

TO USE MILITIA FOR GUARD DUTY

THE MASSACHUSETTS REGIMENTS HAVE ALREADY BEEN CALLED INTO ACTIVE SERVICE AND OTHERS WILL BE GIVEN SIMILAR DUTIES

Washington, March 24—Two regiments of Massachusetts militia will be called at once into service to guard the fort and the river ship building works at Quincy and other plants in the Bay State under arrangements between Secretary of War Baker and Governor McCall. The militia will guard government arsenals, munition plants, and especially shipyards where Government construction is under way.

While the Department refused to say whether similar plans would be made for the militia of other states it is plainly indicated that the National Guard in other states will be used when necessary in defense plans on land.

Dispatches from Portland, Oregon, hundred a day, but no noticeable bridges across the Columbia and Willamette rivers have been placed under the guard of the State militia today.

RECRUITING INCREASES

While the number of recruits enlisting at the army and navy recruiting stations has increased during the past week, indications are that the country is not yet fully aroused to the imminence of war. The navy has gained an average of 117 men a day since the recruiting campaign started, but still needs nearly seventeen thousand. The army recruits number nearly two have just been received that the crease has been shown as a result of the international crisis.

ARRANGING CAMP SITES

Department commanders are arranging for extensive camp sites like Plattsburg and several million dollars will be spent in making the necessary preparations.

WHITLOCK CALLED FROM BELGIUM

BELGIAN RELIEF WORK GIVEN UP BY THIS GOVERNMENT. ACTIVITIES TRANSFERRED TO HOLLAND

Washington, March 24—Brand Whitlock has been withdrawn as minister to Belgium, the State Department has announced.

This government has also withdrawn from the Belgian Relief work and has transferred its activities to Holland. Whitlock's withdrawal is taken as a fore-runner of real war. For some time the State Department has been debating the advisability of giving up relief work and the recent destruction of several relief ships has discouraged further efforts.

The State Department declared that Germany's past conduct has caused this government not to feel warranted in accepting the responsibility for leaving American Relief workers in German occupied territory. The enormous task of feeding seven thousand Belgians has been one long fight against German restrictions, stubbornness, and interference.

GAS COMPANY HAS NEW AUTO DELIVERY

The Gas Company has a new auto delivery truck. "We are prepared" says Mr. Spillars to give Elizabeth City people prompt and efficient service. If you order your gas range now with in an hour's time you can have it installed and connected.

WANTED—to buy second hand Ford in good running order if owner will take fair price.

Germany Will Declare War

(By United Press)

Zurich, March 24—Several German newspapers declare that Germany will declare war on the United States as soon as the first shot is fired at a German submarine from an American gun.

Progress Made Around Soissons

Paris, March 24—The French forces continued to advance today. Great improvement in French positions around Soissons was made last night, the French progressing east of Canal St Quentin on the West bank of the Oise north of Laferre.

SINKING HEALDTON NOT DVERT ACT

GERMANS DECLARE THAT IT WAS NOT NECESSARY FOR VESSEL TO TRAVERSE BARRED ZONE

(By United Press)

Berlin, March 24—Germany can not see why America should regard the sinking of the Healdton as an overt act. That public opinion is agreed on this point is the expressed opinion of the German newspaper Mittag, which, while admitting the possibility that American sentiment of Germany would be made more hostile by the vessel's destruction, said that it was unnecessary that the Healdton should traverse the barred zone.

Editors note—Survivors of the Healdton say that the vessel was actually in the path of safety prescribed by Germany when she was struck. It is predicted that Germany will deny this claim.

TORNADO SWEEPS SOUTH INDIANA

AND THIRTY-FOUR ARE DEAD IN CITY OF NEW ALBANY ALONE WHILE PROPERTY LOSS AGGREGATES MILLIONS

(By United Press)

New Albany, Ind., March 24—Thirty four bodies were recovered early today from the ruins of the tornado which swept the city destroying three hundred homes and leaving a thousand persons homeless. The devastated area includes one third of the city, and is a half mile wide and two miles long. The search for bodies still continues, and the city is now under martial law.

Wild scenes followed the storm. Women and children ran through the streets hysterically searching for lost relatives, while men fought the raging flames.

Theloss is estimated at no less than two million dollars. Thirty-nine are known dead, nearly one hundred and fifty are injured in the entire path of the storm which traversed Southern Indiana.

AT MOUNT HERMON SCHOOL

"Played and Lost" or "Thirty Thousand Dollars" will be given at Mt. Hermon school Friday night, March 30th for the benefit of the school. Refreshments will be served after the play and the public is cordially invited.

WILL GIVE SILVER TEA

The Ladies of the Presbyterian Aid Society will give a Silver Tea on Tuesday afternoon from 3:30 to 5:30 at the residence of Mrs. G. W. Ward on West Main street.

A very cordial invitation is extended to friends of all denominations and a delightful afternoon is assured all those who attend.

PATRONS' LEAGUE IS ORGANIZED

HERTFORD WOMEN IN ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING LAY PLANS FOR WELFARE WORK IN PROGRESSIVE CITY ON PERQUIMMANS

Hertford, March 23—A well attended and enthusiastic meeting of the women of Hertford was held in the auditorium of the graded school on Thursday afternoon, for the purpose of discussing the organization of a Patrons League. The Rev. W. H. Carter and L. R. Crawford Supt of Schools, outlined the need of such a league and the great field open for such work in a progressive town like Hertford.

The Rev. R. M. Ormand outlined the plans of organization, embracing practically all of the activities, and the meeting voted for immediate organization. The plan will cover general relief work which is already organized and working under the Ladies Circles, educational work which will include the home and the school, and prevention, relating to health and sanitation. The main organization behind the branches will act as a Welfare Commission, and the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. W. H. Carter; Secretary, Miss Mae Wood Winslow; Treasurer, Mrs. J. J. Fleetwood. An Executive Committee, to perfect plans of organization, draw up a constitution and nominate officers for the branch activities, was elected as follows: Mrs. R. W. Smith, Mrs. H. Shannonhouse, Mrs. George E. Major, Mrs. C. W. Morgan, and Mrs. T. R. Langston.

A publicity committee was also appointed to enroll members. It consists of: Mrs. W. L. F. Babb, Mrs. P. H. Small, Mrs. W. S. Blanchard, Mrs. Charles Johnson and Mrs. James Shannonhouse.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 27th, when the plans for organization should be complete.

Paving Streets In Hertford

Hertford, March 24—Preliminary lines and surveys are now being made in Hertford with a view of paving the streets from the Norfolk Southern Depot to the point where the bridges cross the river.

Clean-up Week At Belvidere

Belvidere, N. C. March 21—Mrs. Robert Welch, Assistant County Superintendent, visited the school here last Friday.

The students and teachers of Belvidere academy took Monday and Tuesday for genuine Clean Up Days. The whole campaign was swept and all the trash hauled away and burned. A tennis court was laid off also a tract one eighth of a mile in circumference.

The students are now getting ready for the County Commencement to be held in Hertford on the 29th.

On Thursday the 22nd all the Belvidere White schools of Belvidere township will meet here for the preliminary contest.

A play, "Home Ties" will be given by the Center Hill talent on Friday night in the school auditorium of this place.

Mr. Tim Jessup and mother visited relatives of Tyner last Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. John Lavister of Compaek, N. C. visited their daughter Mrs. L. A. Ward of this place last Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Lillie Mae Ralford spent Wednesday in Elizabeth City shopping.

Mr. David Rogerson of Norfolk, Va. is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. A. Rogerson.

Mr. Hugh White and sister, Belle

To Night At New Theatre

Saturday's show is always a good one, and this week it is a Gold Rooster play featuring Florence Reed. The title is "New York" and the story is a dramatic one of patriotic and chorus girl.

Tonight's Show At Alkrama

Saturday night Norma Talmage will be seen in "The Social Secretary," a triangle picture which features this celebrated actress in all of her charming and fascinating characteristics.

Also a two part keystone comedy Madame Petrova in "Extravagance" is the big feature for Monday, matinee and night. The lavish beauty of the star and her costumes are in accord with the name of the picture, and the beauty of the scenes is indiscribable.

Also on Monday will be seen Francis Busham and Beverly Bayne in "The Great Secret".

Attention Called To Rest Rooms

The Civic League has recently hung in a number of public places throughout the city neat and attractive signs calling attention to the Rest Rooms provided for the rest and comfort of out of town shoppers and visitors.

The Rest rooms are located on the second floor of the Hinton Building, two doors from the elevator and are kept up by merchants, banks city aldermen and professional men with the co-operation of the Civic League.

It is very much hoped that visitors will avail themselves of this opportunity for rest on busy shopping days. They are invited to eat their lunch there and to make these rooms a real resting place. Packages will be delivered there from any of the stores and every effort will be made to make the rest rooms a convenient stopping place.

Hertford Ready For Edenton

Hertford, N. C. March 24 The Hertford end of the State High School debates to be held on March 30th will be conducted by the school Literary Society. Herman Jenkins, Presiding and Hannah Mae Fleetwood acting as Secretary. The Hertford High School, represented by Silas M. Wheeler and Louise C. Willford will present the affirmative side of the argument, while the Edenton High School represented by Roy Spry and Jessie Hedrick will take the negative. The judges for the contest will be Dr. T. S. McMullan, Chairman, Rev. W. H. Carter, and Rev. R. M. Ormand.

NEW MOTION PICTURE THEATRE OPENS SOON

Hertford, N. C. March 24 The new motion picture theatre will be ready to open about the first week in April.

Extensive repairs, including all the plumbing, water lines and sanitary arrangements in the Hertford Graded School have been completed.

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spent Friday afternoon in Hertford. Electric lights are now being installed in the school building.

Belvidere celebrates a Spring Clean Up Day.

BOOTH TARKINGTON'S PENROD

Have you ever read any of those corking Penrod stories in Cosmopolitan Magazine? Booth Tarkington is the author, and they are a regular feature in Cosmopolitan, America's greatest magazine. For April Mr. Tarkington contributes one of the best feat boy stories—one of those stories which will carry you back to the days when you were a boy yourself—from that time when you first began to think that "pigtails" weren't so awfully bad after all. "Sam's Beau"—that's the name of this clever little boy story—it surely is a corker. Don't miss this story for it means heaps of fun for you from start to finish.

Young Tolstoy In Vaudeville

San Francisco, March 23—Count Lya Tolstoy, son of the late Count Leo Tolstoy is scheduled to begin a tryout in vaudeville here day after to-morrow.

If he is more of a success in this than he was in his attempt to make a speech at Columbia University, he will receive one thousand dollars a week for forty weeks on the circuit. He will have a tryout of one week to see how he "takes" with the vaudeville patrons. The row the Count had with Dr. Butler of Columbia over his socialistic arguments, which resulted in his being forbidden to appear at Columbia, is what got him the vaudeville engagement.

Enthusiasm In School Work

Unusual interest is manifest in debating at High School this year and the inter high school debate with Hertford next Friday night is looked forward to with much enthusiasm. Competition for prizes at the close of school is also keen. The D A R medal is offered this year for the best paper on Sir Walter Raleigh.

In addition to this, the First National Bank has offered prizes of \$5 and \$2 for the best "Story of the First Coins Issued by the United States."

The Juniors and Seniors are rehearsing their play to be given early in May. It is the bright little college play, "Trial of Hearts" with a cast of twenty four.

Will Teach in Summer School

Miss Catherine Albertson has accepted a position as a teacher of History in the Summer School at the A. & E. College at Raleigh for this summer and will also be in charge of the Employment Bureau there.

Societies Give Irish Programs

The Junior and Senior Literary Societies gave very delightful Irish programs this week on Thursday and Friday. St. Patrick was in evidence in song, and readings and essays, and the programs were greatly enjoyed.

WILL PREACH MASONIC SERMON

Rev. J. W. Patton, Grand Master of the Lodge, will preach a Masonic sermon at Backwell Memorial church Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. All are cordially invited to attend.

WANTED—to buy on easy terms second hand typewriter in good condition at a bargain.

WEATHER OR NO Fair, colder tonight, probably light frost. Sunday fair.

ATTACK KAISER IN REICHSTAG

NEWS FROM AMSTERDAM CLAIMS THAT SOCIALISTS ARE DEEPLY SIRRRED IN GERMAN BY RUSSIAN REVOLUTION

Amsterdam, March 24—Thursday's debate in the German Reichstag was featured by bitter attacks on the Kaiser and Chancellor Holvas as the originators of the war; and also by a Socialist demonstration lauding the Russians for the overthrow of the Russian autocracy.

Live Little Locals Many Minor Matters Merely Mentioned

Miss Lena Barnard, Bertha Sanderlin, Sloyd Barnard, Elva Willis, Mrs. C. S. Forbes, Mrs. I. S. Barnard, Mrs. T. B. Godfrey, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wright, Mrs. J. H. Godfrey, Mrs. J. B. Sanderlin, Mrs. Louis Gregory, and Mr. B. J. Davis came up from Arnoose Creek on the gas boat, Inez Friday shopping.

Miss Ella White passed through the city Friday on her way to her home in Manteo, after a visit to her cousin, Miss Lena Barnard in Camden county.

Miss Mattie Perry has returned from Mamie, in Currituck County, where she has just finished teaching this year's session. She has as her guest, her assistant teacher, Miss Siterson of Koper.

Harry G. Kramer, cashier of the Saving, Bank and Trust Company, returned Friday from a business trip to Norfolk.

Attorney W. I. Halstead of South Mills was in the city Friday on business.

EPWORTH LEAGUE MEETS

The Epworth League of City Road Methodist church will meet Sunday evening at 6:30. Mr. W. F. Midgett will conduct the service and has an interesting program. The subject is "David Livingstone." The public is cordially invited.

EPWORTH METHODIST CHURCH

Next Sunday afternoon at three o'clock the pastor, Rev. C. B. Calbreth, will preach at Epworth church.

DOUBLING CAPACITY OF TAILORING DEPARTMENT

Mr. O. F. Gilbert is hastily doubling the capacity of the tailoring department and suit department for ladies at Mitchell's Department Store to accommodate his Spring business.

The tailoring department, for the making of ladies garments, was put in last fall, the first in the city, and one of the few in the State and has proved very popular.

TO THE VOTERS OF FIRST WARD

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Alderman from the First Ward, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, April 12th. Your support will be appreciated. Respectfully,
J. B. FEREBEE.

TO VOTERS OF 3RD WARD

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for reelection to the Board of Aldermen from the third Ward in the Primary April 12th. If elected I will strive in the future as I have in the past to serve the people to the best of my ability. Your vote and support will be appreciated. Respectfully,
C. C. PAPPENDICK.