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U-BOATS DRIVEN OFF IN ATTACK ON TRANSPORTS

Germans Had Information of Coming Petrograd Reports the Capture Of ()1 Transports; Were Twice Attacked by Submarines On the Way Across With Troops

Washington, July 3.-American destroyers convoying transports with troops for France fought off two submarges attacks. The first news of by the committee on public information with formal announcement of the safe arrival of the last of the transports with their convoys.

At least one submarine was sunk. both of the attacks being made in force, showing that the Germans had information of the coming of the transports and planned to get them.

Not An Amerivan Life Lost This announcement was issued:

"The navy department at 9 o'clock this afternoon received word of the safe arrival at a French port of the last contingent of General Pershing's expeditionary force. At the same time the information was released that the transforts were twice attacked by subtainines on the way across.

"No ship was hit, not an American life was lost and while the navy gunners report the sinking of one submarine, only, there is reason to believe that others were destroyed in . the first might attack."

Daniel's Statement Section: Daniels made this state-

"I s with joy of a great relief that I appounce to the people of the United States the safe arrival in France of every fighting man and ev-

"Now that the last ship has reached port, it is safe to disclose the dangers that were encountered, and to tell the complete stery of peril and cour-

er fighting ship.

The transports bearing our roops were twice attacked by German submarines on the way across. On both occusions the U-boats were beaten off with every appearance of loss. One Was certainly sunk and there is reason to helieve that the accurate fire of and cunners sent others to the bot-

NEGROES KILLED AND HOMES FIRED BY MOB

THE SHOT IN RACE-RIOT

Three frendred White Men Locked Up at Police Headquarters; Whites Stand Around Edges of Burning - lifeties and Fire at Negroes as The Flee From Homes

Last St. Louis, Ill., June 2.—At least 15 negroes were shot and killed by made here Monday night as they The from their burning homes, which had been set on fire by white mobs. The exact number, who perished in the banning houses, if any, is unknown and will not be ascertained until merning, when the ruins are

Military rule was proclaimed at 8 Could Monday night, and at the same time you white men were arrested and but hely at police headquarters. Neerror onarters in various parts of the the are on fire and the flames reach the very edge of the business district. Enthantes of the number of negroes when rished in the fire ran as high as low but there was nothing authenic on which to base hese estimates, except that hundreds of whites stood around the edges of the burning districts and fired at the negroes as they flet from their homes.

At a o'clock hte mayor of East St. Louis sent for Fire Chief Swingley, of East St. Louis, Mo., to assist in fightine the flames, which threatened to destroy a large part of the city. A company of the St. Louis fire depart-Lent started to East St. Louis, but Was ordered back by Chief Swingley.

Special Services

Rev. Mr. Rankin will begin a series of special services at the Presbyterian thurch at Roxboro Sunday night at * o'clock and continuing thru the week. Everyone is cordially invited.

Card of Thanks

Being unable to see all of our friends personally, we take this method of expressing our sincere appreciation for the many kindnesses shown us during the sickness and eath of a r belove trains and mother. T. J. Montagne and children.

GERMANS FALL BACK FROM THE . RUSSIAN DRIVE

NOT A VESSEL WAS TORPEDOED OCCUPY GERMAN POSITIONS COLORED MAN SEES THE CRASH

6,000 More Prisoners; Finnish Divion Distinguishes Itself By the Capture of Nearly 2,000 Prisoners

Petrograd, July 3 .- The new Russian offensive has resulted in the capthe tights was given out late Tuesday ture of 6,000 more prisoners. Russians are advancing towards Zlochoff. Galacia, the war office announces.

The official statement follows:

"In the direction of Zlochoff our offensive continues sucessfully. Yesterday afternoon after a severe stubborn battle the Zorafsky regiment occupied the village of Presovce, while the gallant troops of the fourth Finnish divsion and the Cheshskoslovatsky brigade occupied the strongly fortified enemy positions on the heights west to get a statement from young G. S. Messrs. J. Y. Humphries, J. T. and southwest of the village of Zhor- Jacobs, the Franklinton operator who Long, W. W. Clayton, J. T. Jones, A. off and the fortified village of Korshi- is held in Wake jail upon a charge of L. Clayton, J. H. Foushee, E. F. Rhew, duv. Three lines of enemy trenches manslaughter, before the hearing. Mr. Frank Brooks, W. H. Turner, W. R. were penetrated. The enemy then re- Carlton said that the wreck occurred Hawkins, J. N. O'Briant, J. O. Pierce, tired across the Little Stripa.

cers and soldiers, prisoner, while their | tra 312. Asked if the railroad would | Tatum, C. M. Ranes, J. F. Chandler, captures include four trench mortars, take steps to prosecute Jacobs, he W. A. Davis, Thos. Gray, A. J. Mitnine machine guns and one bomb stated that the operator was guilty chell, Y. N. Broach, J. L. Satterfield, thrower. The Cheshskoslovatsky bri- of criminal negligence, but for the A. Z. Day, J. W. Ashley, D. L. Davis, gade captured 63 officers and 3,150 present the State authorities would J. E. Clayton, O. W. Yarboro, W. E. soldiers, 15 guns and many machine take action. Jacobs was committed Lawson, S. A. Oliver, A. S. Gillis, W. guns. Many of the captured guns to jail here Saturday for safe keeping H. Smith, E. G. Crews and B. L. were turned against the enemy.

Narayuvka also were taken.

continues with less intensity. In hearing upon a charge of manslaught-Sunday's battle in this region, we took er htrough neglect of duty. It was reprisoners 53 officers and 2,200 men.

"Fusillades are reported on the rest Mr. W. B. Jones as counsel. of the fronts on the Rumanian and Caucasian fronts.

Zeppelin dropped 12 bombs on the the bodies of Engineer Linkous and the time of the commissioners. All town of Venden (northeast of Riga). Fireman Wells were recovered late A German battle plane brought down Saturday evening from the mass of one of our machines in the region of burning debris and brought to a local the village of Savitch on the Beresina undertaking parlor to be prepared for river (west of Minsk). The airmen burial. The body of Fireman Wells were killed.

a note within our lines from which will be held. Accompanied by a broit is evident that one of our ma- ther, who arrived on a train from the chines lost on June 28 fell in the rear | South Sunday afternoon the body of of the German positions and that the IN EAST ST. LOUIS RIOT dead airmen were buried by the Germans with military honors."

TOWN ALDERMEN IN SESSION TUESDAY

The town board of aldermen met in regular monthly session Tuesday day morning. night with all members present.

An ordinance to close the drug stores on Sunday was introduced and reads as follows:

Any person, firm, or corporation who shall open or keep open any shop, store, or any other place of business on Sunday, for the purpose of buying or selling any article, except in cases of necessity, shall for-

feit ten dollars for each offence. Provided, that the provisions of section shall not apply to hotels to the extent of furnishing board and lodging to patrons; restaurants, to the extent of furnishing meals and lodging to patrons; & drug stores, to the extent of furnishing medicine or supplies when necessary for the treatment of people or animals when sick or wounded; but no other article, such as cigars, cigarettes, cool drinks, or anything else, whatsoever, shall be sold or given away in hotels, restaurants, or drug stores on Sunday and any person, firm or corporation so violating shall, on conviction, be fined ten dollars for

each offense. All ordinances and clauses of ordinances in conflict with the above,

are hereby repeoled. After a lengthy discussion a vote was taken, and the vote stood 3 The ordinance was stricken out.

meeting. . Mr. A. R. Flushee appeared before the board in complaint against a certain sewer. A committee was appoint-

After the usual routine business municate with us. and the board adjurged, 1

OFFICIAL INQUIRY INTO SATURDAY'S SEABOARD WRECK

Charred Bodies of Dead Men All Recovered and Taken to Homes Yesterday; Brakeman Jones and Colored Fireman Will Recover.__ ---

An official investigation of Saturday's wreck resulting from a head-on collission between two Seaboard Air Line freight trains near Franklinton, will be held this morning in the offices of the superintendent in this city for the purpose of fixing the responsibility for the loss of the lives of four trainmen and the injury of tyo others. The investigation, in which the General Superintendent of the Seaboard will participate, will be held behind regular session Monday in the offices closed doors beginning at 10:30 this of Register of Deeds Woody.

night that he would make an effort on Monday, August 13: as a result of the operator's failure J. C. Cates, Stephen Moore, C. T. Gre-"The Finns have taken 1,560 offi- to display the red semaphore for ex- gory, A. J. Green, W. C. Woody, B. when rumors of summary punishment Evans. "Enemy positions to the west of reached the Franklinton authorities, and is held in lieu of \$2,000 bail re-"Prisoners are continuing to arrive. quired by Justice Ford, after the Southeast of Brzezany the battle young man was given a preliminary ported Sunday that he had employed

All Bodies Recovered in Part

"Aviation: On June 28 a German than that furnished by their watches, accounts, consumed the remainder of was sent Monday on the midday train "A German airplane has dropped for La Crosse, Va., where interment Engineer Linkous was carried to Blackusburg, Va., on the 12:30 train this morning. On the same train will go the body of Brakeman George R. Napier, the last of the four to be recovered, which, accompanied by the father of the dead man, will be carried to Richmond. The body of Engineer H. Gaskins, the only one of the four recognizable, was carried to Portsmouth on the early train Mon-

> Brakeman T. O. Jones and John Smith, he colored fireman, were not as seriously injured as at first reported. Brakeman Jones was the least injured of the two, was taken to the hospital at Henderson on the same train with the colored fireman. Reports from the hospital Monday were to the effect that Smith is inrecover in a few days. Jones was able to walk around after the wreck.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having this day qualified as administrator of estate of Victor Burch, deceased, late of Person County, North Carolina. This to notify all persons holding claims against the said deceased to present them to the undersigned administrator on or before 22nd, day of June, 1918, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This June 22, 1917.

J. D. BURCH, Administrator.

L. M. Carlton, Att'y.

Presbyterian Announcements

Prayer meeting tonight at 8 o'clock. Preaching next Sunday at Hurdle against, 1 in favor and one not voting. Mills at 11 o'clock and at Bushy Fork High School at 3:30 P. M. The The mayor asked that his salary be Rev. S. M. Rankin, supt. of Presbyfixed at this meeting, but it was later terial Home Missions will accompany decided to postpone this until a later Rev. C. E. White and will preach at

NOTICE

We are in the market for quite a lot ed by the board to look into the mat- of wood and would be pleased to have any parties with wood to sell to com-

Roxboro Cotton Mills.

NOTICE

Owin to the slowness in freight, we are unable to give the installment of the story, "The Girl Who Had No God", for this week. We will give both this week and next week's installment in next week's issue of The Courier.

Be sure you read this story. If you missed last week's paper write us and we will send you the issue. You can't afford to miss this feature.

COMMISSIONERS IN REGULAR SESSION

The county commissioners were in

The following compose the jury Superintendent G. R. Carlton, of the list drawn at this meeting for the Virginia division, stated Monday August term of court which convenes

Tax listers for the county turned over their reports to the commissioners during the meeting. As announced elsewhere in this issue the commissioners will meet again next Monday to hear complaints.

There was no othe rimportant business that came before the board, the Charred beyond identification other usual routine of ordering and paying commissioners were present.

PERSON COUNTY BOY ON FRENCH FRONT

tenant George Hampton Yarborough, of the sixteen divisional cantonments Jr., United States Marine Corps, who for the troops will govern the action was born in Roxboro on October 14, and it is believed htere will be no ser-1895, is with the first expedition of jour delay. U. S. Marines who placed the American flag on the firing line in France, according to advices just made public at Marine Corps Headquarters

always ready, prepared to start at in any individual case shall not be once, anxious to fight, fully compe- delayed more than three days by the tent to represent our democracy local board or an additional five days wherever they may be needed, and it where lappeal is taken to the district should be a source of pride to Rox- boards. The whole process probably boro to know that a local young manican be carried through in less than is with the arm of our defensive es- thiry days. tablishment which is "First to Fight" in France. The record of the "Soldiers of the Sea" has always been admirable, they sustain heroically today left entirely to the local boards. While the finest traditions of the past, de- the President reserves the right to serve the unquestioning confidence designate industries necessary to jured about the shoulders, but will the nation reposes in them, and young the public good, the question of Yarborough will doubtless prove a whether retention of any individual credit to his country, his Corps, his engaged in these industries is essenhome and himself.

> Lieutenant Yarborough was appointed second lieutenant in the Marine Corps on April 7, 1917.

Preaching at Bethany Baptist Church By request of Mr. Joe B. Currin we make the following announcement: A series of meetings will begin at Bethany Baptist Church the third Sunday in this month. The Pastor will do the preaching.

NOTICE

will elect a Superintendent for the County Home on the firs tMonday in days send notice to each designated August. All aspirants for this place person by mail. will please have their bids beore the Commissioners on this day.

H. J. WHITT, Chairman. THOS. B. WOODY, Clerk to the Board.

TO THE PUBLIC The undersigned will sell on the premises near Woodsdale the entire personal property of the late J. J. Brooks, deceased, on the 9th day of July, 1917 (next Monday).

This 27th day of June, 1917. T. C. BROOKS, R. P. BROOKS,

PRESIDENT GIVES REGULATIONS FOR DRAFT EXEMPTION

METHOD IS STILL UNCERTAIN

Presumably This Will Be Announced Operation; Exemption Process Will Not Be Long Drawn Out; Digest of Rules

Washington, July 2.-Preparations for the mobilization of the first contingent of 625,000 troops of the new national rmy; advanced another step Monday when President Wilson promulgated the regulations to govern exemptions from the military service.

In order in which they must come, there are three steps in the organization process of the national army as prescribed by Congress. They are registration, selection and exemption The first step has been carried thru. The regulations issued Monday cover in detail the operation of the third step, exemption.

Information concerning the second step in the series is still lacking and officials are guarding closely the method by which the selection is to be aplied. -

The exemption regulations announced that the boards will be advised of the selection process later, although none of the steps prescribed except the organization of the boards can be carried on until the selection machinery has furnished the names of the men of whose fitness and desirability for army service the boars are to judge. There is one hint as to how the selection machinery will work.

The local boards are directed upon organization to take over from the registration precincts the cards and lists of the men registered on June 5 and as their first duty to provide a serial number for each registration card. This has given support to the belief that the selection is to be made by number. Reports were current recently that the selection drawing was to be made in Washington.

Presumably the proces sof selection will be announced only a short time before it is put into operation. When that will be is not known. September 1 has been the tentative date set for the calling of the 625,000 of the first contingent to the colors for Washington, July 4.—Second Lieu- training. Proggress with construction

> The xemption process will not take a great deal of time.

It is difficult to calculate the time the local board will need in passing on the cases that come before them. The "do-all-dare-all" Marines are The regulations provide that decesion

There were no surprises in the exemption regulations. The task of passing upon the individual cases is tial is left to the boards.

Number Registration Cards

Upon organizingb, the local boards will take over from the regulation boards all registration cards, which they will number serially and list for posting to public view. Then, after having been advised of the method. by which the order of liability for service shall be determined and of the guota to be drawn from its territory (minus credits for enlistments in the National Guards or regular army) each board will prepare a list of persons designated for service in the or-The board of County Commissioners der of their liability, post the list and give it to the press, and within three

boards first will make a physicial excomes the question of exemption.

dents of divinity, persons in the mili-Executors, tary or naval service of the United 7-4-2ts.

States, subjects of Germany, all other aliens who have not taken out their first papers; county or municipal officers, custom house clerks, workmen in Federal armories, arsenals and navy yards, persons in the Federal service designated by the President for exemption, pilots, merchant marine sailors, those with status with respect to a Short Time Before It is Put Into dependents which renders their exclusion desirable (a marrie dman with dependent wife or child, son of a dependent widow, son of dependent, aged or infirm parent, or brother of dependent orhan children under 16 years of age); those found morally deficient and any member of any well recognized religious sect existing May 8, 1917, whose creed forbids participation in war and whose religious convictions accord with the creed.

> Claims for Exemption Claims for exemption because of depedennts may be made by the man himself, his wife or other dependents, or by a third party who has personally investigated the case. A claim made by the husband must be accompanied by supporting affadavits signed by the wife and by the head of a family residing in the same territory. A claim by the wife or third party must be accompanied by two supporting affadavits signed by heads of families. Similar rules govern the claims on the grounds of other dependents or third parties being authorized to file claims with supporting affadavits. In each case the board must be satisfied before it grants exemption or discharge, that the dependent or dependents are supported mainly by the fruits of the man's mental or physical labor.

Local boards are required, subject to appeal, to pass upon claims for exemption or discharge within three

days afer he filing of affadavits. District boards must decide appeal cases within five days after the closing of proofs and their decesions are final. If the ruling of the local board is affirmed the person in question stands accepted for military service.

In passing on claims for exemptions on the ground of employment in necessary industrial and agricultural al occupations the district boards must be convinced that the particular enterprise affording such employment actually is necessary to the maintenance of the military establishment or national interest during the emer-

"The evidence must also establsh," the regulations say, "even if the particular industrial enterprise or particular agricultural enterprise is found necessay for one of the above purposes, that the continuance of sluch person therein is necessary to the maintenance thereof and that he canno the replaced by another person without direct, substantial, material loss and detriment to he adequate and effective operation of the particular industrial enterprise or agriculural enterprise which he is en-

Later the President may from time to time designate ceratin industries or classes of industries that are necessary and the districct boards will be so notified. It will be the duty of each board, however, to ascertain the available labor suply for such industries outside of the men called for service and to take the result into consideration in determining such things.

"If, in the opinion of the district board," this section of the regulation concludes, "the difect, substantial, material loss to any such industries or agricultural enterprise outweighs the loss that would result from the failure to obtain the military service of any such person, a certificate of dis-

charge may be issued to him. * * * Certificates of exemption will not necessarily be permanent. They may be evoked with changing conditions, or may be granted only for prescribed

NOTICE

Jonah Gentry wants his many friends to know he is now ready and waiting to make them the very best As the men so notified appear, the white family burr flour. And as soon as your wheat is dry and threshed, amination in accordance with special load your wagon and come right to regulations to be provided bearing in Moore & Reade mill. He is grinding mind that all persons accepted by for one-tenth part of wheat and corn, them will be re-examined by army and has all the good water power that surgeons. If thhe physicau exami- the two Flat rivers furnishes and a nation is passed successfully, then good steel overshot wheel, 55 horsepower, and many other good-machines Persons who must be exempted or as can be bought, for making the discharged by the local board include- best flour and meal, which you enjoy Officers of the United States, of the every day through life. Come to see States, Territories and the District of us and fish as much as you wish eith-Columbia, ministers of religion, stu- er pond or river. Yours very truly, CARVER & READE,

Proprieors.