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PROGRAM FOR

## Independence Day Celebration

Wednesday, July 4th, 1917

MORNING

10:00: Grand Parade.  
10:45: Presentation of Flag to the City by Mr. F. J. Samson.  
11:00: Flag Raising.  
11:30: Address by Mr. J. R. Mitchell.

AFTERNOON.

3:30: Base Ball Game.  
5:00: James J. Holly will make two flights of 30 minutes each in a Curtis Biplane.  
6:30: Band Concert on Magdalen Square.  
8:30: Fire works.

## Success of the Gingham Frocks

Small and Large Checks and Fascinating Plaids Have Countless Charms.

THE SHIRTWAIST DRESS FOR SUMMER.

New York, June—If you are bound for the country on a summer vacation, by all means let your trunk contain at least one, if not more, of the charming gingham frocks that everybody is interested in this summer.

From very early in the season there was much talk of these gingham dresses. Society wore them at Palm Beach in the early spring and, immediately, their success was assured. There is every kind of gingham to be had this summer, beginning with the small checks in white and colors, of which blue and white, and pink and white are perhaps the most charming. Then there are the larger checks, and the fascinating plaids in which several colors are introduced. Some of the pretty combina-



Oyster-white Linen Dress Trimmed with Embroidery.

tions are yellow, white and blue; green, red and white; and white black and brown. There are also some brown and white, and blue and white plaids which are wonderfully attractive.

These frocks are smart for all sorts of occasions. They are not strictly for morning use but they seem to fit in nicely for almost any informal summer affair. They are made up in such charming ways, it is no wonder that women are so enthusiastic about them. On their first introduction the plaid and checked gingham were almost always combined with plain gingham, usually in one of the colors of the plaid or check. The plain gingham

**For Liver and Stomach Trouble.**  
A reliable remedy for constipation, biliousness and all their train of ills, is Po-Do-Lax. It is harmless, never failing, natural in effect and pleasant to take. No gripping pains, no bad taste, no bad after effects. Po-Do-Lax is a nature's remedy, it makes children active, clears the sluggish mind and changes to cheerfulness, the grown-ups that torpid liver has made irritable and lowspirited. A large bottle costs only 50c, at your druggist.—Adv.

## Cholera Morbus.

This is a very painful and dangerous disease. In almost every neighborhood someone has died from it before medicine could be obtained or a physician summoned. The right way is to have a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy in the house so as to be prepared for it. Mrs. Charles Enyeart, Huntington, Ind., writes: "During the summer of 1911 two of my children were taken sick with cholera morbus. I used Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy and it gave them immediate relief." Obtainable everywhere.—adv.

was used either for piping and collar and cuffs or for making a portion of the dress in those "half and half" dresses which are so popular. These combinations are still seen, but very often the plain gingham is now replaced by plain voile, and sometimes it is organza that is combined with gingham, but this is mainly for the dainty collar and cuffs which go with these dresses.

## The Shirtwaist Dress.

The shirtwaist dress is one of the summer novelties which has been received with much favor. These dresses are rather plain in effect. The waist is attached to the skirt, and the dress is buttoned down the center front from collar to hem. The larger white pearl buttons which are used really act in part as trimming. In striped tub silks with white pique collars for contrast, or with collars made of the same silk, these frocks are both practical and pretty. The skirts are pleated or gathered, and sometimes trimmed with deep tucks going around the lower part.

## Short Panels and Soft Draperies.

While the straight one-piece frock continues to be the main theme of the designers at present, there are very pleasing variations which now and again diverge from the beaten path. In the first sketch is a dress showing a short panel which breaks the straight lines in front. Patch pockets at the sides fulfill the same mission while the box-pleats at the front and back of the skirt preserve the straight lines as far as possible. The panel is repeated in the back just the same as in the front. There are several frocks in which this hip-length panel appears. The model illustrated is for youthful figures. The dress is developed in oyster-white linen with heavy all-over embroidery in white forming the collar, shaped cuffs, and large square pockets.

We are at liberty to do just as we please about waistlines this season. The long peplum blouses and the smart one-piece frocks which are still in vogue permit of a girle being placed in almost any position. The peplum blouses are even more popular now than when they were first introduced. They are made up in all sorts of materials; none is too sheer or too heavy for this style.

## Has Had Beneficial Results.

A man is not treating himself fairly when he neglects backache, rheumatic pains, dizziness, stiff joints, sore muscles, or other symptoms of kidney or bladder trouble. Isaac B. Turman, 1277 Washington Ave, Ashbury Park, N. J., writes: "I used Foley Kidney Pills and had the most beneficial results from same. Sold everywhere.—adv."

## Red Cross to Operate in Russia.

The Red Cross will send an American commission to work along and behind the battle front, in the same way a similar commission is to operate in France and Belgium. In that way ambulances and other relief for the Russian army will be supplied.

Say you saw it in the Progress.



## RED CROSS DRIVE

And Independence Day Celebration

Wednesday, July 4th, 1917

Come to Abbeville on that day.

# Grand Celebration

At

# Abbeville, La.

# JULY 4, 1917

## A Day you will never forget

Grand Parade Ball Game Flag Raising Band Concerts Fire Works

# An Aviation Demonstration

## James J. Holly to make Two Flights in a Curtis Biplane

An Admission of 25 cents will be charged for this Attraction.

# Spend The Fourth in Abbeville

## Special Train Service on The Branch

# We will Welcome You.

## Funds Needed to Protect Cotton Growing Industry From Worm

If the vast cotton growing industry of the United States is to be saved from a grave menace, the pink boll worm now in Mexico near the Texas border must be kept from entering this country, the Secretary of Agriculture has declared in letters to Representative Lever, Chairman of the House Committee on Agriculture, and Senator Gore, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry. Secretary Houston asks for an emergency appropriation of \$500,000 with which to protect the United States against this most destructive of all cotton pests. In emphasizing the destructiveness of the insect he points out that it has reduced the Egyptian cotton crop in the infested districts nearly one-half in the last few years.

The pink boll worm, Secretary Houston tells the committee chairman, is distributed in Mexico much more generally than was at first supposed. It now extends through the entire Laguna district, covering an area of some 12,000 square miles. Seed for planting has been sent from this district to other points in Mexico nearer the United States, undoubtedly carrying infestation to those districts. The danger to the United States has been heightened recently by the establishment of a cotton seed oil mill at Piedras Negras on the Mexican-Texas border to which large quantities of seed infested by pink boll worms are being moved. Investigations by specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture show that mature insects capable of flight for considerable distances have been emerging from the seed stored at this border town within a few miles of Texas cotton fields.

The importation of seed cotton and cotton seed from Mexico into the United States was prohibited as soon as the presence of the pink boll worm in Mexico was discovered late last summer. In addition the importation of cotton seed products will be safeguarded by regulations to be issued soon. It is contemplated that the emergency appropriation, if it is made available, will be used to fight against the entrance of the pest by the creation of a cotton-free zone 50 to 100 miles wide in Texas next to the Mexican border, by the making of surveys in Mexico, if practicable, to determine the actual distribution of the insect, and by the extermination of local infestations in Mexico near the American border.

The proposed cotton-free zone would be established in co-operation with the State of Texas, the officials of the state already having indicated their desire to co-operate. The growing of cotton in such a zone would be effectively prohibited by the promulgation of the Federal and State quarantines prohibiting the movement from the State or within the State of any cotton grown in the zone. Some 4,000 bales of cotton are grown in the area to be included in the proposed cotton-free zone and most of the tillable land is adaptable to the cultivation of sugar cane, rice, vegetables and other valuable crops.

The surveys in Mexico to determine the distribution of the pink boll worm would be made co-operatively with Mexican authorities and ultimately would be the basis for determining the possibility of undertaking, in co-operation with the Mexican government, the extermination of the pest in that country.

If it should be determined, Secretary Houston points out, that it is feasible to exterminate the pink boll worm in Mexico, and if satisfactory co-operation with the government of Mexico should be arranged, the most effective and economical method of preventing the entrance of the pest into the United States would be to undertake its extermination in Mexico. This probably would involve large expenditures but

the nature of the emergency might fully justify them. The extermination of local infestations in Mexico near the United States border could be undertaken with the co-operation of the Mexican government or local Mexican authorities. By this means the pest should be kept so much the farther from the cotton fields of the United States. Fifty thousand dollars was made immediately available in the regular agricultural appropriation bill for 1918, approved March 4, 1917, to prevent the establishment of the pink boll worm in the United States. This fund is now being used, the Secretary states, in inspecting and safeguarding the territory surrounding ten cotton-seed oil mills in Texas which had received considerable quantities of seed from Mexico before the importation of seed was prohibited, and in the inspection of border commerce and the enforcement of the Cotton Seed Quarantine.

In summing up the need for the emergency appropriation of \$500,000, Secretary Houston says in his letters to the committee chairman: "The pink boll worm situation in Mexico proves a grave menace to the cotton crop of the United States, and the nation should not fail to adopt any measure of control which appears to offer protection from this pest. The appropriation now requested is a matter of the greatest urgency and to be of service should be made available at the earliest possible date."

**Good For The Little Ones.**  
Every year sees a big increase in the demand for Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for coughs, colds and croup. J. A. Parker, Lundgren, Ia., writes: "I gave my children, aged two and four years, Foley's Honey and Tar for severe colds, which gave almost immediate relief. I also took same with good results. Sold everywhere.—adv."

**1500 POUND VALVE CAPS BIG GAS WELL**  
The big gas well of the Ouachita Natural Gas and Oil Company, near Monroe, which was on fire for a week and which was extinguished in such an unusual manner Friday morning by Wm. Guerin of New York, was successfully capped Saturday afternoon by the employees of the company. A valve weighing 1500 pounds and built to withstand a pressure of 2000 pounds to the square inch was placed on the casing with much difficulty.

**HOME GUARD BILL TO BE INTRODUCED**  
The State Militia bill that will be introduced at the special session of the Legislature by Senator Mark M. Boatner will provide for the organization of a home guard system only. The bill Mr. Boatner proposes to introduce will authorize the governor to organize a militia force to serve within the confines of the state only. The legislatures of several states have adopted such legislation since the declaration of war with Germany.

**AMERICAN EXPORTS SET NEW HIGH MARK.**  
American exports in May of \$281,000,000 reached the highest total of any month in the history of American commerce. Exports of \$351,000,000 showed a gain of \$21,000,000 over April. Both imports and exports for the twelve months ending with May set new yearly records, imports being valued at \$2,600,000,000 and exports at \$3,183,000,000.

Seventy-one per cent of the merchandise entering in May came free of duty. For the twelve-month period the percentage was 69.3. Gold exports in May, valued at \$58,000,000, were \$6,000,000 greater than imports. Net gold imported for the twelve months were valued at \$776,000,000.

**Sloan's Liniment for Rheumatism.**  
The pain goes so quickly after you apply Sloan's Liniment for rheumatic pains, neuralgia, toothache, lumbago, sprains, and its so easy to use. It quickly penetrates and soothes without rubbing and is far cleaner and more effective than musky plasters or ointments.

Keep a bottle in the house and get prompt relief, not only from all nerve-pains but from bruises, strains, sprains, over-exercised and all external aches. At your druggist, 25c, 50c, \$1.00.—Adv.

**Recess of Congress Considered.**  
Plans for a recess of sessions of Congress after disposal of the food and war tax legislation are being considered by the leaders. It is proposed to recess for thirty or sixty days, keeping Congress within easy and prompt call and to have committee at work meanwhile on measures to be taken up after reconvening.

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