

GUARDED BRIDGES

Naval Militiamen, on Patrol, Searched Every Vehicle.

WATCHED FOR EXPLOSIVES.

When Break With Germany Came Particular Attention Was Centered on Brooklyn and Manhattan Spans, as Destruction Would Prevent Egress of War Vessels From Navy Yard.

New York.—With machine guns and three pounders stationed at the bases and naval militiamen patrolling the spans with bayoneted rifles, the Brooklyn, Manhattan, Williamsburg, Queensboro and Hell Gate bridges took on the appearance of stern preparedness against war immediately following the severance of diplomatic relations.

The automobilist who motored across the bridges was held up as he chugged to the bridge and as he left the structure by blue uniformed naval militiamen who insisted on searching each vehicle for explosives.

"Keep moving" was the spirit imparted to all who used the bridges.



Photo by American Press Association. GUARD ON MANHATTAN BRIDGE.

and were inclined to linger and watch the guard mount. Sharp bayonets emphasized the commands. Trolley cars sped from end to end of the bridges without a pause. The street car companies had been ordered to permit no hesitation by motormen.

Among the naval militiamen who answered the call to report was Vincent Astor.

There are about 2,000 men in the New York organization of the naval militia, but only the first and second battalions were originally called upon to contribute detachments. The first battalion had headquarters aboard the Grand State, at the foot of West Ninth street, where Commodore Freshwater had his headquarters.

The second battalion, commanded by Captain Fitzgerald, was situated at the foot of Fifty-fifth street, South Brooklyn. Captain Fitzgerald established headquarters in the Hotel Sinclair, Brooklyn.

From seventy-five to ninety men were detailed to each of the bridges. Groups were stationed at the anchorages and pier bases of the bridges, and from these points searchlights were flashed. Arc lights were suspended from the bridge floorings.

A fifty foot dead line, prohibiting vessels from approaching nearer than fifty feet of piers of the bridges, was established. It was enforced by five tugs of the naval militia. These tugs cruise up and down the river. Each had three men armed with rifles besides an officer. The squadron was in command of Ensign Russell.

Particular attention was centered on guarding the Brooklyn and Manhattan bridges, inasmuch as destruction of either of these structures would prevent egress of war vessels from the navy yard.

Besides the militiamen, a company of sailors from the battleship New Jersey were in duty on the Hell Gate railway bridge.

LONG EAGLE FLIGHT.

Tagged in Montana, It Was Killed Near Bogota, Columbia.

El Centro, Mont.—P. B. Christian of Route No. 1, box 62, El Centro, while in Choteau, Mont., Aug. 19, caught a golden eagle in his wheat field.

He released the bird the next day with a small bottle containing his name and address tied to its leg.

Mr. Christian recently received a message from Luis Felipe Bulda, in the Republic of Colombia, stating that Bulda killed the eagle Oct. 29, 1916. The eagle flew 3,700 miles from Montana to the plains north of Bogota.

When the bird was captured Mr. Christian planned to keep it as a pet, but it evinced such a desire to get away that he decided to mark it in some manner so as to determine its habits. Mr. Christian said that the bird was on its way south when it landed in his field exhausted.

MILITARY TRAINING FOR HALF A MILLION BOYS

Defense Society Plans Drills in High Schools Throughout Country.

New York.—With the object of greatly reducing the time required to make competent soldiers out of raw recruits, the American Defense society set in motion a comprehensive plan for organizing the junior and senior classes of every boy's high school in the country into military training units. New York state already has military training of high school students. Every other state in the Union has received the "call to arms."

The action was taken by the military defense committee of the society after consulting Major General Leonard Wood. Volunteers will be required to read the constitution of the United States and pledge themselves before the mayors of their cities to uphold it. Then they will receive certificates of enrollment, charters and detailed instructions for military training week by week. A ten mile hike each week and setting up exercises will be required of recruits, who will be compelled to put themselves in first class physical trim.

The society and its advisers are particularly anxious that the boys of the country should not be taught anything that they would have to unlearn if at the age of eighteen they were called to the colors after leaving school. For that reason close order military drill, the manual of arms and such only will be taught where competent instructors are available.

SIXTY-FIVE YEARS OLD, HIKES SIXTY-FIVE MILES

Samuel S. Cavin, Atlantic City Lawyer, Celebrates Natal Day With Long Walk.

Philadelphia.—Samuel S. Cavin is an attorney who was sixty-five years old recently, and he personally conducted the following celebration:

He walked sixty-five miles. Elapsed time, midnight to 8:15 p. m. And did it on an empty stomach. Then he came home. Took a rubdown. Ate a big steak. Smoked a big cigar.

And said that he "was off" the walking stunt again until he was seventy years old, when he would walk seventy miles.

Mr. Cavin is a ruddy cheeked, agile, athletic man who belies his age. He has been celebrating his birthday in this manner for a number of years, so at midnight he left Atlantic City and began his hike. He came to Kalgins's ferry, which is sixty-one miles from the shore, and thence to his home, a distance of sixty-five miles. Mr. Cavin attributes his ability to make these trips to a regular system of living. "I get up in the morning, take a cold bath and eat a hot breakfast," he said. "Then I keep myself on a regular schedule and walk whenever I get the chance. I shall cut out walking birthdays after this and confine myself to five year periods. About the time I am one hundred the Cobbs Creek boulevard may be done and I may take a century run over that."

"Oh, I forgot something. I get busy with the dumbbells every morning."

LONG WALK FOR JUROR.

Trains Did Not Serve, So McClrill Footed It For Many Miles.

Leavenworth, Kan.—How would you like to take a little jaunt, say twenty-five or thirty miles, at the present time? Sure, a nice little walk. Well, Kirby McClrill so sizes up a trip of that length.

Kirby was among those summoned to sit on a jury. There happened to be no trains coming to Leavenworth when Kirby desired to start. That didn't bother him, neither did the high price of shoe leather. So Kirby walked to Kansas City, a distance of about twenty-seven miles.

"It was just a nice little stroll," said Kirby. "I take long walks often and there is nothing like it to preserve one's good health. At Kansas City I caught an interurban car and came to Leavenworth. I intend to walk back when I get through with the jury work."

Surgeon Replaced Mule's Ear.

Finishing, O.—The ear of a valuable mule of the Belmont Coal company has been saved. While being worked in the mine a live wire came in contact with the mule's ear and burned it off close to the head. Dr. V. H. Stevens was summoned and he sewed the ear back on the mule's head. The operation was successful and the mule will not be disgraced.

+++++ STEAL CHICKENS, BUT LEAVE AN AUTOMOBILE +++++

+++++ Kansas City, Mo.—Chicken thieves who robbed the hen-roost of a farmer near this city the other night were unable to get their automobile starter to work, so they left the flivver behind. Although the farmer apprehended the machine for the two dozen chickens stolen, he said he thought the thieves got something the better of the bargain. +++++

ACTIVITIES OF OTHER COMMUNITIES TOLD BY CORRESPONDENTS

COBURG

Coburg, Feb. 23.—Dora Nelson is visiting in Springfield this week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Anderson motored to Eugene Friday on business.

Mrs. R. Morris is suffering from an attack of the grip.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cox were visitors here Sunday.

Carl Hopkins of this city is a member of the grand jury.

Mr. and Mrs. William Kincart were in from the ranch today.

A fairly large crowd attended the dance given by the Odd Fellows last Thursday.

William Healy was a business caller in Eugene Friday.

E. R. Payne and John Vaughn were in the city yesterday on business.

W. Wintemute was a business caller in Springfield Wednesday.

It began snowing here Monday and has been snowing intermittently ever since. At the present time there is about 12 inches.

THURSTON

Thurston, Feb. 23.—Tuesday afternoon the snow measured 9 inches here.

Mrs. James Farrell of Landax spent the weekend with her daughter, Mrs. Sanley Gray.

Mr. Frank O'Rourke has returned home from La Grande.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Mathews and family visited relatives in Eugene Sunday.

Mrs. Maggie Campbell and son Fran are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Pattison of Pruneville. Mrs. John Edmiston was admitted to the Springfield hospital today. Little Randal Withers who has been seriously ill is completely out of danger now.

Messers. Will Rennie, Link Yarnell and Stanley Gray have new Fords.

Mrs. Heston Rhodes and daughters who have been visiting relatives and friends at this place returned to their home in Springfield Sunday.

Mr. Taylor Needham is erecting a modern brooder house.

The day for poisoning rodents has been postponed on account of the wet weather.

The Marcola and Thurston teams have postponed their basketball game which was to have been played at Thurston Saturday evening.

For a Bilious Attack.

When you have a severe headache accompanied by a coated tongue, loathing of food, constipation, torpid liver, vomiting of partly digested food and then bile, you may know that you have a severe bilious attack. While you may be quite sick there is much consolation in knowing that relief may be had by taking three of Chamberlain's Tablets. They are prompt and effectual. Obtainable everywhere.

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GERMAN PRICE ON HIS HEAD.

Captain Miller, Who Sank a U Boat, Bails For War Zone Again.

Smiling and shouting a cheery good-bye to several friends on the pier, Captain William Miller, master of the British steamship Clan Robertson, on whose head the German admiralty has set a reward of \$20,000, stood on the bridge of his vessel the other day as she was being towed out ready to put to sea from Baltimore. Captain Miller, as master of the steamship Clan MacFayden, gave orders which resulted in the sinking of a German submarine and the loss of all on board in the Bay of Biscay about a year ago. For this feat he received a prize of \$5,000.

No sooner had the full facts of the affair been made public than the German admiralty notified all its submarine commanders that \$20,000 would be paid to the man who captured Captain Miller.

About a year ago the Clan MacFayden stopped at Gibraltar to take aboard a gun and two gunners. A short time afterward a submarine fired a solid shot across the bows of the freighter, the signal to leave to. Captain Miller ordered full speed ahead and told the gunners to stand by their gun. A second shot from the underwater boat tore away two lifeboats, another demolished the funnel and deck house, and another put a hole in the bow of the ship.

All this time the gun on the after-deck was being fired, but no hits were scored. The submarine was rapidly overtaking the Clan MacFayden when a shot from the freighter struck her amidships. The U boat sank, and the MacFayden continued on her voyage. Captain Miller was then placed in command of the Clan Robertson. On his present voyage he will again face the perils of the submarine zone.

A Foggy Year.

The fiscal year 1916 was a foggy one, according to the United States bureau of lighthouses records, with a greater amount of fog than during the preceding year, except in the lake districts. The foggiest place was at San Francisco light vessel, California, with fog or thick weather for 2,221 hours—approximately 25 per cent of the time. On the Atlantic coast the greatest amount of fog was at Egg Rock, Maine, where the foggy hours numbered 2,034—about 23 per cent of the whole year.

Epitaph of a Cynic.

John Goodman of Sulton, Surrey county, England, was a cynic. His own will convicts him of so being. He directed in this document that no women be allowed in his funeral cortege. And on his tombstone he had that the following verse be carved: Farewell, vain earth, I've had enough of thee. And now am careless what thou say'st of me. Thy smiles I can't not, nor thy frowns I fear. My care is past, my head lies quiet here. What faults you see in me take care to shun And look at home, enough is to be done.


A Domestic Sacrifice.

If husband becomes angry on Monday and tells wife she can't buy a certain thing the poor woman knows she must do without it until Tuesday.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Yellowstone Park.

Yellowstone park measures fifty-four miles from east to west and sixty-two miles from north to south.

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