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BIG STEEL MUNITIONS PLANT AFIRE; IS FILLED WITH DEADLY EXPLOSIVES

Shells in Loading Department, Where Blaze Originated, Reported to be Flying in All Directions—Plant Lo- cated About Mile From Newcastle, Del.—Wilmington Sending Medical Aid

Wilmington, Del., Dec. 12.—One man is known to be dead and the town of Newcastle, Del., is being bombarded by exploding shells as the result of a fire which broke out today in the shell room of the Bethlehem Steel plant at Newcastle, seven miles from here.

Chief of Guards Jacobson, after directing a score of men to remove cases of shells from the burning building, met death when his head was blown off by a bursting shell. The territory adjacent to the plant is under a heavy bombardment. All ambulances in Wilmington and other nearby cities have been rushed to Newcastle. Members of the Wilmington fire department also are enroute to the scene.

The force of the explosion was felt for miles. Chester, Pa., reported that windows were shaken in buildings there. On account of all wires being down, definite information regarding the exact condition is lacking.

Company's Statement.

New York, Dec. 12.—Officials of the Bethlehem Steel company announced administration of industrial plant.

That work was continued as usual. The officials, however, were unable to give any details as to what caused the explosion. They said that an investigation was in progress to decide whether there were any suspicious circumstances surrounding it.

Reports from Wilmington, Del., stated that one man was known to have been killed, but company officials here insisted that no one was injured.

T. N. T. in Storage.

It is understood that there was a large quantity of T. N. T. explosives stored in the plant when the explosion occurred. Reports from the scene of the reported disaster are meager. Physicians and nurses are being rushed from this city, as it is feared that there may be a heavy loss of life. The cause of the fire is not known.

Later reports stated that the fire originated in the shell loading department and that the missiles were flying in all directions. One of the guards of the plant, named Jacobs, was killed by a shell which decapitated him, it was said. The fire started at 8.30.

The plant, which is located about a mile from Newcastle, is used for packing purposes, and, it is said, no explosives were manufactured there.

The Bethlehem Steel company's plant at Newcastle was established immediately following the outbreak of the war. It cost about \$1,000,000. The plant is composed of several large buildings, situated on the Delaware river, and covers nearly five acres. Nearly 1,000 persons, mostly men, are employed.

WANT CAPITAL AND LABOR OF STATE FOR WAR.

The Connecticut State Council of Defense, in a resolution passed today at its weekly meeting at the State capitol, set forth clearly its stand in the use of men, money and materials in Connecticut during the war.

The Council will "view with disfavor," and if necessary "will oppose with all the powers" it can command, further diversion of capital or labor to purposes not essential to the prosecution of the war, the resolution says.

The resolution adopted is a statement of principle by the Council. It pointed here today that an explosion trial affairs under the statements made it not taken up.

MONT BLANC CAPTAIN BLAMES SHIP IMO

Says Belgian Vessel Disre- garded Navigation Rules for Channel Movements

MANY ARE BLINDED

Two Hundred More Children Or- phaned—Estimates of Dead Fall —Probe Begins.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 12.—The official investigation into the cause of the disaster of last Thursday began today.

The surviving members of the crews of the French munitions ship, the Mont Blanc, which was rammed, and the Belgian relief ship, the Ino, which struck the French vessel, are the most important witnesses to be examined.

Interest centers in the testimony to be given by the two crews as no doubt remains but what the collision was due to misunderstood or wrong signals.

Blames the Imo.

Captain Lamedoo, of the Mont Blanc, declared that the Imo was wholly at fault. He said that the rules governing the course to be taken by passing vessels in narrow channels were disregarded by the Belgian ship. It is believed that the investigation will continue for two days or more.

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300-500 Blind.

Revised estimates today placed the death list of the explosion disaster at 1,800. Between 300 or 500 persons are totally or partly blind and 200 children are orphaned. It is estimated 500 houses are wrecked beyond repair, 500 were totally destroyed and 1,000 can be restored.

HOW WIEN WAS SUNK.

Amsterdam, Dec. 12.—The Austrian battleship Wien, which was sunk in the Adriatic on Sunday night, was destroyed while trying to run the blockade which British, French and Italian warships are maintaining on the Austrian coast, said a telegram from Vienna today. Some of the officers and seamen were lost, but the Austrian Admiralty claims that most of them were saved. The Wien was torpedoed. The lost man-o-war displaced only 5,512 tons and carried a crew of 440 men. Her biggest guns were of 9-inch calibre.

LEONARD MEETS CLINE TONIGHT

Philadelphia, Dec. 12.—Benny Leonard, World's lightweight champion, arrived here today for his six-round bout at the Olympia A. C. tonight with Irish Patsy Cline of New York. The bout is the best attraction to be staged here since the Leonard-Kilbane fight, and, owing to Cline's recent string of sensational victories, is expected to draw a large crowd. Leonard is favored as the winner, but Cline has many admirers who are backing him to stay the limit.

REPRESENTS STATE AT MILK PRICE MEETING.

Hartford, Dec. 12.—Federal Food Administrator Robert Scoville has returned from Boston, where he attended a meeting of the federal milk commission of New England, the purpose of which is to fix a reasonable price for milk in New England. It is planned to fix a price about the first of the year. Hearing will be held in Boston commencing December 18 by a representative of the commission. All producers are invited to be present and be heard. On December 20, hearing of the distributors of milk will start. It is hoped that these hearings to effect an amicable agreement which will establish a price.

ALCOHOL CONTENT OF LIQUOR ORDERED REDUCED

Washington, Dec. 12.—The alcoholic content of all malt liquors, excepting ale and porter, was today ordered reduced to 2 1/2 per cent. by weight in a proclamation issued by President Wilson. The order becomes effective on January 1. The proclamation also provides that no foods, food materials, fruits or seeds shall be used in the manufacture of liquors in excess of 2 1/2 per cent. of the average consumption of such commodity by the manufacturer during the period from January 1, 1917, to January 1, 1918. This provision means that each brewer must cut down his output by 30 per cent. Under the proclamation all brewers must be licensed by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, and must agree to obey the rules and regulations later to be promulgated with respect to the manufacture of malt liquors. No imports of liquors may be made except under license issued by the division of customs of the Treasury department.

SUFFRAGISTS STORMING CAPITAL AT WASHINGTON

Button-Holing Legislators, Thank- ing the Pros and Giving Antis A Talking To.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The capitol was stormed by the suffrage hosts today. Four hundred women, here to attend the 9th annual convention of the National American Woman Suffrage association, moved in a body through a heavy snow storm against the great white building on the hill.

Senator Weeks and Senator Lodge, anti-suffragists both, were confronted with a delegation of 50 suffragists from Massachusetts, led by Mrs. T. A. Crowley, and told of the disadvantage at which they were putting the Republican party by their continued opposition.

Senator Calder's office was made the scene for a jubilee meeting by half a hundred women from New York, headed by Mary Garrett Hay and Mrs. Norman de R. Whitehouse, who are credited with having won the New York suffrage victory.

Over the theater, where the sessions of the convention will be held, there floats today a suffrage service flag with twelve stars.

Each star represents an officer of the suffrage association now doing duty in some

MOSCOW LOSSES HEAVY IN THE FIRST CLASH OF NEW RUSS REVOLT

Bolshevik Claim Victory—Lenine and Trotsky Warn on Peace— Reported to Him that Teutons' Terms are Unacceptable—Russia May Continue in War.

Copenhagen, Dec. 12.—Severe loss of life has attended the first clashes between the Bolshevik forces and the Cossacks in the Moscow district. Advice received here today stated that machine guns were used by both sides with telling effect.

The Bolshevik government at Petrograd claims the first success, stating that the forces loyal to General Korniloff and General Kaledines were defeated in fighting south of Moscow.

Lenine Weakens on Peace.

There are indications that Nicholas Lenine and Leon Trotsky, respectively Premier and Foreign Minister in the Bolshevik government, are beginning to fear the consequences of a revolution despite their conflict claims of a "first victory." Information reaching here today to the effect that the Bolsheviks are now hinting that Russia will continue in the war and that the terms of peace are un

FOR RAILROAD DICTATOR

Supreme Court Justice Doesn't Want to Serve—Congress Ready for Joint Session.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Louis Brandeis of Boston, associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, is the choice for the position of railroad dictator of the United States of President Wilson, if the President finally declares that the railroads must be operated under federal control. Justice Brandeis has expressed a disinclination to serve, but is being strongly urged to do so. He has suggested to the President the name of a substitute, but the latter himself urged upon President Wilson the superior desirability of Justice Brandeis.

President Wilson wants the supreme court justice to serve, if the roads are taken over as now seems certain, because of his long study of the American railroad problem and his championship of the government ownership idea, in connection with which he is a pioneer.

It is understood that the President has practically made up his mind that the railroads must be operated by the federal government and has already outlined general plans for an operating system. Under it the Interstate Commerce commission would act as an advisory board of directors.

The very fact that the President carefully inspected the revolutionary report of the Interstate Commerce commission which sounded the doom of individual control and operation of railroads and approved its general statements before it was made public, is sufficient proof that the President believes material changes in the transportation system must be made. He has been told by the leaders in both houses that they will require only an hour's notice to arrange for a joint session and it is not likely there will be any great delay between the announcement that the President is going to Congress and the calling of the joint session to hear him.

VARNEY DEFENSE OPENS.

Dedham, Mass., Dec. 12.—The defense opened here today for Miss Harriet A. Varney, who is on trial for the murder of Mrs. Pauline A. Keyes of Brookline. The accused jurse will take the stand in her own behalf, according to her counsel.

business details. Prior to his meeting the Bolshevik leaders had announced that they would put the question of an extended armistice up to the assembly.

J. E. MORTON DIED SUDDENLY TODAY

Had Been in Grocery Business in this Town More Than Thirty Years —Had Few Relatives.

John E. Morton, the well known grocer, died suddenly at one o'clock today at his home on Hudson street. He had been indisposed for the past ten days but was around the house this noon and was talking with his brother when he complained of feeling faint. He sat down in an armchair and expired at once.

Mr. Morton and his younger brother, William T. Morton, both bachelors, lived alone together in their house on Hudson street. They had no relatives in town and as the younger brother left immediately for Windsorville to make arrangements for the funeral it was impossible this afternoon to learn anything of his family history.

He was about 70 years old. Mr. Morton had been in the grocery business in Manchester for more than thirty years. He built the Morton block on Depot Square about 28 years ago and, leasing part of the lower floor for the post office, occupied the rest of the floor with his own business. A few years ago he took into partnership Edward Dwyer, one of his clerks, and the firm name was changed to The Morton & Dwyer Company.

Mr. Morton devoted himself closely to business and allowed himself little recreation. He lived frugally and was rarely seen at social gatherings. But those who had the privilege of close acquaintance with him found him of a sunny disposition, well posted on public affairs, and very loyal to his friends. He minded his own business strictly and it is not likely that he had an enemy in the place. He was punctilious in meeting all his obligations.

The burial will be at Windsorville but the day and hour of the funeral are not yet known.

A son was born this morning to Mr. and Mrs. George H. Birge of 41 Strickland street.

GERMANS MASS REINFORCEMENTS IN FRANCE: PIAVE LINES HOLDING

ALLY AVIATORS JOIN ITALIANS

Teutons Forced to Give Ground Before Bombarding Fleets of Aircraft—Inva- ders Fake Editions of Ital- ian Newspapers, Telling of Revolutionary Uprisings

Rome, Dec. 12.—British and French aviators now fighting with the Italians against the Austro-German positions along the Piave river and on the Asiago plateau are kept under a continuous bombardment from the sky. Although the Germans and Austro-Hungarians assembled a mighty fleet of aircraft on the Italian front they have been compelled to yield the air to the Italians who now hold complete supremacy. Bombarding fleets sent out from the Italian military aerodromes frequently number 100 machines. Italian sailors are helping to work the artillery, and a great artillery duel continues to rage over the greater part of the front from the Adriatic

JACOB JONES' CREW COULD HAVE BEEN SAVED BY SUBMARINE

Germans Submerged at Once, After Torpedoing Destroyer, and Left Survivors Struggling in the Ocean —One of the Americans Pulled Aboard.

London, Dec. 12.—Many of the American sailors who perished when the destroyer Jacob Jones was sunk, could have been saved by the German submarine which fired the torpedo, but the Germans submerged their craft and wantonly allowed them to drown, according to information secured today at a British port.

As the U-boat made its way through the men struggling in the water, two German sailors grabbed one of the Americans and hauled him on board. The lid of the conning tower was then clapped down and the submarine submerged. It is supposed the Germans wanted one prisoner to question as to the identity of the warship.

ATTLEBORO, MASS., FIRE BURNS FOUR BLOCKS

Blaze of Half Million in City's Heart Early This Morning—Plans for Re-building.

Attleboro, Mass., Dec. 12.—Three

blocks of the city were under control at seven o'clock after aid had been summoned from many surrounding cities. The fire was one of the most disastrous in the city's history.

The effect of the fire was so serious upon the business interests of the city that Mayor Harold E. Sweet called a special meeting of the municipal council to take prompt action regarding the rebuilding of the destroyed property and giving temporary aid to the business men who suffered heavy losses.

Four Blocks Burned.

The fire started in the basement of the drug store of Arthur Wesley, from an unknown cause. The fire got beyond control of the local fire department and swept over one-fourth of an acre of land in the heart of the city before it was stopped. The blocks destroyed were the Pierce, Horton, Munroe, Gifford and Sanford. Three of them are the largest in the city and two were smaller wooden structures. A score or more of large business concerns were wiped out by the fire.

CUBS' HEAD AFTER MORE STARS FOR TEAM.

New York, Dec. 12.—Charles H. Weeghman, president of the Chicago Cubs, will not be content with the purchase of Alexander and Killifer for his team, he announced today unless the draft stops him.

"The deal which transferred Philadelphia's star battery to Chicago is the first and most important of several we have in mind," said the Cub magnate, "and the announcement of other deals depends on our ability to close them."

While the club-owners figuring in the deal have refused to announce their monetary consideration involved, it is said that Weeghman turned over a check for \$80,000 in addition to players Prendergast and Dilhoefer.

NOT OVER 18 PLAYERS IN NAT. BIG LEAGUE CLUBS.

New York, Dec. 12.—With John Kinley Tener re-elected as its president for a period of one year, the National League today settled down to clean up the business which remains on its slate.

The most important items to be considered by the club owners today were the questions of a player limit and a schedule for 1918. Sentiment, as generally expressed by the club owners, indicates that not more than 18 players will be carried by National League clubs next season. Most of the owners, however, favor a schedule of 154 games.

That the magnates will go from here to Chicago to confer with the American-League is now a practical certainty.

AUSTRIANS GO TO WEST FRONT

Heavy Gun Fire Directed Against Allies South of Lens in the Verdun Sector and Alsace-Lorraine — Great Air Activity on North Side of Scarpe River

London, Dec. 12.—Austro-Hungarian troops may already be on their way to the western front to aid the Germans, according to information received from Amsterdam today.

Dispatches from the Dutch city hinted that the Austro-Hungarian reinforcements, drawn from the eastern front after the armistice with Russia had been signed, would be used against the French.

Cannonading as Camouflage.

The intense cannonading all along the western front is evidently being used by the Germans as a mask to veil the point which they intend to strike.

The heaviest gun fire is opposite Ypres, south of Lens, north of the Aisne river; in the Champagne district, in the Verdun sector and

at the northern end of the Hindenburg Line and at a point on the German line recently menaced by the British. The rich coal fields in the Lens district lie behind that part of the German front north of the Scarpe.)

Big Battle Brewing.

That a great battle is brewing on the western front is becoming more and more evident, but military experts are divided in their opinion as to where it will develop. Some think that the Germans will renew their attempt to break through the British front to the English Channel. Others express the belief that the Teutons will strike at the French, probably in the Champagne district, where there has been little or no fighting during the past six months.

(The Champagne district lies between Rheims and the Argonne forest. The French have launched several offensive there, but were unable to do more than dent the German lines in the district of Tahure.)

Germans Announce Reinforcements.

The German war office makes no secret of its plans. It announced the arrival of reinforcements on the western front and told of the great artillery and aerial activity that has developed there. The claim was made that eleven allied aeroplanes were shot down in sky battles.

An apparent lull has settled down at Cambrai and only minor infantry activity was reported from there. In connection with the Cambrai battle the London press is now calling for an official inquiry into the British withdrawal, which followed the German surprise attack on the northern and southern sides of the Cambrai salient.

Quiet About Cambrai.

London, Dec. 12.—A comparative lull continues on the Cambrai front. North of LaVaquequi, (southwest of Cambrai), the Germans made a local attack, which was repulsed, the war office reported today. The British raided German trenches near Pontreuet and west of St. Quentin, capturing a few prisoners and some machine guns.

BOMBARD BRUGES DOCKS.

London, Dec. 12.—Canal docks at Bruges, Belgium, and the German military aerodrome at Oostacker were bombarded by British seaplanes again, the Admiralty announced today.

The Bruges docks are of great military importance to Germany because the canal is used as a line of communication for carrying munitions.

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TO DESTROY ITALY'S ART

Venice a City of Sandbags Now—Under Aerial Bombardment 15 Times.

Rome, Dec. 12.—Italy's punishment must be exemplary; she must be ruined forever both in a military and an economic way. Austria must destroy all the art centres of the Peninsula and the execution of this order must be entrusted to Austrian aviators.

In the words quoted above the powerful Vienna organ, the Fremdenblatt, attempts to write the doom of Savoyan art.

"Austria must destroy ALL the art centres," exudes the callous Hun. The anger of the nations fires forth at the lustful conception of disordered intellect. "All the ART centres" of Italy!

A City of Sandbags. Venice is today a city of sandbags. Delicate architecture looms incongruously forth in an epidermis of piles of sandbags. The portable art works are reposing in Genoa and Rome and the works nontransportable are carefully buried or, as in the case of buildings snugly in the friendly sandbags.

From May, 1915, to July, 1917, and up to date, Venice has been under aerial bombardment some fifteen separate times. At no time, however, has any serious damage resulted. Bombs from the skies, however, wildly the enemy papers claim as they are dropped, are always falling suspiciously near St. Mark's, the Royal Palace, the Bridge of Sighs and many private palaces known to the Austrians.

The ceiling of the Scalzi Church, frescoed by Tiepolo, was wrecked. The interior of St. Francis was seriously damaged before the royal authorities finally discerned the aims of the enemy. Since the royal air service undertook a systematic defense of the city the Austrians came to regard an assignment to fly over Venice as a practical rendezvous with Kismet.

Destruction This Fall. In August and September of this year the Austrians, despite serious aerial losses, succeeded in dropping numbers of incendiary bombs in the city. The ceiling of St. Maria Formosa's and the frescoed dome of St. Peter's were burned.

Sculptor Rodin, who recently died, was standing in the middle of St. Mark's Square with the Mayor, Count Grimani, when an incendiary bomb struck near St. Mark's. He is said to have remarked, "My heart stopped beating at the thought that St. Mark's would be destroyed."

Luckily, the bomb failed to explode. All southern Italian cities have received art works from the cities in the war zone. Italy, in the north, has been denuded of every portable masterpiece.

The lines, according to all reports from the line officers, are holding, and in some places advancing. In case, however, of another such debacle, should another slice of the Venetian region be abandoned to the enemy, it is hard to believe that the Germans would make of Venice another Louvain and of St. Mark's another Rheims, for useless vandalism would simply estrange the two races for generations.

MEN ENLISTING DAILY. One of the most noticeable results of the government ruling that all men of draftable age must enlist before Dec. 15 or not at all, is the steady flow of young men from town.

All over town there is much talk about the absence of young men. For the last few days the average of men leaving to enlist has been about ten a day. At the north end the same absence of young men is noticed. There are now Manchester men in about every branch of the service.

Turkey's part in the war seems to be to furnish geography for the British.—Troy Record.

THAT FREAK GAME.

West Ends Tell Their Side of the Story.

Saturday afternoon an onlooker at the game of football between the Crescents and the West Sides told a Herald reporter about the freak game which was played and the reporter immediately wrote a story about it. Yesterday the following communication was received at The Herald office:

"To the Evening Herald:

"I would like to say that the outcome of Saturday's game between the Crescent A. C. and the amateur champions of this town, the West End A. C., was decided by two nicely directed forward passes. As to players without cleats on their shoes not one of the West Ends had them on. The fact that there were no referee or timekeeper was the Crescents' own lookout, the game being their home game.

In regard to the challenge of the Crescent A. C., I would like to state that the West Ends will play the Crescent A. C. on any field for a side bet of \$10. If this challenge is accepted, write Robert Wilkinson, Short street. The Crescents claim their defeat was due to the fact that their team consisted of only ten players. Well, admitting that, the West sliders had but nine men and one kid: The West Ends had their signals down to perfection and this fact alone would convince the public that the outcome was anything but a joke.

Every man forgot that he was in the theatre. * * * The applause became so thunderous that the music was drowned and people stood up and waved their programs. * * * It is hard to tell just what this War picture had such a great appeal to the heart and to patriotism; but the fact remains that there was on the screen yesterday that which brought men to their feet and was bound to give the most careless observer pause."—N. Y. Tribune.

Talcottville

Louis Smith 's home from Williston Seminary where he has been studying this fall. He is going to enlist in some branch of the service.

The first rehearsal for the Christmas Exercises was held in the church last Sunday afternoon.

The Christian Endeavor Society has succeeded in raising the \$20 it pledged for Missions two weeks ago. The society is very grateful to the generous contributors outside of the society who helped make the pledge possible. This amount though small, supports the Christian Missionaries throughout the world for one day.

Mrs. Fred Kunkhe and Mrs. Herbert Kunkhe spent the week end with Herbert Kunkhe at Camp Devens.

About one half of the membership of the local C. E. Society attended the Union Meeting in Manchester, Monday evening. The society won both flag and banner.

The Drum Corp held its annual election of officers Monday evening. The following officers were elected: President, William Monaghan; vice-president, John Gibbs; secretary, Wilbur Smith; treasurer, Elmer Rivenburg. Mr. Monaghan begins his third consecutive year as president. The Corps is in a very flourishing condition and have a full number of members.

Other officers elected by the Corps were: Joseph Ferguson, leader; William Smith, corporal fifer; William Crooks, corporal drummer; J. S. Gibbs, major; W. C. Monaghan, delegate to State convention. The members also decided to purchase a service flag with ten stars and also to purchase Christmas boxes for the ten members now in the service.

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AMUSEMENTS

WHAT'S WHAT AND WHO'S WHO IN MANCHESTER MOVIE HOUSES

AT THE PARK.

Tonight at the Park theater, Film-dom's supreme offering is the feature. The greatest actress in the world appears in the greatest screen drama of the greatest war. It is an attraction everyone should see as it shows Sarah Bernhardt's wonderful artistry at its best, for into this picture "Mothers of France" Madame Bernhardt put her heart and soul.

Here are two reviews of the play from the New York Tribune and The New York Sun which tell how the play was received in New York City: "The great, throbbing, bleeding heart of France was laid bare at the Rialto theatre yesterday in Mme. Sarah Bernhardt's wonderful picture, "Mothers of France."

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"Mothers of France" was received with enthusiastic appreciation. The crowds yesterday which attempted to see the picture were the equal of any in the history of the house and the waiting lines outside reached half way down the block. * * * Mothers of France" gives a more graphic picture of fighting France than any of the so-called "War Pictures" because the civil and military authorities cooperated with the makers of the picture and the battle scenes were made in France with "Pollus" in the trench stained uniforms."—N. Y. Sun.

Nor is there much good news to be brought from Ghent to Aix at this writing.—Bridgeport Telegram.

AT THE CIRCLE.

"The Narrow Trail", William Hart's latest Artercraft production, with the great star himself in the leading role, was well received by a capacity house at the Circle theater last evening. It is without a doubt the best Hart picture that has been seen in this vicinity for many a day. It differs in some respects from some of his former pictures, especially in the big fight scene in the Barbary coast resort where Hart is trying to escape. This gentleman demonstrates that his gun is not the only thing he depends upon as single handed he masters an entire gang. The rodeo meet is also a new feature as well as the trick horse Fritz. It is a real western picture with plenty of action and atmosphere and should jam the Circle to capacity this evening when it will be shown for the last time. Other reels are included in the program this evening.

Tomorrow and Friday the management will present a double program de luxe. Maxine Elliott will be seen in the great Goldwyn production, "Fighting Odds" taken from the play of the same name by Roi Cooper Mergue and Irvin Cobb. Miss Elliott is considered the most beautiful woman on the American stage and the advance announcements of her showing at the Circle have created considerable comment over the fact that this is her first motion picture. As an extra added attraction the second of Mack Sennett's master comedies will be shown, "Roping her Romeo." This picture is on a par with Sennett's first comedy, "A Bedroom Blunder" which was shown at the Circle recently. The cast includes Ben Turpin, Slim Summerville, Poly Moran and the Sennett girls. The Hearst-Pathé and a Travelogue will also be shown on the same program.

FOR SALE—Christmas Trees, inquire at house of late William Naylor, Grove St., Saturday afternoon, Dec. 15, Mrs. G. B. Slater.

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FOR SALE—At north end modern steam heated house of seven rooms, beautiful finish, 1905, 1915, 1916, garden and some fruit, price only \$4,300. Robt. J. Smith, Bank Bldg. 5513

FOR SALE—\$600 cash will make you the owner of a 12 room flat, heat, light, etc., few minutes from trolley, balance \$1,500 cash terms. Robert J. Smith, Bank Bldg. 5513

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FOR SALE—Two of the best residential investment properties on one of South Manchester's best streets. A. H. Skinner. 5513

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FOR SALE—Six-room bungalow on Cambridge street, steam heat, all improvements, cash terms. Inquire The P. Sullivan, East street. 4813

TO RENT. FOR RENT—A 4 room flat with all conveniences, first floor, rent \$13 a month, on Clinton St. Inquire 1 Huntington St., Tel. 206-2. 6113

TO RENT—Seven room single house, Inquire 45 Cottage street. 5713

FOR RENT: On West Center street, house arranged for one large family or two small families. Plenty of water and land for garden. Walter O'Connell, South Manchester. 4713

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WANTED: You to know that we get repair and sell window glass; any size cut to order. Fully painted, etc. Manchester Wall Paper Co., 533 Main St. 6113

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WANTED—10,000 PEOPLE. Corns, callouses or any skin irritation guaranteed to please or money returned. Wm. L. Buckland and Peterson, Drug Store. 4713

RED CROSS ENTERTAINMENT SALE and DANCE under auspices of Daughters of Britain Circle in CHENEY HALL Wed. Eve., Dec. 12, 8 o'clock music by Ideal orchestra Admission, 25 cents.

Get your Car Overhauled DURING THE COLD WEATHER! We can handle the job at less than city prices and guarantee satisfaction. PORTERFIELD & KING. John Porterfield—Four years' experience in Detroit on Construction, and Repair work—Seven months at the Border on Packard Trucks. Ralph King—Ford Specialist. 178 Oak Grove St. Tel. 604 (Out of the high price district.) L. Dell, shoemaker, has moved his shop from Center street to Nelson's old stand just north Blish Hdw. store. adv 6115

HELP WANTED MEN between the ages of eighteen and forty are wanted by the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company as freight brakemen, telegraphers and firemen. Apply by letter, stating experience, to F. S. Hobbs, Superintendent, New Haven, Division, New Haven, Conn. 5916

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HARTFORD TAILOR 241 North Main St., Hartman Block Ladies' and Men's Suits Made To Order CLEANING, PRESSING, DYEING, AND REPAIRING

LOST. LOST—Pair spectacles with gold frame in case. Finder please return to Dr. T. H. Weldon and receive reward. 6213

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LOST—Automobile chain between store and Wells St. Reward if returned to Manchester Wall Paper Co., 533 Main St. 6213

LOST—Tuesday afternoon, a horse blanket between Oak and Bissell streets on Spring street. Finder please return Herald branch office. 6212

THE CIRCLE

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TRAVELOGUE

INFORMAL XMAS SOCIAL FOR RECREATION CLUB

Membership Cards Will Serve as Admission Tickets--All Members Expected to Attend.

Plans have been perfected for the informal Christmas social and dance to be held in the gymnasium at the Recreation Center Saturday night.

The general committee is composed of Recreation Director J. H. Mueller, Mrs. W. S. Gilliam, John H. Hyde, Miss Helen Gould and Thomas J. Quish.

The third weekly session of the beginners' dancing class will be held in the auditorium this evening.

The second weekly session of the newly organized men's bowling league will be held tomorrow evening.

There are four teams in this league and it is expected that a second league for the men will be organized soon.

When the second league is formed, each league will bowl every other Wednesday night.

Also are under way for the organization of a bowling league for girl members of the Recreation Club.

"NO SECTIONALISM" IN TRIAL OF MEANS

Court House, Concord, N. C., Dec. 12.—The trial of Gaston B. Means, charged with the murder of Mrs. Maude A. King, today went to argument.

The defense made a grand play at the closing of the evidence to recoup much lost ground. Defense attorney Frank Armfield filed a motion to strike out the testimony of 11 state witnesses relative to Means' financial dealings.

Before argument began, Judge Cline declared that he would allow no attorney to cast any reflections upon the procedure of another state, and would not, for a moment, countenance any argument which inferred that the state of New York had illegally seized the papers of the defendant from his New York apartment.

Further, he declared that he would not allow any sectionalism to be brought into play.

E. T. Cansler, attorney for the defense, became greatly incensed at the instructions, and jumping to his feet, shouted:

"I believe I know my rights in this court, Your Honor, and if Your Honor desires to rule upon my argument he shall do it before the jury."

There are thirteen attorneys with prepared speeches ready to lay their pleas before the jury. The state will present five arguments made by Solicitor Clement, Assistant District Attorney Dooling, of New York, Campbell Caldwell, of Statesville; Phil C. McDuffie, of Atlanta, Ga., and Jake F. Newell, of Charlotte.

Leaders for the defense will be Judge Frank I. Osborne, of Charlotte and E. T. Cansler. Six other local lawyers will also argue. The speeches began shortly before noon with Solicitor Clement opening for the state.

MARKET TAKES A SPURT AHEAD; RAILS IN DEMAND

American Tobacco Gains 4 3/4 Points—General List on Up Turn From Start—Closing Quotations.

New York, Dec. 12.—Trading was active at the opening of the stock market today. First prices were irregular. Canadian Pacific, after declining 1-2 to 127 1-2, rose one point, while Union Pacific sold down 1-2 to 107 1-4.

Steel Common declined to a new low record for the year of 84 1-2 at the opening, a loss of 718, followed by a rally to 85. Bethlehem Steel "B" advanced 3-4 to 73, while the regular stock advanced 7-8 to 72 7-8.

American Tobacco advanced 2 1-2 points to 134, while Burns Brothers was off two points at 106.

Marine Preferred, after yielding 1-4 at the start to 90 3-4, rose to 91 1-2, while General Motors fell over one point to 84 3-4.

Through the first hour nearly all the important issues became established at moderately higher prices. Union Pacific, after declining to 107 1-4, rose to 108 3-4, but on renewed pressure sold down to 107 1-4, from which it again rallied to 108 3-4.

American Tobacco declined three points to 134.

Money loaning at six per cent. Clearing House statement: Exchanges, \$552,277,761; balances, \$36,867,856.

Stock Quotations

Table with 2 columns: Stock Name and Price. Includes American Sugar, Am B Sugar, Am Tel & Tel, Anaconda, Am Smelter, Am Loco, Am Car Pounding, A T & S Fe, Balt & Ohio, B R T, Bethlehem Steel, Butte & Sup, Chile Copper, Cons Gas, Col Fuel, C & O, Can Pac, Erie, Erie 1st, Gen Electric, Gt Northern, Illinois Cent, Kennecott, Louisville & Nash, Lehigh Valley, Mexican Pet, M K & T, Mer M Pfd, Mer M, Miami Copper, Norfolk & West, Nev Consol Copper, National Lead, North Pacific, N Y Cent, N Y N H & H, Presl Steel Car, Penna, Repub I & S, Reading, Southern Pac, Southern Ry, St Paul, Third Ave, Tex Oil, Union Pac, U S Steel, U S Steel Pfd, Utah Copper, Westinghouse, Liberty Bonds 4 1/2, Liberty Bonds 3 1/2.

ALL THE LITTLE FRENCH "KIDDIES" UNDER 12 TO BE VISITED BY SANTA CLAUS OF SAMMIES

With the American Army in France, Dec. 12.—Santa Claus is going to visit all the little French children under 12 years of age within a certain large area of war-ridden France this Christmas, thanks to a little six-year-old American girl in a southern state.

Six hundred little orphans whose fathers have fallen in battle and refugee children, who have just emerged from the horror of life in French territory held by the Germans, are included in the group of children who will discover this year that the sound of big guns cannot scare away old Santa Claus.

"Daddy," wrote the little southern girl, "I am sending you this letter with some little colored pictures I made. Won't you please give them to the little girls and boys whose fathers were killed in the war and maybe will have no Christmas."

How Start Was Made. "Daddy" happened to be the Quartermaster Colonel of one of the first American divisions landed in France. In physique he is a little man, but he has a big heart.

That letter was what started the "mission."

Within a few weeks the inspiration furnished by the little American girl had built up an organization composed of hundreds of enlisted men in villages occupied by this division, and already a sum totalling nearly \$4,000 has been raised.

The major in charge of the collections made the count today, sorting the money out of an army trunk that was literally crammed with franc bills. The contributions for Christmas presents for the children came almost entirely from enlisted men, officers being limited to contributions of 10 francs each.

Decorations of tinsel, red paper, bunting, toys, candy, coats and other things have already been purchased, and the Catholic clergy have given permission to use the churches where Christmas trees will gladden hearts made sad by war.

The distribution will be made from the trees probably on Christmas afternoon, and all churches will be aglow with candles.

CONGRESS INITIATES FOUR DIFFERENT PROBES

Food and Fuel Shortage—Army and Railroads Under Question

Republicans Would Have Disparaging Inquiries into Four Subjects—Progress Made Already.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Congress today was taking an inventory of America's progress in the world conflict. It has given the administration nine months of complete and unquestioning support in the conduct of the war. It is going to continue to do so. But it has a lot of questions to ask, and it has decided to ask them in no hostile spirit, but with determination to obtain for itself and the country information as to just how and where the United States stands today in the great war.

A veritable epidemic of investigations has set in. Today investigations were actually under way, or ready to begin, into these important questions:

Topics of Questions. The condition of the army, particularly in the training camps. The reason for the shortage of sugar and coal. What steps can best remedy the railroad situation. How far the right of free speech permits a Senator to go in expressing his views on the war, with particular reference to the utterances

WHO OWNS SOME LENSES TO LOAN TO UNCLE SAM?

No More German Lenses Can Be Bought—Needed for Cameras on Aeroplanes.

As previously reported in The Evening Herald, the Signal Corps of the army is in need of lenses for cameras for the fleet of observation airplanes now being built and the people of the country are asked to either loan or sell to the government any of the required lenses they may possess.

L. J. Richman of the Dewey-Richman company has offered to pass on any lens which Manchester people may wish to loan or sell to the government. Paul Cheney already has enlisted a very powerful set of lenses. Any lenses loaned to the government, if they are not destroyed, will be returned to the owner after the war and they will be suitably inscribed.

The need of the lenses is immediate and of great importance; the camera lens is the eye of the army. No More German Lenses. German lenses can no longer be bought in the open market.

England had to meet this same difficulty in the earlier stages of the war by purchasing the lenses of the required type from individual owners. England is now making lenses better than ever before.

The Bureau of Standards of the United States Department of Commerce is now perfecting a substitute for the German "crown barium" glass used for lenses and American manufacturers will later be able to meet the needs with special lenses of new and improved types now being designed for this work.

A description of the lenses needed is printed below. Any one having such lenses or others which they think the government might be able to use should take them to Mr. Richman.

Tessar Anastigmat Lenses made by Carl Zeiss, Jena, of a working aperture of F. 3.5 or F. 4.5, from 8 1/4 to 20 inch focal length.

Bausch & Lomb Zeiss Tessars, F. 4.5, from 8 1/4 to 20 inch focal length.

Voigtlander Hellar Anastigmat Lenses, F. 4.5, 8 1/4 to 24 inch focal length.

Practically all of the lenses of these types in America will be required, but the 8 1/4 inch lenses are most urgently needed.

8, 9, 12 and 14 inch condensers are wanted; also, a number of Bausch & Lomb Zeiss Protars VII A No. 13, preferably set in Volute shutters.

FOOT SPECIALIST COMING TO PARK SHOE STORE.

Free examination and advice to all who are suffering from foot troubles is offered by Dr. Scholl's foot specialist, who will be at the Park shoe store in the new Johnson block Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week.

All persons with fallen arches, corns, bunions or crooked toes are offered relief through the use of Dr. Scholl's appliances. Remember the consultation and advice are free and you are invited to come.

BERNHARDT AND ROOSEVELT MEET.

New York, Dec. 12.—France and the United States are more closely united today. Mme. Sarah Bernhardt and Colonel Theodore Roosevelt met in a local theater.

The Colonel bowed the famous French actress waved both hands, the orchestra played the Marseillaise and the Star Spangled Banner and the audience stood and cheered both celebrities.

E. T. Ferris is planning to move this week from Maple street into his new house on the east end of Oak street.

Practical Christmas Gifts

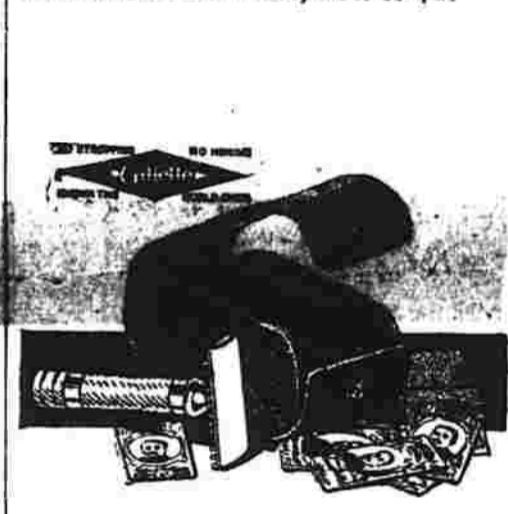
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WE HAVE HIS CHRISTMAS GILLETTE

It's a man's gift—nothing could please him better. If he already has a Gillette give him one of the new models: The Aristocrat—in French Ivory—The Bulldog—with the stocky grip—A Traveling or Combination Set. We have a wide range for choice—\$5 up to \$50.

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Our stock was never more complete.

TOILET ARTICLES

French Ivory Toilet Sets complete and also single pieces of the better grade.

Silver mounted Comb and Brush Sets, Military Brush Sets.

LADIES' JEWELRY

Fine assortment of Lavillieres, Neck Chains, Pendants, Wrist Watches, Rings, Brooches and Bracelets.

GENTLEMEN'S JEWELRY

Waltham, Hamilton, Elgin and Illinois Watches, all models, Vest Chains, Charms, Fobs, Rings, Scarf Pins and Tie Clasps.

TIFFANY'S

W. A. Smith, Mgr. The cooler it grows the more impressive becomes the click of the tin.

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THE WAR AND INDUSTRY.

The demoralizing effect of the war upon the industries of the United States is growing more and more evident as our connection with the struggle becomes closer. Rightfully the government makes first claim upon all our resources—our man power, our transportation facilities, our provisions, our fuel and our raw material. The disarrangement which this is bound to cause to the established routine of our vast and complex system of production is as yet only partially felt, but we now know enough of it to realize in a measure the trouble and loss it is bound to cause as time goes on.

All employers of labor in any form are facing the problem of scarcity of help and a fast rising scale of wages. Hundreds of thousands of young men have gone into the army and navy. Other thousands have entered the service of the government in some department of the civil service. Still others, and they are a vast number, while not directly in the employ of Uncle Sam are serving him indirectly by working on the production of instruments of war—arms, ammunition, ships, motor trucks, aeroplanes, blankets, clothing, shoes and camp equipment.

The private manufacturer is having his troubles. He cannot tell two days ahead what his working force will be. If he raises wages to hold his employees somebody else whose position is more desperate than his will bid still higher to get his help away from him. If this process keeps on much longer many manufacturers will be compelled to suspend business; only those who, directly or indirectly, are working for the government and sharing in the war profits can afford to keep their plants running.

Another thing which threatens to cripple some of our industries is the patriotic devotion of the men at the head of them. The government needs the service of trained executives as well as wage earners, and hundreds of capable men, directors and managers of corporations, are loyally answering the call and are neglecting their private business to give the country the benefit of their knowledge and experience.

It will not be surprising if many of our industries are suspended for the duration of the war. From the difficulties already experienced it is plain to see that some of them will very soon run against hard sledding.

MR. FORD ON THE RAILROADS.

Henry Ford, maker of automobiles and other things, in an interview yesterday at New York uttered some unpleasant truths regarding the railroads. The only criticisms to be made concerning what he said are, perhaps, that a few of the railroads are doing many of the very things he recommends—and paying the penalty for their strict efficiency by helping to create the public impression that the roads in general are prosperous—and that his pet idea of standardization, though feasible, has its limits in respect to railroad equipment.

Mr. Ford said some things besides those we published, almost equally worth quoting, if not equally apropos. For example the following: "It costs hardly one dollar's worth of coal more to run a passenger train with its seats filled than half empty. To get more revenue the banker mind tries to raise rates. The new spirit of service reduces the rates and permits the great numbers of people to ride and thereby increases its earnings.

"In many sections we have two roads where there ought to be but one. In other places there is open land without railroads. "Population should be more evenly distributed over our land. We must unify our railroads into a single national system, whose first purpose is to give transportation service.

"Book-keeping cannot solve this problem. A management with a national policy that knows what it wants, that can make steel, run engines, dig tunnels, that can keep the people's interests before local or personal interests, is what we need. "Such railroad leadership must be

protected against politics and wire-pulling. The benefits from such a policy will be so great that all the monies that have been put into the railroads in an honest way can easily be paid off.

"To supplement our railroad system we can build concrete roads that will last hundreds of years with low upkeep charges."

That the railroads "must be protected against politics and wire-pulling" is something that ought to be repeated and reiterated until it sinks deep into the federal legislative mind. The iniquities of the railroads are almost wholly in the past as regards lobbying and like evils.

Mr. Ford is a large shipper, one of the largest in the United States, and is not speaking against his own interests or those of his allies. But we believe in the sincerity of most of what he has said, nevertheless. Large sales and small profits, for instance, is a doctrine which the Woolworths, Kregges, Fords and thousands of manufacturers of cheap articles have availed themselves of to make immense fortunes, and it is the practice that is coming, as sure as America like the rest of the world is going to have more democracy.

THE BOLSHEVIKIS' END.

Whether their name is Bolsheviki, Bolshevists or something like it only different, they are near their exit from the stage of the Russian government. Prof. Pertrunkovitch of Yale, who has corrected several false impressions regarding conditions in Russia, in various interviews, was followed yesterday by Max S. Mandell, an instructor in Russian at the university, who said:

"The army of General Kaledines is marching slowly but surely toward Petrograd and will undoubtedly accomplish its object in short order. The Bolsheviki have gone about as far and perhaps a step farther than the patience of the Russian people could be expected to let them go.

"The Bolsheviki offered the Russian army, worn out by the old regime, an immediate peace and return to their homes in three days. But that time has gone by, and the men are as far from their homes as ever. No peace is in sight, and the Russian people are shamed of their representative methods in their attempt to secure peace, for the latter have been carried out in a manner anything but becoming to the Russian character. The peasants received the promise to distribute land to all who wished it with credulity, but they are now convinced that such a thing is impossible. I am glad to note that the American government has, at all times, acted toward Russia in the big brother manner."

Gilbert K. Chesterton, the English essayist, once said that an army represented "official inequality based upon unofficial equality." A truer thing was never said, regarding the armies of democracies, if a sane meaning is given to equality. The Bolsheviki's abolishment of, practically all rank in their army was one of their greatest blunders, and the blunder was general.

The present coalition of the moderate Socialists, Cossacks and the practical thinkers and men of action and influence, who believe in facing conditions as they are, may yet save Russia.

THE OPEN SHOP DECISION.

The issue of the open shop is one on which honest men may differ. The open shop stands for the individual, for differences in capacity and efficiency among men. The closed shop stands for standardization of labor—not merely collective bargaining—for the equality of human capacity. The same antithesis may be seen in respect to the Socialists and anarchists, whose principles directly oppose each other. It may be seen in any system of social cast as against democracy. There will always be leaders of men, whether they are kings, premiers or presidents—and their leadership will depend upon native ability quite as much as upon the franchises of their fellows. Their native ability will consist not merely in practical brain power, but in power of endurance, restraint, vision, all that goes to make character. The very issue of the principles of autocracy and democracy, which has become what the war is about, will not result in the complete conquest of either, but in a union of both. But equality of opportunity, so far as society can make the individual's opportunity for him, has come to stay.

This looks like a far call from the decision just rendered of the United States Supreme court, the highest court in the land, that the open shop is legal. The court says the union is legal also, but its objects must be legitimate. Employers may legally operate open shops and stop conspiracies to bring their non-union employees into labor organizations. The court said among other things: "It is erroneous to assume that all measures which may be resorted to in the effort to unionize a mine are lawful if they are peaceable, that is,

if they stop short of physical violence or coercion through fear of it." The purpose of the United Mine Workers of America "to bring about a strike at the mine in order to compel plaintiff through fear of financial loss to consent to the unionization of the mine as the lesser evil was an unlawful purpose."

The mining concern in question was the Hitchman Coal & Coke Company of West Virginia.

We have been quoting the majority opinion of the court. It goes on to say: "The plaintiff was acting within its lawful rights in employing its men upon the terms that they should not be members of the United Mine Workers; that, having established this working agreement between it and its employees with the free assent of the latter, the plaintiff is entitled to be protected in the enjoyment of the resulting status as in any other legal right; that the fact that the employment was terminable by either party at any time made no difference, since the right of the employees to strike or to leave the work gave no right to defendants to instigate a strike; that plaintiff was and is entitled to the good will of its employees, precisely as a merchant is entitled to the good will of his customers, although they are under no obligation to deal with him."

The right of organization in itself, the court also upholds. But it says that the fundamental maxim must be followed "So use your own property as not to injure the rights of another." The union knew well that the mine in question was a non-union mine, and that unionization of its employees meant a breaking of the agreement between the mine operators and the employees, because the latter could no longer continue to work in a non-union "shop."

If the liquor interests didn't advertise, if certain editors weren't in the habit of thinking with their wishbones instead of their brains, and had no financial alliances or "friendships" with brewing powers that be or held no stock in brewing concerns, what a different opinion of prohibition some newspapers would have! Moderation in drinking is like moderation in doing any fool thing that puts money into other folks' pockets. And more money is made out of people's folly than in any other way.

One thing the war hasn't quite done, is to eliminate flags with less than 48 stars, with only two of constellations they didn't shine. Needless to say we are strictly impersonal in what we say. If the flag is worth floating, let it be a flag of the union as it is, not as it was twenty years ago.

We are very much afraid the writer in The Sun, of New York—we do not say The Sun itself—is off the right track when he says the "boys over there" should be put first this Christmas. Christmas is Santa Claus time, as the writer knows better than we can tell it.

NEW SERVICE FLAG.

Electrical Dept. at Mills Unfurled Seven Starred Ensign.

A service flag, with seven stars and the first to be purchased by any of the silk mill departments, was raised in front of the electrical department in the machine shop building at 12.45 o'clock yesterday noon. There was a large crowd present and much enthusiasm was shown. Amid loud cheering, the flag was raised by Charles Steel. Leon Holmes played the bugle and the crowd joined in singing "The Star Spangled Banner." The seven stars in the flag are for the following men who enlisted from the electrical department: Harry Maidment, Naval Reserves. Elias Anderson, Signal Corps. Albin Anderson, Company G, 102nd Reg. Franklin Bendeson, Signal corps. Franklin Bendeson, Signal Corps. England. Clinton Morgan, Company G, 102nd Reg. Arthur Schoolcraft, Signal Corps.

NOT YOUR RED CROSS FLAG?

Free Distribution to Members at Recreation Building.

Any Manchester members of the Red Cross who has not yet received a Red Cross service flag may obtain one by calling at the permanent headquarters of the Manchester chapter in the Recreation building. These flags are to be displayed in the window of the owner, and one small flag an inch in height will be used to represent each member in the household who belongs to the Red Cross. A description of the service flag was given in The Evening Herald yesterday.

Watkins Brothers, Inc.

Let's All Get Together This Year and Buy Something for the Home

The above slogan given voice by an acquaintance of ours might well be adopted by other families.

Surely this is no time to spend money for useless things.

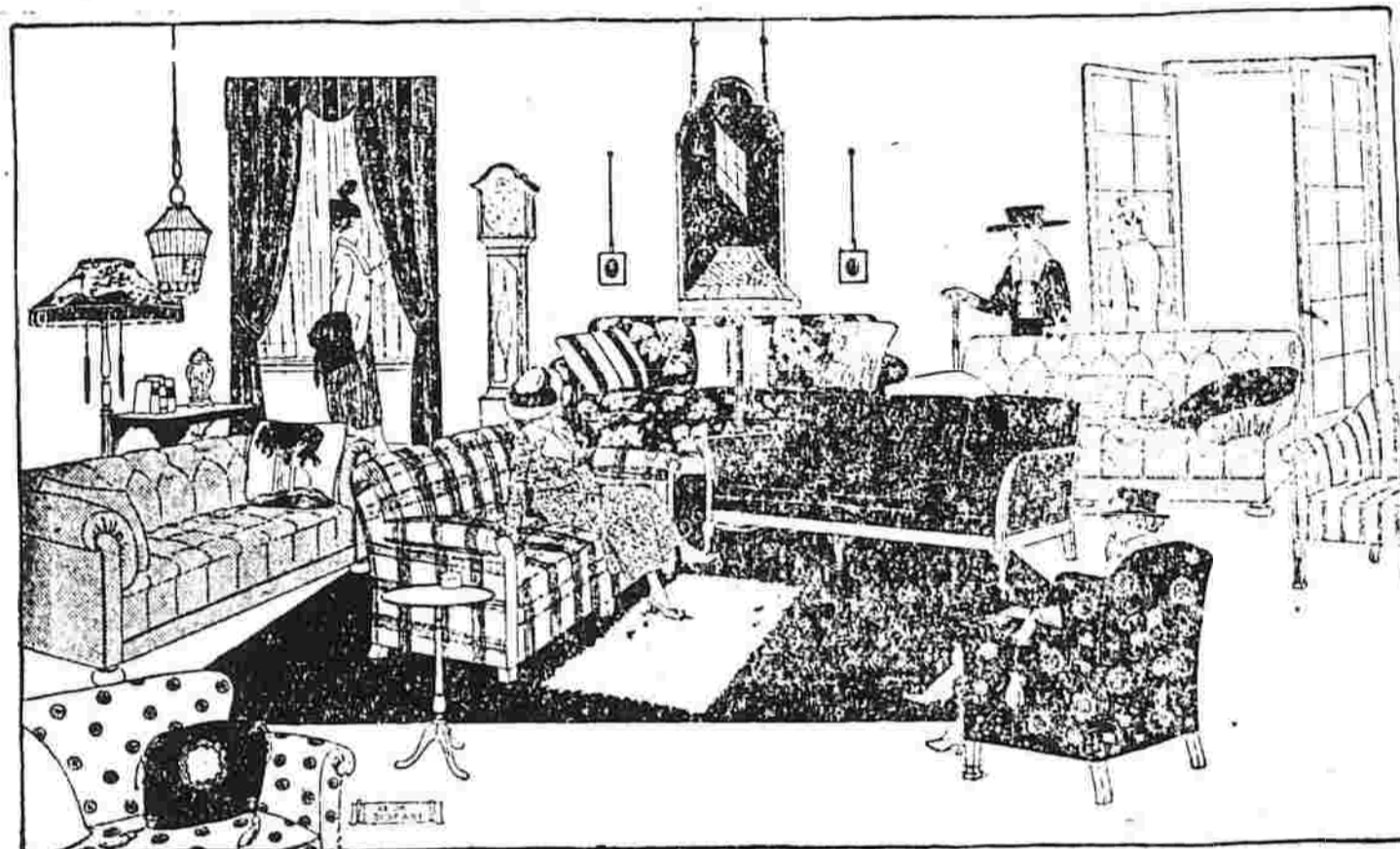
Every dollar should be spent with the thought of quality, permanency and common sense in mind.

Gifts of furniture if well bought are especially appropriate this year as they can be enjoyed by the whole family and form a permanent addition to the household.

WE ESPECIALLY SUGGEST.

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SOFAS
RUGS
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DINING ROOM FURNITURE
DESKS

MUSIC CABINETS
TELEPHONE TABLES
MAGAZINE STANDS
COSTUMERS
BOOK CASES
TABOURETTES
PEDESTALS



The Open Forum

"CORN SUGAR."

Editor of Evening Herald: It has been called to my notice that a substance, looking and tasting like "corn sugar" has been offered for sale by peddlers in Manchester. The price asked was 13 cents per pound; the purchaser also to buy apples or some other goods to make a combination sale.

The fineness of the material is about the same as coarse flour; much of it forms into round globules un- like the crystalline form of granulated sugar.

I would like to state through the columns of your paper that offering this substance for sale as "sugar" is fraud and that "corn sugar" is worth and is for sale in Hartford, if not here, at from 8 to 9 cents per pound.

Manchester War Bureau, Geo. H. Miller, Chairman Food Committee, Dec. 12th, 1917.

WANTS DR. HESSELGRAVE TO STAY.

Editor of the Herald: I have read your editorial, "Can Dr. Hesselgrave Be Spared?" and my answer is emphatically no; I have felt a good deal of concern about this matter ever since it first appeared in the papers. While the intentions of those making the suggestion cannot be questioned for a moment their judgment in this instance certainly can be. Manchester needs Dr. Hesselgrave for the next year and for many more years for reasons which it would not be difficult to enumerate, and I sincerely hope that those who have the deciding of the matter will act in accordance with logic and common sense, and if they do, Dr. Hesselgrave will remain in Manchester to carry on the many good works in which he has been so conspicuous a leader.

Yours truly,
JOHN CAIRNS.

UNUSUAL MEETING HELD BY MASONS LAST NIGHT

Officers Are Elected and Installed and Presentations Made—New Worshipful Master Leaving Town.

Last night's annual meeting of Manchester Masonic lodge was unusual from the fact that both the election and installation of the officers took place on the same evening. It is the custom to elect certain officers and at a later meeting announce the appointive officers and have the installation. The change was made last night because Albert T. Dewey, the newly elected worshipful master, who recently was commissioned a second lieutenant in the United States Reserves, must leave tomorrow to take up his duties Saturday at Camp Meade, Md. Pastmaster John D. Henderson, sr., was the installing officer and Pastmaster William Walsh, the marshal.

Two Presentations. In addition to the election and installation, there were two presentations made at the meeting last night. Harry R. Trotter, the retiring worshipful master, receiving a past master's jewel and Mr. Dewey, the newly elected worshipful master, receiving a 32nd degree Masonic ring, suitably inscribed. Pastmaster F. A. Verplanck made the presentations.

At the conclusion of the meeting there was a social hour, during which refreshments were served.

Officers Elected. The list of officers is given below: Worshipful Master, A. T. Dewey. Senior Warden, Harry R. Trotter. Junior Warden, Raymond W. Goslee.

Treasurer, William H. Coates. Secretary, Wesley B. Robbins. Senior Deacon, Charles R. Hathaway. Junior Deacon, John H. Hyde. Senior Steward, James Richmond. Junior Steward, Millard Park. Chaplain, Rev. C. M. Calderwood. Marshal, George Waddell. Organist, George Ramadell. Tyler, Samuel Smith. Trustees, F. A. Verplanck, R. La-

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choice Chocolates, Page and Shaw, Huyler's, Apollo, Belle Mead sweets and Samoset in fancy boxes, 1 pound and 2 pound and up, for the Christmas trade. Also Schraff's Chocolates in bulk. Universal Bottles, Lunch Boxes in all sizes.

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Eaton, Crane and Pike for Christmas all sizes and prices.

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I. O. O. F. BUILDING SOUTH MANCHESTER
Watch our new show windows for Xmas displays.

Motte Russell and George M. Barber. William H. Coates is now starting upon his thirty-third year as treasurer of the lodge.

It will be noticed in the list of officers that Henry R. Trotter, the retiring worshipful master, steps back to the next office of senior warden and therefore will be in a position to preside at the meetings during the absence of the newly elected worshipful master, A. T. Dewey. The reappointment of Rev. C. M. Calderwood is honorary and temporary as the lodge knows that he is soon to leave town to go to Lee, Mass., as pastor of a Congregational church there.

The deer are said to be very shy just now. But the deers are not. They get very bold around Christmas time.—Springfield Daily News.

1917 GETS RAW DEAL.

The class of 1917, basketball champions of last year's high school interclass league, journeyed to Portland last night to play the Portland team. They lost the game by the score of 14-7. The team went to Portland thinking that they would play the high school team but when they arrived they found that they were to play the best team of the town. The referee failed to recognize any rules whatsoever. He allowed the Portland men to hold the locals while a Portland man shot a basket. The hall in which the locals played was so small that a shot could be made at either basket from any point.

Meanwhile ex-Czar Nick sits back and ejaculates, "I should worry!" Shore Line Times.



Xmas Neckwear

This year we can boast of the best line of neckwear we have ever had. Dozens of pretty styles are here for your choosing and nothing in our store is more appropriate or acceptable for giving than neckwear. If you have neckwear on your list by all means don't neglect to see our assortment.

You will find the new LACE STOCKS, ROLL COLLARS, FLAT COLLARS OF FINE LAWN AND GEORGETTE, Collar and cuff sets of bengaline, pique and lawn, Windsor Tie and fancy floral bows. Each in a Xmas box ready to give.

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COTTON SHIRT WAISTS .99c, \$1.25, \$1.98 and \$2.98
In sizes 36 to 52, many of them in handsome Christmas boxes.

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A beautiful line—in plain colors and novelties—Crepe de chine and Georgette Crepe.

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The price of these same sweaters for next year will be ABOUT 50 PER CENT higher.

HEAVY SHAKER KNIT SWEATERS .. \$7.98 to \$9.98
For real serviceable presents, these sweaters are ideal.

SILK AND FIBRE SWEATERS \$5.98 to \$18.00
For the young miss who appreciates something stylish.

BATH ROBES \$3.98 to \$7.98
A splendid variety of Beacon robes in very choice patterns.

FLANNELLETTE KIMONAS 75c to \$3.49
Long and short in soft tones of grey, lavender, etc.

JAPANESE QUILTED JACKETS \$1.25 to \$2.25
Genuine Jap silk vests—with or without sleeves.

WOOL CARDIGAN JACKETS \$1.25 to \$1.98
For the elderly woman who appreciates something warm.

HAND CROCHETED SNUGLERS \$1.49
Light and dark colors.

LONG NOVELTY KIMONAS \$2.98 to \$12.98
Finest silk materials in dainty colors.

SILK PETTICOATS \$2.49 to \$5.98
Each in Christmas box

Leather Goods for Men

Cigar Cases, 25c to \$1.75.
Cigarette Cases, 25c, 50c, 59c each.
Handkerchief Cases, 99c, \$1.49, \$1.98.
Military Brushes (in case) \$1.49, \$1.75, \$2.25.
Playing Cards 50c to 99c
Tie Cases 99c, \$1.98 and \$2.98.
Bill Folds 25c, 50c and up to \$2.98.

Leather Goods for Women

Ideal Gifts for Women.

Hand Bags 50c to \$4.98.
Strap Purses 50c to \$3.49.
Calling Card Cases 25c and 50c
Pocketbooks 25c to \$1.75.
Music Rolls 99c to \$2.98.
Change Purses 10c to 25c
Children's Hand Bags 25c and 50c each.

Get Ahead of Santa Claus

Wise economy is necessary this year as never before. But true economy is in spending wisely, rather than not spending at all. That means trading early. **LET US HELP YOU.**

You want your gifts to look a little better than the money they cost. And so this store has brought its prices down to rock bottom—has bought more closely than ever it bought before—and has given you the full benefit of its savings.

You want YOUR gifts to be a little different from the ordinary ones that everybody gives. And so this store has gone out of its way to pick up things here and there and everywhere that have some mark of distinction—that impress everyone right away as being different.

You want YOUR gifts to come within the range of the amount you have allowed for Xmas shopping—and if possible, leave you a little over for the many unexpected needs of Xmas week. And so this store does not try to get a few cents more from you for each article you purchase—but makes every effort to satisfy your wants at the price you wish to pay. In short, this store is your helper in Xmas shopping—a courteous, reliable, serviceable friend, whose assistance you can take freely and without after-regrets.

A Wonder World of Playthings

That Serve To Amuse the Minds of the Little Ones
And Educate Them at The Same Time.

Bring the children along with you today. Let them see the mountains of heart gladders which Santa has piled up for them here. The heaps of Toys are arranged for each of the seven ages of childhood, so bring all the little ones.



And when he puts his bag in his sleigh behind his teams of reindeers we'll see that he "holers whoa" above the house-top and comes down the chimney with them on Christmas eve.
Come See These New Toy Displays **And Bring the Children.**

Pianos 35c to \$4.98.
Bowling alleys 29c to 99c
Doll beds with mattresses 50c to \$4.98.
Kitchen Cabinets 99c to \$1.98.
Doll dishes 25c to 59c
Roller Chimes 50c to 99c
Scooters 99c to \$1.98.
Carpenter work benches \$7.98 to \$11.98.
Drums 50c to \$4.98.
Sand Cranes 99c
Pile Drivers 99c
Busy Handy trip hammers 50c
Cyclone pumps 99c
Dumping Sandy 59c
Rubber toys and rattles 10c to 75c
Christmas stockings 25c to \$2.
Tinker Toys 50c
Bowling pins 25c to 99c
Wagon blocks 25c to 99c
Blackboards 99c to \$1.49.
Auto racers \$10.98.
Friction toys 50c to \$1.98
Erectors (the child mind builder) 50c to \$10.

Erector electrical sets \$5.00.
Erector telegraphing sets \$5.00
Brick toy sets \$1.50 to \$5.00.
Kiddie cars 99c to \$1.98.
Go-carts 99c to \$1.49.
Doll carriages \$3.49 to \$15.98.
Sleds \$1.25 to \$2.98.
Novelty carts 99c to \$1.69.
Bibles 99c to \$2.98.
Small children's books 5c to 99c
Girl's books 25c to \$1.50.
Boys' books 25c to 69c
Boys' educational games 5c to 99c
Girls' educational games 25c to 99c
Sewing sets 25c to 99c
Painting sets 25c to 99c
Puzzles 25c to 59c
Blocks 25c to \$1.50.
Large assortment of unbreakable dolls 25c to \$5.98.
Teddy bears 35c to 99c
Children's furniture sets (3 piece ivory sets) \$12.50, consisting of table and two chairs, prettily decorated to match the nursery.

5 piece sets (oblong table) \$10.98, mission finish.
5 piece sets (round table) \$11.50, mission finish.
Tables 50c to 99c, either oblong or round, varnished.
White tables \$1.25 to \$2.98.
White chairs and rockers 99c each.
Shoo-flys \$1.98 to \$6.98.
Rocking horses \$6.98 to \$12.98.

WHITE FINISH DOLL FURNITURE.

Cradles 29c to 59c
Beds 29c to \$1.49.
Cribs 99c to \$1.69.
Chairs 29c to 50c
Tables 29c
Costumers 99c to \$3.49.
Swings 59c
Bureaus 50c to \$3.49.

Practical Gifts for Baby

INFANTS' BOOTEES 25c, 35c, 59c, 75c and 99c
White, pink and blue combinations.

CROCHETED SACQUES 59c, 99c up to \$1.98
Nearly all are hand made.

CASHMERE SACQUES 99c, \$1.49, up to \$2.49
Wool has nearly doubled in price. We offer these at the same prices as last year.

KNITTED SWEATERS 59c, 99c up to \$3.98
A wonderful assortment for children up to 4 years old.

CARRIAGE ROBES (Silk covered) \$2.98
Pink and blue with hand Japanese embroidery.

BATH ROBES \$1.25, \$2.49 up to \$2.98
Made of heavy bath robe flannel or dainty silk Japanese embroidered.

WHITE DRESSES (Sizes 2 to 6) \$1.25 up
All Christmas boxes if you wish.

BONNETS FOR BABY 25c, 50c up to \$1.98

VERY FINE ROMPERS 99c to \$1.25
Good grade of poplin. Some with hand worked collars and cuffs.

BRUSHED ANGORA SETS ... \$3.49, \$4.98 and \$5.98
These sets consist of sweaters, cap, leggings, and mittens. All the good colors.

Boudoir Caps

As usual we are in the lead when it comes to boudoir caps. Dozens of pretty styles in colors pink, blue, mais, white, rose and nicely trimmed with fine lace and ribbons. Priced from 25c to \$1.49. Each in a Xmas box.

Xmas Jewelry in Pretty Boxes

Brooches 25c to \$1.25
Hat Pins 25c, 50c, 99c
Longerie Clasps 25c and 50c
Bar Pins 25c and 50c
Bracelets 50c to \$1.98
Waist Sets 25c and 50c
Beauty Pins 25c and 50c
Rosary Beads 35c to \$2.98
Pearl Beads 35c to 99c each
Cuff Links 25c and 50c

White Ivory Articles for Gifts

Hair Brushes \$1.25 to \$2.98
Dressing Combs 25c, 35, 50c
Nail Files 25c and 39c
Hair Receivers 25c to 75c
Cuticle Knives 39c
Powder Boxes 25c and 50c

Two Xmas Specials

BEAUTIFUL XMAS CARDS 7 FOR 5c
(Over 20,000 of them.)
CHENEY SILK PILLOW TOP 59c
Same price as last year. Each in Xmas folder.

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It is one of those things of which no one ever has too much—and so you avoid all danger of making a present that will not be appreciated.

CORSET COVERS,
25c, 35c, 50c up to \$1.00
Hundreds of them in individual Christmas boxes.

ENVELOPE CHEMISE,
99c, \$1.49, \$1.98
All in Christmas boxes. Lace and embroidery trimmed.

WHITE SKIRTS,
99c, \$1.25, \$1.98, \$2.98, \$3.49
Even some extra size skirts at \$2.25. Make especially practical gifts.

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New clever designs for the Christmas trade. High or low neck. Regular or extra sizes.

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Silk Camisoles 99c to \$1.49.
Silk Robes \$4.98 to \$7.98.
Silk Chemise \$2.49 to \$3.98.
Silk Pajamas \$7.98.

HAND EMBROIDERED MUSLINS.
Chemise \$2.25 to \$3.98.
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GENERAL KORNILOFF, COSSACK LEADER WHO MAY YET RULE IN RUSSIA, AND HIS BODYGUARD

General Korniloff, the famous Cossack leader (on the ground at right), and several members of his bodyguard. Korniloff was the leader of the abortive military revolt against the provisional government, but it is believed he and his troops now are supporting Kerensky against the bolsheviks. He is regarded as a very strong man and some believe he may yet be the one who will rule in Russia and bring a measure of order out of the chaos.



FAMOUS JIBBOOM CLUB GIVES ITS SPY GLASSES

New London Organization Answers Uncle Sam's Appeal for Marine Glasses—Sends Letter to Daniels.

Hartford, Dec. 12.—The ghosts of generations of old New England whalers—as sturdy a race of mariners as ever sailed out of the Sound—have declared war upon the Kaiser and his fiendish submarines; before long they will be standing watch on swift destroyers—lending their keen vision to the young men of Uncle Sam's Navy who are today scanning the horizon for periscopes as they once scanned the South Seas for the telltale spouts of monster whales.

Has 400 Members. This latest declaration of war was transmitted last week to the secretary of the navy through the Jibboom of New London, the 400 members of which are successors and descendants of the famous old whalers of New London town. Among the most carefully treasured relics of the club are a number of spyglasses that were used years ago by the skippers of old whalers which have long since been burned for their copper rivets, spyglasses that carried memories of scores of whaling trips and which the skippers gave to the club when they had returned to port for the last time. The glasses, inscribed with the names and records of their owners have hung for years on the walls of clubhouses and few if any of their former owners are still alive.

Offer Sent to Washington. At a recent meeting of the club, when it was reported that the Navy Department, through the Connecticut State Council of Defense, had asked for loans of idle spyglasses and binoculars to aid the Navy in its hunt for submarines, the members, deciding that they were showing the same spirit their ancestors would have shown, unanimously voted to offer all the club's spyglasses to the Navy for use during the war. The offer has been transmitted to Washington and will be accepted. Soon the spyglasses will be distributed to the Navy's sea scouts and if the officers of today can spot submarines as easily with them as the old skippers could spot whales when they were alive, their ghosts will huckle with glee as they add submarines to the tally of deep sea monsters caught with the aid of their prized glasses.

Letter. The offer to the navy department by the club follows in part: Jibboom Club No. 1 New London, Conn. December 4, 1917.

"Hon. Josephus Daniels, Secretary, U. S. Navy, Washington, D. C.

"Dear Sir: At the regular meeting on December 1st, it was the unanimous vote of the Jibboom Club, whose membership is about 400, to offer you for the United States Navy a number of old marine glasses which we have now in the club.

"This club was organized by the old whalers of New London, and a great number of these glasses were presented by members of the club who have made their last voyage. Where they are of little use at the present time, we believe that the glasses themselves and their lenses would be of great value to the government with very little expense for repairs.

"George Scott, Commodore, Per S. M. Marters."

ROYAL NEIGHBORS.

Laurel Camp Chooses Its Officers for Coming Year.

At the annual meeting of Laurel Camp, Royal Neighbors of America, in Tinker hall Monday evening, the following officers were elected:

- Oracle, Mrs. Louise Gilman.
- Vice Oracle, Mrs. Martha Rogers.
- Recorder, Mrs. Ellen L. Bockus.
- Receiver, Mrs. Rachel Munsie.
- Chancellor, Mrs. Margaret Brown.
- Marshal, Mrs. Minnie Dougan.
- Assistant Marshal, Mrs. Carrie Wilson.
- Inner Sentinel, Mrs. Margaret Jones.
- Outer Sentinel, Miss Alice Jones.
- Pianist, Mrs. Margaret Aitkins.
- Managers, Mrs. Charlotte Johnson, Mrs. Margaret McDonald and Mrs. Mary Frederickson.
- Physician, Dr. W. R. Tinker.

The above officers will be installed Monday evening, January 14, by Supervising Deputy Mrs. Jessie Mitchell and District Deputy Mrs. Mary Lewis of Hartford.

During the meeting last night it was announced that the supervising deputy had appointed Mrs. Louise Gilman district deputy for New London county and Mrs. Rachel Munsie district deputy for the local camp and Hartford and Tolland counties.

SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS AT THE WATKINS STORE

Beautiful Decorations and Wonderful Display of Furniture

WHAT ECONOMY MEANS

Service Means Saving According to Motto of Local Home Furnishers—The Display.

The spirit of Christmas will be reflected from your heart to the wonderful display at the big furniture store on Main St., making your dream of a merry Christmas a reality. If you should chance to drop in this week at Watkins Brothers.

With all outdoors covered with its mantle of snow, the illusion is complete when you open the doors of the main show rooms and step in from Main street. Evergreens festoon the supporting pillars, Christmas trees peep from each nook and corner and wreaths give the dainty decorative touch where they are most effective.

The first thing that strikes the eye of the observer is the fact that this year the kiddies are remembered at Watkins. Doll beds, doll carts and children's chairs and rockers. Then one notices that the daddy of the house is remembered also with beautiful smoking stands and the mother is remembered by sewing baskets, work tables and the like. All of these are practical gifts.

Arranged in a wonderful display throughout the store are parlor and reading lamps, with silk and art glass shades; desks in all manner of styles and woods; console tables and mirrors; card tables, candle sticks, serving trays and tea tables, cedar chests, wood baskets for open fireplaces that fit so snugly into the bungalow scheme of interiors; reed chairs and rockers; beautiful framed pictures and bed-room and dining room and reception room suites of all the modern styles an dantique reproductions. In all a fairland of home furnishings.

In the rear of the ground floor is the music department. Here the decorator surpassed himself. The office has been transformed into a tiny home of red bricks and stepping into the big chimney is old Santa Clause himself as big as life. On one side is an old fashioned open fireplace over which the star of Bethlehem gleams. All of the beloved old Christmas carols are carried in records and again this year the music department will have to send auto trucks to New York to get Victrolas so as not to depend on the railroads during the rush season.

Upstairs there are several floors packed solid with suits for all purposes, lounges, china closets and bureaus of all sorts. And then carpets and rugs in profusion.

The public in general must take heed of two slogans authorized by the government. One is "Business as Usual" and the other is "Save." These slogans which at the first glance seem to clash, do not at all if they are understood. The government when it adopted the first realized that if people would not buy, money would be hoarded and taken out of circulation; thousands of persons would be thrown out of work and the whole system of business would be discouraged. That would mean a seriously broken cog in the gigantic machine that keeps this nation together. What the government meant by the economy saving was that such goods should be bought that would give service so that the money would be well spent and not thrown away. For instance there would be no economy in buying three pairs of shoes that would not wear as well as one pair of well made footwear.

This is the idea that permeates every nook of the Watkins store. Service is the motto from the buyer to the man who delivers the goods to you. Service from the wood that the furniture is turned out of to the manner in which it is turned over to you. And in this service the meaning of the word economy flares up clearly.

DUNDEE BESTS KUNZ.

New York, Dec. 11.—Johnny Dundee stands out today as one of the foremost challengers of the winner of the bout between Benny Leonard and Irish Patsy line in Philadelphia tomorrow night. Dundee scored a knock-out over Battling Kunz, Connecticut lightweight champion, in the fifth round of their bout at Bridgeport last night.

ONE WEEK MORE of the Special Out-Of-The-Season Drive on Furniture at The G. E. Keith Furniture Co.

Owing to the fact that many people could not get out to this great Sale during the closing days of last week on account of the storm we have decided to continue it one week more. Values are to be found here that will amaze the Shrewd, Critical and Clever Shopper. Prices in things worth-while that seem impossible and are impossible if a profit is sought. This is a genuine PROFIT SHARING SALE.

Full size Brass Bed \$9.95 was \$16.50

20% reduction on all electric lamps.



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What Are You Eating, Friend, While The War Is Going On?

COOKING FOODS.

Cook food long enough to develop full food value. The way things are cooked is very important, for it affects food value, appetite and digestion.

Cook vegetables so as to make them as digestible and palatable as possible. Start in boiling salted water. Vegetables with a pleasant flavor should be cooked in a small quantity of water with the cover on the pan to keep the flavor in the vegetable. On the other hand, vegetables with a strong odor may be cooked in a large quantity of water with the pan uncovered to draw out some of the strong flavor.

The water in which vegetables, such as potatoes, are boiled, should be saved for soups and meat gravies. This water has dissolved some of the most valuable food material (especially salts), which may be saved in this way.

Soaking Saves Fuel.
Long soaking of dried vegetables in cold water will save fuel. Soaking of cereals in cold water overnight will save fuel. Cook in the water in which soaked. This method, however, necessitates constant stirring, while coming to the boiling point, to prevent lumping. If started in boiling water pour the cereal slowly into boiling salted water and stir until as thick as mush. Then steam over boiling water until done. The longer the cooking, the more digestible the cereal. Rice should not be allowed to cook until it is mushy.

Dried fruits are very economical. For one thing, you yourself add the water for which you pay in fresh fruit. To prepare, soak in cold water twenty-four hours and cook slowly in the water in which soaked until tender.

Substitutes.
The doctrine of "substitutes" being promulgated by the Food Administration might be of less importance if it were the rule to find intelligent cookery in the United States. There would be plenty of food, both for ourselves and our proteges, without wheatless and meatless days, if those materials at our disposal were temperately utilized. But, unfortunately, American cookery is prodigal of fats and other valuable foods; many tons of valuable foods have been wasted as garbage heretofore. Immigrants from Europe are astounded at our high-handed waste of food.

Every meal a little less waste, how to get the most energy and food value out of materials at their disposal. When they once land in America we comment on their frugality—which usually is not an enduring frugality when they find their natural aversion to waste being critically observed.

For your guidance in cooking with substitute fats the following list of 100 per cent fat foods may be useful:

Commercial shortening or cooking fats, cottonseed oil, peanut oil, olive oil, corn oil, sesame oil.

It is especially important that waste be guarded against during the holidays. Live well; you can do finely at even less outlay than in former years, despite present prices, if you practice careful buying and sensible cooking.

As an example of the readiness and ability of Red Cross chapters to meet the emergency call for surgical dressings it is worth noting that a small group of chapters recently provided surgical dressings for 188 battleships and destroyers. A total of 300,000 separate dressings was necessary, and the entire consignment was filled and delivered to the navy, the navy stipulating that it would replace all the materials used in the manufacture of the dressings.

Directions for making hospital garments have been standardized and patterns are now available at all Red Cross chapters and at retail goods stores. Each of the large pattern companies issues official Red Cross patterns. Materials for the garments are specified on the patterns, and may be obtained from the chapters.

Among the garments that are made for the use of patients are pajamas, hospital bed shirts, bath robes and convalescent robes, in winter and summer weights; bed jackets, bed socks, undershirts, underdrawers, bandaged foot socks, icebag covers and hot water bag covers; for the use of doctors, there are operating gowns, operating caps, leggings and masks. As new needs arise, other garments will be added to the list.

Nearly all these dressings are needed for use in France. After being shipped there they are handled by a chain of warehouses and distributed by motor transport to 2,000 war hospitals with which the Red Cross Surgical Dressings Service keeps in constant touch. It is possible in this way to regulate the distribution of dressings according to the particular needs of each hospital.

Of course any triplets born in Great Britain now will unquestionably be named Byng, Biff and Bang.—Norwich Bulletin.

Some Recipes.

Here is an extra good recipe for an eggless plum pudding: One cup bread crumbs; 2 cups rye flour; 4 teaspoons baking powder; one-half teaspoon salt; 1 teaspoon cloves; 1 teaspoon cinnamon; 1 cup chopped suet; 1 cup seeded raisins; 1 chopped apple; 1 cup molasses; 1 cup milk.

Mix the ingredients thoroughly; add the suet and the prepared fruit. Mix well and add gradually the molasses and milk, stirring continually. Steam two and one-half hours. Serve with hard sauce.

Here's a good one for an eggless milkless, butterless cake: 1 cup brown sugar; 1 1/4 cups water; 1 cup seeded raisins; 2 ounces citron, cut fine; one-third cup shortening; one-half teaspoon salt; 1 teaspoon nutmeg; 1 teaspoon cinnamon; 1 cup corn flour; 1 cup rye flour; 5 teaspoons baking powder.

Boil sugar, water, fruit shortening, salt and spices together in saucepan three minutes. When cool add flour and baking powder, which have been sifted together. Mix well; bake in loaf pan in moderate oven about forty-five minutes.

Hominy muffins: 1 cup soft boiled or left-over hominy; 1 teaspoon salt; 1 1/2 tablespoons shortening; 1 egg; three-fourths cup milk; 2 cups corn flour; 4 teaspoons baking powder.

Mix together hominy, salt, melted shortening, beaten egg and milk. Add flour which has been sifted with baking powder. Beat well and bake in greased muffin tins or shallow pan in hot oven twenty-five to thirty minutes.

For Molasses Cakes.
Molasses cakes: 4 tablespoons shortening; one-half cup sugar; three-fourths cup molasses; 2 cups rye flour; 4 tablespoons baking powder; 1 tablespoon ginger; 1 teaspoon all-spice; one-fourth teaspoon salt; three-fourths cup milk.

Cream shortening. Add sugar and molasses, beating well. Add half the flour which has been sifted with baking powder, spices and salt. Mix in half the milk and then add remainder of flour and remainder of milk. Mix well and pour into greased individual cake tins and bake in moderate oven about twenty minutes.

Entire wheat prune bread: 2 1/2 cups entire wheat flour; one-fourth cup sugar; 1 teaspoon salt; 4 teaspoons baking powder; 1 cup milk; 1 cup prunes, chopped; 1 cup water.

Wash prunes, soak several hours, drain, stone and chop. Mix with flour, sugar, salt and baking powder; add milk and beat well. Add prunes and melted shortening. Put into greased bread pan, allow to stand twenty to twenty-five minutes in warm place and bake in moderate oven one hour.

Oatmeal bread: 1 cup flour, 1 1/2 cups corn meal; 1 teaspoon salt; 5 teaspoons baking powder; 2 tablespoons sugar; one-half cup oatmeal; 1 egg; 2 tablespoons shortening; 1 cup milk.

Sift together flour, corn meal, salt, baking powder and sugar; add oatmeal. Add beaten egg, melted shortening and milk. Mix well and bake in greased shallow pan in moderate oven forty to forty-five minutes.

FRIDAY'S H. S. GAME.

Friday the high school basketball team will play a game which should attract a large crowd to the Recreation building. The opposing team is the Torrington High School. This high school has gained a reputation for turning out fast teams and its basketball team does not usually fall behind the other sports. But this does not worry the locals who have been much strengthened by their defeat at the hand of Hartford High last week. The last game taught the boys some things which a year's coaching could not. They have profited by the defeat and it is not necessary to say that they will keep the bacon at home.

This game will be the first one in the league of which South Manchester High is a prominent member. The local team hopes to win the championship of this league which contains some fast teams such as Naugatuck, Waterbury and Middletown. The locals hope to have the backing of not only a large number of high school pupils but also a number of local basketball enthusiasts.

TO GIVE WHIST PARTY.

Widespread interest is being shown in the whist party to be given Wednesday evening in the parish house of St. James church on Park street. The entertainment will be for the benefit of the parochial school building fund. As reward of merit for the best score a handsome silk-lined work basket filled with candy will be presented.—Adv't.

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New York, Dec. 12.—Three seasons without a defeat. Three seasons crowned with glorious victories over ancient rivals; victories so clean cut that no claims of the beaten foemen could detract from their brilliancy.

This is a record to be proud of, and Glenn Warner and his Pittsburgh University football heroes are justly swelled up about it.

When the Panthers finished the season of 1917 without suffering the sting of a beaten team they reached the goal for which they had been striving since the season began—the goal of three years of sweeping victories.

Admirers of the Panthers—and they have hosts of them—are agreed that should any team be acclaimed as the best in the country for the season of 1917 it should be Warner's eleven.

On their showing this year they are entitled to much consideration, but because they cannot be handed the national championship with such elvans as Ohio State and Georgia Tech standing in the way of their claims, and no chance to make fair comparisons, they must be satisfied with a rating as the best team in the East.

Georgia Tech Southern Champs.
To Georgia Tech goes the southern title for this year.

"The Atlanta aggregation piled up greater scores against opponents than any other eleven in the country and there is not the slightest doubt as to their class. The defeat Tech handed to Penn early in the season was a sample of the class of the team, and though Bob Folwell's Red and Blue machine was far from being in its real form when the Tech game was played, the decisiveness of the score leaves Penn with little chance to yelp. It must be remembered, also, that Tech improved as the season advanced.

Ohio State won the Big Ten championship for the second consecutive time, romping home with the bacon after a season of well earned victories that left no stumbling block

in the path of their claims to class. On scores made by the other western elevens it appears that Ohio State was the class of the West outside the conferences as well, though Coach Wilce's gridgers did not meet Michigan, Notre Dame or Nebraska.

Developed Own Stars.
Glancing back at the Pittsburgh team, it is timely to note that Warner developed the best all-around team in the East without his bright stars of a year ago. The team this year did not present the faces of Jimmy De Hart, Andy Hastings, Bob Peck, Jim Morrow, Pat Herron and other luminaries of the 1916 eleven.

Instead Coach Warner had a squad of lesser lights, composed largely of men who had been substitutes for the last two years and eligibles from the 1916 freshman team. Of the thirty-four men who comprised the 1916 varsity squad, nine alone remained when the football team was assembled this fall. From this material the famous Cornellian formed a typical Warner machine with every man knowing exactly what he had to do in every play and usually performing that function when the signals were called.

Best of Team.
Of the great Pitt backfield of last year, which outclassed all teams met, George McLaren, the plunging fullback of Pittsburgh High school, alone was left. He is under twenty-one and not eligible for the draft. "Jimmy" De Hart, the quarterback, is at Princeton with the Army Corps. Hastings and Morrow, the regular fullbacks, are at Princeton with the Pitt base hospital unit. In the places of these stars were found Ross Gouger of Conway Hall, and Roy Easterday of Lisbon (Ohio) High school, substitute halfbacks last fall. At quarterback Warner had three men to handle De Hart's job—McClelland and Pitler, both of Pittsburgh High school, and Miller of Wyoming Seminary, Kingston, Pa. McClelland played his first game at the position in the Syracuse contest.

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NIGHTLY TALKS PLANNED

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The public speaking bureau of the Red Cross Christmas membership campaign began its work with a bang last evening. In no less than five local churches and halls those present heard sound and earnest addresses by well known local speakers. At the Center Congregational church Rev. Dr. C. E. Hesselgrave gave convincing reasons why the citizens of this community should become members of the Red Cross en masse. At the South Methodist church the Rev. William H. Bath at the class meeting gave an interesting talk on the reasons why every citizen should see that his name is enrolled during the Christmas week drive of the Red Cross.

At the annual meeting of the Masonic lodge F. A. Verplanck gave a characteristically earnest address on the coming Christmas drive of the Red Cross.

At Cheney hall last evening at the very largely attended dance under the auspices of the lodge of Moose, with the famous singing orchestra present, Representative Willard B. Rogers gave a vigorous address urging Red Cross membership as the duty of all patriotic citizens. Mr. Rogers is chairman of the speakers' bureau of the Red Cross campaign, and has put punch and enthusiasm into his branch of the work.

At the meeting of the local Hibernian lodge last evening James W. Foley, in a well delivered talk, emphasized the reasons why hearty cooperation is the just cue of the Red Cross in the coming Christmas drive.

Public Speaking Nightly.
A carefully made-plan has been adopted by the speakers' bureau for the Christmas week campaign, and steps have been taken to assure the delivering of Red Cross addresses each night at every theater, social gathering, church service, fraternal gathering, basketball and dance and

in fact every public gathering of prominence in this town from the present date until Christmas day. The speakers at the different meetings Tuesday evening brought out the following points as reasons for joining the Red Cross at once:

1. The Red Cross is the only national relief organization in the United States authorized by Congress to give aid to the army and navy.

2. It is the most direct way for any individual to care for brother, son or husband in the army or navy.

3. At the present time it has the confidence of the American people to the extent that millions have become members.

4. Its funds are so administered that more cents out of your dollar go to relief work than through any other relief organization in America.

5. It is preparing to care for not only American boys but as far as possible the soldiers of the Allies.

6. It is providing food, shelter and clothing for the widows and little children of the millions of dead and disabled soldiers of the Allies.

7. It is going to undertake on a vast scale to make maimed American soldiers and sailors economically independent.

8. By its vast organization and transportation facilities it is able to apportion and distribute hospital supplies among the allied armies effectively and promptly according to their needs.

9. It is the most distinctively American organization in the country, overlooking race, creed and color, recognizing only need.

10. It stands squarely back of the President, the army, the navy, and the ideals of democracy symbolized by the flag.

Speakers Praise Women.
Some of the speakers gave unstinted praise to the work of the women in behalf of the Red Cross, referring to their work locally and in its world-wide aspect. Detailed information was given as to what the women have done abroad, in the hospitals and in the homes in need of them. Millions of women have given a share of their time, it was shown, in chapter workrooms and at home, to the service of both soldiers and civilian. No part of Red Cross work is more important than this.

The function of the Red Cross administration has been to direct and correlate this effort which has been so generously offered. Standard patterns and specifications for all the more important articles which can be made by women workers have been adopted.

After careful study of the whole field of women's work in the Red

Cross by the Women's Bureau information has been issued, giving detailed instructions for the making of surgical dressings in chapter workrooms, and for the manufacture of hospital garments, and other supplies, knit goods and comfort kits.

Miss Martha Draper and Miss Elizabeth Hoyt, as special representatives of the Women's Bureau, have been investigating conditions in France and have reported the changing and special needs for articles which American women can make.

The Women's Bureau has also selected and mobilized a limited number of women workers for whom there was a special need in foreign service. Fifty-two women were sent to France to serve in army canteens, and others being selected. Fifty women, also have enrolled for special work in connection with handling surgical dressings.

The volume of work done at home and in chapter workrooms by women volunteers cannot be adequately measured. It is suggested by the statistics of goods shipped overseas. In the seven months ending November 1, 1917, the Red Cross sent to Europe 13,336 cases, containing approximately 13,000,000 separate articles, or surgical dressings, hospital supplies and clothing. In addition to these, large quantities of similar supplies have been sent to camps and cantonments in the United States.

Major Murphy has recently cabled to the War Council: "In view of general conditions, please give right of way on ships to surgical dressings and hospital supplies." The War Council has promised him that 3,000,000 dressings will be shipped to France monthly for the next six months.

None of the articles made by the Red Cross are sold, under any circumstances.

Surgical Dressings.
Standard and special dressings are being made in chapter workrooms. These classified as "standard" are used constantly in all the military hospitals; they are the normal output of the workrooms. When special dressings of any kind are needed overseas, the chapters are instructed by Division Headquarters to make them.

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ABOUT TOWN

TONIGHT IN MANCHESTER.
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Congregational meeting, Center church.

Roller skating, Armory. Home Guard drill.

Grange, Thompson's bungalow. Memorial Lodge, K. of P., Orange hall.

Manchester Lodge of Moose, Foresters hall.

Spanish War Veterans, Recreation building.

Sons of St. George, Tinker hall. Park theater, Sarah Bernhardt.

Circle theater, William S. Hart.

Lighting Up Time.
Auto lamps should be lighted at 4.50 p. m.
The sun rose at 7.10 a. m.
The sun sets at 4.20 p. m.

Hans Engle has joined the Signal Corps.

"Eddie" Quish has enlisted in the ordnance department.

Rollin Rood who is with the naval reserves is home on a few days' furlough.

The Fraternal Benefit League will hold an election of officers in Foresters hall tomorrow night.

A son, Theodore, Jr., was born Monday to Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Nelson of 108 Ridge street.

A public whist will be held in the parish house on Park street this evening for the benefit of the St. James parochial school fund.

William Tedford has resigned his position as conductor on the local trolley lines and will work in the Pratt & Whitney shop in Hartford.

Sammy Kotsch is the boxing instructor at the Recreation building and he is attracting quite a crowd each night he conducts a class.

"Jack" McGlynn, the well known motorman who was recently appointed a supernumerary, was off duty today to work for three nights on Officer Fitzgerald's beat.

The Woman's Committee of the local Council of Defense announces today that service flags are now on sale in the Red Cross rooms at the Recreation building.

John R. Ellison, son of Andrew Ellison, has enlisted in the Aviation Signal corps. He is now stationed at Fort Slocum, N. Y. He was a mechanical engineer and his work kept him in New York.

Campbell Council, K. of C., will have a Christmas tree this year, following the custom of former years. The tree will be the center of an entertainment which will be arranged by Dr. J. L. Remehan.

William Taylor, the collector of the Fire District taxes, reports the taxes to be coming in fairly well. There are still a number of delinquent ones and they must get their taxes in quickly or suffer the consequences.

An orchestra has been hired for the Recreation Center dance which will be held Saturday night. This will be for members only and is the first of a series to be held during the winter. The dance will be in the gymnasium.

As the next meeting and annual election of officers of Shepherd Encampment, I. O. O. F., would fall on Christmas eve if held according to schedule, it has been decided to postpone the election to Monday evening, December 31.

While the American Red Cross will not conduct a campaign for Halifax relief, still any local resident who wishes to help may send contributions to Lucius Pinney, treasurer of the local Red Cross chapter.

The local war bureau has placed some signs in the office in the Ferris block in which is also situated the branch office of The Evening Herald. One of the signs reads "Protect the Baby." This is no reflection on the Herald which is three years old.

Miss Edith Weldon has returned from a few days visit with her sister Nan who is a student at the Connecticut College for Women at New London. She spent Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday with her sister and reports an excellent time.

Word received from Camp Devens last night stated that William Sweeney of West Center street, who has been critically ill with pneumonia, had passed the danger point. His mother, Mrs. Ellen Sweeney, was called to his bedside night before last.

The man found dead Sunday morning in a bunk on the west side, still lies unidentified at the undertaking establishment of W. P. Quish. Mr. Quish has made every effort to have the man identified but with little success. All he found out is that the man once worked in Plainville. The body will be kept until Saturday when it will be buried.

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Young People's Secretary William Atkinson of the local Salvation Army corps is arranging an interesting program for tomorrow evening at the Citadel. At this meeting, Mrs. Mary Turkington will give a talk on the training of the cadets at the Salvation Army Training college in New York city. An original song composed by Band Sergeant John Lyons, will be sung by Miss Lucy Ady. The public is invited.