

## FRENCH WIN GERMAN LINE NEAR VERDUN

**Most Terrific Battle of War Raging  
—Greatest Effort Yet Made by  
Teutonic Forces Completely Re-  
pulsed and Counter-Charges by  
French Result in Recovery of All  
Lost Ground and Taking of First  
Line Trenches Dead Man Hill.**

**BERLIN, via London, June 1.**—In an attack on German positions south-east of Verdun on the Verdun front, the French obtained a foothold in the German first line trenches over an extent of 400 meters, the war office announced today. The French made repeated assaults on the German lines, but other than at the point mentioned were beaten off with extremely heavy

**PARIS, June 1.**—More complete accounts reaching here from Verdun show that the battle which raged from May 27 to May 30 and which ended, according to a statement of the French war office, in a costly check for the Germans, was the greatest effort made by the Teutonic forces in the whole Verdun operations. More and heavier guns and denser masses of troops were assembled along the three miles of the French front from Hill No. 204 to the Meuse than in any previous attack.

**Fresh Troops Used**  
The French stood firm under an avalanche of hot and shell and drove back wave after wave of a flood of Teutonic infantry. They surrounded only about 100 yards of ground at Little Caucettes wood, where a trench had been obliterated by the terrific fire of the German big guns.

**Recover Lost Ground**  
It develops that during yesterday's battle west of the Meuse the Germans sent back the French line between Dead Man Hill and Camerettes for a distance of three-quarters of a mile. The French battalions, however, which had retired before the enemy's terrific fire, reformed and made a desperate counter-attack, supported by reinforcements. After nearly two hours of violent fighting they recovered all lost ground. The infantry fighting in this struggle is described as the fiercest of the war.

The Germans were completely repulsed in an attack delivered upon the French positions at Dead Man Hill about 8 o'clock last night, according to an official statement issued by the French war office today. A violent bombardment continued in this region throughout the night. An intense artillery duel is in progress on the east and west fronts of Verdun.

## WILSON TO LEAD PREPAREDNESS PARADE

**WASHINGTON, June 1.**—President Wilson, marching on foot, will lead the preparedness parade here on Friday, June 14. Afterward he will review the procession and deliver a five-day address to the members.

## O. & C. LAND GRANT BILL FROM HOUSE PASSED BY SENATE

**WASHINGTON, June 1.**—The house bill providing for reclamation by the government of 2,300,000 acres of Oregon land granted the Oregon & California railroad, was passed today by the senate. The lands, valued at about \$10,000,000, are alleged to have been forfeited by violation of the terms of the grant, which required their sale to settlers at \$2.50 an acre.

The Chamberlain amendments were adopted to provide that 80 per cent of the proceeds of re-sale should go to the state of Oregon, 10 per cent to the reclamation fund for use in Oregon and 10 per cent to the federal government.

## BUTTE INDUSTRIES EXCEPT MINING CLOSED BY STRIKE

**BUTTE, Mont., June 1.**—Butte today faces a strike situation unique in its history. Anticipating a walkout on the part of men on jobs declared unfair at a meeting of the workmen's union last night, the employers today turned off their laborers and practically every industrial plant outside of the mining industry, together with all construction work, is closed down. The employers have an organization that includes the merchants, bankers and all employers of labor, and they have issued a statement saying they are united and prepared to meet any situation.

All the porters of the department stores went out this morning. The clerks' union is affiliated with the Trades and Labor council, representing practically every trade in the city which has endorsed the demands of the workmen for \$4 a day, but up to noon the clerks had not been ordered out. If they should go out the stores will close. The laborers on the street railway, including the workmen who are employed on repairs, have gone out, but thus far the service on the streetcar lines has not been affected.

All the lumber yards of the city and the brick and tile-making plants closed down, in some instances discharging men who had expected to continue work. The employers have ordered all construction stopped and practically every job is at a standstill.

Work at the mines is going on as usual. The miners and smeltersmen have no differences with their employers.

## PRISON SENTENCES FOR LAND SWINDLERS

**SAN FRANCISCO, June 1.**—Rev. Richard E. Galt, of Calwa, Cal., who recently pleaded guilty to use of the mails to defraud in a scheme involving the attempted settlement of wage earners on Oregon-California lands, was here today sentenced to the Fresno county jail for seven months.

## MARION AND LINN RAILROAD INCORPORATED

**SALEM, Ore., June 1.**—The Marion and Linn County Railroad company filed articles of incorporation here today with a capital of \$250,000. The company proposes to build an eleven-mile line from Hoover, Ore., along the north fork of the Santiam river. The eastern terminal of the Corvallis and Eastern railroad, a southern Pacific branch, is at Hoover.

## BAKER PLEADS PARTY'S CAUSE IN CONVENTION

**Secretary of War Declares Republican Party an Aggregation of Factions Agreeing Upon No Set of Principles — Compares It With Definite Program of Democrats.**

**COLUMBUS, O., June 1.**—Secretary of War Baker in an address as chairman of the Ohio democratic convention here today, declared the republican party is an "aggregation of factions agreeing upon no set of principles," and compared it with the democratic party, which he said had carried out a wise and definite program in economic measures, national preparedness and foreign policy. The party will be continued in power, he predicted.

Secretary Baker praised President Wilson for pressing enactment of the federal reserve and rural credits systems and of the tariff reduction, for upholding American ideals in dealing with Mexico, and for steering the United States away from participation in the European war. He expressed satisfaction that the preparedness program had been moderate.

Attacking the republican party, Secretary Baker said:

**Republican Party**  
"To speak of a man as a republican today identifies him with no cause, ascribed to him no opinion; and whether it affiliates him with progressives or reactionaries or both cannot be told until after the national convention next week."

He declared that Senator Harding of Ohio, who will preside at the Chicago convention, represents one faction which believes the tariff should be the issue in the coming campaign, while other republicans favor an attack on the foreign policy of the present administration. The opposing camps are divided into those who believe the administration has been too bellicose and those who fear it has been too peace-loving, he said.

"Then there is a third group," the secretary continued, "headed by the great detractor, who, shifting from position to position on the nation's foreign policy, selects at each time apparently whatever vantage point seems to offer an opportunity for making difficult the position of the president and congress."

**Aggregation of Factions**  
"In other words, what used to be the strong, coherent, logical organization known as the republican party, is now, so far as its leaders are concerned, an aggregation of factions, the only common bond of union being a willingness to pool issues to win."

"In contrast to this, the democratic party, having lived through years of doubt and hesitation, with a central philosophy sometimes more a yearning than a program, now presents a matured policy, evolved by a great leader and welcomed by his party associates as the real expression of their political ideals."

Mr. Baker said that intervention in Mexico had been urged by "some American owners of Mexican mines, some American proprietors of Mexican concessions, some Americans, who looked with longing eyes on Mexico as Sabin's playground." Border disorders have been unfortunate, he explained, but the only alternative was "war upon these people, who have willed no act of aggression on its and to spend years, expenditure of life and treasure, to impress an alien civilization on these people."

**Praises President**  
President Wilson was the subject of this praise from the secretary:

"When the history of this age (Continued on page two.)"

## MRS. COWLES ELECTED FEDERATION PRESIDENT

**NEW YORK, June 1.**—Mrs. Josiah Evans Cowles of Los Angeles has been elected president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs by a large majority, defeating Mrs. Samuel B. Smith of Tiffin, O.

## LOUIS D. BRANDEIS CONFIRMED BY SENATE



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**WASHINGTON, June 1.**—Louis D. Brandeis' nomination to the supreme court, bitterly fought by republicans for five months, was confirmed today by the senate. The vote was 47 to 22.

Three republicans who voted for Brandeis were Senators La Follette, Norris and Poindexter. Senator Newlands was the only democrat who voted against him. Senators Clegg and Gronna, republicans, were paired in favor of confirmation.

## WAITE SENTENCED TO BE ELECTROCUTED THANKS COURT

**NEW YORK, June 1.**—Dr. Arthur Warren Waite was today sentenced to die in the electric chair during the week of July 10—the penalty for the murder of his father-in-law, John E. Peck, of which he was convicted.

When Dr. Waite was presented to the bar his counsel moved that he be granted a new trial. This was denied by the court and sentence was then imposed.

When Justice Swayne concluded the sentence Waite, delivered a short speech in which he expressed appreciation of the manner in which his trial was conducted and his thanks to the court, the prosecutors and his own attorney.

Dr. Waite said he was very sorry for his crime and for the suffering and trouble he had caused others. He declared he hoped that by surrendering his body for punishment he would compensate in some small degree for the death of his victim.

## CUMMINS BOOM REACHES CHICAGO

**CHICAGO, June 1.**—Cummins headquarters were opened in Chicago today for two more "favorite son" candidates for the republican nomination for president.

State Chairman C. A. Rowan of Iowa brought the boom of Senator Albert B. Cummins to this city. He was accompanied by a party of Iowa republicans.

Paul S. Foreman of Harrisburg appeared as custodian of the candidacy of Governor Brumbaugh of Pennsylvania.

"Governor Brumbaugh's name will be presented to the convention and will not be withdrawn until his friends are convinced there is no chance for his nomination," said Mr. Foreman.

## MEXICAN BLUFF FAILS TO CHANGE WILSON'S POLICY

**Carranza's Bluster Intended for Home Consumption — American Troops Will Not Be Withdrawn From Mexico Until Carranza Demonstrates Control of Situation.**

**WASHINGTON, June 1.**—It was stated authoritatively today that American troops will not be withdrawn from Mexico until the Carranza authorities demonstrate control of the situation sufficient to protect the American border. A reply to that effect probably will be made to General Carranza's note. President Wilson was represented today as ready to withdraw the troops when possible, but determined to wait until the Carranza forces can control the situation.

**Ask for Troop Details**  
Steps were taken by the war department today to obtain more definite information of the disposition of Carranza troops in Chihuahua. It was said that the tone of Carranza's note prompted the action of military officials without regard to the diplomatic phases of the situation.

General Funston has been asked to outline clearly the situation in Chihuahua according to the whereabouts of Carranza detachments. No anxiety is felt for the safety of General Pershing's columns, but in view of the statements in General Carranza's note, it is desired to know as accurately as possible what the movements of his forces are.

**For Political Effect**  
President Wilson and Secretary Lansing today took up consideration of General Carranza's latest note. This country's action or response to the note will not be outlined formally until officials have had time to study carefully the text, which contains about 12,000 words.

Officials expressed belief that the harsh terms of General Carranza's communication were intended primarily to influence public opinion in his own country.

It was explained at the war department that the real mission of the expedition at this time was to prevent attacks upon the side sections of the border controlled by its position in Mexico. A large border garrison or patrol, it was pointed out, might repel an attack, but could not make it impossible.

## SUFFRAGE CAMPAIGN FOR CONVENTION PLANK

**CHICAGO, June 1.**—The campaign of the suffrage workers for the endorsement of the republican convention has become more active with the arrival here of Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, president of the National American Woman Suffrage association, and the plank which the women hope to have inserted in the republican party platform was made public today.

It was announced that Senator William F. Borah of Idaho will introduce the resolutions of the suffragists and will make a plea for their issue.

The plank, as written, is as follows: "The republican party reaffirming its faith in government of the people, by the people, for the people, favors the extension of suffrage to women as a necessary justice to one-half the adult people of this country."

## GERARD CONFERS WITH CHANCELLOR

**BERLIN, June 1.**—James W. Gerard, the American ambassador, had a half-hour conference today with Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg. The immediate occasion for the conference was the question of British policy, but there discussed general matters of international interest.

## LONGSHOREMEN OF PACIFIC COAST OUT ON STRIKE

**General Tie-Up of Shipping From Mexico to Alaska—Conference in Progress to Compromise Contentions — Longshoremens, Stevedores and Riggers Out.**

**SAN FRANCISCO, June 1.**—San Francisco ship owners shortly after noon today granted an increase of 5 cents an hour to 4000 longshoremen who went on strike at 6 o'clock this morning. The ship owners reiterated their refusal to meet the additional demands of the strikers for a dollar an hour overtime.

Three shipping companies, the Hind-Rolph company, the Rolph Navigation company and the Union Steamship company, in which Mayor James Rolph, Jr., of San Francisco, is interested, have granted the full demands of the longshoremen. E. R. Foley, secretary of the Pacific coast district of the Longshoremen's union, said in regard to the partial concessions, "It looks like a feeler."

**SAN FRANCISCO, June 1.**—Three hours after local stevedores and riggers joined the general strike of longshoremen from Alaska to Mexico today representatives of shipping and stevedore firms met with union officials in an attempt to settle the difficulties. In some quarters the hope was expressed that the strike would be of short duration; that a common ground would be reached in today's conference. One report had it that the ship owners would probably pay the increased wage of fifty-five cents an hour asked and obviate the demanded overtime wage of one dollar an hour by eliminating overtime, without recognizing the settlement as a contract with the union.

Longshoremen in every American port from San Diego, Cal., to Nome, Alaska, went on strike today for higher wages and, as a result, practically all deep sea and coastwise passenger shipping was tied up. The strikers are members of the International Longshoremen's union, and according to their officials, nine thousand walked out. Four thousand were employed in San Francisco.

**No Violence Expected**  
No violence was expected, as it is not believed strikebreakers will be employed to do the work of the strikers.

Owners of several fast coastwise passenger steamers announced that their vessels would be continued in operation, giving up, if necessary, all freight traffic.

The men are asking for a rate of payment of 55 cents an hour straight time and \$1 an hour overtime. At present the rate is 50 cents an hour straight time and 60 cents an hour overtime. The strikers are receiving the support of their fellow workers of the waterfront. Last night the Waterfront Workers' Federation of this city, which is composed practically of every union engaged along the waterfront, notified the longshoremen that the federation would support them in their fight.

**Demands Called Unreasonable**  
The ship owners have announced they will not grant the demands and have shown no inclination to budge from their stand. C. W. Cooke, president of the waterfront employers' association, said last night that the demands of the men amounted to a thirty per cent increase and were unreasonable. The employers, Mr. Cooke said, were prepared to grant a possible advance, but would not

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## OREGON DELEGATES OFF TO G. O. P. MEET

**SEATTLE, Wash., June 1.**—A special train carrying the republican and progressive delegates of Washington to the national conventions at Chicago, also two dozen sightseers, left for Chicago over the Northern Pacific railroad at 8 o'clock this morning. The Oregon delegates will join the train at Pasco and tomorrow the Montana delegates will be picked up. The republican and progressive will occupy separate coaches.