GERMANS ADMIT POTATO CROP HAS **NEARLY FAILED**

Food Ministry Denies Workingmen's Petition for Increased **Rations as Figures Have** Been Exaggerated.

Copenhagen, Nov. 17 .- The German food ministry, in replying to a petition from workingmen in the Solingen district, declares it is impossible to increase the potato ration of one pound daily beacuse it is doubtful if the original great expectations as to the size of the potato crop are realized. Although the potato crop undoubtedly is good this year, it would seem that the German authorities had scent that the German authorities had exaggerated the crop returns. In earlier announcements it was said that the great potato crop had solved the food difficulty. The solution of the solut

The oats crop is so poor that German farmers will be permitted to retain for the feeding of their own horses only fodder and grain of their own raising, to give each horse a daily ration of two pounds. The farmers must accomplish their heavy work as best they can with underfed animals. Army horses, even those doing the heavy work of hauling ammunition to the batteries in Flanders,

will fare little better. The army horses for months have been on a two-pound ration, resulting in the wholesale breakdown of horse transport.



resistance of the American soldiers with rifle and pistol fire and hand grenades. The enemy had to content himself, the citation continues, with carrying off a few prisoners.

Company Mentioned.

The general in the order mentions - company, commanded by Lieutenant ---- (name deleted by cen-

sor), as follows: "On the night of November 2-3 this company, which was in the lines for the first time, met an extremely violent bombardment, despite which it seized arms and offered such stubborn resistance that the enemy, though numerically superior, was obliged to retire."

The general specially cited in the order of the day Corporal James Gres-ham and Privates Merle D. Hay and Thomas E. Enright, "who died brave-ly hand-to-hand fighting with the enemy, who had penetrated the first

National Catholic War Council and Catholic Federation of the United States. What It Will Do. Contributions to the Knights of olumbus war fund will help do the

ollowing: First-Maintain volunteer priests to look after the spiritual welfare of our boys in the training camps of this country and pro-ect them from the moral hasards of camp

life. Second—Send about 200 volunteer priests abroad (in addition to the 181 furnished by the government as the Catholic quota of chaplains) to follow our boys to the trenches ministering unto them at all times and, if it be necessary for them to make "the su-preme sacrifice." ensuring their being "fit to die." Third—Erect at each of the 16 national army cantonments three recreation buildings

army cantonments three recreation buildings at a cost of about \$14,000 for each canton-ment. Fourth-Erect one large building at a cost of about \$6,000 at each of the 15 national guard encampments.

guard encampments. Fifth-Erect from 25 to 30 similar recrea-tion stations at the regular army expansion camps, naval training stations, aviation sta-tions and camps of other units of the service. Sinch Erecute places where all the solen. sixth—Provide places where all the sol-diers, regardless of creed, may assemble and furnish them with wholesome recreation. Seventh—Provide a stage for entertain-ments and ample facilities for reading, writ-

nents and ample latin the formation reaches, ing, playing checkers, dominoes, etc. Eighth—Furnish each building with a phonograph and records, plano and sheet music, and an ample supply of stationery. Ninth—Provide each building with a library of good books, current literature and daily bapers.'

the camps. Twelfth-Furnish what are commonly known as "chaplain's kits" for our volun-teer priests who will go abroad with the the camps.

troops. Thirteenth-Provide, possibly, for chapel cars for foreign service, or automobiles to enable our volunteer priests to reach all our boys in the trenches and hospitals. Fourteenth-Erect and equip a suitable recreation building at Forts Omahs, Crook and Robinson in Nebraska.

Agent and Trustee.

The Knights of Columbus in this work, considers itself the agent and trustee of the Catholic people of America as the Young Men's Christian association is acting for the Protestant people of America.

Strong though the order is, it could not hope to shoulder the whole of this enormous burden.

As an evidence, however, of its good faith in the matter, \$1,000,000 have been raised for this work by an assessment on its membership in the United States, and by additional vol-(Continued From First Page.) the first line trenches because of the

port of all.

Both the national and state committees on Knights of Columbus war she was wise to the scrutiny of the activities are serving without salary or expense to the fund.

Contributions will be receipted for and an account rendered of every penny. Give your contribution to the local committee or send to W. J. Coad, treasurer, 2025 Dodge street,





Receptacles Carried by Women the Vehicles Used by Shoplifters in Carrying on Work in Stores.

Increasing thefts from the stores have placed under suspicion the large

shopping bags carried by many wom-Store managers who have traced some thefts to this source say the situation is serious. These receptacles yond Pulkova. must be checked at the doors of large

Cossacks Desert. stores of Denver, Chicago, New York One soldier who had been captured and other cities, and a large store in Lincoln has just adopted the plan. No concerted action has been taken by his own lines reported that Kerensky's Cossacks had determined to sur-

Omaha retailers, but clerks have been instructed to keep a watchful eye on render unless he was able to reinforce them with "60,000 troops." women who carry these bags. They explain that the innocent and guilty are under the same ban and suggest that women might escape this sus- his men were on the point of depicion by leaving these bags at home when they go shopping.

One Store Hard Hit.

During the last two weeks one Omaha store lost three fine dresses, valued at \$85, \$60 and \$50, respectively; several expensive men's shirts, a man's fancy vest and other articles.

The dresses were all of light blue shade and were of the party style. This same store missed a woman's hat of large proportions. Reports from other stores indicate

that these knitting bags lend them-selves readily to the operations of shoplifters who seem to be gathering in a harvest, and with the busy season coming on the merchants are wondering whether they should not adopt

the plan of other cities. This Woman Was Wise.

"I observed a woman come into our store," said a manager. "She carried one of these bags with an arrangement which permitted of opening and closing the bag with unusual ease. I detailed two clerks to observe her while she fumbled over some blouses. She held the blouses over the opening of the bag, but evidently

clerks, as she did not attempt to steal anything." A woman's two-piece suit was reported taken from another store. "In view of these conditions I am

sure that sensible women will see the wisdom of not carrying these bags into the crowded stores, particularly

Notes From the Art Department

\$2.75.

First we have for tomorrow a large quantity of khaki yarn. Then for those making gift things we have satin slipper soles in all sizes: also fleeced lined slippers. Lessons in knitting and all branches of artneedlework, daily classes, 10 to 12 m., 3 to 5 p. m.

Third Floor.

Throughout the 10 Kuban territories order was undisturbed and on arriving at Rostov-On-the-Don, on November 9, the correspondent found the garrison and workers in a ferment. They had passed a resolution in fa-

vor of the Bolsheviki, but in the to leave for Deming, N. M., for neighboring town of Novo Tcherkask, Young Men's Christian association the capital of the Don territory, the Cossack government, under General Guardsmen, will deliver a farewell ad-Kaledines, had declared for the pro- dress at the House of Hope, Florence, Kaledines, had declared for the provisional government, assumed full

Press visited the scene of the fighting today and was surprised to find aris-established contact with Cossack gov-Press visited the scene of the fighting power in its own territories and had tocratic officers commanding the Bol- ernments in the neighboring terri- visitors.

sheviki. One of them, who was a tories, A few days before the Don Cossacks rose, backed by the Cossacks in the provinces of Kuban and As-

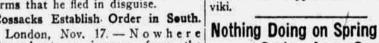
trakhan, the Kalmuks of the steppes trograd guard regiments is now com- and the mountain tribes of Daghestan mander of the Bolsheviki staff and di- and the Black sea coast had formed rects the operation of his army from a league of autonomous units with a a house on a hilltop two miles be- common federal government over the

whole territory north of the Caucasus between the Caspian and Black seas. The existence of this league,

the correspondent says, guarantees by the Cossacks and had escaped to complete order in that territory, which contains the richest granary in Rus-General Kaledines' government on

November 8 declared martial law in the disturbed mining area in the Do-

netz basin and it was declared that the miners had resumed work. The Cossack congress, which hap pened to b sitting at Kiev, took command of the situation there and immediately arrested the Ukrainian council and suppressed the Bolshe-



President Comiskey of the White Sox is quoted as saying that he doesn't favor any spring exhibition ment. Everywhere, however, the cor-respondent found a longing for real or anybody else. This will be disap-The body will be sent to Lexington order and real authority and for pointing to a number of cities that Sunday morning for burial.

somebody who would save Russia had been led to believe the two teams from trouble. Throughout the 10 Kuban terri-they would see them in action.

Rev. Mr. Cleveland to Deliver Final Address at Florence Rev. Denton Cleveland, who is soon

work among the Nebraska National

University Club to

been discovered in Villisca. H. L. Houghton, formerly probation officer of Sioux City, told of his acquaintance with Kelly previous to the trial and of the minister's actions. tending to show that he was not of

> Mrs. Homer R. Dodsley and her sister, Miss Hildred Struck, of Sioux City, who were residents of Carroll at the time of the murder, and Mr and Mrs. H. C. Stevens of Carroll told of hearing Kelly tell of the mur-

der in minute detail in November following the crime.

The minister at that time said h was in Villisca on the night of the murder, that he became restless during the night while at the home of Rev. W. J. Ewing and went out on the balcony, from where he could hear the ax man at work. He declared, according to the testimony of these witnesses that the murderer gained entrance to the Moore home through the front door, which was not locked, and that while the ax man was at work on his victims two people passed by the house, and he went out on the back porch and waited until they were out of hearing

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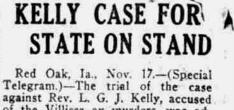
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of the Villisca ax murders, was ad-journed at noon today until 9 o'clock Monday morning. Grant Pilling of Macedonia was a Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. ing. He told of the news of the Moore murder having been brought to Macedonia by Kelly on the morn-ing of June 10, 1912, before it had

Dine Soldiers Nov. 29 Members of the University club

will give a big feed to all soldiers on Thanksgiving day as well as turn the club over to the kahki-clad men. Lieutenant Colonel Hersey, Fort sound mind. Omaha, has expressed himself as

heartily in favor of the plan. The financing of the dinner will be charged to the members pro rata. You can secure a maid, stenograher or bookkeeper by using a Bee

Want Ad. Nebraska Patents.

The following patents were issued to esidents of Nebraska during the past week: James I. Paxton, Omaha, air-cooled swab up; Anna Sistek, Omaha, belt; Roy L Penperberg, Lincoln, novelty box; Frank J.

Trokva, Omaha, work clamping table; Will-iam O. Backlund, Stromsberg, checkrein attachment; Jesse B. Hinthorn, Chester, weed puller. **Obituary** Notes

Series, Avers Comiskey NINA PEARL SIGNOR, 47, died riday at a local hospital. She had been under the care of hospital physi-cians for 12 days. Her husband, Roy

Premier Kerensky, when told that his officers were against him and that serting, agreed to come to Petrograd, but while a guard was being arranged he dropped out of sight. General Krasnoff's report concerning

the disappearance of Kerensky confirms that he fled in disguise. Cossacks Establish Order in South.

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at this season of the year when shop-

ping is increasing and will increase

during the next six weeks," stated a

Kerensky Cause

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colonel, explained that they were dis-

appointed with Kerensky, who had de-

A colonel of one of the famous Pe-

stroyed discipline in the army.

And Premier Flees

Cossacks Desert

manager.

throughout a journey from the Caucasus to Petrograd did a correspondent of the Daily Telegraph hear word of sympathy for Premier Kerensky or the provisional govern-

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