countries which would be involved. He therefore urges Italy not to be tempted by what seems to be a favorable opportunity to push her pretensions unreasonably. Count Apponyi expressed the hope that there would be no break in the relations between Austria and Italy, for "if Austria is crushed a Russian victory would constitute a Muscovite danger today and not tomorrow."

## STUBBORN BATTLE ON IN MOUNTAINS

### FIFTH DAY OF FIGHTING FINDS RUSSIANS AND GERMANS WORKING DESPERATELY.

Petrograd, April 28.—The battle of the Russian and Austro-German armies in the vicinity of Stry, in the Carpathian mountains, has entered its fifth day with no signs of diminishing and with the outcome still undecided.

Fighting is progressing in the narrow mountain defiles and there is little opportunity for the carrying out of maneuvers.

To the southwest of Stry the Russians still are threatening Uzsook pass, which remains in German hands, though the summit immediately north and northwest already have been captured. The operations in this district are being rendered difficult by the heavy rains.

## U. S. Appeals to Turks to End Outrages Against Christians

Washington, D. C., April 28.—Administration officials today awaited the outcome of the American government's appeal to the Turkish government for relief for Armenian Christians in Turkey as the result of reported massacres and threats of further outrages.

This action was taken in response to a request of the Russian government submitted through Ambassador Bakhmeteff, which included an appeal for aid from the Catholics of the Armenian church at Etchmiadzin in the Caucasus. Russia could not negotiate directly with Turkey on the subject because of war with that country.

Ambassador Morgenthau at Constantinople has been instructed to make representations to Turkey on behalf of the Armenians.

Armenians Arrested.  
London, April 28.—A Reuter dispatch from Athens says advices from Constantinople are that the Turkish

## GREAT PROSPECT AHEAD OF NATION

### Head of Textile Makers Is Optimistic About the Future of Country

### SAYS BUSINESS IS READY TO EXPAND

### Deplores Campaigns on Part of Government to Stop Natural Growth

Boston, April 28.—The belief that expansion rather than contraction of American trade should be sought by manufacturers was expressed by Albert Greene Duncan of this city, president of the National Association of Cotton Manufacturers, in an address prepared for delivery at the annual convention of the organization today. He said that cotton manufacturers were "harder hit than almost any other industry" in this country by conditions arising from the European war, and added:

"We are only beginning an improvement which we hope will be substantial."

Speaking of general conditions Mr. Duncan said: "The halting attitude of business is the natural sequence of our recent policies and is caused by the fear of the legislative and governmental campaigns against business. No one will deny that there exists faults in business life, but there is no justification for the propaganda which has denounced all business as essentially corrupt and vicious. Corrective legislation is necessary for the excesses that may grow on our business, but corrective legislation is very different from the restrictive and punitive laws which now burden our statute books."

"Business will have to face many new problems in the next few years. At the close of the war we shall be the one nation that has gained in resources rather than lost. With the announcement of peace, unlimited opportunities seem to offer for American industry and initiative are amply equipped to take advantage of these changed world conditions. Are we then to see this golden opportunity slip from our hands because of the handicap of governmental regulation? Business must stand together and demand our representatives in state and nation conserve rather than destroy the business interests of our country."

The limitations on association activities in developing export trade were discussed by Prof. Paul T. Cherington of Harvard university in a paper presented to the meeting. Prof. Cherington urged greater individual initiative and effort on the part of manufacturers.

## BELGIANS FOIL GAS BOMBS OF GERMANS

Havre, France, April 28.—Asphyxiating bombs used by the Germans in their attacks Monday night against the Belgian positions had little effect because preventive measures had been taken by the Belgians, who had learned of the effects produced by the fumes from these shells on the French and British. Advice received here state that the Germans, confident that the gases would prove effective, advanced in compact masses south of Dixmude but were greeted with a hail of bullets from quick fire. A furious bayonet charge then was launched by the Belgians and the Germans retired. Their losses are said to have been very heavy.

## ELECTRICS INCLUDED.

Washington, D. C., April 28.—Interstate electric railways, other than passenger railways are held subject to the requirements of the interstate commerce commission relative to the filing of reports of finances and operations and accidents.

## RAILROADS WANT NEW PAPER RATE

Washington, D. C., April 28.—Tariffs proposing increased rates effective May 27 on news print paper amounting in some instances to as much as 6 cents per hundred pounds, have been filed with the interstate commerce commission by practically all the railroads in trunk line and central freight association territory, the section of country north of the Ohio and Potomac and east of the Mississippi rivers. The commission's experts have not yet determined the exact effect of the tariffs. They probably will be suspended.

## German Warship Squadron is Seen in the North Sea

London, April 28.—Captain Scott, commanding a Norwegian steamer chartered by the Belgian relief commission, reports the presence in the North sea of a German fleet numbering no less than sixty-eight vessels all told.

Captain Scott, whose vessel has just come into port, reports that while crossing the North sea he was held up by one of these German vessels. After an examination of his papers he was permitted to proceed. The German fleet was composed of vessels of all classes, from battleships to torpedo boats.

The date of Captain Scott's encounter and just where in the North sea he sighted this German fleet has not been announced.

## WILSON ENVOY TO MEXICO RETURNS

### WILL REPORT TO THE PRESIDENT ON HIS CONFERENCES WITH RIVAL LEADERS.

Washington, D. C., April 28.—Zapata forces operating behind General Obregon, the Carranza commander, at Celaya, have cut his rail and wire communications and have destroyed part of the railway between the capital and Vera Cruz. Duval West, President Wilson's personal representative, is held up on a train delayed by the wreck.

Washington, D. C., April 28.—Duval West, personal representative of President Wilson in Mexico was on his way today to the United States, according to advices to the state department. He left Mexico City yesterday for Vera Cruz aboard a special train provided by the Villa-Zapata leaders and General Carranza. Mr. West will report to government officials here on the results of his conferences with the rival leaders in Mexico.

The appreciation of the United States government for the efficient manner in which Cardoso de Oliveira, Brazilian minister at Mexico City, has for the last year looked after American diplomatic interests in Mexico has been conveyed in messages sent to him by President Wilson and Secretary Bryan. The minister took charge of the American embassy after the severance of relations between the United States and the Huerta government. Both the president and Secretary Bryan declared that although the period during which the minister has represented the United States has been a very trying one, he had more than met every requirement.

## VILLA FORCE RETREATS.

Agua Prieta, Sonora, April 28.—General Hellas Calles, Carranza commander in Sonora, has received a telegram from Colonel Samaniego, chief of eastern Sonora, as far as Sahuaripa, 170 miles south of here, had been cleared of Villa troops.

Samaniego states that the inhabitants of the territory renewed their allegiance to the Carranza government when his expedition appeared. Villa forces, he said, withdrew toward Ures, where Governor Maytorena, who is a Villa partisan, is understood to be mobilizing an army.

## TWENTY BISHOPS MEETING IN IOWA

### ALL PORTIONS OF NATION AND OF CHINA AND SOUTH AMERICA REPRESENTED.

Des Moines, April 28.—Twenty Methodist bishops, representing all sections of the United States, China and South America, were present when the semi-annual conference of the heads of that church opened here today. The conference will close next Monday.

Those representing China and South America were Bishops James W. Bashford and Homer C. Stuntz. Others of the early arrivals were Bishops Theodore S. Henderson of Chattanooga, Tenn.; William Burt, Buffalo, N. Y.; W. A. Quayle of Memphis, Tenn., and Frank M. Bristol of Omaha. It was expected that thirty-five bishops would be in attendance by tomorrow.

In addition to transacting general business of the church, the bishops will arrange the dates and places for the conferences to be held this fall throughout the world, and also assign bishops to the conferences. Governor Clarke and Mayor Hanna delivered addresses of welcome today.

## LABOR LEADERS UNDER CHARGES

### Big Contractors Are Also Indicted By Grand Jury in the Federal Court

### TRADE RESTRAINT CREDITED TO BOTH

### Chicago Federation Heads and Employers to Give Very Heavy Bonds

Chicago, April 28.—The eighteen officials of labor unions and eighty-two contractors or contracting firms, named in indictments returned in the United States district court yesterday, charging violation of the Sherman anti-trust act and interstate commerce law, were expected to appear today to give bond in the sum of \$10,000 for each indictment in which their names appear.

If the indicted men do not respond within a few days, it was announced by the court, capias will be issued.

Prominent among the labor leaders indicted were Simon O'Donnell, president of the building trades council; Charles W. Fray, business agent of the machinists' union; Michael Artery, business agent of the machinery movers; Raymond Cleary, former agent of the electrical workers' union; Peter Shaughnessy of the bricklayers' union, and Michael J. Boyle, former business agent of the electrical workers.

Officials of the Chicago Lighting and Fixture association and the Chicago Switchboard Manufacturers' association were named in two indictments. Many well known electrical contractors also were included in the list.

The investigation was started a year ago in June by James H. Wilkerson, former district attorney.

The punishment for conviction, it was said by Charles F. Clynne, United States district attorney, is from one to five years in prison or a fine of \$1,000 to \$5,000 or both for each count.

The charges of the eight indictments are conspiracy to restrain trade, combination in restraint of trade, interfering with interstate commerce and restraining interstate commerce. The labor leaders were charged with unloading or handling goods which had been shipped from outside the state, because of alleged disputes with the concerns to which the goods were billed.

The indictments which named officials of two Chicago corporations and the union officials charge that associations have been formed here for the purpose of boycotting goods, in certain lines, manufactured outside of Chicago. The labor leaders, it was alleged, had agreed not to permit their men to work on jobs where material manufactured outside of Chicago was being used, but the contractors agreed, it was charged, to employ only workmen who were members of the union which belonged to the association.

Simon O'Donnell said of the indictments: "I am sure I know nothing of any thing I may be charged with. I have been fighting for the good of the workmen of the city and have held out consistently for an agreement which explicitly sets out that there shall be no discrimination against goods made outside of Chicago."

Similar expressions came from other labor leaders indicted and from contractors who are alleged to have conspired with the unions to keep goods made outside Chicago from being used on construction in this city.

## Iowa Packers Present Their Objections to Raise in Rates

Chicago, April 28.—Interior Iowa packers who annually slaughter 15 per cent of the 8,700,000 hogs raised yearly in Iowa and who compete with the larger packing centers, today presented their objection to the proposed advance of 3 1/2 cents a hundred pounds in freight rates on packing house products and fresh meats from points between the Missouri and Mississippi rivers.

Their contentions were voiced by H. F. Sundberg, traffic manager of the Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Commercial club, before W. M. Daniels, interstate commerce commissioner, in the hearing of the petition of forty-one western railroads seeking advances in road systems seeking advances in freight rates on certain commodities.

Mr. Sundberg reviewed the geographical situation of Iowa and its importance as an agricultural and meat producing section.

"The packers in interior Iowa," said the witness, "are located at Cedar Rapids, Ottumwa, Mason City, Waterloo and Marshalltown. The proposed advance in transportation charges will amount to more than \$100,000 yearly to these packers."

The witness said that the interior Iowa packers were in active competition with Chicago, St. Louis and eastern packers.

"We claim," he declared, "that the proposed advance amounts to a discrimination of 3 1/2 cents a hundred pounds on meats and packing house

## Labor Lobby is Well Satisfied

Springfield, Ill., April 28.—Representatives of organized labor who yesterday came to Springfield 2,000 strong to urge the legislature to act on pending labor legislation before adjourning today expressed themselves as confident that labor measures will have a "square deal" at the hands of the assembly.

The labor men claimed that they had been promised a roll call on each of their bills, and that the legislature would not suddenly adjourn, leaving their measures unacted on. The labor convention, which began its session here yesterday, expected to conclude its work and adjourn late today.

## WORK ON F-4 IS WASTED

### Rough Waters Impede Efforts to Raise U. S. Submarine Which Went to the Bottom.

Honolulu, April 28.—The work of weeks in the attempt to raise the submarine F-4, which is lying on the ocean bottom outside the harbor has been undone by the rough weather of the last two days. Only one cable is left holding to the hulk. The scoops used in the raising operations have been anchored to prevent their drifting out to sea. On account of weather conditions diving operations are impossible.

## T. R. ADMITS HE CONSULTED BOSS

### SAYS HE FOUND THAT WAS THE BEST WAY TO GET THE LEGISLATURE TO ACT.

Syracuse, N. Y., April 28.—Theodore Roosevelt told today as a witness in the \$50,000 libel suit brought against him by William Barnes, when governor of New York and president of the United States he conferred with former United States Senator Thomas C. Platt — "the boss."

While he was governor of New York the colonel declared, he discussed the libel with Senator Platt because he had found out that the legislature obeyed Senator Platt's orders. And the witness thought it best when there was any likelihood of that lawmaking body of the state disagreeing with him to first go to headquarters and talk things over. Further, as governor, the colonel said he did not want to run any chances of disrupting the republican party.

As president of the United States, the colonel readily admitted he conferred constantly with the senator from New York on all manner of things. He said he valued the senator's advice and wanted to take advantage of his wide experience.

The colonel was most active on the witness stand. He slapped his thigh and moved his arms and head to give emphasis to his words. He raised his voice and pounded on the arm of the witness chair. Counsel for Mr. Barnes entered an objection with the court against what he termed his "gesticulations," but the court overruled the objection.

## GIRL VICTIM OF UNUSUAL ATTACK

Baltimore, Md., April 28.—Miss Ida Robins, 22 years old, a stenographer, was attacked with a hammer last Monday afternoon in the office of her employer, Philip Lindemeyer, dealer in printers' ink, and with her skull fractured in three places she is in a hospital, not expected to recover.

Before becoming unconscious she said she had been attacked by a negro who demanded money. Later developments led the police to believe that a white man or a white woman may have been her assailant.

## BODY OF MISSING MAN IS DISCOVERED

Decatur, Ill., April 28.—The body of Cornelius S. Guild, Lockport, N. Y., was found this morning in the ruins of the Decatur hotel fire of last Wednesday. Search began Sunday when the fact that he had not been located came to the knowledge of the hotel people.

This makes two deaths in the fire, the other being W. E. Graham of Decatur.

## CLEAN UP WORK ON IN FULL FORCE

### Citizens Are Taking Hold With Interest in a General Change

### WARD OFFICERS HAVE FORCE READY

### Plans Are Now Progressing in Different Parts of the City

Ottumwa is in the midst of their clean-up campaign and the results of their efforts are beginning to become noticeable in different parts of the city as half of the week has passed.

While nature added a little clean-up of her own variety today and hindered in a small degree a great deal of outside work yet many of the citizens were ready for her showers. Monday, and Tuesday, all day long, could be seen people in their yards, raking, mowing, sweeping and cleaning. Flower beds are being spaded, others have the blooming plants already in place. Shrubbery is being trimmed and cultivated about it. Trees are being white washed and sprayed. Bushes and rambling flowers are being trained back. Some new racks and supports for them have been built and others repaired.

The yards have not received all of the attention of the citizens however as, imbued with the true clean-up spirit, the cellars have come in for their share too. Places where facilities were not the best for having the ashes hauled away during the winter are now being raided with shovels, buckets and wagons for carrying them away. Tin cans which have accumulated during the cold spell are being gathered together and piled in boxes on the alleys for carrying away. Vacant lots are coming in for their share of the work too. Some that for years have been allowed to grow up in weeds and weeds are now being cleaned up flowers and shrubs started and trees planted.

The school children of the city are taking hold of the movement with vim and their labors are becoming apparent about the school yards and grounds. Some places have new flower beds, others will have more trees while still others will cover the bare spots in the yards with grass. There are still several parts of Ottumwa, though the committee says, that are not showing just the spirit of help and cooperation that had been expected and it is hoped that they will swing into line before the week's end. The ward and precinct organizations are going along in very nice shape.

## ITALIAN IS SLAIN IN SUDDEN ATTACK

Chicago, April 28.—Joseph De Franciso, an Italian laborer, was clubbed with a baseball bat and his throat cut with a razor in the presence of his wife here early today. He died almost instantly.

Mrs. De Franciso is a midwife and when she received a professional call her husband accompanied her as an escort. As they were passing an alley running into Desplaines street three men attacked De Franciso. The first struck him a hard blow with the bat that the bat broke. The second assailant drew a razor across the prostrate victim's throat. It was all over so quickly, Mrs. De Franciso told the police, that she had scarcely time to scream before the men disappeared.

De Franciso previously had told his wife that he had a fight with some Italians in a saloon last Saturday night and, she said, he armed himself with a revolver. Two Italians, with what appeared to the police to be fresh bloodstains on their clothing, were picked up in the street, and two roomers at the De Franciso home were taken to the police station to be questioned. The bat and the revolver were found near the scene of the crime.