

GLASS STEPS OUT, HOUSTON IN



David E. Houston, at right, receiving his commission as secretary of the treasury from Carter Glass, the retiring secretary.

can soldiers and sailors, also needed additions thereto and new buildings for such purposes.

Continuance of the support of the work now being carried on for the soldiers and sailors of our allies beyond the year 1920, should the seriously unsettled conditions occasioned by the war continue.

Setting apart of a substantial portion of the surplus to be regarded as a reserve fund which might be used at any time for rendering Y. M. C. A. service in any grave national emergency. This reserve fund should certainly be held for these purposes for at least two years.

Continuance of the educational program for ex-service men. We recommend also a study of the needs of the wounded ex-service men who are now having vocational training.

Recommendation that the total amount that seems now to have accrued in the operation of the canteen, approximately \$500,000 (brought about by the government's cancellation of the charges aggregating \$2,500,000 and for which we had a reserve fund), to be used for the benefit of ex-service men, either through an appropriation direct to the American Legion or to the relief of incapacitated ex-service men, or to such other purposes for the benefit of ex-service men as might be agreed upon between the officers of the national war work council and the officers of the American Legion.

\$508,899 PROFIT IN "Y" HUTS

Adjustments Show This Gain and Wipe Out "Book Loss" of \$1,478,084.

PUBLIC GIVES \$161,722,649

Report Reveals Approximate Balance of \$17,000,000—Largest Sums Expended on American Fighters While Abroad.

New York.—A financial statement of operations by the national war work council of the Y. M. C. A. from the beginning of our participation in the war to January 1 last reveals that the canteens operated for soldiers and sailors returned a net profit of \$508,899.70. A previous report in March, 1918, reported a loss on canteen services of \$1,478,074.44.

The United States carried Y. M. C. A. supplies free of charge on transporters, and furnished rail transportation and motor supplies in France.

The report also shows that \$161,722,649.42 had been contributed by the public to Y. M. C. A. war work up to January 1. The report of William Shome, chairman of the war work council, reveals an approximate balance of \$17,000,000, the principal expenditures to the ends for which the money was given having been as follows:

**Itemized Expenditures.**  
Spent on soldiers, sailors and marines in the United States, \$38,800.50; abroad, \$52,382,736.03; other expenses not itemized, \$7,000,000. The fund of more than \$161,000,000 was made up as follows: First Y. M. C. A. campaign, \$5,113,946.98; second Y. M. C. A. campaign, \$53,334,546.81; United War Work campaign up to January 1, \$100,779,731.17; other sources, \$2,514,764.46.

The balance of \$17,000,000 revealed

Find Rare Variety of Sugar on Firs

Washington.—Discovery of the growth of sugar on fir trees in British Columbia is announced in the American Forestry Magazine. The discovery resulted from investigations by Prof. John Davidson of the University of British Columbia at Vancouver.

Specimens are said to have indicated the presence of a large percentage of an extremely rare variety of sugar. Indians have made use of the sugar for many years, the article states.

CORNHUSKER ITEMS

News of All Kinds Gathered From Various Points Throughout Nebraska.

OF INTEREST TO ALL READERS

Absence of any signs of life about the home of August Oestman, a farmer residing near Auburn, brought an investigation by neighbors which disclosed that every member of the family was sick with influenza and that two children, Herbert, 9, and Lawrence, 3½, were dead with cerebro-spinal meningitis, resulting from the disease. There are 10 members of the family, and eight of them lay sick in beds, while the two dead children had been laid out on the floor by members of the weakened family. Nurses were procured for the care of the stricken family, the members of which were too sick to attend the funerals of the two children.

The retirement of Elmer E. Younza from the race for the republican nomination for governor at the primary next month means that the nonpartisan league will not try for a state ticket, but will confine their endeavors to the election of a state legislature. Younza was endorsed by the nonpartisan league at its state meeting at Lincoln.

Announcement has been made that Baptists of Nebraska have been assigned a quota of \$1,500,000 as their share of the \$100,000,000 fund which is to be raised in connection with the New World movement "for Americanization and spiritualization of the nation and the Near East."

Elvira Tewksbury, 89, who died March 7, in Plattsmouth, was the only real daughter of the American revolution in Nebraska. She was the daughter of James Walker, a soldier in the battle of Fort Ticonderoga, and she was one of only sixty "real daughters" in the United States.

At the suggestion of the Parent-Teacher association of the North Platte high school, girls of the junior class have inaugurated a campaign against silk hostess, high heels, filmy waists, and other wearing apparel which especially appeals to the sterner sex.

Attorney General Davis has notified Charles E. Hughes that Nebraska will join with other states in the legal proceedings to keep the states of Rhode Island from winning its case against prohibition.

E. W. Reed of Haigler, Dundy county, has been endorsed by the nonpartisan league for congress, and C. E. Neubauber of Orleans, Harlan county, for the state senate.

All records for real estate transactions for Dodge county were broken, when deals totaling \$1,910,000 were completed by the transfer during the first three days in March.

West Point voters will pass on a proposition at the next municipal election for the issuance of \$20,000 water bonds for extending the system in the city.

The University of California baseball team will meet Nebraska at Lincoln, May 19, while en route to the east to play Harvard, Princeton and Yale. It is announced.

The Farmers Grain & Supply Co. of Hildreth has protested to the state railway commission against the action of the Burlington railroad in not furnishing grain cars.

M. B. Carman, Methodist conference evangelist, completed a three weeks' revival meeting at Cozad which netted 122 converts.

Improvements for state institutions are being planned by the Lincoln Chamber of Commerce, State Fair association, and state university.

Kearney voters will pass on a proposition at a special election in April to bond the city in the sum of \$125,000 for a new school building.

The Nebraska department of agriculture reports winter wheat in this state in good condition at the present time.

The cornerstone for the new Pilsgrim Congregational church at Cortland was laid with appropriate services.

Work has been resumed on the construction of six miles of concrete paving west of Fremont on the Lincoln highway.

Ensl Fafeta of Ord, ex-soldier, drew claim 63 in the Torrington, Wyo., land drawing.

Auburn voters are to have a referendum vote on ordinances allowing Sunday baseball, movies and other entertainments.

Prof. Huxford, science instructor in the Pawnee City high school, has set up a wireless receiving station for demonstration.

Four men were moving a carbine gas tank from the basement of the home of John Brandt near Nickerson when one of them struck a match on light his pipe. A terrific explosion followed, injuring all four men quite seriously.

At the spring election citizens of Chadron will vote on a \$50,000 paving bond proposition.

At the annual town meeting held at Adams the other day the matter of the erection of a hall for community gatherings was discussed. A special election for the purpose of acting in the matter is likely to be called.

If land in Nebraska is to be assessed on its sales value this year as Secretary of Finance Ross has instructed assessors, valuations will increase from 65 to 200 per cent in virtually every county in the state.

Father May Swear When Hanging Paper

Moorhead, Minn.—When father lays the carpet on the stairs has long been conceded as a time to throw the mantle of charity about certain sayings and dolings of paterfamilias that normally would be beneath his dignity.

Now comes a Moorhead judge who says that the law extends this leniency to such occasions as when father hangs the paper on the wall.

So Mrs. Henry Buchholz of Sank Center, Minn., was denied her bill for divorce. Judge Nye ruling that whatever Henry might do when exhausted from matching wallpaper patterns and when covered with paste and perspiration does not constitute "cruel and inhuman treatment," especially when records prove him at all other times meek, faithful and provident.

INDIAN'S CHARMS FAIL

Did Not Protect Him When He Blew Out Gas.

Kayuse Chief on His Way to Washington Dies in Chicago Hotel.

Chicago.—The tribe of Kayuse Indians on the reservation in Umatilla county, near Pendleton, Ore., are awaiting assurance from their chief, U. M. Sum Kim, that their lands will not be taken from them. They will learn that he died in a hotel at 603 South Wells street, asphyxiated by gas. It is believed that he blew out the flame. His charm of four snake heads failed to protect him.

Chief Sum Kim was on his way to Washington to appear before the Indian board of commissioners to plead that his people be protected from a firm that is attempting to take parts of their land away through court proceedings for failure to pay an alleged debt, it is said.

Adam Bird, owner of the hotel, detecting the odor of gas, traced it to the Indian's room. The South Clark street police were summoned, but it was found he was dead. Tied to a string around his neck were four small charms bags. Within them were the dried heads of four snakes.

He had worn a sombrero, boots, yellow duck trousers and a black shirt. He carried four blankets. The body was taken to the Central undertaking rooms at 318 Federal street.

Among the papers found were those of a law firm demanding that the chief appear before them and straighten out

a money matter, threatening court procedure if he failed to do so. The chief carried affidavits proving his side and a map and blue prints showing the land owned by the tribe. Traveling orders and appearance papers for a hearing before the commissioners were also found.

SCOFF AT 'WHITE CANNIBALS'

Explorers Declare No Such Tribe as Reported Exists on Tiburon Island.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Members of the mining expedition Capt. Harry De Windt, an English explorer, said he plans to lead to Tiburon Island, in the Gulf of California, need not fear "white cannibals" reported there, according to Los Angeles residents who have visited the island.

Persons returning from Tiburon, however, have given it an unpleasant reputation. They have reported that it is overrun with reptiles and that the few Indians living there, while not actively hostile, are sullen and distrustful.

Stories of a strange white tribe, using poisoned darts and an ancient blunderbuss to bag occasional visitors to provide native feasts, are scouted here. Some Los Angeles residents have reported having seen natives carrying modern firearms.

**Laborers Buy \$25 Shirts.**  
New York.—Louis B. Tim, silk shirt manufacturer, reports silk shirts selling at \$25, "and the peculiar thing about it," he said, "is that we sell more of these shirts to workmen than we do to millionaires."

CONGRESSIONAL NAVAL INSPECTORS AT KEY WEST



The congressional board of naval inspectors at Key West just before embarking on the U. S. S. Dolphin to go to Jamaica and the Virgin Islands on a general tour of inspection. Left to right: Senator Kenyon of Iowa; Congressman Garnett of Tennessee; Senator Edge of New York; Congressman Townner of Iowa; Rear Admiral J. N. Oliver, U. S. N., head of the commission; Congressmen Campbell of Kansas and Gay of Louisiana.

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