

## VILLA'S REBELS FORCE WAY INTO TORREON; FIGHT CONTINUES IN CITY

### BATTLE RAGES ALL NIGHT LONG IN CITY STREETS

Bombardment Stops When Rebels Enter City—Fighting is Hand-to-Hand and Machetes Freely Used—Federals on Roofs Fire at Enemy.

Much of the Attacked City Ablaze—Rebels' Dead 350 and Federals' 800, Estimates Villa.

GOMEZ PALACIO, Mex., March 28 (4 a. m.).—Torreón's federal garrison was still fighting at this hour. The rebels were in the town, however, and all night long the battle raged in the streets. From the rooftops the federals poured a murderous rifle and machine gun fire on the crowd below. There was a constant smashing of barricaded windows and doors as the rebels forced their way into the houses to get at those who were taking them from the roofs.

General Villa stopped the bombardment of the city early in the night, as his artillery fire would have punished his own men inside it as much as it would have damaged the enemy. The crackle of small arms was incessant, however. Much of the fighting was hand to hand and the machete fighting freely in it.

**Town in Flames**  
Much of the town was on fire and the flames furnished sufficient light for the bloody struggle.

The principal plaza was the goal at which Villa and his men aimed. The streets leading into it had been strongly barricaded and to avoid the delay which these obstructions caused the rebels cut their way, in many instances, through whole blocks of adobe houses.

Of the federals, it was known that General Ricardo Pena and Colonel Frederico Reyna had been killed, and that Generals Eduardo Ocaranza and Andres Almanzan, two of General Velasco's chief lieutenants, were fatally wounded. General Villa had lost none of his leading officers, although General Trinidad Rodriguez was badly wounded.

Villa estimated the rebels' dead at 350 and the federals' at more than 800.

#### Bombardment Incessant

The bombardment of Torreón having been incessant since last Sunday, the federals have not had much time to dispose of the corpses. Early in the week, prisoners said, an attempt was made to burn them, but for the last three days they have been allowed to lie where they fell. The result is that the streets are thickly strewn with men's and horses' bodies. The weather is hot, decomposition sets in quickly and there is fear of an epidemic.

General Villa has ordered several carloads of lime to be used for disinfection purposes as soon as he takes the city.

### BETTER PRICES IN LIVESTOCK MARKET

PORTLAND, March 28.—Receipts for the week have been: Cattle 1816, calves 90, hogs 4451, sheep 5484.

Fairly heavy receipts of cattle the early part of the week, with a few loads of extra choice steers going at a good 25c better than preceding week. Very light offerings Thursday and Friday and market 10 to 15c lower.

Receipts of hogs during the week were not heavy. Buyers forced the price down about 10c. Extreme tops sold around \$8.85 at the first of the week, closing at \$8.75 at the end.

A moderate run of mutton for the week's business. Strong demand for top grades and market continues about in line with last week's quotation. Prime lambs, \$6.50 to \$7; yearlings, \$5.75 to \$6; ewes, \$4.50 to \$5; shorn stuff, 75c less.

#### PREMIER WHO LEADS HOME RULE FIGHT



THE RIGHT HON. HUBERT GOUGH, PREMIER OF IRELAND

### MILLION DOLLAR "WHITE CITY" FOR SAUSALITO PLANNED

OAKLAND, Cal., March 28.—Options on land which is to be the site of a million dollar "white city" at Sausalito were clinched at a meeting of officials of the San Francisco-Oakland terminal railways in the Hotel Oakland last night behind closed doors, after months of secret negotiations. Charles Lemp, secretary of a big brewery concern in St. Louis, who built the "white city" of Chicago, is to have charge of the erection of this one. He is now on his way here from Honolulu.

A direct twenty-minute ferry service between Oakland and San Francisco and Sausalito is the plan of the Key Route heads. The "white city" will embrace amusements now featured at Atlantic City and Coney Island. It will be the largest attraction of its kind on the Pacific coast and will be run "wet." Big concessions of hotels, cafes, etc., already have been let.

General Manager McClimont of the Key Route system has been prominent in the consummation of the deal. For months agents have been gathering options on land in Sausalito and its immediate vicinity.

### DEFENSE CLOSES IN KOETTERS MURDER CASE

CHICAGO, March 28.—The defense rested at noon today in the trial here of "Handsome Jack" Koettters, accused of killing Mrs. Emma Kraft at the Saratoga hotel a year ago. The state expected to occupy the afternoon with testimony in rebuttal of the defense's evidence. Koettters himself was the last witness on the stand in his own behalf. His cross-examination by Assistant District Attorney Malata was one of the most savage ever heard in a Chicago courtroom.

### NARROW FLUCTUATIONS ON STOCK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, March 28.—Speculative sentiment was pessimistic when the stock market opened today. Fluctuations were narrow throughout the short session, with a downward trend. Lehigh Valley declined nearly a point. Bonds were steady. The market closed dull.

### PARTY SPLIT TO SMASH CONTROL OF ADMINISTRATION

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Prediction that the republican party would regain control of congress as a result of the split in the democratic ranks over the resolution providing for the repeal of the exemption clause of the Panama canal bill was voiced today by Representative Knowlands of California.

"The ranks of the opposition are badly broken," said Knowlands, "and this will mean a big advantage for the republicans in the coming November election. It's too bad that political capital has to be based on a proposition like the canal tolls, but it affects every American, regardless of party."

"The solidarity of the democratic party vanished when President Wilson split with some of the brainiest leaders of the party. Solidarity is impossible when President Wilson advocates an un-American policy."

### M'MAHAN TO RUN ON BULL MOOSE TICKET

SALEM, Ore., March 28.—L. H. McMahon, who has been considering entering the primaries for the progressive race for governor, let it be known today that he has decided to enter the race and will announce his platform shortly.

### CABINET'S FATE HANGS ON NOTE SENT TO GOUGH

If General Complies With Asquith's Request and Surrenders Memorandum Promising Not to Use Army in Ulster, Ministry Will Survive.

Refusal to Comply Means Dismissal From Command, Followed by the Wholesale Resignations of Officers

LONDON, Mar. 28.—The Asquith cabinet's fate was believed tonight to depend upon the word of Brigadier-General Hubert Gough.

If Gough surrendered the memorandum, signed by War Secretary Seely and endorsed by Field Marshal Sir John French and Adjutant General Sir John Ewart, promising that troops would not be used to force Ulster's submission to an Irish parliament, indications were that the ministry would survive.

**Proposal Most Urgent**  
The Irish home rule proposition would still remain to be settled and the danger of an outbreak in Ulster would continue to exist but these things were not urgent. The army peril would have been averted and to describe this "urgent" was too mild a word. French and Ewart would retain their commissions. With Gough reduced to submission it was unlikely there would be much trouble with the lesser officers.

If, on the other hand, Gough refused to surrender the memorandum he would be dismissed from the service, but so many other officers' resignations seemed certain as would completely disorganize the British military establishment.

**Resignations to Follow**  
Marshal French and General Ewart would be the first to retire, their resignations already having been tendered. General Sir Arthur Paget was thought likely to follow. It was said more than nine hundred other officers were prepared to hand in their commissions next.

Not even the Liberals believed the ministry could do anything but step down from office in the face of such a situation.

Whether the ultimatum to Gough had been held over until tonight, and he was summoned over from Curragh Camp, Ireland, to receive it or whether it had been received at his war office was uncertain, so profound was the secrecy observed.

#### SAILOR COMMENDED FOR BRAVERY BY DANIELS

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels today commended Robert Keathley, a sailor on the cruiser Maryland, for his rescue of a shipmate from San Francisco bay, February 26.

### CHEE, PET OF LILLIAN RUSSELL, STOLEN WITH HER \$2,000 COLLAR



Miss LILLIAN RUSSELL AND HER DOG CHEE

Lillian Russell has lost her Chow, but she is not grieving over Chee so much as she is over the loss of the collar which the dog is wearing. A friend who lives in Shanghai, China, presented to her several years ago a long string of jade beads. The beads were perfect in size and color and were valued at \$2,000 by Miss Russell. She had them made into a dog collar which she placed around Chee's neck. The dog only had the collar one week when he mysteriously disappeared.

### CHANGE IN SPIRIT OF PEOPLE STATES CABINET OFFICER

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 28.—That the past ten years had brought forth a spirit new in American history, a spirit of social service as contrasted with a spirit of selfishness, constituted the theme of an address made before the students of Reed College by William C. Redfield, secretary of commerce this morning.

"Neither you nor I," said the secretary in part, "have the right to behave as an individual in any manner that would be unfitting in citizens. Your life is no longer yours to do with as you please. You have a distinct duty to the state and your fellow men."

Secretary Redfield is inspecting the United State fish hatcheries at Oregon City this afternoon. will rest in Portland this evening and will leave for Seattle at midnight.

#### CAMBRIDGE DEFEATS OXFORD IN THAMES

LONDON, March 28.—Cambridge defeated Oxford today in the annual inter-varsity boat race on the Thames.

### CLEVER GANG OF COUNTERFEITERS UNDER ARREST

SEATTLE, Wash., Mar. 28.—A round-up of one of the cleverest gangs of counterfeiters which has operated in the northwest for many years was completed last night when Charles Dutcher was arrested by Secret Service Operative J. F. Statter, at his home here. At the same time a complete outfit for counterfeiting \$5 coins was found by Statter and City Detectives Manchi and Majewsky in a shack on the outskirts of the city.

William C. Vaughn, who is believed to be the leader of the counterfeiters was arrested in Portland by William Glover, head of the Portland secret service. The following night Harry S. Stone was nabbed by Glover in Spokane after he had bought a ticket for Missoula, Mont., in an effort to escape the officers. The round-up of the three men, who have been operating in the northwest since last October, solves the mystery. It is believed, of the counterfeit \$5 coins which have been flooding banks and stores in Seattle.

### DEBATE WIDENS SPLIT IN RANKS OF DEMOCRATS

Repeal of Canal Toll Exemption Occupies Attention of House All Day—Speaker Clark to Make Final Speech Against Measure.

Some Republicans and Progressives Line Up With Administration on Measure—Praise and Blame Wilson

WASHINGTON, March 28.—All-day debate on the resolution to repeal the exemption clause of the Panama canal tolls set was in progress in the house today. Proponents of the Sims resolution were confident of victory.

The opposition, however, was fighting the resolution bitterly and the split in the ranks of the democrats threatened to widen as the bitterness increased. Speaker Clark planned to make the final speech against the repeal of the provision providing for free tolls for American ships engaged in coastwise trade.

The twenty-hour debate was expected to end Tuesday afternoon. Supporters of the repeal resolution predicted a majority of from fifty to sixty on the final vote.

#### Two Hundred Want to Speak

Two hundred members of the house each want to speak an hour on the measure, but only sixteen hours of debate remained when the house met at noon. The debate today consisted largely of set speeches.

Representative Harrison praised the stand against the repeal by Speaker Clark and Representative Underwood.

"If this repeal is adopted," he said, "I believe it will mark the beginning of the disruption of the party organization."

Representative Stevens warned the house that resentment by the powers might plunge the country into war if the repeal resolution met with defeat.

**To Repudiate Promises**  
"Those loudly howling for patriotism," he said, "and demanding that we do as we please with our own and lay down American doctrines regarding American waterways, forget the nation's history. For a century we have insisted upon equal treatment, without discrimination, for our citizens in commerce everywhere. Now it is proposed to repudiate our promises, abandon our policies and reverse our history. That is called patriotism."

Most of the speakers referred to the split between President Wilson and Speaker Clark. Representative O'Shaughnessy of Rhode Island supported Clark's stand and assailed President Wilson's motives for asking for the repeal.

Representative Thompson of Illinois, a progressive, supported the repeal, saying:

"Although the progressive platform contains the free tolls plank, I am unable to escape the conviction that the exemption clause violates the terms of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty. I believe our national honor is in—  
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### WHITNEY SLAVE CASE IS AGAIN POSTPONED

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 28.—The case against J. Parker Whitney, the Placer county millionaire ranchman accused of transporting Genevieve Hauman from state to state for immoral purposes in violation of the Mann white slave law, was postponed again today by Federal Judge Dooling.

The delay was at United States District Attorney Preston's request. Preston wanted two more weeks and the court gave it to him. Whitney was not in the courtroom, nor even represented by a lawyer.

#### NINE OF THE NEWEST RECRUITS TO THE CHICAGO POLICE FORCE



From Left to Right—Miss Walsh, Mrs. Croucks, Miss Johnson, Miss Olsen, Mrs. Wightman, Mrs. Finan, Miss Rothwell, Mrs. Burt, Mrs. Clements. Here are some of the newest members of the Chicago police force. They have joined so recently that they haven't their uniforms yet. But they have learned to pin their stars on the left side, unlike most of the policewomen of the country whose photographs have so far been published. They have been under the care of Lieutenant Westbroow, who has shown them how to shoot with revolvers, something that few of them knew anything about.