

FROM THE PEOPLE BACK HOME.

Congressmen Get Word on War Resolves. What Doughton Heard Caused Him to Line Up for the Resolution. For Peace But Could Not Aid the Kaiser. Kitchin Gets Many Telegrams Commending Him For Stand He Took; Will Not Be Ousted as Leader, Though Feeling Is He Should Resign.

Washington, April 6.—The atmosphere has cleared and Washington people in and out of public life are beginning to view the battlefields of this week. The North Carolina honor roll contains the following names: Senator Overman, Senator Simmons; Representative Small, Representative Hood, Representative Pou, Representative Stedman, Representative Godwin, Representative Robinson, Representative Doughton, and Representative Weaver.

These men stood by their country and by their President, and for their inherited rights. They were brave and strong.

Representative Doughton deserves special praise for the stand he took. At heart he is more of a peace advocate than either Mr. Kitchin or Mr. Webb, but realizing that the die was cast and a vote against the measure could do nothing but give aid and comfort to the Kaiser, he took his place by the side of the friends of the President and the defenders of the rights of his country. He did not talk about war traffickers, persons who will have to pay the taxes, or other immaterial things but marched up like a man and was counted for his country. It was a hard task for Mr. Doughton; therefore, he deserves all the more credit.

Yesterday when in great distress Mr. Doughton wired to people in his district and asked them to sound out the sentiment for him. The responses came in time and they were for the President.

Mr. Webb went down under the lead. He did not vote but accepted a pair with Representative Hill, of Connecticut, who was for the resolution. Mr. Webb's friends would have been happier had he voted against the measure rather than acquitted himself with a pair.

The talk of having Mr. Kitchin resign is nonsense. There will be no formidable move to have him resign as leader of the House. Those who think that he should not continue to hold that position say that it is a matter for him and his conscience. In a time like this the administration, the country needs men at the front who will be there when the cannons fire.

There is a deep-seated feeling that Mr. Kitchin should give up the leadership voluntarily as he is out of sympathy with the foreign policy of the administration. While this is true, no man will make a move to have him forced out. Just as the Senate refused to dethrone Senator Stone from the Foreign Relations Committee, the House will refuse to remove Mr. Kitchin.

Kitchin Will Not Pull Back. It is believed, furthermore, that from this time on Mr. Kitchin will stand by the President. It is not thought that he will pull back. His speech of yesterday will be quoted by the German officials, by German and pro-Germans in this country; that is where the real hurt comes.

Representative Kitchin received more than 100 telegrams today. All except three or four congratulated him; several charged him with being a traitor. About twenty of the messages came from North Carolina people.

Dr. J. M. Templeton, of Cary, wired him to the effect that 95 per cent of the Tar Heels who would have to do the fighting and tax paying approve his course.

Dr. H. Q. Alexander, of Mecklenburg County, wired from Matthews: "People oppose war except to repel invasion. Demand referendum vote."

Dr. Alexander has not been in harmony with President Wilson in years. He essays to speak for "the people" when the truth is, Providence township, where he lives, would not support him on any proposition.

The most interesting telegram Mr. Kitchin had from North Carolina is that of Mrs. Helen Bonner Eshelmann, of High Point, which reads: "As a patriotic American mother and daughter of Revolution am depending upon courageous men like you in Congress to keep us out of Europe's war. Am willing to make any sacrifice to defend my country, but not to protect interests of munition traffickers. May God direct Congress aright."

Others who congratulated Mr. Kitchin are: W. F. Snider, of Salisbury; E. T. Hargrave, Lexington; J. Allen Austin, High Point; J. O. Alderman, Edenton; J. C. Hardin, Norlina; T. B. Deloache, Burlington.

Mr. Doughton's Telegrams. Telegrams received from North Carolina towns by Mr. Doughton yesterday afternoon read as follows: Albemarle: "Our people are solidly with the President."

Lenoir: "Ninety out of hundred

strongly favor standing by the President. Sentiment practically unanimous for resolution since President has asked for its passage."

Concord: "Think it is time to declare war and to fight to the finish." Lenoir: "People here solidly behind the President."

West Jefferson: "Sentiment let war be last chance. But we stand by President."

Mr. Webb explained his position today.

"I was against the resolution and paired with Hill, of Conn.," said he. "He was sick and asked to pair with me. He was for the resolution. I would have voted against it. I consulted Kitchin, Clark and Flood. They advised to pair. One Republican had already paired with Lee, of Georgia. I will be on this like my position would be if a convention had adopted a policy I was opposed to prior to the convention. I will support the government."—H. E. C. Bryant, in News and Observer.



Captain Victor Blue.

The Old Navy Yard at Wilmington.

(W. A. Wilson, in State Journal.)

I have been asked to write my recollections of the old Navy Yard at Wilmington, N. C. I regret very much not being able to give the full information asked—names of employes, etc., as it has been so long ago.

The Beery Ship Yard, called the Navy Yard during the war, was owned and operated by Capt. B. W. Beery and his brother, Mr. W. L. Beery. I kept the books and was time-keeper and paymaster of all the employes. The firm was engaged in ship building many years before the war.

The services of the Beerys and their ship yard was requisitioned early in the war by the C. S. Government. The first work done for the Confederacy was the converting the steam tug Mariner into a privateer, of which the senior partner, Captain Benjamin W. Beery, was commissioned captain by President Davis on July 14, 1861. The Mariner was 185 tons burthen, equipped with a 16-pound gun, and was manned by thirty men. After capturing several prizes, carrying them to New Bern and Beaufort, it was decided that on account of the importance of blockade running between Wilmington and Nassau the port must be protected by warships. So the firm began ship building operations for the Government.

The employes of the yard were composed of skilled engineers, mechanics and workmen of various occupations and were largely detailed from the army and navy, but every man was in the government service. All worked in the construction department of the C. S. Navy and under government control as much as any officer or private of the line. There were over one hundred men employed at the yard and they were divided into two companies C and D. I was assigned to Company D.

The men were quartered in the City Hall on guard duty from the latter part of 1864 until the fall of Fort Fisher, sleeping with their rifles beside them.

It is impossible for me to give you the names of all the men, because several weeks before the fall of Fort Fisher I was sent up to Bladen County to look after some timber we were getting for ship building. I was so near Laurinburg, where my family were refugees that I asked and received a two-weeks' furlough to go to them. Before the two weeks were over Fort Fisher had fallen and Sherman's army had passed, cutting off communication. Now, when I left to go up into Bladen, I had no access to the books, pay rolls, papers, etc., afterwards. I think Captain Beery had all of them destroyed as I had heard him threaten to do if ever the Yankees came in sight.

We built the Iron-Clad North Carolina. She looked like a big terrapin on the water, and the Steamer Yarkin, a dispatch boat, for Commodore William Lynch, then stationed in Wilmington, a number of other ves-

sels and several launches about 20 feet long.

I remember one or more of these launches were secretly taken from the yard one night and placed aboard a train in charge of Capt. Joseph Price, C. S. N., who filled them with marines and made for New Bern; stole up secretly and captured a Yankee gunboat, setting her afire and escaped without the loss of a man. Perhaps Mrs. Lassie Price, of Wilmington, could give a more detailed report of this as well as more of Capt. Price's exploits, for he was a brave and gallant officer.

Now let me tell you a little joke about the ship yard. It was situated in a low land adjoining the rice lands on Eagle Island. After the buildings were burned, the lone chimney was left standing, and is there yet. A thick brush or under growth and vines grew up for many yards around, and some thick vines covered the chimney; this green growth was noticeable across the river to any one looking at the old chimney, but on one occasion the vines around the chimney were noticed to shrivel up and turned a yellowish brown—this was so much noticed that a party went across the river and after dark sneaked up under the undergrowth to the chimney and found a blockader with a whiskey still in full blast—of course the dead vine betrayed him.

But the old chimney is still standing, as I said before, in defiance of Yankees, fire and whiskey.

It has been so long, and having no data to go by I can do no more than give a few names of the employes, some of whom were prominent men, whose names I shall append to this article.

John H. Hanby, B. F. Penny, W. T. Bannerman, Richard Frazier, foreman; James Howard, foreman. James Burch, Archie Burch, Pittman, Williams, Joseph W. Rowell, Samuel Howland, David Connor, (father of Judge H. G. Connor, U. S. Judge), Ivey Bell, W. R. Beery, W. L. Tart, Benjamin Bushel, Elijah Hancock, Charles Hobbs, William Bryan, John G. Barnes (living) William Patterson, William Burch, Sylvester Riley, James W. Barnes, Thomas Dugett, Capt. Watson, H. R. Kuhl (living).

Good Fences a Necessity.

Good fences are a necessity for the growing of good livestock. Indeed, good fences are probably necessary to the best farming. To build good fences costs money and this cost forms one of the chief obstacles to the growing of good livestock.

The fencing problem is one of the real problems of the Southern farmer. Whatever is to be done in the fencing line this year should probably be done now. There is nothing more annoying than to have our own livestock break out of the pastures and get into our neighbor's crops unless it is to have our neighbor's stock get into our own crops. There is no more fruitful cause of trouble between neighbors than poor fences. The scrub bull or boar seems to have a most remarkable faculty of finding the weak places in the fence and consequently fencing is a necessity in all lines of stock raising. If the cost is too great then livestock should not be kept.

Fencing for cattle is not so expensive, but hogs require good fences. Just as we would not advise a man to raise beef or dairy cattle without pastures, we insist that pastures are also essential to economical hog production. Not simply a woods pasture or a place to confine the hogs, but fencing of fields where special grazing crops for hogs are grown. Unless this can be done and ample grazing for all livestock provided by the fencing of large enough areas, we think it unwise to keep any livestock. So let us regard the fencing problem as a real one and go to work to solve it in a business-like way.—Progressive Farmer.

Saw Mill and Much Lumber Burned.

Mr. J. A. Vinson suffered a very heavy loss by fire which broke out in one of his mills near Knightsdale last Saturday, destroying the plant and nearly a million feet of lumber. The fire was not extinguished until Monday and then not until much hard work had been done by Mr. Vinson and a number of his men. The loss was partly covered by insurance.—Clayton News, 5th.



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Length, six inches. Our smallest woodpecker; spotted with black and white. Dark bars on the outer tail feathers distinguish it from the similarly colored but larger hairy woodpecker.

Range: Resident in the United States and the forested parts of Canada and Alaska.

Habits and economic status: This woodpecker is commonly distributed, living in woodland tracts, orchards, and gardens. The bird has several characteristic notes, and, like the hairy woodpecker, is fond of beating on a dry resonant tree branch a tattoo which to appreciative ears has the quality of woodland music. In a hole excavated in a dead branch the downy woodpecker lays four to six eggs. This and the hairy woodpecker are among our most valuable allies, their food consisting of some of the worst foes of orchard and woodland, which the woodpeckers are especially equipped to dig out of dead and living wood. In the examination of 723 stomachs of this bird, animal food, mostly insects, was found to constitute 76 per cent of the diet and vegetable matter 24 per cent. The animal food consists largely of beetles that bore into timber or burrow under the bark. Caterpillars amount to 16 per cent of the food and include many especially harmful species. Grasshopper eggs are freely eaten. The vegetable food of the downy woodpecker consists of small fruit and seeds, mostly of wild species. It distributes seeds of poison ivy, or poison oak, which is about the only fault of this very useful bird.

TO LET WOMEN VOTE.

Prince Lvoff Declares For Extension of Suffrage.

London, April 5.—Women will be allowed to vote in the elections to the constituent assembly in Russia, says Reuter's Petrograd correspondent. The correspondent adds that Prince Lvoff, premier in the provisional government, has so informed a deputation of women who waited upon him.

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