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ONE SECTION

## VILLA UNWOUNDED IS LEADING PURSUERS BY 60 MILES SAYS REPORT

GONE FROM REGION

Conviction is He Has Escaped from

Territory in Which the U.S.

Troops Are Operating.

Contending With Misinformation

Liberally Supplied on Villa

Trail-Search Continues.

quarters that Francisco Villa had es-

Pershing's cavalry columns are operat-

ing became a conviction tonight. Gen-

ing the hills and plains in that section,

Information from various sources.

confirmed by General Pershing, indi-

difficulties created by the misinforms.

had passed. General Pershing also re-

Col. Cano Loyal.

once the trail was picked out, troops

The topography of the country south

thern portions advanced posts already

have traveled 300 miles when there is

Not Yet Using Railroad.

reported, to a failure of General Ga-

vira and General Bell to reach an agree-

mented by a wagon wireless set, sent

forward to one of the advanced bases.

Company is Opposing Government.

Senate a letter to Pierre S. DuPont,

Charles B. Landis, agents for the Du-

Pont Powder Company, had sought to

bama senator also challenged Pierre S.

DuPont to specifically deny his charges

Senator Underwood's letter was in

reply to one from Mr. DuPont, in which

the president of the powder company

said his concern had not sought to de-

feat the Mussel Shoals, Alabama, nitro-

gen project, and explained the powder

mpany's bill providing for a nitroger

Dallas, Texas, April 3 .- Trinity river

Washington, April 3. - Senator Un-

The Mexico Northwestern Railroad is

large part of the infantry.

trails traversed.

from the border.

iable guides.

peared well founded.

Has Not Taken Part in Any Fight-ing With Any American or Carranza Troops.

THE STORY WAS CONCOCTED

Bandit Now at Satevo, According to Information From Source Usually Found Reliable.

### U. S. Officers Now Have Fair Knowledge of Situation.

El Paso, Texas, April 3. - Francisco Villa, unwounded and accompanied by only eight men, was at Satevo, 50 miles south of Chihuahua City, two days ago, according to information today from caped from the region in which General Mexican sources usually reliable. If this information is correct, it eral Pershing's report, received after bears out previous reports that the noon, contained news, that at least a bandit chief is headed towards part of the dispersed Villa force that can pursuers by at least 60 miles. The nearest to Satevo American troops are known to have reached while scouts were endeavoring to pick

oughly familiar, is known among the northeast of Guerrero, and information peons as "Pancho's road." From Guer-indicated the remainder of the four or rero it leads into a broad valley which five hundred were still in that region. runs east to San Andres, Villa's old No reference was made in the report headquarters, thence south to Santa of an encounter mentioned in press dis-Ysabel, the scene of Villa's massacre of patches. 18 American mining men, and thence southeast through Satevo to Parral.

maneuvers and plan of campaign. His credibility is vouched for by reputable American business men here, who have employed him for several years. Villa Never Engaged.

"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 ad-At the same time the peons were instructed to give information ed to allay fear that had arisen that freely to American officers, always prostory of Villa being wounded was carefully concocted for the express pur-ily a question for General Pershing's of misleading General Pershing and Colonel Dodd into the belief that at General Funston's headquarters that the bandit was hiding in the mountains and thereby inducing them to split would resume the chase further into ties who would waste their time in the wild Sierras while Villa was making his way safely southward."

The part of the story is given color by the admission of General Pershing today that his intelligence department has been giving much misleading information and that it was becoming more difficult to secure reliable guides. American Officers Fooled.

Continuing, the man said: The American officers were fooled at first, but they have a fair knowledge of the real situation now and the advance column is driving southeast with all the speed they can command. Their only chance of catching up with Villa is that they have a good road and should not be handicapped by the big problem of forage and water. The trail from San Antonio to Satevo leads through a broad valley where there is generally plenty of water this time of the year, and which is fairly fertile and well cultivated. Of course the peon farmers will try to conceal their grain but American gold and silver will be a temptation many of them will be un-

"If they can catch up with Villa before he gets into the Torreon district, they ought to be able to kill or capture him, but if he is able to join forces the horses and mules, but grass is with Canuto Reyes, they will have a difficult task whead of them." Mexican officials here and in Juarez

showed no inclination to belittle the and the front, and soon will be supple-Gavira, the Juarez commander, said he had no direct news from the

### front.

2,000 WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN FOOD RIOTS IN TORREON To Appear and Deny Charges That His Laredo, Texas, April 3 .- Serious food riots, in which at least 7,000 women and children participated, occurred in Torreon March 28, according to pas-sengers arriving here today. The famine stricken inhabitants rushed through the streets crying for corn. The meal was obtainable only at fabulous prices. From the demonstration the riot grew defeat the House bill providing for a to general looting. Soldiers were call- government nitrogen plant. The Alaed out but refused to shoot into the

The government took immediate steps in the Senate last week that the Du-Pont company was working against the to distribute corn and has ordered several carloads sent to Torreon and vicin-

During the riting many buildings were damaged.

### PROHIBITION FORCES GAIN

ake Two Counties From Michigan, on Face of Returns.

Detroit, Mich., April 8 .- Prohibition forces gained two counties from the forces gained two counties from the wets in Michigan today on the face of returns from 13 counties which voted on local option issues. Baraga and of 52.6 feet was recorded. It still was Clare counties, which have had saloons, rising slowly. Little property damage

voted dry.

The dry majority in Ingham, in which is situated Lansing, the state capital, probably will exceed 1.500, a gain of about 500 over the vote two years ago.

Issing Slowly. Little property, damage has been reported and there has been no loss of life so far as known. Points north of Dallas reported the river slowly falling and it is believed the crest will pass Dallas tonight or to-morrow.

Rumor That Col. Cano and His Command Had Deserted to Villa Disposed of Finally.

Villa in Fight on March 28-No Disquieting Information Reaches Washington.

Washington, April 3 .- Evidence of DIFFICULTY WITH GUIDES co-operation by Carranza troops with American forces hunting Villa, apparently disposing finally of rumors that Intelligence Officers of Pershing's Force Colonel Cano and his command had deserted to Villa, came to the War Department late today from General Pershing. He reported an engagement on March 29, presumably near Guerrero, between Cano's troops and one of the bands into which Colonel Dodd scat-San Antonio, Texas, April 3. - The tered the main Villa force. fear expressed yesterday at army head-

As this clash in which Manuel Boco, leader of the outlaws, is said to have been killed, occurred the same day that Colonel Dodd struck the Villa army, officials were convinced the Carranza skirts of the Caillette wood, and in columns were actively co-operating

with the Americans. "This seems to dispose finally of the rumors of disloyalty on the part of Colonel Cano," Secretary Baker said in was dirven from Guerrero March 29 was a formal statement. Previous reports Parral, and is leading his Ameri- moving northeast of that place, but no had caused officials to doubt Cano's mention of Villa's whereabouts was loyalty and General Pershing's dismade. The report was dated yesterday. patch was received with great satis-Six columns of cavalry were yet ridfaction.

The fact that three days elapsed after the 48-hour old report of Colonel The route said to have been taken commanded by Colonel Beltran, was yet been reported to headquarters. That some supplies and forage for the heavy casualities cavalry, even if of poor quality, were cattle in sufficient quantity had been

The man who brought the stery of cated that the intelligence officers of The State Department officially de-Villa's arrival at Satevo here gave a the punitive force were contending with nied a report that inquiry had been made of General Carranza regarding tion liberally supplied in districts troop movements in Northern Mexico. through which Villa or his followers Neither the State nor the Navy Department had disquieting information of

ported he had difficulty in securing re- any kind. The American consul at Monterey ad-His statement that it had been reported to him that Colonel Cano had engaged a Villa force in a fight on the same day that the Americans were driving the bandits from Guerrero serv-Cano had revolted, a report that apthe Americans were receiving consid-Which way he has gone is now large-Navy Department dispatches report-

> Mexican coasts. Rumors that the Washington government would object to sales of muni- treat. tions by foreign countries to the de

than those already in Mexico will be similar action by another nation. American ambassador to Mexico, conof Guerrero is such that successful pur- ferred for a short time today with Secploying of forces and the utilization of discussion of his duties. No definite in the German air raid over Scotland Goltz was able to leave the United suit can be conducted only by wide de- retary Lansing, but deferred extensive time for his departure for Mexico has Sunday night ten persons were killed States with an American passport is- utes and no further disorder is antibeen set. From the border to the extreme sou-

There were no developments here toward use of the Mexican railways for taken into account the twistings of the shipment of supplies to General Pershing. It was expected that cars with such supplies tendered for transportanot yet being used, due partly, it was ready tomorrow. Secretary Lansing said no response had been made to the ment. The placing in service of more amendments to the proposed protocol

motor trucks alleviated temporarily the suggested by General Carranza. supply situation, however, and General An indication of progress of the de Pershing reported today that motor facto government toward re-establishtrucks are now delivering supplies ing its fiscal affairs was found in the south of Namiquipa, almost 200 miles presence here of a Carranza special representative seeking information from Director Ralps, of the bureau of General Pershing also reported he found grain of ant inferior grade for printing and engraving, for establishment of such a plant in Mexico. Heretofore the de facto government has scarce and the need for hay is pressing. Aeroplanes are being used for combeen purchasing its stamps and currency from private engravers. munication between Colonia Dublan

> ACTION ON NOMINATION OF BRANDEIS IS POSTPONED

UNDERWOOD CHALLENGES DU PONT Reports Received From All But Five

Members of Sub-Committee. Washington, April 3. - Action on the nomination of Louis D. Brandels to the Supreme Court was postponed toderwood, of Alabama, today read in the day by the Senate Judiciary committee, after it had received reports from charging that Hugh L. Cooper and all but five of the senators on the subcommittee which held hearings. Senator Fletcher, Democrat, made a

> tion. Senator Walsh made a long report and Senator Chilton, the third Democrat, will submit a report tomormade reports against confirmation. Senator Walsh declared in his report: financial system. He has not stood in awe of the majesty of wealth."

STORM OFF CAOST OF N. CAROLINA LAST NIGHT

Washington, April 3 .- The Southern storm was off the North Carolina coast tonight, according to the Weather Bureau. During the last 24hours the disturbance caused rain in East Gulf and South Atlantic states. No important changes in temperature are indicated for the eastern half of the country during the next 48 hours.

# NEARER FORTRESS

Have Straightened Their Line Northwest of Verdun, Occupying French Positions.

EVACUATTD IN DARKNESS

Artillery Duels Between Russians and Germans Continue on the Eastern Front.

Having straightened their line by occupying all French positions north of Forges Brook between Haucourt and Bethincourt, northwest of Verdun, the Germans no ware engaged in shelling the region of the Bourrus wood, five miles northwest of the fortress. East of the Meuse around Vaux, there has been considerable fighting, in which help the Geran government by hinback the Teutons to the northern out- waterway. The arrest followed revere-occupying the western part of the death and was awaiting execution in

lowed a vigorous attack, in which, having evacuated their positions at night without being observed. From is San Antonio, 60 miles north- up the trail of the scattered bands as Dodd's engagement before news came their new positions south of Forges well as that of their fugitives. One of the Cano fight renewed hopes that Brook and Bethincourt the French force of Villa's men estimated at 100, important subsequent events have not poured a direct and flanking fire into the attacking Germans, who suffered

Along the remainder of the French being obtained "off the country" by front, artillery bombardments have General Pershing's forces was another predominated, although there have been pert. The general said corn of inferior the Germans lost four aeroplanes, and Indicated by Photographic Copies Court House Used quality was plentiful and that beef aerial raids by the French on various German cantonments in Belgium. Artillery duels between Russians and

Germans continue on the eastern front. An attack by the Germans against the bridgehead at Iskull was repulsed by the Russians. The usual bombardments are in progress on the Austro- ON FILE IN WASHINGTON Italian line.

Turks Check Russians. Constantinople reports that the Turks, strongly reinforced, have check- Former German Attache Said to Have vised the State Department that ex- ed the Russian offensive in the Caucacitement there following the Columbus sus region and that the Ottoman forces massacre and entrance of American have made advances in the Tchoruk troops into Mexico had subsided. Valley. Petrograd, however, asserts Friendly relations between the two the Russians seized heavily fortified governments, the dispatch said, were Turkish positions at an altitude of 10,well understood by officials and the 000 feet on the upper Tchoruk, and native population in the vicinity and farther south captured a Turkish position and dispersed Turkish cavalry

detachments. In Arabia, according to Constantinoed all quiet on both east and west ple, the British near Sheikh Osman were driven from fortified positions sons in this country asking aid for von with heavy casualties and forced to re- der Goltz, the alleged German spy,

The sinking by a Turkish submarine their forces into small searching part the interior, although it was realized facto authorities were formally denied in the Black sea on March 30 of a Scotland Yard detectives, are in the that this second phase of the punitive at the State Department. It was point- 12,000 ton Russian transport with possession of the United States govexpedition's work would be far more ed out that the United States was sell- troops aboard and of two other vesdifficult than was the first. It is not ing such supplies to Carranza and sels on March 31 is reported by the probable, it was said, that more troops would not be in a position to object to Turkish war office. It was on March 30 that the Russian hospital ship Por- planning to blow up the Welland Ca-Henry P. Fletcher, newly appointed tugal was torpedoed and sunk in the nal. One was addressed to a German Black sea. Latest Zeppelin Raid.

A British official statement says that casualties in the sections of England attacked by the raiders, Berlin asserts Edinbourgh and Leith

# LATEST ZEPPELIN RAIL SUCCESSFUL IS CLAIM

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tions Caused, Says Berlin.

Over England Sunday Night Says Attack Lasted Hour and a Half.

Berlin, April 3. (By Wireless to Sayville)-The official German account of portance. Saturday night's Zeppelin raid over England follows:

report merely recommending confirma- east coast of England. For a period of one and one-half hours explosive and incendiary bombs were thrown on row. Senators Cummins and Works blast furnaces, large fron works and individual establishments on the south bank of the Tees and on the port es-The real crime of which this man is tablishments of Middlesborough and guilty is that he has exposed the in- Sunderland. Large explosions, fires iquities of men in high places in our and demolitions were caused and the successful effects of the attacks were nomination.

clearly noticeable. "Notwithstanding heavy shelling of our airships they suffered neither losses nor damage.'

Another Scottish correspondent tells of the arrival of a Zeppelin over the same unnamed town shortly before National defense before Naval commidnight. An incendiary bomb was mittee. dropped that immediately set fire to a building which caused a glare that ordnance, testified before the Military der Goltz, alleged German spy, who edness question. The secretary said must have revealed the whole countryside to the Germans, the correspondent said.

chine, the correspondent adds, suggest- ciary committee. ed it was able to determine its loca-(Continued on Page Ten.)

SPY HAD SINGER'S HUSBAND HELD FOR PLOT.



Horst von der Golst. Captain Hans Tauscher, husband of Mme. Gadski, the famous singer, has been held on the charge of trying to blow up the Welland Canal in 1914 to the French were victorious in driving dering Canadian shipments through the lations of Horst von der Golst, a German spy, who had been sentenced to village of Vaux, which they previously the Tower of London. Golst's life was spared and he was sent here on condithorities of plots of Germans here. He the Haucourt-Bethincourt front fol- is believed to know much about the operations of Captain von Papen, athowever, no foe was met, the French tache of the German embassy in Washng, who was dismissed from the United



Mme. Johanna Gadski.

COURT ROOM AT HEARING AND

HANGED TO BALCONY OF

BUILDING BY MOB

thirteen-year-old girl, a mob of several

hundred men over-powered court at-

taches and hanged the negro from a

The mob dispersed within a few min-

INDICATES SUBMARINE WORK.

In Destruction of Sussex and Other

Vessels-Change of Policy.

by the State Department of circum-

sex and other unarmed merchant ships

dealing with the broad questions of

submarine warfare and arming of mer-

chant ships for defensive purposes.

State Department announced receipt of

Other dispatches curing the day

affidavits from Sussex survivors were

government would not wait for subma-

rine commanders to report but would

To Cancel Rail-and-Ocean Rates from

Along Coast to Charlotte.

the Clyde Steamship Company to can-

cel ocean and rail rates from points in

New England and along the eastern

seaboard via Charleston to Charlotte

and other points in North and South

ment of Justice officials,

tion of higher rates, was found justi- serve as aide until the office expired.

Washington, April 3 .- Proposal of

PROPOSAL FOUND JUSTIFIED

CLYDE STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S

Washington, April 3 .- Accumulation

CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE

### VON PAPEN WAS BACKER OF SCHEMES OF VON DER GOLTZ

of Letters Said to Have Been Written by Him.

Asked Aid for Alleged German Spy Preparing to Blow Up Welland Canal.

Washington, April 3 .- Photographic copies of letters said to have been written by Captain Von Papen, withdrawn German military attache, to perbrought to New York a week ago by met with such response that von der

and eleven injured. There were no sued under alias of Bridgman Taylor. The name of this official, who still is at his post in this country, has been carefully guarded. In the letter to and points on the Firth of Forth and him von Papen, it is understood, ex-Tyne were visited by Zeppelins, and plained that the bearer, von der Goltz, was a reputable and trustworthy person, in the confidence of the writer and as such commended him to the recipient's good offices. Officials have expressed belief tonight that this letter established beyond question the fact stantial evidence indicating the Susthat von der Goltz's activities in trying to bring about invasion of Canada, have been attacked by German submaand in planning destruction of the Wel- rines probably will make necessary a land Canal were endorsed by von Pa- change in the administration's plan for

pen as von der Goltz. Photographic copies of this and other letters from von Papen have been Large Explosions, Fires, Demoli- submitted to the State Department. This became known tonight after the With them went a memorandum detailing essentials of von der Goltz's re- a dispatch which quoted one of the cent statement to Department of Jus- survivors of the Manchester Engineer tice officials. This has been added to disaster as saying that he had seen the confidential memorandum given to the periscope of a submarine. Official German Account of Air Raid the State Department before von Papen's withdrawal was requested by the brought information that a number of American government.

The contents of the confidential mem- being forwarded by Ambassador Sharp orandum are known only to President at Paris and that Ambassador Gerard Wilson and to one or two Department at Berlin was promised an early reply of Justice officials. So complete, how- to inquiries regarding the Sussex, the ever, is it considered that the von der Englishman and other ships within a Goltz disclosures add little to its im- few days. It was indicated the German

Captain von Papen's alleged letters commending von der Goltz are con- have inquiries made at submarine tained in the batch of correspondence bases. "During the night of April 1-2 naval taken from von der Goltz in England (Continued on Page Two)

### THE DAY IN CONGRESS

Met at noon. Resumed debate on the Army bill. Judiciary committee postponed until Tuesday consideration of Brandels Recessed at 5:20 to noon Tuesday.

HOUSE Met at noon. Miscellaneous bills requiring unanimous consent were considered. ities are effected. Secretary Daniels again discussed

committee. and Doolittle, Kansas, urged investiga-

Arjourned at 5:15 P. M. to 11 A. M. Tuesday.

# DANIELS APPEALS IN BEHALF OF THE **5-YEAR PROGRAMME** Says Present Congress Cannot be

Asked to Make Up for Deficiencies of 20 Years Past.

HE ANSWERS HIS CRITICS

Determined Effort to be Made for Six Capital Ships, Two Dreadnaughts, Four Cruisers,

Washington, April J .- The House Naval committee brought to an end today prolonged hearings on the 1917 naval appropriation bill. Secretary Daniels closed a three-day statement before the committee with a final appeal in support of the administration's five-year building programme. A subcommittee immediately will begin framing the bill.

It became known tonight that a deermined effort would be made to provide for six capital ships, two dreadnaughts and four battle cruisers, as a compromise between the recommendations of the Secretary and the Navy General Board.

Mr. Daniels parried all efforts today to get a statement as to what relative place among naval powers the United States should occupy. He said the fiveyear programme he had mapped out would not put the country in second place, in his judgment, and that the present Congress could not be asked to make up for deficiences of 20 years war, he said, he believed a great opportunity would come for international limitation of armament and with a strong building programme adopted, the United States would be in a better position to urge that movement successfully than if its fleet was weak.

By Mob As Gallows Assailed by One Butler. Representative Butler, of Pennsylvania, Republican, assailed the Secrerecommendations for a government/projectile factory. He asserted NEGRO TAKEN FROM OKLAHOMA the specifications for navy armor piercing shells were so high they could not be met by manufacturers and also declared he had reason to believe that the specifications for navy 14-inch guns and other material had been revealed during Mr. Daniels' administra-Idabell, Okia., April 3 .- After listention to the Russian and German governments. He suggested that Rear ing to evidence at the preliminary hear-Admiral Strauss, chief of ordnance, be ing here today of Oscar Martin, a neasked to produce a letter to the Krupp gro charged with having attacked a company of Germany.

Admiral Strauss, summoned later, read the letter in question. It was a reply to an offer made before the war by the Krupp company to supply 14inch guns for the United States navy. The ordnance bureau answered that if guns to meet the requirements outlined in the offer could be provided, the company's bid would have attention.

sprang up from among the spectators! "These are not the specifications or our 14-inch gun," Admiral Strauss "They are for a much superior negro was dragged to the balcony from gun." The Secretary and the Admiral said

they had no knowledge of any plans or other information having been imparted to the Russian government. In answer to Representative Butler's assertion that armor piercing shell specifications were too high, Admiral Strauss produced department records to show the Midvale and Crucible Steel Companies had delivered large quanti-

ties of shell that had passed the tests, Daniels Replies to Criticisms. Secretary Daniels replied at length to criticisms of himself, implied or stated, during the testimony of Rear Admiral Fiske, former aide for operations, and became involved in a warm controversy with Representative Britten, of Illinois, Republican. Respondng to Chairman Padgett's questions. he said Admiral Fiske sought appointment as commander of the Atlantic fleet when Rear Admiral Badger retired, and repeatedly requested it to the Secretary's great embarrassment. Mr. Danels said he told Admiral Fiske that Rear Admiral Fletcher, then commanding a squadron in Mexican waters, seemed entitled to the appointment. Admiral Fiske replied that Fletcher did not want it, the Secretary said, and asked that the appointment be held up until he could write to Fletcher. This was done, Mr. Daniels said, and when Fletcher replied he would be honored by the command, he was appointed, and from that time on Admiral Fiske was not in harmony with the Navy Department.

"Our first difference," said the Secretary, "was over the wine mess order. Admiral Fiske was greatly aggrieved. He said navy officers would go to using cocaine. My only regret about the order is that I did not issue t on March 5, when I came into office, instead of waiting."

Why the Wine Mess Order. Mr. Daniels said he had been prompted to issue the order because of many officers addicted to drink. He cited one man who told him his son, a young navy officer, had never used liquor in any form before he went aboard ship. Although he had resolved to ask for Admiral Fiske's resignation, the Secretary said, he changed his mind when Congress created the office of chief of operations to supplant the aide system, Carolina, leaving in effect a combina- and intended to allow the admiral to

fied today by the Interstate Commerce The admiral resigned, however, before Commission. All classes and commod- the new law became effective. Representative Britten directed attention to Admiral Fiske's statement Washington, April 3 .- A quantity of that he had resigned because he had Brigadier General Crozier, chief of correspondence belonging to Horst von differed with Mr. Daniels on the prepar-Representatives Borland, Missouri, to blow up the Welland Canal, has for the resignation. Representative been seized by Scotland Yard detec-Subsequent movements of the ma- tion of packing houses before Judi- tives and will be made public short- Admiral Fiske and the general board ly by the British foreig noffice, accord- to the Secretary, warning him that the

ing to announcement today by Depart- navy was unprepared for war, be placed