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AMERICAN AVIATOR WILL HAVE SERVED UNDER FOUR FLAGS

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FORMERLY A LIFE GUARD AT SHEEPSHEAD BAY

(By Associated Press)
Warsaw, April 5.—Major Joseph C. Stehlin, a twenty-three years old aviator of Brooklyn, N. Y., who already has fought in three armies, has gone to Riga to enlist under the Lettish flag in the war against the Russian Bolsheviks. If his services are accepted he will have served under four flags in four years. The colors of France, America, Poland and Lettish, in turn, have won his allegiance. Since last fall Major Stehlin has been fighting in the aviation branch of the Polish army and in that service took part in the Polish drive which threw the Bolsheviks out of Dvinsk. Stehlin, who was formerly a life guard at Sheepshead Bay, Brooklyn, went to France in January, 1917, and joined the French Flying Corps where he won two citations and was promoted to be sergeant for aiding fellow aviators attacked by German planes. When the American army came over to France Stehlin transferred his allegiance to the American flag, received a commission as first lieutenant of aviators and took part in actions in the Champagne, Verdun and Soissons sectors. After the armistice he returned to the United States and is said to have joined the aviation section of the New York police as a captain. Last September he joined the Polish forces recruited in New York, was commissioned as captain, came to Poland and was assigned to duty on the northeastern front. He spent four months with a Polish flying squadron, the only American with the Poles on that particular front, and participated in all the aviation work preceding and during the Polish attack on the Bolsheviks in the region of Dvinsk. Stehlin has flown over parts of France, Belgium, Spain, Russia, Poland, Lithuania and the United States and has hopes soon of seeing Lettish and Riga from the air in his service with the Letts.

Major Stehlin says he has no idea what vocation he will take up if the war should end over here but he feels certain that he can never go back to the prosaic duties of a life guard at the beach. That game is not exciting enough for a man who has fought under four flags.

THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Is Tarboro to have a Public Library? This is for the citizens to say. It is a institution that is not to be considered a luxury as much as a necessity for any town, and Tarboro is as desirous of having those things which are for the betterment of the community as any other progressive city in the state. The Public Library is for the public, to the public and by the public, and therefore each and every man, woman and child in a city that has such an institution is a stock holder. If Tarboro is to have the library it is up to the citizens to make it a certainty. There will be a meeting in the rest rooms of the First National Bank tonight at 7:30 o'clock for furthering the plans for such an institution in our city. It is hoped that there will be such an attendance that the "S. R. O." sign will have to be put up.

SPRAGUE-BAKER

The following announcement will be of interest to the Tarboro people: Doctor and Mrs. Julian Meredith Baker announce the marriage of their daughter, Elizabeth Howard, to Mr. Curtis Sprague, on Saturday, the third of April, one thousand, nine hundred and twenty, in the City of New York. —Mr. Marion Burnette spent Sunday with friends in Wilson.

CHICAGO STRIKE IS GROWING STRONGER

All Train Service in District Is Practically Demoralized— More Men Out

(By Associated Press)
Chicago, April 5.—Train service here is virtually demoralized today as the result of the unauthorized strike of the Chicago Yardmen's Association. The strikers claim that over 9,000 men will be out by tonight. Police Chief Gharrity is holding his entire reserve forces ready for immediate call in the fear of serious rioting, and states that the situation is so serious that he fears he may have to call in the aid of the military. It has been said that switchmen on other roads are joining the Chicago district men in spite of the fact that officials of the big unions have ordered the men back to work.

AVIATORS TO LEAVE

Lieutenant Jack Morris, and Sergeant Merle Moltrup expect to leave Tarboro Tuesday or Wednesday. They will make a one stop flight in their new Curtis airplane from Tarboro to Pittsburg.

BAKER-HUNNING

Mr. Elmos Baker and Miss Rilla Hunning were quietly married Sunday at the Baptist parsonage, the Rev. J. E. Kirk officiating. Immediately after the ceremony the young couple left for Wilson.

"The City Beautiful"

Taking an Easter walk out St. Patrick street a representative of The Southerner began to realize just how much the citizens were taking an interest in the "City Beautiful" program. Messrs. J. D. Woodley and W. D. Bryan have planted their large lots in white blooming clover and it is to be a beautiful sight indeed in the near future. The lots have been planted in such a way that there is no dividing line, and it will be one huge expanse of beauty. A good example is well worth following.

Judge Lindsay To Speak In Scotland Neck April 7

Judge Ben Lindsey, the famous founder of the juvenile court at Denver, Colorado, who was sent to France by the American government to study social conditions and rehabilitation plans in the war zone, will speak in Scotland Neck on Wednesday evening, April 7, under the auspices of the Redpath Lyceum. Practically every juvenile court in existence owes its inspiration to Judge Lindsey. Royal commissions from European countries have been sent to Denver to learn his methods of dealing with youthful delinquents and Japan was so filled with the wonders of him that the commissioners from that country took photographs of his court room so that it might be exactly copied. In recent years Lindsey has dug deeper to find the reasons behind the wretchedness of mothers and children and this was the beginning of a hard fought struggle with the entrenched interests of commercialized vice. Lindsey has won, for he has been able to make people see that the fight for the children is after all the fight for the fathers and mothers as well.

Interesting Exhibit

An interesting lobby display was offered at the First National Bank on Saturday. It was a fine, pure-bred Jersey cow. The purpose of the display was to interest the farmers of the county in "Better Family Cows." Mr. Kimery of Raleigh, was in charge of the exhibit and explained to the farmers the value of milk as a food. Messrs. Kimery and M. G. Mann expect to go to Ohio about the first week in May to purchase a carload of pure-bred family cows for the farmers of Edgecombe.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HOLD REGULAR SESSION

The county commissioners met in regular session at the court house this morning called to order by Chairman Clark. All members of the board were present for the regular session. Upon the completion of the new court house there was a committee of one appointed to notify the entire county that pictures of deceased citizens could be placed in the court house by their friends and families by the paying of the expense by the parties so desiring. Mr. Henry Gilliam was appointed as this committee. Since the appointment has been vacant since the death of Mr. Gilliam the board this morning appointed Mr. W. O. Howard to fill the vacancy. Messrs. Bullock and Moore appeared before the board to ask payment for the killing of sheep and goats by hogs. The superintendent of the George Holderness farm also appeared with the same request. There have been about a half hundred sheep and goats killed by stray dogs and the board authorized the payment of the value of the animals killed from the special tax fund which provides for such payment. The value of the sheep and goats killed is to be declared by the neighbors of those who have lost animals. A committee from the U. D. C.,

and the D. A. R., appeared before the board to interest the commissioners as a board in the proposed memorial to the World War Veterans. The board took no definite action upon the question today otherwise than to express itself in sympathy with the proposal, and to agree to discuss the question at a later date when more definite information could be gained. Dr. Outland, county health officer presented his report for the past month. It was accepted and ordered filed. A bond election for the maintenance of the schools of township number 9 was ordered called. The pay of statistical registrars in all townships of the county has in the past been 25 cents per name. The board ordered an increase of ten cents per name to this pay, making a total of 35 cents per name. Judge James Pender was reappointed as judge of the Recorder's court. Attorney H. H. Phillips was appointed city solicitor, and J. A. Weddle auditor. The sheriff and recorder of deeds were authorized to have the awning frames of the court house recovered. The meeting adjourned at this point until called again by the chairman.

Tennessee River Is Still At Flood Tide

(By Associated Press)
Chattanooga, April 5.—The Tennessee river was still rising this morning, but it was thought that by this evening a noticeable receding of the flood would be in evidence. The sudden fall in temperature brought on a heavy snow which drove several hundred inhabitants from their homes. These homeless inhabitants are being well cared for by the city and citizens, and it is believed that the city has the situation well in hand.

Pig Club Members Purchase 20 Pigs

The First National Bank of Tarboro delivered twenty pigs of the best Hampshire breed to the members of the First National Bank Pig Club on Saturday. These pigs were purchased through Mr. Walter Bullock, one of Edgecombe's most enthusiastic young farmers, who is himself greatly interested and a firm believer in the Hampshire pigs. Mr. Kimery of the State Agricultural Department at Raleigh stated that he never saw finer hogs than those that were purchased by the club members here Saturday. Each member accepting a pig obligated himself to exhibit his animal at the 1920 Coastal Plain Fair. We will look forward with much interest to the developments, in the next several months before the fair, to the progress of the young men who will have their Hampshire hogs on exhibit.

VISCOUNT ASTOR HAS BOUGHT ISLE OF JURÄ

(By Associated Press)
London, April 5.—Viscount Astor has bought part of the island of Jurä off the west coast of Scotland and plans to erect on it a mansion and some smaller dwelling houses, the latter apparently for the occupation of his friends. Lord and Lady Astor will reside on the island only during deer stalking season. Jurä is about 125 miles long, is described as a range of mountains rising out of the sea and is a natural deer forest.

ENGLAND HAS ADOPTED ANTI-SPY REGULATIONS

(By Associated Press)
London, April 5.—The British government is taking steps to restrict the operations in England of spies from foreign countries. The House of Commons has just adopted anti-spy regulations at the request of Sir Ernest Pollock, the solicitor general, who told the members of the House that information was now being collected here for foreign governments and that this ought to be stopped for the sake of the country's safety. "Spies are as active in this country as ever," said Brigadier General Cockerill, director of Special Intelligence at the War Office.

MAYOR'S COURT

Sam Jenkins, speeding; \$7.85.
Tom Hammonds, speeding; \$5.
W. E. Dawson, disorderly conduct; \$50 with the judgment suspended upon good behavior.
Lyman Jones, speeding; \$12.85.

HEAVY SNOWS

(By Associated Press)
Detroit, Mich., April 5.—Snow two to six inches deep covers all of Michigan today where the voters are registering for the presidential preference primaries.

TEN ARE DROWNED IN SAVANNAH RIVER

Only One Person of Easter Pic- nics Escapes When Boat Overturns

(By Associated Press)
Anderson, S. C., April 5.—Ten young people who were out for Easter picnic Sunday were drowned when the big boat in which they were enjoying a sail overturned on the Savannah river near Lowdesville. The cause of the accident has been unexplained up to the time of this report.

One man, Robert Bradshaw escaped after an exhaustive swim, to the Georgia side of the river. The river is being dragged and searched by earnest workers, but no bodies had been recovered up to a late hours today.

Seats Now On Sale For Howell-Murphy Concert

The sale of seats for the Howell-Murphy concert are now on sale at rushing for seats is giving promise that standing room will be at a premium before the seat chart is taken to the box office of the Opera House next Monday night. The management has reserved the gallery entire for white people as well as the lower floor. There are 89 seats in the gallery which will be sold for \$1 each. This is done for the purpose of giving everyone that is a lover of music to have seats on the concert night. The price of admission on the lower floor is \$2.50 and \$2.00.

PERSONALS

—Miss Gattie Cherry left today for Richmond, Va.
—Miss Lala Hussey has returned from Norfolk.
—The many friends of Mrs. Mary T. Fountain will be pleased to learn that after several weeks' severe illness she is much improved in health today.
—Miss DeJla Fryer returned today after spending the Easter holidays here with her parents.
—Mrs. James Tilley is quite ill.
—The many friends of Mrs. Evans Sledge are please to welcome her home again after a long illness.
—Mr. Benjamin Havens has returned to Gainesville, Fla., after a few days' visit to his mother, Mrs. Lucy Havens.
—Miss Annie Bass, of Portsmouth, who has been here in attendance upon Mr. Marshall Staton, sustained very painful injuries yesterday. She was stepping out of Mr. T. P. Jenkins car, when in some manner, her dress caught and she fell to the pavement, striking her arm with such force as to cause severe bruises.
—Mrs. George Pender of Norfolk, is the guest of Mrs. James Pender.
—Mrs. Kate Oates of Greenville, is visiting friends here.
—Mrs. P. B. Tomlinson and children of Plymouth, are spending the Easter holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Pender.
—Mrs. M. E. Fountain who has been very sick, is improving, her friends will be glad to know.
—Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Sanders and little son, spent Sunday with relatives in Wilson.
—Mrs. D. H. Hill and daughter of Wilson, are visiting her sister, Mrs. A. T. Nicholson on St. Andrews street.
—Mr. Haughton James of Wilmington, was the guest of Mr. W. S. Clark and family Sunday.
—Miss Mary Bourne, who has been spending sometime in Asheville, is the guest of Mrs. Henry Johnston.

HEAVY FOGS ARE SAID TO BE HANDICAPPING N. Y. FERRIES

(By Associated Press)
New York, April 5.—Fog is today handicapping the operation of ferries here which the railroads claim are now equipped with full crews, union representatives declare that the strike of marine transport workers is gaining ground.

RECORD BREAKING SNOWS REPORTED FOR EASTER TIME

Middle and Southwest Today Digging Out From Record Breaking of Season

EXACT EXTENT DAMAGE UNKNOWN AT PRESENT

(By Associated Press)
Chicago, April 5.—The middle and southwest section of the United States is today digging itself out from record breaking Easter snow falls. Some cheer is gained from predictions of the immediate return of balmy weather though.
Cattle in the south west open country is reported to have suffered greatly from exposure and extreme cold, though the amount or loss has not been reported. It is hoped that the short duration of the blizzards will show a final total far below what is at present feared. Some crop damage has also been reported though not to any great extent. The snow drifts completely covered the railroad tracks in some parts of the country, causing trains both freight and passenger to run hours behind their regular scheduled time. City boulevards and country roads were made impassible, and may remain so for some time even during the expected thaw or account of the heavy mud and slush. Telegraph and telephone communication in many places is completely destroyed, and it is impossible to learn the true situation in these sections. In some sections the communication with the outside world is but crippled and it is hoped that within a few hours some news of the snowed-in regions may be gained by the outside world. The melting snows at present are threatening another danger to the affected regions. That of high floods from swollen streams and rivers. At a late hour this afternoon no reports had been received that this threatened danger had taken any definite form, and it is hoped that the thaw will be so gradual that no serious damage will be rendered in the threatened districts.

French Troops Are Ready To Move On Ruhr Basin

(By Associated Press)
Paris, April 5.—French military measures for forcing the Germans to withdraw their troops from the Ruhr basin is now in the hands of Marshall Foch, it was announced at the foreign office today. The marshal has his troops ready to move forward at a moments notice should the Germans refuse to immediately withdraw as demanded, says a Weisbaden dispatch.

MUSIC SERVICE AT THE THE METHODIST CHURCH

Mr. John N. Josey, formerly of Scotland Neck, but now of Tarboro, gave a beautiful music service at the Methodist church yesterday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. The organ responded to a master's touch and for more than an hour the tones, sometimes soft and plaintive, sometimes voluminous, swayed the large audience. Mr. Josey was ably assisted by Miss Gattie Cherry, and Messrs. Dow Pender and H. B. Whitlark. Miss Cherry sang with wondrous sweetness, entering fully into the spirit of the song. Messrs. Pender and Whitlark were at their best and interpreted well their numbers. Of the whole service it might be said: "The music in my heart I bore Long after it was heard no more."

BUSINESS WOMANS' CLUB

There will be an important meeting of the Business Womens' Club Tuesday night at 8 o'clock in the rest rooms of the First National Bank. This is the first meeting of this organization since January, and it is urgently requested that all persons interested and every member make it a point to be present.