



WAR AUTOS MADE HERE FOR USE OF BRITAINS

Morton Company Ships Armored Truck and Tractor, and Heads of Local Concern, Sum- moned by English Government, Will Sail To-morrow With Assurance That They Will Land Large Con- tract for Local Plant

PLANS LAID FOR A BIG OUTPUT

Arrangement Complet- ed With the Harris- burg Manufacturing & Boiler Works for Use of Part of Its Plant to Help Turn Out Motor Cars for the British Army— Proposed to Employ 1,000 More Men

In response to a request from the British government, Robert L. Morton and Samuel Morton, of the Morton Truck & Tractor Company, of this city, will sail from New York on the steamship "Arabia" to go to London, England, where they will demonstrate to the British War Department the use of types of armored motor trucks and tractors, which the Harrisburg firm recently completed in its local plant, and a sample of each of which has already been shipped to Great Britain.

Assurance already has been given to the Morton firm that it will get a large contract and the representatives were advised to be prepared, upon their arrival in London, to sign the necessary papers to close the contract.

The company, basing its action on these assurances announced to-day it has made arrangements with the Harrisburg Manufacturing and Boiler Company for the use of part of its plant and equipment, in addition to the Morton plants, so as to have adequate manufacturing facilities at once for turning out an adequate number of armored automobiles in quick time for the use of the British army in the European war.

The plans the local company now is making in preparation for a greatly increased output contemplate the expenditure of about \$10,000 in plant facilities. Officers of the company said they expect to have well on to 1,000 men in their employ upon obtaining the contracts.

500 Tractors Needed at Once

Great Britain's plan, the local firm has been advised, is to place an order at once for 500 motor tractors and additional contracts under which at least one hundred tractors a month are to be furnished so long as England is engaged in the present European conflict. The local firm expects to get large slices of these contracts.

The trucks and tractors which the Morton company is offering are of the four-wheel drive variety. Samples of both recently were completed in the local plant and, members of the firm to-day said, arrived in London early this week. The Morton brothers will arrive in the British capital within a week or ten days and will spend three or four weeks demonstrating the machines to the English War Department. The type of truck to be demonstrated is covered with five-eighth-inch armor plate and has a carrying capacity of six tons. It is equipped to carry two

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BURGLARS ENTER 4 STORES, CARRYING OFF \$150 LOOT

Policeman McCann Arrests Man With Pack on His Back and Later Gets Confession—Two Pool Rooms Vis- ited and Tobacco Stolen

Four robberies in two days have been reported to the police. Goods and money to the amount of \$150 have been taken and one arrest has been made. About a quarter of the stolen goods has been recovered.

Policeman McCann, at Cameron and Market streets, at 3 o'clock this morning, saw a colored man slinking along with a suspicious bag and chased him into an alley in that neighborhood and with the assistance of Policemen Keppel and Zimmerman, cornered him in the alley and placed him under arrest.

When arraigned at police headquarters he gave his name as Joseph Wilson, 23 years old. He confessed to the robbing of the store of Henry S. Wagensein, 1123 South Ninth street. In the pack he carried were trousers, shirts, mufflers and sweaters to the value of about \$35. He first tried to bore a hole in the window frame near the clasp, the police say, and later broke the window and inserted his hand, unfastening the clasp.

Policeman Coleman found a window in the pool room of John Wagner, Sixth and Delaware streets, broken open at 1:30 o'clock this morning. The policeman called the proprietor, who investigated and found \$3 in small change and cigars, pipes and tobacco missing.

Early yesterday morning thieves gained entrance to the cigar store and pool room of William Hoffman, Fourth and Market streets, and took tobacco, cigars and other articles valued at \$35, from the stock. The shoe repair shop of Rudy & Weaver, adjoining at 1321 Market street, was entered the same morning and rubber heels, shoes and a side of sole leather taken. The city detectives are engaged on the various cases.

SUES STEEL CO. FOR \$3,000

Injured Man Declares Hoists Did Not Have Safety Appliances

Declaring the Pennsylvania Steel Company failed to provide electric crane hoists with safety appliances and because of that alleged neglect his right hand was caught and three fingers so badly crushed that they had to be amputated, Peter Sokac, of Steelton, this morning filed a damage suit against the company, claiming \$3,000. O. G. Wicksham filed the papers.

The accident occurred in the summer of 1913, when the plaintiff was employed in the bridge and construction department of the steel company. He asserts he had fastened the hooks of the crane hoist to a piece of material and was attempting to get away when he tripped over a "skid."

In his attempt to recover his footing, the plaintiff declares, he grabbed the hoist while it was in operation and the cable drew his hand into the pulley.

Rush Orders at Central Plant

A rush of orders has necessitated double turn this week at the 126-inch mill of the Central Iron and Steel company plant.

CLIMBS A 40-FOOT POLE TO SAVE CAT

W. K. Crozier, Assist- ant City Electrician, Risks Life Rescuing a Shivering Kitten

DIGS SPURS INTO SURFACE OF ICE

Little Black and White Bundle of Fur, Chased by Dog, Had Passed the Whole Night Among Live Wires Surrounding Its Lofty Perch

William K. Crozier, Assistant City Electrician, risked his life yesterday afternoon when he climbed an ice-coated telegraph pole at Fourth and Sayford streets and rescued a half-starved black and white kitten from the cross-arm forty feet from the ground.

The kitten had been in that perilous position since early the evening before when it was chased by a heartless dog, the cat taking refuge on the cross-arm amid a criss-cross of live wires. The pole was encased in a sheet of ice which made the rescue work doubly dangerous and caused wonder as to how the kitten ever managed to climb to the top.

Constable Harry Emanuel, attached to Alderman Bayles' office nearby, was appealed to in behalf of the cat and he in turn asked the Mayor's office to send a man to bring the animal down. Crozier, being an expert lineman, volunteered to undertake the task. He fastened on his spurs and adjusted his "safety" and very carefully made his way to the top of the icy pole. Constable Emanuel stayed at the bottom and offered advice, shouting after every move.

"Watch your step! Be sure your spurs are fast before you take another one."

Crozier tucked the kitten under his

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OPPORTUNITY FOR CITY'S YOUNG MEN

Elliott-Fisher Company Announces Plans to Start New Class for Salesmen

15 GRADUATED IN LAST MONTH

Corporation Seeks Youths Here Who Desire to Be Educated in the Work of Selling Its Machines in Various Parts of the World

The School of Salesmanship conducted by Elliott-Fisher Company to instruct and train men to sell its product, has graduated its first class which met in the general office of the company in Harrisburg during the month of January. There were fifteen young men graduated and they have all been assigned to territories with the exception of two, who are continuing a course of study of mechanical construction at the factory. The young men have been assigned to fields as follows:

B. Parvin and L. H. Crapenheft, Chicago; A. C. Lackey, C. O. Lippy, H. B. Gilman, A. J. Handler and C. E. King, New York City; A. Owen, Cincinnati; O. R. Evans, Indianapolis; R. K. Lechman, Philadelphia; G. R. Windsor, Pittsburgh; D. H. Gray, Rock Island; N. W. Squire, Toronto; M. D. Ethel and G. W. M. Group remain at the factory to take the course in mechanical construction.

This first session of the Salesman's School has been a decided success both from the standpoint of the company and the graduates. The men who com- pleted the course have received a train- ing which could not have been obtained in any other way and which has filled their warehouse of information with material that will be valuable to them in all their future business experience.

W. R. Busch has been in charge of the school. Every member of the executive staff of the company has lectured upon some branch of the routine of the business that affects the sales. An exhaustive analysis was made by C. H. Hunter, assistant general manager, of the positive qualities that make for success, and the ethics of the salesmanship was deeply gone into.

Graduates Eager and Enthusiastic

With the mental qualities that are productive of success and the relation of ethics to selling as a foundation to build upon, the class was carefully instructed in the detail that is necessary to successfully sell the office appliances made by Elliott-Fisher Company, such as the book-keeping machine, the cross-footing, the billing machine, the recording machine and the railroad billing machine.

The young men who were graduated were filled with enthusiasm and were eager to get into the field of demonstrate the knowledge that had been so thoroughly imparted to them.

Encouraged at finding so much good material right in his home city, the Elliott-Fisher Company has decided to conduct another class which will be opened March 1 and will continue for four weeks, the same period as the first class. The second class will not be restricted to the young men of Harrisburg and advertisements will appear in Williamsport Reading, Lancaster, York and Altoona newspapers as well as the local papers. It is the purpose of the company to create an opening for the young men in Central Pennsylvania who are looking for a real opportunity to establish themselves in a profitable business.

To quote G. F. Watt, president of the company: "There is just as good ma-

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MISS SARAH WILHELM DIES

Daughter of the Late Artemas Wilhelm, of York, Who Was for Years Man- ager of Cornwall Furnaces

Miss Sarah H. C. Wilhelm, of the Wilhelm family prominent for years in York, died yesterday afternoon at her home in Paxtang after an illness of several months. She came with her sister Isabel to live on the farm at Paxtang following the death of their mother, Mrs. Elizabeth J. Schall Wilhelm, in York, about twelve years ago.

The father, Artemas Wilhelm, who died in York twenty years ago, was manager of the Cornwall furnaces, and was connected with many other large interests. The family was wealthy and one of the most prominent in York.

Miss Sarah Wilhelm is survived by her sister, Isabel. A brother, J. Schall Wilhelm, died in York several years ago. Miss Sarah Wilhelm and her sister have been socially prominent in Harrisburg and their Paxtang home has been the scene of many social gatherings.

J. Schall Wilhelm was for a number of years prominent in the councils of the Republican party in Pennsylvania. He was a member of the Electoral College which cast its vote for James G. Blaine for President.

The funeral services will be held at the Paxtang home on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The burial will be in York.

Fractures Leg in Fall From Engine

George W. Sowers, 1078 South Ninth street, fell from a shifting engine on the Hoffman & Wilson stone quarries on South Twenty-third street, this morning and fractured his right leg near the hip. He was admitted to the Harrisburg hospital for treatment.

BREAD IS ADVANCED TO SIX CENTS A LOAF IN CHICAGO

Federal District Attorney Gets Busy Government Probe Into the In- flation of Wheat and Flour Prices in the Windy City

Chicago, Feb. 3.—As a result of the phenomenal activity of the wheat market and the advance in price of bread and other bakery products, the government's investigation of wheat and flour prices became more pressing to-day.

Subpoenas were ordered issued by the Federal District Attorney to bring in the books and records of a number of big grain companies, among them the Armour Grain Company, J. Rosenbaum Grain Company and Bartlett, Frazier & Co. The District Attorney, it was announced, desires to investigate their connection with elevator lines in the West and Northwest.

The amount of grain handled by the companies since the outbreak of the European war and how much grain is stored in Chicago elevators at present was said to be the object of the new inquiry.

The price of bread was advanced from five to six cents a loaf to-day as a result of an announcement by the Master Bakers' Association, which represents about four hundred small dealers. Some of the larger manufacturers who still are selling a five-cent loaf are expected to announce an advance before the end of the week, as their supply of flour, bought months ago, is nearly exhausted. Prices of doughnuts, cakes, buns and other products of the bakeries also will be raised, it was said.

WHEAT RECOVERS SUDDEN SLUMP AND GOES TO \$1.66

Peace Rumors Deal Blow to High Prices and Eight Cents a Bushel Is Knocked Off Value of May Deliv- ery at Outset

Chicago, Feb. 3.—Peace rumors dealt a sudden blow to-day to high prices of wheat. At the outset as much as eight cents a bushel was knocked off the value of the May delivery in which, however, transactions were relatively smashed the July option in which business chiefly centered, was given a setback of 2 cents at the opening. May sold as low as \$1.57, whereas the close yesterday was \$1.65. The break in prices, however, was only temporary and soon May wheat touched a new high record, \$1.65 1/2.

Fear of the opening of the Darlanes had considerable to do with the witness of the fluctuations in wheat. Reports, though, that several of the chief forts defending the strait had been demolished were not fully credited, and did not have a lasting effect. The same was true of the peace talk, which rested on gossip as to action by financiers likely to be taken by May 1.

During the break, May reached for a moment as low as \$1.56 3/4, a fall of 1 1/4. The scene in the pit gave little hint of any greater strain than usual. On the rebound May wheat jumped eventually to \$1.66, making the range covered by that option nine cents, a swing seldom equaled in so short a time. July dropped five cents to \$1.33, but recovered to \$1.40 3/4.

INVESTING IN BREAD CHECKS

Women Prepare for Possible Rise in Cost of the Loaves

Although local bakers have declared that they will not raise the price of bread until absolutely compelled to do so by the increasing cost of flour, many thrifty housewives throughout the city are buying quantities of bread checks from the smaller bakers at the six-for-a-quarter rate in anticipation of a rise.

An increase in the price of loaves may result in the Civic Club taking up the question of home-made bread, although, according to the president, Miss Shunk, there has as yet been no formal discussion of the matter.

GUARD PLANS ON SHIP BILL

Senate Administration Democrats Hope to Save Measure Without Aid of Recalcitrants in Party

Washington, Feb. 3.—Closely guarded plans of the Senate administration Democrats for saving the ship bill, developed to-day as leaving the bolting Democrats out of the reckoning entirely and making the bill agreeable to enough Progressive Republicans to overcome the defections.

The plan as finally agreed upon was to move as an amendment to the motion to recommit, instructing the commerce committee to return the bill with amendments providing that the government should not lease ships to private concerns for a period longer than 12 months and that no ships of belligerent nations be bought which would disturb the neutrality of the United States.

When the Senate convened the first hour and a half passed without a development while a parliamentary discussion of the events of the previous session of the fight was carried on.

BRIDGE WRECKER SOUGHT BY CANADA

Dominion Official Cites Authority for the Ex- tradition of Van Horn Across the Border

THE PRISONER IS STILL IN MAINE

Next Development in Case Expected at Washington When the British Am- bassador Presents the Facts Before the State Department

Vanceboro, Me., Feb. 3.—Werner Van Horn, who attempted to blow up the railway bridge here yesterday, to-day appealed to the German Ambassador at Washington, Count Von Bernstorff. He told the latter that he had not been on Canadian soil and asked for protection from extradition to Canada.

Vanceboro, Me., Feb. 3.—Werner Van Horn who was arrested here yesterday after attempting to blow up the Canadian end of the railway bridge between this town and St. Croix, N. B., was carefully guarded at the immigration office throughout the night. No formal charge had been preferred against Van Horn who said he was an officer in the German army and that he had exploded the dynamite as an act of war. He made no objection to his detention in custody of a county Deputy Sheriff but insisted that he had committed no offense for which he could be extradited to Canada.

It was thought here that the next development in the case would be at Washington, where it was expected that the application for Van Horn's extradition, forwarded by the Canadian government to the British Ambassador yesterday would be presented to the State Department to-day.

Under the auspices of Canadian officials, a court session was held last night in New Adams Junction, just across the McAdam border, at which testimony was given before a police magistrate who later issued a warrant against Van Horn.

No service was made on the prisoner, however, local authorities are confident that the warrant had no legal standing unless accompanied by an order for extradition.

Gives Reason for Extradition

St. John, N. B., Feb. 3.—The information laid against Werner Van Horn, upon which the Canadian authorities

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1 IN EACH 11 HIT TRAIL

Nine Per Cent. of the Population of Royalton Converted During Evangelistic Revival

(Special to the Star-Independent.)
Middleton, Pa., Feb. 3.—Nine per cent. or about one out of every eleven persons constituting the population of Royalton, a neighboring borough, which has something like 1,000 inhabitants, have "hit the trail" and been converted within the last fortnight in evangelistic services conducted in the Royalton United Brethren church by the pastor, the Rev. H. A. Smith.

Never before in the history of the town or the church—both were incorporated in 1890—has such a stirring evangelistic revival been conducted in the church. Meetings are being held nightly and the little building is taxed to its capacity at all services. The Sunday school membership has increased by three scores and ten within a week.

The Rev. Mr. Smith is being assisted by the Rev. John K. Henry, of Royalton, and Harry Fleck, a railroad man and local preacher, who comes from Huntingdon, Pa.

GET MONEY FOR MILLER

Harrisburg Catcher Sold to Scranton —Whalen in Town

A check, the purchase money for Charley Miller, catcher of last year's championship Harrisburg baseball team, was received from the Scranton club of the New York State League this morning. Miller will join the Scranton team in the spring. The amount of the price paid for Miller was not given out.

Fenton Whalen, shortstop of last year's local club, was in Harrisburg to-day. He says he has signed up with the Omaha club, thus confirming a report of that deal. Chabek and Adams are other deserters for faster baseball.

Powell Alive and Proves It

Through a mix-up in names a rumor spread through the Capitol last evening that Auditor General Powell had met with a fatal accident at his home in Pittsburgh. A man of the same name as General Powell was killed and the Pittsburgh newspapers jumped at conclusions. When General Powell was asked about it to-day he said:

"I told my wife, as soon as I heard I was killed, that I didn't believe a word of the story."

Frontier Indian Fighter, 98, Dies

Dresden, Kan., Feb. 3.—Elphal Johnson, 98 years old, widely known as an Indian fighter in the frontier days in the Middle West, died at his home here to-day. He was born in New York and followed the frontier through Ohio, Iowa and Illinois into Kansas.

60 HERE FORESAKE THE WAR LORDS OF EUROPE

Three Score English-Speaking Foreign- ers Welcomed into Uncle Sam's Family in Naturalization Court To- day—One Misses It by a Day

Allegiance to Kaiser Wilhelm, King George, Czar Nicholas, Emperor Francis Joseph and King Emmanuel, along with other European rulers, was withdrawn in Federal court here this morning when sixty English-speaking aliens were sworn in as citizens of the United States. Half a dozen applicants failed to appear for the hearing, and one who did appear will be obliged to refile papers for ninety days because the men he offered as witnesses in his own behalf could not satisfy the court that the applicant had been living within the jurisdiction of the court for the required time prior to the date he made application for his final papers.

The applicant's papers bear date of July 1, 1914, and it was on July 2, 1909, that the witnesses became acquainted with him, just four years and 364 days ago or one day short of the required five years. The applicant will at once renew his application for citizenship and his case will be heard three months hence.

Judge Oliver B. Dickinson, of Philadelphia, of the Eastern District Federal Court, presided at the hearings, due to the illness of Judge Charles E. Witmer, of Scranton, who is suffering from a severe cold. The majority of the applicants were tested as to the length of time they have resided in this country, their willingness to be law-abiding citizens and as to whether they have any anarchistic principles. Few were examined on questions of government or as to their knowledge of who are the chief state and national officers.

One witness said his wife once had him arrested on a charge of assault and battery.

"Did you strike her?" asked the inspector.

"Just a little bit."

"Knock her down?"

"No, wasn't much. We fixed it up. My wife, she withdrew the case."

"Let him be sworn," directed Judge Dickinson.

Another had been arrested for having a "deadly weapon" in his possession. The applicant smilingly remarked that he paid a fine of \$36 for having the gun in his possession as a protection against thieves.

HOTEL FIRE ROUTS GUESTS

Upper Stories of the Kaiserhof, in Chi- cago, Attacked by Blaze

Chicago, Feb. 3.—Practically every piece of fire fighting apparatus in "the loop" responded to-day to an alarm from the Kaiserhof hotel, whose upper stories were attacked by blaze that routed guests. Thousands of spectators crowded the streets, completely blocking traffic. There seemed but little chance of the fire harming the new Kaiserhof, a skyscraper adjoining, but some fear was felt for other buildings in the block, including the Victoria hotel.

Among the guests driven out was Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor.

The flames were kept within the eighth and the top floor and shortly after noon were extinguished without having spread to adjoining buildings. The damage was placed at \$20,000.

NINE DIE AS THEY SLEEP IN FOREST

Woodmen Perish When Explosion of Gas Sets Fire to Building They Occupy

2 OF 6 INJURED ALSO MAY DIE

Medical Aid Summoned From Nearest
Town, Eighteen Miles Away From
Scene of Accident, Is Hours in
Reaching the Injured

(By Associated Press.)
Kane, Pa., Feb. 3.—Nine men were burned to death and six others were seriously injured in a fire which early to-day destroyed the sleeping house of the Tionesta Chemical Company at Mayburg, Forest county. The men, mostly wanderers, of whom little was known to the company, were employed in the forests as woodmen and at night slept in the cheese-cloth-lined frame building erected for them.

ATTACKS BY FRENCH ARE REPULSED

Kaiser's Troops Defend Their Positions Near Perthes From the As- saults of the Allies

GERMAN FORCES OCCUPY HUMIN

In Poland, North of the Vistula, Cav- alry Onslaughts by the Russians Are Checked as Well as Night Attacks Near the Bzura

Berlin, Feb. 3. By Wireless to Sayville.—German army headquarters to-day gave out a report on the progress of the fighting which reads as follows:

"The attacks made by the French on German positions near Perthes have been repulsed. On the remainder of the western battle front there was yesterday nothing more than artillery exchanges. There are no new developments along the East Prussian frontier.

"In Poland, north of the Vistula, cavalry onslaughts by the Russians have been repulsed, while south of the Vistula German attacks at a point east of Bolimow ended with the occupation of the village of Humin (to the north-east). Fighting for possession of Wolaszew-Lowiczka has been going on since February 1. In these engagements we have taken over 4,000 prisoners and captured six machine guns.

"Russian attacks at night against the German positions near the Bzura river have been repulsed."

Germans Reinforce Angola Troops

Berlin, Feb. 3. By Wireless to London, 8:50 A. M.—A dispatch from Lisbon says:

"Reinforcements have been sent to Angola as the Germans now occupy the greater part of that colony."

Announcement was made early in January that German forces had invaded Portuguese Angola on the western coast of Africa although there had been no declaration of war between the two countries. The Portuguese casualties in Angola were estimated at that time at about 800 killed, wounded and prisoners. The Germans were said to have lost about 200. It was said that 4,000 fresh Portuguese troops were ready to embark for Africa.

GIRL, ENLISTED AS MAN, TOOK PART IN 19 BATTLES IN POLAND

Moscow, via Petrograd, Feb. 3, and London, Feb. 3, 5 P. M.—Among the wounded who have arrived in Moscow from the front is Olga Krazilnoff, a girl of 19 years. After taking part in nineteen battles in Poland she was wounded in the foot.

The girl enlisted under a man's name and this deception has just been discovered. The cross of St. George, fourth degree, has been awarded to her.

LATE WAR NEWS SUMMARY

Field Marshal Von Hindenburg's new drive at Warsaw apparently has accomplished little more thus far than the winning of a comparatively few Russian advanced positions. Neither the Berlin nor the Petrograd official reports indicate that marked changes have resulted from the fighting, which daily becomes more intense. The German commander has chosen to make his principal assault along the front between Sochazew, 30 miles due west of Warsaw, and Sziorniewo, a few miles to the south, which is in the section in which the Germans vainly attempted to break through on their previous attempts to reach Warsaw. Both sides occupy strongly entrenched positions in this region, where the warfare closely resembles that in France.

An official Russian report of to-day states that German attacks in this locality were repulsed in the course of violent battles, during which the Russians recaptured trenches previously taken by the Germans.

Russian successes are claimed also in the fighting in the Carpathians, which has developed into one of the most im-

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Bishop Dubs Slightly Better

The physicians attending Bishop Rudolph Dubs, who is critically ill at his home, 226 Harris street, stated late this afternoon that the Bishop is slightly improved to-day.

WALL STREET CLOSING

(By Associated Press.)
New York, Feb. 3.—Spasmodic selling of Steel, Amalgamated and Reading imparted a heavier tone to the late dealings. The closing was irregular. Trading in to-day's dull and contracted stock market was dominated almost entirely by the professional element. Leading issues were under moderate pressure.