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Great British Fleet is Humbled by Germans!

Battle Long Sought by the Mistress of the Seas Seems to Have Been Disastrous

Three Line-of-Battle Craft of the Royal Main Fleet Destroyed, Besides Two Armored Cruisers and Smaller Vessels—Berlin Says Germans Lost Two and Possibly Three Ships, Two of Them Battle Craft—Fight Between Norway and Jutland Lasted a Day and Night—Warsprite Indefatigable and Queen Mary Principal Losses of the Britons—Pommern Torpedoed by British and Freuenlob Possibly Lost—Number British Vessels Reported to Have Been Badly Damaged

(By the United Press)

Berlin, June 2.—The Admiralty today announces a fight between a German fleet and the British main fleet. Eight British vessels were destroyed and many badly damaged. The battle occurred Wednesday. English vessels destroyed were the battleship Warsprite, the battle cruisers Queen Mary and Indefatigable, two armored cruisers, one small cruiser, and smaller ships.

The large battleship Marlborough was hit by a torpedo. The fight lasted an entire day and night.

The German losses include the small cruiser Wiesbaden by gunfire and the battleship Pommern by a torpedo. The fate of the battleship Freuenlob is undetermined. She is possibly lost.

The fight occurred off Skagraak, between Norway and Jutland.

British Losses Great.

The three British line-of-battle ships sunk were among the heaviest craft in the world. It is believed that practically the entire strength of the German navy was engaged against the magnificent home fleet of Jellicoe. The loss in life cannot begin to be estimated yet. It was thousands, probably.

The victory, if it reaches the proportions the reports indicate, was the greatest in the German navy's history, and the defeat the most crushing the boasted fleet of the British ever suffered.

EXPERT FINDS SOME OF THE BEST LAND HE EVER SAW HERE

Agt. Kyzer, Norfolk Southern's Agricultural Man, Pleased With Conditions Around Kinston—"Co-operation" in Section

(Daily Free Press, June 2)
Willard T. Kyzer, head of the new Agricultural Department of the Norfolk Southern Railroad, here Thursday, declared that he found some of the finest farming land he ever laid eyes on in this section. Mr. Kyzer is making an initial tour of the entire system.

Crops in Lenoir county are in splendid condition. It seemed to him. They are in better shape, apparently, than on the road between Norfolk and Raleigh, although his investigation was only cursory. Mr. Kyzer spent only a few hours here. He intends to come back and see a lot more of this country.

"Co-operation—I've heard that you have a lot of that," said Mr. Kyzer. He was assured that it is the factor more than all else putting the bright leaf tobacco belt in the limelight.

Agent Kyzer was at college—Clemson, S. C.—with O. F. McCrary, farm demonstration man here. He was unable to find Mr. McCrary, because, he guessed from information that had come to him, the latter was so eternally busy. Mr. McCrary had become a typical farmer since he last

PRESIDENT WILSON HANDS MIDSHIPMEN THEIR SHEEPSKINS

What They Might or Might Not Do Could Make a Change in History of the World, Says—178 In the Graduating Class

(By R. J. BENDER, United Press Staff Correspondent)
Annapolis, June 2.—The President today addressed the Naval Academy graduates and presented the diplomas. He said:

"You are going to live under the most stimulant compulsion imaginable, that of public duty. You as officers of the United States have been trained to act quickly and correctly. The whole history of the world might be changed by what you did not do, or did wrongly."

There are 178 graduates.

RIGID ECONOMY NOW IN FAMILY OF KING GEORGE

London, May 20.—(By Mail)—War economy is being rigidly practiced in the royal household at Windsor Castle. The rule prevails throughout.

He saw him, he had heard, and, by the way, one of the best in the country—a man among those who are working so hard to put the South in its rightful place.

HAD TARHEEL ARRESTED IN PHILADELPHIA; WAS TAKEN HIMSELF LATER

Philadelphia, June 1.—When L. V. Gilliam, a salesman with offices in the Drexel building, upon whose warrant detectives yesterday took into custody Arthur Gunther, a railway clerk of Sanford, N. C., called today at the office of Captain of Detectives Tate to arrange for the prosecution of Gunther, he himself was arrested. Gunther was accused of embezzling \$1,100.

Gilliam was discussing the arrest of Gunther with Mahoney and Callahan, detectives who are in charge of the case, when Chapman Marks, another detective, recognized the visitor as a man he wanted on a bench warrant issued November 19, 1915.

The arrest of Gilliam was made while Gunther's bride of a week stood nearby. She was married in Sanford and was on her honeymoon when her husband was arrested. She talked with her husband for an hour today in the cell room while he explained to his attorney that Gilliam had given him \$1,100. Both Gunther and Gilliam will be turned over to court.

Mrs. Gunther says she will stay in this city and fight for her husband's freedom.

BULLETINS

(By the United Press)

REBUILD SHOP AT NAVY YARD.

Washington, June 2.—The House today authorized the expenditure of \$1,050,000 to rebuild and equip a structural shop recently burned at the Norfolk navy yard. Forty to fifty thousand dollars will be immediately available.

UNIVERSITY STARTS A COURSE IN UNDERTAKING

Milwaukee, Wis., June 1.—"Rah! Rah! Rah! Undertakers '16." This was the yell of a class of freshmen today who started a course in undertaking and embalming at Marquette university. This is the first year the course has been given in the northwest.

SENTENCE OF JONES IS CHANGED BY LYON

Goldshoro, May 31.—The case of D. C. Jones, a prominent clothing merchant of this city, indicted in the county court and pleading guilty upon the charge of illegally importing whisky into this city, and sentenced by Judge Bland to six months on the roads, came up before Judge Lyon in Superior Court today on appeal. Judge Lyon changed the sentence, imposing in lieu thereof a fine of \$250 and costs.

THE DAY ON THE COTTON EXCHANGE

(Daily Free Press, June 2)
One bale of cotton was sold here today. It brought 12 cents. New York futures quotations were:

January	12.91	12.92
March	13.07	13.05
July	12.63	12.58
October	12.72	12.70
December	12.86	12.85

THE HUMAN OSTRICH OF HOLLAND IS DEAD.

London, June 3.—Holland's human ostrich is dead. He was known to have consumed large quantities of hardware. Doctors watched his case with interest.

REPUBLICANS READY TO SWAP PLATFORM FOR CANDIDATE NOW

Platform Will Include Everything the Moosers Desire, It's Probable

ROOSEVELT AND HUGHES

Names Most Mentioned Today—Five Planks Virtually Decided Upon, Said. Prohibition Won't Stand Chance, Thought

(By PERRY ARNOLD, United Press Staff Correspondent)

Chicago, Ill., June 2.—Justice Hughes' open disavowal of Frank Hitchcock's activities in his behalf hit "Candidates' Row" with a bombshell effect. Boomlet fosters expressed divergent views of the disavowal. Some said it meant another step in keeping Hughes' record clear and puncturing of Hitchcock's catalogue campaign in his so far successful effort to smoke out the jurist. "Favorite, son" boomers hailed the United Press' story with glee.

Speedy Agreement Predicted.

Chicago, June 2.—Confidence that the Progressives and Republicans would speedily agree on a presidential candidate grew rapidly today at Roosevelt headquarters. Perkins admitted that the Progressives will await Republican action before acting themselves. He said it is certain that Roosevelt will be nominated.

(By H. S. RENNICK, United Press Staff Correspondent)

Chicago, June 2.—The presidential milling along "Candidates' row" today kept Roosevelt's and Hughes' names at the front. One pre-convention slate was Roosevelt and Fairbanks with Root for Secretary of State and Burton for treasury secretary. The combination includes prominent Progressives for cabinet places.

Framing G. O. P. Platform.

Chicago, June 2.—Ready to swap a platform for a candidate, the G. O. P. old guard today turned attention to the plans they expect to draft. The platform is expected to contain every Bull Moose plank in the hope of winning Progressive support at the polls. The tentatively discussed platform is roughly expected to contain an "Americanism" plank, a "whole-hearted" preparedness plank, a high tariff plank, one for business regulation, and a fifth advocating a large merchant marine, without government ownership.

These planks, some today declared, already have been decided on. Two others remain to be fought over in committee. They are the suffrage plank, with some degree of success possible, and the prohibition, which will be immediately squelched.

Hughes Makes Another "Statement."

Washington, June 25.—Justice Hughes, through his secretary, Lawrence H. Green, today declared that neither Frank N. Hitchcock nor anyone else has been authorized to work for the nomination of the Justice in Chicago.

CONDEMNING LAND FOR NAT'L FORESTS

Asheville, June 1.—United States Deputy Marshal J. Y. Jordan is busy this week locating and serving with notices about 450 people in this section, in connection with condemnation proceedings brought by the U. S. government to secure about 700 acres of land that is needed to fill in various corners in the national forests in this section.

CHOOSE CANDIDATES TOMORROW FOR ALL KINDS OF OFFICES

Lenoir County Participates In the Statewide 'Legalized' Primary

INTEREST IN TWO FIGHTS

Congressional Contest One, Race Between Sutton and Brothers for Representative the Other—Big Vote Is Looked For

(Daily Free Press, June 2)

Lenoir county will Saturday hold its first legalized primary. It will participate with the entire State in the primary for the nomination of State, Congressional and State Senatorial tickets. Simultaneously with Lenoir more than half a hundred other counties will be choosing county candidates. More than 14 hours will be had in which to vote—from sunrise to sunset.

The Two Fights.

Interest here centers in the contests between Floor Leader Claude Kitchin and Clingman Mitchell, Bertie county's aspirant for Kitchin's seat in Congress, and Mayor Fred. Sutton of Kinston and Henry W. Brothers of Institute, for the county's place in the State House of Representatives, all Democrats. Odds favor the Congressman in the former. Democratic leaders think the race between Brothers and Sutton is close. The former will carry Institute and Moseley Hall townships, the latter embracing LaGrange, or else there will be one of the biggest political surprises this county has had in generations. Sutton will carry several rural precincts, probably, in spite of the fact that Brothers' adherents will not concede him one. Brothers is likely to run the local man close—but not close enough to beat him—in Kinston precinct No. 1. In precinct No. 2, the indications are, everything will be Sutton's way.

Big Vote Expected.

Just how much strength the Democrats and the Republicans, or the Republicans and Progressives, will be shown to have after the returns are tabulated Saturday night, no man who values his political reputation will venture to predict. The vote is expected to be the biggest ever polled in a primary in Lenoir county. The leaders of both parties are satisfied with their arrays of office-seeking talent. There never was a cleaner nor more intelligent lot of men—"putting the whole outfit into a bag and shaking 'em up"—out for political jobs since the county started having representatives in the General Assembly, sheriffs and registers and clerks, and commissioners.

Democratic County Chairman G. V. Cowper says the fight for the legislature has been, in his opinion, admirably clean, free from bitterness and hard-waged. The same he thinks to be true of the contest for commissionships. There will be less "sting" in the results than in many previous political fights in this county.

Voters will be given a chance to express their preference for President. The Democrats have a number of ballots with "Woodrow Wilson" pasted on. Ballots are left on the regular ballots, however, in which may be written in spaces designated the voter's choice for President and Vice-President.

HUCKLEBERRIES SELL FOR FOURTEEN CENTS

Magnolia, June 1.—The huckleberry market opened here yesterday, the price offered being 14 cents a quart. It is said that there will not be over a half crop in this section.

CARRANZA HAS TWENTY THOUS'D TR'OPS THROWN ACROSS CO'NTRY IN FRONT U. S. FORCES UNDER PERSHING, SAYS FUNSTON

Does 'First Chief' Intend to Attack Americans If Wilson Refuses to Withdraw Them?—Twice as Many as Obregon Said Would Be Sent to 'Co-operate' with Punitive Expedition—Estimate After Careful Investigation—Department Commander Not Apprehensive, But Department Is Watching Every Move of De Facto Government—Bulk of Mexican Army Is at Chihuahua City, But Soldiers Are Spread Out for 500 Miles

(By the United Press)

Washington, June 2.—Spread out on a 500-mile line, twenty thousand Carranza troops have been mustered for border duty, according to a report from General Funston to the War Department, following careful investigation of Mexican troop movements. This number is double that which Obregon promised to dispose in Northern Mexico.

The bulk of the troops, mostly infantrymen, is about Chihuahua City. Other forces are at various points, some as far distant as Madero.

Secretary Baker today said Funston manifested no apprehension over the movements, but admitted the department is keeping the closest watch possible.

LOUIS D. BRANDEIS GETS HIS PLACE IN HIGHEST TRIBUNAL

Senate Confirmed Nomination to Supreme Court Bench Thursday

END OF A BITTER FIGHT

Vote 47 to 22, Newlands Only Democrat Who Voted Against Wilson's Choice. 3 Republicans for Him

Washington, June 1.—The nomination of Louis D. Brandeis, of Boston, to the Supreme Court to succeed the late Joseph Rucker Lamar was confirmed by the Senate late today by a vote of 47 to 22. The vote, taken without debate, ended one of the bitterest contests ever waged against a presidential nominee. Mr. Brandeis will be the first Jew to occupy a seat on the Supreme bench.

Only one Democrat, Senator Newlands, voted against confirmation. Three Republicans, Senators LaFollette, Norris and Poindexter, voted with the Democratic majority, and Senators Gronna and Clapp would have done so but were paired with Senators Borah and Kenyon.

The negative vote of Senator Newlands was a complete surprise to the Senate and the Nevada senator, recognizing that his action had aroused comment, later made public a formal explanation.

"I have a high admiration for Mr. Brandeis as a publicist and propagandist of distinction," said Senator Newlands. "I do not regard him as a man of judicial temperament, and for that reason I have voted against his confirmation."

Throughout the fight President Wilson stood firmly behind his nominee, never wavering, even when it seemed certain that an unfavorable report would be returned by the Senate Judiciary Committee. Before the committee voted he wrote a letter to Senator Culberson, strongly urging prompt and favorable action.

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TRAIN BLOWN FROM TRACKS IN ILLINOIS AND MANY INJURED

Tornado Sweeps Sections of Several States In the Middle West

LOSS OF LIFE IS FEARED

Engine and Five Cars of Wabash Midnight Special Hurlled Off Rails—One Car Blown to Pieces—Passengers Fared Badly

(By the United Press)

Pontiac, Ill., June 2.—Twenty were injured, one seriously, when a midnight special on the Wabash road, a fast mail train from Chicago to St. Louis, was blown from the tracks today. The wreck occurred at a deep cut, which prevented the cars from overturning. The engine, a combination smoker and baggage car and four coaches were blown from the tracks. A baggage car was literally blown to pieces. Women were hurled through windows of one car for a distance of twenty feet.

Storm Plays Havoc At Several Places.

LaCrosse, Wis., June 2.—Loss of life, it is feared, occurred at North McGregor, Iowa, and points in Wisconsin in a tornado which swept those towns and is reported to have caused heavy damage. Wires are all torn.

BULGARIA AND GREECE ON VERGE OF WAR, IS REPORT; FRENCH GAIN

(By the United Press)

Rome, June 2.—A declaration of war between Bulgaria and Greece is believed imminent in Athens.

French Claim Gain.

Paris, June 2.—By a violent infantry attack the French today progressed a hundred metres into German trenches south of the Caurette Wood. It is officially announced. A German attack between Caurette and Caurette was checked by a fire curtain.