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## FOUR GERMAN BOATS SUNK

### British Cruiser Sends Them To Bottom of Sea

**The Teutons Attempted to Make An Attack but Were Repulsed by the Deadly Accuracy of the Englishmen's Fire. Gen. Von Kluck Said To Have Been Deposited.**

LONDON, Oct. 17.—The official press bureau announces tonight that the British cruiser "Undaunted" had sunk four German torpedo boat destroyers off the coast of Holland this afternoon. The "Undaunted" was accompanied by the English destroyers Lance, Lennox, Legion and Loyal. The Germans attempted to attack, but were swamped by the accuracy of the British fire, all four being sunk within a few minutes. The Britishers were uninjured. The "Undaunted" is a vessel of 3,000 tons, commanded by Lieutenant Commander George Seymour.

**GENERAL VON KLUCK REPORTED DISPLACED**  
LONDON, Oct. 17.—According to the version of wounded Germans, General Von Kluck, who commanded the German right in a remarkable dash upon Paris, has been deposed and replaced by General Arnim. One of the wounded Germans who vouched for this statement is Von Kluck's nephew.

**THE CHINESE REVOLT AGAINST THE ALLIES**  
LONDON, Oct. 17.—A Marconi dispatch from Berlin says: "It is

reported from Tokio that a complete repulsion of feeling in favor of the Germans has occurred in China."

**ACTION IS CONFINED TO ARTILLERY FIGHT**

PARIS, Oct. 17.—The French official statement issued tonight says: "The action at the front is confined to artillery. Our progress on the left wing continues. The British troops have taken possession of Fromelles to the southwest of Lille. On the canal from Ypres to Ibsa our marines have repulsed the German attack."

**GERMANS CLAIM TO HAVE MANY PRISONERS**

LONDON, Oct. 17.—According to a Reuter dispatch the German headquarters issued the following statement tonight: "In the French theatre of war there has been no important change. In the province of Suwalki the Russians were inactive. A number of prisoners were captured with some guns near Schirwindt. The battle to the south of Warsaw continues."

### MEXICO TO GRANT DEMANDS OF THE U. S.

**President Wilson's Personal Representative Sends Gratifying News in Regard to the Evacuation of Vera Cruz.**

VERA CRUZ, Oct. 17.—John R. Silliman, President Wilson's personal representative in Mexico, before leaving here this morning for Mexico City reported to the state department at Washington that General Aguilar had promised to grant all the demands of the United States in connection with the evacuation of Vera Cruz.

Mr. Silliman visited General Aguilar's camp beyond the American lines last night and conferred with the Gen-

eral until a late hour. Aguilar promised to issue a proclamation giving assurance that no one who has been employed by the Americans shall be prosecuted for that, although it is an offense for which the law provides severe punishment.

General Aguilar disclaimed responsibility for the hostile demonstrations made in front of the American lines on Thursday night.

### "ON TO CALAIS" IS NOW THE CRY OF THE GERMANS

They are Highly Elated Over The Capture Thursday of The City of Ostend.

**DUNKIRK IS THEIR NEXT OBJECTIVE POINT.**

Opinion in England Differs as to Part The British Fleet Is Preparing to Play.

LONDON, Oct. 17.—German forces today occupy Ostend, at the northern extremity of the region where the German right wing and the Allies' left are struggling in the latest phase of what was once the battle of the Aisne.

Reports reaching London say that German imagination has been fired by the taking of Ostend and the cry now is not only "on to Calais," but on "to Boulogne."

What progress, if any, the Germans have made since they entered Ostend Thursday morning is not known here, but their next objective point apparently is Dunkirk. Opinion in England seems to differ as to what part the British fleet would play should the battle continue to skirt the coast line and the reports that British dreadnaughts would back up the French, British and Belgian forces from the straits of Dover seems to originate in German sources.

London papers generally depreciate the importance of German occupation of the Belgian coast, pointing out that the British mine field prevents the enemy's bringing ships to operate from the none too spacious harbor of Ostend. The fact remains, however that as the fighting gets geographically nearer to England the public, heretofore discussing the speculating on a Zeppelin raid, is bound to ask itself what will come next.

The allied left is holding its ground. At some points it is even moving forward, having occupied Laventie, driving the German s back in the direction of Lille. One report was that the Germans had been driven out of Lille, but this has not been confirmed. The presence of Uhlans has been reported recently within 40 miles of Calais.

Little definite news was available today of the fighting along the Vistula river, where the Russians claim to have repulsed a German attack. Whether the German advance on Warsaw has been permanently checked, only the future can show. One report says the Germans are preparing to winter in Poland.

According to a dispatch from Petrograd dated Friday, but received here today, the Russians now have opened their attack along the entire line with special energy in the South, where General Brussiloff's cavalry is said to have captured several Austrian detachments, together with trains carrying reinforcements and supplies. In retreating from Warsaw, it is said, the Germans lost 42 guns intended for the siege of that city.

### THE JURY SAYS LUKE DOWNS IS NOT GUILTY

WAS CHARGED WITH THE MURDER OF HIS STEP-FATHER

"Not Guilty" was the verdict rendered by the jury in the case against Luke Downs, colored, charged with the murder of his step-father, Andrew Downs, several weeks ago.

The defendant's step-father and mother had a fight in the kitchen, and the old man Downs went in the other building to get his gun to shoot his wife, when the boy learning his intentions jerked the gun from the old and and run. He was pursued by the wife-beater, and after he had been chased around the barn several times, the deceased turned and went back around the barn and it was when he met the

### SCOTTISH RITE MASONS ARE TO HOLD REUNION

New Bern Consistory No. 3, Are Now Engaged in Making Preparations for This Big Event

**LIST OF DEGREES ARE TO BE CONFERRED**

Will be Held in This City on November 10th, 11th and 12th—An Opportunity for Master Masons

The members of New Bern Consistory No. 3, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Southern Jurisdiction, U S A, are making great preparations for this fall reunion, which occurs November 10, 11 and 12, next. When the degrees from the fourth to the thirty-second, inclusive, will be conferred with all the richness of legendary and historical conception, taught by their Rite in the beautiful ceremonial and dramatic presentation of the ritual.

This meeting will afford every Master Mason an opportunity to obtain these degrees. It is the duty of every Mason to attain the truth, and to serve his fellows, his country and mankind. This is the noblest destiny of man, and if there is any Mason desiring to ascend to that destiny—advance—labor by precept and example, to elevate the standard of Masonic character, to enlarge its sphere of influence, to popularize its teachings, and to make all men know it for the great Apostle of peace, harmony, and good will on earth, among men of liberty, equality and fraternity.

Full information in reference to qualification, fees, etc., will be cheerfully imparted to all interested on application to any members of the Rite, by addressing The Publicity Committee, or the secretary, P. O. box 127, New Bern, N. C.

### MOREHEAD CITY PASTOR TO BE HEARD TODAY

REV. E. R. HARRIS AT THE TABERNACLE CHURCH—THE PUBLIC INVITED.

The congregation of the Tabernacle Baptist church have in store a rare treat today in that they will be privileged to hear Rev. E. R. Harris of Morehead City.

The pastor, Rev. R. W. Thiot, is away in a meeting at Vanceboro, N. C., and has arranged with Rev. Harris to fill his pulpit.

A letter to the clerk of the Tabernacle from Mr. Harris advises that he will arrive on the Morning train from Morehead City, and will preach at 11 o'clock. His subject for this service will be "Jesus Our Advocate," and for the evening service 7:30 his subject will be "Making a Convenience of Religion."

Mr. Harris is reputed to be an eloquent speaker in addition to his ability as a Bible Teacher, and doubtless many will avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing him.

The membership of the church is urgently requested to be present at both services and the public is cordially invited to attend.

Miss Leila Merrell has returned home to Beaufort after a few days visit to friends in New Bern.

Mrs. M. W. Taylor returned home to Beaufort last evening after a few days visit to Mrs. J. H. Whitford.

boy that he fired the fatal shot. James Dawson entered a plea of guilty to forcible trespass and judgment was suspended upon payment of the cost and good behavior. Dawson was charged with taking several rolls of galvanized roofing from a building on West street the property of Elijah Odium.

### Brutal Murder Was Committed Near This City

**Unknown Slayer Kills H. J. Staub While the Latter was Attending to Duties at his Dairy Farm. Case Turned Over to Coroner. Is Shrouded In Mystery.**

One of the most heartless murders to occur in the annals of the history of Craven county, took place yesterday afternoon between the hours of 3 and 6 o'clock when some unknown person struck and killed H. J. Staub, a well known citizen of New Bern, while he was in the cow-shed at his dairy-farm two miles from the city. The blow which caused death was wielded by some one who knew well the location of the place and also knew that Mr. Staub was on the farm. Just who this man was, is a mystery and his motive is unknown but every effort is being made to place the guilt and to bring the slayer to justice.

**The Crime Discovered.**

The crime was first discovered by Henry Daw, a colored man who has been employed by Mr. Staub for twenty years or more and who was on the place all during the afternoon. Daw saw Mr. Staub around the barn earlier in the afternoon and later he found some work which needed his employer's attention and went to the cow-shed to call him. What he saw there frightened the negro almost out of his wits. Lying face downward on the floor was Mr. Staub and there was a gaping wound in his scalp. Daw did not take time to investigate but at once came to New Bern and informed Mr. Staub's wife that something had happened to her husband and an investigation of the negro's story was made and it was found that Mr. Staub was dead.

**The Coroner Notified.**

County Coroner Dr. Walter Watson was notified of the affair and he at once empanelled a jury composed of Oscar A. Kafer, David Henry, Dan Gaskins, Jake H. Hartsfield, B. G. Credle and E. J. Robinson and went to the scene of the crime. Upon arrival there they

found the body lying face down in the cow-shed and after making a brief examination they turned the remains over to Dr. Joseph F. Rhem to perform an autopsy upon. Dr. Rhem performed this autopsy last night and his findings will probably be made known when the Coroner and his jury complete their investigation today.

**Native of Switzerland.**

Mr. Staub, who was seventy years of age, was a native of Zurich, Switzerland. He came to New Bern forty-three years ago and became engaged in the furniture business with his brother in law, John Suter. Later he sold out his interest in that business and purchased what is known as the Claypoole plantation which is the place upon which his farm is located.

Surviving him are his wife and three daughters who are Mrs. George Caffee of Norfolk, Va., Mrs. N. W. Jones and Mrs. K. A. Bell of New Bern. He also has one brother, Jacob Staub of Zurich, Switzerland and a large number of friends.

**Who is Murderer?**

There were rumors float last night that the family of the dead man have an idea as to whom committed the crime. However, there is practically no foundation to this rumor. Mr. Staub is known to have had no enemies and his relatives are totally in the dark as to any supposition in regard to who is the slayer. There are, however, facts which will be brought out at the Coroner's investigation today which will shed more light on the subject.

**The Funeral.**

The funeral will be conducted from the late residence on Broad street this afternoon at 4 o'clock and the interment will be made in Cedar Grove cemetery.

### MRS. T. L. CRAIG IS SIGNALLY HONORED

CHOSEN AS SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT UNITED DAUGHTERS CONFEDERACY

At the eighteenth annual convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy which has just closed in Raleigh, Mrs. Thomas Lee Craig, of Gastonia, was elected second vice-president for the 1914-15 year. Mrs. Craig is formerly a New Bernian and has many friends here who are interested in learning of her election to this office.

The following is a list of the officers who were elected.

Mrs. Eugene Little, Wadesboro, president; Miss Daisy Denson, Raleigh, first vice-president; Mrs. Thomas Lee Craig, Gastonia, second vice-president; Mrs. Latta Johnston, Charlotte, third vice-president; Mrs. E. J. Ingram, Wadesboro, corresponding secretary; Miss Margaret Etheredge, Selma, treasurer; Mrs. Felix Harvey, Kinston, registrar; Mrs. H. E. Reid, Lincolnton, recorder of crosses; Miss Georgia Hicks, Faison, historian; Miss Winnifred Fai-

**BUT VERY LITTLE DISORDERLIKENESS CIRCUS DAY.**

Although there were hundreds of people white and colored from all parts of Eastern North Carolina in New Bern yesterday attending the Robinson Circus, there was very little disorder reported from the police circles. Captain A. L. Bryan of the police department stated last night that to that time there had been only one complaint made for any offense. This was made by a colored man who claimed that he had been cheated out of all the money he had in one of the side shows at the circus grounds.

**THE WEATHER.**

The Weather forecast for New Bern and vicinity today is partly cloudy with gentle to moderate winds.