

WARM FIGHT OVER THE DARDANELLES

Seven-Hour Conflict Was Without Profit.

THE ALLIES GAINED NOTHING

But Lost Heavily—Turks Defended Forts With Effective Gun Fire.

FIGHT ON FRONTS CONTINUES

Berlin, March 22 (via London). The correspondent at Constantinople of the Wolff Bureau telegraphed today a description of the fighting at the Dardanelles on Thursday, March 18, in which the French battleship Bouvet and two British battleships were sent to the bottom. There follows an abridgment of the correspondent's story of this engagement:

The efforts of the Allies to force the straits of the Dardanelles reached their climax in an artillery duel on Thursday, March 18, which lasted seven hours. The entire atmosphere around the Turkish forts was darkened by clouds of smoke from exploding shells and quantities of earth thrown into the air by the projectiles of the French and British warships. The earth trembled for miles around.

The Allies entered the straits at 11:30 o'clock in the morning and shelled the town of Chanak Kale. Two French and five British warships took part in the beginning. This engagement reached its climax at 1:30 o'clock, when the fire of the Allies was concentrated upon Fort Hamidieh and the adjacent fortified positions.

The attack of modern marine artillery upon the strong land forts presented an interesting as well as terrifying spectacle. At times the forts were completely enveloped in smoke. At 2 o'clock the Allies changed their tactics and concentrated their fire upon individual batteries, but it was evident that they found difficulty in getting the range. Many of their shells fell short, casting up pillars of water, or went over the forts to explode in the town.

At 3:15 o'clock, when the bombardment was at its hottest, the French battleship Bouvet was seen to be sinking at the stern. A moment later her bows swung clear of the water and she was going down. Roaring cheers from the Turkish garrisons and forts greeted this sight. Torpedo boats, and other craft of the Allies hurried to the rescue, but they were successful in saving only a few men.

Besides having been struck by a mine the Bouvet was severely damaged above the water line by shell fire. One projectile struck her forward deck. A mast also was shot away and hung overboard. It could be seen that the Bouvet, when she sunk, was endeavoring to gain the mouth of the straits. This, however, was difficult, owing apparently to the fact that her machinery had been damaged.

Shortly after the sinking of the Bouvet a British ship was struck on the deck squarely amidships and compelled to withdraw from the fight. Then another British vessel was badly damaged, and at 3:45 o'clock was seen to retire under a terrific fire from the Turkish battery. This vessel ran in toward the shore. For a full hour the Allies tried to protect her with their guns, but it was apparent that she was destined for destruction. Eight effective hits showed the hopelessness of the situation for this vessel. She then withdrew toward the mouth of the Dardanelles, which she reached in a few minutes under a hail of shells. The forts continued firing until the Allies were out of range.

This was the first day when the warships attacking the Dardanelles kept within range of the Turkish guns for any considerable length of time. The result for them was terrible, owing to the excellent marksmanship from the Turkish batteries. The Allies fired on this day 2,000 shells without silencing one shore battery. The result has inspired the Turks with confidence and they

are looking forward to further engagements with calm assurance.

Fighting On Both Fronts.

Although fighting of more or less intensity is always in progress along the Eastern and Western fronts there have been no very important operations during the last few days. The Germans claim small successes against the British near St. Eloi and against the French at Notre Dame de Lorette, north of Arras and to have repulsed several French attacks in Champagne, the Argonne forest and the Vosges. But the French communication, issued during the day, says that nothing of sufficient importance to report has happened.

In North Poland there have been several affairs of the outposts, but neither army apparently is attempting any large operations while the ground remains soft, unless the Russian movement turns out to be more important than it at present appears to be—namely, a cavalry raid.

JAS. MABE CELEBRATES HIS 100th ANNIVERSARY

Upton, Ky., March 19.—James Mabe, the oldest citizen of Hardin county, celebrated his 100th birthday anniversary at the home of his daughter, Mrs. C. W. Bowles. Mr. Mabe was born March 3, 1815, in Stokes county, North Carolina. He moved to Hart county before the Civil War and has for the past few years made his home with his children here. He has six children, thirty-seven grandchildren and twenty-one great-grandchildren.

A dinner party was given in his honor, at which about 300 guests were present. An interesting feature of the day was a fox chase, which he witnessed with as much enthusiasm as in his younger days when it was his greatest sport.

He is of a most remarkable disposition and can walk a mile without tiring. He is heard about the place whistling like a boy and is always cheerful. His picture on the old family horse was taken on his 100th birthday.

DEATH OF MR. B. F. BEARD AT HARDINSBURG HOME

Hardinsburg, Ky., March 20.—At the ripe age of eighty-seven years, three months and nineteen days, B. F. Beard died yesterday morning at the residence of his son, M. D. Beard.

His last illness covered a period of about six weeks. Until then he pursued his usual daily routine of work and was active in every particular. Mr. Beard was conspicuous as a successful business man, which is attested by the large mercantile firm of B. F. Beard & Co., and the Bank of Hardinsburg and Trust Company, of which he was the founder and president from its inception in 1890 to his death.

As a tobaccoist he was one of the extensive handlers of that product of the entire State, but for the past several years he had devoted himself exclusively to his banking business, and his son, M. D. Beard, has maintained and enlarged the mercantile business.

He leaves four children, Mrs. Allen Edell, of Burgin; C. L. P. M. and M. D. Beard, all of this town.

FROLIC SOME ORDER OF "LITTLE YELLOW DOGS"

The Madisonville Hustler says: The illustrious Order Little Yellow Dogs was launched here with twenty members Tuesday night. Dr. E. B. Hardin is the keeper of the kennel; Robert Kinchelo, scratcher; and Roy Wilson is the yelper. This is kennel 8. The order originated in the State of Missouri. This is the newest order in this part of the State and is on for frolic and high time. The meeting was one of interest and the keeper of the kennel had a hard time with the young pups and much yelping was done when the animals went through the initiatory work.

LOTS OF PLEASURE

Taking pictures with an Eastman. A big line of Kodaks and Supplies just in, also Watches and Jewelry at the very lowest prices. See us before ordering and save money.

J. B. TAPPAN,
Jeweler & Optician.

MILLINERY

At my home at Sulphur Springs. Will be in Hartford every Monday to take orders, returning them the following Saturday. Headquarters at Hub Clothing Co. 914

MRS. SARA C. SMITH.

HIGHWAYS TO CONNECT STATE COUNTY SEATS

Farmers From Four Counties To Attend Meeting For This Purpose.

The Owensboro Inquirer says: Of all the sentiment now extant in Kentucky perhaps none is growing as rapidly, or is becoming so State-wide, as that of good roads. Especially the sentiment for an inter-county seat system of highways, which, when completed, will connect the county seats of every county in Kentucky with those of adjoining counties. The Chamber of Commerce is now inaugurating a movement for the purpose of giving the citizens of Daviess and adjoining counties full information as to how such connecting highways may be secured, and as to the real benefits that will be derived therefrom, with the view of stimulating and strengthening the interest already manifested by so many farmers and business men in this section in this inter-county seat highway movement.

This information campaign will be launched next Saturday afternoon, March 27th, at a mass meeting of the citizens of Daviess, McLean, Ohio and Hancock counties, to be held in the Circuit Court room of the court house in Owensboro, at 1:30 o'clock. Mr. Robert C. Terrell, commissioner of roads for Kentucky, will be the speaker. Mr. Terrell is one of the best informed men in Kentucky on the question of roads, is an interesting speaker, and will inform his hearers fully as to the method of constructing these inter-county seat highways, and as to how much State and national aid can be secured for each county to assist in the construction of these highways. Sixty-three counties in Kentucky, including Daviess and Ohio, have already made application for aid from the State and National Government.

Commercially, it is generally conceded, nothing is of so much importance to the citizens of this section, as well as the whole of Kentucky, as good roads, and every citizen of this entire section is expected to enter enthusiastically into this movement and leave nothing undone to accomplish the end desired. Let "good roads" be the slogan until good roads are secured and comfort and prosperity will follow. You are invited by the Chamber of Commerce, so come and bring your neighbor to the initial meeting next Saturday.

FARMERS AND BUSINESS MEN GATHER IN HOPKINS

Madisonville, Ky., March 19.—A large crowd attended the joint meeting of farmers and business men here to-day in the interest of better farming and good roads. Prof. John H. Carmody, of the Kentucky Experiment Station at Lexington, gave an illustrated lecture on the care of fruit trees and G. B. Nelson, State organizer of the Boys' Corn Club movement, addressed the members of the clubs in this county. Several new names were added to the list. M. O. Hughes, who was to address the local tobacco growers, was unable to attend.

Robert E. Woods, of Louisville, president of the State Good Roads Association, made a splendid address in behalf of the \$300,000 bond issue which is to be voted on May 8. Mr. Woods' address was the beginning of the active campaign to be started immediately. He explained in detail the State aid law passed by the last Legislature and told of the work other counties were doing toward securing better roads. He was asked many questions during his talk, which were answered satisfactorily to all.

A. S. of E. Notice. All local secretaries of Ohio county are urged to make a report to the county and State secretaries immediately, as the State board wants to make arrangements for the State meeting as soon as possible and this meeting can't be held until local secretaries report. So please make your report at once.

H. M. PIRTLE,
County Sec'y, and Member of State Board.

As a general thing opportunity makes the man only when the man makes the opportunity.

THE GOVERNMENT TO AID IN ROAD BUILDING

Four U. S. Highway Engineers Will Be Sent to Kentucky To Assist.

Frankfort, Ky., March 20.—Gov. McCreary and Commissioner of Roads R. C. Terrell have returned from Washington, much pleased with the success of their trip to ask for Federal aid in road construction in Kentucky this year.

Commissioner Terrell said the Department of Agriculture consented to detail four highway engineers for duty in Kentucky, one of whom will arrive here Monday. They will be assigned to designated territories, each probably being given ten counties to travel over. They will supervise the road construction under the State-aid plan for the State Department of Roads, and give advice to county engineers, just as Government farm demonstrators aid the agriculturists.

Besides these four field men assigned to the State, Gov. McCreary and Commissioner Terrell secured permission to send the excess bridge work to the Bureau of Highways, Washington. All bridges costing more than \$500 are built under plans and specifications furnished by the Commissioner of Roads, and this work, in addition to the highway plans under State aid, will crowd the office here. The work which cannot be got out in this office without hampering its other activities will be sent to Washington. Commissioner Terrell said this will save his office the expense of three extra engineers.

CENTRAL CITY'S OLDEST HOTEL BURNED FRIDAY

Central City, Ky., March 20.—The Commercial hotel, the oldest hotel and perhaps the oldest building in the town, burned Friday night, the origin of the fire being unknown. For 35 years it has stood in the southeast corner of the crossing of the Illinois Central and L. and N. railroads and was a landmark. For many years it was successfully conducted by Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Paxton, both of whom are now dead. At the time of the fire it was the property of Mr. Willis, of Rumsey. The first alarm was sounded about 9 o'clock in the evening, and the volunteer fire department was soon on the scene. It was soon under control and supposed to have been completely extinguished, but the flames had crept up between the ceiling and the metal roof, and when the department reached the scene of the fire the second time, it was seen the building was doomed. For two hours it burned and was the most spectacular fire ever seen here for the reason that the house, being iron-bound and recently covered with this metal, was much stronger than the remainder of the house and stood a red-hot box while the flames poured out the doors and windows. Fully 2,000 people stood around while the old hotel became a thing of the past.

EARLY BIRDS AMONG CANDIDATES TO FILE

Frankfort, Ky., March 20.—Loving W. Gaines, of Trenton, editor of the Todd County Progress, was the second candidate in the State primary to file his petition to get his name on the ballot. Justus O. Carson, of Morgantown, candidate for the Democratic nomination for Treasurer, was the first. Mr. Gaines filed his petition with Cecil Vansant, Assitant Secretary of State. He is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Lieutenant Governor, for which Judge James Black, of Barbourville, and former Senator E. W. Utley, of Lyon county, are announced candidates. Only two petitions have been filed, as the entries will not close for three months.

WAR MUST END IN JULY, OWING TO EXHAUSTION

London, March 20.—Edgar Crammond, the financial writer, in a paper read before the Royal Statistical society, said that in his opinion, the war must end in July through the exhaustion of some of the belligerents.

Mr. Crammond estimates the total cost of the war to the end of July as \$16,290,000,000, and the total economic loss through damage

to property and other direct and indirect losses at \$45,740,000,000. He estimates that Great Britain alone will spend up to the end of July \$2,540,000,000.

The Times, commenting on Mr. Crammond's figures, thinks he takes an exaggerated view, although he possesses facts which entitle his opinion to respect. The Times points out that Premier Asquith's estimate of Great Britain's expenditures during the same period was only \$2,500,000,000, but adds:

"This certainly now appears too low, even if Mr. Crammond's estimate is too high, and it already is believed in financial quarters that the government will be obliged to have recourse to a new war loan sooner than was anticipated, probably in the month of May."

WELL KNOWN STEAMBOAT CAPTAIN NOW NO MORE

The Bowling Green Messenger of Thursday says:

A telephone message was received in Bowling Green announcing the death of Captain Elmore W. Bewley, of the steamer Bowling Green, which runs from Evansville to Bowling Green, which occurred Tuesday morning at 6 o'clock at his home at Rumsey, McLean county, after an illness of only a few days of pneumonia. He contracted a severe case of la grippe on Wednesday last while on his boat, which developed into pneumonia and the end came rapidly.

Captain Bewley was born in Brandenburg, in Meade county, sixty-six years ago, and moved to Rumsey, when a boy seventeen years old, when he was made second clerk on the Falls City, which ran from Bowling Green to Louisville. His next promotion was first clerk on the old steamer Evansville, which belonged to the Green River Navigation Company, and he was later made first clerk on the steamer Bowling Green, and his last position, which he held until his death, was captain of the Bowling Green.

SHIP YARDS BOOMING—A REMARKABLE CHANGE

The most remarkable change since the time of the Napoleonic war has come suddenly in the American ship-building industry. The last day of December, 1914, closed one of the poorest years the American ship yards have had in a decade. To-day every ship-building concern from Bath, Me., down to Newport News, in Virginia, is working to its fullest capacity, says the New Republic.

One of the largest companies has orders sufficient to keep 6,000 men employed full time for two to three years. Contracts have been closed for forty-eight ocean vessels, and negotiations are pending for sixty more. Prices have been advanced 15 per cent, although that fact is not significant. A British company has placed an order for the building of two ships in an American yard, a thing never heard of before, and is likely to order two more.

Apparently the American merchant marine has entered upon another period of expansion. The ships ordered and those for which marine architects are now drawing plans, embrace not only passenger vessels for the coastwise trade, but freighters for the Pacific and South American service, big cargo carriers for the trans-atlantic business and oil tankers to go anywhere and everywhere.

FATHER BRANDS BABE WITH RED-HOT 50c PIECE

Cleveland, O., March 20.—Because his eighteen-months-old baby ran away from home and for fear that he might not be identified if he should run away again, William Reichard, 27 years old, branded the child with a red-hot fifty-cent piece, he said in Police Court to-day.

Doctors say the boy will bear the brand on his right hip all his life.

Reichard was arrested on a charge of assault and battery and was sentenced to three months in the workhouse. He formerly was a professional wrestler.

For Sale.

My farm on the Hartford and Sulphur Springs road, quarter of a mile north-east of the oil well. This farm is not leased. Contains 82 acres—45 acres in cultivation, the remainder in woods—4-room house and outbuildings. Plenty of good soft water and a good orchard.

For particulars see L. T. Barnes, Beaver Dam, Ky.

FUSION IS DEALT VERY HARD BLOW

Important Opinion By The Court Of Appeals.

RIGHT OF PARTY COMMITTEES

To Fill Vacancies Fixed—Candidates Must Adhere To One Party.

A CASE FROM KNOTT COUNTY

Frankfort, Ky., March 19.—The last possible chance for effecting a fusion ticket by any of the leading political parties was removed by the Court of Appeals to-day when, in the case of Willie Francis against John Sturgill, an election contest case from Knott county, it declared that a party committee, in filling vacancies on a ticket after a primary, must select men who affiliated with that party and supported its nominees at the last general election.

The primary law requires a candidate to file a statement with the Secretary of State in order to get his name on the ballot, that he desires to be the candidate of a particular party for a particular office, and that he is affiliated with that party and supported its nominees at the last general election. The court said if any candidate nominated in a primary withdraws and the committee is thus empowered to fill his place on the ticket, the committee is bound by the same restriction, and must place on the ticket candidates who would have qualified to run in the primary for the nomination.

Both Francis and Sturgill were candidates in 1913 for the Democratic nomination for County Clerk of Knott county. Sturgill had been elected to office before on the Democratic ticket, but he was defeated for the nomination by Francis. Then the Republican candidate, nominated in the primary, withdrew, and the Republican County Committee placed the name of Sturgill on the ballot as the Republican candidate against Francis.

The latter received 960 votes to Sturgill's 929, but Sturgill contested and won in the Circuit Court. Francis appealed, and the Court of Appeals, in an opinion by Judge Settle, the whole Court sitting and concurring, held: "In our opinion appellee did not have a right to have his name go on the ballots as the Republican nominee, for which reason he was not eligible to be voted for at the election and could not properly be adjudged entitled to the office involved, even though it were made to appear that he received a majority of the votes cast."

After reviewing the evidence as to the contested ballots the court decided that Francis had received a majority of the votes and directed that judgment be entered awarding him the certificate of election and commission as County Clerk.

A. S. of E. Notice.

The Ohio county poultry pledges are called to be turned into the poultry committee April 1, so that the committee can go ahead and make arrangements to sell the pool. Now, fellow committeemen and members, please don't fail to return these pledges on date mentioned, for we as your committee want to do the best we can and it is impossible to serve the people to the best advantage unless you do your duty and we can't sell that which is not reported.

S. L. STEVENS,
O. R. TINSLEY,
H. M. PIRTLE,
Committee.

To the Public.

We have opened a general blacksmith and repair shop on Lafayette street, opposite John H. Barnes' residence. We will do all kinds of repair work. Horse-shoeing a specialty. Four plain shoes 80c, four toed shoes \$1.00. All work guaranteed to give satisfaction. Will appreciate your work.

BARNES & RODGERS,
Beaver Dam, Ky.

The international money order business for the first quarter of the year fell off 23 1/3 per cent.