

GIFT OF 17.2 ACRES OF LAND NATURAL RESOURCES, BROUGHT U. S. QUARTERMASTER DEPOT HERE

Federal Quarters Among Pridel Possessions Of City; Manufacturing Division Among Leading Industrial Plants Of Same Size

(Editor's Note: This is the first of a series of articles on the U. S. Quartermaster Depot, written by Miss Sylvia Rason, City Editor, and to appear from time to time in The Evening News.)

A contribution of 17.2 acres by the City of Jeffersonville in 1870 to the United States Government, brought within the bounds of this municipality, the United States Quartermaster Depot, one of the largest manufacturing and storage stations in the present possession of the Government.

In presenting the facts of pridel possession, from a civil standpoint, the Quartermaster Depot is without doubt among the first mentioned and among the foremost show places in Jeffersonville. However with all the demonstration of certain departments, possession of this institution within the corporate bounds of the city, there are few residents perhaps today, who pause to realize the magnitude and the extensiveness of the work that is accomplished here by the Depot personnel.

A visit to the depot executive office reveals a corps of officials and clerks, who are deeply engaged in the work of direction of the manufacturing, supply and storage depot for the Quartermaster Corps of the United States Army. The executive offices resemble offices of any institution, with the prestige of service and efficiency of the outstanding factors, a visit to the manufacturing plant, and the various departments in this branch of the depot, reveals equipment modern in every detail, and craftsmen who are skilled and have proven their abilities by virtue of their presence there.

Gen. Meigs Drafts First Plans The general plan of the depot as it arose in the infancy of the city, more than half a century ago, was designed by Major General M. C. Meigs, Quartermaster General of the United States Army. The first buildings were completed in 1874 and the active work of the depot began with the assignment of Colonel James E. Ekin as commander.

While many hours would be required for one to visit each of the various departments of the depot, an idea of the vastness of the work is gained through a visit to any of the individual manufacturing plants.

A view of a cavalry as it moves along in military order, perhaps rarely provokes the thought of the quality of equipment. The gallantry of the horses and the military training of the riders who are in the United States Army are indeed the outstanding factors to draw the attention and interest of the onlooker.

However, the equipment is nevertheless, an invisible factor, it is not much success to the picture as any other detail.

Few other than those interested in the quality of the equipment, the saddlery, would perhaps pause to look for long upon any army saddle. However, when one enters the saddle man's shop, he beholds rows and stacks of saddles, with labels bearing the names of the possessors from all parts of the United States, it is then that the interest begins to arise, it is then that the sudden imagery of what those saddles might indicate, seems high.

Old army saddles sent in for repair bring to the mind's picture of worn endurance, accomplishment. A new saddle in the finished product, as one may see it here, brings to the observer, a suggestion of an unknown future and as the eyes behold further the details of the master craftsman, who that day displayed therein, thoughts of the ultimate destination of this particular product of the Jeffersonville depot, fills one's mind.

reassignment of Colonel J. R. R. Hanway, who was transferred last summer to San Francisco. Colonel Van Durne is to arrive here from Paris, France where he has been on duty with the Graves Registration Service.

9,000 Employees During War In addition to the officer in command, the staff is composed of 13 commissioned officers, six warrant officers, 73 enlisted men and 858 civilian employees.

During the World War 9,000 civilians were employed at the local Depot. Among the special articles of manufacture in large quantities were Army shirts, 10,000 of which were turned out in the finished product daily.

While a comparison of the present day picture of the operating force of the Depot with that of the World War period, presents an atmosphere of stilled calmness, nevertheless, the various divisions of manufacturing are operating and certain departments are at all times faced with a heavy production program.

In addition to the leather equipment shop there are the following: The Textile Equipment Shop, manufacturing and repairing any article of light or heavy cotton, duck or canvas webbing, sheeting or drill.

Metal Equipment Shop, including a machine shop, embracing a non-ferrous foundry capable of handling any small castings, forge shop, sheet metal forming, stamping and drawing presses, automatic wire machines, electric and acetylene welding, annealing and tempering, polishing and plating equipment. This shop is equipped with all the latest machinery and articles of special hardware used on various articles of equipment which cannot be procured to advantage in the commercial market.

Woodworking Shop: A well equipped plant capable of turning out any special articles required by the Army and Navy. The shop is equipped with all the latest machinery and articles of special hardware used on various articles of equipment which cannot be procured to advantage in the commercial market.

Print Shop: Equipped with modern machinery for the production of all types of printing, except the finest transfer or half-tone work. Among the items of special note in this shop is to be found a Miehle Printing Press which was in the United States service at General Persh's headquarters in France during the World War. A model 14 Linotype, also in the possession of this department and now in use here with in the service of the French military headquarters, during the war.

Drafting Department: A complete drafting department is maintained where all shop drawings for the products of manufacture are made. Eight draftsmen, and one chief make up the personnel of this department. Among the items of special note in this shop is to be found a Miehle Printing Press which was in the United States service at General Persh's headquarters in France during the World War. A model 14 Linotype, also in the possession of this department and now in use here with in the service of the French military headquarters, during the war.

History of the depot records the fact that it was not merely the contribution of this first small bit of Jeffersonville territory that brought the depot to this city, but it was founded here with a view to the future and in recognition of the strategic location of this city, on the banks of its natural waterways, its access to railroad transportation facilities, and because with all its natural resources, it was a more centrally located near the center of population that would in the future look to it as the primary supply source for its personnel necessary articles of army equipment.

WANTS ANOTHER FRIDAY AD "I wish to insert another ad in 'Friday's' paper," said Miss Anne Duffly, milliner in the Flat Iron building Friday. "I have noted remarkable results from my Friday advertisements in 'The Evening News,'" she went on to say.

Miss Duffly who returned to Jeffersonville last Spring to set up her own business in her own home, has seen the results of advertising in 'The Evening News' regularly. "Good and bigger business grows from good and bigger advertising!"

NEXT!



THREE PIERS COMPLETED ON NEW OHIO TRAFFIC BRIDGE-- TO BEGIN SUPERSTRUCTURE NOVEMBER 1

Caisson No. Two Largest Of Eight Now Sealed; Completed Structures Are Washed As Final Process

Whether appearing in the quaint twilight of a bleak October evening, or in the brilliant sparkling water of an early autumn morning, the piers of the Ohio river traffic bridge stand giant indications of the dawning of a new industrial era as north and south become joined at the open doors of the two cities near the falls of the Ohio river.

The dream of many who have hoped to see the event of a great bridge over the river between Jeffersonville and Louisville, comes nearer to a realization and the time now may be measured in months before this in conception of northern and southern territory by the Ohio will have been bridged to a union that will lend opportunity for Jeffersonville and Louisville alike to figure prominently in the progress that has all but seemed destined the first rays of industry are cast without the present bounds, into unexplored fields.

ed. Between Piers 4 and 5, the steel falsework from the bottom of the river about 100 feet high will be used in the erection of the superstructure. Twenty-three feet of the falsework will be under water.

The contract for the superstructure allows the builders until Jan. 1, 1930 for final completion.

Dedication Will Be In Autumn Setting Today

SCENE TO PRESENT MARKED CONTRAST TO EARLY MAY PICTURE OF THE CITY AT DEDICATORY VISIT

In the event that rain prevents the ceremony in Warder Park as planned today, reports Saturday morning stated that the Dedicatory service will take place in the Red Palace Hotel.

In marked contrast to a setting of 103 years ago, in the City of Jeffersonville, guests, organizations and townspeople will assemble at Warder Park at 3 o'clock this afternoon to commemorate the occasion of General Marquis De Lafayette's visit to the city and the only visit of the noted General to Indiana soil.

A stage set more than a century ago in early May presented a picture of our gay enthusiastic ancestors, dressed in their best ruffles and bows standing on the shore of Jeffersonville as the river steamer "General Pike" pompously shoved to shore and anchored for the several days of the General's diplomatic of the South, fair ladies and important gentlemen, who had been so honored as to accompany General LaFayette upon his visit to the Indiana Pioneer.

DIGEST POLL GIVES HOOVER LEAD EDITOR ISSUES CAUTION TO INTERPRET IF 11th HOUR SHIFT

Smith's Main Strength In Opinion Of Poll Is From Democrats Now Rather Than G. O. P.

Hoover is shown holding his strong lead over Smith in the semi-final returns of The Literary Digest national-wide Presidential poll published today and there are impressive indications that the Republicans may capture several States in the "Solid South" area which have been Democratic for more than fifty years.

Of great total of over 2,700,000 votes tabulated this week Hoover has 1,747,041 and Smith polls 971,856, a ratio of approximately 63 to 36.

With the returns announced as nearly complete from all sections of the country Hoover is ahead in every State with the exception of Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi and South Carolina, which Smith is carrying with ample reserves.

Though the Republican candidate has a plurality in Alabama and Arkansas, his margin is so scant that The Literary Digest classes the outcome in both States as doubtful.

Texas, which has the largest electoral vote of all the Southern States, is for Hoover by 51,293 to 34,683 votes in this "post-card election."

Florida shows a return of 17,247 to 9,162 or almost 2 to 1; for the Republican nominee and the Democratic strongholds of North Carolina and Virginia evidence striking pluralities for Hoover.

Obtains Majority The Republican candidate is obtaining a majority of this strength from the Democratic ranks in all ten States of the South with the exception of Virginia and North Carolina, where most of his votes are shown to be from his own party.

The border States of Kentucky, Maryland, Oklahoma and Tennessee each returning comfortable pluralities for Hoover. In Oklahoma, he has a lead over his opponent of 24 to 1.

In the Northwestern States of Wisconsin, Minnesota and North Dakota, which are classed as "doubtful" by many political authorities, The Literary Digest poll shows Hoover leading by odds as high as 2 1/2 to 1.

In the LaFollette-Progressive center of Wisconsin, with returns from that State, reports Saturday morning are polling 81,841 votes to the Democrats' 22,071.

In Maine, where a Republican Governor was elected by a 3 to 1 majority in September of this year Hoover is receiving 16,224 votes to Smith's 5,891.

Governor Smith's home State of New York gives him 133,422 to Hoover's 215,548, which figures are stated to be inclusive of New York City, New Jersey, considered as one of the

battle grounds of the campaign gives Hoover a week's returns of 55,299. In a separate section of the poll which the entire electorate large cities is being polled a decided advantage in City with 1,930,000 voters, Hoover goes by 98,363 to 70,789 (Philadelphia by 69,494 to 48,671).

The analysis of "how" the voters voted in 1924 is of Democratic standard being received almost 62 per cent from his own party in the earlier returns, more than half of his votes are from Republicans. Over three of the Hoover ballots are from Republicans and 23 per cent of his votes are from Democrats.

Of the 435,868 who did not vote in the presidential election, 59 per cent of them will vote Republican in 1928. The Literary Digest states that the poll of four years ago was amazingly accurate in a deviation from the post-war period as registered election.

The Digest itself is more recorder of opinion presenting facts in the partnership of honest at all sides of a campaign which this period has fairly been its.

"It prescribes its figures the honesty and accuracy which the poll was taking its reader to draw their own conclusions.

The Editor of The Literary Digest issues a caution in his interpret the figures in an eleventh hour shift of time.

"If there should be writes, 'of a wholesale camp to camp this should be 1,930,000 voters by their reckoning from goes accordingly.

"While we know of no character, it is only many voters who are ballots for one candidate their minds and vote which would be affected that much out of the such drift of course would not be affected."

Sixth Returns of the 1928 President

Table with columns: HOOPER, SMITH, Total, How many Voted '24, etc. Lists returns for various states including Ala., Ark., Cal., Conn., Del., Fla., Ga., Idaho, Ind., Iowa, Kan., Ky., La., Maine, Md., Mass., Mich., Minn., Miss., Mont., Neb., Nev., N.H., N.J., N.Y., N.C., N.D., Ohio, Okla., Pa., Penn., R.I., S.C., S.D., Tenn., Tex., Utah, Va., Wash., W.Va., Wyo., and S. Unkn.

Renn Faces Liquor Charges

Robert Renn, entered a plea of not guilty to charges of possession and sale of whiskey in the City Court Saturday morning and the case was set for trial Tuesday by Mayor Harry