

GERMANS ATTACKED AND WHIPPED MUCH SMALLER FLEET AND RAN WHEN BRITISH REINFORCEMENTS APPROACHED THE SPOT

Admiral Scheer Surprised Enemy—British Nervily Tried to Cut Attacking Fleet Off While Fleet Cruiser Raced for Help to Sink the Germans—Four Thousand Englishmen Went to Watery Graves—Not a Soul Saved From Some Ships, a Handful From Others—Eight German Battleships Accused of Hiding in Danish Waters After the North Sea Battle—Berlin Proclaims a Great 'Victory' and People Go Wild With Enthusiasm

(By the United Press)

London, June 3.—A Copenhagen report today says the steamer Naesborg reported that the German fleet in the North Sea numbered 45 ships of all classes, while the British had eleven ships of the second line at the beginning of the great sea fight. Later eight English first line warships joined. The Naesborg crew confirmed the fact that Zeppelins participated. The Naesborg's captain said the firing was so terrific that his sailors, although the Naesborg was seven miles away, could not stay on deck. The engagement opened, he said, with several German vessels pursuing smaller English craft. Within a few minutes British cruisers sighted the Germans and headed full steam into action.

Germany Regards Victory as Great Achievement.

Berlin, June 3.—England's claim to mastery of sea has been broken. This is the German view, resulting from Vice-Admiral Scheer's North Sea victory. Flags are being displayed everywhere, the schools have been dismissed and special services of celebration and thanksgiving called, and German enthusiasm aroused as at no time since the Kaiser's legions were driving toward Paris in the early days of the war. The victory is regarded as another step toward peace. The Kaiser is expected to hurry to Wilhelmshaven to congratulate the fleet and decorate Scheer.

The Kind of 'Victory' Germans Won.

London, June 3.—Three more ships have been added to the list of those lost in the North Sea battle—the British destroyer Shark, German cruiser Elbing and German superdreadnaught Von Hindenberg.

The survivors of the Shark, landed at Hull, said that first and last forty British ships, most of them small, participated. The Elbing's crew, landed at Ymuiden, said Commander Madlung scuttled her.

Captain Punt of the Dutch trawler John Brown, at Ymuiden, said he witnessed the battle. "The Germans had fifty ships, including dreadnaughts, when the British, greatly outnumbered, approached from the northeast. The engagement started at 4:15 o'clock. The British pluckily tried to cut in behind the Germans and prevent their retreat to Heligoland. While a fast British cruiser hurried for reinforcements, a running fight commenced. As soon as British reinforcements arrived the Germans hurriedly withdrew, thus preventing the British attempt to cut them off.

The Berlin admiralty's reports claim a brilliant and complete victory, emphasizing the British's superior losses.

Holland reports today said eight German battleships took refuge in Danish waters. They were ordered to leave in twelve hours or intern.

Reports today confirmed the use of zeppelins by the Germans.

British Loss in Men Heavy.

Portsmouth, June 3.—More than four thousand men, including Rear Admirals Arbutnot and Hood, are admitted to have been lost in the sea fight. All aboard the Defense, Queen Mary, Indefatigable and Black Prince were lost. About a score from the Tipperary and Invincible were saved. All were saved from the Warrior.

GREGORY ASKS STRONG LEGISLATION AGAINST NEUTRALITY VIOLATORS

(By the United Press) Washington, June 3.—Legislation aimed at breaking up the activities of foreign agents in the United States in violation of neutrality obligations was urged in a memorandum submitted to Congress by the Attorney General today. Such a law would be directed against war plotters generally.

RAILROADS HAD GOOD MONTH OF IT IN APRIL

Washington, June 2.—Statistics show a great increase in revenue during the month of April for carriers operating in the South. There were 400 more miles of railroad operated than during April a year ago. Increase in operating revenue was nearly four millions and increase in net revenue was \$2,237,000 more than in April, 1915.

WOOD SETS AT REST RUMORS OF 'CLASS' AT PLATTSBURG CAMP

(By the United Press) Plattsburg, N. Y., June 3.—Major General Leonard Wood, commanding the Department of the East, wants it made clear that the training camp which opened here today is for every American citizen who wishes to be of aid to his country in case of war. He called reporters to his headquarters to set at rest rumors that there was or would be, any social distinction whatever shown in recruiting men for the camp. "Preparedness," said Major-General Wood, "has caught on. So far, more than 2,000 business men and others have signed for the Plattsburg camp this year. Among these there are a great number of college students. Princeton is leading with the largest enrollment of the colleges. We expect to have between 20,000 and 25,000 men here this year."

POLLOCK CONFIDENT HE WILL BE CHOSEN IN PRIMARY TODAY

The New Bern Sun-Journal Friday said: "Col. W. D. Pollock, one of Kinston's best known and most highly esteemed citizens, is spending the day in the city with his nephew, Dr. Raymond Pollock, and is greeting his host of friends here. "Col. Pollock, who is a candidate for the State Senate from this, the seventh district, has just made a trip through Jones, Onslow, and Carteret counties and in conversation he declared that he was given assurances by the Democratic voters in those counties that he would be given strong support. "Lenoir county has not had a representative in the State Senate for nine years and the citizens of that county feel that they are entitled to representation there during the coming session and have selected Colonel Pollock for the office. "That Colonel Pollock will be given hearty support there is not the least doubt, and he will doubtless receive a large vote in Craven county."

FRENCH HOLDING BACK GERMANS MAKING HARD ASSAULTS AT VERDUN

(By the United Press) Paris, June 3.—The French last night repulsed several most violent German attacks along the entire battle against Fort Vaux. The action continues with great fury, the Germans suffering frightful losses.

TO AUCTION OFF HIGH SOCIAL POSITION FOR ONE DAY AT NEW YORK

(By the United Press) New York, June 3.—"Here you are! Only \$5 a day in the most exclusive home in Newport! Buy a chance, and if you win you'll be entertained by one of Newport's charming hostesses!" This is the cry that resounded today when the Million-Dollar Allied Bazaar began in Grand Central Palace. "Among the many things to be raffled off, from neckties autographed by poets to high power touring cars, is a free trip to Newport and a day's entertainment in some villa where hitherto only those whose names are in the social register have been permitted to enter. Just who the hostess is to be, whether it is Mrs. Vincent Astor, Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont or somebody else, has not been disclosed.

BRANDEIS WILL BE SWORN IN ON TWELFTH JUNE

Washington, June 2.—The confirmation of Louis D. Brandeis came just in time to permit him to be sworn in before the court recesses for the summer. The oath of office will be administered to Mr. Brandeis June 12. Chief Justice White will swear the new justice in.

STANDPATTERS GOT SHOCK WHEN TEDDY GOT BIG BUSINESS

Group of Financial Leaders Line Up for Colonel for Nomination

DEAD AGAINST HUGHES

Bunch That Injected New Problem Into Affairs at Chicago Today Won't Tolerate Justice—Excitement in "Candidates' Row"

(By Perry Arnold) Chicago, June 3.—Sudden realization that Roosevelt has garnered the support of a goodly portion of big business, from which the sinews of war must come, today injected a new problem into the pre-convention log-rolling on "Candidates' Row." Most potent stand-pat arguments weakened at the news, following the line up for Roosevelt of Herbert Satterlee, J. P. Morgan's brother-in-law, Frank Vanderbilt, heading Wall Street's oil group, and Ogden Armour.

Gossip along "the row" says big business is dead set against Hughes.

BULLETINS

(By the United Press)

AMERICAN OFFICER IN BIG ACTION?

Washington, June 3.—Grave fears are felt by naval officers here for the safety of Lieutenant-commander Powers Symington of Baltimore, American naval attaché at London, who last reports said, was aboard the British battle cruiser Indefatigable, sunk in the North Sea engagement. Secretary Daniels today said he did not believe Symington was aboard the Indefatigable.

ENDEAVORERS OF THE STATE IN CONVENTION

Eighteenth Annual Session of the Union—Meet in Charlotte Presbyterian Church—Sixty New Societies Organized, President Reports

Charlotte, N. C., June 2.—The 18th annual convention of the North Carolina Christian Endeavor Union opened this afternoon in the First Presbyterian church. An unusually large number heard and were filled with the keynote of the convention as given by Rev. C. M. Compher, president of the Virginia Union. "Christ Enthroned" is the motto of this convention.

The evening session was featured by the annual report of the president and an address by Rev. C. M. Compher.

President Mitchell reported great increase in the past year. He reported nearly 60 new societies added and contributions doubled during the year. Rev. Mr. Compher spoke of the five reasons why Christian Endeavor appeals to all denominations. He spoke of Christian Endeavor as not denominational nor undenominational, but supremely inter-denominational.

SLAUGHTER OF PENN. ROOSTERS THIS WEEK

Harrisburgh, June 3.—And now the Pennsylvania hen is a victim of compulsory birth control. Somewhere between half and three-quarters of a million roosters which trod Pennsylvania poultry yards happily last Monday morning have gone where the dead roosters go. "Rooster Week" was proclaimed by the State Department of Agriculture, and came to an end today. Officials believe final figures will show close to a million fowls killed.

N. B. MOORE, KINSTON MAN, VICE-PRESIDENT OIL MILL SUPERINT'D'S

Charlotte, N. C., June 2.—The Interstate Association of Oil Mill Superintendents concluded their sessions today at noon by electing the following officers for the ensuing year:

President, J. G. McKenzie of Demopolis, Ala.; Vice-President, N. B. Moore of Kinston, N. C.; Secretary-Treasurer, Fred. Strickland of Anderson, S. C.

This afternoon at the annual meeting of the Association of Exhibitors, the following officers were elected:

President, J. Russell Smith of Muncy, Pa.; Vice-President, F. V. L. Smith of Hartford, Conn.; Secretary-Treasurer, Robert D. Allen of Cincinnati, O.

The session just closed was the largest attended meeting since the organization of the associations.

BRIEFS IN THE NEWS OTHER COUNTIES AND CITIES EAST CAROLINA

A jury in a negro divorce case in the Craven county court at New Bern Friday was comprised by the following: Seven lawyers, the court crier, a court stenographer, a man under indictment for wife murder, the jailer, a socialist and a merchant. The separation was granted. A nearly similar jury passed on a trivial case here a year or two ago when a judge was in a hurry to wind up a term.

New Bern may lose the naval converted yacht Elfrida and the torpedo boat Foote altogether, because the city furnishes no docking facilities. They are naval reserve training ships. Washington gets the Elfrida for one-half the time.

Crops in this section are in fine shape, according to General Superintendent J. D. Stack of the Norfolk Southern Railroad, who has been over the lines around here this week. New Bern's country club, newly organized, has been chartered.

MORE SHIPS FOR U. S. NAVY RESULT OF NORTH SEA BATTLE

(By the United Press) Washington, June 3.—Two dreadnaughts, one battle cruiser and a flotilla of dirigibles will be added by the Senate to the House naval program, Senator Tillman today announced, as the result of lessons from the North Sea battle.

ASHEVILLE TO HAVE A PREPAREDNESS PARADE

Asheville, June 2.—Asheville is preparing to celebrate Flag Day, on June 14, with a great preparedness parade, at which time the facilities of the mountain metropolis, as well as the willingness of her people to defend their country will be shown.

CUMBERLAND NEGRO SENTENCED TO CHAIR

Fayetteville, N. C., June 2.—Arthur Smith, negro, convicted of the murder of his wife, was this afternoon sentenced to die in the electric chair on Tuesday, August 1, by Judge Frank Daniels.

MR. NOE TO CONTINUE IN OFFICE UNTIL THE FIRST OF NEXT YEAR

Rev. Thos. P. Noe, whose resignation as archdeacon of the Episcopal Diocese of East Carolina was announced this week, will, through a change of plans continue in his office until January 1, says a report from Wilmington. Mr. Noe resigned following a motion at the recent Diocesan Council here to abolish the office.

Mr. Noe, who has been an efficient worker in the cause of his church, will take up an important work in Wilmington next year.

NO WAY TO TELL WHO IS GOING TO COME OUT ON TOP IN PRIMARY IN LENOIR TODAY; IS FIRST LEGALIZED PRELIMINARY ELECTION

G. O. P. and Moose Resting On Their Oars—Bickett, Manning and Incumbents Expected to Win in County for State Offices—Most Interesting Contest Between Sutton and Brothers for Representative—Kitchin Expected by Followers to Have Easy Victory—Major Is Splitting With Marshall for Vice-President—Five Surplus Candidates for Board of Commissioners—Returns Will Be Late Coming In, It's Thought

Elisha B. Lewis of Kinston was a popular candidate for Vice-president of the United States at today's primary in the county. He ran neck and neck with Vice-President Marshall and Governor Major. Even a Republican voted for Theodore Roosevelt and Mr. Lewis for the Colonel's running mate.

Using the Australian ballot for National (preferential), Congressional and State candidates for the first time, voters of Lenoir county today at the fourteen precinct polling places are choosing their candidates. That is, the Democrats are; the Republicans and Progressives named their ticket at a wedding party a few days ago. The primary is statewide.

Democratic County Chairman G. V. Cowper said the party in the county will come out of the primary the better for it—united and with no side-sticking thorns whatever. The primary has been the most businesslike ever conducted in the county. There has been more serious interest in the preliminaries. The ballots—four in number—are not as complicated as many voters expected to find them. Mr. Cowper had some little doubt today that the vote would be record-breaking, because of the very few contests and the fact that the Republicans and Progressives are not voting. The latter are "playing 'possum." Their policy is to stay strictly away from the polls. They have their ticket named; why should they vote? And they are playing politics as well as 'possum to the very limit—with the cleanest, most intelligent ticket they have ever had. They are greatly interested in this primary, however,—they want to see what the Democrats are going to do. They are working earnestly; they will not admit futilely this time.

Returns Will Be Late. The primary returns will not any of them be complete before 10 or 11 o'clock, because sundown comes so late. It may be known by 10 or 11 what the county has done. Congressman Claude Kitchin's strength will be tabulated here, but it is doubtful if complete returns can be secured before midnight. All may be in except Northampton county's by then. Cleggman Mitchell's figures will go into Wilson, probably, and from there to Mitchell's home at Aulander. The State senatorial figures will certainly not be complete tonight. Remote districts of Onslow, Jones and Carteret counties cannot possibly report by midnight. The complete results in Lenoir, Craven and Greene will probably be learned.

Fight on House Place. Not one man in Lenoir county will be able to predict with any degree of certainty before the polls close how the Democratic fight for legislator is going. Most interest is exhibited here in that contest. Mayor Fred. Sutton would not make a statement this morning, and friends here of Henry Brothers, the Institute planter, opposing Sutton for the place in the State House, were equally reticent. The race, all agree, is likely to prove the closest in the campaign.

There are 10 candidates for commissioners—R. F. Churchill, chairman, D. W. Wood, D. A. Whitfield, Lemuel Taylor and T. G. Sutton, incumbents, and S. H. Isler, R. E. Bland, Parker Howard, A. T. Dawson and W. C. Worthington. Who will be chosen cannot be prophesied. Chairman Churchill and the other members of the present board, S. H. Isler and Parker Howard seem to be particularly strong, but by the roughest kind of guessing.

County Officers Unopposed. The following Democratic incumbents on the county ballot are unopposed: Arden W. Taylor, sheriff; Carl W. Pridgen, register of deeds; John H. Dawson, treasurer; Dempsey E. Wood, coroner.

The Congressional Contest. Elisha B. Lewis, Kitchin's private secretary, expects the Congressman to poll about 85 per cent. and Cleggman Mitchell about 15 per cent. of the vote for congressional candidates. Mitchell men as a rule are non-committal. No Kitchin man will concede the Bertie aspirant more than 25 per cent.

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Poll-Holders Shelve Curiosity. Even the poll-holders cannot begin to estimate how the balloting is going. The majority of them are making no effort to do so. Many—probably most—of the voters are at this primary folding their ballots and dropping them into the little circular holes in the tops of the locked boxes.

Bickett Expected to Lead. The majority opinion among the Democratic leaders is that results as regards State officers in the county will be as follows:

For Governor a fair majority will be given Thomas Walter Bickett, but E. L. Daughtridge will develop a strength that will surprise the Bickett followers, who have been resting self-satisfied that Bickett had a walk-over.

J. Bryan Grimes, incumbent, will lead J. A. Hartness and Haywood Clark for Secretary of State.

B. R. Lacy, incumbent, will get the majority over J. E. Mann for Treasurer.

James S. Manning will lead Thos. H. Calvert, Edmund Jones and N. A. Sinclair, for Attorney General.

Mitchell Lee Shipman, incumbent, will get the majority over David P. Dellinger for Commissioner of Labor and Printing.

William T. Lee, incumbent, will lead D. L. Boyd for member of the Corporation Commission.

W. A. Graham, incumbent, will lead Samuel Huntington Hobbs and A. J. McKinnon, who are "splitting," for Commissioner of Agriculture.

"By default," James R. Young, incumbent, who might have been beaten in the county had the other man's campaign been thorough enough, will get the majority over C. T. McClenaghan for Insurance Commissioner.

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GREENVILLE TO PAVE MORE STREETS; WHITE IS SELECTED FOR JOB

Gilbert C. White, in charge of the paving here, has been chosen paving engineer for Greenville. "It is mainly due to his efficiency and enthusiasm that Kinston is now the best-paved town in the State if not the entire South," said the Greenville Reflector Friday evening. Petitions have been presented to the Greenville town board by citizens asking the paving of a number of streets.