

FULL SPEED AHEAD ORDERED BY HURLEY

General Quickening of Shipbuilding Operations on Atlantic Slope Pledged.

LABOR IS CHIEF OBSTACLE

Draft Exemption for Workers Proposed; Senator Chamberlain's Plea for More Orders for Pacific Coast Heard.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—A general quickening of shipbuilding operations on the Atlantic coast was promised today at a conference of builders and labor leaders with officials of Government departments. The meeting was called by Chairman Hurley, of the Shipping Board, to work out means of co-ordinating the efforts of all having to do with the shipbuilding program.

The difficulty of obtaining sufficient labor is the chief obstacle in the way of speeding of tonnage production. Through draft exemption for shipyard workers the Shipping Board hopes to overcome this difficulty in large measure. At the same time it will give consideration to other plans for inducing trained workers in other lines to enter the employment of shipyards.

New Wage System Planned.
Builders at the conference agreed with Government officials that measures should be taken to prevent yards from hiring each other's workers and a general standardized wage system was proposed as a means of accomplishing this. Shipping Board officials have suggested that legislation may be asked to prevent the practice.

A general readjustment of contracts for ships commandeered on the ways by the Government, it was said after the conference, will be made soon by the Shipping Board. Some builders, it is claimed, are losing money on contracts commandeered as material costs and workers' wages have risen sharply since the vessels were taken over. The Shipping Board, it was declared, will see that every yard is given a reasonable profit.

Material Committee Named.
A committee of builders named today will co-operate with the Government in obtaining materials and in dealing with the labor shortage. One member of the committee will serve as an aide to the board, giving all his time to the work. The committee comprises the following:

H. L. Ferguson, of the Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock Company; J. W. Powell, vice-president of the Bethlehem Steel Company, and an official of the Fore River Shipbuilding Company; J. H. Hand, of William Cramp & Sons Company, and E. Neeland, of the New York Shipbuilding Company. Greater consideration of the wooden shipbuilding industry was urged on the Shipping Board today by Senator Chamberlain, of Oregon. Labor and materials are available on the Pacific Coast, he declared, for twice the amount of wooden ship construction under way in that district. An additional half million tons of shipping easily could be built, Senator Chamberlain set forth, if the Board would take advantage of the men and materials offered.

EXPLOSIVE FOUND ON LAKE

Dangerous Bit of Flotsam Exploded by Revolver Shot.

CHICAGO, Oct. 31.—A quart container of nitro-glycerine—enough, according to the police, to blow off the prow of a ship, floated on the waves five miles from shore in Lake Michigan today and jeopardized navigation until a police sergeant, yards distant in a motorboat, exploded it with a well-directed revolver shot.

The explosive, seized in a recent raid on safe blowers, was part of a lot of revolvers, knives, brass knuckles and lead pipes confiscated from law violators taken to the lake for safe disposition.

Progress of the War.

VIRTUALLY 1000 square miles of Italian territory have been overrun, more than 120,000 Italians have been made prisoners and in excess of 2000 guns have been captured by the German and Austro-Hungarian armies in their eight days' drive. The enemy invasion on the center of the battlefield now is well within gun range of the Tagliamento River where it has been presumed that General Cadorna would turn and make a stand. The Italian Commander-in-chief, however, has not yet brought his troops about to face the enemy, but is continuing his retreat, with the rear guard harassing the advance. Just where Cadorna purposes to give battle is not known. Neither is it known how well the northern and southern flanks of his army are keeping pace with the retirement in the center.

According to the latest Berlin communication, announcements of the heavy losses to the Italians in men and guns, engagements successful for the enemy have taken place on the Tagliamento plain, while the Rome communication announces that there has been fighting on the hills of St. Daniele del Friuli along the Ledra canal at Palsan Schiavonesco and at Pozzoulo del.

PRICE NOTICE

White Rock Mineral Water
ON NOVEMBER 10, 1917.
our prices to the trade will advance:

\$1.00 per case of 50 Bottles
2.00 " " 100 " Bottles
.50 " " 200 " Bottles

These advances equal ONLY 2 cents per Bottle
1 cent " Half Bottle
1/2 cent " Split

We have not heretofore increased our prices.

WHITE ROCK
Mineral Springs Company

Friuli, northwest of Udine and from four to five miles east of the Tagliamento.

Meanwhile preparations to aid the Italians in their hour of extremity are being rushed by all the allies. Jules Cambon, French ambassador to the United States, secretary of the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs, in a statement has expressed the conviction that the Italians will be able to stem the tide of the invasion with the aid of French and British troops sent to reinforce them. The American Government is to waive all export restrictions in favor of Italy, permitting that country to take whatever materials she requires, regardless of prospective shortages here. A similar message was sent in conjunction with her own merchant marine in taking supplies overseas.

The new Italian Premier, in a message to General Cadorna, has assured the commander-in-chief that all classes of the population of Italy are with him in his hour of trial and will stand by him and the army until victory rests with them. A similar message was sent to the British Prime Minister.

On the other battlefronts no big operations have taken place. The Germans Wednesday made no attempt to force out the Canadians from their positions captured the previous day in the region of Passchendaele. Along the Chemin Des Dames and in the Verdun sector intensive bombardments continue.

Still another mutiny among the Germans is reported. This time it was among the troops in Belgium, who are declared to have refused to go to the front and even to have fired on their officers, several of whom were wounded.

REGULATION IS URGED

FEDERAL CONTROL OF RAILROAD SECURITIES HELD NECESSARY.

Affiliated Trade Organizations Would Make Carriers Subject to Interstate Commission.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—Federal regulation of the issuance of railroad securities and additional recommendations for further railroad legislation were endorsed by the affiliated trade and commercial organizations of the United States in a referendum just concluded. The vote strongly backed up a report of the chamber's railroad committee. Other proposals endorsed were:

Passage by Congress of a general railroad law, under which all carriers subject to the jurisdiction of the Interstate Commerce Commission may organize; compensation of carriers to organize under such law, and recommendation that the Interstate Commerce Commission be given authority to regulate intrastate rates when those rates affect interstate commerce.

LIQUOR VENDOR PAROLED

Bert Turpen Convicted of Serious Offense at Marshfield.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Oct. 31.—(Special.)—Two men were convicted in the Circuit Court for liquor. Bert Turpen, who was accused of a statutory offense against an East Side girl, stood trial and was convicted. He will be sentenced on Friday. James Kilbe, who was convicted with the same girl, pleaded guilty, but advanced extenuating circumstances and was paroled by Judge John S. Coker. Several other criminal trials are yet to be heard before the civil cases are called.

PETROGRAD FEARS FAMINE

Provinces Unwilling to Sell Flour to People of the Capital.

PETROGRAD, Oct. 31.—An appeal by the Mayor has been posted in which the people of Petrograd are informed that the flour-producing provinces are unwilling to sell flour to the capital, which is seriously threatened with famine. The Mayor requests that the people remain calm, as disorder will further disorganize the situation. In view of the reports that the Maximalists are preparing to create disturbances, the military Governor has forbidden meetings, processions or demonstrations.

CAMOUFLAGE SKILL SHOWN

President Witnesses Exhibition at Camp Near Capital.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—Camouflage skill of the Army Engineer Corps was viewed today by President Wilson and Secretary Baker at a training camp near Washington. A camouflage company put on a special exhibit showing how artillery, roadways, streams, and even troop movements are concealed. Many secrets of the game developed by the American forces were demonstrated for the guests, who included several higher officers of the Army.

BUREAU CHANGE EXPECTED

War Necessitates Reorganization of Internal Revenue Department.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—Reorganization of the internal revenue bureau to meet the heavy demands imposed by the new war revenue act will be announced within a few days. A new division for collection of the many new excise taxes will be created and the income tax division will be greatly enlarged. Collection of the excess profits tax probably will be adjusted through the existing organizations, which will be greatly enlarged for that purpose.

Domestic Must Run Auto.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 26.—A family of University City is so anxious to get a girl for general housework that unusual inducements are offered, according to a want ad published in a Belleville, Ill., newspaper. She is wanted to do general housework and to run an automobile.

Catsop Ships Exhibit.

ASTORIA, Or., Oct. 31.—(Special.)—The Catsop County exhibit for the Land Product Show was shipped to Portland tonight. It made a full load. The exhibit will be under the supervision of B. S. Worsley.

John Clausen Accepts Appointment.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 31.—John Clausen, vice-president of the Crocker National Bank of this city, formally accepted tonight an appointment on the National committee of the war camp recreation fund.

LABOR CRISIS NEAR

Railway Men's Demand for Increase in Wages Is Cause.

50 PER CENT RISE ASKED

Employees Are Said to Believe That Strike Will Not Come, as Government Would Intervene to Prevent National Tie-Up.

CHICAGO, Oct. 31.—A Nation-wide labor crisis was seen today in railway circles as the result of increased wage demands. Two weeks ago the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen formulated demands which would make \$5 a day the minimum wage for switchmen. Yesterday the Switchmen's Union of North America drew up a schedule calling for a 50 per cent advance.

Big Demands Expected.
Tomorrow chairman of the two big railway brotherhoods, the trainmen and the Order of Railroad Conductors, will meet in Chicago. Local meetings of representatives of tens of thousands of employees have made it plain that the general meeting here will make heavy demands on the roads.

Their attitude, according to railroad officials, confirms the prediction made at the time that the hurried passage of the Adamson law postponed, but did not avert, the crisis. So far there has been no open talk of a strike.

Intervention Is Foreseen.
The men are said to believe that at this time the Federal Government would be compelled to take a hand in the situation and that the result, in view of wage advances in other lines, would be certain to result in some gain to the men. The Adamson law gives the eight-hour day without reduction in the pay previously paid for 10 hours.

HOUSES URGENT NEED

SITUATION IN CONGESTED LABOR DISTRICTS ACUTE.

National Defense Council Plans Relief for Thousands Employed on War Contracts.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—Plans for providing adequate housing for thousands of workmen employed on Government war contracts in congested labor centers were presented to President Wilson today by a special committee of the Council of National Defense, headed by President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor. The committee's recommendations, which follow a survey and investigation of the housing problem in many cities, will not be made public pending approval of the report by the President. Mr. Wilson has taken a lively personal interest in the movement for better housing conditions of Government workers.

The report is said to recommend direct expenditures by the Government with emergency appropriations to give quick relief to several badly congested sections. It is understood that it is proposed to give particular attention to several of the shipbuilding towns where the enormous increase in workers has made the housing problem acute.

FORD LOSES BIG SUIT

MINORITY STOCKHOLDERS WIN A CIRCUIT COURT DECISION.

Judge Hosmer Orders Auto Manufacturers to Disburse Dividends to Dodge Brothers and Others.

DETROIT, Oct. 31.—Minority stockholders of the Ford Motor Company today won the first round of their fight for increased dividends and a more important voice in the transaction of the company's business.

Circuit Judge George S. Hosmer, of Detroit, handed down a decision for the plaintiff in a suit brought by John F. Dodge and Horace E. Dodge, of Detroit, against the Ford Motor Company and Henry Ford to compel Ford to disburse about \$60,000,000 of accumulated dividends to the company's stockholders instead of using the money to increase the company's business.

The Dodge Brothers, who are automobile manufacturers also, are minority stockholders of the Ford Motor Company.

No Cabinet Yet Formed.

MADRID, Oct. 30.—Joaquin Sanchez Toca, former President of the Senate.

Did You Hear ALMA GLUCK

Sing Her Loveliest Songs Last Night?

—No doubt you'll want to prolong the memory of her beautiful voice as long as possible. The new Alma Gluck records for the Victor and Victrola are here. Come in and listen to them.

Other New Victor Records:

"Send Me Away With a Smile"—McCormack.

Two "Kid" Impersonations—Francis White.

Conway's Band in Two New Sousa Marches.

Two Hawaiian Duets by Louise and Ferrera.

Ten Tuneful Dance Selections and 70 others.

Music Department, Seventh Floor

Lipman Wolfe & Co.
Merchandise of Merit Only

tonight abandoned his attempt to form a new Spanish Cabinet. He was charged with the task early in the day by King Alfonso.

Spanish Mail Steamer Held.
A WEST INDIAN PORT, Oct. 31.—A Spanish mail steamer, bound for Spain from Venezuela by way of Havana, is being held here on orders from Washington pending an examination of her cargo and passengers.

Military French to Be Studied.
STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Palo Alto, Cal., Oct. 31.—The Stanford Reserve Officers' training camp will take up the study of military French next Monday.

—Deposit your Liberty Bond with our credit office, seventh floor; buy against it to the full amount. No time limit.



These Frosty Nights Suggest This Sale of Good Warm Sleeping Garments For MEN, WOMEN and CHILDREN

B-R-R-R, but it's nippy these nights, especially for those sleeping out on porches and directly under wide-open windows! You'll be warm and comfortable all Winter through if you have new flannelette sleeping garments to replace those old ones that have been tubbed so often the fleece is all gone.

—This is a friendly "tip," buy now. Our garments are offered at prices which have not been advanced, many at very special prices; and when this lot is exhausted the price will advance ever so much. Now is the time to supply your needs.

Cozy, Warm Sleeping Garments for Men and Boys

MEN'S FLANNELETTE NIGHT SHIRTS, 85c
—Of neat blue and pink striped material, cut full and made with military collar.

SPECIAL FLANNELETTE NIGHT SHIRTS, \$1.00
—Men's good heavy flannelette night shirts made with military, V-neck or turn-down collars. With braid and silk mercerized frogs.

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MEN'S HEAVY WEIGHT NIGHT SHIRTS, \$1.69
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Main Floor, Just Inside Washington Street.

WOMEN'S YOKE GOWNS, \$1.00
—Good outing flannel gowns, made with yoke front and back and round neck, scalloped or plain. Pink and blue stripes or pure white.

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—Many different styles in plain tailored or fancy gowns, made of good outing flannel. With braid and hemstitching. Pure white or striped patterns.

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2 to 8.

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WOMEN'S NEW FALL AND WINTER UNDERWEAR
—Good, reliable brands—all of them—at prices which have not been advanced to meet present conditions.

WOMEN'S "COLGATE" UNION SUITS, \$1.25
—Soft, white cotton fleeced union suits in Fall and Winter styles! Regular and extra sizes.

WOMEN'S "GLOBE" GARMENTS, 75c
—Fleeced cotton vests in low neck, sleeveless or Dutch neck, elbow sleeve or high neck, long or elbow sleeve styles. Ankle length tights to match. Garment 75c.

—Main Floor

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Community Par Plate
—Christmas or wedding presents to give? Need some new plate yourself? Here's an excellent opportunity to buy the genuine Oneda Community Par Plate in the NEW VERNON PATTERN—guaranteed for 10 years—at excellent savings!

6 Teaspoons—83c
6 Tablespoons—\$1.65
6 Dessert Spoons—\$1.50
6 Soup Spoons—\$1.89
6 After Dinner Coffee Spoons—83c
6 Orange Spoons—\$1.43
6 Medium Forks—\$1.65
6 Dessert Forks—\$1.50
6 Oyster Forks—\$1.58

26-Piece SETS IN CHEST—\$ 7.65
50-Piece SETS IN CHEST—\$19.45
EXTRA SPECIAL—Six Knives and Forks in Case, \$2.95.

6 Ind. Salad Forks—\$2.13
6 Medium Knives—\$2.25
6 Dessert Knives—\$1.95
6 Fruit Knives—\$1.75
6 Ind. Butter Spreaders—\$1.80
Berry Spoon—95c
Butter Knife—35c
Sugar Shell—35c
Gravy Ladle—69c
Cream Ladle—55c
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