

## AERIAL FIGHTER ASKS \$500,000 FROM CONGRESS

Chief Signal Officer, General James Allen, Thinks America Should Take First Place "in the Air."

### STATESMEN ARE NOT VERY ENTHUSIASTIC

Solons Will Now Have Opportunity to Tell Constituents What Great Lovers of Peace They Always Have Been.

By Guy W. Finney.

Washington, Jan. 23.—Gen. James Allen, chief signal officer, U. S. A., who has achieved fame as a patron of aeronautics, is sitting on the anxious seat. He has set out to conquer the air for Uncle Sam, and to accomplish this feat has asked congress to subscribe \$500,000; but there's the rub. This half million which Gen. Allen asks is to increase the country's military strength; in short, it's a war measure, and just now congress has a little conflict with the president which is giving that body as much of a taste of warfare as any peace loving lot of American citizens might desire. Besides, objections to Gen. Allen's air-conquering plans is likely to come before members who represent districts where benefits to agriculture are of first consideration. Their attitude toward aviation, especially if it requires spending half a million, is likely to take a crimp in the chief signal officer's scheme for putting America first in air navigation. Consequently, Gen. Allen occupies the anxious seat outside the legislative hall, with prospects of moving to the mourner's bench after the matter has been thrashed out in congress.

#### Will Have Knife Ready.

Even if the house appropriations committee agrees to this item of \$500,000 for balloons, aeroplanes, etc., which is what Gen. Allen fondly hopes it is a moral certainty that certain members will unsheathe their paring knives when the proposition is presented to the house for debate. Let any question inviting war talk bob up in the house and there is rush to get in the record, particularly on the part of the up-country members as opposing militarism, imperialism, and as deplored as many other "isms" as there are opportunities to pose as simon pure, out-and-out lovers of peace. In other words the air fills with oratorical chaff about the extravagance of the military arm, and the danger of precipitating the nation into disastrous war, all of which talk is intended for home consumption. This legislative hyperbole often reads the death warrant of a measure, but it sounds good to the home folks, and consideration of them figures largely in the law makers existence while in the capital.

#### Will Gaines Take to Ring?

Now John Wesley Gaines, that long-haired, silver tongued orator from Tennessee, is most likely to jump into the forum with an assortment of jolts, jabs and counters that will, as our strenuous president once remarked, tick this aeronautical proposition "to a frazzle." Mr. Gaines is unflogging in his attention to matters of public expenditure. True, he is the friend of the army and navy, for that matter, but first of all he is the friend of the farmer, the honest tiller of the soil whose interest must be guarded above all else.

"What, spend \$500,000 for balloons, when the farmers of this country need seeds," the statesman will roar when Gen. Allen's little proposed expenditure comes up. "No sir-ree, not while the spirit of my peace loving, soiling grandfathers bids me voice this protest."

You can imagine just how well this aeronautical proposition will fare when the Gaines bellow starts working. And, mind you, there are other statesmen who will toe the firing line with John Wesley. For instance there is Mr. Sulzer, the New Yorker who bears a resemblance to Henry Clay, and Morris Sheppard, the young Texan with fine oratorical powers and excellent lungs to uphold the cause of the farmer. This trio will emit a war whoop that will be heard from coast to coast when Gen. Allen's pet project comes up.

#### Would Take Compromise.

Now Gen. Allen has figured on facting just such a situation as this, and, perhaps, rather than not get anything for his balloon corps, he will compromise on say, \$75,000 or \$100,000. He will come back at congress later on though for he counts more on balloons than on battleships to settle future honors in war. This year the chief signal officer went up before the appropriations committee armed with a fund of data about the usefulness of air ships, aeroplanes and dirigibles in warfare that would convince any statesman less skeptical than the trio already mentioned. He described theoretically to Chairman Tawney and his coworkers on the committee how the wars of the future will be fought in the air, that bombs dropped from soaring aeroplanes on the heads of opposing armies and to lay waste to cities and fortifications will be far more effective than projectiles hurled from battleships, and gave them a lot of miscellaneous information tending to show that if this country failed to equip its signal corps with \$500,000 worth of aerial equipment it likely would drop back among the inferior nations on something to that effect.

But notwithstanding all this information, preparation and appeal on the part of Gen. Allen, it will be hard to convince congress that the nation needs \$500,000 worth of balloons. Gen. Allen may honestly think so, but there are members of congress, not especially those hailing from Missouri, who would first rather "be shown."

#### A Religious Author's Statement.

For several years I was afflicted with kidney trouble and last winter I was suddenly stricken with a severe pain in my kidneys and was confined to bed eight days, unable to get up without assistance. My urine contained a thick white sediment and I passed same frequently day and night. I commenced taking Foley's Kidney Remedy, and the pain gradually abated and finally ceased and my urine became normal. I cheerfully recommend Foley's Kidney Remedy. A. G. Lukens & Co.

Daniel Medaris near Centerville and Mrs. Dewitt Russell of Richmond, were the guests of their father, J. Flether Medaris and John Martindale and wife Thursday.

Mrs. Florence Boyd who has been ill for some weeks is slowly improving.

Mrs. J. T. Dean came back from Mooreland, Ind., after a week's visit with friends and relatives.

H. J. Paulus of Richmond was here Friday looking after the interests of the Prudential Insurance company.

M. L. Osborn of Indianapolis, a former president of this place was in town Friday calling on old friends and relatives.

Mrs. E. S. Borton of Straughn, Ind., was visiting her daughter, Mrs. Will M. Roller and family a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther J. Murdoch are at Indianapolis taking treatment for his eyes, and visiting relatives for a few days.

Mike Grace of Olive Hill was in town Friday on business.

Oliver J. Hatfield and Pickett Wisehart were at Hagerstown attending the township institute Thursday and report that the attendance was good and the institute was interesting and instructive to the up-to-date farmer.

John Martindale has made three shipments of poultry to Pittsburgh this week by express.

Rev. Harry Boyd departed Saturday for Cottage Grove, Ind., to assist the Rev. Robbins of the Liberal U. B. church in a series of revival meetings to be held at Greenwood Ind.

George Mosey returned from Cincinnati after spending Thursday there on business and it is reported that he brought a lady home with him.

Mrs. Harvey Ridge of Richmond was the guest of Mrs. Martha Dean a few days this week.

John Boyd of College Corner was here Friday on business.

Fred Thomas of Fountain City delivered a car load of poultry coops to Harris & Co. Friday.

Mrs. Lucian Stackhouse of Richmond was calling on friends and relatives here Friday.

Mr. William Boyd is convalescent after a week's illness.

W. L. Hatfield returned home after spending Wednesday and Thursday at the capital.

Captain Jesse Horney, Geo. Smith, Wm. Byrd, Chas. Heath, C. Crull and others had a fox chase west of town Friday.

Mr. Lucian Stackhouse of Richmond was calling on friends and relatives here Friday.

If you will take Foley's Orino-Laxative until the bowels become regular you will not have to take purgatives constantly, as Foley's Orino-Laxative positively cures chronic constipation and sluggish liver. Pleasant to take.

Mrs. Grant Wright spent Wednesday in Richmond.

The social union will meet with Mrs. Joe Wallack Tuesday night of next week.

Charles Doney spent Thursday in Richmond.

Miss Ralfe Tout has returned from a visit with Mrs. Loren Helmris of Hagerstown.

Mrs. John Huddleston, Mrs. Dan Van Buskirk and little daughter, visited the former's sister, Mrs. Eliza Swope of Milton Thursday.

Mrs. John and Phillip Market of Evansville, were the guests of Mrs. Elmert Ebart Thursday.

George Drischel, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Henby, Urias Bertsch and Mrs. Jennie Morris were among the number in attendance at the farmer's institute held at Hagerstown Thursday, Jan. 21. Mr. Bertsch was chairman of the meeting. One of the objects of this visit was to solicit the meeting for next winter. Such an arrangement was made and the institute will meet in Cambridge City next year.

E. O. McLean of Mansfield, O., is spending the week in this city.

Eleven of the friends of Clarence Ingeman gave him a surprise Thursday evening. A regular old time visit was enjoyed and the guests dispersed at a late hour.

Edward S. Holder, a former resident of Cambridge City, but now of Wabash will soon remove to Richmond, where he expects to engage in the livery business. He will, in addition, conduct a riding training school, and also continue in his profession of training animals.

Many little lives have been saved by Foley's Honey and Tar for coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough. It is the only safe remedy for infants and children as it contains no opiates or other narcotic drugs, and children like Foley's Honey and Tar. Careful mothers keep a bottle in the house. Refuse substitutes. A. G. Lukens & Co.

If the regent diamond, as shown in the Louvre, is only a model in paste, and the real stone is hidden away, it is a case of history repeating itself, for in 1797, when the regent diamond was pawned for house furniture to Vandenberg, a banker of Amsterdam, and he was remonstrated upon the danger of exhibiting it to the public, he replied: The regent that is in the glass case is a sham; the real regent is in my wife's stays!"

The first wood pulp paper was made about 1867, but the industry did not assume commercial importance until long after that.

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## News of Surrounding Towns

### GREENSFORK, IND.

Greensfork, Ind., Jan. 23.—Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Martindale were called to Cambridge City on account of the illness of Mrs. Wm. S. Hunt.

Jake Miller of Richmond was in town Thursday looking after the hardware trade.

Jesse Horney & Co. purchased a thoroughbred fox hound and he was guaranteed to run a fox from morning until night and also anything else, sheep not excepted.

Daniel Medaris near Centerville and Mrs. Dewitt Russell of Richmond, were the guests of their father, J. Flether Medaris and John Martindale and wife Thursday.

H. C. Knodle of Indianapolis was at his farms, north of town Thursday.

Mrs. Ellen Fox of Richmond has been spending a few days here this week with friends and relatives.

H. J. Paulus of Richmond was here Friday looking after the interests of the Prudential Insurance company.

M. L. Osborn of Indianapolis, a former president of this place was in town Friday calling on old friends and relatives.

Elvin Oler has been confined to his home near Economy the past several days with a serious case of the grippe.

The meat market is now being established in the corner room of the Phipps block and will be ready for business the first of next week.

Miss Fannie Hathaway of Richmond has been the guest of her niece Mrs. Joe Teeter a part of the week.

The Christian Aid society will have its next meeting the coming Tuesday afternoon with Miss Mary Clark.

A series of revival meetings are being held at Olive Branch north of town.

The Ladies Progressive club will meet on Wednesday afternoon of next week with Mrs. Eli Thurston on South Plum street.

Fred E. Smith will move his barber shop establishment to the Walker block in the room vacated by Roller's hairness shop.

Word was received here by friends of Wm. Peacock and family of Kenvard, Ind., former residents here of the serious illness of their only child Emma, aged four years with scarlet fever. Also Mr. Peacock is just recovering from a painful gasoline burn on both of his hands. Mr. Peacock was employed while at Hagerstown at Smith's barber shop.

Miss Frances Oliver of Indianapolis is visiting her sister Mrs. George Schuler and family for a few days.

County Superintendent Jordan was in attendance at the institute of the farmers here, Thursday.

Miss Edith Hyatt of Indianapolis, is at Mrs. Joseph Clevenger's.

Rev. C. H. Pinnick will preach at the M. E. church, Sunday. Rev. F. A. Scott will preach at Dublin Christian church, Sunday.

Mrs. Rea Manlove Murphy and daughter, Dorothy of Paris, Ill., are expected at Manlove Park, Saturday for a visit.

L. R. Gresh was at Richmond, Thursday.

Arlon Doll was at Muncie Thursday.

Ben Wagner was at Connersville, Thursday.

Mike Paxson spent yesterday at New Castle.

Charles Breece was at Glenwood yesterday, buying timber.

Mrs. DuHadway of Richmond, was in Milton, Thursday.

Jack Woods was in town Thursday.

Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Pinnick were at Richmond, Thursday.

Lewis Cooney of Indianapolis is visiting his father, Griff Cooney.

Miss Emma Quinn of New Lisbon, and Mrs. Wesley Cornell of Cambridge City attended Milton Chapter of Eastern Star, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Davis are visiting relatives and friends in Pennville, Dublin and Centerville.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert King of Aderson returned home after a few days visit with his parents.

Miss Nellie McNeill was hostess to the Tuesday club. Roll call was responded to with Japanese poetry. Miss Marie Smeiser read a very fine paper on the "Position of Women in Japan."

Mrs. Nora Iredell gave a short sketch of the life of Anna Natalee after which she gave readings from one of her books, "The Heart of the Hyacinth."

Plano music was furnished by Miss Baldwin. Mrs. McNeill sang a gypsy song. At the close of the program a luncheon was served.

Mrs. C. A. Hawley, Miss Relia Richel and Miss Wanda King were the guests.

The next meeting will be with Miss Cora Hawley, February 2.

Mrs. A. H. Sherer was visiting relatives here this week. Mr. Sherer will likely go to Columbus to take a position in the main office of the insurance company by which he is employed.

Mr. C. W. Bloom is carrying his arm in a sling caused by an accident with his automobile.

Those from here who attended the Jackson banquet at Eaton were Chas. Marshall, Howard Young, John Weber, Frank Barber, Fred Kemp, Harry Huffman and Arch R. Raney. An elegant banquet was served, splendid music was had and excellent speeches were made by Governor Campbell, Congressman Cox, and Mayor Burkhardt of Dayton.

Word has been received that Walter Reinheimer has resigned his position as secretary to the manager of the Great Northern railroad with headquarters at St. Paul and will arrive here January 26 and take up the duties of bookkeeper for the Reinheimer Stone company of which he is vice-president. Mr. Reinheimer has held the position for several years and filled it with credit, being a graduate of our high school and also Richmond Business college. His many friends will welcome him and extend best wishes.

The revival services will begin at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening.

Mrs. Elmer McKee and daughter, Eva spent Wednesday with Mrs. John Purvis.

Mrs. Petty spent Thursday with Mrs. Engle.

Miss Gladys Hill daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Hill is very sick with acute indigestion.

Miss Nola Richards is visiting relatives at Hollingsburg.

The small child of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kessler is ill.

The marriage of Miss Relia Richel

### HAGERSTOWN, IND.

Hagerstown, Ind., Jan. 23.—Mrs. Julia Kepler is recovering from a siege of grippe which came near being pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Porter were guests at dinner Wednesday of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mathews.

Mr. and Mrs. John Worl of near Millville were guests Thursday of Attorney Mason and sister Miss Laura Mason at dinner and attended farmers institute.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Weaver of near Economy were entertained at the home of Bennett Weaver Thursday.