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COLONEL RODMAN BELIEVES MILITIA PLAN WILL WIN; NO AERO CAMP IN STATE

COLONEL HAS JUST RETURNED FROM CONFERENCE WITH ADJUTANT-GENERAL IN RALEIGH.

LOCAL COMPANY

If Militia Plan Wins Out, Number of Companies in State Will be Doubled. Washington Will Probably Reorganize Company.

That the continental army plan will be abandoned and the various State militia companies put on a more efficient basis, was the opinion voiced this morning by Col. W. C. Rodman, who has just returned from a visit to Raleigh, during which time he had a conference with Adjutant-General Young.

The adjutant-general recently attended a conference of National Guard organizations of the various States and the Congressional committee on military affairs. Should the militia plan be successful, the bill will probably be passed by next July. It will probably be introduced by the fifteenth of next month.

If the bill is carried, Washington will probably obtain a new military company. It is expected that the number of companies in the State will be doubled. Twenty-seven applications for companies are already on file from various towns of the State with the Adjutant-General.

Under the new ruling, which will go into effect after the bill is passed, captains of companies will receive \$500 per annum from the government and about \$200 from the State. The salary of the First Lieutenants will be \$450 from the government and that of the Second Lieutenants, \$400. Privates will receive twenty-five per cent of the regular army pay. This will make the total salary for a company several thousand dollars a year.

Colonel Rodman also stated that there was no foundation for rumors relative to the location of an aero plane station at Morehead City or at any other point in this section of the State. It is true that Assistant Secretary Roosevelt spent a few days in the vicinity of New Bern, but he made the trip solely to enjoy the excellent hunting that is afforded here.

In speaking further of the militia plan, Colonel Rodman stated: "The plan, as I understand it, is for legislation which will make it possible to maintain in the National Guard an organized well-equipped, and well trained force ready for service. It is wished to avoid the necessity of reorganizing the National Guard after war has been declared. It is planned to have it ready to take the field immediately upon the declaration of war. To do this it would be necessary to train officers and men for service in war and in my opinion this cannot be done without providing pay for the members of the National Guard."

"It is the opinion of those who have had long service in the National Guard that if Congress will provide the necessary funds the force can be brought up to a strength of 250,000 with the colors and \$80,000 in a reserve. In addition to Federal pay there should be appropriations for longer terms of field service. For years it has been realized that the National Guard was not getting sufficient field service. This part of the legislation is as important as a pay bill. If Congress will provide sufficient funds and pass the necessary legislation, the National Guard in time will give the country half a million trained citizen soldiers."

CASES BROUGHT UP BEFORE RECORDER

The following cases were brought up and tried in the recorder's court yesterday afternoon:

A. S. Wallace, three cases of speeding; fined \$5 and costs in each of two cases and found not guilty in the third.

Dr. J. T. Nicholson, no front lights on car; fined costs.

Tom Bland, riding on the sidewalk; fined costs.

Gene Smith, colored, soliciting at the Norfolk Southern station; fined costs.

Frank Moore, colored, charged with having more liquor than the law allows; jury trial on December 30th.

Joe Hardy, colored, carry concealed weapon; \$10 and costs.

Sam King, violating traffic ordinance; not guilty.

DUPONT PLANT WON'T COME TO THIS SECTION

HUMOR THAT NEW PLANT IS TO BE LOCATED IN CAROLINA IS DENIED.

LETTER RECEIVED

Wilmington Rotary Club Receives Definite Announcement. Number of Cases Offered. Valuable Sections of Land.

New Bern, Dec. 21.—Several denials have recently been made of the rumor which has been going the rounds in regard to the erection in Eastern North Carolina of a branch munition plant to be operated by the DuPont Powder Company.

The Rotary Club of Wilmington, looking into the matter with the DuPont people and have received from them an assertion that there is absolutely no foundation for the rumor, that they will erect no plant in this section. Concerning this letter the Wilmington Dispatch says:

"A letter from the chief engineer of the DuPont Powder Company has been received by Mr. J. B. Rice, chairman of the manufacturer's committee of the Rotary Club, which has been communicating with the DuPont people in regard to the establishment of an auxiliary plant in this city, stating that at no time has the munition plant anticipated placing a branch in North Carolina.

Many cities in Eastern North Carolina were busy communicating with the headquarters of the company and offering free and valuable sites for the erection of a powder plant, among which was the Rotary Club of this city. Thanks were contained in the letter, for the interest in the matter."

After tomorrow, the public library will be closed until January 10, this being the time the librarian usually has her vacation. Those wishing books to read during the holidays will be allowed two books in each borrower's card. All of these books will be returnable January 10th.

Clarence Mayo, of South Creek, was in the city today attending to business matters.

RESULTS OF BOMBARDMENT OF WESTENDE



Coincident with the main drive of the British forces in Flanders in the region of Lens, the British battleships appeared off the coast of Belgium and heavily bombarded the German positions. This is the first picture received in this country showing the results of the British bombardment of the Belgian coast. The picture was taken at Westende, a small village near Ostende.

FIRE DESTROYS BIG WAREHOUSE

Gum Warehouse at Greenville Complete Loss. Other Buildings Were Endangered.

(By Eastern Press) Greenville, Dec. 21.—The fire department was called out this morning at four o'clock in response to an alarm sent in from box 72. The Gum warehouse was afire, and burning all over when the fire fighters arrived. There was no chance to save the warehouse since the roof was falling when the alarm went in.

Several dwelling houses, occupied by colored people, and situated near the warehouse caught and one was burned down, though it might have been saved if the fighting of the fire had been properly conducted, according to the statement of many local men present.

While the fire was at its highest a large storage house just across the street from the Gum warehouse caught and would have probably burned, but for the efforts of Mr. S. T. Honker, who induced the firemen to turn a stream of water from the big fire to the front of it where it had already caught.

So far it has not been determined how the fire originated, but some firmly assert that they smelled kerosene, and it is thought that the fire might have been incendiary.

The Gum warehouse was owned by Messrs. J. J. Laughinghouse, H. I. Coward and others. The loss could not be determined today.

The warehouse was operated this year by Messrs. Gibson and Faucett and is supposed to have had a large amount of tobacco in it.

BLANKET OF WHITE COVERS THE CITY

Three Inches of Snow Fell Last Night. First Heavy Snow Here of the Season.

When the residents of Washington crawled out of their beds this morning and took a peep out of the windows, they beheld trees, houses and the ground covered with a layer of snow, three inches deep.

When they left their homes it was to find that the sidewalks and steps were extremely slippery with a crust of ice where the snow had been shoveled off or trampled down.

There were several mishaps. The postoffice steps were particularly slippery and there were a number of very clever steps executed by those who lost their balance. It is safe to say that there were quite a few who performed strange Terpsichorean feats before they got to their places of business.

CONGRESSMAN SMALL WILL INTRODUCE TWO BILLS

One Will Be Certain Exemption of pilotage; the other Issuing Licenses in Dry Territory.

Congressman Small, who has just returned from attending the opening session of Congress in Washington City, stated today in an interview that there were three principal matters of interest that it was expected would be brought before the House when Congress reconvenes. The three are suffrage, prohibition and national preparedness.

In speaking of the first two, Small stated that it was not known yet when they would be brought up for discussion but that there had been considerable agitation by advocates of the measures. Regarding preparedness, Mr. Small remarked:

BARACAS PLAN TO TAKE TRIP

Will Visit Richmond and Hopewell in the Early Spring. Other Features of Entertainment Are Planned.

The M. E. Baraca class have two enjoyable coming events on their program. One of those will be "pulled off" in the near future and will be a big dinner, given by the losing side in the membership campaign to the winners. The other is a trip to Richmond, Hopewell and other points in Virginia, which will be taken some time during the early spring.

The Baraca class now boasts of a large number of members, which number is increasing every week. On an average of ten new members are added to the list every Sunday.

Photographs are Richmond and of the burned city of Hopewell are on view at Worthy & Etheridge's drug store.

CANDY PRICES SMASHED

- 40c CHOCOLATES 30c
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- 60c CHOCOLATE ALMONDS 50c
- PEIDES MARSHMELLOWS 20c lb; 2 for 35c
- HERSHEY'S 5c SIZE 6 for 25c
- 2c CREAM MIXED 15c

THIS IS ALL FRESH NEW STOCK. FRESH LINE OF THIS YEAR'S NUTS.

W. J. RHODES, JR.

From The Savings Account to The Christmas Stocking

How many stockings are you going to fill on Christmas morning? In how many of them would you like to put bigger, better, prettier things? Don't we all wish every Christmas that we could give father a nicer house coat, or mother a finer dress, or the dozen and one other members of the family, something a lot richer than our pocket book allow?

To help all who have such worthy desires we have opened

Our Holiday Savings Fund Which Starts December 27th

This plan is so admirable that saving becomes an easy matter. You pay only a few cents a week for 50 weeks, and then receive our check two weeks before Christmas, for all your savings, plus 4 per cent interest.

Come to the Bank any day between now and December 31st, and start your savings account in our Holiday Fund. It is the one sure way to "fill the stockings" with the things you want—the one sure way to have the kind of Christmas that makes us Merry.

THE SAVINGS & TRUST CO.

R. L. DAVIS DENIES FACT THAT HE IS FIGHTING SMALL AND POU

BUSTER BROWN GIVES VIEWS ON "KICKERS"

Resolved: The Kicker is a selfish chap. He is more, he is an ignorant egotistical hog.

To him there is no one on earth but himself.

He is a mule.

He will tell you he will get what he wants by kicking.

Oh, but who wants the scowls and curses he gets with it?

Who wants the sour disposition he has?

Some day it will make him sick.

He may kick at and scowl at the poor tired waiter, but he doesn't know that that waiter gets even by just expectorating in his soup.

Oh, boys, let's be kind.

BUSTER BROWN.

OTHER CASES ARE IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE

TWO MORE WERE BROUGHT TO ATTENTION OF DAILY NEWS THIS MORNING.

HELP TO OTHERS

Relief Has Been Given to the Two Cases Mentioned in Yesterday's Issue. Happy Christmas to be Provided Needy in Washington.

The announcement in yesterday's issue of the Daily News regarding the helping of those families in need, has met with considerable comment and interest. Two cases were cited where assistance would be appreciated and these will be attended to, according to assurances given over the telephone this morning.

Two more cases were reported today.

Case No. 3. Wife works in factory, husband is feeble and unable to work. One child is convalescent from pneumonia and another is suffering from the same malady.

Case No. 4. A widow with four children takes in sewing in order to provide a living for her little ones.

We sincerely trust that those who can aid in the above cases will call up this office on the telephone. The names of the parties will be furnished them.

If any of our readers know of any other worthy cases we will appreciate it if they will let us know.

STOCK OF GOODS FOR SALE

I have for sale stock of goods and accounts in store on 244 West Main street that I recently bought under mortgage sale. Will make terms reasonable for good security. Anxious to make deal on or before Dec 21st, 1915. E. R. MIXON.

SAYS BAKER

If you can't go to see your mother, sister or brother this Christmas—send them a fresh photograph. You don't know how much they will appreciate it. It will almost be like a personal visit. BAKER'S STUDIO.

WRITES LETTER IN REPLY TO ARTICLE WHICH APPEARED IN NEWS AND OBSERVER.

FALSE IMPRESSION

Says That Anti-Prohibitionists Are Trying to Use These Means in Arousing Sentiment Against the Anti-Saloon League.

R. L. Davis, State Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, has issued a reply to an article which appeared in yesterday's News and Observer regarding his alleged attitude towards Congressmen Small and Pou. His letter is in part ready as follows:

To the Editor: In your Monday's issue you carried a news letter by Mr. Aaa Biggy, of Greensville, which states that the Anti-Saloon League, in its campaign for national prohibition in the First and Fourth Districts, is making an attack on the congressmen of those districts. The article says, "The attack on Small and Pou by the Anti-Saloon League has grown out of the fact that these two Congressmen failed to vote for a Constitutional amendment which would mean national prohibition at the last session of Congress."

I want to state most positively that the Anti-Saloon League has never made an attack on Messrs. Pou and Small, or any other congressman from this State. What the Anti-Saloon League is doing in its educational campaign in these districts, is to give the people the facts touching national prohibition, the vote of their congressmen last time, and their promise to vote for submitting national prohibition this time if a majority of their constituency so desire.

The Anti-Saloon League representatives have spoken in high terms of the work of Mr. Small and Mr. Pou for temperance reform, especially the active services of Mr. Pou on the Rules Committee in getting through that committee a rule which provided for the discussion and vote on the Webb-Kenyon law. We have always considered them the friends of prohibition and our every attitude to them has been with this in mind. But, knowing that they realize their duties as representatives and believing that they will be true to their statements to support a resolution submitting national prohibition to the States, if a majority of their constituency so desire, the Anti-Saloon League has been at work to get their constituency to let them know, by letter and resolution, that they do desire it.

I want to state, in conclusion, that I know some anti-prohibitionists are trying to make the impression that the Anti-Saloon League is fighting these two congressmen and are trying to make this impression for the purpose of hurting the Anti-Saloon League; and, therefore, I take this opportunity to set the people of North Carolina straight as to what the Anti-Saloon League is doing in regard to this matter.

R. L. DAVIS, Supt. N. C. Anti-Saloon League, December 20, 1915.

NO SHOW TONIGHT. Prices 25, 35, 50c.

NEW THEATRE

TO-NIGHT

NO SHOW TONIGHT

Prices 25, 35, 50c

Are You Interested In a HOME?

A new Series of the Home Building and Loan Association will open on

January 8th, 1916.

SEE

W. E. SWINDELL, Pres., or J. B. SPARROW, Sec'y.