

WOMEN'S COMMITTEE TO VISIT COLUMBIA

Special Train With Defense Council Workers Here in the Morning.

TO HOLD MEETINGS

Experts to Give War Advice—Mrs. C. W. Greene Joins Party Today.

Mrs. C. W. Greene went to Mexico today to meet the special train in which the Women's Committee of the Missouri Division of the Council of National Defense is touring the state this week. She was scheduled to speak in Mexico on "Child Welfare in War Times" today.

The Women's Committee will come to Columbia early tomorrow morning and will hold two patriotic mass meetings here. One for Columbia women will be held at 2 o'clock and one for University and college girls at 4 o'clock. Suggestions for women's part in the war will be made.

Mrs. B. F. Busch, chairman of the Women's Committee, and Mrs. George Gellhorn, a member of the executive board, will probably be speakers in Columbia. Mrs. C. W. Greene is one of the vice-chairmen in Missouri. Miss Louise Nardin is also a member of the executive board.

War Work Experts in Party.

Experts in the various phases of war work will be in the party to confer with the Columbia women who are interested in organizing the country women, particularly, in war work.

At the conference to be held tomorrow morning at the Union Building and especially at the mass meeting at 2 o'clock in the afternoon at the Presbyterian Church—both the town women and those of the rural districts are asked to come. It is planned to combine the work over the county. This will be accomplished by appointing a chairman for each township.

Luncheon to Be Served

The girls of the home economics department of the University will give a luncheon for members of the committee at the Gordon Hotel Building at noon. At 4 o'clock a mass meeting will be held in the University Auditorium for students of Stephens and Christian Colleges, the women of the University and girl students in the high schools.

"No collection will be taken at any of the meetings," said Mrs. Turner McBaine, chairman of the Boone County Defense Organization, today, "and the public is most cordially invited to attend."

The committee is expected to remain in Columbia tomorrow night and leave early Thursday morning.

CAPT. LLOYD JONES VISITS HERE

Son of Dean J. C. Jones Has Been Training Camp Instructor.

Captain Lloyd Jones, son of J. C. Jones, dean of the College of Arts and Science, is in Columbia on a short leave of absence from an officers' training camp in California, where he was an instructor in artillery. In his division was Philip Bradley of St. Louis, a graduate of the University.

Captain Jones was commissioned second lieutenant, Second Artillery, in the Regular Army in 1912 by former President Taft, and was immediately sent to the Philippine Islands, where he remained two years previous to his being stationed in the West. Later he was commissioned first lieutenant and then captain, both commissions being signed by President Wilson. After his last appointment he was transferred to an officers' training camp in California.

Captain Jones, previous to his enlistment January, 1912, was a student in the College of Arts and Science. He was a junior when he received his commission. As yet he does not know where he will be stationed.

J. W. LYON DIES IN ST. LOUIS

Former Columbian Was Member of Police Force There.

John W. Lyon, a former resident of Columbia, died yesterday in St. Louis. He was 70 years old and had been a member of the St. Louis police force for 40 years.

He is survived by his wife, who is a sister of J. C. Gillespie and T. J. Gillespie of Boone County; a sister, who lives in California; and three brothers, A. R. Lyon of Columbia, and Henry and Charles Lyon of Centralia.

Senate to Begin War Inquiry.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—A general inquiry into the operation of the War Department in arming and equipping American forces was decided upon today by the Senate Military Affairs Committee.

Oil Stove Causes Fire

The fire department was called to the home of Mrs. Anna Finlay at 11:30 o'clock last night to put out a fire which started from an oil stove. The fire caused little damage.

Will Open Basket Ball Season Friday.

The Columbia High School will open its basketball season Friday when they meet the Centralia High School team here.

THE CALENDAR

Dec. 11.—Eleven more shopping days before Christmas.
Dec. 11.—First elimination tryouts for varsity debating teams University Auditorium at 3 o'clock and Y. M. C. A. Auditorium at 7 o'clock.
Dec. 12.—Conference of representatives of the women's committee of the Missouri Division of the Council of National Defense at Union Building at 9 o'clock.
Dec. 12.—Mass meeting of county and town women and members of the women's committee of the Missouri Division of the Council of National Defense at 2 o'clock at Presbyterian Church.
Dec. 12.—College Women's Mass Meeting at 4 o'clock in the University Auditorium. Speakers: Mrs. B. F. Busch, chairman of the Women's Committee of Defense, and Mrs. Edmund Brown of the St. Louis Red Cross.
Dec. 17.—Meeting of Play Reading Club at Faculty Union at 7:30 p. m. Houston's "Hindie Wakes" will be read.
Dec. 21.—Friday, 4 p. m.—Christmas holidays begin.
Jan. 3.—Thursday, 8 a. m.—Christmas holidays end.
Jan. 14-18.—Farmer's Week.

SLEIGHBELLS ARE HEARD NOW

Winter Sport Revived in Columbia—Ponds Draw Youthful Skaters.

Most distinctive of all seasonal noises is that unmistakable "cr-r-r-r-r-r-r" heard when one's foot presses into the hard, compact snow. This same "cr-r-r-r-r-r-r" becomes real music when it is made by the steel runners of a sleigh.

Sleighbells has become a popular winter sport in Columbia, and the jingle of the bells has added a note of gaiety to an otherwise quiet pre-Christmas season.

The keeper of one livery stable said that his horses and sleighs were engaged for several days ahead. Another reported that he only wished he had more sleighs.

Though there is too much snow on the ice for good skating, many small boys and girls may be seen on the ponds near town. A number of youthful hunters are on the trail of the "cotton-tails." Since these are much used this year in place of higher-priced meats, the successful hunter is certain of a fair profit.

SMALLPOX PRECAUTIONS URGED

Hospital Authorities Advise Immediate Vaccination Before Holidays.

Students in the University who have not been vaccinated recently for smallpox or who have come in contact with the two cases of the disease now in the city, are urged by the Parker Memorial Hospital authorities to be vaccinated immediately. This is the smallpox season and there are many cases in the state, especially in the western part. Kansas City, where there are hundreds of cases, is having a difficult time in combating the disease. One of the cases in Columbia originated in the western part of the state.

Compulsory vaccination at the University reduces the danger of a spread here; but there are some persons, possibly, who should be inoculated again, and the medical authorities urge them to take the treatment. "It is necessary now," they say "because the Christmas holidays are near and the students will come in touch with the disease when they go to their homes out in the state."

RE-CONSIGNMENT ORDER ISSUED

Kansas and Missouri Fuel Dictators Take Joint Action.

By Associated Press
JEFFERSON CITY, Dec. 11.—Fuel Administrator Crossley of Missouri and Fuel Administrator Carey of Kansas have issued a joint order prohibiting all re-consignments of coal except when the coal, before reaching a terminal, shall be re-consigned while in transit. Only one such re-consignment of a given shipment will be allowed.

Coal not shipped under the re-consignment order will be diverted by the fuel administrators of Missouri and Kansas to places where it is needed. Financial arrangements will be made to prevent loss.

SEVERAL DISEASES IN SCHOOLS

Superintendent Urges Parents To Keep Sick Children at Home.

A variety of contagious diseases are prevalent in the Columbia Public Schools just now. In the Eugene Field School there is a case of chicken pox and a case of scarlet fever. Two cases of chicken pox are reported in the Grant School.

J. E. McPherson, superintendent of schools, said today that every precaution was being taken by the authorities to prevent the spreading of these diseases, but that much depended upon the parents. He asks that parents be very careful about sending children to school who are not feeling well.

Business Men's Luncheon Tomorrow.

The weekly Commercial Club luncheon will be served at noon tomorrow by the Boone County Poultry Association in the Elvira Building. W. L. Nelson will talk on the Red Cross membership campaign and if, by that time, the Marx-Haas Clothing Company has sent its reply, that proposition will be taken up.

Mothers' Club Will Meet Thursday.

The Mothers' Club of the Lee School will hold its regular meeting at the school building at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon. There will be short talks by Mrs. Louis Selbert and Miss Ella V. Dobbs.

TRAINING SPECIALISTS WILL CONVEENE HERE

Eleven States to Be Represented at Meetings on December 13-14-15.

35 TO BE DELEGATES

Organization Is Under the Auspices of U. S. Bureau of Education.

Eleven states will be represented at the meeting of specialists in the training of teachers of industrial training and manual arts which will be held in Columbia, December 13, 14 and 15. Several weeks ago twenty-two had agreed to attend but it is thought the number will reach thirty-five. They will be entertained at the Daniel Boone Tavern.

An invitation to attend the conference has been extended to all men holding positions as directors or heads of departments having charge of courses for the training of special teachers, directors and supervisors of manual arts and industrial education in all institutions situated in the States in the Mississippi Valley.

This organization, which is under the auspices of Washington Department of Interior Bureau of Education, is not a permanent one although it has met every year since 1909. It meets at the request of heads of departments of different institutions. The first conference was held at Bradley Polytechnic Institute, Peoria, Ill. At each of the last two meetings the desire has been expressed that the practical benefits of these meetings might be extended to other men in similar positions of responsibility as directors of courses for the preparation of special teachers of the manual arts.

The program follows:
Chairman, William T. Bowden, Specialist in industrial education, Bureau of Education.

Thursday.

10 a. m.—Faculty Room, Library Building, Opening address; President A. Ross Hill; Dr. J. H. Coursault, acting dean, School of Education; practice teaching; Preparation for teaching now offered in the institutions represented in the Conference, A. F. Siefert.

Friday.

2 p. m.—Business session, 2:30 p. m.—Present conditions in respect to practice teaching, F. C. Whitcomb; A proposed program for practice teaching, H. W. Schmidt.

7:30 p. m.—Assembly Room, Daniel Boone Tavern; The Smith-Hughes Act; Federal aid under the Smith-Hughes Act for the preparation of teachers of trade and industrial subjects; R. J. Leonard, district agent, Federal Board for Vocational Education; summary of first day's discussion, R. W. Selvidge.

9:30 a. m.—Assembly Room, Daniel Boone Tavern; federal aid, R. J. Leonard.

2 p. m.—Examination and Certification; Problems connected with the examination and certification of special teachers, U. W. Lamkin.

7:30 p. m.—Assembly Room, Daniel Boone Tavern; examinations and certificates, H. C. Givens; summary of second day's discussion, A. B. Mays.

Saturday.

9:30 a. m.—Assembly Room, Daniel Boone Tavern; Course of Study; Content of technical courses of study in the intermediate or junior high school, G. F. Buxton.

11:30 a. m.—Business session.
12 (noon)—Summary of the deliberations of the Conference, C. A. Bennett.

ENTERTAINS TO AID SAILORS

H. F. Major and Friends Make Candy for Navy Men at Frisco School.

H. F. Major entertained thirty-six persons last night at the home of Mrs. T. D. Scudder. The evening was spent in making candy for a box which is to be sent to several Missouri men in the Naval Training School at San Francisco.

Besides the fifteen pounds of candy made, 20 pounds of tobacco will be sent and also some knitted garments contributed by the Ward-Belmont School at Nashville, Tenn. The box will be addressed to H. A. King of the hospital service. Mr. King was a student in the University last year. Contributions were made by Penn's Pharmacy and by individuals who are acquainted with the men.

Mrs. A. E. Martin Dies at Fulton.

Funeral services for Mrs. Annie Elizabeth Martin, who died Sunday morning in the hospital at Fulton, will be held at noon tomorrow at the Fairview Church. The Rev. Jerry Brown will conduct the services. Mrs. Martin was the mother of Isom Martin, who lives seven miles southwest of Columbia.

Another Arrest in Keets Case.

By Associated Press
SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Dec. 11.—The receipt of two anonymous letters which led Prosecuting Attorney O'Day to go to Independence, Mo., early last week, has resulted in the arrest here of Mrs. Ida Farmer, 38 years old, in connection with the Baby Lloyd Keets kidnaping case.

NO DURABLE PEACE FOR RUSSIA NOW

British Ambassador Says Their Hope of Ending War Is Gone.

HOW THE ALLIES AID

Slavs Must Have Recognized Stable Government Before Lasting Peace.

By Associated Press

LONDON, (Monday).—The Petrograd correspondent of the Times attributes to responsible sources the statement that during the informal conversations between the Russian and German representatives regarding the armistice on the Eastern front, the Germans indicated that the following points were likely to be included in any of their peace negotiations:
Germany to have control of the Russian wheat market for 15 years. All German goods to be admitted into Russia duty free.

No territory now occupied by the Germans to be surrendered.
The correspondent says the Bolsheviks were disappointed by the reserved attitude of the German negotiators and their lack of sympathy with political idealism.

Situation in Moscow Grave

By Associated Press

LONDON, Dec. 11.—The situation in Moscow is reported grave, according to a Times dispatch from Petrograd. The Bolsheviks, according to the Petrograd newspapers, have placed machine guns in the streets as the result of fear of an uprising among hostile parties.

The garrison shows signs of insubordination and is reported to be disobeying the Bolshevik commander, a private soldier named Muranoff.

By Associated Press

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Further details of the statement made to Russian journalists by Sir George Buchanan, British ambassador at Petrograd, as forwarded in a Reuter dispatch, shows that the Russians were mistaken in thinking that a durable peace could be obtained in asking the Germans for an armistice, followed by an agreement.

"Heretofore not one word has been said by any German statesman to show that the ideals of the Russian democracy were shared by Emperor William and his government," he said. "It was with the German autocracy and not with the German people that the Russian army had ceased to exist as a fighting force and would be willing to submit to a democratic peace. On the contrary, the peace submitted by the German Empire is now a German imperialistic peace.

"Although the Allies could not send representatives to take part in the armistice negotiations, they were ready," said Sir George Buchanan.

As soon as a stable government recognized by the Russian people has been constituted, the aims of the war and the possible conditions of a just and durable peace may be expected forthcoming. The Allies have been giving Russia the most effective assistance possible by holding the bulk of the German army on the western front.

MRS. ELVIRA STONE DIES

Funeral Services Will Be Held at Home Tomorrow Morning.

Mrs. Elvira Stone died of a complication of diseases at 6:30 o'clock last night at her home, 1004 Conley avenue. She had been in poor health for a long time and her condition had been serious for two weeks.

Mrs. Stone, who was the daughter of Captain James Dozier, was born in St. Charles County December 24, 1838. She was married to J. W. Stone of Boone County in 1858 and had lived in Columbia since that time. Mrs. Stone is survived by a son, Dozier Stone, and a daughter, Mrs. Robert H. Hall, both of Columbia. Her husband died about two years ago.

Funeral services will be held at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning at the home. Burial will be in the Columbia cemetery.

COUNTY HAS A LEGAL BOARD

President Wilson Names Harris, Gentry and Murray.

President Wilson today appointed an advisory legal board for Boone County. The board consists of Frank G. Harris, N. T. Gentry and H. D. Murray, who received their notice through the United States Adjutant General. The President made the appointments at the suggestion of James C. Jones, the newly elected president of the Missouri Bar Association of St. Louis. The members were sworn in today and in a meeting elected Frank Harris chairman and H. D. Murray secretary.

Boone County Couple Will Wed.

A marriage license was issued last afternoon to Frank L. Gibbs, Jr., 25 years old, of Stephens, and Miss Fannie Loyd, 19 years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ennis Loyd, nine miles east of Columbia. The marriage will take place tomorrow.

THE WEATHER

FOR COLUMBIA AND VICINITY:

Unsettled weather tonight and Wednesday with light snow; slowly rising temperature, lowest tonight 8 or 10 above zero.

For Missouri: Unsettled weather tonight and Wednesday with light snow to night; slowly rising temperature. Shippers' Forecast: Within a radius of 200 miles of Columbia the lowest temperature tonight will be 8 or 10 above zero in all directions.

Weather Conditions

The weather has moderated somewhat west of the Mississippi River, but all of the United States and Canada are still in the grip of severe cold. Freezing conditions extend almost to the Gulf Coast, and heavy frost occurred last night into Central Florida.

Light snow is falling in the lower Missouri Valley and along the Canadian border, but as a rule the precipitation of the past 24 hours was inappreciable.

LOCAL DATA.

The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 7 and the lowest last night was -3; precipitation 0.00; relative humidity 2 p. m. yesterday 68 per cent. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 39 and the lowest 28 precipitation 0.04 inch.

THE ALMANAC.

Sun rises today, 7:18 a. m. Sun sets, 4:47 p. m.
Moon rises 4:32 a. m.

D. A. R. WILL SHOW PICTURES

Proceeds of Matinee Friday Will Go to War Relief.

The Columbia chapter of the D. A. R. met at 10 o'clock this morning at the Red Cross workrooms and decided to give a picture show at the Columbia Theater Friday afternoon. Eleven cents admission will be charged and the proceeds will go to the D. A. R. war relief fund.

"The pictures which will be shown were collected by the state historian of the Missouri D. A. R., and portray pioneer days in Missouri," said Mrs. J. G. Babb, regent, today. "They are said to be of unusual interest."

There are some pictures of the Civil War, of Doniphan's Expedition and of early Missouri River days. N. T. Gentry will make an explanatory talk as the pictures are shown.

Mrs. A. J. Meyer was made chairman of a committee of nine appointed to work with the local committee on national defense. The committee will meet with Mrs. Turner McBaine's defense committee tomorrow at the Commercial Club.

ATTORNEYS UP FOR CONTEMPT

V. W. Huff Appointed Commissioner To Take Testimony in Cases.

By Associated Press
JEFFERSON CITY, Dec. 11.—Virgil W. Huff of Marshall today was appointed special commissioner by the Supreme Court to take testimony in the contempt cases against Assistant Attorney General Howell and Special State Counselor, Ewing.

The two attorneys were ordered to jail by Circuit Judge Slate for refusing to proceed with the trial of John W. Scott, former commissioner of permanent seat of government charged with selling state coal. The attorneys refused to proceed with the trial after Judge Slate had refused their petition for a change of venue.

RAILWAYS DECREASE SERVICE

War-Time Curtailment Saves Coal, Men and Locomotives.

By Associated Press
CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Reports just compiled show that since the beginning of the war, the railroads in the fifteen states of the central military department have made reductions in passenger service aggregating 10,657,438.96 train-miles a year.

By thus decreasing their passenger service, the railroads in this territory have effected a yearly saving of 1,176,085 tons of coal, 369 locomotives, 1,941 men and 203,839 barrels of oil.

BOONE COUNTY SUPPORTS 110

Court Votes Money to Pay for Those in Institutions.

One hundred and ten persons are being supported by Boone County this year at various state institutions and in the County Infirmary. The County Court recently voted \$4,963 to support sixty-two insane persons at Fulton. The county is caring for five consumptives at Mt. Vernon, one insane man at Nevada, four boys at the reform school in Boonville and thirty-eight in the County Infirmary north of the city.

PROHIBITION UP NEXT MONDAY

House Will Consider the Senate Amendment.

By Associated Press
WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—By unanimous consent today the House agreed to consider on Monday the constitutional amendment for nation-wide prohibition, which already has been passed by the Senate. The Judiciary Committee today favorably reported the amendment.

Benton School Forced To Close.

The Benton School was forced to close yesterday when the water pipes froze. The front of the building had been torn away for some repairs, and the unexpected cold snap caused all the pipes to freeze. Only the third and fourth grades are reciting at present.

Report Suffrage Amendment.

By Associated Press
WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The constitutional amendment for nation-wide woman's suffrage was reported without recommendation today.

13 OF NEGRO RIOTERS HANGED—41 TO PRISON

Colored Soldiers at Fort Sam Houston Are Punished for Raiding.

ONLY 5 ACQUITTED

Condemned Men Sing as Executed—Only Officers and Sheriff Present.

By Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 11.—Thirteen of the negroes of the Twenty-fourth Infantry, United States Army, found guilty of complicity in the raid in Houston, August 23, were hanged on the military reservation at Fort Sam Houston at 7:17 o'clock this morning.

Announcement of the carrying out of the sentence was made at the headquarters of the Southern Division at 9 o'clock today. Only army officers and Sheriff Tobin of Bexar County were present. The execution was carried out by soldiers of the post. No newspaper men or civilians were allowed to be present, the time and place of the execution being kept secret.

41 Sentenced for Life.

Of the sixty-three men tried by the court-martial, forty-one were sentenced to life imprisonment. One was sentenced to dishonorable discharge from the Army and two and a half years' hard labor. Three others were given dishonorable discharges and sentenced to two years of hard labor. Five were acquitted.

"Goodby, boys of Company C," were the last words uttered by the condemned men of the Twenty-fourth Infantry as the trap was sprung and they dropped to their death on the scaffold erected last night.

Execution Quickly Finished.

A column of 125 cavalymen and 125 infantrymen assembled at the guard house at 5 o'clock this morning and took the negroes from confinement. Colonel Willard Waltz, post commander, was in command of the column and led the way to the scaffold.

Without a tremor the negroes stepped out with soldierly tread and, singing a hymn, walked to their places. Prayers were said by a negro minister and by two army chaplains and then the men were ordered to step on the trap.

Resuming their song, they stepped to the place of their execution and retained their courage with the greatest fortitude while the ropes were adjusted. At 7:17 o'clock the major in charge of the execution gave the order to spring the trap.

HIS NEW-FOUND FRIEND LOST

Sinking of Jacob Jones Recalls Incident Related by Dr. Jenkins.

Last Tuesday when Dr. Burris A. Jenkins of Kansas City delivered a lecture in the University Auditorium on his experiences in the war zone he told of a young man, whom he had met in England.

"It was in Liverpool," Doctor Jenkins said, "that I met Richard Stark, a fine type of young American manhood. He was my pal there for two days during his shore leave from a boat which conveyed my steamer 750 miles from the English coast."

Doctor Jenkins repeated what his new acquaintance had said to him when they parted. He told the doctor: "I never expect to see old America again. I think I'll sleep right out there in the water, but there isn't a slacker on the boat."

Thursday night his prediction came true, for on that night the Jacob Jones, the boat that conveyed the steamer on which Doctor Jenkins sailed after his six months' stay in the war zone, was sunk by a German submarine. Doctor Jenkins has not yet found Stark's name in the list of those who escaped.

DRUG ADDICTS ROB STORE

Peck Drug Company Entered Last Night But Only Prescriptions Taken.

The Peck Drug Company was entered some time before 1:30 o'clock this morning by drug addicts intent on getting narcotics. Not finding the drugs they stole a number of prescriptions. This morning Francis Branham was arrested by the police as he was trying to get one of these prescriptions filled at the Columbia Drug Company. The police say that another man is implicated in the robbery. Branham has served a term in the Reform School at Boonville.

Undergraduate Engineers Exempt.

President Hill has received word from Dean Milof Ketchum, dean of the Society for the Promotion of Engineering education that the ruling of the War Department in regard to the exemption of engineering students was satisfactory. Dean Ketchum is in Washington. He referred to the ruling exempting engineering students from the selective draft until after graduation.

Advance in Farm Interest Rates.

By Associated Press
WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The Federal Farm Loan Board has announced an increase in interest rates to farmers from 5 to 5 1/2 per cent.

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