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BOLSHEVIKI LOSING SAY U. S. EMBASSY; ODESSA IN GRAP OF REVOLT

Cossacks are Giving "Reds" More Than Latter Bargained For

Following in the wake of the Bolshevik government's claim that the Cossack rebellion in Russia was collapsing, news was received today of fierce fighting at Odessa, while patriotic Cossacks are reported to be marching upon Astrakhan.

Reinforced by Ukrainian troops the Cossacks in Southern Russia are waging a determined war against the Red Guards, as the Bolshevik forces are known.

Street Fighting, Odessa.

Furious street fighting broke out in Odessa, the chief Ukrainian port on the Black Sea, with both sides contesting for possession of the city.

The Bolshevik government has served an ultimatum on Ukrania, threatening to declare war if the Ukrainian government continues to give aid to the counter revolutionists.

The Bolsheviks have already declared war against the Cossacks.

No news had been received up to early this afternoon of any military events of importance.

Red Guards, (the Bolsheviks), hold part of Odessa, but the Ukrainians have fortified the Opera House and other important buildings in the city and have mounted machine guns upon the roofs to sweep the streets.

Ukrainians are being attacked by Bolsheviks.

of Ukrainians was surrounded.

People Fleeing From City.

Odessa is said to be in a turmoil with people fleeing from the city to avoid flying bullets. All the telephone wires in the city were cut.

A telegram from Petrograd stated that the Bolsheviks have served an ultimatum upon the Ukrainian government that, unless it ceases giving aid to the counter revolutionaries they will declare war against Ukrania.

(Ukrainia lies in Southern Russia and embraces a wide stretch of territory. Odessa is the chief Ukrainian port on the Black Sea.)

Bolsheviks Losing, Says Embassy.
Washington, Dec. 19.—The Russian Embassy in Washington today announced its firm belief that the power of the Bolsheviks in Russia is on the wane.

Russian diplomats said confidentially that the Embassy made it evident that the London rule has run its course and that the disintegration of that party will be rapid.

STATE PRIZE TERMS OF RED CROSS GIVE ALL UNITS EQUAL CHANCE

Prize Goes to Chapter Getting Most Members in Proportion to Population and in Excess of Total Enrollment Quota Assigned—Award, \$500 a Month.

Bridgeport, Dec. 19.—The terms upon which the Red Cross Chapters of the State will compete for the prize of \$500 a month, made possible by the deposit of \$105,000 with the Bankers Trust Company, of New York, have been announced by Morgan G. Bulkeley, I. M. Ullman and John Goss, the committee of judges appointed to determine the result of the contest. The prize will go to the chapter securing the largest number of points in the contest for membership during the present campaign. The points will be determined as follows:

One point will be allotted for each per cent of the population enrolled in the territory covered by the chapter and one point for each per cent by which the total enrollment exceeds the quota assigned to the chapter. This gives each chapter an equal chance to win, no matter what its size, and is expected to stimulate interest among all the chapters of the state.

WAR IS GOING ON ALONG FOUR FRONTS; NO ACTION ON EAST

Germans Have Not Yet Started Offensive in West Theater—Tenton Losses Huge in Italy—British Advance Beyond Jerusalem—Artillery Duels in Macedonia.

London, Dec. 19.—The heralded offensive of the Germans on the western front has not begun yet, but lively operations of a minor nature were reported. Summarized, the situations on the various fronts today follow:

Western—Heavy snow has fallen in northern France impeding movements, but heavy artillery fire and local attacks by infantry continue.

Italian—Austro-German forces continue pounding the Italian line in the mountains between the Brenta and Piave rivers, but have succeeded only in making slight dents here and there. The Teutonic losses are enormous.

Turkish—The advance of the British, under General Allenby, continues slowly, but steadily north of Jerusalem, in Palestine.

Macedonian—Artillery duels are reported, but no infantry engagements.

Eastern—Calm prevails.

MORE WINTER WHEAT PLANTED THAN IN 1916

Condition is 10 Per Cent. Below Average of Last 10 Years on Dec. 1.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The crop reporting board of the bureau of crop estimates of the United States department of

agriculture today reported that winter wheat—area sown this fall is 42,170,000 acres, which is four per cent. more than the revised estimated area sown in the fall of 1916, (viz 40,534,000 acres), condition on December 1 was 79.3 against 85.7 and 87.7 on December 1, 1916 and 1915, respectively, and a ten year average of 89.3.

Rye—area sown this fall is 6,119,000 acres, which is 36.6 per cent. more than the revised estimated area sown in the fall of 1916, (viz 40,480,000 acres). Condition on December 1 was 84.1, against 88.8 and 91.5 on December 1, 1916 and 1915, respectively, and a ten year average of 92.2.

LOCAL ADVISORY BOARD.
Members of the Legal Advisory Board are at Judge Olin R. Wood's office daily from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m. for the purpose of assisting registrants in filling out their questionnaires. It is necessary for each registrant to go before some qualified person to make oath to his questionnaire after he has filled it out. Most registrants require assistance in the filling out of their blanks and these persons are requested to call at Judge Wood's office during the early part of the day if possible to avoid the evening rush. If they prefer they may call on any one of the associate members of the advisory board, a full list of whom was printed in yesterday's Herald. It takes from half an hour to two hours to make out a questionnaire.

British Freighter Torpedoed.
An Atlantic Port, Dec. 19.—The sinking of a British steamer by a German U-boat on December 5 was reported by the crew of a British freighter which arrived here today. The freighter was only two miles away when the submarine attacked the steamer, which was convoyed by a British destroyer. The destroyer sped toward the U-boat, dropping four depth bombs on the spot where the craft submerged. The crew of the lost steamer was rescued by the destroyer.

2,000 WOUNDED CANADIANS LAND

An Atlantic Port, Dec. 19.—Two thousand wounded Canadian soldiers were brought in here today by a former trans-Atlantic liner now in the British government service. They will be placed aboard trains and taken to Canada for distribution to their various homes.

About four-score surgeons and nurses accompanied the convalescents on the trip across the Atlantic.

RED CROSS CAMPAIGN IS NOW "OVER THE TOP"

Total of 6,981 Members for Manchester Chapter Up to Noon Today

DRIVE A BIG SUCCESS

New Memberships Will Be Received Up to Christmas Eve—Campaigning is Still in Progress.

"Over the top!" Once more has Manchester distinguished itself in a big town-wide campaign for patriotic purposes. This noon, the Christmas membership drive of the Red Cross for 8,000 members went joyfully over the top, and more. The total memberships up to 1 p. m. was 6,981.

Despite serious obstacles, including the rigors of a December snowstorm, the distractions of the approaching holiday festivities, and the fact that Manchester has already been canvassed repeatedly of late for worthy objects, the workers for the Manchester Chapter of the Red Cross were able to push their campaign to a glorious finish.

Total to Date.
The total membership of the Manchester Chapter is now 6,981, and the daily progress in the campaign was as follows:

Reported Monday	1068
Reported Tuesday	1248
Reported Today	1070
Old membership	3600

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ae right up to Christmas eve, 9 p. m., conforming to the period of National Red Cross week, December 17 to 24. The mill teams still have considerable work to do.

The work in the booths in the public places will continue until Monday evening. The feeling is that every possible member should be secured, even though the 6,000 quota has been reached.

Today's Returns.
The mill teams reported 800 new members today. The captains reports follow:

Mill team, F. D. Cheney, capt.,	800
No. 1 Miss Edna Cheney, capt.,	19
No. 2 Williams, capt.,	6
No. 3 N. B. Richards, capt.,	19
No. 4 O'Leary, capt.,	12
No. 5 Miss Hunt, capt.,	4
No. 6 Hyde, capt.,	17
No. 7 Tournaud, capt.,	12
No. 8 Miss Murphy, capt.,	20
No. 10 Mrs. A. L. Crowell, capt.,	13
No. 11 Ferguson, capt.,	15
No. 12 Johnson, capt.,	26
Booth (Afternoon) Miss Bennett	45
Booth (Night) Mrs. J. P. Cheney	62
	1070

Team Percentages.
Amer. Writing Paper Co., 44 per cent
Orford Soap Co., 62 per cent
C. R. Burr Co., 34 per cent
A. Willard Case Co., 100 per cent
Case Bros., 74 per cent
William Foulds Co., 100 per cent
Colonial Board Co., 100 per cent
Lydall and Foulds, 100 per cent
Glastonby Knitting Co., 79 per cent
E. E. Hillard Co., 20 per cent
Norton Elec. Ins. Co., 100 per cent
Rogers Paper Co., 68 per cent
Cheney Brothers 45 per cent

Getting Final Returns.
Shortly after noon today the telephone wires began to buzz and whirl at the headquarters of the Red Cross Christmas campaign committee in the Ferris block, and the daily reports began to come in from the respective team captains. Campaign manager Edward J. Holl, who has been one of the busiest men in Connecticut the past two weeks on Red Cross work, dropped everything and took up the receiver. There is grim satisfaction in hearing the returns come in during a hard-fought campaign, especially when they are coming your way.

Today's returns again demonstrated that the team captains and booth attendants will not be appeased until this town is completely "cleaned up," so far as possible Red Cross memberships are concerned. The house-to-house canvassers are on the home stretch, having seen the greater part of their prospectives.

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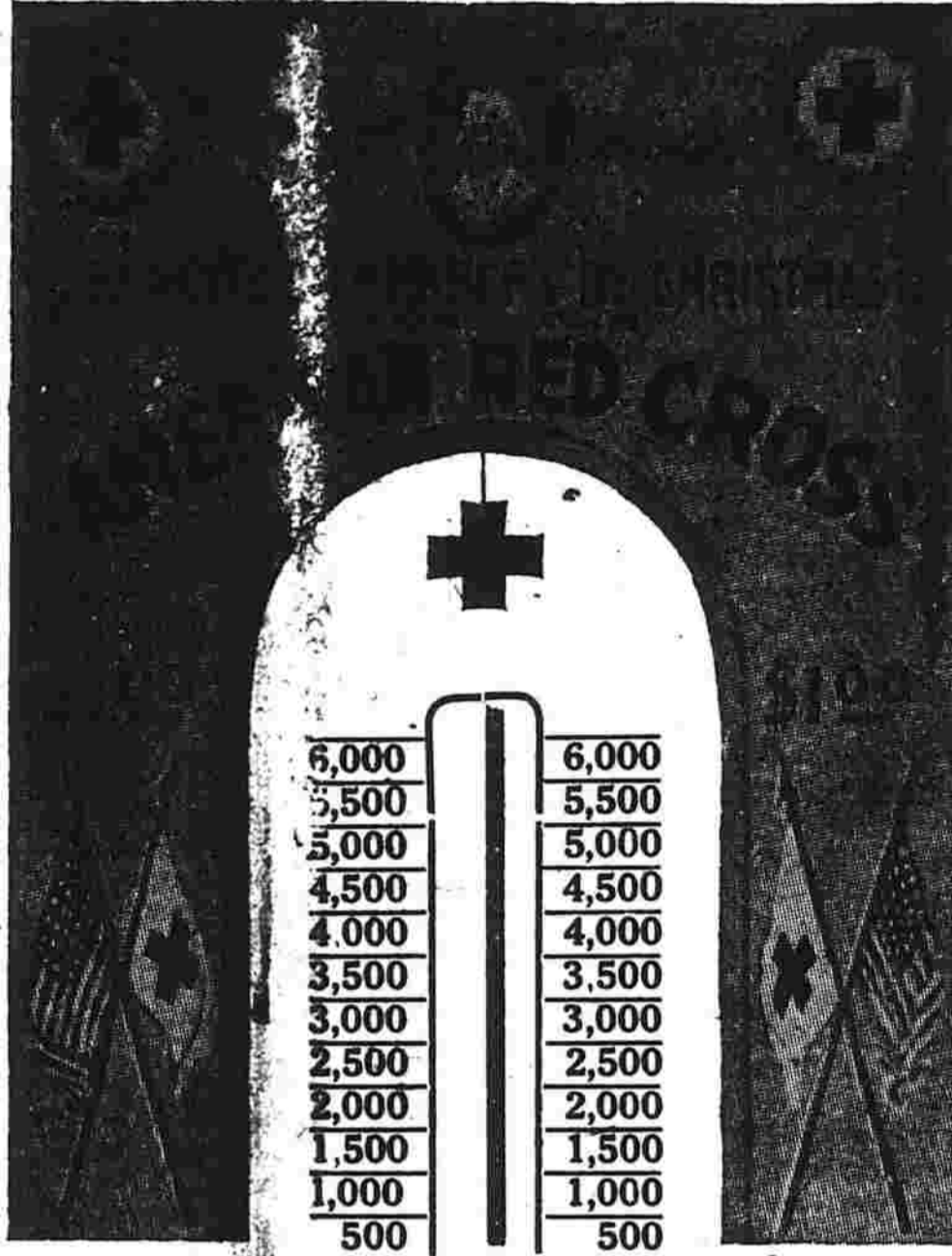
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Soon word was received that hostile machines were approaching the suburbs, and the high angle guns began to bark out a barrage fire all around the city. Despite the tenacity of the firing some of the raiding craft reached certain districts of London and then the bombing began.

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Over the Top

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First Attack Since Dec. 6, Sample of New Style of Fighting—What Experts Think.

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This was the first raid since December 6, when about 25 German Gothas attacked England, five of them reaching the city.

10 Killed, 70 Injured.
London, Dec. 19.—Ten persons were killed and 70 injured by German aeroplanes that attacked London last night, it was officially announced this afternoon.

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NOTHING TO HIDE FROM THE PUBLIC

Senate Committee Ready for Probe—Lloyd's Survey of U. S. Yards To Be Used.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The shipping board, soon to be made the target of Congressional inquiry along with other war bureaus, today prepared to meet the attack by laying before Congress a full history of the board's work since it was created. Officials of the board courted the searching investigation, apparently feeling secure in the belief that when the complete record of the board's accomplishments are rehearsed the skeptics will be disarmed.

Charts and other data bringing up to date the condition in all American yards now working on cargo ships contracted for by the board, were ready for submission to the Senate committee, which will conduct the probe. One of the most important documents which will be submitted by Chairman Edward N. Hurley, will be Lloyd's latest survey of American yards, which is considered by officials as "most favorable" when composed with previous estimates of the board as to the amount of tonnage that American yards will be able to turn out in 1918. Chairman Hurley today declared he would withhold the Lloyd's report until it is submitted to the Senate committee.

Building Program Moves.
Chairman Hurley today seemed fully cognizant of the purpose of Congress to go to the bottom of the rows which from time to time have disrupted the board, but he was ready to defend the present dual system of management governing the shipping projects now under way and contemplated. He expressed the belief that under the scheme of reorganization now being effected, there will be no impediment to the prosecution of the program now fixed to turn out 11,000,000 tons of shipping, both wood and steel, during 1918 and 1919. Two thirds of this amount is now building or under contract, he stated.

LAKEWOOD CLUB BURNS.
Lakewood, N. J., Dec. 19.—Fire today destroyed the Lakewood Country Club, of which George J. Gould is President. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

KAISER TAKING PART IN PEACE NEGOTIATIONS WITH BOLSHEVIKI

BIG BLAZE SWEEPING CITY OF ERIE, PA.; LOSS \$100,000 ALREADY

Several Firemen Injured—Fire Originated in Cloak and Suit Store and Spreads in Central Business District—Still Raging at Noon Today.

Erie, Pa., Dec. 19.—Fire is sweeping the central business section of the city from a blaze that originated in the basement of the W. E. Fulmer Cloak and Suit store. At 12 o'clock it was estimated that the flames had eaten up over \$100,000 worth of property and was still forging ahead into other buildings.

Several firemen have been injured.

SMASH GO THE PRICES OF SOME GERMAN DRUGS

"Procaine" Drops from \$720 to \$65 A Pound—Trade Commission Did It.

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Chicago Laboratories Licensed.
The commission licensed the Abbott Laboratories of Chicago to make and sell a drug formerly known as "veronal" but which in the future will be labeled "barbital." This drug, known scientifically as O. C. diethylbarbituric acid, is a hypnotic and nerve calimative. The pre-war cost was \$21.50 per pound. Since the war the drug has been selling at \$40 per pound and under the new license it will be produced at a cost of \$20 per pound, plus a 15 per cent profit.

DANIELS DENIES SIMS MADE COMPLAINTS.
Washington, Dec. 19.—Representative Britten startled the House naval investigators this afternoon by asking Secretary Daniels if he would tell the committee about complaints against navy methods made by Admiral Sims, commanding the American naval forces abroad.

"Will you furnish the committee with all the complaints that have come from Admiral Sims regarding the methods of the department in complying with his various requests?" asked Britten.

Secretary Daniels parried the question and accused Britten of "petty gossip."

Later he said: "Admiral Sims has made no complaints."

Reports come from Alaska that canned salmon aren't biting very eagerly this season.—Taunton Gazette.

Austria's main effort in accepting the Russian peace overture was in not exhibiting an indecent haste.—Galveston News.

Wants to Know What Would Happen to Ex-Czar if Peace Were Established—Czarina is Related to Emperor William—von Kuehlmann and Czernin Said to be at Brest Litovsk

Copenhagen, Dec. 19.—The Kaiser is now taking a hand in the so-called peace negotiations between the Bolshevik regime at Petrograd and the Central Powers. This was shown today by the report that the German Emperor has made inquiries as to what would befall the former Czar and his family in the event peace is concluded. Despite the fact that the German government has formally accused the ex-Czar of bringing on the war by mobilizing the Russian army on the Austro-German frontiers, the report contains a hint that Nicholas and his family may be invited to make their future home in Germany, if they are allowed to leave Russia. The Czarina is related to the Kaiser.

Dr. von Kuehlmann, the German foreign minister, and Count Czernin, the Austrian foreign minister, are reported to have reached Brest Litovsk, where the armistice was signed.

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A Score of Governments.
A cablegram a week ago told of numerous districts declaring their independence of the Bolshevik government, but whether or not they took a hostile attitude towards the Bolshevik regime was not made plain. These districts included Siberia, with eight governments, or provinces; Finland, with eight governments, Ukraine, with one province and parts of four others, Bessarabia, the city of Vladivostock and others, totaling over a score in all.

SAYS WAR DEPARTMENT IGNORED WAR DANGER

Marlin Rifle Corporation Offices Makes Serious Charge During Senate Probe.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The most damaging evidence yet given of how the War department is alleged to have deliberately ignored the danger of war and flatly refused to take heed of the imperative necessity of machine guns was laid before the Senate military affairs committee today by Louis E. Stoddard, vice president of the Marlin Rifle corporation. Mr. Stoddard openly charged the Ordnance department with rejecting his offer to begin the manufacture of machine guns immediately after the severance of diplomatic relations, without waiting for Congress to appropriate money.

If the War department had sent him to go ahead, he testified, the army could have been more than adequately supplied, instead of being without a single machine gun, as General Crozier had previously stated to the committee.

MARINE PRIVATE DEAR.
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OLDER BOYS' CONFERENCE AT NEW LONDON, DEC. 28

Speakers of National Reputation to Speak on "The Challenge of the War."

George W. Ferris, corresponding secretary of the Y. M. C. A. for Manchester and vicinity, received yesterday the following letter relative to the 18th annual Connecticut Older Boys' Conference to be held in New London, December 28, 29 and 30:

Dear Friends:
 On behalf of the older boys of New London, may we extend to you a most cordial invitation to spend three days with us at the time of the Eighteenth Annual Connecticut Older Boys' Conference in this city on the 28th, 29 and 30th of December? We are planning to give you all the time of your life and we assure you that you'll never regret it if you are "one of the 500 at New London." It promises to be a worth while occasion. The more boys in attendance, the more helpful will the conference be.

Speakers of national reputation will deliver addresses upon the general theme: "The Challenge of the War." Each session will be a red-letter one.

We would suggest that you put it up to your Boys' Work Secretary at the Y. M. C. A., Scoutmaster, Sunday school teacher, or class or club leader now, while you think of it, and make sure that your organization is represented in New London by the best delegates possible.

Hoping that we may have the pleasure of greeting you here on December 28th.

Most cordially yours,
 Clarence Gray,
 Chairman of Entertainment Committee.

Local Delegates.
 Earl Trotter and Winslow Richmond have been elected delegates from the South Methodist Sunday school. They attended last year's conference, which was held in New Britain, and had such a pleasant and profitable time that they are greatly pleased at being selected to go to New London this year. Any other organizations composed of boys should send delegates to the conference. Registration cards must be sent to the New London headquarters not later than December 22.

ABOUT TOWN.

Mrs. H. A. Wells, who fell on the ice near her home on East street last Saturday, was able to be about today for the first time. While suffering no broken bones, she was badly shaken up.

The quarterly conference of the South Methodist church, which was announced for tomorrow night, will not be held until some time in February. The regular mid-week service will be held at 7.45 o'clock tomorrow night and Rev. W. H. Bath will speak on "The Christian and Christmas."

Everett Kennedy of the Armed Guard in the naval service is spending a ten days' furlough at his home on Center street. He has put in some pretty hard training and hopes to be looking for Kaiser Bill's water dogs in the near future as he expects to leave for France in about two weeks.

BRIBERY A BUSINESS BY CHICAGO POLICE

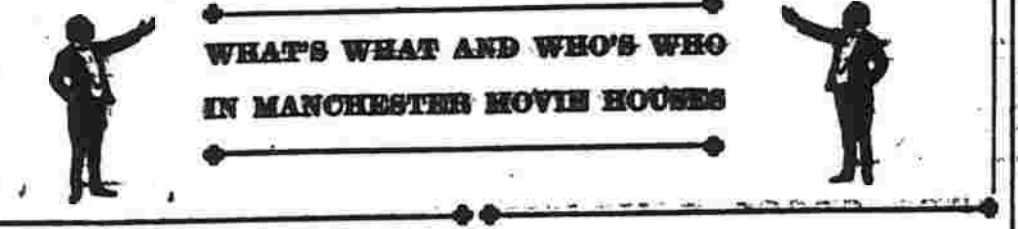
Syndicate for Purpose Headed by Tom Costello, Who Paid Cash to Police Chief.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Further sensational revelations of alleged police graft in Chicago are expected today when Tom Costello, confessed head of the police bribery syndicate, resumes the stand at the trial of Former Chief of Police Charles C. Healy, William R. Skidmore and Detective Sergeant Stephen Barry. Although he already has unfolded an amazing tale of official corruption Costello's story, according to attorneys for the state, is not half told.

Costello recited in detail his alleged payments of graft money to Healy. He declared that within a period of two years he collected and paid to Chief Healy more than \$13,000 for the protection of gambling and vice in Chicago.

Senator La Follette now says that "there is no difference in congress about supporting the war until honorable peace may be obtained." It is a pity he did not resolve to make it unanimous many months ago.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

AMUSEMENTS



AT THE PARK. AT THE CIRCLE.

Again last night the crowds fought to get into the Popular Playhouse and there was hardly room to move when the first reel was shown. Again tonight sugar will be given as souvenirs. Tomorrow night and Friday \$100 will be distributed in gold pieces as souvenirs. These souvenirs and extra features mark the second anniversary of the profit sharing playhouse, the only movie house in Connecticut that shares its profits weekly with its patrons.

Bright and early this morning two messengers came from New York city with the reels of "The Man Without a Country." Mr. Sullivan paid for these messengers so that there would be no disappointment in getting the big feature because of freight congestion or as happened twice already—an attempt made by German spies to destroy the film—which is said to be the greatest recruiting agent for the United States army and navy.

It is hardly necessary to tell the story of this picture. Every real American has read Edward Everett Hale's immortal classic. It is chock full of patriotism and is endorsed by official Washington. Week before last Francis Holley, Director of the Bureau of Commercial Economics sent the following telegram to the Jewel Film Co. which owns the rights of the picture:

"May I have the privilege of showing 'The Man Without a Country' at a great patriotic rally at the base of the Washington Monument which will be attended by official Washington?"

With this sugar and souvenirs in conjunction, Mr. Sullivan announces today that he has no reservation of seats for this week and that the picture will be shown at the playhouse on every night of the week because of the enormous forces in the United States who know the Mexico of the Conquest, and it is to the credit of the producers that he has been given free hand, with the result that from the great dream on the pyramid temple to the sacrificial knife there was not a mistake to lessen the effect. "The Woman God Forgot" is the most spectacular and interesting picture we have seen for some time.

Tomorrow "Aladdin and His Wonderful Lamp" comes to the Circle for a two days' engagement.

DECLINES ARE GENERAL AGAIN ON EXCHANGE

Early Bullish Currents Followed by Stagnation—Steel Common Apathetic—Today's Quotations.

New York, Dec. 19.—Trading was on a small scale at the opening of the stock market today, with initial prices irregular.

Steel Common ranged from 82 7-8 to 82 1-2, compared with 82 3-4 at the close yesterday. Bethlehem Steel B sold up 1-2 to 69 3-8.

Marine Preferred declined 7-8 to 76 1-2. Pittsburgh Coal advanced 1 1-2 to 41. Distillers sold off 1-2 to 33 1-2, while A. T. & T. rose 3-8 to 97 3-8.

The copper stocks were higher, fractional advances being made in Anaconda, American Smelting and Inspiration.

The market tone was heavy during the forenoon.

Texas Company developed pronounced weakness, falling 2% to 117 1/2 and Union Pacific after selling at 105 1/2 declined to 104 1/2. Reading dropped 1/4 to 67.

Steel Common declined one point to 81 1/2 and Bethlehem Steel B fell from 69 3/8 to 68 1/2.

Clearing house statement: Exchanges, \$820,980,645; balances, \$56,666,085.

Cotton.
 With the exception of December, which opened 10 points higher, the cotton market was partly 15 points lower at the opening today. After the opening, trade buying developed and rallied prices about 10 points.

Stock Quotations.
 Reported for The Evening Herald by Richter & Co., 6 Central Row, Hartford, 2.30 p. m. prices:
 At O & W I 93 1/2
 Alaska Gold 1 1/2
 Am Tel & Tel 98 1/2
 Anaconda 54 1/2
 Am Smelter 69 1/2
 Am Loco 47 1/2

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For the accommodation of our patrons we will accept. Telephone advertisements for this column from any telephone subscriber, or from any one whose name is on our books payment to be made at earliest convenience. In all other cases, cash must accompany order.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Light, one-horse cutter. Inquire Joel Hawley, 53 Cottage St. 6812

FOR SALE—Just received 100 Christmas trees. Can be seen at 52 Pearl St. Foley's Express. 6813

FOR SALE—Christmas Trees. Inquire at house of late William Taylor, Grove St., Saturday afternoon, Dec. 22. Mrs. G. B. Slater. 6814

FOR SALE—Business sled. Apply to 45 Porter St., So. Manchester. Tel. 518-12. 6815

FOR SALE—Mixed Wood, delivered stove length, 43 cord, also slab wood, stove length, 38 cord, also saw wood, 40 cord. Inquire at 45 Porter St., So. Manchester. Phone 518-12. 6816

FOR SALE—Main Street Barber shop doing good business. Price only \$250. Robert J. Smith, Bank Bldg. 6817

FOR SALE—Good building lot near car line price only \$250. A \$50 Liberty Bond will be accepted as first payment. Balance easy terms. Robert J. Smith, Bank Bldg. 6818

FOR SALE—\$2800 buys a large 12 room house within 15 minutes walk to Sisk mills, always rent for good money. A good chance to work in factory and raise your own crops, poultry and pigs, price only \$1250, easy terms. Robert J. Smith, Bank Bldg. 6819

FOR SALE—10 acre farm, seven room house, barn, good level land, driving distance from town on State road. A good chance to work in factory and raise your own crops, poultry and pigs, price only \$1250, easy terms. Robert J. Smith, Bank Bldg. 6820

FOR SALE—Near the center, large 12 room house, lights, tubs, bath, etc. Lot about 30 feet front, price only \$4000. It will pay to investigate this property. Robert J. Smith, Bank Bldg. 6821

FOR SALE—Seats for the celluloid extravaganza, "Aladdin and his Wonderful Lamp." At the Circle, Thursday and Friday. 6822

FOR SALE—Twenty acres wood and timber land, four miles from Manchester. Price \$500. C. C. French, 18 Asylum St., Hartford, Conn. 6823

FOR SALE—Single horse cutter; price reasonable. Inquire Henry Black, 160 Spruce St. 6824

FOR SALE—Two single houses on Porter street with barn, hennery and about 1 acre land. Price right. H. Skinner. 6825

FOR SALE—Nearly new single house 3 minutes walk from Main St. with about 3-4 acre land, price \$4,200. H. Skinner. 6826

FOR SALE—Two Ford cars late models, also bodies, windshield and trailer, price very low. 176 Summit St., Tel. 256-13. 6827

FOR SALE—Six-room bungalow on Cambridge street, steam heat all improvements, easy terms. Inquire Thos. F. Sullivan, Main street. 4217

TO RENT.

FOR RENT—6 room tenement modern improvements. Eldridge St. Inquire 155 Center St. 6828

TO RENT—Four room flat upstairs. Inquire G. Schaller, 626 Center St. 6829

FOR RENT—Four room tenement on Ridgewood St. to small family. E. L. G. Hohenthal, 467 Center St. 6830

TO RENT—On or about Dec. 25; 5 room tenement. Inquire on premises. Robert Veitch, 141 Oak St. 6831

TO RENT—Six room tenement, with all improvements. Inquire 25 Fifth street. 6832

TO RENT—Two tenements five rooms each. American families preferred. Inquire 372 North Main St., or phone 274-72. 6833

TO RENT—Seven room, single house. Inquire 45 Cottage street. 6834

MISCELLANEOUS.

DO YOU KNOW THAT "Aladdin and his wonderful Lamp," is coming to the Circle on Thursday and Friday. 6835

SEWING MACHINE: we will make a shirt to measure, from your materials for \$2. We furnish trimmings. Ladies' Shop, Main St., near Center. 5917

The man whose service flag has one star is just as proud as the one whose flag has a dozen, and why not? The one boy was all he had.—Portland, Oregonian.

"Please, your honor," stammered the culprit, "if I use foreign matches, but only to light my own government case, with..." Transcript.

WANTED.

WANTED—Work few hours a day cleaning, washing, and ironing in private family. Address Mrs. Gaston Vermiere, 107 Spruce St.

WANTED—To do your picture framing. Rush work finished before Christmas. Manchester. Wall Paper Co., 523 Main St. 6714

WANTED—Woman for general housework. One to go home nights preferred. W. W. Harris, 105 Chestnut St. 6845

WANTED—Every man, woman and child in Manchester to see "Aladdin and his Wonderful Lamp." At the Circle Thursday and Friday. 6843

WANTED—A few used ranges. We carry the famous Herald Ranges, your old range taken in exchange. Call and see us. Hall, Meade & Co., 24 Birch St., Phone 680. 6842

WANTED—Sewing machines to repair. A sewing machine will make a nice Christmas present to wife or daughter. We have the well known Singer machines and will take your old machine in exchange. Hall, Meade & Co., 24 Birch St., Phone 680. 6843

WANTED—THE PIANO YOU CAN'T play in exchange for a Victrola which can give you the world's best music anytime you ask for it. Telephone for someone to look at your piano. Fratelli Brothers. 6844

Wanted for repair and set window pane. Please cut to order. Puffy, paint, etc. Manchester Wall Paper Co., 533 Main St. 6846

WANTED: Old False Teeth. Don't matter if broken. I pay \$2 to \$15 per set. Send by parcel post and receive check by return mail. L. Mason, 309 So. Fifth St., Philadelphia, Pa. 4026

LOST.

LOST—Brown and white shepherd dog. Reward if returned to A. Davidson, 63 Wadsworth St.

LOST—An excellent evening's entertainment, if you do not see "Aladdin and his Wonderful Lamp." At the Circle, Thursday and Friday. 6843

FOUND.

FOUND—A picture greater than "The Beanstalk." See "Aladdin and his Wonderful Lamp." At the Circle, Thursday and Friday. 6843

FOUND—A black and white dog about three months old. Owner can have by applying to Earl Hollister, 142 Pearl St. 6845

WILLARD WOULD BOX FULTON FOR RED CROSS

Will Enter Championship Fight, if Entire Receipts are So Used—Looks Like a Go.

New York, Dec. 19.—A battle for the heavyweight championship between Jess Willard and Fred Fulton is looked upon as a certainty by boxing fans here today.

Willard has offered to meet any heavyweight, providing the entire gate receipts are turned over to the Red Cross. Jack Curley, the promoter, has offered Fulton \$10,000 to go through with such a bout, saying he is ready to furnish a man who will give the Minnesota plasterer that amount so that he can accept Willard's proposition.

Neither boxer, it is believed, will be able to sidestep the bout under such conditions, and as Fulton is generally recognized as the logical man to meet Willard, a battle for the title will give both men a chance to show their patriotism.

Willard declared his belief that the bout will earn \$1,000,000 for the Red Cross. Jess believes the gate receipts and the income from motion picture rights would net that amount.

New Orleans and Sacramento, Calif., are cities that have offered to stage the bout.

Sam Langford, Frank Moran and Harry Greb are battlers who have sent challenges. Fred Fulton has not yet been heard from.

"Please, your honor," stammered the culprit, "if I use foreign matches, but only to light my own government case, with..." Transcript.

Get The Red Cross Spirit And Join At The Nearest Booth.

TONIGHT! The Woman God Forgot

"ALADDIN AND HIS WONDERFUL LAMP" WILL BE HERE THURS. AND FRI.

TONIGHT!--CIRCLE THEATER--TONIGHT!

THE WOMAN GOD FORGOT

WITH GERALDINE FARRAR AND WALLACE REID SUPPORTED BY THE MOST BRILLIANT CAST EVER ASSEMBLED.

NEVER BEFORE IN ITS HISTORY HAS THIS PRODUCTION BEEN PRESENTED AT SUCH NOMINAL PRICES... MATS. 5c, 10c. EVE'S. 10c, 15c.

WE CONSIDER OURSELVES FORTUNATE IN BEING ABLE TO PRESENT THIS PICTURE. IT IS ONE OF THE ONLY REALLY GREAT PRODUCTIONS OF THE DAY.

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Congress Grill To Continue During The Holiday Recess

Washington, Dec. 19.—With much of the Administration on the Congressional grill, the holiday recess of Congress gave promises today of being one of the liveliest sessions the capitol has seen in years.

try is doing its bit in the war. The establishment of a department of munitions, patterned after similar institutions created by Great Britain and other allied nations, to supersede the present outworn system of purchasing war supplies, may be one of the committee's recommendations as a result of the red tape revealed by the testimony of General Crozier, chief of ordnance.

10 KILLED, 70 HURT IN GERMAN AIR RAID

The casualties outside of London were slight, only five persons being wounded. One machine fell into the sea and two of the three occupants were captured alive.

Clemenceau, "The Tiger," Now Premier of France



Raymond Poincaré, then Premier of France, is shown in a portrait.

RED CROSS CAMPAIGN IS NOW "OVER THE TOP"

The booth attendants still have considerable work to do. The factory teams again showed their mettle, giving a fine report. Speakers Hit Straight. The public speaking features of the Red Cross campaign are characterized by sound arguments advanced with clearness and force.

Advertisement for Bon Ton Flower Shop. Text: "It Took Enterprise But We've Lots of It". "OUR CONSIGNMENT OF CHRISTMAS TREES was stalled at Springfield, Mass., because of the embargo. Late last night we set out for the city with teams to bring back the trees in time for our patrons. So TOMORROW we will have on hand Christmas Trees in Large Assortment. Come Around Early While Stock is Complete. BON TON FLOWER SHOP".

Munitions Makers on Stand.

The depths to which the Senate military affairs committee proposes to go to the facts about the munitions shortage was indicated today when it called to the witness stand officials of various arms manufacturing concerns.

Interstate Commerce Commission Tells Coal Operators War is Responsible.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The Interstate Commerce Commission may wash its hands of the coal shortage problem. In a tentative report on the complaint of the Appalachian Coal Operators' association against the Louisville and Nashville and other southern railroads, the commission today rendered its dismissal.

OFFERS MILLION FOR FIGHT.

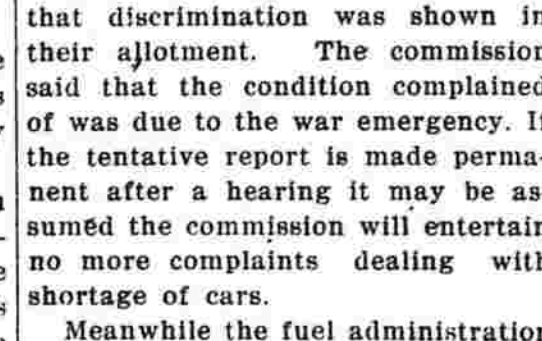
Philadelphia, Dec. 19.—One million dollars for a 25-round championship fight between Jess Willard and Fred Fulton.

House Begins Probe Of Navy Dep't--Inquiry To Be Long

Washington, Dec. 19.—With the announced purpose of going to the very bottom of things the subcommittee of the House navy affairs committee today entered upon its work of scrutinizing the war efficiency of the American navy. Of the many congressional war investigations either under way or in prospect, this is the first one undertaken by the House.

contracts undertaken as well as the amounts of the authorizations. His disclosures likewise will largely shape the course of the inquiry. The shipping board muddle with its successive resignations of executives and consequent paralysis of the merchant vessel building program is one of the questions sure to lead to sensational disclosures when the light is let in.

Admiral Mayo Back From the War Zone



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DRAPES ON ALIENS MAY BE PAID.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Drafts on funds of enemies or allies of enemies before December 17 may be paid according to a ruling of the war trade board today which amended its ruling of December 16.

PETERS MAYOR OF BOSTON.

Boston, Dec. 19.—Former Congressman Andrew J. Peters, the man who never lost a political fight, becomes Mayor of Boston in February for a four-year term.

Advertisement for The Kitchen Cupboard. Text: "The Kitchen Cupboard. THANKSGIVING FOR FOUR. Centerpiece—Mixed Fruit or Pumpkin Bowl Filled With Red Apples. Creamed Parsnips. Orange and Green Grape Salad. Pumpkin Pie. COFFEE. ORANGE COCKTAIL—Allow half a large orange to each person. Cut the orange in half, then with a sharp knife cut around the pulp in each section and remove each piece intact to the glass, the juice into another glass. Serve plain or as each glass is sent to the table sprinkle a teaspoonful of pulverized sugar over top. A candied cherry may be added to the top or put in bottom of each glass. Clam Broth.—Put six large clams through the meat chopper, add when liquor you have and put into top of double boiler, bring to boil slowly and boil five minutes, add a cupful and a half of boiling water, a few drops of onion juice, strain through wire strainer, then through coarse cheesecloth. Serve in cups. Roast Duck, Potatoes, Celery and Apple Filling and Brown Gravy.—Clean the duck the same as turkey and fill, put an apple in the skin from where the neck was removed. For the filling take three cupfuls of mashed potatoes, a cupful of chopped onion, a cupful of chopped apples, a tablespoonful of onion juice, a tablespoonful of salt, a little pepper and a teaspoonful of chopped celery tops. Mix the potatoes, celery, apple salt, onion and well beaten eggs into a bowl, mix together, put the drippings from the onion into pan. When hot add the filling and cook five minutes, stir all the time. Sprinkle with chopped celery tops. Be sure the duck is before putting in the filling, if it is in space in the back put a whole pepper in. Dust with salt and pepper and a little flour. Put in hot oven as soon as sealed with butter, let, reduce the heat and roast one hour and a half to two hours. Turn duck to platter and make gravy same as turkey gravy. Anna Thompson. Coughs, sore throats and all other ailments are relieved promptly with Throat and Bronchial Relief, the best drug company.

WANTS TO BRING EYE BACK TO GERMANY.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 19.—Paul Gary of Anderson, Indiana, is all American, with the exception of a glass eye. The substitute optic is alien. Gary tried to enlist in the U. S. Marine Corps at their recruiting station here, but was rejected when his infirmity was discovered by Sergeant G. C. Wright. "Didn't you know that the loss of an eye would prevent your enlistment?" asked the sergeant. "I thought it might," explained Gary, "but this glass blinker is the only part of me that was made in Germany, and I want to take it back." He was advised to mail it.

During the present scarcity of SUGAR

Why not use some of my Heavy Fruit Syrups? Delicious fruit flavors and plenty of sugar. Strawberry, red and black raspberry, cherry and wild grape. \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00 per gallon. WALTER OLCOTT, 80, MANCHESTER.

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French matchés may have improved in recent years, but not so very long ago they were quite unsatisfactory.

A Frenchman was once arrested for having a lot of smuggled matches in his possession. The judge said to him: "What have you to say for yourself, prisoner?"

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THE NEWSPAPER A NECESSITY.

A well established daily newspaper is almost as much of a public utility as a street railway, a gas system or an electric light plant.

A modern newspaper press is a complicated and costly piece of machinery and it is surprising that it does its work with so few interruptions.

FOUR DEMOCRATS FOR MAYOR.

Andrew J. Peters, Mayor James M. Curley, Congressman Peter T. Tague and Congressman James A. Gallivan, rival candidates for Mayor of Boston yesterday, are all Democrats in national politics.

THE OLDER MAN'S DAY.

The baseball diamond will not be the only field which will call back older men of the nation, who are beyond the reach of the draft.

A man is not merely as old as he feels, he is as old as he can be made to feel.

A good night's rest, an appetizing meal, an active circulation and facility in breathing are things every one has to work for.

Nineteen lives were lost in American waters on Monday, when one submarine rammed another.

A timely hymn is "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing." If you want to hear the Herald angels sing drop around at the south end office about 4.20 p. m., when the newsboys get their papers.

The Red Cross flag makes a pretty Christmas decoration for a window. Got yours yet?

PROHIBITION UNCONSTITUTIONAL?

Said Senator Borah in the Senate's debate on the House prohibition resolution yesterday: "Either this amendment has no business there or else it will prevent a real submission of the question to the states.

The time feature was the one to which Senator Borah objected. He said the states should not be held to any period within which to pass the resolution incorporating the amendment into the constitution.

THE RED CROSS CAMPAIGN. The 1,248 new members gained by the local Red Cross workers yesterday represented the hardest kind of work, individually, as teams and as an organization.

THE CHRISTMAS SEASON. The Christmas season is a particularly appropriate time for the campaign. There may not be peace, but there can be at least good will, even to many of our mislead enemies.

FIRST "SCIENTIST" CHAPLAIN. The appointment was announced yesterday of the first Christian Science chaplain in the history of the army. He is to be chaplain at large with the rank of first lieutenant and was ordered to report to the commanding general of the 77th Division at Camp Upton, N. Y.

Not Yet Time for Peace. (Hartford Courant.) "More than a year has passed since we and our allies offered the enemy the hand of peace. It was rejected," says Imperial Chancellor von Hertling, speaking for Germany since England was not to talk.

COTTONSEED CENSUS. Washington, Dec. 19.—The census report issued today for the period from August 1 to November 30 shows 2,698,978 tons of cottonseed less re-shipments, received at mills and 1,513,351 crushed; also 1,161,554 held at mills November 30.

CALLAUX LOSING FIGHT. Paris, Dec. 19.—Adherents of former Premier Joseph Callaux who are defending him against the charge that he disseminated pro-German propaganda in France, have lost the first round of the fight.

Conscientious objectors to the war in England are to have the franchise taken away from them. This might be a good plan to follow over here, as the man who does not appreciate his citizenship sufficiently to fight for it does not deserve its right and

ALL OF HIS SONS GONE TO WAR; NO MORE NEWS

Stephen Cavagnaro Depended on Them to Read English Newspapers for Him.

"I don't know what I am going to do for news when my third boy goes to war," said Stephen Cavagnaro to a Herald man the other day. "John and Joe are in France and Eugene will leave with the next quota of drafted men. I like to know what is going on but I can't read English.

Mr. Cavagnaro had dropped into The Herald office to subscribe for The Evening Herald for his two boys in France. John is now corporal in the Headquarters Company, 102nd U. S. Infantry and Joe is a private in the same company.

Mr. and Mrs. Cavagnaro received a letter a few days ago from John and Joe. John wrote the letter and he said papers and tobacco were what they particularly wanted. He advised his parents to insure any packages they sent.

\$40,000—CHRISTMAS FUND. The Manchester Trust Company has mailed to all of its Thrift and Weekly Savings Club depositors who have surrendered their pass books a check covering the amount deposited by them during the year.

ONLY TWO HOLIDAYS FOR MINE WORKERS. Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 19.—The United States Mine Workers of America in order to demand for operation during on two days—Christmas and New Year's Day, according to a statement issued by International Headquarters today.

Cough and Sore Throats relieved quickly with our Throat and Lung Balm. Magnell Drug Co.—Adv.

The Open Forum

Editor Evening Herald, Dear Sir:

The necessity for more radical conservation of certain food commodities is increasing. At the request of the United States Food Administration, a nation-wide movement is being inaugurated, in which everyone who has signed the pledge card and become a member of the United States Food Administration is requested to observe the following restrictions:

"ONE WHEATLESS DAY each week and one wheatless meal each day; the wheatless day to be Wednesday. By wheatless we mean to eat no wheat products.

"ONE MEATLESS DAY each week which shall be Tuesday, and one meatless meal each day. By meatless we mean to eat no red meat—beef, pork, mutton, veal, lamb; no preserved meat—beef, bacon, ham or lard.

"ONE PORKLESS DAY each week in addition to Tuesday, which shall be Saturday. By porkless we mean no fresh or salted pork, bacon, lard or ham."

This is a minimum which every individual is being asked to observe, and as the days are fixed, we feel that it will be much more convenient for hotels than would be the case were each person allowed to select his own day.

We feel that the people of Connecticut will expect the hotels and restaurants to abide by the above restrictions, and we will do everything in our power to cooperate with you to the end that patriotic people do not patronize houses that have failed to comply.

Robert Scoville, Federal Food Administrator.

London, Dec. 19.—The nations involved in the world war stand today upon the threshold of the crucial year of the struggle, and the few weeks intervening before the beginning of 1918 will see a new era of war management ushered in.

Influential Events in 1917. 1.—The entry of the United States into the struggle with the American government committed to fight to victory.

2.—The collapse of Russia as a fighting unit and the possibility of a separate peace involving Russia and Roumania.

3.—The reorganization of the Allies' method of conducting the war to secure absolute unity and co-ordination, not only in directing the armies, but in supplying them as well.

4.—The Austro-German invasion of northern Italy, carrying the fighting into the Venetian Plains for the first time since Italy entered the war.

CEDAR CHESTS. Genuine Red Cedar Chests \$7.75. A Red Cedar Chest is always an ideal gift. Here's one within the reach of every pocket book, a 16x32 Chest for \$7.75. OTHERS LARGER AND MORE ELABORATE ARE: 17x40, Beautiful Tennessee Red Cedar Chest \$13.50. 19x42, Beautiful Tennessee Red Cedar Chest \$18.00. 20x42, Beautiful Tennessee Red Cedar Chest \$20.50. 22x44, Beautiful Tennessee Red Cedar Chest \$24.75. Writing Desks for Christmas. GOLDEN QUARTERED OAK DESKS AS LOW AS \$10.80. MAHOGANY 1 DRAWER DESK \$23.40. MAHOGANY 2 DRAWER DESK \$25.00. BEAUTIFULLY CARVED COLONIAL DESK, SOLID FIGURED MAHOGANY \$44.50. SOLID MAHOGANY AND GOV. BRADFORD DESK, HAND CARVED, 4 DRAWERS \$67.50. Don't forget the VICTROLA. You may search the world over and not find a more acceptable gift. Everybody likes the Victrola. You know of course that any of the Victrolas can be bought on a divided payment plan extending over a period of several months. We still have most of the models, but you better telephone your choice before it is too late. Prices, \$20.00, \$30.00, \$45.00, \$57.50, \$85.00, \$110.00, etc. WATKINS BROS., Inc.

WILSON AND LLOYD GEORGE ALLIES' STRONG MEN IN 1918—SAMMIES EXPECTED TO GO TO ITALY. London, Dec. 19.—The nations involved in the world war stand today upon the threshold of the crucial year of the struggle, and the few weeks intervening before the beginning of 1918 will see a new era of war management ushered in. The two figures that loom up as the most conspicuous and most dominant for leadership on the Entente side during the next year are President Wilson and Premier Lloyd George, the allies' two "strong men." The events of the past year that will exert the most powerful influence upon the 1918 campaigns are these: Influential Events in 1917. 1.—The entry of the United States into the struggle with the American government committed to fight to victory. 2.—The collapse of Russia as a fighting unit and the possibility of a separate peace involving Russia and Roumania. 3.—The reorganization of the Allies' method of conducting the war to secure absolute unity and co-ordination, not only in directing the armies, but in supplying them as well. 4.—The Austro-German invasion of northern Italy, carrying the fighting into the Venetian Plains for the first time since Italy entered the war. 5.—The concentration of Britain's effort against Turkey in the Near East with the evident purpose of crushing forever Germany's imperial dream of complete control of trade routes from Berlin to the Persian Gulf. There is every indication that there will be continuous fighting on the western and Italian fronts throughout the winter, and that spring and early summer will see a tremendous impetus to the allies' blows, with great masses of Americans on the firing line. Sammies Going to Italy. Although America's original war plans called only for troops upon the western front, the declaration of war against Austria indicates that the Italian battle front. Germany's submarine war, aimed chiefly against British shipping, has proved a failure. The ruthless under water warfare has been in progress almost a year and, despite the claims and boasts made in Berlin, England is as far from being starved as she was before the submarines became active. Germany is to make her greatest effort in 1918, with the hope of delivering a crushing blow on the western and Italian fronts before the American army can get fully into action. She has reached the maximum of her submarine output, and a great fleet will be operating on and under the high seas while the armies, released from the eastern front, will be hurled against the allied cause in Belgium, France and Italy. But the allies are not to be caught napping. The leaders of the Entente armies know what to look for from Germany and plans are being made to meet it. Outcome in 1918. True, France has suffered from her exhausting struggle, but there is still plenty of fight left in the men upholding the glorious tri-color. Military critics look for the following to happen in 1918: Germany will deliver her most tremendous stroke. It will fall. The allies will come back with a smashing blow that will send the Teutons reeling. That will be the turning point, and the vision of peace which has been hidden so long behind the black clouds of war, will begin to rise in an allied victory. BADGES FOR RED MEN. Minatonomoh Tribe of Red Men has forwarded to its members in the service, badges of honor. The members now with the colors are: Capt. Harry Bissell, E. P. Quish, Edward Ballsieper, Jr., Richard Schueta, Raymond Barrett, J. R. MacDiarmid, Frank Hood, James Holloran and George Thompson. CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS Merry Xmas to All. Call and look over our display for Xmas before selecting your gifts. We have a large assortment of the best known Chocolates in the market, such as, Page and Shaw, Huylers, Apollo, Belle Mead Sweets and Samoset put up in fancy boxes for the Xmas trade from 1/2 pound to 5 pound boxes. TOILET ARTICLES. Toilet Articles—White Ivory pieces, Combs and Brushes, Soaps and Perfumes and Toilet waters, Safety Razors, Gillette, Gem, and the Auto Strop. FANCY STATIONERY. Eaton, Crane & Pike fancy writing paper in all colors and correspondence cards for the Holiday trade. UNIVERSAL VACUUM BOTTLES. In half pints, pints and quarts, also Lunch Boxes, Sterno Folding Stoves. CIGARS, CIGARETTES AND TOBACCO AND SMOKERS SUPPLIES. We have a large variety of Cigars put up in boxes of 10, 25 and 50 of all the well known brands, such as King Perfectos, Rosedales, Blackstones, German Lovers and Peter Schuylers. Cigarettes in Xmas packages, Pipes, Cigar Cases, Cigarette Cases. Domestic and Imported Cigars. FOR THE SOLDIER BOY. Auto Strop safety Razor in Army Kits, Parker Fountain Pens, Every Ready Search Lights, Army Pillows, Trench Mirrors. Packard's Pharmacy "The Store of Quality." I. O. F. BUILDING SOUTH MANCHESTER WATCH OUR NEW DISPLAY WINDOWS.

OUR CHRISTMAS DISPLAY of the Exquisite Tiffany Favorite Glass IS MORE BEAUTIFUL THAN EVER BEFORE. ELECTROLIBERS IN GREAT VARIETY. COCKTAIL GLASSES, DECANTERS, BOWLS, ETC. We are exclusive agents in Hartford for this choicest of Glassware. Hansel, Sloan & Company JEWELERS 70 PRATT STREET, HARTFORD. Beginning Wednesday, December 19th, Store will be Open Evenings Till Xmas.

Its The Week Before Christmas and all Through The House

Everybody's astir. Ready to be of service to you in selections you still have to make. Assortments are fresh and full. There need be no last-minute air to your gift if you choose it at HOUSE'S.

There are Christmas Gifts Here For Every Member of the Family

Practical Gifts too, that are inexpensive and will please. HERE ARE A FEW SUGGESTIONS:

CLOTHING DEPT.	FURNISHING DEPT.	SHOE DEPT.
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House Coats	Caps	Rubbers
Boys' Suits	Pocket Books	Arctics
Boys' Overcoats	Garters	Boots
Trousers	Handkerchiefs	Felt Boots
	Underwear	
	Hosiery	
	Mufflers	
	Neckwear	
	Collar Bags	
	Suit Cases	
	Belts	
	Cuff Links	

P. S. If in doubt about size or color, we will exchange after Xmas.

C. E. HOUSE & SON, Inc.

ALL-ROUND FIELDING OF CHICAGO WHITE SOX DID TRICK THIS YEAR—IN AMERICAN LEAGUE

New York, Dec. 19.—The all-around fielding ability of the Chicago White Sox played a prominent part in their drive for the American League championship this year.

Official fielding records, made public today, show that the defensive work of Rowland's team was a different factor in the winning of the pennant, for practically every regular on the team ranks high in the fielding of his position.

The Sox, as a team, finished second in club fielding. The Red Sox head the list with a grand fielding average of 972.

Standing at the head of the first basemen is Chick Gandil of the White Sox, with a percentage of .995 in 149 games. Gandil made but eight errors and accepted 1,482 chances. McInnis of the Athletics is second, and Pipp, Hoblitzel and Burns are tied for third place.

Eddie Collins, who played more games than any other second baseman in the League, is the real leader in his position with a percentage of .969, though Jack Barry, playing in 40 games less, fielded .973.

Frank Baker of the Yankees leads the third basemen. He fielded .949 in 146 games. Weaver finished with the same percentage, but Baker played 39 more games than the White Sox star.

Scott Best Shortstop. To Everett Scott of the Red Sox goes the honor of being rated the best shortstop in his league in defensive playing. Scott fielded .953 in 157 games. Ray Chapman of the Indians ranks second.

The fielding averages of the White Sox outfielders show their defensive value. J. Collins, Felsch and Jackson are numbered among the first seven fielders in the league. Jacobson of the Browns leads the fielders with .988 in 141 games.

Little Ray Schalk, crack backstop of the Rowland men, tops the catchers of his league in fielding. Schalk took part in 139 games and finished the season with a fielding average of .981. Steve O'Neil, of the Indians ranks second. Hank Severoid of the Browns leads the catchers in assists with 156.

In addition to being the strike out king of his league, Walter Johnson was its best fielding pitcher. He did not make an error in 48 games in which he took a part. Hamilton, Schauer and Mogridge also turned in perfect averages, but Johnson played in greater number of games.

Ray Chapman made more errors than any other player in his league, getting credit for 59. He also made more assists, registering 528. "Stuffy" McInnis got the most putouts. His total was 1,655.

MISS MORGAN WILL BE SANTA FOR YOUNGSTERS

800 Women to be St. Nicholas's at Grand Central Palace in New York.

New York, Dec. 19.—Miss Anne Morgan, who arrived recently from Europe, will give her personal attention to the details of connection with

LOCAL WOMAN'S BROTHER LOSES MIND FROM WOUND

Lieutenant Perkins Now in London Hospital After Being Unconscious For Three Weeks.

Mrs. Hilda Callis of 141 Center street received word today that her youngest brother, Lieutenant William Perkins of a Leicester Regiment of the British army, who was

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FORESTERS ELECT.
Court Manchester Chooses Officers for the Year.

Court Manchester, Foresters of America, elected the following officers at its semi-annual meeting in Foresters' hall last evening:
Chief Ranger, Harry McCormick.
Sub Chief Ranger, Clarence Frost.
Treasurer, Cornelius Foley.
Financial Secretary, William Taylor.
Recording Secretary, Thomas Lewie.
Senior Woodward, John Munsie.
Junior Woodward, William Coter.
Senior Beadle, Frank Oakes.
Junior Beadle, Nicholas Marcantonio.
Court Physician, Dr. T. H. Welton.
Court Druggist, W. F. Bostwick.
Lecturer, J. Leon Duguet.
Trustees, James Munsie and John F. Miner.
Pianist, Richard Johnson.
These officers will be installed Tuesday evening, January 15. Deputy Grand Chief Ranger John F. Limerick of Court Nutmeg will be the installing officer.

State Trade Shop Notes

This evening both the Barnard and the Franklin school buildings will be thrown open to visitors from five o'clock to six o'clock and again from seven o'clock to eight o'clock. The Trade school shops will be open and running so that visitors may have an opportunity of inspecting the conditions and methods under which trade training is conducted.

The Trade school basketball team played with the Broad Brook team last evening losing by one point in a score of 26 to 25. A return game is expected soon.

Mr. Tucker, director, gave a talk on the money value of education to the pupils of the upper grades at the Eighth district school yesterday morning. He explained to them the advantage of the trained over the untrained, not only in terms of money value through increased wages earned, but in the larger opportunity to be of service to our country in the time when trained and efficient men and women are greatly in demand.

Opportunity will be given for new enrollments in the evening classes at the Trade school beginning after Christmas. A reduced enrollment fee will be charged. Evening classes are conducted in the following subjects: Carpentry, machine and tool making, mechanical and architectural drafting, practical electricity, textile work and a free class in radio buzzer work for conscripted men due for the next draft.

NO GOLD FOR CHRISTMAS.
Those who have been in the habit of giving new gold coins for Christmas gifts will have to use a substitute this year, as the government wants to conserve its gold coin. Although the Manchester Trust Company will have no gold for distribution it has plenty of new crisp currency and also a supply of attractive folders for use where the currency is intended for a gift. These folders will be supplied free to patrons of the bank.

KAISER TO SEND NEW PEACE OFFER TO POPE.
Amsterdam, Dec. 19.—The Kaiser is preparing to send a message to the Vatican at Christmas time, offering to enter into peace negotiations with the allies, according to information received from Berlin today. (An-unconfirmed report was circulated in the United States a week ago today that the Pope would deliver an important pronouncement of peace to the College of Cardinals on December 21.)

\$200,000 FIRE IN BALTIMORE.
Baltimore, Md., Dec. 19.—Fire early today completely destroyed a large business establishment in the heart of the business district and badly damaged several adjacent buildings. Six alarms were sent in. Five firemen were injured. The damage estimated at \$200,000.

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Radiolite Ingersoll Watches \$2.50
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Cello Hot Water Bottles \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50
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Manchester must have 6,000 new Red Cross members. Enroll today and back up those who serve.

CARDINAL GIBBONS AGAINST R. R. OWNERSHIP.
Baltimore, Dec. 19.—Cardinal Gibbons, in an interview today, stated public ownership of railroads was essential to the peace of the country, as against the spirit of the American people and as tending to central power through the hands of a few.

Gift Slippers

WOMEN'S FELT COMFY SLIPPERS, padded or Leather Soles and heels, some fur trimmed \$1.00 to \$1.50 pair

CHILDREN'S COMFY SLIPPERS low and high cut 75c to \$1.10 pair

MEN'S COMFY SLIPPERS, leather soles and heels, felt tops or leather tops, \$1.50 to \$2.00

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LEWIS THROWS ROLLER.
New York, Dec. 19.—Two finish men will discuss the international wrestling tourney here tonight.

Strangler Lewis will meet Tommy Drain and Wladek Zbyszko will be opposed by Demetri Tofoles. Lewis defeated Dr. E. F. Roller last night with his now famous head lock.

ways, characterizing such ownership as against the spirit of the American people and as tending to central power through the hands of a few.

Sports To Be More Popular Than Ever After The War

New York, Dec. 19.—Baseball, boxing, football are going to have larger followings after the war than they have today.

That this will be true in baseball particularly is the prediction of many men high up in the game, and it has been pointed out by followers of boxing that the instruction being given the soldiers in all of Uncle Samuel's training camps will develop thousands of devotees of the mainly art who have never before been interested.

Football, which has been growing by leaps and bounds within the past five years, may not gain many active participants through the formation of training camp elevens, but it will certainly gain in popularity.

Civil War Helped Ball. The pathway to success for present day baseball in the United States was opened wide with the close of the Civil war. Hundreds of soldiers returned from the battlefields on which the blue and gray armies fought their many great conflicts hardened through the rigors of service in the open and demanding some form of sport competition, or, at least, recreation, upon which to center their interest and in which those who brought youth back with them could find active exercise.

From the ending of the Civil war to the present day baseball has been gaining in popularity. It has suffered several rude shocks owing to internal strife, but as an attraction which gained and held public interest it has developed wonderfully.

No Will War Now. With thousands of Uncle Sam's soldier boys equipped with baseball, boxing and football paraphernalia while in the service, thousands of young bloods coming on will demand red-blooded recreations and pastimes on a large scale than ever before and the country at large weary of death-dealing conflicts and grateful for the chance to relax,

sports should thrive on a greater scale than ever.

Sports will be encouraged in every way possible by the government, too. President Wilson, Secretary of War Baker and many of our law-makers at Washington have openly expressed the opinion that health-giving sports should be encouraged and continued throughout the length and breadth of the land, even in war times. And when war ceases to be the world's greatest game, as it is today, the government will turn its attention toward the building of a sturdier and healthier race of Americans. It isn't that Americans are not stalwart and red-blooded today. A big per cent of them are, but the percentage can and should be increased, and sports out of doors seems to be the answer.

Yankees and Extra Innings. If victories in extra-inning games could have won the American league pennant last season, Bill Donovan's Yankees would have played in one end of the world's series and Genial Bill would probably have been offered a contract by Colonel Ruppert with a nice raise in salary instead of being dropped.

The Yanks were the best team in the league at winning overtime contests, winning thirteen, tying two and losing six. The champion White Sox were second in this department, with twelve victories, one tie game and seven defeats, while the Detroit Tigers were third, with nine victories, seven defeats and one tie game in extra innings.

Following is the list of teams and the extra-inning games in which they participated:

Table with 5 columns: Team, G, W, T, L, P. Yankees 21 13 2 6 .684, White Sox 20 12 1 7 .632, Tigers 17 9 1 7 .563, Mackmen 13 6 1 6 .500, Red Sox 15 5 5 5 .500, Senators 18 7 3 8 .467, Indians 16 5 2 9 .367, Browns 14 2 1 11 .154

U. S. GOVERNMENT BUILDING SHIPS IN HUGE FLEETS

Merchant Vessels Turned Out in Standardized Types Like Trolley Cars.

SHIPPING BOARD BIGGER THAN THE STEEL TRUST

Scarcely a Day Passes But What a New Craft is Finished and Launched Somewhere Along the American Coast—Monster Program is This Nation's Answer to Kaiser's Submarine Challenge.

***** This is the third article of a series on America's war preparations, secured from federal officials by the Publicity Committee of the Connecticut State Council of Defense for publication in Connecticut newspapers. ***** They will deal with all phases of the nation's organization for war, and will be as complete and informative as the exigencies of military strategy will permit. *****

On the last Saturday in November an event of great military importance occurred in Seattle. A ship was launched—a big 8,300-ton merchant ship—of standardized steel construction with a speed of 11 knots an hour. It was finished just 78 days after the laying of the keel and was the first ship to be completed on a contract let by the government's Emergency Fleet Corporation.

It—or she—is only one of 54 vessels of exactly her size that are under contract. In comparison with the new U. S. S. Leviathan an 8,300-ton ship is small, yet some 450 freight cars must be emptied into her before she is loaded, and 480 freight cars make a train about three miles and a half long.

In the preceding three weeks of November 33 other new ships were completed for the corporation. They ranged in size from 2,900 to 10,475 tons. They were a few of the ships being built in American yards on private account that were commandeered on August 4 for the government.

Altogether 426 ships have been commandeered in order that work on them might be hastened. Of these 33 have been finished. They are full sized ships, averaging 7,800 tons. Most of the commandeered ships are in an advanced stage of construction. Scarcely a day passes that does not see at least one of them added to the shipping resources of the allies.

The first of the 375 wooden ships tracted for by the fleet corporation was only a few days behind the first of the steel ships in taking the water.

As soon as a ship is finished the fleet corporation turns it over to the parent organization, the Shipping Board. The fleet corporation is simply the construction agency of the board. It does not build ships itself, but it draws up plans, lets contracts and watches and hastens construction. When it has done its work the board takes control of the completed ship. Many ships it turns over to the navy or to the army. Others go to the Italian and the French governments to transport much needed munitions and supplies to their troops.

Other ships still are intrusted to private shipping companies to be operated by them under an arrangement assuring excess profits to the board.

The \$1,000,000,000 steel trust is no longer the biggest business. The Shipping Board is bigger. Congress has authorized it to spend \$1,800,000,000. The Pennsylvania railroad is worth less than half as much.

Besides the 426 ships it has commandeered, the board is building, through its fleet corporation, 884 ships on its own contracts. Of these 551 are of steel construction, 375 of wood and 58 composite. In the four months ending March 1, 1918, the fleet corporation expects to complete 1,000,000 tons of shipping. That is as great a tonnage as the Hamburg-American Line possessed the year before the war, and the Hamburg-American Line was the wonder of the shipping world. The total program of the corporation calls for 1,409 ships of a dead weight tonnage of 3,363,808, all to be completed by January 1, 1919.

Eight Hamburg-American Lines, all built in the space of two years. That, with the work of the destroyers, is Uncle Sam's answer to the submarine challenge.

FAIR WEATHER FRIENDS.

Once I knew a girl who was the spoiled and only daughter of a rich family. She had always been in the position of a fairy princess with a wishing ring. Anything she desired was brought to her as if some magic genie waited her commands.

And then her father failed in business and died. And her mother, broken in health and spirits soon followed him. And the girl was left alone.

She had always had a number of friends—firm friends who accepted her dinner invitations and her concert tickets. But when she lost her money and was left alone, the girl found that her friends were all marvelously busy—that they were too busy to see much of her, to give her much advice and help. With a little money left from the wreck of things she took a secretarial course in a business college. She had to hurry, for there wasn't much money, so she finished the course in half the prescribed time. Now she has a very responsible position and a very interesting salary.

Talking to me long ago, she laughed in a not very humorous way and said: "You know, I never knew the meaning of the term, 'fair weather friends,' until my great trouble; and then, when I needed friends so very badly—when life was so horrid and unfortunate and sorry for me—found that there were very few who really showed up in a real way. In a time of trouble character really shows!"

"I've known you for a long while," I answered; "a very long while. When I knew you first, you were a butterfly. I never thought you would amount to anything! And then sorrow came and there wasn't any money. And I thought again, 'That girl will go to the wall. When you finished ahead of time, we could scarcely believe it. And now we are still surprised—but we're getting gladder about you every day!'"

The girl looked at me quite speechlessly. "In time of trouble," I quoted, "character certainly shows!" Margaret B. Sangster, in The Christian Herald.

He Will Help Promote Commercial Education



Dr. Glen Levin Swiggert, formerly of the University of Tennessee and recently assistant secretary general of the second Pan-American scientific congress, has been appointed specialist in commercial education in the bureau of education, department of the interior. In this new work the bureau proposes to investigate local, state and national educational opportunities for business training, to recommend courses of study and to co-operate through advice and counsel in the establishment of the proper relations between opportunity for training and the needs of business.

Why Was Chink Jailed?

(Noank Letter in New London Day.) Quite a bit of excitement was caused here Tuesday night at the laundry of the Chinaman Bing in Main street. Thomas Carney and a man by the name of Daley, both of whom were said to have been intoxicated, went into the laundry without giving a check. The Chinaman refused and the men became, so bystanders say, very abusive. One of them jumped the partition between the laundry proper and the front shop and the proprietor found it necessary to defend himself, which he did with a hoe, breaking the handle over the head of the man who attacked him. Officer Baker was summoned and took the laundryman out of his shop without coat, hat or shoes and deposited him in the lockup. The other man he sent away from the premises.

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U. S. RAILROADS HELPING ALLIES TO WIN THE WAR

Victories Won at Home by an Army of Nearly 2,000,000 Employees.

EXTRA EFFORTS CAUSED BY ARMY PREPARATIONS

Supplies Carried to the Various Military Camps Since Last April Would Fill a Freight Train Stretching From Hartford to Within a Few Miles of Chicago—Other Important Accomplishments.

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This has been called a railroad war. America's preparation for such a war is a greater railroad mileage than that of the entire continent of Europe, and a railroad army of 1,750,000 employees. Already the railroads, mobilized under their War Board at Washington, have won some important victories.

Up to November 12 the number of carloads of construction materials and furnishings brought into the National Army cantonments was 79,184. To the same date building supplies used in the Guard camps amounted to 32,370 carloads; and 9,849 carloads had been shipped into the Aviation camps.

A standard set of 100 camp materials could be coupled together, the train that would result would extend from Hartford to within a few miles of Chicago, Ill. That is a long train. It represents a great burden added on to the task accomplished by the railroads in the record-breaking year of 1916. But the carrying of construction materials to the cantonments is only a small part of the total increase in traffic for 1917. After the camps had been built, the railroads had to move the men into them. They have also had to carry to the Atlantic seaboard, from all parts of the country, the men who have gone to France. Up to November 19 they had carried a total of 1,300,000 soldiers to camps and ports of embarkation.

And after the men have been moved the railroads have to carry supplies to them. Every day 2,500 carloads of food and coal are being hauled to the National Guard and National Army camps alone.

Up to November 12 a total of 17,000 carloads of freight had been handled for the Shipping Board. This figure represents a part of the traffic involved by the building of 1,400 new ships. An enormously greater number of cars have rolled down to Atlantic and Gulf ports loaded with supplies and munitions for ships already built to carry to France and England and Italy.

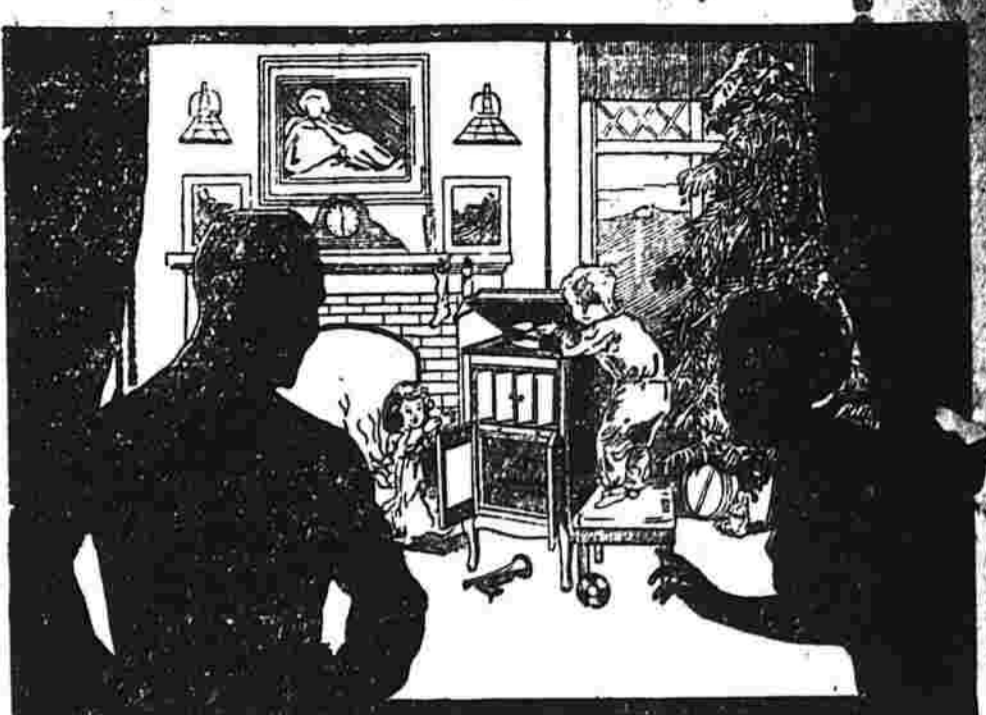
All modern military and commercial activity is based on coal and oil, but especially on coal. No figures reveal more clearly the extent of the increased effort put forth in the last half year by America generally and by the railroads in particular than the figures on the coal traffic. In the six months from May to October, inclusive, there were moved 150,000 more carloads of hard coal than in the same months of 1916, and 751,000 more carloads of soft coal. Figuring an average coal car at a length of 33 feet, the total increase for half of 1917 over the corresponding half of 1916 may be represented by a solid trainload of coal extending from New Haven through New York to New Orleans, to Los Angeles and on up the coast to Seattle, and then east again to a point in Montana, not many miles from Butte.

The day is past when it was the good citizen's duty to fight the railroads. The railroads are doing their best on a tremendous job. The citizen can do part of his bit by helping them in any small way that he can.

MACCABEES' WHIST.

The public whist given by the Ladies of the Maccabees in the Spencer hall last night was well attended and all who attended report a very enjoyable evening. The prizes were awarded as follows: First lady's prize, Mrs. J. H. Starkweather, cut glass bon bon dish; second, Mrs. James McGonigal, two Turkish towels; third, Mrs. Grace Smith, silk tie. First gentlemen's prize, Lester Beebe, walnut set; second, Adolph Carlson, a shaving and manicure set; third, Emil Johnson, fancy picture.

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WHEAT SAVING RECIPES.

Eggless Corn Muffins. Corn meal, 1 cup. Pastry flour, (sifted) 1/2 cup. Sugar, 1/4 cup. Malted butter, 2 tablespoonful. Salt, 1 teaspoonful. Baking powder, 2 teaspoonfuls. Milk, 1 cup. Mix dry ingredients and add milk and melted butter. Put in greased muffin pan and bake thirty minutes in a moderate oven. This recipe makes ten muffins.

Virginia Spoon Bread. Corn meal, 1/2 cup. Sweet milk, 1 cup. Salt, 1/4 teaspoonful. Egg, 1. Baking powder, 1 teaspoonful. Put milk in a saucepan and let it come to boiling point. Remove from fire and stir in corn meal quickly. When lukewarm add salt, the egg yolk well beaten, baking powder and lastly the stiffly beaten egg white. Put in a hot, well greased baking dish. Bake in a quick oven until brown. The best utensil for this amount is an earthen baking dish holding 1 1/2 pints.

"Johnny Cake." Corn meal, 2 cups. Flour, 1 cup. Beef suet, 2 teaspoonfuls. Milk, 1 1/2 cups. Salt, 1 teaspoonful. Baking powder, 3 teaspoonfuls. Sift and mix dry ingredients. Add the milk and suet and thoroughly mix. Turn in a well greased pan

THE LITTLE BLIND LADY.

She Was Sightless But There Were Others Blinder.

The tall man helped the frail, little lady up the high steps of the trolley car. And then, as she hesitated, gropingly, in front of the door, he spoke in a stage whisper to the conductor. "Say, look after her, will you?" he said. "She's blind!"

The sunshine, golden yellow, fell in a shimmering cloak across the floor of the car. The girl opposite us had wonderful blue eyes, shaded by curling black lashes. We had not noticed them very carefully; neither had we noticed the dimples in the cheek of the laughing baby in the next seat to ours, nor the glitter of the jewel in the business man's necktie.

We had not noticed the blaze of color on the city streets were passing through, or the scarlet flowers that grew gloriously in the window boxes of a public school that stood—a huge oasis—on a corner. The little blind lady sat across the aisle, a vague smile upon her trail face. And suddenly, with a pang of pity at our heart, we knew that she couldn't see anything—the laughing baby, the vivid colors, or even the sunshine. Blind!

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CHRISTMAS POST CARDS, MAGAZINES, NEW YORK, BOSTON AND HARTFORD SUNDAY NEWS-PAPERS.

"Serve at home if not in the trenches. Enroll in the Red Cross Army at once."

What A War Capital Girl Thinks Of Concert Audiences

Washington, Dec. 19.—The first flush of war enthusiasm has passed. The nation has settled down to war business. Not to be counted any small factor in the war business are the women.

In the first place, of the 75,000 and more clerks in the Government departments in Washington at least 60 per cent are women. Women are filling the chinks in the departments left vacant by the departure of men to war.

In the great war machinery women are more than half. True it is that in most instances they are but cogs in the great machine, but, nevertheless, they are important cogs, and the machine would not operate without them.

Then there are the thousands and thousands of women throughout the nation who are engaged in war work. The Food Administration, one of the most important of the great war engines of America, admits openly that it may as well close its doors if the women of America will not work with it. But the women of America are working with it, as the campaign pledges for food conservation continue to pour in.

Then there is Amaury de la Grange, French aviator. A man of high nobility in France, and one who would be close to the crown if France had not long ago dispensed with such absurdities as crowns. Captain de la Grange finds something interesting in all Americans and he often finds time to stop on a street corner and discuss the war with some husky private in khaki.

Italy has her men of nobility, too. Her Ambassador is of noble birth. There is also Vittorio Falorsi, of the Embassy staff, a man who came to Washington to see that the Italian Mission did not suffer at the hands of the newspapermen. He is still here and always a source of information on things Italian. In Italy he has rank and noble bearing. In Washington he is just a plain citizen.

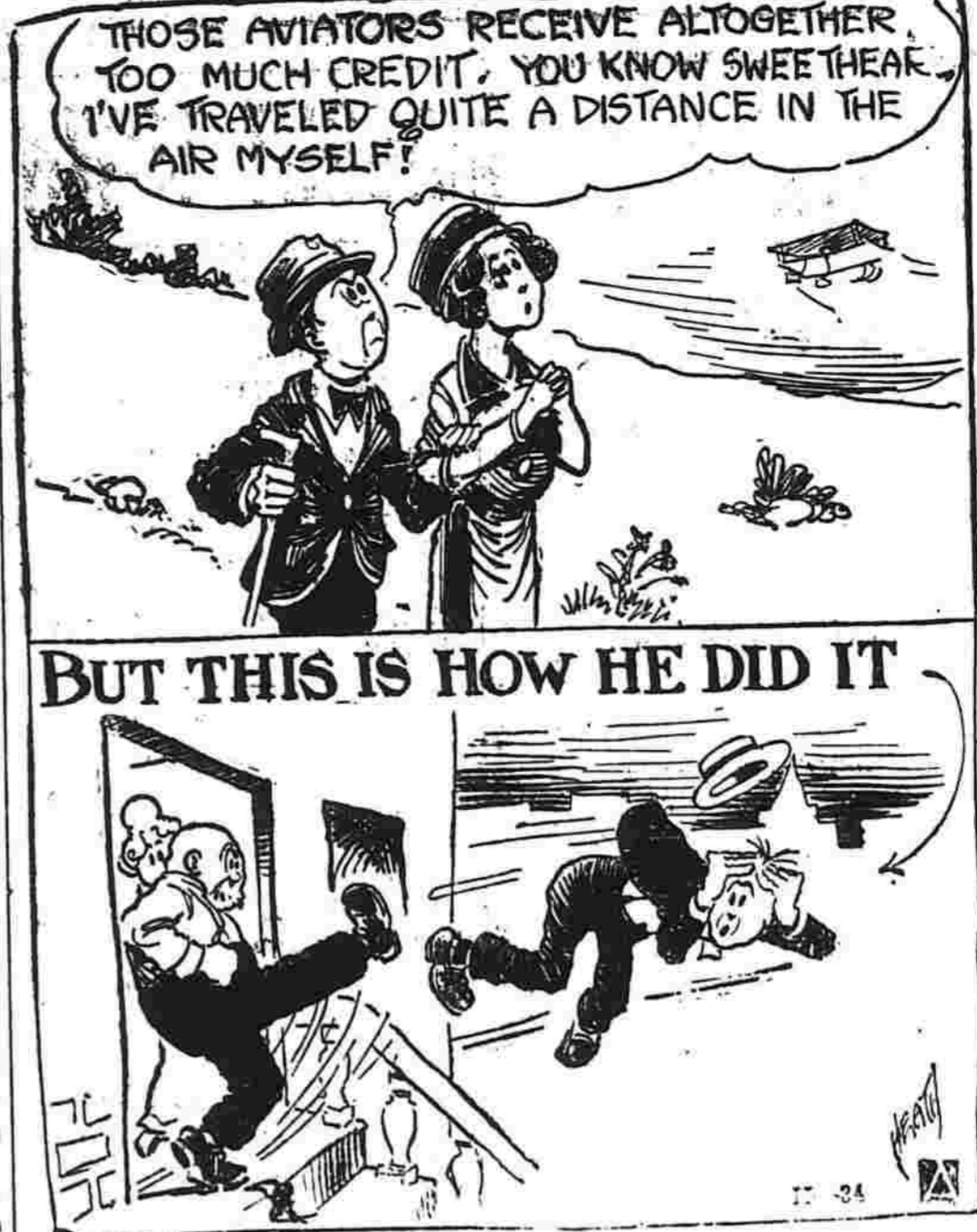
There is Lord Eustis Percy from England, Captain Tardieu of France, Major Perfetti of Italy and not a few others, all of whom have royal blood in their veins. They have forgotten royalty, however, and have breathed of the spirit of American democracy.

We women in our days of lurid romance reading were wont to sigh and wish for a lord or duke to happen along and propose marriage. Now that I have seen a few of the nobles in close range I want to tell those of my sex who still long for a title that they will find nobility of today nothing more than any American boy can offer.

Lords and dukes are good fellows. All Washington agrees to this. Send us more, because they fit right in with our American boys.

Would Tunnel English Channel.

A machine for tunneling the English Channel in 35 days has been brought to the attention of the British government by Mr. John K. Hencken, a civil engineer of New York, who states that he has official approval of his scheme. The scheme contemplates boring four tunnels by means of eight machines that will cut through earth and rock at the rate of 100 feet per hour and provides not only for a trackway in each tunnel, but a driveway, along with motor-torries could be driven from England to the supply bases in



STATE COMMITTEE PLANS TO USE GIRLS ON FARMS

High School Girls Will Also Be Asked To Help Harvest in Crops.

The Committee on the Utilization of Home Labor of the Farms consisting of U. S. Agents of Washington, Miss Caroline J. Rees of Greenwich, Mrs. A. H. Weston of Andover, I. G. Davis of Storrs, and Mrs. Joseph W. Aston of Avon, Chairman, met in the Council of Defense rooms today to consider the possibility of relieving the farm labor situation by the utilization of women in agricultural work. M. Estella Sprague of the Connecticut Agricultural College and Home Economics Director of the State, and Eugene Merritt of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, met with the committee.

Must Use Women.

These women work under local foremen accompanied by a chaparron. Recognition in the form of an armband indicating their membership in the woman's army is given workers who have shown themselves worthy.

Suitable recognition for Connecticut women was considered by the committee and the matter discussed thoroughly. Final action will be taken upon this at the next meeting, but it would seem that some form will be adopted.

The committee has outlined a plan to investigate the labor situation thoroughly and to discover if possible just how wide a use the farmers will be able to make of this type of help. They are anxious that all farmers who are acquainted with young women capable of helping on the farm make arrangements with them at an early date since it is felt that this is one of the best possible methods to make use of this kind of labor.

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School Boys' Help.
Reports from the County Agents and from many farmers convinced the committee that woman labor in addition to the use of high school boys and other emergency help may well go far towards solving the difficulty. The market gardeners, the growers of tobacco and a number of the fruit growers of the State require growers of tobacco and a number of women laborers last year and declared they found them not only equal of some forms of man labor but superior. The reports indicated a greatly enlarged opportunity for the utilization of women this year on a very satisfactory scale of wages.

Reports of the committee indicated that in England the agricultural help problem has been partially solved at least through their army of woman workers which now numbers 150,000.



Frederick H. Gillett of Massachusetts is slated to be the floor leader of the Republicans in the lower house of congress to succeed James R. Mann, who has announced his temporary retirement on account of ill health. Mr. Gillett has been a member of congress for more than 22 years and is the ranking minority member of the committee on appropriations.

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Something new in this black sash on a black and white frock. It winds around the waist and, attached to the shoulders and knotted in back, falls to the length of the skirt. It appears decidedly attractive, and no doubt will find favor among those who crave something with unique style. The dress is embroidered in black silk. The strip of caracul at the bottom is another feature that is making the frock popular.

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Kidney disease often advances so rapidly that many a person is firmly in its grasp before aware of its progress. Prompt attention should be given the slightest symptom of kidney disorder. If there is a dull pain in the back, headaches, dizzy spells or a tired, worn-out feeling, or if the kidney secretions are offensive, irregular and attended with pain, procure a good kidney remedy at once. Thousands recommend Doan's Kidney Pills. Read the statement below:
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ABOUT TOWN

TONIGHT IN MANCHESTER. Today is Wheatless Wednesday. Ladies of Maccabees, Foresters hall. Temple Chapter, O. E. S., Odd Fellows hall.

Lighting Up Time. Auto lamps should be lighted at 4.52 p. m. The sun rose at 7.14 a. m. The sun sets at 4.22 p. m.

The 1918 Calendars have made their appearance. Andrew Crowe of Ridgewood street is reported to be suffering from an attack of pneumonia.

The semi-weekly session of St. Mary's Bowling League will be held at the Center alleys this evening.

Merchants along Main street report that business this week is very brisk and that the small army of Christmas buyers seem to be buying small articles this year.

The Daughters of the Britisha Circle will meet in the Lincoln school at three o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

Mrs. Julia S. Davis who conducts a rooming house in the Weldon block fell on the sidewalk near the bank building yesterday afternoon.

Postmaster James N. Nichols of Highland Park received word this morning from his son Harold W. Nichols who has just finished his course in the Pratt Institute and Naval College in Brooklyn to the effect that he had been assigned to the Battleship Minnesota as a petty officer.

The men's class of the Swedish Gymnastic club will practice in the Recreation Center gymnasium from nine to ten o'clock this evening.

Clifford Gorman, of Ilocust street, a student at Holy Cross college, is home for a three weeks' vacation while on his vacation Gorman has secured a position with the government mail service. He will work on the mail trains between Hartford and Boston.

The regular monthly meeting of the Manchester Single Tax Club will be held tomorrow evening at Tinker hall, the club's headquarters. Plans will be made at the meeting for the continuance of the Open Forum meetings at the Center church.

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Getting Ahead of Santa Claus

There is still a chance to get a better choice of Xmas goods and better attention from salespeople—if you will once, and in the early morning hours.

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Instead of retaining the former custom of your patrons giving gold pieces to their friends and relatives at the Christmas season as in past years, the Treasury Department at Washington is now urging the giving of thrift stamps and of war savings certificates, which, as you know, may be purchased now for \$4.12, and exchanged by the government on January 1, 1923 for \$5 each.

This is a year when there should be no hoarding of gold because of the conditions of our national finances. The lessons of thrift and economy should be impressed on everyone as never before. The public must be educated to the purpose of thrift stamps and war savings certificates.

By the purchase of these stamps and certificates the people of our state will become educated along the lines of saving which will make conditions for saving in better condition for many years after the close of the war than ever before.

The Recreation Center Bowling league will hold its weekly session at the Recreation building alleys this evening.

DREW POTATO KNIFE WHEN ASKED FOR HIS CARFARE

Charles Reid Fined \$11.77 for Causing a Disturbance in a Rockville Trolley Car.

A potato knife was the most important witness in the only case which came before the local court this morning.

The defendant was Charles Reid of 199 Windsor street. Reid went to Hartford last Saturday night. He imbibed of liquor and was slightly intoxicated. It was brought out in the testimony that he was not dead drunk for he could take care of himself all right.

At Love Lane the conductor telephoned for orders and was told to bring the man to Depot Square and have him arrested. It took three or four men to hold Reid in the car. Meanwhile Reid had drawn a potato knife and was threatening to clean up everybody who came near him.

Attorney Harry M. Burke was secured by the defendant. Burke thought that the conductor had been a little hot-headed and had aggravated the defendant. David McIntosh, Edward Fielder, Burton Slater and Wallace Robb all testified that the man was the cause of a disturbance on the car. The judge sentenced Reid to fifteen days in jail for intoxication and fifteen days for breach of the peace. Judgment was served.

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VACATION FOR MILL WORKERS. The silk mill employees are to have a good vacation over Christmas this year. The mills will close as usual at noon Saturday and will not resume operations until Wednesday morning.

TO RAISE SERVICE FLAG. The Odd Fellows have purchased a service flag with 14 stars in honor of their members who are in the service.

TRAIN KILLS ONE SOLDIER, INJURES ANOTHER. Warren, Pa., Dec. 19.—Private Frank Potello was killed and Private John Litzenberg seriously injured today when an Erie passenger train struck the truck they were driving with the government motor truck train from Detroit to Newport News at a crossing near here.

GOT TREES AT SPRINGFIELD. Page Potter of the Bon Ton Flower shops had a big consignment of Christmas trees held up at Springfield today because of an embargo on the railroad. He took local teams to that city and brought them back. He expects to have them on sale early tomorrow morning.

POST OFFICE CLERKS BUSY. Christmas business is starting in earnest at the post offices. At the South Manchester post office last night, the regular force and two substitutes, Fred Hanson and William Dalton, were kept on the jump handling the extra business. There was another busy session this morning.