FAMILIES OF POOR GET XMAS CHEER

Salvation Army Hands Out Two Hundred and Fifty Well-Filled Baskets,

RESULT OF KETTLE CAMPAIGN

The barracks of Salvation Army corps No. 1 at Illi Davenport street was a place of activity today. Two hundred and fifty backets, each laden with a chicken, potatoes, canned goods, butter, canned milk, fruit, crackers, coffee, augar and even cake for dessert, were

They were there because about dozen Salvation Army lassies have stood ever, that the unconfirmed report that in the cold beside their ketties at the he had guit the party reached th's counstreet corners for the last two weeks try. and because the people of Omaha felt the spirit of giving and went down in their pockets and chipped in the coins,

From every part of the city the deserving poor came to get the baskets. last two weeks members of the Salvation Army have been investigating the many families who had applied for were included in the bounty.

Family Really Need Help. For example, one family consists of still she tries to increase the meager physicians had ordered him to rest. family income by taking in washing. The | Before leaving Christiania for Bergen, father works in a packing house, get- Mr. Ford wrote out the following stateting three or four days' work a week at ment for the press; Another family consists of a mother

of tuberquiosis, The bankets were filled according to the

else of the families. Each ticket tells the number of the family and each ticket The people are all right." was numbered and a duplicate kept in Adjutant Joseph Ellwood was in charge

dahl, as well as others not in uniform.

The folks were very thankful and there was many a "God bless you" from a poor mother and many an eye wet with Chicago, Mr. Ford's secretary.

DANIELS GIVES OUT NAVY BODY REPORT

(Continued from Page One.) but the limit above styined should be attained not later than 1920

"2. In pursuance of this policy and having in mind the present facilities of this country, the board is of the opinion that the following addition to the naval establishment should be suthorized this year and recommends the same for your consideration. This addition is believed ally at the limit of, the facilities at pres-

Auxiliary Ships Wanted. "Four battle cruisers, four dread-naughts, six scouts, thirty coast submarines, seven fleet submarines, twentyeight destroyers, six gun boats.

"Auxiliaries: One dealroyer tender, two fleet submarine tenders, four fuel oil ships, one supply ship on transport,

'Personnel: 11,000 men. will provide for the needs of the present ships of the navy, including those near completion, but it must be borne in mind the personnel, commissioned and ened will have to be further increased

the new construction progresses. "Increased facilities for the navy yards nd shore establishments generally, such docks, berthing space, building structural shops, cranes for hanheavy weights, shop machinery, nition and other storage facilities.

"GEORGE DEWEY." Figures Criticised. navy be increased by 7,500 bluekets, 2,500 apprentice seamen and marines during the years 1916-17 to man ships nearing completion sed, it was disclosed also toupon the annual report of Rear iral Victor Blue, chief of the bureau navigation, now made public. res have been criticized in congress alsewhere because they were below of the general board. There were blue jackets in the service October 1915 Admiral Blue's report shows, and lin his proposed increase including the entice seamen, the force would num-

sauce in 1917, or about 4,400 less than nded by the general board. Blue states that he bases his on a report from the board nber 1914, which holds that all cattleships under 12 year's old, half the isers and all gunboats and necessary uxiliaries should be kept in full comssion, the remaining ships to be held reserve with nucleus crews. Should says, there would be in full on July 1, 1917, twenty-two batfive armored cruisers, twelve nisers, fifty-two destroyers, twenty-six

Craft in Beserve. In reserve would be seventeen battleips, over Ill years old, five armored nineteen old torpedo boats and four

sats, fifty-six submarines and the

The difference between the general board figures of the necessary minimum strength for 1917 and those of Admiral probably lies in the fact that Adinital Fletcher, commanding the Atlantic Semant of each battleship. Admiral Blue says this has not been done beships in reserve for lack of men

Four Divorce Suits Filed in Page County

SHENANDOAH, Is., Dec. 24.—(Special.) Although the claims her husband will from his wealthy parents be-Ween \$15,000 and \$30,000, Mrs. Vida Anderon of Shemandoah is suing him for di-verce, on the ground of inhuman treatment. She asks \$250 temporary alimony and \$5,00 permanent alimony. Mr. Anderson lives at Scranton, Ia. They were married in Des Moines, Ia. two years ago to April and fived together until the first this December.

man brings suft against his wife, Mrs Esther Coleman, whom he married in East St. Louis, May 6, 1914, charging in

Richard H. Gilbert accused his wife of peing unfaithful, and now she sues im for divorce. They were married in mogene July 2, 1907, and lived together until April 26, 1814. She asks custody of the 7-year-old daughter, \$50 allmony and \$10 a month permanent allmony. Mrs. Lulu Johnson of Hepburn has brought suit against her husband on grounds of

FORD REPORTED SERIOUSLY ILL; CALL FOR BRYAN

(Continued from Page One.) was ill. It was not until last night, how-

Departure Apparently Secret.

Although full details have not been recelved, it would appear that he made his departure secretly, and that most of the peace delegates at the time they left. Christiania for Stockholm, were ignorant of the fact that he was not to go on with them. One Christiania dispatch the baskets and only the really worthy said that Mr. Ford had boarded a tra'n from Christiania for Bergen yesterday at about the time his former associates were leaving for Stockholm. It father and mother and ten children. The was said that Mr. Ford's sudden demother has been operated on twice and parture was due to the fact that his

"I am satisfied with what has been accomplished in Christiania. Peace has and five children. The mother toils hard been given publicity. Newspapers have washing and raised money to send power to end the war, for it is through father to Colorado to try to cure publicity that the gospel of peace is

People of Norway Right. "Norway is like every other country.

In announcing at Hergen the o'roumstances under which the expedition would be continued, Mr. Ford said a committee of packing and giving out the baskets, had been appointed to act as leaders. It ship assisted by Bandmaster J. Hester consists of Judge Ben B. Ludsey of and Mrs. Hester and Miss Nellie Lear- Denver, Rev. Dr. Jenkin Lloyd Jones of Chicago, John Barry of San Francisco, Lieutenant Governor Andrew .. Bethea of South Carolina and Louis P. Lochner of

Christiania newspapers say that in view of Mr. Ford's departure no prominent Norwegian will join the expedition. All Official Doors Closed. LONDON, Dec. 34-A Copenhagen dis-

patch to the Exchange Telegraph company says: Before leaving Mr. Ford gave a check for 1,000,000 kronen (about \$270,000) to finance the expedition. He left because he recognized that it was impossible to make headway. His party was always at loggerheads and Scandinavian pacifists adopted an attitude of reserve. When Mr. Ford found all official doors closed

Old Soldiers Ride In Own Automobiles

GRAND BLAND, Neb., Dec. 24.—
(Special.)—The Soldier's Home correspondent of a local paper reports that there are five automobiles among the members of the home, and that an agent one hospital ship, one repair ship, one learning of the fact, visited the institution and placed four more orders.

NEW INSURRECTION IS BEGUN IN CHINA

Tsai Ao Starts Revolutionary Movement Against President Yuan Shi Kai.

TROOPS SENT TO QUELL IT

PEKING, Dec. 24 .- A revolutionst movement under the leadership of Tsai Ao, former military governor of Yunnan, has broken out. The Chinese government has sent 30,000 soldiers to quell the revolt.

The troops have been sent from Sze-Chuen province in western thins, bordering on Tibet. The uprising started at Yuan Nanfu in funnan province.

Test Ao is a bitter opponent of the monarchy, which is to be restored. The government troops of Yunnan province have not joined the revolt, the latest itis. advices indicating that they are still identity of the boy who injured him. The neighboring provinces are not affected.

Tsai Ao recently resigned a bureau chiefship at Peking, alleging his health had failed. He returned secretly to Yunnan where he has been the most prominent leader under Dr. Sun Yat Sen, the first provisional president of China. who of late is reported to have been conducting a revolutionary propaganda. It will require about two weeks of marching through the mountains for the troops from Sze-Chuen province to

Announcement from Peking of the out-

reach Yunnan.

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reak of a revolutionary movement in Yunnan province follows shortly the reselpt of private reports that five Chinese provinces, including Yunnan had declared their independence of the rule of Yunn Shi Kat.

The other provinces named in the previous reports were Kwangtung, Kiangel, Kweichew and Sze-Chuen. It is from the last named province that today's despatches state troops have been sent into Tunnan, which lies just to the south of Sze Chuen and is the couthernmost province of China. The area of Yunnan is about 146,500 square miles and it has a population estimated at

Scissors Hold Used On Boy by Playmate May Cause His Death

NORFOLK, Neb., Dec. 3t .- (Special Telgram.)-As a result of the Stecher scisrs hold being applied to the small of his back in a wrestling match, Alexander McCarthy, aged 10, of Norfolk, is in a serious condition suffering from periton-There is some dispute as to the

Department Orders. WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—(Special Tele-gram.)—Nebraska pensions granted: Dan-lel P. Carroll, Benkelman, B; Rhoda T. Hutchinson, Hebron, \$12; Ida F. Spalding, Hutchinson, Hebron, \$12; Ida F. Spalding, Omaha, \$12. Nebruska postmasters appointed: Hire,

Cherry county, Feriasa M. Morrow, vice Mrs. Della Hire, deceased: Watertown, Buffalo county, Lister V. Stubbs, vice Ernest G. Burrington, resigned.

Contract for carrying mall from Barriett to Wheeler, Nob., from January I to June 30, 1918, has been awarded to Edwin H, Pletcher of Bartlett.

Santa Claus Plays Postmaster at the Omaha City Mission

At the Omaha City mission at 9 o'clock this morning, under the direction of Miss Magee, there is going to be a Santa Claus who will play postmaster and aided by his carriers, will hand out presents.

At the City mission, though not authorized by the government, it is going to be a regular post office Christmas for all who attend. Postmaster Wharton will be there to see that the mail is delivered and there will be three, or four carriers present to attend to the distribution of everything.

The mall at the City mission will conaist entirely of presents. In giving out these presents this postoffice plan has been decided upon and Postmaster Wharton has promised to assist.

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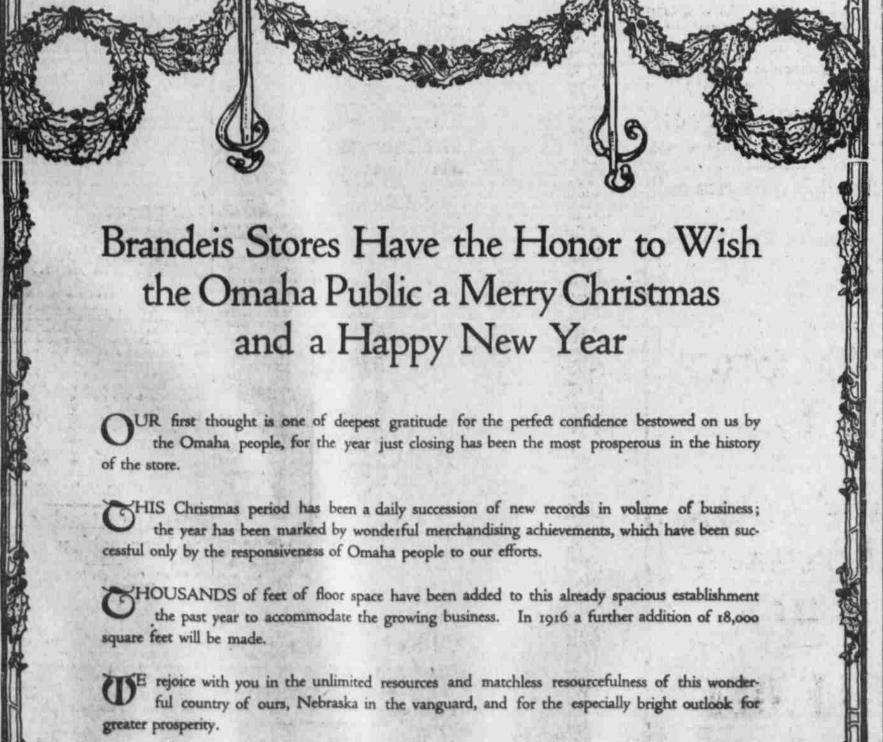
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