

# NEXT GERMAN BLOW MAY HIT AMERICANS

## STORES TO REMAIN CLOSED AS TRIBUTE TO DEPARTING SOLDIERS

CITY TO HONOR SELECTS WHO LEAVE MONDAY FOR TRAINING PARADE TO DEPOT

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO GIVE FAREWELL—MEET EARLY AT ARMORY — BUSINESS HOUSES WILL CLOSE 'TILL 3:30 A. M.

Business men of Ottawa will do their bit in cheering District 1's selects on their way to Berlin next Monday morning. Today notices were sent out that the stores of the city will remain closed until 3:30 o'clock so that employers and clerks can take part in the demonstration in honor of the twenty-three men who leave for training.

Besides the great public tribute at the Armory tomorrow afternoon, there will be a parade of the "loop," which Marshal Robert Carr in charge. The selects will be provided with box lunches, which the W. R. C. is now preparing for them. It has been the Relief Corps practice of seeing that every honor man has been well taken care of with sufficient "eats" and they are not going to make any exception to the Monday entrainment.

Marshal Robert Carr has formed the line of march and as usual the G. A. R. will be given the position of honor in the parade to the depot as aids to the selected men. The parade and the organizations to take part in it is as follows:

- The escort for the honor men leaving Ottawa Monday morning May 12 1918, will form at the Armory, promptly at 6:30 Monday morning. All organizations and all citizens are requested and urged to participate. The formation of the escort will be as follows:
- Police force.
- Marshal and aids.
- High school brigade in uniform.
- Other organizations in uniform.
- Drum Corps.
- C. A. R.
- Ministers Association.
- Chamber of Commerce—Business Men's Association.
- Mayor and City Commissioners.
- Exemption Board.
- Honor Men.
- Friends and relatives on foot.
- Citizens on foot.
- Friends and relatives in carriages.
- Citizens in carriages.
- Friends and relatives in automobiles.
- Citizens in automobiles.
- Do not fail to come. Please be prompt, 6:30 a. m. at the armory. The selects will leave Ottawa at 7:25 a. m. from the C. R. I. & P. Ry station. The line of march from Armory, west on Main to Columbus, north on Columbus to the Rock Island station.

## MARRIED MEN CAN ENLIST IN GUARD

Orders have been received by the local exemption board saying that during the present crisis, married men or men having dependent relatives can enlist in the National Guard provided they produce a written statement showing that their dependent relatives have adequate means for supporting themselves, that they authorize the quartermaster general to stop and allot not less than one half their pay to the relatives, and that they agree not to ask for discharge from the army for any cause during their enlisted period of service.

## MISS RITA BARNARD RESIGNS SCHOOL POST

Miss Rita Barnard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Barnard, 119 East Superior street, has resigned her position as a teacher in the Ottawa public schools and will leave for Washington, D. C., on Monday, May 20, where she will accept a civil service position in one of the government offices.

## CAST FOR MIKADO ANNOUNCED TODAY BY O. H. S. DIRECTOR

COMMENCEMENT OPERA WILL BE STAGED TUESDAY EVENING MAY 14—PROMISES MUSIC LOVERS A RARE TREAT.

The cast of characters, who will take part Tuesday night in the O. H. S. Commencement Opera, "The Mikado," was announced today by Director John L. Hoff, under whose tutelage the stars have been developed into performers of pronounced ability. The opera with the schools' best talent playing the leading parts, while assisting them will be a chorus of unexcelled male and female voices, gives promise of furnishing Ottawa music lovers a rare treat.

The cast:

Nanki-Poo, The Mikado's son, disguised as a wandering minstrel, and in love with Yum-Yum—Emory Palmer.

Ko-Ko, Lord High Executioner of Titipu—Walter Larkin.

Ira-Bah, Lord High Everything Else—Harold Woodward.

Pish-Tush, A Noble Lord—Percival Belrose.

Yum-Yum, Ward of Ko-Ko and bride elect—Dorothy Reiter.

Piti-Sing and Peep-Bo, Sisters of Yum-Yum, also wards of Ko-Ko—Vera Ham, Mabel Logan.

Katisha, An elderly lady, in love with Nanki-Poo—Helen Hoff.

Chorus of School Girls, Nobles, Guards and THE MIKADO.

Coro Bardock, Lillian Arnesen, Charlotte Kornelje, Susan Watten, Anna Carlson, Grace Hill, Helen Milligan, Edythe Gamber, Mary Caton, Fay Kelley, Rena Gollter, Marguerite Law, Lucie Hay, Cora Bradley, Katherine Bana, Lydia Franklin, Grace Marie Wilson.

Newell Vonckx, Elmer Hittler, Earl Brand, Carl Meekinstock, Ernest Claus, Stanley Osman, Frank Carty, Edward Dwyer.

Act One—Scene in Ko-Ko's Court yard in Titipu. Morning.

Act Two—Scene same as Act One. Evening of same day.

Special scenery for this opera painted by Riva A. Bane.

Set pieces and electrical effects by Messrs J. G. Snyder and Raymond Frankenhauer.

Costumes from the Chicago Costume Works.

Orchestra accompaniment interpreted by the Ottawa High School Orchestra. Grace Edwards, pianist.

Note—At first thought the school was inclined to omit customary Commencement opera this year. But upon further deliberation, we arrived at the conclusion that possibly at night the clouds are threatening and the skies are dark, some good music, a little fun and an evening's diversion would do all of our people good.

## COME HERE TO HAVE CEREMONY PERFORMED

Miss Jessie Hill, of Joliet, and Nicholas Raftes, of Argo, were married in Ottawa Thursday evening at the office of Judge Koenig, in his office on La Salle street. The couple were attended by Miss Cecil Hinie, of Wenona, and by Carl Hoffman, of Argo. Following the ceremony the couple went to La Salle and will later go to Argo to make their home.

## U. S. ARTILLERY HAS PLENTY EQUIPMENT

Washington, May 11—Sufficient supplies of artillery, French 75's and heavy American railway artillery are already in France to meet the present demands, assert a statement by the acting Chief of Ordnance this afternoon. Sufficient supplies of machine guns, are also immediately available for American forces in France, the statement adds.

## RAISE MAY 25 CALL TO 102 MEN; ORDER IS RECEIVED TODAY

DRAFT BOARD INSTRUCTED TO ENTRAIN 102 MEN WITH INCREMENT LEAVING DURING FIVE DAY PERIOD.

Official orders were received by the local exemption board this afternoon increasing the number of men to entrain during the five day period following May 25th, from 96 men to 102 men. The orders came from June C. Smith, Major Infantry in the Adjutant General's office at Springfield, and did not tell either the date of the entrainment or the Cantonment camp to which the men would be sent.

The orders further stated that if enough white men, physically fit for military service were not in Class 1 in this district to make up this call, the Adjutant General's office at Springfield must be notified at once, and men in Class 1 from other boards in the state will be called to make up the number lacking from any Board that is short.

This indicates that more than 102 men may be taken from Ottawa as there are a great many men left in Class 1 in this district, and also indicates that all the Class 1 men are to be used up before the Class 2 men are called.

Advice had previously been received by the Free Trader - Journal from its Springfield correspondent, stating that the men in this increment would be sent to Camp Gordon Ga.

## LOWELL FARMER HANGS HIMSELF

Herbert Patterson, a well known farmer sixty years old residing between Lowell and Tonica, hung himself late Friday in his barn, and was found discovered by the members of his family. His friends and family are unable to account for his act. It is supposed he was suffering from an attack of temporary insanity. Mr. Patterson had only been away from the house thirty minutes when he was discovered hanging from the barn, by a member of the family who went out to call him to dinner.

## SOLDIER'S FATHER DIES AT EAST SIDE HOME

William Jarius Thomas, aged 64 years, a well known Ottawa resident died this morning at 1 o'clock at his home, 524 E. Main St., after a six weeks illness.

Mr. Thomas was born in Berlin, N. Y., May 8th, 1854, and came west with his family when twelve years old, settling in Brookfield township. Since that time he has always resided in La Salle county.

His marriage to Ida Howe Richardson took place in Seneca in 1879. She with four children, Rollo Thomas of Los Angeles, Cal.; Mrs. Dent Parrott of Chicago; Miss Maude Thomas of this city; and Raymond Thomas, a member of Company C, and one step son, Walter L. Richardson, of Pe Pe, survive.

## OTTAWA PRESBY TO HOLD CONFERENCES

A series of Presbytery conferences for the Ottawa district will be held during the coming week. These meetings have been arranged by the Committee of Religious Work, of which Rev. J. F. Vonckx, of this city is chairman. The Presbytery board of Sabbath Schools, and the Presbytery board of Missions will conduct the conferences.

On Tuesday, a conference will be held at the Oswego Presbyterian church. On Wednesday a conference will be held at the Mendota Presbyterian church, and on Thursday the conference will be held at the Ottawa Presbyterian church.

Dr. Gerrit Verkuyl, Presbytery District Supt. Dr. Hurd, Allyn Drake, of Elgin and Dr. J. F. Vonckx, of this city, will be the principle speakers at these conferences.

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## FINDING \$700 DRAFT GERMAN AIR SERVICE CLEARS UP MYSTERY BY ALLIED BIRDMEN

VALUABLES STOLEN APRIL 13 RECOVERED TODAY—THIEF HID BIG DRAFT BEHIND O. B. & T. BUILDING RADIATOR.

The mystery of the disappearance of the pocketbook belonging to H. D. Watts, 1956 Paul St., which contained a draft for \$700.00 was solved this morning when the janitor of the Ottawa Banking and Trust Co., building found the draft crushed up and stuffed back of the radiator in the public hall, at the back of the building. Evidently some pickpocket had taken the purse containing the draft from Mr. Watt's pocket and dodged in the office building where they had ransacked the contents and disposed of the draft.

Besides the draft the purse contained about three dollars in silver, which has not been found and probably never will be.

The purse disappeared as Mr. Watts was watching the Liberty Day parade on Saturday afternoon, April 13th, at the corner of La Salle and Madison Sts. There was a great crowd of people watching the parade at this corner, and a woman in the crowd kept pushing forward, which leads both Mr. Watts and the police to believe that maybe the thief was a woman.

The police were notified at once of the loss of the purse, and a city wide search was started for the thief, which resulted in a mystery. Mr. Watts had just been given up hope of ever finding the purse or any of the contents of it, when he was notified this morning his draft and a few found.

## ROYAL FAMILY REVIEWS U. S. TROOPS

London, May 11—King George, Queen Mary, the Prince of Wales and Princess Mary today reviewed the first parade of United States selected infantry ever held in London. The royal party stood just outside of Buckingham Palace and saluted as the Americans went by. The marchers passed the palace just at noon.

When the regimental colors and the Stars and Stripes were carried by the King removed his hat. As the men marched past the Palace the Regimental band from the Grenadiers Guard played "The Stars and Stripes Forever." There was a tremendous cheering through opposite the palace.

The American soldiers thus honored today had from all parts of the United States. They were trained at Camp Gordon.

## KRACEN TO OPEN SHOE SHINE PARLORS

Andy Kracen will open his new shoe shining parlor in the Goodyear Shoe Repair Shop, on Madison st., tomorrow. Mr. Kracen will be ready to shine or dress either ladies or gentlemen's shoes tomorrow, and invites all his friends to call at his shop and inspect his work.

## WATCH YOUR IMPRINTS.

A child's mind is plastic. The impressions received while young are lasting. When cement is in the process of making it is soft and pliable; but once it is dry, it becomes so hard that a workman can hardly break it with a hammer. But, while it was soft, a child laid its hand on the material; in a few minutes the cement hardened, and the imprint made by the child's hand was still there.—Ernest M. Glenn.

## BRITISH AND FRENCH ADVANCE THEIR LINES

When Hindenburg renews his long deferred offensive on the Western front, it is not improbable that the Americans, who are fighting with the French on the Picardy line will have to bear the brunt of heavy infantry thrusts.

All reports dwell upon the flurry of the cannonades along the Picardy fighting front.

The Americans who are fighting in Picardy hold part of the line southeast of Amiens, occupying a sector that saw tremendous German pressure during the early days of the drive.

The Germans are holding strong reserves north and south of the Somme river and it is generally agreed that the German high command will assault the allied line defending Amiens as well as fighting to the north of the Flanders front.

There have been only minor operations on the Flanders front during the past twenty-four hours, but they terminated to the advantage of the allies.

The French attacked, northeast of Loere and extended their lines while the British forces threw back a group of Germans that were trying to penetrate the British lines east of Ypres.

The continued improvement of the allied positions around Loere, bodes ill for the German effort when Hindenburg resumes his attempt to break the Franco-British grip on the line of hills in that sector.

1,200,000 With Colors. Washington, May 11—There have been called to the colors today over 1,200,000 men, it was learned this afternoon at the office of the Provost Marshal General. And fresh drafts are constantly being prepared.

Anarchy in Ukraine. Washington, May 11—Ukraine, thrown into a turmoil because of interference by Germany with the internal affairs of the country is on the verge of anarchy. This was the outstanding feature of an official Ukrainian report read to the Reichstag Committee by Scheideggan, according to a German newspaper, a translation of which, was made public by the State Department this afternoon.

The report which was read after the committee had voted to raise the injunction of secrecy on debate concerning Ukraine said, that on April 25 German soldiers surrounded the building in which the Rada held its session and arrested the members as well as the government.

Boche Moves Troops to Russia. Amsterdam, May 11—German shifting troops from the west to Russia, according to information received today from a frontier correspondent. He reported the arrival of large contingents of Bavarian cavalry at Lisse from the Flanders front.

The Bavarians were on their way to Ukraine and the correspondent was told that the war is to be renewed there.

## COUNTY TEACHER IS GIVEN HISTORY PRIZE

Miss Laura Jensen, a La Salle county teacher, of a district school near Dana, is the winner of the first prize in the contest recently held by the National Historical Association, for all elementary teachers in the state of Illinois on the best essay written on the subject, "Why the United States is at War."

Miss Jensen was presented with a check for \$75.00 by the Association. The contest was entered by a large number of teachers from all parts of the state and is a very great honor for Miss Jensen, as well as for the La Salle County Teacher's Association, to have been won by a La Salle county teacher.

Initiate Step to Independence. The fact that well-to-do people are almost invariably "wise" and "saving" and usually have that reputation, should be a mighty good pointer for those who are always hard up. If they look it isn't robbery that starts young people on the road to independence. It is common sense and moral courage to deny themselves that does the business.