

# BY SALT LAKE MAN

## Awarded Commission and War Cross Without Previous Military Training.

Thomas J. O'Brien, of Salt Lake, formerly treasurer-manager of the Federal Coal company, who was so determined to get up to the fighting front in France that he paid his own way across the ocean, after many months of the hardest and most dangerous kind of work, has been awarded a commission as lieutenant by the American commander on the field, without attending training school, and has been awarded the croix de guerre by the French commander.

This news was received yesterday in a cablegram from Colonel C. E. Stanton, formerly of Salt Lake, now with the American expeditionary forces; and the big friend of all the Utah boys with whom he comes into contact. The wire was to Dr. John E. Critchlow and confirmed what John A. Groesbeck and others familiar with Lieutenant O'Brien's work at the front predicted in The Tribune two months ago.

Lieutenant O'Brien was with the American army, but was attached to the ambulance service with the French lines. His many interesting letters from the first poste de secours immediately behind the firing line have appeared in The Tribune from time to time as they have been received by friends in this city.

Ambulance Driver Groesbeck, who returned some months ago, last night stated that O'Brien went in absolutely without pull and that he earned many times the honors paid him by his sheer determination and courage under the heaviest of fire.

## IVERSON LEADER OF COUNTY TICKET

The official canvass of the election results in Salt Lake county shows that M. C. Iverson, county auditor, led the ticket in the county with a total vote of 14,389. John S. Corless scored 15,161 votes.

The detailed result is as follows: J. S. Lindsay, 16,077; George T. Sharp, 11,744; Charles F. Stillman, 15,705; E. G. O'Donnell, 12,005; John E. Clark, 18,045; Daniel J. McRae, 11,625; John S. Corless, 15,161; C. L. Schettler, 11,704; Richard Hartley, 16,145; E. R. Callister, 11,735; W. W. Barton, 16,206; Archibald R. Gardner, 11,566; James E. Lynch, 16,186; C. W. Johnson, 11,805; Berkeley Olson, 16,153; Jennie Patten Musser, 11,680; M. C. Iverson, 16,389; Robert J. Deighton, 11,400; George G. Bywater, 16,007; Richard C. Towler, 11,809; Joseph W. Stringfellow, 11,099; N. S. Tanner, 8934; Henry C. Lund, 11,468; William Reger, 10,961; Arthur V. Watkins, 8468; Noel S. Prati, 9897; Albert J. Cope, 11,485; Thomas S. Fowler, 11,270; George P. Tingas, 8562; E. Dahlquist, 8604.

## AGED MAN CARED FOR BY POLICE

Exhausted and numbed with the cold, D. Griffith, who gave his age as 70 years,

# IS COMING TO UTAH

## Sperry Concern to Build Here and Globe Company in Ogden.

Although semiofficial statements coming from Portland yesterday announced that the Globe Grain & Milling company contemplated the erection of a flour milling institution in Salt Lake, yesterday's developments indicated that the Sperry flour company of San Francisco will build in this city, while the Globe people are constructing a large mill in Ogden. This particular section of the intermountain country is thus given two immense milling institutions in place of one.

The Sperry company operates in all of the larger cities on the Pacific coast, and is known to have sought to enter Utah for some time. With this object in mind company agents several months ago purchased a building site, and some definite plans have been made for building operations.

Although the Sperry company maintains no executive offices in Salt Lake, it has carried on grain buying operations for some time, and has contracted an ample amount of the best wheat produced in Utah for the initial grindings of the new mill. The institution will be reinforced concrete, with the latest of machinery and other equipment. High officials of the company are expected here shortly to confer with executives of the Commercial club with respect to obtaining an adjustment of freight rates that will guarantee fair competition with coast points.

## ADMINISTRATION OF FOOD TO CONTINUE

## Future Depends on Herbert Hoover's Report, Says W. W. Armstrong.

While the term of the food administration will not expire until the official signing of the peace treaty has taken place, the work of the organization may go on for a considerable time, according to W. W. Armstrong, food administrator for Utah, who returned yesterday from a conference of the state food administrators with Herbert Hoover, national food administrator, at Washington, D. C.

The demand on the people of the United States, for food with which to feed the allied and neutral countries of Europe will be even greater after the peace terms have been settled, said Mr. Armstrong, and the people of this country will be expected to conserve and save to just as great an extent as during the war.

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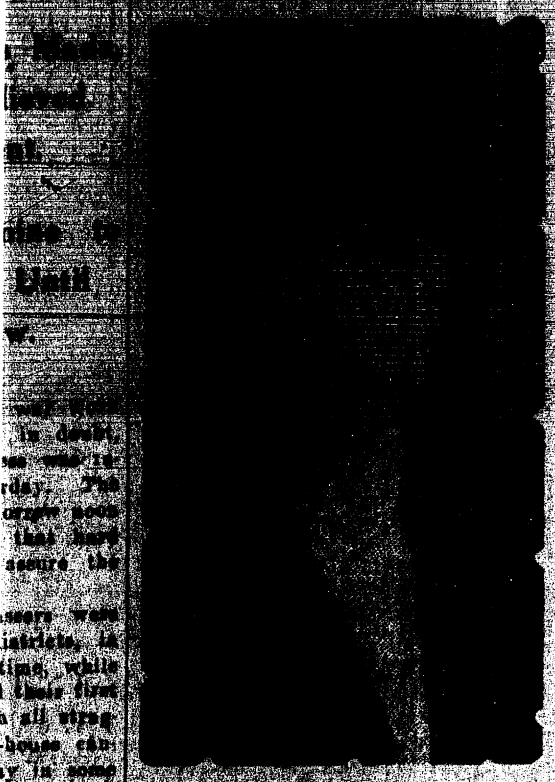
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## RED CROSS OFFICIAL

## VISITING SALT LAKE

## Miss Nellie Holsinger of Denver Is Consulting Chapter Heads.

To render executive aid in civilian relief work, connected with the Home Service department of the Red Cross, Miss Nellie Holsinger, assistant director of civilian relief service in Denver, reached Salt Lake yesterday and will remain some time, co-operating with Miss Kate Williams, secretary in charge here.

Miss Williams and Miss Holsinger arrived together, the former having been in Denver to attend a convention of Home Service delegates. Miss Holsinger will direct and carry out new plans having special reference to needs following the influenza epidemic.

## BIDS FOR PLUMBING SUPPLIES OPENED

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