

COUNTRY IS NOT PREPARED FOR WAR

NOT ENOUGH AMMUNITION TO LAST AN ENGAGEMENT

THE MILITIA NEEDS REORGANIZATION

General Wood Says the Men of America Have the Courage, But Need the Training

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—General Wood's testimony before the house military committee which has just been published declared that the country is not prepared for real hostilities with a first class nation. He explained his plan for the reorganization of the militia, and urged a more mobile army, and declared that the military armament at the army's disposal would not last through a single general engagement. General Wood said:

"There is no use talking about our patriotism and fighting qualities. We have got them, but we must remember that this capital was lost to a force less than that opposing, and was abandoned by our forces with less than a hundred killed and wounded, and that our forces were then composed of men living and fighting within a generation of the revolutionary war. They were brave, but unorganized. In the Spanish war we lost a little over 200 volunteers in battle, and buried 4,000 who died from disease."

PRE-NUPRIAL SETTLEMENTS ARE NOT EXEMPT

Settlement Made by Marshall Field on His Wife Before Marriage Must Pay Tax

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Mrs. Marshall Field must pay an inheritance tax of \$10,000 upon the \$1,000,000 she received as a pre-nuptial settlement from the late Marshall Field.

By a decision of the state supreme court recently wealth thus given during the life of the giver is held not to be exempt from the inheritance tax.

"This is the only instance in the United States where the property included in a pre-nuptial contract has been taxed," said Attorney Walter K. Lincoln, who brought suit for the state. "The supreme court has reversed the findings of the New York court of appeals, which exempted such property, and said:

"Illustrations are not necessary to show that any other rule would enable parties desiring to do so in a measure to defeat the object and purpose of the schedule. In our opinion the court erred in deducting the \$1,000,000 provided for in the ante-nuptial contract from the market value of the estate in fixing and determining the tax."

The decision of the court closes the tax appraisal of the Marshall Field estate. It was the second highest appraisal in the United States. That of the late E. H. Harriman was first.

UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO RECEIVES TEN MILLION

Final Gift of John D. Rockefeller Makes the Grand Total of \$35,000,000

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—John D. Rockefeller has completed the task he set for himself in founding the University of Chicago. Today public announcement was made of a "single and final" gift of \$10,000,000, which includes all the contributions Rockefeller had planned.

This sum, to be paid in ten annual installments beginning January 1st, will make approximately \$35,000,000 he has donated to the university.

Rockefeller says he now believes the school should be supported and enlarged by the gifts of many rather than those of a single donor. This, he believes, will be better accomplished if the public understands the limit of his contemplated assistance. The founding of the new departments he leaves to the trustees, as he says funds may be furnished by other friends. Nearly \$7,000,000 have been donated to the university in addition to Rockefeller's gifts.

BANK PRESIDENT GETS SPLENDID CHRISTMAS GIFT

Directors Vote His Check for Fifty Thousand in Addition to His Salary

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The Central Trust Company gave its president, James N. Wallace, a check for \$50,000 as his Christmas present. The money was voted by the directors, in

addition to his regular salary, as a slight recognition for his services in building up the institution. Mr. Wallace, recently elected to the presidency, began with the company in boyhood as a minor clerk.

NEXT HOUSE TO HAVE FOUR HUNDRED AND FORTY MEN

Tables Show That Many New Representatives Will Be Added to Congress

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 27.—A house membership of 440 is the smallest number under the census bureau method of apportionment that will result in not decreasing the present number of representatives from any state. This is announced in a detailed statistical statement submitted to the house committee on census by the census bureau.

The statement was arranged to show the exact effect under any particular proportion of representatives to the population on the returns of the thirteenth census. It starts with a minimum of 390, which is one less than the present size of the house, and ends with a maximum of 440, each table showing whether on such a calculation any state representation would be diminished, increased or unchanged.

Chairman Crumpacker will have the tables printed with other data necessary along the same line, and will call a meeting of his committee immediately after the reassembling of congress. He expects the committee will be able to report a reapportionment bill at this session.

Minority Leader Champ Clark of Missouri and other democratic leaders will be consulted for the readjustments always bring the threat of gerrymandering, and a merry political fight is in prospect when the bill emerges from the committee.

OHIO CITIZENS GET PAY FOR THEIR VOTES

Over Eight Hundred Have Been Indicted and Two Hundred Have Pleaded Guilty

WEST UNION, Ohio, Dec. 27.—One hundred additional indictments, charging citizens of Adams county with bribery in connection with the recent election, were returned by the special grand jury, bringing the grand total for the week to 833.

More than 200 arrests have been made, and in every instance the defendant has pleaded guilty. In the majority of cases the court has imposed a fine of \$25 and costs and a jail sentence of six months, with the loss of the right to vote for five years.

So far as the evidence discloses the guilty were about equally divided between members of the republican and democratic parties. It appears that the price of a vote ranged between \$10 and \$250.

GIRL BABIES WORTH MORE THAN BOYS IN MISSOURI

Out of Ten Applicants to Orphans' Home Eight Are for the Gentler Sex

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 27.—Girl babies are worth more than boy babies, so far as supply and demand governs their value, according to R. V. Maloney, superintendent of the Kansas City office of the Children's Home Finding society. The society, said Maloney recently, has in hand twenty-three boys and six girls waiting to be adopted. "Of every ten applications we have for children, eight are for girls," Maloney said.

The society sends out babies on ninety days' approval. More boys are returned than girls.

MOTHER TAKES DESPERATE MEANS TO SAVE BABY'S LIFE

Ties the Little One in a Pillow and Tosses It to Neighbor When Building Burns

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Hemmed in by fire in an upper story, Mrs. E. J. Cox today tied her year-old baby between two pillows and threw the infant out of a window. The bundle was safely caught by a neighbor, who then climbed a porch and assisted Mrs. Cox across a slippery roof and down to the street. The woman's home was practically destroyed.

New Telegraph Operator

A. J. McLaughlin, the new telegraph operator at the Western Union office in this city, arrived here Friday night, and is stopping at the Livermore. Mr. McLaughlin comes here highly recommended, and will no doubt give the patrons of the office the same high class of service that has characterized the local branch in the past.

Marriage License

A marriage license was on Friday granted to Fred C. Colman and Verni Mohl of Swan Lake. They were married Saturday at the home of Mrs. Slater.

GATES BUYS WATER SUPPLY

PURCHASES SURPLUS PRODUCT OF FOREST GROVE

Expects to Get Franchise From Hillsboro and Cornelius and Supply Those Towns

O. B. Gates, a former resident of this city, who was superintendent of the local light and water company, is promoting a water company in his home town of Hillsboro, and if his plans work out he will supply that city and Cornelius with water.

The following item from Forest Grove tells of what Mr. Gates is doing:

"The city council last night made a contract with O. B. Gates of Hillsboro, by which he takes the surplus water of the Forest Grove water system for a term of ten years, at 4 cents per 1,000 gallons. A pipe line will be laid from the Forest Grove reservoir to Hillsboro and Cornelius, and Mr. Gates will try to secure franchises with these two cities and with people along the proposed right of way to supply the needed water.

"The Forest Grove water system has a sufficient supply to warrant the contract, and, should the water run short at any time, the extension of the pipe line at the intake in the mountains to another creek, a distance of 2,000 feet, will nearly double the water supply.

"The contract with Mr. Gates will bring in enough money to take up the \$70,000 water bonds issued by the city in payment of its water system, and will remove the burden off the taxpayers of this city."

The many friends of Mr. Gates in this city and vicinity will wish him success in his venture. He is an experienced man in the line he is engaging in, as he installed and perfected the system in this city. There is but little doubt but what he will receive his franchises from Hillsboro and Cornelius.

TEACH YOUR CHILDREN SELF-CONFIDENCE, ABOVE ALL

Many children go from school and college knowing a great deal, but without a bit of improvement in their self-confidence, their initiative. They are just as timid, shy and self-depreciatory as before entering, says Orator Sweet Marden in Success.

Now, what advantage is it to send a youth out into the world with a head full of knowledge, but without the confidence or assurance to use it or the ability to grapple with life's problems with that vigor and efficiency which alone can bring success?

It is of the utmost importance that every youth should be brought up to think well of himself, have great confidence in his ability. He should be reared in the conviction that he was intended to fill a place in the world which no one else in the world could fill, that he should expect it, and train himself for it. It is a sin to shake or destroy a child's self-confidence, to reflect upon his ability or to suggest that he will never amount to much. These discouraging words, like initials cut in the sapling, grow wider and wider with the years, until they become great ugly scars in the adult.

NEW PATENT LAW FOR GERMANY IS STRINGENT

Government Given Power to Rescind Right if the Article is Not Made in the Fatherland

BERLIN, Dec. 22.—The government introduced in the reichstag an amendment to the law of patents of a far-reaching character. By the bill the authorities are given power to rescind a patent after three years in the event that the article is manufactured outside of Germany or the colonies.

The government memorandum declared that the measure is necessary in order to protect German industry, which is threatened by the patent laws of other countries.

A provision of the amendment makes it possible for the authorities to compel the patentee to license another person to develop his patent should the holder not make use of it himself.

FAMINE SITUATION IN CHINA GROWS SERIOUS

Railroads Are Dotted With Starving and Dead—Over a Million Babies Are Sold

PEKIN, Dec. 22.—Winter is intensifying the famine in the Yang Tse Kiang districts. The authorities are endeavoring to suppress the sale of children, which has been so extensive as to be estimated at over a million. The majority of these are girls.

The roadways are dotted with the starving and dead. The relief committee is now making appeals abroad for help.

SPIES SENTENCED TO PRISON

ENGLISH OFFICERS CONVICTED IN GERMAN COURTS

Admitted They Drew Plans of Fortifications and Gave Them to the British Officials

LEIPSIK, Germany, Dec. 22.—Captain Bernard Trench and Lieutenant Vivian Brandon, English officers, were today convicted of spying on German fortifications at Bokrum, and sentenced to four years imprisonment in a fortress. They admitted they made a sketch of the fortifications and gave them to English officials.

THIRTY LOSE LIVES IN FIERCE FLAMES

Deadly Fumes Overcome Men and They Are Buried Under a Pile of Brick

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Thirty firemen, including the commanding officer of the Chicago fire department, are dead as the result of a fire this morning, which destroyed the warehouse of the Nelson Morris Packing company at the stockyards. It was the fiercest fire Chicago has had in recent years, and was accompanied by the explosion of an ammonia tank, making it impossible to breathe the air within a radius of several blocks.

The fire started at 3 o'clock and was gotten under control at 7 o'clock. It burst out again, and was brought under control at 11 o'clock, although it was still burning at noon.

Fire Chief Horan and Second Assistant Chief Burroughs are missing, and are believed to be dead. The bodies of Captains Collins and Dohle, partially identified, have been taken from the ruins. The explosion of the ammonia tank was fierce, knocking the firemen down and rendering them unable to escape the toppling wall under which it is believed they have been buried. The warehouse was a four-story structure, and cost \$1,000,000. The fire started in

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, at Lakeview, Oregon, November 14, 1910.

NOTICE is hereby given that Elmeda Hawkhurst, whose postoffice address is Klamath Falls, Oregon, did, on the 27th day of December, 1909, file in this office Sworn Statement and Application, No. 02886, to purchase the S 1/4 NW 1/4, NW 1/4 NW 1/4, Sec. 24; NE 1/4 NE 1/4, Section 23, Township 37S, Range 9E, Willamette Meridian, and the timber thereon, under the provisions of the act of June 3, 1878, and acts amendatory, known as the "Timber and Stone Law," at such value as might be fixed by appraisal, and that, pursuant to such application, the land and timber thereon have been appraised, at a total of \$400.00, the timber estimated 400,000 board feet at \$1.00 per M, and the land \$0.90; that said applicant will offer final proof in support of his application and sworn statement on the 26th day of January, 1911, before R. M. Richardson, U. S. Commissioner, at Klamath Falls, Oregon.

Any person is at liberty to protest this purchase before entry, or initiate a contest at any time before patent issues, by filing a corroborated affidavit in this office, alleging facts which would defeat the entry.

ARTHUR W. ORTON, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

(Not Coal Lands)

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office at Lakeview, Oregon, Nov. 5, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that John Slade, whose postoffice address is Olene, Ore., did, on the 9th day of May, 1910, file in this office sworn statement and application No. 03478, to purchase the E 1/2 of NE 1/4 section 10, township 39S, Range 10E, Willamette meridian, and the timber thereon, under the provisions of the act of June 3, 1878, and acts amendatory, known as the "Timber and Stone Law," at such value as might be fixed by appraisal, and that, pursuant to such application, the land and timber thereon have been appraised at a total of \$330.00, the timber estimated at 250,000 board feet at \$1 per thousand, and the land \$80; that said applicant will offer final proof in support of his application and sworn statement on the 13th day of January, 1911, before R. M. Richardson, United States commissioner, at Klamath Falls, Oregon.

Any person is at liberty to protest this purchase before entry or initiate a contest at any time before patent issues, by filing a corroborated affidavit in this office alleging facts which would defeat the entry.

ARTHUR W. ORTON, Register.

the storage room, the cause, however, being unknown.

Stockyards Threatened

The entire Union stockyards are threatened by the fire. At 11 o'clock this morning it spread from the Nelson Morris warehouse to the adjoining tall house, and now threatens the destruction of the entire plant. The walls of the beef house fell at noon, making it impossible to recover the corpses until tomorrow. The firemen are fighting desperately to prevent the flames from spreading to other plants. All the apparatus in the city is on the scene.

Fire Subdued

The new fire in the tall house was subdued at 1 o'clock this afternoon and the firemen resumed their digging in the ruins. It is not believed an accurate list of the dead will be obtained until tonight. Ten bodies have been recovered.

Visiting in Walla Walla

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Olds are visiting in Walla Walla, Wash., during the holidays. Mr. Olds will return about January 3d, while Mrs. Olds will remain a month or six weeks.

XMAS GIFTS COST MILLIONS

NOT OVER HALF OF THE PEOPLE PAY OUT MONEY

Children Pay From 10 cents to \$1— Clerks Have the Highest Average of Expenditures

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—Chief Victor Olmstead of the bureau of statistics unofficially estimates the Christmas giving germ will cost the American people \$90,000,000 this year. He believes that not over half of the people give presents costing actual money. Of the remaining 46,000,000 a few are opposed to Christmas giving and a vast number do not give because they have no money. Of the givers several million will be children, whose expenditures range from 10 cents to \$1. He estimates the average of a child's Christmas expenditure at 50 cents.

The greatest givers are clerks, they averaging between \$3 and \$5 each.

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