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MINE SUNK CRUISER CARRYING LORD KITCHENER, NAVAL EXPERTS BELIEVE

War Minister and Staff, En Route to Russia on Secret Military Mission, Lost When Hampshire Sinks Off Orkneys

ARMY OF 600,000 TRYING TO CHECK RUSSIAN ASSAULT

Petrograd Claims Slav Commanders Have Captured 25,000 Prisoners in Latest "Drive"; French and Germans Struggling for Verdun

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
 PETROGRAD, Russia, June 6.—An army of more than 600,000 men has now been thrown to the extreme eastern front to check, if possible, the drive of the Russians which has been going along on hundreds of miles of line.

The Slav successes continue and it is announced by army headquarters that up to the present the Russians have captured 25,000 men, 17 cannon and 15 machine-guns.

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
 PARIS, France, June 6.—Two German attacks were made today between the fortress positions of Vaux and Dambloup but both of the attacks were repulsed. The Germans continue to bombard Vaux almost incessantly.

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
 BERLIN, Germany, June 6.—The French on the right of the Meuse river today made four efforts to eject the Germans who have won a foothold of Fumin ridge, but each effort was costly and fruitless, the attacking side losing heavily.

FAMED GENERAL WHO IS LOST TO BRITISH CAUSE IN NORTH SEA



KITCHENER OF KHARTOUM.

BRITISH WAR COUNCIL CALLED; MAY PUT ROBERTSON IN HIGH COMMAND; MORE THAN 600 THOUGHT PERISHED

Small Hope For Survivors, But Searching Patrols Find Some Bodies—London Stock Exchange Closes

(Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless)
 LONDON, England, June 6.—British naval experts believe that the 10,000-ton cruiser Hampshire, sunk off the Orkney Islands with Lord Kitchener and his staff aboard, was destroyed by striking a mine.

They say that the speed of the cruiser renders it improbable that she was torpedoed, and furthermore that the sea was rough, which would make the work of a submarine uncertain.

It is believed by the public that Lord Kitchener was en route to Petrograd on an important military mission similar to that which he made in France and Italy. The Allies had great confidence in Kitchener's judgment and his visits to the other Allied countries is supposed to have had important results in coordinating the work of the Entente Powers. The fact that he is known to have been on his way to Russia brings up the supposition that he was to advise with the Russian army chiefs.

The news of his death was the first intimation the public had of the mission to Russia.

LONDON, England, June 6.—Sunk by torpedo or mine in the North Sea, the British cruiser Hampshire went down at 8 o'clock last night west of the Orkney Islands with Lord H. H. Kitchener, British minister of war, and his staff.

Supreme Admiral Jellicoe early today reported to the British admiralty that the Hampshire was lost off the Orkneys. He reports that the cruiser was en route to Russia when the explosion occurred which wrecked the vessel, and that the explosion was caused either by a mine or a torpedo. Patrols are searching for the bodies and for possible survivors. Some bodies and a capsized boat have been found. The shore of the islands is being searched but there is little hope that survivors will be found.

It is believed that the Hampshire intended to go to Archangel, the Russian port on the White Sea, where the war minister and his staff were to debark. Normally the Hampshire carried a complement of 655 officers and men.

Kitchener's staff included Hugh Oberine, ex-counsellor of the embassy at Petrograd; O. A. Fitzgerald, Kitchener's private military secretary; Brigadier-general Elershaw and Sir Frederick Donaldson.

A meeting of the British war council has been called. Gen. Sir William B. Robertson, chief of the imperial army staff, will probably succeed Kitchener.

Following the receipt of the news, business was suspended on the London stock exchange today.

Kitchener's Career of Achievement

Lord Kitchener was born June 24, 1850, and is thus almost 66 years of age. For years he has been called the "ideal soldier" and though criticized since the war has been in progress, is one of the greatest of Britain's living heroes.

Of several things that entitle Earl Kitchener to a place in world history, the most notable is that he organized the largest volunteer army the world has ever seen, in the greatest war of all times.

Within a year from the sudden outbreak of the European war in August, 1914, the ranks of British fighting men were quadrupled by an increase from less than 1,000,000 to nearly 4,000,000.

By mere luck Kitchener happened to be in England on one of the comparatively rare visits that he had paid to London during his long career abroad when the European war broke out. He had just come home from service as British agent in Egypt, had accepted an earldom from King George, and was being talked of as Viceroy of India. Within a few hours after England's declaration of war, Kitchener was appointed Secretary of State for War and immediately took full charge at the war office where he worked day and night to overcome the handicap which the Central Powers had over England in the matter of fighting strength.

Although he was the object of considerable criticism, partly on account of the strict censorship he imposed on newspapers and his utter

HIGH ARMY OFFICER WHO IS LIKELY TO SUCCEED KITCHENER



Gen. Sir William Robertson, who a few months ago was appointed chief of the British army staff. He may now succeed Kitchener.

JUDGE MORROW IS ADVOCATE OF 'PREPAREDNESS'

Whether or not there will be another war will depend upon the United States, in the opinion of Judge W. W. Morrow of the United States circuit court of appeals, San Francisco. Speaking at the Commercial Club this noon he said that with proper preparedness any proclamation of this country would be respected in future years.

As a member of the League to Enforce Peace, he said, he advocated the establishment of an international tribunal to which all international questions of moment should be submitted.

"What do you suppose would happen if a man, sued on a written contract, should come into court and say, 'That document is worth nothing. It is a mere scrap of paper,' he asked. 'Why, without a minute's hesitation the court would proceed to enforce, by physical means if necessary, that contract.'

The topic on which he was scheduled to speak was "Military and Naval Preparedness." When he arose he declared that not he, but Gen. Evans, who sat at his right, was the man to speak on "Military Preparedness," and the commander of the navy, who sat at his left, on "Naval Preparedness." Instantly Gen. Evans replied, laughing, "But we are not allowed to talk, you know."

ART SMITH DECIDES TO PROLONG HIS STAY

(Special Cable to Nippon Mail)
 TOKYO, Japan, June 6.—Art Smith, the American aviator, has postponed his departure for the United States and has accepted an invitation to make a number of flights at Hokkaido, in the northern part of Japan. Upon the completion of his contract he will return to San Francisco. Before leaving Tokyo the American aviator was decorated by the Japanese emperor with the Order of the Rising Sun, one of the most honorable orders in Japan. He was given a medal of honor for his daring flights in the Japanese capital.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET TODAY

Following are the closing prices of stocks on the New York market today, sent by the Associated Press over the Federal Wireless:

	Today	Yesterday
Alaska Gold	23 1/2	23 1/2
American Smelter	97 1/2	98 1/2
American Sugar Wg.	111 1/2	112 1/2
American Tel. & Tel.	129 1/2	129 1/2
Anacosta Copper	83 1/2	83 1/2
Atchafalaya	106 1/2	104 1/2
Baldwin Loco.	89 1/2	89 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	91 1/2	91 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	45 1/2	46 1/2
Call. Petroleum	21 1/2	21 1/2
Canadian Pacific	178 1/2	175 1/2
C. M. & St. P. (St. Paul)	98 1/2	98 1/2
Colo. Fuel & Iron	42 1/2	42 1/2
Crucible Steel	84 1/2	83 1/2
Eric Common	38 1/2	38 1/2
General Electric	170 1/2	172 1/2
General Motors	560 1/2	560 1/2
Great Northern Pfd.	121 1/2	122 1/2
Inter. Harv. N. J.	115 1/2	114 1/2
Kennecott Copper	53 1/2	53 1/2
Lehigh R. R.	82 1/2	83 1/2
New York Central	105 1/2	105 1/2
Pennsylvania	58 1/2	58 1/2
Ray Consol.	22 1/2	22 1/2
Southern Pacific	98 1/2	98 1/2
Studebaker	139 1/2	141 1/2
Tennessee Copper	42 1/2	43 1/2
Union Pacific	137 1/2	137 1/2
U. S. Steel Pfd.	83 1/2	84 1/2
U. S. Steel	117 1/2	117 1/2
Utah	83 1/2	81 1/2
Western Union	95 1/2	95 1/2
Westinghouse	69 1/2	69 1/2

*Bid. †Ex-dividend. ‡Unquoted.

TICKETS FOR PAGEANT GO ON SALE TOMORROW

The sale of seats for the Punahou Pageant will begin at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at Cooke Library, Punahou. In order to give Punahou people the first opportunity to purchase tickets, the sale on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday will be limited to those who have had some connection with the school, and their families. Each person may purchase two tickets. The price of reserved seats will be 50 cents.

SCORES KILLED, HUNDREDS HURT, IN GREAT WINDS

Tornadoes Sweep Parts of Mississippi and Arkansas, Doing Tremendous Damage

JACKSON, Miss., June 6.—A tornado which hurled its way over parts of Mississippi and Arkansas yesterday has killed scores and injured hundreds. The death toll is growing hourly.

Eight persons are dead in this vicinity and 50 injured, and many houses were damaged, a large number being destroyed.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., June 6.—The greatest fury of the storm in this state was at Heber Springs, near here, where more than 20 were killed outright. Various parts of the state reported by telegraph today as to the extent of the disaster. It is declared that a large number have been killed and hundreds injured.

LOST CRUISER IS OF 10,850 TONS

The Hampshire was an armored cruiser of the Devonshire class, 10,850 tons, built in 1903-04, 450 feet length, with a main battery of 4 7.5-inch guns and 6 6-inchers. Her speed was 22.4 knots.

Germany and France have reached an agreement in regard to the transfer to Switzerland of wounded and sick German and French prisoners of war.

Wood Is 'Acceptable' To Teddy, Says Rumor

YUAN POISONED, SAYS CABLE TO CHINESE PAPER

Early Despatches Tell of Sudden Death; Later Comes Sensational Rumor

(Special Cable to Liberty News)
 SHANGHAI, China, June 6.—Yuan Shih-Kai died yesterday morning at 11 o'clock in Peking. His death was caused by poison placed in his food. According to the reports Yuan had been suffering for many days, and the report that Yuan was suffering from a stomach trouble bears out his first advice that he was poisoned, some time ago.

Many of the inhabitants of Peking have left the city, fearing an uprising, but as yet there has been no serious disturbances in the city as a result of the announcement of Yuan's death. There is no outward disturbance in Shanghai, and the people here believe that the decease of Yuan means the end of the revolutionary war.

PEKING, China, June 6.—After an illness of several days due to acute stomach trouble, followed by a nervous breakdown, President Yuan Shih-Kai of China died today.

Premier Tuan Chi-jui has advised Li Yuan Hung, vice-president of the republic, that he succeeds Yuan as president. Quiet prevails in the cities, following the news that Yuan had died. The succession of Li to power meets the demands of the leaders of the revolt, who had declared that they were unalterably opposed to Yuan Shih-Kai but would be satisfied if he left office and allowed some such man as Li to succeed him.

GANG TO BREAK STRIKE SENT TO STEAMER MANOA

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
 SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., June 6.—Several hundred strike-breakers were despatched today to Crockett, the sugar refinery port, to unload the Matson Navigation Company's steamer Manoa.

The docks are heavily guarded. Strike-breakers have been aboard the Serapis.

MARTINEZ, Cal., June 6.—Sheriff ers to unload the Manoa.

"DRIVE" MADE TO NOMINATE HUGHES HAS A KICK-BACK

Effect Has Been to Place Whole Field of Candidates Against Justice; Leaders of Republicans and Progressives Protest

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
 CHICAGO, Ill., June 6.—The "drive" to nominate Woodrow Wilson as "Acceptable" to C. E. Roosevelt, according to men who have recently visited the Colonel here.

Some of these men asserted today that Col. Roosevelt has said that he is "neither for nor against any candidate." He is also quoted as saying that he would "throw his hat into the ring for Wood."

HUGHES' BOOM GETS OTHERS AFTER HIM

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)
 CHICAGO, Ill., June 6.—Leaders of both the Republican and Progressive groups, particularly the former, are visible today in expressing their willingness to accept any able man as a candidate for president who can unite the elements that were splintered in 1912.

They declare that any man who can lead the campaign and who can bring the G. O. P. and Bull Moose factions together will be acceptable to them.

The leaders are busy today also in trying to determine whether the cause of Justice Hughes has been strengthened or weakened by the temporary concentration of all forces upon him. This concentration is declared to be for the purpose of eliminating Roosevelt as a Republican possibility.

The effect of this Hughes "drive" has been to place the whole field of candidates against him. The managers and backers of all these candidates see that Hughes must be beaten now if their men are to have any chance and they are seeking to defeat his boom before the convention opens.

Venle is holding himself in readiness to send a squad of armed deputies to Crockett, if the strikers attempt violence upon the arrival of strike-breakers to unload the Manoa.

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