

# ODESSA NOW MAN-FORSAKEN

ODESSA, Apr. 12.—This former Chicago of Russia, and destined soon to be again the principal export and import center of the new Ukraine Soviet Republic, today presents the appearance of a house from which the owner has been away on a long journey and left it in charge of careless keepers.

Despite the many conflicts which have taken place in this city since the workmen captured it in the fall of 1917, the well built docks, the solid business houses and the splendid residences are in good repair, externally, and seem to wear an edifying air, ready for the old prosperity to return.

Unlike Bakus and Tiflis, Astrakhan, Batum and dozens of other cities the correspondent has visited in Russia, there is not the air of finality of destruction and hopelessness that so characterizes them.

There has been destruction, of course, but not so much from war as from necessity. The huge public market, covering several city blocks has been torn down and its stones used in street repairs. On the waterfront the port looks in good condition.

But the lack of fuel in the city for several years has led to the destruction of a part of the grain elevator, once capable of storing 600,000 tons of export wheat. In some instances their wooden roofs are gone. A quarter of a mile of the loading apparatus, consisting of steel and wooden frames for handling the belt and bucket system of pouring wheat into the ships alongside has been torn down for firewood. The Peresk warehouses must be restored.

Coming into the city, along the railway line from Kiev the train runs for half a mile, along the gaunt walls of big buildings the roofs and upper stories of which are gone.

For all this the city maintains itself solidly. The sewage, waterworks and electric light systems function.

There is no doubt that Odessa can and will come back quickly.

The saddest feature of Odessa's life has to do with the immediate present. Coming in on the train there was a whole car full of dead people, frozen during long weeks of travel or dead from hunger or from typhus.

On the very streets of once proud and prosperous Odessa where bread could be had by the basketful there are daily dropping dozens of people, ill and dying from hunger and typhus.

In the only large restaurant in the city famishing people beg the privilege of sweeping the scraps from the table and these scraps they eat. These hungry persons were once well-to-do people, now thinned down to the skin and bone. The thinness of the people and the beauty of the city are the two first impressions of the stranger.

Dennis McSweeney, the longshore



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of Baltimore, in the state of Maryland, on the thirty-first day of December, 1921, made to the Interstate Commerce Commission of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law.

### CAPITAL

Amount of capital stock paid up \$1,500,000.00

### INCOME

Net premiums earned during the year \$10,310,812.74  
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year 1,176,823.12  
Income from other sources received during the year 184,747.85  
Total income \$11,672,383.71

### DISBURSEMENTS

Net losses paid during the year, including adjustment expenses \$11,563,315.15  
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year 75,588.99  
Commissions and salaries paid during the year 2,470,192.25  
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year 1,078,569.22  
Amount of all other expenses 1,422,719.89  
Total disbursements \$16,610,385.46

### ASSETS

Value of real estate owned (including leased) \$2,724,128.68  
Value of stocks and bonds owned (including leased) 11,235,814.88  
Loans on mortgages and other collateral, etc. 82,691.46  
Cash in banks and on hand 2,411,520.00  
Premiums in course of collection, written since September 29, 1921 6,491,421.72  
Interest and rents due and accrued and from other sources 384,822.58  
Total admitted assets \$21,871,409.32

### LIABILITIES

Gross claims for which liability is assumed \$2,264,242.61  
Special reserve for unpaid claims and withdrawals 4,898,241.81  
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks 11,114,824.87  
Due for commissions and brokerage 1,427,642.58  
All other liabilities 1,157,057.31  
Total liabilities, exclusive of capital stock \$21,871,409.32

### BUSINESS IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR

Net premiums received during the year \$1,217,880.11  
Losses paid during the year 64,102.24  
Losses incurred during the year 78,302.28

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# IMMIGRANTS GO TO ARGENTINA

## BOOTLEGGERS SABBED

BEND, Apr. 12.—Fines totaling \$1200 and jail sentences aggregating 20 months were handed down in justice court this morning by Judge E. D. Gibson when he passed upon three of the cases resulting from yesterday's activities of federal state and county officers. Passing of sentence in one case, that of Charles Laws, charged with possessing intoxicants, was deferred until this afternoon when Laws was fined \$100 and costs.

## SWAMP CREEK SWAMPY

ENFERMISE, Apr. 12.—The spring thaw got the best of the Swamp creek logging camp of the East Oregon company and work there was brought to a practical close the first of the week. The railroad equipment was brought out and the loader will be kept busy picking up logs dumped along the track, for use in just this contingency.

True to its name, Swamp creek makes its valley a mire in the spring when the snow melts and the frost first goes out of the ground. Last year the breakup came in March. The valley was under water for miles, with mud wherever men tried to work. Logging was continued until a locomotive went off the track, which lay on ground so boggy and soft that it hardly would hold up a jackrabbit.

RAGS Wanted at The Observer.

# NEWLY RICH HEAVILY TAXED

MOSCOW, Apr. 11.—Russia's newly rich speculators, merchants and others able to buy sweetmeats, wine and silk patrons of high-class restaurants have begun to pay a large proportion of their money to the government in the shape of a luxury tax.

One of the principal aims of the tax is to provide for the upkeep of schools.

"We must remain true to our principles, to take from the rich to maintain the poor," Commissar of Education.

Lumarcharsky said that Russian teachers were too poorly paid. "If villages can maintain churches, they must be made to maintain schools," he said.

As a result of the new taxes,

Ninety per cent of the immigrants say they have families or relatives in the United States whom they wish to join. Some come with full knowledge that one year's residence in Argentina is required before they are free to enter the United States but others say they were told by steamship agents that it would be merely necessary for them to trans-ship here to a steamer bound for an American port.

The American consulates at Rio de Janeiro and Montevideo are also reported to be busy with these applications, the majority of which come from Polish Jews.

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