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BIG BATTLE IN NORTH SEA

ENGLISH FLEET IS HARD HIT

LOSSES SEVERE WHEN THE GERMANS MAKE QUICK THRUST AT BRITISH FLEET

GERMAN LOSSES MUCH SMALLER ADMITS LONDON

Contact With English Fleet May 31st Results in Disastrous Results to the English—Germans Hit with Zeppelin and Craft at the Same Time and Withdraw.

Berlin, June 2.—(By wireless)—The German admiralty has announced that an engagement between the German high seas fleet and a main portion of an English fleet occurred May 31st. More than eight British ships were destroyed or badly damaged.

Big Ships Destroyed.
The engagement occurred between Skerak and Horn Riffal. The destroyed British ships include battle-ships and battle cruisers, Queen Mary and the Indefatigable being among them. Two armored cruisers of the Achilles type and one small cruiser, and the destroyers Turbent, Nestor and Alcazar, as well as one submarine were among the vanquished English boats.

German Losses Given.
The German losses include the Pomern, the cruiser Westfalen and probably the Frauenlob.

England Confirms Seafight.
London, June 2.—The Admiralty confirms the engagement on the North Sea.

Stock Markets Affected.
Chicago, June 2.—News of a naval engagement on the North Sea caused July wheat to drop 1 3/4 and Sept. 1 5/8.

Germans Change Policy.
London, June 2.—Fort Douaumont is again under a fierce hail of shells, due to a shift of the German attack from the West to the East bank of the Meuse. Word from Paris says desperate energy is shown with apparent disregard for their own losses, due to fear of the British offensive. French and German infantry struggled last night with awful losses. It is reported Germans gained some ground taken by the French in an earlier surprise attack.

Famous Queen Mary Sunk.
The British admit the loss of the Queen Mary, indefatigable, invincible—battle cruiser; Defense, Black Prince, cruisers; Tipperary, Taubent, Fortune, Sparrow Hawk, Ardent, destroyers. They say German losses were serious, consisting of a battle-ship and that two light cruisers were disabled and perhaps sunk. The exact number of enemy destroyers sunk is undoubtedly large, but unascertainable.

Quick Thrust Wins.
The Germans were aided by low visibility and avoided prolonged action, but accomplished their results by a quick thrust and withdrawal. The Warrior, a cruiser, was disabled and later abandoned.

Zeppelin Helps Ships.
It was by low visibility tactics that Von Spee annihilated the British under Craddock, off the Chilean coast in November, 1914.

Greeks Warlike Again.
Rome, June 2.—According to reports from Athens, declaration of war between Bulgaria and Greece is imminent. It is reported Greeks are firing on Bulgarians at the frontier.

Turkish Offensive Checked.
Petrograd, June 2.—Sharp attacks by Turks against the Russian main line resulted in a temporary check of the advance. It is officially reported here. The Turkish offensive is made in the region of Baiburt, Eragan and Rivanouza.

Paris, June 2.—By violent infantry attacks French progressed 100 meters into German trenches south of

NEW PROPHETESS ON THRONE IN ZION



A new prophetess reigns in Zion following the marriage of Prophet Wilbur Glen Voliva and Miss Ida Emanuelson, teacher in Zion high school. The prophetess is 25; the prophet 45. She is the second wife of Dowie's successor.

Son Is Born.
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kerr were advised today of the birth at Los Angeles of a son to Mr. and Mrs. George Broadbridge at 12:30 this morning.

MIDDLEWEST STORM SWEEP

WABASHA TRAIN BLOWN FROM TRACKS BY WIND.

Iowa and Wisconsin Points Visited by Severe Windstorms

La Crosse, Wis., June 2.—Several are reported killed north of McGregor, Iowa, and Prairie du Chene, Wis., with great damage from a tornado. Wires are down and news unavailable.

Michigan Has Storm.
Pontiac, Mich., June 2.—Twenty persons were injured, one of them seriously, when a Wabasha midnight special was blown from its tracks early today in a severe windstorm. Later reports say that the dead may total twelve.

Former La Grande Lady Dead.
Word was received yesterday by Mrs. Dan Wilson of the death of Mrs. S. J. Griffith at her old home in Kendall, Mich. Death came after a lingering illness lasting over a period of five years. She made La Grande her home during two years of that time, and will be remembered by many friends in this city. She leaves a husband and two children.

Spectators Barred From Convention.

St. Louis, Mo., June 2.—Final plans for the Democratic National Convention, opening June 14, were approved by the National Committee's Committee on Arrangements today. National Chairman McCombs presided at the session. The entire seating plan, arrangements for more light and ventilation, decorations, badges, and conveniences for delegates were gone over in detail. Ten days from now the National Committee meeting here will place its final approval on the convention arrangements. The Arrangements Committee has determined to keep spectators off the main floor of the convention hall. Seven thousand five hundred seats have been provided for spectators, the 3,500 places on the floor and platform being reserved for delegates, the press, and officials of the convention. This will be the first convention at which spectators have been barred from the main floor. The interior of the coliseum has been re-painted white, so that greater light will be reflected in the vast hall. An emergency hospital has been equipped and a special system of artificial ventilation installed.

Hoo-Hoos to Meet in Central Oregon.

Bend, Or., June 1.—Owing to the large number of celebrations and conventions in the Coast cities, it has been thought advisable to postpone the concatenation of the Hoo-Hoos, from June 9 until June 16 and 17. Elaborate plans are being made locally for the entertainment of the Northwest lumbermen.

REPUBLICANS BID FOR BULL MOOSE VOTES

WILLING TO INCORPORATE ALL PROGRESSIVE PLANKS IN G. O. P. PLATFORM

HUGHES HAS NOT SENT HITCHCOCK TO CHICAGO

No Person Is Authorized to Nominate Hughes at the Convention Declares Hughes' Headquarters—Bull Moose Support Sought After Vigorously.

Chicago, June 2.—Ready to swap a platform for a candidate, the Old Guard of the G. O. P. today turned attention to planks the Republican convention is expected to draft. The platform will contain practically every Bull Moose plank in hope of winning Progressive support.

Hughes Has No Agent.
Washington, June 2.—Justice Hughes' secretary told the United Press today that neither Mr. Hitchcock nor any one else is authorized to announce Hughes' nomination at Chicago.

Hughes' Statement Admitted.
Chicago, June 2.—Mr. Hitchcock said when shown the statement from Washington this morning: "The statement bears out my contentions all along. I am here to work for the best interests of the Republican party, as every Republican has a right to do."

CARNIVAL DRAWS WELL

Two More Nights and Big Attraction Will Move Away.

Two more evenings only remain for patrons of the big carnival here this week to attend the many and varied attractions. The stand closes Saturday night.

Big crowds are out each afternoon and night to participate in the fun and the whole company is getting away nicely with plenty of praise from those who attend. The show is located on Jefferson.

Newspaper Moves to Donald.

Eugene, Or., June 1.—The plant of the Willamette Valley Enterprise, printed at Veneta, a small town west of Eugene, on the Willamette Pacific railway, is being moved to Donald, on the Oregon Electric railway, just north of Salem, where H. E. Hodges, the publisher, will establish a newspaper and job printing plant.

Will Take Post-Graduate Work.

Lebanon, Or., June 1.—Dr. A. H. Ross, a prominent physician of this city, has gone to Baltimore, where he will attend commencement exercises of the Johns Hopkins university. Later he will spend a year in different institutions in the East in post-graduate work.

HOTELMEN COMING

Union and Wallowa counties' hotel proprietors will be in La Grande next Monday night at which time a dinner will be served and general good time indulged in. Business of importance will come up, and it is expected that a large attendance will be present on that occasion.

The meeting will take place in the evening at the Foley hotel. The association was recently formed at a Joseph meeting and this will likewise be a well-attended and important chapter in the association's life.

Farmers Neglect Clover

Memmouth, Or., June 1.—Clover, for the first time in years, is being utterly neglected by farmers in this vicinity. It is believed that wheat and oats are far more profitable crops, and that vetch is a better legume plant. The millions of grasshoppers which destroyed a large part of the crop last year, also discouraged the extensive culture of clover.

Gets Important Position.

James Neill, son of Mrs. Nellie G. Neill of this city, has received an important and responsible place in the installation of the electrical department for the Northwestern Steel company, a big institution that will build ships at Portland. This new position will give Mr. Neill the opportunity for constructive work in the line of electrical engineering in which he has been an eager enthusiast. Mr. Neill's friends in La Grande will be pleased to hear of his success.

JURY MUST DECIDE IF GIRL OF 14 IS CAPABLE OF LOVING AS A WIFE SHOULD.



Mrs. Howard Shank

Kansas City jurymen must decide whether a girl of 14 can really love with the love of a wife should have for her husband or whether it's the mere infatuation for the first beau in a \$25,000 "heart balm" suit brought by Howard H. Shank against S. Edwin Wilmore, wealthy property owner, whom he claims alienated the affections of his wife. Shank married his wife who recently secured a divorce from him when she was 14. He was 25.

MEXICANS ARE FLOCKING NORTH.

Washington, June 2.—Spread out over a 500-mile line, 20,000 Carranzistas have been mustered for patrol work, according to a report from General Funston. This is double the number Oregon promised to place in Northern Mexico, and they are mostly infantry.

Funston says that while papers reported the Mexicans are entrenched, investigation has found there is no evidence of such a move.

Secretary of War Baker says there is no apprehension over the move Mexicans are executing.

Underwent Operation

Mrs. George T. Cochran was operated on this afternoon for appendicitis. Indications at last reports give hope for recovery within the usual time.

Tourists Kill Coyotes

Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Leeder were coming over the hill from Pendleton yesterday by auto and while on the road down the mountains two coyotes indiscreet enough to place themselves in the way were dispatched by Mr. Leeder's revolver. The scalps were presented to the county clerk and the \$3 bounty was received today.

Klamath Bank Official Weds.

Klamath Falls, Or., June 1.—Andrew M. Collier, assistant cashier of the First National bank, and Miss Georgia Porter, who has been a member of the grade school teaching staff, were married this morning. They left for Portland before the news of their wedding had spread. Collier is a graduate of the University of Oregon. The bride came here from Afton, Ia.

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At the Station

The Corvallis visitor found many things at the farm that proved of tremendous interest, not the least of which was the record of a \$9,777 check mailed to State Treasurer Kay recently, this representing the cash receipts from station products sold between September 1, 1915, and April 30 of this year. In view of the fact that the station gets but \$7,500 from the state the record is good.

Another interesting fact gleaned is that Supt. Withycombe is about ready to issue one or more bulletins giving results secured in tests of feeding hogs on different rations, and showing the value of peas and hulls-barley as a hay crop on ground where moisture conservation is not the one great necessity. Bob is able to present some tremendously interesting and highly valuable figures calculated to point the way to greater profits.

This year the demand for station

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KNIGHTS WILL INVADE CITY AT AN EARLY HOUR

FIRST DELEGATION TO COME SHORTLY AFTER SIX THIS EVENING IT IS PLANNED

MAIN PARADE BEGINS AT 7:30; LODGE FOLLOWS

Haines, Baker and Other Lodges To Send Delegates Informally to the District Convention of Knights of Pythias Lodges of Two Counties This Evening.

By 6:30 tonight the first automobile of a caravan of close to 100 machines from Wallowa county and the North end, will commence to string into La Grande and form a short parade about the city that will be a fore-runner of a stated regalia appearance sharp at 7:30 tonight. Following this will occur the annual convention of the 11th district, of Knights of Pythias, Union and Wallowa counties. The home lodge is set and ready to entertain the visitors, culminating the evening's entertainment with a banquet at the Methodist church this evening or more properly speaking, early Saturday morning some time.

The invasion of Knights will not only be from Wallowa county and the North end but from Baker and Haines, Stinson Lodge No. 111, one of the newest in the state, having promised to send a big delegation.

The main parade will form and start at Rex hall, just as soon as the visiting "Brethren" can get into their regalia which they are bringing with them. The La Grande lodge will form as escort for the class of esquires which tonight will be given the third degree by various visiting lodges. All are to meet very promptly at 7 o'clock at the K. of P. hall.

This function is an annual one, the meeting place shifting about from time to time. Leading men of the community will take prominent parts both in speeches and initiation this evening, and also at the banquet table.

The program follows:
6:30—Arrival of train of autos from Wallowa county and North end, followed by impromptu parade about town.

7:00—Red Cross members and visiting lodges and 17 candidates meet in K. of P. hall to prepare for formal parade.

7:30—Parade starts from Rex hall. 8:00—Parade moves into Rex Hall where lodge will be opened in rank of Knight.

Formal Address of Welcome by Dr. M. K. Hall.

Responses by Toney D. Smith, Blue Mountain Lodge No. 28, Union; Dr. E. O. Wilson, Orion No. 73, Elgin; Wallace G. Trill, Kinsman Lodge, No. 87, Wallowa; Frank Clarke, Enterprise Lodge No. 94, Enterprise.

Degree work by various lodges.

Walter Gleason, grand keeper of records and seal, arrived this noon and will be one of the chief speakers at the banquet to be called on by Toastmaster Bragg. Other speakers will be Marion Davis, past supreme representative, Rev. Chas. A. Edwards, Rodney J. Kitchen, Chas. Albert Small, Y. M. C. A. Secretary King.

Rigid Economy in Family King George

London, May 30.—(By mail).—War economy is being rigidly practiced in the royal household at Windsor Castle.

To save petrol, the royal motor-cars are now seldom used. The Queen usually rides behind her team of grays, while Princess Mary travels horse-back.

No alcohol is used in the Castle, either by the King's family or his servants. Cider-cup is the strongest drink served; lemonade, orangeade and barley water are the customary drinks.

The King also has given up plovers' eggs, one of his favorite dishes, and shoots pheasants' eggs instead. As shooting has been abandoned both at Windsor and Sandringham, the eating of pheasants' eggs saves the food needed to rear young birds, and also lessens the damage to wheat-fields from the game. Many pheasants' eggs are sent daily to the army hospitals from the royal preserves.

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