

WAR DEPT. SOUNDS WARNING TO NORTH CAROLINA NEWSPAPERS

Against Being Made the Medium for Exonerating Men Whose Names Appear on the Printed Lists of Alleged Deserters Through Misrepresentation — Warning is Given Though the Adjutant General's Office — War Department's Attitude Explained.

Raleigh, June 11.—The War Department through Adjutant General John Van B. Metts' office here is sounding a warning to North Carolina newspapers, to be warned against being made the medium for "exonerating" men whose names appear on the printed lists of alleged draft deserters through misrepresentations.

The department points out that very likely many cases will arise where men whose names appear on the slacker lists will attempt to show that they are wrongfully charged with evading the draft. The following from a letter written to Adjutant General Metts will explain the War Department's attitude with respect to men whose names appear on the slacker lists:

"Attention is invited to the fact that all of the names on the printed lists of alleged draft deserters are on those lists because the War Department found, in the investigation of the selective service records, that the proper local board officials had entered charges of desertion against them, and subsequent investigations have failed to produce any reason for removing such names from the lists.

"Many cases will arise where the men whose names are on the published lists will attempt to show by certain evidence which they may produce that they are wrongfully on the list, and by misrepresentations to those not familiar with the publication of their cases in such a manner as to martyrize themselves and at the same time put the War Department in the position of publishing men without just or proper cause therefor."

The following case is typical:

"A man received an honorable discharge from the army in the early part of 1918. He then was called by his local board, failed to respond and was properly reported to the Adjutant General of the Army as a deserter. This man may now produce his honorable discharge of 1918 to a newspaper, make claim that he is wrongfully on the list, and have the alleged injustice done him very much advertised, where as he became a deserter after the date of his discharge and he was rightfully published as such."

After citing several cases similar to this one which are typical of the letter cases with:

"Newspapers should be warned against being made the medium for such misrepresentation, and they should not publish such claims without first having the report from the War Department upon any single case."

What action the State Corporation Commission proposes to take regarding the petition of the Southern Bell Telephone Company for a rehearing of its application for increased telephone rates in North Carolina had not been decided upon today.

A prediction is that they will be dismissed on the grounds that to reopen the case would merely be a repetition of what the Commission has already gone into with some degree of thoroughness. The commissioners seem undisturbed over the intimation in the petition that the telephone company's return from the rate now in effect is "unreasonably low and if continued will result in confiscating its property in violation of the XIV amendment to the constitution of the United States."

Criticism lodged against the Commission for granting the 10 per cent increase is believed an indication that further raises will be disallowed should the matter be reheard.

O. Max Gardner and O. M. Mull, of Shelby, were here yesterday seeking to locate the executive committee of the North Carolina Press Association. An invitation from the city of Shelby and Cleveland county to the association to hold its next session at Cleveland Springs is to be made through Messrs. Gardner and Mull.

Cleveland Springs is on the outskirts of the Cleveland county capital and is the newest prize resort of the Piedmont section of North Carolina. Through a misunderstanding as to the date of the meeting, the executive committee was not notified of the invitation, however, held.

Oliver, chief dental surgeon, U. S. Army, advised National Dental Association invited to Carolina Dental Society meeting in Charlotte.

REVOLUTIONIZE ORANGE INDUSTRY

Ever Bearing Orange Tree is Destined to Make this Change is Opinion Expressed.

Tampa, Fla., June 11.—An ever-bearing orange tree which citrus fruit growers believe is destined to revolutionize the orange industry of the state if not of the entire country, has been discovered by horticulturists in a small grove at Avon Park, near here, and to protect the specimen its purchasers have placed around it a heavy wire fence twenty feet in height and stationed guards day and night.

The tree has been in bearing continuously eight years but until recently its existence was known only to the owner and several neighbors who, according to citrus experts, did not realize its value but regarded it merely as a freak of nature. Several of South Florida's largest citrus growers have organized a syndicate, purchased the tree, leased the ground upon which it stands and already are taking steps to develop its possibilities by propagating it through budwood, with the expectation of having 250,000 trees ready for setting out in groves by 1923.

The ever-bearing tree is about fifteen years old but its origin is a mystery. Like the famous Temple orange tree discovered some years ago on the estate of the late W. C. Temple, one time National League baseball magnate, the new specimen stands alone as the first of an entirely new branch of the citrus family and its owners believe it will bring forth stock true to the parent tree, and as in the case of the Temple tree, be worth millions to the men who had the foresight to grasp its possibilities.

Apparently authentic records show that for eight years the tree has bloomed and borne fruit continuously and that at no time during that period has it failed to have blossoms and fruit at all stages of maturity. In outward appearance the fruit is a Valencia except that it is slightly more oblong than that variety. The meat in texture and flavor is that of a perfect Valencia, the variety that brings the top price in the markets.

The ever-bearing Florida lemon has been common for many years but citrus experts here declare they never before have known of an ever-bearing orange.

NEW INVENTION MAY TAKE PLACE

Of Printing from Type Was Told at the Recent World's Congress in City of Paris.

London, June 11.—Suggestion that printing from type is likely to be superseded was made by William Gamble at the recent World's congress of Printers held here in connection with the International Printing and Allied Trades exhibition. Mr. Gamble said that at least three inventors were trying to develop a photographic process to the place of printing from type.

He predicted that the machines for printing by photographic process would hardly occupy more space than a typewriter no be any more complicated.

He expressed the opinion that eventually the great printing presses in newspaper offices would give place to smaller, self-running and comparatively noiseless machines which would turn out printed matter with almost the same facility as the moving picture operator reels off his film.

June 28-29 and 30. This announcement was made here today by Dr. H. O. L'Engelberg, secretary of the State Society.

PERMANENT COURT TO BE CONSIDERED

At the Second Assembly of the League of Nations Called for September, Stated.

Geneva, June 11.—The most important single problem that will be considered at the Second Assembly of the League of Nations called for September 5 is the establishment of the Permanent Court of International Justice. The statutes of the court which were adopted by the First Assembly have now been signed by 33 states and are in process of ratification by members of the League.

While this is regarded as the most important subject, the provisional program of the meeting which has just been distributed to all governments which are members of the League, consists of 25 items. Among them are amendments to the Covenant, the reduction of armaments, the request of Bolivia for mediation in her dispute with Chili, and the appointment of four non-permanent members of the Council.

Reports will be received from technical organizations of the League such as those dealing with the suppression of the opium traffic, the traffic in women and children, communications and transit, international health, registration of treaties, the economic blockade and the allocation of expenditures of the League.

LENINE IS FOND OF WOLF HUNTING

Said that He Continues to Live Simply in Striking Contrast to His Associates.

Reval, Esthonia, June 11.—Nikolai Lenine, head of the Russian Bolshevik government, has recently developed a liking for wolf-hunting. According to recent arrivals from Moscow, Lenine in company with Krielenko, one of the Red Army leaders, has just returned from a wolf drive at Zabidovo.

Those who know Lenine most intimately declare that despite the numerous crises through which he has had to lead the Bolshevik regime, he is still perhaps the "most cheerful man in Russia."

He preserves his continual good humor by shielding himself closely from detailed work when in his office at the Kremlin, devoting his time to the big problems of government and to the preparation of his speeches and pamphlets in which he advocates numerous changes from his old strict communistic policy.

Between labor hours when in his office he reads novels and socialistic works by foreign authors in the original French, English and German, and also keeps in touch with the principal works on other subjects.

It is said that he continues to live simply, in striking contrast to a number of minor Bolshevik officials who occupy luxurious quarters. Lenine and his wife have only a few rooms.

Mrs. Lenine, say those who know her, disagrees quite strongly with her husband on many political subjects, being more of the social revolutionist type, advocating slower changes than Lenine's Communism. However, it is said they get along splendidly.

ARE MARCHING TO CONSTANTINOPLE

Is the New Song of the Bolsheviks—Considered to be Significant in Turk City.

Constantinople, June 11.—"We are marching to Constantinople," the new war song of the Bolsheviks, is considered here to be significant in connection with the Bolshevik propaganda, looking to the taking of the city.

All railways leading to the chief Black Sea ports are said to be undergoing repairs to prepare them for heavy traffic. Bela Kun, Bolshevik commissary in the Crimea, is said to be putting the Crimean ports in good condition, meantime arranging to get coal from the Donetz basin and encouraging the peasants to increase their crops.

SUPER-CHILDREN



Do you believe that genius "runs in the family?" Here's evidence that it does. These two children, Nancy and Edward Woodward, made phenomenal records in Binet intelligence tests conducted at the Foxwood school. L. I. Nancy, aged 8, passed the test with grades not one child in 100,000 could reach. She has a vocabulary of 10,000 words, for thing. Edward, aged 10, has a "mental age" of 17 and the vocabulary of a "superior adult." Their father, General Woodward, passed the West Point entrance exams at 16.

JUNE CROP OUTLOOK AS COMPILED BY THE STATE AGRICULTURAL DEPT.

Being optimistic is an effort to farmers now. Listen to the gist of what 561 farmers reported on basis of June 1st crop conditions: "Too much rain and cold weather. Spring freezes caused heavy damage to crops. Everything backward from ten to thirty days. Practically all fruit killed or a failure. Crops in poor condition with many sections having poorest prospects in many years. Much replanting. Cut worms, insects and diseases doing heavy damage. Recent warm weather more favorable. Increase in hay crops."

The principal wheat counties of North Carolina have suffered seriously from hessian fly rust, in addition to the decrease in acreage. The pre-mal (full crop) is 12 per cent less than the average. The forecasted production of 5,782,000 bushels is almost three million or 82 per cent less than last year's crop, while the average price of \$1.69 per bushel compared with \$2.95 last year. The United States wheat crop averages 78 per cent of a full crop prospect as compared with the usual 82 per cent condition and 78.2 per cent last year. The national winter wheat acreage was increased two and a half per cent, while the spring wheat was decreased seven per cent. The total acreage is about the same.

The state's oat crop has been more fortunate than wheat since its condition of 90 is six per cent better than a year ago, and the acreage is increased five per cent, while last year it was decreased sixteen per cent from the previous year. The national acreage was increased three and a half per cent and its condition of 85.7 per cent of normal, averaged two less than a year ago and about four per cent below the usual. The national prospective yield per acre is 31.3 bushels, which is about four less than last year and the usual. The average price is 38 cents, compared with \$1.03 per bushel a year ago. The 1921 crop is forecasted at 1,922,000 bushels, making a decline in value from last year's crop of \$1,038,000,000, or twice the value of the present crop.

STRIKES CAUSED MANY DAYS LOST

They Included Labor Disorders of Every Kind, Wage Disputes Says a Dispatch.

Rome, June 11.—Italy lost 55,000,000 days of work last year because of strikers, according to figures just published by the Ministry of Labor. This figure includes labor disorders of every kind—wage disputes, loss occasioned by the occupation of the factories by workmen from last July to September and disorders in the farming districts.

Wage disputes caused the major part of the loss, with 16,500,000 days. The Communist agitations of last year when the factories were occupied are calculated to have resulted in 10,000,000 lost days. Political strikes and other suspensions not included in the other classes are said to have lost 15,500,000 days.

The textile workers engaged in 212 strikes, the largest number in any trade, throwing out of work nearly 150,000 workmen. The most costly dispute was that of the transportation workers who had 137 strikes, affecting 241,359 workmen and losing 2,523,057 days of work.

NEW FURNITURE IS NOW DEMANDED

This Was the Stand Taken by the French Furniture Industry at Recent Congress.

Paris, June 11.—A new style in furniture was demanded by representatives of the French furniture industry at the Furniture congress recently held here.

Architects are blamed by the president of the Furniture Makers' Association for the continued production of false Louis XV, Louis XVI and other styles of antiques. They design interiors to go with such furniture and naturally the manufacturers have to meet the demand, he says.

The president proposed that the teachers in the fine arts school should begin the campaign for a modern original style by inspiring original ideas under the general direction of a committee composed of artists, architects and furniture makers.

PREPARING OFFER PAGEANT PROGRESS

To Be Held in Chicago from July 30 to August 14—Will Be Great Business Show.

Chicago, June 11.—Chicago is preparing to offer to the country its Pageant of Progress Exposition, to be held here July 30 to August 14.

The scene of the exposition will be the city's \$5,000,000 Municipal Pier, extending 3,000 feet into Lake Michigan.

The exposition is primarily a great business show, but combined with the business and industrial display will be a gigantic amusement and entertainment program. The exposition will be the greatest event of its kind that this city has seen since the Chicago World's Fair.

Two great sheds, each 2340 feet long and 67 feet wide, on the upper deck of the Municipal Pier, will house the main portion of the exposition. Here will be placed the exhibits of furniture, shoes, furs, automobiles, both passenger cars and trucks, food products, clothing, building materials, office appliances, paper products, musical instruments, electrical devices, machinery, chemicals, dry goods, beverages and other products.

Twenty-one republics of Central and South America, will have exhibits of the products which they export to the United States.

Mayor Thompson, president of the exposition, a corporation not for profit, insisted from the first that the exposition be "Seventy-five percent business and twenty-five per cent confection."

The naval reserve of six lake states will hold their annual summer practice maneuvers off the Municipal Pier during the exposition. Five gunboats, three destroyers and a whole fleet of sub-chases and smaller craft, with full crews of members of the United States Naval Reserves, will participate in sham battles and naval evolutions.

At a song festival more than 700 church choirs and singing societies, in addition to their membership more than 10,000 trained singers, will take part. At night 1,000 singers will be placed on each gunboat. The gunboats will be ranged in a circle off the pier and a band in the center of the circle will be a band of 200 pieces, directed by a leader with an electrical-lighted baton, which will accompany the great chorus in popular and patriotic songs, in which the entire crowd on the pier will be invited to join.

EPWORTH LEAGUE PROGRAM

Sunday Night 7:45 O'clock, Leader, Eula Oakley.

Subject: Duet and Out for Christ. Scripture Lesson. I Cor. 2 chapter 1-5 Phil. I 21 verse. Hymn—How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds. Prayer—Mavis Lee Oakley. Reading—The Golden Rule. Deanie Boon Haskett. Hymn. I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord. Special music, by Miss Jessie Moyer. Reading—Missed Three Hundred Chances, Francis Smith. Hymn—Hail Thou Once Despised Jesus. Announcements. Epworth League benediction. All young people are cordially invited to attend this meeting and see what the Epworth League is doing.

There is a fish which lies buried in the South Seas the spines of whose dorsal fin are hollow like the fangs of a rattlesnake. When stepped on it ejects a poison which kills or cripples the victim.

Stage people regard it as unlucky to leave soap in their dressing room when on tour.

Little Bruin Says

Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday probably local thunder showers Sunday in north portion.

BALLOTS IN HANDS OF THE MEMBERS

For the Primary Election of Directors of Pitt County Chamber of Commerce.

Ballots for the primary election of directors of the Pitt County Chamber of Commerce are now in the hands of the members. They must be returned not later than 7 p. m. Tuesday next the 14th. At this time the count will be made and the nominees determined. The list of the nominees will then be mailed to the members for their final selection. President Ellen has named the board of judges to supervise the elections and also the tellers to make the count.

The names of the judges follow: F. G. James, J. H. Coward, of Ayden, and J. W. Holmes of Farmville. The following have been asked to serve as tellers: J. H. Blount, P. L. Clodfelter, J. L. Evans, F. J. Forbes, H. A. White and W. H. Woolard. The count of the primary will take place Tuesday night next starting at 7:30. The final election count is set for Monday June 20 at the same hour.

Complete directions to the members are printed on the ballots that have been issued. Each member will write the names of his 12 nominees and return the ballot to the Chamber of Commerce office in the return numbered envelope.

The qualifications of an ideal director and an ideal board of directors also are listed on the ballot. They follow:

An ideal director: One who is open-minded; tolerant; forceful; willing to work; tactful; humanitarian; non-partisan; a leader in his own sphere; who lends prestige to the board; who will not use the Chamber for personal ends, and who has absolute faith in the new Chamber of Commerce and the future of Pitt County.

An ideal board of directors: One who is capable of team-work; representative of important business, and geographical groups comprising the membership, thorough in all undertakings; expeditious, and that observes the ethics of board meetings.

LOCAL BARACAS EXPECT BIG DAY

One Hundred Men Composing M. E. Church Class to Be Guests of Washington Sunday.

The M. E. Church Baraca class expects to visit Washington tomorrow morning one hundred strong. They will be the guests of the Baraca class of the First Methodist Church of that city. The baracas of Washington are making elaborate preparations to entertain the GREENVILLE Baracas. An attractive musical program is being arranged and the sermon to both guests and hosts will be preached by the Rev. N. H. D. Wilson, presiding elder of the Washington district. After the exercises at the church the GREENVILLE Baracas will be tendered a luncheon at the rest room.

The local Baracas are requested to be at the M. E. Church here tomorrow morning not later than eight o'clock where they will leave via automobiles for Washington. A great day is anticipated by all who attend.

CHAUTAQUA IS A GREAT TREAT

It was a pity that every citizen in GREENVILLE, especially the fathers and mothers, did not hear the lecture of Elliott A. Boyl on "The Advantages of a Handicap" at Chautauqua last night. This lecture alone is well worth the price of a season's tickets. As one man said this morning, "I've already received my money's worth." The lecture was a gem throughout. The "Four Artists" also charmed and delighted.

Tonight's program promises to be just as interesting and just as charming. The concert will be by the Boyl Musicians Quintet followed by a concert by Dr. Frank Bohlen, entitled: "All the World and Ourselves." The evening performance begins promptly at eight o'clock.

There will be a union service in the Chautauqua tent Sunday evening at eight o'clock. On account of this there will be no services in the churches of the city.