After Long Delays American Arms Will Be Finest in World

Washington, Dec. 21.-From the out cloomy picture of war department incompetence, indecision, confusion and consequent delay in all war preparations, drawn by the witnessess appearing before the Senate military affairs committee, one feature stands out as a cause for rejoicing. It is that if the United States Army ever fully equipped and the men under training to represent the force and spirit of the nation on the bat-tlefronts are made ready to exert hemselves they will have the best

This fact has been testified to be all the arms manufacturers and al the Army experts. It is the sole fac from utter condemnation and relieve in a slight degree of the charges of having entirely wasted the valuable time since the declaration o

tion that the war has known.

Contracts for arms and ammuni tion have been seriously delayed. While the danger to the nation was constantly increasing, the War Department, instead of providing the men sent to France with adequate equipment, continued to hesitate and

equipment, continued to hestate and experiment.

But when the contracts were finally let, the witnesses have shown they were for rifles that will be better than any now in use either by the allies or by the Germans, maching guns that will be the best ever turned out and expensiving better than guns that will be the best ever turned out and ammunition better that
that of the Germans and far superior
to that of France and Great Britain
which is inferior to that of Germany
But there will not be an adequate
supply of the rifles until next spring
there will be no machine guns unti
later, and in the meantime, the
forces abroad are dependent upon the
overburdened Franch for both ma. overburdened French for both ma-chine guns and artillery. The Senate committee has been told that France has no surplus of these weapons.

67 Killed in Wreck of Passenger Trains

Shepherdsville, Ky., Dec. 21.— xty-seven known dead and forty to fifty persons injured, some of them seriously, was the toll taken when a Louisville and Nashville passenger train from Cincinnati to New Orleans last night crashed into the rear of a Bardstown, Louisville and Sprinsfield accommodation train 5/9 yards south of the station, here.

field accommodation train 5.0 yards south of the station here.

The accommodation train had just left the station when the faster train which has no scheduled stop at Shepherdsville, came into view at top speed. Efforts to check it were unavailing, and its engine plowed through three coaches filled with

Rice From 1000-Year Old Seed For Japan's Ruler

Tokio, Dec. 21.—Rice grown directly from seed grain 1,000 years old will be served the Emperor of Japan when he attends the autumn maneuvers of the Japanese army in Shiga prefecture this fall. The ancient rice grains were feund inside a wooden image of Vaisravana in a little Buddhist temple in the village of Iwame.

Vaisravana is the god of wealth,

of Iwame.
Vaisravana is the god of wealth, and his image has become so old as to need repairing. In the course of doing this there was found inside a faxen bag containing the seed and a paper with the following instruction in ancient Chinese characters:
"This image has been carved for the peace of the world. If any one of a later generation open it he should put in new seed." From the artistic style of the carving and the traditions relating to the image, it was estimated that the seeds were 1,000 years old. They were planted and yielded a good crop.

May Not Wear Jewelry: Colored Laces Instead

London, Dec. 21.—Girl workers in he danger buildings at Woolwich rsenal are not allowed to wear jew-iry. They have therefore, hit on he idea of wearing colored shoe

aded the platform during the dinner our with resplendent shoe laces.

City Darkened For First "Lightless Night" of War

With the exception of a few deinquent property owners and busiless places street lights were the only
mes that gleamed on the streets of
idarrisburg last night. Thursday and
funday has been decreed by the Naional Fuel Administration the lightess nights all over the country, and
ast night was Harrisburg's first
ishtiess night. The business section
of the city was generally unlighted
with the exception of the lights in
he windows of the stores that were
open for business.

Some few delinquent householders
burned porch lights, and one or two
of the theaters displayed illuminalon in front of their buildings. By
he next lightless night it is probable
hat all delinquents will have been
outfied and the lights will not gleam
out the forbidden niges.

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YORK MEN BANKRUPTS

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Said to Have Been Involved in Transactions With Attorney Lewis
York, Pa., Dec. 21.—Horace °C.
Eppiey, a building contractor, and
Joseph Hochberger, a real estate
promoter, have been declared volintary bankrupts by the United
States court at Scranton. They are
alleged to have become involved
through the financial difficulties of
Robert J. Lewis, the missing York
lawyer, with whom they had been
associated in business ventures.
Another citation against the missing lawyer has been issued by the
county courts to compel him to give
an accounting for a trust fund in his
possession. In this instance he is
saked to file an account of a trust
und of \$700 held by him since 1899
or Mary C. Cross, a minor. George
D. Beeler, is surety on the bond.

EVEN NEW MEMBERS ACCEPTED BY TROOP 20

Seven new members will be accepted into Troop 20 within the next week or so, according to the expectations of scout officials. This will bring the troop enrollment to nearly he full complement of four patrols. Arrangements are well under way for the reorganization of the patrols

to take place in January. At a recent meeting the question of a summer camp was brought up for discussion. Much interest was shown and the boys fully expect to have one of the best scout camps to go out of Harrisburg next summer. The entire troop will be present at the scout reception to be held tonight in the Y. M. C. A.

The start of the troops earned by the 22,000 men from Pennsylvania encamped here at their Christmas dinner, according to the control of the c

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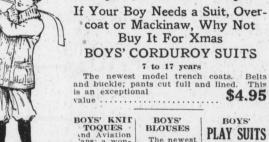
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