

STATE'S CROPS PROMISE WELL

Only Tobacco Has Suffered to Any Extent—Agriculture Department Report Shows a Splendid Advance.

LAST CORN CROP 57,754,000 BUSHELS; A BIG INCREASE

State Produces More Cotton to the Acre Than Any Other, and May Soon Have Average of One Bale.

Gazette-News Bureau, The Hotel Raleigh, Raleigh, July 21.

THE biennial report of Commissioner of Agriculture W. A. Graham, as of January 1, 1911, has been issued and is a compendium of the work done by the department for the past two years.

As an example of the big increases that have been made by the farmers through the use of better farming methods, due largely to scientific information gained through the department in one way or another, the corn crop of 1910 was 57,754,000 bushels while for 1909 it was 41,382,000.

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News of Fine Crops. Farmers from all sections of the state who have visited Raleigh recently bring news of splendid crops.

A meeting of the trustees of Wake Forest college has been called to assemble in Raleigh on August 8 for the election of a professor of Latin to succeed the late Dr. John B. Caryle.

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MET THE ISSUE LAST CAMPAIGN

Effort to Make an Issue Out of Attitude of Democrats on Lumber Is Late, Says Representative Page.

"PEOPLE AGREED WITH US, OR THEY HAD FORGIVEN US"

Platform of 1908 Was the Party's Promise Provided the People Entrusted the Government to the Democrats.

Gazette-News Bureau, Wyatt Building, Washington, July 21.

REPRESENTATIVE PAGE'S attention was called to a paragraph in the Durham Herald and copied in the Charlotte Chronicle, which reads as follows:

"As Mr. Overman and the eight or nine congressmen who favored a duty on lumber knew nothing of the circular issued from democratic headquarters, the public would like to know their reasons for voting in opposition to an express declaration of the party platform."

When asked for a statement Mr. Page gave out the following: "This clipping copied by the Chronicle from the Durham Herald impels me to make a statement—with no spirit of controversy and with a firm determination not to be drawn into the senatorial controversy now going on in the state.

The Democratic platform of 1908 was the promise of that party to the American people, provided the people entrusted that party with the management of the government. It declared for a gradual reduction of tariff duties to a revenue basis; this was the prime and leading promise touching tariff legislation.

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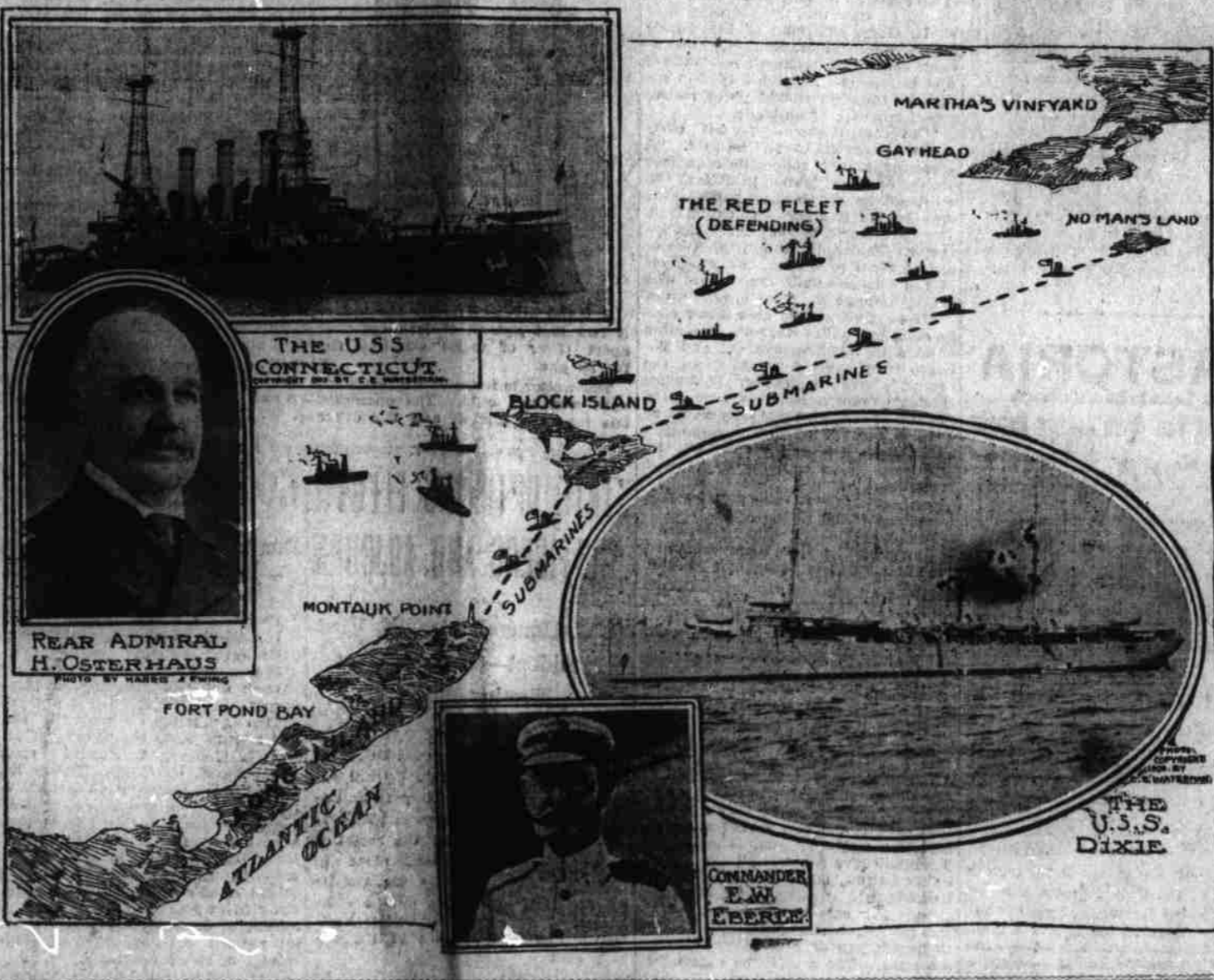
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Plan of New York's Great Naval War Game, Flagship Dixie, and Two of the Commanders



PREPARING FOR A VOTE UPON RECIPROcity BILL

Senators La Follette, Smith and Others Winding up Talkfest—Will Vote Tomorrow.

Washington, July 21.—Chairman Penrose of the senate finance committee promises President Taft to lay the Canadian reciprocity bill with the approval of the senate and house on the president's table by 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

Washington, July 21.—Speeches by LaFollette explaining his propositions for revising the woolen and cotton schedules of the tariff law, and William Alden Smith of Michigan and other senators, on various phases of the reciprocity bill, occupied the senate's attention today in anticipation of tomorrow's reciprocity vote.

Assailing the press of the United States for its support of the reciprocity bill, Senator LaFollette expressed the belief that the newspapers would suffer loss of influence for the support given to legislation in which, he said, they have a direct money interest.

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Rough House Breaks up Trial of Cammorrists

Viterbo, Italy, July 21.—The most violent scene at all of the Cammorrists trial was today provoked by a personal dispute between Captain Fabroni and Lawyer Diez.

In the tumult all the lawyers fled from the room. Enrico Alfano and General Abbatemaggio, the informer, were thrown out bodily by carabinieri. Giovanni Bartoloni fell in a fit. President Bianchi, helpless to maintain order, declared the session adjourned.

New York, July 21.—Federal and state physicians and bacteriologists in the harbor guarding the country from a threatened cholera invasion are encouraged because no cases have been found among the latest arrivals from Italy, among the vessels now in quarantine.

When seen this afternoon Mr. Bernard, who is the only Asheville incorporator of the company, stated that the company had secured a tract of between 250 and 275 acres of well-lying land between the Arden station and Christ school and that it is the intention of the company to develop it by the erection of several buildings and to divide it into building lots for residences.

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INQUEST IS HELD IN BEATTIE CASE

H. C. Beattie, the Husband, is Represented by Counsel, as is Also the State.

Richmond, July 21.—Coroner Lovings is holding an inquest into the murder of Mrs. Louise Owen Beattie, who was slain Tuesday night, five miles south of Richmond on Middlelothian turnpike, while automobiling with her husband Henry Clay Beattie, jr., who is chief witness.

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BLUE AND GRAY STRIKE HANDS

Incident, Unique in History, Enacted Today on Field Where First Real Battle Raged in 1861.

ADDRESSES BY PRESIDENT AND VIRGINIA'S GOVERNOR

Review of Veterans at Noon—Other Features of Elaborate Program—G. A. R. and U. C. V. Arranged It.

MANASSAS, Va., July 21.—The blue and the gray marched across the fields of Manassas to meet each other again today. This incident, unique in history, the meeting of Federal and Confederate veterans on the field where they fought a mighty battle just 50 years ago, attracted as witnesses the president of the United States, the governor of Virginia, the home of the Confederate capital, and visitors from many states.

It was the crowning feature of the Manassas peace jubilee and reunion which began last Sunday with a sermon on the court house lawn by Rev. H. N. Couden, chaplain of the house of representatives, who lost his sight while serving in the union ranks.

The following program had been arranged for the day: 9 a. m.—Veterans in Blue and Gray assemble at Henry House, on battlefield.

10 a. m.—Addresses of welcome by Col. Edmund Berkeley, Eighth Virginia, and United States Senator Thomas S. Martin, of Virginia. Responses by General John E. Gilman, commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, and General George T. Cordon, grand commander of the United Confederate Veterans.

11 a. m.—Luncheon and "love feast." 12 p. m.—Return to Manassas. 4 p. m.—Forty-eight young women, representing the states of the union, clasp hands and, forming circle, sing the Manassas National Jubilee Anthem.

6:30 p. m.—Luncheon tendered to President Taft and Governor Mann by Mrs. Robert A. Porter at Annaburg. 7:30 p. m.—Public reception of the president and governor at Annaburg.

50 Years Ago Today. It was on July 21, 1861, just 50 years ago tomorrow, that Bull Run, or the first battle of Manassas, was fought. The Confederates under Johnson were accredited with a decisive victory over the Union forces under McDowell, the retreat of the Federals having practically a clear road to Washington for the Confederates.

It is said, had they chosen to continue their advance on the capital. This was the first real battle of the war, and its result awakened the north for the first time to a realization of what the secession of the southern states meant. It was here that "Stonewall" Jackson gained the name which will be associated with his memory for all time.

MURDERS YOUNG WIFE, WILLING TO DIE FOR IT

Seriously Wounded Her Grandmother, Too—Had Letters Saying Wife Was Unfaithful.

Washington, July 21.—A man who shot his way through a crowd of people today, was charged with the murder of his young wife, who he had just learned was unfaithful to him.