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## LUMBER ORDER FOR 5 CANTONMENTS

PLACED THIS WEEK WITH SOUTHERN PINE MILLS

### THREE COMPLETE, 2 IN PART

No New Ship Building Contracts Let—Censorship Lid Has Been Clamped Down.

Rapid progress in the government's preparations for housing the new national army is indicated by yesterday's announcement that the Southern Pine Emergency Bureau has this week placed with mills orders for lumber materials for three complete cantonments, 90 per cent for a fourth cantonment, and a good portion for a fifth.

This lumber goes to Louisville, Ky., Des Moines, Iowa, Chillicothe, Ohio, Little Rock, Ark., and Fort Sam Houston, near San Antonio, Texas. Much of it has already been loaded on cars and is being rushed to destination points, where an army of carpenters are waiting to construct quarters for the thousands of troops during preparation for service in Europe.

### No More Ship Contract Announcements

New shipbuilding operations along the Gulf Coast are forbidden by the statement of the Bureau that orders have just been placed at mills for furnishing complete schedules of materials for 12 wooden boats to be built by the Universal Shipbuilding Company, of Houston, Texas. Those will all be standard-size ships, for use of the government. The Bureau has also arranged for materials for ten ships for the Traylor Shipbuilding Corporation, of Cornwallis, Pa. Southern Pine mills are also cutting timbers for four ships to be built by the Portland Ship Ceiling Company, at Portland, Maine.

Before leaving Tuesday night for Little Rock to take personal direction of the work of securing deliveries of lumber for Fort Logan, Roots, W. J. Sowers, director of the Emergency Bureau, clamped down the censorship on news regarding government ship contracts. It was announced by Mr. Sowers that the ruling of General Goethals, head of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, that such information was improper for use in the press, would be followed.

Federal Lumber Inspectors Named  
C. F. Gardiner, formerly of Laurel, Miss., recently appointed chief lumber inspector for the Emergency Fleet Corporation, has established headquarters in this city, in the office of Warren Johnson, district director of the Corporation, and entered actively on his duties.

### VICTORY FOLLOWED BY DEATH

Bedford, Ind., July 5.—Mark Ferguson, aged 11 years, won a green apple eating contest today, but died

## GREAT BATTLE COMES TO A HALT

STRUGGLE ON GALICIAN FRONT REACHES DEADLOCK STAGE

### VON MACKENSEN IN COMMAND

Brusiloff May Extend Offensive to Carpathian and Rumanian Fronts—British Win

By International News Service.  
London, July 5.—The great battle in northeastern Galicia came to a deadlock today. There were indications today, however, that general Brusiloff is about to extend his offensive southward to the Carpathian and Roumanian fronts.

Today's Berlin bulletin reported greater local activity on those fronts. The statement discloses that Field Marshal Von Mackensen is still commanding the central powers' right wing based on the Black Sea.

## AFFIDAVITS FOR SPEEDING FILED

A number of affidavits have been filed by Motorcycle Patrolman Harry J. Devale against automobile drivers for violations of two sections of the auto ordinance, one relating to speeding, and the other to the use of dimmers. The alleged law violations occurred on the New Basin road. Those charged are:

- John Warner, 3091 U.S. highway, speeding thirty an hour; A. Batiselle, 3325 Canal, no dimmers; O. L. Bartlett, 1311 St. Charles avenue, no dimmers; H. M. Rankin, 408 Walnut, no dimmers; Thomas M. Ford, 111 St. Charles, no tail lights; J. Clifford Lyons, 824 Graydon, no dimmers; Mrs. C. B. Lowery, 625 St. Charles, no dimmers; Cumberland Telephone Company, 801 Poydras, no dimmers; J. Rabite, 615 Kerlerec, speeding thirty miles; Max Schwartz, 1726 St. Charles avenue, muffler open, no tail lights; George H. Kahl, 2831 Milan, speeding thirty miles; T. Dineen, 2907 Chippewa, speeding thirty miles; W. Fetterer, 367 South Olympia, no head lights; R. Gumbine, 1816 St. Charles avenue, no head or tail lights; E. E. Rigdon, 2228 St. Charles, speeding thirty miles; F. B. Ford, 512 Walnut, speeding thirty miles, no head lights; C. J. Williams, 528 North Rampart, no dimmers; A. B. Orr, 7307 St. Charles, and J. S. Palmisano, 5116 Dauphine, racing at thirty-five miles.

## Man Near Death Over 20 Cents

Neon, Ky., July 5.—In a pistol fight over a twenty-cent taxicab bill, Roy Ferguson, chauffeur, was fatally wounded by his passengers, Isaac B. Bentley, O. M. Marlow. Perhaps he was mortally wounded by them.

### SOLDIERS TAKE HIKE

Hiking was on the program yesterday at Camp Nichols. The infantry went out in the direction of Spanish Fort while the artillery was taken out in the direction of Jefferson parish. While no orders for the removal of the troops has been received, yet all men in the regiment have made up sufficient boxes for the packing of their personal effects and when the order comes they will be ready.

## Brass Nut Taken Later Is Replaced

If some one publicly were to offer the Sewerage and Water board to replace all the brass nuts on its hydrants with new pieces, there is no doubt but that the offer would be eagerly accepted. However, some unknown benefactor made just such a change on the hydrant at Bonbon street and Washington avenue, without, however, consulting anyone, and as a consequence is being sought by the police.

## ITEM MAY SUE AFTERNOON RIVAL

Public notice was given yesterday afternoon by the New Orleans Item that suit for libel would be instituted against the States on account of an editorial published in the States Wednesday afternoon, in which it was intimated that the Item is a disloyal newspaper. The States editorial was prompted by an editorial published in the Item a week or so ago referring to an alleged inconsistency between Colonel Robert Ewins's editorial management of the Shevropout Times, and of the New Orleans States, both of which papers he controls.

Under the circumstances arising out of the Item's story concerning alleged immoral conditions around Camp Nichols, the States's editorial attack on the Item, and the latter's threatened damage suit, apparently have a certain connection with the Camp Nichols mix-up. The Item story about the camp, which resulted in a demonstration against the Item office Tuesday night by unarmed soldiers, has led to a charge by the Item that the States had deliberately provoked the demonstration by misrepresentations.

James M. Thomson, publisher of the Item, also dispatched a note yesterday to Col. Frank P. Stubbs, Jr., commander at Camp Nichols, proposing a formal inquiry into conditions at and near the camp in order to clear up the situation. It is suggested that a board of inquiry be appointed containing citizens of such standing as Dr. Oscar Dowling, president of the state board of health, and that the statements attributed to a report on conditions at the camp by the chairman of the camp welfare committee of the State Federation of Women's clubs be investigated very thoroughly.

## PROHIBITION FATE TO BE KNOWN SOON

Washington, July 5.—The fate of prohibition will be known soon. The senate agreed to limit speeches on the core amendment to three minutes. Sheppard of Texas, the leader of the straight outs, sent to the desk a letter from William Jenber and wine as against whiskey. Jennings Bryan, who is as much against

## M. B. A. TO CELEBRATE ITS SILVER ANNIVERSARY

The silver anniversary of the Metairie Benevolent Association banquet will be held Tuesday evening, July 12 at the Holland House, City Park avenue and Alexander. The arrangement committee is composed of the following: M. Picheloup, chairman; John Brooks, ex officio; G. DeRoyna, N. Wells Longshore, St. B. Valetton, Geo. J. Torca, A. Barrere, J. P. Puissegur and Sr. J. P. Puissegur, Jr., J. J. Dugas, C. F. Tiblier, Jules Mazeres.

## NEGROES STEAL \$2,800 FROM MAN

SON CELEBRATES AS FATHER SEARCHES FOR HIM

### \$3,062 IS REPORTED STOLEN

Wolf in Sheep's Clothes Fleece Trusting Stranger—Police Make Several Arrests

As the culmination of a series of daring robberies in the city during the past couple of weeks, three negroes early yesterday morning entered the home of Peter Farguia, an Italian residing at 1102 Constance street, and robbed him of \$2,024, his life savings. Later on his store at Constance and Calliope street was entered and several wagon loads of groceries removed.

The robbery of the Farguia home was carefully planned, and was effected by men apparently familiar with the premises. The latch of the back door was filed off, and Farguia's bedroom entered. Here one of the negroes held two revolvers at the head of the frightened merchant, who had been awakened by their entrance.

In a cigar box in the dresser Farguia kept his life savings, consisting of \$2,800 in currency and \$224 in jewelry. The other two thieves hurriedly went through the drawers of the dresser until they found the box. After they had departed Farguia remained quiet a few minutes before giving the alarm.

### Sidney Enjoys Himself

While the police were looking for Sidney Ferguson, of Meridian, Miss., on the request of Ferguson's father, Sidney was having one "biting" time in New Orleans. Sidney met a couple of strangers in the house at 1313 Bienville street, early in the morning of the Fourth of July, and went back with them to their room in the Park hotel, at Howard avenue and Dryades street.

Later on, according to the story Sidney told the police, he discovered that his roll was gone. The said roll consisting of eight \$20 bills. So Sidney went back to the Bienville street address, and ascertained that his new found friends were there. He then notified the police. This was yesterday evening, thirty-six hours after the three men had become acquainted.

Officers from the fourth precinct went into the house and arrested Charles Back and Sam Harper. An Ingersoll watch was found upon Back, which Ferguson identified as his property. Ferguson was held as a material witness, and his father, who had returned to Meridian, was notified by telephone.

### Another Trusting Stranger

Another version of the trusting stranger and the wolves in sheep's clothing was furnished the police by Tom Hennessy, fireman on the steamship Ontario, who complained that he had been robbed of \$80 in two dollar bills by a couple of men he met in the saloon at Josephine and Rousseau streets.

He says that he met the men yesterday morning, and that they were drinking together all day yesterday. In the afternoon he laid down beside the railroad track to take a nap, and the men robbed him while he was asleep, it is alleged. Description of the men were furnished the police, who are investigating.

## Spy Development Points To Agent

Washington, July 5.—The spy hunt today brought out the developments that German agents through the German Marine Insurance companies here, knew the details of the sailing of Pershing's troops. A steamer carrying ammunition and supplies for England left New York with the transport fleet. In the narrows it collided with a barge stoving a hole in her side, necessitating beaching. Reinsurance on vessel had been placed with the German companies. They sent their men out to inspect the ship. Going to the ship an agent passed the transport fleet ready to sail. The government is making every provision to guard against leaks.

## WOMAN RELEASED ON \$2,500 BOND

Mrs. Carrie Reems, who on Wednesday night shot and killed Arthur J. Bohan at her home 1400 St. Charles avenue, was released yesterday upon furnishing bail in the sum of \$2,500. She was admitted to bail following a conference between the district attorney and Judge Fisher, of the First City Criminal court.

Mrs. Reems claims that she acted in self-defense, and exhibited a battered and discolored eye as evidence that Bohan had assaulted her. Edward Hupman, 819 North Dupre street, the chauffeur who took Bohan and Mrs. Reems to 1400 St. Charles avenue just before the shooting, stated that Mrs. Reems seemed very nervous, and that he had not heard Bohan threaten her, although he was in the house at the time of the shooting but not in the room.

## CHILD SHOT AND PLAYMATE HELD

Muncie, Ind., July 5.—Vernon Wood, a 13-year-old boy, who was the only witness of the killing today of his playmate, Charles Gilmer, aged 6, is held by the police tonight. Wood says Gilmer pointed a repeating rifle at his own head, and pulled the trigger with his toe. Investigators found an empty shell on the floor and a new one in its place.

### "BANTAMS" CAN ENTER ARMY

Men Under Required Height Must Pass Other Tests, However  
Washington, July 5.—In reply to a number of requests from men of small stature who wish to form regiments like Britain's famous "Yorkshire Bantams," the war department announced today that no man will be rejected for service if, in the opinion of the recruiting officer, his deficiencies in height and weight will not materially impair his usefulness as a soldier. The statement says the regulations requiring men to be at least five feet four inches in height and 120 pounds in weight will be flexibly applied.

### FINDS SKELETON WITH HORNS; TAIL, TOO

Wheeling, July 5.—Boys here have unearthed a skeleton closely resembling the popular idea of the devil. The skull is much like that of the present human race, with the exception of two horns, which project from just above the temples on each side. In life the creature was about four feet high, with a long tail. There are four powerful legs or arms, each of which has four fingers.

## WILL MAKE DRAFT WITHIN A WEEK

ALL ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN VIRTUALLY COMPLETED

### TO BE ANNOUNCED SATURDAY

Proportion for Each State Is To Be Drawn Alphabetically, Beginning With Alabama

By International News Service.  
Washington, July 5.—Draft Day will be set at a conference tomorrow between Secretary Baker and Provost Marshal Crowder. The arrangements of the actual machinery of the drawing of the names has been completed, and Secretary Baker announced that he will make them public in the morning papers of Saturday.

The actual drawing in the big lottery, which will determine who must go to the trenches will take place about the middle of next week. Qualified officials will do the drawing. Each state has its own series of numbers covering all of the men registered.

The drawing will be held at enough numbers to correspond with the number Alabama is supposed to furnish, and so on through the list of states.

The numbers will be compared with those on the list and the names wired back to the state, and also will be made public in Washington.

## Guard Kills Man In East St. Louis

East St. Louis, July 5.—Peter Twardowski was shot and killed tonight by Private Keating, of Co. L. Olney was at Broadway and Twelfth street, when he refused to halt. An incipient riot was suppressed by the arrival of troops. He is survived by a wife and seven children.

## MERCHANTS TO CONSIDER ECONOMY DURING WAR

S. J. Schwartz of the Maison Blanche and F. W. Evans of D. H. Holmes will go to Washington tomorrow to discuss with the national defense committee plans for the elimination of waste during the war. They will be among the sixty merchants called to the national capital for this purpose. It is proposed to plan out a delivery service which will avoid any duplication. It is possible that a one day delivery service will be decided upon. In this connection a meeting of merchants has been called to gather at the Association of Commerce this morning and discuss the matter.

## 70. SHE TEACHES 65 CLASS HOW TO KNIT

By International News Service.  
Canton, July 5.—Mrs. Amelia Brush, seventy, who knitted socks for soldiers in the Civil war, is doing her bit for the boys who are going to France. She is teaching a Sunday school class at the First Methodist church, how to make socks.

## 'OLE SWIMMIN' HOLE' DOOMED TO GO IN OHIO

Columbus, O., July 5.—Before long the "ole swimmin' hole" will be no more than a memory, says James E. Bauman, secretary of the Ohio state board of health. "With cities growing rapidly rivers are becoming more and more contaminated," Bauman declares. "Ohio, for one, soon will be obliged, from the standpoint of health, to prohibit swimming in rivers that pass through cities. Mighty few will remain on the 'white list.'"

## U. S. MUST SEND MILLIONS TO WAR

AMERICAN TROOPS REALIZE HOW SERIOUS CONDITION IS

### HEAVY LOSSES ARE EXPECTED

French Nation Mourns But Does Not Hate German Prisoners, Only Pities

By International News Service.  
Staff Headquarters with American Expeditionary Army in France (passed by censor), July 5.—At the end of the first week of the expeditionary army in France, one fact stands out above all others: American must send millions of men.

The food conditions are better than had been reported. Widows and people on land wear mourning as a national costume. The spirit of the people is indomitable, but weary.

"We have done our duty to our home country, to the world, to democracy," they say. "Let America now serve."

The Americans have caught the spirit that comes from a true understanding of the German war.

red of the German war is only pity. But the woes of France are invoking a deep rooted ire against the Kaiser. Our casualties will be heavy and the country must be prepared for terrible losses. Indications are our troops will be on the front sooner than was calculated. They are needed to stimulate the Allies' offensive.

## PILOT OF ROBERT E. LEE IS BURIED

Captain Max Blanchard, one of the best-known of the river pilots, died Wednesday night at his home in Bourbon street. Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock with services at the Boniface church. Captain Blanchard was born in Napoleonville in 1830 and began his steamboat life when 20 years of age. He was pilot of the steamer Robert E. Lee at the time of its famous race with the Natchez.

He was also pilot of the Katie, and owner of the E. W. Cole, John D. Seully and Chapelle, and half owner of the St. John. At one time he had a fleet of boats in the bayou trade, but for the last fifteen years was out of service. He is survived by his sons, Captain C. J. Blanchard, of Wogan Brothers; Captain O. Blanchard, of the steamer Paul; and Max Blanchard Jr., supervisor of oil inspection for the state board of health.

## CLERGYMAN AND 5 SONS ENLIST IN FARM SQUAD

By International News Service.  
Wichita, Kans., July 5.—The Rev. Frank Arnold, of Woodbine, Ky., with his five sons, all six-footers, arrived in Wichita and reported to railroad men that he was ready to go any place where he can help in the harvest field.

"We want to do our bit and come to the harvest fields before some of my sons are called to enlist," he said. The Rev. Arnold is sixty and a widower. He says he can hold his own with any of his sons. They were later placed.

## FIRE DAMAGE \$300

Damage not to exceed \$300 was caused last night by a fire in the home of Frank Sarriague, at 905 Mazant street. The blaze was caused by a window curtain being blown against a lighted taper on a small altar in the bedroom.