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ALL PUBLIC PLACES ARE TO BE CLOSED UP

MUNICIPAL BOARD OF HEALTH TAKES DRASTIC ACTION IN MATTER

INFLUENZA CAUSE

Action Necessary in Order to Prevent Local Spread of the Epidemic.

In order to prevent the local spread of the epidemic of influenza which is sweeping the country, the municipal health board has issued a sweeping order closing all motion picture shows, schools, churches, pool rooms and other public places where people are accustomed to assemble in large numbers.

The order, which becomes effective this morning, was issued yesterday after local officials had had a conference with Mr. M. G. Parson, representative of the United States Public Health Service, who spent the day in Columbus.

Similar action is being taken in practically every city and town throughout the country, the object being the influenza epidemic in its incipency, so that the United States will not be hampered in her efforts to conquer Germany.

The order does not apply to Liberty Loan meetings or other war activities, and all meetings of this character will take place according to schedule.

Dr. T. H. Henry, county health officer, after a consultation with officials of the State Board of Health over the long distance telephone, stated yesterday afternoon that work at the Industrial Institute and College would be suspended and that students would not be permitted to leave the campus. It is not known how long the college or other places affected by the order will remain closed, the time depending largely upon the success which is attained in checking the epidemic.

Mayor D. S. McClanahan presided over the meeting which was held yesterday, and the following official order providing for the closing of public places was passed:

Columbus, Miss., Oct. 2, 1918. At the suggestion of the United States Public Health Service co-operating with the State Board of Health.

Resolved, by the Board of Health of Columbus, Miss., that:

All schools, churches, theatres, pool rooms, motion picture shows and all public gatherings be closed and suspended until further notice.

This action is due to the severity of the influenza epidemic which has assumed such proportions and is of such severity as to constitute a national menace. (Signed) J. D. McCULLOUGH, Chairman City Board of Health.

DEATH COMES TO REV. W. H. PERKINS

BODY OF GREATLY BELOVED MINISTER BURIED HERE YESTERDAY.

The body of Rev. W. H. Perkins, who died recently at the home of his son, Mr. Paul Perkins, in the Crawford neighborhood, was brought here for burial, funeral services having been held at the First Presbyterian church yesterday afternoon, with Rev. W. F. Frierson and Rev. T. E. Gregory as the officiating clergymen, and interment in Friendship cemetery having followed.

Mr. Perkins, who was more than 70 years old, was for a number of years engaged in active work as a Presbyterian minister and had served churches at various points in Mississippi, Tennessee and Louisiana. He retired from active service some time ago and had since been living with his son at his home near Crawford. He was a man of unusually fine character and his death is regretted by hundreds of friends throughout this and adjoining states who revered and admired him.

RELICS TRAIN AND SOUSA'S BAND COMING

BOTH WILL VISIT COLUMBUS TO BOOST LIBERTY LOAN DRIVE

FINE PROGRAMS

Elaborate Plans Formulated to Celebrate These Two Important Events.

Outstanding features of the Fourth Liberty Loan campaign in Lowndes county, which was inaugurated yesterday, will be visits to Columbus by one of the several war relics trains which are being sent out by the federal government to boost the loan and by one of the bands trained by John Philip Sousa at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station near Chicago. The war relics train will be here on Thursday, October 3, and the band on the following Saturday, and elaborate programs have been arranged for both occasions.

The war relics train will arrive at 1:15 a. m. this morning and will remain here two hours. It will carry relics from the French battle fields and there will be on board soldiers and sailors who have been in the war zone to tell where these relics were secured and to describe modern warfare as it is now being practiced on the various battle fronts. There will likewise be in the party two speakers who will urge upon the people the necessity for purchasing Liberty Loan Bonds.

The band from the Great Lakes Naval Training Station will arrive at 4 o'clock next Saturday afternoon and will remain here until 2 o'clock the following morning. The band will give a concert at the intersection of Main and Market streets which will last from 10:30 a. m. until noon, and at this concert talks will be made by the manager in charge of the train and Prof. B. M. Walker, vice-president of the Mississippi A. and M. College. The members of the visiting delegation will take dinner at the Mississippi Industrial Institute and College and in the afternoon the band will give a special concert before the party will be guests of honor at a dance which is to be given at the Gilmer Hotel.

Col. Heard, the commandant at Payre Field, near West Point, has been asked to send a squadron of aviators to Columbus to bomb the town with Liberty Loan literature while the band is here, and it is probable that he will comply with the request.

The program for the visit of the band was arranged by Mr. R. H. Johnston, director of the four-minute speakers in Columbus.

Buy your Bonds now.

LOAN CAMPAIGN BEHIND SCHEDULE

ONLY \$191,600 AS YET SUBSCRIBED, WHILE COUNTY'S QUOTA IS \$474,000.

Lowndes county is a little behind her schedule in the fourth Liberty Loan drive, total subscriptions up to Wednesday night, as reported by F. P. Phillips, director of sales, having been \$191,600, while the county's quota is \$474,000. Of the total sum \$171,850 was in voluntary subscriptions, while the remainder was subscribed after the volunteer period had ended.

AWAITS ORDERS.

Mr. John M. McLachlan, who for many years past has been a valued employee of the local postoffice, has volunteered for Y. M. C. A. work among the American expeditionary forces abroad, and, after having passed the requisite examination, has been accepted. He has been notified to await orders and stands ready to enter the service on a moment's notice.

Mr. McLachlan is a gentleman of unusually fine character and is in every way qualified for efficient service in this trying and exacting work.



PRIZES ARE WON BY MISSISSIPPIANS

MAGNOLIA STATE DEMONSTRATION AGENTS WIN AT MEMPHIS FAIR.

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Oct. 3.—Elated over their successes in carrying off the choice prizes at the Tri-State fair, the home demonstration agents have just returned to Mississippi and are preparing to help in making the county fairs and state fair better than ever before, according to an announcement here by Miss Susie V. Powell, state agent of home economics extension activities.

Winning over exhibits from all three states, Lee county, under the direction of Miss Lena Bolt, county home demonstration agent, captured the first sweepstakes prize, and Union county, under Mrs. H. B. Wiseman, took the second sweepstakes prize. Madison county, besides winning the fourth sweepstakes prize, won first prize for the most artistically arranged booth in the home demonstration exhibit for Mississippi, Tennessee, and Arkansas.

Miss Marye Miller is county agent of Madison and was in charge of the booth. The eighth sweepstakes prize was won by Grenada county, under Miss Emma Cowsert, county agent.

Two other counties from Mississippi had splendid exhibits. They were Montgomery county, under Miss Flora Hines, and Attala county, of which Mrs. W. E. Thompson is agent.

Miss Della B. Alley, district demonstration agent for the delta, had general supervision of the Mississippi exhibits and was aided by Miss Mary E. Johnson and Mrs. Adelaide John Miller of the state extension force. The judge was the state demonstration agent of South Carolina.

An especially interesting feature of the Mississippi exhibit was a war exhibit called "foodless food," put on at the request of the Federal Food Administration. This showed the part wheat, potatoes, sugar and other food is playing in winning the war. Another special exhibit was a collection of wheat substitutes which are grown in this state.

On two days of the fair, demonstrations in food and cookery were given by Mrs. Miller and Miss Maude Trood, food specialists. Miss Lul Tunnison, poultry specialist, gave a series of interesting demonstrations in conservation of poultry products. In these demonstrations every part of a chicken was used and the feathers made into a baby sofa pillow.

Messrs. C. L. Lincoln, B. A. Lincoln, C. L. Wood, J. G. Wood and J. W. Garner, have returned from the annual Confederate and Sons of Veterans reunions held the past week at Tuiss, Okla.

Warner rust proof corsets at Schwab's Ready-to-wear department.

ALLIES' ARMY POUNDS HUNS ON ALL SIDES

RECEIVE TERRIFIC BLOWS FROM FRENCH AND AMERICANS

ARE GIVEN NO REST

They Are Attacked at Many Points by Forces Under the Intrepid Foch.

Paris, Oct. 2.—Bloody fighting took place in the streets of St. Quentin during the night in which the Germans were thrown back to the eastern bank of the canal that passes through the city, the war office stated today.

Important gains were made by the French north west of Rheims. Between the Aisne and the Vesle the French lines were extended.

All of the massif of St. Thierry is now in French hands while further ground was captured north of La Neuville. There the French have now reached the outskirts of Bethany.

There were no changes on the Champagne front.

The latest advance of the British north of St. Quentin is threatening the retreat of the German line toward Lecateau, it was learned this afternoon.

The Germans may be trapped between Cambrai and the Scarpe and completely cooped up.

The German line of retreat from the Oise to St. Gouzan is in danger also.

With the American Army No. 5 west of Verdun, Oct. 2.—Much credit for the success of General Foch's great smashes on the western front is due to the armies of General Pershing and General Gouraud, which began three offensives several days before activities started in other sectors.

General Ludendorff apparently was led to believe that the Anglo-French drive was to be the sole allied offensive. But when the Germans began shifting their reserves from other sectors to the front, from Rheims to the Moselle the other mailed fists of the allies began to strike.

HAYS TO WASHINGTON.

Mr. Charles Hays, manager of the Columbus Railway, Light and Power Company, who recently volunteered for service in the government engineering department, has been instructed to proceed at once to Washington for a conference with officials of the department. Mr. Hays has had valuable experience as an electrical engineer and expects that after the conference officials will decide to send him to France.

GASTON IS GIVEN COSTLY PRESENTS

RETIRING SECRETARY OF COLLEGE PRESENTED WITH UMBRELLA AND CHARM.

The high esteem in which Mr. D. T. Gaston, who after nearly fifteen years of faithful service, retired from his position as secretary and treasurer of the Mississippi Industrial Institute and College on October 1, was held by his associates found expression in both handsome gifts and resolutions of regret at his retirement. At chapel exercises Monday morning, Mr. Gaston was presented with a handsome watch charm bearing the Odd Fellows emblem by members of the office force, while the faculty members gave him an unusually handsome gold-handled umbrella. Both presents were presented on behalf of their donors by Prof. Dabney Lipscomb, vice-president of the college, who also read resolutions adopted by the faculty complimenting Mr. Gaston upon his faithful and efficient services and expressing regret at his retirement.

Mr. Gaston was deeply touched by this public expression of the appreciation of his services and was so overcome by emotion that he found it impossible to make an elaborate speech of acceptance but assured both teachers and students that he appreciated their many kindnesses and would always fondly remember them.

Resolution of the Faculty and Officers of the I. I. & C., on the expiration of the term of Mr. D. T. Gaston as secretary and treasurer.

Whereas, today terminates the services of our efficient and esteemed secretary and treasurer, Mr. D. T. Gaston; and,

Whereas, by the courteous, thorough, and impartial administration of the varied, intricate, and expanding duties of his important office, he has so favorably impressed himself on all in any way connected with this college; therefore,

1. Resolved, That the faculty and officers of the I. I. and C. regret exceedingly the severance of relations so very satisfactory; for we recognize in Mr. Gaston a real gentleman of unimpeachable integrity and an official of exceptional ability. It may be added that the clearness and correctness of his books and his reports have time and again won for him the commendation of auditors, trustees, and legislative committees.

2. That we hereby express our grateful appreciation of his unflinching interest in the personal welfare of faculty and students and his constant efforts to expend most judiciously the funds, large or small, that passed through his hands.

3. That with these resolutions as a slight token of our gratitude and esteem, a souvenir of his services as secretary and treasurer, appropriately inscribed, be presented to Mr. Gaston by the faculty and officers of the college, to whom in

RECOGNITION IS GIVEN WORK OF WOMEN IN WAR

SECRETARY OF TREASURY McADOO FIXES DAY FOR MEETINGS

SATURDAY NAMED

Mrs. McLaurin and Mrs. Swearingin Will Address Local Gathering.

Believing that the splendid work which the women of America are doing to help win the war, Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo has designated next Saturday, October 5, as "Women in War Work Day," and has suggested that appropriate services be held in every city and town throughout the United States to memorialize the patriotic activities of these loyal daughters of Uncle Sam.

The celebrations are to be held throughout the country in connection with the Fourth Liberty Loan campaign which is now in progress, and, in response to a call from Mrs. H. F. Simrall, chairman of the ladies auxiliary of the local Liberty Loan committee, a meeting was held at the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday afternoon to arrange for the local celebration. Representatives of practically all the ladies organizations in the city were present, and it was arranged to have the celebration at the Mississippi Industrial Institute and College at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon. The principal addresses will be delivered by Mrs. R. L. McLaurin, of Vicksburg, and Mrs. G. C. Swearingin, of Jackson, both of whom are prominent in war work, and a feature of the program will be music by one of the bands trained by John Philip Sousa at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, which will be in Columbus Saturday to help boost the local sale of Liberty Loan Bonds.

The personnel the ladies auxiliary of the local committee Fourth Liberty Loan campaign is as follows: Chairman, Mrs. H. F. Simrall; vice-chairman, Mrs. F. P. Phillips; sales manager, Mrs. Wm. Baldwin; chairman publicity committee, Miss Mary G. Billups; chairman ward 1, Mrs. D. T. Gaston; ward 2, Mrs. Albert Loebward; Mrs. J. W. Slaughter; ward 4, Mrs. E. E. Griffin; ward 5, Mrs. W. S. Lindamood; ward 6, Mrs. W. W. Durden; committee at Industrial Institute and College, Miss Eckford, Miss Tuttle, Miss Crawford, Miss Culbertson, Miss Hargrove; rural community chairman, Caledonia, Mrs. Grady Betts; Steens, Mrs. R. A. Hickman; Crawford, Mrs. G. P. Waller; Artesia, Mrs. W. L. Cook.

EDWARD FLIPPO IS KILLED IN ACTION

ANOTHER LOWNDES COUNTY SOLDIER MEETS DEATH ON FRENCH BATTLE FIELD.

Following close upon the death of Corporal Hugh Keenum, of this city, who met death on a French battle field last week, comes the announcement that Edward Flippo, another Lowndes county boy, has been killed in action.

Young Flippo, who was the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Flippo, in some of the fiercest of the recent battles. He gave up his life in defense of America, and his parents have just cause to be proud of his noble sacrifice.

WILL SERVE LUNCH.

Lunch will be served at Leigh's store by members of the D. A. R., the coming Saturday for the benefit of the Fourth Liberty Loan. Brunswick stew, 25c; chicken salad, 35c; delicious pie, 10c; coffee, 10c.

the discharge of their duties he will ever be in his fidelity and efficiency an exemplar and inspiration.

4. That a copy of the resolutions be furnished to The Spectator and to the city papers with a request for publication.

PYTHIANS MAKE FINE TALKS AT CASTLE HALL

MESSRS. BEARD AND REAGAN MAKE Eloquent ADDRESSES

DELIGHT HEARERS

Mr. Reagan Made Talk At the Industrial Institute and College Yesterday Morning

Hon. L. A. Beard, a gifted orator, and Hon. S. C. Reagan, superintendent of the insurance department of the Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias for the state of Mississippi and who is also chancellor commander of the Jackson lodge, delivered addresses at Castle Hall on South Market street Tuesday night and were listened to by a highly appreciative audience.

The program was opened by the singing of "America," with organ accompaniment by Miss Louise Peacher, after which God's blessing upon the assemblage was invoked by Rev. E. Lucien Malone, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church. Mr. Reagan was then introduced by Mr. George O. Senter, chancellor commander of the local lodge, and delivered a short but timely address. He was followed by Mr. Beard, who was introduced by Maj. B. A. Lincoln and who delivered an exceedingly brilliant address. His subject was "Fraternity's Part in the World's War," and he spoke forcefully and convincingly, impressing upon his hearers the fact that not only fraternal men but citizens generally should do their full part towards winning the war.

During the evening the service flag of the lodge, with a star for each of the 16 members who have responded to the call to arms since the United States declared war against Germany was brought in and was given a rousing salute.

At the conclusion of the meeting, which brought pleasure and profit to all in attendance, the audience was dismissed with a benediction by Rev. Malone.

Local Pythians were so favorably impressed with Mr. Beard's patriotism and forensic ability that they persuaded him to remain over in Columbus and deliver an address at the Industrial Institute and College yesterday morning. He completely charmed the students of that splendid institution, who listened with close attention to his eloquent utterances.

Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Lawrence, who reside several miles east of Columbus, have named their daughter Frances.

MAJ. LINCOLN NOW HEADS DEPARTMENT

LOCAL CITIZENS IS HIGHLY HONORED BY SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS.

At the recent Confederate veterans reunion in Tulsa, Maj. B. A. Lincoln, of this city, who for several years past has been commander of the Mississippi Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans, was elected commander of the Department of Tennessee of that organization. He succeeds Hon. John W. Dale, of Georgia, and his jurisdiction includes Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana, Alabama, Georgia and Florida.

The honor conferred upon Maj. Lincoln was well deserved, as his work as commander of the Mississippi division has been most efficient. This state not only leads in membership but the local camps are all well organized and a great deal of interest is manifested in the activities of the order.

In order to assume his new duties, Maj. Lincoln will at once resign as commander of the Mississippi division, and his successor will be named by Hon. Carl Hinton, of Denver, Colo., commander-in-chief of the organization.