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WHEN OUR BOYS OF '61 MARCHED AWAY

General Holiday in Waterbury On April 20, 1861—Money Quickly Raised.

Waterbury, July 12.—When our militiamen were called to the colors a few days ago, excitement reigned at a high pitch. War was then believed to be inevitable. The air was surcharged with warlike currents. The young men without the least delay took their places in the local companies and then the call was sounded for volunteers to bring the companies up to war strength. The response was gratifying. The country was on the brink of an affair which was to decide whether the United States should be plunged into war with Mexico or whether the Americans were to continue the enjoyment of peace and prosperity. The militiamen, many of whom had never been beyond Niantic on a military adventure, were anxiously awaiting the order to march. They displayed great enthusiasm.

But in the homes the situation assumed a different aspect, especially where there were old folks. The trend of affairs had caused them to become reminiscent. They delighted to see the American spirit exemplified as it was in the days of '61, but at the same time they heaved many a sigh, for they feared the young men were embarking on an adventure which might require of some the some penalties as in '61-'65.

The old folks laughed and cried as they watched the boys march away, for they could not but think of the scenes which were enacted before them in Civil War times. One resident who marched away in '61 was frank to say that Waterbury blundered in its send-off to the troops who are now on the Mexican border. Had it not been for curiosity, said he, the soldiers' departure would have been of no interest to most of the people, save their relatives. The least the business men could have done was to close their shops for the day. Then he told of how the residents turned out in April '61 to give the soldier boys of those times a send-off.

A holiday was declared and the people did everything in their power to encourage and hearten the soldiers. The entire populace turned out. They were massed on the Green, where they were addressed from the bandstand by Aner Bradley, then Mayor, the Rev. T. F. Hendrick, John W. Webster, S. W. Kellogg, L. W. Coe, C. H. Carter, Dr. F. G. Rockwell, E. B. Cooke and N. J. Buel, who in behalf of the clergy, presented pocket Testaments to be distributed among the men.

On April 20, '61, the order came to march. The wild scenes that attended the departure of the troops will never be erased from the memories of those who witnessed the spectacle. Music from the several bands in line made the blood in people's veins boil with patriotism. The music took such a hold of people that they could not restrain themselves from yelling like Indians and shouting all sorts of things of a derogatory nature about our southern neighbors. Out of 1,600 voters, Waterbury sent 400 men to the firing line. From the cessation to the old Bank Street Station was like, they say, Caesar's triumphant march to Rome. Mothers, wives, brothers and sisters, as well as sweethearts, took their places in line and kept step with Yankee Doodle as played by Tompkins' and Merrill's bands, which, consolidated, led the procession. The fire companies marched with the soldiers. The boys were dismissed for the departure of the troops the pupils participated in the ceremonies. The men went into camp at Brewer's Park in New Haven on April 2, as Company D.

To-day the Red Cross society is soliciting funds for the relief of soldiers' families. Many of us scan the figures of the committee's report and say to ourselves: "Well, we have things done pretty well now. Haven't the people changed? Who would ever think years ago that the public would donate money so freely to dependent families, simply for the asking?"

But don't be misled. Waterburians of to-day are not one whit more charitable than they were 50 years ago. People think they are inaugurating a new scheme when they contribute to a fund to be expended in relieving soldiers' families. Hardly had the boys of '61 been encamped than \$11,000 had been pledged for the relief of dependent families whose wage earners had responded to the call. Of this sum \$1,900 was raised in subscriptions at a meeting called immediately after the soldiers left for the purpose of devising means for caring for dependent families. Shortly thereafter Mayor Bradley called a special town meeting and without a single word of objection \$10,000 was voted to be expended in the caring of those who had been made dependent by the call to arms.

WILSON LEADS COLLEGE POLL Gets 289 of 689 Votes in Straw Ballot at University of Maine.

At the University of Maine, which is the largest college in that State, a straw vote of the faculty and students was taken recently which is considered significant. There were 689 votes polled. Of these, 289, or practically three-sevenths the entire vote were for President Wilson. Colonel Roosevelt received 189, Justice Hughes received 101, and the rest were scattered among the various candidates. No effort was made on the part of anybody interested in Democratic politics to influence this vote. It is said, in fact, that none of the Democratic leaders knew that it was to be taken. It was spontaneous on the part of Mr. Wilson's friends at the State University. "I doubt of there ever was a time before in the history of this country when three-sevenths of the students and faculty of a New England college have expressed their preference for a Democratic candidate for president," said a friend in a letter to the Democratic National Committee.

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ORPHAN CHILDREN TREATED TO RIDE, THEATRE, SODAS

Will Witness Performance of Vaudeville and Pictures at Poli's Theatre.

Children of the Bridgeport Protestant Orphan asylum, about 75 in number are to enjoy a theatre party on Thursday afternoon. The boys and girls who are seldom beyond the limits of the big institution at Fairfield avenue and Ellsworth street will be taken from their home on Thursday in special conveyances provided for the purpose.

Manager Matt Saunders of the Poli theatre on Main street has offered the facilities of the theatre to the party and special reservations have been made to keep the children together. A splendorous party has been booked including William Farnum in the story of the Great Outdoors "The Man From Bitter Roots."

Through the beneficence of the theatre management it is also planned to treat the little ones to ice-cream and soda. The Poli theatre has made it a practice semi-annually to open its doors to the inmates of various charitable institutions.

VERDUN BATTLE IS RENEWED BY KAISER'S ARMY

Paris, July 12.—Although the battle in Picardy which has been raging for ten days is absorbing most of the attention of the German commanders, they were able today to revive the struggle at Verdun, making some advance there and delivering several sharp local attacks in the Lorraine and Vosges sections, probably to conceal the transfer of troops to the Somme region.

Having maintained their grip on the Thiamont Work but failing to debouch therefrom, the Germans now are trying to push forward their left flank. Their artillery was busy all day yesterday, all night, and this morning they worked up the bombardment to a pitch equal to any that has gone before. Then the bombardment ceased, making way for the infantry.

One column sought to work its way along the railroad which runs around Hill 320 towards the Fleury station situated in a locality of the village but it melted away before the French fire as did another column in Chapelle wood.

Columns debouching Vaux Fort, however, succeeded in getting a bare footing, after intense fighting, in the Pommelle woods and the ruined Damloup battery, one of the subsidiary outer defenses of Verdun which lies three-quarters of a mile south-west of the village on the edge of the Lauffee Plateau.

The advantage which the Germans obtained was not great, since the battery is swept by guns from Souville, Tavannes and Bourvaux.

The day's operations on the Somme were confined to completing the work of Sunday and yesterday, of clearing the Germans out of these few isolated positions they still held in the bend of the Somme opposite Fozzans. The French troops on the north of the Somme are continuing their preparation for the next move.

Optical Experts to Have National Meet in Providence, R. I.

The national convention of the American Optical association will be held in Providence, R. I., July 15 to 22, and from all accounts it will be the biggest affair of the kind ever held. Delegates from every state of the Union and from Canada will be in attendance. Optometrists who are members will be allowed at most of the sessions.

The first three days will be given over to the scientific section, and will consist of a post-graduate course, when lectures, clinics and dissections will be given under the direction of national leaders such as W. B. Needles of Kansas City, who will deal with "The Nervous System as Related to the Eye"; Dr. Earl J. Brown of Chicago on "Diseases of the Optometrist Should Know"; S. W. Baker, of Rockland, Mass., on "Dynamic Skiatometry." Professor F. W. Will of Columbia university will conduct dissections of the extrinsic muscles and accessories of the eye.

Tuesday, the first day of convention proper, will begin with a visit to the plant of the American Optical company, the largest in the world, followed by the formal opening of the congress in Infantry hall, when addresses of welcome will be given by Governor Beekman, representing Rhode Island, and Mayor Gairnor of Providence. President Alexander of Salt Lake City will respond and at the close announce the various committees.

Friday will be devoted to a boat ride to Newport, followed by an old-fashioned New England clam bake.

Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday will be given over to the business of the congress, as well as lectures and demonstrations, some of which will be open to the public.

The greatest exhibition of optical machinery, appliances for eyesight testing and optical accessories ever held will be on view and because of the demand for space the largest hall in Providence was engaged and every foot of space taken.

Representatives from Connecticut are President William S. Todd of Hartford and Secretary J. A. Masterton of Middletown, who will represent the Connecticut State Optical society.

President Todd was the delegate last year, when it was held in San Francisco, and was the person who suggested Providence for this year. He is also chairman of the executive council of the national organization of state board of examiners which meets on the second day of the congress.

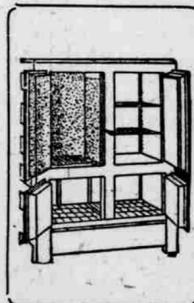
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Attorney Abe S. Geduldig will remain as clerk of the board of appraisal of buildings and damages until August 1 and possibly longer, Arthur P. Connor, recently elected to the newly created position of examiner of liens is still employed in the motor vehicle department of the office of Secretary of State arranging matters for his successor.

Department of Labor Finds Jobs For Many

Ability bodied men who want work and are unable to procure it should apply at the local postoffice for blanks to be filed with the Department of Labor, which will find occupation for them in western fields during the harvesting. It is said that Kansas farmers are paying as much as \$3 a day with board for harvesters.

SALESMANSHIP CONGRESS HEARS LUMBER DEALERS

Detroit, July 12.—Today's sessions of the world's Salesmanship Congress were devoted to departmental meetings, separate gatherings being held by lumber salesmen, insurance salesmen, real estate men, automobile men, sales managers and others.

Many of the best known lumbermen of the country attended the meeting of the lumber salesmen which was presided over by R. H. Downman, of New Orleans, president of the National Lumber Manufacturers' Association.

The 28th Regiment of Brooklyn arrived at McAllen, Tex.

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LUSITANIA WIDOW TO COLLECT BIG INSURANCE POLICY War Rider Not Duly Entered, Rules Appellate Court Reversing Decision.

The decision of the supreme court of New York in holding that Mrs. May Davies Hopkins had no claim against the Connecticut General Life Insurance company because her husband, Albert L. Hopkins, had signed a rider releasing the company from liability in the event of his death through European war conditions, has been reversed by the appellate division of that state, which has given the plaintiff judgment for \$40,000, the full amount of the insurance and costs.

Mr. Hopkins lost his life through the sinking of the Lusitania on May 7, 1915. He was president of the Newport Navy Shipbuilding company. The opinion of the court was written by Justice Davis, and was dissented to by Justice Clarke. It was agreed that but for the war rider the plaintiff would have been concededly entitled to recover the insurance, because all of the other facts set forth in the pleadings were admitted.

The rider appeared to have been mutually agreed to by Mr. Hopkins and the defendant, but the latter failed to file a copy of the rider with the state superintendent of insurance to obtain his approval of it, nor did it bear the name of any executive officer of the company. It was signed by the corporate agents of the company, Wallis, Potter, Fisk and Ustick, Inc., of New York.

The plaintiff contended that the rider was invalid because of the failure of the defendant to comply with the provisions of Chapter 155 of the laws of 1913, which required the signing of any paper making a change in policy, and that the change should be printed in bold face type and with greater prominence than any other portion of the text of the policy.

The trial court found that the defendant had failed to comply with the law, but that the violation did not invalidate the rider; that it effected no change in the policy, and therefore did not need approval. The decision of the appellate division said that the rider was made a part of the policy by the terms of the policy itself. The purpose of the statute compelling the requirements was to carry out the public policy of the state to take control of all forms of insurance contracts and prevent insurance companies from issuing policies without the approval of the superintendent of insurance.

It was pointed out that that part of the policy clearly covered such a loss as had occurred and that the rider cut down the risk and so changed its form. The defendant contended that when the issuance of an unfiled and unapproved rider on policy was a violation of the law the policy was made good by subdivision 1 of section 107, which declared that a policy issued in violation of the section should be held to be valid. The appellate division said this contention was unsound, and that the policy must be construed according to the law. The opinion read:

"When the legislature made it a criminal offense to issue policies in violation of section 107 it

thereby emphasized the importance which it attached to state control over the issuance of policies. The assured signed this rider, and it is claimed that this made the rider legal. It is sufficient to say that the parties by their agreement could not make valid a provision of the policy which did not comply with the law, and which was expressly forbidden by law under important consideration of public policy. We think, therefore, that the court below erred in dismissing this complaint.

"It may appear at first sight that the result of this conclusion is to allow the plaintiff to sue on a contract which neither party intended to make. The answer to this objection is that the company, when it issued the policy, must have known that the rider was issued contrary to law. In other words the company issued this policy with full knowledge that the rider could not be enforced, and that the other valid parts could be enforced. Probably in its haste to issue this policy it took the chance of succeeding in limiting the scope of its risk by a rider which it knew to be invalid."

The court called attention to the fact that a hernia rider attached to the policy had been filed with and approved by the state superintendent, thereby proving that the company knew that such action was necessary.

PEQUONNOCK LODGE INSTALLS OFFICERS

At the meeting of Pequonnock lodge, No. 4, I. O. O. F., last night, William West was installed as noble grand. The installation was under the direction of Grand Master Frederick H. North and staff.

Others officers installed were vice grand, Mitchell Stone; recording secretary, George H. Zumsteg; financial secretary, Harry H. Pritchard; treasurer, Marcus L. Reynolds; warden, Clifford Ingham; conductor, E. W. Phelps; R. S. S., E. R. Holmes; L. S. S., J. Beckwith; R. S. N. G., J. J. Von Weiske; L. S. N. G., T. M. Callender; R. S. V. G., Leo J. Hatch; L. S. V. G., Walter H. Leveen; L. G., B. G. Selsam and O. G., Frederick Styles.

An entertainment followed the installation. George Petersen sang Scotch songs and there was music by an orchestra. A lunch was served by the ladies of the Rebekah lodge. Dancing followed.

ALL SPANISH RAILROADS THREATENED BY STRIKE

Madrid, July 12.—The railroad strike situation shows no improvement. Premier Romanones and the minister of public works conferred with leaders of the employes and railroad directors today without results and the strike begins at midnight, at which hour all trains on the northern railroad will be stopped.

Meanwhile, all the principal railroad stations have been occupied by troops and railroad men liable to military service have been notified that they must continue at work; but only express and mail trains will run tomorrow. The railroad company has offered to promote all employes who remain at work.

The National Union of Spanish Workmen tonight discussed the advisability of calling a general strike of all trades. A special meeting of the cabinet in view of the gravity of the situation has been summoned for tomorrow.

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