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DISABLED SOLDIER IS GIVEN SPLENDID TRAINING OF LATE

Federal Board of Vocational
Training Accomplishing
Great Things

SEVEN HUNDRED LATE METHODS PRESENTED

Courses Are Chosen According
to Temperment of Men, It
is Stated

Washington, July 24.—The question as to where disabled ex service men are being educated is answered by the fact that 5,067 disabled soldiers, sailors, and marines under the direction of the Federal Board for Vocational Education are in training in more than seven hundred different institutions throughout the country. Five hundred and forty-six schools and colleges now number wounded soldiers among their students, and one hundred and ninety-eight commercial and industrial establishments have disabled men on their force learning the trade. In order to give the men the kind of course they want as near their homes as possible, the Federal Board for Vocational Education has selected all types of institutions to their training stations, the manufacturing establishments of the newest type of automobiles, Y. M. C. A. schools, trade schools, big shops and small shops, all vie with each other in giving their best training to these returned soldiers.

The course they choose differ as the temperment of the men. Five hundred thirteen of them are studying some branch of agriculture; 721 have chosen manufacturing and mechanical pursuits; 280 are taking engineering courses; 104 are learning drafting and designing; 414 are now pursuing purely educational courses preparatory to a vocational course.

HIGH SCHOOLS OPEN TO CHILD- REN OF COUNTY

The County Educational Department is calling attention of the public to the fact that high school advantages are in reach of any boy or girl in Pitt county free of tuition charge. Any student who is able to enter the high school department may attend the well equipped high schools at Bethel, Farmville, Grifton or Greenville. There will be no tuition. The only expense will be for board and books. The Grifton school has a dormitory where board may be secured for twenty dollars per month. Bethel is hoping to erect one.

The first three are regular state high schools, tuition in the high school being free to any one in Pitt county, under state law. The Greenville high school is open by special arrangement between the City School Board and the County Board of Education.

The county authorities are anxious that information as to these arrangements reach every boy and girl in the county prepared for high school entrance.

AMER. FORCE ARE TO STAY IN SIBERIA

Washington, D. C., July 25.—President Wilson today advised the Senate that the American expedition in Siberia was there to protect and maintain operations of the Siberian railroad and indicated the expedition would remain as long as such protection was necessary.

Another purpose of the expedition as outlined by the President was to give relief to the Russian people in Siberia by supplying food, clothing and other supplies. Mr. Wilson said there was no intention of interfering with Russian sovereignty. The retention of American troops to protect American Railroad forces under John F. Stevens, the President's letter stated is a vital element.

FIRE LOSSES LARGELY IN RESIDENCES

State's Aggregated \$612,941
Nearly One-Fourth of Total
Losses For Year

Official figures of the fire losses for North Carolina during 1917 shows that 63.6 per cent were dwelling houses according to authentic figures worked out by Actuarial Bureau of the National Board of Underwriters. These losses on dwellings aggregated \$612,941 or nearly one-fourth of the total losses for the year. The figures worked out by the bureau were on reports of 2,674 fires reported.

These findings, says Insurance Commissioner and Fire Marshal James R. Young, give further emphasis to the necessity for the fire prevention work that the Woman's Clubs and the children, through the North Carolina Safety Leagues, are doing in cooperation with the fire and accident prevention division of the insurance department.

ATLANTA GETS CON- FEDERATE REUNION DURING THIS YEAR

Atlanta, Ga., July 28.—October 7, 8, 9 and 10, has been chosen for the United Confederate Veterans annual reunion here, and since General K. M. Vanaunder of Fort Worth, in accepting the invitation to hold the reunion here in the fall, suggested October, it is presumed, these dates will prove acceptable to the veterans.

An organization committee of prominent citizens already is at work to make the reunion of the veterans of the sixties one of the most pleasant they have ever attended.

Good Automobile Tires protect against loss of time from "Blow Outs." Vaccination and Sanitation will protect you against loss of 6 weeks time from Typhoid Fever.

GREAT FLEET PASSES THRU PANAMA CANAL

On Board The U. S. New Mexico, Sunday, June 27.—(By Wireless, via Colon to the Associated Press)—The Pacific fleet, which passed successfully through the Panama Canal yesterday on its voyage from Hampton Roads to the West Coast of the United States, sailed tonight from Panama for San Diego, Cal.

President Belisario Porras, of the Republic of Panama, with members of his family and his staff, made an official call on Admiral Hugh Rodman, commanding the fleet today. President Porras was given full presidential honors, including a salute of 21 guns.

Thousands of sailors from the fleet took peaceful possession of Panama today. They enjoyed their visit ashore and no disorder of any sort occurred. Until recently American soldiers and sailors were not allowed to visit Panama. Admiral Rodman, however, expressed confidence that the visit of his men ashore would be entirely pleasant and harmonious.

WEEKLY DEPOT FREE DENTL DISPENSARIES

Work Done Here Has Proven of
Wonderful Benefit to Large
Number of Children in the
Farmville School District.

Dr. A. M. Schultz, of the State Board of Health, makes the following report as to the work done here during the week ending July 26th, at the Free Dental Dispensary conducted by him at the Farmville High School:

The total cost, (conservative estimate) if done in a private office, \$338.50. The above report speaks for itself, and plainly shows, even to the pessimist, that the work being done by Dr. Schultz is one, if not the most important and directly beneficial branch of the State Board of Health's entire program.

Supt. G. R. Wheeler is also to be congratulated upon the efforts he has put forth in securing the services of Dr. Schultz as well as getting the children of the district to attend the dispensary.

Dr. Schultz seems to have his whole heart into this work, and the class of work he is doing as good as can be obtained anywhere.

ROOT BEER ZIG-ZAG LAT- EST DRINKS

Philadelphia, Pa., July 28.—Root beer made at home may not always be as innocent as its name. Professor Charles H. La Wall, of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, cautions the public to look out for the kick. The home brew, he finds, has an alcoholic content of 1.77 per cent.

"I will take gallons to produce a familiar 'dizzinerr', he said, 'it may provide some exhilaration.'"

"I was surprised recently", declared Professor La Wall, "to notice a friend coughing a little after drinking several glasses of home made root beer. I became interested and began an analysis of the beverage. The result was surprising. I found that the alcoholic content was greater than I had supposed."

AMERICAN BOY FOR RANSOM

Thompson Pays the Ransom
Asked by Mexican Bandits

Washington, July 26.—Philip Thompson, 14-year-old son of John West Thompson, an American citizen, was kidnapped from his father's ranch, 30 miles from Mexico City, and is being held by Mexican bandits for 2,500 pesos ransom, the State Department was advised today. Urgent representations have been made to the Mexican government. It was announced.

Washington, July 28.—Acting upon the advice of the Mexican government, John West Thompson, an American ranchman living near Mexico City, has paid the 2,500 pesos ransom demanded by bandits for the release of his fourteen year old son, the State Department was advised today. The Mexican authorities said they feared the bandits would murder the boy unless they received the money.

Young Thompson was captured at his father's ranch after the bandits had disarmed him and taken his horse. Urgent representations in the matter were made by the Mexican Foreign Office by the American Embassy. Secretary Lansing said the Mexican Foreign Office has agreed to refund the amount of the ransom and to take measures for the capture and punishment of the bandits. The kidnapping took place last Thursday at the Thompson ranch, thirty miles from Mexico City, and the boy was released Friday.

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AUSTRIA ASKS FOR MORE TIME TO CONSIDER

St. Germain, En Laye, July 27.—Dr. Karl Renner, Austrian chancellor and head of the Austrian peace delegation, accompanied by Dr. Richard Schuller, another member of the delegation arrived here today, from Feldkirch, near the Swiss border, where they conferred with Austrian governmental representatives from Vienna.

Dr. Renner at once, upon his arrival formulated a request to the peace conference for an extension of the time accorded Austria to reply to the second part of the peace terms which were communicated to the Austrian delegates on July 20. The Austrians were originally given fifteen days within which to make reply.

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DEPOT BURN- ED TUESDAY AT GRIFTON

Greenville, July 30.—Fire last night destroyed the Atlantic Coast Line passenger station, office and warehouse at Grifton.

The surmise is that during the electrical storm which visited Grifton last night that lightning struck the building between ten and eleven o'clock. When first discovered some time later the entire building was ablaze and every effort to save it or any part of it proved futile.

There was some freight in the warehouse at the time and this also was a total loss. The company is today using a small warehouse nearby for office etc. The loss is estimated to be around \$7,000.

END OF SEA- MAN'S STRIKE

And 40,000 Men are Back at
Work and the Commerce
of World is Flowing on

New York, July 27.—The end of the strike of 40,000 seaman which has tied up the Atlantic and Gulf ports for the last three weeks is ended as announced by Gustave Brown, General Secretary of the Seamen's Union who added that shipping would be moving this afternoon.

New York, July 26.—The settlement of the Seamen's strike is satisfactory to the men with an advance of all classes \$15.00 per month with the exception of the coal passers who will have \$10.00 per month added to their wages.

The statement was made by Secretary Brown of the Seamen's Union, who stated that the men showed they were unanimously for an eight-hour-day work with a closed shop.

Every Feature of Compulsory School Attendance Law to be Enforced.

Under the new state law every public school must run for six months, and every child between the ages of eight and fourteen must attend for the whole term. The law has been greatly strengthened and new arrangements have been made for its enforcement. It is the purpose of the state and county authorities to see that every child in school who does not come within the reasonable exemptions of the law. The authorities hold that it is useless to lengthen the term and provide more efficient teachers unless the children take advantage of the enlarged opportunities. There will be a constant state wide effort to secure a proper enforcement of the attendance law.

Pitt county has more than its share of illiterates, and it is hoped that the number can be materially reduced and eventually eliminated altogether.

Call Meeting of White School Committeemen August 2nd

For the purpose of stimulating interest in the work of the county schools and for a closer relation between school committeemen and the County Board of Education, the County Board has called a meeting of all the white school committeemen in the county for August 2nd. The meeting will be held in the Training School dining room at one o'clock. Lunch will be served by the Training School, and a short business meeting will be held. It is thought that this meeting will be very helpful, and that a large number of committeemen will be present. General plans for the work of the coming year will be discussed.

STRANGE FISH WAS CAUGHT AT HATTERAS

Washington, N. C., July 25.—A letter received yesterday evening by friends here from Zeph Potts, who is spending the week at Hatteras, tells of an interesting fish which was caught by Mr. Potts and Tom Robbins while the two of them were fishing off the surf Tuesday evening.

Potts had about a hundred feet of line out and was quietly wading around in the surf when he suddenly felt a strike on his line. So fierce was the pull on the line that it yanked him off his feet and buried his nose in the sand. However, he managed to regain his balance and fought the fish for half an hour or more finally succeeding in landing it.

The fish was of a nature never before seen on the island. It measured seven feet from stem to stern and was striped almost exactly like a zebra, according to Mr. Potts's letter. It had long ears, which is unusual for a fish, and the teeth in its mouth were formed almost exactly like those in a human being. In addition to a large tail it had two smaller tails on each side of the big one.

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