

CONNECTICUT MILITIA STARTLED BY RUMOR OF WAR DECLARATION

Regular Soldiers Tell Coast Artillery Men That Officer, Received Secret Orders to Prepare At Once for Hostilities With Troops of German Nation.

(Special to The Farmer.) Fort M. G. Wright, Fisher's Island, June 15.—(Special to The Farmer.) This morning over a report that two enlisted men from the regular troops brought into camp, to the effect that the United States had declared war on Germany...

Nearly 876 officers and men are in camp, the largest number ever at a Coast Artillery camp since the state established that branch of the service. So far the camp has been remarkably healthy. No cases of illness have been reported among the Bridgeport contingent...

The fourth and eleventh companies drill at Battery Clinton on the 13 inch mortars; the 14th Co. at Battery Butterfield on the 12 inch guns. Each company has an hour extended order and scientific drill before going to the guns. At Battery Clinton the fourth Co. drill from 8:30 to 10 o'clock and the 11th Co. takes the second period from 10:30 to 12 o'clock. Evening parade is at 5 o'clock every day. Saturday afternoon there was no parade and the officers and men were given the time off until evening Sunday, which was at 8:45. Other mornings the reveille is at 5:45.

GERDENIER WILL HEAD BRIDGEPORT MASONS AT CEREMONY IN QUEBEC

Charles M. Gerdener, 33rd, will lead the local delegation which will leave New Haven, June 22, to attend the annual communication of Golden Rule lodge, F. & A. M., of Stanstead, Que. This is a unique ceremony which attracts Masons from all over the country.

According to its charter, Golden Rule lodge must hold an open air session on Owl's head, St. John's day, June 24. The spot where the ceremony is held is on a mountain side that stretches levelly from this spot a view of the surrounding country can be obtained, the apex of Montreal, 100 miles away being visible.

Civilians Linger Though in Peril Between the Lines

Dunkirk, France, June 15.—British officers and soldiers from the devastated countryside which now constitutes the battered front between their army and that of the Germans, frequently express surprise that no steps have not been taken to remove the civilian population from the immediate area of fighting. The clearing out of civilians, they declare, would simplify military operations and reduce the opportunity for successful spying by the Germans.

SEVEN GET M. A. DEGREES AT SMITH COMMENCEMENT

Northampton, June 15.—Seven young women received the degree of master of arts and 216 that of bachelor of arts at the Smith College commencement to-day. Dorothy Winslow Dulles, of New York, president of the graduating class, headed the procession to the hall where the exercises were held.

PROFANE ROWDIES TO BE SQUELCHED BY TOWN'S POLICE

(Special to The Farmer.) Stratford, June 15.—Rowdies who create disturbances in Stratford by shouting and using profane language when passing through the town will be squelched this year by the police authorities. Numerous written complaints have been sent to the selectmen and as a result it is expected action will be taken to prevent what has been a nuisance every summer.

ITALY'S ENTRANCE INTO CONFLICT INFLUENCES THE PARISHIAN STYLES

Paris, June 15.—The entry of Italy into the European conflict has already shown its influence on styles. The day after the promulgation of the mobilization order many women were seen wearing the feathered hat of the "bersagliere" the Italian light infantry.

The war party in Greece won the election. THE COURTLAND SCHOOL 431 WASHINGTON AVE. Sessions will be resumed Thursday, Sept. 30. Booklets at the stationers.

STRATFIELD WILL GET NEW SCHOOL BY ISSUING BONDS

Voters at Town Meeting Agree That District Is In Need of Building.

(Special to The Farmer.) Fairfield, June 15.—Stratfield will have a new school. This was decided at the special meeting of the voters of the town held last evening at the town hall. Although it was predicted that the meeting would be very stormy especially on the part of the citizens of Stratfield who came to the affair 100 strong, all the business was presented in a peaceful and satisfactory manner.

Mr. W. S. Pickett seconded the resolution and it was unanimously carried. William Smith, superintendent of schools, was asked to explain about the conditions that existed at Stratfield. He said Stratfield is in dire need of a new school, the present one on Jackson avenue is inadequate. He recommended closing Jennings Wood and the Plattsville school and sending the children of these schools to the other schools of the district.

Judge Banks then offered a plan for liquidating the \$60,000 debt on the town which was greatly incurred through the building of the Sherman school-house and part of the cost of the Holland Hill schoolhouse. The plan is to issue 20-year bonds at \$1,000 each, dating from August 1, 1915, carrying interest not exceeding four and one-half per cent. The bonds will be payable to the Southport Savings bank. The selectmen of the town were authorized to sell the bonds. Judge Bacon, Wakenap, seconded the plan and it was unanimously carried.

American Reported Killed in Mexico, is Very Much Alive

Douglas, Ariz., June 15.—A Martinet, a wealthy American, of Compagnon, who has been taken prisoner and executed by Villa troops over Mexico, is reported to be very much alive and is being held in a prison at Nacozari. It was learned here today, Martinet was arrested and later released.

Diver Petitions British To Raise The Sunken Emden

Kobe, Japan, June 15.—Eisuke Shimizu, a veteran Japanese diver, has petitioned the British authorities for permission to refloat the German cruiser Emden, known as "the terror of the South Seas," which was destroyed by the Australian ship Sydney off Cocos Island in November 1914. Shimizu says he is confident he can get the Emden out of the rocks. Skilled colleagues have signed his petition. The diver was wrecked nearby. Shimizu engaged in salvage operations on the sunken ship Anzenmard on the coast of Japan. A great storm arose and the British merchantman Carnarvon was wrecked nearby. Single handed, M. Shimizu rescued the crew against fearful odds. In recognition of his bravery the British government presented him with a watch. The ensuing publicity attracted attention to his signal success in diving and salvage operations.

Germans Insist On Good Standing of War Contractors

Berlin, June 15.—The Prussian Ministry of War has issued a circular to the military authorities laying down the principle that all firms tendering for war contracts must do so through the local chamber of commerce or industrial associations, which must supplement the bid with a certificate testifying to the good faith of the firm and to its respectable standing and productive capacity. Where the bidder is the direct producer of the goods, the factory inspector must also certify that his technical equipment is adequate to the task and that he satisfied all legal requirements as to rate of wages hours of labor and conditions of employment.

BRITISH COMMERCE IN SPITE OF BLOCKADE

London, June 15.—During the months of January, February, March and April of this year, British ports show the following returns, notwithstanding submarine blockades: Imports, 281,675,312 pounds sterling; exports 116,770,328; re-exports 31,729,362. This brings British trade for four months to over two billion dollars, although the chief European customers were involved in war. The returns show an increase of \$115,000,000 over the corresponding period of last year.

MOVIE EMPLOYEES FLOCK TO THE BRITISH STANDARD

London, June 15.—Close to 20,000 film workers employed with moving picture houses have joined the colors since the declaration of war. In most of the picture houses women have taken the places of the patriotic men.

REMOVAL Dr. J. F. Canavan wishes to announce his removal from 225 Stratford Avenue to 905 North Ave. D 11 a

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JAPAN PUTS BAN ON CHRISTIANITY IN HER SCHOOLS

St. Helena, Cal., June 15.—The Japanese government has adopted a proposal made by the governor general of Korea to eliminate the teaching of Christianity from every Korean school, according to a statement by Elder A. G. Daniels, president of the general or world conference of the Seventh Day Adventists to the national educational and Young People's Missionary Union of the United States.

BRIDGEPORT LEADS IN LANDING WORK FOR JOBLESS ONES

Hartford, June 15.—Slightly more than half of those who applied for situations through the firm public employment bureau of the state during the month of May secured them, according to the figures issued to-day by the bureau of labor statistics. The report shows that there were 1,766 applications for employment and of that number 863 were supplied with situations. The total applications for help were 1,138. The figures for the bureau follow:

GRANGERS PLAN FOR PLEASANT EVENING ON GREENFIELD HILL

Fairfield, June 15.—Members of the grange are looking forward with much anticipation to the session in Greenfield Hill to-night, because of the promising program of entertainment. In connection with the regular business session there will be an evening of song and readings. E. Hull will play the piano. He will entertain with several selections. Miss Beatrice Belden will portray dances of varying styles. Rev. E. A. Thompson of Southport will deliver an address and Miss Charlotte B. Hull will play the piano.

MOB HANGS NEGRO HELD FOR MURDER

Little Rock, Ark., June 15.—Loy Haley, the negro who on Saturday shot and killed Roy Lester, a young farmer of Lafayette County, was taken by a mob from sheriff Boyett, of Hempstead County, and it is believed was lynched today somewhere in the woods between Hope and Louisville. The mob, nearly 200 strong, overtook the sheriff while he was in his automobile driving towards Little Rock to place the negro in the penitentiary for safe keeping.

SURGEON GENERAL BLUE SPEAKS AT EXPOSITION

San Francisco, June 15.—Dr. Rupert Blue, surgeon general of the United States, public health service was on the program to make the principal address at to-day's session of the convention of the American Society of Tropical Medicine at the Panama-Pacific Exposition. "Modes of transmission and methods of control of plague" was his subject.

FRENCH SHIP IN PORT AFTER YEAR AT SEA.

San Francisco, June 15.—Out 357 days from Newcastle, Eng., the French ship Rene Kervillier is in port to-day after having fought storms during most of her voyage and changed captains twice. After struggling for three weeks against head winds off Cape Horn the vessel gave up the fight and headed for the South African coast, rounding the Cape of Good Hope. The ship had almost circumnavigated the globe when she dropped anchor here.

With the presentation of certificates of honor to 12 pupils, including a Chinese boy of the fifth grade, the closing exercises of Barnum school yesterday attracted more than passing interest. There are 147 members of the graduating class. The pupils to receive honor certificates are: Anna Ruth Watrous, room 20; Elsie Didsbury, 19; Winifred Johnson, 18; Laura May, 17; Alice McDonald, 16; Ella Tingard, 15; Kernet Parker, 14; Elwood Randolph, 13; John Gill, 12; Quong Den Wong, 11; May Lyons, 10, and William Butterfield, room 9.

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Bits of Byplay

By Luke McLuke Copyright, 1915, the Cincinnati Enquirer. Foesy! A lying pup is Oswald Cruise. For when he takes a bracer, He claims he merely drinks the booze Because he likes the chaser. Correct. "Conscience always worries a man and tells him that he has done wrong after he has done something that he should not have done," observed the old fogey. "Then every married woman's middle name is Conscience," remarked the grouch. Fact. Man's good intent a short life has, It's prone to dissolution, And few things are as brittle as A well meant resolution. Mean Brute! "Mr. Henn dislocated his jaw while he was yawning," said Mrs. Gabb. "Isn't that odd?" "Not so odd," growled Mr. Gabb. "I suppose he was listening to his wife's chatter." Betcha! "The lark can warble some," said Ben. "At singing it is great. But give me the woodpecker when it comes to digging bait." Paw Knows Everything. "Willie—Paw, what is a marriage certificate? Faw—A ticket to a twenty year lecture course, my son. Maw—Willie, you go to bed. All Cheese. An aged cheese has taste delights, Though many mites he sees, For, though the cheese full of mites, The mites are full of cheese. The Wise Fool. "Truth lies at the bottom of a well," quoth the sage. "Not at the bottom of an oil well," corrected the fool. You Know Them. Some cheerful givers, it is true, Give quickly and give twice, But there are cheerful givers who Give nothing but advice. That's Right. Anyway, Luke McLuke has never accused a corn fed of standing twice in the same place to make a shadow.—Coldwater (O.) Chronicle. Names Is Names. Minta Money is attending school in Shelbyville, Ky. Another Fatal Flash. Skirt. Hurt. Dirt. —Pete. Hoorry! Dear Luke—Did you know that Joseph Fountain and Sibyl Fawcett have just been married in Detroit, Mich.?—William Hobson Bryan. Is That So? Dear Luke—I ran into one of your famous corn fed the other day. The doctor says that aside from a broken nose and a fractured collarbone I am as good as new.—Bill. Our Daily Special. There is no closed season for shooting husbands. Luke McLuke Says: Some people are so certain that salvation is free that they never think of putting anything in the collection box when it is passed around in church.

Fresh Native Beets... bch 5c Best Native Lettuce... hd 3c Fancy Solid Cabbage... lb 2c Best New Potatoes... pk. 30c Fancy Large Ripe Bananas .8 for 10c Geneva Style Gin... bot. 75c Italian Vermouth... bot. 85c French Brandy... bot. \$1.00 Kentucky Turf... bot. \$1.00 Large Two Layer Cakes... ea 10c Fresh Jelly Doughnuts... doz. 8c Assorted Cup Cakes... doz. 10c Mohican Butter Loaf Bread... ea 6c Mohican Best Bread... ea 4c

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