

MOST OF GUARD MEMBERS JOINED TO DO FIGHTING

(United Press Staff Correspondent) Mercedes, Texas, Aug. 14.—In Europe when I saw a German in a soldier's uniform, I knew why he was in those particular clothes; I knew why an Englishman was in the uniform of his king. I knew why a Frenchman was in the steel hat and blue grey of the French Army. All these millions of men had one reason in common for being in uniform. When I came to the Rio Grande, fresh from Europe, and see scores of thousands of Americans in Uncle Sam's garb of war, I naturally asked: "What great common idea caused all these men to become soldiers?" hit or miss, asking men as I met them. I put this question to soldiers in Minnesota and Iowa regiments: "What caused you to join the state militia?" Here are some of the answers I received:

Private Ernest Forsell, Company A, Third Minnesota, 1802 East Jefferson St., Duluth: "Captain Elmer McDevitt, who was the all American football guard at Yale in 1913, got up our company in Duluth and all the young fellows joined, so did I."

Quartermaster Sergeant W. W. Connell, Company, Second Minnesota, Owatonna: "At high school I got acquainted with some young fellows who belonged to the militia and when I saw them marching by one fourth of July I decided I'd join."

Second Lieutenant B. M. Cosgrove, Company K Second Minnesota, superintendent of school at St. Peter: "I joined to fight. It was at the time of the Spanish-American war. Now I've joined to fight again, if necessary."

Private Howard E. Farris, Company I, First Minnesota, 82 Auburndale avenue, Cleveland, O.: "I was passing through Minneapolis on my way west when the mobilization order came. I saw it in a paper and I got off the train and enlisted among strangers in Minneapolis so I could go to Mexico to fight."

Private C. G. Bardley, Company I, First Minnesota, 94 South Eleventh street, Minneapolis: "I joined a month ago to fight Mexico."

Col. Earl Luce, First Minnesota: "I became interested in the militia through my course of compulsory military drill at the University of Minnesota."

Cavalryman LeRoy Garard, First Iowa Cavalry, Moline, Iowa: "It was an accident with me. A lot of us high school boys got to talking one afternoon about fighting and next day we all marched over to the militia headquarters and joined in a body."

Private Elmer Olney, First Iowa Cavalry, Oxford, Iowa: "Judge Howell, who is major of our cavalry, put it up to the boys of our town in a speech like Billy Sunday puts up religion to the trail hitters. So I hit the trail."

Sergeant C. G. McBride, First Iowa Cavalry, Marengo, Iowa: "I joined last May because I thought that the United States would soon need all its young men to fight."

"Major R. P. Howell, First Iowa Cavalry, Iowa City, Iowa: "I was nineteen years old when I first saw men in uniform. They were militiamen. I think the occasion was the fourth of July. I was greatly impressed by the music and the uniforms and I joined the militia for fun. I've been in it for many years and it becomes one of the chief interests in my life."

LT. John W. Cogswell, First Iowa Cavalry, Iowa City: "Four years compulsory military training at the University of Iowa got me interested in the militia."

Cavalryman Vore Wallace, First Iowa Cavalry, Lone Tree, Iowa: "Thirty-two boys in the farm country around our place, every boy who had a riding horse joined the Iowa Cavalry a year ago when it was formed and I joined too."

About thirty per cent of the Minnesota troops and twenty-five per cent of the Iowa troops, joined at the last moment at the time of the mobilization call. So a fair percentage of the troops from the state may be considered as having gotten into the uniform of Uncle Sam primarily for fighting purposes.

Overindulgence In Hope.
Used with due abstinence, hope acts as a healthful tonic; immoderately indulged, as an enervating opiate.—The visions of future triumph, which at first animate exertion, if dwelt upon too intently, will usurp the place of the stern reality; and noble objects will be contemplated, not for their own inherent worth, but on account of the day dreams they engender.—Thus hope, aided by imagination, makes one man a hero, another a somnambulist and a third a lunatic, and all enthusiasts.—Stephen.

DIES SUDDENLY WHILE ON VISIT

Left Cedar Falls Saturday and Dropped Dead at Jesup Sunday at Noon

Cal Lagore, of Jefferson, died suddenly Sunday from an attack of apoplexy. Mr. Lagore with his wife and son motored to Cedar Falls last Thursday for a visit at the home of their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Hunter. Saturday they visited with friends at Waterloo and Sunday motored to Jesup, where Mrs. Lagore formerly lived, and where they had not been for thirty-five years. They attended church in the morning, went to a restaurant for dinner and just as they were thru with the meal Mr. Lagore dropped to the floor dead.

The bereaved wife and son were accompanied to their home this morning by Mrs. M. E. Hunter and Miss Clara Denniston, both of Cedar Falls. The remains were sent by train and funeral services will be held in Jefferson.

GIRL JUMPS FROM AUTO; BREAKS LEG

Young Lady Became Frightened When Automobile Caught Fire

From Monday's Daily.

Miss Mabel Moore, a student at the college, is confined at the Satori hospital with a broken leg and other minor injuries, the result of jumping from an automobile which had caught fire at 9:30 last evening. Miss Moore, in company with Miss Schuneman, Clarence Elliott and Teddy Merner had gone for a ride in Merner's Elmore automobile. They were about four miles west on the Twelfth street road when young Elliott noticed the bottom of the car on fire. He called Merner's attention to the fact. Miss Moore became so excited that she jumped. The fire was quenched but not without the assistance of near-by farmers.

TO SECURE WOMAN WORKER IN COUNTY

Feeling Out Sentiment Throughout County Regarding Woman County Agent Here

From Saturday's Daily.

County Agriculturist A. A. Burger, accompanied by Mrs. H. H. Clay and Mrs. W. L. Hearst, yesterday made a motor trip to Waterloo and La Porte City, interviewing different people with regard to Blackhawk county hiring a woman agriculturist to establish social centers, giving demonstrations in various sections of the county and promoting the agricultural interests in accordance with the present progressive methods. These methods have already been adopted in most of the southern states, but Blackhawk county is to be the first in Iowa to take this forward step. It will give prestige to the county to promote this movement. The committee which was appointed by the Cedar Falls Woman's club reports gratifying interest manifested by all who were interviewed.

CLAIMS CITY USED PART OF HIS LAND

H. E. Petersen Petitions Council for Three Hundred Dollars for Alleged Damage.

H. E. Petersen, of North Main street, is asking the city to either pay him \$300 or build a protecting wall alongside part of his land adjoining the eastern end of the Main street river bridge. Mr. Petersen declares the city used some of his ground when the eastern extension to the bridge was built, and that he has been damaged thereby. A petition from Mr. Petersen was before the city council last night. The council cannot concur with Mr. Petersen's claims. It is felt that his claims are invalid, according to a brief informal discussion of the matter last night.

STREET RAILWAY CO. TO REPAIR PAVEMENT

City Notifies Street Railway People to Raise Pavement of Walnut Street Track.

The street railway people are to be notified to raise the pavement between their track on Walnut street, from Second to Twelfth, according to action taken by the city council last night. There are numerous depressions in the brick pavement between the rails, it is said, and the city attorney was instructed to forthwith notify the company to raise the pavement to conform with the rest of the street pavement.

GIRL FLYER THRILLS IMMENSE CROWD WITH SHEER DROP OF THOUSAND FEET

Sheepshead Bay Speedway Crowd Held Breathless as She Loops the Loop High in Air—Miss Stinson Beats Resta's Auto and Bombards Fort.

Twisting, spiralling, now upside down in a breathless loop, now hurtling downward for a thousand feet of sheer drop that seemed certain suicide, only to bring up in a graceful volplane to her landing place on the infield—that was Miss Katherine Stinson yesterday afternoon at the Sheepshead Bay Speedway aviation tournament. The announcer, bellowing through a huge megaphone, called her the "Queen of the Air," but she was more than that. She was like a part of the very firmament itself, miraculously made visible and playing bravantly in her native element.

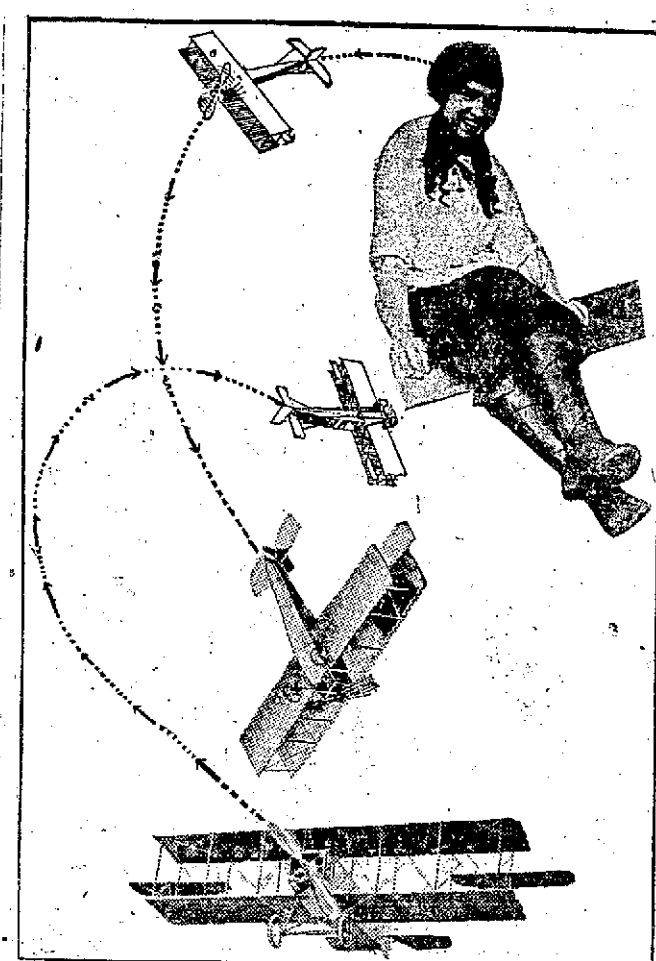
The thrills the twenty-year-old aviatrix produced not only had the safety in the grandstand spellbound, but they astounded even veteran fliers of the other sex, of whom there were many present. It takes weight and muscles to hold a heavy biplane steady on its course through a diving loop, but this frail, almost childish appearing girl duplicated the feats of the best of them and did it with seeming ease.

The tournament was scheduled to begin at 8 o'clock, but it was an hour later, when, after several short trial flights, the first event was announced. It was a race between Tex Millman, who carried a motion picture actress over New York last Thursday, and Dario Resta, the automobile speedster.

Flies Close to Ground.

Millman, who lost the contest by the narrowest of margins, gave a perfect demonstration of his control over his machine. The course was two miles around the speedway track and throughout the race Millman flew not more than thirty feet above the ground, a far more dangerous height than a hundred times that altitude would have been. He never wavered, even when the nasty winds eddying about the grandstand caught him from one side, but travelled on as the running a solid path.

Then Miss Stinson started out. Up she went to a height of about 1,500 feet until the roar of her engine—the same that Lincoln Beachey had when he fell to his death—was barely audible. Then she seemed to poise an instant, swooped, turned upward and over in a clean loop, while two trains of smoke from magnesium flares on



Miss Katherine Stinson and Her Aero plane—At Cedar Valley District Fair September 16-22.

the rear of her biplane marked her path. She hesitated once, twice, and then came the same clean dive, and somersault, while a hundred automobiles parked in the field honked applause and drowned out the hand-clapping of the crowd.

The next event had a military flavor, for Miss Stinson bombarded a skeleton fort in the infield. As she shot past the grandstand she dropped eight cylinders, each containing a small charge of dynamite, which exploded in the air with a bang. From the fort, to continue the illusion, a small mortar shot up bombs at her aeroplane, which burst in tiny white clouds as she went by.

Then came a race between the girl flier and Resta. The automobilist failed to duplicate his former victory, for Miss Stinson's machine was faster than Millman's, and she won easily.

The end was even more thrilling, for from a height of about 1,000 feet she turned downward and dropped like a plummet to within 100 feet of the ground until it seemed that she never could straighten out in time, only to curve to a level and alight easily.

Drives Auto at 109 Mile Pace.

Dario Resta, apparently anxious to show what his powerful Peugeot could do without the unnatural competition from above, then raced the two mile course against time, finishing in 1:06, an average speed of 109 miles an hour. J. C. Vincent, vice-president of the Packard-Automobile company, had brought out a gray racer mounted with the new Packard twelve cylinder aviation motor to demonstrate it. He too went under the course, but failed to beat Resta's time, making 108 miles an hour. From New York Sun, May 7, 1916.

NEW INSTRUCTORS FOR COLLEGE HERE

State Board of Education Chooses Many New Teachers—College Issues New Booklet.

The state board of education at its recent meeting at Des Moines announced the employment of the following new instructors at the Teachers College here:

State Teachers college, Cedar Falls—John T. Charles, assistant professor of education, \$1,800; J. B. Paul, assistant professor of education, \$1,800; Peter Latum, instructor mathematics, \$1,200; Catherine Wilson, instructor in English, \$1,000; Margaret Utley, critic in teaching, \$1,050; Alice Wagenvoort, critic in primary teaching, \$1,100; Maude E. Thompson, instructor in home economics, \$900; Margaret Van Horsen, instructor in home economics, \$1,100; Nina Baumgartner, critic in teaching; Eulalie Turner and Mary Murphy, critics.

Iowa State college at Ames—Dr. R. F. Hall, chemistry department; F. C. Churchill, agricultural extension.

One of the most interesting volumes the State Teachers college has ever published is the report of progress in rural education made in 1915-16, which is now ready to be issued. It is well illustrated. President H. H. Sorely states that the bulletin presents the most comprehensive plan for the improvement of rural education that has been adopted by any educational institution in the United States.

The report states that an analysis of the 1915 state census report shows that the tide has turned in Iowa, and that the "back to the farm" movement is a reality. Twenty-one of ninety-nine counties show a gain in farm population in the last five years.

They are: Lyon, Osceola, O'Brien, Dickinson, Emmet, Palo Alto, Kosciusko, Winneshago, Hancock, Hamilton, Butler, Howard, Chickasaw, Bremer, Blackhawk, Jones, Monona, Guthrie, Ringgold, Lucas, Monroe. In an investigation to determine

BOY IS PAINFULLY INJURED BY FALL

Six-Year-Old Tumbles From Third Floor of New House—Landed in Basement.

From Saturday's Daily.

Robert Shearer, aged 6, was badly cut and bruised about the head and body in a fall from the third story of a building under construction at Fourth and Tremont street this afternoon. The distance was upwards of thirty feet, it was said. The youngster had been warned not to play about the building, but escaped the attention of the workmen. That the boy was not fatally injured is attributed to the fact that his body did not hit anything in its fall until it struck in some soft dirt in the basement floor.

The victim is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shearer of West Fourth street.

LIGHT PLACED ON WATER TOWER

There will probably be quite a glow of light in the vicinity of Twelfth and Walnut on dark nights of the future—the city has just placed a new 700-candle-power electric lamp on top of the municipal water tower. This beacon light is largely an experiment in lighting. It may be the forerunner of other similar lights on high points about the city. Watch for the Twelfth street beacon.

TAX LEVY REFLECTS PREPAREDNESS IDEA

Annual Levy Boosted Two and One-Half Mills to Care for New Auto Fire Truck.

From Tuesday's Daily.

The annual municipal tax levy, made by the council last night, felt the touch of "preparedness"—it was boosted two and one-half mills to care for more efficient fire protection. The total millage, however, is still low for a hustling city like Cedar Falls—only 32. The two and one-half mill increase comprised in the resolution making the levy is to care for the salary of the drivers and the upkeep of the new \$5,000 automobile fire truck recently purchased. The new truck is to be delivered by the first of the year.

WHEN YOU BUY COAL YOU'LL HAVE TO PAY

Waterloo and Cedar Falls Coal Dealers to Unite to Fight Bad Accounts.

Cedar Falls and Waterloo coal dealers have formed an association to be known as the Coal Credit club, the object of the association being to prevent that part of a coal dealer's overhead expense known as loss from poor accounts.

An examination of the various accounts in the two cities show that a great many people, have moved from Waterloo to Cedar Falls or vice versa; and therefore it was found beneficial to the dealers in both places to handle their delinquent accounts, thru one association, on account of the two cities being so closely related.

This loss from bad accounts is an item which is entirely unnecessary, and only means an added expense to the man who pays his coal bills, promptly.

To further this plan, the dealers propose to make out what is known as a delinquent list. This will contain the names of persons who in the dealer's opinion are not entitled to credit. This list will be handled by the Retail Merchants' association for the Coal Credit club.

When one dealer was asked whom he considered a delinquent he said: "People have various ideas of what makes a delinquent account. To use a coal dealer as an illustration: Any coal that he buys this month must be paid for on the 10th of the month following. Failure to do so will result in a sight draft and probable action to collect same and also cause him to be classed as a delinquent or undesirable account. When his coal arrives, the railroad company notifies him to pay the freight, which makes the buying of coal practically a cash transaction.

"In the selling of this coal, a dealer wishes to make his price attractive to the cash buyer. Now, is it fair to this buyer to charge him enough extra to help take care of the interest you have to pay on delinquent accounts? I think accounts ought to be paid every thirty days, and interest charged after that."

A dealer gave figures to demonstrate what a delinquent account was using Pocahontas coal for an illustration:

Cost of coal on track	\$5.75
Cost of unloading	.15
Loss by shortage in railroad weights	.15
Loss by evaporation	.05
Cost of delivery	.50
	\$6.60
Overhead expense	.50

Total cost to dealer per ton

This overhead includes yard men, office help, depreciation, repairs, rents, insurance, advertising, donations, printing, postage, collecting, phones and light, leaving a profit of 40c per ton if paid in cash. Interest at 8 per cent amounts to 7 1/2 cents per month, or if you carry the account over four months your transaction will net you a loss.

Other dealers expressed themselves that from 30, to 60 days should be time enough.

Examination of delinquent lists, it is stated, show that there are many people who have made a practice of beating a different coal yard every year for a number of years and another class who can pay but don't pay, and it is these classes of people the coal dealers propose to eliminate from coal credit.

The wholesale price of all kinds of coal has been advancing steadily since the spring months, which, with the added freight rates which were put into effect in the spring, makes it imperative for the dealers to use every effort to curtail the overhead expense to avoid adding the entire advance.

The dealers believe their efforts to overcome the delinquent accounts are commendable and the outcome is being watched with interest.

THE CITY TEAMSTERS ASK WAGE INCREASE

Declare Four Dollars Per Day Is Not Enough For Man and Team—Ask Five.

The city teamsters have been forced to ask for an increase in wages by the high cost of living, they said, in presenting a petition to the council last night asking for a raise from \$4 per day to \$5 per day. They declare that at the present rate of pay they can barely make a living, since the cost of foodstuffs and horse feed has gone soaring. Their petition was referred to the council street and alley committee, which will make a report at the next meeting. Eight teamsters are involved.

NEED MORE FUNDS TO CONTINUE AID FOR DEPENDENTS

The matter of replenishing the soldiers dependents' relief fund is to be discussed and further plans laid at a mass meeting to be held at the Cotton theatre at 8 o'clock next Friday night, August 18th.

Since the recent war department order designed to eliminate from the Guard, men with dependent families appears to have failed to solve the problem, and since the fund of about \$1,000 raised by patriotic citizens here coincident with the departure of Company F for service in the field is now practically exhausted, it is up to the community to devise means for continuing the work of caring for such soldiers' dependents.

It is probable that a system of monthly pledges should be worked out to handle this problem, as the length of time the troops will stay at the border is unknown and the families of several members of the Cedar Falls militia company will suffer for the necessities of life unless aid is forthcoming regularly. However, the question will be placed before the community at next Friday night's mass meeting and that gathering will decide on what steps shall be taken for continuing the work so well begun.

THE CEDAR FALLS BAND VERY BEST OF ALL BIG ONES

That Cedar Falls' premier musical organization, our great band, made a favorable impression at the Vinton Chautauque Sunday goes without saying—we, here, know how good they are. However, we like to hear what others have to say about our band. Here's the letter received by Manager Hughes of the band today from the chairman of the Chautauqua program committee:

August 14th, 1916.

Mr. L. H. Hughes,

Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Dear Sir:—

I want to take this opportunity of telling you how very greatly delighted I was with your band, which appeared yesterday afternoon and evening on our Chautauqua and my judgment seems to be the expression of all the patrons of the Chautauqua.

We have had a number of the great bands of the country on our Chautauqua in other years, but I think not one of them has pleased better than yours. Your program was such a one as everyone would enjoy. It is hoped that we may have the privilege of hearing you again. You certainly provided us with a great day of music.

With best wishes, I remain
Yours truly
Hugh Mossman,
Chairman Program Committee.

FARMERS GROWING CORN ON PORTION OF CITY STREET

Persons owning land adjoining Twenty-seventh street on the south, between Tremont street and the western limits of the city, are to be ordered forthwith to move their fences south approximately seven feet. This strip of land belongs to the city, it is said, and is unlawfully occupied. The city council last night instructed the city attorney to serve notice upon the offending persons to immediately vacate the city's property. This strip of land being thus wrongfully occupied for several years has been detrimental to the convenience of people driving over Twenty-seventh street, it is said. The widening of the street to its proper width will make it a much more popular drive.

Comrades: Members of James Brownell Post, G. A. R., will meet at the Jordan home, 403 West First street at 1:30 tomorrow afternoon to attend the funeral of Comrade Henry Jordan. The service at the house is at 1:30, after which the G. A. R. will attend in a body the services at the Christian church at 2 o'clock.

—E. A. Chapman, Commander.