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Announcements.

FOR CONGRESS.

We are authorized to announce that CHARLES
F. MONTGOMERY, of Casey County, is a candi-
date to represent the Eighth District in the next
Congress, subject to the Democratic primary to be
held August 5, 1916.We are authorized to announce HARVEY
HELM, of Lincoln county, a Democratic candi-
date for re-nomination for Congress from the
Eighth district, subject to the August primary.

There will be but little doing in Congress until after the two National Conventions have been held. Congressman Helm has taken advantage of the lull, and is now going over the Eighth district, being a candidate for re-election.

Hon. L. T. Neat, of Adair county, who is the Republican candidate for Congress, in the Eighth district, has filed with the Secretary of State, and his name will go on the ballot. He has no opposition from his side of the house.

Carranza demands that United States troops be withdrawn from Northern Mexico. Word from Washington is that the troops will not be withdrawn until the defacto government demonstrates it can protect United States border.

To-day Republican clans from every State in the Union are in Chicago for the purpose of nominating a candidate for the Presidency. It is believed that the Roosevelt followers will make the most noise, but the plum will be knocked by some other candidate, probably Hughes, of New York.

The Courier-Journal's correspondent, writing from Chicago says that the organization leaders will aid Roosevelt to defeat Hughes, whose lead on the first ballot is conceded, and then use the Hughes followers to defeat Roosevelt, making way for a compromise or a dark horse candidate.

Next Wednesday the 14th, the great army of Democrats, representing every State in the nation, will assemble at St. Louis and will nominate Woodrow Wilson to succeed himself. His second campaign will be started with a united Democracy, the country fix than ever before known in the history of the world, no panic, the banks throughout the country full of money, the farmers receiving the higher prices for their products than ever before known, United States at peace with all countries, and endeavoring to bring about tranquility in Europe

and Mexico, how can the leader of this great nation be defeated?

WAR SITUATION

London, June 3 (10:45 p. m.)—The latest reports from the British fleet from neutral vessels which witnessed parts of the great naval battle in the North Sea and from survivors cause the British public to believe that the engagement was not so near a defeat as first appeared and in no wise disastrous. The British losses, with all the craft engaged accounted for, were three battle cruisers, three cruisers and eight destroyers.

The German losses are believed to have been about the same number of ships, although a much less aggregate of tonnage.

British naval experts maintain that Great Britain continues to hold the supremacy of the sea by a safe margin and that her enormous navy could better afford the losses it suffered than could the smaller German establishment. The first reports of the heavy loss of life, unhappily, have not been revised. Great Britain mourns for more than 4,000 of her best seaman, and the whole nation is oppressed with sadness, which is reflected in the faces of all the people of London.

FEW MEN ARE SAVED.

There were some 6,000 men on the ships which sank, and only a few hundred have been saved. The horrors of modern naval warfare, far exceeding those when wooden ships fought and continued to float even when they ceased to be fighting units, were realized to their utmost. From five of the largest ships which went under with a complement of more than 4,000 men only seven junior officers and a few seamen were rescued.

There is no such great disparity in losses as at first appeared in the British and German reports, according to British Admiralty officials, who claim that later reports show that two German battle cruisers went down, while a wireless dispatch has been received from Berlin carrying an admission from the German Admiralty that another German battleship, in addition to the Pommern was sunk.

Berlin has issued no further statement regarding the German losses, which initially were given as one battleship, two light cruisers and several destroyers.

Berlin, June 1 (via London, 4:51 p. m.)—In an attack on German positions southeast of Dead Man Hill on the Verdun front, the French obtained a foothold in the German first line trenches over an extent of 400 meters, the War Office announced to-day. The French made repeated assaults on the German lines, but other than that at the point mentioned were beaten off with extremely heavy losses.

Paris, June 1 (11:50 a. m.)—The Germans were completely repulsed in an attack delivered

upon the French positions at Dead Man Hill about 8 o'clock according to an official statement issued by the French War Office. A violent bombardment continued in this region throughout the night. An intense artillery duel is in progress on the east and west fronts at Douaumont.

More complete accounts reaching here from Verdun show that the battle which raged from May 27 to May 30 and which ended, according to a statement of the French War Office, in a costly check for the Germans, was the greatest effort made by the Teutonic forces in the whole Verdun operations. More and heavier guns and denser masses of troops were assembled along the three miles of the French front from Hill 304 to the Meuse than in any previous attack.

The French stood firm under an avalanche of shot and shell and drove back wave after wave of a flood of Teutonic infantry. They only surrendered about 100 yards of ground at Little Caurrettes Wood, where a trench had been obliterated by the terrific fire of the German big guns.

According to information given by prisoners, the German forces consisted of two fresh brigades with three companies of pioneers. The mission of the latter troops was to work around Cumieres and reach the Chatancourt village by the road running parallel to the railroad. In the meantime two other regiments were ordered to creep along the bank of the river and seize the Chatancourt railroad station to the west of the village. Another brigade was instructed to storm the woods and hedgerows which border Chatancourt to the west, while other detachments, acting still farther to the west, were to support the attack.

In the opinion of French military critics the result was not only a costly failure for the Germans, but a success for the French such as they have rarely attained. The Germans suffered so heavily that they ceased further attacks, while the French by a prompt counter attack re-established themselves again south of Cumieres and won an important point of vantage on the southwestern slope of Dead Man Hill.

In Remembrance of "Aunt Sarah."

On the 25th day of May of the present year the "Reaper of death" visited the home of F. W. Miller, who lives in the Eunice neighborhood, and claimed for its victim his mother, Sarah A. Miller. Early in life she was married to John Miller, and to that union was born one child, the above named son. "Aunt Sarah," as she was commonly called, was a kind hearted, affectionate lady and lived not for herself and family alone, but for the community at large. She believed in the beauty and strength of devotion to home and its surroundings. No lonely pedestrians passed her door uncomfited. She gave them food and shelter. When the cord that

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held the North and South together was severed by the sword and the war clouds of that great civil strife illumined the distant horizon, she gave her husband to the Union cause, and took alone the grave responsibility of caring for her infant son, who was never separated from her during life except in 1882, who, like the majority of youths, sought to seek his fortune in the West, but the thought of mother and home was beyond his power to resist. He returned shortly after his departure, was met by his mother, who was weeping, and he assured her on that occasion that he would never give her cause to weep any more, and that promise—never broken—was a great pleasure to both all through life. Her husband was made a prisoner in the battle of Missionary Ridge, and died in the Andersonville prison.

In that sacrifice her hardships were many, but she acted as a philosopher and cheerfully accepted the inevitable. She was 78 years old, and during her long sojourn in life, no one can truthfully say that she was not a true type of womanhood, and was in possession of all those rare traits which, combined, constitute a lady of true worth and character. Her life was inspiring and should be a fit background from which to point "ideal citizenship." She was the last of a family of nine children, all of whom died in the Christian faith. One by one the old land marks are being called away. The Father in his wise decree has given life and death, and humanity should not murmur, but bow in humble submission for "He works in a mysterious way his wonders to perform." The fiat of nature is inexorable. There is no appeal from the great law which dooms us to the dust. We flourish and fade as the leaves of the forest, and the flowers that bloom and wither in a day have no frailer hold upon life than the mightiest monarch that ever shook the earth with his footsteps. We seldom think of the great event of death until its shadows cross our own pathway hiding from our eyes the faces of those whose living smile was the sunlight of our existence. In the beautiful

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drama of "Ion" the thought of immortality so elegantly uttered by the death devoted Greek, finds deep response in every thoughtful soul, when about to yield his young life as a sacrifice to fate his Clemanthe asks if they shall meet again, to which he responds: "I have asked that question of the hills that looked eternal, of the clear streams that flow forever, of the stars among whose fields of azure many raised spirits have walked in glory. All were dumb. But when I gaze on the living face I feel that there is something in love which mantles, which ennobles, and its beauty cannot forever perish. We shall meet again Clemanthe." This should be a solace, and each member of the family of the deceased should resolve and say, "we shall meet again Mother."

Respt.,
E. G. Hardwick,
Neatsburg, Ky.

From Missouri.

Lockwood, May 28th, 1916.
Editor News:—

I take pleasure to write a few lines to The Adair County News, for the sake of my aunt, Mrs. Mattie Cabbell. We are having lots of rain at present. There is a nice prospect for corn and oats here, but wheat is not so good. Several of the farmers say their wheat will not be worth cutting. My husband has out 40 acres of oats and about 95 acres of corn. Both look nice. Say, I wish the McGaha writer would wake up, as that was my old home, and I am always anxious to read the news of that place. I guess I will close and if this escapes the waste basket I will write again some day.

Mrs. Emma Harmon.