## **AUSTRO-GERMAN SMASH ON PIAVE** LINE CONTINUES Dr. Mudge Draws Interesting

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British troops on the Cambrai front have repulsed raids by infantry and bombing parties on the southern end of the new salient. South of Lens the British improved their position. The artillery battle has been more marked south of the Scarpe, in the Arras area and north of Langemarck, in Flanders. In Champagne, north of the Chemin-Des Dames and south of St. Quentin to Switzerland.

Patriotic Services Held

at First Baptist Church

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## **URGES PRAYER DURING THE WAR**

MONDAY EVENING.

Story of Fall of the Holy City

Saying that Christ forbade His followers' prophesying, and that we are

Mudge preached on "The Capture of Jerusalem" at the Pine Street Presbyterian Church last evening. He said that Christ had given His followers but two things to do, and they were: "Watch and pray, for ye know neither the day nor the hour." He gave an interesting story of the Jerusalem of the ancients, and showed from whence came the Mohammedan and the Christian religions. "Prayer has a great deal to do with the present day crisis."

#### Gaston B. Means Acquitted of Wealthy Widow's Murder

Concord, N. C., Dec. 17.—Gaston B. Means was acquitted here yesterday of the charge of slaying Mrs. Maude A. King, the wealthy New York and Chicago widow. The jury received the case last night, but after two hours' deliberation announced a verdict would not be returned until to-day.

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Mrs. Ross Hickok, captain of the first precinct, Fourth ward, reported 187 members as her total.

Thanks From Camp
A letter from David M. Hefflefinger, a former Harrisburg boy, to Mrs. R. L. Gillespie, secretary of the local Red Cross Chapter, says:
"I want to thank you and the Harrisburg Chapter, Red Cross, for the article that you sent me. I am pleased very much with the clothing; it is a great comfort to the soldier during the winter months.

"The American Red Cross surely is backing the boys at the front and in the training camps and are playing a large part in winning this war, It is a wonderful movement and this country (our country) is to be contrabilited unvertible in the city among the poor, The matter of procuring the services of the police in an effort to tabulate

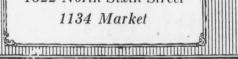
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Within a week the day of Good Cheer will be with us, the day of all the year when you want to look your best as well as feel that way.

Suits, coats and dresses should be carefully inspected. If you find they need pressing or dry cleaning, phone us immediately and our motor delivery will call for your garments and return them to you ready for any social

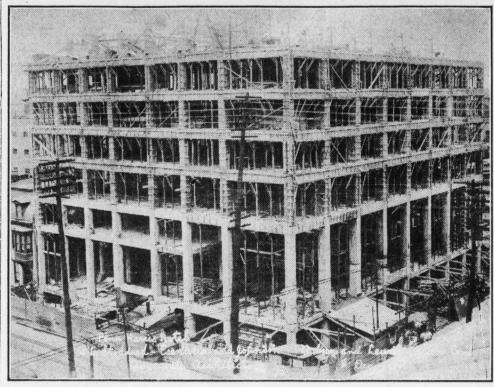
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### RAPID PROGRESS MADE ON NEW HOTEL DESPITE DRAWBACK OF WINTER WEATHER



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It is a wonderful movement and this country (our country) is to be congratulated upon the interest it has taken in this work."

Knits at 82

Among the articles turned in to the local chapter this morning, was a sweater knitted by Mrs. Mary L. Haverstick, 1624 Green street. Mrs. Haverstick is 82 years of age. Her work is among the best received at

open Friday evening of this week. They will be closed Monday, Tues-lay and Wednesday of next week because of the holiday season.

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**OPENING HEARTS** 

THOUSANDS ARE

President E. Z. Wallower, of the Harrisburg Hotel Company, is more than pleased with the progress which is being made on the Penn-Harris at Third and Walnut streets nothwithstanding the weather drawback. He stated to-day that while the snowstorm had temporarily suspended concrete pouring the carpenters plumbers and electriceians have been making fine headway.

In making the contract for the big hotel and when it was found necessary to change from structural steel to reinforced concrete in addition to other modifications of the original plan the big assembly hall extending from the main building toward Strawberry avenue was eliminated. President Wallower said to-

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#### Headmaster Brown in FOR MORE COAL New Organization of Preparatory Schools

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yards in the city are practically emptied of coal. At a meeting called by the Mayor Saturday afternoon, at which the fuel commissioner, represent the match of the Chamber of Commerce attended, the seriousness of the fuel situation, there was discussed in an effort to suggest remedies to relieve conditions. Dealers at the meeting said there are now no more than 300 the suggest remedies to relieve conditions. Dealers at the meeting said there are now no more than 300 the suggest remedies to relieve conditions. Dealers at the meeting said there are now no more than 300 the suggest remedies to relieve conditions. Dealers are also of the police in an effort to taluate the apoption of a construction, with specialized courses of mental training whereby physical-300 the produced prepared to undertake and caler said. The matter of procuring the services of the coll are suggested of them by the nation. The matter of procuring the services of the coll and the full are most of the city are co-operating with the supply of coal 6n hand in the poorer sections of the city are co-operating with the supply of coal 6n hand in the poorer sections of the city are co-operating with the supply of coal 6n hand in the poorer sections of the city are co-operating with the supply of coal 6n hand in the poorer sections of the city are co-operating with the supply of coal 6n hand in the poorer sections of the city are co-operating with the supply of coal 6n hand in the poorer sections of the city are co-operating with the

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Then, through your Red Cross and mine.

All profit from the sale of the card goes to the Red Cross Society.

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Post Office—Mrs. George R. Heisey.
Y. M. C. A.—Miss Mary Mitchell.
Kresge Store—Miss May Williams.
Bowman's—Miss Julia Stamfn.
Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart—Miss Romaine Boyer.
Kaufman'—Mrs. S. Reese Coover.
Library—Miss Eaton.
Majestic Theater—Miss Rebecca 3ross.
Colonial Theater — Miss Susanne

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### Too Much Red Tape in Getting Money, Says General Crozier

#### U. S. Army Quartermaster Writes Letter From France

New Cumberland, Pa., Dec. 17.—A letter has been received by Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Fisher, of Market street, from Captain J. D. Byers, who has spent the past two months in France. He says he has had many experiences, some of which were very pleasant and profitable, others hazardous. He traveled over 700 miles in an automobile, seeing much of the country, which he describes as beautiful. He has been in many interesting cities, among them Paris. Captain Byers is a quartermaster in the United States Army Ambulance Service. He is well known in New Cumberland, where he known in New Cumberland, where has visited with his wife and son

### Many Old Friends Attend Funeral of Mrs. A. J. Herr

The Rev. Dr. Lewis S. Mudge, pas-

from her residence, 19 North Front street.

urial was made in the family plot in the Harrisburg Cemetery. The pallbearers were Edward Bailey. George W. Reily, Henry B. McCormick, Edward Z. Gross, Thomas T. Wierman, Edward B. Diven, William T. Stuart and William E. Bailey.

Mrs. Herr was one of the best known and loved women of the city. She was active in many charities and in the work of the Pine street church, celding offich in many organizations. She was a vice-regent of Harrisburg chapteer, Daughters of the American Revolution, and a member of the Dauphin county committee, Colonial Dames of America. The services this morning were largely attended and

### Council to Take Up Tax Rate Problems With New **Budget at Night Session**

The first meeting of council in preparation of the 1918 budget will be held this evening at 7.30 o'clock Educational Campaign Com-

By Associated Press

Washington, Dec. 17. — General Crozier declared to-day at the Senate military committee's inquiry into Army preparations, there vas "entirely too much red tape" getting money. While an emergency appropriation request for a lump appropriation of \$2,932,537,000 made by the War Department April 5, a day before war was declared, it was funchefore Congress made appropriations under the estimates.

"But you had millions of dollars left of appropriations made a year before," interrupted Chairman Chamberlain. "I have not been entirely satisfied with any explanation made of this matter. For instance, you had money appropriation for machine guns and you haven't the guns yet. We appropriated for small arms and you spent the money for pistols instead of rifles."

"We were far shorter of pistols than rifles," General Crozier answered, "and we are not going to be slowed up in this war in the slightest degree on account of rifles."

"I don't think the country will be satisfied with that explanation," Senator Chamberlain insisted, "We need rifles for target practice and training purposes and in the field."

"We have placed orders of more than \$1,500,000,000 since the war began," General Crozier explained, citing the magnitude of operations. "That is more than fifty per cent. over the government's expenses for any year since the Spanish war."

U. S. Army Quartermaster

Arranges For Exchange of Speakers
With British Associations
With the American Army in
France, Dec. 17.—A number of wellknown war correspondents of important French newspapers have
visited the American troops and followed the lines of communication
from the sea to the advanced camps.
After interviewing General Pershing,
who expressed to them his unalterable confidence in an allied victory,
the journalists summarized their impressions in the following statement:

"We have come to a striking realization of American power. We have
the fullest confidence in the aid
which America's Army will render
us and we are more than ever convinced of victory. We have been
struck particularly by the brotherhood in arms of Americans and
Frenchmen, and nothing rejoices us
more than the vigor, high spirits and
enthusiasm of our allies from overseas."

The party made a long visit to a

### Seventeen Men Missing From Engineer Corps

Washington, Dec. 17.—Seventeen enlisted men of the United States Army Engineer Corps were reported missing in action by General Pershing in a dispatch yesterday to the War Department. They were missed on November 30, the day of the German turning movement at Cambrai and are believed to have fallen into the hands of the Germans while fighting valiantly with the engineer contingent which distinguished itself helping the British to check the attack.

## M. E. FUNDS ARE **GIVEN A BOOST**

mittee Expects to Meet Goal Thursday

At noon today it was reported at the headquarters of the great Meth-

## WIN PROMOTION

more than the vigor, high spirits and enthusiasm of our allies from overseas."

The party made a long visit to a camp of former national guardsmen, where they partook of the soldiers mess. They also visited and had long talks with the troops returned from the trenches, especially those who were wounded.

To strengthen mutual sympathies a rrangements have been perfected by which the British Y. M. C. A. in:
France is to send influential British public men, such as Viscount Bryce, to speak in the American Y. M. C. A., in turn, will provide well-known American lecturers to speak in the British hust. The interchange of speak: ers will begin probably about the first of the year.

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