

After Long Delays American Arms Will Be Finest in World

Washington, Dec. 21.—From the gloomy picture of war department incompetence, indecision, confusion and consequent delay in all war preparations, drawn by the witnesses appearing before the Senate military affairs committee, one feature stands out as a cause for rejoicing. It is that if the United States Army is ever fully equipped and the men under training to represent the force and spirit of the nation on the battlefronts are made ready to exert themselves, they will have the best rifles, machine guns and ammunition that the war has known.

This fact has been testified to by all the arms manufacturers and all the Army experts. It is the sole fact which saves the War Department from utter condemnation and relieves it in a slight degree of the charges of having entirely wasted the valuable time since the declaration of war. Contracts for arms and ammunition have been seriously delayed. While the danger to the nation was constantly increasing, the War Department, instead of providing the men sent to France with adequate equipment, continued to hesitate and experiment.

67 Killed in Wreck of Passenger Trains

Shepherdsville, Ky., Dec. 21.—Sixty-seven known dead and forty-five persons injured, some of them seriously, was the toll taken when a Louisville and Nashville passenger train from Cincinnati to New Orleans last night crashed into the rear of a hardware store in the Japanese settlement accommodation train 800 yards south of the station here.

Rice From 1000-Year Old Seed For Japan's Ruler

Tokio, Dec. 21.—Rice grown directly from seed grain 1,000 years old will be served the Emperor of Japan when he attends the autumn maneuvers of the Japanese army in Shiga prefecture this fall. The ancient rice grains were found inside a wooden image of Vaisravana in a little Buddhist temple in the village of Iwame.

May Not Wear Jewelry; Colored Laces Instead

London, Dec. 21.—Girl workers in the danger buildings at Woolwich arsenal are not allowed to wear jewelry. They have therefore, hit on the idea of wearing colored shoe laces. The Cap Shop girls appeared one morning with bright emerald green ribbons on their shoes much to the envy of other departments. The next morning the whole factory was in the fashion, says Doctor A. K. Foxwell, the principal supervisor.

City Darkened For First "Lightless Night" of War

With the exception of a few delinquent property owners and business places street lights were the only ones that gleamed on the streets of Harrisburg last night. Thursday and Sunday has been decreed by the National Fuel Administration the lightless nights all over the country. Last night was Harrisburg's first lightless night. The business section of the city was generally unlighted with the exception of the lights in the windows of the stores that were open for business.

YORK MEN BANKRUPTS Said to Have Been Involved in Transactions With Attorney Lewis

York, Pa., Dec. 21.—George C. Eppley, a building contractor, and Joseph Hochberger, a real estate promoter, have been declared voluntary bankrupts by the United States court at Scranton. They are alleged to have become involved through the financial difficulties of Robert J. Lewis, the missing York lawyer with whom they have been associated in business ventures.

SEVEN NEW MEMBERS ACCEPTED BY TROOP 20

Seven new members will be accepted into Troop 20 within the next week or so, according to the expectations of scout officials. This will bring the troop enrollment to nearly the full complement of four patrols.

to take place in January. At a recent meeting the question of a summer camp was brought up for discussion. Much interest was shown and the boys fully expect to have one of the best scout camps to go out of Harrisburg next summer. The entire troop will be present at the scout reception to be held tonight in the Y. M. C. A.

18 Tons of Turkey For Hancock Men Camp Hancock, Augusta, Ga., Dec. 21.—Nearly eighteen tons of turkey will be eaten by the 22,000 men from Pennsylvania encamped here at their Christmas dinner, according to the announcement yesterday of Col. F. T. Pussey, of Philadelphia, division quartermaster. The dressed birds will be delivered to the mess sergeants Saturday and Monday and the roasting of them, under the care of Captain Frank L. Mueller, of Philadelphia, in the field bakery, will begin. Most of the soldiers will have four and a half straight days' respite from all drill and work, but some will be unfortunate enough to draw guard duty for part of the time. Beginning Saturday afternoon the Christmas celebration of the Twenty-eighth Division will commence.

A traveling moving picture show in the form of a specially built automobile, is the latest acquisition of the Netherlands soldier. It has been invented with a view to bringing cheer into the monotonous and hard life of the troops engaged in guarding the frontiers in the forthcoming winter. A cyclist theatrical company was already in existence, peddling from one detachment to the other to give its performances. The new movie car resembles an ordinary military freight automobile. Arrived on the spot where the performance is to be given, the automobile is stationed in front of the hall, into which electric power is conveyed by means of a long wire that is carried with all other requisites in the car. All that has to be seen to locally is the provision of a suitable hall. The staff comprises driver, electrician, pianist and movie operator, for whom comfortable accommodation is provided in the car.

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The Always Good Gifts for Everybody at This Xmas Economy Store

Girls' These Splendid Coats Make a Lasting Gift. For Girls 2 to 6 Years. Astrakhans and Corduroy in charming colors and trimmings. \$2.75. For Girls 2 to 9 Years. We have them in materials of pannesets, kerseys and mixtures in blue, green, brown and mixture. \$3.75. For Girls 2 to 14 Years. Such materials as corduroy, zibelines, melton cloth and kerseys in pretty colors. \$5.75. For Girls 2 to 14 Years. Velours, zibelines, mixture coats and rarities in brown, blue, green and black black colors. \$6.75.

KAUFMAN'S Christmas ECONOMY CARNIVAL. IF YOU HAVE A HEART AND A DOLLAR It is Your Duty as a Loyal American to Join the Red Cross Now—Subscriptions Accepted at This Store.

Shirtwaists Are Very Acceptable As Xmas Gifts. White Voile Waists. Crepe de Chine and Washable Silk. \$1.95, \$2.95.

Furs An Unforgettable Gift For Children and Misses. FOR CHILDREN. Natural Red Rabbit Muff and Scarf Sets, \$2.95 to \$4.95. FOR MISSES. Natural Cooney Scarf and Muff Sets, \$4.95, \$12.50 and \$15.00.

Gifts Bound to Please. GLOVES. Women's Chamoisee Gloves. \$1.00. Women's Kid Gloves. \$1.75. Women's Silk Gloves. \$2.25. Women's All Pure Silk Hose. \$1.45.

Christmas Clothes. Suits, Coats & Dresses for Women & Misses. Attractively Priced for Gift Buying. COATS. \$14.00, \$18.75, \$23.75. SUITS. \$10.95, \$12.95, \$15.95, \$12.75.

Perhaps These Charming Gifts Will Solve Your Problem. Fancy Party Bags, 98c to \$1.23. Toilet Sets, 98c to \$7.90. Military Brushes, 48c to \$2.95.

PRETTY HANDKERCHIEFS. Plain white with fancy colored edges. 10c. Three assorted handkerchiefs in a fancy box. 29c.

GIFTS for MEN. Suits & Overcoats. \$12.00 to \$18.50. Men's Bath Robes. \$3.95. Men's Reefers Coats. \$5.95.

Gifts Sure to Please HIM. Men's Combination. 48c, 98c, \$1.48. Men's Coat Sweaters. \$2.45.

Gift Suggestions In The Bargain Basement. WOOL PLAID BLANKETS. \$4.95. BIG WOOLEN PLAID BLANKETS. \$5.95. Automobile Robes. \$4.95 to \$5.95. Mayonaise Sets. \$1.95 to \$2.95.

Boys Will Be Boys. If Your Boy Needs a Suit, Overcoat or Mackinaw, Why Not Buy It For Xmas. BOYS' CORDUROY SUITS. \$4.95. Boys' Trench Raincoats. \$4.49.

Yuletide Gifts For HER. Crepe de Chine Envelope Chemise. \$1.95 to \$2.95. Children's Bathrobes. \$1.45 to \$2.95. Women's Bathrobes. \$2.95 to \$5.95.

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