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### MAGIC POWDER TOWN IN HEAP OF ASHES

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ty-five thousand persons hardly a building remained, though the great explosives plant nearby and company villages at either end of the town escaped undamaged. The loss is put at \$1,000,000.

Thousands of refugees who throughout the afternoon had stood helpless as their homes and places of business burned were housed during the night in Petersburg and Richmond. Many of those who saved their household goods stood guard over their effects with repeating rifles all night. Militiamen from Richmond and special guards from inside the DuPont plant helped the Hopewell police force to keep order.

### Looter is Hanged

Although many were injured, only one death is reported. A negro, caught looting, was said to have been strung up to a tree at the edge of town.

The fire started in a restaurant when an oil stove toppled from a box in the kitchen. A hotel caught fire next and soon the flames, driven by a stiff wind, were eating their way through banks, stores, hotels and dwellings. The only church in the town was one of the first buildings to go.

### Explosives Plant, which works day and night at top speed, ceased operations only long enough to make sure none of its buildings would burn.

When the fire got close all the hands were turned out to pour water on the building, but a shift of the wind turned the flames in another direction and the plant started up again.

### Department of Justice Is Investigating Fire

Washington, Dec. 10.—Chief Blaski, of the Department of Justice, Bureau of Investigation, to-day instructed his agent at Norfolk to proceed to Hopewell, Va., and make a thorough investigation of yesterday's disastrous fire. A report within a few days is expected.

### Federal Agents Investigating Fires in Powder Plants and Munitions Works

A joint session of the city council here will take up the subject to-day and the Richmond Chamber of Commerce will meet for the same purpose. Newspaper editors and publishers have been opened and Richmond expects to have organized aid in Hopewell before night. Petersburg and Norfolk are taking similar measures.

### WILL REBUILD AT ONCE

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 10.—Advises to-day direct from Hopewell say the work of rebuilding will start at once. Business here this afternoon will determine to put up a better character of structure. Tents are being sent by the State military authorities to care for the homeless and sheds have been built in which they can prepare their food.

### Battalion of Troops Guard Smoking Ruins

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 10.—A battalion of Virginia troops for guarding the ruins of Hopewell and to disperse order of any character is reported. A meeting of citizens to-day began efforts to have all new buildings of brick. Three fire insurance men estimated the total loss at \$2,000,000.

The Du Pont powder plant is operating as usual and there have been no developments in the case of the man arrested Wednesday afternoon with nitroglycerine in his possession. The arrest was confirmed today by the Du Pont police force, although officials of the company refuse to talk. The city council of Petersburg has approved \$5,000 for relief purposes.

### No Word From Gebhardt's in Destroyed Powder Town

No word has been received at a late hour to-day concerning Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gebhardt, formerly of this city, and residents in Hopewell for months. No fears are felt for their safety, however. Mr. Gebhardt was superintendent in one of the chemical plants of the Du Pont Powder Company, at Hopewell. As a metallurgist, Mr. Gebhardt has held several positions, one in Canada and another with the Lackawanna Steel Company, in Buffalo. He is a graduate of the Central High school, class of 1907. His wife, Miss Mary Bennethum, before her marriage and is also a graduate of the 1907 class. Both are widely known in the city. Miss Bennethum is the daughter of William H. Bennethum, Sr., manager of Dives, Pomeroy and Stewart.

### Efforts were made to communicate with them, but word was received from Richmond that no telegraphic wires are open to the town destroyed by fire.

### AUTO DEALERS ARE UP IN ARMS

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and "an imposition." There has been a generally mistaken impression that the tax on gasoline would be 1 cent per gallon. The rate is actually given by the President as 1 cent, which is infinitely lower, but still an enormous burden in the course of a year, particularly with the gradual increase in the cost of "gas." The price was raised 1 cent per gallon just this week.

The consensus of opinion of men in a position to know seems to be that the passage of this revenue act will mean a tremendous drop in the automobile industry. One dealer in the city has figured it out on the basis of past sales and future indications and estimates that the business will fall off about 25 per cent. Another prominent dealer and salesman gives it as his opinion that the decrease in sales will act in such a way that it will be a loss of the falling off in revenue from dealers' licenses, drivers' and state licenses, etc., and that the revenue obtained through this new act will not compensate for the loss of the country's prosperity caused by the depression in this particular industry.

### Commercial Men to Be Guests of Commerce Body

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Flavel L. Wright will address the meeting. Mr. Wright is not only an eloquent and stimulating speaker, but is a salesman himself and in acting as the chief of the national salesmen present will speak to them from knowledge gained through actual selling operations.

### McMillan Expedition Is Good For Another Year

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The party had just received news of the European war, the letter said, and were anxiously awaiting the arrival of a ship. Every one was well save Professor Tangway of Illinois, who was suffering with frozen feet. Should the party be unable to return to the United States by Fall, Mr. Allen writes, they would be well able to make out for another year.

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City and county officials and everybody interested in the William Penn highway will be invited to come to Harrisburg. The purpose is to discuss plans to give the new route through Pennsylvania a national reputation by showing its advantages, and giving publicity to the list of prominent cities touched by this highway, throughout the United States.

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## GARRISON HINTS AT CONSCRIPTION

Secretary of War in Report Emphasizes Need for Big Reserve Army

WANTS 500,000 MEN

Declares Preparedness Is Needed "So Long as Right and Wrong Exist"

(Special to The Telegraph)

Washington, D. C., Dec. 10.—Secretary of War Garrison declares in his annual report to the President, made public last night, that if the administration plan for a continental army fails, the United States will face some form of compulsory military service.

In what many men in official life characterize as the most remarkable report ever made by a Secretary of War, Mr. Garrison passes quickly over the widespread routine activities of the War Department and devotes practically all his words to the subject of military preparedness, the need for which he sums up by saying:

"So long as right and wrong exist in the world there will be an inevitable conflict between them. The rightdoers must be prepared to protect and defend the right as against the wrong."

### Answers All Arguments

Unsparring in his arguments in answer to those who would have no increase in the country's military preparedness, Secretary Garrison declares that the American people must view their responsibilities and measure up to them.

### 500,000 Soldiers Needed

"If the determination arrived at by those whose knowledge, skill, and experience makes their judgment practically exclusive is accepted," the report says in part, "we should have in this country a force of at least 500,000 men ready for instant response to a call in the event of war or the maintenance of peace. It is surely not necessary to state the many reasons why this force may not be supplied by a regular standing army of that number constantly under arms. There is no legal way that the National Guard can in time of peace, be governed, officered, or trained by the National Government; and there is no legal way, excepting by volunteering, that it can be made available to the nation in time of war to any greater extent than specified in the Constitution, which confessedly falls short of the necessary number. It is surely not to be put in the event of a war with a foreign nation.

"It becomes necessary, therefore, to devise some method of making available to the use of the Nation in time of war a national force in supplement of that part of the national force, to wit, the regular army, which is constantly under arms; a part of the army, in other words, to be raised and maintained by Congress and governed in all respects in accordance with its directions."

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Will Be Ready For Occupancy Shortly After Christmas; Music, Lounging and Banquet Rooms Provided; Facilities For Club Athletes and Gymnasium Training Is of Very Best

Judging from present activities and the expectation of a brilliant career, John Y. Boyd Memorial will be ready for occupancy shortly after the Christmas holidays. Work on the building is progressing rapidly and plans are being laid by the directors to have a housewarming early in January.

It is estimated that the structure will meet the needs of more than a thousand men and boys, members of the Pine Street Presbyterian church and Sunday school, and of the Bethany Chapel and Division Street Mission. The gymnasium, reading room, lockers, stage, and bowling alleys are the last word in building construction, and will furnish pleasure to thousands for generations to come.

When completed this clean, well-built structure will be flanked on either side of the entrance in South street by two bronze lamps. The windows and porches all over the building will be decorated with flower boxes, of the same nature as those which the Civic Club will this winter endeavor to have located in the city. The first of these will strike the eye of the visitor will be a bronze memorial tablet to the founder, presented by the men and boys of Pine Street Church and Sunday school, which will be set up in the vestibule. The first room is to be the lobby, which will lend itself to the use of the members as a reading and lounging room, where newspapers, magazines and library books may be enjoyed. A large fireplace will increase its coziness and one section of the room will be converted into a committee room by the removal of the doors. An additional feature of this room will be a piano and a Victrola, from which it is evident that music is to be a consideration.

Next comes the boys' clubroom, well equipped with games and boys' lockers, and a reading room, where is found the boys' locker room, with 120 modern lockers, and across the hall therefrom, the boys' shower room. The entire first floor is to be covered with hard wood flooring. The semi-indirect lighting system is to be used all over the building.

Stepping downstairs into the basement for a few seconds, we find a combination bowling and billiard room, with four regulation Brunswick Balke-Collender alleys and two tables, one a combination billiard and pool table, and the other a pocket billiard table. Here also is the grill and kitchen, which will be absolutely up-to-date. The grill will be capable of accommodating one hundred men, but will be peculiarly well adapted to class meetings.

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### ELEVATORS WITH WHEAT ARE BURNED

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The fire which started at 2 o'clock this morning was virtually under control four hours later although the elevators were still blazing. The blaze had its origin in the shaft of the main elevator and was driven by a strong northeast wind into the grain bins below. The firemen were handicapped because of a lack of marine apparatus to fight the fire from the water.

### B. F. Nead's Boy to Gallop on Famous Hobby-horse

The 3-year-old son of B. Frank Nead, a member of the Dauphin county bar, is due to receive an heirloom from Santa Claus that may be quite a hobby with him; certainly it was a hobby of his father and grandfather before him. Nor is this a figure of speech.

The "hobby" is an old-fashioned wooden rocking-horse and has hauled the great hall will resemble a real teenager of the Nead family since 1823. Recently the horse has been painted and otherwise given a little more of skittish, up-to-date appearance.

### TRUCK HITS TROLLEY

An Adams Express Company truck collided with a Second street trolley car at the intersection of the two streets this afternoon, fortunately with no resulting damage to either, with the exception of a broken window in the car and a twisted axle for the truck. The driver of the machine attempted to cross in front of the street car in order to turn up Locust street and was struck in the rear and whirled around so that the front of the truck smashed the window of the car.

### SOUR STOMACH

When vegetable food ferments it causes sour rising in the throat, the formation of gas in the stomach which distends it and causes pain often extending to the region of the heart and arousing a fear of heart disease. This condition is called acid dyspepsia.

### WALTER GEE

Funeral services for Walter Gee, who died yesterday morning at the County Almshouse, will be held to-morrow afternoon at the Hooper funeral parlors, 601 Forster street. Burial will be made at Lincoln cemetery.

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### Popular Singer at the Majestic Says It Is Now Being Adopted by the Schools

Most every vaudeville fan in Harrisburg has grown to like Ed Morton, the popular singer, who is again warbling his way into favor at the Majestic during the last half of the week.

### DANSEUSE NEEDS REAL LIVE SNAKE

Before Miss Katherine Noland, of Baltimore, can do the weird Egyptian "dance of the vases" at the charity ball she says she must have a real live snake!

### THE DANCE OF THE VASES

The "dance of the vases" is to be the opening number of the gorgeous pageant of dancing that is to precede the big ball in Chestnut Street Auditorium Thursday evening, January 20.

### MISS NOLAND, BALTIMORE, INSISTS ON WRITING SERPENT FOR DANCE

The story Miss Noland wishes to portray is that of a captive maiden—so the synopsis has it, anyway—who wishes to obtain her release from bondage when she dances before one of the old Pharaohs of Egypt. It is a very snakey-like, weird enough dance. One can scarcely help associating it with creepy thoughts of tiger skin covered courtyards and a lot of coal-black slaves and an only seemingly interested king loling lazily back on his couch and the languorous swaying rhythm of the "dance of the vases."

### THEATERS DO THEIR PART IN RED CROSS SEAL SALE

Pretty girls who will feature a vaudeville act in the Majestic next week will do their share in boosting Harrisburg's Red Cross Christmas seal campaign for 1915 by selling the tiny Yuletide "stickers" in the audience.

### ERIE WILL DROP STEAMSHIP HOLDINGS

New York, Dec. 10.—The Erie railroad, it was announced to-day by President Underwood, has taken steps to comply with the Interstate Commerce Commission's ruling that railroads must not operate steamships on the Great Lakes. The ruling, made last summer, goes into effect this month.

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