

HORRIBLE SCENES IN VICINITY VERDUN

HUNDREDS OF FRENCH AND
GERMAN SOLDIERS BURIED
ALIVE IN TUNNELS.

HEAPS OF DEAD BODIES

Loss for Butchery Has Rendered
Scores Insane, Amputations With-
out Anesthetics, Fighting is Now
Practically All Hand-to-Hand.

(By United Press)

Paris, May 25.—The French have
advanced along the west bank of the
Meuse and the east part of the vil-
lage of Comiers, as the result of
violent fighting. The war
office announced today. The Ger-
mans are waging a fierce attack on
the trench which the French captured
north of the Hindenburg
quarries. Violent artillery duels
continue around Douaumont.

All French military experts agree
that this week's fighting about Ver-
dun has been the bloodiest in his-
tory. The Germans have lost more
men than in any other week since
the beginning of the war. Men have
been fighting in dark underground
tunnels, using knives, handgrenades
and small searchlights. Hun-
dreds of French and Germans were
buried alive in the wrecking of
these tunnels by shell fire. Scores
are insane from the loss of the terri-
ble butchery. Surgeons prepare for
amputations without anesthetics of
any kind. They say that the wound-
ed French and German soldiers con-
tinue fighting with their knives al-
though unable to stand up. A French
captain has reported 7,000 dead
men heaped along a seven-hundred-
yard front.

DR. WAITE WILL PLEAD INSANITY

Brother of Man Charged With
Murder of Father-in-Law, is
First Witness.

(By United Press)

New York, May 25.—Dr. Arthur
Warren Waite will take the stand
for his own defense at his trial for
the murder of his father-in-law, John
Peck, the Michigan millionaire.

According to Walter Deuel,
Waite's attorney, who outlined the
defense, insanity will be plead.
Frank Waite, a brother of the de-
fendant, will be the first witness to
appear.

AURORA FANS ARE AFTER NEW BERN

Prominent Citizens of That City
Making Effort to Get New
Bern in League.

New Bern, May 25.—A party of
baseball "fans" from Aurora com-
posed of Messrs. W. A. Thompson,
W. T. Litchfield, T. Litchfield, H. L.
Thompson, H. R. Bonner, B. H.
Thompson, W. H. Hooker, motored
over to New Bern this morning for
the purpose of attempting to arouse
the enthusiasm of the local "fans"
to such an extent that they would
arrange to put New Bern in the
Eastern Carolina Baseball League
which is now being formed.

It is the belief of these gentlemen
that New Bern should, by all means,
become a member of this league and
they are working hard to bring this
about. This afternoon they are look-
ing over the situation and if it is
thought that enough interest in
baseball can be aroused here, a
meeting will be called within the
next few days and the matter more
fully discussed.

British Ship of 5,000 Tons Is Torpedoed

(By United Press)

London, May 25.—The British
ship, Washington, a vessel of 5,000
tons, has been torpedoed, according
to dispatches received here today.
The Washington is the largest vic-
tim of the submarines in several
days. No word has been received
as to whether the crew of the ship
were saved or not.

Casement to Go on Trial On June 26

(By United Press)

London, May 25.—Sir Roger
Casement and Daniel Bailey have
been indicted on the charge of high
treason by the grand jury for their
participation in the recent rebellion
in Ireland. Casement's trial has
been set for June 26.

AYDEN BIBLE CLASS COMING TO VISIT

Will Be Here 65 Strong Sunday as
Guests of the Bernice Class
of This City.

Washington Daily News,

Washington, N. C.

Gentlemen:

I received a phone message Sun-
day from the president of the Men's
Bible Class of Ayden, N. C., saying
they would visit our Bible Class
Sunday morning sixty-five strong. Of
course we will give them a warm
welcome and will expect every mem-
ber present to greet them and show
them what a fine class we have.
Please mention this in your paper.
With many thanks and best wishes,
I remain,

Yours very truly,

W. M. R. PERCIVAL.

TO HAVE FUNDS IN THE FORM OF A GUARANTEE

Red Hill Road Committees to Make
Sure That No Slip of Any Kind
Will Occur.

The Red Hill road improvement
committees, and several other per-
sons, who are interested in the
project, met last night in the Chamber
of Commerce rooms and thoroughly
discussed the plans for accomplish-
ing the project on foot.

While the committees are prac-
tically assured of the \$7,500, which
the county commissioners asked
them to secure, it was decided to
get these subscriptions in such form
that they could be turned over to
the commissioners at the next meet-
ing in the form of a guarantee. The
committees will continue their work
Friday. A special meeting of the
Chamber of Commerce will probably
be called next week to further dis-
cuss the subject.

COMMISSIONERS MAKE THEIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

In Only One Township Is Their Any
Opposition So Far. B. B. Thomp-
son in Race.

Candidates for county commis-
sioners today are declaring them-
selves in the race. Announcements
are published in another part of to-
day's issue of all of the present
board of commissioners, who are out
for re-election.

In only one township is their any
indication of opposition. B. B.
Thompson, of Richland, today pub-
lishes his announcement for com-
missioner from that township, op-
posing W. H. Whitley. An exciting
race is expected.

DURHAM IS SELECTED FOR
CONVENTION OF COLLEGES

(By United Press)

Durham, N. C., May 25.—Durham
has been selected as the place for
the twenty-second annual session of
the association of colleges and sec-
ondary schools of the Southern
States. The convention will be held
November 15, 16 and 17. The
membership in the association com-
prises thirty-seven colleges and forty-
two secondary schools.

PUT UP PLANT FOR REDRYING OF TOBACCO

FICKLEN & WEBB HAVE MADE
ARRANGEMENTS FOR OPER-
ATING PLANT IN THIS CITY.

BUILD 2-STORY BUILDING

Means Much for the Future of the
Tobacco Market in Washington.
Work on Construction Will Be
Begun in the Near Future.

The Ficklen & Webb Tobacco Co.,
now located at Greenville and Kin-
ston, have made arrangements to
operate a redrying plant at Wash-
ington this season. They will occupy
a large two-story brick building,
which will be built for them by the
local business men. They will have
two buyers on the market all sea-
son. It is expected that a large
amount of tobacco, sold on the
smaller markets, will be brought
here for redrying.

The establishment of the plant in
Washington means much for the fu-
ture of the local market and will do
much toward putting it on a better
foundation. Active work on the
construction of the building will be
begun within a short time.

The deal has been under way for
several weeks but it was not until
this morning that definite news of
its successful conclusion was receiv-
ed in Washington.

CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

Many Friends Present at Card Party
Yesterday, Given by Mrs.
Williams.

Mrs. W. H. Williams has hosted
yesterday afternoon to a large num-
ber of friends at a most delightful
and enjoyable bridge party. The
home was beautifully decorated with
roses, sweet peas and ferns. There
were seven tables of bridge and an
interesting series of games was en-
joyed. Punch was served and later
ice cream and cake were enjoyed by
the guests.

Colonel and Mrs. Williams arrived
at their fifth wedding anniversary
yesterday and the card party was
also made the occasion by those
present for congratulations and
good wishes by the many friends of
the couple. As it is the custom to
observe this anniversary with wood-
on gifts, a large number of useful
and ornamental articles were pre-
sented to Mrs. Williams by those
present. The invitations to the party
were sent to the guests on thin
strips of wood.

The invited guests were Misses
Mary Cowell, Miss Harvey, Ella
Taylor, Marcia Myers, Fannie Whit-
ney, Maude Windley, Mary Tank-
ard, Olive Gallagher, Adeline Mayo,
Miss Rhyme, Mesdames L. L. Knight,
Frank Cox, D. T. Taylor, A. M. Du-
may, John Gorham, A. D. McLean,
B. F. Bowers, J. C. Rodman, W. C.
Rodman, Geo. T. Leach, J. K. Hoyt,
John Fowle, Mrs. Green, Mrs. Pritch-
ard, Carl Richardson, S. R. Cary,
A. C. Hathaway, Beverly Moss, Dave
Bell, H. W. Carter, Mrs. Fischer of
Norfolk, W. A. Blount, J. G. Blount,
Walter Wolfe, M. M. Worthington,
John Small, Louis Mann, Mrs. Za-
raus of Washington City, C. M.
Campbell, Jr., James Hodges, W. A.
B. Branch, Elizabeth Windley, W. F.
Clarke, John Isanoghe, Caleb Bell,
Rhodes Gallagher, E. M. Brown,
Stephen C. Bragaw.

"LYDIA GILMORE" AT
NEW THEATRE TONIGHT

The powerful drama, "Lydia Gil-
more," presented by Daniel Froh-
man with Pauline Frederick as lead-
ing star, will be shown at the New
Theatre tonight. This is one of the
most interesting and exciting fea-
tures put out by the Famous Play-
ers' Co., and all who see it, no doubt
will be highly pleased.

RUPTURE EXPERT HERE AT THE HOTEL LOUISE

Dr. Frank Henley, late of Philadelphia, the Expert Rupture Spe-
cialist, will be at the Hotel Louise, Washington, for two days, May
24th, 25th, Wednesday and Thursday, prepared to give the latest
and most scientific treatment to all who suffer from Rupture. The
latest and most scientific appliances for the successful treatment and
reduction of Rupture, Corpulency, Umbilical Rupture, Backache,
Varicose Veins, Weak and Swollen Limbs. Consultation Free.
Satisfaction guaranteed. 24th & 25th at Hotel Louise, two days only.

Drove 42 Miles And Traveled Only 2 Miles

To drive for forty-two miles in
the dead of the night and then to
find that you've gotten nowhere, is,
to say the least, rather provoking.

Claude Carrow found it so last
night, although he didn't exactly
call it that. Mr. Carrow, who had
been off on a trip, motored into
Snow Hill shortly after dusk last
night. Intent upon getting home as
soon as possible, he passed through
the city in a rush. For about two
hours he drove at top speed. He
looked at his speedometer and found
that he had travelled forty-two
miles. He wasn't exactly sure as to
his location and determined to stop
at the next house and inquire.

When he discharged the lights of a
farm house through the dark; he
called lustily and a farmer, who had
evidently been forced to get up out
of bed, appeared at the door of the
house with a lamp in his hand.

"How do you do sir," genially
greeted Mr. Carrow.

The farmer mumbled something
or other.

"Can you tell me if I am anywhere
near Washington?" queried Claude.

"Washington! Good heavens no,"
exclaimed the farmer.

"Well, then, whereabouts am I?"

"You're two and a half miles from
Snow Hill," replied the farmer.

What Claude said then has been
stricken out by the board of censors
of this paper.

He arrived home at 3 o'clock this
morning.

WANT GREENVILLE TO PLAY HERE

Local Team Anxious to Meet Green-
ville Team. New Players
Are Arriving.

The manager of the Washington
baseball team has written to Green-
ville, asking for a game in this city
next week. It is expected that the
game will be played here next Tues-
day.

E. R. Bennett, of the University
of North Carolina, arrived in the
city yesterday evening and will catch
for the locals during the coming
season. Bennett is an exceptionally
good player and will strengthen the
line-up of the locals considerably.

Other new players are expected
within a few days and by the end of
the next week, Washington will have
a team in the field that will be able
to put it over anything in this sec-
tion.

A MIX-UP IN SHOES; DUE TO "APPROVAL"

A merchant was recently ask-
ed to send a lady two pair of
shoes on approval, one pair,
size 4 and the other, 4 1/2. He
did as requested and a few
days later the shoes were re-
turned with the statement that
they were not satisfactory.
They were put back in stock.
A day or two later, another
customer tried on one of the
pair that had been sent out,
found them to suit her taste and
purchased them. Yesterday the
merchant attempted to sell the
second pair but the customer
complained that while one shoe
fitted her alright, the other one
was too tight. Upon investiga-
tion it was found that one of
the shoes was a size 4 and the
other a 4 1/2.

The "approval" customer had
mixed up the shoes in sending
them back and they were put
back in stock that way. The cus-
tomer who purchased the first
pair of odd sizes did not notice
the difference. The second pair,
however, were left on the mer-
chant's hands and he is out ex-
actly \$4 as a result of the "ap-
proval" transaction.
Moral—Worse mix-ups than
that often result when goods
are sent out on approval.

ASKS MR. BUTT TO EXPLAIN WHAT HIS INTENTIONS ARE

Jesse B. Harris of Pungo Demands Infor-
mation About Certain Questions
And Issues.

Pungo, N. C., May 23, 1916.

Editor:—Will you allow me to
occupy a small space in your valuable
paper for a brief article?

I see Mr. W. M. Butt is a candi-
date for Representative in the next
General Assembly. Now, I want Mr.
Butt to fully explain what he wants
and not beat around the bush. Do
you want to impose some strenuous
tax on Beaufort county? or if it is
a new court house, say so. Out with
it! Let the people know!

Mr. Butt, I want to ask you some
questions and insist on your answer-
ing them for the benefit of the tax-
payers of Beaufort county.

Did you last year, as a member of
the Board of Education, go to the
Board of county commissioners and
demand of them to levy a burde-
some special tax on the people of
Beaufort county?

Did the Board of Commissioners
refuse to do it, and did you hire a
lawyer at the expense of the tax-
payers of Beaufort county and get
out proceedings to force them to
levy the special tax and did they
not still refuse? And did you run
it to the Supreme court of North
Carolina to try to compel them to
burden the people of Beaufort coun-
ty with a heavy special tax? And
did the Supreme court send it back
without a decision and ask for it to
try to be compromised?

Now Mr. Butt, did you know that
the people of Beaufort county were
against it and did you know the
Board of Commissioners knew it
was too hard on the poor people of
Beaufort county to impose such a
special tax upon them?

Were you representing the people
in that case when a school tax had
been voted down in twelve months
of that time? Now Mr. Butt, you
compromised your special tax, did
you not, at 6 cents? Will you please
tell the people of Beaufort county
what became of that special tax
money if the schools got any benefit
from it? It looks like it was to
shorten the term of school.

JESSE B. HARRIS.

BUILD STEAMER FOR E. CAROLINA SERVICE

Baltimore and Carolina Steamship
Company Will Operate the Line.

New Bern, May 25.—In a com-
munication sent the Sun-Journal
from Baltimore, Md., by Mr. Roy
Taylor, a former resident of this
city, he states that the Baltimore &
Carolina Steamboat Company, who
have for some time been planning
to operate a line of boats between
that port and New Bern, are now
building a modern steamer which
they hope to have in readiness for
operation within the course of a
few months.

Not only is the Baltimore & Car-
olina Steamship Company planning
to operate a line of boats to this
port, but the M. H. Tracy Company,
of New York, have also planned to
operate a line of steamers to New
Bern and other Eastern Carolina
ports and it is believed that they
will start their line in operation be-
fore the Baltimore Company begins
operating their boats.

Citizens of New Bern and the sur-
rounding section are greatly inter-
ested in these boat lines and have
promised the promoters all possible
support.

WRESTLING MATCH TONIGHT

Joe Turner and Willis to Meet at
the Belmo Theatre.

Joe Turner arrived here this
morning for his bout with Joe Willis
at the Belmo theatre tonight. Turn-
er declared he is in fit trim for the
battle and does not expect to have
much trouble in winning the con-
test.

Willis, when seen today, remark-
ed that he was in better shape than
at any time this season and that he
had been doing special training for
tonight's match. He expects to make
a good showing and give the fans a
run for their money.

RUMORS OF PEACE ARE GIVEN A SETBACK

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and Germany will not be at war by
the end of this month.

The last-mentioned odds reflect
the strong feeling here that some
German submarine commander may
unexpectedly upset German-American
relations by an unarmed attack
upon ships carrying Americans.

SHERIFF WINDLEY GIVES STATEMENT

TO THE VOTERS OF BEAUFORT COUNTY:

With the exception of my an-
nouncement as a candidate for re-
nomination for the Sheriff's office, I
have had nothing to say. I have not
asked a man directly to vote for me,
as I thought it was unnecessary, be-
cause I did not (and I do not now)
think my friends will put me out of
office, as everyone knows I have only
had one term. I presented my
receipt from the State last year and
also from the county showing I had
settled in full. I have my receipt
from the State and have settled
three-fourths of the county for this
year, although it is reported in Rich-
land Township that I was holding
back the school money and the com-
mittee could not settle with the
teachers on account of me not set-
tling with the Treasurer. I paid
the schools last year \$2,138.94 too
much and the Board of Education
and myself had quite a little trouble
to get me relieved, and they did it
by giving their notes. I have settled
with the general school fund this
year, less my insolvent list and I
have settled three-fourth of the
taxes for the special graded schools,
and could settle the whole amount
had the finance committee checked
up my account. I have made a spe-
cial effort to help the schools of our
county when our "Treasurer" called
on me for money. I have also helped
the schools in contributing myself
personally and to the county com-
mencement and to three new school
buildings, and this I did willingly
and shall not advertise myself as to
what schools I gave to and what
amount, because I did it without
thinking of any political gain.

I have made some enemies in ad-
vertising their land for taxes, but
any reasonable man would not get
mad, because the law says when a
man does not pay his taxes you
must sell his land and I was not able
to pay the taxes for the people.

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