

GERMAN GOVERNMENT CONCEALS WHAT IS IN AMERICAN NOTE UNTIL EMPEROR HAS DECIDED WHETHER HE'LL QUIT OR FIGHT

Message From Wilson Not Published in Germany—Embassy at Washington Admits Belief That Sussex Was Sunk by German Submarine—Navy Preparing for War—United States Would Lend Financial Aid and Furnish Fleet for Allies—Army Would Go Into Training for Possible Actual Participation Later—Brooklyn Navy Yard Being Guarded Against Spies and Cranks. Searchlight Sweeps Yard Entrance at Night.

(By the United Press)

Washington, April 22.—The German embassy is convinced that a submarine torpedoed the Sussex, but declines to comment. It was convinced by American evidence.

German People Don't Know Truth.

Berlin, April 22.—The American note has not been published. It is expected to be published here at the same time that the German answer is sent. Foreign Secretary Von Jagow today asked American Ambassador Gerard not to inform Americans here of the contents of the note until it is published.

Gerard is uninstructed as to the disposition of Americans in Germany. Newspapers view a satisfactory settlement as possible.

Navy Yard Closed to Civilians.

New York, April 22.—The Brooklyn navy yard, housing the greatest battleships of the navy, is strictly guarded. Visitors, even relatives of sailors, are barred. A searchlight at night sweeps the approaches.

Sensor Refers Pacifists to Embassy.

Washington, April 22.—Senator Husting of Wisconsin today advised Americans desiring to avoid war to write Ambassador Von Bernstorff, urging him to use his influence to secure a strict observance of international law.

How America Would Fight the Germans.

Washington, April 22.—There is little hope that Germany will meet fully the American submarine demands. The statement of Admiral Von Holtzendorff shows that modification of the demands is the only chance to avoid a diplomatic break. It is out of the question, he says, that Germany must agree to accept the American demand for visit and to search and providing ample safety for passengers.

The Navy Department is rushing repairs to ships and the overhauling of the Atlantic fleet; laborers are working day and night. The American part in the possible war would be giving monetary assistance to the Allies, conveying merchant ships, watching submarines, training men and building more ships for possible actual participation.

COWPER IS COUNTY CHAIRMAN OF DEMS. ANOTH'R TWO YEARS

Rousing Meeting Was Convention Held In Kinston This Afternoon

BOARD ELECTIONS MEET

Name Registrars and Pollholders — Delegates to State, Senatorial and Congressional Conventions

The County Democratic Convention was held in the courthouse here today, beginning a little after 12 o'clock. Executive Committee Chairman Cowper declared it one of the best conventions ever held in the county. It was largely attended and there was not a dull moment in the session. Resolutions were passed endorsing the National Administration, Col. W. D. Pollock for State Senator and Chairman Cowper for elector from the Second Congressional district. The convention heard snappy short addresses by Col. Pollock and Hon. N. J. Rouse.

The following delegates were appointed:

To the State Convention: E. B. Lewis, J. A. McDaniel, L. P. Tapp, Y. T. Ormond, John Manning, Dr. J. M. Parrott, N. J. Rouse, H. W. Brothers, K. E. Sutton, J. B. Dawson, R. G. Creech; Alternates, J. L. Jackson, P. G. Noble, E. H. Walker, G. F. Loftin, W. C. Worthington, E. C. Carraway, H. W. Davis, R. G. Hodges, D. W. Wood, Frank Rhem and Will Gray.

To the Congressional Convention: W. P. Gilbert, Oscar Hardy, R. W. King, S. W. Fields, W. B. Becton, G. L. Fields, H. E. Moseley, L. P. Tapp, E. B. Lewis, N. J. Rouse, A. T. Dawson, R. L. Crisp, John G. Dawson, R. A. Whitaker, Jr., R. H. Lewis, Jr., J. A. Powers, W. H. Sutton, Floyd Barwick, E. B. Wooten, F. A. Whitaker, J. J. Wilson, R. A. Wooten, J. M. Parrott, F. I. Sutton, H. L. Pate, R. L. Wooten, W. D. LaRoque, D. A. Whitfield, A. W. Taylor, W. C. Wetherington, R. M. Harper, A. T. Wade and Cicero A. Dudley.

To the Senatorial Convention: Y. T. Ormond, K. E. Sutton, W. H. Sutton, John G. Dawson, L. P. Tapp, R. A. Wooten, G. M. Turner, D. Wood, Joe Dawson, S. N. Gilbert, Davis Williams, E. L. Hardy, Clarence Humphrey, W. C. Pate, A. T. Dawson, W. L. Holderby, P. Howard, Charles Bagby, C. Oettinger, P. A. Hodges, Dempsey Wood, H. W. Brothers, John Wilson, M. F. Waller, S. H. Taylor, Cicero A. Dudley, J. T. Heath, J. A. McDaniel, C. W. Pridden, George West, P. S. B. Harper, R. G. Creech and W. D. LaRoque.

Shortly after 11 o'clock the County Board of Elections met and elected the following precinct election officials, the first-named of each three being registrars, the others pollholders:

Kinston No. 1: Clarence Oettinger, R. L. Blow and J. C. Smith. Kinston No. 2: W. L. Holderby, W. B. Harvey and Sam R. Dunn. Pink Hill: T. A. Turner, J. N. Jones and Lewis P. Tyndall. Trent: Sargett Stanley, J. G. Whitfield and A. W. Rouse. Contentnea Neck: J. S. Abbott, S. N. Gilbert and Lewis J. Cameros. Neuse: J. Luke Jackson, C. A. Dudley and Willie Tyndall. Sand Hill: Jake West, Frank Rhem and J. F. Tilghman. Southwest: F. J. Ashford, R. L. Wooten and Kirby Loftin. Falling Creek: G. R. Pollock, R. L. Herring and Joshua Dawson. Moseley Hall: E. B. Wooten, C. Roy Hardy and G. E. Sutton. Woodington: Clarence Humphrey, Furney Davenport and J. F. Gooding. Vance: E. C. Carraway, Thomas Worthington and N. P. Mewborn. (Continued on Page Six)

Here is a List of Contestants and Partial Schedule of Votes

DISTRICT No. 1. After the Capital prizes, two Maxwell Touring Cars have been awarded this district will receive one diamond ring, one gold watch and one bank account of \$25. All others in this district who remain in the contest until the close, who do not win one of the above prizes, and who comply with the rules, will be paid a commission of 10 per cent.

DISTRICT No. 1. Miss Sarah Dunn, Kinston, 16,200. Mrs. Susan Dunn, Kinston, 33,100. Miss Barbara Emery, Kinston, 21,700. Miss Mary Farmer, Kinston, 47,800. Miss Bessie Faulkner, Kinston, 6,500. Miss Sarah Faulkner, Kinston, 48,200. Mrs. Mammie Fitzgerald, Kins., 39,300. Miss Addie Ford, Kinston, 5,400. Mrs. Coy Stroud, Kinston, 46,200. Miss Barb. Andrews, Kins., 43,800. Miss Bettie Barfield, Kins., 26,100. Miss Carrie L. Beasley, Kinston, 10,800. Mrs. Clara Becton, Kinston, 58,700. Mrs. Katie Bell, Kinston, 5,400. Miss Maggie Bissett, Kins., 33,200. Miss Georgia Bizzell, Kinston, 11,700. Miss Nannie Blackwell, Kins., 38,700. Miss Ada Bostic, Kinston, 27,600. Mrs. Henry Bradshaw, Kins., 26,200. Mrs. M. L. Braswell, Kins., 43,100. Miss Alma Broadhurst, Kins., 33,100. Miss A. L. Broadway, Kinston, 5,400. Miss G. V. Broadway, Kins., 17,100. Miss Laura Cummings, Kins., 47,800. Merrianna LaRoque, Kinston, 6,000. Miss Carrie B. Cox, Kinston, 51,700. Mrs. F. L. Hooker, Kins., 45,100. J. Colby Abbott, Kinston, 40,700. Mrs. W. G. Morris, Kinston, 46,900. Miss Katie Brown, Kinston, 38,800. Miss Susie Canady, Kinston, 38,800. Miss Lillie B. Cox, Kinston, 24,100. Miss Stella Buck, Kinston, 29,700. Elizabeth Copeland, Kinston, 19,100. Miss Dora Diamond, Kins., 53,100. Miss Katie Gaylor, Kinston, 8,200. Marguerite Goodson, Kinston, 19,800. Miss Lena Grady, Kinston, 51,300. Miss Lois Grubbs, Kinston, 41,800. Miss Alice Hart, Kinston, 28,200. Mary Hartsfield, Kinston, 38,100. Miss Prossie Heath, Kinston, 49,700. Miss Scotia Hightower, Kins., 17,100. Miss Julia Hightower, Kins., 34,300. Miss Lula Isler, Kinston, 28,100. Miss Anna Patrick, Kinston, 40,600. Miss Terry Mitchell, Kinston, 24,900. Miss Florence Moore, Kinston, 22,600. Miss Annie Nobles, Kinston, 48,800. Miss Daisy Outlaw, Kinston, 20,700. Miss Eoline Padrick, Kinston, 49,700. Miss Fannie Pollock, Kinston, 6,000. Miss Roberta Pridden, Kinston, 28,800. Miss Mary Pridden, Kinston, 24,600. Miss Nannie Randolph, Kins., 29,300. Miss Amanda Rhodes, Kins., 22,900. Miss Lillian Rowe, Kinston, 15,500. Miss Lida Lee Rhodes, Kins., 30,100. Miss Annie L. Scott, Kinston, 19,100. Miss Ruth Simmons, Kinston, 21,000. Miss Rosa Simpson, Kinston, 19,100. Miss Nannie Stanley, Kinston, 55,300. Miss Annie Stephenson, Kinston, 6,000. Miss Maria Sutton, Kinston, 56,400. Miss Vania Sutton, Kinston, 6,000. Mrs. Nora Taylor, Kinston, 7,300. Bessie V. Thornton, Kinston, 41,300. Miss Thomas Tilghman, Kins., 8,600. Miss Myrtle Tucker, Kins., 21,100. Miss Julia Tyndall, Kinston, 47,800. Miss Bettie Underhill, Kinston, 29,700. Miss Lena D. Weeks, Kinston, 44,700. Miss Katie Whitehurst, Kinston, 6,500. Miss Camille Aldridge, Kins., 27,100. Miss Evelyn Waters, Kinston, 54,100. Miss Ella Haskett, Kinston, 33,000. Herman Lawson, Kinston, 48,000. Mrs. Eva Cummings, Kins., 47,700. Miss J. Hargrett, Kinston, 8,300. Mrs. J. B. Leonard, Kins., 39,700. Miss Velma Hill, Kinston, 43,300. Mr. Gordon Boney, Kinston, 48,800. Mrs. M. L. McCullen, Kins., 24,600. Miss Victoria Bursell, Kinston, 53,200. Miss Isabel Bailly, Kinston, 28,200. Miss Corinna Mial, Kinston, 18,100. Mrs. Claude Smith, Kinston, 56,600. Miss Janie Hardy, Kinston, 55,100. Miss Ruth Dail, Kinston, 17,100. Mr. Phillips Brooks, Kinston, 47,900. Miss Alice Deane, Kins., 48,900. Miss Alice Delle Gay, Kins., 52,800. Mrs. E. A. Best, Kinston, 51,500. Miss May Oettinger, Kins., 28,100. Miss Susan Phillips, Kinston, 20,100. Miss Susan A. Martin, Kins., 17,800.

DISTRICT No. 2. This district includes all territory outside of the City of Kinston. After the capital prizes, two Maxwell Touring Cars have been awarded this district will receive one diamond ring, one gold watch, and one bank account of \$25. All others in this district, who remain in the contest until the close, who do not win one of the above prizes and who comply with the rules, will be paid a commission of 10 per cent.

Mrs. Mabel Barwick, Seven Springs, 42,100. Mrs. Winnie Thompson, Seven Springs, 10,200. Miss Emma Barwick, Seven Springs, 43,700. Miss Lula Outlaw, Seven Springs, 12,800. Miss Mabel Grady, Seven Springs, 53,100. Miss Effie Stroud, Seven Springs, 19,900. Miss Lola Rouse, Sev. Spgs., 38,200. Miss Gertrude Grady, Seven Springs, R. F. D. No. 1, 38,100. Mrs. J. J. Harper, Deep Run, 28,000. Mrs. Alice Bizzell, Deep Run, 27,700. Mrs. Annie Stroud, Deep Run, R. F. D. No. 2, 49,100. Mrs. Addie Boyett, Deep Run, R. F. D. No. 2, 26,000. Miss Sue Davis, Deep Run, R. F. D. No. 2, 19,100. Miss Tiffany Hill, Deep Run, R. F. D. No. 2, 54,200. Mrs. Mildred Outlaw, Kenansville, 28,800. Miss Jimmie Kornegay, Kenansville, 43,100. Mrs. Nance Smith, Kenansville, 28,300. Mrs. Mary P. Russell, Fort Barwell, 49,700. Mrs. R. W. Lamb, Fort Barwell, 28,800. Miss Sallie French, Fort Barwell, 28,100. Miss Amy Ruth Joyner, Fort Barwell, 24,600. Miss Emma Cox, Kenansville, 21,300. Miss Bessie E. Basden, Rich-

HOSTILITIES WITH MEXICAN GOVERNMENT MAY BREAK OUT AT FIRST MOVE OF U. S. TROOPS TO PASS TO SOUTH OF PARRAL

Heads of Army Conferring at San Antonio Hold Little Hope of Averting War—Reports of Execution of Carranza Generals for Treason, Financing of De Facto President and Diaz for Conflict With United States by Germany, Troop Movements in Northern States and Deportation of Objectionable Foreigners—American Army Prepared to Walk Over Carranza If Necessary to Take Villa; Continuing the Search

San Antonio, April 22.—Generals Scott and Funston and other officers conferring at headquarters here do not believe there is any likelihood of the troops' withdrawal. They are guarded in their comment, however. The Americans are ready to meet Carranza's opposition if necessary to get Villa. A new campaign is being planned. The situation is characterized as critical by army officers.

Disturbed Conditions in Mexico.

El Paso, April 22.—Former Carranzista generals are reported to have been executed at Guadalajara penitentiary for conspiracy against Carranza. Wholesale arrests of de facto government enemies are rumored. Antagonistic foreigners have been ordered deported. Rumors are rife that Carranza and Diaz are supported by German money, and that the Villa raid on Columbus was backed by German finances, to cause an American-Mexican war and keep the United States out of the European war. Carranzista troop movements are reported from Chihuahua and Sonora. It is believed Carranza will try to prevent the Americans going south of Parral. Wilson Will Act Soon.

Washington, April 22.—President Wilson will confer with Chairman Stone of the Senate foreign relations committee Monday. It is understood the conference will be relative to the Mexican situation. The President plans to take up American's next step in Mexico.

Hardships Kill Trooper.

Columbus, April 22.—Albert Hartmann of the Thirtieth Cavalry, died today of dementia, from the hardships of the Villa campaign.

Search for Villa Continues.

Pershing's Field Headquarters, Namiquipa, Mexico, (Via Wireless to Columbus), April 22.—The report that Villa is dead is little credited by the American officers here. The hunt is continuing in limited territory. They are not concerned over the position of the Americans at Parral. The Villistas are quiet, and evidently respect the American marksmanship.

Washington Anxious for Scott's Report.

Washington, April 22.—The Mexican situation is grave, General Scott is expected to report. The President desires information on the exact Carranza attitude. If Carranza has ordered American troops to stop at Parral the situation is difficult.

TWINS AT THE HOME OF JOE BLACK, WHO WAS VICTIM OF MOB

Kept Their Mother From Coming to Second Hearing Today

LYNCHED AT KINSTON

Greene County J. P. Is Quite Certain; Tells Solicitor as Much—Will Black Must Die If People Have to Fight the Militia

when Will Black is tried in June to swear that he is not 14 years of age, it is said. Under that age he would not be legally guilty of rape; he could not be given a death sentence. "In the event the court does not order him to be electrocuted, the people will attack the militia to get him," said one Greene county man today. Sheriff Williams at Snow Hill is said to feel confident that such would be the case. Williams "knows the people." When he rushed Joseph Black here to keep a mob from taking him at Snow Hill he left his own jail wide open, "to keep them from tearing it down," said a man Friday.

F. L. Rouse, a Greene county magistrate, was asked by Solicitor Shaw before the hearing this morning: "How far from where the body of Joseph Black was found was he killed?" "Twenty-one miles," said Rouse. "He was killed somewhere in or near your city."

Mr. Rouse was the magistrate who tried to give Joseph Black a preliminary hearing a day or two before he was lynched. At every question put to him, he said, Black would leap up and shout "Jones!" The negro was insane or feigning insanity. The case was postponed indefinitely. Rouse sent a physician to examine the negro. The doctor gave Black, in the jail, "a drink of liquor. Black was never brighter in his life, the doctor stated." Black was a moonshiner and as bad a character as Greene county ever had in it, Rouse declared.

Six or eight persons, members of the coroner's jury who viewed Joseph Black's remains and others, were examined by Solicitor Shaw at today's hearing, before Recorder Wooten. Practically nothing new was learned by the State's Attorney. No name of an alleged lyncher was revealed.

Two black babies may have prevented Solicitor H. E. Shaw from getting important evidence at the second hearing into the lynching of Joseph Black, here this morning. Sarah Black, wife of the lynch victim, is mothering twins, a day or two old, in her Greene county home. She was to have been the principal witness. The two infants' big brother, Will Black, is in the penitentiary at Raleigh, doomed to die. He may die by a jury's verdict, or there may be a second lynching. Old, well-informed, settle-headed men of Greene county declare there is danger that he will be killed by a mob. Solicitor Shaw said this morning that he had heard his 6-year-old white victim, Mattie Tyson, was dead. The report proved to be unfounded. Sarah Black is going on the stand

VON IGEL'S PAPERS AT STATE DEPARTMENT

Von Bernstorff Expected to Claim That They Are Embassy's Property and Not the Spy's—Valuable Evidence Against Plotters, State and Justice Departments Think

EXPECT TO FIND A BODY BELIEVED TO BE MISS ARNOLD'S

(By the United Press) New York, April 22.—Detectives believe they will recover the body of Dorothy Arnold, the heiress missing for six years, in the cellar of a vacant house near West Point today.

BULLETINS

(By the United Press) Washington, April 22.—The Von Igel papers are here at the State Department. Ambassador Von Bernstorff is expected to claim they are strictly embassy property. The Justice and State departments consider the papers strong evidence of a German propaganda.

POPE URGES U. S. TO KEEP PEACE

New York, April 22.—Pope Benedict cabled an Easter message today, urging this neutral nation to keep out of war, and the warring nations to lay down their arms.

CONGRESSIONAL NOMINEE DIES

Richmond, Va., April 22.—William R. Votaw, a Republican nominee for Congress here, is dead.

SENATE MAY PASS FREE SUGAR REPEAL TODAY

(By United Press) Washington, April 22.—The Senate is scheduled to pass the House Free Sugar repeal, revoking the Underwood bill.

T. R. MAY SPEAK IN WEST

Oyster Bay, N. Y., April 22. It is understood Colonel Roosevelt may make a pre-convention stump campaign, carrying the preparedness fight against the Pacificists in the Middle West.