

GERMANY PREPARES TO EXTEND THE FIELD OF SUBMARINE WARFARE

YEOMEN BANQUET AT FAY HOTEL WELL ATTENDED

Class of Fifty-Seven Was Inducted Into the Society Under the Direction of District Commander Harouff—Mayor Boylan Made Speech of Welcome.

One Hundred and Thirty From Range, Duluth and Superior Attended Banquet—Membership Campaign On for Several Weeks—Dennett in Charge.



L. C. DENNETT

A class of 57 candidates was initiated into local Yeomen lodge last evening under the direction of District Commander Harouff. After initiation of candidates the members banqueted at the Fay hotel. Representatives from all the Range towns were present, 130 being present at the banquet.

Mayor Michael Boylan, who was one of the members initiated into the order last evening made the speech of welcome. State Manager Murphy gave a reading and talked on Yeomanry. John Prince spoke on the good of the order and Mrs. C. White talked on charity. District Commander Harouff spoke on fraternity and Rev. William Bell gave the invocation. L. C. Dennett gave a talk on loyalty.

Yeomen from Gilbert, Duluth, Superior, Hibbing, Chisholm, Aurora and all Range towns where there are lodges attended the banquet which commenced at 11:30 and lasted until 2 o'clock. The talks were all good and the banquet in appointment and service was one of the biggest of the season. The tables were beautifully decorated with flowers.

There were 65 applications from those wishing to enter the lodge but some of the applicants were not prepared and the lodge took in 57. This is the culmination of a vigorous campaign for increasing the membership of the lodge, which has been under progress for several weeks under the direction of L. C. Dennett, district deputy. Another event similar to that of last evening is planned for in a few months.

This evening at Duluth the Duluth and Superior Yeomen will have a joint session and banquet. This will be the last of the series which have been given for several days in the northern part of the state.

INVENTED NEW TENT SUPPORTS

After two years of work in developing the idea, Joseph Sargent, of the Range Tent and Awning company has perfected a support for show tents which will eliminate the poles and ropes in the interior. He has applied for a patent and has been notified that he will get it.

His plan of doing away with all the outside poles and braces is worked out in this manner. He has six or more large poles on each side of the tent on the outside. Each pair of poles which are parallel are fastened together with cable with the necessary supports, which are in the most part cable. At intervals of a few feet, ropes fastened to pulleys suspended from the cables are fastened to the tent thus making it easier to put it up and down.

One of the most desirable features offered by this plan is that it does away with the carrying of poles and thus increases traveling facilities for the tents of shows and circuses. Any telephone pole can be used. This system also does away with a great deal of the wear on the canvas.

Mr. Sargent will advertise the system in the Billboard, the theatrical weekly. He is working on another invention and expects to have it completed in three months.

EMPTY LIQUOR FLASK DISCARDED YEAR AGO ON THE RIVER NILE IS RETURNED TO VIRGINIA MAN

Contents Quaffed Before the Tomb of Rameses I, With Appropriate Ceremony On a Steamer Trip Through the Cradle of the World—Bottle Returned Full to Virginian.

"Cast thy bread upon the waters and after many days it will return," the Good Book says. "Throw an empty half-pint flask of Old Red Mill bourbon, purchased at Robert Garvey's Chestnut street buffet in Virginia in the River Nile, with a slip of paper inside on which is written your name and cork the flask and it will go down to the blue waters of the Mediterranean and pursue you to the end, and after travel over land and sea for the better part of a year, it will return to you filled, even though the place where the Nile filters through silt beds and down to the sea is a trifle like 8,000 miles from Garvey's Chestnut street buffet.

Just about a year ago now a well known Virginia business man was abroad on a foreign tour which took him down the River Nile, to the sands of the arid Sahara and the ancient city of Cairo. Before leaving Virginia Mr. Garvey, who is his particular friend, presented him with a half-pint flask of Old Red Mill bourbon, shadows of sunshine, mellow with age, perfect in flavor and bouquet, from the stills of one of the most famous manufacturers of bourbons in the fine old state of Kentucky, where they make the best of it.

"Bob," I'll save this and drink it when I am going down the River Nile," said the Virginia man.

In due time came the city of Cairo, the River Nile and the trip down the river past the tombs of the ancient Pharaohs. The Virginia man was just a little homesick and he remembered the gift of his Virginia friend. The boat was busy in an endeavor to dislodge itself from a sandbar in front of the tomb of Rameses I. It was a place of memories and the din of churning propellers shook the craft from stem to stern. The Virginia man summoned a traveling friend to him. He dispatched his valet to his state-room for the half-pint flask. They sought a quiet place near the rail, they toasted Rameses I, Rameses II, Rameses III, the Khedive, the Kaiser, David Foley, Joseph Backus, Edward Finch, Kid Taylor, Mayor Boylan, Mayor Power, Robert Garvey and "Our Absent Friends," and by that time it was all over and the sands of the desert were growing cold. Then the Virginia man absent-mindedly wrote his name on a slip of paper, inserted it, pressed the cork securely into the neck of the bottle, tossed it over the rail and turned away with a sigh. The flask danced off in the wake of the boat and the sunshine turned a thousand shimmering rays from the dierelect. The pair doffed their steamer caps and smoked and watched it drift away.

"Dreamlike the waters of the river gleam, a sail-less vessel drops adown the stream," quoted the Virginian's traveling companion and they laughed and forgot it.

Yesterday came a letter from the Kentucky distillery which manufactures Old Red Mill bourbon. It congratulated the Virginia man on having the taste of a true gentleman. It related how the bottle had been picked up far out on the Mediterranean and stated that someone had expressed it to them and the express had cost a pretty penny, but they were pleased to return it to him filled with Old Red Mill bourbon, better than ever and perhaps the finest bit of goods in the line of liquor that had ever come out of the Bluegrass state. The bottle was the original. When it is opened there will be a ceremony befitting an occasion as justly entitled to special recognition as this. And it won't be so very long, we should say.

LOGGERS FEAR EARLY SPRING

Few Weeks More Needed in the Woods for Hauling Out the Logs Cut This Season.

DULUTH, Feb. 25.—Indications of an early spring are causing considerable worry among logging companies who fear that they will have difficulty in getting out their logs ready to float down the streams when the high water period arrives. There has been considerable snow in the woods this winter and so far the thaws have not been extensive enough to do a great deal of harm.

"Up to the first of February we have had one of the best logging seasons in years," said a prominent lumberman today. "Labor has been cheap and plentiful. December and January were cold with plenty of snow and the work of cutting and hauling logs has gone on without interruption. If the snow stays on for a short time more the present season as a whole may be considered one of the very best in years. Logs have been shipped into Duluth for some time, and the mill have a good supply of timber on hand."

It is expected that the coming spring will be excellent for floating logs, as the heavy snowfall will cause high water. The companies are making ready to take advantage of this as soon as the streams break up which may not be far distant.

Lumbermen are a bit shy about making predictions as to the future of that business just now. Overproduction in the last few years and unsettled conditions at present are said to have caused considerable uncertainty, and the wise ones are said to be waiting now to see "which way the cat will jump." With the high price for grain and other farm produce now prevailing, the Northwest is said to be in a good position to begin a new era of building. Farmers who have neglected to build good houses and barns until they had their farms paid for should now be in a position to spend large sums for such improvements. The timber in the farming districts is now about exhausted, and native lumber is little used, the farmers finding it cheaper and more practicable to buy pine, spruce and other varieties shipped from the northern and southern regions.

R. C. Haxton, traveling freight and passenger agent for the Duluth, Missabe & Northern Railway company, transacted business here today.

FEAST OF PURIM TO BE OBSERVED

Purim, the Feast of Lots and the 14th day of Adar, will be celebrated next Sunday by all the Jews of the world. In Virginia special services will be conducted at Temple Bnai Abraham Friday evening by Rabbi Joseph Silver at 8 o'clock. The children's choir will sing several Purim selections. The significance of the Feast of Purim is explained in the following short synopsis from the Book of Esther: "Mordecai wrote down these events and sent letters to all the Jews that were in the provinces of the King Ahasuerus to celebrate the 14th day of Adar every year." Purim recalls the deliverance of the Jews by Esther and Mordecai from the wicked designs of Haman. The lot had been cast for the day most favorable to carry out these plans, that is, to slay all the Jews, but the day was turned into one of great rejoicing. The custom prevails at Purim to send gifts to the poor that they to may have cause for rejoicing. The whole Book of Esther in the Hebrew language will be read by Rabbi Joseph Silver on Saturday evening at 8 o'clock at Temple Bnai Abraham.

MISSIONARY CLUB ELECTS

At the annual meeting of the Cleveland Avenue Presbyterian Church Missionary society, held yesterday, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. W. E. Swain, president; Mrs. J. G. Murphy, first vice president; Mrs. Guy Forbes, second vice president; Mrs. Hugo Anhalt, secretary; Mrs. A. F. Gordon, treasurer; corresponding secretary, Miss Ora Maag and Mrs. Coleman, literary secretary.

BIG FIGHT IS DECLARED OFF

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) TORONTO, Feb. 25.—Tom Flanagan, who trained Jack Johnson for his fight with Jeffries at Reno, has announced he has received a cablegram from Johnson at Havana, in which Johnson said he had called off the fight with Willard set for March 6 at Juarez and that it would occur later in Havana.

REPRESENTATIVE ON BANDWAGON



JOHN GILL

Representative John Gill of Virginia was the only member of the house delegation from the Iron Ranges district to register his vote yesterday in favor of the county option bill. Representative Gill's vote was generally popular with a majority of his constituents. Many telegrams were sent to him from Virginia today congratulating him on his position. Mr. Gill was elected by the largest majority of any candidate on the Iron Ranges. He is making good at St. Paul.

SAY REPORT IS BEING HELD UP

County Divisionists Will Protest Tonight Over Delay in Publishing Statement.

A vigorous protest over the delay in publishing the annual financial statement of the county, St. Louis will probably feature the regular weekly meeting of the Virginia Commercial club, which will be held this evening at the city hall.

County divisionists have been awaiting the appearance of the annual financial statement for some time. They declare that a deliberate attempt is being made to withhold it so that the figures it contains may not be available in the county division fight. They claim also to have knowledge that the corrected proofs of the type in the statement were sent to a Duluth newspaper last Saturday morning and that there is no reason why the statement should not have been published before this time.

Delay Not Intentional. From other sources it is declared that if there has been any delay in printing the statement there is good ground for it and the fact that it has not yet been published should not be taken seriously.

The club tonight will hear the report of the committee who attended the legislative hearing Tuesday night and will further make plans in the county division campaign. Funds to finance the county campaign were yesterday solicited from several of the brewing concerns doing business on the Range. Without exception they declared themselves as neutral on the county division matter. It is believed, however, that since the passage of the county option bill last night they may be inclined to somewhat loosen up their belts. Otherwise, many of the radical county divisionists declare there will come a future time when they will stand upon their neutrality.

Other matters to occupy the attention of the Commercial club this evening will be road extensions and a report of the committee recently appointed to look up a site for a wholesale grocery house which contemplates locating in Virginia.

OAKLAND NINE WILL ORGANIZE

The Oakland baseball club which won the city championship from the Virginia & Rainy Lake company's team will have a meeting at the Meehan hall Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Officers for this season will be elected. James Boril will be out for treasurer. He is a first basemen of merit and did fine work last season. Joseph Meehan is also a candidate for that office. Robert Thomas and Walter Newman are candidates for the manager's position.

Senator Griggs Home Tonight. Senator O. H. Griggs is expected to return to his home in Virginia this evening to spend the week end. R. L. Griggs went to the head of the lakes this morning and will return with his brother this evening.

VIRGINIA INTERESTED IN VOTE AT ST. PAUL YESTERDAY ON THE COUNTY OPTION BILL; PASSED

Various Opinions Prevail Locally as to Effect It Will Have on the Mesaba Range—Result a Surprise to Many People and News Last Night Occasioned Much Comment.

Virginia was intensely interested last night in news concerning the fate of the county option bill, which passed the house by a vote of 62 to 66 after debate extending from 11 o'clock yesterday morning until 8 o'clock last night. The news was received in this city within a few minutes after the vote by the Associated Press. Telephone calls steadily besieged the office of the Enterprise from 6:30 o'clock until after 10 o'clock last night asking for news of the outcome of the vote on the measure. Most of them came from this city, but there were a large number from over the Range as well.

One of the first to ask for information was a local retail liquor dealer. "I'm interested," he said. "I might want to start a printing shop in opposition to you if this thing goes through."

Comments on the outcome were widely varied. Those interested in the liquor traffic did not at all receive the news with regret. Many held the opinion it would make no difference to the Ranges. Others held that it meant that the day when Virginia will be dry is not any farther distant than the time when the Indian treaty lid is applied in Hibbing and Chisholm and the issue is put up to the people. Many people over the city openly confessed their satisfaction and warmly complimented Representative John Gill, the only representative from the Range who voted for the adoption of the measure. Several declared their intention of sending him telegrams congratulating him on his stand. Business men generally reserved comment. Many of them declared their belief that for Virginia to go dry would not be a desirable thing, because of the somewhat unusual conditions on the Mesaba Range, but declared they favored county option because it gave people in other sections of the state the right to vote on a question that vitally concerned their taxes. The radical liquor element made no attempt to conceal its bitterness and as usual threatened retaliation on everything and everybody. Radical anti-liquor sentiment openly expressed its delight. It hailed the passage of the bill as the beginning of the millennium on the Mesaba Range, long the wettest spot in proportion to its population and the territory it covers in the Central states.

The bill passed yesterday, however, does not finally dispose of the issue. It was amended as passed by the senate on the clause extending the time in which dealers affected might have to dispose of their goods and fixtures from 60 days to six months. The senate must concur in this amendment before the bill goes to the governor for his signature.

Anti-optionists, however, confess that there is not the slightest doubt the senate will concur in the amendment or that Governor Hammond will sign the bill.

BASKETBALL GAME TONIGHT

The Virginia Basketball enthusiasts will be given an opportunity of witnessing one of the best basketball teams in the world in action this evening at the high school gymnasium with the Oswego team of Oswego, N. Y., and the local city team. Oswego by beating the Fondulac, Wis., National Guard team two games out of three in Duluth last week now claims the championship of the United States. Inasmuch as Fondulac having been western champions for the past three years their claim is valid.

As the local team is out for the championship of northern Minnesota, the game this evening ought to be a close one. With the advantage of playing on their home floor the Virginia team is hopeful of coming out on the heavy end of the score.

The Oswego team arrived in the city last evening and are in the best of shape after a two days rest for this evening's game.

From present indications a banner crowd will be in attendance as basketball fans from Biwabik, Gilbert, Eveleth, Mountain Iron, Buhl, Chisholm and Hibbing are planning on witnessing this game.

The game will be called at 8:15 sharp.

The lineup of the two teams will be as follows: Oswego—Forwards, Murnane and Murphy; center, Grimstad; guards, Alderding and Roberts. Virginia—Forwards, Cummins, McCabe and Jackson; center, Williams; guards, Simons, Schroeder and Meehan.

FINISH CUTTING ICE IN TWO WEEKS

The Mesaba Ice company, which is cutting on Majestic lake near Wolf will finish the season's cutting in about two weeks. The company has had 25 men and several teams at work since a few days before Christmas and 25,000 tons will have been cut when operations for the season stop. The ice is of the best quality this year, being very clear and 30 inches thick. The Mesaba Ice company furnishes ice to all range towns.

ENGINEERS TO MEET TONIGHT

The Virginia Engineers' club will hold a regular meeting this evening at the Virginia Public library. The feature of the program will be a paper by Ben Wilk on the City Engineer's office on "Sewer Construction in Virginia."

BIG CROWD IS COMING FOR SKI TOURNAMENT

Car Service Arranged Insures Ample Accommodation; Plenty of Snow at the Hill.

The best service in carrying the ski fans out to the hill, for the tournament to be held here Sunday, has been promised and twelve extra cars will be run. Preparations are being made to entertain several thousands of visitors and the tournament promises to out do any previous tournament in the country in point of attendance. Hundreds of enthusiasts will be here from Duluth and Superior and the Range towns will send large crowds.

The best riders in the country have entered and previous records will probably be shattered as the hill is in fine shape and is the biggest in the world used for skiing. Riders of all nationalities will take part. There will be prizes in three classes: the boys', amateur and professional.

Sig Bergerson, the Virginia rider, who for two years held the amateur championship, has returned from a trip through the states of Minnesota and Wisconsin, where he has been riding at tournaments for several weeks. He took part in the Duluth, Glenwood, Beloit, Wis., Mount Horeb, Wis., Menominee, Wis., West Salem, Chippewa Falls and Hudson, Wis., tournaments and also that at Northfield, Minn. He is in fine fettle and with other Virginia riders in all classes it is expected will make a fine showing.

Besides the regular hourly schedule car will run out to the hill as follows: Four extra cars will leave Virginia at 12:20 p. m.; two extra cars will leave Virginia at 12:50, four others at 1:20 and two more at 1:50. These extras will leave Eveleth at 40, 55 and 15 minutes past the hour commencing at 12:40.

A special car will bring some of the Duluth and Superior fans Saturday evening and they will attend the banquet to be given at the Moose hall. This is the fourth annual banquet of the Virginia Ski club.

COMMISSION TO MEET TONIGHT

The charter commission will hold a meeting this evening at the city hall. The report of the committee appointed to consider various plans of the commission form of government which might be applicable to Virginia will be submitted and discussed. All members of the commission are expected to be present.

ENGLAND DON'T LIKE NOTE OF THE UNITED STATES

Average Briton Resents What He Construes as an Attempt to Interfere With an Absolute Blockade of Germany Should British Care to Enforce It

Second Week of German Submarine Campaign Opens With Loss of Two More British Ships—Russians Deny German Claim of Victory in East.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

LONDON, Feb. 25.—The steamer Deptford was sunk either by a mine or a torpedo off South Shields. The Deptford was a ship of 1,208 tons, 230 feet long and 35 feet at the beam. She was owned by Cory & Son of London and was built in 1912. The small British steamer, Western Coast, was sunk by a mine or torpedo in the English channel off Beachey Head. The crew was landed at Portsmouth today.

LONDON, Feb. 25.—The proposal of Washington to Great Britain and Germany, which in London is assumed to embrace the abandonment of Germany's self-declared war zone and the adoption by the belligerents of a more definite policy regarding foodstuffs for the civilian population has noticeably quickened public interest both in this country and in Germany in the delicate diplomatic situation.

The British press is restrained, but the average Englishman plainly resents what he considers as a hint at an attempt to interfere with an absolute blockade of Germany, should Britain care to enforce this.

The second week of the German submarine campaign opened with the loss of two more British ships. Previously ten vessels, seven of them British ships, have been sent to the bottom.

Germany is apparently preparing to extend the field of these operations for three submarines have been sent to Pola, presumably for use in the Adriatic and Mediterranean.

Germany's claim to an overwhelming victory in East Prussia, resulting virtually in the annihilation of the Russian tenth army, is denied categorically by the Russian general staff. Heavy fighting continues in the Carpathians. Newspaper dispatches say the Austrians lost 8,000 at Dukla Pass, while the melting snow at Uzok Pass revealed the bodies of 2,000 Russians and Austrians.

Polish Town Taken.

Berlin, Feb. 25.—The town of Przasnysz, Russian Poland, was taken by storm yesterday by German forces, according to the official announcement. The Germans claim to have captured 10,000 Russian prisoners. Although the capture of Przasnysz has not been reported from Petrograd, recent dispatches from that point state that heavy fighting has been in progress in that region. The town is 15 miles from the East Prussian front and north of Warsaw and had a population of 10,000 people.

Russia to Force Way to Sea.

LONDON, Feb. 25.—Foreign Secretary Edward Gray announced today in the House of Commons that Great Britain was in entire accord with Russia's desire for access to the sea. This is taken to mean that the British will aid the Russian naval forces to force a way to the sea, especially through the Dardanelles.

Progress Against Turks.

Petrograd, Feb. 25.—A communication issued last night by the general staff of the army of the Caucasus says: "We made progress Feb. 22 in certain regions in engagements of secondary importance with the Turks. In the region of Trans-Tohoruk the Turks attempted an advanced movement which was repulsed with heavy losses."

Bukovina Reinvaded.

LONDON, Feb. 25.—The Russian troops have reinvaded Bukovina and reoccupied Sadagora on the railroad four miles north of Czernowitz, according to a dispatch to the Evening News from Mamornita, Roumania. The Austrians, the correspondent adds, are pushing up fresh troops toward Czernowitz to meet this new attack.

Rebekahs Inducted Class of Nine.

The local Rebekah lodge inducted a class of nine candidates last evening. After the initiation of the new members a lunch was served. The following were taken into the lodge: Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Johnson, E. F. Murray, Roger Williams, Dr. C. L. Larson, Henry Schipper, Frances Kane, Mrs. Ole Klemetsmo and Mrs. Theodore Peterson.