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## GERMANS STILL IN RETREAT

### BRITISH WIDEN GAP IN HINDENBURG LINE—BRITISH WANT LENS WITHOUT TOO EXTENSIVE BOMBARDMENT—GERMANS CONTINUE TO DESTROY THE TOWN

By Associated Press.  
BRITISH HEADQUARTERS, FRANCE, APRIL 16.—THE BRITISH CONTINUE GRADUALLY TO WIDEN THE SECOND GAP IN THE HINDENBURG LINE NORTH OF ST. QUENTIN, HAVING CAPTURED THE POSITION KNOWN AS THE THREE SAVOCS EAST OF BRICOURT. ST. QUENTIN CONTINUES TO BURN.  
AWAY TO THE NORTH, LENS STILL HOLDS OUT, THE GERMANS HAVING SEVERAL STRONG POSITIONS AROUND THE CITY TO WHICH THEY STILL CLING. THE BRITISH WOULD LIKE TO TAKE LENS WITHOUT INFLECTING TOO GREAT DAMAGE FROM EXTENSIVE BOMBARDMENT. THE SHELLS ARE BEING DIRECTED AGAINST SELECTED SPOTS KNOWN TO BE USED FOR MILITARY PURPOSES BY THE GERMANS CONTINUE THE WORK OF DESTROYING THE CITY BY BLOWING UP BUILDINGS.

BERLIN, APRIL 16.—THE BRITISH LOST ELEVEN AIRPLANES YESTERDAY BETWEEN SOISSONS AND VERDUN. THIS IS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED.

SECOND GERMAN LINE IS REACHED.

By Associated Press.  
Paris, April 16.—News from the front is to the effect that in the Alsace plains French detachments have reached the second German line at points inflicting serious losses on the enemy.  
This is regarded as the opening of a great French offensive.

### WIRELESS STATIONS ARE DISMANTLED

By Associated Press.  
Washington, April 16.—All wireless stations in the United States not operated by the government were today ordered dismantled by the secretary of the navy.

## DISCOVERED GOOD ROADS; WAS FINED

Willard Keen, the pleasant and genial road master of the Santa Fe, the only official of the great railway with headquarters in Carlsbad, was fined \$12.40 for exceeding the speed limit with his auto last week. Willard said he did not grudge the money but the inconsistency of the law looks queer and he would like it explained because from the time he hit the Eddy county line he found only burro trails and no roads until he got on the street of Carlsbad and then as he was getting in over the little stretch of road he struck in the county he was fined. "Now," he said, "if this fine is used to fix the road from Malaga to the state line or some other of the rocky burro trails, I will consider the money as a donation, and not a fine."

## AUSTRIA PROFFER OF PEACE WITH RUSSIAN PEOPLE IS NO OBSTACLE TO AIM

By Associated Press.  
PARIS, FRANCE, APRIL 16.—A SEMI-OFFICIAL STATEMENT HAS BEEN ISSUED IN VIENNA DECLARING THAT AUSTRIA DESIRES PEACE WITH THE RUSSIAN PEOPLE AND THAT THERE IS NO REAL OBSTACLE TO THIS AIM. ACCORDING TO THE ZURICH DISPATCH RADIO AGENCY.

## STRIKE AND RIOT IN GERMAN CAPITAL

By Associated Press.  
London, April 16.—Travelers arriving in Holland from Germany, according to a dispatch from Amsterdam to the Central News, says:  
A general strike was commenced this morning in Berlin and that riots have taken place in the German capital.

## KUROPATKIN ARRESTED ON BAD CHARGE

By Associated Press.  
Tashkent, Asiatic Russia, April 16.—General Kuropatkin, governor general of Turkestan, his assistant and chief of staff, were arrested by a council of soldiers. The officers are charged with distributing arms to Russians in various districts for defense against natives in event of attack. This action is held to be of a provocative character. Kuropatkin was formerly chief in command of the Russian forces in Manchuria during the Japanese war.

## CLASS TO BLACK RIVER

Friday evening Will Purdy treated his class of Sunday school boys to a delightful trip to Black river where they spent the night. The delivery motor truck took out bedding and nine boys. They lunched on hot tamales before they started, and some of them had bathing suits. A reporter asked some of the boys if the water wasn't too cold to be comfortable and they replied that they could try anything once.  
They were well equipped with fishing tackle and lunch baskets.

## PICNIC AT MALAGA.

Saturday morning early, Mr. and Mrs. Penny, Misses Jim Penny and Jayne Kindel, also Mr. Barr, made a trip through the lower valley. Mr. Barr and Miss Penny are representing the El Paso Herald. They enjoyed a picnic spread at the crossing on Black river.

## PUBLIC UTILITIES IMPROVEMENTS

For several years the people of Carlsbad have looked forward to the time when lights will never be dim or power never cease, which, according to Manager Gean Roberts and President Muzzy, of the Public Utilities Company, that time is not far distant for only last week a deal was closed up by the company for a 200 horse power steam engine that will be installed as soon as possible. Mr. H. L. Nichols, an electrical engineer, who came with Mr. Muzzy, will oversee the installation of the new plant which, though used only as an auxiliary, is as efficient and powerful as the plants used in many towns larger than Carlsbad. The company also contemplates putting in steel structural work for the more rigid and permanent support of the heavy water wheels which will make the water power plant exactly as if new and just put in. The Utilities company realize that which every patron knows, which is: that for the many years the plant has been in use it was always to be depended upon except for a few days. In fact we can recollect of but a few nights in many years that the town was without lights or dimly lighted. Despite this the company will invest this season about 10,000 in improvements that many another town of this size would consider sufficient for an entire electric plant.

## AMERICAN GUNBOAT INTERNED IN TURKEY.

By Associated Press.  
The American gunboat Scorpion, has been interned at Constantinople, says an official Turkish announcement.

## WASTE IRRIGATION WATER TO BE USED DOWN TO MINIMUM

### DITCHRIDERS WILL DISCONTINUE PRACTICE OF TURNING BACK WATER INTO CANAL OVER SUNDAY.

TO ALL WATER USERS:  
There is much evidence of waste of water on the Project this spring. Considerable water has been wasted in the public highways and from the lower ends of fields in out of the way places to the Project. Your earnest cooperation is hereby requested to the end that this waste may be cut down to a minimum. It has been the practice, which has been growing of late, to request ditchriders to turn back water into the canal over Sunday. This causes a large waste for a day or two into Black River. Hereafter ditchriders will not allow water to go back into the canal over Sunday which would be again given to the same water user on Monday.  
There is already prospects of a very large acreage being in crops during the ensuing season. It is likely that there will be over 20,000 acres in crops. At the present time the storage in the reservoirs is comparatively low for this season of the year and there is danger of shortage later on in the season if water is not carefully conserved. Water users are especially requested to place reliable men with the water at night so that water will not be wasted on the farms.  
Very truly yours,  
L. E. FOSTER,  
Project Manager.

## Hurrah for the Evening Current and Progress Generally!

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## NOT CARLSBAD'S FIRST BORN.

This is not Carlsbad's first daily by any means, for the files of the Current from November 15, 1892, until November 15, 1894, may be seen at this office at any time and we are not in the least ashamed to show them for, at the time when the town contained only about 1,200 people, to continue a daily was a greater feat than at present, while we have about 2,500.  
Below will be found a few extracts from this paper of November, 1892:

### Hagerman Hotel Arrivals.

Nov. 15, 1892.  
T. B. Catron, Santa Fe; Geo. R. Brown, John Spille, T. T. Pitchell, Jno. Bakers Silver City, J. B. Warfield, N. Y., Wm. Pound, Ed. Bunch, Pinos Altos, J. P. Church, Roswell; Jas. Somers, Cincinnati, O., Julius L. Fuldert, J. M. Lynch, D. Coleman, F. C. Bell Silver City, John McDonald, Wm. Skillecorn, Manuel Leguizabal, Pinos Altos, W. E. Baker, J. W. Garner, N. M. C. Hughes Las Cruces, Miss R. Wilken, N. Y.

Nov. 15, 1892.  
J. J. Plowman killed three fine deer last week in the Guadalupe mountains which he brought to this city disposing of the venison to various parties. The hides were purchased by W. L.

Riggs, who will mount them for his world fair collection. Mr. Plowman says he discovered the animals in one bunch and killed the three with his Winchester before they could get away.

At the time the above was published the big Socorro county mining lawsuit of Skillecorn et al was being tried before Judge Freeman and was the first case tried in what is now the old court house.

## BRYAN VISITS PRESIDENT.

Former Secretary of State Assures Wilson He Will Support Him.

By Associated Press.  
Washington, April 16.—William Jennings Bryan, who was secretary of state at the beginning of President Wilson's first term, today called the president and reiterated his sentiment that he would be in hearty support of any plans the government might decide upon for conducting the war to a victorious end.  
He also gave the president to understand that in all his future speeches he would deal with the food question, which is the most important problem before the American people at present in connection with the war.

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