

CROISELLES TAKEN BY BRITISH FORCES

St. Quentin, Besieged by Entente Forces, Cut Off From Supplies Must Fall Soon

The British and French are knocking at the doors of St. Quentin, the medieval town that marks the backbone of the so-called Hindenburg line...

To the north of St. Quentin the British are surging forward along a thirty mile front, their rapid advance in the last few days unaccompanied by any major fighting...

French activity is mainly in evidence east of Soissons, where a sharp salient has been formed in the German lines...

While the allied capitals are filled with rumors of a coming great counter-offensive by the Germans, nothing has developed to show where such a blow, if one is contemplated, will fall...

TURK LOSSES HEAVY IN THE GAZA BATTLE

Total Casualties Sustained By Foe Eight Thousand LOSSES OF BRITISH In Fight Were Less Than 400 Killed

London, April 2.—Andrew Bonar Law, member of the British war council, to-day stated in the House of Commons that the total casualties suffered by the Turks in the battle of Gaza in Palestine were 8,000.

Weather Bulletin

Toronto, Ont. April 2.—Disturbance of considerable energy is passing eastward across the lower lake region. The weather is rainy in Ontario and Quebec and fair and cool in the Maritime provinces...

U. S. Congress Meets in War Session

SIBERIA HAILED REVOLT

Unanimous Sentiment of the Country In Favor of Republic PATIENCE, LOYALTY Breathed by Speeches of Exiled Russians There ALL MUST CO-OPERATE In Work of Defeating Common Foe

Petrograd, April 1, via London, April 2.—Charles H. Boynton, president of the American-Russian Chamber of Commerce, who arrived here to-day after a journey across Siberia...

President Wilson's message was written and his appearance before Congress only awaited official notice that the House had effected organization and that both Houses were ready to hear him.

Mr. Boynton said that the greater part of the crowd was composed of soldiers wearing the red badge of the revolution. "I was impressed," he continued, "by the extraordinary unanimity of sentiment expressed on every side in favor of a republic."

PRUSSIAN GENERAL HAS DIED

Gen. Max von Prittwitz Passes Away in Berlin OPPOSED RUSSIANS And Unable to Prevent Invasion, Was Removed GEN VON HINDENBURG Succeeded Him On Eastern Front

Copenhagen, April 1—via London, April 2.—Despatches from Berlin announced the death of General von Prittwitz and Graf von Tannenberg, the man to whom the appointment of von Hindenburg owes his ascent to fame.

General von Prittwitz at the outbreak of the war was one of the most highly esteemed generals in Germany. He was born at Bernstadt, Prussian Silesia in 1848.

Question of America's Entry Into Struggle to be Ultimately Decided This Week, and Declaration of War is Practically Insured

Washington, April 2.—As soon as Congress assembled at noon President Wilson practically decided to make his speech to-day immediately after the organization of the House, even if it should be deferred until late this afternoon or early evening.

Washington, April 2.—Congress met in an extraordinary session today to decide the question of war with Germany. First came the struggle between Democrats and Republicans over organization of the House.

Even at the last minute tremendous moral pressure for or against war was being exerted on members of Congress by their constituents, mainly through the medium of telegrams which continued to pour in to-day.

All signs early today pointed to a rather speedy Democratic victory in the House by the re-election of Champ Clark as speaker over Representative Mann, Republican candidate and the resultant dictation of committees by Democrats.

ZIMMERMAN IS HAULED OVER COALS IN REICHSTAG

Investigation Into Leakage of Teuton Intrigue With Mexico and Japan Provides Unpleasant Moments for Foreign Secretary, Who is Made the Goat of the Affair—A Revised Edition of the Offer Published in Germany

Copenhagen, April 2.—The German-Mexican Alliance incident, it is established by reports brought by persons recently arrived from Germany and from press reports of the reichstag sessions continues to provide unpleasant moments for Dr. Alfred Zimmermann, secretary for foreign affairs.

Formal justification for the proposal is unquestioned, but as the Tagblatt points out, the vital point is the effect which the overtures might be expected to have on Mexico, on Japan and on public opinion in the United States.

Regarding Dr. Zimmermann's statement that the manner in which the American Government gained cognizance of the negotiations is under investigation, it is stated authoritatively that this could only have occurred through the United States Government being in possession of the code in which instructions which were telegraphed, either before they reached Washington, or were on the way.

PENFIELD TO RETURN TO AUSTRIA

American Ambassador Does Not Look for Break in Relations GOES TO WASHINGTON To Confer With President on the General Situation RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT Recognized By Grand Duchess Elizabeth

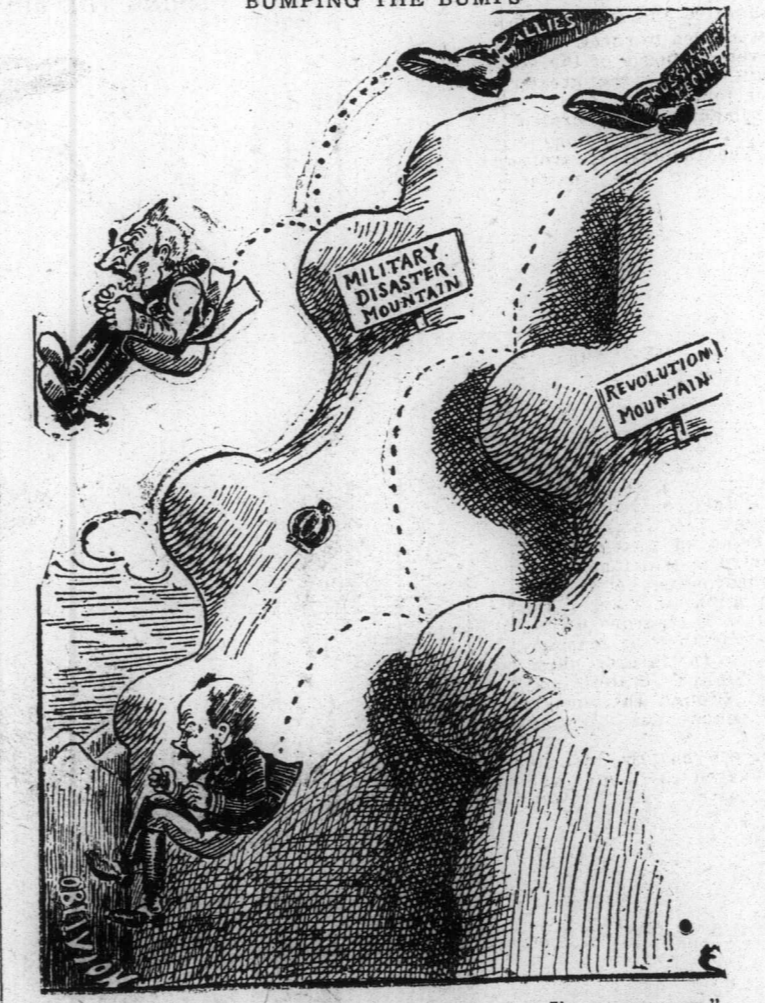
Vienna, Saturday, March 31, via London, April 2.—American Ambassador Penfield confirmed to-day the impression here that he expects to return to Vienna as quickly as possible for his forthcoming visit to Washington.

Mr. Taft spoke publicly in eleven cities in nine states from Virginia to Missouri in behalf of the program of the League to Enforce Peace, and urged upon people the necessity for preparation for war.

RUSSIAN REPLY IS BAYONET

Huns Must Rid Selves Of Cursed Hohenzollern and Bethmann DECLARES A DEPUTY Before Offering Friendly Hand to Russia HYPOCRISY IS SHOWN In Greetings Sent To Revolutionists

London, April 2.—The German Emperor and the chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg were bitterly denounced by Deputy Skabeloff, vice-president of the council and workmen and soldiers delegates during a demonstration in front of the duma building, according to a Petrograd despatch to Reuters.



Emperor William—"Nicky's there already, but I'm on my way." Cartoon by Shiells in the Toronto Telegram

French Advance Against the Foe; British Capture Several Villages; Russians Also Progress

Paris, March 2—2:05 p.m.—French patrols advanced last night to the German positions before St. Quentin, which they found to be held in force.

In the region of St. Quentin, our patrols pushed forward northeast of Dallon and north of Castres (these towns are about three miles from St. Quentin) as far as the enemy lines, which they found to be held strongly.

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