

NAVAL BATTLE IN NORTH SEA

German Fleet Gives Battle to British Fighters.

MEN AND OFFICERS PERISH

Battleships, Cruisers, Destroyers Sent Down.

GREATEST OF NAVAL LOSSES

A Belief in London That the British Fleet Was Led into a Mine Field. Zeppelins Reported To Have Played a Part in the Day and Night Battle on North Sea—Powerful Miners Used.

The long expected clash between the German and British battle fleets has occurred in the North Sea, and the British Navy has suffered probably the greatest disaster in its history in the greatest battle ever fought between modern sea fighters.

At the bottom of the North Sea, off the west coast of Northern Denmark, lie at least three British battle cruisers, three cruisers and eight torpedo boats, and the German battleship Pommern and two small German cruisers and a number of German torpedo craft. Several thousand or more British officers and men perished.

Great Britain admits the loss of battle cruisers and cruisers with a tonnage of 114,810—represented by the battle cruisers Queen Mary, Indefatigable and Invincible, and the cruisers Defence, Black Prince and Warrior. Germany's losses, in addition to the Pommern, were the Wiesbaden and Frauenlob, both the latter small cruisers, and several torpedo boats.

The Germans claim, in addition to the admitted losses of Great Britain, that the British battleship Warspite, of the largest type in the British Navy, was sunk, that the battleship Marlborough was hit by a torpedo and that two cruisers of the Achilles type (the Warrior is of this class) and one submarine were sent to the bottom.

The British Admiralty adds to the conceded losses by Germany two dreadnaughts of the Kaiser class—vessels of 24,700 tons—destroyed, the blowing up of one battle cruiser, the damaging of two other vessels of this class and the ramming and sinking of a German submarine.

Two or more Zeppelins aided the Germans, it is reported, largely by dropping bombs upon the British warships.

This greatest of sea battles was fought Wednesday afternoon and night, but the British government suppressed the news until Berlin had sent the announcement by wire to the United States yesterday.

According to a Copenhagen dispatch, the captain of a Spanish steamer, who saw the engagement, reported the German fleet consisted of five large dreadnaughts; eight cruisers and 20 torpedo-boats and destroyers.

Dead and wounded officers and men picked up by traders and other boats are being landed at Dutch ports.

Germans Started It.

London.—In a terrific naval battle off the coast of Jutland on May 31 the Germans sank 14 British warships, 3 battle cruisers (the Invincible, Queen Mary and Indefatigable), 3 light cruisers and 8 destroyers.

The German Admiralty claims the additional loss of the dreadnaught Warspite, but at a late hour the British Admiralty does not include the vessel in its list of losses. The British report mentions the light cruiser Warrior, not yet claimed by the Germans.

The German losses are the battle cruiser Doerflinger, the pre-dreadnaught Pommern, the small cruisers Frauenlob and Wiesbaden and several destroyers.

Zeppelins took part in the conflict which raged during the afternoon of Wednesday and until daybreak on Thursday.

There are no accurate reports of loss of life, but there is no doubt that several thousand officers and men perished. The British ships lost were manned by approximately 7,000 men, more than 2,000 men were aboard the German vessels put down.

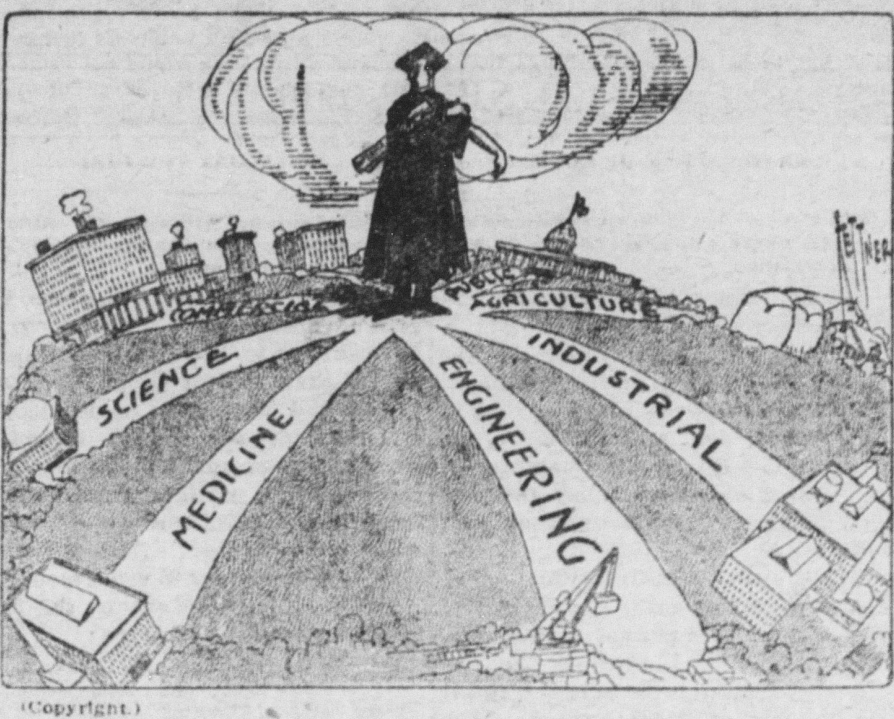
The British ships lost cost approximately \$70,000,000 to build, the German ships \$20,000,000.

NAIL IN HIS HEAD 50 YEARS.

Headaches Cease When Iron Works Out Through Mouth.

Dawson, Pa.—A fourpenny nail, after being nearly 50 years in the head of Fred Selbert, Jr., came out through the roof of his mouth Friday. Mr. Selbert has suffered since he was 17 years of age with constant headaches and, despite medical skill, nothing could be done for him. His headaches ceased when the bit of iron emerged through the roof of his mouth. When 17 years old a piece of lumber fell on Selbert's head and caused an ugly wound. Later the wound healed and the head pains became frequent.

THE WORLD IS HIS



BUSINESS IN U. S. AT HIGH TIDE

Factories Have Orders Enough to Run a Year at Maximum.

ATTITUDE MORE CAUTIOUS

Agricultural Conditions Fair, With Nearly All Other Elements in the Situation Favorable—Increased Wages For Labor.

Washington.—Business activity in the United States, according to reports submitted to the Federal Reserve Board by officials of the 12 reserve banks, has now reached its high tide with factories having enough orders booked to tax their maximum capacity for a year.

The Federal Reserve Board, in making public the commercial surveys of the reserve bank officials, summarized them as follows:

"General business and banking conditions reported by Federal reserve agents in the 12 Federal reserve districts as of May 23 or thereabouts indicate, in general, that business activity in the United States has perhaps reached the maximum of the present movement. Orders covering factory outputs to the end of the year at maximum capacity, a more cautious attitude as to the future, considerable unrest on the part of labor, even where most highly compensated, and a slightly less favorable outlook in respect to some of the growing crops are the chief contributing reasons.

"On the other hand, more favorable crop conditions are reported in some districts, even though the spring has been generally very late. Mines and oil wells are exceedingly active. Lumber and building show great activity, although the latter is in some sections somewhat affected by labor conditions.

"There is hardly any perceptible hardening of money rates, and the supply of loanable funds continues more than ample. Railroad earnings, where not injuriously affected by congestion at seaports, are generally excellent, and the only bad signs in this industry are in the impending labor difficulties. Postoffice and other similar receipts appear to be a maximum everywhere."

The Richmond reserve bank district, composed of Maryland, Virginia, North and South Carolina and West Virginia, reports normal conditions, with increases in many lines. The summary of conditions of the district is, in part, as follows:

"Agricultural conditions are reported fair. Crops are somewhat backward, owing to late spring and dry weather. Wheat and oats are not as good as last year, but more corn and oats are reported planted than ever before. Farmers are getting out of their old habits of sending money away for hay, flour and other staple articles, raising more home supplies, using the money saved to buy more land and improve it. Cotton acreage has been probably increased by about 10 per cent. Tobacco manufacturers report an increase in business for the past four months over 1915. Increased wages have satisfied labor. Lumber dealers report only fair conditions, and the import and export trade is handicapped by the lack of freight room and high rates."

SAILS, EXPECTING DEATH.

Lincoln, Confessed Spy, Is On His Way Back To England.

New York.—Ignatius T. T. Lincoln, formerly a member of the British Parliament and confessed international spy, was taken back to England by Scotland Yard detectives aboard the Anchor Line steamship Cameronia at the request of the British Government, which wants him to answer to a charge of forgery. Lincoln once escaped from jail here, but was recaptured. Lincoln said he expected to be given a couple of weeks' sentence for forgery and then "stop a couple of bullets."

IN PROCLAIMING FLAG DAY PRESIDENT ASKS REAL "UNION"

President Wilson issued a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to celebrate Flag Day, June 14, with patriotic exercises. The proclamation follows:

My Fellow-Countrymen—Many circumstances have recently conspired to turn our thoughts to a critical examination of the condition of our national life, of the influences which have seemed to threaten to divide us in interest and sympathy, of forces within and forces without that seemed likely to draw us away from the happy traditions of united purpose and action, of which we have been so proud.

I therefore suggest and request that throughout the nation, and if possible in every community, the fourteenth day of June be observed as Flag Day, with special patriotic exercises, at which means shall be taken to give significant expression to our thoughtful love of America, our comprehension of the great mission of liberty and justice to which we have devoted ourselves as a people, our pride in the history, and our enthusiasm for the political program of the nation, our determination to make it greater and purer with each generation, and our resolution to demonstrate to all the world its vital union in sentiment and purpose, accepting only those as true patriots who feel as we do in the completion of this supreme allegiance.

Let us on that day rededicate ourselves to the cause of the nation, "one and inseparable," from which every thought that is not worthy of our fathers' first vows of liberty and right shall be excluded, and in which we shall stand with united hearts for an America which no man can corrupt, no influence can draw away from its ideals, no force divide against itself—a nation signally distinguished among all the nations of mankind for its clear, individual conception, alike, and its duties and privileges, its obligations and representatives.

T. R. ATTACKED IN KANSAS CITY.

Knife, Thrown At Auto, Misses Colonel and Hits Secretary.

Kansas City, Mo.—A knife, with open blade, thrown from a crowd through which Col. Theodore Roosevelt was riding in a Memorial Day parade here, missed the Colonel, at whom it was supposedly thrown, but hit his secretary, John W. McGrath, who was in the automobile with the former President. McGrath was not injured.

The man who threw the knife escaped in the crowd. After striking McGrath's arm the knife fell to the ground, where it was picked up by Ernest Shell, a member of the American Legion escorting Colonel Roosevelt. Shell handed it, he says, to a policeman.

"Trivial," Says Colonel. McGrath said there was no force behind the knife, and he believed some one had tossed it toward the car as a joke. Colonel Roosevelt was told of the incident and afterward his secretary issued this statement:

"Colonel Roosevelt regards the matter as an entirely trivial incident and feels that no weight should be attached to it."

APPOINTS HOPEWELL MAYOR.

Governor Stuart Names Benjamin Harrison and Selects Council.

Richmond, Va.—Acting under a statute enacted by the General Assembly in March, Governor Stuart appointed Benjamin Harrison, a contractor and business man, Mayor of the newly created city of Hopewell. Mayor Harrison, with members of the City Council, also appointed, will assume the reins of government July 1.

10 DESTROYERS THROUGH BELT.

German Torpedo Boat, Badly Damaged, Off Danish Coast.

Copenhagen.—The National Tidende says that 10 German torpedo-boat destroyers passed through the Little Belt from the north going very slowly. The newspaper adds that a torpedo boat, badly damaged, is lying off Lyngvig Fyr, near Ringjobing Fjord, western Denmark, just north of the Horn.

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