"We just wanted to show your honor how little meat can be bought for one dollar," said Charles Jimerson, business agent of the Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen's union Presentation of the employes' case is expected to end Monday.

BRITISH FLEET MAY VISIT UNITED STATES.

London, Dec. 20 .- It is reported that the admiralty views favorably the suggestion that a large part o the British fleet, commanded by Ad mural David Beatty, should visit the United States. It is asserted that no date for the visit has been fixed but it is understood that it will made immediately after peace has been signed. Subsequently the fleet will make a tour of the British de

MAY SEND MESSAGES TO SOLDIERS ON SHIPS.

New York, Dec. 20-Relatives and friends of soldiers returning o transports from overseas may com numicate with them by wireless and receive answers to their messages. under a Navy department agreement announced here tonight by the naval district office of communication.

According to the announcement messages may be filed at any telegraph office and will be relayed to New-York, Boston or some other mayal radio bases where they will be the world will be able to reach a Hollywood, Cal, flashed to the incoming ships just and reasonable solution of the. The funeral probably will be held Answers will come over the same

Charges for the service by way of New York are 16 cents a word.

15,000 SOLDIERS *UISCHARGED WEEKLY*

Washington, Dec. 20.-Well over from the army and returned to Times. civilian status. Secretary Baker said today the rate of demobilization had now reached 15,000 a week and that the War department was pressing its efforts to make the average daily discharges 1,000 per camp.

DOLAN'S "BEEF AND" CLOSES ITS DOORS.

New York, Dec. 20. Dolan's "Beef and" restaurant, a downtown landmark for 48 years, closed its doors tonight. The famous resort verted into a bakery and quick lunch

One of the memories of Dolan's is "Dolando," a race horse, owned by "Johnny" Mehan, immediate successor of Pat Dolan. Patrons of the establishment backed Dolando with all their funds and ate well or went hungry for a week after each race, according to the result.

1,400,000 FRENCHMEN KILLED DURING THE WAR.

Paris, Dec. 20.-French soldiers to the number of 1,400,000 were killed during the war, according to a statement by the socialist deputy, Lucien Voilin, in the chamber of deputies this afternoon, during an interpellation of the government on demobilization

Deputy Voilin asked that the sol-

"I betray no secret when I say about 1,400,000 killed, while 800,000 race. He said: recovered from wounds. We are gong to demobilize 1,200,000 reserves, territorials and heads of families.'

CITY ENJOINED BY GAS CO. FROM CHANGING RATE

Temporary Restraining Order Granted by Federal Judge and Hearing Set for January 4.

The Omaha Gas company Friday afternoon filed a bill of complaint in equity, enjoining the city of Omaha against regulating gas rates.

A temporary restraining order was granted by Federal Judge Woodrough who set January 4 as the date for the hearing why the injunction should not be made permanent.

The Gas company asks that the city be enjoined against requiring the company to comply with ordinance No. 7511 which gives the city the right to determine gas rates and to adjust prices if they are unreason-

The ordinance was passed in June, 1911.

Expiration of the gas company's franchise yesterday, December 20 is the feason for the application for the injunction by the company. City Commissioner Butler has prepared an ordinance which he will introduce to city council next Tuesday. calling on the company to reduce the price of gas and to refund to each consumer 15 per cent of his monthly gas bill for every 10 points that the gas is lacking in heating power below 600 British thermal

Bank Robbed by Yeggmen.

Joplin, Mo., Dec. 20.-Bandits early today blew open the vault in the bank at Grandy, Mo., 20 miles southeast of here, and escaped with \$15,000 worth of unregistered Lib-erty bonds. The robbers were frightened away before they succeeded in reaching the money conOMAHA DAILY BEE

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Expresses Confidence Council of Statesmen Will Reach Just Solution of Problems Presented.

problems that will be presented to Sunday at 2 p. m., at All Saints them and thus earn the gratitude of church. Burial will be in Prospect the world for the most critical and necessary service which has ever marks the passing of a pioneer Nebeen rendered it," said President br.skan, prominent Omahan and Wilson today in an interview given one of the most conspicious figures in the history of the Douglas 300,000 soldiers have been discharged to the correspondent of the London county bar

The congress of Vienna, the cortold him, was a congress of 'bosses.' The delegates were concerned more with their own interests and the classes they represented than the wishes of their peoples.

Must Work for Ideals.

"Versailles, as President Wilson said," the interviewer continues, "must be a meeting place of the servants of the people represented in Park Row and later in Nassau by delegates, and he added, there is street, where judges, lawyers, poli- no master mind who can settle the ticians and newspaper men went for problems of today. If there is anyluncheon, has been sold by its own- body who thinks he knows what is er Peter J. Mehan, and will be con- in the mind of all peoples, that man is a tool. We have all got to put our heads together and pool everything we have got for the benefit of

the ideals which are common to all. "Asked whether he would visit the grand fleet, President Wilson replied that he was afraid he would land law school, graduating in 1867. not have time, adding that he fully He was admitted to practice in the realized that behind the great armies supreme court of Ohio, but he folvatchful support of the British riving in Omaha when the town was hall) by the Paris council. On his navy in securing the communica- at its wildest and wooliest,

ions of the allies "He referred also to the very rappy comradeship and co-operation between the British and American

Believes in Anglo-Saxon Race.

The correspondent then adds: "President Wilson in discussing he role of the British fleet in the maintenance of what, at any rate diers be returned to the soil and the during the war, had been the freefactories without delay and con- dom of the seas for the free people of the world, spoke with a sincerity which no amount of writing can that the problem of demobilization convey. His accents convinced me presents itself thus: We have mo- that he is a believer in the decency bilized 6,900,000 men; we have had and honesty of the Anglo-Saxon

'Ite is essential for the future peace of the world that there should the frankest co-operation and most generous understanding between the two English-speaking emocracies. We comprehend and appreciate. I believe, the grave probems which the war has brought to the British people and fully understand the special international quesions which arise from the fact of

Gen. John C. Cowin Dead; NEWMARK Leader at Bar Many Years

GEN. JOHN C. COWIN

U. S. PRESIDENT

RETURNS VISIT

Large Crowds on Way to

Reception Given Him

by Paris Council.

Paris, Dec. 20.-President Wilson

this evening visited King Victor

The king was received this af-

ternoon at the Hotel de Ville (city

way through the city from the for-

crowds, though there was a drizzling

Accompanied by General Cittadini

he king visited the Italian military

ospital in Paris this mor ing, The

king went through the building and

pertection of the hospital arrange-

Stephen Pichon, the foreign min-

ster and Mme. Pinchon gave a lunch-

eon today at the foreign ministry

in honor of King Victor Emmanuel,

President Poincare and the prince

of Piedmont. The guests included

the Italian premier, Vittorio Orlan-

do, and the foreign minister, Baron

Sonnino, Marshal Foch, Marshal

Petain, the presidents of the senate

and chamber of deputies, former

President Loubet and the ambassa-

dors accredited to France. In all,

Exchange of Toasts.

President Poincare last night in

toasting King Victor Emmanuel at

banquet in the Palace of the Ely-

The greatness of Italy, the presi-

ion of the king, which had resulted

n the destruction of tormer dip-

omatic combinations and the tight-

ening of the bonds of sentiment and

interest between France and Italy.

Italy and France were allies in the

war and would remain united in

King Victor Emmanuel expressed

hanks for the cordial welcome given

im in Paris. France and Italy, he

continued, were at the threshold of

an era of pacific collaboration and

had a great common mission to ac-

The Matin says that the toast ex

A communication from the Omaha

Building Trades Council was read at

the Central Labor Union meeting

Friday night condeming the action

taken by the executive committee of

the Nebraska State Federation of

Labor in the removal of George

Kleffner as director of the United

States employment service for Ne-

braska. The communication was

unanimously endorsed by the Cen-

Twenty-One U. S. Balloons

Lost in Last Allied Drive

Washington, Dec. 20.-During the

last allied offensive, between Sep-

tember 26 and November 11, 21

American balloons were lost. A re-

port on the balloon companies of

and the enemy lost at least 50

tral Labor Union.

ntimate and fruitful alliance.

Labor Union Condemns

dent said, was due to the interven-

The victory of Italy has created

in Europe, declared

there were 100 guests.

OF KING VICTOR

Won Union Pacific Foreclosure Cases for Government and Defended Governor Boyd Against Thayer.

General John C. Cowin, a resident f Omaha nearly half a century and during that time one of the leading members of the legal proession in Nebraska, died at his home, 332 South Thirty-seventh street, at 6 o'clock last night, of meumonia after a brief illness. He

was 72 years old. General Cowin is survived by his widow, who is in Omaha; a son, Col. William B. Cowin, at present with the Eighty-fifth division of Paris, Dec. 20-"I am confident American troops in France, and a that the big council of statesmen of daughter, Mrs. John P. Cudahy of

Hill cemetery. The death of General Cowin

Civil War Veteran.

John Clay Cowin, was born in respondent says President Wilson Warrenville, Cuyahoga county, O., January 11, 1846. As a boy and young man he received an elementary edu tion in the public schools of his home town, and in the Hiram Lelectic institute, from which he was graduated.

In 1861 he enlisted as a private in the Twenty-third Ohio infantry, going at once to the front with his troop, which was destined to partici- Italian Ruler Cheered by some of the civil war's greatest battles. During the civil war the future

mahan fought in the battles of the Second Bull Run, South Mountain, Antietam, and many others. He had risen to the rank of captain when he was mustered out in 1865.

Comes Early to Omaha. Returning to Ohio after the war Emmanuel of Italy, returning the General Cowin entered the Cleve- call made on him by the king yeshere was the strong, silent and lowed !'orace Greeley's advice, ar-

> General Cowin became a well eign office he was cheered by large (Continued on Page Two, Column Two.)

Scientists Say They Find Seventh Sense in Successful Aviators chatted with the wounded. He congratulated the organizers on the

New York, Dec. 20.-A seventhense-the "motion sense" discovered by tests to which American army aviators were subjected was described before the New York academy of medicine last night by 'aj. Lewis Fisher. a examiner at the Minola flying field.

Major Fisher said that the "moon sense" which is located in the cells of the ears, enables a flyer to maintain equilibrium without the aid of vision. Tests of deaf mutes who had applied for the aviation service Major Fisher added, disclosed that deaf persons do not have the "motion sense."

The "motion sense" in flyers, he our peculiar position as an island said, is second in importance only to

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earners engaged in Sunday jobs usually filled by The Bee's mase uline workers. Unique Rotogravure

Yankee

Tasks-

Boys

There" in France—

New pictures lately received from Overseas showing life of the American soldiers just before the fighting stopped. Photos after the news of peace was given out.

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which preserves al the details and gives every light and shadow.

in the Track

of the Hun Retreat-

How St. Leger looked when it was captured by the Allies after having been in possession of the Germans. It was pounded to pieces by heavy artillery fire.

FOR CITY

70,000 Members Enrolled During Week; Bad Roads **Delay Complete Returns** from Entire County.

Approximately 70,000 members, were this week enrolled in the Red Cross Christmas roll call, accord- what was expected of them. The by Samuel S. Caldwell, vice chair- from opera to moving picture proman of the local drive.

over the 70,000 mark.

this chapter and the fact that no explained. theaters have been canvassed. We obtained 10,000 members through the theaters last year," said Mr. Caldwell,

South Side Responds. turns will be delayed on account of ered that the regulations had been (Continued on Page Two, Column Five.) ad roads.

Flying squadrons of the women's Flying squadrons of the women's committee will continue their can-Hundred Per Cent Firms.

Additional names of 100 per cent

irms are: Yetter Wall Paper company, Brinn & Jensea company, L. Wolfe Electric company, Toby Jacobs, Jos. M. Burns and T. J. Durkin, Midwest and General Electric company, Yousem Brothers. Omaha Electric company, W. W. Sherwood, E. B. Williams, West-

ern Electric company, Mickel Bros., Monroe Sheet Metal Works, Olsen Coffee company, Omaha Carriage Top company, Hikell Manufacturing company, Nebraska Tent & Awning company, James Cooke Paint company, Haas Sheet Metal company, Western Stamp & Stencil ompany, Baker Bros., Beacon Press, Corey & McKenzie, Comstock & Riha, Festner Printing Gate City Stationery ompany, ompany, Hopson Printing company, Kramer & Chandler, N. C. Leary company, I. A. Medlar Printing company, Mangum Printing McCoy & Fintayson, company, National Printing company, Omaha Printing company, Rees Printing company, M. F. Shafer company, Springer Printing company, Swartz Printing company, Waters-Barnhart Printing company, Western Paper Western Newspaper company, Jnion, Field- Hamilton & Smith, Lincoln, Hanscom park, Hawthorne, South Side, Windsor, Beals, Kellom, Bancroft, St. Patrick and Mount St. Mary's schools; Fontenelle and Henshaw employes, office employes et Supreme Woodman circle, Kilpatrick's, Associated Retailers, Omaha Gas company, Brandeis theater, Calumet, lownsend Gun, Megeath, Berg, Pope drug, Haas Bros., Sample-Hart, Omaha Towel Supply, Grand Union Tea and Coffee, Pantorium,

Milton Darling, McQuillan, Western Auto Supply, Nicholas Oil, Jewel

Tea, H. G. Haney, and Pierce street car barn. The women's committee has \$11,-167.50 to its credit in the house-to- the trial, and Johnson ordered King louse campaign.

Will Start New York-Chicago Airplane Mail Again Today

New York, Dec. 20 .- The fourth ttempt in four days will be made omorrow to transport mail from changed by the president and the king "marked the beginning of an according to an announcement to-New York to Chicago by airplane light by the postoffice authorities here. Motor trouble alone, it was said, was responsible for failure thus Removal of Kleffner aerial service between the two cities.

Mothers Starving and Babies Dying by

London, Dec. 20 .- Serious conditions in Vienna because of lack of food and textiles there are reported to the British mission to prisoners of war in Austria, now in the Austrian capital, according to a Vienna dispatch. Starving mothers in the Austrian

capital are unable to obtain milk for their children and the babies are dying by hundreds, the message states. The mothers also are without swaddling clothes for their infants and are obliged to wrap them in rags or even news-

the First army in France made pub-Vienna, Dec. 20.-Secretary of lic today by the War department shows 15 balloons were destroyed by State Hanush made the announcement today that because of the shortage of coal, 48,000 persons German airplanes and six by shells, were out of employment in Vienna.

American Forces Tighten Their Grip Upon Coblenz By Imposing Censorship VIII FUR

Measures Taken by Major General Dickman to Check Tendency to Criticize Conditions or Influence German People in Region Occupied by U. S. Troops.

Coblenz, Dec. 20.-German propaganda and the tendency to criticise conditions in the district occupied by the American forces have been abruptly checked by the establishment of a censorship by Major General Dickman upon the newspapers and the theaters. His act was the first indication that the Americans purposed tightening their grip on local

The regulations governing the press were formally made public, but those which apply to theaters were ommunicated verbally by Col. R. H. Williams, chief of the intelligence department, who also explained personally to the newspaper owners ing to figures given out last night managers of the theaters, ranging ductions, were informed that there · With final returns which will pour was no objection to their giving perin Saturday and Monday, the local formances except in cases where atcommittee hopes to exceed last tempts were made to inject propa-year's record, which was slightly ganda or criticism, either directly or by innuendo into their produc-"Omaha has exceeded last year's tions. Not even apparently friendly record, if we consider the 14,000 comment, if it were otherwise unmen in the service taken away from desirable, would be tolerated, it was

Punitive Action Threatened.

To the newspaper owners it was pointed out that the question whether they offended or not lay with them-that the Americans would Heavy South Side returns made not be bother with censoring the riday evening include Swift Pack- publications before they were issued, ing company, 1,231; Cudahy, 2,200; but that the first copies from the press should be delivered to Amerchange, 1,234; business houses, 2,- ican headquarters. Meanwhile the and news items which, from their 138 and juniors, 4,008. These re-turns are incomplete. County re-continued. It it were then discov-inflame the people or incite them

ACQUITTED OF MURDER CHARGE

Johnson Claimed He Shot Army Officer in Self-Defense: Men Fast Friends at One Time.

Elkton, Md., Dec. 20 .- Charles Halwart Johnson was acquitted by a jury tonight of the charge of mur-Brooklyn, N. Y., supervising en- fortunate of young husbands. gineer of the Aberdeen proving fifteen minutes.

on the night of July 17 last. Counsel for the defense contendeen cashier of the National bank at united family. Alerdeen.

Last year when the government's roving ground was established near Aberdeen, Johnson obtained a posiion in the accounting department. King, who subsequently rented a room at the Johnson home. For some time the two

seemed to fast friends, and it was to search. said that King used his influence to advance Johnson in position, because he recognized his ability Puting the early part of July last trouble between the two men denot even clearly brought out at she was dead."

to move out. The major replied that he had rented the room by the month and would not move until the time was On the night of the shooting lohnson ordered the major to leave

and the altercation followed. Mrs. King and her daughter and Mother Mary Agnes, superior gen-Mrs. Johnson and Miss Esther Os- eral of the order of St. Francis of born, the ward of the Johnsons, the United States, died at the con-were in the court room during the vent of the Our Lady of Angels in losing argument but Mrs. Johnson | Glen Riddle, today. was the only one of the women who remained to hear the verdict. Rolla Ogden, president of the New York Evening Post company, and Gen. John W. Bubb, of Wilmington, Del. when called by the state to testify to the character of Major King, with whom they had been acquaint-Hundreds in Vienna ed for years, were only permitted to testify as to the major's physical

Editor Escapes Prison

on "Confession of Error

Sioux Falls, S. D., Dec. 20.-The olicitor general at Washington has iled a "confession of error" in the case of Conrad Kornemann, editor of a German paper published here, who was convicted last year on a harge of violating the espionage act and sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment at Leavenworth, Kan. United States District Attorney Robert Stewart said this action reverted the case to where it was before Kornemann was tried. Kornemann opposed the Liberty loan, it was



violated, prompt punitive action

would be taken. A memorandum delivered to the newspaper owners specifies that the following matter shall not be pub-

HOME TO FIND HIS WIFE DEAD

Leland Holden's Christmas Reunion Plans Changed to Sorrow When Death Suddenly Takes Mate.

When Leland Holden left his

The couple had been married two The jury was out two hours and at housekeeping. They had planned

ed that the shooting followed a wife for months had been busy with struggle in which Johnson claimed deft fingers fashioning cunning little asked to participate because he sat that the army officer had him down garments and laying by a store of on the board at the time the award on his knees with his hands on tiny baby clothes. It was to be was made. Johnson's throat. Johnson had such a joyful Christmas for the re-So the young husband came home

last night supremely happy after the day's work and sprang up the steps into the house, with a laugh. But no one greeted him at the He became acquainted with Major door. He thought little of it at first in the belief his wife had gone a few steps distant to the grocer's. Then he grew anxious and began

> In a little rest room at one side, the young woman lay apparently

asleep on a sofa. "I kissed her," Holden said, "but she did not waken. I felt her hands veloped, the cause for which was and they were cold. I knew then

> Dr. Edstrom, police surgeon, who was called, says death resulted from heart disease after the young wife lay down to rest following her usual household duties.

Mother Mary Agnes Dead. Philadalphia, Dec. 20.-The Rev.

The Bee's Free Shoe Fund To Buy Shoes For Shoeless Children

Still the money for The Bee's shoe fund keeps coming in from the generous people. The fund is supposed to have closed, as the goal of \$1,000 has been reached and passed.

Whatever comes in will, of course, be added on and the poor children will have that much more chance of having good shoes this winter.

Previously reported \$1,031.57 Cash Cash L. F. Crofoot Reader of The Bee South Side Delta Delta Delta (additional)

A Friend

Eight Billion Each on Appropriations and Contract Authorizations May Be Converted to Treasury.

Washington, Dec. 20 .- More than \$16,000,000,000 of cash appropriations and contract authorization voted by congress for war purposes will be unexpended, Representative Sherley of Kentucky, chairman of the house appropriations committee, announced today.

Total appropriations and authorizations voted during the war amount to about \$57,000,000,000, including \$10,000,000,000 of authorizations for wartime loans to foreign governments. The loans actually made now total about \$8,000,000,000.

"More than \$8,000,000,000 of cash appropriations and approximately \$8,000,000,000 of contract authorizations will be converted back into the treasury," said Representative Sherley. Most of the money will come from the War department, the largest saving, of course, being from ordnance, because the greatest amount of money was appropriated for that.

"The contract authorizations do not represent money that will be returned as a result of cancellations of contracts. These authorizations were voted by congress for departments to contract to expend and most of \$8,000,000,000 was unobligated."

Hearings of the appropriations committee on the subject of what noney could be returned to the treasury are not near completion, and Mr. Sherley said a bill would not be reported until after January Examination of the War department is practically complete.

Kansas City Carmen Ask War Labor Board to Adjust Grievance

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 20 .- Molittle home at 2554 St. Marys avenue tormen and conductors of the Kanyesterday morning to go to work at sis City Railways company, who Swift's, and his wife kissed him have been on strike here since Degood-bye, he thought himself most cember 11, at a mass meeting today adopted a resolution requesting former President W. H. Taft of the years and they were at last settled federal war labor board and Frank P. Walsh, former member of the Johnson shot a big Christmas celebration. Par- board, to come here and construe Major King in the Johnson home ents of both, form out in the state, the wage award recently suggested were coming for the house warming. by the board. The men, the resolu-But more than this-the young tion stated, would abide by any de-

> The putting into effect of the wage ward is the point at issue between the company and its employes, the company contending that it cannot meet the wage increases unless afforded more revenue.

Victory Christmas Tree Arrives Here from Maine Forest

A victory Christmas tree on the ourt house plaza will be the center of Omaha's Christmas celebration. Fifty feet of evergreen will sparkle with electric lights every night from Monday, December 23, until January 1, 1919.

The big tree is just one phase of the celebration that the Victory Christmas committee has for observng the entire yuletide week instead of just one day.

The tree is now in Omaha after its long trip from Maine and will be erected either Saturday or Monday, It will be decorated and lighted free of charge by the Nebraska company. The tree was brought to Omaha by Trimble Brothers, who have supplied the municipal Christmas tree in Omaha for several years

Metal Workers to Take Weekly Half Holiday

Portland, Ore., Dec. 20.-Twentymetal trades council of the Columbia river district, representing about 30,-000 workers, will take a half holitay tomorrow tollowing an anouncement that all Saturday afterioons will be workless hereafter. The workmen say the action is taken to provide work for more men nd prevent unemployment during he period of reconstruction.

German Austria Assembly Aims to Fix Blame for War

Vienna, Dec. 20 .- (Havas)-The national assembly of German Austria has adopted a bill ordering an investigation into the question of who was actually responsible for the war and prescribing the proceedings to be taken against its authors