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VALUABLE WAR RELICS ARE SEEN BY OUR CITIZENS

MANAGER OPENS TRAIN HERE FOR A SHORT INSPECTION.

MANY VISITORS

Students of College Among Those Who See Concrete Evidence of Fighting.

The war relics train which is touring this section for the purpose of advertising the third Liberty Loan was in Columbus Thursday, and while open for inspection only a short time had many visitors. The train reached here late Wednesday night over the Southern Railway, and, according to schedule, was to have left over the Mobile and Ohio early the following morning for Reform, Ala., without giving local citizens an opportunity to inspect the interesting exhibit which it has on board. Through the efforts of Mayor D. S. McClanahan, and Hon. T. J. Locke, however, the manager was induced to open the train from 6 to 7 o'clock Thursday morning, and notwithstanding the early hour there were a large number of visitors.

The train was switched to a spur track near the Mississippi Industrial Institute and College, and was visited by practically the entire student body of that institution, after which it moved up to the Mobile and Ohio depot, where it was open for a short time to the general public.

The exhibit carried by the train is exceedingly interesting, embracing, besides cannons, disabled air planes, feathered helmets and other relics of the French battle field.

The manager in charge stated to Mr. Locke that the reason Columbus was not embraced in the original schedule of stops was because the train was sent out primarily to awaken interest in towns which had failed to meet their allotments in former Liberty Loan campaigns. Columbus has never failed to subscribe her full quota to these loans, and it was, therefore, not considered necessary for the train to open its doors here. When the manager ascertained, however, that Columbians desired an opportunity to view the relics he readily agreed to gratify this wish.

—Buy Liberty Bonds—

Mrs. T. M. White, of Holly Springs, has been called to Columbus on account of the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. R. E. Funk.

—Buy Liberty Bonds—

LAWYER FACES A SERIOUS CHARGE

W. A. DENSON, BIRMINGHAM LAWYER, ACCUSED OF UTTERING DISLOYAL WORDS.

Birmingham, April 12.—William A. Denson, a prominent Birmingham attorney was arrested on the streets of the city Friday afternoon by federal authorities on charges of violating section 3 of the espionage act. Mr. Denson is charged with saying, "Wilson is the cause and the whole cause of the United States being mixed up in the European war. Wilson should be hanged and I would like to see him hanged."

Mr. Denson acted as counsel for Arnold Jacob Uhl, recently convicted on a charge of defacing his questionnaire and sentenced to a term in prison. During his trial Uhl testified that it was on the advice of Denson that he refused to fill out the questionnaire and made an indorsement across its face, claiming exemption from foreign military duty.

When arrested and shown the warrant for his arrest, containing the statement he is charged with making, Mr. Denson asserted that the charge was untrue.

Denson's bond was fixed at \$5,000 late Friday afternoon, which he made and was released.

Denson's arrest caused a sensation here, as he is reputed to be one of the most prominent attorneys in Birmingham.

OVER HALF OF COUNTY QUOTA IS SECURED

LIBERTY LOAN SUBSCRIPTIONS MAKE SATISFACTORY PROGRESS.

TOTAL IS \$127,500

This Amount Has Already Been Secured; Ladies Render Valuable Aid.

The local campaign in behalf of the third Liberty Loan is being vigorously waged, and there is no doubt of the fact that Lowndes county will "go over the top." The county's quota is \$218,000, and more than half this sum has already been raised. Had Columbus followed the same plan adopted in some cities its quota could have been secured in one day by having local banks take the full allotment and then resell the bonds to customers. This plan was not resorted to, however, and none of the banks have as yet been solicited, all subscriptions having been secured from individuals and firms or corporations engaged in mercantile and industrial activities.

According to an announcement made by Mr. E. C. Chapman, who is directing the campaign, subscriptions up to last night amounted to \$127,500, which is more than one-half of the county's total allotment. Subscriptions are being eagerly awaited, and citizens who have not been solicited and who desire to subscribe are urged to notify Mr. Chapman, Mr. F. P. Phillips, manager of sales, or any member of the local Liberty Loan committee.

The Woman's Auxiliary of the local Liberty Loan committee, under the direction of Mrs. H. F. Simrall, the efficient chairman, is doing excellent, the sum of \$21,600 having been secured through the efforts of Mrs. Simrall and her co-workers.

—Buy Liberty Bonds—

Mr. J. W. Slaughter is spending several days at Maheba, having been called there by the serious illness of an uncle.

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BOARD RECEIVES A CALL FOR 25 MEN

FOUR WHITE MEN AND 21 NEGROES WILL MAKE UP THE CONTINGENT.

The local exemption board has received a call for 25 additional recruits, who will be sent to Camp Pike sometime in the near future, the date of their departure having not yet been definitely fixed. The contingent will be made of four white men and 21 negroes, who will be selected from the following list of eligibles:

Whites: Ross Griffin, Irby Taylor, Cecil Holmes Allen, Reuben G. Egger, Robert Luther Taggart, John Emitt Conn, Thomas Atwell Egger, Sam D. Halbert.

Negroes: Walter Cooper, Joseph Brooks, Bishop Carson, Eugene Hawkins, Sam Odeneal, Albert Branch, Joe Johnson, Will Dowling, Will Chaney, Frank Jones, Robert Sanders, Frank Fennette, Sam Hinton, Will Egnew, Edgar Harris, Percy Russell, Willie Aaron, James Hanson, Johnnie Lee, Turner Lanier, Ollie Crump, Rufus Miller, Robert Bradcock, Percy Richards, Walter Lee, James Gardner, Eddie Summerville.

The following general order which was recently received by the local board, is published for the benefit of the farmers in Lowndes county: General Order No. 31 War Department, Washington, D. C., April 2nd, 1918 authorizing Commanding officers to grant furloughs to certain classes of enlisted men, in accordance with the Act of March 16th, 1918.

For your information and guidance in connection with above, the following letter from the Provost Marshal General is quoted:

"Legislation has been enacted which will enable certain men now in the service to be furloughed for the purpose of resuming occupational pursuits."

If you are directly interested in this order, call in person on the local board at its office, third floor Columbus National Bank building,

MEMPHIS BIRD MEN STOP OVER IN COLUMBUS

LIEUTENANT THOMPSON AND SERGEANT CHAPMAN VISIT CITY.

GIVE AN EXHIBITION

Perform Many Fancy Stunts For Amusement of Citizens And College Students.

Columbians got their first glimpse of a military airplane Friday afternoon, when Lieutenant H. W. Thompson and Cadet E. E. Chapman arrived here from Greensboro, Ala., en route to Memphis and remained over in the city throughout the night, having been induced to make the local stop by friends of Cadet Chapman in this city.

The aviators left Greensboro at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon, and 36 minutes later landed at Tuscaloosa, where they made a short stop. They left the Druid City a few minutes afterward and, notwithstanding the fact that a brisk wind was blowing made the flight to Columbus in 55 minutes.

The airmen approached Columbus from the southeast and after having circled around over the Industrial Institute and College and the business district proceeded to the links of the Columbus Golf Club, which are located across the Tombigbee river, a short distance west of the city, where they landed. An immense crowd of people had assembled to witness the sight, and notwithstanding the sandy nature of the soil in this vicinity a safe landing was negotiated. The birdmen later in the afternoon returned to the city and gave an exhibition, having looped the loop and performed other fancy stunts, having again visited both the business district and the college.

After spending the night here, the aviators left early Saturday morning for Payne Field at West Point, going next to Tupelo and thence to Memphis, where they expected to land Saturday night.

Before entering the aviation service Cadet Chapman was an automobile salesman and Columbus was included in his territory. He made frequent visits to this city and is well known both in business and social circles. He was cordially greeted by his friends and both he and his companion were the recipients of numerous courtesies during their stay here.

—Buy Liberty Bonds—

WILL DELIVER A PATRIOTIC ADDRESS

Dr. B. M. Walker, vice-president of the A. and M. College, will deliver a patriotic address at the court house in this city Monday morning at 11 o'clock, and will no doubt be heard by a large crowd.

Dr. Walker is well known in Columbus and he will be given a cordial welcome to the city.

—Buy Liberty Bonds—

Mary Pickford at Princess Monday in "Stella Maris."

The attraction at the Princess for Monday, April 15th, is the sweetheart of millions, Mary Pickford, in William J. Locke's novel story of sunshine and happiness, "Stella Maris," a wonderful production, one of the sweetest most wholesome plays Mary Pickford has ever appeared in.

It is an Artcraft production, and has been lavishly staged. Matinee at 3:15 and 4:25. Night at 7:45 and 9:00. Admission 10 and 20 cents.

—Buy Liberty Bonds—

Buy Coal Now.

Messrs. J. T. Wood and W. N. Puckett, two of the city's leading coal dealers, have an advertisement in this issue urging the people of Columbus to buy coal now, while the supply is abundant. They are backed up in this matter by the Federal Fuel Commission, which has advised consumers to lay in ample supplies during the summer months, thus preventing a possible shortage next winter.

Columbus, Miss., for method of procedure. By order of the Board. J. R. RANDLE, Secretary.



Your Bond May Bring Him Home in Safety

The supreme tragedies of war are not enacted on the battlefield, but in the home.

Above the shouts of command and encouragement, the roar and shock of the great guns, and all the swelling tumult of battle which bear the husband and father to a hero's grave and a martyr's glory, there rise the weeping of the bereaved wife and the cries of little children deprived of a father's love and care.

American fathers are now on the battlefronts of France. Many must fall; how many depends upon us who remain safely at home.

A single Liberty Bond will help to save a soldier's life, your soldiers life, and bring him home in safety to those who hold his life far more precious than their own.

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BLACKFRIARS GIVE CONCERT BY CAMP FINE PERFORMANCE SHELBY SOLDIERS

EFFECTIVELY PRESENT "HER HUSBAND'S WIFE" IN THE COLLEGE CHAPEL.

The Blackfriars Players, a dramatic organization made up of students of the University of Alabama, presented Augustus Thomas' delightful comedy, "Her Husband's Wife," at the Industrial Institute and College Saturday night, and the performance was witnessed by a large and thoroughly well pleased audience.

The performance was directed by Prof. E. Hudson Strode, of the English department at the University, and the cast included Miss Betty Rogers, Miss Irene Waldhurst, Miss Hattie Blacklock, Messrs. Rucker Arge, Fred Perry, Rowan Oden, Charles Johnson and Fowler Duggar.

—Buy Liberty Bonds—

Small Fire Friday.

A cottage located on North Second avenue between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets, and owned by Capt. E. P. Wilkinson, was damaged by fire to the extent of about \$25 Friday afternoon shortly after 3 o'clock. The loss was covered by insurance.

—Buy Liberty Bonds—

Be Kind to Animals Week. Monday, April 15 to Saturday, April 20. Humane Sunday, April 21. Help on this national celebration by being kind to animals and aiding humane societies to protect them.

FLETCHER WILL SPEAK BEFORE COLLEGE CLASS

DISTINGUISHED JURIST TO DELIVER ADDRESS AT I. I. AND C.

TO SPEAK MAY 18

Graduating Exercises Will Take Place One Week Before College Closes.

Hon. H. L. Whitfield, president of the Mississippi Industrial Institute and College, announces that Judge R. B. Foster, assistant general counsel of the Illinois Central Railroad, with headquarters in Chicago, has accepted an invitation to deliver the commencement address at the institution. It has been decided to change the order of the commencement exercises this year, and the address to the graduating class will be delivered on Saturday, May 18, while examinations will continue until the end of the following week, when the session will formally close. In past years many students have departed for their homes as soon as examinations were concluded, and the new rule was adopted in order to keep them at the college until the season reaches its final close.

Judge Fletcher is a native of this state and is among the many Mississippians who have gained distinction in broader fields. He was at one time on the supreme bench of the state, but later joined the local force of the Illinois Central and has for a number of years past made his home in Chicago.

Rev. Burchard Burnbridge, chaplain of the 139th Field Artillery at Hattiesburg, Miss., has accepted an invitation to deliver the next annual sermon before the graduating class on Sunday, May 19. He is a forceful speaker, and President Whitfield is fortunate in having secured him for this occasion.

The graduating class this year is one of the largest in the history of the institution, about 130 young ladies being scheduled to receive diplomas.

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PAT HARRISON MAKES STATEMENT

SAYS HIS VIEWS REGARDING CONDITIONS AT CAMP PIKE WERE MISREPRESENTED.

Alexandria, La., April 12.—Congressman Pat Harrison, before leaving for Washington, after visiting the Mississippi boys at Camp Beauregard, in speaking of the mingling of negro and white soldiers at Camp Pike, said:

"I have just read what appears to be a misleading news story touching my recent visit to Camp Pike and the charges against Capt. Rowan here. I refrained from giving any statement to the press, except to say that I had a very satisfactory conference with Gen. Sturgis. I felt that the conditions at Camp Pike were so much changed in the last few days that it would be best that former conditions there be not discussed."

"It seems that my views have been so misrepresented that you can say for me that I talked to many of the officers and many privates at Camp Pike, as well as Capt. Rowan and Gen. Sturgis, and the conclusion I reached were that under the commanding officer, Col. Shaw, whites and negroes in the depot brigade were placed in the same organizations; that in the brigade no policy of segregation, such as prevailed in other organizations in the camp, was followed. This practice of mingling the whites and negroes in the same organizations was only recently invoked, and as soon as it came to the attention of Gen. Sturgis, a very radical change was ordered."

Capt. Rowan is a splendid soldier and has the entire sympathy of those under him, as well as his comrades in camp. There can be no doubt but that his actions were inspired by a high sense of honor and with no thought of insubordination."

participate are urged to be on hand at that hour.

BRITISH MAKE GAINS ALONG BATTLE FRONT

GERMAN ATTACKS ARE REPELLED AT SEVERAL IMPORTANT POINTS.

HAIG IS BUOYANT

Sends His Men Encouraging Message, Which is Received With Cheers.

London, April 13.—The British counter offensive in the Fustbert sector of the great battle line along the Franco-Belgian frontier is gaining strength and another advance of the British lines was noted by the war office report today.

Heavy fighting has continued at Nieuve Eglise and in the neighborhood of Wolverghen, where the Germans have been directing strong pressure in an effort to shake the hold of the British upon the Messines ridge.

A number of strong attacks were delivered by the Germans in the Locon district, but broke down under the firm resistance of the British.

East of Locon the Germans were able to penetrate some British positions, but were quickly thrown out by counter attacks.

Strengthened by Field Marshal Haig's stern order that "there must be no retirement" and by the knowledge that French troops are coming to their aid the British soldiers engaged the Germans along the Franco-Belgian frontier are holding up bravely against overwhelming odds in one of the bloodiest battles the world has ever seen.

—Buy Liberty Bonds—

CONCERT BY GLEE CLUB.

A concert will be given at the new high school Tuesday evening at 8:15 by the Glee Club of the I. I. and C. The Glee Club will give a concert at the University of Alabama about Friday of this week; they will give at the High School the same program which they plan to give at the University. The appearance of the club at the High School will give the people of Columbus an opportunity to enjoy the varied and interesting numbers. The girls forming the club this year are unusually strong musicians and are sure to render their parts faultlessly. The amount of receipts will be divided equally between the College and will be used by the girls to increase the Students' Building Fund and by the High School to improve the library. A popular admission fee of 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for students of the city schools and the college will be charged.

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WOODMEN INVEST IN LOAN BONDS

MR. S. L. CAINE SECURES PART OF BIG APPROPRIATION FOR MISSISSIPPI.

The Sovereign Camp, Woodmen of the World, is to invest one million dollars in bonds of the third Liberty Loan, and, through the influence of Mr. S. L. Caine of this city who is a member of the executive board, \$25,000 of this sum will be expended in Mississippi and will go towards making up the state's allotment.

This is a purely patriotic act upon the part of the executive officials of this great fraternal organization, as they fully realize the fact that the money could have been more profitably invested elsewhere; but they deemed it their duty to aid the federal government and have decided to become liberal subscribers to the bond issue.

Fifteen thousand members of the organization have already enlisted in various branches of the military or naval service and their memberships are remaining full force just the same as though they were at home engaged in less hazardous vocations.

There are nearly 50,000 Woodmen in Mississippi, and all of them fully endorse the action of the executive officials in making such a large investment in the third Liberty Loan bonds.