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NEWS-ETTES OF GRAND MARAIS AND VICINITY

Jottings Heard About Town of Things of General Interest to Local Readers.

All clocks will be set ahead one hour March 30th.

John H. Winger returned home Sunday from a business trip to Duluth.

Automobile owners are now busy getting their cars in shape for the season.

Leonce Zimmerman returned Monday from a trapping trip. He brought home a very fine fisher.

Mrs. Elling Olson of Maple Hill, who has been ill most of the winter, is now very low and failing rapidly.

Olson Brothers have finished their logging contract on the D. & I. R. branch and brought their teams and outfit home last Monday.

J. W. Schoen has commenced to remodel his store building. He is going to turn it into a moving picture theater, and will raise part of the ceiling and build an addition of twenty feet. He says the theater will be ready for business May 1st.

There will be round dances and square dances, one steps, waltzes, shimmys, 'n everything at the Cook County Commercial Club dance Easter Monday, April 21st. A 7-piece orchestra will furnish the music.

The Crescent was the first boat to arrive from Duluth this season, arriving here Sunday afternoon. She was bound for Isle Royale and had on board a large number of fishermen and their outfits and supplies.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sanford of Duluth, who have spent the past two weeks here, left for home yesterday. Mr. Sanford has been looking up some records at the court house.

Victor and Verne Skoog, who had a logging contract at the Wm. Forsythe camp near McNeir, Minn., have finished up for the winter and returned home Monday. They report a very successful winter's operation.

The H. M. T. club was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Lundquist on last Friday evening. Five Hundred was played at eight tables. Head prizes were won by Mrs. John Samskar and Geo. Leng, and consolation prizes were given to Mrs. John Winger and J. C. Murphy.

Road Engineer LeSueur commenced work this morning on the survey of six miles of road from the Rosebush town hall to Devils-track river. Construction work will be commenced as soon as the frost is out and weather conditions will permit.

Alfred Berglund returned home last Wednesday evening. Alfred has seen service in France and has had considerable army experience during his absence. He says it seems fine to get home again and his many friends here are glad to have him with us once more. He was a member of a heavy artillery brigade.

NINTH DISTRICT WILL SEE BATTLE AEROPLANES

Squadrons of aeroplanes in battle formations will fly all over the Ninth District during the Victory Liberty Loan Campaign that opens April 21, Chairman A. R. Rogers of the Ninth District War Loan Organization has announced.

The plans that he unfolded include the most elaborate aeronautical program ever attempted in America and will result in the coming to the northwest of men who carried the fight to Fritz in the clouds over French battlefields.

As a starter, the War Department will send to this district a squadron of American and German planes, the latter captured during the war. Famous aces will fly the machines and they will simulate actual aerial fighting in all the cities they visit.

In conjunction with the "Flying Circus," the Ninth District has a comprehensive program of its own that embraces the use of all famous flyers of this district. In each state, will be selected the men who have made the best records on the other side and they will be asked to drive the battle planes that will be sent here.

Twenty-three of the overseas men have volunteered their services to date and they have promised to get enough more men to fly all the planes the Victory Liberty Loan Committee can secure.

"The example of these young men is the most stimulating feature of the campaign," said Chairman Rogers. "Instead of coming home and resting on their laurels they are eager and anxious to do all in their power to 'Finish the Job' right. Those of us who think we have done all we could by buying bonds, and want to quit now, had better think of these young chaps who risked their lives and killed the enemies of their countries. After all they have done, they are ready now to start all over again."

PUTTING MINNESOTA RIGHT AS TO POTATO GROWING

In an effort to make Minnesota a still greater potato state and to increase its reputation as such while adding to the profits of potato growers, the agricultural extension division of the University of Minnesota has issued a new bulletin—special bulletin No. 35—telling how to improve the potato crop. This bulletin of eight pages, which is crammed with useful information for the potato grower, may be had without cost by addressing Office of Publications, University Farm, St. Paul.

The Commercial Club will give the Easter Monday ball.

The rain yesterday started the usual spring flood in the down town district. The low places are flooded with water and many of the basements are filled.

Olaf Fredrickson returned last night from the Alger line. Mr. Fredrickson enlisted in the Canadian Forest regiment and served in the Canadian army nearly eleven months. His age would not allow him to serve Uncle Sam so he said he did the best he could.

THREE ARRESTED FOR GAME LAW VIOLATIONS

Game Warden Nabs Three "Shackers" Near Tofte While Cooking Venison and Partridges.

Game Wardens August Taber and J. E. Crager made a "raid" on some "shackers" north of Tofte last Saturday and brought in three Finlanders to answer to charges of having deer and partridge meat in their possession. When the game wardens walked in on them they were cooking a pot of meat. As they were seen coming across the clearing the pot was set in a corner of the room and covered up with sacks but the steam from the boiling kettle gave them away. One of the wardens lifted up the sacks and found the kettle containing ten partridges and considerable venison.

Four men were in the shack and were all started for Grand Marais, but as the snow was deep they were allowed to use their skis while the wardens had snow-shoes. While going down a long hill the men on skis were too fast for the wardens and were told to halt, which three of them did, but the fourth, Karl Laakso, who was considerable in advance of the rest, kept right on sliding and the wardens saw no more of him.

The other three, Isaac Maki, Isaac Juome and Gust Rosenman, were brought here and placed in jail until Monday morning when they were arraigned before Justice of Peace Matt Johnson, charged with having deer meat in their possession. They pleaded not guilty and a hearing was held Monday afternoon. The party cooked meat was brought in as evidence and the wardens testified for the state. Two of them were found guilty and a fine of \$50.00 and costs or thirty days in the county jail was imposed on Isaac Juome and Gust Rosenman while the case against Isaac Maki was dismissed.

As they were unable to pay their fine they were committed to jail to serve their sentence.

THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

As the United States naval transport was about to start from its Hoboken pier for France with President Wilson on his second and final journey to the peace conference, the President told newspaper correspondents sailing with him that he was confident the people of America would back up his endeavors to end all war.

The President declared that every statement made in his New York speech in support of the League of Nations and every utterance during his brief stay at home would be understood by the people at large, if not by certain politicians.

Almost at the moment the President was expressing the conviction that the fathers and mothers of the boys who went to France to rid the world of the war lord and his cohorts, and the crusaders themselves, wanted universal peace and would not be denied it, the news was being flashed from a typical American center that the people had spoken.

For on Tuesday there was a special election in the Twenty-second district of Pennsylvania to fill a vacancy in Congress caused by the death of the sitting member. Last November—just four months ago—this district elected a Republican by a majority over his Democratic opponent of 7,231 votes. On March 4 the same district elected a Democrat by a majority over his Republican opponent of nearly 500 votes.

"What is the answer," asks the Newark (N. J.) News, "to this overturn within four months? The League of Nations. John H. Wilson, the successful Democrat, went before the voters, pledged to support the President in bringing about the formation of a league upon the lines drafted at Paris, or as they may be perfected later. The Republican candidate, on the other hand, in answering queries by voters, declared his action on the league would be governed by the course Republican leaders decided to follow.

"The course of the Republican leaders had been made plain by the Lodge round robin. The voters of Butler and Westmoreland counties received the news of the course laid by the Republicans on the day of the election. They voted with the issue directly before them, and the result of the balloting was therefore a direct and emphatic approval of President Wilson's course and of the League of Nations."

SUPPER AND DANCE AT TOFTE SATURDAY.

TOFTE, March 25.—Carl Carlson, Johannes Johansson and Emil Nelson returned home from army service yesterday. The home folks were glad to see them again, and to show them we appreciate what they have done for us, and to wish them, and other returned soldiers a welcome home, a supper will be served in the Tofte schoolhouse next Saturday evening, March 29th, at 7:15, under the auspices of the Tofte Community Club. Fifty cents a plate will be charged. After supper dancing will be indulged in by the young folks. There will be good music and a lunch at 11:00 p. m. \$1.00 a couple. The proceeds, if any, will go to the benefit of the club for a grand picnic and celebration when the last soldier has returned. Come all who can and show the boys a good time.

SEND YOUR OLD CLOTHES TO THE RED CROSS

Have you any old shoes, dresses, coats, trousers, underwear or other old clothes lying about the house? The Red Cross will receive and ship any such clothes to be distributed among the sufferers in France, Belgium, Italy, Greece, Rumania, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Macedonia, Mesopotamia and Syria and it will be appreciated if they are brought to the local headquarters. The clothes must be clean but it is not essential that they be in perfect condition as they will be repaired overseas.

Every kind of garment for all ages and both sexes is urgently needed so make a search in your attic and bring down anything you find.

AMERICANS PAY HIGH PRICES IN FRANCE

Meal Without Wine for Three Hungry Persons Cost Twenty Dollars.

PARIS, March 20.—Americans are cheerfully paying the exorbitant prices charged them for necessities in France, while the natives pay and groan, declared an Associated Press correspondent who has been making an investigation of French high cost of living. Three American newspaper men recently paid \$2 for a taxicab ride that the taximeter showed should cost about 70 cents. A meal without wine for the three hungry scribes cost \$20.

The following figures show the difference between the prices now prevailing in France and those of the ante-war days:

Butter \$2 a pound against 30 cents before the war, eggs \$2 a dozen versus 22 cents, and vegetables ranging from 14 to 50 cents a pound could be obtained for four, five and six cents previous to the war. Cheese has advanced from 40 cents to 90, coffee from 40 cents to \$1.90. Meat has advanced 300 per cent, chickens which were 60 cents are now \$2 and very slim birds at that.

The cheapest business suit cannot be obtained under \$50 to which must be added \$10 as a luxury tax. Silk stockings sell for \$3 a pair and one must be careful to use the subway as much as possible in order not to walk through them on the first day, especially when the \$14 pair of shoes which one is wearing absorb dampness like a \$4 sponge. Washing comes high with soap at 30 cents a cake, and a bath is a luxury.

Monsieur Jusserand, the French ambassador in Washington has recently returned after a long absence. The collars for which he used to pay 13 francs the dozen are now 39 francs 50 in the same great shop at which he has been trading 20 years and his 16 franc hat has mounted to 40.

Frying a \$2 steak for two in a \$4 saucepan is a privilege enjoyed only by the rich and a glass of beer at 20 cents plus a five cent piece tip to the waiter tastes very bitter to a thirsty wayfarer.

The laboring class at one time was eating much rice. But lately that commodity reached figures out of proportion to the salaries of the working man.

A few days ago Food Minister Boret caused the arrest of speculators who were offering rice for sale at 40 cents per pound. It turned out that the rice had been obtained from the food ministry at the legal price of 16 cents a pound. But it had had a circuitous journey before reaching the consumer passing through six alleged brokers who in turn levied a percentage on the rice. They were each fined 200 francs and costs.

DATE SET FOR VICTORY LOAN DRIVE

Campaign Will Last Three Weeks, From April 21 to May 10th. Short Term Notes.

The drive for the Victory loan will begin on Monday, April 21, and close three weeks later, Saturday, May 10, is the announcement made by Secretary Glass. Short term notes maturing in not more than five years will be issued, instead of long term bonds. Although no official announcement has been made as to the exact amount of the loan it is understood that the sum will be placed at five billion dollars, with the government reserving the right to accept over-subscriptions.

Rate of interest and the amount to be exempted from taxation has not been made public, but will depend upon financial conditions at the time of the beginning of the drive. It seems probable that the rate of interest may be in excess of 4 1/4 per cent, which was the rate on the Third and Fourth loans.

"The Victory Liberty loan," says Mr. Glass, "will take the form of notes of the United States, maturing in not more than five years from the date of the issue. These notes, which will be, as were the Liberty loan bonds, the direct promise to pay of the United States, will be issued both in registered and coupon form, and the coupon notes will be in final form and will have attached the interest coupons covering the entire life of the notes. I am hopeful that the notes in final engraved form will be ready for delivery by the opening of the campaign on April 21.

"I am led to adopt the plan of issuing short term notes rather than long term bonds, largely because of the fact that I believe that a short term issue will maintain a price at about par after the campaign is concluded far more readily than would a longer term issue.

"I take this opportunity to repeat what I have already stated, that it is the intention of the treasury department to carry on the same kind of intensive campaign for distributing as heretofore. It would be a most unfortunate occurrence if the people of the United States failed to take these notes, thus placing the burden of subscriptions on the banks.

"I therefore ask the American people once again to give their support to the government in order that this great loan may be made an overwhelming success by the widest possible distribution."

DEAD FIGHTERS' EFFECTS.

Washington, D. C.—Provision has been made by the War Department for the return to this country of all personal effects of officers and soldiers who lost their lives abroad, and for the distribution of these articles among relatives. A "personal effects bureau" has been established at the Port of Embarkation, Hoboken, N. J., for this purpose.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Editor—Arthur Nunstedt.

Playing marbles is again the chief amusement of the school.

The Boy Scouts have not had a meeting for some time now.

Miss Riedesel played the piano for the high school Monday morning.

Alma Isaacson walked home Friday afternoon returning Sunday.

Elizabeth Tofte visited friends on Maple Hill Saturday and Sunday.

Tom Carter is getting as much as forty eggs a day from his chickens.

The R. P. C. club are planning on taking a hike next Saturday afternoon.

Judith Allen of Miss McCarthy's room was absent for a few days last week.

The Ancient History class are now reviewing the fall of the Roman Republic.

The Gitchee Gumees Camp Fire met at the home of Grace Samskar last Friday evening.

The high school are now busy practicing for the cantata which they are going to give this spring.

The Physiology class have just finished studying the different methods of ventilating buildings.

The G. G. club met with Marion Lince Saturday evening. The evening was spent in playing games.

The English III class are now studying the modern English writers of whom there are a great number.

The Minnehaha Camp Fire girls had a social meeting last Friday evening at the home of Helen Holte.

Helen Jackson walked out to Good Harbor Hill Friday night after school. She returned Sunday afternoon.

The Manual Training class have made many pieces of useful furniture this year, such as chairs, tables, etc.

The English III class is taking lessons from Woollys Handbook on Composition in addition to their text.

DISCHARGED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS ENTITLED TO BONUS

Red Cross offices throughout the country are being besieged by soldiers who are seeking the bonus of \$60 authorized in the revenue act, approved Feb. 24. The best course for the Red Cross official in such case is to inform the soldier or sailor, as the case may be, that the \$60 bonus is payable to all persons of the military or naval forces who have been honorably discharged since April 6, 1917. It is not payable to heirs.

Men who have been discharged and finally paid without the bonus should consult their erstwhile paymaster if convenient, and, if not, should write to the Zone Finance office, Lemon Building, Washington, D. C., stating service, date of discharge and present address, and enclosing discharge certificates which will be returned with check. Any discharged man wishing for assistance in writing for his bonus should feel free to apply to the Home Service committee of his local Red Cross organization.

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