

SECRETARY OF WAR HAS UNIQUE POLICY

Fearing Anglo-German War, 17,000 British Unemployed Are to Be Trained.

GOES INTO RETIREMENT.

DUCHESS OF MARLBOROUGH GOES TO PICTURESQUE LITTLE VILLAGE OF DUNKIRK TO MAKE HOME.

BY RICHARD ABERCORN.

London, Oct. 17.—Ostensibly to relieve the suffering among unemployed, but in reality to get the necessary number of men to carry out his army plan and provide suitable defense for the country in case of the outbreak of the much feared Anglo-German war, in Haldane, the British secretary of war has offered to engage 17,000 able-bodied men to undergo six months military training this winter.

The proposal has attracted widespread attention and on the whole the plan has been widely and cordially approved by all parties, but there is always or nearly always as the English say, a fly in the ointment and on this occasion it appears to have been provided by the labor party. Of course they want something else and they would rather have their followers suffer and go idle all winter than not have their own way. The labor party will have no kind of drafting even for the shortest term of service, not even during the winter months or to reduce the ranks of the ever-growing army of unemployed.

I asked Mr. W. Steadman, one of the labor members of parliament, why he was against the scheme and received this answer: "Why we might as well have general conscription at once. Perhaps Mr. Haldane is short of territory or maybe he intends to strengthen the militia. But whatever he proposes to do with the men, we shall be dead against the scheme or any scheme which takes advantage of prevailing unemployment to increase the army."

Of course, if the men enter the service voluntarily it is their own business. The expenses in that department are already far too high. There are far better schemes to help the unemployed. We should have more farm colonies, and I would also propose that instead of buying up the London dock companies the government should dredge and deepen the channels and erect deep water jetties so as to enable ships to dock at all periods of the tide. Such work would of course cost millions, but besides providing work for men of all classes it would be of permanent advantage to trade generally.

The site for the new home of the Royal Automobile club in Pall Mall is now cleared and ready for the building operations which will not be finished before September 1910. When completed the club will be the finest of its kind in the world. The front will be 228 feet long and 80 feet high, running in line with the Carlton club, while the depth of the building will be 120 feet. The entrance will be an imposing one flanked by pillars 40 feet high. The design has been taken from the buildings in Place Vendome in Paris, and is strongly reminiscent of the headquarters of the Automobile Club de France in Place de la Concorde Paris.

King Edward as patron of the club has approved of the proposed arrangements of this palace for automobile which, when completed will have cost nearly \$1,500,000. On the ground floor will be a magnificent hall and stairway and beautifully furnished waiting, writing and reading rooms. Besides the usual club rooms the building will contain a restaurant, a suite of rooms a salle de fêtes overlooking Carlton Gardens, a photographic studio and dark rooms and a barber shop. There will be 120 bedrooms, 60 bathrooms and a large swimming pool. At present the club has 3,760 members of whom nearly 1,000 are Americans.

Two ladies opposing each other for a seat in the London county council is a possibility in the coming elections at Hampstead.

Miss Susan Lawrence, a suffragette, has announced that she is a candidate and this announcement has struck terror into the ranks of the servative.

A prominent conservative leader said to me the other day: "If Miss Lawrence is really adopted as a candidate we shall have to put forward a lady to fight her. A man would be a disadvantage. Hampstead leads the

280 YEARS, AGE OF THREE VOTERS.

Spokane, Wash., Oct. 17.—Two hundred and eighty years is the combined age of three voters in Spokane, and it is believed they are the oldest in the Pacific northwest. The veteran of the trio is Horace Bagley, 97 years of age, born near Burlington, Vt., who cast his first vote for Andrew Jackson, while a resident of Mobile, Ala., in 1832. The second is G. W. Horton, 92 years, born near Binghamton, N. Y., where he voted for Martin Van Buren, and the third is Daniel Dwight, 91 years, born at Dudley, Mass., also a supporter of Van Buren. He will vote for William Jennings Bryan, while the first two named will cast their ballots for William H. Taft.

way in women representatives. There are six women on the board of guardians and two in the borough council."

Dunkirk, a picturesque little village between Canterbury and Faversham, has witnessed the advent of the Duchess of Marlborough, who has gone to live the simple life among the hop-growers and farmers of East Kent.

Five miles from the nearest railroad station the village itself is on the top of Boughton Hill and Berkley, the quiet retreat chosen by the duchess is on some of the highest and in the county and commands a glorious view of the hop-gardens with the blue waters of the channel in the distance.

An old fashioned white brick house, Berkley, is a striking contrast to Blenheim or Sunderland House in Mayfair. It is furnished in a solidly comfortable rather than luxurious style.

The duchess keeps early hours at her new country home and the day is spent driving, walking and reading. Lord Ivor Churchill, the 10-year-old younger son of the duchess, is her constant companion, and it was indeed on his account that the duchess decided to lease the house for two years.

Since her arrival the duchess has visited the hop-gardens several times and many of the poor hop-pickers who had come from the east end of London recognized their benefactress who had so often helped them when they were in need.

WHERE BULLETS FLEW.

David Parker, of Fayette, N. Y., a veteran of the civil war, who lost a foot at Gettysburg, says: "The good Electric Bitters have done is worth more than five hundred dollars to me. I spent much money doctoring for a bad case of stomach trouble, to little purpose. I then tried Electric Bitters, and they cured me. I now take them as a tonic, and they keep me strong and well." 50c, at A. G. Luken & Co's drug store.

YUKON GOVERNMENT TEN YEARS OLD

Country Has Produced \$100,000 in Gold.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 17.—Ten years ago on Sept. 3, the first territorial government of the Yukon territory was formally installed in office at Dawson, the capital of the Yukon. Governor William Ogilvie, the first commander, with seventeen assistants arrived on that day from White Horse by the steamer Ora and immediately established temporary headquarters in a big log cabin building that had been erected for the purpose.

Since that time the famous Klondike district and adjoining creeks have produced a total of over \$100,000,000 in gold, all of which has gone into the world's coffers and is being used in the conduct of the world's business. It is to properly celebrate this fact and bring about further development of the gold resources of the Yukon and Alaska that the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition is being held at Seattle next summer. Gold has done much for the world, and this is the first time that an exposition has been held to give it honor.

The Yukon territory is still a great gold producer. Within the last few years, while the methods of gold extraction have been undergoing a change, the production has dropped off, but with the installation of dredges, hydraulic appliances and huge water systems the gold production will receive a big impetus that will soon put the Yukon back in the front rank.

Governor Ogilvie is still in the Yukon, now engaged in dredging. He is one of the enthusiastic workers for the exposition and will be present as will many others of the first government.

LAND OWNERS STAND AGAINST UNION PACIFIC

Railroad Seeks to Secure Old Land Grant.

Omaha, Oct. 17.—A number of land owners holding land along the line of the Union Pacific, are banding together to fight an attempt of the Union Pacific to gain possession of a tract of land 20 feet wide and more than 1,000 miles long. The railroad bases its claim upon the provisions of the original land grant from the government to the Union Pacific railroad. The railroad at first was granted a 400-foot right of way, but before it had taken actual possession of the land the government decided that a 200-foot right of way would be sufficient. It is the other 200 feet that the company is now trying to gain.

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THE PALACE DIAMOND RING CONTEST

1st PRIZE \$40 DIAMOND RING

CONTESTANTS AND CONDITIONS

Contest open to all ladies. Contestants should have their names in as soon as possible. Contest opens Monday. Beginning then, tickets will be sold with voting stubs, each stub good for 5 votes. Ring now on display in Haner's Jewelry store. Bracelet on display at Jenkins' Jewelry store.

2nd PRIZE \$10.00 BRACELET

SOLICITORS AND CONDITIONS

To the solicitors bringing in the most votes will be given a prize of \$5 in gold. Those entering for this prize must hand in their names so that they may receive their number. The solicitors' contest open to all, man, woman or child. No soliciting will be allowed within or about the theatre. Any solicitor or contestant failing to comply with this rule will be withdrawn from this contest.

PALACE AMUSEMENT COMPANY, 818 MAIN STREET

TRAMPS BIND YOUTH TO TRAIN WITH WIRE

Left to His Fate, Boy Manages To Escape.

Allentown, Pa., Oct. 17.—Bound with wire rope to a railroad train that was about to move by two tramps, Harvey Fatzinger, a 16-year old boy, after a desperate struggle, managed to release himself and started for home, falling exhausted at the doorstep. He is in a critical condition in consequence of the treatment he received and from fright.

Young Fatzinger was held up in an isolated spot by two tramps, who, after they had relieved him of his pay, tied a rope about his neck and led him away from the country, stopping at several out of the way hotels, where they spent the money in drink. Fatzinger being in the meantime tied to a tree nearby.

Finally they bound his hands with a wire rope and tying him to a railroad train that was about to move abandoned the boy, expecting him to be killed.

ANNEXING PATTERNS.

Germany to Fight Against American Trade.

Berlin, Oct. 17.—Since the Franco-German war an immense trade has been developed in Germany in American agricultural implements. Strenuous efforts are now being made to eliminate this competition and in doing so the manufacturers are freely annexing American patterns of mowers, reapers, binders, hay rakes, etc.

Even the children are saving their pennies to assist in swelling the funds for the Reid Memorial Hospital. You will have a chance to follow the footsteps of the children. Get a tag.

BALLOONING.

It is a Safe and Simple Sport, but Not a Cheap One.

The only peril in a balloon ascension is such good weather as careful aeronauts choose for a voyage is in alighting, and in a well ordered expedition, where all the passengers keep cool and cling to the car, there is no danger at all.

Even if the wind is blowing hard and the sky is cloudy as careful aeronauts choose for a voyage is in alighting, and in a well ordered expedition, where all the passengers keep cool and cling to the car, there is no danger at all.

Ballooning under moderately favorable circumstances is a safe and simple sport. It is not, comparatively speaking, a cheap amusement. An ascent, including the cost of gas, expense of a pilot and transportation of passengers and balloon home, costs in this country from \$35 to \$75 a passenger.

It is less in France. From Paris you can make an ascension for about a hundred francs.

The fare home is a very variable expense. Nothing is more uncertain than the spot where you will land. Of course it is easy to descend whenever you like. You may limit your flight to a couple of hours.—Albert White Vorse in Success Magazine.

A Sea Story.

"Of all my sea experiences," said the captain, "this was the strangest."

The ladies at the handsome captain's table said "Hush" to one another and turned to the ruddy mariner with ill-timed smiles.

"We were carrying," he said, "a lot of troop horses. A dreadful storm overtook us, and for two days we lay low in the trough of a heavy sea. Finally it was decided that, to lighten the ship, the horses must go overboard."

"They were overboard in the morning. As soon as they saw that they were abandoned they turned and began to swim bravely after us. Bravely, desperately, they swam. They followed us for miles and miles. I can still see them, a long line, their necks arched, pushing heroically through the heavy sea.

"They sank, poor brutes, one by one."

The captain smiled sadly.

"And I still seem to have," he said, "all those deaths on my conscience." New Orleans Times-Democrat.

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360,000 COPIES OF YEAR BOOK TO GO OUT

Department of Agriculture Completes Volume.

Washington, Oct. 17.—The department of agriculture is about to issue a first edition of 360,000 copies of the year book—the volume that is said to have more general readers than any other government publication. The full issue as authorized by congress is \$60,000, and the remaining copies will be printed in subsequent editions if the demand warrants it.

The physical labor involved in getting out the government's best seller is enormous. The full edition requires 3,100 reams of plate paper and 21,810 of print paper, while the thread used in the binding reaches the enormous length of 9,000,000 yards—nearly one-fifth of the circumference of the earth. The covers take up 62,000 yards of book cloth, while \$8,000 pounds of glue and 30 barrels of flour go to pasting the covers on.

67 YEARS OLD; SERVES 48 IN POSTOFFICE

Philadelphia Man Has Excellent Record.

Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 17.—In his forty-eighth year of continuous service in the postoffice of Philadelphia, William A. Boyle, senior clerk, celebrated his sixty-seventh birthday anniversary, receiving numerous postals of congratulations and gifts from friends. Mr. Boyle has seen service under twelve postmasters in this city and is the only surviving member of the force of the old Dock street postoffice now in active postal work.

His work consists in deciphering the many peculiar and illegible addresses on letters that reach the local postoffice, and he annually saves thousands of pieces of mail from the dead letter office.

TRIBUTE TO MARTYRS ON PRISON SHIPS

Taft Will Deliver the Address At Dedication.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Oct. 17.—William H. Taft will deliver the address at the dedication of the Prison Ship Martyrs monument in Fort Greene Park, Brooklyn on November 14. According to an announcement made by John B. Creighton, secretary for the committee in charge of the ceremonies, the governors of each one of the original states have been asked to be present.

The monument has been erected in memory of the twelve thousand or more patriots who lost their lives in the prison ships anchored in Wallabout Bay, Brooklyn, during the revolution. Their bodies were at first buried in the sand on the shore, but were afterwards moved to a more fitting place in Fort Greene Park. For the monument the Congress appropriated \$100,000, New York State \$25,000, New York City \$50,000, while \$25,000 was raised by voluntary subscription. Major General Roe will be the grand marshall.

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WATER POWER COMES TO FRONT

Great Developments in the South.

Washington, Oct. 17.—The improvement of steam engines practically put water power into the background, and kept it there for several years. But in this age of wonderful electrical advancement, water powers are again to the front, and hydro-electrical work has assumed large proportions in the south. Over 500,000 horsepower is now under development, at a cost of \$40,000,000 to \$50,000,000. With much already accomplished in the James river, in North Carolina, the Chattahoochee in Georgia, the Tallahasse in Alabama, and in other streams, activities are being speeded for the making available of millions of horsepower in the vast region stretching from the Susquehanna to the Rio Grande in sections tributary to the Potomac, the James, the Roanoke, the Catawba, the Yadkin, the Pee Dee, the Savannah, the Chattahoochee, the Tennessee, the Warrior, the Cumberland, the Ohio, the Kanawha, the Red, and the Llano.

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SECOND MESSIAH GIVEN WHIPPING

Farmers Administer One Hundred Lashes.

Little Rock, Ark., Oct. 17.—Elijah Skaggs, who claims to be the second Messiah, a former follower of Dowie, while at Warren, was taken by a posse composed of nearly one hundred farmers of Bradley county a short distance from the house and 100 lashes administered on his bare back with trace straps from buggy harness. After the whipping Skaggs was brought by the posse to Warren, where he was loaded on a Rock Island train and warned never to appear again in Bradley county.

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