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WORLD WAR RELIEF WORKER VISITS HERE

William Henry Conklin, Organizer of European Charities, on Way to Russia.

CORNELL GRADUATE

Three Small Sons Are Accompanying the Worker—Bound for Vladivostok.

William Henry Conklin, one of the leading relief workers of the present war, came to Columbia last night at 6 o'clock on a coast-to-coast motor trip from Maine to California with his three small sons. He is now on his way to Russia to take charge of the organized charity work of that country. He left early this morning for Kansas City, where he will continue to the coast if the weather permits.

Mr. Conklin was graduated from Cornell University in 1895 and was for a while in the contracting business in the United States but for the last 15 years he has not been actively engaged in business. He has lived in Rome, Italy, for the most part, with occasional visits to this country to spend a short time at his summer camp in Maine, or at his wife's home in Cincinnati.

Begins Relief Work at Park.

At Lucerne, Switzerland, when the work broke out, he necessarily saw much of the tragedies of war. He decided to give personal relief to the refugees from Alsace-Lorraine and Belgium. Taking his wife and children back to Rome, he hastened to Paris, believing that the most good could be done from that center. Here his friend, Ambassador Herrick, made him one of a committee of twenty for relief work.

He was the only one on the committee unburdened with personal business affairs and he was soon chairman of the committee. He started an office in Paris with only a young American girl as an assistant, who did as much of the routine office work as she could transact by the use of his finger of each hand on the typewriter keys. This small office soon developed until twenty expert stenographers were required to handle the correspondence and it was known as the Relief Charter Clearing House.

The work of this organization was twofold: to investigate and render field aid and relief. Two separate branches were thus established with Mr. Conklin directing the work of each division. The investigation branch worked with the aid of a local investigator appointed to send reports from his town. The one chosen for this office was generally the mayor, priest or Standard Oil agent. The one selected sent in regular reports and whenever conditions at a certain point became bad, Mr. Conklin would stick a red pin in his map in Paris. By this method he could tell the localities needing aid most and would go personally with a committee of investigators to the spot.

After the work of the investigators was completed and a report returned as to the needs of the community, the relief division could go into the field prepared to render the most efficient service, as they had complete facts to work on.

First Civilian at the Front.

Mr. Conklin was the first civilian allowed to visit the battlefield in France. He obtained a personal permit from General Joffre to investigate and do relief work. At the outbreak of the war, all gasoline was confiscated for government use and it was only by special permit from the president of Switzerland that he was allowed to take his car from the country.

In speaking of organized charities he told how the Red Cross became the exclusive charity organization. During the first two years of war the Red Cross was rather inactive, seventy-six other well organized charity organizations doing most of the relief work. The J. P. Morgan Company had an exclusive contract with England and France giving them exemption from shipping charges and custom and export duty. All these seventy-six companies were sending goods under the name of the Red Cross to get this privilege, the Red Cross acting only as a transportation company. When the J. P. Morgan Company decided to go into actual relief work, themselves, they refused to transport other organization's goods and were able to force a monopoly of the relief work.

Mr. Conklin has had varied experience in relief work in Europe. He was in Rome when the Messina earthquake started. Securing two nurses and two surgeons he took his yacht and went to the ruined city. There he was given twenty soldiers to aid him and he started on his work of personal relief, digging out dwellers entombed in their houses, and distributing food to the homeless.

Atrocities on Both Sides.

On his arrival at Messina there

THE CALENDAR

Oct. 5.—Mass meeting before William Jewell game at 7:15 o'clock, University Auditorium.
Oct. 5.—First gathering at Missouri Union, 8 o'clock, Missouri Union.
Oct. 6.—Annual convention of Missouri Old Trails Association, Daniel Boone Tavern.
Oct. 6.—Football game, William Jewell vs. Missouri, 2:30 o'clock, Rollin's Field.
Oct. 6.—Historical pageant, "The Progress of Liberty" at 1:30 o'clock, West Campus.

TAKE RHODES EXAM. HERE

A Missouri and a Texas Student Try to Qualify for Scholarship.

Two persons took the Rhodes Scholarship examination held yesterday at the Engineering Building: John W. Carroll, now staying at the Berlin Hotel in East St. Louis, who is a candidate from Texas, and Charles Fairchild Gill of Liberty, who is a candidate from Missouri.

The scholarship is worth \$1,500 a year for three years at Oxford College in England. Two of them are awarded to each state in the Union.

The examination held yesterday only qualifies the student to become a candidate. The board of selection will arrange another test for those who pass this examination. President A. Ross Hill is the chairman of the board of selection of Missouri.

The questions are sent from Oxford. The candidate is examined in the translation of Latin into English, Latin prose composition, arithmetic, Latin grammar, algebra or geometry, Greek translation and Greek grammar. The answers are sent to Oxford.

Dr. W. G. Brown and Prof. L. M. Defoe conducted the examination.

WANTS RIFLES USED

Pershing Tells "Sammies" Storming Trenches to Employ Guns.

By Associated Press

AMERICAN TRAINING QUARTERS IN FRANCE, Oct. 4.—General Pershing today watched a battalion of Major-General Siebert's command as it stormed and took three enemy trenches which had been named Wilson and Roosevelt camps for the occasion. The exercise was part of the program which is being carried out by the American soldiers here in their divisional and battalion training work and is being carried out daily.

Several French officers witnessed today's maneuvers, which were criticized by American and French observers. General Pershing says that during the taking of the three trenches the soldiers did not use their rifles. This, he thought, was a mistake. "You must not forget that the rifle is distinctly an American invention, and I want to see it employed. There certainly will be plenty of opportunity for its use and if you do not practice with it now you will lose its advantage," the commander said.

Bayonets and bombs are very valuable, but rifles still have a place in modern war. The general said he had heard of soldiers in this war who had chased Germans 100 yards or more for an opportunity to bomb or bayonet them. Had the enemy had presence of mind enough he might have turned and shot his pursuer.

APPEAL TO COUNTY CITIZENS

Loan Organization Committee Issues a Statement.

The following appeal has been issued by the executive committee of the Boone County Liberty Loan Organization:

To the Citizens of Boone County: The undersigned call upon you for assistance at this time of our country's necessitous condition. Help us to organize, advertise and sell Boone County's share of the second Liberty Loan. You will be rendering a patriotic service if you will respond cheerfully, promptly, unselfishly to our requests.

We would like to feel free to call upon any man, woman or child for whatever service is needed. You may be asked to serve on a committee, furnish your automobile, give advertising space to Liberty Bond literature, make a speech or sell bonds. No matter what it is, please do not hesitate or offer excuses, but say yes promptly, cheerfully, self-sacrificingly. This is the spirit of the day. In our country's service, S. C. Hunt, J. A. Hudson, R. B. Price, Jr., I. A. Barth, S. F. Conley, E. S. Stephens, Executive Committee, Boone County Liberty Loan Organization.

Dean Williams to Speak in Kansas City
Dean Walter Williams will address the Kansas City Credit Men's Association tonight at their opening meeting of their annual session. It will be held at the Hotel Muehlebach. Dean Williams will return tomorrow.

Reception for Mr. Grimes in Mexico.
A reception was given Tuesday night by the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Mexico, for the new pastor, the Rev. C. C. Grimes, formerly of Columbia. More than 250 persons attended.

GROCERIES AT COST FOR ITS EMPLOYEES

Shoe Factory Completes Plans for Starting a Store at Its Plant.

NO OUTSIDE TRADE

Superintendent Expects to Reduce Cost of Living for Workers' Families.

Plans have been made to install a grocery store in the Hamilton-Brown Shoe Factory for the benefit of the employees of the factory. A staple line of groceries will be carried, and the employees and their families will be able to buy these groceries at cost. W. H. Braselton, superintendent of the factory here, said this morning:

"Our plans are now complete and if nothing happens to change them we will install a staple line of groceries and sell them at cost to the employees. It must be understood that this is for the benefit of the employees only. No outside trade will be allowed."

No definite time has been set for the opening of the store, but it will be in the near future. It will be inside the factory building. This will save rent and will enable the factory to sell groceries cheaper, Mr. Braselton says.

URGES FARMERS TO BUY BONDS

Dean Mumford Tells of the Opportunity to Aid.

Hundreds of letters have been received by the Missouri Council of Defense from farmers who are not satisfied only with having aided the government by bigger yields of corn and wheat but wish to help in more ways. Dean F. B. Mumford, chairman of the Missouri Council of Defense, has recommended that farmers buy Liberty Loan Bonds. He is having multigraph letters sent to farmers, showing why they should invest in Liberty Bonds. Dean Mumford said yesterday:

"The second Liberty Loan is being organized. The government desires to have the farmers purchase these bonds for two reasons: The government needs the money and wants the farmers to have a definite personal interest in the war. There are two methods of raising money; one is by direct taxation and the other is by bonds. Bonds will distribute the costs over a number of years. This is an advantage to the farmer and, besides, bonds are a safe paying investment."

DENTISTS WANT HIGHER RANK

Say They Should Be in Class of Medical and Engineering Students.

An attempt is being made by the members of the North Central Missouri Dental Society, which is now in session at Mexico, to place the dental students, who are eligible under the draft act, in the same status as medical and engineering students. Dr. Charles W. Digges of Columbia is president of the association, and Dr. H. L. Bragg is secretary-treasurer. Dr. D. G. Stine of the School of Medicine lectured at the meeting yesterday afternoon.

It was pointed out that to make dental students serve as privates in the army would hamper the profession. Dr. E. W. Smith of Columbia is attending the meetings.

NO ACTION ON LA FOLLETTE

Committee Will Take Up Question Again Tomorrow.

By Associated Press

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—Decision as to what action it shall take on the petitions demanding the expulsion of Senator La Follette was again postponed today by the Senate privileges and elections committee. Another meeting will be held tomorrow.

The committee is considering various courses. Today the question of a formal investigation and hearing upon Senator La Follette's speeches and statements was discussed. The committee virtually decided there was no prima facie basis for extending any investigation, if one should be decided on, to Senators Stone, Gronna or others.

MINISTER, 72, SUES FOR \$5,000

J. P. Griffith of Higginsville Wants Damages from Wabash.

The only case brought up in today's session of Circuit Court was the damage suit for \$5,000 of J. P. Griffith, a 72-year-old Baptist minister, against the Wabash Railroad. Mr. Griffith was hurt August 2, 1916, when he fell from the steps of the train on which he arrived, to the platform. He has been living at the State Old Soldiers' Home at Higginsville for several years. The jury had not reached a decision at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon.

M. R. Conley and J. L. Stephens are the attorneys for the plaintiff, J. P. McBaine and Boyle G. Clark for the defendant.

Agricultural Club to Meet.

The Agricultural Club will meet in the Agricultural Auditorium at 7:15 o'clock tonight to discuss plans for the annual "barnwarming."

ASK MUMFORD TO BE FOOD ADMINISTRATOR

State Control Position Offered to M. U. Dean, Says a Dispatch.

MAY NOT ACCEPT IT

He Would Make No Statement Here Today Regarding the Offer.

Dean F. B. Mumford has been offered the post of state food administrator for Missouri, says a dispatch to the Kansas City Star from Washington. The Star correspondent says: "It is not believed here that he can accept because of the war work he now is carrying in addition to his regular work in the College of Agriculture. Government officials, however, are extremely anxious that the Missouri man serve because of his thorough familiarity with conditions in the state. President A. Ross Hill of the University of Missouri will be asked to make special arrangements to make Dean Mumford available for this work."

Dean Mumford said here this morning: "Things are in such a condition that I can make no statement now."

President Hill is now in Washington and it is probable that government officials will take up the matter with him there. State food administrators will work under the direction of the national food administrator, Herbert Hoover.

ALL CORN SAFE IN TEN DAYS

Weather Last Week Generally Favorable for State Crops.

The bulk of the state's corn crop, including at least 50 per cent of that replanted in the low lands is now safe from the frost, says the weekly weather and crop bulletin of the U. S. Weather Bureau. The bulletin says: "The weather of the past week was favorable throughout Missouri. An opportune and general rain fell on September 25 and 26, furnishing ample moisture everywhere for present needs, save perhaps in the extreme southeastern counties where amounts were less than one-half inch. The rain revived pastures, replenished stock water and put the soil in excellent condition."

"The bulk of an exceptionally fine corn is safe; and fifty per cent of the replanted overflooded river lowlands also is safe, while about ten days of favorable weather will round out practically the entire crop. Many silos have been filled, and considerable corn is being cut."

"For the state as a whole, 79 per cent of the wheat land is prepared for seeding; from about Henry County northeast to Boone thence northwest to Nodaway County this work is practically completed. The increased acreage over the normal averages about 32 per cent, but in many localities it is as much as 50 per cent. About 20 per cent has been sown, and the grain is germinating nicely."

"The rains revived the pastures, and stock is looking well. Late forage and truck crops are promising. Apple picking is in full progress. All minor crops are generally satisfactory."

TO WELCOME FOREIGN STUDENTS

Cosmopolitan Club Will Meet at Home of Prof. Wrench Tomorrow Night.

For the purpose of meeting and welcoming to the University this year the foreign students who have come to Columbia for college work, the Cosmopolitan Club will tomorrow night hold a special session at the home of Prof. J. E. Wrench, 1104 Hudson avenue. The members will assemble in Lowrey Hall at 7:30 o'clock for a short conference before going to the Wrench home for the evening.

MRS. J. T. GRANT DIES

Funeral Services to Be at Christian Church Tomorrow.

Mrs. Bessie Brown Grant died at 10:05 o'clock last night at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Brown, at Browns Station. She was 27 years old. Mrs. Grant leaves, besides the husband, George T. Grant, a 3-year-old daughter. She had lived in and near Columbia all her life. Funeral services will be held at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning at the Christian Church.

U. S. Army to Have Two Generals.

By Associated Press

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—An administration bill creating two generals in the United States Army, to provide for the promotion of Major-General Pershing and Major-General Bliss, and also creating several lieutenant-generals was introduced today in the Senate. It is planned to rush it through Congress before adjournment.

Dr. Moss Goes to Michigan.

Dr. Woodson Moss left last night for Twin Lakes, Mich., to visit his daughter, Mrs. Frederick E. Marshall, and his son, Woodson Moss, Jr.

THE WEATHER

For Columbia and vicinity: Fair tonight and Friday and probably Saturday; somewhat cooler Friday.

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Weather Conditions.
A storm is passing down the Lakes this morning, attended by rain and squalls, and as a result the weather east of the Mississippi and north of the Ohio is more or less unsettled.

A high pressure wave dominates conditions throughout the country west of the Mississippi River to the Pacific Ocean, and from western Canada on the north to Texas on the south, attended by a fine type of autumn weather.

In Columbia fine weather will likely prevail during most of the remainder of the week.

Local Data.
The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 79 degrees and the lowest last night was 48; precipitation 0.00; relative humidity 2 p. m. yesterday 40 per cent. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 84 and the lowest 57; precipitation 0.00 inch.

The Almanac.
Sun rises today, 6:08 a. m. Sun sets, 5:48 p. m.
Moon rises 8:14 p. m.

The Temperatures Today.
7 a. m. 48 11 a. m. 67
8 a. m. 52 12 m. 75
9 a. m. 58 1 p. m. 77
10 a. m. 62 2 p. m. 79

BID SOLDIERS GOODBY

Speeches by Senator Harris and Dr. Hudson Will Be Given at Union Tonight.

The Commercial Club and the Missouri Union will combine tonight in a farewell at the Union Building to the third draft quota which will leave here tomorrow morning for Camp Funston. The entertainment will be held at 7:30 o'clock on the lawn at the Union Building. Speeches by Senator Frank G. Harris of Columbia and Dr. J. W. Hudson of the department of philosophy. Gifts will be presented to the soldiers by the citizens of Columbia and refreshments will be furnished by the Union and served by University girls.

The Commercial Club and the Union have worked together in arranging the meeting due to the fact that some of the members of the quota are former University men. Morris E. Dry, president of the student body, will preside.

After the speeches a large package of smoking tobacco and a pipe will be presented to all the men by the Commercial Club.

Patriotic music will be furnished by the cadet band. The Union wishes to have as many students as possible attend the meeting that the University may do its part.

RUSSIA TO USE MISSOURI LAW

New Republic Asks For State Absent Voting Measure.

By Associated Press
JEFFERSON CITY, Oct. 4.—A copy of the Missouri state absent voting law is to be sent to Russia for use in formulating that government's policy. The request for the transcript was made to Governor Gardner by Secretary Lansing.

The secretary asked that a transmission of the law by wire be made and that the amendment made by the last General Assembly permitting of the state to send their votes to their homes be quoted in full. The law will be transmitted to the official of the Russian government making the request.

SLATER TO SEND ROAD MEN

Mayor Appoints Delegates to Missouri Old Trails Meeting.

The following delegates have been appointed by the mayor of Slater to attend the meeting of the Missouri Old Trails Association here Saturday: Charles Bolte, F. A. Howard, M. L. Francis, George Ling, Harry King, Charles D. Steele, John Abell, R. T. Jenkins, Ike Hardin and W. C. Gaines. It is probable that this delegation will be joined by twenty other road boosters.

TWO BIG PRIZES AT FAIR

Farmers Have Chance to Win One of \$175 and Another of \$100.

"There were no costly premiums offered at the Missouri State Fair at Sedalia, or at any other county fair in the state, as far as I know, that will equal the two big prizes to be given at the Boone County Fair for the best pair of aged mules and best pair of mule colts," said W. B. Nowell, Jr., a member of the board of directors of the fair association.

Birthday of Doctor Wood Observed.

Monday night Stephens College students ate barbecued meat at their annual picnic, but Tuesday night they ate cake in honor of President J. M. Wood's forty-second birthday. It was a surprise party planned by the girls. A special dinner was served, during which twenty-four negro minstrels, college girls made up for the part, enacted a pageant on some of the past events of Mr. Wood's life.

Would Adjourn Congress Saturday.

By Associated Press
WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—The resolution offered in the House today to adjourn Congress at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon was unanimously passed.

HAIG BEGINS DRIVE ON FLANDERS FRONT

British Commander Reports Satisfactory Results in New Offensive.

GERMAN LOSS HEAVY

Teutons, by Furious Assaults, Try to Retake Ground—Like Somme Battle.

By Associated Press

NEW YORK, Oct. 4.—Striking on another wide front east of Ypres in Belgium this morning, the British again renewed their offensive against the Germans in Flanders. In Field Marshal Haig's first announcements this morning he reported satisfactory progress. Already a stream of German prisoners is being sent to the rear of the British lines.

The renewal of the Flanders drive comes after an eight-day interval. Wednesday of last week the British advanced from half a mile to a mile at various points along the Ypres-Menin road. Some of the heaviest fighting in the war on the western front followed.

The Germans are making assault after assault to regain the valuable high ground they have lost. Almost every inch of it, however, was held intact, the British meanwhile preparing for the next forward push.

With today's renewal of the drive in Flanders, the battle is beginning to take on the appearance of last year's Battle of the Somme, which was followed by the famous Hindenburg "strategic retreat." The same general tactics are now to be used, and it is confidently expected they will achieve the same general result.

This time all ground which would have to be abandoned would be far more valuable to the Entente and its loss far more important to the Germans. The German-held Belgium coast line, with its submarine and aerial bases, is at stake, in addition the manufacturing city of Lille, with wide stretches of territory in Northern France and Flanders.

French Bomb Two German Cities.

By Associated Press
PARIS, Oct. 4.—Another aerial raid over Germany was made last night by French aviators, the cities of Frankfurt and Ratot being bombed.

BURRIS A. JENKINS' SON HERE

Graduate of Culver Given a Commission in Cadet Corps.

Paul Jenkins, son of the Rev. Burris A. Jenkins, pastor of the Linwood Boulevard Church of Kansas City is attending the University this year. He is a graduate of Culver Military School and has been given a commission as second lieutenant in the cadet corps. He is a member of the Glee Club. His father, arrived in New York yesterday after five months' service in Y. M. C. A. work in France and England.

The Rev. Mr. Jenkins made many trips between England and France and spent the last ten days of his stay in the trenches. He will resume his work in his church October 7 and later will give lectures on his work in France and England.

HEAVY COTTON LOSS FOR 1917

Is Caused by Deterioration, Boll Worms and Weevils.

By Associated Press

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—Deterioration during September in almost the entire cotton belt caused the loss of 452,000 bales in the prospect production of cotton and leaves a 1917 crop of 12,047,000 560-pound bales, the Department of Agriculture in its official announcement reports. It also announces a decline of 7.4 points in cotton during the month, caused partly by boll worms and weevils.

MASS MEETING TOMORROW

Willis Yale Only Man Nominated for Cheer Leader.

The first mass meeting of the year will be held in the University Auditorium at 7:15 o'clock tomorrow night. The cadet band will furnish music for the occasion and Dr. A. Ross Hill, president of the University, Dr. W. E. Meanwell, director of athletics, and E. Sydney Stephens of Columbia will speak. Morris E. Dry, student president, will preside.

The nomination of Willis Yale for cheer leader for the year, accepted by the Student Council, will be acted on at the meeting. No other candidates having filed as yet, it is taken by the council to mean that no further nominations will be made.

U. S. Director of Engraving Resigns.

By Associated Press

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—Joseph E. Ralph, director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, whose administration of the bureau is under investigation, today tendered his resignation.

Comes to Enter Christian College.

Miss Martha Prewitt of Clarksville, Mo., arrived here yesterday to enter Christian College.