

**TODAY'S PRICES**

Wheat	1.15
Corn	1.00
Soybeans	1.25
Flour	1.30
Butter	1.40
Eggs	1.10
Cattle	1.20
Hogs	1.15
Sheep	1.10

**U. S. ARMY MORE MEN CIVILIAN**

**Holland Masses Army in German Line**

**FRONTIER BANDITS WANT TO GO OUT WADE**

**TREVINO ALLOWS BANDITS A TEN DAY TRUCE**

**AMERICAN CAVALRYMEN DRIVE VILLISTAS GANG FROM SLUMBERS UNDER HEAVY RAIN OF BULLETS INTO MOUNTAINS, A SCATTERED, BRUISED BAND**

**Bandits, Defeated At Guerrero By Carrancistas, Their Chief Wounded and In Hiding, Are Attacked At Daybreak In San Geronimo By Americans and Shot Down As They Run For Their Horses—Escape To The Hills Minus Bedding, Food and Sorebacked Animals—Shout "Los Gringos" As Springfields Awaken Them In Early Morning Charge.**

**Only Troops Needed For Patrol Of Border States 'Are Now Available.**

**VILLA REPORTED NEAR SATEVO**

**Chase Extends South Of the Chihuahua Capital; Need Of Railroad Pressing.**

**SAN ANTONIO, TEX., April 4.—With**

**the dispatch of the remaining detachments of the fifth cavalry Gen. Funston has sent into Mexico all the American troops immediately available.**

**The actual number of troops operating in Mexico never has been made public for military reasons, but army officers regard the number as altogether inadequate.**

**The only troops remaining on the border are those urgently needed for patrol of the international boundary.**

**Staff officers explained today that since the beginning of the Villa chase the situation has been so altered that the field of operations he made or that the roundabout road now followed be guarded by a much heavier force.**

**From Consular and Other Offices, Assuring, as Gen. Funston believes, that Villa has gone south of Chihuahua city and is somewhere near Satevo, heading toward Parral, the American line of communication will have to extend indefinitely southward.**

**If the railroads, or particularly the Juarez-Chihuahua line of the National railways is used, a more direct and more satisfactory line could be established.**

**Gen. Funston had today received no word from Gen. Pershing, nor did he have any advice as to the number of bandits taken prisoner since the American troops entered Mexico.**

**Need Railroads For Troops**

**It is believed, however, that Villa is on his way south, perhaps toward Parral, and even Torreon, the campaign against him cannot be carried much farther unless the railroads between Chihuahua and the border are made available for the movement of troops. It is suggested that the railroads be used to strengthen the lines of communication. This was frankly stated by Gen. Funston's headquarters at Gen. Pershing's headquarters, where it was also indicated that representations to this effect would be made to the war department.**

**WASHINGTON, D. C., April 4.—Private**

**advice received today show that Villa has been definitely located south of Chihuahua and is receiving aid from the state department and at once turned over the war department for transmission to Gen. Pershing.**

**Gen. Funston advised the war department today he was sending some troops into Mexico from Columbus to protect the line of communication. He did not state whether any additional troops had been sent forward to the military base.**

**Fighting Column Adequate**

**So far, Gen. Funston has not suggested reinforcements of Gen. Pershing's troops which are being sent to protect the extended communication line. He stated there was no confirmation today of border reports that extensive additions to the American force were being required.**

**Later reports to the war department say parts of the fifth and 11th cavalry and of the 29th and 34th infantry were stationed at Columbus.**

**Apache Scouts Start South**

**Nineteen Apache scouts and trailers have been ordered from Fort Apache, Ariz., to Gen. Pershing's column. Capt. Oliver P. M. Hazard of the 11th cavalry, who was with Gen. Funston when he captured Aguilera, left with the scouts for the border today, but he will not accompany them into Mexico.**

**The army censorship today vetoed the number and personnel of the additional troops which have been sent across the border. Maj. Gen. Scott, chief of staff, said the extra troops had left Columbus two days ago, but no word of the movement had been allowed to leak out. It was believed that the American army recently sent from Fort Myer, Va., Fort Sheridan, Ill., and Fort Leavenworth, Kan., was drawn upon.**

**IF Villa has led his forces to the south of Satevo, it is likely that he traveled through the valley of the San Pedro river, which rises near Cuernavaca and flows eastward and northeast. In this event he has passed the Los Remedios ranch, owned by William Benton, an Englishman, murdered at Juarez after an altercation with Villa.**

**After Satevo his trail is believed here to have led south over the watershed between the valleys of the river Conchos and the river Florida.**

**May Go to Durango**

**Well informed persons here believe Torreon is Villa's present objective, but that after that he will proceed to Durango city. The country in that section**

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**THE WAR AT A GLANCE**

**T**HERE is a slight lull on the battle raging around Verdun, following the violent fighting of Monday, by which the French pushed the way back to the northern outskirts of Caillaux between Douaumont and Vaux, and regained a footing in the village of Vaux itself.

Northwest of the fortress, the artillery on both sides has been actively employed along the Avocour-Malancourt front, where the salient in the line is gradually being straightened out by the southward push of the Germans.

A British powder factory in Kent has been blown up, causing the death or injury of 200 persons. The ministry of munitions declares the explosion was purely accidental.

Norway, says a Copenhagen despatch, has asked Germany to investigate whether German submarines have been responsible for the sinking of the large number of Norwegian vessels.

**Former War Minister Says Holland Fears Germany May Act Hastily.**

**GERMANS DREAD BRITISH INCURSION**

**Believe British May Try To Cross Holland To Attack The Teutonic Flank.**

**R**OME, Italy, April 4.—Wireless reports from Zurich state that Holland has closed her German frontier and massed all her available forces there.

It is believed that Holland anticipates Germany may throw an army into Holland to prevent that which Germany is said to fear, a British movement through Holland to attack the exposed German flank.

**Holland Is Appreciative.**

Amsterdam, Holland, April 4.—I do not for a moment suggest there is a possibility that Great Britain intends to land her new armies on the Dutch coast," said the foreign minister of Holland today in an interview regarding recent military preparations.

"I have the assurance of the British minister that he will respect our neutrality and we rely on that assurance. But the question is what does Germany mean by this?"

"If the Germans begin seriously to do anything of this kind, naturally, of course, we will have to consider our own defense, but I do not think it is to be feared, would it be strange if we were approached, from the German side, with proposals to which we cannot submit, because they mean the abandonment of our neutrality toward the allies?"

Jonkers-Cohen added that something positive should be done with regard to the Dutch frontier, the strengthening of the Dutch forces. In order to make it clear to Germany that Holland is not to be taken for granted, and the intention to prevent a passage to Germany's open flank.

**BRITAIN KILLED AN EXPLOSION**

**L**ONDON, Eng., April 4.—An explosion of a powder factory in Kent has caused the death or injury of 200 persons. It was announced officially today.

The following statement was given out:

"The ministry of munitions reports with great regret that during the week end a serious fire broke out in a powder factory which led to a series of explosions in the works. The fire was purely accidental. It was discovered at midday and the last of the explosions took place shortly after 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

The approximate number of casualties is 200.

**WON'T RELEASE SEIZED GERMANS**

**W**ASHINGTON, D. C., April 4.—Great Britain's refusal to release the 28 Germans, Austrians and Turks taken from the American summer camp, near Shanghai, was received today at the state department and will be given out for publication later.

The British note is understood to insist upon the right of that government to seize enemy subjects returning to take part in the war.

This, it is understood, the United States is prepared to dispute vigorously.

**GERMANS SEIZE FRENCH GROUND**

**B**erlin, Germany, April 4.—Strong French positions southwest of Douaumont and in the Caillaux woods north of Verdun, have been taken by German troops, the war office announced today.

**Paris, France, April 4.—No**

**infantry attacks were made Monday night by the Germans in the Verdun region, the war office announced this afternoon.**

"The French continued their heavy bombardment along the Douaumont-Vaux front, northeast of Verdun. The response was feeble. There were violent artillery exchanges near Avocour and Malancourt.

**ZEPPELINS HIT VAPORUTH FORTS**

**B**erlin, Germany, April 4.—(Wireless to Sayville.)—Another zeppelin raid on the British coast was made on Monday night the admiralty announced today. The fortifications near Yarmouth were attacked and the airships returned safely.

In the zeppelin raid of Sunday night, according to a German official statement, Edinburgh, Scotland, was bombarded and various factories and public buildings were damaged.

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**WILLIAMSON'S CIVILIAN**

**W**ASHINGTON, D. C., April 4.—The war office announced today that it had received information that a number of American civilians were being held in Mexico by the Carrancistas.

The war office is endeavoring to ascertain the whereabouts of these civilians and is making every effort to secure their release.

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