

A Good Deal of Speeding Is Done on Gasoline, But a Man Can Run Down Hill Faster on Whiskey Than on Any Other Known Lubricant

FIRST SECTION

GERMANY OWNS UP TO SINKING ALL SAVE SUSSEX

Tells of Sinking Another Steamer on That Date

DESCRIPTION ENTIRELY DIFFERENT

Other Steamers Referred to in Note Were Sunk After They Had Tried To Escape.

Washington, April 13.—Germany's formal denial of torpedoing the channel steamer Sussex, given to Ambassador Gerard at Berlin, has been made public at the German capital and transmitted to America. It deals also with the cases of several other steamers, which the statement asserts were sunk legally after attempting to escape and after the crew had taken to the boats. An offer is made to lay the Sussex matter before an impartial tribunal to determine the facts.

The German note as far as it deals with the Sussex is as follows: The French steamer Sussex—Ascertainment of the fact whether the channel steamer Sussex was damaged by a German submarine was rendered extremely difficult because no exact details of time, place and attendant circumstances of the sinking were known and also because it was impossible to obtain a picture of the ship before April 6. Consequently the investigation had to be extended to all actions undertaken on the day in question—March 24—in the channel in the general region between Folkestone and Dieppe.

"In that region on March 24 a long black craft without a flag, having a gray funnel, small gray forward works and two high masts, was encountered about the middle of the English channel by a German submarine. The German commander reached the definite conclusion that it was a war vessel, and, indeed, a mine layer of the recently-built English Arabis class. He was led to that conviction by the following facts: First, by the plain, unbroken deck of the ship; second, the form of the stern, sloping downward and backward like a war vessel; third, she was painted like a war vessel; fourth, the high speed developed, about 18 knots; fifth, the circumstance that the vessel did not keep a course northward of the light buoys between Dungeness and Beachy Head, which, according to the frequent and unvarying observations of German submarines, is about the course of commercial vessels, but kept in the middle of the channel, on a course about in the direction of Le Havre.

For Eczema and other Skin Troubles We Guarantee Saxo Salve to stop the itching and begin healing with the first application or return your money. There are lots of skin remedies but Saxo is the only one we guarantee like this. Why don't you try it? W. M. L. GOKAY, DRUGGIST, Bennington, Vt.

east of Bull Rock (Bullock?) bank, the submarine being submerged. The torpedo struck and caused such a violent explosion in the forward part of the ship that the entire forward part was blown away to the bridge. The particular explosion warrants the certain conclusion that great amounts of munitions were aboard.

"The German commander made a sketch of the vessel attacked by him, two drawings of which are enclosed. The picture of the steamer Sussex, two copies of which are also enclosed, is reproduced photographically from the English paper, the Daily Graphic of the 27th ultimo. A comparison of the sketch and the picture shows that the craft attacked is not identical with the Sussex; the difference in the position of the stack and shape of the stern is particularly striking.

"No other attack whatever by German submarines at the time in question for the Sussex upon the route between Folkestone and Dieppe occurred. The German government must therefore assume that the injury to the Sussex is attributable to another cause than an attack by a German submarine.

"For an explanation of the case the fact may perhaps be serviceable that no less than 26 English mines were exploded by shots by German naval forces in the channel on the 1st and 2d of April alone. The entire sea in that vicinity is, in fact, endangered by floating mines and by torpedoes that have not sunk. Off the English coast it is further endangered in an increasing degree through German mines which have been laid against enemy naval forces.

"Should the American government have at its disposal further material for a conclusion upon the case of the Sussex, the German government would ask that it be communicated in order to subject this material also to an investigation.

"In the event that differences of opinion should develop hereby between the two governments, the German government now declares itself ready to have the facts of the case established through mixed commissions of investigation in accordance with the third title of The Hague agreement for the peaceful settlement of international conflicts, November 18, 1907.

As to the other ships covered by the German note, the Manchester, Ensign, the Englishman, Bermindvale and the Eagle Point, the sinking of all of them is admitted after each of them had tried to run away. Time was given in each case for the crews to escape.

A True Angler Hath Fallen The death in Bennington, Vermont, April 2 of Leonard Hyde Godfrey, at the prime age of 26 has removed from our midst, one who was a true disciple of the beloved Isaac, a lover of the great outdoors, and a woodsman.

THE SCHOOL STREET GREENHOUSES Will place on sale SATURDAY 50 DOZEN Fresh Cut ROSES -AT- 50c per doz. L. C. HOLTON

TROY ONE HUNDRED YEARS OLD HAS CELEBRATION

An Impressive Observance of City's Birthday

GOVERNOR WHITMAN PRESENT

Several Streets of the City Are Renamed in Honor of Prominent Citizens of the Past.

Troy, April 13.—Governor Whitman, Mayor Mitchell of New York, Mayor Stevens of Albany and scores of other distinguished persons were honor guests last night at a great mass meeting in Music Hall, celebrating Troy's centennial anniversary as a city. Salutes were fired and bells rung at noon.

The night observance took the form of a special meeting of the common council at which action was taken changing the names of certain streets in honor of former mayors and civil war officers of renown from Rensselaer county.

One of the streets was named after Mrs. Russell Sage, who has made munificent gifts to the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and the Emma Willard school. A city flag was also adopted. An outdoor centennial celebration of three days with parades and other demonstrations will take place the first week in October.

"THE LITTLE PRINCESS"

Children's Performance at Library Hall, Tonight at 7 O'clock

The stage is set, the costumes are ready and it only remains for evening to come when all the young folks may meet the little Princess. Library Hall will be open at 6:45 and the ushers will be in place to handle the crowds. A candy booth will occupy one corner where home-made candy made by the fair hands of the Camp Fire Maids, themselves, may be purchased. Better plan on patronizing this booth for you will surely want some. The young people who will take part are as follows:

- Sara Crewe, The Little Princess; Anastasia Fitzgerald; Miss Minchin, Proprietress of a genteel school; Lois Estes; Amelia, her sister; Barbara Robinson; Beckie, the scullery maid; Eleanor Hutton; Emenekarde; Lillian Levin; Lavinia; Alice Brown; Jessie; Cecile Annis; Lillie; Frances Carver; Blanche; Beatrice Bixby; Lottie; Katherine Lalley; Pupils of Miss Minchin's School; Mary Hurley, Elizabeth Cronin, Ruth Burke, Edith Hurley, Catherine Field Emma, maid; Helen Denley; Mrs. Carmichael, who lives next door; Helen Carpenter; Children of Mrs. Carmichael; Janet; Elizabeth Goodall; Nora; Rhoda Southall; Mazie; Manola Lynch; Donald; Harry Wood; Mr. Carmichael; Roger Burt; Mr. Carrisford; Ned Healey; Mr. Barrow of the firm of Barrow and Skiptworth; Spencer Lee; Ram Dass, Indian Servant; Carl Chase

Synopsis of Scenes Act I Room in Miss Minchin's School Act II Attic in Miss Minchin's School Room in Mr. Carrisford's House Act III

CLASSIFIED FOR SALE New screen door 7' x 35 1-2. Call 238 South St. 55c WANTED—Light trucking to do. Also two spring wagons for sale. George Chandler, 310 School St. Telephone, 27-M. 5516 LOST—This morning a self filler fountain pen between East Main St., and graded school building. Finder please return to Velma Elwell, Tel. 122-M. 5512 FOR SALE—Second hand light double farm harness. Cheap. Charles T. Burt's harness shop, South St. 5516

BIG LEAGUES OPEN 1916 BASE BALL SEASON

Weather Fair But Opening Crowd Not Large

BOTH BOSTON TEAMS WON

Red Sox Beat the Athletics and the Braves Were Too Strong For Brooklyn.

The 16 clubs in the major leagues started the baseball season yesterday and in the eight cities where the games were played crowds were large and enthusiasm high in the National league, Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia and St. Louis were the winners, while in the American league, Boston, St. Louis, Detroit and Washington won out. It was a big day for both St. Louis clubs and for both Boston clubs, too. The New York Americans lost a fine 11-inning battle to Washington, Walter Johnson and Ray Caldwell well engaging in a close pitchers' battle. Tris Speaker got into the game with the Cleveland club, but the latter was badly beaten by the St. Louis Browns, Benny Kanf and other Giants lost a close game to the Phillies, 5 to 4.

The season has been given a good start. Yesterday's opening games were well played considering the circumstances. Four of the eight games were decided by just one run. Cleveland and Cincinnati had unusually large crowds for the opening, and the attendance at other games were also large. There was plenty of cheering for pennant-winners of the 1915 campaign. In Philadelphia, Manager Pat Moran's National league pennant-winners were given gold watches. Besides that they beat the Giants. The world's champion Red Sox also won their opening tilt. They beat the Athletics at Boston, 2 to 1.

American League Boston 2, Philadelphia 1, Detroit 4, Chicago 6, St. Louis 6, Cleveland 1, Washington 3, New York 2 (11 innings).

Standing of the Clubs. Won. Lost. P.C. Boston 1 0 1.000 Detroit 1 0 1.000 Washington 1 0 1.000 St. Louis 1 0 1.000 New York 0 1 .000 Cleveland 0 1 .000 Chicago 0 1 .000 Philadelphia 0 1 .000

National League Boston 5, Brooklyn 1, Philadelphia 5, New York 4, Chicago 7, Cincinnati 1, St. Louis 2, Pittsburgh 1

Standing of the Clubs Won. Lost. P.C. Boston 1 0 1.000 Philadelphia 1 0 1.000 Chicago 1 0 1.000 St. Louis 1 0 1.000 New York 0 1 .000 Brooklyn 0 1 .000 Cincinnati 0 1 .000 Pittsburgh 0 1 .000

WANTS TROOPS WITHDRAWN

Official Notice from Carranza Received at Washington

Washington, April 13.—The first chief of the constitutional army considers that the time has arrived to treat with the United States for the withdrawal of American troops from Mexico" is the keynote of a message received at the Mexican embassy here today.

KENDALL'S SPAIN CURE The old yellow fever you can cure with Kendall's Spain Cure. It is a sure cure for all cases of yellow fever, cholera, dysentery, and all other tropical diseases. It is a sure cure for all cases of yellow fever, cholera, dysentery, and all other tropical diseases. It is a sure cure for all cases of yellow fever, cholera, dysentery, and all other tropical diseases.

FEMALE HELP WANTED Experienced letterer, plain stitchers and lockstitchers, also girls to learn; pay while learning; steady work in clean light factory. Experienced operators average from \$12 to \$18. Apply by letter or in person. C. W. FERGUSON COLLAR CO. TROY, NEW YORK

VILLA SACKS TOWN ROBS CITIZENS AND ESCAPES

Bandit Acts As Though He Might Be Alive

AMERICANS WERE HIS VICTIMS

Villa and His Party Now Seem To Be Headed North and On Way Toward Texas.

El Paso, Tex., April 13.—A band of Villa followers numbering several hundred and possibly 1000, have sacked Sierra Mojada, five miles across the Coahuila line and 89 miles east of Jimenez, destroying many thousands of dollars worth of American property and looting the town of everything of value. This news, which may prove to be of the highest importance, as it is believed in El Paso, Tex., possibly Villa himself was among the raiders, was received there yesterday by the representative of one of the largest American mining concerns in Mexico and is accepted by him as authentic.

The bandits made their attack on the town on the 5th. They came from Escalon, a junction point on the Mexican National railroad, 60 miles southwest of Jimenez and about an equal distance southwest of Sierra Mojada, which has its connection by the Mexican Northern railroad. On their way to Sierra Mojada they sacked the small town of Corralito.

The belief that Villa himself may be directing the operations of the bandits is supported by a report received yesterday from Ojinaga stating that Col. Rojas, the commander there, had information that Villa had doubled in his tracks and was 200 miles southwest of that town. Ojinaga is directly across the border from Presidio, Tex., and about 150 miles north of Sierra Mojada.

Another circumstance that gives color to this location of the bandit chief is the fact that Canuto Reyes, at the head of a large number of men, was reported from Torreon a week ago to be traveling north in the direction of Sierra Mojada. It was the belief at the time in Torreon that Villa's ally was on his way to join his chief. If it proves true, Villa has evaded the American troops who have been driving south at an amazing speed, and were yesterday reported, from reliable sources, to be well south of Parral, and close to the Durango border.

Sierra Mojada is 140 miles east of the nearest point at which American troops are known to be. It is on the eastern side of a vast desert, known as the Bolson Mapimi and south of another dreary waterless waste called Bolson Deloslanes. Its only connection with the west is by the Mexican Northern railroad, along which the bandits advanced, burning bridges, destroying telegraph lines and tearing up the tracks as far as they were able.

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION

Delegates To Be Chosen at Burlington On May 27.

Burlington April 11.—The democratic state committee, represented by 10 members, at a meeting this afternoon in the Sherwood house, presided over by Chairman J. E. Kennedy of Williston, voted to hold the party convention for the election of delegates to the national convention in Burlington on May 27 and to hold the caucuses to elect delegates the day of the presidential primary, May 16.

Rev. J. B. Reardon of Barre was selected as temporary chairman and Harry W. Witters of St. Johnsbury as temporary secretary. Representation at the convention will be apportioned according to the last gubernatorial vote with one delegate to each town and an additional delegate for each 50 votes, or major fraction thereof. M. G. Leary of Burlington, J. Wesley Miller of Bethel and Ernest Hitchcock of Pittsford were designated as committee on resolutions.

Present at the meeting were the following committeemen: D. F. McCauley of Shoreham, Fred C. Martin of Bennington, proxy of J. P. Mulligan; A. H. Gleason of St. Johnsbury, J. E. Kennedy of Williston, George Tracey of South Hero, J. J. Thompson of St. Albans, C. L. Yates of Morrisville, F. H. Pierce of Orleans, H. O. Bixby of Chelsea, A. J. Owen of Barre.

Surprised Bodice.

The old time surprise bodice promises to be much in evidence as the season advances. It has been modified to meet the demands of the present, but is full of quaint grace and charm. Sometimes the fronts are extended about the waist to form a giraffe, which ties in a bow with long shawl ends at the back. The sleeves of these bodices are usually long and close fitting, with flared cuffs that half cover the hands.

Pages One to Six

HOLTON-RUSSELL

Pretty Home Wedding Wednesday at Old Bennington.

A pretty home wedding took place at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon when Miss Hazel Eva Russell became the bride of Frederic Holton at the home of the brides' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton E. Russell in Old Bennington.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Isaac Jennings in a home tastefully decorated for the occasion by potted ferns and Easter lilies and the single ring service was used.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Clinton E. Russell, Miss Estella Russell, a sister of the bride, acting as bridesmaid, and Frank Baker as best man.

Miss Russell wore a gown of white crepe de chine and carried white roses. The gown of the bridesmaid was pink crepe de chine and she carried pink carnations. The bride's going away gown was blue, with hat to match.

Mr. and Mrs. Holton received many beautiful presents. The groom is a son of L. C. Holton, the local florist, and is a native of Bennington. He is employed in his father's business and on return from a wedding trip to New York they will reside on School street.

Among the out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cook of Pittsfield, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brodeur of Rensselaer, Miss Pearl Anderson of Johnsonville and Miss Ethel Russell of Glens Falls.

NO PRIMARY NOMINATION

No Presidential Names May Appear in G. O. P. Column.

Vermont's first presidential primary will be held Tuesday, May 16. This will give only about three weeks in which to collect returns for the election of delegates before the meeting of the republican national convention. The present indications are that no republican nomination for president will be filed for this primary election, says the Montpelier correspondent of the Springfield Republican.

This extraordinary condition of affairs is due to the fact that the only three men who would have sufficient following according to present indications to secure the signatures on the ballot are not likely to give their names on the ballot and are not likely to give the necessary written consent.

NEW NATIONAL LIFE OFFICIALS

George B. Young of Newport and Wm. Russell of White River Junction.

Montpelier, April 11.—At the quarterly meeting of the directors of the National Life Insurance company today George B. Young of Newport and William Russell of White River Junction were elected counsel and assistant treasurer, respectively. The purchase of property at the corner of State street and Western avenue from the estate of Joseph A. De Boer was ratified and the company's business for three months ending March 31 was passed upon.

WEATHER FORECAST

For eastern New York and western New York and Vermont probably showers tonight and Friday. Warmer tonight.

COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE

Estate of EDWARD L. KNAPP, SR. The undersigned having been appointed by the Honorable Probate Court for the District of Bennington, COMMISSIONERS, to receive, examine, and adjust the claims and demands of all persons against the estate of EDWARD L. KNAPP, SR., late of Bennington, in said District, deceased, and all claims exhibited in offset thereto, hereby give notice that they will meet for the purpose aforesaid, at the office of G. L. M. Stevens, in the Town of Bennington, in said District, on the 15th day of September next, from 2 o'clock P. M. until 4 o'clock P. M., on said day, and that six months from the 1st day of March, A. D. 1916, is the time limited by said Court for said creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance.

CAPTAIN OF U-BOAT THATSUNK SUSSEX KNOWN TO FRENCH

Paris Claims Even Members of Crew Are Known

GERMANS ATTACK HILL 304

Paris Claims Assault from Malancourt Woods Was Repulsed by Artillery Fire.

Paris, April 13.—The French government, it was officially announced this afternoon, has in its possession 15 pieces of the torpedo that sunk the channel liner Sussex. The government also has the names of the captain and members of the crew of the submarine which sunk the liner, it was also announced.

Paris, April 13.—The Germans made a concerted attack upon hill 304, the key to the defenses of Verdun, yesterday, the war office announced today.

The Germans who emerged from the Malancourt woods were met with a curtain of fire from the French batteries which effectually checked the assault.

The Germans are reported to be bringing fresh troops from the Russian front to take part in the Verdun campaign.

WANTS TROOPS WITHDRAWN

Carranza's Consul Says We Should Get Out of Mexico.

El Paso, Tex., April 11.—Gen. Gabriel Guayra, Carranza commander at Juarez, last night announced that the forces of the defacto government were in a position to take immediate control of the Villa situation if the American troops withdrew. Gen Guayra's statement was made in connection with the announcement of Maj-Gen Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff of the American army office, that the purpose of the expeditionary force would be considered accomplished when the Villa bands were dispersed or "as soon as the troops of the de facto government are able to relieve them of the work."

"We have more men than enough now," said Gen Guayra. "If we were able to overcome Villa when he had 70,000 men, over 100 cannon and plenty of supplies, we ought to be able to dispose of him now, when his numbers have dwindled down to a few hundred. But it is a big territory to operate in, and a single man has more chance to escape and hide than a large force would have. However, on account of Villa's wounded condition, we think he will be taken soon. If not, it is hardly likely that without proper surgical care he will survive long."

A Question of Beauty is always a question of complexion. With a perfect complexion you overcome nature's deficiencies. Gouard's Oriental Cream renders to the skin a clear, refined, pearly-white appearance - the perfect beauty. Healing and refreshing - Non-greasy. Send 10c for trial size. FEB. 7. HOPKINS & SON, 37 Great South St., New York.

AUCTION SALE! Tuesday, April 25 OF A FINE 130 ACRE FARM Contains large Water Right of 580 ft. fall.

11 good cows 4 1/2 yrs. old, due to freshen this month, 8 a sturdy 4 yr old registered Merino horses, first Vermont wren family to interest the government with "mountain" race the only war. This stock is owned by the beautiful and well known stables, Harry Morgan, registered in A. M. H. 322, mahogany bay, hand reared, bred in 1907, at two 125 weight 12.0, 6 in the trap Morgan line without an outcross; 1 high class registered Morgan brood mare, stands 16 hands, weighs over 1000, due to fresh June let, by Larry Morgan; bay and chestnut mare colts, colts 1 and 2 yrs. old; chestnut gelding, colts 4 yrs, stands 15 1/2, well broken, dark bay, single and saddle; 1 bay mare 6 yrs old, 14 lbs 15 1/2; 1 brown stud, 6 yrs old, 2 dam registered Morgan; 1 work horse.

COME AND BUY and profit by my 20 years experience in the Morgan line. What the Morgan world is striving to secure - a larger and better Morgan. J. H. REED, Pittsford, Vt. Seven miles north of Rutland. The White City of the World. Remember date, this ad. will not appear again - APRIL 25th