

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

For Sheriff.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Union county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.
J. N. PRICE.

For Sheriff.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Union county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.
J. V. GRIFFITH.

For Cotton Weigher.
I announce myself a candidate for cotton weigher at Monroe, subject to the Democratic primary.
J. C. WINCHESTER.

For Cotton Weigher.
I am a candidate for re-election to the position of cotton weigher for Monroe, subject to the Democratic primary.
CHAS. B. BARDEN.

For Cotton Weigher.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for cotton weigher at Monroe, subject to the Democratic primary. Your vote will be appreciated.
JESSE J. LOCKHART.

For Cotton Weigher.
I announce myself a candidate for the office of cotton weigher for Monroe, subject to the Democratic primary.
BARTLEY HELMS.

For Cotton Weigher.
I announce myself a candidate for the office of cotton weigher for Monroe, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.
JOHN W. BROOM.

For Cotton Weigher.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for cotton weigher of Monroe, subject to the rules governing the Democratic party.
JAS. F. McMANUS.

For Cotton Weigher.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for Cotton Weigher at Monroe, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.
HENRY M. PRESSON.

For Cotton Weigher.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for cotton weigher at Monroe, subject to the Democratic primary.
G. WATT DAVIS.

For Clerk Superior Court.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Clerk of the Superior Court, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.
R. W. LEMMOND.

For Clerk of the Court.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Clerk of the Court of Union county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.
C. E. HOUSTON.

For County Commissioner.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of County Commissioner of Union county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.
R. B. CUTHBERTSON.

For County Commissioner.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of County Commissioner subject to the action of the Democratic primary.
JERRE C. LANEY.

For County Commissioner.
I am a candidate to succeed myself as county commissioner, subject to the Democratic primary.
R. A. HUDSON.

For County Commissioner.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of county commissioner, subject to the Democratic primary.
H. T. BAUCOM.

For County Commissioner.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for county commissioner, subject to the Democratic primary.
G. W. SMITH.

For County Commissioner.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for county commissioner, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.
L. R. HELMS.

For Commissioner.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of county commissioner, subject to the Democratic primary.
JOE E. THOMAS, Marshville.

For Representative.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for Representative in the General Assembly from Union county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.
J. M. FAIRLEY.

For Representative.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for Representative in the General Assembly from Union county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.
W. A. EUBANKS.

For the Legislature.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for representative from Union county in the next general assembly, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.
J. DUNHAM BUNDY.

For Representative.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for Representative in the General Assembly from Union county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.
T. B. MOORE.

For Representative.
I hereby announce my candidacy for the Democratic nomination as one of Union county's representatives in the next Legislature, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.
J. C. M. VANN.

For Representative.
Having been solicited by so many friends to allow my name to go before the people of Union county for Representative in the Next General Assembly, I now submit, subject to the Democratic primary, and if elected, will serve to the best of my ability.
W. G. LONG.

For Constable Vance Township.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for constable of Vance township, subject to the Democratic primary.
W. H. STARNES.

For Constable.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for constable of Monroe township subject to the Democratic primary.
A. L. HELMS.

For Constable.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for constable for Monroe township, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.
W. L. EARNHART.

For Constable.
I announce myself a candidate for constable of Vance township, subject to the Democratic primary.
JAMES K. POLK.

For Coroner.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of coroner subject to the Democratic primary.
T. B. DAVIS (Buford township.)

For Coroner.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Coroner of Union county, subject to the Democratic primary.
J. S. PLYLER, Waxhaw, N. C.

For Recorder.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Recorder, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.
LEE M. HOWIE.

For Recorder.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for election to the office of Recorder, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.
H. B. ADAMS, JR.

For Recorder.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for Recorder, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.
VANCE McNEELEY.

For Recorder.
At the request and solicitation of many Democrats and believing that I have arrived at suitable age and have sufficient knowledge of law to hold the scales of justice properly and impartially between man and man and enforce the criminal laws for the protection of society and desiring to receive the nomination at the hands of the democratic voters of the county, upon my own merits and qualification to fill the office and not antagonizing any other candidate aspiring for the office by resorting to improper methods or by abusing or throwing mud at him, do hereby announce myself a candidate for Recorder for Union county, subject to the action of the voters at the Democratic primary. The support of the democratic voters in the primary, for Recorder, is solicited and will be greatly appreciated.
M. L. FLOW.

For Register of Deeds.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Register of Deeds for Union county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.
M. C. LONG.

Constable Vance Township.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for constable of Vance township, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.
F. W. HAYS.

For Constable in Sandy Ridge.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for constable of Sandy Ridge township, subject to the Democratic primary.
MONROE C. REID.

For Constable Sandy Ridge Township.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for constable of Sandy Ridge township, subject to Democratic primary.
M. J. HARKEY.

Prosecuting Attorney.
I am a candidate for the position I now hold—prosecuting attorney of the Recorder's Court.
R. L. STEVENS.

U. S. FLEET AT VERA CRUZ SPEEDS TO SEA AND MEETS INVISIBLE FOE

Graphic Description of a Hurry-Up Test—Eight Big Warships Maneuvered So as to Encircle Enemy for Crushing Broad-sides—New Signal System Evolved by Admiral Fletcher Is Tested.

Vera Cruz, Mexico.—"Put out to sea and intercept a hostile fleet approaching from the east," was the signal that came to the New Jersey from the flagship at eight one morning, says Juntas B. Wood, in Chicago Daily News. Instantly the big battleship was alive with action. Captain Jayne, who had been chatting on the quarter deck, hurried forward to the bridge, the officer of the deck close



Warships En Route to Sea.

at his heels. A messenger ran below for the navigator. The bugles sounded assembly, officers hurried to the bridge, and others below to the fires and engines.

The anchor chain, like a big black iron snake, was sucked slowly in by some invisible power. A swirl of sand and mud showed where the giant teeth had held the bottom of the bay. On each of the "chains" at the sides two boys were heaving the leads and shouting the soundings. Others were frantically waving flags or hoisting long strings of pennants, signaling to nearby ships. The big ship was slowly getting under way.

On the other ships of the Third division of the Atlantic fleet was similar activity. The flagship Virginia, with Rear Admiral Beatty, steamed out in the lead, with the Georgia, Nebraska and New Jersey following in the column. After them came the Second division, under Rear Admiral Bouché on the Louisiana, which was followed by the Michigan, New Hampshire and Vermont.

Grimly and silently they moved out to sea 150,000 tons of floating iron and steel, eight delicately adjusted engines of destruction, in a line more than two and a half miles long and as straight as if they were beads on a string.

The order from the commander-in-chief had come as a surprise. The fires under the boilers had been lit, and some order expected, but nothing was certain. It might be a welcome order to go home or one to go to an even more desolate port. But it was to go out and attack. That was all. The fleet to be attacked might be the two tiny gunboats of the Mexican navy or a European power's display of dreadnaughts. Sallor-like,



Navigator's Chart Table.

the squadron started and asked no questions.

It was another day of a week's maneuvering. Everything was to be carried out as if the ships were actually expecting to meet an enemy.

The secret war signal books, their covers weighted with lead so they could be thrown overboard and sunk in case of defeat, were brought from their hiding places to the bridge. One of the one pounders was loaded and a man stationed at its trigger ready for any sudden signal.

Swinging a fleet or a squadron of eight or even a division of four battleships into action is a feat which requires days of drills even by men whose lives have been a study and practise of the science of warfare.

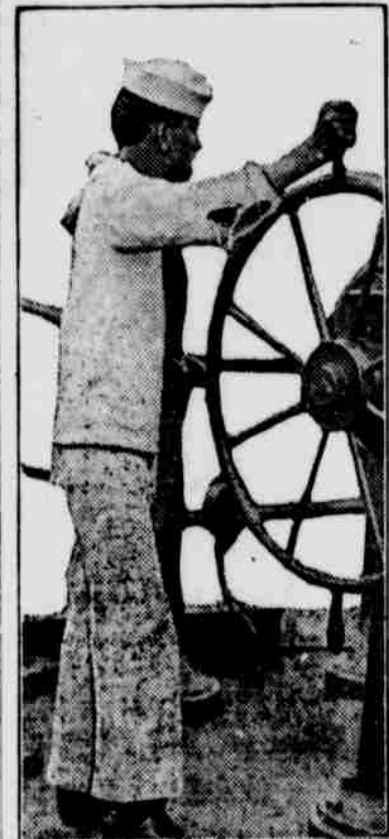
This week was to try out a new scheme of tactics and signals evolved by Rear Admiral Fletcher.

Naval battles of the future will be between fleets. The old days when ships locked masts and hammered each other until one sank or burned or its decks were swept clean, live only in paintings. The engagements between single ships will be occasional. The real battles of the sea will be between fleets—16 to 30 hurling shell and deadly exploding fulminate. The Japanese knew how to maneuver by fleets and picked off the Russian battleships one by one and wiped out the czar's fleets.

The Third division ships, which weigh 17,000 tons each and with good marksmanship could put a shell in an opposing ship six miles away, are becoming obsolete and are doomed to retirement. The Second division ships weigh about 18,000 tons each, and might do as much damage at eight miles. They will last a little longer.

Then, just arrived from the shipyards, are the New York and Texas, each of which weighs 27,000 tons and can shoot farther. Their days are numbered, just as surely as are those of the New Jersey, which went into commission only six years ago.

There was a New York once before—now she is rechristened the Saratoga and classified in the naval register as a third rater. In 1893, when she sailed from the yards at Philadelphia, she was the pride of the American navy. She had a siren, which was another novelty in those days. As she headed down the Delaware somebody turned the steam into the siren. Several hundred staid Quaker



Steersman on U. S. Warship.

City horses ran away as the ear piercing shrieks rent the air and half a hundred persons were injured. She never injured that many again, in her entire career as a battleship.

In a few months the present New York will be outshone by the Nevada and Oklahoma, weighing 27,500 tons each, and now building are the Pennsylvania and No. 39 of 31,400 tons. Every ton costs close to \$1,000.

Fleet tactics have kept pace with the growth of battleships. Naval authorities say that the commander who can "wind up" his enemy's fleet—got it into the center of his encircling battleships or overlap it so that his broadsides can rake the others one at a time—will always win. That is why the American navy is maneuvering, having target practise, going through drills whenever opportunity offers.

Rear-Admiral Fletcher's system which is now being tried out prior to being officially adopted by the navy—is designed to reduce to a minimum the number of signals necessary to put a fleet through the evolution. In the smoke and excitement of battle the fewer signals to watch and interpret the better.

On top of each ship's mainmast is a bearings indicator, or flapper, as the men call it—two yellow square boards on opposite ends of a long slanting arm which swings on a pivot in its center. The indicator shows what formation is to be made. A signal flag tells how it is to be made. When the two yellow guide-boards on the flagship are in a straight line with each other to the captain on the bridge of a following ship he is in correct position.

The indicator on the flagship, as we steamed from the harbor, stood at what is called the zero angle. It pointed straight ahead, and the other ships, their indicators duplicating it, followed in long single column.

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