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MANY VESSELS WERE IDLE LONG

(By Associated Press)
SAN FRANCISCO, July 6.—Eighty-nine American steamships and fifty-one American sailing vessels have been idle from two to twenty months in ports of California, Oregon and Washington, the result, according to E. W. Helyea, district manager of the United States Shipping Board, of the fact that there is not enough business at present to keep the shipping of the world busy.

"The United States is getting its share of what business there is," said Helyea. "For foreign vessels are tied up in their own countries. When business conditions become normal, there will be a great demand for boats to carry cargoes. The United States should prepare for this by turning over Shipping Board vessels to private owners and granting them subsidies, that they may compete with foreign-owned shipping."

Thirty-one of these idle boats on the Pacific coast are wooden sailing craft, and three are wooden steamers. Foreign vessels are being moved promptly, although some carry part cargoes and some carry ballast.

The United States Shipping Board alone has fifty-six steel steamers. The largest is the *U.S.S. Oregon*, a steel steamer of 7,071 tons, launched August 2, 1920; the *U.S.S. Albatross*, steel steamer, launched September 29, 1920, and the concrete tank steamer *Palo Alto* and *Orizaba*, each of 2,701 tons, launched October 26, 1920.

Before the war was begun in 1914 few vessels carried the American flag to foreign ports. Today, however, a merchant marine among the largest in the world, Uncle Sam sees his flag flying on many vessels in home ports.

Riding at anchor in San Francisco Bay are fifty-seven steamers and thirty-six sailing vessels. Puget Sound waters float twenty-two steamers and eleven sailing craft. The Columbia river shelters ten ocean steamers and two sailing vessels, and the lumbering port of Grays Harbor, Wash., has two mail-power boats tied up.

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(By Associated Press)
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An education campaign has been inaugurated among golfers with an aversion to reptiles in order that there may be no repetition of the deaths by violence which came to two of the organization's pets. Champions of the blacksnake declare that it is the most efficient natural enemy of the ground mole, which admittedly is the natural enemy of golf greens. Not only does the snake go right into the mole's borings and discourage that animal's operations, but it is alleged to kill off rattlers and copperheads. It is harmless to mankind and is unlikely to appear suddenly to disconcert a player about to putt, for it works at night.

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