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# SUBMARINES OFF U. S. COAST

## Maritime Exchange Says 15 Vessels Been Sent to Bottom by Submersibles

**Navy Department Has Reports on Three Sinkings—Daniels Reticent Pending Official News—Submarine Chasers Busy Off Jersey Coast Sunday Night—Earlier Reports From Norfolk Told of Rumors of Huns Off Hampton Roads—Certain Now That Kaiser's Navy is Attacking American Shipping Almost Under Guns of United States Navy—Survivors Put Into Port**

(By the United Press)

An Atlantic Port, June 3.—Two tank steamers were sunk by a submarine about 150 miles off Sandy Hook between 7 and 8 o'clock last night, according to the captain of a Canadian Pacific passenger liner arriving here today. The liner carried 150 passengers on her maiden voyage. She was travelling in a slow convoy. She received a wireless from another ship that it was being attacked by a submarine. The vessel, together with several others, left the convoy, making for the nearest port.

Washington, June 3.—Three American schooners have been sunk. One was shelled by a submarine operating off the Jersey coast. The three sunk were the Jacob H. Baskell, Edward H. Cole and another unnamed vessel. The Isabelle D. Willey was shelled.

Beyond these the Navy Department received only unofficial reports. A pair of the U-boats operated off Barnegat within striking distance of New York City and the Jersey coast, reports say. Locally they inflicted no casualties. The ports of New York and Boston are closed. A careful watch is being kept at the Atlantic gateways.

Washington, June 3.—Reports of three American schooners having been sunk off the American Atlantic coast by German submarines have been had by the Navy Department, it was officially announced this afternoon.

Other vessels are unofficially reported to have been sunk. Some reports say as many as 12 or more ships have been sent to the bottom.

A full statement of the department's information will be given out shortly. The announcement by Secretary Daniels' department gives the first definite word that German submersibles, presumably of the new cruiser type, are operating on the American side.

Norfolk reported rumors of U-boats off the Virginia capes Saturday night.

The department's information shows that some steamers were not a great distance from the scenes of the sinkings.

Only a short time before the announcement was made Secretary Daniels had parried questions concerning a report of U-boat chasers' activities near Cape May, last night. His only comment was that naval boats were accustomed to get busy over any report that their services would be needed.

### Boston Closed.

Boston, June 3.—The port of Boston was closed this afternoon on account of submarines operating off the coast.

### Says 15 Ships Sunk.

New York, June 3.—The Maritime Exchange is understood to have a list of 15 vessels which have been sunk. It will be made public when permission from the naval authorities is secured.

Story of Sinking of Schooner Cole. Capt. G. Newcombe and 10 members of the crew of the American schooner Edwin H. Cole arrived here this morning. They were taken in charge by naval authorities, who seeing their ship sunk with bombs.

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## NURSES OF STATE MEET TUESDAY FOR ANNUAL CONVENTION

First Session at Baptist Church Tuesday Night—Miss Van de Verde to Speak Wednesday—Other Features

(Daily Free Press—June 3) Kinston will entertain a convention this week. It will be an important affair. The North Carolina Nurses' Association will assemble here for its annual session. The meeting will start Tuesday night and continue through Wednesday, Thursday and a part of Friday. There will be a number of features, including an address Wednesday afternoon by Miss Jane Van de Verde, head of the nursing bureau of the Red Cross in the Southeast.

Officers of the association are Miss Eugenia Henderson, Charlotte, president; Miss M. L. Wyche, Asheville, first vice-president; Miss Jane Brown, Asheville, second vice-president; Miss Blanch Stafford, Winston-Salem, secretary; Miss E. A. Kelly, Fayetteville, treasurer; Miss Edith Redwine, Asheville, and Miss Dorothy Hayden, Greensboro, directors.

The visiting nurses will be lavishly entertained.

Opening Session. At the initial session Tuesday night at the First Baptist Church the following program will be carried out:

Opening prayer by Rev. W. M. Craig, pastor of the First Baptist Church.

Music.

Address of welcome by Mayor Sutton.

Response by Miss E. A. Kelly.

Address of welcome by Dr. Ira M. Hardy.

Response by Miss L. E. Henderson.

Music.

Address by Dr. James M. Parrott.

Music.

Closing prayer by Rev. John H. Griffith, rector of St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

Informal reception.

## Security League is Organizing Unique Celebration for 14th

New York, June 3.—A unique celebration of Flag Day, June 14, is being promoted by the National Security League throughout the country. Through the league's efforts, the day will be observed in moving picture theatres from coast to coast by the singing of the Star Spangled Banner and at least one of the popular war songs.

The leaders of the motion picture industry and the proprietors of "movie" houses, large and small, have given the league their support in organizing this simple but effective celebration. June 14 is the 141st birthday of the flag.

## Child Labor Law Invalid

Washington, June 3.—The National Child Labor Law is unconstitutional and invalid, the Supreme Court decides.

## AIRMEN REMAIN UP EITHER POWERS OR ALL NIGHT TO WAGE THEIR PART OF WAR

Bombing on Colossal Scale Along British Front; Big Racket

## HUN HATE AT BITTEREST

Another Hospital Shot Up—Attendants Killed—Flyers Dropped Flare to Illuminate It—Tooth and Toenail

(By the United Press) With the British armies in France, June 3.—Bombing warfare on a most colossal scale is being seen on the British front nightly.

The British and Prussians do not stop at dropping high explosives from sunset to sunrise.

Astride the line and far into the back areas the countryside literally rocks with stunning super-concussions while the starlit sky is afflicker with "Archie" bursts.

British hospitals continue to receive the full force of German hate. Another base hospital, one of the biggest in the war zone and as far behind the lines as it was possible to install it, has been bombed by the Germans, who dropped a flare to illuminate the target and then let fly with bombs. A number of attendants were killed.

## Hamlet of 75 Sends Twenty Young Men to One Branch Service

(Special to The Free Press) St. Paul, Minn., June 3.—Isle, Minn., was a village of 75 population, situated on the Soo line near Mille Lacs Lake, Minn.

Not a small part of its population was of young men, so it had a baseball team and a brass band, just as any other really ambitious village should have.

The past tense is used advisedly. Isle, Minn., still is a village, situated just where it always has been. But in no other way can the past and present be compared. It is without its baseball team, its brass band, and its young men.

For the baseball team and the brass band—20 of 'em, have enlisted in the Marine Corps.

"The town's simply shot t' pieces!" declared an elderly resident, one of the few left.

## BULLETINS

(By the United Press)

THE CASUALTIES. Washington, June 3.—Gen. Pershing reports 36 casualties today. Four were killed in action; were probably "missing" in two dead from accidents, seven dead from disease, 16 wounded severely, one wounded slightly. Three reported "wounded in action" were probably "missing in action."

200,000 REFUGEES. Paris, June 3.—Nearly 200,000 refugees, mostly women and children, have arrived here from the Marne districts and been sent into Normandy and Brittany.

## EITHER POWERS OR WOOTEN TO BE THE NOMINEE SOLICITOR

Lenoir and Sampson for Local Man; Wooten Strong in Onslow

## DORTCH FOR CONGRESS

Abernethy Seems to Have Lost Out in Third District Fight—Judge Calvert to Enter a Second Primary

New Bern, June 3.—The New Bern Sun-Journal this afternoon estimates that Dortch's majority has been reduced to 300. Abernethy claims to have been nominated for the Third District seat in Congress. The canvassing board is marking time because of slow returns.

(Daily Free Press—June 3) It appears that James A. Powers of Kinston was either nominated for solicitor of the Sixth Judicial District by the Democrats in Saturday's primaries or he will enter a second primary, probably with Frank Wooten of Jacksonville. Monday afternoon, nearly 48 hours after the close of the primaries, there was no way of telling just how Powers and Wooten and John Gavin, Jr., of Kenansville, a third candidate, ran.

Lenoir County's vote was incomplete. Some of the boxes were sealed and had not been opened pending the meeting of the Board of Elections during the afternoon. The unofficial figures for the majority of the precincts gave Powers 228, Wooten 92, and Gavin 66. Probably less than 100 votes had not been reported. Lenoir cast a record small vote. Only about one out of four or five voters visited the polls.

Over long distance telephone The Free Press learned from Clinton Monday morning that only three Sampson County precincts had reported officially but that Powers undoubtedly had a big majority in the county. It could not be learned if the vote was heavy. Sampson is a rural county. Onslow, the clerk of Superior Court at Jacksonville said, gave Wooten about 800 votes and the others scattering small votes. No word could be had from Duplin, the remaining county in the district. It appeared from reports received by roundabout ways that Gavin led in the voting there.

On the face of this very vague situation it is believed by the political wisecracks that Powers is ahead, although Onslow cast a remarkably heavy vote for Wooten which might put him ahead when the figures are all in.

No Lenoir candidate for a county office was opposed.

Looks Like Dortch.

Latest reports from the Third Congressional District indicate that W. T. Dortch of Goldsboro, United States marshal, won the nomination for Congressman George Hood's seat from Charles L. Abernethy of New Bern, former solicitor of the New Bern district, by a majority of about 1,000. Statewide interest centered in this fight. Congressman Hood was not a candidate for renomination. Abernethy had not conceded loss of the district at last accounts.

Calvert Will Run.

Judge Thomas H. Calvert, Seventh Judicial District, will take part in a run-off primary with one of his four opponents in Saturday's primaries. Judge Calvert led in the voting. Kinston is interested in this contest because of the fact that Judge Calvert is the jurist presiding in the local district at present.

Up in the Eighth (Salisbury) District Congressman R. L. Doughton was re-nominated over Walter Murphy, Salisbury, Murphy's home town, gave him a heavy majority.

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## ALLIES HAVE UPPER HAND OF FIGHTING ALONG MARNE; FRENCH HURL ENEMY BACK BETWEEN OURCQ AND STREAM; PRISONERS

Maintain Positions and Defeat Huns in Sharp Combat—Violent Assault Astride Important Highway Leading to Capital—Haig Takes Prisoners and Advances His Line in Local Operations—Four American Flyers Engage Six Germans, Bringing One Down in Flames—Sunday Quiet Day for Sammies in Lorraine—30 Men Cited for Bravery and Gallantry Include Two Southerners

(By the United Press)

Paris, June 3.—French counter-attacks yesterday evening drove the Germans back between Ourcq and the Marne, where the enemy is making his greatest efforts to advance toward Paris, the French war office announces. A violent attack astride the main highway from Chateau Thierry to Paris paralleling the North bank of the Marne broke down under French fire. The German losses were heavy. Hundreds of prisoners were taken. The French positions were maintained Southeast of Bouresches (four miles West of Chateau Thierry).

## Preparing to Open Summer Schools of University Shortly

(Special to The Free Press) Chapel Hill, June 3.—Coincident with the commencement exercises of the University of North Carolina being held this week, and made memorable by the fact that 1,200 students and former students have entered the service, the University is completing plans for the opening of the 31st session of the Summer School on June 11.

Prominent among the special instructors who will be present during the session are Dr. C. Alphonso Smith, professor of English at the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Dr. Edwin Ming, professor of English at Vanderbilt University, and Dr. Edwin Greenlaw, head of the English department of the University.

The University Law School, under the direction of Dean L. P. McGehee, will open June 13, and the Summer Military Training Camp at Asheville, under the direction of Capt. J. Stuart Allen, June 14.

## Trade Report Shows Fair Conditions This Part of the Country

(Special to The Free Press) Richmond, June 3.—Bradstreet's says for Richmond and vicinity: Wholesale trade, good. Retail trade, fair. Manufacturing, very active. Collections, fair. Crops, fair.

Special note, labor scarce, freight congested.

Trade continues generally active and the absorption of commodities by the Government increases rather than diminishes. Wholesale trade is good. Labor is scarce and wages high. Slight improvement in freight deliveries is noted but the congestion is still bad. There is active demand for clothing, shoes and cotton goods even though prices advance. Heavy bank clearings continue to reflect the activity in trade, and failures in this district are negligible both in number and volume of liabilities. Collections are fair in most localities. Building is quiet except for Government uses. Sales of real estate are few and of small amount. Provisions are in good demand. The winter wheat crop is in good condition. Cotton, corn and tobacco are from two to three weeks late. With the exception of tobacco the acreage of summer crops will not equal that of last year. Farm labor is scarce and diminishing.

(BUY WAR-SAVINGS STAMPS.)

## British Successes.

London, June 3.—One hundred and ninety-three prisoners were taken in local operations in Flanders last night which slightly advanced the British line, says Gen. Haig. Successful raids Southeast of Arras, Northwest of Lens and West of Meriville resulted in 20 prisoners, three machineguns and a trench mortar being captured.

## American Report.

With the American Army in Lorraine, June 3.—One German plane was brought down by an American plane and fell in flames on the German side lines in a fight between four Americans and six enemy machines North of Toul yesterday afternoon.

All the fronts in Lorraine were quiet Sunday. Thirty-six officers and men were cited by a divisional order for bravery and gallantry. E. B. Hope of Walterboro, S. C., and A. C. Penickson of Petersburg, Va., were among them.

## Will Stop Shipping of Flour Into State; Our Full Share is on Hand

(Special to The Free Press) Raleigh, June 3.—"Based on the total supply in the United States for home consumption, and considering the decreased consumption by our people, there is within the borders of North Carolina our share and more of flour," today stated Food Administrator Henry A. Page. "This being true I am calling upon the wholesale and retail merchants of North Carolina to refrain from sending further orders for flour to mills outside of North Carolina.

"I do not pretend to say that there is sufficient flour in North Carolina to supply anything like the normal demand. What I do mean to say is that if we are to supply our Allies with the quantity they must have we have as much flour in North Carolina as we are entitled to and as much in proportion as the people of any other State or section—and we have no right to more."

## Labor Delegates Are Arriving at St. Paul for Big Convention

St. Paul, Minn., June 3.—The vanguard of delegates to the 38th annual convention of the American Federation of Labor, which opens here next Monday, began arriving today. Preliminary meetings will be held throughout this week. Probably the most important of these will be the annual meeting of the members of the International Labor Press of America.