

BOTH SIDES CLAIM BETTER IN BIG SEA BATTLE

BOTH SIDES SUFFER VERY HEAVY LOSSES

British Gloom Caused by First Reports is Somewhat Dispelled Later.

GERMANS CLAIM VICTORY

Fully 150 Ships Are Reported as Engaged in Great Battle in the North Sea.

BERLIN, June 3.—(By Associated Press.)—The first naval battle on a grand scale during the present war has been attended by results, which, according to the information received here, are highly satisfactory to the Germans, not only in respect of the comparative losses of the two fleets but in the fact that the Germans maintained the field after the battle. This is shown, German commentators say, by the rescue of British survivors.

The full German high sea fleet was engaged under personal command of Vice Admiral Scherr, the energetic German commander, who succeeded Admiral von Pohl. The British fleet is now estimated at approximately twice as strong in guns and ships as that under Admiral Scherr.

Detailed reports have not yet been received but the main engagement apparently occurred about 125 miles southwest of the southern extremity of Norway and 150 miles off the Danish coast. The battle was divided into two sections. The day engagement began about 4 o'clock in the afternoon and continued until darkness or about 9 o'clock. This was followed by a series of separate engagements through the night.

The exact ranges and course of the day fight have not been ascertained. It is assumed the ranges of the day engagement were not extreme possibly at a distance of about eight miles as the weather was hazy.

That the German torpedo boats and destroyers were more effective than the British account to a considerable extent to the successes of the Germans against an overwhelmingly superior force. It is understood the Queen Mary and the indefatigable were both sunk in the day battle.

All the German warships, except those mentioned in the official report, reached Wilhelmshaven safely. Thus far nothing has been reported regarding the extent to which any of these vessels was damaged. A fuller report from Admiral Scherr is expected soon.

It is stated at the admiralty that at least thirty-four British capital ships were engaged and that the British torpedo flotillas were severely handled. The battleship Westphalen alone sank six torpedo boats during night encounters.

German personnel and material alike stood the test brilliantly and the damage sustained by the German fleet is small in comparison with the British losses. The battleship Pommern, which was sunk, was commanded by Captain Goelken.

Berlin is decked with flags and the achievement of the German fleet has aroused the greatest enthusiasm. There was a remarkable demonstration in the Reichstag when Rear Admiral Hobbinghaus, former naval attaché at the German embassy at Washington, announced the result of the battle.

BRITISH GLOOM OVER BIG BATTLE DISPELLED

LONDON, June 3.—Captain William Hall, chief of the intelligence division of the admiralty, authorizes the Associated Press to say: "The German report of the loss of the Marlborough and Warspite is absolutely untrue. Both of these dreadnaughts are safe in harbor."

"The German report that the entire British fleet was engaged is equally untrue. A portion of the British fleet, much inferior to the total battle fleet of the Germans, engaged that fleet and drove it back into its harbor. The British control the North sea."

The British public, who retired last night cast down by the first news of the North sea battle as contained in the earlier British and German reports, took some comfort from the later British report published in the morning papers. This report, while it did not decrease the British losses except in destroyers, which were reduced from twelve to eight, shows the losses of the Germans were much greater than was at first estimated.

"Please tell me," writes an inquirer, "how many games were won and how many lost by the following players, no one being taken out: Slagle, Sheekard, Schulte, Chance, Stiefeldt, Evers, Tinker, Kling, Brown."

Referred to Dr. Evans, who, we believe, should recommend a nerve tonic.

STRONG FOR PROHIBITION IS PHILANDER K. STOUT

Who is One of the Leading Candidates for the House of Delegates.

Philander K. Stout, candidate for nomination for house of delegates by the Republican party at the primary election June 6, was born in Harrison county, W. Va., in 1856. He is a son of John H. Stout and a brother of the Rev. Benjamin Stout. His grandfather was sheriff of the county before the war and his father county sheriff when the whipping was in vogue.

Stout was educated in the common schools of the county and attended the Fairmont normal school for a number of terms, after which he entered Waynesburg College in Green county, Pa. Mr. Stout was

LET HIM STAY IN SAY HIS FRIENDS



JUSTICE T. G. NIEWARNER (By W. A. Garnett.)

To all whom it may concern, and it concerns almost everyone in Clark district, this pertinent question is put: Why remove a public officer who has proved his worth by his endeavor, and rendered faithful service during his incumbency?

A magistrate deals with all the people, and the office is one that should always be filled by a man kindly of heart, not fee-hungry or greedy to promote litigation, yet sufficiently learned in the law to enable him to give just decisions "according to the law and the evidence."

Such a man is Squire Niewarner. For three years or more he has performed the duties of his office without fear or favor. He cannot be bribed, bullied or cajoled, and no one can point to a single act of his, since elected to be a justice of the peace of Clark district, that is not much to his credit.

Incapacitated for manual labor by the loss of an arm and advancing years, Squire Niewarner asks the voters of Clark district to give him another term in office, and he asks this feeling that there is no good and sufficient reason why he should not be retained in the office which he has filled to the entire satisfaction of the people of Clark district. No one has heard any adverse criticism of Squire Niewarner; no one charges him with malfeasance in office; all admit that he is a just man and well equipped in every way for his work.

This is not written because I have any fear that Squire Niewarner will be displaced—his election is a foregone conclusion. I am told that Squire Niewarner is the first laboring man elected to public office in Harrison county. He is a married man with a family of four children dependent upon him and being cruelly handicapped by the loss of his right arm, he finds the struggle for existence, even under present circumstances, sufficiently severe. The sympathetic support of the voters of Clark district is asked for this man, who might well go before the public on his merits, pleading his unblemished record while in office and he will continue to maintain that reputation which he has well earned.

T. G. Niewarner is a life-long Republican, loyal to his party without political bigotry or offensive partisanship. He is well entitled to the undivided support of the voters, and he will undoubtedly receive it. W. A. GARNETT.

'Equal Rights' Campaign Is Telegram 10,000 Club

Which is One of the Finest Opportunities of the Kind Ever Presented Here.

When the average man arrives at the point where he becomes the proud owner of an automobile, he usually has had to work long and hard for it.

But the Telegram today, through the newly opened "10,000 Club," offers you the opportunity to secure a high powered six-cylinder Overland car absolutely free, the only provision being that you become an active member of the club. This costs you nothing whatever, except the putting forth of a little pleasant effort, along the same lines as the political candidates running for office.

Wide awake women and girls will be interested in the "10,000 Club" because it is an "equal rights" campaign. That is, the ladies have the same opportunity of winning that men have. Indeed, some claim that they have a slight advantage in a race of this sort, because nine times out of ten as vote getters they excel the men.

The beauty of the "10,000 Club" plan is not only the big value of prizes which will be awarded active club members, but the attractive manner of distribution is being highly praised by friends and readers of the Telegram everywhere. There will be either an award or a cash prize for everyone, and there will be no losers at the close of the campaign. There will be no bitterness of feeling, no sore, aching hearts, for all will have received generous compensation for the efforts.

If Mr. Stout is nominated and elected, you will hear from him. Mr. Stout is a strong advocate of prohibition. He solicits the votes and assistance of his friends.

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THROUGH WITH LILLY

BELINGTON, June 3.—A political event of the week here of much importance is the change of attitude on the part of the Belington Progressive in the gubernatorial contest. Heretofore the Progressive has been a strong Lilly advocate, but this week's issue is devoted largely to boosting Judge Ira E. Robinson for governor and showing the unfitness of Lilly for the place. The new slogan of the Progressive is: "Vote for Robinson and Clean Government." Under that head it says:

The vote you cast for governor is one of the most important that you will cast on June 6.

In your own interest and in that of your fellow citizens it should be cast without prejudice or malice but with the sole purpose of nominating the cleanest and most efficient man and the one that will lead us to victory in November.

Judge Robinson has lived and worked among us and has been our friend and neighbor since his boyhood. He has been prosecuting attorney of our sister county of Taylor, state senator from the old Monongalia district, one of the judges and president of the supreme court of appeals.

His public record is without stain or blemish, and in all these various official positions he has been efficient, unbossed, fearless and unbiased and has proved by his record that he will not be controlled or influenced by any man, clique, faction, or interest, but will be the governor of all the people.

Judge Robinson is relying and running on a record of official performances and not promises.

The official record of his opponent, Attorney General Lilly, is not so clear. This record shows that Mr. Lilly, his campaign manager and supporters, combined with certain Democratic state senators in the last session of the legislature, tried to raise the direct state levy and thereby increase the tax receipt of the farmer and small property owner.

As our attorney in the famous Virginia debt case it is shown that he did not give proper attention and at the most crucial period of the suit was out of the state on a protracted pleasure trip while our law suit with old Virginia involving more than twenty millions of dollars was hanging in the balance, and he our chief counsel.

In our mileage rate case with the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad, after his predecessor had secured a judgment in our favor against said railroad compelling for return of the money collected from us unlawfully, Mr. Lilly proceeds while acting as our attorney, to retard the collection of our coupons and had his personal agents in the field buying them up at fifty cents on the dollar.

As an officer he has been extravagant, the expenses of his office being far in excess of that of his predecessor, and having these matters in mind, can we have confidence that his promises of good government and economy will be kept should he be chosen?

TOO BUSY UPON THE JOB TO CALL UPON VOTERS

Magistrate William E. Starcher Reminds Them in Statement of His Candidacy.

William E. Starcher, justice of the peace for Coal district, who has been busily engaged with the duties of that position at his office on Hewes street and who is a candidate for renomination on the Republican ticket, Saturday issued the following statement:

to the voters of his district in which he explains why he has not been able to call upon them:

"During the past few weeks you have been bothered with the many candidates that are in the field for the coming campaign."

"And no doubt you have been expected to see me, and I therefore take this opportunity to explain to you why I have not called upon you personally."

"Four years ago you saw fit to elect me to the important office which I now hold, and for which I sincerely thank you, and which I have tried in every manner to conduct the said office in the way befitting and showing my appreciation of your trust, and ever since my election I have believed by duty to be in my office attending to my business and your interests."

"I believe every voter in Coal district knows my past history as an officer, and the record I have made as such."

"Upon my past record I appeal to you for re-nomination and re-election."

The fact that Mr. Starcher, who has made an excellent magistrate, is filling the duties of his office certainly ought to appeal to his many friends and acquaintances when they go to the polls in the primary election Tuesday.

DIPLOMAS GIVEN TO LARGE CLASS

STUART REED AND MINISTER ARE TO SPEAK

At the Memorial Services to Be Held in the Town of Lumberton Sunday.

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Stuart F. Reed.

Stuart F. Reed, secretary of state, and the Rev. S. E. Bowman, of Grafton, will be the speakers at the memorial services held tomorrow at Lumberton by Haywood and Lumberton churches and fraternal organizations.

The members of the various lodges will meet at their halls at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, and march to the opera house. The exercises there will begin at 1:30, after which decoration services at the cemetery will be held. There will be special music.

EIGHT SURVIVORS

Of the Crew of a German Cruiser Are Saved by the Thames, a Tug Boat.

THE HOOK, Holland, via London, June 3.—The tug boat Thames has arrived here with eight men of the crew of the German cruiser Frauenlob, which was sunk in the naval battle of Jutland. They say that the warship went to the bottom ten minutes after it was struck. Nothing is known of the fate of the remainder of the crew of 350.

MRS. DAVIS DEAD

Wife of Joseph Davis, of Kelley Hill, Passes Away Following Long Illness.

Mrs. Vernie Davis, aged 28 years, wife of Joseph Davis, of 114 Brown street, Kelley Hill, died at 4 o'clock Saturday morning at her home following a lingering illness of tuberculosis.

The deceased woman survived by her husband, Joseph Davis, Mr. and Mrs. John Snider, her parents who reside in Doddridge county, and the following brothers and sisters: W. L. Ham, Hugh, Albert, James and Carl Snider, all of Doddridge county, and Mrs. Harry Jeffers, of this city, and Miss Virginia Snider, at home.

The funeral arrangements have not been made as yet.

LOCKWOOD IS KIND ALL CAN VOTE FOR

Man of Good Judgment and Has Had a Wide and Varied Experience.

L. G. Lockwood, candidate for justice of the peace for Clark district, was born at Chillicothe, O. When a young man he took Horace Greeley's advice and went west to grow up with the country. After nine months of adventure and thrilling experiences, (get him to tell you about them), he finally worked his way to the Pennsylvania oil field, landed at "Pill Hole" about the time of the "cash up" excitement and worked at all kinds of work in the oil fields.

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