

## PURCHASE OF SHIPS VIEWED AS PERILOUS

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## WAR DECLARED POSSIBLE

Not Only England, but France, Russia and Japan Interested in Outcome—Democrats Decide on All-Day Caucus.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—Democratic leaders of the Senate determined today to hold an all-day caucus on the Government ship-purchase bill tomorrow in the hope of reaching final agreement on all features of the measure. The Senate accordingly recessed until 11 A. M. Monday. The caucus will be continued tomorrow until the measure has been perfected.

Among the points of difference remaining is Senator Hoke Smith's amendment which would provide that the Government lease ships to be purchased to private corporations instead of operating them through a Government-controlled corporation, unless the latter is absolutely necessary. Another detail that is causing considerable concern is the proposal to bind the Democrats to caucus action. Several Democratic members are firmly opposed to the adoption of any binding resolution on the bill.

**Cummins Criticizes Wilson.**  
Republican opposition to the measure continued today, with Senators Cummins and Lodge as the speakers. The former assailed President Wilson's "disparaging speech and criticism" which he called the President's "whipping" of Congress. Senator Lodge asserted that the purpose of the ship-purchase bill was to take over German ocean steamships, which are now lying in American ports.

Insisting that the proposed venture was perilous for the country in any event, he declared that no matter what ships were bought to engage in ocean transportation, particularly in the North Sea, this country would be "put in measurable distance of war or humiliation." He read Supreme Court rulings to support his contention that the bill was unconstitutional.

**Purchase From Belligerents Unneutral.**  
"To buy the German ships interned in these ports and relieve their owners from the heavy daily expense in caring for them and to hand over to them \$20,000,000 or \$40,000,000 of money belonging to the American people," said Senator Lodge, "would be a great and direct assistance to one of the belligerents in the war now raging. It would be an unneutral act and readily might be construed as a hostile act and an actual breach of neutrality."

Senator Lodge stated he had been informed that the Administration had determined to send the Dacia, a German-owned ship, purchased by Americans and transferred to American registry, abroad to furnish a test case.

"It seems to me a rather dangerous business to make test cases of this character in time of war, when belligerents are protesting against the action, and for the State Department to approve sending forth a vessel which, as late as January 13, our war risk bureau declined to insure."

**European Trade Alone Is Open.**  
He said that France and Russia had held consistently that the transfer of the flag from a belligerent to a neutral, after hostilities had begun, was not to be recognized, and England the same, although Sir Edward Grey last Summer made some modifications of his opposition to the sale, if the ships were used in trade with Europe.

In view of the present empty cargo space going to South America, Senator Lodge said the United States could not desire the ships for that traffic, but only for the European trade.

In carrying on European trade, he argued the enemies of Germany would still regard the ships as German and as liable to be sunk.

The emergency in the shipping business, which had once been advanced as a reason for buying the interned ships, Senator Lodge declared, no longer supported the purchase, because ships were going empty to South America, and discharging facilities were not to be obtained for those ships now entering the crowded open ports of Europe.

**Interned Vessels Unsuitable.**  
Taking up a list of the interned vessels, he declared that with two or three exceptions there were unsuitable for the purposes the Administration has in mind, and their purchase would be an intolerable waste of money.

"Why is it so earnestly desired to buy them, with care and effort we could get cargo carriers from our coastwise trade or from other neutral nations?" Senator Lodge inquired. "We could pick up ships of the proper type here and there, and yet it is evident that the plan of the bill and the plan of the Administration is to buy the German ships in block, or a large number of them. Why? I confess I am entirely unable to answer the question, and I do not know that there is anything behind this bill except the desires of the Administration. I am certain, however, that there are no good reasons or arguments in its favor, and I am sure that to allow it to become law without some provision protecting us against the purchase of the ships of belligerents, and the consequent international complications, will make it a bad bill, indeed, for the American people, setting aside for the moment all the grave objections of Government ownership."

**Hands on Dial Turned Back.**  
Senator Cummins declared it to be his "deliberate judgment that, taken as a whole, the course of the President has, in two years, turned back the hands upon the dial of progress so far that his party will not again be trusted with the timepiece of the 20th century."

At length he attacked the President's influence on Congress and said, with the exception of the tariff law, all measures of general interest considered since the beginning of his Administration had been initiated in the White House or in the office of a Cabinet Minister.

"Somehow the spirit of our institutions has been transformed," said Senator Cummins, "and the legislative branch of the Government has become a mere recorder. What the President really wants is a Journal clerk instead of a Congress."

## SANDY PLANT PROSPERING

Three Directors for Creamery Elected and Stock Is Sold.

SANDY, Or., Jan. 22.—(Special.)—At the annual meeting of the stockholders

of the Mount Hood Creamery Company, in the Oddfellows Hall, three directors were elected and much important business was transacted, including the disposal of \$2000 worth of stock for enlargement purposes. The directors elected were: P. W. Canning, of Kelso district; W. Watkins, of Hill Crest, and J. Widmer, of Sandy Ridge district. The reports for the year showed that concern is in a prosperous condition. It is a co-operative creamery and covers a wide territory. It was indicated by the reports that the business is on the increase. The \$2000 will enable the directors to enlarge the plant to meet the demands of the growing business. The present management was approved. The Lyceum discussed the question. "Resolved, That the United States should intervene in Mexico," the decision being in favor of the negative. For discussion at the next meeting the following has been selected: "Resolved, That we should have Nation-wide equal suffrage."

## AUSTRIANS OPEN ATTACK

HOT ARTILLERY BATTLE FOUGHT IN POLAND.

Russians Discover Considerable Concentration of Forces of Vienna Government in Bukovina.

LONDON, Jan. 21.—With Russia and Germany saying little regarding operations in Poland and Galicia, the outstanding feature of the day's dispatches was the Austrian official report, which follows:

"North of the Vistula River (Southern Russian-Poland) there was a violent artillery battle yesterday. Our artillery worked in the most Southern Nida region and near Chencin, where the Russian railway traffic was appreciably disturbed by a full shot on the railway station. Our artillery also had particular successes south of the Vistula.

"On some parts of the front our artillery battle is raging with changing strength." The following communication was given out at my headquarters in Petrograd today:

"On the right bank of the Lower Vistula, from the river up to Knorle and farther east, our troops continue to be in close touch with the enemy. Collisions of secondary importance are taking place.

"In Bukovina, we have discovered the concentration of considerable Austrian forces.

"We sank on January 19 and 20 several Turkish ships, four on the Black Sea, and in the neighborhood of Khopa and Riza we burned and damaged Turkish military barracks, destroyed a lighthouse and cannonaded a bridge."

## NAVAL POSITION IS LOST

UNITED STATES DECLINES FROM THIRD TO FOURTH PLACE.

France Crowds Washington Government, as Power, From Old Place Next to German Empire.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—The United States will drop from third to fourth place among the world's sea powers with the completion of all ships under construction on July 1, 1914, according to the calculations in the Navy Year Book, issued today by the Senate naval committee. France will move from fourth to third place, according to the official table.

With the outbreak of the European war, information as to the naval programmes of the belligerents was no longer available, and the book contains only a list of the vessels lost in action during the war up to January 1, 1913, to supplement figures for construction prior to last July.

The comparison is based on tonnage and the official table is as follows for the world's first eight sea powers.

Completed and building July 1, 1914

Great Britain ..... 2,137,850  
United States ..... 1,851,123  
Germany ..... 1,765,123  
France ..... 1,688,549  
Japan ..... 1,519,940  
Italy ..... 1,350,480  
Russia ..... 1,285,813  
Austria-Hungary ..... 1,211,526

**CANAL PATRONS INCREASE**  
Four to Five Ships Go Through Channel Each Day.

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—Colonel George W. Goethals, builder of the Panama Canal, speaking today before the Western Society of Engineers and the Chicago Engineers' Society, declared that ships were passing through the locks much more rapidly than had been calculated.

"The only drawback is the slides," he said. "One great slide, it was said, displaced 1,500,000 cubic yards. When I left in the middle of December, 1909, the slides had been removed, and it appeared that there was much more."

"We are spending half the time repairing the damage done by slides and the other half in maintaining the channel. When I left the Canal Zone there was an average of three ships a day passing through the canal, and now the number has reached four or five."

Colonel Goethals is to sail for the Canal Zone February 4.

## COMMERCIAL MEN ACTIVE

Gold Hill Supports Campaign for Beet Sugar Factory.

GOLD HILL, Or., Jan. 22.—(Special.)—Rejuvenated under the temporary title of "the Sugar Beet Bunch," the local commercial association is waging a campaign of unceasing activity to aid in securing the acreage which will make certain the establishment of a \$650,000 beet sugar factory in Southern Oregon. Local opposition between the cities and towns affected have been forgotten in the spirited attempt to make the proposed industry a certainty for the district.

More than 5000 acres have been pledged in the district between Gledale and Ashland, the business men of Medford being particularly active in the conversion of ranchmen and small farmers to the merits of the proposal.

## COPPER IS SOLD ABROAD

American Sales to France Heaviest During Last Week.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—Copper valued at \$1,039,021 and aggregating 7,536,759 pounds was exported last week from the United States, the Department of Commerce announced today. France took 3,755,749 pounds, England 2,177,039 pounds, Scotland 887,832 pounds, Denmark 775,968 pounds, and Italy 152,040 pounds.

Imports of copper amounted to 1,251,281 pounds of ore, matte and regulus and 1,777,059 pounds of pigs, ingots, bars, plates and rods.

Copper exports for the seven weeks which ended January 16 amounted to 79,339,311 pounds, valued at \$5,950,405.

## Free Classes for Children

Every Saturday From 10 to 12 A.M.

In Embroidery, Crocheting  
Tatting and Knitting

—Art Needlework Department, Fifth Floor

## A Broad-Gauge Clearance of Boys' Clothing

Navy Blue Serge Norfolk Suits Selling to \$12.50—And Fancy Mixtures, Norfolk Suits, Selling to \$16.50—And Two Pants Suits Selling to \$10.00

In Sizes 6 to 18 Years  
—A group of excellent new styles in boys' suits in the latest models, splendidly tailored, best quality linings, full-lined pants, taped seams. Clothes that wear well and look right. In navy blue, gray, tan, brown, black-and-white, in mixtures, tweeds, stripes, diagonals and herring-bones.

At \$4.95  
Navy Blue Sack Suits Selling to \$11.50—Sizes 12 to 18  
—Sack and Norfolk suits of fancy mixtures, selling to \$10. Sizes 6 to 18.

Suits for Stout Boys, Selling to \$12.50  
—An assortment of extra fine all-wool suits, perfect-fitting styles, best quality linings. Pants in knickerbocker style. In fact, at \$4.95 you will find these suits the best ever offered at such a low figure.

At \$3.89  
Boys' Russian Coats, Selling to \$9.00—Sizes 3 to 9 Years  
—Of chinchillas, mixtures, stripes and checks. Perfectly tailored.

Boys' Blouses and Shirts  
Regular 50c, \$1.00 to \$2.50  
Sale 39c, 50c to \$1.00  
—Laundered and soft blouses and shirts in stripes and plain colors, of soisettes, chambrays, madras and flannels. Blouses in sizes for 6 to 14 years; shirt sizes 12½ to 14.

Boys' Pants  
Regular \$1.00 and \$1.50  
Sale 77c and 98c  
—Fancy mixtures in diagonals, stripes and checks, in browns, grays, tans, black and white. Knickerbocker style. Sizes 6 to 16 years.

Boys' Hats  
Regular to \$2.00, to \$3.00, to \$5.00  
Sale 25c, 98c and \$1.98  
—This includes beavers, plushes, velvets, French felts and mixtures. Suitable for boys from 2 to 14 years. Fourth Floor

Boys' Caps  
Regular 50c, \$1.00 and \$1.75  
Sale 35c, 59c and 98c  
—Golf caps in fancy mixtures, checks, plaids, lined and unlined.

## Wash Dresses

For Girls

At

Unequaled

Reductions

in

Prices

—The dresses in the accompanying illustration were sketched directly from the models on sale.

Three Lots of Girls' Dresses in Sizes 6 to 14 Years

—Regular \$1.75 to \$2.00 Dresses for girls 6 to 14 years old. Of plain chambray, fancy

ginghams in plaids, checks and stripes, also striped galateas. Made in straight and waisted styles. Deep low belts, some tunic skirts. Also some Oliver styles in combinations of striped and plain materials.

At \$1.29

At \$1.98

At 59c

At 89c

At 98c

—Regular \$2.50 to \$5.00 Dresses—Of ginghams, linens, fancy crepes and lingerie. In plaids, stripes, plain colors, fancy figured and checks. Waisted and long straight models, trimmed with braids, embroideries, piques, bandings, pipings and buttons, plain and pleated skirts. In sizes 6 to 14 years.

At 59c

At 89c

At 98c

—Regular \$1.00 to \$1.50 Dresses—Of percales, galateas, white piques and ginghams, in waisted style with pleated skirts. Trimmed with white or contrasting collars, cuffs and belts.

Wash Dresses for Girls 2 to 6 Years Old

—Regular 75c and 85c Dresses—With and without bloomers, in straight and waisted styles. In checked and striped ginghams, plain chambray and percales. Square and round necks, long and short sleeves. Trimmed with bandings and pipings and embroidery edges. In pink, blue and tan.

At 59c

At 89c

At 98c

—Regular \$1.00 and \$1.25 Dresses—All with bloomers attached. Of ginghams, chambrays and galateas. In square-neck styles with striped bandings, short sleeves, buttoning on shoulder or Russian style in fancy stripes, trimmed with plain bandings.

At 59c

At 89c

At 98c

—Regular \$1.50 to \$1.75 Waisted and Straight Style Dresses—Of crash, gingham and percale. Trimmed with embroidery or pique collars, bandings and edges, some with laced fronts, plain and pleated skirts. In all colors, in stripes, plaids and checks. —Fourth Floor

within \$4,000,000 of the high record established in December, 1913.

"An analysis of the trade figures published in the summary of foreign commerce shows that, while American cotton, mineral oils, naval stores, lumber and agricultural implements are in less demand abroad than in former years, there is a greater demand in foreign countries for our breadstuffs, meats, sugar, clothing and other manufactures, especially in Europe. A citation of a few of the larger factors in our foreign trade will illustrate more clearly this fact.

"Of breadstuffs the November exports exceeded in value \$9,000,000, or four times as much as in November, 1913. Of commercial automobiles, the month's exports aggregated \$2,260,000, or 22 times the value exported in November, 1913; of eggs, \$1,350,000, or three times as much; of sole leather, \$2,350,000, or eight times as much as in November a year earlier; of metal-working machinery and machine tools nearly \$2,000,000, or twice as much as a year earlier; of cotton wearing apparel, \$2,250,000, or almost three times the value of November, 1913.

"Striking changes in the movement of specified articles to given countries during November include \$1,000,000 worth of corn to the Netherlands, as against \$4000 worth a year earlier; large increases in wheat shipments to the United Kingdom, Italy, Germany and France in sums ranging from \$7,000,000 down to \$2,500,000; an increase of \$1,750,000 in automobile sales to France, the month's total being nearly twice the amount shown in any complete fiscal year; a doubling of the exports of copper to the United Kingdom, and an increase of 200 per cent in sales of automobile tires to England.

"French naturalists have discovered a new species of elephant in Africa, smaller than the known types and with shorter tusks, longer necks and no trunk.

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Great Sale of Shoes

For Men and Boys

At January Clearance Sale Prices

525 Pairs of Men's Shoes, Special \$3.95

Our Own \$4.50 and \$5.50 Grades

—Just what most men prefer for business or dress wear—footwear from the best and foremost manufacturers of men's shoes. In this sale are shoes of patent calf, lace or button, dull calf lace. English last, tan grain storm calf, blucher, wax calf blucher. A fine opportunity to get a splendid pair of shoes at a money-saving price, in shapes to fit every foot.

Boys' Winter-Weight Storm Shoes \$2.95

Regular \$3.50, \$3.75 and \$4.00

—The out-of-doors season is upon us, when boys will give their shoes greatest use. These are the shoes for hard wear. Winter weight, storm calf, button or blucher style, double sole, wide toe, made of the very best materials used in the construction of shoes.

Boys' Unlined Storm Calf Shoes \$2.15

Our Regular \$3.00 Grade

—Shoes that are made for the hardest kind of wear that a boy can give them. Of heavy storm calf, blucher style, with nailed soles. Basement

Saturday Specials for Junior Girls

SKIRTS SELLING TO \$8.50 Very Special \$1.98

SUITS SELLING TO \$20.00 Very Special \$6.95

SKATING COATS TO \$15.00 Very Special \$4.95

COATS SELLING TO \$12.50 Very Special \$3.98

ALL JUNIOR'S WAISTS AT HALF PRICE

Serge and Lingerie Dresses to \$14.50, Now \$5.00

Rain Coats at Half Price

For Children and Juniors

Regular \$5, \$7.50 to \$15.00; Sale \$2.50, \$3.75 to \$7.50

Skating Hockey Caps 65c and 79c

—Red, gray, white and combinations of blue and gray, red and gray. Made in side-tassel or toque style.

Children's Dresses at Half Price

Wool Dresses—Lingerie Dresses—Party Dresses

In Sizes 6 to 14 Years

Selling Regularly From \$5 to \$20; Sale, \$2.50 to \$10.00

Children's Coats Selling to \$11.50 for \$3.98

In Sizes 2 to 5 Years

—Of corduroys, cloth, zibelines, cashmere and polo cloth. —Fourth Floor

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\$1.25 to \$1.50 Women's House Dresses 95c

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BOYS' CAPS, ALL SIZES AND SHAPES, SPECIAL, 35c

35c FITTED PERCALE WORK APRONS, SPECIAL, 19c

35c AND 50c MEN'S NECKTIES, 15c; TWO FOR 25c

FRAMED PICTURES, COPIES FAMOUS SUBJECTS, 37c

DOLLS, ASSORTMENT SIZES AND CHARACTERS, 25c

75c TO \$1 NET AND SCIRM CURTAIN SAMPLES, 25c

\$1.25, \$1.50 WOMEN'S KID GLOVES, BR'KN SIZES 75c

Great Sale of Cotton Fleece Blankets

85c Blankets ..... 63c \$1.00 Blankets ..... 77c

\$1.25 Blankets ..... 83c \$1.50 Blankets ..... 98c

—Full, three-quarter and half sizes, in white, gray and tan.

through Eastern colleges. She asks the custody of five minor children.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 22.—The outcome of the divorce suit filed against Rev. Arthur Maxson Smith, president of the Pacific Coast Unitarian conference, may hinge on the color of the hair of the alleged co-respondent, Miss Alice Giffen, of Los Angeles. In the divorce suit, filed by his wife, Mrs. Sarah Bixby Smith, who accuses the pastor of leading a double life, and names Miss Alice Giffen of Los Angeles, as co-respondent. Miss Giffen was described as a "dashing blonde," but the young woman called attention today to her dark hair, as she denounced stories of her alleged intimacy with the clergyman as being without foundation.

"I knew Rev. Mr. Smith," she said, "but it was only a casual acquaintance." Miss Giffen was a student at Pomona College, near here, where Rev. Mr. Smith was professor of philosophy.

TRADE IS ON WEST COAST

Peruvian Says Eastern South America Is Bound to Europe.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 21.—It is the west and not the east coast of South America that the United States must look to it a permanent increase in trade with Brazil and Argentina, Federico Alfonso Peset, Minister from Peru, declared in an address before the Knife and Fork Club here.

"The people of the United States should not be deluded by the recent increase of trade with Brazil and Argentina," he said. "The east coast of Latin America is so subsidized by European capital that as soon as the war is over the greater part of the trade of that district will immediately return to the countries that held it before the war."

"The west coast is open to the United States."

OAKLAND, Cal., Jan. 22.—Rev. Arthur Maxson Smith, president of the Pacific Coast Unitarian conference and ex-pastor of the First Unitarian Church, Berkeley, was today made defendant in a divorce suit, filed by his wife, Mrs. Sarah Bixby Smith, who accuses the pastor of leading a double life, and names Miss Alice Giffen