

FOUR VAGRANT GIRLS GET FOUR SENTENCES

One Draws Three Months and the Others Get Thirty Days Each

IN RECORDER'S COURT

Farm sentences were the order of the day in this morning's session of the recorder's court and the four ebony hued maidens, all in their teens, indicted on charges of statutory vagrancy, were given something to occupy their minds, and employ their hands for the next few weeks by the recorder. Sarah Miller, an aged colored woman, appeared in the role of star witness, although three of the girls were convicted on police evidence. They accepted the judgment rendered and will probably be placed in charge of Superintendent Dempsey during the afternoon.

Rosa Miller, alias Kootz, Julia Adams, Lizzie Cole and Janie Wilkins, were the unfortunates who passed in review before the bar of justice and were convicted despite their statements to the contrary. "Kootz" fared more badly than her associates because it was her second appearance in court on a charge of this nature. The warrant drew against her charged vagrancy and keeping a disorderly house but the court was inclined to view the second part of the charge skeptically and it was not taken into consideration when sentence was passed. She was advised that a year's sentence was awaiting her in the event she was convicted again on a charge of this nature. The others were advised that one month sentences would "run out" so far as they were concerned today and that they might expect to "pull" real time in event they ever came before the court on similar charges and were unable to disprove them.

The girls were arrested before day this morning by a detachment of police who had been watching the house in which they live for some time and who imagined that existing conditions there had been allowed to continue sufficiently long. Neither of the quarter was represented by counsel nor did they introduce any evidence in an effort to offset the charges by the state, with the exception of their own denials of the whole affair, all contending that they were regularly employed but few of them could give the names of the persons engaging them.

The Wilkins girl told the court that she worked on a farm with her mother at Wrightsboro and spent the nights in the city; that she had only recently "fell in" with the girls appearing with her in court and she was given a lot of good advice by the court, along with her sentence. Two of the four girls have "done time" in the state prison, being sent there by Judge Rountree when he was on the bench and the court did not waste time in advising with them.

One of the most interesting cases of the morning was that charging Luther Nixon, colored, with larceny. The prosecuting witness was a white lady, a customer at Shands' grocery store, and the case hinged around an order for groceries that had been unsatisfactorily filled, according to the witness. She told the court that she ordered several packages from the Shands' store, including a pound of butter; that it was rank and that she sent it back by the Nixon boy, retaining the other articles and paying for them; that Mr. Shands advised her that if she did not take all the purchases that she could not retain part of them and that the Nixon boy, after she had refused to return the articles retained, entered her house and removed them from the table, saying that his action was taken upon orders of the groceryman. The case against the boy was dismissed, the court holding that he was at least not guilty of larceny, the charge on which he had been indicted and was arraigned.

BUGGY AND MACHINE WERE IN COLLISION

A buggy driven by a man named Brinkley was considerably damaged when it collided with an automobile driven by H. Evenson, at Third and Greenfield streets, last night, according to report made at police headquarters. Mr. Evenson made no effort to get away and according to his version of the affair the driver of the horse and buggy was wholly at fault, and that he made every effort to avoid the collision. The horse and buggy, it was stated, was the property of the Orrell Livery company. One of the front fenders of the machine was badly twisted.

FUNERAL FOR MR. ROGERS LATE THIS AFTERNOON

Luther Rogers, 68 years of age, died last night at 11:30 o'clock at the James Walker Memorial hospital, where he was recently entered as a patient, and funeral services will be conducted from the home of Mrs. Edward Peschau, a relative, 310 North Fifth street, this afternoon at 5 o'clock by Rev. G. W. McClanahan, pastor of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church. Interment will be made in Oakdale cemetery.

The deceased was a native of Wilmington, but left here in early manhood and has traveled much since that time. He located at Cape Henry, Va., several years ago, where he lived until two years ago, when he returned here to make his home. Mr. Rogers had been an invalid for a long period.

COST INCREASES ARE DISCUSSED GENERALLY

Monthly Meeting of the North Carolina Pine Association Yesterday

WAS HELD AT OCEANIC

Discussion of the increased cost of plant operations and consideration of the proposed new scale of maximum price to be fixed by the government featured yesterday's regular monthly meeting of the North Carolina Pine Association, held in the assembly hall of the Oceanic hotel on Wrightsville Beach. No action was taken on the latter, as this matter is being handled in Washington through a separate organization with the association represented by committee. Transportation questions were considered at length and the unanimous opinion was that they are bad. There was no disposition on the part of anyone, however, to complain, all realizing that the railroads are burdened and really being taxed beyond their limits because of troop movements and the moving of necessary government materials.

The maximum price for lumber fixed by the government in March, for delivery f. o. b. Norfolk, is around \$27 a thousand for tough timber, and members of the association say that it will cost practically that much at the present to produce the lumber at the mills, owing to the increased cost of materials and labor advances. The proposed basis of the new price list, now being considered in Washington, and to be announced within the next few days, is to provide a profit of 15 per cent. Cost sheets have been submitted by the mills, showing the cost of operation, and after these have been gone over carefully the war industries board will determine upon a price.

Because of the increased cost of operation, lumber men have declared that they cannot furnish the government with lumber and because of this it has been difficult on several occasions for local shipyards to secure adequate supplies of lumber. The sale of lumber for North Carolina mills is conducted through an emergency bureau which maintains an office in Washington. Orders are placed by the government through this bureau and these orders are then distributed among the mills, cutting that particular kind of timber or having it on hand. This bureau is dealing with the war industries board in the matter of fixing prices. The association has a special committee working in co-operation with this bureau. G. L. Huhn, of Suffolk, Va., is chairman of this committee, and he was unable to attend yesterday's meeting, as it was necessary for him to be in Washington for conferences.

ADDING MACHINE MAN AT THE C. W. YATES' STORE

A representative of the Barrett Manufacturing company is spending a few days at the C. W. Yates store, Market street, demonstrating the Barrett adding machine, and those interested are invited to go there and meet this gentleman. The Barrett machine not only adds but subtracts, multiplies and divides, and gives the operator a "printed proof."

MANY WILL ATTEND MONDAY'S MEETING

Trip to Kenansville Will Be Made in Cars Through the Country

ALL ARE INTERESTED

New Hanover will be represented at Monday's good roads rally to be held at Kenansville, arranged with the object of boosting the Wilmington-Goldsboro highway, a line of which extends through Duplin county. W. A. McGirt, W. D. MacMillan, Jr., and James H. Cowan were named as a committee at yesterday afternoon's meeting at the chamber of commerce to arrange for the trip, and those who can go are asked to notify some member of the committee. The committee is also desirous of learning who will and can furnish automobiles.

The Kenansville meeting is of great importance to Wilmington, as the foundation will be laid for the improvement of that part of the highway extending through Duplin. The rally will be attended by W. S. Fallis, state highway commissioner, and D. H. Winslow, maintenance engineer for the state highway commissioner. The meeting will be held in the courthouse at 11:30 o'clock.

Members of the Wilmington delegation will meet at the courthouse here Monday morning at 7:30 o'clock, and make the trip to Kenansville through the country, according to present plans. Because of the shortness of the time in which to make preparations to attend, those at yesterday's meeting realize that New Hanover's representation will be small, but because of the importance of the questions to the county an effort is being made to interest everyone possible with the object of swelling the delegation as much as possible.

It is planned to secure federal aid for constructing the road, according to a letter received by W. A. McGirt, chairman of the board of county commissioners, from H. D. Williams, attorney to the Duplin board of commissioners, and the necessary steps to this end will be taken at the Kenansville meeting. It is also hoped to secure the services of a number of state convicts for this work.

Plans for entertaining the delegates to the North Carolina good roads convention, to be held at the beach in August, were also discussed at yesterday's meeting.

THE FIREMEN RESPOND TO ANOTHER FALSE FIRE ALARM

A false alarm was turned in this morning at 1:02 o'clock from box 56 and the department was called upon to burn a quantity of almost priceless gasoline, paid for by the taxpayers, merely to satisfy the whim of some irresponsible person who happened to pass the box and was unable to keep his fingers off the key, which when pulled may mean a fatality in the department, as caution is usually thrown to the winds by the firemen in their efforts to reach the scene in order to check the spread of flames that are supposed to exist.

To obtain the autograph of General Sir Douglas Haig, the British commander in France, an English woman sent him a good sized check, with the request that he donate the proceeds to any charity he might select.

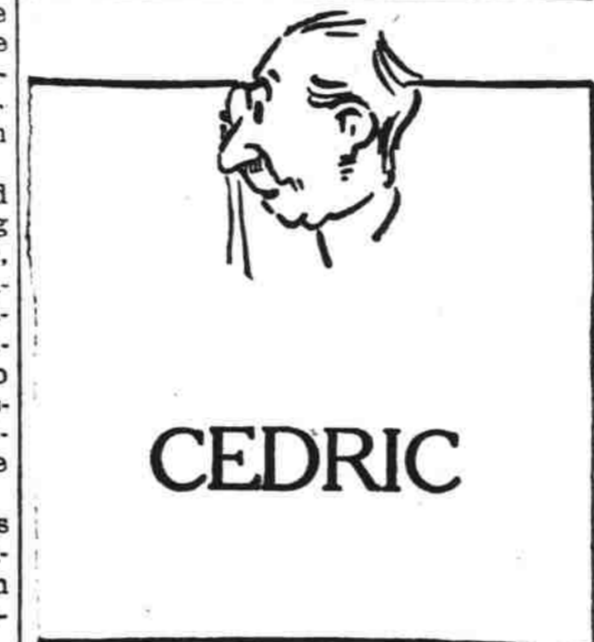
POSTMASTER ALONE GETS NO INCREASE

Members of His Force, However, Profit by Increased Volume of Business

YEAR ENDS TOMORROW

All employees in the Wilmington postoffice, including the rural mail carriers working out of this city, with the exception of Postmaster H. McL. Green will be given salary increases, following tomorrow's close of the government's fiscal year. The increases begin with the clerks, letter carriers, both city and rural, but does not apply to the postmaster during war times when the government is under the strain of financial efforts brought about by wars.

The receipts of the Wilmington office have increased steadily during the past year, each monthly report showing notable gains in the amount of mail handled, and money taken in. Normally the postmaster would receive an increase of salary, according to a fixed rule that hinges on the receipts but at the beginning of the war Postmaster General Burleson issued an order forbidding increases for postmasters appointed by the president. Postmaster Green stated yesterday that he approved the order although it actually takes money out of his pocket. He expressed pleasure over the fact that his assistant and the men employed under him will get better salaries and that these salaries will continue to grow with the business handled through the office.

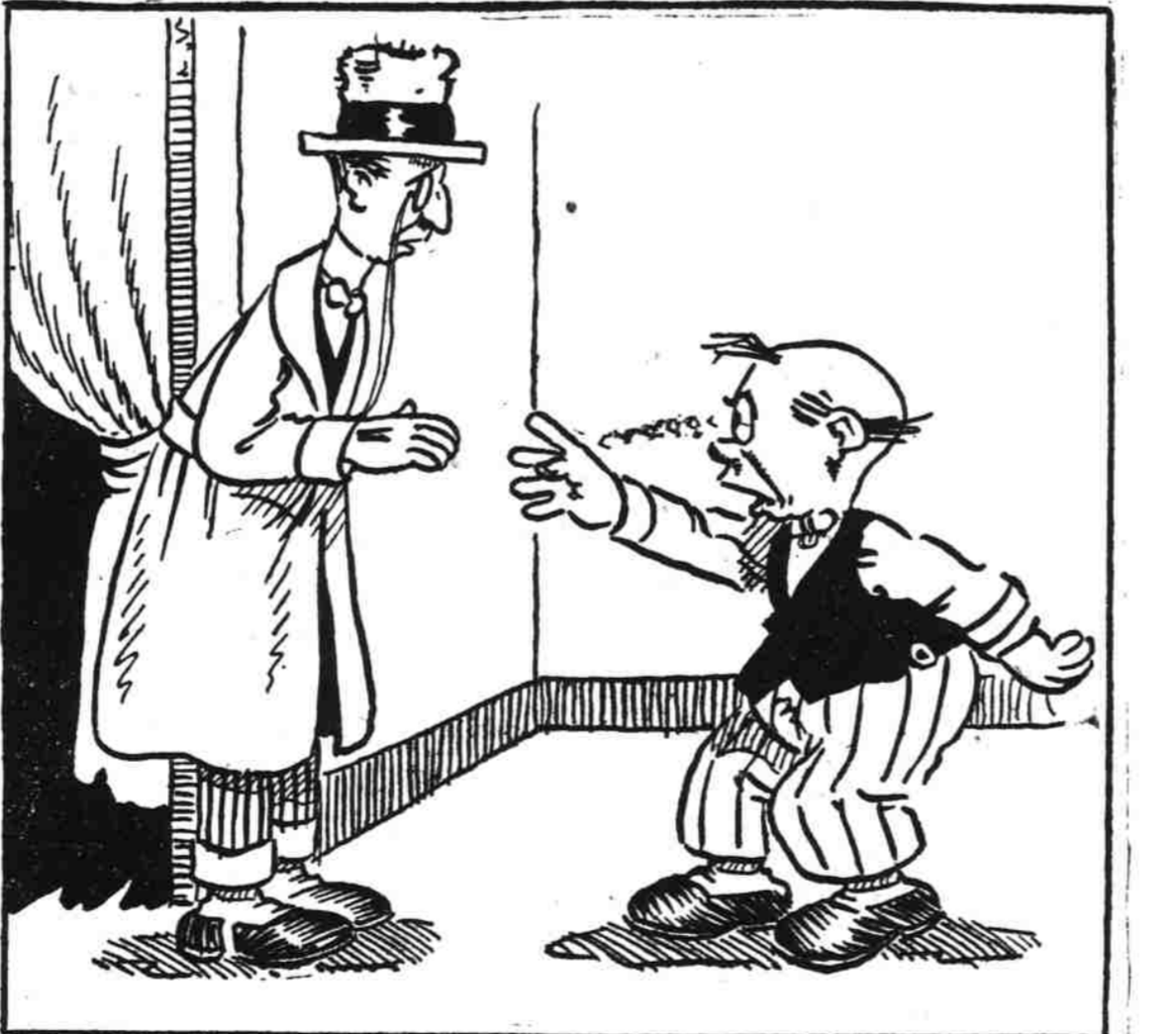


CEDRIC
The person whom Pa's laughter captured — now a most important member of Pa's household. He's deucedly inconvenienced whenever Pa suggests that he work for his living.

Get acquainted with him in "THAT SON-IN-LAW OF PA'S" One of the most popular comic pages in the The Wilmington Dispatch Beginning July 7th

PA PRACTICES PATIENCE

Just as earnestly as any man who must tolerate the idiosyncracies of an irresponsible English son-in-law. He suffers long endurance of Cedric's camouflage of industry. But once in a while he needs a tonic.



On such occasions the affairs of Pa's international household become complex. Even a worm will grow peevish at times and a good American dad is no exception to the rule.

The mishaps of Cedric are humorously exploited in "That Son-In-Law of Pa's" Every Sunday exclusively in the The Wilmington Dispatch--Beginning July 7th

DAVID'S

What are good clothes?

All clothes are good in the advertisement; and they all look good when you first see them. Of course they do; nobody would buy them if they were not good looking.

But "good" isn't the looks of 'em. It isn't style only, the style's part of it. It isn't fit only, tho fit's part of it. Of course, if the clothes don't fit and stay fit, you don't have much style. "Good" isn't color or pattern, however good these look to you.

The important part of good clothes is the part you don't see. Better be on the safe side and come to this store for

Hart, Schaffner & Marx Clothes
They're as good inside as they look outside; that's a fact, and we guarantee it.

The best Palm Beach, Cool Cloth and Mohair Coats and Trousers to be had anywhere, \$10.50 up.

The A. David Co.

The Home of Hart, Schaffner & Marx Clothes
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SUN GLASSES

We have in stock a very large assortment of

SUN GLASSES

In all shades and sizes, at the very lowest prices.

WHY PAY MORE?

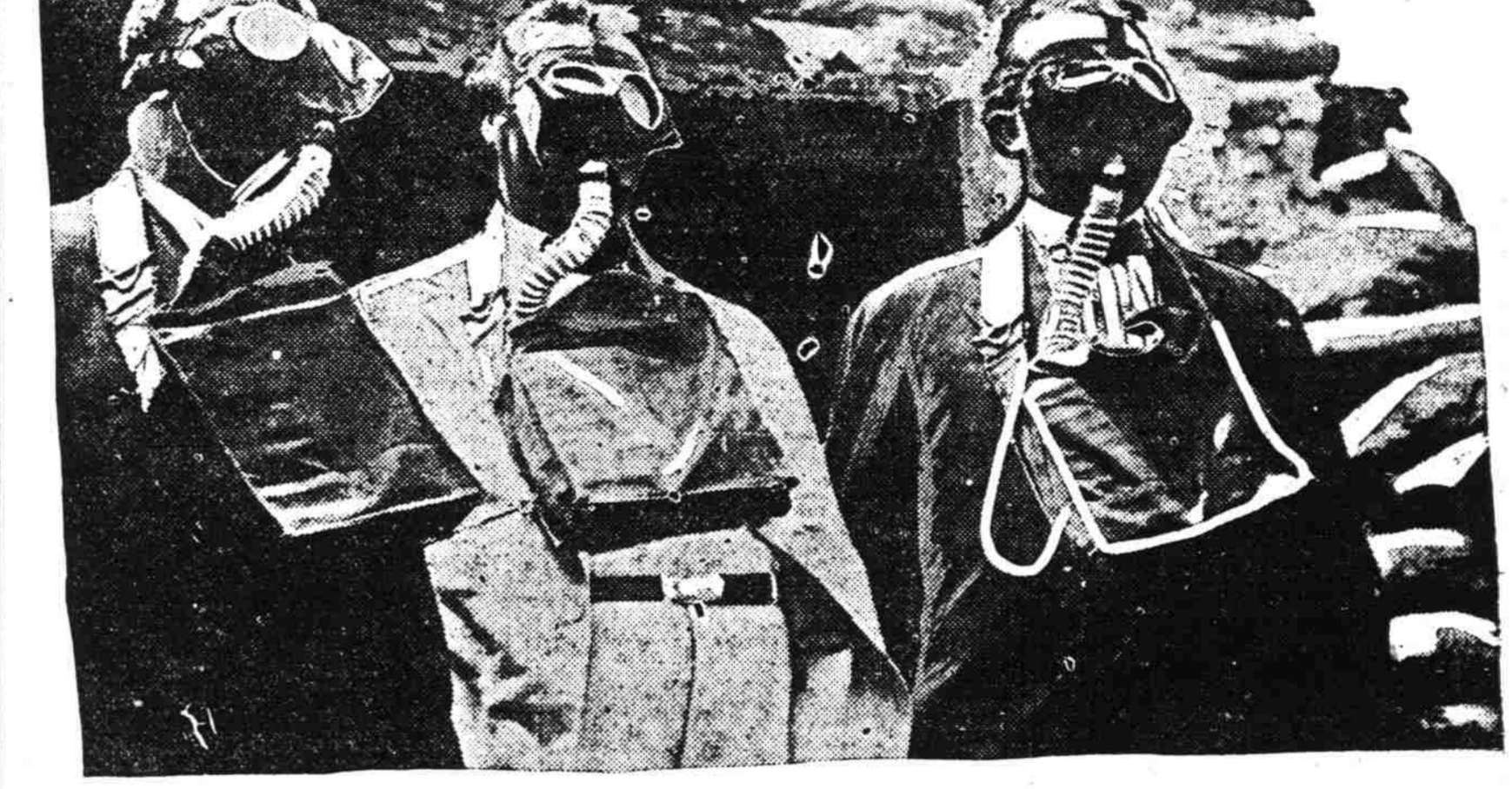
Come in and see us about your eyes. Eyes tested and glasses fitted from \$1.00 up.

DR. VINEBERG
MASONIC TEMPLE

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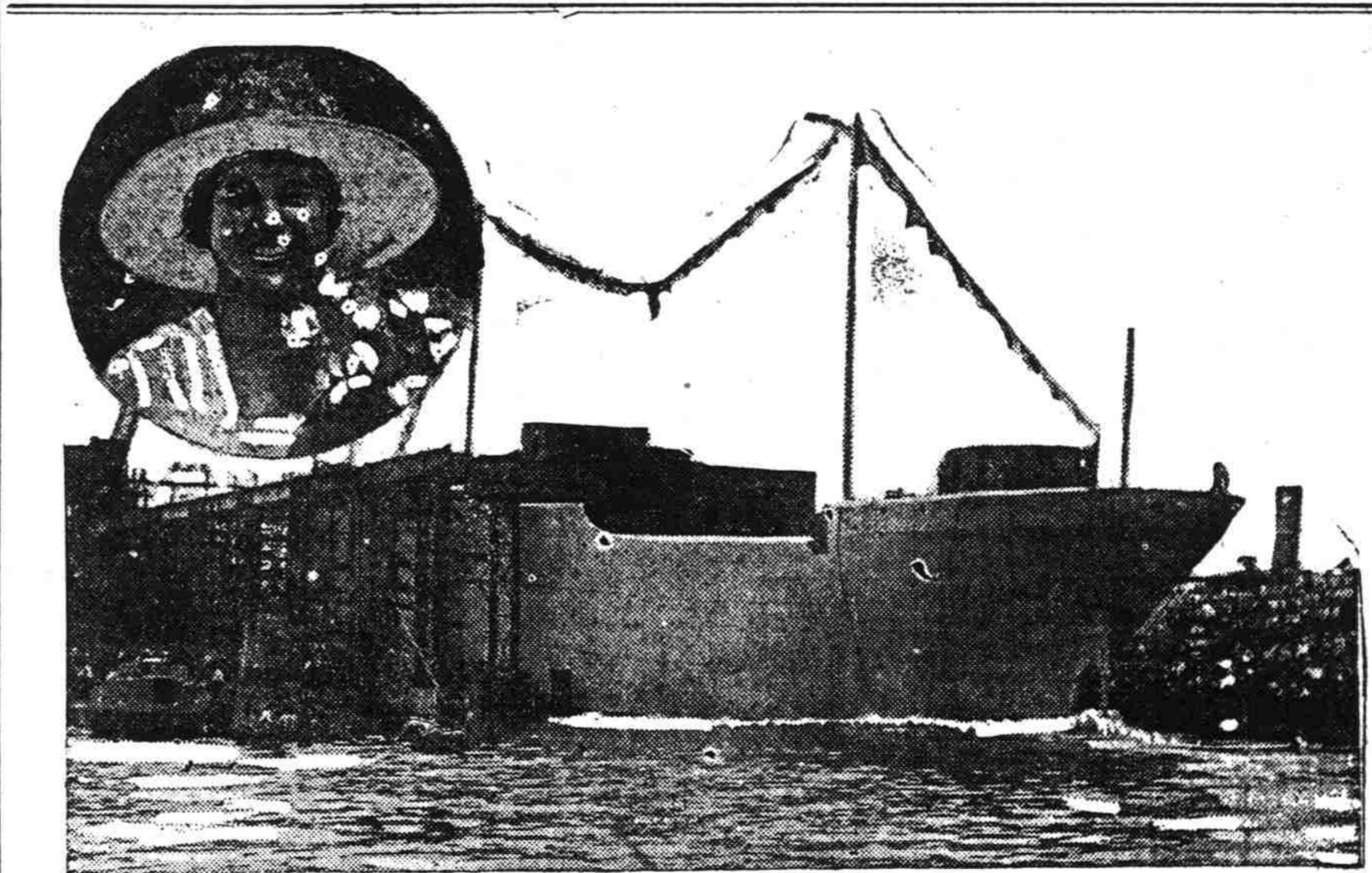
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SECRETARY DANIELS AND CONGRESSMEN TRYING ON GAS MASKS.—The field day exercises at Quantico, Va., June 20th, were attended by Secretary of the Navy Daniels and Major-General Barnett, with members of congress and representatives of allied military missions as their guests. Seven thousand marines gave a demonstration of trench warfare to the party.

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This photo shows the launching of the new steel refrigerator beef ship, "The South Pole," weighing 6,500 tons that was built at Baltimore, Md., in record time, it requiring only 40 days to build this ship. The employees claim the honor of building the biggest steel vessel in the shortest space of time to date. Insert—Miss Florence Patton, of Milwaukee, Wis., who was sponsor for the South Pole.

June 28th

On this date every man, woman and child in the United States will be called upon to pledge his or her full quota of War Savings Stamp purchases for 1918.

No matter what you do or how small your income may be, you must do your duty in helping to raise the required amount.

Let us all strive to save something each month. We can do it—We must do it.

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