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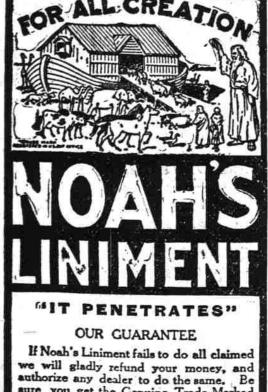
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HEDJAZ RAILWAY CUT BY BRITISH TROOPS

Brilliant Feat of Arms by Which British Forces Crossed the Jordan and Captured Es Salt-How Gondoners Crossed the River-Duke of Connought Witnessed the Operations.

By W. T. MASSEY.

March 30 (By Mail).—In spite of sured in two places. many difficulties, the British troops was carried out down south. It was have forced the passage of the Jor- decided to threaten the Turks' flan! dan, and occupied Es Salt, 25 miles at Hajlah. Two officers and 45 merfrom the river bank, on the anniverthe Jordan's mouth straight up the sary of the first battle of Gaza. General Allenby's army marches from party, jocularly called the "Societe one success to another, and this lat. Anonyme Maritime," est of the series of brilliant army across the Dead Sea in the dark an operations is one of the finest tri- They had an Arab guide with them butes to the moral efficiency of his but he was lost in the darkness

of bridging the Jordan during its winter current would be one of considerable magnitude, but the general much superior force of the enemy, he had to deal with abnormally adverse hid his party till he could effect a conditions. The March rainfall in communication with the body at Haj-Jerusalem and on the plains has been lah. This he did early on Saturday exceptionally heavy, and torrents morning. have been pouring into the river on

not lose its freshness until it pushed our troops were irresistible. back the grey brine of the Dead Sea a couple of miles from the Jordan's mouth, and the broad chocolate band of water from the upper reaches pre- some gunners and drivers, put the sented a remarkable color contrast before it succumbed to the overpowering weight of the salt-laden sea.

When the moon had gone down in the early hours of Friday morning cross in two places. It was intended dropped nearly three-quarters of a that the main crossing should be at Ghoraniyeh, east of Jericho, where the Turks had destroyed the bridge soon after we occupied the town. Ghoraniyeh is in the middle of one

of the many bends of the Jordan. When three of the strongest swimmers among the Londoners tried to breast the current which tumbled past them they found it too strong. A punt was no sooner put into the stream than it was torn from the hands of the engineers launching it. It was obvious that the force of

the stream would make it impossible iyeh that night, and extremely doubtful whether sufficient numbers of infantry could be ferried over even if a taut line was made fast to the banks. The general therefore decided to alter his plans, and to make the main crossing at Makadet Hajlah, four miles lower down, where the pilgrims road to the Jorden ends. Here the river banks are less tortuous, but this was Hailah's only advantage. The banks are thickly clothed in trees and undergrowth right down to the water's edge. The left bank, after several hundred yards' width of jungle, rises tier upon tier for a considerable distance. It was known that the Turks had made position

The troops moved down a wadi, kept sheltered in broken ground near six men swam the river, towing a rope behind them. Battling with the and began hauling across light rafts face of the river, and the boatloads had to be tugged over in the face of considerable fire.

Three hundred men were over by laylight, and the bridge building then began. The engineers had to carry the material down the precipitous very heavy, but they completed a een ferried across, but the nature of gle before a man could move. In will power to triumph over adversity and

the defence no further progress could be made during the day. The men lay out under a hot sun 1,200 feet be-

It was resolved to try to widen the ridgehead at night. A gallant effort was made by the troops soon after midnight on Friday. By a determined, well sustained rush they charged through the tangled prickly horn bushes and trees to a depth of thousand yards, gradually extend-

oridgehead 1,500 yards wide. Meanwhile the engineers had been constructing a steel pontoon bridge under considerable shell and rifle terrupt them for a moment. It was due to their remarkably fine work that we were able to get over an en-

tire mounted regiment by dawn. gle. Then they climbed the low from which they are quickly thrown off cliffs, and suddenly emerged on to in a natural, healthy way the plain, over which they galloped | Read what a reputable physician towards Ghoraniyeh. riding down says about Rheuma: "I have made a and capturing 70 Turks, some ma- most careful investigation of the formcould. The Turks suffered a number a remedy for all forms of rheumatism.

naught was well east of the Jordan. Dr. M. C. Lyons. watching the operations for several hours.

bridges were built at Ghoraniyeh, British Palestine Headquarters, and the passage of the river was as

Another excellent piece of work left ank of the river. This little landed to the east of the Jordan However, the young officer pushed In ordinary circumstances the task on, made his way towards a ford, and he attacked a small enemy post and took some prisoners, but finding that between him an dthe ford was a

across during the day, and on Sun Even when the river had fallen day strong attacks were made on some feet the muddy water from the the enemy positions. There was hills was in such volume that it did keen fighting at several places, but

Near Shunet, Nimrin, some Lewis gunners and riflemen crept towards a battery shelling our troops, kille remainder to flight and captured four

As the enemy, including some Ger mans, were retiring up the Es Salt road with transports our airmen number of direct hits. Then they came low with their machine gunand scattered the Turks. The foothills infantry captured Germans, including officers.

On Sunday night the broke. In this respect the luck has been against us. Rain fell heavily. and the Jericho road became a mass of slippery mud, with the result that only pack transport could move.

But the troops triumphed over all adverse conditions. With cavalry on both flanks they made their way through the foothills into the moun of the Jordan, beating down all opposition. In the evening the outposts were only 1,500 yards from Es

The hills were then covered with a thick, damp mist, and we halted till dawn today. Some of us were reminded of the morning a year ago. when a thick sea fog denied us vicwere not permitted to interfere with over the mountains of Moab splendid boys captured Es Salt and the surrounding heights, thus inflict ing a heavy blow on the Turks and their German allies.

The Anglician Bishop in Jerusalem was enthroned at St. George's church resentatives of the Greek, Armenian Abyssinian and churches. The Grand Rabbi of Jerusalem was personally present, and a representative of the Mufti.

The Allies have lost an average of only one ship ir 200 convoyed vessels.

Strength and How to Gain It

INSTEAD OF EXERCISES, PATENT FOODS AND MEDICINES, TAKE PHOSPHATE WITH YOUR

word-possessing the physical necessary to endure hardships and fatigue; cult problems; the nervous force which en-dows the body with vigor and vitality; the turn defeat into victory.

guns, and beyond the belt of wood were dunes of sun baked earth, on each of which many Turks were entrenched.

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The cavalry moved silently up the Rheuma passes the deadly poisonous left bank through breaks in the jun- secretions into the bowels and kidneys

chine guns making the enemy oppo- ula employed in the manufacture of site Haliah foot it as hard as they Rhema, and I heartily recommend it as of casualties in getting away. An- I find Rheuma far in advance of the other mounted regiment was got methods generally employed in the across at Haljah and scouted east- treatment of rheumatism, and altogether different in composition from During Saturday the Duke of Con- the remedies usually prescribed."-

> This should give any sufferer from sheumatism confidence to the Rheu

Maintenance of Efficiency and Credit of Public Utility Companies Essential—Increased Rates Necessary to Maintain Credit and Efficient Service.

Excerpt from the Annual Report of the Hon. John Skelton Williams, Comptroller of the Currency, to the Congress:

National and State Banks, and many thousands of small and large investors have suffered seriously from the decline of the earning capacity of public utility corporations and the consequent shrinkage in the value of their sœurities, representing investments of many hundred millions of dollars. These losses naturally diminish the power and disposition of the public to respond to the call of the Government for money for war. This danger should arouse, I venture to suggest, the anxiety and stimulate the efforts of the Congress and of every patriotic citizen. A more urgent and pressing peril is forced upon our attention by the obvious fact that we are dependent so largely on the efficiency and strength of these corporations and on our railroads for speed and success in preparing for and prosecuting the war.

The corporations referred to supply light, heat, power, and electric railway transportation for passengers and freight. They touch intimately the daily life of the people. In normal times they have been favorite targets for sneers and savage criticisms from large parts of the public and the press. In some instances, doubtless, they have deserved and invited hostility. In others, the attacks upon them probably have been unjust and unreasonable. Frequently they have been the victims or beneficiaries of local politics, suffering injury in the end in either case. Yet generally, they were able to serve the needs of their communities with reasonable efficiency and to earn fair returns on the money invested in them. Now they are threatened with ruin. If they are allowed to sink into inefficiency much of the most important war work of the Government will be crippled or paralyzed.

The work of war has thrown upon many of these corporations strains which they are unable to endure without prompt help. The costs of their labor and of all material for operation, betterment and upkeep have increased heavily and suddenly. They are required to increase radically and quickly their service and facilities. Industries manufacturing war munitions and materials demand of the public utilities corporations constantly greater supplies of power and light. At the industrial centers, car lines are being rushed and overburdened by new armies of workers. The gas companies are called upon for gas for cooking and heating in quantities beyond all normal calculations and far beyond their present capacities. They are urged continually to furnish more coke and coal by-products, toluol, and other elements absolutely essential in modern warfare. Where cantonments have been established, the demands on the resources of water, lighting, and transportation companies are especially severe; ability to comply with such demands is necessary for the safety and comfort of the fighting men in training.

A committee representing the four leading associations which include all the principal electric light and power companies, street railway companies, and the most important gar companies of the country, recently submitted to this office a report in which attention was asked to the increase within the last two years in the cost of materials they most use for the maintenance of their properties. They gave a list of percentages of additional cost showing among others the following items:

Increase From 1915 to 1917.

Copper wire	180	Castings, malleable	198
Pipe, cast-iron	100	Copper, bar and sheet	147
Axles		Lead, pig and sheet	127
Acids	162	Nails	
Brass		Steel, tool	400
Car forgings	216	Tie-plates	

The continued and increasing efficiency of these corporations is important for the successful conduct of the war. This efficiency is not possible with the present conditions. Corporations proved by their own figures to be approaching bankruptcy, cannot obtain money for improvements or maintenance. On the other hand, banks and citizens suffering severe losses from investments in the securities of these entirely legitimate and once promising enterprises will be discouraged from lending money to the Government or deprived of the means to lend.

The first and most direct relief to the public utilities corporations can be given by the State public utilities commissions and municipal and local authorities, with the broad-minded co-operation of the people generally, understanding the necessities of war and realizing that the more promptly its burdens are accepted the sooner they will be lifted. It is essential that forbearance and consideration be exercised by the State Commissions and municipal authorities, and that the corporations also be permitted to make such additions to their charges for service as will keep in them the breath of solvency, protect their owners against unjust loss, and give them a basis of credit on which they may obtain the funds with which to meet the strain put on them by the Government's needs. The breaking down of these corporations would be a national calamity.

Because of the gravity of the situation in this regard, I am moved to ask for it the careful attention of the Congress and the public. I am impressed with the importance of early consideration by the Congress of some measure to provide directly or indirectly for advance of funds on some conservative basis to such of these corporations as need help most urgently, so that they can give adequate service to the Government. The remedy would be unusual; but the times are unusual.

The amount of railroad and other public service bonds owned by the national banks June 30, 1917, was reported at \$763,000,000. This is equal to approximately 70 per cent of the capital stock of the banks.

With appropriate aid from the Government through the Congress; with liberal recognition by local authorities of the present acute conditions; and with some practical provision to enable the corporations to meet their own needs and those of the country, the danger now pressing and becoming more serious with each day will be removed, the general business interests of the country will be fostered, the ability and readiness of the public to respond to calls for money will be maintained, and urgent requirements for the defense of the country's life and assurance of our free lom and peace will be met.

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