

## NEW MACHINE GUN FOR U. S. SUCCESSFUL

Range Twice as Great as  
Older Types of  
Weapon.

**RATE OF FIRE IS  
EASILY REGULATED**  
Has Many New Features  
Which Are Improvement  
Over Its Predecessors.

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Washington, Dec. 15.—A new long range machine gun effective at a distance twice as great as that of the guns used during the world war and firing a bullet more than five times as heavy as that used in the Springfield rifle has been perfected by the Ordnance branch of the war department, according to announcement made today.

The new weapon, which has a calibre of about half an inch compared to the 3 calibre gun used during the war, has just completed a series of severe tests. It has been developed by the War Department with the assistance of John M. Browning, inventor of the Browning gun, and embodies many ideas suggested by him.

First Test Successful.

The first gun developed and manufactured in accordance with the recent idea of Mr. Browning and the specifications from the Small Arms Division Ordnance Office, was tested on Nov. 24, 1920, and those witnessing the test were enthusiastic over the creditable results which were made," says the War Department report.

"It was demonstrated that the effective range is at least twice as great as the effective range of the calibre .3 machine gun. The weight of the gun is about twice as great as that of the calibre .3 Browning machine gun. Its water jacket has a capacity of two gallons and the water used for cooling purposes reaches the boiling point after 300 rounds of continuous firing.

Rate of Fire Regulated.

"The rate of firing of this weapon can be regulated between 400 and 700 shots per minute by a very ingenious trigger mechanism. Preliminary tests so far conducted indicate that the gun is extremely accurate at long ranges and the grouping of shots is unusually good. Accurate fire is easily directed by virtue of the fact that the fixed sight which has been placed upon the top plate of the gun has been placed in a position practically to the runner's eye and on account of the size of the weapon it has been possible to make the sight radius unusually long.

"The tripod as at present tentatively designed for this weapon weighs about ten pounds more than the gun with the water jacket filled with water. It is believed that the design of this tripod is unusually good and the firing conducted so far shows it to be very stable.

Several New Features.

"Several new and desirable features have been added to this unusual weapon which are not found in the calibre .38 Browning machine gun and an attempt has been made in the new weapon to overcome such defects as have developed in the .38 calibre type. The gun has a double grip somewhat similar to, but much simpler than the double grip found on the Maxim and Vickers machine guns, and the excessive racking effect that would inevitably follow from the use of so powerful a weapon as this, has been minimized by the use of an ingenious buffer mechanism which has been added to absorb the recoil. This feature has made possible a considerable reduction in the weight of the weapon."

CHURCH GIVES UP

Kitchener, Dec. 14.—Grace Congregational Church of this city has given up the struggle against adverse circumstances and has officially closed its doors. Owing to many removals and the death of many of its prominent members, Grace Church has had financial difficulties for some time. Rev. F. G. Purnell, who became pastor in October, resigned a month later and has left for England.

## TO BE TROUBLED WITH Constipation

The Cause of Many Ills.

If you do not feel well and go to your family physician, one of the first things he will do is ask you to hold out your tongue. The reason for this is that the condition of the tongue shows the condition of the stomach and bowels. If you allow your bowels to become constipated, you will have bilious attacks, sick headaches, coated tongue, foul breath, heartburn, water brash, etc., and these troublesome ills, which cause so much annoyance and misery. Keep your bowels moving regularly and you won't be sick. In Williams' Large-Liver Pills you will find just the remedy you require for this purpose. They are purely vegetable and do not grip, weaken or sicken. Mr. Joe S. Harris, Box 594, Halifax, N. S., writes: "For two years I suffered with constipation. I could not get anything to cure me, and hardly anything would give me even temporary relief. One day my uncle induced me to try Williams' Large-Liver Pills, and even brought me a trial. I did them without much delay, but I soon found they were doing me good, and after taking the second trial I was relieved of my trouble. Williams' Large-Liver Pills are sold at all dealers, or mailed direct on receipt of price by The T. Williams Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont."

## N. S. VETERANS ASK GOVERNMENT TO AID IN PROVIDING WORK

Premier Murray Promises Co-Operation of His Government.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 15.—Claims that three thousand war veterans are out of employment throughout the province, a delegation headed by Lieutenant-Colonel C. E. Bent, C.M.G., D.S.O., have appealed to the provincial government for assistance in the amelioration of the situation. Yesterday the delegation interviewed Premier George H. Murray and laid before him the following proposals:

(a) That wherever possible the Dominion Government should continue work on the roads throughout the province.

(b) That an extra grant under the housing act be obtained to permit work on the construction of homes, and

(c) That the local government approach the federal authorities with a view to putting forward the work on the ocean terminals.

Want Strike Ended.

The delegation also asked that some effort be put forward to bring to an end the deadlock in the Cape Breton steel strike.

The premier received the delegation cordially and promised on behalf of the provincial government that the entire matter would be taken under consideration. The government would co-operate, and Mr. Murray said that if necessary, steps would be taken to organize measures of relief.

## MAN WITH RIFLE HELD UP BURGLARS

Prevented Looting of Safe by  
Three Men in Barber Shop  
on Broadway.

New York, Dec. 1.—Three men were captured early this morning while apparently attempting to open a safe in a barber shop and theatre block at 1668 Broadway. The capture was made possible by a man who occupies a room above the barber shop who donned a bathrobe, when he heard persons moving in the room beneath him, and held up the trio with a rifle.

Persons coming from Wolpin's restaurant, adjoining the barber shop, saw the tableau of one man covering three others with a rifle and notified the West Forty-seventh street police station by telephone. Detectives Litzauer, Brand and Oliver and Policemen Fisher and Donnelly responded. The confusion caused by their entrance diverted the attention of the man with the rifle and the other three men put up a fight which resulted in their being beaten by the policemen.

During the mix-up, the man with the rifle went back to bed in the room upstairs without giving his name.

Burglar Outfit Found.

At the police station the three men gave their names as Harry Keller, 22, of 112 Ludlow street, a painter; Harry Gordon, 25, of 346 East Forty-sixth street, a clerk; and Anthony DeLo, 25, of 233 East Fourteenth street, an aviator. They were charged with burglary and with having burglar's tools in their possession. Both Keller and Gordon bore marks of their encounter with the police.

A new burglar's outfit was found on the floor near the safe. It included three "can openers," a sectional jimmy and a brace and four bits. After the three prisoners had been placed in cells, detectives went back to the theatre building to get the name of the man with the rifle, who is wanted as a witness.

## MISSING BALLOON SIGHTED PASSING AT FORK MOUNTAIN

Gloversville, N. Y., Dec. 9.—A balloon, believed to be the craft which left the Rockaway naval air station Monday, passed over Wells, Hamilton county, at 8.30 o'clock last night and was reported to have crashed into the side of Fork mountain about three miles northeast of the town, but the report proved untrue. The craft was later reported to have fallen into Saranac Lake. The balloon was flying at an altitude of about 200 feet while passing over Wells, and asked the direction of Albany.

## ATTORNEY GAVE MRS. KEDDY GOOD ADVICE

Nova Scotia Woman Gains 20  
Pounds and Says She Thinks  
Nothing of Two Mile Walk  
Since Taking Tanlac.

"I have gained twenty pounds in weight and could talk all day about the good Tanlac has done me and then not tell it all," said Mrs. Irving Keddy, Tanlac's Cove, Dartmouth, N. S., recently.

"At the time I got Tanlac I was so badly run-down and weak I could hardly walk. I could scarcely eat anything at all, and my stomach was so badly out of order that my food seemed to give me no strength.

"After meals gas would form on my stomach, pressing up into my chest and causing awful pains, and some times it seemed that I would smother. My stomach distressed me all the time, and it seemed like I couldn't digest anything.

"I scarcely knew what it was to sleep, just roll and tossed most of the night, and when morning came I felt so tired I didn't want to get up. I had a dull, heavy headache many mornings and felt nervous and shaky all the time.

"I fell off until I was almost a skeleton, and was so weak I could scarcely do any of my house work. Often, while trying to put the house in order, I had such dizzy spells it seemed like I was going to fall.

"Well, this was my condition for about a year, and although I just tried everything, I got worse right on, and my husband and I both thought I couldn't hold out much longer.

"Finally, a lawyer friend of ours told us about Tanlac, and I decided to try it. The very first few doses seemed to help me, so I kept taking it, and every bottle made me feel better.

"I have taken six bottles now and my appetite is so good I can harry eat enough to satisfy it, and I haven't a trace of indigestion left. As I said, I have gained twenty pounds in weight, and am as strong as I think nothing of a two mile walk.

"I sleep like a child every night, never feel the least bit nervous, and it is once more a pleasure to do my house work and take care of my four children. Tanlac certainly is a grand medicine, and I praise it every chance I get."

Tanlac is sold in St. John by Ross Drug Co. and F. W. Munro under the personal direction of a special Tanlac representative.—Advt.

## IS JAMAICA GINGER HOOD OR EXTRACT?

Boston, Dec. 15.—Martin Waterhouse, who was found guilty in the Superior Criminal Court of selling intoxicating liquor which consisted of Jamaica ginger for which, according to the evidence, he was paid \$1 per bottle, is taking the case to the full bench of the Supreme Court to determine whether that beverage is classed among intoxicants.

## LUXEMBOURG WORRIED OVER COST OF ARMY

The Hague, Dec. 15.—The question of increasing its "army," now numbering 175 men and 6 officers, to perhaps 2,500 men to meet possible requirements for police duty under the League of Nations, is greatly disturbing the parliament of the tiny nation of Luxembourg. Some opposition to joining the League at all developed on the ground that such an army would bankrupt the nation and rob industry of necessary labour.



Keep Fit For Success In Life

BY DR. A. B. BARCOCK.

You can take your boy and out of him make anything you like if you can get him under good self-discipline. All roads are open to the man who is strong and fit. Uncle Sam took "our boys"—those slatted, stooped, hollow-chested youths—and made of them vigorous, well-developed, well set-up and courageous men. Take the right way! Train yourself and your children to take proper exercise, drink plenty of water and keep the system clean. Your doctor will tell you that anything from a common cold or headache to the most serious illness may result from the absorption of poisons in the intestines.

The first principle is to keep the system clean. Occasionally see that the boy or girl, as well as yourself, has an internal bath. It may be with castor oil or a tiny pill of May-apple, aloin and jalap, which is sold by druggists as Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets.

If a cold starts with a cough and it persists, then some local treatment for this condition should be taken. A well-known alternative extract which has been on the market for a great many years, and which has been highly recommended by thousands of users, is Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. This tonic compound is composed of an extract of roots and herbs, without alcohol, and has a soothing effect upon the mucous membrane, always the irritation and at the same time works in the proper and reasonable way, at the seat of the trouble—the stagnated or poisoned blood.

Roof Blown Off Barn;  
Woman Killed In Smash

Fergus, Ont., Dec. 15.—Mrs. Geo. Clarke, wife of a farmer living a miles from the village of Belwood, was almost instantly killed yesterday when the roof was blown from the barn. The timbers crushed her as she was on her way out to meet her husband who is also reported seriously injured.

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