

Many a Man Who Is Said to Be Tone Deaf Will Follow the Proverbial Jingling of the Guinea Even Unto the Ends of the Earth

FRENCH GAIN NEAR VAUX BUT LOSE ELSEWHERE

Bitter Contest For the Verdun Fortress Continues

LOSSES OF BOTH ARE HEAVY

German Gains Are So Slow and Costly That the Effect is To Encourage French.

London, April 4.—Fighting continued all night in the Verdun region east of the Meuse, between Douaumont and Vaux. The issue turned generally the war office announcement in Paris of yesterday afternoon says, in favor of the French, who gained ground in the northern part of Caillotte wood, which was occupied by the Germans Sunday. West of the river a bombardment was carried on near Hamont, without effect. A dispatch from Paris at 5 a. m. says that a new phase of the battle of Verdun has begun and the heaviest attacks foreshadow another attempt by the Germans to rush the fortress with vast forces. New batteries of large caliber have been moved up closer to the French front and the German infantry has been reformed and reorganized, Sunday's fighting, on the whole, was not unfavorable to the French, it is authoritatively stated. The object of the Germans was to clear the approaches to Fort Douaumont and 15,000 men were thrown forward on the 1.2 mile line between Douaumont fort and the village of Vaux. The attacking force succeeded in crossing a little ravine which hitherto had stopped them, and in entering the Caillotte wood. The total result of the very formidable effort they had put forth was a gain for the Germans of about 500 yards of terrain, more than offset it is affirmed, by the very heavy losses they had endured. On the west of the river the Germans attacked the Avocourt blockhouse in a no less determined manner, but again met with complete failure, the observers declare.

London, Tuesday, April 4.—Ten persons were killed and eleven injured in Scotland in Sunday night's Zeppelin raid, it is officially announced. There were no casualties in England.

The official statement, issued Monday afternoon, says:

"It appears that altogether six Zeppelins took part in the raids of last night. Three raided southeast counties of Scotland, one the northeast coast of England and the remaining two eastern counties of England.

"The vessels which raided Scotland crossed the coast at 9 p. m., 9.45 p. m. and 10.15 p. m. respectively, and cruised over southeastern counties of Scotland until about 1.10 a. m. Their course gave no indication of any special locality for attack, but thirty-six explosive and seventeen incendiary bombs were dropped on various places, damaging some hotels and dwelling houses. Following are the casualties which are reported at present in Scotland:

"Killed, 7 men, no women, 3 children. Total, 10.

"Injured, 5 men, 2 women, and 4 children. Total, 11.

"One vessel dropped twenty-two explosive and fifteen incendiary bombs. The two remaining ships crossed the English coast about 10.15 p. m. and cruised over eastern counties until about 1 a. m. They were both engaged at various times by anti-aircraft artillery, and appear to have been prevented by this means from selecting any definite locality as their objective. Thirty-three explosive and sixty five incendiary bombs were dropped by these two vessels.

"As far as has been ascertained, no casualties were caused in England."

ALL FASCINATED BY WOMEN'S HAIR

With a Little Attention Hair Beauty Can be Quickly Doubled.

Nearly every woman who has an ordinary head of hair can by giving it just a little attention have luxuriant hair, soft, fluffy and radiantly beautiful.

It's a good thing to know this because hair preparations that put life and lustre into dull looking hair are scarce, but it is a fact known to nearly every druggist that Parisian Sage, a delightfully clean and refreshing tonic not only will make your hair look 100 per cent better, but will quickly stop it from falling, rid it of dandruff and scalp itch.

Parisian Sage is well worth a trial and W. L. Gokay who disposes of a great quantity of it will tell you so, and refund your money if it isn't all you expect.

CLOTHES IN CHINA

Where Women Wear Trousers and Men Are Clad In Skirts.

A CONFUSION FASHION IN HAIR.

The Feminine Head Is Decorated With a Stiff Cushion That Demands Constant Ventilation to Be Bearable. Vogue of the Ear Tickler.

Even though I came to China knowing that they did things backward, there are some customs here that I just can't get used to. One is seeing women wearing trousers. There are more women wearing trousers in China than there are people in the United States—men, women and children. I suppose there is no reason why things shouldn't be thus, but it will always seem to me that the pants are on the wrong side of the house.

The women look like clothespins. Their bodies are the same size all the way down, and their feet are so tiny that they go hobbling along for all the world like jointed clothespins. The women shave their foreheads, with the timber line almost at the top of their heads, so that the little patch of hair below looks as if it were trembling under threat of an impending snowslide.

Their hair is pulled and keyed back as though for musical purposes. At the back of the head a Chinese woman wears a cushion of false hair, so dressed as to show her rank, so that a person skilled in the language of the hair can read her history, can tell her present plans and her future ambitions. A person up on hair can tell at a glance whether or not she is married; if so, how many children she has, and if a widow, if she is willing to open correspondence with a desirable party of about forty-five object, matrimony.

In this custom a Chinese woman carries her head scratcher. Her hair dressing is a preparation made of slippery elm. The person needing it can run out to the corner and wait until the carpenter takes a plane and shaves off a few curls. This the Chinese lady steps into a thick, gummy smear, pours it on her head and uses it to stiffen her hair.

This layer makes the top of her head hot, so that every odd moment when she hasn't anything else to do she gets down under the mess and lets in some air with a darning needle. Her favorite time for doing this is at the theater. When the performance begins to drag she gets out her darning needle and improves the shining hour by making a rift in the roof as she looks around over the audience, lightly gossiping about who are there, what they are wearing and how awful they look.

Men in China wear skirts. Their skirts are in a garment that reaches from their shoulders to their shins and looks like a nightgown worn by a Cape Cod deacon. It has a tasty slip up each side, so that on muddy crossings the trinket of masculine ankles may be seen. When they want to catch a car they have to gather up their skirts in the good old fashioned feminine way.

Under their skirts they wear a pair of drawers fastened at the ankles with a bandage, with the ends tucked in. When a Chinaman has an important letter or note to carry he tucks the leg of his drawers, stuffs it in and puts the bandage back. The bandage works loose, so that when he reaches his destination the note is usually gone.

The only pockets a Chinaman has are in his shirt waist, which he wears under his skirt, so that when he wants to get a dime he has to unbutton one side and slip it in a hand. Even though a Chinaman wears skirts he has not yet learned about the First National bank.

The Chinese are a great nation to think of the hairy little things—things that no other people in the world could possibly think of. You can run out on the street almost any time and buy an ear tickler. Men make a living going around selling them. An ear tickler is a little puff of cotton on the end of a stick and is meant to combine both business and pleasure—the business of cleaning the ear and the pleasure of the tickling sensation.

His is not an easy life, for the peddler has to be constantly on the watch against tickly people who come up, sample his ticklers, give their ears a couple of moist tingles, tell the man that they don't like his brand of tickler and go on their way.

The peddler's inequity has developed a way of polishing up the tickler so that the next possible purchaser may not know that the tickler has been weighed and found wanting by carrying along a little bowl of white powder. After a tickler has been sampled and declined he dabs the end into the bowl, and it is bright and fresh looking as if it were new. If you want to buy one you couldn't tell for the life of you but that it was a new one—until you had used it a time or two.—Homer Croy in Leslie's Weekly.

They Mostly Do. She (recalling college days)—What became of our man of might? He—Oh, he married the woman of mustn't—Judge.

CANADA AROUSED OVER CHARGES OF CRAFT

Rumored Resignation of Premier Stirs Business Interests

PARLIAMENT PROBE IS PROBABLE

Sir Wilfred Laurier Declares Judicial Inquiry Will Not Be Acceptable.

Ottawa, Ontario, April 3.—The story was circulated today that Sir Robert Borden was about to resign the Premiership. So seriously was this taken by the business interests of the country that leading railway men and bankers came to Ottawa to discover if the rumor was true. This much may be said, that the Prime Minister has no such intention at present.

The leading men of both parties are reticent regarding the situation, but it is undoubted that considerable uneasiness exists in Cabinet circles. The fierce indignation of the people from coast to coast, as expressed in the newspapers, is reflected here, and it will take very radical action on the part of the Government to make the people believe that the Government has been as careful of their interests as it should have been. Three hundred thousand young men out of 8,000,000 of a population, many of them foreign and taking little or no interest in the war, have enlisted for overseas service, and so the question of graft on munitions goes home with a directness that the usual political issue does not.

The debate on the resolution to hold an investigation into the operations of the Shell Committee will be resumed tomorrow evening. Sir Wilfred Laurier demands a Parliamentary investigation declaring that the judicial inquiry is "absolutely unacceptable." It was during this debate that the Kyle charges involving General Hughes, Colonel J. Wesley Allison, B. F. Coakum, Eugene Lemanli, and others were laid, and it is understood that other serious allegations will be made by the Opposition.

The debate is not expected to end until General Hughes arrives in Ottawa. He was expected to sail on Saturday, but a cable from London states that he inspected the Canadian troops at Shorncliffe today. No official statement regarding his movements, however, is forthcoming. The fact that he is reported to be still in England has aroused considerable indignation both among the supporters of the Government and the Opposition.

THE LITTLE PRINCESS

To Be Produced by the Tahkoneak Camp Fire Girls on April 13-14.

Very few of us are ever afforded the great honor of being presented at court or of knowing a real princess. But as the next best thing, an opportunity is to be given to Bennington boys and girls to actually meet a little princess on Thursday evening, April 13th when Sara Crowe, the Little Princess of Miss Minchin's genteel school will appear at Library hall. The Tahkoneak Camp Fire Girls, assisted by friends, have been working on this play for several months and it is expected that the production will be most worth-while.

The play, with Frances Hodgson Burnett's author, has been played by professionals, but is within the range of the local amateurs, especially under the capable coaching of Mrs. Elliott, and is one of the favorites of the Educational Dramatic League. Quite a considerable royalty must be paid to secure the right of producing this play and in view of this fact it is hoped that the public patronage will be liberal so as to reward the efforts of the young people beside lending support to one of the most worthy of organizations, the Camp Fire Girls.

Children under 14 years of age will be admitted on Thursday night at the final dress rehearsal for ten cents. All seats on Friday night will be twenty-five cents, sale of tickets to be announced later.

Her Liabilities. Payton—Has Smith's wife any liabilities? Parker—Nothing but Smith.—Life.

A Sign. "Is your sister at home, Bobbie?" "I think she is. I heard her say she wasn't expecting you."—Judge.

The value of a life apart from all sentiment is measured by its earning capacity. Capitalize your income-producing ability and provide that in event of your death one of our policies will give your wife a monthly payment as long as she lives. National Life Ins. Co., of Vt. (Mutual). Earle S. Kinsley, General Agent, Mead Building, Rutland, Vt. Adv.

DUCK HUNTER RUNS AMUCK; SHOTS UP BABYLON

Barricaded His House and Besieged By Posse

WHOLE TOWN CALLED OUT

Tried to Shoot His Family But Wife Escaped and Saved the Children.

Babylon, L. I., April 3.—Crouching in improvised shelters in the sand, where the town of Babylon runs down to Great South Bay, with their rifles ready at hand, Sheriff Charles J. Odell of Suffolk County and a dozen deputies were besieging the darkened cottage tonight where Captain William Donley, a hunter and guide on the bay had fortified himself after shooting four men and a woman. Out in the bay another squad waited in a motorboat to cut off escape by water.

Along the roads behind the outpost where the deputies made their headquarters the flashing searchlights of automobiles came and went as city men whose homes are in Babylon drove back and forth with their families, just out of gunshot range, watching the siege of the men who for a long afternoon kept all Babylon terrorized. Further back in town bankers, brokers, business men, and sports men, who had brought out their rifles and shotguns and formed an impromptu Vigilance Committee, before the Sheriff's men arrived, were still sitting about wondering if the danger was over.

For the house had been dark since early evening, Sheriff Odell was main taining a long-range siege with only sporadic firing, and at midnight it was uncertain whether Donley had killed himself in his house, whether he had taken advantage of the pitchy darkness and slipped across the sands, or whether he was still waiting to shoot down any one who tried to rush his home.

MONTHS OF WORK AHEAD

Cattleman Say American Troops Will Be Needed a Long Time.

Field Headquarters United States Panfite Expedition, Near Colonia Durban, Mexico, March 25. (Delayed en Route by Vagon Train to Columbus N. M., April 3.)—Equipped with only one blanket, the troopers who slept last night among the foothills of the Sierra Madras must have suffered keenly for though the north of yesterday, with its mingled snow and dust broke during the afternoon, clear cold followed it and at headquarters this morning there was half an inch of ice in the mess buckets and along the river's edge. Today the sun is shining, but it is still too cold for open-air bathing and few of the men have removed the grime of the dust storm.

Many cattlemen have joined the command, anxious to render what service they can. They are of one opinion, that this country must be policed by United States troops for many months before it is safe for ranchers to return to their homes and they are hoping that the Administration will see its way clear to provide such protection.

Horses stolen and retained and far from their home ranges are drifting about this district like the wild horses of the old days. Most of them have been so abused as to be of little value, but the cowboy scouts working with the expedition rope the best of them and ride them to rest their own mounts. Good horses are hard to find. Either Villistas have stolen them or their owners have taken them out of the country.

Card of Thanks We wish to thank the many neighbors and friends who so kindly assisted during the illness and death of our beloved wife and mother. We are also very thankful for the words of sympathy and the many beautiful flowers.

A. Myers and family, Mrs. J. McGuire and family, Fred Myers and family, Wm. Hamilton and family.

Could Hardly Do Her Work. Housework is trying on health and strength. Women are as much inclined to kidney and bladder trouble as men. Symptoms of aching back, stiff and sore joints and muscles, blurred vision, puffiness under eyes, should be given prompt attention before they lead to chronic or more serious ailment. Mrs. George Hauck, 955 Pearl St., Benton Harbor, Mich., writes: "I was awful bad, with such pain I could hardly do my work, and I am very thankful for Foley Kidney Pills."

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

VILLA UNHURT AND AGAIN ESCAPES PURSUERS

According to Rumors That Come From the Border

REPORTS ARE CONTRADICTORY

Americans Following Bandits Said To Have Been Misled by Mexican Natives.

El Paso, Tex., April 4.—Francisco Villa, unharmed and accompanied by only eight men, was at Satevo, 50 miles south of Chihuahua City, two days ago, according to information received here yesterday from Mexican sources which have proved unusually reliable in the past. If this information is correct, it bears out previous reports that the bandit chief is headed toward Parral and is leading his American pursuers by at least 60 miles. The nearest point to Satevo which the American troops are known to have reached is San Antonio, 60 miles to the northwest.

The route said to have been taken by Villa is one with which he is thoroughly familiar and which, indeed, is known among peons as "Pancho's road." From Guerrero it leads across the continental divide through the Bachimba pass into a broad valley which runs east to San Andres, Villa's old headquarters, thence south to Santa Isabel, the scene of Villa's massacre of 18 American mining men and then southeast through Satevo to Parral.

The man who carried the story of Villa's arrival at Satevo to El Paso gave a circumstantial account of the bandit's maneuvers and plan of campaign. While his story is impossible of verification, his own credibility is vouched for by reputable American business men there who have employed him for several years.

"Villa," he said, "has never taken part in any fighting with either American or Carranza troops. He left the main body of his troops in the Guerrero district with orders to oppose as far as they could the American advance. At the same time the peons were instructed to give information freely to American officers always provided that the information was false."

The story of Villa being wounded was carefully concocted for the express purpose of misleading Gen. Pershing and Col. Dodd into the belief that the bandit was in hiding in the mountains and thereby inducing them to split their forces into small search parties who would waste their time in the wild Sierras while Villa was making his way safely southward. This part of the story is given color by the admission of Gen. Pershing yesterday that his intelligence department has been given much misleading information and that it was becoming difficult to secure reliable guides.

NEGRO HANGED BY CROWD

Five Hundred Persons Invade Courtroom and Lynch Prisoner.

Idabel, Okla., April 3.—At the conclusion of testimony today at the preliminary hearing of Oscar Martin, a negro charged with attacking a white girl, a crowd numbering 500 stormed the courtroom, seized the prisoner, and hanged him from a back balcony of the court house.

Ineffortful attempts to seize the negro had been made previously. Martin was arrested Friday on a charge made by Edna Murphy, 13-year-old daughter of a mill employee at Bismarck. The lynching happened during a lull in the hearing before Justice Williams.

All evidence had been put in and the court was engaged in considering it at the time the rush upon the courtroom was made.

RUSSIA ALSO PEEVED

Because U. S. Does Not Break Off With Germany.

Petrograd, Apr. 3.—As details gradually become known, indignation over the torpedoing of the Russian hospital ship Portugal in the Black Sea becomes greater than that over any single previous action of the enemy in the whole course of the war.

In view of the sinking of the Sussex and the Englishman, public opinion here cannot understand the delay of the United States in breaking off diplomatic relations with Germany or in taking other drastic action.

NEW COUNTY ASSISTANT

Miss Dulcie E. Bowles of New Hampshire to Succeed Miss Shaw

Miss Dulcie E. Bowles of Littleton, N. H., is the new assistant secretary of the county improvement association, succeeding Miss Bertha Shaw who has resigned in order to accept a position in Rutland.

Miss Shaw has been connected with the county improvement association since its organization in 1912, and her hosts of friends throughout the county will regret the fact that Bennington county is going to lose her. She has accepted a position in Rutland, her home city, in order that she may live at home.

Miss Bowles, who comes to the county, is a native of Littleton, N. H. She has had a wide experience in business and social work. She is a graduate of Gray's Business College of Portland, Me. and also of the Albany Business College. Her business experience includes three years in New England, one year in a position of large responsibility in Florida, and one in New York state. She comes to Bennington from Albany Business College where she has just completed a post-graduate course.

In addition to her business qualifications, she is a leader in young people's activities and a musician of more than ordinary ability, having had considerable success as a pipe organist and chorus leader. She will be an addition and a help to many activities throughout the county.

GILES KELLOGG

Former Resident of Old Bennington Died in California.

Giles Kellogg, who died April 1 in Coronado, Cal., aged 62 years, passed much of his boyhood at the Kellogg home at Old Bennington. He was the son of Giles Kellogg of Troy, who, when he retired from business, purchased the Old Bennington home which is today occupied by his grand son, Richard Kellogg. Giles Kellogg, sr., his wife and a son, Justice Kellogg, all died at Old Bennington.

Giles Kellogg, jr., was a graduate of Williams college and of the Albany law school. For a short time he practiced in his father's office in Troy but because of ill health, located in the southwest and entered the employ of the Atchison and Santa Fe Railroad company. Later he became an auditor for the Southern Pacific Railroad, locating at Coronado, Calif. In 1905 he became connected with the Union Oil company as secretary and held that position at the time of his death.

In 1836 he married Miss Annabella Bush, a daughter of the late Walter R. Bush, who with three sons and one daughter, survive.

SOCOXY KEROSENE

Reason Why It Is Better Than Ordinary Oil.

A sharp distinction is drawn between ordinary kerosene and the specially distilled product of the Standard Oil Company of New York in the trademarked name—socoxy kerosene. There is probably no greater mistake than the belief which still prevails in some quarters, that all kerosene is the same, when the truth is, the grades differ as widely as the grades of sugar or tea or coffee.

Finer grades of kerosene give a smoke and odor when used in the lamp or in the oil stove. The distillation process that produces Socoxy kerosene gives maximum efficiency in lighting power and heat units. The trademark, socoxy, is an assurance that a gallon of that oil will give service down to the last drop, so perfect is the uniformity. And the saving effected by the use of kerosene as compared with coal is a matter to be borne in mind.

PAULINE FREDERICK SUPREME

Gives Wonderful Interpretation of "Lydia Gilmore."

Pauline Frederick, the distinguished emotional actress who has won such country-wide fame by her admirable presentation of "Zaza" and "Bella Donna," makes her latest motion picture appearance in the Famous Players Film Company's adaptation of "Lydia Gilmore," the famous emotional drama by Henry Arthur Jones. In this Paramount Picture, which is to be the attraction at the Hart Theatre tomorrow, Miss Frederick departs from the adventures roles which characterized her last two performances, and plays the faithful wife and loving mother who goes through unspeakable mental agony to shield her husband after he has proven unfaithful to her.

SULZER BEAT FOSS

Contest of Two Ex-Governors in Minnesota.

Albany, April 2.—William Sulzer has been nominated for President. The news reached Albany this afternoon in the form of the official returns from the Spring primaries in Minnesota. He was nominated by the Prohibitionists. His opponent for the honor was ex-Governor Eugene N. Foss of Massachusetts, but the impeached New York Governor beat the Bay State Candidate by a vote of 3,324 to 2,465.

WEATHER FORECAST

For eastern New York probably snow or rain tonight and Wednesday with strong north east wind.

STATE WILLING TO HELP TOWN PUT IN NEW ROADS

State Commissioner Bates Will Give Assistance

NO FIXED AMOUNT PROMISED

County Road Meeting in Progress Here Today With Large Attendance—Dinner at Putnam

State Highway Commissioner Stoddard B. Bates of Derby arrived in town Monday afternoon for the annual meeting of the Bennington county road commissioners and selectmen which is in progress today.

During the evening the commissioner met with the members of the committees from the Bennington Board of Trade and the Bennington County Improvement association that have been instrumental in raising the subscription for the construction of a permanent highway over what is locally known as the "West End" road.

The commissioner was informed that the town of Bennington had appropriated \$2500 for this work and that the committees had raised over \$3400. Mr. Bates expressed his appreciation of the spirit shown by the people of Bennington and assured the committee members that his department would add to the available funds whatever could be consistently taken from the state highway money. The commissioner was averse to making any figures at this time but he gave the representatives of the two organizations to understand that the state would be as liberal in this instance as it had been on similar occasions.

As was the case last year the road commissioners and selectmen encountered an unfavorable day from the standpoint of weather for their annual meeting but there was a good attendance present, particularly from the towns in the immediate vicinity when the commissioner stepped for order shortly after 10 o'clock. At the start the commissioner gave the members of his class to understand that he should expect them to show improvement in their bookkeeping during the year. The state, he said was spending a lot of money on the highways and accurate accounting was necessary to obtain the desired results. He impressed upon them the necessity of giving special attention to the construction of foundations. The surface problem, he said, has not yet been established but no road poorly built at the bottom and insufficiently drained would eventually be of any account for any kind of surface. He advised that culverts be built a little larger and that the advice of the engineers which will be furnished at state expense be sought in the construction of bridges.

What he desired to impress upon the officials was that all highway construction was for the benefit of the people with whose money it was carried out and that they should give the work their best attention.

The following responded to the roll call read by County Commissioner Davis: J. W. Tynan of Arlington, W. R. White, Frank Cromack and H. Alfred Harbour of Bennington, John Matson, William Leary and J. H. Nadeau of Dorset, Ira Mattison of Glastenbury, D. H. Dyer, James Boyrn, and N. M. Canfield of Manchester, and E. Jones of Peru, A. J. Merchant and H. W. Morgan of Pownall, Ben Cahedy, George H. Bishop and C. H. Faulkner of Readsboro, Charles Perkins, S. A. Hay and Frank Dean of Rupert, Ross Bentley of Sandgate, Fred Briggs and Andrew Davis of Searsburg, B. R. Hullett and L. M. Loomis of Shaftsbury, Robert Jepson, R. J. Sanford, A. E. Dunn and P. A. Lesure of Stamford, Stannard Wilcox, W. S. Holt, William Hayes and A. P. Bowen of Sunderland, William R. Cutler, Charles I. Wood and H. J. Bugbee of Woodford.

The meeting adjourned shortly before noon for the annual dinner which was held at the Putnam house. An excellent menu was prepared by Landford Cornell and a good delegation from among the local business and professional men were present to meet the road builders. President James L. Taylor of the Greater Vermont association was also a guest of the occasion.

To Help Women.

After terrible sufferings, numberless women have used Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and recovered from ailments peculiar to their sex. Many of these, who cannot bear that other women should suffer as they did without knowing what to do, have written letters telling their experience to be published to the world. These honest, helpful stories are constantly appearing in the newspapers. Read them, ailing women, they are written with no motive but your good.