

## FREE PRESS TO GIVE VALUABLE PRIZES IN POPULARITY CONTEST

**Two Touring Cars, Diamond Rings, Watches and Bank Accounts Will Be Awarded at the Close of Seven Weeks' Unprecedented Campaign for New Subscriptions in Kinston Trade Territory—Full Particulars Given—Nominations Open—Commissions Paid to Those Who Fail to Secure Prizes—Hundreds of Young Men and Women to Work for Splendid Rewards—Contest Office in Whitaker Block**

On another page of this issue of The Free Press there is an announcement which is bound to meet with the approval of every man, woman and child, not only in the City of Kinston, but every village and every rural route served by the Daily Free Press and Semi-Weekly Free Press. This announcement gives the details of a Great Golden Festival and Voting Contest, in which the Daily Free Press and Semi-Weekly Free Press will give away a fortune in prizes, absolutely free, during the next few weeks. There has never been anything in this vicinity that could compare with this Great Golden Festival, which the Kinston Free Press announces to the public today. This Golden Festival is at once dignified and productive of great financial returns to all who take part in it. Every person who takes an active part in this Great Golden Festival will win something. There will be a prize awaiting you on May 13th, 1916, no matter whom you may be. There will be eight prizes of established value, the largest of which are two latest model Touring Cars. The various prizes are listed below. All others will win golden prizes in value, according to each individual effort.

### Object—Circulation.

The object of this Great Golden Festival is more circulation for the Daily Free Press and Semi-Weekly Free Press. But instead of hiring a crew of solicitors to secure these subscriptions, the Kinston Free Press Company prefers to give the value all to the public direct. Hence the Golden Festival.

This Great Golden Festival is open to every one everywhere. No matter what you want money for, no matter what your ambition in life may be, here is your opportunity to get the start. No matter who you are, or where you live, this Golden Festival holds forth an individual promise to you, you who are reading this. If you want an automobile, here is your chance; your opportunity—an individual promise to you. The Prizes.

The prizes in this great enterprise are many and of great value. There are first of all, two of the very latest model, fully equipped Touring Cars. These two cars will be awarded to the two people in the contest who secure the two highest vote totals, regardless of district limitations.

For convenience, there are two districts. The City of Kinston is district one, and all territory outside of the city is district two. Each of these two districts will receive three prizes as follows: The First Prize in District One is a Genuine Diamond Ring, perfect cut white stone, value, \$75, purchased from the Newborn Jewelry Company of Kinston; the Second Prize is a 14-K Gold Watch, Elgin movements, purchased from the Newborn Jewelry Company; the Third Prize is a Bank Account of \$25 at the First National Bank of Kinston. The First Prize in District Two is a Genuine Diamond Ring similar to the one offered in District One, value, \$75, purchased from the Lynch Jewelry Company; the Second Prize is a 14-K Gold Watch, similar to the watch in District One, purchased from Newborn Jewelry Company; the Third Prize is a Bank Account of \$25 in the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Kinston. There will be awarded after the two touring cars in order of the standing in each district. All others who take part in the contest and do not win one of

these prizes will be paid a commission of ten per cent., as is explained in detail below.

### Everyone Wins.

In addition to this fortune, every one else who takes an active part in this Golden Festival and remains until the final day, May 13th, will receive a commission of ten per cent., providing they do not win one of the above awards. So you see that everyone wins something. There is no possible chance for anyone to lose. Many married people will enter in order to secure a little extra income during their spare hours, assured that their ambition will be definitely rewarded. Many young men will enter and make an effort to win one of the Golden awards to take a college course, some to start a business of their own, and others for special training. There will be those who have thoughts of wedding bells. The prizes will feather their nest. To have a definite desire in life, is to enter this Great Golden Festival of the Daily Free Press and Semi-Weekly Free Press.

### How to Enter.

There is nothing hard to understand about entering, or, in fact, winning. There is a nomination blank on the other page, which counts five thousand votes, when properly filled out and sent or brought to the Contest Manager of the Daily Free Press and Semi-Weekly Free Press office, in Whitaker block. Fill this blank out and send it in, and the Contest Manager will be glad to explain all the little details of this golden gift of fortune. As soon as you have nominated yourself, or been nominated by a friend, you will need to start saving the vote coupons which will appear in the Daily Free Press and Semi-Weekly Free Press in a day or two. You should also ask all your friends and acquaintances to save these coupons for you. In addition to these coupons, all paid subscriptions to the Daily Free Press and Semi-Weekly Free Press will count for votes for you, according to the schedule printed below. Ask all the people you know to subscribe for either the Daily Free Press or the Semi-Weekly Free Press with you, then collect their money right on the spot, and bring it to the Contest Manager, and he will give you votes for it, which will be good any time during the contest. The Contest Manager also has at his office some special receipt books and vote blanks for your convenience. These are all free. Call or write, and he will see that you are supplied with all that you can use to advantage. In fact, there is not a single cent of expense to you connected with this Golden Festival. You can enter and win one of the Touring Cars or any other prize on the list without the outlay of a single penny if you so will it.

The rules of the Golden Festival follow. These rules will be strictly enforced:

Subscriptions may be secured anywhere. All arrears subscriptions must be PAID up in order to vote.

Every candidate in the contest has an equal chance of winning one of the Touring Cars or any other prize on the list. Candidates compete only against candidates in their own district for the district prizes.

In the event of a tie, prizes of equal value will be given.

The Contest Manager reserves the right to make any ruling which may be, in his opinion, necessary, without giving any reason for doing so.

The Contest Manager reserves the right to debar any candidate from

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## ALLIES PROPOSE TO MAKE KAISER BEND BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Combined Offensive On All Fronts Will Be Started Before July

## WAR COUNCIL CONFIDENT

Military Leaders Confering at Paris Think Simultaneous Blows On All Fronts Will Drive the Germans to Ask for Peace

(By the United Press)

London, March 29.—Before the end of June the allied armies will strike simultaneous blows on all the fronts to bring the Kaiser to his knees and end the war before Christmas. The combined offensive is believed to be certain to result in that by the Paris war council.

Paris, March 29.—Three hundred yards of German trenches in the Avoncourt wood were captured in a violent early morning attack. The Germans lost heavily in a counter attack northwest of Verdun.

Berlin, March 29.—German troops have broken the French front for over 2,000 yards, capturing several lines of trenches, in fighting ten miles northwest of Verdun, the war office today announced. The Germans captured many prisoners and five guns.

## HIGH GRADE STEERS GET FORTY DOLLARS MORE A HEAD, SAID

(Special to The Free Press)

Washington, Mar. 28.—That it pays to raise good stock is illustrated by the experience of two Utah ranchmen who sent their steers to the same market on the same day. Both ran their stock on National Forest range under grazing permits, both used the same amount of range per head, and both paid the same grazing fee. One gave close attention to the selection of his breeding cows and used only high-grade bulls. The other made no effort to improve his herd. The owner of the high-grade stock received \$40 per head more for his steers than the owner of the common stock.

On some of the National Forest ranges the stockmen club together, it is reported, and buy high-grade bulls which are owned as community property. Since the administration of the Forests is in the hands of the Department of Agriculture, naturally there is a desire to encourage the use of good breeding stock and to eliminate the scrubs.

Lieut. H. N. Butler has been transferred from the Coast Guard cutter Pamlico at New Bern to the cutter Guthrie at Philadelphia.

## MEXICANS UNDERSTAND PURPOSE OF THE TROOPS AND ACCORD PUNITIVE COLUMN'S WARM RECEPTIONS EVERYWHERE, STATED

(By the United Press)

El Paso, March 29.—Continued peaceful relations between the United States and Mexico seemed more certain today than at any time since the Villistas made the Columbus raid. Failure of organized attempts on both sides of the border to transform the punitive expedition into intervention pleased Carranza and American officials here. Army officers emphasized the friendly reception the American soldiers are getting everywhere.

## SEEMS CERTAIN THE ARMY HAS ASSUMED CHARGE RAILROADS

Baker Exhibits Telegram About Accident; Will Say Nothing Further

## NEGRO TROOPER KILLED

Saddler of Tenth Cavalry Was Injured Fatally In Wreck South of Line and Died Last Friday, War Department Announces

(By the United Press)

Washington, March 29.—Saddler George A. Hudnell of Troop B, 10th Cavalry, died Friday from injuries sustained in a railroad wreck below the border, the War Department today announced. Asked if this meant that the troops had taken over the Mexican railways, Secretary Baker said, "Save that you have been given the entire telegram, I have no further comment to make."

Pershing Already Using Mexican Railroads, Said.

San Antonio, Texas, March 28.—Confirmation that General Pershing already has been using a portion of the Northwestern Railroad for the transportation of troops was secured by General Funston today from what was said to be an official source.

This information included a report on the overturning of two cars and the injuring of ten troopers of the tenth cavalry and several horses.

The accident occurred while the cars were being taken over a temporary track built around Cumbre Tunnel, south of Casas Grandes. One of the rails gave way and the cars rolled down an embankment.

It was not believed here that General Pershing's use of the railroad prior to receipt of permission from the Carranza government would endanger negotiations being conducted by the State Department, because it was assumed he had gained permission of those in charge of operations of that section of the line.

## BULLETINS

(By the United Press)

### VENICE BOMBED AGAIN.

Vienna, March 29.—Austrian aviators have bombed Venice for the seventh time since the beginning of the war, it is officially announced.

### ENGLISH DOCK HANDS STRIKE.

London, March 29.—Ten thousand Mersey dock hands struck today, following an overtime dispute. The strike threatens to interfere seriously with transatlantic shipping.

### BRIEFS IN THE NEWS OF NEIGHBORING TOWNS

Only six couples have been married in Craven county so far in this month.

Stock is being subscribed for growing Bridgeton's first bank.

## WILSON THINKS OF CLEARING UP WHOLE SUBM'INE QUEST'N

Administration Is Making Plans to Put End to the Controversy Now

## METHOD NOT DISCLOSED

Has Severance of Relations In Mind?—If U-Boats Were Innocent In Sussex and Englishman Cases Issue Would Remain Open

By ROBERT J. BELDER,

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

Washington, March 29.—More than the settlement of the Englishman and Sussex cases is the object of the present administration steps regarding submarine attacks. Complete settlement of the whole submarine issue, including disposal of the Lusitania case, is in the President's mind.

All officials believe that disposal of the present situation means disposal of the whole submarine question. Failure in one phase means complete failure in all, this, of course, on the assumption that German submarines attacked both ships. If conclusively proved that they did not, the general submarine issue would remain to be settled.

Englishman Tried to Escape; Torpedoed After Stopped.

Washington, March 29.—The Ward liner Englishman, sunk a few days ago, was shelled and torpedoed after attempting to escape, according to affidavits of American survivors, cabled to the State Department from Liverpool. The captain said the ship tried to escape, but was shelled, hove to and was then torpedoed.

## GRIFTON MAN PAID TO SEE BIG MOTION PICTURE, BUT DIDN'T

A Grifton man took his family to New Bern in an automobile to see "The Birth of a Nation," and purchased nine dollars' worth of tickets, "he had an idea he was in for an evening of real enjoyment," says the Sun-Journal of New Bern. The idea proved erroneous. Hardly had the movie machine commenced its singing monotone before urchins, observing Patrick's car unattended in front of the theater, decided to take a ride.

A friend noticed that Patrick's automobile was gone. He informed the owner. "Mr. Patrick at once lost all interest in the picture. An hour or two later the police cornered up the car. All the occupants but one leaped out and ran. The lonely one was arrested. Patrick said he was "hot in the collar," and intended to press the charge against the youngster and his accomplices if they were apprehended.

## REPORT OF KINSTON COTTON MARKET

Inclenency of the weather retarded sales on the local cotton exchange today. The prices were about as good as the average for the past few days.

New York futures quotations were:

	Open	2:40
May .....	11.96	12.00
July .....	12.07	12.10
October .....	12.15	12.20
December .....	12.29	12.36
January .....	12.33	12.42

## CAROLINA HAS GOOD BALL TEAM, COACH DOAK SAYS

Chapel Hill, March 28.—"A little tightening up in one or two places, and Carolina will put out just as good a baseball team this spring as she had last season," predicted Coach Doak this morning.

## TERRIBLE TRIPLE WRECK N. Y. CENTRAL TRAINS NEAR AMHERST, O., EARLY TODAY; MORE THAN SCORE DEAD, MANY INJURED

Three Trains Piled Up In Indescribable Confusion In the Fog—Twenty-three Least Estimate of the Dead—Scenes of Horror—Bodies and Limbs Scattered Along Track—Steel Coaches Prevented Greater Catastrophe. Famous Twentieth Century Limited Ran Into Wreck of Two Sections at Speed of 60 Miles—"Could Not Have Been More Hideous," Says Survivor—Woman Who Escaped Unharmful From Wreck Became Mother Shortly After

(By the United Press)

Cleveland, O., March 29.—At least 27 persons were killed and 43 injured, some fatally, when three crack New York Central trains, one the Twentieth Century Limited, crashed in a fog near Amherst early today.

All the dead and injured were passengers on an east-bound train. Steel coaches saved an appalling loss of life. Passengers said the first eastbound section had slowed up when the second section crashed clear through the buffet and day coaches. A minute later the Twentieth Century struck the wreckage at a rate of 60 miles an hour, being derailed. Sounds of the cries of the dying and injured were heard a mile away.

### Baby Born In Midst of Frightfulness.

Mrs. Mary Maiston of Indianapolis, who escaped unharmful, gave birth to a child in a day coach later.

There were gruesome sights along the tracks. Some of the dead were so mutilated that they will never be recognized. Many bodies had to be gathered up in sheets. Many bodies, and separate hands, legs and feet were strewn in the debris.

### Hideous Scenes.

W. B. Bradley of Pittsburg said a "more hideous wreck could not be imagined. Up above the engine of the second division, mixed with wreckage, were lying bodies of dead and injured, mostly unclothed."

G. W. Kershaw of Summerville, N. J., was in the second coach from the one most badly smashed. He said it was the "most ghastly sight he ever saw." As he was leaving his car Kershaw saw a man pick up a leg. Another approached with a bundle in a sheet. It contained arms and legs.

## SOIL SURVEY SHEET OF QUADRANGLE OF KINSTON FINE WORK

Map By Geological Survey Is On Great Scale—Every Millrace and Bypass Shown—Will Be Page In Atlas of United States

Copies of the new soil survey map of the "Kinston quadrangle," a territory comprising portions of Greene and Lenoir county running not quite fourteen miles north and south, and a slightly less distance east and west, were received at the Chamber of Commerce office here today. The copies, to be distributed by the Chamber, were the gift of Congressman Claud Kitchin.

The map is a handsome piece of work. The scale is a little more than five inches to four miles. It bears the names of Secretary of the Interior Franklin K. Lane, Director Geo. Otis Smith of the U. S. Geological Survey and R. B. Marshall, Chief Geographer. In making the map Frank Sutton was the geographer in charge; R. A. Kiger, J. B. Metcalfe, Jr., and Roscoe Reeves were in charge of topography, and Sledge Tatum, Geo. T. Hawkins, Oscar Jones and C. W. Arnold of control.

Every watercourse, rural school, cross-roads hamlet, etc., in the quadrangle is put down.

The Geological Survey is making a topographic map of the United States. This work has been in progress since 1882, and more than 38 per cent. of the area of the country, including outlying possessions, has now been mapped. The areas mapped are widely distributed, each State being represented. The conventional signs illustrate the maps nicely.

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## CAVALRY RE-MOUNTS ARE BADLY NEEDED ON THE BORDER NOW

Foreign Governments Have Combed the Country for Horses and U. S. War Department Has Difficulty In Securing Them Now

(By the United Press)

San Antonio, March 29.—The European war has so stripped the United States of good horses that today United States army officers admitted a serious shortage of cavalry remounts.

General Funston has combed Texas without result for available animals capable of standing up under hard campaigning. The buyers of France, Italy and Great Britain have swept Texas bare of cavalry animals.

St. Louis, Kansas City, Atlanta, Chicago and smaller horse markets now are being investigated by army officers in the hope of obtaining a sufficient supply in a hurry. Here also, however, the army men found that the buyer for the warring nations of Europe had preceded them. American cavalry regiments are reported to be short now of remounts needed in real campaign work and should many be lost in fighting the problem would become grave. State cavalry regiments, too, are reported as generally deficient in cavalry animals.

### COAST GUARD AERIAL CORPS.

Washington, March 28.—A coast guard aerial corps, to be operated as an arm of the coast guard service in peace and with the army or navy in war, is proposed in a bill introduced today by Representative Montague of Virginia.