

ASHLAND'S FOURTH OF JULY PARADE UP TO STANDARD

ASHLAND, July 5.—Four divisions combined the makeup of the big celebration parade yesterday, a pageant in keeping with the record of the past two years of round-up holiday history. The goddess of liberty was typically represented by Miss Emma Jenkins, while Miss Harriet Trask assumed the role of Joan of Arc. Scores of floats joined the procession. A notable one was that of the Red Cross, representing the highest ideals and this received a special ovation. An imposing spectacle was the Ellis warship, very realistic even to the smoke issuing from the vessel's funnels. Notable personages in the public eye of the war period were represented, including President Wilson and Secretary Lansing. The traditional figures of Washington, Lincoln, Paul Revere and Lafayette were characteristically portrayed.

Reveries Orator of Day
The patriotic program at the Chau-tauqua building took place at 11:30. E. V. Carter presiding, with Clarence Reames of Medford, as orator of the day. Enthusiasm was the keynote of the exercises, and for once since the completion of the big auditorium it was fairly well filled.

Round-up specialties were the chief division of the afternoon, attended by a throng of spectators. A score of events were scheduled on the official program, the list of entries including 48 experts. Prizes ranged from \$10 to \$300, the major event being the cowboy relay race. The exhibitions were full of pep and many new faces were noted among the daring riders in addition to the old time favorites. The chief attractions in the arena are three-day events, and results as to records and awards will not be known until the close of the week.

Farewell to Drafted Men
Friday morning's attraction was a mingling of the gay with a trace of the sombre, a farewell reception having been tendered the county's drafted men at the Chau-tauqua. Stirring musical selections were fitting accompaniments to patriotic addresses by Porter J. Neff of Medford, and Prof. Irving Vining of this city. On Friday evening the Red Cross will benefit from a presentation of "The Mikado" in the open park. This charming opera will be staged near the children's playgrounds at 9:30, with 40 of Medford's talented musicians in the cast. The general admission will be 50 cents, there being no seat reservations.

Normal School Tagging
Incident to the celebration period normal school badges bearing the legend, "I'm not a slacker—I'm a normal school teacher," have been seen almost as plentiful as the Liberty bond button. A committee of energetic ladies have been boosting the normal campaign, and took advantage of the Fourth to tag many visitors with the distinctive badge. Quite a little fund has been realized in this way in behalf of campaign expenses. The ladies are grateful for these expressions of friendliness towards the normal movement and also desire to thank the newspaper men throughout the country for gratuitous advertising which has seconded their efforts in the present campaign drive.

Saturday will be given over to musical entertainments and social reunions, round-up finals being disposed of in the afternoon. Previous to the reign of the confetti carnival at 9 p. m., there will be a concert in Lillia park.

STRIVING TO AVERT CANADA RAIL STRIKE

MONTREAL, Que., July 5.—Negotiations which are expected to avert a strike of railway employes throughout Canada were begun here today between representatives of the Federated Railway Trades Brotherhood and the Canadian railroad board. The men are asking for 75 cents an hour for shopmen of the first class, 62½ cents an hour for second class men and 55 cents an hour for third class men.

AWARD MEDALS TO AMERICANS FOR GALLANTRY

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, July 5.—(By the Associated Press.)—For capturing a German gun and its crew single handed, Private John Kuko-li has been awarded the distinguished service cross. In appraising Kokoski of the award, General Pershing wrote him as follows:

"I have just heard of your splendid exploit of June 6, when alone you charged a gun and captured it and its crew, together with an officer. I have awarded you the distinguished cross and congratulate you."

Deeds of gallantry in the field at Fourchambault and in the woods of the American (Belgian wood) on the Chateau-Thierry sector, have been recognized by General Pershing with the distinguished service cross to 32 officers and enlisted men of the marine corps. Three of the crosses were awarded posthumously while the others went to eight officers and 21 non-commissioned officers and men. The honored men today are:

Charles Randolph T. Zane, Lieutenants James Mel; Sellers, P. H. Harley, James F. Robertson, Charles Murray, William Moore, Frederick C. Wheeler and William A. Edd; Sergeant Major John H. Quick, Corporals Raymond W. Boone, Harry P. Fyetscher, David L. Spaulding, Harold I. Randles, Roland R. Sheaff, John H. Inalls, Ray W. Chase, Frank A. Vial, Fred W. Hill, Joseph A. Gargard, Benjamin Titlow and Howard Childs. Privates Albert E. Brooks, John C. Flecken, Eric Heffstoder, Earl Bellry, James W. Carter, Herman L. McLeod, Walter A. Stair and Earl C. Rockwell.

The posthumous awards were to the Dental Surgeon Weedon C. Osborne, Sergeant Grover C. O'Kelly, and Private D. Danlavy.

ITALY DECORATES YANKEE AVIATORS

ITALIAN ARMY HEADQUARTERS, July 5.—(By the Associated Press.)—Five American aviators, attached to the Italian army, were decorated with the Italian war cross today by King Emmanuel. The decorations were bestowed during a review and in the presence of General Eben Swift, head of the American military missions.

The aviators decorated were Lieutenants Archibald Frost, John Park, Raymond Maloin, Kenneth Collins and John Gabeaux. The crosses were given for entering on the greatest number of bombing raids during the recent Austrian offensive.

The king also visited an American Red Cross work room and thanked the workers for help given.

STRAYER PRESIDENT NATIONAL TEACHERS

PITTSBURGH, July 5.—George W. Strayer of Columbia university, N. Y. today was elected president of the National Education association at the closing session of the fifty-sixth annual convention.

Other officers elected were: Vice presidents, Mary C. C. Bradford, Denver, M. L. Brittain, Atlanta; J. A. Churehill, Salem, Ore.; M. B. Hill-legans, Montpelier, Vt.; John R. Kirk, Kirksville, Mo.; Anna E. Logan, Cincinnati; A. S. Cooke, Baltimore; A. S. Briggs, Salt Lake; F. L. Pinnet, Topeka, Kans.; Miss Mabel Lawrence, St. Cloud, Minn. Treasurer, A. J. Matthews, Tempe, Ariz.

NEW FOUNDLAND RAISES \$7,000,000 IN SIX DAYS

ST. JOHNS, N. F., July 5.—A \$7,000,000 victory loan which New Foundland was asked to raise in six weeks was obtained by popular subscription in six days and it was announced today that the amount probably would be doubled.

MARSHAL JOFFRE GREET'S AMERICANS IN SPEECH

PARIS, July 4.—"I am glad to greet you now, not only as friends, but as comrades of the army. I know your enthusiasm in this conflict, for I recall my visit to America, where you displayed your determination to fight to the end."

Marshal Joffre delivered this message at the Independence Day celebration of the Soldiers and Sailors' club.

COMMISSIONS AWAIT ENGINEERS UPON APPLICATION

BERKELEY, July 5.—The military information bureau of the University of California has just received a call from the office of engineers, Washington, D. C., for two thousand practicing civil engineers to be commissioned as first lieutenants and captains in the engineer reserve corps. Applicants must be in good physical condition and must possess the qualities of leadership and temperament requisite to command troops. The age limits for first lieutenants are 32 to 38 years; for captain, 36 to 42 years. While this regulation may be slightly relaxed in special cases, draft registrants cannot be considered. Native born citizens are preferred but naturalized citizens of the allies or of neutrals (not associated with Germany or Austria) are eligible.

All applicants accepted by the local examining board will be commissioned within ten days or two weeks, and shortly thereafter will receive orders to report to an engineer officers' training camp. These are located in the state of Virginia, Camp Peterburg and Camp Humphries, where courses in military training will be given prior to active engagement in field work. Traveling expenses will be allowed at the rate of seven cents per mile, and while in the camp the men will receive the pay of officers of their rank.

That the scope of work is very extensive may be noted from the wide range of engineering activities which the government call enumerates. Steel-concrete buildings, water works, railroad bridges, tunnels, general electrical engineering, searchlight repair and operation, map surveying, lithography, docks and wharves, camouflage are some of the branches.

ONE-ARMED ATHLETE SEEKS HARD WORK

M. Clayton, who has had his arm removed at his shoulder as a result of the horse he was riding falling over a 30-foot cliff with him, is in Medford seeking work at gardening or other occupation. He is studying to be a physician and has partially completed his course. A little later he has been promised employment by the government as a teacher in reconstruction work among the maimed from the battlefields.

Mr. Clayton finds the loss of his arm much more of a handicap in securing work than in doing the work itself, and challenges any two armed man to a 10-hour day work with pick, shovel, lawn-mower or wheelbarrow. He has won quite a little fame as an athlete, and it takes a pretty good man to throw him in wrestling. Certain kinds of work, however, he cannot do.

Mr. Clayton carries letters of recommendation from the California university instructors at Berkeley, has many favorable press notices and served as a deputy sheriff at Los Angeles. He is averse on principle to a cripple's begging, but declares that his own experience has convinced him that the public is principally to blame, rather than the maimed man, as many of the people he asks work of, offer him money instead, and so force the habit of begging upon the indolent and weak willed.

Anyone having work to offer can reach Mr. Clayton thru the Medford employment bureau.

The Hearst Within Our Gates.

(Issued by The Vigilantes.)
Hearst said America was merely used by England.
"The painful truth is that we are being practically used as a mere reinforcement of England's warfare and England's future aggrandizement."—The New York American, April 24, 1917.

Mr. Hearst controls the following publications with a total average daily circulation of 2,572,885 for the Hearst newspapers, and a total average circulation per issue of 2,281,627 for the Hearst magazines.
Newspapers:
The New York American
The New York Evening Journal
The Chicago Herald and Examiner
The Chicago American
The Boston Advertiser
The Boston American
The Atlanta Georgian
The Atlanta American
The San Francisco Examiner
The Los Angeles Examiner
The New York Deutsche Journal (discontinued April 21, 1918.)
Magazines:
The Cosmopolitan
Good Housekeeping
Harper's Bazar
Hearst's Motor
Motor Boating
Puck.

BOLSHEVIKI PUT RUSSIA ON PAPER MONEY BASIS

MOSCOW, Friday, June 28.—(By the Associated Press.)—The amount of paper money issued by the bolshevik government and now in circulation aggregates 40,000,000,000 rubles. Since the declaration by Premier Lenin a month ago that new money would be issued and the old money devalued, plans for financial reform apparently have lain dormant as no steps have been announced to provide the indirect taxation raised by Lenin.

A statement of the financial department, published in the Izvestia, says the latest reports show that the assets of nationalized and private banks aggregate thirty billions rubles.

Commenting on the proposed devaluation of money, the statement says the department believes devaluation can be accomplished only if it is done in Austria, that is, without gold exchange, as in the Soviet Union.

PRESIDENT SIGNS SUNDRY CIVIL BILL

WASHINGTON, July 5.—President Wilson has signed the three billion dollar sundry civil appropriation bill providing for government expenses including the shipbuilding program during the coming year and the naval appropriation bill carrying \$1,609,325,000 and authorizing a permanent increase of the navy's enlisted personnel to 121,000 men with 60,000 additional for the war.

The greatest catfish in the world is on the Amazon river, which partly separates Brazil and Argentina. The specimen of which the river plunges is 210 feet high, that of Niagara being 107 feet. The catfish is 15,133 feet wide, or about two and a half miles across at Niagara.

23 NAMES ON CASUALTY LIST FROM PERSHING

WASHINGTON, July 5.—The army casualty list today contained 23 names, divided as follows: Killed in action, five; died of wounds, seven; died of accident and other causes, one; died of disease, two; wounded severely, three; missing in action, five. The list includes Privates Christopher Martin, 113 Anconada Road, Butte, Mont.; Fred Slinker, Terry, Mont.; Roswell F. Stoves, Derby, Conn.; George L. Zarnes, Kehoe, Ky.

Died of wounds: Sergeant John J. Harold, Jr., New York City; Corporal Leon A. Bar-bault, Springfield, Mass.; Privates Francesco Di Crocco, Sorra, Italy; John Dotala, Barcelona, Russia.

Wounded severely: Lieutenant A. Mortimer Van Ostrand, 508 Eighth street, Lewiston, Idaho; Privates Roy E. Lambert, Roseville, Cal.; Carl A. Olsen, Hartington, Neb.

Missing in action: Lieutenant Leonard B. Faulk, Monroe, La.; Privates Harold Delters, Brooklyn; Willis D. Snowman, Blue Hill, Maine. Prisoner, previously reported missing: Private John Whalen, Boston. Previously reported missing, now reported discharged to depot division for duty: Private Robert S. Niver, Hartford, Conn.

MANSLAUGHTER VERDICT FOR M'KENDEE MURDER

KIAMATH FALLS, Ore., July 5.—William Holbrook and J. E. Padlock were found guilty here of manslaughter in connection with the killing of O. T. McKendree, a wealthy sheep man at Dry Prairie, in East Klamath county in April. McKendree was killed in a quarrel originating over a sheep range.