

CITY TO ELIMINATE DANGEROUS CORNERS

Council Favors Change at Ninth and Conley, and Hitt and Rollins.

MOVE FOR BEAUTY Plan Also Urged Because of Frequent Automobile Accidents.

A movement to eliminate the dangerous street corners of Columbia and to beautify Columbia was approved by the City Council last night when J. R. Sommerville introduced plans for cutting the corners where Ninth street joins Conley and at the corner of Hitt and Rollins street. The council passed favorably on the movement and ordered an ordinance allowing these improvements drawn up.

At the Missouri Store corner on Ninth street the square curbs at the side will be rounded off so as to form a large circle sixty-six feet in diameter. In the center is to be placed a small eight-foot circle with a low curb and a traffic guide post and an electric light to regulate night traffic.

Store Must Be Moved.

The thirty-three foot radius line comes about two feet inside of the Missouri Store building as it now stands. The building is a part of the University property and will have to be moved within a year, Mr. Sommerville said. No difficulty will be experienced in enlarging the street on the other corners.

The other change approved by the council is to be made in front of Rothwell Gymnasium, where Hitt street meets Rollins. The plans call for a similar rounding off of the corners so as to form a sixty-six foot circle. The property affected here is University property except on the northwest.

The smaller inner circle with its traffic post is to be placed here also. There has been some discussion, Mr. Sommerville said, of using this spot as the location of a proposed memorial to the University students, who were killed in the war. If the memorial plans are worked out, the City Council is willing that it be used for that, Mr. Sommerville said.

Work of City Planning Committee.

These plans are the results of the work of the City Planning Committee appointed some time ago to work out plans for beautifying city property. The committee consists of Mr. Sommerville, chairman, Guy McQuitty and H. R. Jackson.

"We chose the Missouri Store corner and the Gymnasium corner for our first consideration," Mr. Sommerville said, "because we have had so many accidents or near-accidents at these places."

The committee expects to perfect other plans to beautify and make safer several other street corners in the city. The plans for the work have been drawn by Horace F. Major, in charge of the University grounds. He is working with the committee with their drawings.

Places where the improvements encroach on private property, the damage will have to be assessed and paid by the city. The committee has been assured, however, that the University will co-operate and in places where its property is concerned it will bear a part of the cost in making the improvement.

What the Work Will Cost.

Mr. Sommerville estimated that it would cost probably \$500 a corner or \$1,500 an intersection to carry out the plans. At the two places authorized, however, there are only three corners concerned as the streets do not intersect but simply join. In every corner except two, it is University property that will be affected.

The ordinance providing for these improvements will be drawn up and presented at the next council meeting, February 18. The work will be started immediately, Mr. Sommerville said, and should be completed early this spring.

AT COUNCIL MEETING

Guitar Park Residents Object to Negroes Making Homes There.

Plans for the improvement of Columbia were discussed at the regular meeting of the City Council last night.

Beside approving the plans for enlarging and making safer the street corners at Ninth and Conley and Hitt and Rollins streets, the councilmen discussed the location of street lights.

There was some talk of extending the electric lines farther into the country so that some of the nearer farmers could have the benefit of electrical conveniences. Nothing definite was decided concerning the change.

H. R. Jackson made a report on improvements made on Fifth street. It was recently graveled by order of the Council.

Residents from the Guitar Park Addition were present before the Council and complained that negroes were buying property and moving into their

THE WEATHER

For Columbia and vicinity: Increasing cloudiness tonight becoming more unsettled Thursday; probably rain or snow Thursday night. Not much change in temperature, lowest tonight about 25.

For Missouri: Increasing cloudiness tonight becoming more unsettled Thursday. Not much change in temperature.

Shippers' Forecast: Within a radius of 200 miles of Columbia the lowest temperature during the next 24 hours will be west and north 26; east 24; south 28.

Weather Conditions.

Rains have continued in the Gulf states from Texas to Florida and thence along the Atlantic seaboard to New England. The weather is stormy in the Northern Rocky Mountains and North Pacific coast, and it is decidedly wintry all along the Canadian border from ocean to ocean. Fair but rather cold weather has prevailed in the Great Valley and Plains.

The general arrangement of pressure waves are such as to indicate a continuation of winter conditions. In Columbia rather dry weather will prevail most of the week, with a chance for rain or snow about Thursday night.

Local Data.

The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 32; and the lowest last night was 22. Precipitation 0.00. Relative humidity noon yesterday was 83 per cent. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 31 and the lowest was 0. Precipitation, 0.00.

Sun rose today 7:12 a. m. Sun sets 5:55 p. m. Moon sets 11:22 p. m.

neighborhood. The Council decided it was unable to do anything for them.

City Attorney Boyle G. Clark notified the Council that the plumbing and sewer ordinances of the city would have to be redrawn to conform with a state law recently passed by the Legislature. He was appointed to act with the city engineer in preparing the new ordinance.

To meet the regular expenses of the city, money was appropriated as follows: Water and light fund, \$3,879.99; security fund, \$160; general revenue fund, \$1,849.67; Conley poor fund, \$88.70.

SUFFRAGE UP MONDAY

Wilson Cables Southern Democrats Asking Support of Resolution.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—President Wilson has cabled a number of southern Democrats asking them to vote for the woman suffrage resolution, it was learned today.

The suffrage resolution will be called Monday. There is no certainty that a vote will be taken then.

Missouri Senate Petitions Congress.

JEFFERSON CITY, Feb. 5.—Congress is memorialized to submit the federal amendment on woman suffrage to state ratification in a resolution passed by the Senate today.

FRED NIEDERMAYER BACK IN U. S.

Arrived Sunday in New York—Is Awaiting Discharge.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Niedermeyer have received a telegram from their son, Lieutenant Frederick Niedermeyer saying that he arrived in New York Sunday from overseas and that he had been ordered to the aviation field at Minneola Long Island to await his discharge.

Lieutenant Niedermeyer has been in the service for almost two years, leaving school in April 1917 to attend the First Officers' Training Camp at Fort Riley, Kansas. He has been in France since last summer.

Pierce Niedermeyer, a younger son, who has been at Camp Knox, Ky., wrote that he was to receive his discharge today and that he will probably be here Saturday.

JOHN S. CLARKSON BURIED TODAY

Funeral Services Held at 3 O'clock for Pioneer Columbian.

Funeral services were held at 3 o'clock this afternoon from the Episcopal Church for John S. Clarkson who died Tuesday morning. The Rev. B. E. Reed officiated and the burial was in the Columbia Cemetery.

The honorary pall bearers were: Dr. A. W. McAlester, R. B. Price, Sr., W. L. Anderson, M. A. Turner, J. C. Jones, and C. A. Ellwood. The active pall bearers were: C. C. Bowling, Emmet Smith, J. P. McBaine, Dr. James Gordon, Will H. Guitar, and E. M. Watson.

John S. Clarkson died Tuesday morning at the home of Frank B. Rollins. He was 89 years old. His death was due to old age. Mr. Clarkson is survived by three grandsons and one granddaughter who live in Columbia.

FIRE AT READ HALL ANNEX

Roof Burned Slightly by Spark From Overheated Flue.

Sparks rising from an overheated flue were presumably the cause of a fire at Read Hall Annex, 802 Virginia avenue about 6:45 o'clock last night. A small hole in the roof was the only damage done.

Miss Nita Pursell, the only person in the house at the time it started, telephoned the fire department. The rest of the girls who live at the Annex were at Read Hall at dinner. Professor Wrench also turned in an alarm when he saw the flames.

Insurance covered the damages.

Columbia Couple Get License.

A marriage license was issued today to William E. Rice, 28, and Miss Anna Miller, 22, both of Columbia.

DISABLED SOLDIER HOME ON FURLOUGH

Roy U. Lanham, Former Mail Carrier, Lost Foot in Argonne Battle.

TO TAKE OLD JOB Expects Discharge From Hospital Soon—Will Return to Columbia.

Roy U. Lanham, a former mail carrier of Columbia, is home on a 10-day furlough from the Government hospital at Des Moines, Ia. Lanham lost a foot in the battle of Argonne Forest. He was sent directly home, landing at New Port News, Va., where he remained for four weeks.

Lanham went to Funston in the April draft of last year. He will be discharged from the service as soon as his leg has healed, and probably will return to Columbia and resume his position as mail carrier.

The Government will provide Lanham with a new foot, and he expects to be able to walk almost as well as he could before being wounded.

When Lanham was transferred from New Port News to Des Moines, he passed through Centralia. His wife, living in Columbia and learning that he was to be sent to Des Moines, started for that place, boarding the same train at Centralia that her husband was on. Not until they had passed Moberly did she discover that her husband was one of the wounded soldiers on board, and the discovery was made only when Mrs. Lanham went through the train to see if she could comfort the wounded soldiers in any way.

Lanham also is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Lanham at 12 South Sixth street.

At one time Mr. Lanham's detachment was passing through Romaine, France, which up to that time had not been the scene of any battle, on the way to the front line trenches. As they drew near the battle front, the whizzing and roar of shells became louder. A 6-inch shell burst within several feet of him, killing or wounding a dozen others, and taking away his left leg just below the knee. "It was an ideal place to be wounded," says Mr. Lanham, "for just near at hand was a small graveyard. The little town of Romaine was full of gas and falling shells as we passed through."

Mr. Lanham went "over the top" several times during the battle on the St. Mihiel front. "The scene at night is one of unsurpassing beauty," he says, "the star shells flaring up now and then, and the big shells bursting all around, made the place look like a big Fourth of July celebration. It looked like great streams of sheet lightning, which lighted up the country for fifty and sixty miles around."

One night he was sent out with a party of engineers to build a bridge across a little stream. The stream was running near the neighborhood of what is known as Dead Man's Hill. The little detachment of Engineers crept out across no man's land that night, over the top of Dead Man's Hill, and built the bridge across the stream. Hardly fifteen minutes later the heavy German artillery destroyed the bridge.

"The engineer companies do all sorts of work," says Mr. Lanham. "They do just about as much fighting as the regular infantry troops, and in addition have to keep open the roads and build bridges so that the heavy artillery can be drawn up. One of the most exciting tasks that the engineer companies have to perform is that of destroying the barbed wire entanglements. They go out at night, creep up to the wire entanglements and plant torpedoes, which are about 15 or 16 feet long, under the entanglements. When exploded, these torpedoes tear a hole through the wire entanglements big enough for a detachment to go through."

While making the return trip home the ship on which Mr. Lanham was stationed was caught in a furious storm near the Bay of Biscay. The storm was very violent, smashing up several lifeboats.

In speaking of his injuries Mr. Lanham seemed very cheerful. He says he "didn't fare so badly. Many of others are a good deal worse off than I am. I have seen men who have lost both arms and legs, or have been blinded, or had parts of their faces blown away."

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Spargo III.

Mrs. George Kehr of Columbia received a telegram this afternoon from her daughter, Mrs. Lucile Spargo of Wichita, Kan., stating that both she and her husband, E. G. Spargo, were sick with influenza. Both Mr. and Mrs. Spargo were graduated from the University of Missouri two years ago. Mrs. Kehr left this afternoon for Wichita.

Home Economics Bureau Agent Here.

Miss Alice M. Donnelly of the Home Economics Information Bureau of Chicago, was in Columbia Monday and Tuesday for the purpose of talking to the girls about becoming field agents for the Home Economics Bureau.

AMERICAN CRUISERS IN ELBE WITH FOOD

Allied Warships Protect Cargo on the Way to Hamburg.

CITY AIDS REVOLT Workmen of German Port Hold Demonstration for Spartacides.

By United Press.

BERLIN, Feb. 5.—Four British and American cruisers have entered the Elbe River on their way to Hamburg to protect steamers loaded with foodstuffs, it was reported today.

Hamburg is expected to be the central distribution point for food supplied to Germany by the Allies.

German Assembly Censored.

By United Press.

BERLIN, Feb. 5.—The first direct attempt to interfere with the national assembly, which is to convene in Weimar Thursday, apparently has been taken by the Soldiers' Council in that region.

Reports were received here today that the Soldatenrath in Erfurt, fifteen miles west of Weimar, had seized the telegraph office there and ordered censorship or confiscation of all government and assembly telegrams from Weimar.

Hamburg Shipbuilding Halted.

By United Press.

BERLIN, Feb. 5.—Spartacides in Bremen have decided to deliver their arms to Hamburg and Bremerhaven troops instead of to the governmental forces sent against them from Berlin, according to advices received here today.

Workmen at Hamburg held a demonstration in sympathy with the Spartacide insurgents. Armed workmen have garrisoned the Vaikar shipyards in Hamburg and work is at a standstill.

PRIMARY PAST CRISIS

Democrats Will Not Push Fight on Present State Law.

By United Press.

JEFFERSON CITY, Feb. 5.—The state primary law has weathered the newest storm of opposition.

Senator Kinney and Representative Frank Farris, appointed by Democratic leaders to effect a liaison with Republicans for a joint attack on the bill, announced they have reconsidered their action. Unpopularity of the proposed attack aided in causing abandonment of the action.

The Senate adopted a joint resolution today authorizing the joint committee of Senate and House appointed to investigate the affairs of the State Highway Commission to compel attendance of witnesses and the production of books and papers.

RURAL MAIL CARRIER INJURED

Edwin P. Gordon Receives Scalp Wound When His Horse Shies.

Edwin P. Gordon, rural mail carrier on Route 1, was injured yesterday near Harg, six miles east of Columbia, when the young horse he was driving became frightened at an automobile that came up from behind. The cart was backed into a deep ditch, and Gordon's head struck a rock. Several stitches were taken in the cut.

Dr. W. R. Shaefer, who attended Gordon, said that the injury was only a scalp wound and was not serious. W. R. Maxwell and Doctor Shaefer brought the undelivered mail back to the postoffice.

RED CROSS TO MAKE LAYETTES

Complete Outfits Will Be Sent to Babies in Belgium.

Material for complete layettes, which will be sent overseas, probably to Belgium babies, was received at the Red Cross Headquarters yesterday. Separate boxes, with outfits all in blue and white, are to contain not only coats, bonnets, blankets and booties for the babies; ribbons, soap, powder and pins, but also thread and needles for the mothers.

BRAZILIAN MAY BE BURIED HERE

His Native Government to Bear Funeral Expenses.

Dr. Guy L. Noyes said this morning that the Brazilian consul at New York had notified him that in all probability Joaquim Trajano Sampaio, who died yesterday morning at Parker Memorial Hospital, would be buried in Columbia.

The consul said that all funeral expenses will be born by the Brazilian government.

J. G. Daggy on New York Times.

J. Gentry Daggy, graduate of the School of Journalism, is now a member of the staff of the New York Times, where he has been since his discharge from the army several weeks ago. Mr. and Mrs. Daggy have sent out announcements of the birth of a son, Julian Gentry Daggy, Jr., born January 19. They are living at 671 Seventy-second street, New York City.

THE CALENDAR

Feb. 6—All-Junior elections.
Feb. 7—Columbia High vs. University High Basketball at C. H. S. Gymnasium 7:30.
Feb. 10—Syrian-American Relief drive.
Feb. 11—Current Events Out of Columbia High School Meets at 2:30.
Feb. 21—W. F. Brennan of the Nation Cash Register Company will lecture.
April 25—Vote on the bond issue for proposed county hospital.

\$20,000,000 FOR WASHINGTON U.

J. T. Milliken Leaves Entire Estate—Dr. H. W. Loeb Named Trustee.

The late J. T. Milliken, manufacturer and dealer in grain and oil has left his entire fortune of \$20,000,000 in trust to his family during their lives, finally to go to Washington University.

Dr. H. W. Loeb of St. Louis, a brother of Dr. Isidor Loeb of Columbia, and the National Bank of Commerce have been named as trustees of the estate. This is the first time in Missouri that a national bank has been qualified as executor under any will and this is also the largest estate ever placed in the hands of a corporate executor.

THREE TERMS AGAIN

M. U. Curators Continue Plan and Present Budget to Legislature.

The three-term plan was adopted for the next school year of the University by the Board of Curators at a meeting in Jefferson City yesterday.

The budget for the next two years was presented to the Legislature by the curators.

While addressing the House and Senate appropriations committees, President A. Ross Hill of the University said, according to a dispatch published today in the St. Louis Globe Democrat.

"The University does not belong to the city of Columbia nor to any class of people here," said President Hill. "It belongs to the state of Missouri. I protest vigorously against any attempt of any group of persons at Columbia trying to dictate its management and policies."

7 MILLION FOR ARMY

U. S. Ready to Increase Force to That Figure When War Ended.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The United States was ready to increase its fighting force to 7,131,172 men in 1919, if the war had continued, Provost Marshal General Crowder today stated in his annual report to Congress.

A reserve of 2,340,000 Class 1 men was waiting to be mobilized when the armistice was signed, the report stated. The armed strength of the Nation being 4,791,172 men. When war was declared the armed strength was 378,619 men.

Two out of every three men in uniform were raised through the draft, Crowder stated. The total number inducted during the war was 2,810,296. Every one was taken from Class 1.

In all 24,234,021 men were registered by the draft system for military service. Seven per cent was the maximum of men taken from any one industry.

Physically the Nation is 70 per cent perfect, according to the examiners. This does not include the limited service men or those whose defects could be remedied. Liquor was the smallest factor causing physical rejection, the percentage being only one-tenth of 1 per cent. Heart trouble, eyes, tuberculosis and mental defects caused the largest number of rejections, each claiming more than 10 per cent of the total disqualifications. Flat feet took only 1.3 per cent.

General Crowder's work-or-fight order forced 129,000 men either into the Army or into useful work and his drive on "slacker marriages" sent 123,000 men to Class 1.

More than 295,000 are classed as deserters by the provost marshal general's office for failure to answer calls to register. About 67,000 have been apprehended.

The total cost of the draft was only \$16,000,000 and General Crowder has \$38,000,000 in appropriations waiting to go back to the Treasury. The per capita cost of the draft was \$6.52 as compared with \$217,000 in 1860. The cost of enlisting a volunteer was \$28.95 during the operation of the draft.

McCutchan to Speak to Sunset Club.

Hugh Walker McCutchan will give a talk to the Sunset Club Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Y.M.C.A. auditorium. Mr. McCutchan has been in China for the past ten years as a missionary. He has returned to Columbia for the purpose of finishing a course in ministry at the Bible College, when he will return to China. Mr. McCutchan will also have some interesting relics to exhibit to the Sunset Club Sunday afternoon.

WORK ON LEAGUE'S CONSTITUTION BEGUN

Committee Agrees Provisionally to Preamble and Two Articles.

U. S. AS GODMOTHER

Impression Abroad That America Must Protect Small Countries.

By United Press.

PARIS, Feb. 5.—The special committee which is drawing up the constitution for the League of Nations agreed provisionally last night to the preamble and two of the articles. It was officially announced today. Satisfactory progress is being made on other parts of the draft.

America Looked to for Protection.

By ROBERT J. BENDER

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

PARIS, Feb. 5.—The impression was growing today that the United States must assume the role of godmother to many of the small countries and communities if the League of Nations is to achieve all that is intended. Not only have these people begun to look to America for protection but big powers are showing a disposition to regard America as the one nation which can exercise a mandatory control over certain territories without creating international jealousy.

President Wilson appreciates that one of his hardest tasks would be to convince American people that the United States must be willing to take a large share of the responsibility and expense of aiding small nations.

Wilson is expected to outline the situation fully to the American people after his return from France, probably through an address to Congress and possibly later in public speeches in various parts of the country.

Reduction of Armaments Probable.

By FRED S. FERGUSON

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

PARIS, Feb. 5.—The peace delegates were working today on the most difficult problem involved in the creation of the League of Nations—the force which the league will make its decisions effective.

Opinions seem to be divided as to whether this force should be moral or physical. Many plans have been submitted ranging from complete abolition of armament to organization of an international military and naval police under a single commander. The plan finding the greatest support among responsible delegates, however, provides for no such radical departure. It proposes merely the reduction of each nation's armament to a point consistent with the maintenance of domestic tranquility. The league is to be the ultimate judge as to the size of the army and navy to be needed by each nation.

The manner of raising armies would be left to the individual countries. When the Central Powers were taken into membership the league would fix the size of their armies.

Only great emergencies would be likely to call for assistance from distant powers. In events of trouble on the American continent the United States would be directed by the league to take action. Similarly European trouble would be settled by utilization of the armies nearest the district affected. It is believed this plan will meet with the approval of the most countries, since it means the least change in present conditions and overcomes the need predicted which is felt by some countries as well as America against sending troops to distant lands except in the case of the greatest provocation.

35TH HOME SOON?

Report That Missouri Troops Will Leave France Within a Month.

The 35th Division in all probability will be home the last of next month. This news is conveyed in a cablegram recently received from W. Y. Morgan, now in Y.M.C.A. work with the 35th Division in France. He cables that the division has been ordered to move to Lemaons February 10 and that this news is supposed to mean sailing a month later.

Company F of the 35th Division in Made up of Columbians.

Extension School in Jefferson City. Mrs. W. L. Wright, clothing specialist, Miss Anna Jensen, nutrition specialist, and Miss Addie B. Root, assistant state Boys' and Girls' Club leader, will hold an extension school at Jefferson City in the auditorium of the public library, the week of February 10 for the benefit of the Cole County women.

Sale of Mules Here Saturday.

A public sale will be held next Saturday at Elmer Keel's barn in Columbia, Mo. H. A. Haden will sell 23 mules; one pair 4-year-old mules, 16 hands high; 7 mules, 3 years old; 1 mule, 5 years old; and 13 mules, 2 years old.