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CITIZEN WANT ADS

BRING RESULTS

HOUSE TO ADOPT

SPECIAL RULES TO

BLOCK REP. MANN

Minority Leader Succeeds

in Keeping Army Bill

From Conference.

TO FORCE THE ISSUE

Drastic Rules to Provide For

Limited Debate Will

Be Enforced.

WASHINGTON, April 24 .- Aroused

two occasions today in keeping the army bill as amended by the senate

ocratic leaders declared tonight that they would force their legislative pro-

gram through immediately with the

A rule to discharge the military

committee from further considera-

tion of the army bill and to permit

the speaker to appoint house con-

ferees after debate on one motion to

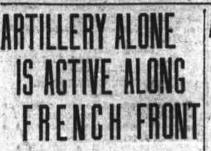
re-commit, will be reported by the rules committee tomorrow. Majority

by Minority Leader Mann's success

from going to conference, house

aid of special rules.

MAJORITY INTENDS



Germans and French the **Aggresors** in Different Sectors.

RUSSIANS BATTLE AGAINST TEUTONS

British Repulse Turkish Attack in Egypt and Advance in Africa.

LONDON, April 24 .- Artillery bombardments alone are taking place on the French and Belgian fronts, the scenes of the greatest activity being the region of Le Mort Hommo and in the Argonne forest, with the Germans the aggressors in the former and the French in the latter sector.

French aviators in squadron formations have dropped .arge numbers of shells on German positions at Longuyon, Stenay, Dun and near Montfaucon. The fighting between the Russians and the Germans and Austrians along the eastern front continues at various points, but no important changes in position are re-The same is the of the ported. Austro-Italian zone.

Children Killed.

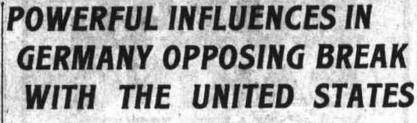
Vienna reports an attack Easter Sunday by seven Italian aeroplanes on the city of Triest in which nine Italians, five of them children, were killed and five wounded. The re-port says that because of this at-"the enemy forfeited every right to have his town spared." The British in German East Africa

are continuing their forward move ment against the Germans, having now occupied the town of Konda, in Considerable Irangi region casualties were inflicted on the Germans.

The British also have been success ful in an operation near Dueldar Egypt, repulsing with heavy casualtles a Turkish attack. In an engage ment near Quatia village, however the British were orced to retreat after an engagement with a Turkis column superior in numbers,

British Still Active the Hut El-Ama a region Mesopotamia, despite their recen check, the British are keeping up their efforts to lift the siege of Kut-(Continued on Page Two)

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Strong Intimations That Some Concessions Will be Made But Whether They Will be Sufficiently Broad to Avoid Rupture Is Uncertain.

WASHINGTON, April 24.-Indications that powerful influences in German politics are opposed to any action by the Berlin government which might lead to the severance of diplomatic relations with the United States are understood to be contained in confidential dispatches received today by the state department from Ambassador Gerard. Socialists and labor leaders are represented as being particularly adverse to any such move.

Other dispatches from Mr. Gerard were said to contain strong intimations that the Berlin government would make some concessions to the United States in reply to the note demanding the immediate abandonment of present methods of submarine warfare. It still is uncertain, however, whether these will be sufficiently broad to meet the American demands.

Will Go Far.

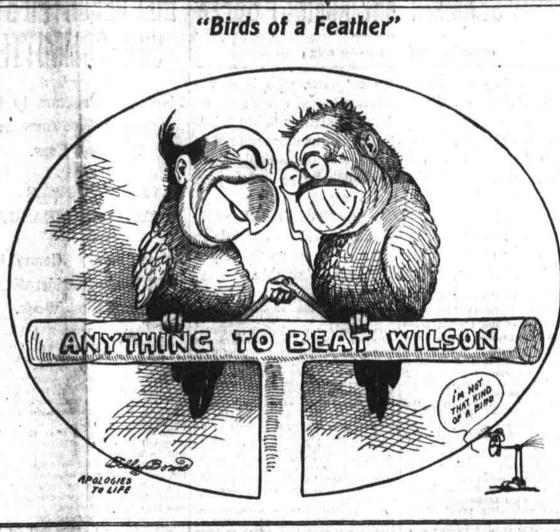
Officials allowed it to become known that Mr. Gerard's dispatches indicated that Germany would go to great lengths to preserve friendly relations with the Unitviews during conversations with Berlin officials, including Foreign Minister von Jagow. His dispatches are said to emphasize the difficulties by which the German government is confronted in endeavoring to find a way to meet the demands of the United States without arousing the clement which insists on a relentless submarine warfare against the shipping of the entente allies.

Awaiting Dispatches.

The state department tonight was awaiting a dispatch from Mr. Gerard reporting the results of a lengthy conference today with Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, imperial ference today with Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, imperial German chancellor, Press dispatches announcing that the conference had taken place were closely read. Officials is thought to be already on his way north from Mexico City. They may expressed a particular interest in that part of the press reports which indicated that the reply to the American note would not be made until after the chancellor has another

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FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS IN PURSUIT **OF VILLA AWAIT CONFERENCE BETWEEN GENERAL SCOTT AND GENERAL OBREGON**

ed States. Mr. Gerard is understood to have gained his Senior Military Authorities of the Two Countries Concerned Will Meet for Discussion of Situation, Probably at Juarez, and Conference Will Take Place Either Today or Tomorrow-Carranza Agrees to Such Conference, Representative Declares.

> WASHINGTON, April 24 .- Further | bassy Mr. Arredondo found a message | leading commanders could be ardevelopments in the pursuit of Villa announcing that General Obregon and the relations between the United would go to the border. It was said

States and the de facto government of Mexico now await personal discus-sion of these subjects by the sentor military advisers of the two governnents A conference between Major Gen-eral Scott, chief of staff, and General Obregon, minister of war of the de facto government, was arranged late ecause of better tomorrow or next day. Announcement Made, there The meeting was suggested first af

Announcement that General Carter General Scott had started to the border on his mission which resulted ranza had agreed to the conference was made by Eliseo Arredondo, Mexiin the authorization for the re-dispo sition of the American troops in Mexcan ambassador-designate, who paid a second visit to Secretary Lansing toico. war and state department officials day to communicate the fact. Secretary Baker was promptly informed and Special Agent Rodgers was asked to present it to General Carranza, Beand the information transmitted to cause of the latter's alleged jealousy General Scott.

ranged.

General Scott will be able to pre sent to General Obregon the reason that while no word had come that behind every move that has been General Obregon was on his way to the border, there was reason to be-lieve he had already left Mexico City. reason to bemade and give him personal assur-ances that President Wilson and his advisers have no thought of doing As the two officers hold equal military rank and as General Obregon is a cabinet officer in addition, it was as-sumed at the embassy he would sug-gest that General Scott call on him anything more than protect Ameri-can interests along the border from Mexican bandit operations. In return it is expected General Obregon will be able to throw much light on the problems that face the de facto govin Juares in accordance with diplo matic and military ousion, althous the succeeding meetings. It was said probably would take place in El Pas ernment.

Pending the forthcoming confer nce General Funston will carry out accommodation his plans for re-adjusting his lines in Mexico so as to make the position of his troops secure for a stay of any length. Secretary Baker reiterated to day that General Funston has full discretion and the department here The plan was favored by both may not be informed as to just what points were chosen for assembling

the forces until after the troop move ments had been ordered.

At Casas Grandes

members of the committee will sug-gest an hour's flebate on the motion, but if this is not agreeable to the republican minority, debate will be limited to twenty minutes on each Other Decisions. Following disposal of the agricultural appropriation measure the dem-ocrats also decided today the Philip pine, Porto Rican and shipping bill will be brought up for passage in the order named. This course was agreed upon despite the protests of republicans that some preparedness or ap-propriation measures should receive immediate consideration, Drastic

rules to provide for limited debate will accompany these three adminis tration measures with the view of having them enacted into law before the conventions if possible. On the Philippine measure, for instance, it now is planned to limit the general debate to five hours,

Democrats were greatly disa; ed late this afternoon when Speaker Clark sustained a point of order rais d by Mr. Mann to said the army hill to conference without an intervening motion. Mr. Mann maintained that adoption of such a rule would deny the minority the right of a motion to re-commit,

to which it long has been entitled. Mann Objects Again. Immediately after the speaker's ruling, Representative Garrett, of Tennessee, sought to have the rule that the committee will report tomorrow adopted by unanimous consent, but again Mr. Mann objected, ending debate on the proposition for today. Earlier in the day Mr. Mann had

