## ANOTHER STEP TAKEN TO SIMPLIFY RAIL FINANCES

The railroad administration has taken another step toward simplification of financial transactions between individual rail lines. Settlement of inter-road accounts by exchange of vouchers, statements, and bills of lading has been ordered discontinued. Instead of that method of disposing of obligations, each line is instructed to transmit one statement of fees due at the end of each month. These statements will later be studied in the Washington offices.

## O'LEARY DENIES HE WAS PARTY TO TREASON PLOT

NEW YORK, June 16.—Declaring his innocence of the charge of assisting his brother Jeremiah to escape, and denying that he even knows Mme. di Vicerica, charged with high treason, Attorney John J. O'Leary will be the first witness called in his own defense when his trial is resumed in the United States court.

Federal grand jury will reconvene tomorrow to again take up charges of high treason that may implicate others than Mme. di Victorica, Jeremiah O'Leary, and the fiev others now under indictment.

*APOLOGIES TO K. C. B.*

## Ye Springtime Gossip
### By A. B. C.

YESTERDAY MORNING
* * *
I WENT out
* * *
TO SEE the
* * *
GREAT GOLF match—
* * *
CHICK EVANS and
* * *
OUR OWN Freddie McLeod
* * *
HAD A wonderful
* * *
"MIDIRON DUEL"
* * *
WITH HAGEN and Banier.
* * *
I WAS all excited
* * *
AND GOT up early
* * *
AND POLISHED up my Ford
* * *
—SO WHEN I drove in
* * *
AT COLUMBIA
* * *
THEY WERE all glad
* * *
THEY ASKED us to come.
* * *
IT SURE was some match,
* * *
AND ALL the funds
* * *
WENT TO the Red Cross.
* * *
AND RUTHIE (my wife)
* * *
WENT WITH me,
* * *
AND IT was great fun.
* * *
AND NOW I've reached
* * *
THE END of my column
* * *
AND HAVEN'T said
* * *
A WORD of advertising
* * *
FOR THE firm of
* * *
D. J. KAUFMAN.

I THANK YOU.

## 13,630 DRAFT MEN CALLED FOR STUDY AT TRADE SCHOOLS

A "school call" for 13,630 draft men qualified for general military service has been issued by Provost Marshal General Crowder. Of the total number, 1,230 are colored, to be furnished by five States. Thirty-five States altogether are called upon to contribute to the full quota.

Voluntary inductions, for this call will be permitted until June 21. If the call has not been filled by that date, each State will be required to complete its quota by the regular draft process.

Only men who have been graduated from grammar schools are eligible. Special courses at various educational institutions throughout the country wil lbe given these men to train them for technical service in the army. Movement to the schools will begin on July 1.

Following are the State quotas and the institutions to which the men are to be sent, the colored contingents being indicated:

Alabama—380 (colored) to Tuskeegee Institute, Tuskeegee, Ala.

Arkansas—300, to Tulane University, New Orleans.

California—154, to State Normal School, Los Angeles; 630 to chamber of commerce, Los Angeles; 103 to University of California, Berkley.

Colorado—250 to University of Colorado, Boulder.

Georgia—206 (colored) to Georgia State Industrial College, Savannah.

**To Idaho Institute.**

Idaho—103 to Idaho Technical Institute, Pocatelle.

Illinois—175 (colored) to Wendell Phillips High School, Chicago.

Indiana—103 to Commercial Club, Richmond, Ind.; 500 to Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Ind.

Iowa—103 to Armour Institute of Technology, Chicago.

Kansas—205 to New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanics, Mesilla, N. M.

Kentucky—103 to Tennessee Polytechnic Institute, Cookeville, Tenn.

Louisiana—300 to Tulane University, New Orleans.

Maine—100 to Franklin Union Institute, Boston.

Maryland—123 (colored) to University of Atlanta, Atlanta, Ga.

Massachusetts—250 to Wentworth Institute, Boston.

Michigan—500 to Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Ind.

Nevada—103 to University of Arizona, Tucson.

New Hampshire — 103 to Public School No. 12, Bayonne, N. J.; 206 to New Hampshire College, Durham, N. H.

**Vocational School.**

New Jersey — 144 to Essex Vocational School, West Orange, N. J.; 371 to Central High School, Newark, N. J.

New York — 206 to Central High School Troy, N. Y.; 309 to William L. Dickinson High School, Jersey City, N. J.; 412 to Boys' Vocational School, New York City; 206 to Saunders Grade School, Yonkers, N. Y.; 1,092 to Technical High School, Buffalo.

North Carolina — 128 (colored) to Florida Agricultural and Mechanical School, Tallahassee.

North Dakota—154 to North Dakota School of Mines, Grand Forks, N. D.

Ohio—125 to University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio; 100 to University of Akron, Akron, Ohio.

Oklahoma—400 to University of Texas, Camp Malry, Tex.

Oregon—144 to California School of Mechanical Arts, San Francisco.

Pennsylvania—396 to Delaware College, Newark, Del.; 206 to Polish National Alliance College, Cambridge Springs, Pa.; 228 to Spring Garden Institute, Philadelphia; 330 to University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh.

**University of Virginia.**

South Carolina—226 to University of South Carolina, Columbia; 247 (colored) to South Carolina Colored Agricultural and Mechanical College, Orangeburg, S. C.

South Dakota—123 to South Dakota School of Mines, Rapid City, S. D.

Tennessee—726 to University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

Texas—400 to University of Texas, Camp Malry.

Utah—103 to University of Arizona, Tucson.

Vermont—365 to University of Vermont, Burlington.

Virginia—600 to University of Virginia, Charlottesville.

Washington—175 to Oakland High School, Oakland, Cal.

Wisconsin—257 to Old South Division High School, Chicago.

### UKRAINE TERMS PUBLISHED.

Amsterdam, June 16.—The provisional treaty signed by Russia and Ukraine provides for cessation of hostilities and the willingness of both to enter peace negotiations, according to advices received here today.

## Penny Ante — THE POOR GUY WHO ANSWERS THE PHONE. — By Jean Knott

*Registered U. S. Patent Office.*


## SAMMY GIVES UP LIFE THAT HIS FOUR PALS MIGHT LIVE

By GUY CARPENTER.
Staff Correspondent of the I. N. S.

How an American soldier deliberately killed himself that his four pals might live, is the startling story told by an American ordnance officer lately returned from the front. His story is corroborated by an artillery officer, who recently arrived here from France.

The hero, whose name may never be known, is now buried in a small cemetery in France. No towering monument tells of his Spartan-like sacrifice, but his story is known to every grenadier of the American forces and will live always in American history as one of the bravest acts of the war. Here is the story as told by the American officer.

**Dangerous Practice.**

"It has been found that the most effective hand grenade is that with the bent safety pin. But the American soldiers, anxious always to speed up, have a habit of straightening the pins. We have done our utmost to halt the practice, and have told the men time without number that they must stand responsible if they straighten the pins before going into action. For a straight pin will easily fail from the grenade, and that means that within five seconds the deadly engine will explode.

"An American grenader, had been on duty at an outpost. It appears that he had straightened the pins in his grenades. When relieved from duty he returned to his dugout, where three of his pals were sleeping and one lay awake in a bunk. The dugout was twenty feet underground.

**Bomb Falls to Floor.**

"As he entered the dugout and closed the heavy door, he took off his coat and threw it up on his bunk which was the third or top one from the floor. One of his coat pockets sagged open and a bomb fell to the foor. As it fell, the straightened safety pin slipped out.

"As he saw the pin go spinning across the room, he realized that within five seconds an explosion would probably kill every man in the dugout. It must have flashed across his mind that his pals sleeping in the bunks were not to blame for the accident. He had been warned against straightening grenade pins. The fault was his, and his alone.

"In five seconds the grenade would burst. He had time to get through the door and leave his companions to their death, but there was not time in which to attempt to tear down bunks and build a barricade about the bomb. The man who was awake yelled to him to run, but he stood fast in his tracks.

**Hugs Bomb to Body.**

"No man can ever tell what must have passed in the soldier's mind in the next two or three seconds. But this we do know. The soldier picked up the bomb, crept into a corner and hugging the bomb close to his stomach created of his body a barrier between the bursting engine and his pals.

"The blast killed him instantly, but his pals escaped without a scratch."

## AUSTRIAN PRESS BELITTLES U. S. AID

ZURICH, via London, June 16.—Appealing for the eighth Austro-Hungarian war loan, the Hamburg Fremdenblatt says:

"America comes too late with her threats of armaments. She will have to resume a war already lost, and will lose it as surely as the giant Russia lost it."

The Leipziger Neueste Nachrichten tells its readers the operations of German submarines off New York have caused the suspension of American freight traffic. The paper adds that the U-boat campaign in American waters "will break the allies' morale."

**Pershing says, "we want teamwork." Eat potatoes and save wheat—don't leave it to your neighbor—we want teamwork.**

## GOLD PRODUCTION MUST BE KEPT UP, SAYS SEC. M'ADOO

Gold is one of the most needed war essentials, and production must be kept up to the highest possible maximum, Secretary McAdoo told the House yesterday in a letter read at the request of Delegate Sulizer of Alabama. The letter follows:

"I beg leave to acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 1, in relation to the present conditions surrounding the production of gold in Alaska. I fully appreciate that with rising cost of raw material and labor, and with a fixed value for their output, the gold miners of the world are facing difficult conditions. I should be sorry, however, if for this reason there were any relaxation in the effort to produce gold.

**Gold Necessary.**

"At no time has this country so much required the largest possible production of gold as at the present. Next to food and ammunition, gold is one of the most needed war essentials. In order to plan the enormous amount of Government bonds required to finance our war expenditures, a large credit structure will inevitably be erected on our gold reserves. And it is necessary that these reserves, which are the foundation of the structure, shall be maintained on the broadest possible basis.

"The United States and its associates in the war are heavy purchasers of raw materials and other commodities for the war in many neutral countries, and our war requirements make it impossible for us to pay our bills in these neutral countries as we have been paying them in times of peace, viz., through the shipment of manufactured goods and commodities which those countries are eager to buy from us. This means that a certain amount of debt to those countries must be paid for in credit or in gold.

**Must Be Maintained.**

"This brief statement will, I hope, make clear to your constituents the great necessity that exists for the maintenance of gold production at the maximum point. The man or the community that maintains or increases the production of gold in the face of difficulty and discouragement is performing a patriotic service no less than the more obvious, but not less useful, services that are more in the public eye."

## $7,500 WORTH OF SUGAR DAMAGED BY FIRE

Hundreds of pounds of sugar, valued at $7,500, were damaged by a fire which broke out in a storehouse in the rear of the store of the C. D. Kenny Company, 735 Seventh street northwest, yesterday afternoon. What caused the blaze has not been determined, but the firemen advance the theory that it was due to spontaneous combustion.

The blaze was discovered when downtown streets were thronged, and crowds gathered in the vicinity of the blaze while the firemen were at work. Street car traffic was crippled for more than an hour by the fire apparatus blocking the streets. The fire caused but slight damage to the storehouse.





## DR. NASH'S HOARDED FOOD TO BE PUT ON PUBLIC SALE

The hearing on the petition for a libel asking for the condemnation of the food products found at the residence of Dr. Francis S. Nash, medical director of the navy, who was fined $1,000 by Justice Stafford for food hoarding, will probably take place before Justice Stafford tomorrow.

After granting the petition, a date will be set for the public sale of the goods, the proceeds to go to the Government.

Prescott Gatley, counsel for Dr. Nash, will interpose no objection to the granting of the libel, and thus will facilitate the final disposition of the case, which attracted widespread attention by reason of the high official and social standing of Dr. and Mrs. Nash.

The seriousness of the offense and the very outcome of the present struggle were called to the attention of the court by Clarence R. Wilson, food administrator for the District, who said:

"If 100,000 people in the United States had followed the example of Dr. Nash and hoarded food in the same proportion, the very outcome of this war would be placed in the gravest jeopardy."

## $500,000 FIRE DESTROYS FURNITURE WAREHOUSE

NEW YORK, June 16.—The seven-story warehouse of Speer and Company, furniture dealers having retail stores in New York, Pittsburgh and Cincinnati, was destroyed by fire of unknown origin last night. The loss probably will exceed $500,000.

## 10,000 VOICES TO SING "HALLELUJAH CHORUS" ON 4TH

Ten thousand voices will blend in singing the "Hallelujah Chorus" at the close of the gigantic Fourth of July pageant to be staged in Washington next month under the auspices of the Board of Education, the Community Centers and the National Council of the Drama League.

More than twenty nationalities will join in the celebration, and the general theme of the day's program will be "Democracy Triumphant."

**Is International Celebration.**

The original idea was to put on celebrations of a similar nature in all leading cities of the country, but the National Council of the Drama League elected to concentrate its efforts in one great pageant in the National Capital that will be international in scope.

Several hundred performers, representing various nationalities, will be brought to Washington from Chicago, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and other cosmopolitan centers.

The wish of those in charge is to make the great allied pageant an agency for Americanization, a medium for teaching unity and an occasion for exalting democracy.

Washingtonians and visitors to the city will be able to take "a trip around the world in an afternoon." Each nation will put on a program which will depict its national spirit, exalt its national hero and furnish a panoramic view of the nation portrayed.

**Bohemia to Picture Struggles.**

The ancient struggles of Bohemia for freedom will be depicted by the Czecho-Slavs as their part of the pageant. Zizka, the blind leader of the Bohemians after John Huss was burned at the stake, will be the national hero featured.

There will be in the Bohemian section of the pageant twenty-five Sokols, who are members of the Slavic Gymnastic Society, which makes up the Bohemian national army. In 1910 this society had more than 100,000 members, but it was dissolved by Austria and its funds confiscated. There are 30,000 of these Sokols now fighting with the allied armies on the western front.

The Bohemian dances will be put on by children brought to Washington from New York and the Czecho-Slavic Band, of New York, will furnish the music.

The various embassies and legations of a score of nations represented in Washington are co-operating with their respective groups or sections.

**Will Center at Monument.**

The Washington Monument will be the hub about which the pageant will radiate. One section will be assigned to a position in front of the Red Cross building, another in front of the Pan-American Union building, another near the Agricultural Department buildings, another in the Ellipse, while others will be stationed on nearby locations.

A score of bands will play music common to the nation represented, and there will be dances and songs such as Washington has never seen or heard.

Fully 50,000 persons are expected to take part in what the committees in charge assert will surpass any patriotic spectacle ever produced in this country.

The celebration will conclude with the grand march through the Mall to the Capitol.

The flags and banners of the various nations will not fly separately. They will be grouped about the Stars and Stripes, and will blend as one great picture of "Democracy Triumphant," with the American flag as the centerpiece.

## AUTO STOLEN AND FOUND IN FOUR HOURS

An automobile, valued at $1,000, belonging to Major Thomas E. Neill, U. S. A., was stolen yesterday from Sixth and B streets southwest, and recovered four hours later at Marlboro, Md., where it had been sold to a farmer for $100.

Detectives Springman and Hughlett, accompanied by Major Neill, will bring the automobile back to Washington today. The farmer said he bought the automobile from two white youths, who claimed they were tired of the machine and wanted to get rid of it. He readily seized the offer to purchase it at $100.