EVERYTHING THAT'S BEST IN THE GREAT AND GLORIOUS WEST-THAT'S OMAHA.

#### SILVER CHEVRONS FOR ALL SOLDIERS

Washington, Dec. 11,-Officers and men of the army who failed to reach the fighting front by reason of the duties imposed upon them in this country will not be denied recognition of their service in winning the war. By direction f President Wilson as commander in chief of the army, Gen. March. chief of staff, today issued an order that hereafter such men shall be entitled to wear a silver chevron similar to the gold one for

#### FRANCE OPENS SCHOOLS TO AMERICAN SOLDIERS

Washington, Dec. 11.-Andre Tardeau, high commissioner of Franco-American affairs, has cabled Secretary Baker from Paris offering to place the educational resources and facilities of the French government at the disposal of American soldiers in the army of occupation and of those who will

Special opportunities would be given American college students with the army and an opportunity to learn French would be afforded all American soldiers. Secretary Baker has not yet replied to the offer.

#### SCIENTISTS ATTACK CHURCH CLOSING ORDER.

Pasadena, Cal., Dec. 11.-The eral McAdoo. First Church of Christ, Scientist, of Pasadena today obtained an injunc-Angeles county forbidding the health officer and chief of police here from interfering with the holdhad done and were again to do, it was alleged, in pursuance of the out influenza.

During the hearing the city atwas not specified.

#### ADOR ELECTED SWISS PRESIDENT

famous agency of the prisoners of railroads to private control withwar, the main purpose of which out legislation to permit eliminawas to act as intermediary between tion of the old wasteful competiprisoners and their families or tion, would be "hurtful alike to the friends, and was largely responsible public interest and to the railroads for the exchange of wounded or ill themselves," he said, and the difprisoners by the belligerents.

# **FARMERS TO GET** \$12,272,412,000 FOR 1918 CROPS

#### Total Value Exceeds That of Former Record Year by \$614,380,000; Corn Most Valuable.

cipal farm crops this year were worth more based on prices paid to farmers. December 1 then in the first could be carried out. It year in the history of American ag- tunity under proper conditions to tinued, must repudiate every effort riculture. December crop estimates today of the Department of Agricultoday of the Department of Agriculwould of itself indicate the peronce emperor's stay in Holland was ture showed that this year's total manent solution of the railroad only regarded as temporary. Up to exceeds that of the former record problem. year, 1917, by \$614,380,000. There also was a marked increase in The American people have a mand for extradition must pass the acreage, the 355,895,722 total exceed-right to this test. They should not test of law and of treaty. The goving that of last year by 10,700,000

in even a better position to fulfill economic problem. its pledge of 20,000,000 tons of food stuffs to Europe next year than has for the past year interested in provbeen expected.

Most of the crops are larger than ernment ownership or any other the five year average and some of them established records, particularly spring wheat, barley, rye and Cotton Futures Drop When tobacco. Corn, however, fell below the five-year average. Today's estimates placed the crop at 166,year's record crop.

year's crop, but it is more than 65 to 88 points. 100,000,000 bushels smaller than the

record crop of 1915. worth more this year than in any States for the season of 1918-19 will Indianapolis, Dec. 11.-Following previous year because of the high amount to 5,595,529,000 pounds, not a vote taken by the employes of the wheat almost \$2,000,000,000, hay and weight, the Department of Agricul- ployes had voted to strike for an German people's republic. Inde- After dinner, the boys were taken

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# CONTINUANCE OF RAIL **CONTROL FOR FIVE YEARS** PROPOSED BY M'ADOO UT

be delayed in returning home through the natural difficulties of transportation.

Director General Urges Legislation That Will Permit Fair Trial of Government Operation After Elimination of Unsettled Conditions and Give Na-

tion Time to Form Policy Carefully.

Washington, Dec. 11.-Extension of the period of government control of railroads for five years until January 1,

Came to Holland as Private

Individual and Return

Cannot Be Demanded.

The Hague, Dec. 11.-The form-

er German emperor is entitled to

the right of sanctuary in Holland

and therefore his return to Ger-

many cannot be demanded accord-

ing to a statement made today by

Ionkheer Beerenbruck in the low-

er chambers of parliar ent during

a debate on the visit of the former

Declares Not Unneutral.

would not allow the former emperor

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 11.-Henry

Youtsey, who has been serving a

Gov. William Goebel, of Kentucky,

was paroled tonight by the board of

Youtsey will leave the penitentiary

After/ Gov. Goebel was murdered

as a result of a bitter political con-

test, Youtsey, Congressman Caleb

Powers and several other persons

Strike Also in Indianapolis.

were arrested.

Youtsey Gets Release \*

emperor to Holland.

1924, was recommended to congress tonight by Director Gen- Exceeds Total German Wealth Advantages of this, Mr. McAdoo said, are that it would tion in the superior court of Los take the railroad question out of politics for the present, give

time for carrying out an extensive program of improvements and provide opportunity for a fair test of unified control to ing of church services, which they indicate the permanent solution of the railroad problem. "The president has given me per-@ policy adopted here for stamping mission to say that this conclusion accords with his own view of the

#### matter," Mr. McAdoo said, in contorney stipulated in writing that cluding a letter addressed to Senathe influenza closing order was in- tor Smith of South Carolina, and valid. The cause of its invalidity Representative Sims, chairman, respectively, of the senate and house interstate commerce committees.

#### Morale in Danger,

Mr. McAdoo explained that to Berne, Dec. 11.-Gustave Ador, continue government operation for member of the Swiss federal coun- 21 months after formal declaration cil and president of the internation- of peace under present conditions al committee of the Red Cross, to- would mean disruption of morale day was elected president of the among employes and officers and Swiss Federation for the year 1919, could not enable the government to receiving 142 votes out of a possible go ahead with improvements and purchase of equipment. Another al-Mr. Ador founded the world ternative, the prompt return of the ficulty of obtaining immediate legislation providing a permanent solu-

"There is one, and to my mind only one, practicable and wise al-ternative," Mr. McAdoo continued and that is to extend the period of federal control from the one year and nine months provided by the present law to five years or until the first day of January, 1924. This sonable period. composure to railroad officers and private individual after renouncing employes. It would admit of the preparation and carrying out of a comprehensive program of im- notification of his intended arrival. provements of the railroads and terminal facilities which would immensely increase the efficiency of the transportation ma-Washington, Dec. 11.—With a to-tal value of \$12,272,412,000 the prin-railroads the credit of the United farmers December 1, than in any would offer the necessary oppor-

## Test Due to People

be denied it. It is to their interest ernment, the premier concluded, that it should be done. In my opin-These crop figures were looked ion, it is the only practicable and to exercise any influence in another upon with satisfaction by officials reasonable method of determining country. as showing that the nation will be the right solution of this grave

"I am not now and have not been ing or disproving the theory of gov-(Continued on Page Two, Column Four.)

Final Crop Report Is Issued

New Orleans, La., Dec. 11.-The prison control, according to an an-384,000 bushels less than forecast Department of Agriculture's final nouncement made by Herbert Carr, in November, with a total of 2,- cotton production report today member of the board.

582,814,000 bushels. That is almost caused a drop of between \$3 Youtsey will leave to half a billion bushels less than last and \$4 a bale in most act-year's record crop. ive months of the cotton futures After/Go The wheat crop is larger than market here. During the first five the five-year average, and almost minutes of trading following an-300,000,000 bushels larger than last nouncement of the report prices fell

Washington, Dec. 11.-The total Almost all of the crops were production of cotton in the United Corn's including linters, and equivalent to local street railway company it was oath in the town hall at Steglitz, red rose boutonnieres for each solthan \$3,500,000,000, 11,700,000 bales of 500 pounds gross announced late tonight that the em- swearing absolute loyalty to the dier.

## **But Germany Should Pay** to Utmost Limit, Says Lloyd George.

## By Associated Press.

Bristol, Dec. 11.-The war bill of the allies against Germany is 24,-000,000,000 pounds, (\$120,000,000 000) according to the British prime minister, David Lloyd George, who presented this and other interesting facts before a large gathering here today. The cost of the war to Great Britain was 8,000,000,000

Before the war the estimated wealth of Germany, said the premier, was between 15,000,000,000 and Beerenbruck Declares He 20,000,000,000 pounds sterling. So. if the whole wealth of Germany were taken, there would not be enough to pay the account. Therefore he had used the words: "Germany should pay to the utmost limit to her capacity." When the prime minister was ad-

dressing an overflow meeting, he said Great Britain would be guilty of a great folly if she gave up her

A voice interrupted. "Then watch Wilson."

The premier replied: "Well, I hope to meet him in a fortnight. will tell him what you say." "Whoever the request comes from, we are not going to give up the protection of the navy, so far as Great Britain is concerned."

## Conscription Must Stop.

Came as Private Person. The premier said the government London, Dec. 11.-Premier Lloyd extension would take the railroad question out of politics for a rea-It would give as a refuge but that he came as a act was passed in order to meet a great emergency. When that emergency was passed the need was his throne without direct or indirect After renunciation of his throne, would require conscription in the Premier Beerenbruck continued. future in any shape or form, Mr. there could not be a question of in-Lloyd George said, depended not ternment, nor could the former emupon the opinion which he now experor's return to Germany be depressed but upon the peace terms manded in view of the immemorial which were made. Continuing the tradition of right of sanctuary.

prime minister said: "What drove us to conscription was the existence of conscript The government, the premier conarmies on the continent that inevitably rushed the world into war. They could not have great military machines there without tempting the men at the head of them to try their luck with those machines. the present no power had protested against his visit but any eventual de-(Continued on Page Two, Column Five.)

## mand for extradition must pass the **ALLIES DEMAND DISSOLUTION OF HUNS' COUNCILS** from Prison on Parole

Threaten to Refuse Foods and life sentence on a charge of complic-Reserve Right to March ity in the murder in 1900 of former into Germany, Report from Berlin.

> Copenhagen, Dec. 11.—According for the dissolution of the soldiers' time!" and workers' council is carried out. Some of the boys had not eaten

> Representatives of the troops which are to guard Berlin took an charge of the canteeners, provided

# Judge Woodrough of United States court issued temporary re-

straining order against interference by strikers in operation of street ... Judge Day in district court ordered street railway company to re-

sume traffic and restrained strikers from acts of interference. Executive committee of strikers' union agreed to waive union recognition demand if company will address a letter to its executive officers, announcing appointment of W. L. Musgrave as superintendent of transportation and agreeing not to discriminate against the union.

Company did not accede to latest proposal of the committee of the union, but stated another meeting will be held this morning when action will be taken. Company contends that letter to union officers would mean recognition of union.

W. D. Mahon, president of the International Association of Street Railway Employes, advises the men to accept the judgment of the war labor board and to return to work.

Jerry Burnett, representative of the international union, says it is up to him to advise the men to accept the judgment of the war labor The strikers have called a meeting for this morning at 9 o'clock

when they will consider both the message of the international presi-

dent and also the letter which President Wattles has addressed to the Chairmen Taft and Manly and W. R. Mahon wire they will be in

Omaha January 2 for .further hearing of the .controversy. between the men and the company.

# "MONKEY MEAT"

#### Wounded Soldiers on Way to Letterman Hospital in California Given Banquet in Henshaw.

Relative merits of "monkey dinner Wednesday evening in the and power house employes. Henshaw hotel by Omaha Red Cross canteen and motor corps. The wounded heroes of the Somme and Cantigny, who set sail from war labor board which was contin-France the day the armistice was gent upon the financial resources signed, are enroute to the Letter- of the Kansas City Railway comman reconstruction hospital in San pany.

### Suffered Many Wounds.

A Japanese, several half-breed Mexicans and Spaniards and several Italians were in the party, all of board's award on the basis of the whom are Pacific coast men who present six cent fare. saw more than a year of overseas

Some had as many as three wound stripes. Onnie Wilson, a pre-medic student in the university of California before the war, was wounded six times and was gassed several "That was nothing, though, I

didnt 'even go to the hospital for the gas," he said. The Germans preceded poisonous gas attacks with gas which induced heavy sneezing, to rended the gas masks ineffectual,

Longed to Dance. Broken bodies do not mean broken spirits, the gayety of the wounded men attests.

"Only these crutches prevent me to reports from Berlin, the entente from dancing," exclaimed one when governments intend to refuse to the music struck up a "jazzy" tune. send foodstuffs to Germany until "But, oh, boy, when I get rid of a demand they are said to have made them, won't I make up for lost

The allies, the reports add, will re- pie in more than a year until it was serve the fight to march into Ger- served to them at the Henshaw last evening. L. J. Healey, whose wife was in

cotton more than \$1,500,000,000 ture today announced in its final increase in wages and that the pendent socialists exhorted the sol- to the Orpheum theater. They left strike would be on in the morning.

#### Residential Sections Lightless: Company Pleads Inability to Pay Wages of Labor Board Award.

Kansas City, Dec. 11.-Street car meat", (canned meat from Monte- service in Kansas City has been at passed and the act would lapse. He video) versus porterhouse steak, a standstill today, many industrial added there was no intention to re- and "G-I cans" (high explosives) plants have been forced to close and new it. Whether Great Britain versus cabaret music were dis- most of the residential sections of cussed by 62 wounded American the city are without electric lights soldiers who were entertained at as a result of the strike of street car

The men demand the increase in wages awarded them by the fede al

The federal court recently ra fused to grant an injunction to permit the company to charge eight cents and the street railway officials assert they are unable to meet the

#### My Journey of Life Is Finished," Clemenceau Tells French Chamber

Paris, Dec. 11.—Returning from redeemed Alsace-Lorraine tonight Premier Clemenceau delivered one of the most remarkable speeches ever heard in the chamber of deputies.

"For me in this life, which at times has seemed miserably long," said M. Clemenceau, "it has been permitted that I should travel over the stage of crime which has been committed between Bordeaux and Strasbourg. has been accomplished surpasses anything history has ever regis-

"The redemption of Alsace-Lorraine has been the goal of my life. A young girl to whom I spoke in Strasbourg said to me, 'We may now smile, M. Clemenceau. We have wept long enough." "I am speechless. Silence alone could cope with such a situation. Many times I have felt life not worth living, but since young girls from Alsace-Lorraine in the exuberance of their joy kissed me, saying 'Savior,' my journey of life

## Day's Events in Car Strike President Ben Short Confident Men Will Obey Advice of Mahon to Return to Work Pending War Board Hearing

Settlement of the Omaha street railway strike that now has continued eight days, appears in prospect before tonight.

W. D. Mahon, president of the International carmen's union, last night wired local strikers to return to work pending hearing of their troubles here by the federal war board January 2. At the same time the war board sent messages to Mayor Smith, the street railway company and the strikers, stating a hearing would be given in Omaha on that date if differences were smoothed out and the strikers returned to

# TO CAR STRIKERS

Message Says Peace Must Be in Effect in Omaha When They Will Conduct

Hearing. - The following telegram was received last evening by Mayor Smith

from Joint Chairmen Taft and Manly of the war labor board: "The appeal of the employes from the ruling of our examiners is now in our hands. In our judgment the men, by going out on a strike, have violated the rules of

the board and are not entitled to have their appeal passed on until they go back to work.
"We are advised by our examiners that the spirit of both parties is subject to criticism and that had there been accommodation on both sides and an attempt to carry out the award, the trouble might have been averted. The examiners advise us that the action of the men is in their judgment an effort to secure a rehear-

ing of the original award rather than for the construction of the actual award. Of course we are most anxious to secure peace and justice in accord with the award or by modification of it that ought to be made, but we cannot take any steps in this direction until peace is restored and the men go back to work. "If the men will go back to

work, the Joint Chairmen, William H. Taft and Basil M. Manly will come to Omaha and be there on the second of January to hear both the appeal and a petition for a rehearing of the provisions of the award which seem now to be in controversy in view of the ugly situation. "It is necessary that both par-

ties should show the utmost fairness in the restoration of the status quo until the hearing can be had and therefore the men should be restored in the utmost good faith, all of them to the places which they have left and they should go back and in the utmost good faith fulfill their duties under the present arrangement, awaiting the action of the arbitrators upon the appraisal and rehearing, and seeking no change until that hearing results in a decision, which be promptly rendered and if possible before the arbitrators leave Omaha. "We send this dispatch to the

mayor, the company and the men. 'We have had a conference with President Mahon of the union and he has advised us that he has telegraphed the men to accept these conditions of the further hearing by the arbitrators of the award."

This word followed a day of conferences, during which the company and the strikers appeared to be get-

#### tion by City Commissioner H. B. Short Says Strike Off.

ting on common ground over working conditions, as a result of media-

Mayor Smith met President Ben Short of the local carmen's union soon after receipt of the telegrams from Mahon and said to him: "Well, Short, I suppose I shall ride down town on a street car in the morn-

Mr. Short replied: "Well, I don't know that you will in the morning but the cars probably will be run-

ning sometime during the day."

Members of the executive committee and National Organizer Burnett ask that every one of the employes attend a meeting this morning at the Labor Temple to consider all the phases of the strike situation up to date, including a letter proposed by Mr. Wattles to the men.

Burnett Says O. K. Jerry Burnett, organizer of the international union, who also received a wire last night from W. D. Mahon, asking him to advise the men to go back to work, said: "Mahon is the man I take my orders from, and whatever he says goes

with me." President Wattles of the street car company said: "I have given orders to have everything in readiness so that the men can take their runs the moment they accept Mahon's and the war board's proposition. It is a very happy solution of the matter and I am very glad to have it end that way."

#### Pickets Withdrawn. Strikers withdrew their pickets

from car barns last night. At the close of a day of swiftmoving events the board of directors of the traction company and the executive committee of the carmen's union parted company at 7 p. m., in the offices of the former, with apparently only a technical difference between them.

The committee representing the union agreed to waive their demand for recognition of the union if President Wattles of the company would address a letter to Ben A. Short and J. F. McMillian, as president and secretary, respectively, of local union No. 807, stating that W. L. Musgrave had been appointed to his former position as superintendent of transportation, with powers to negotiate with the men as to working conditions.

## Wattles Does Not Yield

The strikers' committee announced that it would agree to have Mr. Musgrave appear before the men and have it understood that his appointment and the letter to Short and McMillian would not bind the company to recognition of the union. The strikers, however, would insist that the union should not be discriminated against.

Mr. Wattles held out for his point that by addressing the proposed letter to Short and McMillian as officers of the union such action (Continued on Page Two, Column Two.)

# MORE OF THE LOVE LETTERS WRITTEN FOR THE BEE'S CONTEST--WINNERS WILL BE KNOWN SOON No. 203. My Brave Hero: Out of the depths of a contrite heart I acknowl depths of a contrite heart I acknowl My Brave Hero: Out of the dull every-day tasks, leave the form of the future and leave the form of the dull every-day tasks, leave the form of the dull every-day tasks, leave the form of the dull every-day tasks, leave the form of the future and leave the future and lea

my love is reciprocated, loving you as I do, I do not wonder that even amid the roar of the cannon and fire of ans my face appears before you. Do I not lo'e you with a Dear Sir: Your kindeletter has relentless love that knows no confirmed what I have long supbounds? Am I not in my waking posed, from your attentive conduct hours praying for your safe return? towards me. I think that I have

edge the receipt of your precious letter written over there. Words letter written over there. Words undaunted love,

DOROTHY. No. 333.

I am devoted to you. Yours ever faithful.

are inadequate to express the joy it brought to me. To know that you, Your loving and faithful, merit. But esteem is not all I feel for you. It is the purest and most fervent affection. May I never want

DOROTHY.

DOROTHY.

No. 580.

Dear Heart: I used to wonder before I met you, how a girl could opportunities to prove how tenderly care enough for a man to be willing to share the fortunes and trials of life with him. But now, it seems as if I would be willing to give my life, if need be, for you. Life would a soldier lover? not be worth living if I were not

knowledge of your voice lends me life-time singing in my heart. courage to overcome my trials and temptations.

your beautiful eyes beaming, your athletic figure, your clean, open countenance and the love shining in your eyes the day we parted. Could any girl fail to be proud of such DOROTHY.

After you had gone I knew that | country-and for me. life could never be the same to-I can see you now as you looked, me again, and when I received your wonderful letter I knew that out of the bloody trenches, out of the excitement and horror of war, your heart had called to mine, and though we are separated by miles

Yes, I think of nothing but you; the song which is only sung once in a be putting the noblest efforts of your life into this fight for your

## DOROTHY

only clasp my hand, you would feel the warm glow of happiness that

has heard the call and answered man is every girl's desire and long-

self saying 'what's the use, the cards are stacked, then I think of you fighting so unselfishly and courageously for truth and honor and right and I fight on, trying to be as good a soldier in life's everyday battles as you are over there!

My Dear, Dear Boy: If you could I hope you won't find me too greatly changed when we meet again and that my soul will be washof land and water, my own heart To be the ideal of some worthy life's experiences. For it's what happens to our souls that counts. How forcibly impressed upon the case involuntarily and reckon never to be forgotten. How I hope for their sweet repetition. Ab, my as I can assure you of my warmest of the case involuntarily and reckon that you for their sweet repetition. Ab, my as I can assure you of my warmest of the case involuntarily and reckon that you think me the cleanest you dear face.

No. 22.

No. 22.

No. 25.

No. 25.

No. 26 world fiving it was be very boy, it's soul stuff that love united. I can hardly realize that you think me the cleanest you belong to me, yet, I have only it makes me glad and proud dear boy, it's soul stuff that love united. I can hardly realize that you think me the cleanest you belong to me, yet, I have only it makes me glad and proud to know that I am this ideal to you.

It may be years before we weet that some day we would be reunited. I can hardly realize that you think me the cleanest of the case involuntarily and reckon united. I can hardly realize that you think me the cleanest of you belong to me, yet, I have only it with the greater confidence to know that I am this ideal to you.

It may be years before we weet that some day we would be reunited. I can hardly realize that you belong to me, yet, I have only it with the greater confidence to know that I am this ideal to you.

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It may be years before we meet that some day we would be remarked to it.

It may be years before we meet that some day we would make the case involuntarily and reckon that I am this ideal to you.

It is not it.