

FOUR BODIES ARE REMOVED FROM WRECK

Gilt Edge Flyer Plows Into Local Near Westerly, R. I., Splitting Rear Coach. 32 Are Injured.

PROBE IS UNDER WAY TO FIX RESPONSIBILITY

Engineer Declares Warning Signal Was Not Given and He Could Not Stop Suddenly.

International News Service: WESTERLY, R. I., April 18.—The bodies of four victims, charred almost beyond recognition, were raised early today from the smoldering ruins of the local express into which plowed the Gilt Edge Flyer, splitting open the rear car of the local and tapping the 30 or more passengers in that car last night.

The search was continued as rapidly as the cooling of the ruins would permit, in the fear that more bodies were hidden in the blackened wreck.

Identified dead at Murphy's morgue, Westerly, as given out by coroner's physician, J. H. Scanlon, Westerly.

Thomas Boardman, J. M. Westerly, general manager of Bradford Eye works.

Jennette Clark, Westerly, daughter of William C. Clark, president of the Clark Thread Co.

J. F. Barbour, Westerly, carpenter. Unidentified body believed to be that of Margaret Bliss, Westerly shop girl.

Of the 32 persons injured, whose names were in the possession of railroad officials, one, Mrs. Olive Martell of South Bridge, Mass., was so badly injured that she died after her removal from the wreck to the hospital in New London.

Probe Under Way. Gen. Mgr. C. L. Bardo of the New Haven road, who arrived on the first relief train sent to the scene of the wreck, declared today:

"It would be unfair to the public and all concerned to make any definite statement as to the cause of the accident.

"That can only be determined by a rigid investigation. This is now under way.

"As far as we can learn, there are five known dead. There are about 30 injured, some of them seriously, others slightly."

The dead, and nearly all the injured, were passengers in the rear car of the local express train which consisted of wooden cars.

Into this car, for a distance of 15 feet, the huge locomotive, of the Gilt Edge Flyer plowed before it came to a stop.

Charles Mansfield, engineer of the Gilt Edge Flyer, when he had brought his train to a stop backed it out of the wreckage, so little injured was the big engine by its contact with the wooden car of the local.

This engineer, who is claimed to have disregarded a block signal set against his train and to have passed a flagman sent back from the local express, was placed under arrest by Chief of Police Brown of Bradford, pending investigation.

Engineer in Statement. Engineer Mansfield made this statement today:

"If the distant signal had been set at caution I would have had plenty of time to stop. The light was green. My fireman saw it too. The signal was set against us at the home post. It only gave me 1,500 feet to stop in and we were going at the rate of 55 miles an hour. The engine is No. 1278 and is the same one Engineer Doherty had charge of in the Stamford disaster. It is too bad. It was a bad accident."

"Are you burned?" he was asked. "No, I'm all right. I can drive the engine."

H. F. McManis, towerman in the signal tower at Bradford, who is not 22 years old, said:

Wilhelmina Reviews Army



The army of the queen of Hol and has frightened both sides in the European war by mobilizing in record time. Every private automobile in the land was commandeered to bring the men into the field. The army is composed of 320,000 men. Part of the army drilled near Flushing as though repelling an English invasion, and part practiced as if meeting a German advance on the eastern frontier.

SENATE TO PASS MILITIA PAY BILL

Regular Army Men Bitterly Assail Measure as "Gigantic Pork Barrel."

International News Service: WASHINGTON, April 18.—Despite the bitter assaults of the anti-militia senators, headed by Sen. Borah, it was considered certain today that the Chamberlain army bill, increasing the regular army, providing for federal pay for national guard officers and men and creating a volunteer army, will be passed by the senate before adjournment today.

As soon as the bill is passed an effort will be made to reconcile the provisions of it and the Hay bill, already passed by the house, and the substitute measure then will be rushed through both houses and sent to the president for his signature.

Regular army officers are extremely bitter over the militia pay provisions of the two bills. They have no hesitancy in condemning the proposition as "the most gigantic pork barrel ever devised in Washington" and they frankly insist that the proposed plan will give the National Guard association control of the regular army and eventually mean that the latter will be reduced to a skeleton.

These officers declare that if the militia pay plan is continued it will be an inducement for regular army officers to resign their commissions and take up new ones in the guard.

"A regular officer would be a fool to stay in the army," explained a staff officer today. "Instead, he could join the militia, probably getting increased rank, would be paid a nice sum for his work there and could engage in private work in addition. Furthermore, a militia officer can quit whenever he pleases, would not have to go to war unless he wanted to and could live in a place of his own selection not subject to transfer."

It is estimated that the pay provision will cost the government \$75,000,000 annually and the regulars insist that there would be no real return for the expenditure. They claim that instead of having at the end of 10 years a real army in the guard only about 25 per cent of the men who have drawn pay would go to the front.

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RAILROAD TELEGRAPHERS LIKELY TO BE CALLED OUT

ALBANY, N. Y., April 18.—There is every reason to believe that within 48 hours, Pres't H. B. Perham, of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers, will serve an ultimatum on the New York Central officials threatening a strike of about 5,000 operators, signal men, station agents and station maintainers. The men seek an increase of pay amounting to 13 1/2 per cent.

J. C. Schroder of St. Louis, representing the International association, is in Albany today and has opened headquarters.

The results of the strike vote taken last week are still unknown, but Mr. Schroder believes that not less than 90 per cent of the men favor a showdown.

FAMOUS CATHEDRAL IN ANDRIA IS DESTROYED

ROME, April 18.—The famous old cathedral in Andria was almost completely destroyed by fire today. The fire spread to the Bishop's palace, the bishop having a narrow escape. Assistance was sent to Andria on a special train.

TERRIFIC LOSSES ON VERDUN FRONT

Crown Prince's Smashing Blow Gains Little Ground at Great Cost.

PARIS, April 18.—Heavy losses suffered by the Germans in their yesterday attack on the Verdun front compelled them to forego any assaults during the night.

On Monday's smashing blow with the purpose of capturing Chaufour wood the crown prince used five divisions, or 100,000 men, with a gain of only a few trenches, from part of which they have already been driven.

Today's official communique states that there was no fresh infantry action during the night. The bombardment of French positions at Le Morre Honor and on the Gunders front was continued, however.

The fighting on Monday, according to the official reports, was the fiercest that has marked the second battle of Verdun, which opened last week. It is estimated that the crown prince lost 10,000 men in killed and wounded, or a tenth of his assaulting force.

Prince's Attempt Fails. Army officers asserted today that the crown prince's objective in the tremendous assault was the crest of "Pepper hill," which has been "no man's land" since February, because the artillery of both the opposing forces have been able to sweep over it, and that his effort was a complete failure. To attain "Pepper hill" it was first necessary to take Chaufour wood. There the Germans were checked, leaving heaps of dead where they were compelled to fall back, and maintaining only a precarious foothold in certain trenches.

GERMAN FIGHTS TO ESCAPE ARREST

Capt. Von Papen's Secretary Subdued When Federal Agents Threaten to Shoot.

NEW YORK, April 18.—After a desperate fight between federal agents and four Germans today on the 25th floor of 50 Broadway, Wolf von Eigel, former secretary to Capt. von Papen of the German embassy, was placed under arrest on a charge of conspiring to blow up the Welland canal. Von Eigel and his three companions were subdued only after the federal agents had drawn their revolvers and threatened to shoot.

Then von Eigel, who is said to have carried on the German bomb conspiracies for Capt. von Papen, grew furiously angry and declared that his arrest would mean war between the United States and Germany.

"This is German soil," he cried. "You have no right to come in this room. It is under the protection of the German embassy."

He became less defiant when Agents Storke, Baker, Underhill and Gurvich threatened to handcuff him and begged so hard that they allowed him to walk between them to the federal building.

When the officers entered von Eigel's office, which is the one Capt. von Papen used before being sent back to Germany by the American government, they found von Eigel, George von Skaal, formerly publicity agent for Capt. von Papen, and now engaged in propaganda work, and two other husky Germans there.

Von Eigel hastily threw a mass of papers into a big safe in a corner as the agents opened the door. No attempt was made to arrest von Skaal and the other two men, nor did the agents open the safe which bore the German embassy seal upon its door.

Von Eigel was arraigned before Judge Howe, but the hearing was postponed as the German had no counsel. Von Eigel was the fifth man indicted in the Welland canal plot.

Late News Bulletins

DIES FROM EXCITEMENT. HASTINGS-ON-HUDSON, N. Y., April 18.—A deputy sheriff died from heart disease, superinduced by excitement and a score of persons were injured as the result of a riot in which 1,000 striking employees of the National Cable and Conduit Co. engaged yesterday.

ADMITTS PIRACY. WILMINGTON, Del., April 18.—Twisting his fingers nervously, Clarence R. Hudson, alias Ernest Schiller, the lone German pirate who seized the British freight steamer Matopho off Sandy Hook last month, entered a plea of guilty to piracy when arraigned before Judge Edward G. Bradford in the district court here today.

Judge Bradford said he would suspend sentence until a later date.

CLAIMS CONFIRMATION. International News Service: EL PASO, Texas, April 15.—Gen. Gavira, commandant at Juarez, received a telephone message today from Gov. Enriquez of Chihuahua, saying that there were confirmations of the death of Villa. Gov. Enriquez did not state the nature of the confirmations.

BERNSTORFF IN BIG EFFORT TO PREVENT BREAK

German Ambassador Makes Appointment With Lansing For Conference Late This Afternoon.

STATE DEPARTMENT PUTS NOTE IN CODE

Latest Representations of U. S. Are Made in Longest Diplomatic Communication on Record.

International News Service: WASHINGTON, April 18.—A strong effort to avert any open break between Germany and the United States is being made by Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador. He made an appointment to confer with Sec'y Lansing late this afternoon and it is understood will again give assurances that Germany is being made by Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador. He made an appointment to confer with Sec'y Lansing late this afternoon and it is understood will again give assurances that Germany is being made by Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador. He made an appointment to confer with Sec'y Lansing late this afternoon and it is understood will again give assurances that Germany is being made by Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador.

GARRANZA MEN CRITICIZED BY GEN. PERSHING

Cabinet Hears Reports From Head of Punitive Expedition Who Denies He Received Cooperation.

AMERICANS RETREAT 50 MILES NORTHWARD

Increasing Hostility of Mexicans Renders Work of Uncle Sam's Troopers More Difficult.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—Sharp criticism of the Carranza forces encountered in Mexico was brought before the cabinet meeting today. It was contained in the official reports of Gen. Pershing, commander of the punitive expedition. These reports are withheld by the government because of the fear that to make them public at this time might seriously embarrass the Mexican operations. However, it is understood that Gen. Pershing emphatically denied that at any time the Carranza commanders have cooperated with him in his chase of Villa and that he also has reason to believe that they have done everything possible to embarrass the movements of the African forces.

The cabinet canvassed the entire Mexican situation at length. The question of the recall of the American expeditionary forces, it is understood, will be held in abeyance pending the identification of the body supposed to be that of Villa now being taken into Chihuahua City.

The cabinet was in session for two hours and five minutes and it discussed the Mexican situation thoroughly. It was made very plain after the meeting that at present there will be no change in the orders "to get Villa." Various members of the cabinet indicated that they have not accepted the reports that Villa is dead as true.

Must Shorten Lines. If the troops are kept in Mexico either additional troops must be sent to Gen. Funston or arrangements made for shortening his lines of communication. The main line, which now reaches as far south as Satevaca, cannot be held with the forces now on hand. There is no reserve to draw on so that if regulars are to be utilized, the coast artillery must be called on.

Reports of defection between the American troops and the Mexicans in the neighborhood of Casas Grandes were without official confirmation today. Officials expressed the belief that if there had been any trouble it was of little importance as it was not mentioned in any of the brief dispatches received from Gen. Funston.

International News Service: EL PASO, Texas, April 18.—American troops in southern Chihuahua have retreated more than 50 miles northward owing to evidences of increased hostility on the part of the Mexicans toward the pursuers of Francisco Villa, and lack of supplies. This information, which came from reliable sources, reached military authorities at Fort Bliss today. Mexican animosity is now preventing the United States from purchasing food that they were able to get with American gold in northern Chihuahua.

Gen. Pershing, who had gone to the front to direct the actual hunt for Villa, has returned to his base near Naniquipa. There he is making plans to meet the critical condition that has arisen and is awaiting replies to certain recommendations which he has transmitted to the American government through Maj. Gen. Panstun.

Party is Assailed. During his return ride to the Naniquipa base, according to advices received from Columbus, N. M., an attempt was made by Mexicans to assassinate Gen. Pershing and his escort, which consisted of a small troop of cavalry. Just as the Pershing party reached the outskirts of Providencia, Mexican snipers opened fire on the detachment.

The Americans dismounted instantly and returned the fire. Most of the snipers were silenced. Those who continued to fire were driven from their adobe shelters by soldiers who crept upon them and ejected them by a flank fire. The Americans are reported to have taken several prisoners without suffering any losses in killed or wounded. The detachment then continued its journey northward.

The battle at Parral and Gen. Carranza's demand for the withdrawal of the American troops in Mexico have enormously increased the difficulties that have confronted the punitive expedition ever since it crossed the border into Mexico. Carranza officials have apparently taken the withdrawal demand as their cue.

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Mrs. Reynolds' Bequests

IN WILL GIVES AWAY \$66,500

Divides Large Fortune Among Many South Bend Charitable Organizations and Churches.

SETS ASIDE \$20,000 FOR SICK AND INJURED

"Janette Reynolds Society" Will be Perpetuated, Trustees to be Chosen From Among Business Men.

Table listing bequests: Epworth hospital and Training school \$5,000, Associated Charities 2,000, Visiting Nurse association 5,000, Y. M. C. A. 1,000, Indiana club 100, South Bend lodge No. 294, F. & A. M. 1,000, South Bend chapter No. 29, Royal Arch Masons 1,000, South Bend commandery No. 13, Knights Templar 1,000, St. Joseph lodge No. 45, F. & A. M. 1,000, A. M. 1,000, Portage lodge No. 675, F. & A. M. 1,000, Children's Aid society of Indiana 1,000, Y. W. C. A. 1,000, Sisters of Holy Cross Hospital association 2,000, South Bend Humane society 1,000, First Presbyterian church of South Bend 3,000, Westminster Presbyterian church 3,000, Trinity Presbyterian church 2,000, Hope Presbyterian chapel 2,000, First Presbyterian church of Walkerton 500, Salvation Army 2,000, Firemen's Pension fund 2,000, Lowell Heights M. E. church 2,000, Mt. Olivet African Methodist church 2,000, Mt. Zion Baptist church 2,000, Janette Reynolds Aid society for the Sick and Injured 20,000, C. A. Lippincott 1,000, Ida Beach 2,000, Total \$66,500

PROGRESS of the War

INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE: BERLIN (via wireless) April 18.—The first batch of helplessly wounded German and Austro-Hungarian prisoners who were exchanged for Russians, arrived at Sasevaca today. There were 200 of them and the press shook hands with each. Sixty-nine were Germans. The prisoners had been provided with new clothing in Sweden.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE: PETERSBURG, April 18.—Russian aviators have attacked the Turkish port of Trebizond, the last city of military importance held by the Turks in Armenia, doing heavy damage.

The Russian aircraft were severely bombarded with high-angle guns, the fire being of such accuracy as to lead to the belief that they were being worked by trained German artillerymen. However, all the aeroplanes returned to their base.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE: LONDON, April 18.—The Russian bark Schwandee, 844 tons, has been torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine. The crew was saved.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE: LONDON, April 18.—Following the allies demands for further concessions from Greece, Germany has added to the troubles of that country by presenting a demand that submarines be permitted to enter Greek ports for 24 hours every three months and re-visited, according to an Athens dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Co.

LONDON, April 18.—The Russian forces south of the Tigris river in Mesopotamia have been driven back 800 yards by the Turks. The war office admitted today in an official statement.

The English troops in question are part of the army of Gen. Sir Percy Lake which is trying to relieve the army of Gen. Townshend in Kut-El-Amara.

MURDER SERIES STARTLES STATE

Couple Found Slain in Home Near Batesville, Climax of Crimes.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE: NEW ALBANY, Ind., April 18.—A series of murders in Indiana in the past two days has startled the state. Yesterday near Batesville, Mr. and Mrs. Ransell Brown, about 65 years old, were found slain in their homes which had been set on fire. They had been beaten to death with clubs. Robbery was the motive.

At Bedford yesterday Harry Sidwell was found dead in his bedroom with a 44-calibre pistol wound in his head, the pistol close by. Officers are investigating both murders and suicide theories.

Miss Lucy May Jones, an heiress, was killed Sunday by her brother-in-law, James Perkins at his home at Washington, Perkins killing himself after he had slashed his sister-in-law's throat and shot her.

Miss Fern Brumit was killed at Spencer, Ind., Sunday while waiting for a car to return home from a funeral. Her escort, Harry Iyer, was found with serious injuries.

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"Janette Reynolds Society" Will be Perpetuated, Trustees to be Chosen From Among Business Men.

Charitable bequests in the sum of \$66,500 are left by the provisions of the will of Mrs. Janette B. Reynolds, pioneer of South Bend, who died last Thursday in Florida. The will was probated Tuesday morning in the circuit court. This makes a total of \$112,000 that Mrs. Reynolds has given to charity, she having given \$49,500 during her lifetime to various projects.

All these bequests go to organizations in South Bend. The largest item mentioned in the will is for the Janette B. Reynolds Aid society for the sick and injured which will receive \$20,000. The remainder of the \$66,500 is divided among philanthropic organizations, churches, the various Masonic lodges, Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., Firemen's pension fund, the Epworth hospital and training school and the Visiting Nurses' association. Rev. C. A. Lippincott, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, was made a beneficiary in the sum of \$1,000 and Ida Beach, Mrs. Reynolds' companion, receives \$5,000.

Aside from the bequests to charity, one-half of the residue of the estate is given Fred Briggs, a nephew of the decedent, and the other half is to be divided among the children of Mrs. Reynolds' deceased sister, Clara Beach. These two nieces and one nephew who have been named in the will are Florence Beach Kirby, Charles B. Beach and Lamont Beach. To Mrs. Kirby likewise goes all of Mrs. Reynolds' personal property such as books, pictures and jewelry and all articles of personal adornment. John Smith Briggs of Los Angeles, Calif., is given \$5,000.

Mrs. Reynolds' entire estate was estimated at approximately \$150,000. In speaking of her bequest to the Janette Reynolds Aid society the will of Mrs. Reynolds says:

"I give to Janette Reynolds' Aid society for the sick and injured the sum of \$20,000. This is a charity in which I am deeply interested and which has been incorporated by my direction. It is my recommendation that the trustees of this society shall fill the vacancy caused by my death and all future vacancies on the board of trustees by business men of high standing in St. Joseph county whose ability to give conservative advice for the investment of money is beyond question and who have shown themselves interested in charitable work."

The will has two codicils, the first reducing the bequest to the Indiana club from \$1,000 to \$100 and the second nominating and appointing the First National bank of South Bend to act as executor. The late Hon. Lucius Hubbard was named executor of the will, he to be succeeded in the event of his death by his son, Arthur L. Hubbard.

Mrs. Reynolds empowers the executor of her estate to convert all personal property and real estate into cash. The estate is not to be distributed among the beneficiaries until a year after the probating of the will and no legacy is to bear interest prior to that time.

Mrs. Reynolds provides in the testament that in the event a contest of the will is made, the share of the contesting beneficiaries is to be reduced one half, as well as the shares of those who do not assist in defending such action. Mrs. Reynolds also stipulates that she has from time to time contributed to certain of the beneficiaries named in the will but that she does not want the gifts to be charged against any beneficiary after her death.

In her bequest to the Salvation Army, Mrs. Reynolds provides that the \$2,000 shall be kept in trust by John Chess Ellsworth, who shall pay to the army officers the funds which is to be used in defraying the current expenses of the institution. The decedent expressly points out in this bequest that the money is not to go to the Salvation Army as a corporation nor to the Reliance Trading Co. nor the Salvation Army Industrial Home Co., but it is to be used "in assisting local representatives of the Salvation Army in promoting the spiritual welfare of poor persons found on the streets of South Bend."

The will points to the bequests to the Orphans' home, the Y. W. C. A. and the South Bend Humane society of \$1,000 each, setting out that the amount is smaller than provided in former wills but made so by reason of the fact that she has already given them considerable sums money.

Willis A. Bughie is named as executor of the will.

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