

OLD SOLDIERS TO BE ENLISTED FOR HOME DUTY

Government Seeks Services of Former Army Officers and Men to Relieve Fighting Troops.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Old soldiers past the age when they are acceptable for line service—men who have at any time served honorably in the army, even those whose last service was during the Spanish war—will be accepted as recruits for the United States guard now being organized to relieve fighting troops on home duty.

SAILORS' PLUCK IS COMMENDED BY SECRETARY

Washington, Dec. 19.—Secretary Daniels has commended Lyman Spangard Peck, seaman of the naval reserves, for bravery in rescuing another enlisted man from drowning on the night of September 22. Peck is from Sewickley Pa.

The secretary has written also to Robert Ausburne, commanding his brother, C. L. Ausburne, radio electrician on the army transport Antilles, who went down with his ship, torpedoed on October 17. Ausburne, instead of trying to save his life, stuck to his station to give warning signals, shouting "goodbye to his mates."

The officer in charge of the armed guard has commended the conduct of the navy personnel. The two forward gun crews in charge of Lieutenant R. D. Tisdale, remained calmly at their stations while the ship was sinking and made no move to leave their posts until ordered to save themselves.

In connection with the rescue of survivors an instance of remarkable coolness was cited in the case of a man of the gun crew rescued from the top of a floating ammunition box. When he saw a steamer coming to pick him up he signalled the ship by semaphore not to come too close, as the box he was sitting on contained ammunition.

Portugal Formally Pledges Faith to Cause of Allies

Washington, Dec. 19.—Allegiance of the new government of Portugal was pledged to the allied cause today in a statement issued at the Portuguese legation, which also announced that the recent revolution was brought in the interest of Germany. The statement follows:

"Efforts are being made in certain quarters to suggest the idea that the recent revolution in Portugal was carried out in the interest of the monarchy, with the assistance of Spanish and other foreign elements, and that it was essentially a movement in favor of Germany and against the allies."

"There is not a scintilla of truth in any one of these suggestions. The foreign policy of the new Portuguese government rests and will continue to rest on the maintenance of the alliance with England in hearty co-operation with the other allies."

"The hostile attitude of the German press toward the new situation in Portugal and the bombardment of the Portuguese port of Funchal by a German submarine, directly the success of the revolution became known, clearly show the flimsy nature of the German propaganda's latest stratagem."

Sloan Will Come West During Holiday Season To Relieve New York Poor

Washington, Dec. 19.—(Special Telegram.)—With the single exception of Representative Sloan, the members of the Nebraska delegation will remain in Washington during the holidays. Mr. Sloan left for Nebraska tonight to remain in the west until the reconvening of congress, January 3. Mr. Sloan's family, who are pleasantly quartered in the George Washington Inn, will remain in Washington throughout the Christmas holidays.

Omaha Y. M. C. A. Workers Arrive at Camp Cody

Camp Cody, Deming, N. M., Dec. 19.—Charles F. Robble of Omaha is here to take charge of the sixth Young Men's Christian association hall, just built. Rev. H. G. Hess, a pastor of Crete, Neb., will be here by New Year's to assist in the religious work of the "Y." These announcements, made by General Secretary E. F. Denison of Omaha.

Omaha Machine Gun Co. Leads in War Insurance

Camp Cody, Deming, N. M., Dec. 18.(Special.)—Omaha's machine gun company, 134th infantry (Fifth Nebraska infantry), Captain Clifford C. Gardner commanding, tops the list of units here so far in the applications for war risk insurance, with \$1,500,000 taken. Every man except one asked for the maximum, \$10,000.

SIMS TO SUCCEED ADAMSON AS CHAIRMAN



The house ways and means committee nominated Representative Sims of Tennessee as chairman of the committee on interstate and foreign commerce to succeed Representative Adamson of Georgia, who resigned to take the post of appraiser at the port of New York.

MORE ACRES USED FOR WINTER WHEAT

Government Report Shows Increase of 4 Per Cent Over That for Last Year.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Winter wheat this year, planted on the largest acreage ever sown in the history of the country, showed on December 1 the lowest condition on record. A forecast of a crop of only 540,000,000 bushels was made today by the Department of Agriculture. The final production, however, will be above or below that quantity, according as conditions hereafter are better or worse than the average.

Winter wheat sown this fall for next year's harvest aggregates 42,170,000 acres and its condition on December 1 was 79.3 per cent of a normal. The Department of Agriculture announced today. The acreage is 4 per cent more than the revised estimate area sown in the fall of 1916. The area sown to rye is 61,190,000 acres, which is 36.6 per cent more than sown a year ago, and the condition of the crop on December 1 was 84.1 per cent of a normal.

More Winter Wheat Sown

Increased sowings of winter wheat and rye throughout the country were urged upon farmers by the Department of Agriculture in order to supply the needs of the co-belligerents of the United States in the war. This year's short crop of wheat has necessitated adoption of methods to conserve the supply by having consumers in the United States cut down use of that cereal. The wheatless day and the use of corn meal as a substitute are measures food administration officials are urging in order to increase the quantity of wheat that may be sent abroad.

While last year's sowings of winter wheat were on the second largest area planted to that cereal, severe winter conditions caused an abandonment of more than 31 per cent of the acreage. Last fall 40,543,000 acres were planted to winter wheat, revised figures show, but the area harvested was only 27,653,000 acres, a reduction of 12,890,000 acres from the planted area. The 1915 sowings were on 39,203,000 acres, while the harvested area that season was 34,829,000 acres.

Last year's abandoned acreage was the heaviest on record. The average abandonment due to winter conditions is about 10 per cent, the lowest abandonment in the last 15 years being 2.8 per cent in 1903 and the highest, excepting last year, was 20.1 per cent in 1912.

Conditions Bad in Kansas

Conditions for planting and the early growth of this year's crop have not been the best. Dry weather delayed germination of late sown seed and in some sections prevented plowing and seeding. It was one of the driest Novembers on record in Kansas, the principal winter wheat growing state. Rainfall during that month was less than 25 per cent of the normal from eastern Kansas eastward across Iowa, northern Missouri, central and northern Illinois, Indiana and Ohio, which states form the principal winter wheat growing belt. The Department of Agriculture, however, says the yield of winter wheat is not determined entirely by the rainfall during the late summer and fall.

The condition of winter wheat on December 1 compares with 85.7 per cent of a normal on that date last year, 87.7 in 1915 and 89.3 the 10-year average.

The December 1 rye condition compares with 88.8 per cent of a normal on December 1 last year, 91.5 in 1915 and 92.2 the 10-year average.

Advertisement for KONDON'S CATABRAL JELLY. Includes an illustration of a person and the text: 'You can nip colds in the bud—Clear your head instantly—Try Kondon's for the Cold-in-head (at no cost to you)'. Price: 50¢ per bottle.

Advertisement for Linens, Towels, Scarfs and Table Covers. Includes an illustration of Santa Claus and a list of items with prices: Table Cloths and Napkins to match. All Linen. 2x2 yd. cloth and 1 dozen 22 inch Napkins, the set \$3.25; Table Cloths—Pure linen, 2 yds. wide, 2 1/2 yds. long; fine quality satin damask, Cash Price, each \$4.50; Napkins—Pure linen, 22 in. size, assortment of best designs, Cash Price, dozen \$3.75; Towels—Large and heavy, fancy borders, blue, pink or gold. Bath towels that will be appreciated, Cash Price, each .50c.

Advertisement for HAYDEN THE CASH STORE. Special Notice to Farmers: We buy for Cash all kinds of Fresh Dressed Poultry, Butter, Eggs and other farm produce, paying highest market price on day of delivery, spot cash. Shipments should be made by express only. We Buy and Sell for Cash and give our customers the benefit in better values. —HAYDEN BROS.

Buying for Cash at the Cash Store Means Big

Advertisement for Handkerchiefs. Includes an illustration of a handkerchief and lists: Women's Handkerchiefs, 6 for \$1.50; Women's linen sheer Swiss, plain white or colored, embroidery in corner, 6 in a box, Our special Cash Price, per box \$1.50; Women's Handkerchiefs, 6 for 85c; Women's Swiss Handkerchiefs, with fancy colored corner, Cash Price, per box of 6 \$85c; Women's Handkerchiefs, 6 for \$1.75; Plain white, with fancy embroidered corner, 6 in a box, Cash Price, per box \$1.75; Women's Handkerchiefs, 3 for 45c; Women's fine sheer Lawn, with colored embroidery, 3 in a box, Cash Price, per box \$45c; Women's Initial Handkerchiefs, 3 for 50c; Women's Handkerchiefs, with colored embroidered initial, Special Cash Price, per box of 3 \$50c; Women's Initial Handkerchiefs, 6 for \$1.50; Pure Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, in plain white or colored embroidered initial, Cash Price, per box of 6 \$1.50; Men's Initial Handkerchiefs; Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, with hand embroidered initial, Special Cash Price, each \$35c; Men's Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, 1/2 and 3/4-in. hem, Special Cash Price, each \$25c; Women's Crepe de Chine Handkerchiefs, 25c; Crepe de Chine Handkerchiefs, in plain white and colored edges, Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, in plain white and colored embroidered corner, Special Cash Price, each \$25c.

Advertisement for Buy a Christmas Bond. Includes an illustration of a bond certificate and lists: Perrin's French Kid Gloves—In black, white, tan, gray, navy, green, pastel and all new shades at \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50; Special Novelties at \$3.00; Famous "Bacmo Washable" Gloves—A complete line of Ladies' Famous "Bacmo Washable" Gloves in tan, pastel, white and all new shoe shades, at \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3.00; Children's Washable Gloves—In tan, pastel and white \$1.50; Children's School Mittens and Gloves—In knit and kid, at \$25c, 60c, 70c, \$1.50; Boys' Fur Gauntlets—Cash Price \$2.50.

Advertisement for Umbrellas Make Useful Gifts. Includes an illustration of an umbrella and lists: A complete line of Ladies' and Gentlemen's Umbrellas, in plain and novelty handles. Cash Prices, from \$1.00 to \$5.00; Misses' Umbrellas, in all new colors, at Cash Prices \$3.00, \$3.50, \$5.00; "Rain or Shine" Children's School Umbrellas, Cash Price \$1.00.

Advertisement for Big Sale of Christmas Slippers. Includes an illustration of a person wearing slippers and lists: Men's Black and Tan Kid Everettes, Felt Everettes and Romeos, with leather soles, Our Cash Price \$1.50; Women's Felt Juliets, fur trimmed, soft, flexible soles, in all the wanted colors, Blum's "Keep A Wa," soft, comfortable Slippers, with wool padded soles, in best quality felt, in all the wanted and delicate colors, Our Special Cash Price \$1.50; Women's felt, fur trimmed Juliets, in red, brown, Oxford gray and black, Our Special Cash Price \$1.25; Women's assorted colors in soft, flexible soles, a bargain, Our Special Cash Price \$1.00; Men's imitation Alligator, embroidered and felt slippers, all sizes, Our Cash Price 75c; Misses' and Child's Plush Slippers with carpet soles, all sizes up to 2, Our Special Cash Price 40c; GROVER and QUEEN QUALITY SHOES for WOMEN. STETSON and CROSSETT SHOES for MEN. No better Shoe made for the price. Would make very useful Xmas Present.

Advertisement for A Special Christmas Sale of Framed Pictures at Half Price. Includes an illustration of a framed picture and lists: Framed Pictures in fruits and scenes, large and small sizes, fitted with good glass, dark wood and dull gold frames, for Thursday only, Cash Price \$1.50.

Advertisement for Xmas Gifts in Dainty Underwear. Includes an illustration of a woman in underwear and lists: Ladies' Envelope Chemise, in dainty colors, silk and satin, dainty lace or hand embroidery trimmed. Worth to \$5.00. Our Special Cash Price \$2.98, \$3.50; Fancy White Aprons, lace and dainty embroidery trimmed. Our Cash Price 35c, 50c, 98c, \$1.50; Dainty Silk and Satin Camisoles, worth to \$3.50. Our Special Cash Price \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.98; Beautiful assortment of Outing Gowns, dainty patterns, regular and extra sizes. Our Special Cash Price \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.98; Jersey knit, all-wool Skirts. Our Cash Price, up from \$1.98 to \$3.50; House Dresses and Breakfast Sets, fancy quality, daintily trimmed. Our Special Cash Price, at \$1.50, \$1.25, 98c; Silk and Satin Boudoir Caps in individual Christmas boxes. Cash Price 25c, 50c, 69c, 98c; Fancy Jersey knit Vests, hand crocheted yokes. Cash Price 50c.

Advertisement for All Women Will Appreciate Neckwear for Xmas. Includes an illustration of a woman in neckwear and lists: Roll Satin Collars—Regular value \$1.25. Our Special Cash Price, each \$1.00; Washable Satin Collars—In roll and square effect. Regular value, \$2.25. Special Cash Price \$1.98; Georgette Sets—Trimmed with Vernis and Filet lace in many pretty styles; regular value, \$2.25. Our Special Cash Price \$1.98; Georgette Collars—With hemstitched border and lace edges. Special Cash Price, each \$1.25; Jabots—In net and Georgette, with high stocks trimmed with Filet and Venice Lace. Our Special Cash Price \$1.25; Crepe de Chine Scarfs—In all shades, with hemstitched border. Special Cash Price, each \$2.00; Fancy Mull Scarfs—In all shades, 1 1/2 yards long. Special Cash Price, each 60c; Taffeta Hair Bow Ribbon—In all colors. Special Cash Price, per yard \$25c; Ribbons for Bags and Fancy Work—Many dainty patterns to select from. Cash Price, yard \$1.00; Washable Satin Ribbon—For Corset Covers, in blue, pink and white. Cash Price, yard \$50c; Red, White and Blue Ribbons—For tying packages. Special Cash Price, yard \$5c.

Advertisement for Make Your Gift to Women's and Misses' Coats at 1/2 Price Thursday. Includes an illustration of a woman in a coat and lists: \$25.00 Cloth Coats, Thursday \$12.50; \$29.50 Cloth Coats, Thursday \$14.75; \$35.00 Cloth Coats, Thursday \$17.50; \$39.50 Cloth Coats, Thursday \$19.75; \$45.00 Cloth Coats, Thursday \$22.50; \$49.00 Cloth Coats, Thursday \$24.50; 250 Women's Suits One-Half Price Thursday.

Advertisement for Xmas Specials in Toilet Goods. Includes an illustration of a woman in toilet goods and lists: White Rose Perfume, Cash Price, per oz. 25c; Gardingo Perfumes and Toilet Waters, in glass-stoppered bottles in beautiful packages, Cash Price 65c to \$3.00; Special Perfumes in Christmas boxes, 75c value at 39c; Hikell's Oriental Toilet Waters, Cash Price \$1.00; Hudnut's Violet Sec Toilet Waters, \$1.00 value at 75c; Complete Safety Razors, Cash Price, from 29c to \$5.00; Melba Perfumes in original packages, 60c to \$7.00; 50c Face Powders, at 35c; Pozzoni's DeLuxe, Luzzell's and others at one price 39c; \$1.25 Blue Beauty Rose Toilet Water at Cash Price \$1.00; Wisley's Toilet Water, 75c value at 45c; Violet Elite Toilet Water, 50c value, Cash Price 35c; Rieger's Toilet Water, \$1.00 value, Cash Price 69c; Rieger's Flower Drops, Cash Price \$1.50; Tokalon, original packages of Perfume, 50c to \$7.00; Fancy Lace Trimmed Chamis, Cash Price 15c to 25c; \$1.00 Hair Brushes, at 60c; Military Brushes, ebony backs, hand-drawn bristles, \$5.00 value. Cash Price \$3.50.

Advertisement for Gift Suggestions in FURNITURE. Includes an illustration of a desk and lists: Genuine Leather seat Arm Rockers, Cash Price \$7.50; Others, each \$5.50; This will be about the last time you can buy real leather Rockers at this price. Real good, well made, large Arm Rockers, worth \$12.50 and \$15.00 each, Cash Price several good patterns, Cash Price, only \$12.50; Ladies' Writing Desks, \$24.50 value, Cash Price, only \$19.00; Ladies' Writing Desks, \$22.00 value, Cash Price, only \$17.50; Pedestals, golden oak, fumed oak or mahogany \$3.00 and \$3.50; Felt or Leatherette Card Tables, Cash Price, only \$2.50; Children's Rocking Chairs, Cash Price \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50.

Advertisement for 5,000 Pieces of Decorated CHINA. Includes an illustration of a woman in china and lists: Values to 50c. Bread and Butter Plates, Vases, Pickle Dishes, Pin Trays, Sugars, Creamers, Syrup Jugs, at 15c.

Advertisement for Pocket Knives, Skates. Includes an illustration of a pocket knife and lists: 2-blade Pearl handled, Our Cash Price 60c, \$1.00, \$1.25; 3-blade, Pearl handled, Our Cash Price \$1.25; 4-blade, Pearl handled, Our Cash Price 65c, \$1.25; 2-blade, Bone handled, Our Cash Price 75c; 2-blade, Bone handled Office Knife, Cash Price 75c; 2-blade, Stag handled, Our Cash Price 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25; 3-blade, Stag handled, Our Cash Price, each 75c, 90c, \$1.25; 1 and 2-blade, Gold-Plated handle, Cash Price, each \$1.50; SKATING SEASON IS HERE. Now is the time to buy Your Skates. Men's and Boys' Ice Skates, Our Cash Price 98c to \$3.25; Ladies' and Misses' Ice Skates, Our Cash Price \$1.50 to \$3.00.

Advertisement for Sweaters, Caps and Scarfs, Yarn. Includes an illustration of a woman in sweaters and lists: Ladies' Sweaters in coral, trimmed with pearl gray, white, green, blue, etc. All sizes. Make a beautiful Christmas gift, Our Cash Price \$12.00; Misses' Sweaters in rose, Copenhagen, red, gray, stripes, 26 to 35; make a warm wrap. Our Cash Prices \$10.95, \$12.95, \$15.00; Boys' Sweaters in gray, maroon and brown, sizes 26 to 35, Cash Price, \$1.50, \$1.95, \$2.95 and up to \$5.00; Caps—All kinds and colors, Cash Price 65c, 95c and \$1.95; Boys' Wash Blouses, 4 to 16 years, a large assortment for your selection. Our Special Cash Price 65c, 75c, \$1.19; Has that Soldier Boy of Yours Warm Socks? Knit them for him of the natural wool, no dressing or dye to hurt the feet. Per Hank \$1.00; Ladies' Silk Mufflers, all colors, Cash Price 95c, \$1.25, \$1.75.

Advertisement for Hosjery Is as Receptacles for. Includes an illustration of a woman in hosiery and lists: Women's Pure Thread Silk Hosiery fancy colors, striped and embroidered, \$1.50 values, Cash Price \$1.00; Women's Fiber Silk Hose—In all colors and white. 75c quality. Cash Price \$1.00; Women's Mercerized Lisle and Cotton wanted colors, also striped and 40c values, Cash Price \$1.00; Misses' and Children's School Hose and tan, Cash Price \$1.00; Infants' Cashmere Hose—In black to 6 1/2. Special Cash Price Thursday \$1.00.

Advertisement for It Pays -- TRY HAYDEN. Includes an illustration of a woman in hosiery and lists: Women's Pure Thread Silk Hosiery fancy colors, striped and embroidered, \$1.50 values, Cash Price \$1.00; Women's Fiber Silk Hose—In all colors and white. 75c quality. Cash Price \$1.00; Women's Mercerized Lisle and Cotton wanted colors, also striped and 40c values, Cash Price \$1.00; Misses' and Children's School Hose and tan, Cash Price \$1.00; Infants' Cashmere Hose—In black to 6 1/2. Special Cash Price Thursday \$1.00.