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BRITISH CAPTURE CROISELLES

HAIG CARRIES STRONG POINT AFTER DESPERATE DEFENCE CONGRESS SEETHING WITH WAR SENTIMENT AS EXTRA SESSION MEETS

WAR SENTIMENT RULES AT THE AMERICAN CAPITAL AS SPECIAL CONGRESS GATHERS

Washington Seething With Patriotism, All Bickerings Having
Vanished—President's Message Is Expected To Be a
Powerful Indictment of German Imperial Government.

Washington, April 2.—The sixty-fifth Congress — a
body—meets at noon today to organize for one of the
most momentous sessions in American history. Bickerings,
jockeying and wrangling of the past week apparently are
about gone.

SEETHING WITH PATRIOTISM.

Patriotism fairly seethes within the Congress. There
will be but few who will raise their voices against the war,
and even these, once the war resolution is adopted, are ex-
pected to swing into line in favor of going on to the last
trench.

It was a solemn throng that jammed
into the House galleries today.
Men and women who want war be-
cause they believe it is the only
right and honorable course in the
present situation, and who want
peace at any price, mingled in the
crowds. The president will address
Congress as soon as the house is
organized—this may not be till
tomorrow.

A Powerful Indictment.
The message is described by the
president's advisors as a powerful
indictment of the German imperial
Government. It is expected to out-
line the long and patient course
pursued by the United States to
remain at peace with Germany and
treaties and provisions which have
more and more been violations of the
laws of nations.
There is no immediate intention
of sending an American expedition
to Europe. The belief of Govern-
ment authorities is that the Entente
Allies now need money, ships and
ammunition more than additional
men. These material needs of the
Entente Allies are the aggressive moral
support of this nation are regarded
as the best help that United States
can give at present.

ZIMMERMAN BLAMED FOR BEING CAUGHT IN MEXICAN PLOT

Germany Puzzled As To How
It "Leaked."

HAS U. S. ENEMY'S CODE?

Berlin Fearful Washington
Has Further Facts of Hun
Conspiracies.

Copenhagen, April 2.—The Germano-
Mexican alliance incident, it is estab-
lished by reports brought by persons
recently arrived from Germany and from
press reports of the Reichstag sessions,
continues to provide unpleasant mo-
ments for Dr. Alfred Zimmermann, sec-
retary for foreign affairs. His defence
of his action behind the closed doors
of the Reichstag committee and in the
opinion of the House has not availed to
check public or private criticism of the
act itself, still more of the greater
crime of being found out.

Dr. Zimmermann's latest explanation
in the Reichstag on Friday is dismissed
by the Tagblatt as avoiding the real
crux of the matter, namely, the wisdom
of the step as a matter of policy. Formal
justification for the proposal is un-
questioned, but as the Tagblatt points
out, the vital point is the effect which
the overture might be expected to have
on Mexico, on Japan, and on public
opinion in the United States, particu-
larly in the Western and Southern
States.

Has United States the Code.
Regarding Dr. Zimmermann's state-
ment that the manner in which the
American Government obtained cog-

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Wednesday Afternoon—"Ireland and
Scotland."
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RUSSIANS STILL DRIVING TURKS OUT OF PERSIA

Enemy in Full Flight Close To
Mesopotamian Border.

COUNTER-ATTACKS FAIL

British and Russian Troops
Rapidly Converging To-
ward a Junction.

Petrograd, April 2, via London, 2:25
p.m.—Russian troops moving westward
from Kermat in Persia are approaching
the Mesopotamian border near Khan-
likan, continuing to drive the Turks be-
fore them, today's war office state-
ment indicates. Two additional towns
have been occupied by this column.
The more northerly column, which al-
ready has crossed the Mesopotamian
border south of Banch, has held its
newly won ground there, breaking up a
Turkish offensive movement. The
official statement reads:
"Caucasus front. In the direction of
Panjwin, in the region of the village
of Ganadchi, about ten miles south
of Banch, our troops repulsed a Turk-
ish offensive, in the direction of Khan-
likan, our troops occupied Matane,
Polat and Serpoule. The pursuit of the
Turks, who are retreating in the
direction of Kasrabad, continues."

LINKING UP

London, April 2.—Mesopotamia
The Turks have suffered further reverses,
and the union of the British and Rus-
sian armies appears to be on the eve
of consummation. An attempt by the
reinforced Turks to take the offensive
has been crushed, and although the
official reports are meagre, the indica-
tions are that Gen. Maude is within
fifty or sixty miles of his Russian ally.

Pop-Eyed With Wonder!

[Queph Mercury.]
London, April 2.—In Middlesex
County, in putting on airs, and
now they have a traffic cop at the
corner of Dundas and Rich-
mond. We were watching him
for a few minutes yesterday. He
gave the high sign for one of the
electric chariots that came
around there, to pass on. After
a while he told the engineer on
that he could go home, and
finally he advised a man on a
hack that he could pass with
him, as though that chap had about
the best job in London.

TURK LOSSES IN GAZA BATTLE 8,000

London, April 2.—Andrew Bonar Law
member of the British war council,
today stated in the House of Commons
that the total British casualties in the
Battle of Gaza were 8,000. The total
number of British killed, he added, was
less than 400.

M. C. R. SECTIONMEN, A HUNDRED STRONG, GO OUT ON STRIKE

500 May Be Out Between
Detroit and Falls.

[Special To The Advertiser.]
St. Thomas, April 2.—Section men
employed on the Michigan Central
Railway, between the Detroit and Ni-
agara Rivers, numbering about one hun-
dred, went out on strike this morning.
The men were on receipt of \$1.50 per
day for 10 hours' work, and demanded
\$2.25 to \$2.50. The company offered an
increase of 10 cents per day, which was
rejected by the men. There are five
hundred section men employed on the
district, and it is presumed nearly all
of these will be out by tomorrow.

PROVINCIAL DETECTIVES BATTLE WITH STRIKERS

Quebec, April 2.—Armed provincial
detectives, ten strong, protected strike-
breaking pole climbers on Saturday and
today in Lewis and Clarke against the
attacks of a group of striking linemen.
Stones and other missiles were thrown
at the police on Saturday, and some
strike-breakers were injured in mix-
ups. Four strikers have been arrested.

HOUSEWIVES OF QUEBEC FORCE DOWN THE PRICES

Quebec, April 2.—Quebec has a league
of housewives, and on Saturday they
took the situation in hand and caused
prices of certain produce to drop on the
various town markets. Maple syrup,
which was selling at \$1.75 a gallon, has
now dropped to \$1.25.

COAL MINERS CELEBRATE.
Pittsboro, Pa., April 2.—Work in the
coal mines throughout the anthracite
region was suspended today in observ-
ance of the eighth anniversary of the
granting of the eight-hour day. Cele-
brations were held in many cities and
towns in the district.

UP TO UNCLE SAM!



United States—"If one must go, it will have to be you."—N. Y. Times.

HOWARD MAY BE CHARGED WITH SLAYING OF SCHMIDT

Alleged Detroit Wire-Tapper Arrested in This City Faces a
Serious Accusation—Young Girl Detained by Police
Expected To Give Sensational Evidence.

[Special To The Advertiser.]
Detroit, April 2.—Detective John Reid
said today that there is a possibility
that a war-time chaperone, Albert Kindy
(real name), alias C. R. Howard, with
the slaying of Patrolman Emil Schmidt,
may be charged with the crime. He
was asked Tuesday. A conference
with Prosecutor James Nowicki will be
held during the day. Kindy was known
here as Harvey Young.

The announcement followed the call-
ing to headquarters of a number of per-
sons living in the vicinity of Grand
River and Warren avenues, where
Schmidt was killed early in the morn-
ing of February 20. Several of those
who looked Kindy over say the man who
killed the policeman ran from the scene
of the crime. The police refuse to say
whether Kindy had been identified as
one of the two men.

Girl Is Held.
Emily Stephens, 22, years old, 1296
Congress street, is detained as a ma-
terial witness. Miss Stephens was called
to police headquarters several times
afterwards after Andrew's (Howard's)
arrest. Andrews was with her
during the night the patrolman was
killed, and she is believed to have knowl-
edge of the movements of both Andrews
and Kindy.

Kindy and Andrews will be questioned
in the presence of the young woman to-
day. Kindy will be asked to repeat
statements he has made to Edward H.
Fox, chief of detection, this morning.
The examination, in which rep-
resentatives of the prosecutor's office
will take part, will be the most search-
ing the suspects have been put through
yet.

As today is a legal holiday, no war-
rant will be asked for Kindy. The
charge against him is passing a worth-
less check, for \$180 on the Hotel Pont-
chartrain, and the police say they have
evidence that he also attempted to pass
a \$1,000 check on the First and Old
Detroit National Bank. A forged war-
rant will be asked if there is no decli-
nation to prosecute him for homicide.

Kindy was arrested in London, Ont.,
and immediately after the arrival of the
train at 1:30 was arraigned, charged with
the shooting. He will be remanded at
once pending change in the condition of
the wounded man.

VON BEHRING DEAD.
London, April 2.—The Exchange Tele-
graph Hague correspondent says that
German papers report the death of Pro-
fessor Emil von Behring of the Univer-
sity of Marburg, discoverer of diphtheria
antitoxin.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
Following were the highest and lowest
temperatures recorded in London during
the 24 hours previous to midnight last
night: Highest, 61; lowest, 39.
The official temperatures for the 12
hours ending 5 a.m. today were:
Highest, 52; lowest, 36.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND COOL.

Forecast.
Today—Fresh north and northwest
winds, cooler and showery.
Tuesday—Moderate winds; fair and
cool.
Temperatures.
The following were the highest and
lowest temperatures during the 24 hours
previous to 8 a.m. today:
Victoria, 44; Low, 36.
Calgary, 44; 18; Clear
Winnipeg, 40; 15; Clear
Perry Sound, 42; 36; Cloudy
Ottawa, 55; 40; Cloudy
Montreal, 54; 32; Cloudy
Quebec, 52; 30; Rain
Father Point, 32; 20; Cloudy

A disturbance of considerable energy
is passing eastward across the Lower
Lakes Region.
The weather is rainy in Ontario and
Quebec, and fair and cool in the Mar-
time Provinces, while in the Western
Provinces it is decidedly cold.

HAIG GETS CROISELLES AFTER FURIOUS BATTLE; FRENCH AT MAIN LINE

REPLY TO WILHELM WITH THE BAYONET

London, April 2.—The German
Emperor and Chancellor von
Bethmann-Hollweg were bitterly
denounced by Deputy Speaker
of the House of Commons, and de-
legates during a demonstration in
front of the House of Commons, ac-
cording to a Petrograd dispatch
to Reuters' Deputy Secretary, ad-
dressing the thousands of sol-
diers and civilians who took part
in the demonstration said:
"To the hypocritical greeting
sent the Russian revolutionists
by Wilhelm and Bethmann, we
can only reply with the bayonet.
We cannot shake hands with the
German people until they have
rid themselves of the cursed Ho-
henzollern and Bethmann."

THE WAR SITUATION ON WESTERN FRONT

The British and French are knock-
ing at the doors of St. Quentin, the
medieval town that marks the back-
bone of the so-called Hindenburg
line, of the four railroads entering
the city two are in possession of
the Allies, and the remaining two
are under the fire of their guns.
This means that the garrison must
depend on a precarious supply line
operated at night, and that the value
of the city as a base of operations
is fast falling. It is certain, and this
assumption is supported by unofficial
dispatches from the front, which
say that the town has already been
partly razed by the Germans.

Surging Ahead.

To the north of St. Quentin the
British are surging forward along
the 20-mile front, their rapid advance
in the last few days unaccompanied
by any major fighting, proving that
Gen. Haig is not yet in touch with
the main German force.
With St. Quentin and La Fere
practically in the grip of the Allies,
the Lille-Laon line appears doomed,
and military critics express the
opinion that either Field Marshal
von Hindenburg never contemplated
a stand here, or that he was out-
generalled by the amazingly rapid
advance of the French toward La
Fere. At present the French have
delinquished the initiative to the
British, who are driving a wedge in
the direction of the town of Le
Cateau, ten miles north of St. Que-
ntin, and now within five miles of the
British outposts. They say their ship
was continuing his raids in the
Arras sector, the official reports
indicating that important opera-
tions are on foot in this, the ex-
treme portion of the battle line.

A Sharp Salient.

French activity is mainly in evi-
dence east of Soissons, where a
sharp salient has been formed in
the German lines, the breaking of
which will lay bare the important
Craonne plateau, the most formid-
able barrier in Gen. Nivelle's ad-
vance.

SOUTH, SOUTHWEST, ARE READY FOR WAR SAYS JUDGE TAFT

New York, April 2.—William Howard
Taft, returning to New York today after
what he said was the longest and most
strenuous journey he has ever made,
left the White House asserting that
the people of the south and southwest
are ready for war, and that the United
States must enter the conflict "whole-
heartedly."

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 the people the necessity for pre-
paration of war.

"Unless the war continues a year
longer, an American army cannot be
placed in the trenches of Europe, the
former president said, but the Govern-
ment can aid with food supplies, money
and credit, and with the navy in sup-
pressing submarines."

VIGILANCIA'S CREW TELL OF TORPEDOING BY SUB

Halifax, April 2.—Capt. Middleton
and crew of twenty-six of the American
steamer Vigilance, which was torpedoed
by a German submarine, arrived here
today en route to their homes in the
United States. They say their ship was
sunk on March 16, a hundred and fifty
miles from land and that eleven of the
crew were drowned when one of the
boats capsized. Scott, the second en-
gineer, who was an occupant of the
capsized boat, swam a mile in the water
before he was rescued.

ICE BARRIER STILL SOLID.

Quebec, April 2.—Although it has
rained throughout the night the ice is
still solid on the river above Quebec,
and the two Government icebreakers,
Lady Grey and Montcalm, are still
hammering at the barrier below Three
Rivers. It is not expected in shipping
quarters here that the river will be
clear for ten days or two weeks yet.

Croiselles, Longatte and Doignies the Latest Towns To Fall
Before British Onrush.

BRITISH AND THE FRENCH ARE KNOCKING AT ST. QUENTIN'S DOORS

Nivelle's Patrols Reach Backbone of Hindenburg Line and
Find Positions Strongly Held.

London, April 2.—3:20 p.m.—The British have
captured Croiselles after a desperate defence by the
Germans, Reuters' correspondent at British headquar-
ters reports.

The towns of Longatte and Doignies also have
been captured by the British, who took some prisoners.

WIDENING THE WEDGE.

British Headquarters in France, April 2.—Via
London, 3 p.m.—(From a staff correspondent of the
Associated Press.)—The British forces today widened
the wedge they had inserted in the German line in the
region of St. Quentin, and captured the villages of
Atilly and Villechols, respectively, southeast and
northeast of the village of Vermand.

The British today are within three miles of St.
Quentin and are working eastward in that direction,
while the French are pressing from the south.

Yesterday the British drove a wedge in the outer
German lines at Savy, also taking Savy Wood.

NIVELLE STILL DRIVING GERMANS.

Paris, April 2, 2:05 p.m.—French patrols ad-
vanced last night to the German positions before St.
Quentin, which they found to be held in force. South of
the Ailette the French drove the Germans beyond
Vauxaillon. The war office today gave out the fol-
lowing account of the operations.

Lines Strongly Held.

"In the region of St. Quentin the British pushed forward northeast of Dailly
and north of Castrès (these towns are about 3 miles from St. Quentin), as far as
the enemy lines, which they found to be held strongly. In the sector south of
the Oise there was heavy firing between the advanced posts. South of the
Ailette our troops followed up their successes and drove the Germans beyond
Vauxaillon. Enemy patrols were dispersed by our fire. The number of pris-
oners taken yesterday reached 120. We captured five machine guns."

Attacks Checked.

"In the Champagne several German counter-attacks against the positions
which we recaptured west of Malson-de-Champagne were checked by our fire.
We repulsed completely attacks on small posts east of Auberville and west of
Navarin farm."

Berlin Admits It.

Berlin, via Sayville, April 2.—Battles begun yesterday between the British
and German forces west of Arras, on the road to Cambrai, and on both banks
of the River Somme, south of St. Quentin, were further developed this morning.
says the official statement issued today. The British forces, the statement
adds, gained ground where the German troops gave way under orders.

On both sides of the Oise-Aisne Canal, and on the highlands of Vregny, it
is announced, the French made some advance under heavy losses.

BRITISH PUSH THE ENEMY BACK FOR MILES; THREE MILES FROM ST. QUENTIN

LONDON, April 1.—9:58 p.m.—Heavy fighting took place
today west of St. Quentin, resulting in the capture by the British
of the village of Savy. Later British troops attacked Savy wood,
about a mile from the village, and only three miles from St. Que-
ntin, and occupied that position.

The official report from British headquarters in France which
records these successes, announces also the capture by the British
of Vendelles, lying further north, and Epesay and Peziere, to the
southeast of Heudicourt.

The text of the report reads:

"During the month of March we have taken in raids and
local operations and in the course of the enemy's withdrawal,
1,239 German prisoners, including sixteen officers, and have cap-
tured three field guns, twenty-five trench mortars and a quantity
of war material."

"The total German prisoners captured in the first three
months of this year numbers 79 officers and 4,600 men."

"ALMOST" PEACE OFFER

London, April 2.—The recent in-
terview with Count Czernin, the
Austro-Hungarian foreign minister,
in which he declared that the pro-
posal of the Central Empire for a
peace conference still held good, is
considered by the Berlin Social
newspaper Vorwaerts as "almost a
peace offer," says a Central News
dispatch from Amsterdam today.

The newspaper, it is added, be-
lieves that the impending visit to
America of Ambassador Penfield is
not altogether unconnected with
Count Czernin's statement.

Through Savy and Beyond.
"We captured the village of Savy this
morning, four miles west of St. Que-
ntin, after considerable fighting, taking
sixty prisoners and two machine guns.
The enemy's casualties were heavy
both in killed and wounded. Seventy
German dead were counted on the front
of a single battalion.
"This afternoon Savy wood, a mile to
the northeast of the village, was suc-
cessfully attacked and is now in our
hands. We also captured a village
Vendelles last evening. We made fur-
ther progress to the northwest.
Croiselles. Parties of our troops ter-
rored the enemy's trenches in the night
and morning north of Rodolnon
northeast of Neuville-St. Vaast.
A few more prisoners were taken a
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