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## SUBMARINE HOMEWARD BOUND

### U-BOAT SUPPOSED TO BE U-53 REPORTED MAKING WAY EASTWARD.

**German Submarine From Newport, Goodbye, Her Words to Neutral Vessel Hundred Miles Out to Sea—Story Seems True.**

New York, Oct. 13.—A German submarine identifying herself as such by wireless and stating that she was "from Newport" was sighted Tuesday more than 100 miles east of Nantucket lightship by a neutral ship now in port, it became known today. The submarine was moving in an easterly direction.

The submarine was sighted some distance from the neutral vessel which was signalled by wireless from the submarine asking her name and nationality. It was given and the question asked in turn: "Who are you?" "German submarine from Newport, goodbye," was the reply.

The assumption was that she was the U-53, responsible for the shipping raid of Sunday, and this report is the latest on her whereabouts. The U-53 was last sighted prior to that time by the Greek liner Patris Monday morning.

Neutrality regulations of the nation whose flag the ship flies and specific orders with respect to their observance are given for withholding the name of the ship bringing the report here but it is vouched for as correct by a high marine authority of this port who is in close touch with arriving steamships.

### SEEN BY THE BOVIC.

Boston, Oct. 13.—A submarine of unidentified nationality was reported about 200 miles east of New York by the steamer Bovic in a wireless message today. The course of the submarine was not stated.

The Bovic, which is due in New York today or tomorrow from Newport, reported sighting

the submarine on Oct. 12. It was reported that the submarine was "seen" but whether pursuing the Bovic or keeping an independent course was not stated. The figures of longitude, as received, are not correct, the degrees given being wrong, but it was stated the error probably was one of only a few degrees.

The Bovic is a British freight steamer owned by the White Star line and sailed from Manchester September 20.

### CONFIRMS THE STORY.

Newport, R. I., Oct. 13.—Confirmation that the steamship Bovic sighted a submarine off the coast was contained in a statement by a naval official here today.

"A passenger steamer reported to Nantucket Shoals lightship that she had sighted a German submarine well east of this morning."

No position was given, nor was the direction of the submarine stated.

### RAISES NO NEW ISSUE.

London, Oct. 13.—The operations of the German submarine boat U-53 off the American coast raise no new issues, so far as the British government is concerned, in the opinion of Lord Robert Cecil, minister of war trade, who discussed today with the Associated Press the latest developments in the relations between Great Britain and the United States. Lord Robert declared that this form of warfare on merchantmen violated international law as it was recognized by Great Britain and the United States in the days before the war and still was objectionable to Great Britain but no more so than when it is done on this side of the water.

Referring to reports of meetings between Sir Richard Crawford, commercial attaché of the British embassy at Washington, with American bankers and business men, Lord Robert said no departure in principle had been made from the British blockade measures, but it could be safely said that the general policy leaned in the direction of modification rather than an extension of the blacklist. The reply to the American blacklist note was on the way to Washington, he said.

### NEW OFFICE ON SEABOARD.

Norfolk, Oct. 13.—The position of assistant general manager of the Seaboard Air Line has just been created and R. S. Marshall, superintendent of the Virginia division of the system, with headquarters at Richmond, has been appointed to that office, effective October 15. G. R. Carlton, superintendent of the Georgia division is appointed superintendent of the Virginia division, and H. B. Grimshaw succeeds Mr. Carlton.

## BLEASE BALLOTS OFFERED.

### BLEASE PAPER URGES PARTISANS TO INDEPENDENCY.

**Frauds are Charged and Voters Asked to Regard Blease as Actual Nominee in General Election.**

The States.

The Scimitar, a semi-monthly political paper edited by a Blease partisan, W. P. Beard, and published at Abbeville, displays conspicuously a ballot headed "For Governor: Cole L. Blease," and calls upon "the Reform Democrats" to vote that ticket. The Scimitar says that Mr. Blease himself, bound by the pledge he took on becoming a candidate, is obliged to abide by the decision of the executive committee, which nominated R. I. Manning, and therefore he will not likely make a statement. "But the voters are not bound by anything but the oath to support the nominee," The Scimitar says, "and a majority has the right to say who is the nominee."

Following is the ballot published by The Scimitar, with the caption, "Our Ticket." "For governor, Cole L. Blease; for lieutenant governor, A. J. Bethea; for attorney general, Thomas H. Peebles; for secretary of State, W. B. Dove; for comptroller general, Carlton W. Sawyer; for State treasurer, S. T. Carter; for adjutant general, W. W. Moore; for superintendent of education, J. E. Swearingen; for commissioner of agriculture, commerce and industries, E. J. Watson; for congressman, Third district, Fred H. Dominick; for solicitor, Eighth circuit, H. S. Blackwell." The Scimitar appends a footnote: "To those below the name of Blease this admonition: 'Silence is golden,' and also 'Take ye no heed for tomorrow, for tomorrow ye may die.'"

The Scimitar carries also a leading editorial article, headed "A Statement," which is as follows:

"The supporters of Manning attempt to play upon the honesty of opponents, to head it off. Papers are now saying good things about Blease and his followers that three weeks ago placed us all, and Blease as the head devil, in the category of thieves, scoundrels, gamblers, blind tigers, red light habitues and other riff-raff of society and thanked God that 'South Carolina is redeemed.' And what is all this for? And why do they claim that Mr. Blease must announce himself a candidate before he can be voted for in the general election? That is not true, we can vote for any man we choose, whether he is a candidate or not. Mr. Blease as far as we know will make no statement at all. There is none that he should make.

"He entered the primary at the urgent solicitation of the leading Reform Democrats all over the State. His pledge as a candidate binds him to abide by the decision of the executive committee. All he could do was to offer his evidence of fraud and abide by the result. He did that and the committee treated with contempt—refused to act. If the people also lay down and submit to such treatment that is usually accorded to negroes, then there is nothing for Blease to do but submit also.

"The question is altogether a moral one, and one of individual conscience. Blease is bound by his pledge to submit to the findings of the committee, and can not—for that reason—offer as a candidate before the general election. But the voters are not bound by anything but the oath to support the nominee, and a majority has the right to say who is the nominee.

"Therefore if you honestly believe, as most of us do, that Blease was counted out and Manning fraudulently nominated, we, the voters, are not bound by anything, because a breach of the contract by one party releases the other party to the contract, and it is as though it never existed.

"Upon that basis we call upon the Reform Democrats to vote the ticket published, and headed by Cole L. Blease as the regular nominee of the late Democratic primary.

"Let time servers and cowards cringe to power, but brave, true men will act with courage."

The Scimitar publishes three letters which it says it has received. The signatures are omitted. The first, dated Orangeburg, October 2, says that if the Blease convention "results in a movement to defeat R. I. Manning at the general election, you will please remember that I will want enough tickets for my club, such as published in 'The Scimitar.'" Another letter, dated Dillon, October 2, reads

## TO HAVE BIGGER WARSHIPS.

### NOTHING AFLOAT TO EQUAL 33,000 TON VESSELS CONTEMPLATED.

**Navy Department to Open Bids October 25—Rumored England is Building One or More Battleships of 40,000 Tons.**

Washington, Oct. 13.—Navy officials anticipate that American battleships authorized next year will be armed with twelve 16-inch rifles as against the eight 16-inch guns of the ships for which bids will be opened October 25. Members of the general board are said to be in favor of radically increasing the size of the new battleships in order that the 50 per cent increase in gun power may be attained.

To carry twelve 16-inch rifles it has been roughly estimated that the ships would require a displacement of probably 38,000 tons, as against the 32,000 tonnage of the four ships to be laid down next year. The first of the larger ships will not be laid down, in all probability, before 1918.

The general board favored four 33,000-ton vessels carrying ten 16-inch guns each for the coming year. The decision of the department to make them 32,000-ton ships with eight guns each, it is said, came of the desire to hasten construction by reproducing ships of the California and Tennessee type, now building at the Mare Island and New York navy yards, with only such modifications as were necessary to arm them with sixteen-inch instead of fourteen-inch rifles.

Rumors have reached the navy department that Great Britain is building one or more battleships which will have a 40,000-ton displacement. It is believed that if this is true, the vessels are to carry eighteen-inch main batteries, probably mounting ten guns each of that size. Unless such ships have been projected abroad since the war began there is nothing afloat or under construction which equals them.

## BURNS PROVE FATAL.

### Miss Anne Rosette Shelton Dies in Spartanburg.

Spartanburg, Oct. 13.—Miss Anne Rosette Shelton of Mobile, Ala., the kindergarten teacher of Wesley House school in this city, died Thursday afternoon as the result of injuries sustained from burns which she received September 29. The accident occurred by the overturning of an alcohol lamp. Miss Shelton's clothing caught fire and in a few minutes she was covered in flames and before help could reach her she was severely burned. She was immediately taken to a hospital and everything possible done to save her life, but she did not recover. Miss Shelton was 24 years of age and had been at Wesley House three years, where she was in charge of the kindergarten department. The body was taken to Mobile for burial.

## CARRANZA'S DOWNFALL PREDICTED.

### Reports Say He Has Alienated All of His Loyal Supporters.

Washington, Oct. 13.—Disquieting reports from Mexico reached here today from many sources. They indicate that Carranza has alienated practically all of his former loyal supporters and his downfall before January is predicted. Should this occur another wild-scramble between at least a dozen leaders for control of the government is expected. Agents of the department of justice are watching large quantities of arms gathered at Savannah. It is believed they are intended for use in Mexico.

as follows: "I read your ticket in the Anderson Tribune of September 29 for the November election and you stated that you would give them to those wanting some. I want one for myself and if that is the ticket proper for we Bleasites in the general election, I can get voters to cast at least 500 if not near 1,000 in Dillon county. We will scratch Manning anyway and want every true Bleasite to scratch him whether we get a chance to vote for Blease or not. We want the Blease Democrats to organize another Democratic party to themselves. I will head the list if allowed. Send tickets anyway without fail." A third letter, dated Sumter, October 6, says: "I notice in your paper where you will have some State tickets printed for the general election headed by Cole L. Blease for governor. Will you please send me some of them? I hope you will have some of them at each precinct in the State."

## TO DEAL WITH CHINESE DIRECT

### CHARLESTON TO BE VISITED OCT. 17 BY FORMER MAYOR ROSE, OF MILWAUKEE.

**China's Government Backs Steamship Line Which Will Call at Charleston—Talks on Oriental Trade.**

Washington, Oct. 13.—"There are as many business opportunities in China today as there were in this country 100 years ago," declared former Mayor David S. Rose, of Milwaukee, who as general counsel of the Chinese-American Product Exchange Company, will visit Charleston next Tuesday, October 17, in company with Dr. Clarence J. Owens, president of the organization. Charleston is to be one of the ports of call for the steamship line projected by the company.

Mr. Rose, who was for five terms mayor of Milwaukee, has recently returned to the United States, after a six months' stay in China, where he became so impressed with the desire of that vast and rapidly awakening nation to deal directly with the United States that he decided to devote his time entirely to an effort to develop this neglected field. His brother, Robert F. Rose, who is secretary of the Chinese-American Product Exchange Company, was formerly trade adviser of the department of State and resigned in order to throw his energies and interests into this work.

It is the confident belief of Mayor Rose and his associates in this effort to build up a direct trade with China that success is sure if we go at the thing in the way the Chinaman understands and requires. We must approach him ourselves and not through European or Japanese agents. We must have the ships to carry the goods we desire to sell and to bring back goods which the United States will buy from China. We must eliminate the business of exchange through London or Liverpool and have our own branch banks in China to handle the business.

The Chinese-American Product Exchange Company is now undertaking to organize a steamship company to build power schooners of 4,500 tons capacity to operate between China and the Pacific and Atlantic coasts of the United States (through the Panama canal.) It is also proceeding to organize a string of Chinese-American banks at the treaty ports of the Celestial Empire—beg pardon, Republic—with the parent bank in Atlanta, Ga.

So much is the Chinese government interested that it is guaranteeing that the profits of the steamship company shall be sufficient to pay the interest and sinking fund on its bonds, promising to make up any deficit that may accrue.

Mayor Rose talked most eloquently and enthusiastically on China while seated in his office at the head of the suite which has for some months been occupied by his company in one of the large office buildings of Washington. His praise of the business character of the Chinaman was unstinted.

"The reason the people of China are so anxious to have direct commercial and industrial dealings with the United States," Mr. Rose said, "is that we are the only great nation China does not suspect of having designs on her territory or her independence. The Chinaman knows from experience that the United States is not trying to take advantage of him politically or otherwise.

"The return of our portion of the Boxer indemnity exacted of China some years ago by the combination of world powers which participated in the expedition to Peking produced a lasting impression on our credit on the Chinese consciousness.

"Every million of the sum returned by Uncle Sam will soon come back to him a hundred-fold in business which he will owe to Chinese confidence and good will. They have a great university in China which they have built out of this remitted money, and it will stand forever as a monument, more enduring than brass, to the generosity of the only great Power that has been really sympathetic with China and friendly to her people in a national way."

As to the industrial backwardness of the Chinese, Mr. Rose cited the fact that the farm laborer gets an average wage of \$1 a month.

"There is not a tannery or a shoe factory in the whole Republic," he said, "though the shoes I have on—and they are the most comfortable I ever wore, and I have been wearing them practically ever since I got them in China—were made from American leather by a Chinese shoemaker, at a cost to me of \$3.50 for the completed product."

## PARKER TURNS FOR WILSON.

### DENOUNCES TEDDY IN BITTER TERMS FOR DUPING PROGRESSIVE PARTY.

**Urges Voters of Bull Moose Party to Vote for Wilson for President and Support Others on Own Ticket.**

New York, Oct. 14.—John M. Parker, the Progressive vice presidential candidate in his notification speech at the Biltmore Hotel, urged the Progressives to support their ticket and vote for Wilson for president. He bitterly denounced Roosevelt and other leaders whom he charged with duping the Progressive party.

### QUAKERS HEAR WILSON.

#### Three Thousand Pennsylvanians Visit Shadow Lawn.

Shadow Lawn, Oct. 14.—Five special trains brought three thousand Pennsylvanians here today for "Pennsylvania Day" at the summer White House. In his speech this afternoon President Wilson is expected to reply to Hughes' declaration about what he would have done in the Lusitania case. The president's advisors believe the middle west is safe since the president's trip to Omaha, and Indiana.

### SAYS RAIDS WERE ILLEGAL.

#### British Official Makes Charges on Submarine Raids.

London, Oct. 14.—Lord Robert Cecil today declared that German submarine raids off the American coast were illegal. He is the first British official to express this opinion. He stated that the government will take no action until Wilson decides what the United States will do.

### ROUMANIA IN DANGER.

#### Predicted That Germans Will Overrun

London, Oct. 14.—The appeal of King Ferdinand and utterances in parliament has aroused much anxiety over the fate of Roumania where the Teutons continue pounding away on two sides. Official advices today are contradictory. Bucharest claims that the Austro-German advance has been checked at some points, while Berlin claims the pursuit of the Roumanians continues. Some correspondents predict that Roumania will be overrun in fifteen days.

### NAMES SPECIAL JUDGE.

#### Manning Appoints Edward McIver of Cheraw.

Columbia, Oct. 13.—Acting upon the recommendation of the chief justice of the supreme court, Gov. Manning yesterday appointed Edward McIver of Cheraw as special judge to hold the regular term of the court of common pleas for Saluda county, beginning December 4 to take the place of Judge Thomas H. Spain, disqualified on account of sickness.

"The shoes looked all right, and the interviewer would never have suspected that they had not come from an American factory or shop.

"And there is nothing to be said against the looks or the quality of this suit I have on," continued Mr. Rose—and he was quite right, in the opinion of his newspaper guest. "What do you think the Chinese tailor charged me? Just \$20! The suit would have cost twice as much over here."

A new Chinese railroad has been financed by American capital, and its construction is about to begin at an estimated ultimate cost of \$60,000,000. The National City Bank of New York, is understood to be among the backers of this enterprise.

One of the statements made by former Mayor Rose to illustrate the enormous possibilities of Chinese development was this:

"There are not 25 miles of highway for an automobile to travel on in the whole of China."

Kai Fu Sha, former Chinese minister to the United States, and foreign Chinese director of the Chinese-American Product Exchange Company, is president of the only steel foundry in China, Mr. Rose said.

It did the people of China untold harm when so many millions of them contracted the opium habit, the trade to sustain which was forcibly kept alive by the British government over the protests of the Chinese.

It wouldn't hurt the 400,000,000 people of China at all to contract the habit of chewing American chewing gum, and it would help our concerns here.

## FAVOR AUSTRALIAN SYSTEM.

### SYSTEM IS ENDORSED BY STATE DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE.

**Morris Lumpkin Wins at Over Miller in Richland County Race for House of Representatives—John Gary Evans Elected Chairman of Committee—Well Succeeded Sparks as National Elector.**

Columbia, Oct. 13.—The State Democratic executive committee was in session for several hours in the library at the State house yesterday afternoon and last night. The action of the Richland county committee in declaring M. C. Lumpkin to be the nominee for the house over J. T. Miller was sustained by the committee. The action of the Dillon county committee in declaring S. V. Lane to be the nominee for sheriff over A. M. Bethea was sustained.

W. R. Richey, Jr., of Laurens introduced the following resolution which was unanimously adopted by the committee.

"That in view of the numerous alleged charges and evidences of fraud in the present system of primary voting and in order that this committee may not be burdened with examining or ferreting these matters out, which is a great expense and trouble to the committee, that the chairman appoint at his pleasure a subcommittee of five to consider the matter of further safeguarding the primary with the end in view of adopting the Australian system of balloting, provided that such action will not prohibit any white male 21 years of age from voting whether he can read and write or not."

On motion of B. W. Crouch of Saluda, John Gary Evans, State chairman, was elected chairman and a member of the special committee to be named to draw up recommendations looking to the adoption of the Australian ballot system for all elections in South Carolina.

The State Democratic executive committee from the Seventh congressional district and W. F. Caldwell of Columbia was elected in his place.

The committee appropriated \$500 to the Wilson campaign fund, which brings the total contribution up to \$750, \$250 having been given at a session several weeks ago.

The committee met yesterday at noon. A quorum was not present and it was decided to adjourn until 2.30 o'clock.

### THROWS OUT WINGATE CASE.

#### Solicitor Henry Nol Prosses Charleston Indictment After Acquittal of Henry Brown.

Charleston, Oct. 12.—Solicitor Henry today nol prossed the case against W. E. Wingate, charged with assault and battery on Henry Brown with intent to kill, and carrying concealed weapons, this action following the acquittal of Brown on the first count yesterday, the facts in the two cases being identical, and the second count against Wingate being thrown out as Wingate, the solicitor held, had a right as an officer to carry a pistol. There will be no more election cases tried until next week, as Judge Rice will be in Columbia tomorrow and Saturday.

### FORCED TROOPS TO WITHDRAW.

#### Berlin Reports Two Million of Allies Forces Shattered.

Berlin, Oct. 14.—One million, eight hundred thousand troops in ninety divisions, had to be withdrawn from the Somme front by the allies because they were shattered by the Germans, according to the Overseas News agency. The statement declares that the allies paid an unprecedented price for the ground gained.

### BANDITS ON CROWDED STREETS.

#### Rob Cashier of \$3,800 and Escape in Auto.

Chicago, Oct. 14.—Three "payroll bandits" robbed E. J. Lipsch of \$3,800 on crowded Wabash Avenue at noon. They escaped in a limousine.

### THE ANNUAL STATE BALL.

#### At Jefferson Hotel Thursday Night of Fair Week.

Columbia, Oct. 13.—The annual State ball will be danced on Thursday night of fair week in the ball room of the Jefferson hotel. The ball marks the culmination of the many social functions which feature the annual State Fair and already that event is being looked forward to with a great deal of interest.