PERSHING HALTS ARMY SUPPLIES

Great Purchasing System Must Now Be Reduced to a Peace Basis

CANCELING CONTRACTS

Inflowing Stock Must Be Diminished to Conform to Changed Conditions

By the Associated Press

Paris, Nov. 25.—General Pershing issued an order after the signing of the armistice with Germany for the prompt reduction of the extensive system for purchasing supplies for the United States army in Europe and for the speedy transition to a peace basis.

Acting on this order, military authorities hove given notice of cancellation of contracts so far as possible with a view to diminishing rapidly the inflowing stock of supplies required for an army of 2,000,000 men. An officer who has had much to do with this branch of the service, sums up the situation as follows:

"The American expeditionary force on November 11, the day the armistice was declared, was traveling at full speed ahead and wos at the height of its supply activity. To reverse this tremendous business machine is the task upon which it now is engaged and the efficiency of its business organization is being manifested in its quick accommodation to entirely changed curcumstances.

"When the American forces first began coming to France there was a great scarcity of ocean tonnage. It was impossible for many months to ship more than 300,000 or 400,000 tons of supplies to the forces, notwithstanding the great necessity for engineering material, engines and general construction equipment. Search for material in Europe, therefore, had to be conducted with the greatest possible energy over a wide field.

"The American army established agencies in all Allied and neutral countries under a general purchasing agent. The ordinary purchasing machinery was augmented by this additional organization.

"To sum up, more than 10,000,000 tons of material for the expeditionary forces was secured on this side of the ocean. This was one of the prime factors in the successful result of the operations of the army. To have transported this material from America would have taken 300 ships of 5000 tons capacity about 480 days, or sixteen months.

"Apart from food supplies, the army has secured the bulk of its material from Europe. Notwithstanding the great emergency under which it operated, the American army endeavored to subject itself to all the checks and balances of a normal business organization which were possible under the circumstances.

"A bureau of contracts and adjustments was established with a view to simplifying international and interallied obligations. A system of independent departmental action was created and placed under the supervising authority of this bureau. The co-ordination of the purchase and supply activities of the American army, with its Allies, covers all Europe, and was one of the first things given attention by General Pershing in the business organization of his army."

ASK FOR and GET
Horlick's
The Original
Malted Milk
For Infants and Invalids
OTHERS are IMITATIONS

THE DAILY NOVELETTE

PLAYMATE

By Mary J. Joyce

JIM C—— had finished the business which had brought him to the little village of B—, and as he walked along the dusty road that led to the station, he wondered how he was to fill in the two hours which still remained before he could get a train for home.

A peal of girlish laughter interrupted his thoughts, and looking eagerly in the direction from which it came, he stood quite still in the road, his interest caught and held by the picture that met his eyes.

Framed by the doorway of a large barn that belonged to a pretty farmhouse, just at the bend of the road, stood a girl—and a very pretty girl she was—decided Jim. Stick in hand and arms upraised, she looked down with mock seriousness at the little terrier who danced about at her feet, delight and eagerness for a frolic written in every movement of his slender, quivering body.

"Now, Playmate," came the girl's voice, and the man in the road moved forward a few steps so as to catch every word, "now, Playmate, I'll just race for the stick with you once more, and that'll be the last."

Playmate barked understandingly in reply.

"Well, here goes, then," cried the girl. Tossing back her hair and drawing up her arm she flung the stick out on the lawn with all her might. The man in the road laughed aloud in sheer enjoyment at the race that followed—dog and girl flying at breakneck speed over the grass in a wild effort to get to the bit of wood first; and the girl, outdistancing the terrier by the fraction of an inch, fell upon the trophy with a shriek of delight, rolling over and over in the grass in a wild tussle with the little animal as he tried to snatch it from her.

"There, now, Playmate, that's all," and sitting up, breathless and dishevelled, the girl caught a glimpse of a broad-shouldered and very good looking young man, gazing at her with eyes in which amusement and admiration struggled for supremacy.

"Oh!" she gasped, and brushing her hair out of her eyes she struggled to her feet and fled.

Train time, and Jim sat in his chair car idly watching the people coming on board, devoutly wishing that it was time to start. Suddenly he leaned forward. A girl came down the station platform, hugging in her arms a little dog that gazed wonderingly around at the strange surroundings. Carefully guided by the elderly person who was evidently in charge, girl and dog were finally ensconsed in the chair directly opposite Jim.

"My little boyden of the afternoon," he reflected with pleased satisfaction.

The elderly person departed with admonitions "to be careful and look out for Aunt Martha as soon as you get off," and then the train moved on.

Jim wondered how he was to become better acquainted with his pretty neighbor, who apparently was oblivious to his very existence, when the coming of the conductor, calling "Tickets please," caused a welcome break in the monotony.

"Sorry, miss, he said, coming to the girl's chair, "but the dog'll have to go into the baggage car."

"But I have a seat in this car," explained the girl with pretty dignity; "see, here is my ticket."

"Oh, no, not you, miss," the man hastened to explain, "just the—the—animal, miss. No dogs allowed on the passenger trains. "We'll tie him so nothing'll happen to him."

"Tie him up—why, how could you be so cruel! He would die!", exclaimed the girl, almost in tears.

"Perhaps I can help out," said a masculine voice, and Jim joined in the little dialogue. "Dogs always make friends with me," he explained with a pleasant smile. "I'll go out into the baggage car with you, and between us we'll see that he is well taken care of. You see," turning to the girl, "it's a rule of the road which must be obeyed, but you need not worry, for I'll stay out there if necessary until he gets accustomed to it."

The girl thanked him with shining eyes, and the conductor left them with an understanding nod. Jim immediately began to cultivate the acquaintance of Playmate and of Playmate's mistress.

Strangely enough, it did not seem to be necessary to remain in the baggage car with him, so Jim spent the remainder of the trip looking after the welfare of Playmate's mistress, and all too soon the trip was over, and the lights of the city came into view.

"My uncle is coming on board at the uptown station," said the girl as the coach slowed down. "I should like to have you meet him so that he can thank you for all your kindness to me. His name is——"

"Well, Jim, by all that's lucky," said a hearty voice directly behind them, and Jim found his hand grasped and shaken by his old college roommate, Scott H—. "Why, how on earth do you—why, what's my niece—well, will you please explain this situation!" finally finished Scott in confusion.

"I hope to see a good deal of you while you are in the city," said Jim to Annette Harnden when they parted.

"Oh, but I shan't have much time for social life, you see," said the girl with a pretty shake of her head. "You see, I'm here to be 'finished', Aunt Martha says, and that means——"

"No more romps in the grass with Playmate," finished the young man, smiling down into her eyes.

"Oh," said the girl quickly, coloring under his gaze, "were you the man? What must you think of me!"

"Well," said Jim, meaningly, "I was the man, all right—but your second question—well, perhaps you'll let me answer that a little later."

Tomorrow's Complete Novelette—"MARTHA'S LESSON."

LEFT-OVERS

After every family dinner there are nutritious bits of left-overs sufficient for another meal. Add a snappy relish—It's Economy!

LEA & PERRINS SAUCE
THE ORIGINAL WORCESTERSHIRE

The Wartime relish.

THE TURKISH BATH AT HOME

THE VAPOR BATH

is the most natural and the best curative agent for Rheumatism, Asthma, Pleurisy, all kinds of skin diseases and a sure preventive against INFLUENZA. Treatments taken in Turkish Bath Institutions are costly and do not offer the advantage of privacy of a Home Cabinet at a cost of less than 5 cents a bath.

Price of Cabinet, $10 and $15

E. AELLIG
1518 Belfield Avenue,
Atlantic City.

Send your order now.

Established 1839
Furs — 131 So. 13th St. — Millinery

Important Reduction of Small
Velvet Hats
Models That Are Typical and Absolutely Our Own
Reduced for Immediate Disposal

Mawson's Incorporated

Mr. Mawson is not connected, directly or indirectly, with any other firm using his name

J.B. Sheppard & Sons

Christmas Specials

Philippine Underwear
Envelope Chemise, $2.65, $3.25, $3.75
Corset Covers, $1.75 and $2.25
Night Gowns, $2.35, $2.50
Drawers, $1.50

AND THESE

Bloomers, crepe de chine or satin, $3.75
Silk Petticoats (very special), $3.95, $5.00, $5.50
Camisoles (special satin), $1.00, $1.25, $1.50
Envelope Chemise, crepe de chine, $2.75, $3.00, $3.75
Night Gowns (cotton crepe or nainsook), $1.00, $1.25, $1.75
Outing Flannel Gowns, $2.75, $2.86 $3.25
Blanket Bath Robes, $6.00, $6.75

And These Particularly
Wonderful collection of pure Linen Handkerchiefs and Ladies' Net and Embroidered Neckwear—Superior Assortment

1008 Chestnut Street

ASCO. ASCO. ASCO. **AMERICAN STORES CO.** ASCO. ASCO. ASCO.

Our Stores Will Be Closed All Day Thanksgiving—Open Until 9 o'Clock the Night Before

These Prices Effective in All Our Stores Until Sat. Night, Nov. 30th

A Few Suggestions for Your Thanksgiving Dinner

Fancy Cranberries	lb. 12c	Choice Apples	¼ peck 18c
Best Mince Meat	lb. 18c	Juicy Grape Fruit, each 6c,	7c
Golden Pumpkin	can 12c	Pure Jelly	glass 13c
Plum Pudding	can 29c, 55c	Rich Cheese	lb. 38c
Fancy Walnuts	lb. 40c	Tender Asparagus	can 16c
Fancy Almonds	lb. 40c	Choice Peas	can 16c, 19c
Fancy Brazil Nuts	lb. 30c	Choice Pears	can 20c
Fancy Filberts	lb. 29c	Fancy Cherries	can 23c
Fancy Mixed Nuts	lb. 33c	Sliced Peaches	can 19c
Pure Apple Butter	lb. 15c	Fancy Apricots	can 17c

Victor Bread 8c Loaf
The finest loaf of bread baked, and the price speaks for itself. Without question the biggest value sold in the United States today.

Best Onions lb 2c

Our Very Best Coffee lb 24c

Wheat Flour 12-lb bag 75c

Big Full Meaty Eggs, 54c doz
Every egg guaranteed—12 good ones in every dozen. An American Stores guarantee means something.

Our Very Best Teas, 48c lb
13c ¼ lb.; 25c ½ lb.
Your choice of Plain black, Mixed or our famous India and Ceylon. Teas that are full body and sweet, delicate flavor—unusual value.

Ritter's Catsup	bot. 12c	Choice Tomatoes, med. can	14c	Oleomargarine	lb. 32c, 37c
Sliced Dried Beef	pkg. 13c	Choice Tomatoes, big can	20c	Free Running Salt	pkg. 8c
Karo Syrup	can 14c	Choice Peas	can 16c	Asco Oats	pkg. 11c
Cracker Dust	lb. 13c	Asco Sweet Peas	can 19c	Kellogg's Corn Flakes,	pkg. 11c
Asco Mustard	jar 12c	Sweet Sugar Corn	can 16c	Post Toasties	pkg. 11c
W. D. Vinegar	bot. 12c	Tiny Lima Beans	can 14c	Puffed Rice	pkg. 13c
Pink Salmon	can 21c	Choice String Beans	can 16c	Grape Nuts	pkg. 12c
Kippered Herring	can 15c	Pork and Beans	can 10c	Pearl Barley	lb. 5c
Shad	big can 23c	Kidney Beans	can 13c	Asco Baking Powder,	can 5c, 9c
Potted Meats	can 5c, 10c	Tender Asparagus	can 16c	Tomato Puree	can 9c
Salad Oil	bot. 11c, 22c	Mixed Vegetables	can 13c	Hershey's Cocoa	can 8c, 15c
Kream Krisp	can 35c	Pea Beans	lb. 13c	Laundry Soap	cake 4½c
Everyday Evap. Milk,	can 14c	New Calif. Lima Beans,	lb. 17c	Asco Bluing	bot. 5c
Fancy Red Beets	can 17c	Yellow Split Peas	lb. 12c	Asco Ammonia	bot. 7c
Spaghetti	can 10c, 15c	Red Kidney Beans	lb. 15c	Old Dutch Cleanser	can 8c
Seeded Raisins	pkg. 13c	Seedless Raisins	pkg. 15c		

Sweet Juicy Oranges doz 40c

Choice Rice lb 10c

Golden Pumpkin can 12c

Best Potatoes 11c ¼-pk 3¾ lbs

In All Our Cut Price Meat Markets

Fresh Killed Roasting Frying Stewing Broiling **Chickens 39c lb**
Fine big yellow legged chickens, milk fed, soft meated, the highest quality obtainable.

Genuine Spring Lamb

Loin Chops	lb. 48c
Rib Chops	lb. 44c
Rack Chops	lb. 35c
Shoulders	lb. 30c
Stewing	lb. 24c

QUALITY BEEF
Rump, Round or Sirloin Steak — 45c lb

Genuine Wether Mutton

Loin Chops	lb. 35c
Rib Chops	lb. 30c
Rack Chops	lb. 28c
Shoulders	lb. 24c
Stewing	lb. 18c

Delicacies Ready to Serve

Cooked Pork Roll 16c ¼-lb | Sliced Lebanon Bologna 12c ¼-lb | Cooked Corned Beef 12c ¼-lb | Baked Meat Cake 16c ¼-lb

Delicious Fresh Sausage lb. 35c | Country Style Scrapple lb. 18c | Heinz New Made Krout qt. 12c

EVERYWHERE IN PHILADELPHIA
And Throughout Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland

ASCO. ASCO. ASCO. ASCO. ASCO. ASCO. ASCO. ASCO.

WANAMAKER'S | WANAMAKER'S

The Down Stairs Store Is in Thanksgiving Trim

Real Service Coats for the Wintry Days

All are warmly lined throughout with plain color or fancy materials and many have cozy collars of racoon, kit coney, sealene or nutria. Mostly of velour in many styles and the colors include all the dark autumn shades. $35 to $55.

Soft plushes are priced from $24.75 to $55. All are fully and warmly lined to withstand the blustering winds of Winter and many have fur for trimming. Many are in loose styles, others belted in.

(Market)

Thanksgiving—
When all the friends and family meet
About the festive board. —*Anon.*

Luggage for the Thanksgiving Trip

Back home for Thanksgiving or down to the shore? You'll need a bag and we have what you want; as fine or as inexpensive as you choose.

Suitcases of black enameled cloth, neatly finished inside, are $3.75 to $13.50.

Traveling bags of fiber and enameled cloth begin at $5.50 and $6. Each bag has a certain number of brass rests on the bottom and that makes for long service.

Bags of All Kinds
are here from the smallest to the largest. Come and see.

(Central)

Satin Plays a Prominent Part in Winter Millinery Modes

Sometimes it is combined with fur, sometimes with fur-cloth or with beaver and quite often it is used alone. The hats are usually dark ones—blue, black or brown, with here and there a touch of the rust red that is so fashionable. Most of them are small and close-fitting, as these seem to go best with furs and wintry coats.

Prices start quite low, at $3 and go upwards with frequent stops, to $9.50.

(Market)

Men's New Ties Are Colorful

A new lot of good ones in four-in-hand shapes, with lined neckbands (men appreciate this bit of finish), are in many, many colors and almost as many designs—both stripes and figures. 65c.

Good neckties for gifts!

(Gallery, Market)

Men's Shoes Half Price at $2.40

With only 300 pair at this price early choosing is advised.

They are good-looking shoes of black leather, perfect in every way, on English lasts. Lace styles with welted soles.

(Chestnut)

Extra-Size Black Petticoats, $2

A generous hand cut these good petticoats of black sateen, for they are large, yet fit smoothly over the hips. There is elastic at the waistline and a deep flounce.

(Central)

Women's Gloves for Better Wear

Fine French kidskin gloves with two clasps are full pique sewn. Women can choose gray, brown, tan, black or white, with self or contrasting stitching on the backs. $2.75 a pair.

Eight-Button Gloves
of soft, good kidskin in black or white have backs embroidered in two tones. They are overseam sewn and will do for either day or evening wear. $3.50 a pair.

(Central)

Warm Merino Underwear for Children

There are little shirts and drawers of warm, fleece-lined merino—wool and cotton. The shirts have high necks and long sleeves, the drawers are ankle length.

In sizes 1 to 10 years at $1.25, sizes 12 to 14 at $1.35 the garment.

(Central)

And doth not a meeting like this make amends
For all the long years I've been wan'dring away?
—*Anon.*

A Comprehensive Group of Satin Frocks—Special at $15

Colors include taupe, navy blue, black and brown.

The styles are innumerable. Some dresses have collars of self-material, white satin or hemstitched Georgette and others have long roll collars, with vestees of satin or Georgette.

Broad girdles predominate, either plain or embroidered, and many skirts show overskirts. Fringe is used quite attractively.

Other Satin Frocks
in practically all fashionable styles and seasonable colorings are priced from $16.50 to $25—which are prices much lower than the original marking.

(Market)

Snowy Bib Aprons

are for neat maids to wear. They are of good lawn, with the bib and apron edged all around with pretty embroidery. Three styles at 85c.

(Central)

Special Fluffy Down Quilts at $6.50

They are filled with soft, fluffy down, so that, while they are snug and warm, they are light in weight. Good, lustrous sateen in many pretty designs covers both sides of each quilt.

Unusual, to say the least, at such a price!

(Chestnut)

A hundred thousand welcomes.
—*Shakespeare's Coriolanus.*

For Practical Affairs

these blue chambray uniforms for maids cannot be surpassed. They have collars that can be worn high or low and have a breast pocket. $2.50.

Aprons that cover you from tip to toe are made of good plaid gingham in gay colors, trimmed with rickrack braid. So all-enveloping are these aprons that they can be and are worn for aprons. $2.50.

(Central)

What Cozier Than a Blanket Bathrobe

to slip into at night or morning? Women's blanket robes at $4.75 are in many colors and designs. They have the collar, cuffs and pocket stitched and a cord at the waist.

(Central)

Special Paper Sets—75c for Thanksgiving Suppers

The table cover is made of heavy crepe paper, suitably decorated, as are also the 12 napkins and 12 doilies. The 12 plates are of heavy cardboard and boast a large turkey each.

Napkins
of heavy crepe paper with turkeys on them are 18 for 10c or 100 for 40c.

For the Pudding
or for ice cream, it is nice to have cut outs of turkeys, pumpkins, etc., of heavy cardboard, the same on either side, to stick in. These are 10c a dozen.

(Central)

This Thanksgiving Table Should Be Resplendent in Whiteness!

With so much to be thankful for, our tables this year should glow with bright, new, snowy cloths and napkins. The Down Stairs Store will help you make them so.

Table Cloths

Fully bleached, cotton damask tablecloths for round and square tables are hemmed, hemstitched or scalloped. Size 56 inches is $1.50 each.

Hemmed tablecloths of bleached cotton damask are:
58 x 68 inches, at $2.
64 x 72 inches, at $2.25.
56 x 81 inches, at $2.50.

Double satin-finished cotton damask tablecloths in several pretty circular designs are
72 x 72 inches, at $3.25, $3.50 and $4.25.
72 x 90 inches, at $5.25.

Damask for Table Cloths

Table damasks of fully bleached, mercerized cotton—and some half linen and cotton—are heavily satin-finished. There is a large variety of floral and stripe designs. 85c to $2.25 a yard.

Napkins, Napkins, Napkins
and still more napkins—all that you would want—are here in a satin or linen finish. Cotton napkins are $3.25 to $5 a dozen.

Breakfast Napkins
of the right kind for every-day use are made of mercerized cotton damask, hemmed all ready for use at 15c and 20c each.

Mercerized Damask Sets
made on the same looms as the linen sets and so much finer than the usual run of cotton sets are made in three neat designs: spot, fleur de lis and stripe.

Tablecloth, 70 inches square, with 6 napkins, $5 a set.
Tablecloth, 70x88 inches, with 6 napkins to match, $6 a set.

(Chestnut)

Black Silk Stockings Are a Safe Gift for Any Woman

No one ever had enough. These are full-fashioned and of fine, even texture; the tops and feet are of lisle. $1.15.

Children's Stockings—Special
Black-ribbed cotton stockings, with the feet re-enforced and double knees. They are first and second quality and are 35c, three pair for $1.

(Central)

Special Bandeaux and Brassieres

Attractive little bandeaux of pink broche and cream-colored lace fasten in back with elastic insets. They have ribbon shoulder straps. $1.

Pink satin brassieres, with wide bands of imitation cluny lace at the bottom and top, are $1.25. Another pretty style at $1.50.

(Central)