

# WAR COST TO U.S. BILLION MONTH, FIGURES SHOW

### Bulk of Amount Spent in War Materials, While American Allies Also Take Large Sums.

(By Associated Press.)  
Washington, March 2.—The money cost of the war to the United States is running near \$1,000,000,000 a month.

Despite official forecasts of steadily increasing expenditures from month to month the government's outlay in February, according to a treasury statement issued today was slightly less than in either January or December and would have been approximately the same if the month had been as long as other months. Expenditures amounted to \$1,022,878,607, of which two-thirds, or \$665,400,000 was for ordinary war expenses and \$325,000,000 was in loans to allied governments. Corresponding expenditures were \$1,090,000,000 in January, \$1,105,000,000 in December and \$982,000,000 in November.

### Suspects Arrested as They Attempt to Leave the City

Charles Senderhaus of the Auto Exchange, Twenty-fourth and Farnam streets, had just made out a check for \$500 payable to Charles F. McCord and was preparing to take possession of an automobile when a premonition seized him, and he hesitated. And as he hesitated the strangers suddenly ceased to be interested in the dead and, abandoning the car, disappeared. A moment after police were summoned to take possession of the car, a call was received at police headquarters from the Keen hotel. Two men answering the descriptions of the men who tried to sell Senderhaus the stolen car had attempted to register at the hotel, but when the clerk manifested symptoms of suspicion, changed their minds, summoned a taxi and started for less suspecting parts than Omaha.

Officer Anderson hurried toward the Douglas street bridge and arrived just in time to stop the taxicab. The two men arrested gave their names as Charles R. Greenough, Des Moines automobile dealer; and Wilson Kanoff, also of Des Moines, a chauffeur.

### Withnell Recommends La France Fire Trucks

Superintendent Withnell of the fire department will recommend to the city council the award of a contract to the American La France Fire Engine company for purchase of nine pieces of motor apparatus as follows: One 1,000-gallon triple pump, \$11,000; two city service trucks at \$6,450 each, six combination cars with junior pumps, \$7,400 each, a total of \$68,300. These recommendations were based on bids opened a week ago by city council.

The city purchased La France apparatus in 1916 and also in 1917. This year's purchase will complete the motorization of the fire department for the present.

### Red Cross Moves Into New Masonic Temple Quarters

Moving day for the Red Cross will come the first part of the week, when the surgical dressings and hospital supplies departments will leave the Baird building to take up quarters in the new Masonic temple. Over 9,000 square feet of floor space will be used to carry on the big business done in this division. The rooms facing on Douglas street will be used for surgical dressings and hospital supplies and those on Nineteenth street will be the supply rooms. Business efficiency is the watchword for the new building. No goods will be double handled. From the cutting room, where bandages and garments are cut by electricity, materials will be passed on to the work rooms. From there they will be shot through a tube to the censor department. The tube will again be used to take them to the packing room in the basement where they will be made ready for shipment.

### THOUGHTS NOW ON EASTER

Don't Chance "Last Minute" Rush Work on the Easter Garments You Will Surely Wish to Have Cleaned. Send Clothes At Once.

Now then, for another yearly warning!

Send your garments in to be cleaned, pressed, dyed, remodeled or transformed into newer fashions now, so that you may have everything in readiness for wear on Easter Sunday, which will be here March 31.

You'll say: "Well, that's a month yet." But it's not. And while you are neglecting the matter your time shortens down to a week and then to days. The inevitable pre-Easter rush is then upon you.

Send in your suits, coats, dresses, hats, shoes, and other finery now; Dressers will make new items out of them if there is any material left to work upon, and if Dressers are not compelled to unduly "rush" the work.

If you take a trip through Dressers' vast cleaning and dyeing plant at 2211-2217 Farnam street, you will admit that Dressers are certainly in a position to tackle almost anything that comes along.

But, to get back to the subject—send in your clothes now to be transformed for Easter wear. Phone Tyler 348 for a Dresser man, leave work at the plant, at Dresser, The Tailors, 1515 Farnam street, or at one of the Dresser branches in the Burgess-Nash or Brandeis Stores. (Dressers, by the way, have just added a complete Shoe Repair Department). Dressers pay parcel post or express charges one way on any sized bundle.—Advertisement

# RED CROSS WORKERS PRAISE BELGIUM

### Declare Experiences at Battle Front Were Inspiring; Good Care Taken of Children.

(By Associated Press.)  
With the British Army in Belgium. Friday, March 1.—General Eliot Wadsworth of Boston, Colonel Ernest Bicknell of Chicago, Major Ivy Lee of New York, Major Van Schaick and



Major Simmons, all of the American Red Cross, have just completed a visit to the Belgian front.

"Our experience has been most inspiring," said General Wadsworth. "Above all, we were impressed by the splendid courage and optimism of everyone from generals in command of armies to children who are staying on farms and studying in schools within sound of the German guns."

"The cheerfulness of the soldiers, the determination of the people to see the struggle through to a successful conclusion and free Belgium—these are circumstances which strike the American visitor forcibly."

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the care Belgium is lavishing on the children, uprooted from their homes by war, and by the splendid organization of the hospitals, both military and civilian. In fact, the efforts of everyone from the king and queen downwar should be an object of admiration on the part of the American people."

# COURT MARTIAL OF MEDICAL MEN FOLLOWS DEATH

Washington, March 2.—Major Philip B. Connelly, medical corps, U. S. A., of New York City, and Lieutenant Walter H. Kirkpatrick, medical corps, National Guard, Haven, Kan., face trial by court-martial as a result of an investigation of hospital conditions at Camp Doniphan, Okl., prompted by the death there of Private Albert Westwood of Liberal, Kan. Westwood succumbed to spinal meningitis.

The court-martial was ordered yesterday by Secretary Baker after the report of the investigating officer had been received.

Public notice was attracted to camp conditions when Senator Chamberlain, during the course of a speech in the senate, read a letter written by Private Westwood's father to a friend. The letter told of unclean hospital conditions and of having his son's body sent home wrapped in sheets.

### Strike Paralyzes Rail Traffic in Argentina

Buenos Aires, Friday, March 2.—Two persons were killed and several others wounded during fighting between troops and strikers at two points on the Pacific railway today. The strike was declared a few days ago without warning. Operation of the international trains between Argentina and Chile has been rendered impossible by the strike and the overhead wires, which carry forward the cable lines from the United States by way of Valparaiso, have been cut. The government is expected to take drastic action.

### Bullet Goes Through Dog; Lodges in Bystander's Leg

Jacob Fritz, 2214 J street, suffered a bullet wound in the leg when Officer McGuire shot a vagrant dog at Fourteenth and Douglas streets Saturday afternoon. The bullet from McGuire's gun went clear through the body of the dog, glanced and lodged in Fritz's leg.

# MAJ. GEN. KUHN MAY SOON JOIN PERSHING



Major General Joseph E. Kuhn, commander at Camp Meade, Md., is reported about to leave for France to join General Pershing's staff. As an observer for the United States with the German forces he visited all the fronts and had the opportunity to study German methods of warfare.

### Raise Castor Beans To Help Win War

Castor oil, millions of spoonfuls, is needed by Uncle Sam to help win the war. The oil is not to be used in the usual manner, but as a lubricant for government aeroplanes.

It is the best oil for this purpose because it does not solidify at any degree of heat or cold.

Because of the demand for castor oil, Miss Nellie Farnsworth, home demonstration agent, acting under government instructions, is urging every one to raise castor beans this spring.

Other plants recommended for the war-time garden because of their oil-bearing seeds are cotton and peanut plants.

Looking for work? Turn to the Help Wanted Columns now. You will find hundreds of positions listed there.

# U.S. AMBASSADOR SAFE AT VOLOGDA, FLEES CAPITAL

Washington, March 2.—The State department today still was without direct advice from Ambassador Francis regarding his departure from Petrograd or his arrival at Vologda Thursday in company with other ministers.

American Consul Tredwell, at Petrograd, in a dispatch dated February 25 and received today, told of the sending of a train from Petrograd bearing the staffs of the American,

Japanese and Chinese missions. He said it had been planned to follow it with another train bearing American Ambassador Francis and the other diplomats.

On the first train to Vologda there were 53 Americans, 40 Japanese and 32 Chinese, Consul Tredwell reported.

### Will Hold Joint Meeting To Discuss Home Gardening

The spring home-gardening campaign will be discussed Monday night at 8 o'clock in the office of the Board of Public Welfare. The conservation committee of the Chamber of Commerce, the University of Nebraska and other institutions will be represented.

# Nebraska Boy at Cody Accidentally Shoots Self

Camp Cody, Deming, N. M., March 2.—(Special.)—While cleaning his rifle Private George Jenkins, Company A, 134th infantry (Fifth Nebraska), accidentally shot himself through the left forearm, shattering the bones. He is in the base hospital.

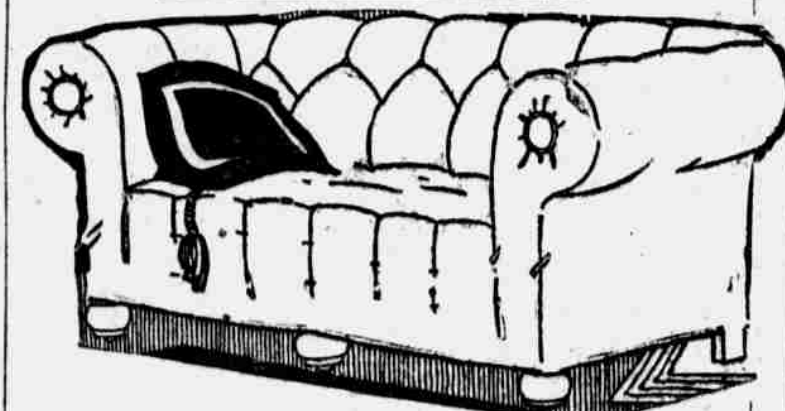
Attorney General Willi E. Reed of Nebraska, who was visiting officers and men from the home state, has returned north. His call here was said to be unofficial.

Private Paul M. Karth, medical detachment, 133d infantry (First Iowa), has gone to Fairbury, Neb., to marry Miss Mabel Rybolt.

Howard Street **CENTRAL** Bet. 15th & 16th

Thinking Furniture Buyers, who furnish their homes with Economic Values as a guide; read the Little Scroll which follows—and make it your resolve.

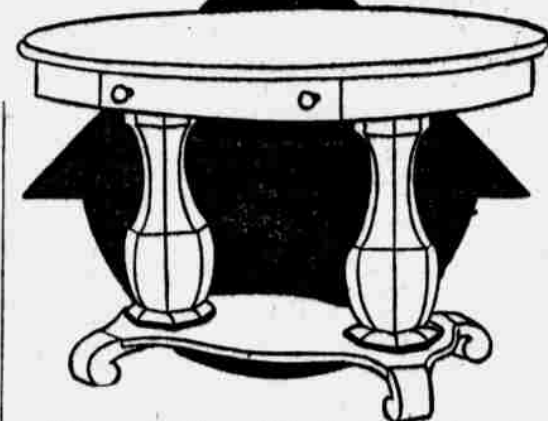
Columbia Records—All the latest—telling in song the spirit of the boys "Over There."



### Sofas and Sofa Suites--in many popular types--most unusual values

They are here in Leathers, Tapestries and Velours. Davenport in black leather.....\$35.00 Davenport in Spanish leather, and loose cushions \$69.00 A Tapestry Davenport, very high back, spring-edge seat, covered in rose and green Velours.....\$69.00 Very large, roomy and luxuriously comfortable...\$44.00 A Tapestry Davenport covered in attractive neutral tones, 7-ft. length.....\$49.00

### Values in 50 Fine Tables



Library Tables of Exclusive Design, in Early Colonial motif, in Oak and Mahogany, are priced from \$16.50 to \$42.50. Among these are some very pure reproductions. In this section are values in sizes 38x22 tops, as low as \$9.75. 48x28 tops, in Fumed and Jacobean Oaks; heavy, practically designed Tables, from \$16.50 to \$29.75.

Our Resolution—That whatever our utility sacrifice for liberty, our ideals of home comfort & hospitality shall permeate at all times. That you shall be a Better Home in which Good Furniture is considered a profitable investment in lifelong satisfaction.

We point out in this advertisement a few of the many money saving values now crowding every floor of Our Store—all of it Good Furniture, inviting "profitable investment" and will afford you the lifelong satisfaction you seek.



Our Rocker Section is crowded with surprising values right now. Mahogany rockers like and similar to this illustration are priced \$13.75 \$14.75 \$16.50 \$18.50. They are covered in fabrics of splendid quality Tapestry, Velours over fine structural spring work, set in box seats.

Money-Savers Among Small Useful Articles.

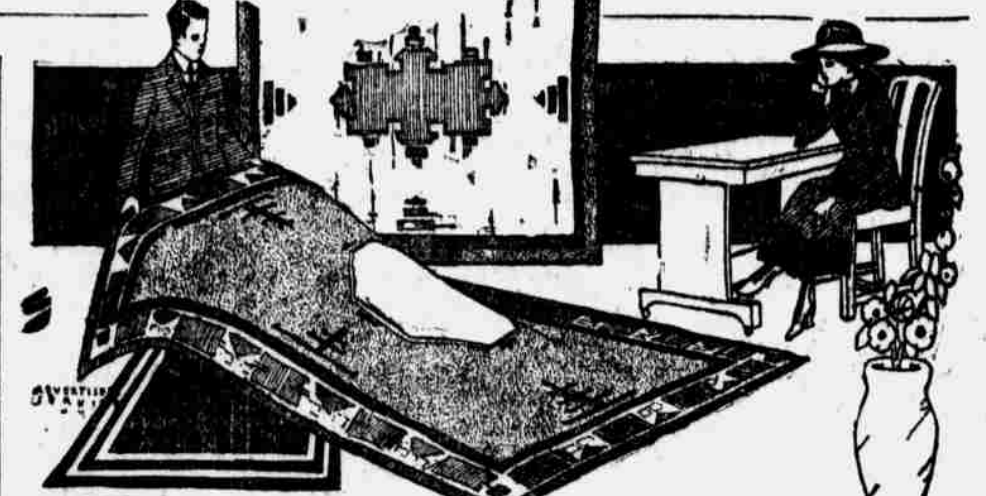
Family Scale—weighs to 75 lbs., 19c  
Wire Door Mat, 16x26, at .....80c

Clothes Hampers—75c, 85c, and .....95c

Good Carpet Sweeper .....\$1.95

Curtain Stretcher—each .....75c

Odd Lace Curtains—Some nifty patterns, each .....25c



Many new styles and patterns are arriving daily in our Rug department. Room sizes, in neat bedroom patterns; Brussels 7-9x9 ft., from .....\$13.75 to \$19.50 9x12 ft. Brussels Rugs, from .....\$17.50 to \$26 Very heavy seamless Wilton Velours, small patterns, good designs. (See these to appreciate their value)...\$59.50 Large lot of 36x60-inch Axminster Rugs, good Oriental designs, fit well in small halls .....\$6.50 Rugs of extra large room sizes, especially desirable patterns; surprising values among these, from .....\$32.50 to \$67.50



Every woman takes especial pride in her Dining Room Furniture and its careful selection.

### The Dining Table (illustrated)

is a drawing of one shown among our many elegant Period Suites. It is made of select oak and in Old English finish, top 45-in., 6-ft. extension....\$26.50 Buffet to match, in a series of different lengths, from \$22.50 to \$45.00. Leather Seat Chairs to match are of high back and the same turnery.

Trace the Direction—Upward—and Find the Resolution You Want to Make. WE SAVE YOU MONEY FOR SEVERAL REASONS. CENTRAL OMAHA VALUE GIVING FURNITURE STORE. The Metropolitan's Moving Vans Are Run by Real Furniture Handlers. They Save You Time and Save Your Furniture From Injury.

# Your Fortune Possible From \$30 Investment

## Wonderful Opportunity for Shrewd Investors

### If You Are Wise You Will Examine Our Offer

We need the financial assistance of a few people with a little red-blooded nerve and a little cash. We have a proposition with reasonable possibilities of making millions, and we are going to divide our profits fifty-fifty with the people who assist us in our great development plan.

### Your Investment Positively Safe

You will be taking very little chance of losing your money if you decide to join us, for we have thrown every safeguard possible around your investment. You will agree with us, when you understand our plan, that we should be certain to pay you big profits with the chances entirely in our favor of being able to make a fortune for you. We want our investors to make the biggest profits possible, for it simply means that we will make money if we make money for you.

### Brief Outline of our Plan

We own what we consider the most valuable tract of prospective oil land in the Gusher Oil District of the Gulf Coast of Texas, located at High Island, Chambers County.

### High Island Geologically Approved

The best geologists in the world (those of the U. S. Government), say that High Island has indications similar to the famous oil Spindletop, just northeast of our property, where wells came in at a reported production of 75,000 barrels per day. We firmly believe that the great Mother Field from which the Spindletop, Goose Creek, Humble and Sour Lake Oil Fields all sprung exists at High Island; and if we are successful in proving this claim, it should mean millions to be divided equally between our company and the people who assist us.

### Quarter-Acre Tract for \$30.00

In order to quickly raise a drilling fund to test this property we have divided our holdings into full quarter-acre tracts, which we are selling for \$30.00 each, giving warranty deed for each tract purchased.

### Guarantee to Drill One Test Well

We positively guarantee to drill at least one big well on this High Island property, in order to prove up these tracts, and each tract purchaser shares proportionately in 50% of the profits from this well. Our proving this property by bringing in oil should make each quarter-acre tract invaluable. One acre in Humble Field recently sold for \$218,750 after oil was brought in.

### You Receive 10% of Oil From Your Tract

If your tract, or tracts, is selected upon which to drill, you would receive a royalty of 10% of all oil produced and saved in addition to your pro rata profits. For instance, if we bring in a 2,000-barrel on your tract at \$2.00 per barrel, or \$4,000 per day, your royalty would be approximately \$400.00 per day.

### Here Is the Way Your Investment Is Fully Protected

We own a positively proven oil lease in the Famous Humble Gusher Oil Field, in this same Gulf Coast Oil Belt, upon which we have room for twenty or thirty wells. This lease has positively been proven to have oil on it, having been drilled by a small company to the top of the sand, with a showing of oil which was estimated would make from 300 to 500 barrels of oil per day when properly finished.

### We Guarantee to Drill One Well on This Lease

In order to thoroughly safeguard your investment, we guarantee to drill at least one well on this Humble lease, and in addition to the profits from the High Island property you also share in 50% of the profits from the Humble well, or any other wells we may drill. We firmly believe the profits from this Humble lease alone will enable us to earn our tract purchasers at least 500% annually.

### Our Expert Drilling Superintendent

All our drilling operations will be conducted under the direct supervision of our drilling superintendent, who has drilled many of the World's Famous Gushers. He drilled thirty-eight wells in the Cushing Field for the McMan Oil Company, all of which were big ones—and this company recently sold out to the Magnolia for \$30,000,000.00. They started with only a small capital. We expect him to duplicate or even surpass this record with us.

### Do You Want a Share of These Profits?

Our advice to you is to send a remittance immediately for the number of tracts you want, at \$30.00 each, and we will send you our bulletin covering our proposition in detail. If, after studying our proposition for one week, you are not entirely satisfied, we will cheerfully refund your money.

### Our Gusher Oil Bulletin

Showing Maps, Photographs and Statistics, covering completely the Famous Gusher Oil Fields of the Gulf Coast, will be sent free upon request.

### The Officers of This Company Warrant Your Entire Confidence

- H. R. ELWOOD, President; Successful Business Man and Oil Operator of Houston, Tex.
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- W. E. LANGLEY, Secretary and Treasurer; Former Official Southern Pacific Railway, now Treasurer Texas Oil Company, Houston, Tex.
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