WANAMAKER SENDS SHIP LOADED WITH SUPPLIES TO BELGIANS

Thelma leaving Philadelphia; John Wanamaker cheering the steamer as it pulled off.

Salvos from the batteries of whistles and sirens from the river and deep sea going craft, as well as from the mills and factories on both shores of the Delaware river, greeted the mercy ship Thelma as she started on her way to succor the Belgians, loaded with two thousands tons of supplies for them, donated by the Hon. John Wanamaker, former postmaster general and merchant prince of Philadelphia and New York. Mr. Wanamaker is seen at the right cheering the first of the mercy ships he has chartered to convey material aid to the poor of war-ridden Belgium. It is expected that another ship, larger than the Thelma, will soon set on a similar mission to distribute food, clothing and medical supplies to the war zone. It is hoped that this second ship will leave Thanksgiving day.

MICHIGAN NEWS

MICHIGAN FOREST POLICY INDORSED BY U. S. OFFICIALS.

LANSING, Mich.—Be sure you are right, then go ahead.

This is the policy that State Land Commissioner A. C. Carton believes in, and in order to determine whether the policy of the public domain commission, of which he is secretary, was right relative to the state forests, Commissioner Carton some months ago wrote the following letters to the United States forest service at Washington:

"We would like to have you look into what we are doing on the state forest lands and tell us whether or not we are on the right track. If we are, we want to go ahead, and if not we want the benefit of the criticism of the forest service, based on their experience."

In compliance with this request, Charles Granger, assistant district forester, was dispatched to Michigan to make the necessary investigation, and he has forwarded a copy of his report to Commissioner Carton, in which the Michigan plan is not only indorsed, but in some sections of the report particular stress is laid on the particularly good features of the work now being carried out by the public domain commission.

Mr. Granger does take a whack at the system of fire protection for the forests of the state by saying that he is convinced the fire protective organization of Michigan could be greatly strengthened by locating the responsibility for all the state work in one place. At present the public domain commission and the state game, fish and forestry wardens' departments have about equal powers, assisted by private individuals, and Granger says one state department only should have control. More advertising or how to prevent forest fires is also advocated.

FARMERS TO GET RECORD PRICE FOR BEETS IN 1915.

SAGINAW, Mich.—The Michigan Sugar Co. wil pay at flat rate of $6 a ton to farmers for all sugar beets for the 1915 campaign, according to announcement made by General Manager W. H. Wallace, of Saginaw, today. The 1915 acreage contracts were issued today. The new contracts are the highest ever offered to the farmer, and exceed by 40 cents a ton the highest rate last year. Only on beets delivered at factories and at weighing stations $6 a ton will be paid. This will, on the basis of a normal crop, mean about $400,000 more to the farmers of eastern Michigan each year.

"We are doing this because we believe that on account of the war in Europe there will be no exports of sugar from that country next year to speak of," said Mr. Wallace. "We have gone slow in raising the price, but have studied carefully the situation at home and abroad and believe we can make the increase."

OWOSSO, Mich.—The new contracts of the Owosso Sugar Co. conform to those announced by Mount Clemens Sugar Co., but are somewhat different from the proposed 1914 schedules. Owosso, this year, paid $6 a ton for beets delivered at the railroads and $5.60 for factory beets. They will offer contracts for next season at $5.50 for beets [illegible] points on railroads, and $6 for beets delivered at the factory. Farmers declare that the new rate is fully as profitable to them as the highest price ever offered for sugar percentage beets in the past. It is believed that all Michigan factories, as a result of the new prices, will have banner acreage totals next season.

BATTLE CREEK.—The largest check ever received by this city was turned over to City Treasurer Charles Strong. It was for $38,000 from the Old National bank, representing the balance due on the old city hall site, vacated when the municipal government moved into the new fine building at Monument square. The new owners of the site will erect a fine bank building in the spring.

FLINT.—Claire C. Garton, 32 years old, a shoe merchant prominent in business and fraternal circles, died suddenly in a hospital here. He was suffering from cancer and an immediate operation had been ordered, but death came before the operation could be performed. Mr. Barton was a thirty-second degree Mason. He leaves a widow and three children.

BATTLE CREEK.—When Dr. C. T. Hubbard opened his mail he found a check for $25 accompanied by a profuse letter of thanks from the Pennsylvania railway. In October, Dr. Hubbard was in a wreck at Glen Union, the only doctor on the train. Before further help arrived he dug out his instruments and started in on the wounded. He did not give his name, but the Pennsylvania road managed to find it out and sent the check.

LANSING.—There is much speculation about the state house as to whether or not the state must pay the tax on telephone and telegraph messages imposed in the war tax measure which goes into effect December 1. The law specifically exempts messages sent by officers and employes of the government on official business, but whether state business is included in the exemption is not known. The state sends many thousands of messages each year, and the tax will amount to considerable.

LANSING.—Governor Ferris has received from the secretary of the navy a letter in which it is stated that Lieut. J. H. Brooks, United States navy, on duty at the navy recruiting station in Detroit, has been assigned to duty as inspector-instructor of the naval militia in Detroit. The letter states that it is regretted that, on account of lack of available officers, it is impossible to assign inspector instructors for the naval militia located at Benton Harbor, Saginaw, Traverse City, Hancock and Marquette at this time, though the department hopes to make such assignments in the near future.

CORUNA.—The circuit court has affirmed the conviction of Albert Smith, of Jackson, a conductor on the M. U. T., who was found guilty in justice court of assault and battery on Albert L. Chandler, at Morrice, and the company will take the case to the supreme court.

EAST LANSING.—About 121,000 trees were planted by the forestry department of the Michigan Agricultural College during the past spring and summer in connection with its campaign to promote and assist reforestration in the rural districts of the state. All the 121,000 "baby" trees planted were grown on the college plantation.

ADRIAN.—While driving his automobile near the city, Arthur Cochrane, a veteran mail carrier of this city, lost control of his machine, which skidded into the ditch, turned completely over and again righted itself. Mr. Cochraine remained at the wheel and came out uninjured.

SAGINAW.—By a decision of the state tax commission, the supervisors have won an important victory in the appeal to the board from what they considered was a "soaking" in the annual equalization, influenced by a superiority in numbers of the country supervisors on the board. The original apportionment was: City, 55.85 per cent, and county, 44.15 per cent, but the commissioners reduced the city's share to 55.35 and boosted country's to 44.65 or a decrease of $256,000 in the city's equalization.

BAY CITY.—William Morley, a farmer living near Moores Junction, shot and killed his 4-year-old son in a peculiar manner. Morley and some friends had returned from a hunting expedition, and before entering the house Morley started to remove the cartridges from his high-powered repeating rifle. In doing so one was discharged, and the bullet passed through the wall, struck the floor and glancing up, passed entirely through the body of the child, who was sitting in a chair at the table. The child lived about three-quarters of an hour.

ADRIAN.—While on her way to church, Mrs. Louis A. C. Wagner, aged 60 years, and for many years a resident of this city, suffered a stroke of apoplexy and died a few moments later in the home of A. G. Wesley, where she was taken.

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DETROIT THEATRES

AT THE GAYETY.

The treat at the aGyety this week is that famous show called The Honeymoon iGrls. This is one of the best on the road in burlesque carrying a carload of special scenic effects and a musical talent unexcelled.

It is distinctly a pleasure to note the clever comedy work of Phil Ott, who is original to say the least, he has kept the bunch in an uproar from the beginning at Sunday matinee to the present. With Ott are such principals as Alice Lazar and oNrma Bell, both handsome women with gorgeous costumes and ways all their own. The chorus, always the chief point of attraction in any burlesque shows can dance—and then some. No snappier entertainment can be found than that at Manager Rhodes popular Gayety.

The matinees for women are making more than a big hit this holiday season—each matinee sees the fair contingent in evidence and the festival season is at its height at the Gayety for men and women alike who appreciate a clean, snappy show of the high class burlesque order.

The coming attraction for next week at the Gayety will be a show which is derived from strict Parisian lines, it will be the Moulin Rouge Show, with a wealth of spicy Parisian novelties that will gladden the audience from start to finish. Don't miss the Gayety when in town—it's well worth while.

AT THE FOLLY.

Manager James has announced a special preliminary holiday bunch of shows that will beat all before seen at the popular Folly. This playhouse caters to lovers of the best in burlesque, and the shows are rich and spicy, with a lot of special sensations from the leading burlesque headliners.

Last week the house was packed to capacity—the present attraction is a melange of mirth, melody and music, with girls of every size who can dance and caper, and there is one big feature dance that is a winner from the start. Smoking is permitted and daily matinees are the rule. Just across from the postoffice on Lafayette St., the Folly is handy and should be included in the fun of the afternoon or evening.

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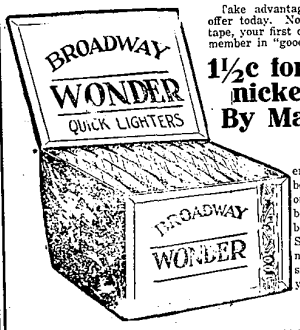

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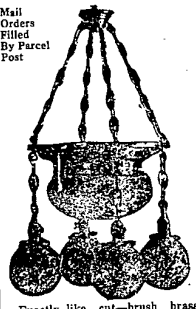

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