

BRITISH PREMIER SAYS GERMANS DO NOT HOLD OWN

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Than Any Time During
the War.

London, Dec. 21.—Although allied hopes had not been realized because of the Russian collapse, Premier Lloyd George told the House of Commons today that the Germans had not been able to quite hold their own in the west.

He declared that it was "idle to pretend" that the hopes formed at the beginning of the year in regard to the military situation had been realized.

At the beginning of the year the Russian army was better equipped than at any period of the war and its collapse was not due to unskillful leadership or lack of valor on the part of the troops. Had the Russian army continued to collaborate with the Anglo-French and Italian armies in pressing the Germans, "we should have been able to bring such pressure on the Prussian army as to inflict a decisive defeat upon them."

Germans Are Beaten.
On the western front the Germans had been beaten in many battles. The premier declared they had lost 100,000 prisoners, valuable ground and hundreds of guns. While the campaign in France had not realized the expectations formed, there had been military successes which he ventured to say would have a permanent effect on the future of the world. The premier said he referred to the capture of Bagdad and Jerusalem, adding:

"These two great events added more to the prestige of Great Britain throughout the world than any event in the whole course of the war. A good deal had been said about 'side shows' but Great Britain owes a good deal to these."
Premier Lloyd George referred to the fact that the aggregate ship building at the present, when millions of persons were taken from labor, was above the boom year of 1913, and declared it was a very creditable performance.

Wiping Out Submarines.
The destruction of German submarines, he said, had gone on steadily during the year. This was remarkable and encouraging, because it showed how admirably the shipping controller really was grappling with the most menacing situation with which Great Britain is confronted in this war.

The effect of government control of shipping, the premier continued, was that although the aggregate tonnage was down by something like 20 per cent, Great Britain had lost only 6 per cent of its imports. This was only 6 per cent less than last year in tons, had it not been for the skillful way in which shipping had been handled, it would have been impossible for Great Britain to carry through this year and to help the allies to the extent it had.

**Wants Quebec to Secede
From Canadian Federation**

Quebec, Dec. 21.—A proposal that the province of Quebec secede from the confederation of Canadian provinces was expressed in a motion introduced into the provisional legislative assembly today by J. N. Francoeur, deputy for Lotbiniere. Quebec is the only province which voted against conscription at the recent election.

The motion will be debated January 8. It follows:

"That this house is of the opinion that the province of Quebec would be disposed to accept the rupture of the federation pact of 1867 if, in the opinion of the other provinces, it is believed that the said province is an obstacle to the union and the progress and development of Canada."

**No Gold Coins for
Christmas Gifts This Year**

Washington, Dec. 21.—Use of gold coins as Christmas gifts has been almost entirely eliminated this year by a campaign of educating the public to the need of conserving the gold supply in bank vaults, according to reports to John Burke, treasurer of the United States. Banks have persistently declined to give out gold on demand, explaining to customers that the tendency of persons to hoard gold pieces given as Christmas presents for weeks or months had a serious effect in depleting the aggregate gold reserve.

**Fordham Seismograph
Records Another Earthquake**

New York, Dec. 21.—A violent earth tremor lasting nearly an hour was recorded on the seismograph at Fordham university here today. The disturbance occurred at an estimated distance of 3,400 miles from New York. It began at 1:20 p. m. and ended at 2:15 p. m. A less violent shock continuing eight minutes was recorded at 1:03 o'clock.

**Diggs, Convicted Under
Mann Act, Is Released**

McNeil's Island, Wash., Dec. 21.—Maury Diggs, who has been serving sentence in the federal penitentiary here, is on his way today to his California home, having been paroled by the prison parole board. Diggs, with Drew Caminetti, was convicted in San Francisco of violating the Mann white slave act. Caminetti was paroled recently by President Wilson.

**President to Entertain
Serbia's Mission Tonight**

Washington, Dec. 21.—Serbia's military mission was received here today with much ceremony. Escorts of cavalry and a party of American officials headed by Secretary Lansing met the commissioners. Later the mission was received by President Wilson and presented an autograph letter from King Peter.

AS IT WILL BE OVER THERE—With the first snow and cold, the boys in training are beginning to realize what winter in the trenches means.



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Nine Men Accepted for Service in the Navy

Warning that registrants will not be accepted for enlistment unless they have a certificate from their local exemption boards is bearing fruit. Nine men armed with proper credentials enlisted in the navy Friday. They are: William Rumpel, Gothenburg, Neb.; Willie Osborn, Fairbury, Neb.; Hilmer Moore, South Sioux City, Neb.; Stanley Rawlins, Moorhead, Ia.; Evan Thompson, Hartford, S. D.; Ernest Jackson, Sioux City, Ia.; Robert Henry, Calmar, S. D.; G. H. Stephenson, Sioux City, Ia.

Railway Telegraphers Get Another Raise in Pay

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 21.—An increase of 7.5 per cent in the wages of railway clerks and telegraphers has been granted by the St. Louis Southwestern railway (Cotton Belt). The increase is effective January 1.

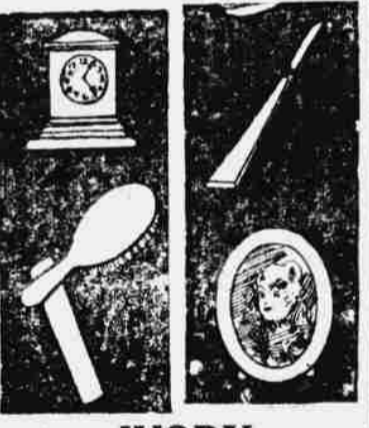
Forty-Six Deaths in Kentucky Train Wreck

Shepherdsville, Ky., Dec. 21.—The death toll taken last night when Louisville & Nashville passenger train No. 7, from Cincinnati to New Orleans, crashed into the rear end of a Louisville, Beardstown & Springfield accommodation train a few hundred feet south of the railroad station here, had reached forty-six today.

Peru Bars All Future Export of Foodstuffs

Lima, Peru, Dec. 21.—The exportation of foodstuffs necessary for home consumption is prohibited by a bill adopted today by the senate. Sugar is the chief food product exported from Peru. In 1915 sugar to the value of about \$28,000,000 was exported.

SPECIAL XMAS PRICES —AT— BEATON'S SATURDAY AND MONDAY



IVORY

- 85c Ivory Manicure Files, 39c
- 85c Ivory Cuticle Knives, 39c
- 85c Ivory Button Hooks, 39c
- 75c Ivory Combs, 8-inch, 39c
- 60c Ivory Combs, men's, 29c
- \$3.00 Ivory Hair Brushes, long bristle, at \$1.79
- \$4.50 Ivory Hair Brushes, long bristle, at \$2.10
- Ivory Clocks, guaranteed, each, up from \$1.50
- Ivory Buffers, 49c

MANICURE SETS

25% off marked price for Saturday and Monday.

CIGARS

- Note the real Cut Prices on all popular Brands.
- 10c Straight Chancellors, box of 50 \$3.75
- 10c Straight Mozart, box of 25 \$1.85
- 10c Preferencia, box of 50 \$3.75
- 10c Robert Burns, box of 25 \$1.85
- 10c Tom Moore, Conchas size, box of 50 \$3.25
- 10c El Roitans, box of 50 \$3.75
- 15c El Roitans, box of 25 \$2.75
- 15c El Pazo, box of 50 \$5.50
- 5c Straight Chancellors, box of 50 \$2.00
- 10c El Contento, box of 50 \$3.00
- 10c La Masco, box of 50 \$2.50
- 5c Factory Smoke, box of 50 \$2.00

SHIVERS' WANTS

- \$1.00 Gem Safety Razors, 79c
- \$5.00 Durham Duplex Razors, 89c
- \$5.00 Gillette Razors, \$4.15
- \$5.00 Auto Strop Razors, \$4.15
- Tourist Bags in Leather and Khaki, from 90c to \$5.00

FOUNTAIN PENS

- \$2.50 Beaton's Special Self-Filler, \$1.50
- Conklin's and Waterman's Self-Filling Pens, up from \$2.50

STATIONERY

- Special Xmas Boxes, from \$1.00 to \$3.00
- 35c Box Linen Stationery, 19c

CANDY

80c Melba Chocolates, lb. 49c
We are agents for Huyler's, Original Allegretti, Lowmyer's, Johnson's, O'Brien's and Woodward's Chocolates and Bon-Bons—1/2 to 5-lb. boxes.

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Special display of Art Pictures in beautiful frames, from 75c to \$10.00. We make a specialty of picture framing and have a complete line of hand-carved and plain frames, in all sizes and styles, in Gold, Silver, Gilt and Natural Woods. Frames complete, from .50c to \$6.00
Photographic Albums, from .50c to \$3.00
Art Calendars for 1918, all sizes \$1.00 to \$6.00
Ansoo Vest Pocket Cameras, up from \$7.50

PERFUMES

\$2.50 Houbigant's Ideal Extract, per oz. \$1.69
\$2.50 Mary Garden Extract, per oz. \$1.69
Lot of assorted odors, worth 75c, special, per oz. 39c
1 1/2-oz. Hudnut's Original Bottles, all odors .65c
2 1/2-oz. Hudnut's Original Bottles, all odors \$1.25
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- Radiolite Midget Wrist Watches, tell time in the dark \$4.25
- \$1.50 Indian Alarm Clocks, 98c
- \$1.25 Goutorbe Face Powder, 98c
- 50c Goutorbe Rouge, 29c
- 1 gallon Denatured Alcohol, per gallon \$1.10
- 50c Orazin Tooth Paste, 34c
- 50c Nadine Face Powder, 29c
- 4-lb. Peroxide Hydrogen, 6c
- 1-lb. Peroxide Hydrogen, 21c
- \$1.25 Pocket Knives, 85c (Others up to \$4.00)

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- Officers' Suits—"O. D." Vests, Overcoats, Trench Coats, Aviation Caps, at \$3.50
- Army Hats, \$3.00 to \$6.00
- O. D. Service Caps, \$2.50
- Sleeveless Sweaters, \$4 to \$5.00
- Army Chevrans, 35c to \$1.25
- Officers' Caps, \$4.50
- Sweater Coats, \$3.00 to \$8.50
- Gauntlet Gloves, \$1.50 to \$7.50
- Wool Hosiery, 30c to 55c
- Flannel Shirts, \$1.50 to \$5

- Safety Razors, 25c to \$6.00
- Leather Puttees, at \$8.00
- Spiral Puttees, \$3.00 to \$4.50
- Army Trunks, \$11 to \$22
- Army Shoes, at \$7.50
- 16-in. Hi Tops, at \$10.00

Send Christmas to "him" if he cannot come home.

Silk Neckwear

50c to \$2.50

- Silk Shirts, \$3.50 to \$7.50
- White Dress Shirts, \$1.50 to \$2
- Negligee Shirts, \$1 to \$3
- Flannel Shirts, \$1.50 to \$5
- Pajamas, \$1.50 to \$5
- Night Robes, \$1.00 to \$2.00

Lounging Robes

\$4.00 to \$8.00

- Smoking Jackets, \$5.00 to \$10.00
- Bath Robes, \$4.00 to \$8.00
- Men's Jersey Sweaters, \$1.50-\$4
- Sleeveless Sweaters, \$4-\$5.50
- Jumbo Sweaters, \$5 to \$8
- "V" Neck Sweaters, \$3 to \$6

Silk Mufflers

50c to \$5.00

- Neckwear Holders, 50c to \$1
- Military Brushes, \$1.50 to \$3.50
- Neckwear Cases, \$1.50 to \$3.50
- Linen Handkerchiefs, 25c to \$1
- Silk Hdks., 25c to \$1.50
- Dress Vests, \$2.50 to \$5.00



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- Nebraska Superior Hats, at \$3.50
- Nebraska De Luxe Hats, at \$3.00
- Men's Cloth Caps, at \$1 to \$2.50
- Men's Umbrellas, \$1.25 to \$7.50
- Suit Cases, at \$1.25 to \$25.00
- Traveling Bags, \$1.95 to \$25.00
- Gladstone Bags, at \$12.50 to \$30
- Standard Trunks, \$7.50 to \$25.00
- Steamer Trunks, \$5.50 to \$25.00
- Army Trunks, \$11.00 to \$22.00
- Wardrobe Trunks, \$25.00 to \$60

- Kid Gloves, \$1.50 to \$3.50
- Fur Gloves, at \$5 to \$8.50
- Auto Gauntlets, at \$1.50 to \$7.50
- Lined Gloves, \$1.50 to \$5.00
- Silk Gloves, \$1.00 to \$1.75
- Cashmere Hose, 30c to 85c
- Men's Silk Hose, 50c to \$1.50



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