

Defense Day Fittingly Observed In This City

Citizens of City Laid Aside Usual Duties to Show Devotion to the National Government.

JOHN M. OGLESBY SPEAKER OF DAY

Parade Through Business Section One Feature of the Program—Hundreds Present for the Exercises.

Concord Friday did its bit in the observance of National Defense Day. Throughout the city citizens halted their labors to show their devotion and readiness to rally around the flag...

At the same time civic organizations, Boy Scouts, Daughters of the Confederacy, War Mothers, Daughters of the American Revolution, American Legion Auxiliary members, veterans of wars and American Legion members met and demonstrated through the medium of parades and patriotic gatherings how effectively they can be brought together in case of necessity.

The exercises were held on the high school grounds following a parade through the business part of the city. The parade formed at the armory at 3:00 moved at 3:30 and reached the high school shortly before 4 o'clock.

The exercises on the school law continued little more than half an hour, during which time there was the invocation by Rev. W. A. Jenkins, a ten minute talk by John M. Oglesby and a thirty minute drill by the guardsmen.

Mr. Oglesby in his short talk explained why the government had decided to observe Defense Day, pointing out the necessity for the government always having its defense perfect enough for the national safety.

Major W. A. Foll was chairman of the general committee that planned for observance of the day here, he having been appointed by Governor Morrison. Other committee members whose efforts made the program a success were:

Finance Committee—A. F. Hartsell, C. W. Swink, Miss Janie Klutz, Mrs. H. S. Williams.

Program Committee—Dr. J. A. Hartsell, G. Pat Ritchie, Mrs. W. D. Pemberton, Capt. Norman Alston.

Recreation Committee—H. W. Blanks, J. F. Dayvault, T. N. Spencer, Mrs. J. L. Crowell, Sr., J. A. Goodman.

DAVIS HEARD BY WYOMING AUDIENCE

In Speech in Wyoming Democratic Nominee Spoke For First Time of Third Party As Such.

On Board the Davis Special Train en Route to Topeka, Kans., Sept. 13—John W. Davis, the Democratic Presidential candidate, made the eastward turn today in his tour of the West, having spoken at Cheyenne, Wyo., last night, and there mentioned the third party movement as such for the first time.

He was headed for Topeka, Kans., where tonight he is to deliver the fourth fixed address in his swing through the territory west of the Mississippi River. In mentioning the third party movement at Cheyenne, Mr. Davis told his audience he knew no one who contemplated the knavery of the Progressive Party in winning the Presidency in this election and a majority in the House and in the Senate.

He submitted, he said, to those who wished to see progress and honesty in government, that they have in this election no cause to vote any other than the Democratic ticket.

DAY MET EXPECTATION OF WAR DEPARTMENT

More Than 16,000,000 Civilians Participated in the Exercises Friday.

Washington, Sept. 13.—Response of the nation's civilian population to the Defense Day appeal to the individuals obligation and responsibility under the new national defense program, and the functioning in the first limited test of the program itself, met the highest expectations of the War Department and government officials generally.

Reports somewhat preliminary in character from the nine army corps area headquarters showing that more than 16,000,000 civilians participated in the exercises yesterday, gave the chief result of the test as highly satisfactory.

The other civilian participants giving a reported total of 16,792,781, took part in the 6335 local demonstrations in the form of parades and exercises. The corps area commanders each submitting at the close of the day a detailed report of the results of the test in his territory, emphasized its success and the enthusiastic endorsement of the National Defense program by the public generally.

PRINCE UNABLE TO FOOL PEOPLE OF NEW YORK

Went to Metropolis Friday But Cut Visit Short When Surrounded by Great Crowds.

(By the Associated Press.) Spysset, N. Y., Sept. 13.—The Prince of Wales today will see the British and American polo teams play their first match for the international cup, which was one of the purposes of his visit to this country.

The heir to the British throne yesterday tested his ability to travel in public in New York City incognito. He did not succeed. Riding in a subway, stopping in his motor car to do some shopping in Fifth Avenue, and leaving the Woolworth Building after a trip to its pinnacle, he was recognized in the latter two places by crowds so large that he swerved from his intended course to avoid being surrounded as he went at the Belmont Park race on Labor Day.

In the subway two girls gazed long and hard at the royal youth, but did not appear sure they recognized him. In Fifth Avenue where he stopped his car to buy some tobacco a crowd gathered before he had time to alight, and the Prince told his chauffeur to drive on.

WOMEN SENTENCED FOR STEALING SOME BONDS

Placed Convicted of Receiving Stolen Goods and Must Also Serve Prison Term.

(By the Associated Press.) Norristown, Pa., Sept. 13.—Miss Alva Goldsmith, 21, former secretary to the treasurer of the Mellon Title & Trust Co. of Ardmore, today was sentenced to an indeterminate term in the state industrial home for women for the theft of \$7,500 in bonds from the Strat Co. Sidney Sterling, of Crisfield, Md., her fiancé, was convicted by a jury of receiving the stolen bonds, and was sentenced to 2 1/2 years in jail.

ASSOCIATED PRESS CLUB ENDORSES PORT MEASURE

Also Goes On Record as Favoring a Change in Date of Elections or Primaries.

Greensboro, Sept. 12.—Members of the North Carolina Associated Press Club, representing daily newspapers, morning and afternoon, in quarterly session here tonight, adopted a resolution endorsing the port and water transportation bill, and another placing the club on record as favoring a change of the date of the state-wide primary from Saturday to some other day in the week.

She Wears Pola's Mantle!



When Pola Negri left Europe to make pictures in America, Ossi Oswald, beautiful German film star, took her place in the hearts of European movie fans. Now Ossi may be the next foreign film star to invade America.

THE COTTON MARKET

Further Decline at Opening Was Checked by Week-end Covering. (By the Associated Press.) New York, Sept. 13.—A further decline which carried the price of December contracts off to 22.02 at the opening of the cotton market today was checked by covering for over the week-end.

The disposition of recent sellers to rebuy may have been increased by private reports of further rains in the southwest, but bearish sentiment was still much in evidence, and apparently found encouragement in the relatively high prices in the southern states.

VICTORY FOR DEMOCRATS CERTAIN, SAYS TYSON

Says LaFollette and Followers Are Making Fight Against Coolidge. Raleigh, Sept. 13.—Victory is certain for the Democrats in the November election for President, in the opinion of General Lawrence Tyson, U. S. A., retired, who has just been nominated for the United States Senate on the Democratic ticket in Tennessee and who was in the city Thursday visiting his mother, Mrs. Margaret Tyson, a resident of Raleigh. The general said that LaFollette would probably help the Democrats.

IRELAND REDUCING THE SIZE OF ITS ARMY

Is Smaller by 30,000 Men Than It Was Last Year, League of Nations Is Told. Geneva, Sept. 13.—(By the Associated Press.)—Security through arbitration was the keynote of a speech with which Desmond Fitzgerald of the Irish Free State cabinet today unveiled the last day of the general discussion held by the League of nations assembled on the various propositions before it.

WITHDRAW PLEAS OF GUILTY

Action of Cooper and Rourke Due to Unforeseen Developments. (By the Associated Press.) Wilmington, N. C., Sept. 13.—Thomas E. Cooper, president, and Joseph C. Rourke, cashier of the defunct Liberty Savings Bank here, through their counsel today withdrew their pleas of guilty to misdemeanor charge and of forcible trespass to felony charges, made in Superior Court last Thursday. The charges were made in indictments returned by a grand jury after investigation of the failure of the bank.

Rival Chinese Forces Keep Up Fighting Despite Rains

Shanghai, Sept. 13 (By the Associated Press.)—Rival forces of warring Chinese military governors battling for possession of Shanghai, disregarding their traditional rule against fighting in the rain today when firing was resumed at Ewangtu, fifteen miles west of here, while that area was being soaked by a new storm.

AVIATORS START ON LAST STAGE OF TRIP TO PACIFIC COAST

Left Bolling Field, Washington, This Morning and Will Stop Next at Dayton, Ohio.

Washington, Sept. 13.—The army world fliers began the last stage of their journey today hopping off from Bolling Field here for Dayton, Ohio, at 10:50 a. m.

GOOD WEATHER SEEMS PROBABLE

No Ceremony Marked Departure but Gen. Mitchell Flew for a Short Time With Them.

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Earlier in the day postponement had been considered. Brigadier General Mitchell, assistant chief of the air service, accompanied the world fliers for a short distance as an escort machine. A photographer's plane also went along.

COOLIDGE PRESSED TO MUZZLE DAWES

Reticent on Klan Himself, He is Asked to Curb Running Mate.

Washington, Sept. 13.—It will take more prodding than the invitation of John W. Davis and the example of Senator LaFollette to get an expression about the Ku Klux Klan out of President Coolidge, while there, one of which was a discussion of the negro problem of which there were a large number of negroes present.

CHARGE WOMAN STRANGLED HER INFANT TO DEATH

School Teacher at Little Catahooche Has Confessed She Committed Crime, Officers Say. (By the Associated Press.) Waynesville, N. C., Sept. 13.—Mollie Teague, young school teacher at Little Catahooche, 25 miles from here, is held in custody on the charge of having strangled to death her infant child on last Tuesday. She has confessed, according to Haywood county officers.

SIX NEGRO CONVICTS OVERPOWER GUARD

They Are Now Surrounded in Woods Near Sumter by Rural Policemen.

(By the Associated Press.) Columbia, S. C., Sept. 13.—Six negro convicts at the Reid Farm, a state penal institution near Boykin, overpowered their guard and escaped early today, according to a report received at the state penitentiary here. The names of the prisoners were not known early this afternoon.

Labor Board Assumes Jurisdiction

Chicago, Sept. 13.—The railroad labor board today assumed jurisdiction of the dispute of the Pennsylvania Railroad and the order of railway telegraphers on the ground that the dispute might cause interference with transportation. A hearing has been set for September 22nd.

Forced Out of Source to Fog

(By the Associated Press.) Confluence, Pa., Sept. 13.—The army 'round the world' aviators en route to Dayton, O., passed over this town at 1:15 o'clock Eastern standard time this afternoon. The fliers were forced out of their course by a heavy fog which shrouded upper Cumberland Valley and the mountains of Pennsylvania.

Clerks Robbed of Payroll and Kidnapped

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Sept. 13.—Two clerks employed by a West 40th Street slaughter house company were kidnapped near their office today by five bandits, who robbed them of a \$10,000 payroll.

Want Lakes-to-Florida Highway to Serve City

GENERAL PERSHING RETIRED AT NOON

Placed on Retired List of Army at Noon—Received Congratulations From the President.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Sept. 13.—John J. Pershing formally ends his forty-two years of active service in the army at noon today with a last signal honor paid him in the issuance of an executive announcement by President Coolidge expressing the nation's indebtedness for the service which won him the leadership of the American forces in the World War.

Only in the rare instances of history in which a retiring officer has been presented the highest rank has there been presented for the honor conferred upon Gen. Pershing in the executive order in which the President today extended to him "anew the thanks of the nation for his eminent services." The President added that he felt "certain that I voice the sentiment of the entire citizenry of the republic in wishing him long life, happiness and prosperity, in the retirement he has so richly earned."

Citing General Pershing's arrival today at the automatic retirement age of 64 years, the executive order, after reminding the country of its obligation to those whose accomplishments contributed so largely to the defense of the world's liberties, reviewed his long career of military service.

JUDGE WINSTON A STUDENT AT THE STATE UNIVERSITY

Is 62 Years of Age, But Is Now in the Junior Class.

Chapel Hill, Sept. 13.—Among the students registered at the University of North Carolina this fall is Robert W. Winston, 62 years old, and formerly judge of the Superior Court. Upon retiring from the bench Judge Winston decided to re-enter college and is now in the junior class with all his requirements complete and is majoring in philosophy and social science work. He is also doing magazine writing.

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With Our Advertisers.

If you want to get a bargain in a piano or a piano player, don't fail to go to the sale now on at the Bell & Harris Furniture Co.'s. The store will be open every day until 9 o'clock p. m.

TO LAY CORNERSTONE AT OLD TRINITY TODAY

"To the Memory of Braxton Craven" Will Be Engraved on the Stone. High Point, Sept. 12.—Masons of High Point will lay the cornerstone of the new high school building at Trinity tomorrow, but the words, "To the Memory of Braxton Craven" will be engraved on the stone over the protest of members of the Junior Order at Trinity.

TEXTILE ORGANIZERS SENT TO GASTONIA

Also to Manville-Jencks Co. in Rhode Island to Demand Restoration of the Wages. (By the Associated Press.) New York, Sept. 13.—Organizers of the United Textile Workers of America, whose executive committee was in session here today, have been sent to the mills of the Manville-Jencks Company in Rhode Island and Gastonia, N. C., where wage reductions were made recently.

MISS ETHEL KING

Dear-of Expression Queens College Will Conduct an Expression Class AT Y. M. C. A. Beginning September 18th For Enrollment Phone 599

WHAT SMITTT'S WEATHER CAT SAYS

Generally fair tonight and Sunday.

Delegations From Several States Propose to Get Road in North Carolina.

CONCORD IS AMONG CITIES REPRESENTED

Party Goes to Bluefield Where Dinner Will Be Served and the Highway Project Fully Discussed.

(By Miles Wolff.) Mt. Airy, Sept. 12.—Road enthusiasts 100 strong from 14 cities in North Carolina broke bread together at a common table in the high school building here tonight and pledged their support to efforts being made to have the Lakes-to-Florida highway routed through the Piedmont section of North Carolina.

The afternoon the Charlotte delegation visited Elkin, where citizens are also anxious to have the road routed through their beautiful mountain section, but the Concord delegation came direct to Mt. Airy, where the joint session was held tonight in the high school building.

Delegations from Concord, Salisbury and Lexington wanted the highway routed through these cities while the Charlotte delegation favors a route through Statesville, Mooresville and Charlotte. The difference in views caused some argument at the meeting got underway, but Clarence O. Kuester pointed out that the highway was not yet assured for North Carolina and suggested that the various delegations should serve their communities by a combined effort to get the route first through the State. There will be plenty of time then, he suggested, for the various cities to get together and decide on the route the highway will take in the State.

It was also pointed out that before the highway can be brought into North Carolina the people of Virginia and West Virginia must be converted to good roads. That will be the particular job of the good road enthusiasts for the rest of the trip. They are going to combine resources and at each stopping place devote some time to sermons on good roads and the business awakening that follows their construction.

Steps tomorrow will be made by the delegations at Hillsville, Wytheville and Elkin and the road builders will be the guests of the Bluefield Chamber of Commerce tomorrow night. At Wytheville Major Foll, who spoke at Mt. Airy, will be the speaker and at Bluefield Secretary Blanks of the Concord Chamber of Commerce will speak. Major Foll will speak again tomorrow night at the Bluefield banquet.

At the meeting here tonight W. F. Carter presided and among the speakers were Clarence Kuester, John F. Folger, Mt. Airy attorney; C. M. Henderson, mayor of Salisbury; N. B. Willis, of Statesville, Major Foll and others.

In addition to the delegations here tonight Mt. Airy and Elkin people are expected to make the trip to Bluefield. It is reported that the Chamber of Commerce here is expecting to serve several hundred persons at the dinner. Tomorrow at noon the delegates will have dinner at Wytheville, and in addition to the talk by Major Foll there will be others.

In the Concord delegation are Secretary Blanks, Howard Collier, J. Lee Crowell, Jr., Major Foll, George L. Patterson, A. F. Hartwell and your correspondent.

The Lakes-to-Florida highway will carry thousands of tourists to and from Florida each year and it will mean much in a business way to the cities that are served by it. These tourists spend hundreds of dollars while en route to their summer and winter playgrounds and the cities served by the highway will get a chance at some of this money.

LaFollette Confers With Advisers.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Sept. 13.—Senator LaFollette, independent Presidential candidate, who for several days has been preparing campaign speeches, laid aside that task today for a series of week-end conferences with political advisers. He also probably will confer with Senator Wheeler of Montana, his running mate.

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