

AUDIENCE CHARMED BY LEADER'S TALES

Veteran of Great War Tells Droll and Heroic Stories of Fighting in France.

CAREER BEGINS IN 'TEENS

University of Oregon Military Instructor Starts Soldiering in Boer War and Tells of Numerous Experiences Encountered.

History review and other activities have been planned in honor of Governor Withycombe and President W. O. Thompson, of Ohio University, who will visit the University tomorrow and Friday. The two days will be important, for there will be conferences on war problems with prominent men, addresses and entertainment in honor of the guests.

Dr. Thompson and Governor Withycombe will arrive tomorrow morning and will review the entire military organization of the college. The cadet officers will lead their men in parade past the reviewing stand, where the guest of honor and college officials will be assembled.

An important conference will be held Friday at which Governor Withycombe, Dr. Thompson, John E. Killock, leader of the State Council of Defense; W. B. Ayer, Food Administrator for Oregon; J. W. Brewer, Federal farm help specialist; A. B. Cordley, dean of the



Colonel John Leader, of Royal Irish Rifles, who will speak tomorrow night at the Auditorium on "In the Trenches."

TICKETS MUST BE EXCHANGED. Tickets for the lecture by Colonel Leader at the Auditorium tomorrow night must be exchanged today. About 700 exchange tickets have been sold and comparatively few have been presented for exchange. They should be turned in at the Benson Hotel by 7 o'clock tonight.

Like delighted children grouped about a story-teller, so the members of the Ad Club listened yesterday noon to Colonel John Leader, veteran of the great war and military instructor at the University of Oregon, as he told droll and heroic stories of the men of many nations who fought in France.

As a boy in his teens Colonel Leader served through the Boer War, and his career has continued with the British army fighting in France with the Royal Irish Rifles. He received the wound which maimed him out of service. The first story he told was of the Boer uprising in China, where he met American troops in an initial introduction.

"There was a certain old black Quartermaster with the Americans," said Colonel Leader, "who ranked as an officer, and the story that was told of him is typical of the American spirit. Two privates, owing to his color, refused to salute him, but paraded past him time and again.

"At length the old Quartermaster took off his coat and hung it on a tree. 'I see you won't salute my black skin,' said he, 'but I'm going to tell you that that's a United States coat, and if you pass it again without saluting I'll knock your damned heads together!'"

Pride in Boys Shown. Colonel Leader spoke with pride of the military attitude and spirit of the boys he is training at Eugene, saying that he had served with the troops of five nations and that he considered his "boys" to be superior to any and all in his experience.

"They are far and away the best troops I have ever seen," said he. "They have taken to it as ducks take to water. Why, my boys, in the most blood-thirsty set of ruffians I ever met. They almost mutilated because they were afraid they were not to be taught all there was to know about killing Boches."

He told a score of gallant yarns about the French, the Irish, the Scotch, the British, the Australians and the Canadians and paid his tribute to the Boer—who taught him the alphabet of war. They were red-blooded tales, with the spice of reckless daring and cool bravery in them, and his hearers applauded each with real spontaneity. But woven through the story of battle and dressed in irrepressible Celtic humor were comical incidents of camp and trench that rocked the crystal room of the Benson with laughter.

Speaker's Tales Please. Half-way, wholly likeable, a rare teller of tales, Colonel Leader, the gift of bringing home to his listeners the actual scenes and daily life and death of war. His phrases are alive, picturesque and colorful.

"One officer plucked at the plaid of a piper," said Colonel Leader, "and bade him stand and play the air. Out of the darkness came a great roaring as the Highlanders turned and came charging back. And his men—they fell like he—they fell like plumes behind him. Fused on the parapet, the Highlanders would stand with bayonets ready for the thrust, to crumple and fall.

"And that sergeant said to me, that he watched them from where he lay wounded behind a rock and saw them slaughtered, and thanked God he was a Scotchman."

Colonel Leader will lecture tomorrow night at the Auditorium, his subject being "In the Trenches." The lecture will be given under the auspices of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae. Those who have tickets and wish reserved seats must turn in their tickets at the lobby of the Hotel Benson not later than tonight.

Free "Gardening" Lecture in Our Ninth Floor Tea Room at 3:30 P. M. Tomorrow

In the Trenches With Col. Leader
Lecture at Municipal Auditorium Friday, March 22, at 8:15 P. M. Reserved seats 50c (war tax 5c). Exchange tickets on sale Book Shop, Fifth Floor, Fifth Street.

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Again Today the Famous

British Exhibition of War Trophies, Relics

Will Be Held in Our Sixth Floor Auditorium Auspices the British Red Cross

The many who came to see this wonderful Belgium and Northern France War Trophy Exhibition yesterday marveled at being able to view in Portland such authentic trophies and relics from the battlefields and shell-scarred cities of the western theater of war. The exhibition is now shown for the first time in the Northwest and is open to the public daily from 9 A. M. to 6 P. M. in our Auditorium, Sixth Floor.

The British Fast Scouting War Plane

is one of 500 articles shown in this exhibition. There are also French "75" Shells—Whistling Willies—Mills Hand Grenades—Zeppelin Incendiary Bombs—Gas Masks—Starlight Parachutes—Trench Periscopes—Pieces of Taube and Zeppelin Wreckage—Aero Darts—Canadian and German Bayonets—German Mauser Rifles—Uniforms, Helmets and Decorations of the belligerents—War Proclamations, etc.

You Should See This Exhibition

To see this wonderful display of trophies is to get such a vivid idea of war as can be had nowhere outside of actual warfare. Lectures are given at 10, 12, 2 and 4 by Mr. Warren Collins, who is thoroughly familiar with the subject. The exhibit is open to the public from 9 A. M. to 6 P. M.

BROTHER BILL COMING

PRIZE SHEEP ON TOUR FOR BENEFIT OF RED CROSS.

Auction of Big Mattson at Bend Sets Nearly \$5000—Arrival in Portland Expected Shortly.

"I am Bill, the Red Cross sheep. Feed me, water me, care for me, buy me liberally and give me back to the Red Cross—they need the money." With this legend on his cage, Brother Bill, prize sheep, dedicated to the raising of money for Red Cross societies of Oregon, has begun an interesting tour, soon to land him in Portland. Brother Bill, sold and resold at auction at Bend last Saturday night, as told in The Oregonian, brought into the treasury of the Bend Red Cross chapter more than \$4800, and the amount will yet be made \$5000. This is the pride of W. C. Birdsell, owner of the Pilot Inn, of Bend, who arrived in Portland yesterday.

Bill's itinerary is Redmond, Prineville, Madras, The Dalles, Hood River, Heppner, Pendleton, Baker, Portland, Astoria, Eugene, Salem and Medford. At each city the big sheep is to be sold at auction or used in other ways for raising funds for the local Red Cross chapter.

Aberdeen Boy Wins Lieutenantcy

ABERDEEN, Wash., March 20.—(Special.)—Gordon Tebb, son of T. W. Tebb, salesmanager of the Pacific Lumber Agency, has won the rank of First Lieutenant in the aviation service, although he is not yet 20. He enlisted as a private last April. He has just completed a ground school flying course at Cornell and will leave for France after six weeks' training in a bombing aviation school in Texas.

New Spring Skirts

Are Coming in Every Day

New plaid silk, taffeta and crepe skirts have arrived and women who want to see the newest things in separate skirts should see these—today if possible. These skirts are so moderately priced that women will snap them up in a hurry.

New wool plaids, navy blue and black poplin and serge skirts are also here in fine assortments.

Shirred top skirts, side-pleated effects and plain tailored models are featured.

Priced \$5 to \$35.

—Apparel Shop, Fourth Floor.



Two New Models in 'Welworth' Blouses

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Collars and Sets 50c-\$1.75

Women's new collars and collar and cuff sets made of good quality organdy. Lace trimmed and ruffled styles in plain white and white with touches of color.

Waistcoats \$1.75-\$5

We have just received some very smart new waistcoats and vests for wear with Spring tailored suits. Made of pique and basket weave material in white, combinations and novelty effects in dark shades.

New Filet Collars \$3.50

Just received. New real Filet hand-made collars in sailor models, medium size. These are in the "real" shade.

—Neckwear Shop, Main Floor.




JUST RECEIVED! The Popular New Liberty Locket Buttons 50c

We have just received the new "Liberty Locket Buttons" to be worn on regulation Army uniforms by officers and privates.

These are complete in every detail. Besides being regular uniform buttons, they make very convenient lockets—two pictures may be worn inside each button.

We are exclusive agents for Liberty Locket Buttons. New and novel and priced at only 50c.

—Jewelry Shop, Main Floor.



Just Received—A Delayed Shipment of Women's Hand-Loom Swiss Madeira Handkerchiefs

To Be Sold at the Low Price of 25c

We have just received a fine assortment of new hand-loom Swiss Madeira handkerchiefs—a special purchase made many months ago enables us to sell these handkerchiefs at the low price of, each, 25c.

Swiss Madeira hand-loom scalloped embroidered handkerchiefs in elaborate patterns—the new Appenzelle effect, in French gray thread on very fine sheer cloth. Solid embroidered flower and figured designs and beautiful open eyelet work in Madeira patterns. Roses, butterflies, forget-me-nots and conventional designs in dainty eyelet and punch work effects. Edges are finished with various styles of scalloping, combining open eyelets all around the border.

Supply all your Easter needs during this sale. Most exceptional handkerchief values at this extra special low price—25c.

—Handkerchief Shop, Main Floor.

30c-45c Embroideries 25c

New designs in staple embroideries. Swiss, nainsook and cambric materials. Narrow edges in blind and eyelet patterns for children's wear. Skirtings and flouncings in heavy cambric. Convent embroideries and embroidery galloons. 2 to 3 1/2 inches wide. Good 30c to 45c values at yard, 25c.

Crepette 98c | Georgette \$1.50

Just received. 40-inch ombre crepette in novelty striped effects. For blouses and gowns. In blue, brown and green stripes. \$1.50 value.

New 40-inch Georgette crepe in black, white, pink, green, navy, flesh and gold. This quality is very specially priced at yard only \$1.50.


—Main Floor, Fifth Street.

Consult Mrs. E. F. Holbrook About Madame Lyra Corsets

Mrs. E. F. Holbrook, an expert corsetier, will be in our corset shop today to answer any questions pertaining to the famous Madame Lyra corsets. She will tell you how to achieve the new and correct in the season's silhouette by selecting the Lyra corset that best brings out the style potentialities of your figure.

We have fine assortments of Madame Lyra corsets in models for all types of figures. Low, medium and high bust styles and tops models. Excellent quality coutils and brocades. The prices—\$3.50 to \$15.00—are no higher than those of a year ago. Come in today and talk with Mrs. Holbrook.

—Corset Shop, Third Floor.



New Arrivals in Smart Novelty Veilings

We are Portland headquarters for the well-known Van Raalte and Hy Lass veilings. Scroll patterns are in great demand. We have a fine selection of the newest scroll designs in brown, black, taupe, navy, dusky brown. Also novel effects in chenille dotted and border designs. Yard moderately priced, 35c to \$1.75.

New Drape Veils

We have just received a fine selection of drape veils. Hand-run or novelty figured circular drape veils in taupe, purple, black and brown. Moderately priced \$1.25 to \$3.

—Veiling Shop, Main Floor.

Second Day of Our Great Sale Sterling Silver Flatware

The sale prices average 1/4 off our regular low prices—in some instances even more than 1/2 off. Sterling silver flatware in the "Nathan Hale" pattern—a very attractive design in platinum finish. It will pay you to purchase a complete set or a few pieces of sterling flatware during this sale. Come in today.

—Silverware Shop, Main Floor.

NO CRIME COMMITTED

GALE BOLLES FREED OF EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGE.

Former Cashier of Bush & Lane Piano Company Did Not Recognize Pacific Coast Jurisdiction.

Complete exoneration of the charges of embezzlement, for which he was arrested Tuesday night, was given to Gale Bolles, late cashier and bookkeeper of the Bush & Lane Piano Company, in Municipal Court yesterday, when the case against him was dismissed after testimony and explanation were heard.

Mr. Bolles, who has been connected with the company's local branch for several years, tendered his resignation a few days ago, to enter business in Eastern Oregon. As he was under bonds to the parent company, he explained in court yesterday, he refused to turn over the accounts and cash balance of the local branch until the same had been audited and checked by accountants.

Thomas Wilkinson, manager of the local branch, he refused to bring cashier should at once turn over the books and funds to him, and made request that this be done. Mr. Bolles, confident of his position, took the cash to the First National Bank and placed it on deposit, locking the books and documents in the office safe.

Acting on advice from the company's Pacific Coast manager in Seattle, Mr. Wilkinson says he took the steps which resulted in a warrant and arrest for embezzlement, because Mr. Bolles refused to recognize Pacific Coast Jurisdiction.

It was considered in Municipal Court that the charge was purely technical, and that the only proper course was the discharge of Mr. Bolles.

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