

## FINISHING PLANS FOR VETERANS

Preliminary Arrangements Complete and Finances are Forthcoming; Full List of Committees Announced

## O. C. W. DORMITORY OPEN TO GUESTS

Evening Reception Feature of Program; Gen. Kimberlin to Arrive Early in Week; Meet at City Hall

All preliminary plans of entertainment for the visiting veterans who will be in Chickasha August 5 and 6 have been completed and the committees are now preparing for the arrival of the guests of Chickasha the last of next week. The finance committee reports gratifying progress in raising funds.

Nothing is being left undone to give the visitors a welcome worthy of the city of Chickasha. The dormitory of the Oklahoma College for Women, Nellie Sparks hall, has been turned over to the entertainment committee for use during the reunion and the auditorium of the main hall is to be at the disposal of the veterans for their night meetings. Day meetings will be held at the city hall. Ladies of the Lee-Jackson chapter will be hostesses at Nellie Sparks hall, where they will serve two meals each day, one in the morning and one in the evening.

Gen. R. S. Kimberlin of Clarendon, Tex., is expected to arrive next Tuesday, when a definite program can be announced.

Up to this time, Gen. Kimberlin has furnished entertainment at the reunions at his own expense. At Clarendon last year there was an attendance of 200 of the Joe Shelby brigade and at Sherman, in 1914, there were 150.

The following committees have been selected and are making all preparations necessary to give the veterans a royal welcome when they visit the "Queen of the Washita."

Finance: G. G. Buchanan, Jack Hale, Will Hopkins, Judge R. E. Davernport, A. B. Thompson, J. T. Elder, Mrs. Will Driggers, Mrs. L. A. Saunders, Mrs. Frank Plato, Mrs. J. T. Kider.

Transportation: J. D. Vance, Ben Johnson, Ben Phillips, G. G. Buchanan, Tom Phillips, Dr. Harned, J. A. Thompson, Alger Melton, Geo. Dashner, J. R. Owsley, T. H. Dwyer, W. B. Hudgins.

Refreshments: Mrs. J. G. Mayes, I. H. Neville, Mrs. R. L. Richards, Mrs. W. G. Armstrong, Mrs. Lizzie Cothan, Mrs. W. B. Hudgins, assisted by the following young ladies, Misses Nell Dashner, Lucile Dashner, Hazel Owsley, Alberta Smith, Amy Ellen Horn, Rebecca Armstrong, Fay Holmgren.

Entertainment: At Nellie Sparks hall, Mrs. J. A. Savage, Mrs. Willford, Mrs. M. E. May, Mrs. Frank Plato, Mrs. S. E. Ellis, assisted by the following young ladies, Allie and Lyda Richards, Edna Fitch, Mollie May Phillips, Margaret Plato, Jennie Bell Baze, Beatrice Lugtbyhl, Ada Hudgins, Mary Blanche Harned, Eline Rouse, Irene Buie, Jettie Driggers, Ira Hughes.

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**WEATHER FORECAST.**  
For Oklahoma.  
Generally fair tonight and Friday; not much change in temperature.  
**Local Temperature**  
During the twenty-four hours ending at 8 a. m.  
Maximum ..... 97  
Minimum ..... 72

## WORK ON ADDITION IS BEGUN

County Court House is Being Enlarged at Cost of \$2,300; Build Two Story Extension on North End

Work has already been begun on the addition to the county court house, two stories high and 24 by 50 feet, which is to be completed and ready for use within thirty or forty days, according to O. Coffman, who is superintending the work.

The addition is being built on the north end of the old structure. When completed it will include 100 rooms upstairs, one of them for the county attorney and the other for the district judge, and one large room and a big fire-proof vault downstairs. The vault will be 20x22 feet and is being built to contain the county records that are becoming more and more valuable as they become harder to replace in case of loss. The other room downstairs will be an extension of the county judge's office.

"We expect the structure to be completed within a month, Clerk F. P. Bradley said this morning. The cost is to be \$2300.00.

Sand, rock and cement are already being brought to the site of the building and the work of laying the foundation was begun today. Brick walls are to be started just as soon as preliminary work is completed, and the finishing will be rushed through as rapidly as possible.

## DECLARES THAT HE'LL "DIE GAME"

By United Press.

New York, July 29.—Following the denial of his motion for a new trial by Justice Ford of the supreme court, Charles Becker, ex-lieutenant of police, convicted of the murder of Herman Rosenthal, the gambler, said to the reporters today, "You can tell the world that I'll die game."

The decision of the court was announced last night, the denial of a new trial signifying that the condemned man must die some time Friday. Prison officials today are preparing him for the electric chair. A spot was shaved on his head for the electrode and his cell was searched for possible suicide implements.

Following the adverse decision of the court, the iron nerve of Becker's wife broke down. Becker said to the priest who ministered to him, "I never had justice in this world but I may in the next. The stigma on the name of my wife and child is what hurts."

**Write to Appeal.**  
Mrs. Becker will appeal to Gov. Whitman tonight for clemency in granting her husband a reprieve until October, attorneys stated today. The court of appeals will meet in October, and Becker is asking that his execution be stayed until that time. Attorneys have also asked the justice of the court of appeals for a writ staying execution until the court sits, but it is declared to be unlikely that the petition will be granted.

**WEATHER ELSEWHERE.**

Western Union reports received at 8 a. m.:  
**Texas.**  
Clear and warm, no rain.  
**Oklahoma.**  
Generally partly cloudy and hot, no rain.

## RUSS. ROCK OF DEFENSE UNBROKEN

Petrograd Claims German Attacks on Warsaw Front Futile and Invaders Repulsed; Feroocious Fighting Continues

## GRAND DUKE GETS THE UPPER HAND

So Say London Experts Who Believe Teutonic Movement Must Fail; French Mine Enemy's Trenches

By United Press.

Petrograd, July 29.—The war office today claims that the German wave has broken fruitlessly on the solid rock of Russian defenses around Warsaw.

An official statement asserts that the Slavs captured three towns and many prisoners and repulsed the Germans north of Prublesof, the Bug and Narew river. Intense fighting continues all along the line of contact between the Russians and the invaders.

**Bomb Juliet's Tomb.**

Rome, July 29.—Austrian aeroplanes dropped bombs near the tomb of "Juliet" of "Juliet and Romeo" fame. Bombs were also dropped in five other places before the Austrian airman were driven off.

**British Expert View.**

London, July 29.—The military experts here say the official statement issued by the war authorities at Petrograd today shows that Grand Duke Nicholas for the first time in the Warsaw campaign has established his ascendancy over the invaders.

It is thought that the gigantic enveloping movement of the Austro-German armies must fail and some of the critics think that even Warsaw will not fall.

Even if Warsaw falls, it is pointed out that the duke is now in a position to make an orderly retreat to a more strongly fortified position.

**French Report Succes.**

Paris, July 29.—According to reports received today the French mined under German trenches at St. Hubert and Malencourt. The explosion killed two hundred men and the French then pushed the Germans back slightly.

The French also report the capture of Lincoepf Arties, which was bombarded at night.

**May Modify Blockade.**

Washington, July 29.—There is some talk here that England may modify her German starvation blockade for a Mexican peace move that would protect British oil wells. The British needs the production of the oil wells for their navy and also desire general peace in Mexico.

## SITUATION REGARDED AS GRAVE

By United Press.

Berlin, July 29.—Persons in close touch with the American embassy here declare that the feeling there over the German-American situation is extremely grave.

Ambassador Gerard adopts a firm position in deal with the foreign office. It is indicated that the Lusitania incident is regarded as entirely closed.

It is known that Gerard previously tried to get an amicable understanding in regard to the main point in controversy through cable negotiations conducted with Washington.

## PROTECTED AGAINST ENEMY'S BOMBS



Scene in a French trench showing the wire netting set up to protect the soldiers from bombs dropped by the enemy aviators.

## Horrors! T'rantlers!

The screams of women and children brought the neighbors running to the home of R. E. Jack night before last, where little Ruth Jack and Pat Shultz had discovered some monster tarantulas. The crowd which gathered found Mr. Jack fiercely attacking the animals with a broomstick, beating down first one and then another. However, the "critters" seemed to be invested with a cat's nine lives, for they dodged from one place to another, apparently unhurt.

When Mr. Jack's energy began to wear out one neighbor said the thing

## BROTHERS MEET FIRST TIME IN FIFTY YEARS

If you had not met any of your brothers or sisters for fifty years and thought that you were the last of your father's family alive, and then suddenly found that you had been living within 200 miles of one brother for 32 years and that a third was in a neighboring state, wouldn't you rub your eyes and wonder if you were dreaming? That is what happened to William Flanigan of Hamlin, Tex., who, with his wife, is now visiting his brother in Chickasha, M. J. Flanigan, at 1323 Idaho.

The Hamlin brother is 64 years of age and a few weeks ago in conversing with a group of friends idly made the remark that if he had a living relative by the name of Flanigan he didn't know it. One of his hearers remarked that he might be jumping at conclusions but there was a man by that name living in Henrietta, Tex., whose manner more than his looks had often reminded him of his Hamlin friend. William thought it worth while to look the other Flanigan up, and in a few

days had found his brother Caron in that place. Caron had kept in touch with his brother, M. J., of this city, so told William about him, and the result was a reunion a few days ago of the two brothers who had been separated fifty years.

While telling their experience and life history to each other they found that at one time they had been within two miles of each other. That was 18 years ago when M. J. Flanigan, hearing of another Flanigan in Texas, had started in search of his brother. The search was not so fruitful as the last one, however, for he met a Flanigan whom he did not know, and thinking he was the one he had heard of, returned when within walking distance of his own brother.

The Flanigan boys were raised in Wisconsin and their parents died when M. J. was just of age, and the other boys in their teens. The boys separated to "seek their fortunes" and gradually lost track of each other.

Hodge Bailey, County Attorney J. H. Venable and his assistant, A. K. Swan, conducted a court of inquiry in the little city on the west yesterday. "Yes, we examined some thirty witnesses," Judge Davenport admitted, "and we did uncover some rather gratifying information." But here the judge stopped, smiled and said he guessed we would hear more of it later. "Warrants" he said. "Yes, we are getting out a few. Come back later."

## CONDUCT COURT OF INQUIRY

Through the county judge, attorney and sheriff maintain secrecy concerning every detail of the affair, it is understood that "some warrants" are being issued by the county officers today following the court of inquiry held on the bootlegging situation at Verdun yesterday. The hearing came closely after the release of Joe Smith on bond, then the alleged assault on a deputy sheriff by Smith, later while the officer was in Smith's hotel at Verdun. The charge filed against Smith was simply "assault and battery," so he was released on a bond of only \$250. He is still out on bond.

Verden citizens are considerably "riled up" over the whole affair, it is rumored here, a delegation of them even having come to Chickasha earlier in the week, waited on the owner of the building where Smith keeps his hotel and asked him to let Smith go, and called on the banker who signed Smith's bond, \$3000, on six counts of trafficking, asking him to release his bond and let Smith remain in jail.

Judge R. E. Davenport, Sheriff

## LEAVE FOR TRACTOR SHOW.

Twenty-five farmers will leave Chickasha tomorrow morning for Enid, where they will spend Friday and Saturday attending the big tractor show. About the same number are to join the party at Pocomasset and others will be on the train from other points in Grady county. Mr. Cooper estimates that a hundred farmers from this county alone will be at the tractor show the last of the week.

## TEACHERS' EXAMS. ON THIS WEEK

Score of School Marm's Writing Papers at Court House; Results in Ten Days, Says Shepard

With a score of "school marm" in from this and surrounding towns, Supt. M. H. Shepard is holding teachers' examinations at the court house today, Friday and Saturday. The examination was being given by the county superintendent here to save the teachers the expense of going to Edmond, where the regular board is now in session, handing out lists of questions to teachers and grading papers.

Of the number taking the work here this morning, thirteen were applying for third grade certificates, five for second grades and only one, D. J. Liles of Pocomasset, for a first grade.

"No small task," is the way Supt. Shepard speaks of the job of grading the papers for those now writing them. Applicants for third grade certificates are examined in fifteen subjects, agriculture, arithmetic, civil government, composition, domestic science, geography, grammar, history and government of Oklahoma, United States history, music, orthography, penmanship, physiology and hygiene, reading and theory and practice.

Those applying for a second grade must pass in all of these and American literature and elementary psychology besides. Then those who would receive first grade certificates to teach in Oklahoma must take in addition algebra, general history and physics.

The names of those taking the examinations today follow:

Margaret Plato, Chickasha; Elsie McManus, Chickasha; Rina Mason, Bailey; Bertha Kelsey, Chickasha; Lewis H. Nelson, Ninnekah; Suslo Reese, Verdun; Clara Bryant, Chickasha; Elsie Wynne, Pocomasset; Nettie Bell, Chickasha; Mrs. Sallie Smith, Chickasha; Ruth Buchanan, Chickasha; Ruskin Halbrook, Manitou; Walter Wilson, Chickasha; David R. McKoun, Pocomasset; Della Huff, Alex; Myrtle Snead, Ireton; Anna Mae Dempsey, Chickasha; Maggie Harris, Ninnekah; D. J. Liles, Pocomasset.

The work will continue until 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon, when papers on the last subject, physics, will be handed in. The papers will be graded and the results announced to applicants within ten days, Supt. Shepard says.

## TEMPLE TRAGEDY

By United Press.

Temple, July 29.—Neighbors of Will Grimes, a farmer of near here, entered the Grimes home this morning to find the farmer with his head terribly battered, his three children dead with their skulls caved in and his wife so badly injured in the same manner that she will probably die. Three other children, who were sleeping in an adjoining room, escaped the murderer, but they are unable to throw the slightest light on the perpetrator of the terrible deed.

When neighbors reached the home this morning they found the room horribly spattered with blood, as if the father had put up a struggle before he gave up to the assassins. He is still unconscious, unable to give any clue as to who the murderers may have been.

All three children appear to have been killed with the same instrument, evidently a spike.

The entire country here is horror stricken over the deed. Organized posses are now out scouring the country in search of suspicious persons. Officers here do not have any clue as to whom to suspect of such a deed.

## SIR JOHN ACTOR IN SAD SCENE

British Commander Plays Principal Role in Human Drama of War; False Report Fatal to Mother

## MIDDLE CLASS IN ENGLAND SUFFER

Thousands Made Penniless by Loss of Work; Pendant Worn by Ill-fated Private Returns to Sweetheart

By United Press.

London, July 29.—The story reached London today of how Gen. Sir John French, commander-in-chief of the British army, in northern France, played the principal role in a little human drama of war.

During one of the surprise visits that Gen. French often makes to the various regiments he found a youthful territorial writing a letter and simultaneously sobbing bitterly. Sir John immediately asked to know the cause of the lad's grief. Taken by surprise, the young soldier attempted to control his emotion and stammeringly pleaded that nothing was wrong. But French persisted. The boy finally produced a letter from a younger brother in England telling him of the death of their mother following an unofficial report that her son had been killed at the front. The family, it appeared, were in humble circumstances.

"God bless you my boy, your mother, at any rate, died with the satisfaction of knowing that her son did his duty," said the field marshal, as he pressed a substantial sum of money into the boy's hand and sent him home on three weeks' leave of absence.

**Prince Disinfected.**

By United Press.

Amsterdam, June 25.—(By mail.)—Berlin advices say that when Prince Adelbert, third son of the kaiser, left the trenches after an inspection he insisted on the regulation certificate which read:

"This is to prove that the bearer has been disinfected and is at present free from vermin."

**Pendant Picture Tells Story.**

By United Press.

London, July 30.—(By mail.)—The tragic journey of a pendant, containing a girl's picture and a lock of hair, from England to France and back again was told here today.

The day Private G. E. Milburn, a signaller in the Durhams, left his home for the front, Miss Bessie Grey, his sweetheart, hung the pendant about his neck and kissed him goodbye. Milburn went into battle with the pendant still around his neck. He was killed and for many weeks no letter came to the girl left behind. Finally a large batch of dead soldier's effects were brought to England and a London illustrated journal photographed many of them in an effort to trace the families of the fallen men. Miss Grey saw the photograph of the pendant she gave Private Milburn and claimed it.

**"War Names" for Babies.**

By United Press.

Rome, June 30.—(By mail.)—News from Varesina, a small provincial town, says that "war names" for new born children are all the rage.

In one case, a young Italian mother of triplets, two girls and a boy, named the trio, "Trente, Trieste and Itale." There are several "Cadornas" and a host of "Abruzzis."

**He Had Some Pride.**

By United Press.

London, June 29.—(By mail.)—A suffragette recruiting agent on the Strand severely berated a stalwart young man because he had not joined the army. After accusing him of cowardice, she asked: "Have you no pride in your country?" Recovering from the shock, the S. Y. M. finally answered: "Yes, madam, I have plenty of pride in my country. I'm going back next week. I'm an American. The suffragette apologized."

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