

**CLEAR-THE-TRACKS
ORDER PUT OUT BY
DIRECTOR MADDOO**

National Advisory Board Sup- plants War Board for Opera- tion of Gigantic Railroads.

COAL BEGINNING TO MOVE

All Priority Orders Are Scrapped in Preparation for Freight Drive; River Barges to Assist.

Washington, Jan. 1.—Director General McAdoo today is blasting away at freight congestion in eastern territory and speeding coal to states suffering in zero weather.

The national railroad advisory board, supplanting the old war railway board and operating committee, faced a gigantic task with congestion the last night's orders to the eastern lines would achieve results.

Railroads may annual passenger trains to move freight. All old priority orders were scrapped. The rule today is "clear away congestion, keeping in mind the vital need for moving food and fuel."

Drastic measures for relief of the New England and New York coal shortages are in effect. Fifteen hundred carloads of coal began arriving in New England today under special emergency routing and five ships start loading some 10,000 tons at New York and Newport News for northeastern points.

At New York City employees were unloading scores of coal laden freight cars on the Jersey side. Long distance telephone guarantees from McAdoo that the government will reimburse the city brought the move.

Tackles Wage Problems
He took preliminary measures to do away with all unnecessary passenger traffic, decreasing that essential freights, food, fuel, and the materials for munitions be given the right of way.

He tackled the problem of wages and under a slogan that contented labor is cheapest in the long run, promised a fair hearing to the brotherhoods on Thursday. An increase in wages for some of the employees is practically certain.

Secretary of the Navy Daniels issued orders to all navy yards to release surplus coal on hand for immediate shipment to New England to relieve the famine there.

Likewise he ordered the commandants at all the navy yards to make coal immediately available for the poor living in the neighborhood of the navy yards to get all the cord wood the yards could spare.

Half the enormous coal pile at the Boston yards was ordered turned over to the needs of the people.

Chairman Hurley of the shipping board, in conference with Director General McAdoo, Secretary of War Baker, Secretary of the Navy Daniels, Coal Administrator Garfield, Food Administrator Hoover and operating heads of the railroads, agreed to turn over at once five ships to the task of carrying soft coal to New England from Norfolk and Jersey coast ports. Three of these have been engaged in Belgium relief work.

In addition to these five ships for coastwise movement, Mr. Hurley announced that he was arranging to move five more in the near future.

Advisory Board Named
Furthermore, the shipping board chairman has directed Charles A. Piez, general manager of the Emergency Fleet corporation, to take stock immediately of the resources of the inland waterways of the country with a view of having the government engage privately in the creation of enormous barge fleets to travel the rivers and canals relieving some of the traffic burdens of the railroads.

Director General McAdoo took sudden and determined steps to eliminate all possible disputes over transportation matters by the dissolution of the railway war board. The board's chief, Harrison was chairman and the operating committee of vice presidents which sat in Pittsburgh with A. C. Thompson, vice president of the National Central, was chairman. In place of the war board, this advisory committee was named:

John Skelton Williams, comptroller of the currency; Hale Holden, president of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad; Henry Walters, president of the Atlantic Coast line; Judge Edward Chambers, vice president of the Santa Fe and in charge of transportation of the food administration; Walker D. Hines, assistant to the director general, ex-officio.

Mr. Holden is the only one of the old railway war board who has held over. The others, Julius Kruttschnitt, Samuel Reed, Howard Elliott and Daniel Willard, were requested to return to their old systems. They will continue their services toward relieving the situation.

Mr. Thompson of the operating committee will return to his old post as transportation head of the Baltimore & Ohio and the work done by this board will be assumed by Alfred H. Smith, vice president of the National Central, who was named by the director general to have charge of all the transportation in the northeastern section of the country.

Tracks Will Remain
Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 1.—(I. N. S.)—Dictator McAdoo issued his first order in Alabama since he became railroad dictator when he ordered the Montgomery & Haynesville railroad not to remove its tracks, a 16 mile stretch from Tyson to Haynesville. The railroad company sought to remove the tracks on the ground that the closing of an oil mill, the principal feeder of the road, made the road a losing proposition.

A protest was entered by citizens of Haynesville to Railroad Dictator McAdoo last week.

**Ice Gorges Break,
Damage \$500,000**

Lexington, Ky., Jan. 1.—(I. N. S.)—A survey today shows that \$500,000 damage has been caused by river interests at Ohio and Licking river points by the breaking of ice gorges. Lost property includes much coal.

**Fort Wayne Paper
Merges With Rival**

Fort Wayne, Ind., Jan. 1.—(I. N. S.)—After continuous publication for more than 34 years the Fort Wayne Sentinel was today merged with the Fort Wayne News. The News will lead in the local evening field.

Tomorrow We Open **ECONOMY JANUARY** Business With a **BIG DRIVE AGAINST RISING PRICES**

—Every time we go to market, we have to face higher prices on many kinds of goods. This has been the condition for several years, but it has been GROWING WORSE during the PAST FEW MONTHS.

—In some cases the advanced prices could not have been prevented, for many goods ARE ACTUALLY SCARCE, and raw materials ARE NOT OBTAINABLE, except in very small quantities.

—But hundreds of other things have gone to higher prices, BECAUSE CERTAIN MANUFACTURERS and dealers COULD GET THEM.

—Today we have ample stocks of all kinds of merchandise—many of which are now commanding higher prices on the market, and for which we will have to pay higher costs when we buy them again. BUT WE ARE GOING TO

**BLOCK THE PRICE-RISE
FOR THIS CITY**

For the Present Month, at Least

—Not only are our ENTIRE PRESENT STOCKS to remain on the low basis of price, until every dollar's worth is owned at its present low price by our customers, but

**MANY THOUSANDS OF
DOLLARS' WORTH OF GOODS**

Now Commanding Higher Wholesale Prices

**ARE DRIVEN TO LOWER PRICES
IN THIS JANUARY SALE**

—This means that people of this community, WHO SECURE THEIR SUPPLIES IN THIS SALE, will be protected from the coming higher costs, either from actual scarcity or persistent profiteers.

—REMEMBER, this "DRIVE against higher prices" can PROTECT ONLY THOSE WHO SHARE THE GOODS OFFERED. We can't stop the higher prices from coming. We are only holding off the advance—as long as OUR PRESENT STOCKS LAST. Be sure to get YOUR SHARE NOW.

Sipman Wolfe & Co
Merchandise of Merit Only

First in Greatest Importance Now
Women's Ready-to-Wear Apparel

All Suits, Coats, Dresses and Skirts Reduced

—Tomorrow, and for one month—JANUARY—women will have the opportunity of supplying their present and anticipated needs in apparel at remarkably advantageous prices.

—Our entire stock is open for your inspection and to your profit, by reason of deeply reduced prices.

From Out of Our Stock Comes These **NEWEST SUITS**

—Smartest models, in styles that are in vogue at all times—Staple, refined models, in WOOL POPLIN, in SERGE. Belted and semi-belted styles. Velvet and braid trimmed. Skirts in advanced straight styles—in navy, tan, black, beet-root, plum, Oxford. All very REMARKABLY PRICED FOR THIS GREAT JANUARY SALE.

150 COATS \$20.00

Every Coat NEW. All Remarkably LOW PRICED. Many at HALF —We count this the most important sale of coats announced by this section. It embraces ONLY new coats — EVERY ONE OF THEM. Fur trimmed, wool velour, kersey, broadcloth, plush, karakul, some full satin and others half lined. Coats that can be worn straight through until May, and then again next Fall. HALF and LESS THAN HALF.

Novelty Silk Petticoats
Very Special \$7.45

—New Jersey silk petticoats in clever two-tone effects and color combinations. Knife pleated and scalloped ruffles, and fitted elastic top. The colors are black, emerald, navy, copen, coral, scarlet and plum.

Georgette Crepe Blouses
Very Special \$3.95

—Georgette crepe and crepe de chine blouses in a large assortment, comprising all the newest models, both plain and fancy trimmed effects. Tucked and lace trimmed and many with beaded embroidery. In white, flesh, maize, plum, taupe and navy.

Silk Taffeta and Chiffon Jersey-Top PETTICOATS \$2.95

—Third Floor, Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

CLEAN-UP SALE OF TRIMMED HATS \$2.95

—Looking for a smart hat to finish out the season with? This sale offers an exceptional opportunity if you are! An unusual assortment of VELVET HATS—in practically every style, shape and size—and every one has been taken out of our regular stocks and REDUCED FOR THIS SALE TO \$2.95.

—Third Floor, Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

Housewives, Our **LINEN SALE** This Year Is of **UTMOST** Importance to **YOU!**

**Thousands of UNDERMUSLINS
UNDERPRICED in THIS SALE**

—Whole tables piled high with snowy, crisp, dainty undergarments at extraordinarily low prices for Economy January! All sorts of daintiest lingerie—Gowns, Chemise, Corset Covers, Combinations, etc., included. Now is the time to lay in supplies—for quantities are large and the savings great!

—NOTICE—There is not a garment in this very exceptional Undermuslin Sale that in quality, workmanship and style can be purchased under present conditions and sold at these prevailing sale prices.

ENVELOPE CHEMISE:
—The most popular of all undergarments. Dozens of different styles—some with plain embroidery edges, others with dainty lace and embroidery yokes.
—Special at 65c, 79c, 89c, \$1.00 to \$2.49.

GOWNS:
—Long cloth and lingerie cloth gowns in slipover and open front styles. With deep yokes, Empire and kimono styles. With trimming of dainty embroidery and lace.
—Special at 85c, \$1.00, \$1.19 to \$3.39

CREPE GOWNS:
—Fancy Windsor crepes in flesh color or fancy striped effects. Dainty styles.
—Special at \$1.19 and \$1.69

WHITE SKIRTS:
—A complete assortment of lace and embroidery trimmed petticoats. With deep flounces or ruffles and insertions of embroidery.
—Special at \$1.00, \$1.19, \$1.49 to \$2.98

DRAWERS:
—Open and closed styles. Of long cloth with ruffle of lace and insertion or embroidery.
—Special at 49c, 59c, 85c

BLOOMERS:
—Batiste, Seco crepe and cambic bloomers, made with elastic waist. With ruffles or elastic at knee.
—Special at 59c, 69c, 79c to 85c

**Exquisite
Philippine Lingerie**

PHILIPPINE GOWNS:
—Dozens of different, lovely patterns. Embroidered on fine lingerie cloth. Slipon style and Empire effects. Round, square and V-shaped necks. Ribbon drawn.
—Special at \$2.39, \$3.39, \$3.95 to \$6.95

PHILIPPINE ENVELOPES:
—The most exquisite hand embroidered, hand made garments. With scalloped edges and dainty designs. All full cut and ribbon drawn.
—Special at \$2.23, \$3.39 to \$5.45
—Fourth Floor—Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

**A Rug Sale Is Really a Treat THESE DAYS
and THIS RUG SALE IS WORTH WHILE**

Prices As All Know Are Going Higher, Higher, Higher Continually
—An "unusually attractive collection of rugs—together with substantial savings in the face of rising prices—makes this event one of importance to hundreds of people.

—These rugs are all perfect, in standard grades, selected with the utmost care, in conventional and Oriental patterns, in the popular tans, rose, mulberry, and other desirable colorings.

—These rugs are taken from our own stocks, with reductions from our already low prices.

Tapestry Brussels . . . \$17.45 | Axminster Rugs . . . \$24.95
Wool Velvet . . . \$23.45 | Wool Velvet . . . \$31.45
All 9x12 Room Size Rugs
—Fifth Floor, Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

**Women's Fleeced Lined
WINTER WEIGHT
UNION SUITS**

—High neck, long sleeves; Dutch neck, elbow sleeves; low neck, sleeveless. Sizes 36 to 44.

—These union suits are standard makes, in all regular and odd sizes: A complete stock enables us to sell them at a price barely covering the wholesale cost for next season. Prudent women will avail themselves of this opportunity to supply their needs for future use.

Sale Price \$1.25
Wool Union Suits
All Sizes 36 to 44
\$2.00

—They come in high neck, long sleeves, Dutch neck, elbow sleeves and ankle length. Also Dutch neck, elbow sleeves, knee length. Every suit pure white and guaranteed unshrinkable.
—Main Floor, Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

**HOT POINT VACUUM
CLEANERS \$27.50**

—Down \$1 a Week

**WOMEN'S
Cashmere Stockings
Now Almost Unobtainable
Sale 60c Pair**

—Fine soft quality stockings, made of fine grade wool, in black with gray heels and toes, and white with linen finish heels and toes.

—With the tremendous advances in wool, this grade of stocking is practically out of the market. —In sizes 8 1/2 to 10 1/2.

—Main Floor, Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

**A Special Sale of
GEORGETTE
CREPE
\$1.39 Yard**

—Economy January brings a welcome sale of lovely Georgette Crepe—All you who are planning to have new houses and party frocks attention!

—A good quality of Georgette in such lovely shades as flesh and maize and white, of course. REDUCED FOR THIS SALE TO \$1.39 YARD.
—Main Floor, Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

MEN
Famous Jefferson Underwear—A Sale

—We have selected for our opening sale—famous Jefferson Underwear, for it admits of the greatest economy AT THE PRESENT PRICES of any article of men's wear.

—IT WILL PAY any man to anticipate his present Winter and next Winter's needs at these sale prices, as the following examples show:

No. 320 Jefferson Union Suits \$1.98
—Heavy Winter weight Egyptian cotton ribbed, medium and heavy weight worsted.
—Wholesale price for next Fall delivery, \$21 doz.

No. 306 Jefferson Union Suits \$2.48
—Medium and heavy weight worsted, warm, soft quality, natural gray.
—Wholesale price for next Fall delivery, \$24 doz.

No. 310 Jefferson Union Suits \$3.48
—Winter wear wool worsted, in medium and heavy weight.
—Wholesale price for next Fall delivery, \$36 doz.

No. 314 Jefferson Union Suits \$3.95
—Extra heavy superweight silk and worsted mixtures in silver gray and natural.
—Wholesale price for next Fall delivery, \$45 doz.
—Main Floor, Just Inside the Washington Street Entrance, Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

**A Great Message to Women
Is Heralded by This Sale of
Edwin M. Knowles' Dinnerware**

—A year ago we ordered this splendid American dinnerware. The quality is of the highest—comparing favorably with many of the most popular imported grades.

—The patterns are all exceptionally attractive—and THERE IS A FULL OPEN STOCK BACK OF EVERY PIECE. Sets may be added to at any time. This is an exceptional opportunity to start a set of really good and attractive dinnerware—at savings really worth while!

—Our prices will advance February 1st.

26-PIECE GOLD BAND SET \$2.98
26-PIECE THISTLE SPRAY SET \$2.98

26-PIECE MAYFLOWER SET \$4.95
26-PIECE BROWN-GOLD-ROSESET \$4.95

23-PIECE TEA SETS—SEVRES STYLE, \$5.95
—EXTRA SPECIAL—1000 Thin White CHINA TEA CUPS AND SAUCERS—Pair 15c

—LIMIT 1 DOZEN TO A CUSTOMER—NO PHONE OR C. O. D. ORDERS—NO DELIVERIES.
—Sixth Floor, Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

IMPORTED TABLE DAMASK—\$1.00 YARD

—Splendid heavy weight damask, in a good assortment of designs. Full 70 inches wide—an excellent quality for every day use.

PURE LINEN TABLE DAMASK—\$1.39 YARD
—We can not duplicate this quality at any price! Pure Irish linen damask in a good variety of patterns—floral and striped.

PURE LINEN NAPKINS—\$2.50 DOZEN
—A late shipment that has just been received. Napkins suitable for breakfast or lunch use. Plain or hemmed. Size 17x17 inches.

IMPORTED HEAVY HUCK TOWELS—39c
—Splendid, heavy towels, suitable for rough wear. Good large size with Grecian border design. White only.

IMPORTED SCOTCH TOWELS AT 69c
—Hemmed or hemstitched towels of fine quality huck. Plain white, very serviceable quality. A fine, even weave.

IRISH LINEN TABLE CLOTHS AND NAPKINS
—Napery direct from Belfast, Ireland. Pattern cloths and napkins in splendid weight. Made from pure flax, meadow bleached.

2x2-yard Cloths \$4.59
2x2 1/2-yard Cloth \$5.50
2x3-yard Cloths \$6.59
22x22-inch Napkins to match, \$5.75 dozen

HEAVY BATH TOWELS AT 25c
—Generous sized bath towels with plain hemmed ends. Good, heavy, absorbent towels—a very special quality at the price!

TURKISH BATH TOWELS AT 45c
—Good heavy towels made from two-ply yarns. In all white or white with pink or blue borders.

FULL WIDTH SHEETS
—Buy all you need NOW—prices will be tremendously advanced SOON.

Size 81x90 inches 95c
Size 81x99 inches \$1.05
—Full bleached, seamless sheets, made of good, heavy sheeting. This is less than today's wholesale cost! Buy all you need in this sale!

GOOD PILLOW CASES
42x36 inches—23c
45x36 inches—25c
—Extra fine quality pillow cases, entirely free from dressing. Neatly hemmed. Unusual at this special price!
—Hundreds of odd soiled Linen Table Cloths and Napkins offered in this Sale at LESS THAN WHOLESALE COST.
—Odd lots of linen table cloths ranging in size from 2x2 yards to 2 1/2x4 yards. All of them pure linen, somewhat soiled from display and handling during the Christmas season.
SPECIAL AT \$4.39 to \$18.50
NAPKINS SPECIAL \$1.25 to \$5.38 Half Dozen
—Second Floor, Lipman, Wolfe & Co.