

# GIRLS ENLISTED AS APPRENTICE SEAMEN IN NAVY

### Secretary Daniels Opens Navy Career to Young Women—Pay Sufficient to Attract Ordinary Stenographers—Rank as Yeoman and Provided Allowances.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—Girls are being enlisted as apprentice seamen in the navy. Already nearly six hundred have been taken in.

The idea is to have the girls do office work and release men for fighting. Most of those enlisted are stenographers and typewriters. Some are general office workers. After a month or so of work the girl seamen can be promoted (and will be) to be a yeoman—which means more pay.

The enlistments are real enlistments. These young women will be just as much in the navy as are the boys in the blue flannel trousers. For four years they are subject to all the rules and discipline of the enlisted men. They must come when called and go where sent.

The pay is enough to attract the average stenographer and typewriter in Washington. An apprentice seaman gets \$17.60 a month, but most of the girls on account of some special qualification such as proficiency in stenography or typewriting, book-keeping or statistics, are enlisted as yeomen of the third class or they are quickly promoted to that rank.

What a Yeoman Is. In the navy the term yeoman applies to everything clerical. The ink-slinger to the navy man is a "yeoman." Anyone who can write, pound a typewriter or make out papers which will get by the department is in the yeoman class. What Secretary Daniels has done is to add women to this clerical class. He is the first to do it and the experiment will be watched with much interest.

While apprentice seaman or yeomen these young women get \$1.25 a day in lieu of quarters and rations. So that a yeoman of the third class with this allowance gets approximately \$70.00 a month; which is more than the commercially employed typewriter often gets. A yeoman of the third class receives \$33 a month; a yeoman of the second class—an easy promotion for these women in this emergency—gets \$38.50 a month; and a yeoman of the first class gets \$44 a month.

The next promotion is to chief yeoman, which is the same as chief petty officer. This rank carries a salary of \$66 a month. And to all of these must be added the dollar and a quarter a day allowance as commutation quarters.

There is also an allowance permitted by the law for clothing of \$20 in peace and \$60 in war time. As the clothing is all men's clothing, a question has arisen as to just what the girls will draw. They could use the middy blouse quite well. They can

# SPECULATION AS TO UNITED STATES PART IN CONFLICT

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, via London, April 5.—There is much speculation in the British army as to what assistance, in a military sense, America might render the allies. Regardless of what theorists may say, practical fighting men here believe that the United States would want to have representation with the allied army on this front and would send over a considerable fighting force within six months, provided the war lasts that long.

One basis for this belief is that both Germany and Great Britain are fighting with new armies. Britain because she did not have an army in the European sense before the war began and Germany because her forces are largely made up of classes called to the colors since 1914, a large proportion having only five months' training. It is generally figured now that a good soldier can be made within six months. The organization behind the fighting force must be built up by genius but it is thought here that America can easily meet that emergency.

It is also argued in army circles that America might well specialize in such branches as aviation and machine gun detachments. The airplane would have, however, to come up to a high standard and must make at least 150 miles an hour to take rank with the best English and French machines. One definite thing expected is that America will undoubtedly increase the hospital and medical assistance which she is already voluntarily rendering the allies.

also draw the blue flannel from the stores and make a very good flannel skirt. There is nothing like the government navy flannel to be bought at any department store. The flat blue cap worn by the sailor would be quite becoming if a girl chose to wear it, but she might find the underwear provided for the men not entirely to her liking and probably will choose to commute and buy waists and things at the department stores.

As yet, the uniform is not obligatory. The chevrons which indicate rank and are known in the service as "buzzards" will also be part of the dress, and will carry real authority even though the wearer happens to be a girl. If the girl becomes a petty officer she "rates" the ordinary yeoman, though he be a man and he must take her orders or go to the brig.

The service has disciplinary rules in regard to the respectful treatment to superior officers and infractions of this are punishable by court martials. The ordinary civil methods for these girls no longer holds. The first court martial resulting from a disrespect by a girl seaman apprentice to a male petty officer will produce some interesting testimony as to how a common seaman—when she happens to be a seamstress—ought to be treated, or how, later, a female petty officer ought to treat a poor, degraded apprentice seaman or yeoman of the third class.

# MOSQUITO FLEET OF WOODEN SHIPS TO HUNT U-BOATS

NEW YORK, April 5.—The plans of the federal shipping board for the construction of small wooden merchant ships to nullify the German submarine menace call for a monster and practically unending fleet of these vessels which will be armed for offense and defense and manned by American sailors and gunners.

Details of the enterprise were given out here today by William Denman, a member of the board. He said that the first ships would soon be under construction at all available shipyards on the Atlantic, Pacific and gulf coasts and the Great Lakes. Within a period of eight months more than 200,000 tons of ships, wooden vessels of from 3000 to 3600 tons will be leaving their stocks every thirty days, fully equipped for service.

It is believed by naval experts that these wooden ships turned out at the speed anticipated will soon solve the submarine problem by supplying tonnage faster than submarines can destroy it.

### DIED

HEADLEY—Edgar Glenwood Headley died at his home, 917 North Central avenue, April 5, aged 42 years, 2 months. He had been a resident of Medford for the past year. Mr. Headley was a member of Medford Lodge, No. 83, I. O. F., and of the Rebekah lodge. He leaves his wife and five children, Alie, Bessie, Bella, Raymond and Roger. The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 2:30 at the Baptist church, the I. O. F. being in charge of the services. Burial will be in the I. O. F. cemetery, Medford.

### LEE—Died at Wimer, Ore., April 1, 1917, Mrs. Howard H. Lee, nee Etta Ella Neathamer, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Neathamer, Mrs. Lee was born at Wimer, January 11, 1895. Mrs. Lee, or "Babe," as she was lovingly called, lived with her parents until her marriage to Howard H. Lee, October 9, 1916, since which time they have made their home at Pleasant Creek.

She leaves to mourn her loss the young husband, her father and mother, five brothers, Lindsay, James, Cleveland, John and Mark; two sisters, Mrs. Will Hills and Mrs. J. E. Smithpeter, besides a host of relatives and friends.

She was a cheerful, devoted wife, a loving daughter and sister and will be deeply mourned by all.

Life held so much for happiness when death claimed her as his own. The sympathy of the whole community is with the husband and family.

"Sleep is a reconciling,—  
A rest that peace begets;  
Both not the sun rise smiling  
When fair at even he sets?  
Rest you then, rest sad eyes,  
Melt not in weeping,  
While she lies sleeping,  
Softly, now softly lies sleeping."

# FOREIGNERS NOT TO LOSE PROPERTY THROUGH WAR

WASHINGTON, April 5.—Official announcement was made today that foreigners in the United States, who conduct themselves properly will suffer no loss of property or liberty as a result of a declaration of a state of war.

The Medford banks have received the following from the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco:

"The department of state on February 8th, issued the following statement: 'It having been reported to him that there is anxiety in some quarters on the part of persons residing in this country, who are the subjects of foreign states, lest their bank deposits or other property should be seized in the event of war between the United States and a foreign nation, the president authorizes the statement that all such fears are entirely unfounded. The government of the United States will in no circumstances take advantage of a state of war to take possession of property in which international understandings and the recognized law of the land give it no just claim or title. It will scrupulously respect all private rights alike of its own citizens and of the subjects of foreign states.'

# DENNIS POTATO DIRECTOR FOR BRITAIN

John W. Dennis, of the fruit handling firm of Dennis, Kimball and Pope, who operate in this section through E. M. McKeany, has been appointed as director, without pay, of the section of the British food ministry dealing with potatoes, other vegetables and fruit for Great Britain. Mr. Dennis is known personally to most of the leading apple shippers in the United States, is a director of W. Dennis & Sons, Ltd., the largest growers and handlers of potatoes in the United Kingdom. They have farms in North and South Lincolnshire and in Sussex, with an acreage of 10,000 to 11,000 acres, with upwards of 2,000 acres under cultivation in potatoes.

Mr. Dennis is recognized in England as one of the greatest potato experts in the country, and has already rendered valuable services to the food controller.

### ATTENTION, REBEKAHS.

All Rebekahs are requested to meet at I. O. O. F. hall at 1 o'clock Friday to attend the funeral of Brother Glenn Headley.

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# GENERAL FOCH, HERO OF MARNE, ON RETIRED LIST

PARIS, April 5.—General Ferdinand Foch, the hero of the battle of the Marne, has been detached from active service. A list of promotions issued today contains a brief announcement to this effect. It is not known whether General Foch has been assigned to some special political or military mission or whether he has been definitely placed on the reserve through ill health and as having reached the age limit. He is succeeded as general of division by General La Borja, formerly chief of brigade.

Another well known leader who has been withdrawn from active service is General of Division Eydoux, military governor of Dunkirk, and former head of a military mission which reorganized the Greek army in 1913. Five generals of brigade are retired, their places being taken by colonels who distinguished themselves in recent operations and who are given temporary rank of generals. General Lyautey, former minister of war, is reappointed resident general in Morocco, the post he held prior to joining the Brian ministry.

# Run-down? —Tired? —Weak?

Every spring most people feel "all out of sorts"—their vitality is at a low ebb. Through the winter months shut up a great deal in heated house, office, or factory, with little healthy exercise in the great outdoors—eating more than necessary—the blood becomes surcharged with poisons! The best Spring medicine and tonic is one made of herbs and roots without alcohol—that was first discovered by Dr. Pierce—years ago. Made of Golden Seal root, blood root, with glycerine, it is called Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. Ingredients on wrapper. It eliminates from the blood disease-breeding poisons. It makes the blood rich and pure, and furnishes a foundation for sound, physical health.

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### Easter Hats

Smart, classy, soft and derby Hats for Spring; the natty large shapes and medium sizes, new crowns and flat brims, showing the popular military effects and others; Stetson Hats at \$5.00  
Other Hats \$2 and up

### Easter Shirts

Here you'll find the Shirt you are looking for—whatever your particular idea may be. Pleated and soft bosom, laundered or soft cuffs, in many new colors and patterns, including novelties, figures, etc., big lines at \$1.25, \$1.50 up to \$5

### Easter Ties

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