

## PRESIDENT TAKES OVER UNITED STATES RAILWAY LINES ON DECEMBER 28

Drastic Step Announced by President Wilson to Make Nation's Transportation Facilities Serve War Needs.

his decision to take possession and of Railroads.

A despatch from Washington says: Mr. McAdoo was appointed by the President Wilson formally announced President to serve as Director-General

December 28, of each and every sident hopes to be able to cut the Majority of Victims of This No. 1 storage, 43 to 44c; select storage, States. Possession of the transporta- fusion into which the transportation tion systems of the country will be facilities of the nation have been taken through Secretary of War Bak- brought as a result of the efforts made A despatch from Halifax, N.S., says: 28c. er, but after the railroads and other since the nation entered the war, to The first estimate that 500 men, wotransportation facilities have come handle the movement of troops, muni- men and children had become totally ducks, Spring, 20 to 22c; geese, into the actual possession of the Gov- tions and war commodities, without or partially blind as a result of the \$3.50; 12 oz., \$3; No. 2, \$2.4 ernment, they will be operated under at the same time sacrificing the actual recent disastrous explosion at Hali-Strained—Tins, 2½'s and 5's, 19 to 19½'s per lb: 10's 18½ to 19a' 60's 18 to 18½'s the direction of William G. McAdoo, transportation needs of the nation fax, is proving correct. the present Secretary of the Treasury. and its commerce.

### STEFANSSON AND WEMYSS NEW PARTY ARE SAFE

Alaska.

Vilhjalmar Stefannson, the Canadian Vice-Admiral Sir Rosslyn Wemyss has quired. explorer, and his party, are safe. A been appointed First Sea Lord, in must be secured before the work for bakers', \$10.90; straight rollers, bags tend using Irish munition factories had one shock and no more. The men from the boundary barats, Deputy Minister of Naval Af- licoe, according to an official announce- these blinded people can be properly lbs., \$5.20 to \$5.37½. Rolled oats, bags, 90 lbs., \$5.30. Bran, \$35. Shorts, \$40. Captain M O'Leary VC. in the part from the boundary. and party have arrived safely at Fort Admiral Jellicoe has been elevated Yukon, Alaska, from the far North. to the peerage in recognition of his This means that the explorer, about very distinguished services. The hope 1,000,000,000 YEN able doubt for several months past, is be utilized later in another post. coming back to civilization after his The translation of Sir John R. Jel-

that he would come out either via British convoy. Lancaster Sound and Labrador, or the Behring Sea. Apparently, he has not chosen either of these routes, but ADVANCE IN chose to come over the ice to Herschel Island, and from there to Alaska, probably by way of Fort MacPherson. His party consists of about 24 men. The Canadian Arctic Expedition set out in 1913.

MATERIAL DECREASE SHOWN IN BRITISH SHIPPING LOSSES.

Philippines have had some instruction

TOM, THERE IS THAT SAME

FELLOW WHO TRIED TO FLIRT

WITH ME YESTERDAY

# Relief For Halifax Victims, of the trucks sent from Boston for relief work at Halifax.

assume control at noon on Friday, Through the action taken the Pre-

of Distinguished Services.

whose safety there has been consider- is expressed that his experience may

long sojourn in the Arctic regions. licoe to the honorable eclipse of a It is presumed that the party will seat in the House of Lords and the now make their way to Nome and promotion of the Second Sea Lord to wait for the first steamer that will his place, briefly announced in an ofbring them back to Canada. It is pos- ficial communication, will convey but sible, however, that Stefannson may one interpretation to the mind of the It is understood here that Mr. criticisms for a long time passed upon Stefannson, who was in charge of the the Admiralty, which culminated in northern division of the Canadian deep disappointment and dissatisfac-Arctic Expedition, spent last winter tion at the impunity with which Geron Melville Island. It was thought man raiders recently again sank a

Granted By Board of Railway Commissioners.

A despatch from Ottawa says: An important judgment handed down by TOMATOES INSTEAD A despatch from London says: The the Board of Railway Commissioners losses to British shipping show a ma- provides for a 15 per cent. increase in

### AIR REPRISAL MISSED KAISER

Mannheim Raid Occurred About An Hour After Emperor Had Left City.

A despatch from Geneva says: The German emperor, returning with his staff from the Verdun front, had narrow escape during the reprisal raid of a British air squadron on Mannheim Christmas Eve, according cording to freights outside to a despatch from Basel. Only about an hour earlier the emperor's special train left the station, which was partly destroyed by several bombs.

A section of the tracks was torn up, cutting communication north. In fact, the emperor's train was the last to leave Mannheim, and no trains arrived at Basel from that city. Two bombs fell on the palace and one the suspension bridge across the Necdamaged. An ammunition factory in a northern suburb was blown up. Few persons were killed here, however, as the employes were having a holiday. Numbers of persons were killed or injured within the town, and several were blown into the Rhine.

# DI EVITADIAN

Class in Halifax Are Young

blind, and the majority of them are to \$7; Limas, 17 to 17hc. young women and children. Sir Frederick Fraser, chairman of the Halifax LORD that a fund of at least \$500,000 will be 38 to 42c; back required to provide accommodation less, 43 to 44c and suitable training for those who to 28c lb; clear bellies, 26t to 27c. Canadian Explorer and Company Sir John Jellicoe Replaced—Is vigorous campaign for this fund is compound, tierces, 241 to 291c; pails, 29 to 291c; tubs, 241 now on, and Sir Frederick Fraser says to 25 to 25 to 25 to 25 to 25 to he hopes that the people of Canada A despatch from Ottawa says: A despatch from London says: operate in securing the amount re- western, No. 3, 90½c; extra No. 1 feed, 90½c; No. 2 local white, 87c; No. 3 do.

Japan's Contribution Thus Far -No Troops For West.

an's total financial support to the En- No. 2 C.W., \$3.074; No. 3, do., \$2.904. tente Allies aggregates more than 1,-000,000,000 yen, said Minister of Finance Shoda recently in an address to 500 leading financiers or business men of Western Japan. For Japan, he de-

ese troops to the European front, he track, \$3.43; arrive, \$3.42; arrive in December, \$3.43; December, \$3.43 bid; The sum of £90,000 has been subimpossibility. Japan, he said, was prepared to exert her utmost efforts so to disturb business, he added, was do., rough bulls, \$5.25 to \$6.25; butchers'

11 British merchantmen of 1,600 tons bia, where the maximum rate is now or over were sunk during this period of over the first of over the sunk during this period of over the sunk during the sunk ing the same period. Seventeen vestand to per cent. In the west and to per

### Markets of the World

Toronto, Jan. 1—Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$2.23\frac{1}{2}: No. 2, do., \$2.26\frac{1}{2}: No. 3, do., \$2.17\frac{1}{2}: No. 4 wheat, \$2.10\frac{1}{2}. in store Fort William, including 2\frac{1}{2}c tax.

Manitoba oats—No. 2 C. W., 83\frac{1}{2}c: No. 3 C.W., 78\frac{1}{2}c: No. 1 extra feed, 77\frac{1}{2}c: No. 1 feed, 76\frac{1}{2}c. in store Fort William. merican corn-No. 3 yellow, nomi-

Ontario oats-No. 2. white. 77 to 78c. ominal; No. 3, do., 76 to 77c, nominal, Ontario wheat-New, No. 2 Winter, \$2.22; basis, in store, Montreal. Peas—No. 2, \$3.70 to \$3.80, according Buckwheat-\$1.55 to \$1.60, according

Straw-Car lots, per ton, \$9 to \$9.50.

Montreal, Jan. 1-Oats-Canadian

86c. Flour—Man. Spring wheat patents, It is stated that the Government in- from life at the front was that Halifax clers from Nelson, Rossland and Trail, Middlings, \$48 to \$50. Mouillie, \$56 to champion sniper on the Salonica wrecking experience Halifax was Dragoons early in the war as a private do., easterns, 214c. Butter, encicest day.

creamery, 442 to 45c; seconds, 432 to day.

44c. Eggs, fresh, 54 to 55c; selected. It has been learned that Lieut.

46c; No. 1 stock, 42c; No. 2 stock, 38 Wright, of Fahan, reported missing

A despatch from Tokio says: Jap- \$1.37\frac{1}{2}: No. 4. do., \$1.32\frac{1}{2}: rejected and feed, \$1.17. Flax—No. 1 N.-W.C., \$3.10\frac{3}{2}:

United States Markets

Toronto, Jan. 1-Extra choice heavy

hospitals in the Liverpool district. berries containing a quantity of canned fruit were put up by the ready to pull out at 10 o'clock. They 100 miles.

o freights outside Rye-No. 2, \$1.78, according to freights ers', do., \$10.60, Toronto.

Ontario flour—Winter, according to sample, \$9.95, in bags, Montreal; \$9.75, Millfeed-Car lots-Delivered Mont-

kar River, both structures being badly \$16.50; mixed, do., \$13 to \$15, track To-

Country Produce-Wholesale Butter-Creamery, solids, per lb., 421

prints, per 1b., 42 to 431c; dairy, Eggs-Fresh gathered eggs, 50 to 52c. Poultry-Geese, dressed, lb., 21 to 22c. Potatoes - Wholesalers are paying Happenings in the Emerald Isle of growers and country shippers \$1.75 for first-class stock, f.o.b., outside points.

Wholesalers are selling to the retail trade at the following prices:

Cheese—New, large, 23 to 23½c; twins, 23¼ to 23¾c; early cheese, 25½ to 26c; large twin, 26 to 26ic.

creamery prints, 45 to 46c; solids, 44 to awarded the Croix de Guerre for con-Margarine—32c. 1b. Eggs—New laid. in cartons, 60 to 65c; Dressed poultry-Spring chickens, 26 the Ballykinder Soldiers' Home.

per 1b; 10's, 181 to 19e; 60's, 18 to 181c At least 200 of these will be totally \$8 to \$8.50; imported hand-picked, \$6.50

Blind Relief Committee, estimated 31c; do., heavy, 26 to 27c; cooked, 43 to

clared, this contribution was immense. no longer quoted; second clears, \$6.00. amounted to \$11,000, were sent to the situation of horror was without particle of the Victory Long reached the same of



# From Erin's Green Isle AWFUL HORROR

A "Move" on the West Front,

BY MAIL FROM IRE LAND'S SHORES.

Interest to Irish-Butter-Fresh dairy, choice, 40 to 41c; M., of the Irish Guards, has been

spicious gallantry. The sum of £61 was raised at a

been raised on the six thousand plots tion," he said, "I was struck with the plague in Vancouver.

sided at the first debate of the season I had seen in France and Belgium; service. Such in essence is the findof the Dublin Law Students' Society. the shattered buildings temporarily ing of Dr. Adam Shortt, appointed by Smoked meats—Hams, medium, 30 to Whitechurch, near New Ross, in aid ing carried on amid the ruins and degree gate the street car problem in the Proof the local branch of the Red Cross bris. The whole hillside gives a good vince of British Columbia.

Lady Clonbrook that the motor am- cities in France and Belgium is that Flight Sub-Lieut. William Cutler, killbulance presented to the Connaught the former contained many wooden ed in action while serving with the Rangers is doing good service at the houses. At the front the ruined walls British Flying Corps.

Boulogne base. Lee, Island Bridge House, Dublin, has sumed the houses and the streets success. Nearly 500 entries were re-

Bran, \$35. Shorts, \$40. Captain M. O'Leary, V.C., is the wait for the next. From that nerve Major John G. Anderson, of Victoria,

three pounds of sugar per week to home, and quickly hundreds of fires Henderson, brother of Mrs. H. J. Latmix with his rat poison.

scribed to the Ulster Volunteer Force Patriotic Fund for the support of broken down soldiers and their families. work in a strong way. The people be a considerable reduction of train to aid the Allies in other respects, but \$10.75 to \$11; butchers' cattle, choice, Mabel Dease by the St. John Ambu- which proved them to be of the same dian Pacific Railway lines, made

> While attending church in Dublin, "The loss of life would have been active operation, every effort being cows, choice, \$9.50 to \$10; do., good. Pte. J. Donaley, who has been deaf prompt and efficient help from Boston.
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> Stockers \$7.75 to \$8; and dumb for ping months from both prompt and efficient help from Boston.

HALIFAX tation of France and Belgium

by Major C. W. Gordon. jumble sale held at Clough, in aid of he has been speaking, Major C. W. tinguished Service Order. to 28c; milk-fed chickens, 1b., 80c; lower soldiers' Home.

fowl, 22 to 25c; turkeys, 34 to 37c; New branches of both the Ulster Fresh from the scene of the disaster proximately \$30,000 will be erected by the Vancouver Rotary Club on the old Gordon arrived at Toronto recently. A health clinic building to cost apducks, Spring. 25 to 27c; geese, 26 to and Northern Banks are being opened of Halifax, "Ralph Connor" compared the Vancouver Rotary Club on the old

> Vegetables valued at £50,000 have "When I came into the Halifax sta. termined fight against the white cultivated by Belfast working men. strange and horrible familiarity of the The elimination of the jitney is the J. T. Campbell, M.A., Dublin, pre- scene. It was like so many stations price of salvation for the street car A successful concert was given at patched up, and the train service be. the Provincial Government to investipicture of the ruins at the front. The Mrs. M. F. Cutler, of Victoria, has Sir Ernest Clarke has informed difference between Halifax and the been notified of the death of her son, Capt. Tom C. C. Lee, son of Richard traceable, but here the fire had con- Grand Forks turned out to be a buge

#### Uuparalleled Misery

"The first three days were days of for daring work 10 months ago and since August, is a prisoner in Ger- unparalleled misery. First came the promoted to the rank of major, has shock and the slaughter. Almost im- been killed in action. The Newton Rural Food Committee mediately upon the wreck of the Word has been received in Grand have allowed a rat-catcher to use houses, fire sprang up from every Forks of the death of Pte. Harold were blazing on the hillside at the ley, from wounds received during a re-The Dublin Port and Docks Board same time. Then followed the storm, cent engagement in Flanders. have granted the application of P. the snow, the gale and the rain. The About 2,000 feet of floor space is Kennedy for three acres of land for equal of this was not seen in forty what the exhibit of the Canadian De-Minneapolis, Jan. 1—Corn—No. 3 yel- the erection of a corn mill at Alexan. years. This fell upon the city where partment of Agriculture will require so many people, homeless and with- at Vancouver's exhibition next year. John McCormack gave a concert out clothing, were searching the ruins Despite the strike conditions and allel in Canada.

### Rescue Work Started

her operation could not go to the ex- \$10.60 .to \$10.85; do., good, \$9.60 to lance Association of Borrisoklane on class as our men at the front.

To common \$8.95 to \$9.25; do., her investment by the King was obliterated. They A trip up Powell Lake shows all tent of sending troops to Europe. To common, \$8.25 to \$8.50; butchers' bulls, her investment by the King with the class distinction was obliterated. They A trip up Powell Lake shows all only heard the call for pity.

> stockers, \$7.25 to \$8.75; feeders, \$9.25 and dumb for nine months from shell prompt and efficient help from Boston, possible before the snow arrives. to \$10; canners and cutters, \$5.15 to shock, suddenly recovered speech and first by the military unit and then by the Red Cross workers and others. Council, meeting as a committee of

Philippines have had some instruction in the English language and more of Soap should be bought in quanti- The good housewife will not allow boiling point and add enough dissolved the Vineland Fruit Station this year to fight their way through to the out- of sulphur, with a small percentage of them speak and write it than any othties; remove the wrapper and allow even one slice of bread a day to be corn-starch to thicken, and there will for shipment to the military hospitals in England and France.

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## FROM SUNSET COAST

WHAT THE WESTERN PEOPLS

in a Few Pointed

vested \$7,000 of the corporation's sinking funds in Victory Loan 20-year Three marine disasters have occur-

and the Mariposa are the unlucky Rupert amounted to \$202,100, and, in-

cluding the district, made a grand total of \$295,950. Duncan Kerr, British Columbia, re-

Service Act, was given two years in the penitentiary. The small herd of wapiti which have been bred in the corral at the prison farm at Okalla are on the way to the Lillooet district, to be released

Major Cyril B. North, M.C., son of Ruined City Compared to the Devas- Mr. J. T. North, Vancouver, who enlisted as a private and went to the front with the first centingent, was recently invested by the King at Returning from Nova Scotia, where Buckingham Palace with the Dis-

Live poultry—Turkeys, 28c; Spring in various parts of the North of Ire. the scene with those he had witnessed hospital grounds facing Pender street, with the object of making a more de-

would be left standing and the streets The district poultry show held in

Dragoons early in the war as a private was given his commission in the field and was awarded the Military Cross

the Victory Loan reached the sum of

shingle bolt and leggng camps in

was made by the Canadian Pacific 000 pounds of tomatoes were thus dressing and a lettuce leaf is an ex-Under the rule of the United States its provisions rates on a large numly shipments to about thirty military has of commodities are reduced hospitals in the Livernool district.

In making pies of canned fruit or hospitals in the Livernool district hospitals in the Livernool district countering and the corps organized with full supplies clouds, which are visible for nearly him to go, and that evening he had is perpetually enveloped in dark

> the sulphur, which is of high quality: but, strange to say, sufficient capital was not subscribed. Therefore, the export of sulphur from White Island is still very small In the interior is a lake fully fifty acres in extent, the water of which has a temperature of 110 degrees Fabrenheit, and is strongly impregnated

A despatch from Melbourne, Australia, says: Latest figures in the referendum are 870,000 for conscription, 1,050,000 against, including the first returns from the Australian forces, which it is officially announced are 17,000 for and 23,000 against con-

terial decrease for the past week.

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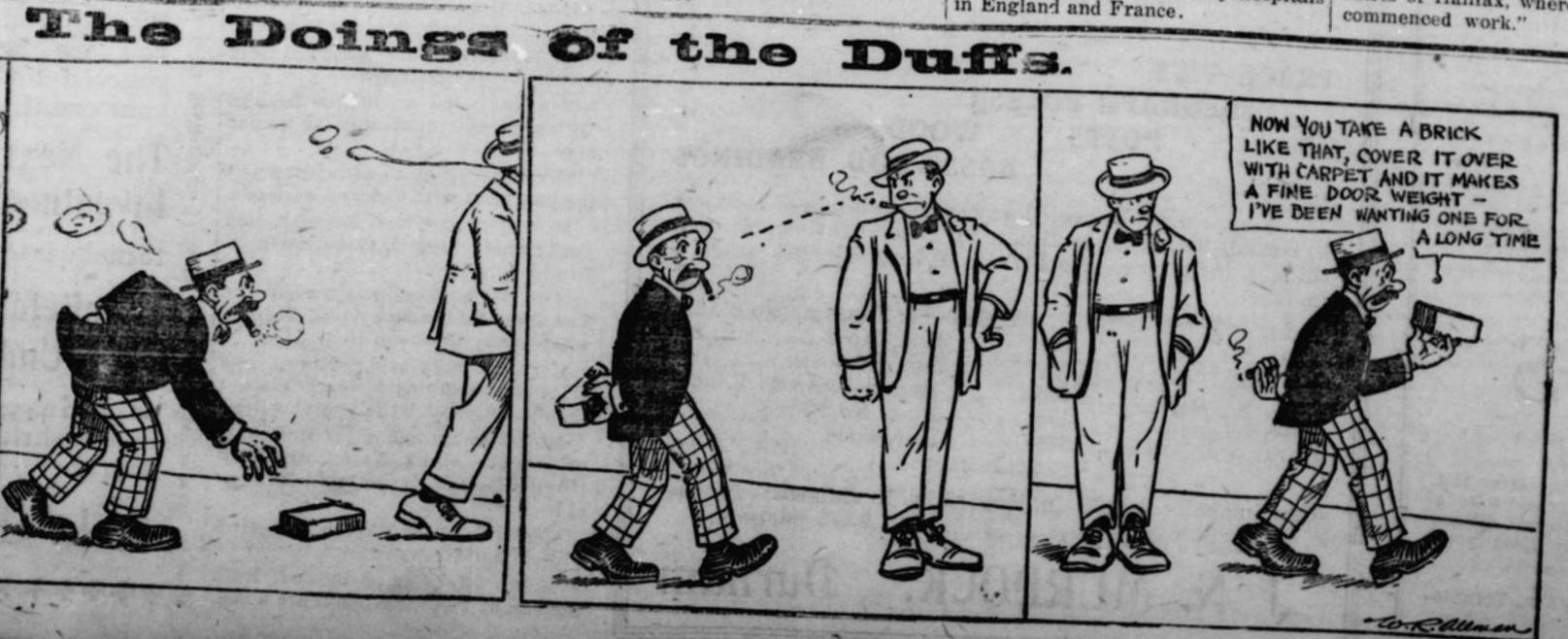
A despatch from Liverpool says: A year ago the city of Liverpool decided to give the above to suspend the cultivation of chrys-31 British merchantmen of 1,600 tons or over were sunk during this period.

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ARE DOING.

Paragraphs. The Richmond municipal council in-

red in Alaska waters since November first. The S. S. Alki, the Manhattan Victory Bond subscriptions in Prince

fusing to register under the Military

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It is unofficially appounced at Van-"Halifax took hold of the rescue couver that after January 1 there will

ing been through four other great most extraordinary island in the

was made to float a company to work

with acids. On one side of this lake are craters from which steam escapes with great force and noise. This steam and the vapor from the lake form the dark cloud which envelopes the island.

AUSTRALIAN SOLDIERS AGAINST CONSCRIPTION

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lake-fishing busin United States firm the fact that mor of the total output the United States On our Great L fishing industry is during the su months, but also the fish are take and, owing to clin be transported lor requiring expensis frigeration. They ly as soon as tak and are shipped to the United States Western states, a growing demand i fish in Eastern ma

To keep irons fr mutton fat and w Sulphate of iron rective for many sickly. Make a s lon of water, and plants once or tw