

MORE MONEY FOR THE ARMY

Official Estimates Three Million in Excess of Last Year.

NEEDS ADDITIONAL THINGS

Extra Money is to be Spent for Acquiring New Equipment and Extending Service in Several Particulars.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Hearings were begun today before the military affairs committee in connection with the military appropriation bill, which it is to draft for presentation to congress at the coming session, with Secretary Garrison and Quartermaster General Aleshaire on the list of witnesses to testify. They have been invited to give their views as to the needs of the military establishment of the government during the coming year.

Official estimates of the army call for an appropriation of \$112,232,232, including militia, as against \$108,223,232 appropriated last year. Appropriations made last year, which are not asked for in the proposed bill, include \$100,000 for equipment of coast artillery armories; \$50,000 for the Washington-Alaska military telegraph and cable system, and \$12,000 for signaling equipment for coast artillery posts.

The ordinance service, which received \$130,000 would get \$35,000 under today's estimates, with the addition of a new provision to include in this amount the "purchase, maintenance, repair and operation of motor-propelled or horse-drawn passenger carrying vehicles." The \$100,000 proposed for "manufacture and purchase" of ammunition for small arms for reserve supply, cut down from the \$125,000 appropriated last year, includes \$5,000 for "purchase of ammunition for purposes of experiment." The appropriation for small arms target practice is increased from \$700,000 to \$825,000. The \$400,000 appropriated for manufacture of arms is changed this year to a proposed \$225,000 for manufacturing, "procuring" and leasing of arms at the national armories with a proviso that "existing written agreements involving the purchase of patented articles, patents for which have not expired, may be carried out."

The \$700,000 appropriated last year for overhauling, clearing, repairing and preserving ordnance and ordnance stores in the hands of troops and at the arsenals, posts and depots, for the purchase and manufacture of ordnance stores for infantry, cavalry and artillery equipments, including horses, is raised now to \$1,100,000.

Among other estimates are a \$200,000 appropriation for care of horses and material for militia field artillery.

American Students at Oxford Offer to Help Belgian Relief

LONDON, Dec. 4.—The American students at Oxford, who have volunteered for relief work in Belgium, leave today for the continent to take up the work of assisting the American relief commission in the distribution of food. Since the first squad of volunteers was chosen the commission has received applications from many other Rhodes scholars, whose services will be accepted if they prove to be qualified for the work.

The first volunteers are to serve for the six weeks of the mid-term vacation. Efforts will be made to obtain a six months' leave of absence for them, so that they may devote all their time to this service, as the commission considers it of great importance to have this type of American college men in charge of the actual distribution of supplies.

A Riotous English Prisoner Gets Ten Years from Germans

BERLIN (via Amsterdam and London), Dec. 4.—A British prisoner of war named Lonsdale, confined in the Doeberitz camp, has been condemned by a German court-martial to ten years' imprisonment for a violent attack on his custodians.

The incident leading to the trial of this man is thus described by the Lokal Anzeiger:

"When the occupants of one of the tents in the camp failed to turn out for work a group of reservists were ordered to drive them out. This resulted in some scuffling and the free use of the butt ends of rifles. Lonsdale struck one of the German soldiers in the chest and tried to hit him in the face. A sergeant-major drew his sword and hit Lonsdale several blows on the back.

"At the trial the president of the court-martial told witnesses to speak the truth and not be influenced by hatred of the English. Lonsdale admitted that he had committed the assault. The prosecutor, Dr. Kohler, did not ask for the death penalty or a life sentence. He said that the verdicts of German military courts were vastly superior to those in hostile countries, which were dictated by hatred. He invited the court to impose a sentence of imprisonment for a decade."

Reclamation Jobs Are Consolidated

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—The office of director of the reclamation service will be abolished on December 31. The office of director and chief engineer will be consolidated, with Chief Engineer A. P. Davis in charge. Director F. H. Newell will become consulting engineer. A new office, chief of construction, will be filled by the appointment of S. B. Williamson, an engineer, who was prominent in building the Pacific division of the Panama canal.

Belgian Relief Ship to Sail from Frisco

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 4.—The Belgian relief ship Camino, Captain Ahlin, will sail from this port for Rotterdam at noon tomorrow with a cargo of flour, beans, canned fruit, condensed milk and other provisions, valued at approximately \$750,000. The voyage, it is estimated, will take about twenty days. A stop will be made at Los Angeles harbor, where 60 more tons of foodstuffs will be added to the 4,400 the Camino took on here.

Ohio Miners' Strike Negotiations Off Without Settlement

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 4.—All negotiations toward a settlement of the coal miners' strike in eastern Ohio, where 15,000 men have been out since April 1, were broken off today when the joint conference of miners and operators adjourned without having reached a settlement of the wage dispute.

District Attorney Job is Offered to G. W. Wickersham

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Governor-elect Charles S. Whitman, it was reported today, had offered the position of district attorney of New York county, which he vacates next month to become governor, to George W. Wickersham, former attorney general of the United States. Mr. Wickersham is now engaged in private practice, a partner of Henry W. Taft. He is known to have a keen interest in public service and it is said that he would like to accept the district attorneyship if partnership agreements between himself and Mr. Taft could be waived.

From Our Near Neighbors

Weeping Water. Mrs. George Bartie is visiting in Council Bluffs. William Edgar of Lincoln was a business visitor to town Tuesday.

Miss Effie Knight of Gettysburg, S. D., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Glavin. Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Switzer were visiting at the George Switzer home at Nehawka Wednesday.

Byron Bakert returned Tuesday from Lyons, Neb., where he had been visiting his mother and brothers.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Callahan, young son, of Gordon, Neb., are visiting at the Dan Switzer home southeast of town.

Ray Barrett of Oakland, S. D., who is on his way to Zepherus, Ia., is visiting a few days at the S. W. Orton home.

Miss C. M. Paine of Grand Island, returned to her home Thursday, after a visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. M. M. Butler.

Mrs. S. G. Gogizer, aged 71, is suffering with a severe attack of whooping cough. The malady is prevalent among the school children.

Mrs. Adam returned from a visit with her brother, She and her family are leaving soon to make their home in Louisiana.

The fortieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sperry, living on the farm east of town, was celebrated last Sunday. Many friends and relatives were present.

Miss Frank Fitzgerald and daughter have returned to their home at Woodstock, Kan., after several weeks' visit with relatives at this city.

Rev. W. M. Ellinger, chairman of the Congregational Christian commission, attended a meeting of that body in Lincoln Tuesday. The commission is expected to meet at the university on Friday.

John Fitzpatrick, the last of the auto boys to be killed in the auto accident here this week, was brought Monday from Tecumseh, where he had been confined to a hospital since the day the accident occurred. Friday, November 20, when eight of the foot ball boys from here were injured.

Irrvington. Mr. and Mrs. Bleick visited in Benson Monday. Mrs. Vestal and daughter, Iris, were Omaha visitors Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Brewer were Omaha visitors Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Paulsen of Council Bluffs, Frank and Sidney Meachen, Mrs. Meachen, Miss Miller and Mrs. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Larson, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Beck, Mrs. Larson and Mrs. Charley Pamp were entertained at the Munson home Sunday.

Valley. Mrs. H. Byars, who has been ill for some time, is improving very slowly.

Mrs. H. Walstrom has been quite ill with the grip for the last two weeks.

Rev. and Mrs. McAllister attended the Methodist conference in Omaha Thursday.

Mrs. J. J. Miller and Mrs. Mitchell are spending some time with Mrs. Lloyd in Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Noyes and Priscilla spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. A. Gardner.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Standen of Yutan were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Byars Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lewis and May, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Freeman motored to Omaha Wednesday.

Mrs. Clark and children of Valparaiso visited Mrs. Clark's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, Thursday.

Mrs. Martin Mortensen of Valparaiso came up Thursday and will visit her parents until Saturday.

Mrs. Fitzpatrick returned Wednesday from two weeks' visit with her grandparents at Woodstock, Ia.

The Methodist Episcopal Ladies Aid society held its regular monthly meeting at the home of Miss Beach Wednesday.

Mrs. Irene Brown and Miss Orpha Gaines entertained the members of the Methodist Episcopal choir at the home of Mrs. Britts Wednesday evening.

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Bring the boy here Saturday and have him fitted in one of the wonderful value giving garments that we are going to sell at \$3.75. The style, tailoring and quality were never better and you will be pleased with the splendid saving. These are broken lots from our regular stocks and qualities that sold from \$5.00 to \$6.50. Plain and fancy materials. Some with two pairs of pants. Special for Saturday's selling, \$3.75.

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Boys' Sweaters
For Saturday only. Boys' \$2.00 V-neck Sweaters, 75c. Sizes 34 to 36.

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Fortune Teller Advises Mayor That He May Secure that Job

Mayor James C. Dahlman may have the United States job his friends are seeking for him, if he so desires. He may also be Omaha's next mayor, if he wishes.

A pretty girl—Miss Irene McConnell—told the mayor last night while she was reading his palm. She also told the mayor that his favorite song is "River Shannon" and that he loves Mrs. Dahlman and hates hypocrisy.

"Your last three deductions are quite right," the mayor said, "but about that federal job—you'll have to look at somebody else's palm to discover enough friendship between Mr. Bryan and Mr. Hitchcock to warrant any promises about federal patronage in Nebraska."

The crowd laughed. It was the opening night of the three-day bazaar being given at the Knights of Columbus hall, 303 Dodge street, for the benefit of St. Xavier's church, which is just now struggling along under a big debt, which Rev. Elias Aboud is trying to remove.

Miss McConnell had a little "gypsy" tent in one corner and was busy reading palms and taking in coins for the church when the mayor strolled along to get the benefit of her occult wisdom.

The mayor started the bazaar going with a neat address and a handful of change directed at a doll rack. He was lucky enough to carry away a doll. The bazaar will continue tonight and Saturday night.

Auditorium and citizens generally with light and power. Villa Sheldon and wife motored to Lincoln Tuesday. Mrs. W. O. Tucker of Holbrook, who has been here on business, returned home Tuesday.

Mrs. E. A. Kirkpatrick is in Omaha this week attending the State Suffrage association. Mrs. J. M. Palmer and children have returned from a two weeks' visit with her mother at Avoca.

Maggie Hicks gave a birthday party to twenty-five of her schoolmates on her fifteenth birthday. Frank Schlechter and wife are in Omaha this week attending the State Missionary conference.

Will Schlichter and family and Frank Schlechter motored to Crete, Sunday, to spend the day with relatives. J. P. Rose motored to Omaha, Thursday, with a load of delegates to the Methodist missionary conference.

Miss Mary Adamson spent Sunday with her father and mother at Avoca. Henry Kuhnenn has been spending the week ateward. Melvin Kear was down from Alvo Thursday.

John Weaver and family were visiting from Hoover, where she visited her daughter, Mrs. Clarence Hickey. Mrs. F. E. Leavitt and daughter were Lincoln visitors this week.

Miss Spolia Opp, who is teaching in the Columbus schools, was visiting her parents here last week. Daniel Fletchman and daughters, Viola and Mrs. Fred Carsten, were Nebraska City visitors Friday.

Mrs. Minnie Miller and Mrs. J. P. Young of Cook were visiting at the home of Ora E. Copps this week. Sheriff C. D. Quinton and family were over from Plattsmouth last week.

E. G. Spencer and family were here from Talmage Thanksgiving to spend the day at the C. Marquardt home. Joseph Mogensson and family of Weeping Water spent several days this week visiting Mrs. Mogensson's parents in Avoca.

Mr. and Mrs. Cary of Kansas have been visiting relatives here this week. James and Isaac Teggarden were here from Weeping Water Thursday on business.

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