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## GERMANY WILL REPLY NEXT WEEK

### DEAD BODY OF VILLA WAS NOT IN THE GRAVE

Corpse Dug Up, Proved to be Remains of Just an Ordinary Bandit and Not That of the Man Sought.

### HE IS ALIVE, UNWOUNDED AND FREE

Expedition Has Been Halted Because of Increased Opposition of Natives and Danger of a Massacre.

CHIHUAHUA, Mexico, April 21.—The body, supposedly Villa's, proved not to be his. The report that the bandit leader's corpse had been examined, was positively stamped as false today by General Luis Gutierrez, military commander here. This and other American reports that Villa in Durango state unwounded, were disclosed together with a Carranza order of April 15, prohibiting United States aviators from flying over Mexican cities and barring the American forces from using the Mexican telegraph or telephone lines. Scores of shots were fired at the American who made a flight over the city Wednesday.

would require the use of all forces to fight the Germans. Another article stated that Lansing was studying the plans for an early withdrawal of the expedition and gave General Carranza credit for halting the American advance through Mexico. The concentration of Carranza troops south of Parral is apparently to oppose the advance of United States forces south of that point. Mayor Jose De La Luz Herrera of Parral was instructed to inform the American commanders not to advance beyond Parral. General Luis Herrera, whose brother-in-law, Colonel Oroscio, was killed by American troops in the Parral fight, has gone to Parral. Two thousand troops of the Morelos and Juarez brigades have reinforced the garrison there. One thousand United States cavalrymen under Colonels Brown and Allen and Major Tompkins are reported concentrated at Santa Cruz De Viesca, ten miles north of Parral. General Gutierrez is doing his utmost to prevent strained relations between the Carranza forces and the American forces, but is opposed by the Herrera element and the sentiment of the populace. Gutierrez has appointed officers to accompany the American newspaper men and has granted them every protection. He has placed Chihuahua under strict military law. A heavy guard patrols the city and a midnight "curfew" law is enforced. However, when the American newspaper correspondents arrived from El Paso on the false tip to identify Villa, they were pelted with stones by mobs of Mexican youths. Gutierrez had the ring-leaders arrested.

### FRANCE

PARIS, April 21.—Following heavy artillery preparations, the Germans last night launched a powerful attack on a front of more than a mile against French positions northeast of Verdun. The assault was directed against French lines between Thiaumont and the small lake near Vaux. South of Douaumont fort and north of this small lake, the Germans have succeeded in entering the French lines, but they were later repulsed by a French counter attack, the war office announced this afternoon. The French captured a number of prisoners and two quick fliers in their successful counter attack. Not only were the Germans repulsed with heavy losses in this attack, but the French advanced their lines on both sides of the Meuse, in a renewal of the fighting around Verdun.

On the west bank, in the region of Dead Man's hill, the French followed up their successes in yesterday's fighting by capturing a trench on the edge of Caurette wood, capturing four German officers and 150 men. On the east bank of the Meuse, the French made progress south of Haudromont, rescuing several wounded French soldiers and capturing twenty Germans.

**MORE RUSSIANS LANDED.**  
PARIS, April 21.—Russian troops, disembarking at Marseilles, probably will not be seen in action on the western front before another fortnight, it was stated here today. For the present they probably will remain in southern France. The landing of troops continued today, according to Marseilles dispatches and the city was gay with Russian colors. Several Russian officers arrived in Paris today and arrangements are being made for receptions in their honor.

**Bathing Suit Styles.**  
CHICAGO, April 21.—Short skirts for the men and no skirts at all for the women, were approved today by Chicago's beach censors as the official bathing costumes at the municipal beaches this summer. The men's costumes, to be furnished by the city, will include a brief shirt-like skirt about the length of a cannibal's grass apron. The women, however, will wear bloomers and no stockings. "Just so they keep within the limits of decency," bathers may follow their own fancy," is the edict.

**Found Ten Pearls.**  
BOSTON, April 21.—While eating raw oysters, F. J. Barker, of New York, opened one from which popped ten pearls. Two of them were of considerable size and value.

### VILLA RAID AS GERMAN PLOT

Recent Massacre at Columbus is to be Subject to a New Investigation.

**INFORMATION EXPECTED**  
When Expedition Returns, Captured Bandits May be Able to Give Out Some Important Testimony.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—An investigation of alleged German connection with the Villa raid at Columbus is awaiting the return of the American expedition from Mexico. It was learned on high authority today. The fact that the investigation awaits the return of the punitive expedition is understood to be caused by expectation that bandits captured will give valuable information. The Von Der Goltz statement published today has been investigated thoroughly by the department of justice. Its contents are well known to the state department and are reported to have played a large part in the suddenly abrupt attitude of this government toward German consular and other officials.

**Sailors Return to Work.**  
BOSTON, Mass., April 21.—Officers and enlisted men of the United States navy, absent on leave of furlough, were returning to the Charleston navy yard today, following the receipt of orders from Washington. Thirty odd warships, a record number, are now at the yard, every available berth being filled. Rear Admiral Daus is in command of the auxiliary fleet.

An authoritative statement was received from the navy yard this afternoon to the effect that no emergency orders have been received to get the ships ready for duty, although about 7,000 men are at work preparing the thirty vessels for their annual spring cruise.

**Eight Days on Stand.**  
CHICAGO, April 21.—Cross examination of William Lorimer, forger, United States senator, on trial here on bank wrecking conspiracy charges, was concluded shortly before noon today. This concluded Lorimer's eighth day on the stand.

### GERMANY

BERLIN, April 21.—Repulse of French attacks on the northern and northeastern fronts of Verdun, was announced by the war office this afternoon.

The French attacked vigorously north of Verdun on the east bank of the Meuse in an attempt to recapture the stone quarry south of Haudromont village, but were beaten off. Another enemy attack in the Caurette woods further east also broke down. Fighting for French trenches south of Fort Douaumont continued throughout last night. In the Woivre region and southeast of Verdun artillery engagements are going on.

**FIGHTING CONTINUES.**  
BERLIN, April 21.—French troops have penetrated German trenches in Caurette wood in a heavy attack, but elsewhere on the Verdun front all French attacks have been repulsed, the war office announced this afternoon. The Germans are counter attacking against the Caurette wood positions and the fighting continues. In the region of Dead Man's hill, the French were repulsed with very heavy losses.

### BALKANS

ATHENS, April 21.—German fliers bombed a British camp at Tenedos Wednesday, causing several casualties, according to advices received here today.

**Unmasked Bandit.**  
SHREVEPORT, La., April 21.—An unmasked bandit early today shot Edward Messinger, L. C. Phillips of Shreveport, robbed the express car of the Louisiana Railroad and Navigation company's train No. 2, remaining in the car for an hour and escaped when the train pulled into Alexandria, according to reports reaching here.

Phillips was taken to a hospital at Alexandria, where physicians reported his wound is not serious. The amount of the bandit's loot is unknown. The train was bound from New Orleans to Shreveport. According to advices received in railway circles here, the bandit boarded the car at Mansura, La., 153 miles south of Shreveport and jumped off just as the train pulled into Alexandria station. Railroad employes attempting to deliver American Express parcels to the car broke in and found Phillips on the floor, it was reported.

## It Would be Insanity to Break With United States

[By Carl W. Ackerman, United Press Staff Correspondent.]  
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BERLIN, April 20.—(Via wireless to Tuckerton, N. J., April 21.)—Germany can go no further in her submarine concessions to the United States. Admiral Von Holtzendorff, chief of the German admiralty staff declared in an interview with the United Press today.

grow tighter and tighter. Then we shall see whether England will still maintain that she cannot make peace until Germany is destroyed. The alternative could have had peace long ago, but they still cling to the idea of starving Germany to submission. The longer they cling to the idea of starving Germany into submission, the longer they cling on and prolong the war, the greater will be their bills. "What I said about freight ships, applies only to enemy freight ships. We are not going to torpedo and we have not torpedoed without warning or without examining the ships' papers or crew, any neutral ship, despite reports which the enemy is spreading. We are not out to torpedo without warning neutral ships bound for England. Our submarines have respected every one of them so far, and they have met scores in the North sea, the channel and the Atlantic.

Germany must attack England's life nerve, which is her shipping. We have means through our submarines to do this and we must go ahead. England is the one responsible for American lives on her freight ships. We cannot warn Americans on board any more than we can send word to neutrals who may be in enemy trenches before we attack. It is the same situation on the seas exactly, and still we know that all passenger ships now going to England carry war munitions, not necessarily ammunition or shells, but articles which are much more necessary to help England continue the war.

"But remember," said the German naval head later, during the course of the interview, "that we have no desire for a break with the United States. That would be insanity. We shall not bring it about, despite our desire to push vigorously our submarine warfare.

"We did not sink the Sussex," said Admiral Von Holtzendorff. "I am as convinced of that as of anything which has happened in this war. If you could read the definite instructions, the exact orders each submarine commander has, you would understand that the torpedoing of the Sussex was impossible.

"No, we don't always hear when one of our submarines is lost. We don't always know whether they had a fair chance or not, when they attempted to sink ships, surrounded as they are with such strict orders."

"Many of our submarines have returned from rounding up British vessels. They sighted scores of passenger ships going between England and America, but not one of these was touched, although we know every one of them was carrying war munitions for the allies.

"I do not think the American people want to declare war against Germany for the way she is conducting her submarine war now. I don't think America wants to protect England. I don't think the American people want to do everything they can to help England win even by protecting English freight ships with American liners.

"What has been the success of the new submarines warfare, so far?" he was asked.

"We have definitely agreed to warn the crews and passengers of passenger liners. We have lived up to that promise in every way, but we cannot be asked to regard freight ships in the same manner. This is beyond the border for any belligerent nation.

"Five months more will see what we can do to British shipping. The ring around the British Isles will

### GERMANY IN NO HURRY TO REPLY TO NOTE

It Will be End of Next Week Before Answer Will be Sent to America on Submarine Warfare Dispute.

### NEWSPAPERS SAY SHE WILL NOT YIELD

Call it Wilson's Bluff and His Personal Views Which are Not Expected to Lead to Diplomatic Break.

BERLIN, April 21.—President Wilson's demand that Germany abandon her submarine methods under penalty of a diplomatic break, was conveyed to the kaiser and the people of Germany today. The text of the note, which was delivered to the foreign office at 5:30 last night by Ambassador Gerard was telegraphed to grand army headquarters for the emperor's immediate perusal. Several hours later it was circulated throughout Germany by the official news agency and printed in today's papers. The newspapers thus far have made no comment. Because today is Good Friday, it is practically impossible to obtain any official expression from the foreign office. It was indicated last night that no comment would be made until Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg returns from his Easter visit to the kaiser, probably on Monday. There is little likelihood that any reply will be sent to Washington before the end of next week. Since the submarine controversies with America began, it had been customary to summon into conference, heads of the marine department and leading bankers and business men before a reply was sent to Washington. It is probable that this course will again be followed and that in addition, leading members of the reichstag will be invited to express their views.

had a look of his precocious crinkly hair ruffled while crossing to Europe, then the people in the white house are terribly mistaken," said the Berlin Post. "If Germany should climb down, serious trouble is bound to come from within and Germany's leaders prefer to have it come from without."

**Says Will Not Yield.**  
AMSTERDAM, April 21.—German newspapers, commenting in advance of President Wilson's statement to congress, declared that Germany would never yield to the United States, preferring to face another enemy without, than an internal crisis in the reichstag.

By "immediate" stopping of its present campaign, Germany has been told this government means within such time as is sufficient for submarine commanders to be notified. Grave danger now lies in a possible submarine attack. Such an attack on a neutral vessel, particularly if an American life were jeopardized would be critical. It would then have to be shown clearly and rapidly that the German commander had failed to receive his orders or a break, it is believed, would be practically automatic.

### FRANTIC APPEALS MADE FOR THE GERMAN PAPERS

Documents Taken From Von Igel's Office Are Evidently Very Precious.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—The extreme seriousness with which the German embassy regards the seizure in New York of papers in the keeping of Wolf Von Igel, secretary to Captain Von Papen, was revealed today when the eighth demand for their return was made to the state department.

connection with the same matter. The home government has been advised by wireless concerning the seizure of the papers, but it is not known whether any instructions have been received by Bernstorff. Whether the state's proposal that all the Von Igel papers be submitted to Bernstorff in order that he may select from them those properly the property of the embassy, will prove acceptable to the ambassador, is not known. It was indicated today he might act on this suggestion, but his consistent demand has been that he be given all the papers, all the photographs taken of them and the photographer's plates.

"I speak in a straightforward manner. We could have destroyed hundreds of thousands of tons of enemy ships since the beginning of the submarine war, except for the promises we gave the United States, but we cannot go further.

### IOWA CITY HOTEL FIRE ENDANGERED STUDENTS' LIVES

Loss of \$350,000 When Blaze Raged in Business District During Night.

IOWA CITY, Iowa, April 21.—Fire, causing an estimated loss of \$350,000, destroyed the old St. James hotel and several business firms and endangered the lives of a number of state university students in the hotel, now known as the Iowa Union house, shortly after midnight. The fire was well under way in the hotel when discovered and students and hotel employees fled down fire escapes, over roofs and through smoke choked stairways. De Villo Bannister, of Shelby, Iowa, fought his way to the room of Vincent McNurlin, a paralytic and carried him down a fire escape to safety.

to the street. His feet and ankles were seriously injured. Wayne Foster, of Wellman, Iowa, captain of the foot ball team, and C. O. Powers, of Cedar Rapids, were the last students out of the building escaping in their pajamas. Their feet were burned. Students in the kitchen hunting for a midnight lunch are supposed to have started the fire by accident. There was much confusion during the fire and for a time William Long, of Des Moines, and Frank Spurr, of Creston were missing for two hours, but at dawn were reported saved. Emma B. Johns and Mega Baust, domestics, in the hotel, were carried to safety in blankets by Hal Short and Frank Sook, Iowa City boys. Many students lost all their clothing and today are wearing garments loaned by friends until they can hear from home. The losses, besides the hotel are stocks of the Wienke arcade, O. H. Fink cigar store, the University book store and The Denter supply company. The Coast clothing store was damaged.

Prince Hatzfeldt, counsellor of the embassy, accompanied by an attorney, called at the state department for that purpose. It became known that this was the fifth time the papers had been asked for verbally and that three written demands had been made on the state department. Ambassador Von Bernstorff was in New York today, presumably in

Plot is Wide Spread.  
NEW YORK, April 21.—A nation wide federal grand jury investigation of the activity of German agents, government and private, in connection with bomb plots is today in prospect following the disclosures in the connection with the same matter.

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