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ONCE MORE TO-MORROW FOR SUBWAY, THOUGH INTERBORO ACCEPTS

Only Mitchel and Steers at Board of Estimate Meeting That Was to Hasten Delayed Matter to Actual Digging.

To-morrow!!!

Yes, pulsating citizens, to-morrow is the day when the Board of Estimate will go on record on the proposition of allowing the Interborough to operate 44.9 miles of new subways with the practical guarantee of the city of a 9 per cent. dividend on the Interborough capitalization. Unless unforeseen complications intervene there will be a vote to-morrow, because the Interborough submitted its acceptance of the city's terms to the Board of Estimate and the Public Service Commission this afternoon.

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VICTORY CLAIMED BY BOTH FLEETS IN BIG WAR GAME

Defenders Say They "Sunk" Nine Battleships in Hot Battle Off Block Island.

DISPUTED BY INVADERS.

Declare They Pierced Fighting Line and Hold Advantage—Connecticut Damaged.

BLOCK ISLAND, R. I., July 19.—New York and Boston are safe for at least twelve hours from all danger of invasion by the theoretical enemy. In a terrific "battle" off Block Island at 4 o'clock this morning the defending fleet, commanded by Commander Edward W. Eberle, theoretically annihilated, according to the defending officers, nine battleships belonging to the invading squadron under command of Rear-Admiral Hugo Osterhaus.

This is according to the report of the defending forces, which is, however, disputed by the invaders. The news of the battle was received here from Newport shortly before noon to-day, when the torpedo-boats and torpedo-boat destroyers comprising the seventh, eighth and ninth torpedo divisions, steamed into Newport and reported that the invaders had been repulsed. According to Rear-Admiral Osterhaus the fight between the two fleets began at 7.30 A. M. and at 10.30 A. M. the battleships were given ten minutes in which to penetrate the defense line. They accomplished it and won the fight with a minute and a half to spare, the Admiral said.

The flagship Connecticut cracked her craneshaft during the fight and went out of action. She will sail for New York to-morrow, and Rear-Admiral Osterhaus will transfer his flag to another vessel.

It is expected that the "enemy" will prefer to consider himself defeated, and as the decision of the umpire in the war games will be submitted to the Navy Department at Washington and not be made public, the world will probably never know the extent of the destruction and carnage in this morning's sea fight.

According to the story told by one of the officers of the defending fleet, the craft forming the line of defense across the entrance to Narragansett Bay and Long Island Sound, discovered nine great state-colored battleships coming toward shore soon after daylight. Led by Commander Eberle on the flagship Dixie the defenders steamed at full speed straight toward the foe, and as the defenders alleged, destroyed the nine great sea fighters.

INVADERS TRIED TO SPLIT THE DEFENDING FLEET.

Further details of the fighting were not given out by the officers of the defending fleet.

So far as could be learned today, Commander Eberle, in apparent anticipation of an attempt on the part of Rear-Admiral Osterhaus to split his trading squadron and make simultaneous attacks upon both the entrance to Narragansett Bay and the eastern entrance to Long Island Sound, divided his defensive fleet and was prepared to prevent the "enemy" from penetrating the line of defense that extended from Block Point to Block Island, generally the entrance to Long Island Sound, and from Block Island to Newport, protecting the entrance to Narragansett Bay.

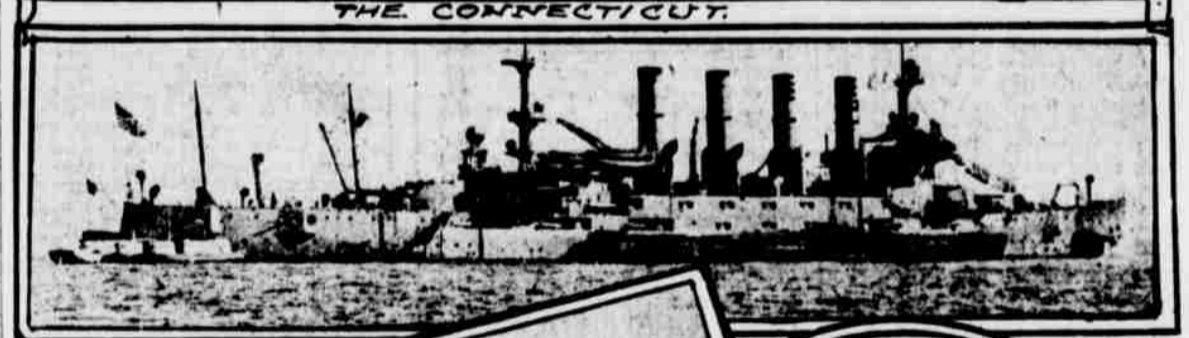
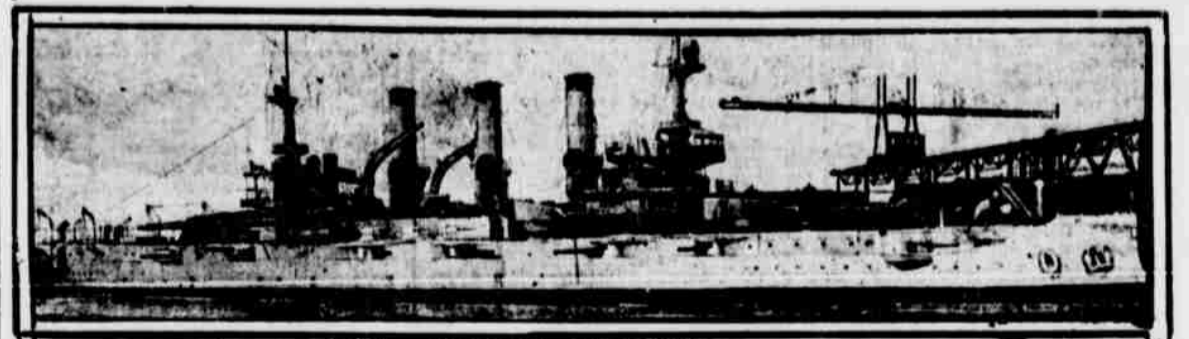
The capture of Narragansett Bay would give the "enemy" a coaling station, could deprive the defenders of their base of supplies and would enable the "enemy" to capture Boston inasmuch as the invading fleet is supposed to be accompanied by a large squadron of torpedo-boat destroyers. Possession of the "enemy" of the eastern entrance to Long Island Sound would give the invaders a clear field for the armed invasion of New York City.

Shortly before noon signals were hoisted indicating a truce in hostilities until tonight, when the warfare will be resumed. At that time it is expected that some interesting night maneuvers will develop.

DEFENDING FLEET WATCHES AT MONTAUK POINT.

The night fleet was ordered by war signals to stay in position on the island until the morning, when it will be in a limited engagement or in a finish fight, he alleges.

Types of Battleships Reported "Sunk" in Big Naval War Game Off Block Island



AUDUBON BANK ASKS DEPOSITORS TO CLOSE ACCOUNTS

Forced Into Voluntary Liquidation by Juggling of Finances by Former President.

The Audubon National Bank, at One Hundred and Forty-third street and Broadway, went into voluntary liquidation to-day, following a meeting of its Board of Directors. The following notice was posted to the bank's depositors and mailed to the door:

The directors of the Audubon National Bank discovered some time ago that the funds of the bank had been misappropriated by L. S. Mills, its former president, and took immediate steps to secure the bank's depositors. At a meeting of the directors, held on July 19, it was voted to recommend to the stockholders that the bank go into voluntary liquidation. Depositors are requested to withdraw their savings. The bank directors have seen in consultation with C. A. Hanna, United States Bank Examiner, and their action has his entire approval.

WILLIAM REIMERS, President.

Mr. Reimers was formerly the cashier of the Audubon National Bank, and it was his timely discovery of Mr. Mills' juggling of the finances that saved the bank from a wreck. He placed his exit from the bank before the directors, who, on Friday, Mr. Mills was the president of the bank, and demanded his immediate resignation and the return of \$20,000, which his manipulations had involved. Mr. Mills complied with both requests at once, and since then he has been confined to his home at No. 70 West 142nd street.

Before Mr. Reimers discovered what President Mills was doing with the bank's money, rumors began spreading through the Washington Herald's columns, from which the bank draws its deposits, and a large number of depositors withdrew their funds, so that the grand total of deposits amounted to \$1,000,000. The new regime, with Mr. Reimers at its head, struggled to regain the bank's lost deposits, but in vain.

All the bank's depositors have been notified to the bank and asked to withdraw their funds. Mr. Reimers said that after the bank's liquidation, he will be a trustee of the Federal Grand Jury.

FIRE CO. TENDER GOES CRASHING INTO STREET CAR

Steel Pointed Shaft Catches Into Roof as Fireman Driver Tugs at Lines.

The big high pressure tender of Engine Company No. 15, with quarters in Henry street, crashed into and overturned a Delancey street horse car at noon to-day while trying down the incline of Sheriff street at full speed. The horse car was crossing Sheriff street at Delancey. The heavy vehicle was tossed over as it had been an empty box, and the eight men and two women passengers in the car were jumbled about like so many beans in a dry pod, but fortunately none was injured.

The tender left the Henry street quarters in response to an alarm from Station and Sheriff streets. It was in charge of Lieut. Morton, Fireman Higgins, a broad-shouldered young giant, drove the three big boys.

There is a sharp incline on Sheriff street between Grand and Delancey, and as Hogan drove down the slight incline, the tender's front wheels struck the roof of the horse car. Had he not done this the horse car would have been crushed under the weight of the tender.

Hogan yelled with all the power of his lungs, but he saw that a collision was unavoidable. Throwing his arms around the reins, he braked on the three boys as their horses ran to the pole of the tender, and he sought under the side of the roof of the horse car. Had he not done this the horse car would have been crushed under the weight of the tender.

Passengers made their way to the street and the excitement reached with a pitch during the last two days that many of the spectators did not go to bed.

2,000 MILE RACE FROM THE ISTHMUS WON BY 5 MINUTES

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After a thrilling 2,000-mile race from the Isthmus of Panama, the steamships Cristobal and Advance came ploughing around Sandy Hook today how to how. The Advance had the better of the position, however, and drew away from the Cristobal, making Quarantine a winter in a margin of five minutes.

The racing steamships did not leave the Isthmus neck and neck. The Advance left Cristobal at 2.45 P. M., July 12, an hour and thirty minutes ahead of her rival. The Advance was heavily laden, though, whereas the Cristobal was light. Once the Cristobal had pulled up within sight of the Advance she never lost sight of her and the state ship was within hailing distance of each other during the greater part of the race.

Passengers made bets by wireless and the excitement reached with a pitch during the last two days that many of the spectators did not go to bed.

Washington calls Mexico on threats to ranchers. "Liberals" in Lower California District are menacing American Settlers.

Washington, July 13.—American ranchers in Lower California are being threatened by the so-called Mexican Liberals there. The United States today requested the Government of Mexico to afford them adequate protection. The state Department's attention was drawn to the situation in a telegram from the American Consul at Ensenada, who reported that Americans had been subjected and had exposure to him for assistance. Ambassador Wilson at Mexico City was immediately instructed to make up the matter with President de la Huerta, who is in possession of a state of mind that is very different from that of the Liberals in Lower California, who in the course of the last few days have been over recent developments in Mexico.

SENATE PASSES BILL GIVING RACING GAME NEW LEASE OF LIFE

Hot Skirmish on Floor When Grady Calls Up Gittins Measure for Reconsideration in the Upper House.

SUPPORTERS CONFIDENT IT WILL PASS ASSEMBLY

Opponents Admit They Have Done No Missionary Work There and Racing Men Are Jubilant.

ALBANY, N. Y., July 19.—By a vote of 26 to 22 the Senate this afternoon passed the Gittins bill exempting directors of race tracks from personal liability for violations of the gambling laws. The bill was passed after a motion to reconsider had been adopted by a vote of 26 to 20.

The vote by which the bill was passed was as follows:

For—Senators Allen, Argotsinger, Brackett, Emerson, Ormrod, Sage, Republicans, and Black, Cronin, Cullen, Duhamel, Frawley, Gittins, Grady, Griffin, Hardin, Harte, McClelland, McManus, O'Brien, Ramsberger, Sanher, Saxe, Stillwell, T. D. Sullivan, C. D. Sullivan and White—26.

Against—Hayne, Ferris, Flinn, Long, Loomis, Mutzars, Pollock, Roosevelt, Wagner, Democrats, and Bussey, Burd, Coats, Cobb, Heacock, Hewitt, Hinson, Newcomb, Platt, Ross, Thomas, Winwright and Walters—22.

Absent and not voting—Griffin, Hamilton, Travis.

The bill now goes to the Assembly, where its fate is in doubt, although the promoters of the legislation claim enough votes are assured to pass it.

Supporters of the bill are confident it will pass the Assembly. Opponents admit they have done no missionary work there and racing men are jubilant.

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MRS. BELMONT'S \$15,000 PIN SEIZED, BUT IS RETURNED

Question of Duty Holds Up Diamond Bowknot for a Short Time.

Mrs. August Belmont, who was Eleanor Robson, the actress, was deprived of a \$15,000 diamond-studded bowknot pin when the customs inspectors looked over the luggage she brought in on the big Olympic of the White Star Line to-day. The pin was sent to the Appraiser's Stores for valuation, but after a short time was returned to Mrs. Belmont, with an apology from Collector Jobb, who explained it should never have been taken.

The customs men said the jewel in the belief that it had never paid duty to this country. Mrs. Belmont thought it had.

There was no unpleasantness over the matter at the pier. When the inspectors discovered the pin and found it had not been declared as an importation they told Mrs. Belmont they thought they would have to send it to the appraiser for valuation. She made no objections. The Olympic, whose owners boast of her as a trans-Atlantic ferry vessel, will find her passengers with the regularity of a North River railroad ferry, come to with the population of a fair-sized town aboard her, after spending the night off Sandy Hook. In her first cabin were 514 people and she had 142 passengers in all. It was a distinguished company.

Among its members was Charles M. Schwab, who said the reason Metallurgists Congress at Brussels was not seeking to make a worldwide combination to regulate prices, but was working toward a diffusion of information and a systematizing of methods.

JACK O'BRIEN CHALLENGES ALL TITLE CONTENDERS.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., July 19.—To settle the question of the middleweight championship, Philadelphia Jack O'Brien today challenged all contenders. Billy Paine preferred. O'Brien has been in training here for a month and declares his readiness to jump into the ring on two weeks' notice.

If Paine does not accept, O'Brien says he will not accept to meet any of the so-called "title holders," including John Flynn, Earl Moore and Al Kavanagh. He will meet any of these men in a limited engagement or in a finish fight, he alleges.

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