

U. S. FLEET "SUNK;" "FOE" LANDS ARMY

Defenders Beaten in Greatest War Game Ever Played by American Navy.

VICTORY WON IN HOUR

Dramatic "Fight" Is Staged Off New York Harbor—Submarines as Last Line of Defense Arc of Little Consequence.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—The greatest war game ever undertaken by the American Navy ended today with a victory for Admiral Mayo's "Red" fleet, which, theoretically, wiped out the defending "Blue" fleet and landed an invading army at Far Rockaway Beach, Long Island.

Rear-Admiral Knight, acting as umpire, announced the result in this report to the Navy Department: "Maneuver completed. Red and Blue bodies engaged 9:30 to 10:30 this morning, 10 miles south of Ambrose Lightship. Blue decisively defeated Red gaining command of sea. Red effects landing at Fort Rockaway and secures base."

The final report closely followed one announcing that Rear-Admiral Helm's "Blue" fleet and with no foes left to interrupt the landing of troops from his transports, Admiral Mayo was declared victor in the game and the ships, "Red" and "Blue" alike, started for Newport after four days of arduous duty at sea.

With Admiral Helm's fleet out of the way, only a thin line of submarines remained to protect the coast. Then these, too, were quickly disposed of by the "Red" fleet and with no foes left to interrupt the landing of troops from his transports, Admiral Mayo was declared victor in the game and the ships, "Red" and "Blue" alike, started for Newport after four days of arduous duty at sea.

The story of the game as placed together from radio reports to the Navy Department indicates that the tactics of Admiral Mayo completely puzzled Admiral Helm and forced him to accept battle in a position from which there was no hope of escape. The umpire declared the "Blue" fleet destroyed hours before the time limit of the action expired.

At 5:30 P. M., August 25, the destroyer Benham, later reported destroyed in action, sighted the "Red" transport train 75 miles off the New Jersey Coast. Relying on her speed to escape the convoying warships, the Benham followed the transport, keeping Admiral Helm informed. At that time the "Blue" fleet was 15 miles farther inshore, steaming in a parallel to the transport train. At 8:30 the same evening the Benham reported that three enemy battleships and the transport train had headed inshore to make a landing.

Red Fleet Slips In. Admiral Helm drove his battle fleet forward to intercept the "enemy" at daylight. He sighted the "Red" ships at 8 o'clock this morning. The transport train was steaming in toward the Long Island coast with its destroyers screen thrown out to seaward. During the night, however, the "Red" battle fleet also had come up, and steaming parallel to the transports and between them and the "Blue" fleet, interposed itself, to cut off Admiral Helm's attack. The fleets engaged promptly, but the "Blue" position was hopeless. To cut off the rush of the transports for the coast it had to swing sharply to the west. As the "Blue" ships came to the turn they filed in one at a time and caught the concentrated fire of Admiral Mayo's guns. While the battle still was in progress Admiral Helm played his last card. The 17 submarines mobilized at Block Island the preceding night were following the movements of the "Red" transports, but keeping well inshore as a last line of defense. Daylight found them within an hour or two of the chosen landing point of the invaders. Admiral Helm ordered them forward in a desperate effort to destroy the transports, but they were not equal to the task, and the transports and their shielding fighting ships steamed by, victorious.

U. S. TO HAVE HUGE GUNS

Howitzers May Be More Powerful Than Those of Germany.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—Army ordnance experts are at work on designs for huge field howitzers as large or larger than the German 42-centimeter guns which wrecked Belgian and French forts early in the war. They will be at least 16-inch caliber with a range of 12 to 15 miles, hurling a projectile weighing more than a ton and carrying a huge amount of high explosives. In addition to placing several of these mammoth weapons along the coast line for mobile defense against naval attack, Army officials now are considering the creation of a special regiment equipped with six of the howitzers to work as a unit of the mobile army. The problem confronting the designers in that regard is to distribute the enormous weight of the gun and carriage in such a way that it can be moved over any good road.

EX-PUBLISHER IS DEAD

John Gilbert, Once Part Owner of Aberdeen World, Succumbs.

ABERDEEN, Aug. 26.—(Special.)—John Gilbert, aged 82, and formerly part owner of the Aberdeen World, died in Sioux City, Ia., yesterday, according to word received here by a brother. Mr. Gilbert was known throughout the Northwest as a cartoonist. He had compiled a partial list of cartoons showing "who's who" in the Northwest, which was printed in book form. Seven years ago he disposed of his interests here and went to the Middle West, where he had been doing newspaper work.

Colonel French Takes New Post.

CHICAGO, Aug. 26.—Colonel Francis H. French, formerly in command of the Twenty-first Infantry at Yuma, Ariz., and prior to that at Vancouver Barracks, Wash., yesterday became chief of staff of the Central Department of the United States Army, under Major-General Barry.

UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE HERE FOR CONFERENCE WITH PRESIDENT WILSON.



Copyright, Underwood Photo. William G. Sharp, Ambassador to France, and His Daughter, Margaret, on Their Arrival on the French Liner Lafayette. Ambassador Sharp is here on a short vacation and will confer with President Wilson and Ambassador Page, United States Ambassador to Great Britain, who is also in the United States.

CULT UNDER PROBE

Recluse Millionaire Thought to Be Mazddazan Victim.

ATTORNEY LOSES RENTS

Morrison's Fortune Found to Total \$6,000,000 More Than Own Holdings in Moneys Held by Relatives—Girls Defy Court.

CHICAGO, Aug. 26.—When the Federal Court inquiry into the mysterious disappearance of the wealth of Edward W. Morrison, recluse millionaire, is resumed next Tuesday, the court will be asked to investigate a report that among beneficiaries of Morrison's wealth was the Mazddazan Sun cult. Attorneys for the Central Trust Company, temporary receiver for Morrison's affairs, said tonight they believed Morrison was a member of the cult, whose head, "prince," Ottoman Zar Adust Hanish, was sent to prison. The cult, the attorneys said, was like other organizations and individuals in finding the aged man free with his money.

SCHOOL FAIR ASSURING

HOOD RIVER EXHIBIT WILL SURPASS PREVIOUS DISPLAYS. Every Community in County Will Be Represented at Festival to Be Held September 16.

REGATTA ASKS WARSHIP

Secretary of Navy Is Requested to Grant Transfer to Astoria.

CARS GO TO GRAIN MEN

BAKER MILLMEN, ANGERED, MEET AND VOTE PROTEST. Charles T. Early Off to Portland to See Railroad Heads; All-Year Shippers Claim First Call.

GERMAN WOMEN GET PLEA

Rural Housewives Are Urged to Share Food With City Sisters.

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