



HAUCOURT IS TAKEN BY GERMANS

VILLAGE IS STORMED ACCORDING TO BERLIN; FRENCH MAKE GAINS

Position Known as "Squad Woods" Is Captured From the Germans—Paris Admits Enemy Succeeded In Penetrating French Positions at One Point

GERMANS STORM HAUCOURT. Berlin, April 6.—(Official)—German troops have stormed the village of Haucourt on the Avocourt-Bethincourt front northwest of Verdun.

Paris, April 6.—(Official)—The French have captured a large part of the position north of Avocourt known as Bois Carre or "Squad Woods."

At one point along the Avocourt-Bethincourt line the Germans succeeded in penetrating French positions. Two attacks were made by German troops against French positions north of Caillette Woods but they were without result.

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC 50 YEARS OLD TODAY

Anniversary of the Patriotic Organization Is Observed Throughout the Country by Civil War Veterans.

Decatur, Ill., April 6.—Fifty years ago today the first post of the Grand Army of the Republic was mustered in here. Today more than 5000 posts of the G. A. R. in all parts of the country will appropriately observe the centennial anniversary of the event which marked the real birth of the great organization of Union veterans.

The mustering in of the Decatur post took place a few months after the preliminary organization of the society had been effected. The first steps looking to the organization of a great national society of the men who had fought for the Union were taken in Springfield, Ill., during the winter of 1865-66.

First National Meeting. In the November following the mustering in of the Decatur post a national convention of the new society was held at Indianapolis. It was at this convention that the organization first assumed a national character.

Many War Leaders Honored. The second national encampment of the G. A. R. was not held until June, 1868, when the veterans assembled in Philadelphia with many more states represented than at the Indianapolis convention.

At this encampment General John A. Logan of Illinois was elected commander-in-chief. General Logan was honored with re-election by the national encampments of 1869, 1870, which were held in Cincinnati and Washington, respectively.

WAITE READY TO PAY THE PENALTY FOR HIS CRIME

Confessed Slayer of His Father-in-Law Talks Freely Concerning Case—He Had No Accomplices.

New York, April 6.—Dr. Arthur Warren Waite, in a talk with newspaper men at Bellevue hospital, expressed remorse for the death of his father-in-law, John E. Peck of Grand Rapids, whose murder he has confessed and declared that he was ready to "pay the price." He also said he had no accomplices in the crime.

"If any word uttered by me could save me I would not utter it," he said. "I want to pay the price." When asked regarding his own ideas of his sanity, he said: "Of course I am sane. There has been no thought of anything else in my mind."

"The whole thing revolves around me and no one else," he continued. "I don't wish to justify myself in any way. I can't justify myself. I feel perfectly at ease. I have no dread of what lies beyond. I shall go to the new world, wherever it may be, and I expect to get a fresh start. It is all clear in my mind now. My only desire is to pass on and let society forget me."

In reply to a question, Dr. Waite declared: "I am not a bigamist. I have had only one wife." The prisoner is still weak and for that reason he has not been told that his wife has petitioned for a divorce. "There wasn't any definite idea of getting a large amount of money," Waite answered in reply to a question as to whether his motive was to acquire riches. He did not explain, however, what his motive was.

AMPLE PROVISION IS MADE FOR THE COAST DEFENSES

Fortifications Bill Includes All the Recommendations Made by the War Department and Officers.

Washington, April 6.—The largest fortification bill ever reported was brought into the house today. It is the first of four of the annual measures under which it is proposed to spend approximately \$100,000,000 for increasing and modernizing the coast defenses, already officially declared to be superior to any in the world and to supply an ample store of reserve ammunition for their guns.

In approving the bill the committee accepted almost without alteration the proposal of the war department and officers who have studied the coast defenses for years. Regarding reserve ammunition the report says: "A review of the subject in the light of the European war has caused the board to greatly increase the amount of such reserve ammunition thought to be requisite. It submitted this year an estimate of \$3,000,000 with a contract authorization of \$3,500,000, to be expended toward securing new reserve. The committee allowed in its entirety the estimate submitted, making an appropriation in effect of \$5,500,000 for this purpose, as against a previous annual appropriation of \$200,000."

FORD THE CHOICE OF REPUBLICANS IN HOME STATE

DETROIT, April 6.—Newspapers compiling returns of the presidential preference primary held in Michigan Monday agree that Henry Ford has defeated United States Senator Smith for the Republican nomination by a majority of 4000.

WATSON AND NEW ARE NAMED FOR SENATORS

Indianapolis, April 6.—James E. Watson and Harry S. New were today nominated for the United States senate by acclamation at the Republican state convention. Watson for the short term and New for the long term. Four delegates-at-large to the national convention were elected by acclamation.

WANTS THE RECRUITS SENT TO BROWNSVILLE

Washington, April 6.—General Funston today asked the war department to send the recruits listed under the recent authorization of 20,000 additional men to Brownsville for distribution among the border patrol regiments. At General Funston's request a battery of the Fourth field artillery, which had been ordered from Brownsville to the Panama canal zone, will remain on the border, in view of the Mexican situation.

ZEPPELIN RAIDER IS TURNED BACK IN SHORT ORDER

Anti-aircraft Guns Make it Uncomfortable for Visitor, but He Escapes Unharmed.

London, April 6.—The increasing effectiveness of England's anti-aircraft defenses was demonstrated last night when a single Zeppelin which undertook the fifth raid in six days was prevented from penetrating the northeast coast, and was forced to flee after the briefest visit of the kind yet made. The night was clear and moonlight, without wind. Searchlights discovered the raider coming over the sea and never once lost him during his stay. As he reached the coast he was flying comparatively low and the smallest guns found him such an easy target that he was forced to rise to a great height. The larger guns then found the range and aided by searchlights, they surrounded the Zeppelin with shrapnel and high explosive shells. After maneuvering near the northeast coast for about 10 minutes, during which only a few bombs were dropped, the raider turned homeward. A later official statement said there were three Zeppelins in last night's air raid. Two dropped 24 explosive and 24 incendiary bombs, doing no military damage but killing a child and injuring eight persons. One Zeppelin, it is believed, was hit by anti-aircraft guns.

German Report on Raid. Berlin, April 6.—(By Wireless)—The German admiralty announced today that German airships last night attacked a battery near Hull, England, with bombs and destroyed large iron works near Whitby. The airships returned safely.

One Killed, Eight Injured. London, April 6.—One person was killed and eight injured in last night's Zeppelin raid on the northeast coast.

SUBMARINE SUNK BY SQUADRON OF ALLIED WARSHIPS

Paris, April 6.—The ministry of marine announced today that a German submarine was sunk yesterday by a squadron of French and British warships. The submarine's crew was captured.

TO WORK IN PRISON CAMPS IN RUSSIA

New York, April 6.—Among the passengers booked on the steamship Oscar II, sailing today for Europe, is the Rev. Dr. Fred P. Haggard, who has accepted a special appointment to Russia under the direction of the international committee of the Y. M. C. A. His work will be in connection with the special plans inaugurated for work among the prison camps scattered throughout Russia and Siberia. Dr. Haggard has had much experience in foreign missionary work and for 16 years was a secretary of the American Baptist Foreign Mission society. He will be accompanied on his trip by his wife and two sons, one of whom, Roy Haggard, will be placed in charge of one of the Russian prison camps.

MURDER OF CHICAGO WOMAN

Chicago, April 6.—Mrs. Agnes Middleton, widow, living in the northwestern section of the city, was found beaten and hacked to death in her bed room yesterday. A bloodstained razor was found but no instrument which would explain blows on the front and back of the head that fractured the skull.

Your Questions

Who are you? What have you? Where can people get what you want to sell? Let the public know these things, and they will buy your goods. People are anxious to learn, but they don't go to great trouble to find you out. They expect you to tell them. And the place they look for your business message is in the advertising columns of The Evening Capital News.

CASE OF GERMAN CONSUL WILL GO TO GRAND JURY

Carl A. Luderitz Accused of Being Implicated in Issuing of Passport to von der Goltz.

Washington, April 6.—The government's investigation of the alleged connection of Carl A. Luderitz, German consul at Baltimore with the issuing of an American passport to Horst von der Goltz, a German spy, under the name of Bridgman Taylor, has reached a point where the next step is to lay the facts before a federal grand jury. The story told to justice department agents by von der Goltz is to be made the basis of grand jury action. In a statement von der Goltz is quoted as saying he went to Baltimore with a letter from Captain von Pape, former German military attaché, requesting the consul to aid von der Goltz in any way he could. Von der Goltz told the agents he presented the letter and discussed with Luderitz plans for obtaining fraudulently an American passport. Von der Goltz's story, it is said, has been corroborated by Prisoner Tucker, captured three weeks ago at El Paso and now held at Ellis Island.

BRITISH STEAMER ZENT TORPEDOED; MANY LIVES LOST

Queenstown, April 6.—The British steamer Zent has been torpedoed without warning east of Fastnet. Forty-eight members of the crew are missing and are supposed to have been drowned. Two men were killed. Captain Martin and nine of the crew have landed here.

REPORT IS DENIED BY BRITISH ADMIRALTY

London, April 6.—The admiralty today officially denied the assertion said to have been made in the United States congress that American women were stripped of their clothing before men in examinations conducted by British authorities. According to the denial the examinations of women are made by women examiners in private cabins.

RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF MEAT IN BAVARIA

Berlin, April 6.—Meat cards will be introduced in Bavaria and Saxony on April 15 permitting the consumption of one-third of a pound per capita daily except on two meatless days each week. Bavaria has forbidden the sale of canned meats, whole hams and whole sausages to individuals to prevent the accumulation of stocks in advance. Berlin will not issue individual meat cards but retailers here will be limited in their supply.

PASSENGERS ROBBED ON ROCK ISLAND TRAIN

Muskogee, Okla., April 6.—Two masked men held up and robbed the passengers in the smoking car of Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific passenger train No. 41 as the train was leaving Howe, Okla., last night, and after obtaining about \$115 and four watches, commanded the conductor to stop the train to allow them to escape. Posses were formed at Howe and Red Oak to pursue the robbers.

Negro Killed by Mob

St. Charles, Mo., April 6.—La Fayette Chandler, a negro farm hand who Tuesday night shot and fatally wounded Sheriff John H. Dierken when Dierken and others attempted to arrest him, was shot and killed yesterday afternoon by a mob that had been searching for him for 13 hours.

NEGOTIATIONS UNDER WAY WITH CARRANZA ON USE OF RAILWAYS

Question Still Unsettled but Officials at Washington Are Hopetful of the Outcome—No Report Is Received From General Pershing

Washington, April 6.—Dispatches reporting continued negotiations with General Carranza for the use of railways were received today from Special Agent Rogers at Querretaro. They indicated the question is still unsettled, but officials regarded the situation as favorable. The exact questions under negotiation were not disclosed. Secretary Lansing declined to say what progress had been made with Carranza.

Cavalry Beyond Communication

San Antonio, April 6.—The most advanced cavalry detachments engaged in running down Villa were beyond communication today. At General Funston's headquarters it is believed they are already as far south as Satevo. No official word was received today from General Pershing.

Apache Indians for Scouts

Columbus, N. M., April 6.—Clad in the khaki uniforms of American cavalrymen, 20 Apache Indians are preparing to start for General Pershing's headquarters to act as scouts and trailers in the search for Villa. Thirty years ago, 14 of these Indians, in war paint, fought against American troops of which Pershing was then second lieutenant. They leave for the front as soon as their ponies are loaded.

ROBBERS HELD UP BANK CASHIER AND SECURE \$15,000

First National Bank at Houston, Pa., Robbed in Daylight—Robbers Escape in Automobile.

Cannonsburg, Pa., April 6.—Two men today robbed the First National Bank of Houston at Houston, near here, of \$15,000 and escaped in an automobile. Joseph McNutt, the cashier, was alone at the window when an automobile man entered carrying in his hand a paper about the size of a check. He laid it on the counter in front of the cashier. On the paper was written, "Make a move and you will be shot." McNutt looked up to find himself facing an automatic pistol. McNutt was made to lie on the floor and one of the robbers guarded him while the other went through the vault.

CAPTURE OF VILLA IS EXPECTED SOON BY THE MEXICANS

Carranza Troops Reported to Have Located the Bandit Leader and to Have Surrounded Him.

Mexico City, April 6.—General Gutierrez reported today that Villa's capture within a short time was certain. A constitutionalist force is again reported to have located Villa and surrounded him. It is also reported combined constitutionalist troops from the states of Balisco, Agua Calientes and Zacatecas are closing in on General Bracamontes, who, with a large Villa force of cavalry, has been located south of Zacatecas.

MESOPOTAMIA TOWN CAPTURED BY BRITISH

London, April 6.—(Official)—The town of Telahie, in Mesopotamia, has been captured by the British. All positions gained have been consolidated and the Turks' counter attacks repulsed.

CANDY COMPANIES ASK FOR READJUSTMENT OF RATES IN THE WEST

Washington, April 6.—Five hundred candy companies, including all the principal manufacturers in the United States, have petitioned the interstate commerce commission for a general readjustment of rates to all points west of the Mississippi river. Approximately 50 railroads and steamship companies were made defendants.

CONFERENCE OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

Independence, Mo., April 6.—The general conference of the Reorganized Church of Latter Day Saints began this morning in the church here. The conference was opened by President Frederick M. Smith, grandson of the prophet. The committee on credentials reported delegates from many parts of the United States and from several foreign countries, this being the general conference of the church of the world. The conference will be in session for probably ten days, and will dispose of a large amount of routine business. The business is always transacted at the afternoon sessions, the morning and evening sessions being devoted wholly to religious services.

COLONEL HOUSE TALKS WITH THE PRESIDENT

Washington, April 6.—Colonel House talked with the president and Secretary Lansing today for the third time since his return from Europe. Secretary Lansing refused to talk.