

EMPEY TO SELL "OVER THE TOP" FOR SMOKE FUND

Autographed Copy to be Auctioned For Benefit of Tobacco Fund

Here's your chance to buy an autographed copy of the famous war book, "Over the Top." Immediately after Sergeant Arthur Guy Empey, its author, concludes his lecture in Chestnut Street Auditorium next Friday night, a copy of this book will be auctioned for sale. The proceeds of sale will be used to buy smokes for our boys Over There.

Negro Shoots Woman and Cows Crowd With Gun

Football tactics and an undaunted nerve resulted in a member of the Harrisburg police department capturing Oscar Lewis, colored, "bad man," who deliberately fired a bullet on Saturday night into a colored girl, Magnolia Smith, 1237 Monroe street. The woman had just finished some little Christmas presents, wrapping them up and preparing to distribute them when Lewis arrived and after some hot words threatened: "Shut up or I'll put a bullet in you."

The Smith woman was hurried to the Harrisburg Hospital, where it was said to-day that she was not in a serious condition.

K. OF C. GETS BEHIND NATION'S FIGHTERS

[Continued from First Page.] doubled, according to earliest indications. This campaign is similar to the one recently carried on by the Y. M. C. A. to maintain the recreation centers in the various Army and Navy camps in the United States and the war zones. The Y. M. C. A. and the Knights of Columbus are the only organizations recognized by the War Department to provide these recreation centers.

Plan New Freight Yard For York and Vicinity

York, Pa., Dec. 24.—Important railroad developments are indicated by the close of a deal for the purchase by C. E. Amig, local agent for the Maryland and Pennsylvania Railroad Company, of two large tracts of land along that railroad in this city, whereon will be erected a railroad yard and new freight station.

The tracts comprise five and one-half acres from the Z. K. Loucks estate, at a cost of \$17,500, and another smaller tract from the Billmeyer & Small Car Company, consideration not given. To-day title will be taken for the latter property. It is proposed to organize a terminal company, auxiliary to the Maryland and Pennsylvania.

RAILROAD RUMBLES

PRESIDENT DICE URGES LOYALTY

Appeals to Employees to Help in Present War Troubles

President A. T. Dice, of the Reading Railway Company, has issued a circular in which he appeals to the loyalty of all employees. After stating that the Reading is located in a territory where the conditions of war and other material is manufactured for the Government and the importance of its prompt movement, he says the Reading is facing a series of transportation problems.

"In this emergency I know all of you understand the vital importance and urgent need of operating our railroad with the greatest possible efficiency. This result can be attained only through the giving of each man of the most efficient service of which he is capable. Our company needs and expects of every man at home the same faithful and unstinted service that our soldiers are giving at the front.

"Railroad men may naturally be expected to set an example for other workers. I appeal to all employees and every one of you will feel it to be a patriotic duty to lose no time from work and give his best service to his employer.

I confidently appeal to all Reading employees to give the company a most efficient service; that each and every man may feel that it is his patriotic duty to work and co-operate with his fellows to the limit of his ability.

THE READING The 19 crew first to go after 12:50 o'clock: 4, 26, 59, 43, 3, 37, 18, 72, 16, 1, 14, 35. Engineer for 61. Brakemen for 59, 16, 13. Engineers up: Little, Lackey, Griffith, Freed, Seibert, G. Lackey, Leitner, Billie, Motter, Wireman, Hilliard, Huggins, Ayers, Beachman, Hudson, Ramsey, Richards, Lyter, Bealor, Grove, Cramer. Conductors up: Baddorf, Keifer, Hetrick. Flagmen up: Wynn, Rickenbach, Faxon, Cramer, M. Gardner, Seighman, Kohr. Brakemen up: Bruau, Swartz, Greenwood, Berrier, Slough, Hain.

Penny Shareholders Show Increases and Decreases

Shareholders of the Pennsylvania Railroad number 96,995, an increase of 7,174 as compared with a year ago. The average holding is 102.95 shares, a decrease of 8.22 per cent. The number of foreign holders is 1,857, a decrease of 1,633, and the foreign owners hold 2.13 per cent. of the 9,985,314 shares outstanding. The average holding abroad is 114 shares, an increase of eight shares. In the state of Pennsylvania there are 41,856 holders, an increase of 6,707, representing 33.81 per cent. of the total stock outstanding; and in New York state, 17,723 holders, an increase of 858, representing 36.04 per cent. of the total stock. Women shareholders numbered 48,327, an increase of 3,791, and they hold 28.49 per cent. of the capital stock.

APPRENTICES HAVE FLAG Altoona, Dec. 24.—The Pennsylvania Railroad Company's apprentice school boasts of the largest service flag to date in the city. It contains 300 stars. They represent Pennsylvania employees who were graduates or students at the school. The service flag at St. Leo's parish school has twenty-eight stars and the flag at the paper mill at Tyrone has forty-five stars.

Railroad Notes

J. D. Austine, freight brakeman on the Pennsylvania Railroad, who has been on the sick list, is again on duty. The usual open-house day will be observed New Year's Day at the P. R. R. Y. M. C. A. An entertainment has been planned for the evening, although it will not be as elaborate as in former years because of the absence of many of the prominent workers.

The old Leonard House, in Tenth avenue, Altoona, has been purchased by the Pennsylvania Railroad for \$42,850. With this purchase the company owns three solid blocks fronting on its main line tracks. It is its intention to widen the trackage and construct a new station and offices at this point.

The Reading Railway Company now has about forty women employed as clerks and stenographers at the different offices. There are seventeen employed at the locomotive shop and the remainder at the outer Reading station and freight office.

Charles R. Knappengerger, of Coplay, has been appointed freight agent at Allentown by the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company. He succeeds G. W. App, who resigned to engage in the insurance business. Mr. Knappengerger, who is 35 years of age, has been with the Lehigh Valley fifteen years.

Freight traffic has greatly increased on the Cornwall Railroad recently, which necessitates the use of all the freight engines of the company daily. The employees of the company are obliged to make the repairs at night.

Plan "Open House" at Friendship Club Meeting

Railroad men are planning a big time for Thursday night. An "Open House" session will be held at Eagles' Hall, Sixth and Cumberland streets, by the Friendship and Co-operative Club. Everybody will be welcome. Each member and guest is requested to bring a package. The package will be sold at auction and the proceeds turned over to the Associated Aids Society.

Appropriate addresses will be made and after the auction sale there will be refreshments and cigars. Big crowds are coming from Altoona and other cities, and there will be some big surprise packages.

Reading's School For Telegraphers Is Popular

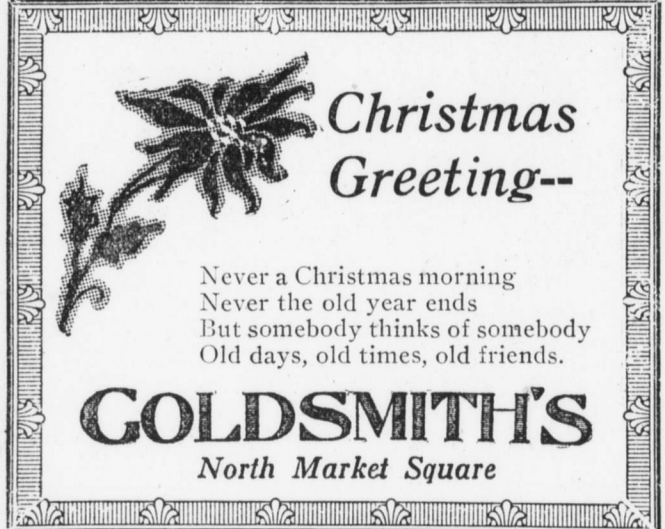
There are thirty-four students of telegraphy at the school of the Reading Railway Company, at Pottsville. All of whom are young women except a few. Four of these young women have mastered the art sufficiently to be placed in charge of offices. One of them is now at Perkiomen Junction, another at Green Lane and two are booked to go to the New York division. Six others will be ready in a week. Miss Alice Rabold, of Richland, who took the study six weeks ago, has made such wonderful progress that she will soon be ready to take charge of an office.

Christmas Principles Must Be Reckoned With

In his evening sermon last night the Rev. Dr. Bagnell, pastor of the First Methodist Church, declared that there can be no permanent peace until the world accepts the peace program of Jesus Christ. He further stated that the Kaiser's peace program is the program of a robber, who wants to get away with as much booty as he possibly can. Dr. Bagnell said that the Russian peace program was very hazy, one without God in it and a program which must come to naught.



Christmas Greetings to all from Dives, Pomeroy and Stewart



Christmas Greeting--
Never a Christmas morning
Never the old year ends
But somebody thinks of somebody
Old days, old times, old friends.
GOLDSMITH'S
North Market Square

I Wish My Friends and Patrons
"A Merry Christmas"
(and a
"Happy and Prosperous New Year"
Jas F. Bremmer
Fancies Fashionable Outer Garments
6 South Fourth Street

Christmas Greetings
May Your Christmas Be a Merry One—
And at the same time let us remind you of our good wishes for you for a Very Happy and Successful New Year.
The past has been good to us. We have enjoyed your confidence to the fullest. And we are going to merit your patronage in the future with the same high standard of merchandise at the same low prices that have made the thousands of friends this store enjoys.
LIVINGSTON'S
7 and 9 South Market Square

OUR HEARTIEST THANKS For a PRESPEROUS SEASON
A MERRY XMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL IS THE WISH OF
Salkin's Golden Rule Department Store
428-430 MARKET STREET

Pershing's Men Begin Christmas Buying

With the American Army in France, Dec. 24.—The purchase of thousands of dollars' worth of Christmas toys and clothing for the children in this section of France was begun to-day by the Army. One purchase consisted of 300 overcoats for the children of refugees. Everything has been bought, from drums to toy rifles and dolls, and all the gifts will be presented on Christmas Day.

SERGEANT KISTER HOME FROM ARMY CANTONMENT

Sergeant Arthur W. Kister, of the Regular Army, stationed at Camp Lee, Virginia, surprised his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kister, of Washington Heights, Saturday evening, when he dropped in to spend Christmas with them. Sergeant Kister entered the Regulars as a private more than two years ago. "Life in the Army hurts nobody and helps most of us. The greatest thing in camp life is the Y. M. C. A.," said the sergeant to-day.

Sergeant Kister is attached to Bakery Company No. 1 and he has served all the way from the Mexican border to the Great Lakes. He returns to his command Wednesday.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS

MRS. FANNIE MADER Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock for Mrs. Fannie Mader, who died yesterday at the home of her son, William Mader, of York, from the residence of her brother, Christ Mader, 1233 Bailey street, Burtist will have mass in the Penbrook Cemetery. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Cora Haus and Mrs. C. W. Lorus, two sons, Emmet Mader and William Mader.

JOSEPH L. BOLTON Joseph L. Bolton, aged 72, died yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock for Hospital. Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon, at 2 o'clock from the home of his son-in-law, W. G. Zimmerman, of Linglestown. Burial will be made in the Willow Grove Cemetery.

MISS EDITH S. ARTHUR Funeral services will be held Wednesday morning at 9:30 o'clock for Miss Edith S. Arthur, aged 40, from the home of her sister, Mrs. Harvey Hoffstadt, 2464 Reel street. She is survived by her sister, Mrs. Rev. Edwin A. Pyles, pastor of the Fifth Street Methodist Church, will officiate. The body will be taken to Altoona by the Hawkins estate, where burial will be made.

ROBERT E. FISHER Funeral services will be held Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock for Robert Elliott Fisher, aged 57, who died last evening at the Harrisburg Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mollie A. Fisher, daughters, Mrs. John T. Lutz, Mrs. H. B. Schenckley, Geraldine Fisher, and sons, William Fisher and Monroe Fisher. The Rev. H. H. Baldwin, assistant pastor of the Pine Street Presbyterian Church, will officiate. The body will be taken to Stewartstown, Thursday morning, by Undertaken Sourbier, where burial will be made. Mr. Fisher was an employee of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for a number of years, starting to work when he was but seventeen years of age.

Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart

The Annual After-Christmas Sale of Women's, Misses' & Children's Apparel Begins Wednesday Every Winter Garment Featured in a Clearance

For months we've talked about our styles, our quality standard and our excellence of materials--and now, in a single day, all this has been changed and we will just talk price.

The annual after-Christmas sale of all Winter garments occurs Wednesday, when our entire remaining stock will go out at end-of-the-season prices.

Many of the smartest of the recent modes are in this after-Christmas clearance. No a few of the styles are from our latest purchase—all are exceptional in value, beyond our power to describe.

Remarkable Values in Suits: Sizes For Misses and Women

Regular \$25.00 suits of fine quality lustrous broadcloth and poplin, lined with a rich peau de cygne and beautifully tailored throughout; the styles are admirably suited to every type of woman and the range of sizes extends from 36 to 42. Colors navy, black and brown.	\$18.50
Extra special	\$12.50
\$27.50 suits in black and navy, made in plain tailored styles, bound in black silk braid and trimmed with bone buttons. Extra special	\$20.00
\$39.50 suits of chifton broadcloth made in a fancy pointed model, finished with a narrow belt and large buckles; convertible collar of velvet. Extra special	\$27.50
\$42.50 suits in men's wear serge and silvertone cloth, made in plain tailored styles and bound in silk braid, but ton trimmed; in navy, oxford and black. Extra special	\$30.00
\$55.00 suits in wool velour, made in a plaited model and finished with a broad crushed belt; shawl collar and cuffs of kolinsky; in taupe. Extra special	\$35.00

Coat Values That Are Unequaled: Styles That Are Individual

\$25.00 chevrot and zibeline coats in brown and navy, made in a belted style, large envelope pockets and convertible collar trimmed with buttons. Christmas Sale Price	\$18.50
\$27.50 wool velour and chevrot coats, lined throughout with black satin; made in a belted model trimmed with large buckles; inverted patch pockets and large cape collar. Christmas Sale Price	\$20.00
\$37.50 coats in burella, chevrot and wool velour, lined throughout with fancy silk, large collars and kerami. Christmas Sale Price	\$25.00
\$39.50 coats in wool velour, broadcloth and burella; in green, brown and trench, made with a full gathered back, large cape collar and broad bands of seal plush trim bottom of coat. Christmas Sale Price	\$30.00
\$45.00 coats in trench, oxford and green, made in a plaited style, finished with a broad crushed belt, large collar inlaid with velvet. Christmas Sale Price	\$35.00
\$52.50 coats in chifton broadcloth, silvertone and burella, made with a panel back, shirred over hips and finished with a broad stitched belt, trimmed with self-covered buttons; convertible collar of kolinsky; lined throughout with a quality peau de cygne; in taupe, oxford and trench. Christmas Sale Price	\$37.50
\$55.00 coats in wool velour, chifton broadcloth and burella, in a semi-belted model, trimmed with self-covered buttons; convertible collar of Hudson seal, lined throughout with grey peau de cygne; in black, brown, taupe and oxford. Christmas Sale Price	\$39.50

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