

\$20,000,000 WAR DEAL

HARLAN MAN ENGINEERS HUGE CONTRACT WITH FRENCH GOVERNMENT.

AGREES TO DELIVER MANY HORSES AND MULES

Contract Calls for 50,000 Horses and 25,000 Mules, With Deliveries Each Month—Four Men Interested in Great Undertaking—Animals to be Assembled in Lincoln.

Harlan, Jan. 3.—Fifty thousand horses and 25,000 mules, 5,000 to be delivered each month, is the scope of a contract entered into with the French government by a group of four Americans, Mr. Clinton Hoover, of this city, having a fourth interest. This contract was closed at Lincoln, where one of the partners lives, and that city is to be the base of operations.

Last year while Mr. Hoover was in San Diego, Cal., a foreign consular representative expressed regret over lack of horses. Mr. Hoover took the matter up with Mr. Seely, an attorney of that city. Papers were drawn up at Lincoln and Mr. Seely took them to London, where the contract was set through a London broker. Mr. Hoover received a cable from Seely in London Friday stating the contract was closed. The contract was ready for closing two months ago but was held up for means of transportation, which have been provided.

The stock will be gathered over the country, assembled at Lincoln and shipped to Galveston, Tex. There it will be taken by agents of the French government and sent to a designated port in France. The business represents a money exchange of \$20,000,000. The horses and mules are listed at \$14,000,000; the freight is placed by Mr. Hoover at \$5,375,000. It is big business for sure. Mr. Hoover is to be complimented for having a part in it.

Has Done Some Traveling. Hoover made five trips across the continent, visiting practically every horse market. He finally closed the deal with the Lincoln Horse and Mule Company, of Lincoln, Neb. The deal was closed some time ago, but the matter of shipping the horses could not be entered upon at that time, as Great Britain had commandeered all the ships for carrying troops and supplies to the Balkans. Some of these ships have been released now, and the Lincoln company will begin making shipments at the rate of 4,000 animals a month, the first shipments to go forward in January.

Mr. Hoover has three partners in the deal. Two are international lawyers who furnished the legal advice necessary to put the deal across.

The four have not been working for their health. They will get a good commission on the deal. It will amount to six figures and perhaps seven. That was some contract to be put across by a plain Iowa country boy. Mr. Hoover says the red tape insisted upon by the French government is something fierce.

Traer News Items.

Special to Times-Republican. Traer, Jan. 3.—Joe Fleming, of Grand View, Wash., after an absence of ten years, is visiting his brother, Will M. Buckingham. He is in the fruit country in the Yakima valley and has twenty acres devoted largely to apples. Mr. Fleming took a car of apples to the Chicago market.

Mr. and Mrs. William, of Canada, have gone to Gilman and other points to visit until February, when they will return and make their son, Robert a longer visit before returning to Canada.

Mrs. Parsons is disposing of her household goods preparatory to leaving for her new home in Arizona. Dr. Parsons is erecting a cottage for their use close to the mine in which they are interested. Mrs. Ella Parsons, the doctor's mother, will remain in Traer. Dr. E. Baker is at home at present. He has not decided what business he will pursue.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bangs and daughters, of Cedar Falls, are spending a fortnight at the home of their Mr. and Mrs. George Paton, lifelong residents of the Amity neighborhood, are moving to Cedar Falls and expect

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Remember, if your stomach feels out-of-order and uncomfortable now you can get relief in five minutes.

to make that city their home, at least until their daughter is thru school. son and brother, and incidentally are getting acquainted with the new baby at Prof. Bangs.

Mrs. J. P. Ayer, a former Traer resident, died last week at her home in Los Angeles.

David Kennedy, of Outlook, Sask., husband of Mrs. Mabel Segner Kennedy, is seriously ill of pneumonia at his home in that city.

Nat Martin, wife and daughters will leave the farm in the spring. They have rented a residence in Toledo and will move in March. Mr. Martin's son, Noble, will carry on the farm.

The sewer contract in charge of Cheryny & Lorenzen was completed on Thursday. This supplies four blocks with sewer connections on Greene and Sixth streets.

Lee Clough, southwest of Traer, has been very ill, threatened with pneumonia.

Mrs. James Stevenson returned from Havelock, Tuesday, where she has been visiting a daughter, Mrs. S. T. Cowan, and helping nurse five grandchildren thru a siege of measles.

Grinnell and Vicinity. Special to Times-Republican.

Grinnell, Jan. 3.—The Congregational church held its annual meeting on Friday evening with a fair attendance, considering it was New Year's eve.

Reports showing a year of unusual activity and success. There has been a total net gain in membership within the past year of 54 men and 62 women, or 116. The present total membership is 1,022, of whom 155 are absent. Added to this is the associate membership of the student body of the college, applying only in their college connection and not severing their connection with their home churches, of 152. The Sunday school department secretary reports a total enrollment, including the regular roll and the home department, of 714. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society reports a membership of 159, and of moneys raised, \$915.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society reports a membership of 182, with collections and disbursements amounting to \$1,020. The report of the general church treasury and the committee shows the church practically free from indebtedness of any kind, with over \$8,000 of last year's budget for running expenses raised. The trustees report a budget for the coming year of nearly \$8,000 with pledges and other funds in hand as in sight to meet it. The trustees have completed the enclosure of a porch and open space on the southeast corner of the church building into an excellent office for the pastor and assistant pastor for the transaction of business, the cost being \$1,000. The election of officers of the church, based on the primary ballots circulated for three weeks among the members with equal opportunity for all to vote unbiased, resulted in the final ballot as follows: Clerk, A. M. Burton; deacons, Dr. H. E. Baker, H. G. Lyman and L. W. Taylor; deaconesses, Mrs. I. M. Harrington and Mrs. M. L. Hunt; advisory board, five elective members, Miss Stella Bartlett, Mrs. Pearl Garner, Prof. Charles Noble, J. M. Woodworth, Mrs. D. S. Morrison; trustees, George M. Christian, G. H. Hamlin and W. T. Moyer; chairman of the committee, missionary, Prof. Charles Noble; music, Mrs. F. J. Kessel; auditing, Scott MacEachron; social service, Prof. G. P. Wyckoff; church and college co-ordination, Mrs. Mary Chamberlain; house and grounds, Mrs. S. C. Buck; finance, S. J. Bowley.

At the joint installation of officers of Gordon Granger Post and corps G. A. R., on Saturday afternoon, Mrs. Charles Horak acted as installing officer for the corps and H. I. Davis for the post. The social lunch hour that followed was highly pleasurable.

The following elective officers were installed: Post commander, B. A. Stowe; senior vice, R. A. Barr; junior vice, J. S. Rollins; chaplain, Henry T. Chapin; surgeon, H. H. Morris; quartermaster, Henry A. Field; officer of the day, Harmon Chase; officer of the guard, H. I. Davis; patriotic inspector, H. A. Field, P. D. Burton was appointed adjutant; T. J. Nell, sergeant major; and H. H. Morris, quartermaster; corps president, Mrs. Nancy Rouse; first vice president, Mrs. B. A. Stowe; second vice president, Mrs. A. Barr; treasurer, Mrs. Alzie Harrison; secretary, Mrs. Charles Bryan; conductor, Miss Helen R. Field; guard, Mrs. Sadie Moxitt.

The home was crowded yesterday morning with sincere mourners for the departure by death of Mrs. E. Shadbolt. Rev. Mr. Thoreson, of the Christian church, conducted a brief but impressive service over the body of the departed and a quartet from that church rendered feelingly two of the old hymns that appeal to the heart especially on such an occasion. The body was taken on the noon train to Brooklyn for interment. Mr. and Mrs. Shadbolt lived for many years on a farm in Madison township and several of the old neighbors of these days were present on this occasion.

The many friends of Charles Porter will be pleased to learn that his condition does not seem to improve and that his great weakness renders it doubtful whether he can throw off the disease that holds him in such strong grip. He is reported as being free from pneumonia but left with a minimum of vitality.

P. D. Burton is still confined to his home from the shock and contusion of the right shoulder resulting from a slip on the ice and a fall some weeks ago.

The Social and Study Club will present a Japan program tomorrow afternoon at the home of Mrs. George B. Critchett, 1002 East street, at 3 o'clock. "The Frances Willard of Japan" will be Mrs. Cole's topic. "Early Days and Customs of Japan" will be presented by Miss Dunham. Mrs. Stocks will tell of W. C. T. U. work in Japan, and Mrs. Kee will speak of "Church Work in Japan."

When He Was Laid. "I presume you will remember your wedding trip?" "Yes, indeed. And I often wish that my husband had continued to care as little for money as he seemed to on that first journey we took together."

Using His Name. "The agent who sold me this set of books told me he wanted to use my name with other citizens." "He's doing that, all right. I heard him last night telling a gang how easy you were."

Beer From Rice. Perhaps the most peculiar beer in the world is made, a beer which the Japanese make from rice. It is the common alcoholic liquor of Japan, and is usually heated before drinking.

FORM MINE COMPANY

FIRST STEP IN DEVELOPMENT OF FOUND COAL VEINS AT ELDORA.

NEW CORPORATION HAS CAPITAL STOCK OF \$50,000

D. E. Reese, G. A. Morrow and Herbert A. Huff Incorporate Eldora Coal and Mining Company to Develop Recent Finds—Company Strong Financially—Capital Stock to be Taken Up as Needed.

Eldora, Jan. 3.—There has been filed in the office of the Hardin county recorder articles of incorporation of the Eldora Coal and Mining Company, the incorporators being Messrs. D. E. Reese, G. A. Morrow and Herbert A. Huff. The principal place of business is to be Eldora. The general nature of the business to be transacted by the company, as set out in the articles, is to enter, acquire, own or lease mines, mineral land and mining claims of any and all kinds and to work and develop same; to mine, dig, remove and reduce all such minerals to profitable merchantable value; to buy, sell and otherwise exchange such minerals and in connection therewith to contract for, build, buy or otherwise acquire, own, operate or lease buildings, roads, railroads, tramways, terminal facilities and such other property as necessary to carry on the business intended by the corporation.

The authorized capital stock of the corporation is \$50,000, divided into 500 shares of the value of \$100 each, which before issued shall be fully paid up in cash, property, services or other equivalent to be approved by the executive council of the state of Iowa. The corporation commences business with \$500 paid up capital, the remainder to be issued from time to time.

News of Greene. Special to Times-Republican. Greene, Jan. 3.—Miss Snyder, who has been principal of the high school since the beginning of the school year, has resigned her position, and Miss Anderson, one of the high school teachers, was elected to the office of principal. Miss Beck, of Morning Sun, has been secured to fill Miss Anderson's place.

Dr. Fred C. Ayer, of Eugene, Ore., has had the honor of being chosen a member of advisory editors of the School Review, which is published in Chicago. Mr. Ayer is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Ayer, of this place, and spent his boyhood days in Greene.

Chris Gehelman, of Dayton township, who operates a truck and fruit farm, has a lemon tree which he has raised indoors, and which bore considerable fruit in the past season. The lemons were somewhat larger than those which are shipped in from other states. One lemon weighed fourteen ounces and the greatest circumference measured thirteen inches.

The funeral of Mrs. S. A. Mabey was held at the Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon. She died at the home of her daughter in Minnesota, and the services were held at her old home, where it was laid to rest in Rose Hill cemetery. She had been a resident of Greene since the early days, and had gone to Minnesota to spend the winter with her sister.

BUTLER COUNTY INSTITUTE.

Farmers to Hold Two Days' Session at Clarksville.

Special to Times-Republican. Clarksville, Jan. 3.—The Butler county farmers' institute will be held in Clarksville Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 4 and 5. Farmers are requested to bring exhibits of various farm products. Many useful premiums will be given for the best display of grains and other farm products, as well as for the best display in the domestic science department.

Mrs. Jessie Campbell will have charge of the domestic science department, and will also give a lecture on Tuesday. Prof. Charles Dorchester will lecture on "The Seed Corn Question," and on "Crop Rotation," and "The Use of Manure."

A speech will also be given by Hon. George Cosson, attorney general of Iowa. Music will be furnished by the orchestra, and the Clarksville band. Wednesday afternoon there will be election of officers, after which steps will be taken to organize a campaign in Butler county to locate and secure sufficient seed corn for the season's planting.

Soft Corn Kills Cattle. Traer, Jan. 3.—V. Yuska, of Buckingham, has lost six cows of late. The veterinarian pronounced the disease auto-intoxication, supposed to have been caused by the imperfect corn. These were the only deaths, although several more of the Yuska cattle were ill.

Keep Your Bowels Regular. If your bowels become constipated, take a dose of Chamberlain's Tablets just after supper and they will correct the disorder. They are mild and gentle in their action. Obtainable everywhere.

There is one maxim that no one ever picks a flaw in: Put money in thy purse.

AFFIRM LEE DECISION

Supreme Court Upholds Ruling in Case of Melvin A. Ingebreton versus M. & St. L.—Plaintiff to Receive \$14,000 Damages.

Special to Times-Republican. Nevada, Jan. 3.—The supreme court has affirmed the decision of Judge C. G. Lee in the matter of the personal damage suit of Melvin A. Ingebreton vs. the Minneapolis & St. Louis Railway Company, which was tried in Hamilton county. At that time the jury brought in a verdict of \$19,000 against the defendant company. The defense moved for a new trial but upon ruling on the motion the court overruled it, but reduced the verdict to \$14,000.

This decision the railroad company appealed to the higher court and the judgment has been affirmed by that body. Ingebreton, the plaintiff, was injured in a freight wreck at Steamboat Rock on March 4, 1913, both legs broken and other injuries sustained. It will be remembered that there were a number of others injured in the same wreck, James Donaldson, of Chapin, and Elmer Yenter, of Geneva, losing their lives. Action to recover damages for the broken legs was brought upon the ground that the defendant company was negligent and careless in the operation of their trains.

AUTOMOBILE FATALITIES.

Number of Machines in Use Increasing Much Faster Than Resultant Deaths.

Washington, Jan. 3.—Is the death rate of the automobile increasing or decreasing? This question seems to be answered in a very conclusive manner by the bureau of the census, in making public some preliminary mortality statistics for the year 1914, which indicate that during the five years from 1909 to 1914 the number of automobiles in use in the United States increased more than twice as rapidly as the number of fatalities caused by them.

At the close of 1909, according to figures compiled by the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, of New York City, from state registration reports, due allowance being made for duplicate registrations, the number of automobiles in use in the United States was approximately 200,000; by the close of 1913 it had risen to 1,270,000; and a year later, at the end of 1914, it was 1,750,000.

In the meantime the number of deaths due to automobile accidents and injuries increased from 632 in the death registration area in 1909, containing 55 per cent of the population of the United States, to 2,623 in the same area in 1914; and the increase from 1913 to 1914, for the registration area as constituted in 1913, then containing 45 per cent of the population of the country, was from 2,433 to 2,704.

Thus a five-year increase of 775 per cent, accepting as reliable the figures compiled by the national automobile chamber of commerce—in number of machines has been accompanied by an increase of 315 per cent in automobile fatalities; and a one-year increase of 38 per cent in number of machines has been accompanied by an increase of 12 per cent in fatalities.

Perhaps a more reliable comparison, from the statistician's point of view, can be made between the increase in number of automobiles in use and the increase in the rate per 100,000 population for deaths caused by them. This is because, with a given number of machines in use in a given area, the fatalities due to them will tend to be proportional to the population of that area. When the comparison is made on this basis, it appears that a five-year increase of 775 per cent in number of machines has been accompanied by an increase of 253 per cent—from 1.3 to 4.3 per 100,000 population—in the death rate resulting from automobile fatalities. Similarly, a one-year increase of 38 per cent in number of automobiles has taken place along with an increase of only 10 per cent—from 3.9 to 4.3 per 100,000—in the death rate charged to them.

One cause of this proportional decrease in the destructiveness of the automobile is undoubtedly to be found in a reduction of average annual mileage per machine; but, after due weight is given this factor and a suitable margin is allowed for possible error resulting from inaccuracy in the estimated portion of the automobile statistics, the figures still appear to furnish ample justification for the conclusion that the automobile today is being driven with more care and more regard for public safety than it was a few years ago.

See Glorious Future. All this world is heavy with the promise of greater things, and the day will come, one day in the unending succession of days, when beings, beings who are now latent in our thoughts, shall stand on this earth as one stands on a footstool, and shall laugh and reach out their hands amid the stars.—H. G. Wells.

To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

Bathless Middle Ages. Greece had baths for every citizen; so had Rome, but the Goths broke her aqueducts and the fanatics closed the public baths (being dirty themselves) and Rome fell and the Dark Ages set in. "A thousand years without a bath," as Michelet epitomized them.

Tomorrow's Menu

"When the liquor's out, why cliche that cannikin?"—Browning.

BREAKFAST. Oranges. Cereal and Cream. Egg Timbales. Coffee.

LUNCHEON OR SUPPER. Egg Souffle. Graham Bread. Crullers. Cider.

DINNER. Pea Soup. Roast Lamb. Currant Jelly. Squash. Spinach Salad. Apple Pie.

Egg timbales—Beat four eggs thoroughly, add two cupfuls of milk, a teaspoonful of salt, a tablespoonful of minced parsley, the juice of one small onion. Put in small dishes in a pan of custard. Serve with white sauce.

Egg souffle—Mix two tablespoonfuls of butter with two of flour until smooth. Add to two cupfuls of rich, hot milk, and cook in double boiler for five minutes, until smooth and thick. Add the yolks of four eggs, well beaten, season with salt, a dash of cayenne pepper, and then fold in the well beaten whites of four eggs. Put into a buttered baking dish and bake in a slow oven in hot water.

Spinach salad—Chop cooked spinach very fine, season with salt and pepper, add a teaspoonful of lemon juice and a tablespoonful of melted butter. Press into small buttered bowls and chill and turn out on lettuce leaves. Serve with French dressing.

The Habit of Taking Cold. With many people taking cold is a habit but fortunately one that is easily broken. Take a cold sponge bath every morning when you first get out of bed—not ice cold, but a temperature of about 90F. Also sleep with your window up. Do this and you will seldom take cold. When you do take cold take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and get rid of it as quickly as possible. Obtainable everywhere.

Father Knows. Johnny—"Pa, what is a 'quandy'?" Father—"It's what a man gets into when he tells his wife a lie and doesn't know whether she believes it or not."—Judge.

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- List of signatures: Ralph Day, James Amos, John M. Fisher, Albert A. Knight, Walter J. Pappas, etc.



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