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HUN NAVY CRAVEN JELLICOE SHOWS

British Officer Surprised by Caution of Foe During First of War.

GRAND FLEET IN DANGER

Short of Cruisers, Destroyers and Had Defenseless Bases in Early Months of Conflict—Describes Big Battle of Jutland.

London.—The [illegible] to which the British grand [illegible] of cruisers, destroyers and [illegible] was exposed [illegible] first two and one-half years [illegible] in the German [illegible] torpedoes [illegible] fire by Admiral [illegible] Jellicoe, the former commander [illegible], covering the activities [illegible].

Admiral [illegible] said that the German [illegible] destroyers [illegible] 12 to the grand fleet, [illegible] the submarine [illegible] in the fall of 1914, proceed from Leith Swilly and only returned to the North sea when the [illegible] in Scapa Flow became reasonably safe.

Neither in October, 1914, nor in May, 1916, Admiral Jellicoe says, did the British margin of superiority justify him in disregarding the enemy's torpedo fire. The situation gradually improved after 1916, especially as the light cruiser and destroyer forces with the grand fleet increased steadily after the battle of Jutland, considerably reducing the danger of successful torpedo attack, while the inclusion of class K submarines made it probable that the enemy would suffer more severely from submarine attack than the British.

Tables Are Turned.

Regarding 1918, Admiral Jellicoe says:

"The position was assured and we could have afforded to take risks which in 1916 would have been unwise. If the German fleet had come out to battle, a terrible punishment awaited them."

One-third of the admiral's book is devoted to the battle of Jutland. In summing up the lessons of the battle, Admiral Jellicoe dwells upon "the danger involved in leaving too much to chance in fleet action, because our fleet was the one and only factor vital to the existence of the empire, and, indeed, to the allied cause."

"We had no reserve outside the battle fleet which could in any way replace it in the event of disaster or even should its margin of superiority be eliminated," the admiral continues.

Admiral Jellicoe says he knew that his ships were inadequately protected with armor compared to the German vessels of the battle cruiser type, while the German fleet in the battle of Jutland was far better off in the number of destroyers. In addition, the Germans possessed "a most efficient armor-piercing shell."

Describes Big Battle.

The admiral continues:

"When the battle fleets approached there was a difference of reckoning between the British battle fleet and the battle cruiser squadrons, due to the cruisers has[illegible] engaged for several hours and [illegible] repeatedly altered their course [illegible], instead of being encountered [illegible] ahead, the enemy appeared on our starboard bow."

Instant action [illegible] ensued, the admiral says, and he [illegible] to deploy on the port wing [illegible] thus compelling the Germans to turn off to starboard to avoid being [illegible]. This maneuver, which has been [illegible] as masterly by reviewers, threw the enemy into complete confusion. The German commander in chief realized that his only hope lay in escape, profiting by his superiority in torpedo craft, low visibility, the approach of darkness and the proximity of his bases and mine fields.

The enemy at this period fired hundreds of torpedoes, as German officers have since stated, Admiral Jellicoe continues, and although the Germans were in the gravest peril, the position of the grand fleet itself was menaced by determined torpedo attacks in thick weather. But the British fleet by turning its battle line four times during the action, the admiral says, got clear of the torpedoes, which were racing toward the British ships, and defeated the tactics upon which the Germans based their hopes.

After estimating the relative strength of the two fleets early in the war, Admiral Jellicoe expresses surprise that the Germans were so cautious and says:

"If this country in the future decided to rely for safety against raids or invasion on the fleet alone, it is essential that we possess a considerably greater margin of superiority over a possible enemy in all classes of vessels than we did in August, 1914."

IT'S WORTH WHILE—THAT'S WHY

WAITING FOR ZERO

Tense Minutes Before Argonne Battle Opened.

English Officer Describes the Behavior of American Gunners in That Fight as Wonderful—"Will Forever Honor Them."

"It was the zero hour in the Argonne," remarked Maj. H. T. Hayden, an English officer, now in this country, "when I was first impressed with the greatness of America. I happened to be detailed to an American unit. There were French and American and English soldiers there, but I was with an American command. It doesn't matter what the occasion. When the battle of the Argonne began I was in a dugout when an American officer commanding a regiment of artillery stood with his watch in his hand, counting the seconds. He had been ordered to begin firing at 5:30 in the morning. All along that line of many miles the officers of the groupings had their orders. The zero hour was 5:30. This particular officer stood waiting, waiting [illegible] of an age in five minutes. The [illegible] enough to drag an awful lifetime [illegible], three, four I counted. [illegible] zero came. This officer forgot [illegible] said. It was not necessary. [illegible] a captain, had anticipated [illegible] officer. It was a shock, the [illegible] and the grandest shock I ever [illegible] waiting, waiting for the time I [illegible] off my pins [illegible] it came by [illegible] commander of the artillery. For [illegible] miles and miles the guns roared. [illegible] only once in a lifetime, and [illegible] lifetimes, at that, to be present [illegible] such an occasion. It seemed that hell had broken loose.

"I don't know how any human being can live through such a thing, but we did. For six hours the guns spoke, and then for a brief period there was a cessation. Once more they started, and it was not until after noon that they stopped. Meantime the infantry was preparing to make its charge. I rode along the front lines of artillery in the early morning. Below I saw the American boys getting ready to make their drive. It was the most wonderful, the sublimest sight I ever saw or ever expect to see. I shall never forget, because it is stamped indelibly in my brain, the enthusiasm and the exuberance of the American gunners. They may have had no previous training, but I shall forever honor the American artillerist, and I shall never forget the opening of the battle of the Argonne."

Poetic Justice!

The first four letters of the name Amerongen, which designates the moated castle in Holland where the former Kaiser Wilhelm II is observing the twilight of the Hohenzollerns as rulers, compose the French word meaning bitter. One might find in this a fitting reply to the fears of the place where, under Frederick the Great, Hohenzollernism began its ascendancy. This Potsdam castle, which the French also used, [illegible] and charming [illegible] in the summer time, the [illegible] French "Sans-Souci" (without care) and for nearly two centuries it has shown forth a brilliant example of Prussian hyperthyroidism. But now the Hohenzollern feel life cross, and no doubt they are bitter.

Cheerful Blinded Soldiers.

Cheerful news comes along from St. Dunstan's allotment holders. Here, as in other directions, the blinded soldiers are making good. E. Clarke, a poultry farmer at Edwinstowe, is winner of the first prize for the best potatoes and carrots at a local show, we read in the current number of St. Dunstan's Review, and on another page of this bright little record of the blinded soldiers' work and sport, we read: "One allotment holder, who is otherwise occupied during the day, contends that he has the advantage over ordinary sighted people, for he need not hurry home to put in an hour before dark; he can get on with it while they are in bed!"—London Mail.

Winter Snake Story.

J. R. Campbell of Vandalia, Ind., reaches us this December snake story:

"On December 22 my daughter and I started across a piece of timber land to a [illegible] home. The dog went into a [illegible] where a tree had blown over, and was [illegible] to a fine food [illegible] which was hanging on [illegible] branches. I killed the snake with a club. The snake had the appearance of having swallowed a rabbit, but into addition discovered that the snake had robbed a hen's nest and had swallowed a china nest egg. We missed the china egg last July."—Indianapolis News.

Ownership.

"Are you in favor of government ownership?

"Well," replied Senator Sorghum, "I've been trying to make up my mind. Everything depends on whether a business is run with intelligence and care, regardless of who owns it. And I've seen some men who thought they could take on all kinds of government responsibility that I wouldn't trust to run a peanut stand."

Its Profits.

"I see where they are going to have a cat show in New York for the soldiers and sailors."

"Well, the profits ought, of a show like that, amount to a considerable purr cent."

German Deterioration.

German doctors estimate that the average person in cities of that country lost about one-sixth of his weight during the war. Men lost slightly more weight than women. Farmers lost no weight at all.

Want Column

Advertisements under this head are printed for five cents per line each insertion.

Lost, Strayed or Stolen—Two hogs weight about 140 lbs each; marked with square crop off each ear. $5.00 reward for their return to Ed Augustus.

For Sale—110 acre ranch near New Bridge; 25a under ditch; plenty water; fair improvements. Call on or address D. A. Rinard, New Bridge, Ore.—22p

BACON—Home cured, 250 lbs. at 38c to 40c. Ianthus Chandler.

FOR SALE—Two good work horses, 4 and 5 yrs old; also good wagon and harness, saddle and many other articles, at livery barn. Will sell on 7 months time, good note. G. W. Martin, Richland.—ad

For Private Sale—a lot of miscellaneous household goods. Call at my home. Oscar Rendall.-ad

WILL TRADE a good 14-inch John Deere walking plow for a small garden plow, 14 inch or smaller. J. R. Lee.

For sale—Mixed lot of Jersey and Durham grade cows, [illegible] Will freshen very soon. Good hole permitted. Also a chicken lot of home canned fruit. J. C. Bowen, New Bridge.

Order that tire from Halfway Garage at once and save five per cent war tax. Milage guaranteed.—adv

FOUND—Braided Hair Hat Band. Owner may have same by calling at News office and paying for this notice.

MAMMOTH JACK, "Broadway," will stand the season of 1919 at our ranch 12 miles west of Richland. Fee reasonable. H. H. & H. A. Jacobs.—ad19p

The American Young People, a high-grade monthly magazine for boys and girls, (price $2 per year), and the E. V. News, both one year for only $3.

Public Sale.

On Baker bay afternoon, March 24th, beginning at 1:00 o'clock, the following property will be sold to the highest bidder without reserve:

Two good milch cows,
Two [illegible] 8 mo old,
Five sheep, 8 mo old,
Five pigs, 6 mo old,
One brood sow with 6 pigs,
One brood sow,
One dozen chickens,
One colt, yearling past,
Three yearling ewes,
One Mitchell wagon complete,
One double shover plow,
One Majestic steel range,
Bed steads and miscellaneous articles too numerous to mention.

Sale will be held at the old Taylor ranch west of Richland.

Terms: Sums under $10 cash, on sums over $10 a credit of eight months time will be given to purchasers giving bankable note drawing 10 per cent interest.

Mrs. Ed Derrick, Owner.

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