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## ZEPPELIN AIRSHIP FREIGHTERS WILL COME OVER SOON

Captain Koenig, of the Deutschland, Says a Bigger Surprise is in Store for All.

## BERNSTORFF PAYS A VISIT

Inspects Submarine at Baltimore and Personally Congratulates the Captain.

BALTIMORE, July 13.—Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, spent an hour aboard the German submarine merchantman Deutschland today. He inspected the vessel from stem to stern, had the intricate machinery and instruments aboard explained to him and personally congratulated Captain Koenig upon bringing his vessel safely through waters infested with hostile war craft.

Two attaches of the German embassy, the German and Austrian consuls in Baltimore and Mayor Preston accompanied the ambassador on his visit to the submarine.

The ambassador informed Captain Koenig that he would send him back to the Deutschland starts on her return voyage several packets of official papers which he desires to be delivered intact to the Berlin foreign office.

**Ambassador Enthusiastic.**  
The ambassador was enthusiastic as he emerged from the conning tower of the Deutschland.

"It is a wonderful boat and, with as courageous a crew as ever sailed the sea, has made a wonderful voyage," said he. "I climbed up and down every hatchway, looked into every compartment, and had my first experience with a periscope."

"Captain Koenig did not tell me just when he expects to leave Germany but I presume it will be soon after he has his return cargo aboard. He is in complete charge of the vessel and has his orders from Berlin. His craft is a private one, just as much so as any North German Lloyd liner. My visit here was entirely unofficial."

The ambassador arrived this afternoon from New York. Prior to visiting the submarine he attended a luncheon at the Germania Club given in honor of Captain Koenig. Tonight he was present at a dinner given by Mayor Preston to the commander of the submarine. He made reservations on a late train for New York.

**Zeppelins are Coming.**  
City officials who visited the submarine today quoted Captain Koenig as saying that Zeppelin airship freighters are being built in Germany for trans-Atlantic service.

"To you," Captain Koenig was quoted as saying, "the trip of the Deutschland is a great achievement. You must not be too enthusiastic over it, for a bigger surprise is coming. A great Zeppelin airship or maybe I should say airships, are being built in Germany. In the not distant future one or more of them will sail through the air to the United States. Just as sure as the Deutschland came to America, so will the Zeppelins come."

The Deutschland, having discharged her cargo, is undergoing some minor repairs, which are being made by members of the crew. A barge has been moored alongside the vessel and on it a miniature machine shop has been set up. There mechanics from the Deutschland worked all day. Their task seemed to have been completed tonight and the work of loading the return cargo, consisting principally of crude rubber and nickel, should begin tomorrow or next day.

**Number of Allied Warships Off the Virginia Capes.**

Norfolk, Va., July 13.—Captains of the incoming liners and other craft, arriving in harbor tonight, report that a number of Allied war craft, at least three if not four, are now guarding the Virginia capes. They are standing off the coast about 20 miles and are guarding both the northern and the southern channel. Two are English cruisers and one is French. The fourth, standing too far south to be positively identified, is believed to be a Britisher.

## GIRL IN WIRES RESCUES KITTEN.

Daring death by electrocution in a network of high voltage wires, Miss Gertrude Hemingway, a pretty Venice girl, rescued a tiny kitten by climbing a fifty-foot telegraph pole. The kitten had been perched on the pole for two days when Miss Hemingway performed the rescue. Miss Hemingway lives on Washington boulevard and said that she could not find a man brave enough to scale the pole.—Los Angeles Times.

## NORTH CAROLINA DEMOCRATS EXPECTED TO GIVE \$50,000.00

Washington, July 12.—North Carolina Democrats are expected to contribute something like \$50,000 for the Democratic campaign this year. At least National Committeeman A. W. McLean of Lumberton hopes to raise approximately that much and McLean generally does what he attempts to do. The state raised something over \$31,000 four years ago. If that much could be raised then Democrats handling the national campaign believe that \$50,000 this year should be easy.

National Committeeman McLean spent today in Washington conferring with Democratic leaders. For the past week he has been in New York and other eastern cities conferring with the Democrats in the east. While in New York he conferred with National Chairman McCormick, Vice Chairman Homer Cummings and Secretary Carter Glass of Virginia. The leaders told Mr. McLean that the national committee is counting on North Carolina to raise her part of the campaign fund which must be had to run the campaign this year.

Mr. McLean completed arrangements with the national leaders whereby he believes a larger amount can be raised by popular subscription in the Tar Heel State. He has a plan under advisement which he thinks will bring results. It is proposed to appoint at least one man, and probably two, in each congressional district who will be authorized to solicit and receive funds. Mr. McLean believes with 15 or 20 live men working for the party he will have little trouble in getting the \$50,000 desired.

It is pointed out that North Carolina has fared better in the way of getting federal jobs than any other state in the union. The state has one cabinet member and a number of other good positions paying all the way from \$5,000 to \$12,000 a year.

The state has one ambassador, a member of the lame ducks roost, who gets \$7,500 a year and a liberal expense account and little work to do; the secretary to the roost is a tar heel, receiving a salary of \$4,000 a year and expenses when traveling; Director of the Census Samuel Rogers, at \$6,000; Commissioner W. H. Osborn, of Greensboro, at \$6,500, and a couple of dozen or more good places to numerous to mention.

With all the places combined with the federal patronage distributed in the state, including something like 100 deputies in the internal revenue service and several hundred postmasters, it is contended by the national committee that North Carolina should not be lagging but should come across with a real good contribution.

While in New York Mr. McLean talked with many men of both big and little business. He found a number of dyed in the wool Republicans who said they would not vote for Hughes because Hughes is a Republican but some of them admitted that Wilson should be reelected again, and that he had a good chance of turning the trick. A remarkable change of sentiment in favor of Wilson, Mr. McLean said, has taken place within the past two weeks. It was demonstrated that those who were criticizing the President's Mexican policy before he ordered out the guard were the very ones who least desired war when they were confronted with the cold proposition of going to Mexico for duty.

In other words, Mr. McLean is convinced that this country does not want war. He thinks the President has settled the Mexican situation so far as possible to the entire satisfaction of the majority of the people and that there is a growing tendency throughout the land for continued peace with all the world.

Reports received by Mr. McLean indicate that the Democrats will carry the state of Maine by a substantial majority.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

The enterprising firm of Burroughs-Pittman-Wheeler Company are again occupying a space in the columns of this paper. This large concern enjoys an immense trade throughout this section, and is known far and wide for its popularity as a shopping center. They have been giving away dinner sets to their customers for some months but have withdrawn this splendid offer in favor of the Profit-Sharing Coupon scheme, which is indeed a great inducement to the buying public. These coupons are issued with each purchase and are redeemable for valuable articles. As per the advertisement, profit sharing coupons can purchase anything from a paper of needles to an automobile, depending, of course, on the number and value of the coupon. Call on this firm for good goods at reasonable prices.

## LADIES HOLD WHITE SALE.

The ladies of St. Paul's Episcopal Church held their annual White Sale in the grove of Mrs. C. E. Bowers yesterday afternoon and night. Quite a nice sum was realized.

## COLORED WOMAN DIES.

Madie Draughan, a colored woman, who lived on the place of Mr. J. R. Askew, near Palmyra, died Tuesday and was buried Wednesday.

## OFFICERS TAKE LARGE QUANTITY OF LIQUOR

Joe Smith, Colored, Placed Under Bond Of \$150 For Next Term Of Court.

Chief of police Henry Gray and night officer Britt of the local force apprehended one Joe Smith, colored, last night, and seized a large quantity of whiskey and the conveyance which Smith had hired for the occasion of making his entry here via Palmyra.

From information given by citizens, Smith has made several similar trips to Norfolk, but on other occasions he succeeded in smuggling the goods safely to the home port before he could be found with the goods.

Early Thursday morning Policeman Britt became aware that Smith was going to Norfolk, because he had engaged one Jim Williams, also colored, and a driver for Pittman and Bishop to convey him to Palmyra. It now develops that Williams had instructions to meet Smith at Palmyra with the same rig for the 8:50 train. The plan was carried out and the whiskey stored on the buggy and brought to town. The officers made a good guess and stationed themselves near Madry's wholesale warehouse. In due course of time the darkies, buggy and liquor hove in sight and the entire bunch was pinched.

Justice of the Peace Liverman was summoned to the temple of justice, where he found probable cause against Smith. Who was bound over to court under a justified bond of \$150. Williams was released, while the rig was locked up under the process of law.

## INSTALL BATTERY SERVICE STATION.

The Josey Hardware Co., announce they have arranged with the Ever-ready Co. for the installation of a battery service station. This enterprising concern is now equipped to re-charge storage batteries of any and all makes. They will make examinations and re-fill batteries with distilled water, free of charge. Some time ago the Josey Hardware Co., announced the installation of an apparatus for pumping tires with air, and owners of cars hereabouts have been availing themselves of the convenience. Read the advertisement.

## NOTICE TO ICE CREAM DEALERS.

The department of Agriculture whose duty it is to enforce the State food laws has spent a good deal of time in effort to cause the ice cream dealers of the State to know the requirements of the law, and how to comply with them. If your product is not standard ice cream, then you must show to your customers by placard in your place of business or by tag or label on the freezer or package that the product you sell is not ice cream but a compound ice cream or something sold as a substitute for ice cream, provided for by the ice cream regulation.

The regulation provides for the sale of products that are not standard ice cream. If the regulation is not complied with the officials will take it to mean that you are selling your product as ice cream.

Ice cream cannot be made from milk. To make ice cream requires not less than three or three and one-half parts of cream to one part of milk. The proportion of cream and milk that can be used depends upon the richness of them; that is, upon the milk fat that they contain.

Inspection will soon be made and places where ice cream is made or sold must be clean and in a sanitary condition.

As yet no prosecutions have been made of the ice cream dealers, but they have been given ample opportunity to comply with the law, and in the future violations will have to be reported to the courts.

## SETTLEMENT OF BORDER DISPUTES PROGRESSING

Washington July 12.—Informal negotiations for settlement of border disputes between the United States and the de facto government of Mexico are "progressing favorably," acting Secretary Polk said today after his second conference with Eliseo Arrendondo, Mexican ambassador designate.

Steps now being taken, it is understood here, foreshadow appointment of commissioners by each government to formulate a plan of action for the permanent relief of border conditions.

Mr. Arrendondo has not disclosed what his instructions are, but from other sources it has been learned that the commission plan was favored by General Carranza and his advisers and would not be opposed at the state department. A formal announcement is expected soon.

General Carranza's latest note said the reasonable anxiety of the United States on the one hand, over the security of its borders, and the feeling of the de facto government, on the other, that the continued presence of American troops in Mexico menaced friendly relations, constituted the problem to which a solution must be found.

Mr. J. H. Kerr of Warrenton was a visitor in Scotland Neck Wednesday.

## CHARLESTON SUFFERS FROM GREAT STORM

Only Fatality Reported in That City, Where Trolley and Wire Service Badly Crippled

## ISLAND DWELLERS SAFE?

High Tide at Wilmington Recalled Breaker According to Marine Men

CHARLESTON, S. C., July 14.—The hurricane which struck Charleston last night abated today. One life was lost here. Damage to shipping and the waterfront was not great and the balance of the city did not suffer severely.

Hundreds of island dwellers could not be reached today by wire or boat but it is believed they are safe as they had ample warning of the approach of the storm. Many came to this city last night.

**Trolley and Wire Service Crippled.**

Hundreds of trees were blown down and resulted in crippled trolley and wire service. Ferry service also was affected by the heavy sea and high tides.

By noon electric power which had been turned off during the height of the storm was turned on.

The one death was that of a negro who was killed by a live wire.

It is reported that the tug Eastern which arrived here late last night had lost two barges which she had in tow.

## Heavy Sea at Beaufort.

New Bern, N. C., July 14.—A twenty mile wind from the southwest and general weather conditions indicated the approach of the coast storm and while no reports had been received from Beaufort early today it is known that a heavy sea was running in that vicinity last night. Throughout the greater part of the night the wind was comparatively high here but had decreased in velocity by this morning.

## Record High Tide at Wilmington.

Wilmington, N. C., July 14.—Although there were indications here today of the approach of the coast storm the weather was comparatively calm. Marine men said that yesterday's high tide was almost a record, the disturbance south of here having been responsible.

## THE K. K. KLUB.

The Kill Kare Klub was entertained at the Smith Farm on Roanoke River Tuesday evening by Mr. Frank Smith. The members left for the river about six o'clock in automobiles. Supper was served after the arrival, after which various games were indulged in. Those present included the following persons:

Mrs. Albertson, chaperone; Misses Clara Lane, of Virginia, Nannie Mott, Jennie Dunn, Bertha Albertson, Mattie Josey, Lucille Leggett, Mary White and Laura Clark and Messrs William Alexander, Charles Lamb, Lester Cherry, Pete Shields, Claybourne Smith, A. S. Dunn, Charles Smith and Dr. D. F. Keel.

All report an exceptionally good time.

## CHECK FOR CAPTAIN KOENIG.

New York, July 12.—A check for \$10,000 was sent today to Capt. Paul Koenig, captain of the German submarine Deutschland, by August Heckscher, a New York capitalist, in recognition of the submarine's feat. The sum will be distributed among the officers and the men.

## LIGHTNING IN PITT COUNTY SETS FIRE TO TENANT HOUSE.

Greenville, July 12.—During a storm Monday, lightning struck a tenant house on the farm of Mack McGowan, about six miles in the country. At the time all the occupants were away. The house was set on fire and it took hard work to put out the flames. Little damage was done.

The Greenville postoffice showed very gratifying increase in receipts over last year. For the year ending June 30, the receipts were \$20,729.00, an increase of \$1,939.01 over the receipts for the year ending June 30, 1915.

## TO NOMINATE CANDIDATE FOR JUDGE.

Messrs. J. B. Stokes, J. E. Vann, J. C. Kittrell, T. O. Rodwell, F. R. Harris, and Geo. C. Green, composing the Democratic Executive Committee of the Third Judicial District, will meet at the office of the latter named gentleman at Weldon July 27, 1916, at 2 p. m. for the purpose of naming a candidate for the judgeship to fill the unexpired term of the late Hon. R. B. Peebles. Other business will be transacted as it comes before the committee.

## GIVE LOVING CUP FOR BEST MUSICAL COMPOSITION.

Mr. H. A. Shirley, of Winston-Salem, Would Encourage Original Composition.

To encourage original musical composition in North Carolina and properly recognize work of merit, Mr. H. A. Shirley, dean of music of Salem Academy and College, Winston-Salem, and president of the North Carolina Music Teachers' Association for the year 1915, has announced the offer of a loving cup for the best musical composition by a North Carolina composer during the year ending October 1st, 1916.

The cup will be awarded at the next meeting of the North Carolina Music Teachers' Association, Miss Martha A. Dowd, of Raleigh on or before October 1st, using an assumed name in order that the judges may decide on the merits of each composition before. The real name and assumed name shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope with each manuscript, to be opened after a decision has been reached.

The judges shall be three in number to be named by the officers of the North Carolina Music Teachers' Association. The loving cup shall belong to the successful contestant until the next meeting of the North Carolina Music Teachers' Association, when it shall pass to the author of the best composition for that year.

If at any time no composition of sufficient merit is submitted to the judges, the prize shall remain with the successful contestant until an award is made.

When any person shall have won the cup three times it shall have become his personal property.

## BANK STATEMENTS.

Readers of this paper no doubt noticed the bank statements carried by The Commonwealth last issue. The Planters & Commercial Bank of Scotland Neck, The Bank of Hobbgood and the Bank of Enfield were all represented, and each statement shows that all banks are in good shape. The Bank of Hobbgood, which enjoys the distinction of having for cashier Miss S. L. Hyman the only lady cashier in the State, has a most creditable showing. Miss Hyman is the daughter of the late, Mr. E. E. Hyman.

## MR. HILLIARD TO WILMINGTON

After being associated with The Commonwealth for the past four months in the capacity as associate editor, Mr. H. M. Hilliard has resigned his position and gone to Wilmington, N. C., where he has accepted a position with the Wilmington Evening Dispatch as reporter. Mr. Hilliard is a son of the late E. E. Hilliard, former editor of the Commonwealth and is a very popular young man. He was recently married to Miss Mary Pittman of this city and carries with him to his new post of duty the very best wishes of the home people. Mrs. Hilliard will leave for Wilmington in a few days.

## WORK PROGRESSING ON THE NEW CHURCH.

The contractors of the new Baptist church have erected their tool and cement house at the corner of Church and 11th streets preparatory to commencing active work on the new structure as soon as the material arrives. Excavation is going on rapidly. Judging from the makers, the building will be a very large structure.

## MASON'S MEETING THURSDAY.

The local lodge of Masons held a special communication in their lodge rooms last night for work in the Fellowship degree. Mr. R. F. Coleman is worshipful master and Mr. L. L. Cherry is secretary of the lodge.

## BURGLARS IN TOWN?

It has been reported to this paper that the homes of several citizens have been visited during the week by the "knights of the second story." One citizen stated to a reporter yesterday that at about one o'clock Wednesday he heard a noise and by simply turning over in bed saw the form of a man's head and shoulders resting on the sill. He immediately chased the intruder, but was unsuccessful in apprehending him.

## MOVED TO NORFOLK

Mr. W. T. Windley and family left Monday for Norfolk where Mr. Windley has accepted a position with the Cooper Marble Works. While here Mr. Windley made a large number of friends who are sorry to see him leave.

## INFANTILE PARALYSIS TAKES MORE LIVES IN NEW YORK.

New York, July 12.—Intense heat has added to the burdens of the health authorities in their fight to check the spread of infantile paralysis which took a toll of 32 lives in the 24 hours ending at 10 a. m. The depressing temperature, it was explained, tends to reduce the physical resistance of children against possible contagion.

Federal and city health officials took an optimistic view of the situation tonight, notwithstanding the fact that 195 new cases had been reported, on the ground that the co-operative work of the various city departments has resulted in preventing the epidemic from spreading geographically.

The campaign for cleanliness among dwellers in the densely populated parts of the city is having such excellent results that health officials predicted tonight the usual summer epidemic of typhoid fever, will be diminished considerably.

Dr. Haven Emerson, health commissioner, deplored the undue alarm which is causing anxious parents to confine their children indoors through fear of contagion.

## OAK CITY BRIEFS.

Miss Lou Council is spending a few days in Hamilton this week.

Mrs. I. S. Bowen of Hopewell, Va., is visiting her father, J. J. Long.

Mr. Roy House of Zebulon is visiting friends in town.

Mr. Bake Council is in Hamilton for a short visit.

Miss Chloe Bennett, Miss Virginia Casper and little daughter were in Hamilton Monday.

Mr. Jno. Bennett, Jr. with some of the Hamilton young ladies attended the ball game at Robersonville Friday.

Miss Mary Warren Sullivan has returned to her home in Hamilton.

Miss Laura Jones returned to her home in Scotland Neck Saturday.

Messrs. J. T. and J. A. Bennett, Miss Chloe Bennett, Miss Virginia Casper and little daughter, Mrs. S. W. Manning spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Bennett of Roanoke Rapids.

J. W. Miss Emily and Mrs. J. L. Hines were in Scotland Neck Saturday.

Mrs. J. W. Hines returned from Norfolk Saturday.

Mrs. J. C. Ross and little son have returned from their trip to Norfolk.

Mr. James Hopkins of Hobbgood was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Jno. York returned from Norfolk Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Harrell and Mrs. J. L. Hines were in Robersonville Friday.

A quiet home wedding took place Tuesday morning at 11:30 o'clock when Miss Pearl House, (daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson House of the late Mr. and Mrs. Holmes of Belhaven. The marriage took place at the bride's home, Rev. Sam Strickland of Hobbgood officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Holmes left on the south bound train for their home in Belhaven. The out of town guests were: Miss Gussie Harrel of Tarboro, Miss Alma Stokes and A. R. House, brother of the bride of Zebulon.

## DEATH OF MR. LEMUEL DEBERRY.

Mr. Lemuel E. DeBerry, a prominent citizen of the county, passed away at the Rocky Mount Hospital Tuesday from the effects of a surgical operation in the 58th year of his life. He had been a sufferer for sometime.

The funeral and burial services were conducted at the home Wednesday by Rev. R. A. McFarland of Scotland Neck assisted by Rev. G. H. Johnson.

Mr. DeBerry was a native of Washington county, N. C. He came to Halifax county when quite a young man and married Miss Della Harris, daughter of the late Ben Harris, a native of the Dawson section. To this union was born five children as follows: Messrs. Archie, Herman, Erwin and Misses Bette and Naomi DeBerry.

Mr. DeBerry was a consecrated member of the Missionary Baptist Church and will be sorely missed in the Dawson community, of which he was a most substantial citizen.

## DR. HASSELL ILL.

On last Friday night Dr. S. Hassell left Greenville for Columbia, where his mother died some months ago, to perfect arrangements for putting a tomb to her grave. After reaching there he was taken violently sick and was taken to Wilson for treatment. After remaining in Wilson for awhile it was found that an operation was necessary and he has gone to John Hopkins Hospital at Baltimore to undergo this operation. We are informed that the operation will only be a slight one and that the doctor will soon be able to return home.—Greenville Reflector.

## TO THE BEACH.

Mr. SAM A. Dunn and Mrs. Dunn, Miss Etta Dunn and Master Sam Dunn, Jr., left Wednesday morning for Virginia Beach, where they will spend several days.

## THE GIBE.

Avoid dupe!—I'll bet you five plunks that I can run around that track in less than a minute. Has any one got a stop watch? Wit—You don't want a stop watch. Hey! Who's got a calendar?—American Boy.

## BRITISH MAINTAIN PRESSURE AGAINST THE GERMAN LINE

Heavy Infantry and Artillery Fighting Has Enabled Them to Make Further Gains.

## THERE IS A LACK OF NEWS

German Forces Under General Bothmer Still Holding on in the Region of Tarnopol.

LONDON, July 13.—There was very little news today of the battle of Europe—a term commonly applied to describe the new co-ordinated allied offensive on all fronts. But the British official statement tonight shows that heavy infantry and artillery fighting has been in progress and has enabled the British to maintain their pressure on the Germans and advance their line at various points.

The British forces at Mametz woods and within 300 yards of the German second line. The French forces are separated only by the narrow Somme Valley from the German third line through Perrone and the Mont St. Quentin, and both armies are doubtless engaged in preparations for the next attack.

A conference of the munition ministers of the four Entente Allies held in London and presided over by the British war minister, David Lloyd George, shows that effective steps are being taken to insure munitions and their proper distribution.

Major Dorah, in the Berliner Tagblatt, expresses the opinion that the coming days will be decisive of the issue of the whole war.

The reticence of the Russian official communications at the present moment, judging by precedent, indicate the progress of some important movement which will only be announced when the operations are completed.

The Austrian and German reports show that General Bothmer is still holding on in the region of Tarnopol, although the two wings of the Russian advance are 40 miles beyond Tarnopol, which seems to show that Bothmer feels secure in his line of retreat. Some heavy fighting continues on the Stockhod line and northwest of Buczacz.

The Cologne Gazette foreshadows the introduction in September of a butter and fat card throughout the empire, providing for three ounces a head each week and probably an egg card, entitling the holder to two eggs a week.

## British Are Established in Town of Contalmaison.

Berlin, (via London), July 13.—In the section of today's German official report, dealing with the operations in the Western theatre it was announced that British forces had established themselves in the town of Contalmaison between the Ancre and Somme rivers. The statement says:

"Artillery fire continued with great intensity yesterday south of the Somme—the French with no success in attacks which they several times began on both sides of the Barleux and near the west of Etrees. They were compelled to turn back under our effective curtain of fire, suffering the most severe sanguinary losses."

"The British have established themselves in Contalmaison."

"East of the Meuse artillery fighting continues active. Infantry positions won have been consolidated. The number of prisoners has increased by 17 officers and 243 men and now stands at 56 officers and 2,349 men."

"Near Freilgingheim, on La Bassée canal on the Elbe Morte Height, east of Badonvillers and near Heirzbach, German patrol engagements were successful."

"North of Soissons a French biplane was compelled to land within our lines."

A statement regarding the eastern theatre says:

"Army group of General Count von Bothmer: German troops by an encircling counter attack carried out near and to the north of Olessa northwest of Buczacz drove back the Russian troops which had pushed forward, and more than 400 prisoners were taken."

## IT'S JUST THE SAME IN LONDON.

The girl at the exchange, after you have waited fully ten minutes: "They don't answer. What number was it you wanted?"—St. Louis Gazette.