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MISS MABEL T. BOARDMAN IS WASHINGTON, D. C. COM.

Miss Boardman Is One Of Three Commissioners And Is A Republican And A Born Leader

SHE WAS A RED CROSS OFFICIAL

To Miss Mabel T. Boardman, the well-known Red Cross organizer and official, has been given the highest honor yet accorded to the fair sex in the administrative councils of our land. She accepted President Wilson's appointment as a commissioner of the District of Columbia to serve with two men in the management of the District government.

Miss Boardman, who is a Republican, is a born leader and executive, which admittedly qualifies her for this important position. Her views on women's new-gained freedom and their capacity and limitations, are sound, as shown by the following excerpt from a speech which she made before the City club of Washington.

"Women are interested primarily in the home. Women naturally take an interest in public health, schools, playgrounds, foods, markets and charities. These are essentially home problems. They are not so directly interested in national and international problems, such as questions of treaties, trade relations, business and finance. Men are better fitted to deal with such problems. Women occasionally need a better balance and a better sense of relative value."

Miss Boardman will no doubt fill her position to the best interests of the community. It is expected that the senate will confirm the president's appointment. This appointment is regarded as a welcome return to sanity at Washington. In most cases the women who have been chosen to fill offices have been women of the labor agitator or parlor socialists class—mannish women with all sorts of schemes for reforming everything but with no balance-wheel or commonsense. Such women, by their officious and dictatorial ways, have done much to bring the cause of woman under criticism.

Miss Boardman, on the contrary, is a woman of the "safe and sane," conservative, womanly type. She is not a politician orator or self-seeker but a woman who has always been ready to pitch in and do woman work for the general welfare.

FORT VAUX AT VERDUN CLOSED INDEF.

Paris, October 15.—A lesson to tourists too anxious to take away with them souvenirs of the battlefront has just been given by the military authorities of Fort Vaux at Verdun which has hitherto been open to visitors to

SING SING BONE DRY BOOZE IN NOTHING

Ossining, N. Y., Oct. 15.—Sing Sing prison went bone dry today.

An order was issued forbidding the use of bay rum, toilet water, perfume, witch hazel or any other preparation containing alcohol, either in the barber shop or by the inmates. Soap and talcum powder only will be permitted for shaving purposes in future.

The new order, it was stated, is a precautionary measure to prevent prisoners from obtaining alcohol.

STOCKS OF WHEAT IN U. S. TOTALED 608,000,000 BU. OCT. 1

Washington, D. C., Oct. 15.—Stocks of wheat in the United States on October 1 totaled 608,000,000 bushels, according to estimates of the United States Department of Agriculture made public here today. This amount represents 477,000,000 bushels held by farmers, 102,000,000 bushels held at country mills and elevators, and 29,000,000 bushels held at points of accumulation on that date.

On October 1, 1919, stocks of wheat in the United States totaled 747,000,000 bushels, representing 515,000,000 bushels held on the farms, 142,000,000 held at country mills and elevators, and 90,000,000 bushels held at points of accumulation.

During the first quarter of the present season—from July 1 to October 1—the farmers marketed 321,000,000 bushels as compared with 450,000,000 bushels marketed in the corresponding period of 1919—a reduction of nearly 29 per cent. The crop this year, plus the carry-over from 1919 is estimated at 798,000,000 bushels, or about 17 per cent less than last year. These figures indicate that farm marketings during the first quarter have been relatively, as well as absolutely, smaller than in any similar period last year.

Verdun. The authorities have decided to close the fort indefinitely. A few days ago a tourist took possession, doubtless as a souvenir, of an electric lamp bulb. He was indiscreet enough to make a flourish of the bulb in Verdun cafe. The military authorities confiscated the bulb and then came the order making the fort "out-of-bounds" to visitors.

A. J. VOLSTEAD FOR RE-ELECTION

He is Author of the Justly Celebrated One Half of One Per Cent Prohibition Enforcement Act.

HE IS A REPUBLICAN

Congressman A. J. Volstead of Minn., Rep., the author of the justly celebrated one-half of one per cent prohibition enforcement act, was defeated in the primaries for the renomination, it will be remembered. Rev. J. A. Kvale, who was endorsed by the Nonpartisan League, won the nomination and it looked as if Volstead was eliminated. Then Kvale was declared by the court to be disqualified, under the state corrupt-practices law, as he had accused Volstead, in the campaign, of being an atheist. Now Volstead has been put up as the nominee. The Nonpartisan and allied forces threaten to "knife" him, and there is a fierce conflict on.

POPPY CHOSEN BY AMERICAN LEGION AS MEMORIAL FLOWER

American gardens, numbering thousands, will glow with the blazing scarlet of the poppy this year. The poppy is the flower made imperishable by the writer of "In Flanders Fields," and the descriptions of it made by Our Boys who were Over There. It has been chosen as the memorial flower of the American soldiers who sleep 'neath the soil of France. The variety chosen by the American Legion is the Shirley, England, the home of the man who developed it from the corn poppy which covers the fields of France and England. The National Commander of the American Legion has asked that every member of the Legion wear the poppy Memorial Day, in memory of those who did not come home. It is likely that we shall see mothers, wives and sisters wearing the flower, too. A resolution has been passed by the national organization urging that Legion posts throughout the country see to it that every public park, cemetery and private garden set aside plots for the cultivation of the Legion's national flower.

The Legion flower is one easy to cultivate. A successful gardener advises treating the plants as annuals to get the best results. The seeds usually germinate readily, but as the young plants do not transplant well, the seeds should be sown where the plants are to remain. In the Shirley poppy the plants may be thinned to stand four to six inches apart and for especially fine and large blooms the plants should be allowed twice as much room. Open warm soil, in a sunny exposure is best for poppy growing.

It can almost be said that Shirley poppies cannot be transplanted.

The seed is as fine as a powder

CHAULMOOGRA OIL A LEPROSY SPECIFIC

This Oil Will be Tried in Tuberculosis

IN HONOLULU

Washington, Oct. 15.—Refined chaulmoogra oil which experts of the government Public Health Service say has arrested the progress of leprosy is soon to be used by them in the fight against tuberculosis. The experiments with tubercular patients will be conducted in Hawaii.

Dr. J. T. McDonald, superintending physician of the leprosy investigation station at Kalihi in Honolulu, with Dr. A. L. Dean, chemist and president of the University of Hawaii, will start the fight against tuberculosis, at the same time continuing their work against leprosy.

No concrete result of the use of the chaulmoogra oil in tuberculosis cases has yet been reported to the headquarters of the public health service here, but from their investigations with tubercular bacilli isolated from a patient, Drs. McDonald and Dean have hopes of successful treatment of patients themselves.

The bacilli of leprosy and tuberculosis, according to government scientists, have been found to have similar characteristics, and the fatty acids of chaulmoogra oil seemingly have proved poisonous to the leprosy bacillus. This is the basis for the scientific hope that these acids like wise will be deadly to the germ of the "white plague."

Dr. McDonald has not yet made any formal report of his work with the tubercular germs to officials here, but unofficial reports from Honolulu quote him as saying that scientists at the University of California have discovered that the fatty acids of chaulmoogra oil are bactericidal to an acid-fat bacillus, in which class are the leprosy and tuberculosis bacilli. The inference, according to the doctor, is that what has been done to end the dread of leprosy may possibly be repeated to relieve the world of tuberculosis.

The public health service maintains a tubercular hospital in Hawaii separate from its leprosy stations, and the experiments with tuberculosis are to be conducted at the former. Health officials here refrain from any prediction of results, but express hope that chaulmoogra oil will prove a specific for curing tuberculosis.

almost, and simply should be broadcasted on the earth where it is to grow. Rake the surface of the ground until it is fine in texture and smooth its level. Dust the seed over this surface and then press gently with a board to firm the seeds into place. Do not otherwise cover them.

\$375,000 BOND ISSUE VOTE FOR ROANOKE RAPIDS SCHOOL B'LD'G

This Is To Complete A Building On Which \$125,000 Have Been Spent, One Of Best In State

TO BE READY FOR FALL TERM 1921

THE LATEST TELEGRAPH DESPATCHES

GATHERED FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD

UP UNTIL 4 O'CLOCK P. M.

London, Oct. 15.—The Government placed an embargo on coal exports because of the threat of the miners to strike Monday.

London, Oct. 15.—MacSwiney passed a good night but was exceedingly weak, said the bulletin.

Washington, Oct. 15.—The farmers representatives here are waiting the Federal Reserve board report is expected tonight dealing with farm credits.

Washington, Oct. 15.—Mrs. Carolyn Votaw a sister of Senator Harding has resigned as a District police woman. No reason was stated.

Chicago, Oct. 15.—Frank Zagar who was convicted of killing two men in a holdup was hanged from the same gallows on which two murderers died yesterday. In the death cell the guards found a piece of tin secreted in Zagar's trousers they believed he contemplated to commit suicide with.

Hazelhurst, Ga., Oct. 15.—A two hundred gallon moonshine still with a concrete foundation and surrounded by barb wire and with two armed guards was raided by Revenue officers today.

Rio Janeiro, Oct. 15.—One person was killed and twenty injured by the explosion of an anarchist bomb at a railway station.

Bord Special Train, Oct. 15.—Harding continued his warfare against the Versailles League in his trip through Indiana.

London, Oct. 15.—It was announced that Viscount Charles Saunders Dumas, aged seventy seven will marry Miss Mary Todd a barber shop assistant.

Emory, Va., Oct. 15.—President Weaver of Emory and Henry College resigned to accept work in the Western North Carolina Conference.

Mexico City, Oct. 15.—The

Roanoke Rapids, Oct. 15.—Roanoke Rapids yesterday placed herself in the column with the most progressive towns in the State by voting a bond issue of \$375,000 for the purpose of completing the new high school building that is now under construction and making other necessary improvements in the school system. Previous to this, bonds to the amount of \$125,000 had been voted, but it was found impossible to carry out the program of the board of school trustees without this additional bond issue. Of a total vote of 672, only 16 votes were cast against the measure. Nearly 200 women voters were registered. Of this number not a single vote was cast against bonds, although a few members of the gentler sex preferred to remain away from the poles.

The new building will be finished and ready for occupancy by the fall term in 1921. When completed it will be one of the most attractive buildings in the State. In addition to 25 class rooms and laboratories there will be a large community auditorium with a seating capacity of nearly 2,000 and a well equipped gymnasium with shower baths and swimming pool.

MINE WORKERS SUSPECT PEONAGE IN ALA. COAL MINES

Indianapolis, Oct. 15.—The United mine workers of America announced today they would ask the Federal Government to investigate the reports of Peonage in the Alabama coal mines. They said a number of mines are surrounded by high board fences with a guard house at the openings to prevent an entrance or exit without permission and in many cases miners are dismissed for agitation.

COTTON MARKET CLOSED

October	20.20
December	20.02
January	19.58
March	19.31
May	19.25

Cotton Seed 49 1/2c.
volcano popocatepetl was reported in an eruption with steam escaping and a deep rumbling. Population is fleeing.

Enroute with Governor Cox.—Touring Ohio with rear platform speeches he is scheduled to make one at Marion the home of Harding.