

FREE SPECIAL TRAIN FOR SHIPYARD MEN

O.-W. R. & N. Co. to Furnish Cars to Vancouver Workers.

FARE PAID ON STRETCARS

Rapid and Direct Transportation to Standifer Steel Yards Assures Further Increase in Force.

Employees of the G. M. Standifer Construction Corporation are to be carried to the plants free from Albina and Russell streets in a special train of ten coaches, made up by the O.-W. R. & N., the first of which will be operated this morning.

The arrangement was announced yesterday and it means that every person working at the yards can be transported from his home to the plants for a 5-cent fare, the same as men working in Portland shipyards.

The transportation problem, particularly as regards the Vancouver yards, has been under consideration for some time. Men have been going there via the electric line and, while that proved convenient for those engaged in the wood shipyard, which is only a block from the end of the Interstate bridge, the men of the steel yard had to walk a considerable distance.

AUXILIARY PLANTS ARE BUSY

Thirty Establishments Have Payrolls Including 4700 Names.

In 30 auxiliary ship plants, such as boiler and machine shop foundries, galvanizing plants and the like, affiliated under the United Metal Trades Association, a total of 4700 men are employed, and, including a few small shops not in the association, it is estimated the total number of men is 5000.

BIG GAS TANK IS SHIFTED

Skippers Asked to Proceed Slowly Past Gilman Street.

Having shifted a big steel gas tank from First and Flanders to the foot of Gilman street, where it will be loaded onto two barges, Clay E. Morse, conductor, has requested the Harbor Patrol to caution masters and pilots of vessels passing there today and tomorrow to proceed under a slow bell.

GIFT DECLINED FOR BABIES

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LIFEBOAT CONTRACTS CLOSED

Pacific Company Has Work Assured for One Year in Advance.

Changes in regulations governing lifeboat and liferaft equipment for wood steamers, so they will no longer carry double the tonnage capacity as required in the war zone, will not affect the business of the Pacific Lifeboat Company, which is building boats for steel ships.

RIVER MARINERS WARNED

Big Gas Tank to Be Moved to Plant of Northwest Steel Company.

To captains, masters and operators of vessels on the river has been issued a warning to exercise caution during the latter part of this week, when Clay S. Morse will move the old gas tank from First and Flanders streets to the plant of the Northwest Steel Company.

First and Flanders streets to the plant of the Northwest Steel Company. The huge tank is to be placed on two barges, lashed together, with cribbing built up about them. It will be at the foot of Gilman street Friday, and probably will be taken to the steel plant Sunday.

STEEL SHIP STANDARD HIGHER

Western Plains Classed as Best Yet Delivered at Portland.

In the opinion of Fred B. Pape, assistant manager of steel ship construction in the Northwest, plants in the Portland district have continued to improve their organizations and increase efficiency since the inception of marine building. In classing the 8900-ton freighter Western Plains as the best ship from a construction and finishing standpoint yet delivered here, he credits it to changes in certain details and greater ability of the yard force.

CENSORSHIP BAN LIFTED; DAY OF RAIDER IS OVER.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17.—The voluntary censorship ban upon information of shipping movements on the Pacific Coast was withdrawn today with the approval of the Navy Department. Except in the case of transports and munition carriers, the Navy withdraws its request that newspapers refrain from publishing the movement of merchant ships in and out of Pacific ports.

Marine Notes.

Both serials are in operation over two new ways at the plant of the Columbia River Shipbuilding Corporation. On Ways No. 4 a steel ship is under construction, and there is to be another started on Ways No. 5 shortly. Up to the present the corporation has floated 10 hulls from three ways.

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Not old—but new! Comprenez vous?



DRUMM STREET EGYPTIAN CIGARETTES

Listen, People! If you are not fully satisfied after smoking half the box, return the balance to 37 Drumm Street, San Francisco, and receive in exchange a THRIFT STAMP. Who takes the risk?—The Quality of Old Egypt!!



"The Wonder of the Age."

HOUSING INVENTORY TAKEN

MANY WOMEN OPEN TO MEN AND WOMEN WORKERS. Some Additions Will Be Made to Available Number of House-keeping Rooms.

Portland's inventory of housing facilities available for taking care of workers in essential industries has been practically completed by precinct canvassers.

Eighty-five per cent of the returns had been brought in last night to Liberty Temple and today the work of tabulating the returns will be taken up by a large force.

A surprisingly large number of citizens have thrown their homes open to take in men and women workers. Many of these homes are in the best sections of the city, where it was not believed that any number of people could find accommodations.

There are, comparatively speaking, a limited number of housekeeping rooms to be had. The facilities of the city for housing families have been pretty well utilized. But the canvass will open for families, some opportunities, where homes will be thrown open and with slight alterations will permit occupancy by other families.

Chairman C. C. Coll, of the committee directing the canvass for listing of rooms, was engaged last evening in working out plans for the force of volunteers to start tabulating returns today.

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MOVEMENTS OF VESSELS.

PORTLAND, Oct. 17.—Sailed—Auxiliary schooner Mabel Stewart, for Shanghai.

ASTORIA, Oct. 17.—Left up at 6 last night—Barge No. 23, from San Francisco.

ASTORIA, Oct. 16.—Arrived at 7:30 A. M. and left up at noon—Steamer El Segundo, from San Francisco. Arrived down at 9 P. M. and sailed at 4:30 P. M.—Steamer Blandin, from San Francisco. Arrived down at 2 and sailed at 4 P. M.—Auxiliary schooner City of Portland, for Shanghai.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 16.—Sailed at 1:20 A. M.—Steamer Celtic, for Portland. Arrived at 2 P. M.—Auxiliary schooner Adrian Baden, from Portland, for Shanghai. Arrived at 11 P. M.—Steamer Rose City, from Portland, for San Pedro.

SEATTLE, Oct. 16.—Sailed—Steamer Westcott, for Comox and Portland.

VICTORIA, Oct. 16.—Arrived—Steamers Natchath and Gen. Barstler, from Portland.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 17.—Arrived—Steamer Arctic, from Fort Bragg; Admiral Dewey, from Seattle; Willamette, from Everett.

TACOMA, Wash., Oct. 17.—Arrived—Steamer President, from San Francisco. Sailed—Steamer President, for Seattle.

River Forecast. The Willamette River at Portland will remain nearly stationary during the next two or three days except as affected by the tide. High tides Friday will occur about 6 A. M. and 6:15 P. M., the stages being about 4.5 feet and 5.1 feet respectively.

Tides at Astoria Friday. High. Low. 6:15 A. M.—4.5 feet; 6:10 A. M.—5.1 feet; 6:15 P. M.—5.1 feet; 6:01 P. M.—4.5 feet.

Columbia River Report. bar at 5 P. M.; Sea, smooth; wind, southeast; air, calm.

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low the plan prevailing in England by subscribing 10 per cent of its assets to the fourth liberty loan.

An immediate canvass of the local situation by Robert Smith, state director, revealed the fact that Oregon's one insurance company already had subscribed up to 12 1/2 per cent of its assets. This was the Oregon Life Insurance Company. Other companies subscribe through headquarters, the subscription being allotted to the various branches.

STEAMBOAT NESPELEM FOR SALE

Location—Can be inspected at Taylor Street Dock, Portland, Oregon. This new Stern Wheel River Boat, built in 1917, is offered for sale. Capacity 200 tons; equipped with 600-H. P. engines and boilers. Bids for purchase will be received up to October 31, 1918, at the office of the Secretary, F. W. Anderson, Hut-ton building, Spokane, Washington.

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