

Remits Sentence of Only American Soldier Charged With Treason

New York, Dec. 26.—Secretary of War Baker to-day remitted the 20-year sentence imposed upon Private Lawrence Perlmutter, of New York, the only member of the A. E. F. to be convicted of treason, according to word received from Washington by Representative Isaac Siegel, of New York, who interested himself in the lad's case.

Perlmutter, who served in the medical department, 90th Infantry, Second Division, was convicted of having supplied military information of value to the Germans while a prisoner of war. He was court martialed in Coblenz after having rejoined the American army after the armistice and his sentence was approved by general headquarters.

Masses of Hot Ashes Thrown by Volcano

Tokio, Dec. 26.—Mount Aso, an active volcano in Kyushu, has been unusually active of late. Rumblyings, small eruptions and showers of ashes were frequently experienced. A comparatively big eruption occurred a few days ago when masses of ashes fell over the surrounding country.

TOOK PART OF ANGEL IN CHRISTMAS PAGEANT



MISS MacCLOSKEY

—Photo by Roshon.

PAGEANT, FILLED WITH XMAS SPIRIT, PLEASES

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choir of 150 voices, led by Elmer E. Ley, presented "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear." Miss Mildred Conkling led the Camp Curtin school choir in "Under the Stars."

verses being sung by Mrs. Roy G. Cox.

Gives Biblical Quotation

Miss Ethelyn MacCloskey, taking the part of an angel, at this part of the pageant appeared on the overhead balcony and repeated the Biblical quotation.

"For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

"And this shall be a sign unto you; you shall find Him in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger."

Flood lights again shone forth and showed the well-known scene of the birth of Christ, where Joseph and Mary are gazing into the manger of the humble stable.

Elmer E. Ley acted the part of Joseph and Miss Eva Irving, as Mary.

Combined Chorus

Three selections, "Oh Little Town of Bethlehem," "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," and "Away in the Manger," were sung by the combined choruses of several hundred voices with pleasing effect.

Accompanied by the singing of "We Three Kings of the Orient Are," the Three Wise Men of the East were seen to enter and inspect the contents of the manger.

The presentation of "Silent Night" marked the conclusion of the pageant. At the last strains died away, a brilliant star, representing the "Star of Bethlehem" shone forth.

The cast of characters follow: "Spirit of Christmas" Miss Geraldine Powell; "Mary," Miss Eva Irving; "Joseph," Elmer E. Ley; "Three Wise Men," William S. Essick, B. F. Dickinson and William H. Patrick; "Ten Shepherds," Will S. Møsser, John W. German, Jr., W. D. Bottgenbach, E. C. Lamey, Allison Skinner, T. W. Smedley, William Patrick, Jr., Harry Koehenour, H. W. Lindenfelzer and William T. Dimmick. The "angel," Miss Ethelyn MacCloskey.

Pleasing Numbers

A number which pleased particularly was the choral selection by the Camp Curtin Junior High School children under the direction of Miss Mildred Conkling, a teacher at the school. The choral selection by the direction of Mrs. Charles Stroh, furnished another beautiful number on the program.

Miss Snavely, president of the Wednesday Club, and Mrs. Decevele, leader of the club's chorus, received considerable praise from the Community Service Bureau for their efforts, and the selection by the Wednesday Club chorus was well received.

George Hoyer, of the State Department of Public Grounds and Buildings, has charge of arrangements inside the Capitol building, and co-operated in directing the participants to dressing rooms, rest rooms and seeing that everything inside the building went according to program.

New City Choir

A number of the choral numbers last evening were by the newly organized City Choir, which will be a permanent feature in the musical life of Harrisburg, and under the directorship of the Community Service Director, the Elliott-Clayton Bookkeeping Machine Company and New Idea Hosiery Company choral societies, besides members from the Otterbein, Christ Lutheran, Messiah Lutheran, United Brethren, Church of God, Zion Lutheran, Fourth Reformed, Christ and St. Paul's Episcopal Church choirs, in addition to the choral societies from the S. S. Kresge, Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Soutter's Twenty-five Cent store and Kaufman's store. Mrs. Florence Ackley Ley directed this chorus in the pageant.

All of the Boy Scouts of the city were on the job last evening and rendered excellent service. The sheep were secured through Farm Agent H. G. Niesley from the Bonnymead farms. They formed an effective part of the realism produced in the pageant. The lamb was furnished by W. J. Hirtley.

The organ, which furnished accompaniment for a number of the selections, was furnished by Miss Ella McKelvey. One of the spot lights was operated by Theodore N. Davis, operator at the Wilmer & Vincent theaters.

Chamber's Statement

The Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce has issued the following statement:

"The success of the pageant was due to the co-operation of a number of civic bodies, including the Kiwanis and Rotary Clubs, the Civic Club, Knights of Columbus, Y. W. C. A., Y. M. C. A., Ministerial Association, Harrisburg Diocese of the Roman Catholic Church, Central Labor Union, Red Cross, Daughters

of the American Revolution, Wednesday Club and the Boy and Girl Scouts.

"Special credit for the success of the pageant is due to Mrs. Florence Ackley Ley, director of the community service bureau of the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce. The newly established community service bureau was in charge of the affairs, the pageant being its official debut in presenting spectacles on an elaborate scale.

"V. Grant Forrer, assistant superintendent of parks, was also one of the greatest factors in the success of the pageant. He proved a capable manager of details, from procuring the sheep to constructing and setting up the stage.

"Frank E. Hoffman, State electioneer, was responsible for the clever light effects which enhanced the spectacle so materially. Mr. Hoffman and the State Board of Public Grounds and Buildings, co-operated and lent their active support and assistance throughout all the arrangements. C. Floyd Hopkins, manager of the Wilmer and Vincent theaters in Harrisburg, lent his assistance also in providing an operator for the spotlight.

"Those who made up the cast of characters took an immeasurable part in assuring the success of the splendid pageant. Every one of these persons fulfilled all expectations in carrying out his or her part.

"The splendid co-operation of the Municipal Band which volunteered its services for the occasion, and the 700 members of the various choruses who furnished vocal numbers, also belong to the category of those whose activities made the pageant a success."

NEW IRON PLANT TO START IN SPRING

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of ground near Sixth and Division streets. Some of the machinery already been received, but some has been delayed somewhat by labor troubles. It has been expected

TAKE PLEDGE NOT TO MARRY WOMEN WITH UNNATURAL FEET

Kaifeng, China, Dec. 26.—An organization has been launched here by leading Chinese of the city to aid in stopping the ancient Chinese custom of binding the feet of female children. Songs have been composed by members decrying the practice of footbinding, and students of boys' schools are being asked to take the pledge "I will not marry a woman with unnatural feet."

The name of the new organization, literally translated is the Heavenly Feet Association.

that the new company would start operations in February.

The new concern was chartered under Pennsylvania laws in January with a capital stock of \$60,000. Bar iron will be produced at the rate of 1,000 tons monthly.

Its first directors in this new concern are Max Williams and Wolf Freedman, who have been associated in the scrap iron business in this city for 25 years. At present they are conducting two scrap iron yards in this city. Williams is vice-president and Freedman is treasurer of the new concern. The active operation of the plant will be in charge of A. L. Ensminger, of this city, a former engineer in the service of the Harrisburg Pipe and Pipe Bending Company, and John Winyear, of Manchester, England. Ensminger is president and Winyear is secretary of the new concern. In addition to these men, Meyer Gross, Abe Gross and Nathan Gross, all of this city, hold directorships.

CHALLENGED TO DUEL

Irkutsk, Thursday, Dec. 25.—As a result of a new outburst of ill-feeling between Czechs and Russians following an exchange of recriminations by Admiral Kolchak, head of the All-Russian government and Dr. Girska, Czechoslovak commissioner in Siberia, General Kappel,

commander-in-chief of the western armies of the All-Russian government, has challenged General Stryov, commanding the Czechs, to a duel.

CONSIDER ANNEX

Members of the special committee of report on the need for an annex to

the Steele building, Fifth and Mahan-

tongo streets, met this afternoon at the school board offices, to confer with Superintendent F. E. Downes.

The committee includes President Robert A. Enders and School Directors Franklin J. Roth and H. H. Bingham.

Use McNeil's Pain Exterminator—Ad

Advertisement for KLING and HEVERLING OPTICIANS and OPTOMETRISTS. Includes text about glasses, contact lenses, and prices like \$2.00 and \$4.50. Also features an image of eyeglasses.

Advertisement for PROMPT RELIEF for the acid-distressed stomach. Mentions Ki-moids and Scott's Emulsion.

Advertisement for Bliss Native Herb Tablets, Greatly Relieve Rheumatism. Includes a testimonial and product information.

Large advertisement for ASTRICH'S hats. Features a woman's face in a hat, the text 'An Astounding Sales Event', and a list of hat styles and prices.

Continuation of the 'TOOK PART OF ANGEL IN CHRISTMAS PAGEANT' article, detailing the event's success and the roles of various participants.

Continuation of the 'NEW IRON PLANT TO START IN SPRING' article, discussing the company's operations and financial details.

Large advertisement for ASTRICH'S suits. Features the text 'Now Comes the Big Half-Price Suit Sale' and a list of suit styles with former and current prices.