U. S. AHEAD IN WAR WITH SUBMARINES

515,433 Gross Tons on Credit Side.

300 American Lives Lost in U-Boat Raids.

MANY SHIPS SAIL SAFELY

Percentage of Disasters in Twelve With Successful Trips Made Across Atlantic and Back.

launched against American and allied shipping by Germany one year ago Friday, there have been sunk by submarines, mines and raiders 69 Ameriaccording to a carefully compiled re- are made to Washington. port of records of sinkings which have been made public during the period.

Offsetting this loss of American vessels, most of which were sailing ships. the United States since February 1 has added to her merchant marine by the seizure of former German and Austrian-owned ships a total of 197 vesleaving on the credit side of the Ameri-can ledger in the account with the \$52,766,021, compares with a net bal-sacrifices, on the alters of inefficiency.

Loss of Life Heavy.

The loss of life caused by the sinking of the 69 American ships was more than 200 persons, however.

percentage of sinkings of requirements. American ships compared with the number of vessels which have sailed through the war sone successfully is

Records of the Department of Commerce show that for the period beginning with February 1, 1917, and ending with December 1, there were cleared from American ports in the foreign trade ships aggregating 17,738,300 net, or approximately 24,834,460 gross tons.

total of tone was not made public. Further offsetting the loss of ton Shipping Board requisitioned in Ameri- Portland has had. can shipyards 426 vessis, totaling more than 2,000,000 gross tons and contracts have been awarded for 884 ships, a large number of which are now under 2 AMAZONS HOLD UP STORE way and are being rushed to comple

More Tonnage Requisitioned.

In addition, the shipping board or October 15, last, placed under Government requisition 393 American vessels of over 2500 tone dead weight capacity which were already affoat and immedistaly assigned them to the task of outskirts of the business district. carrying supplies for the allies and the American forces abroad. Included in these requisitioned ves-

and in addition there were comman- pairs of trousers, and ran. deered 24 steamers building on the Great Lakes for foreign account and ready for launching. Virtually all of GREECE SENDS MESSAGE these were brought to Atlantic coast ports and immediately put into service. Another difficulty which faced the United States in the task of putting to sea vessels to offset the ravages of the U-boats was the repairing of the "willful damage" done to the former crews before the ships were seized. Damage Coat Millions.

This cost millions of dollars, and in many instances called for the highest engineering skill to make and replace parts of foreign-built engines and

boilers removed or broken. Indicating that the task has been attended by success, the statement was made today by a prominent official connected with the Shipping Board that every seized vessel was now completely repaired and in service. Many of them have made as many as three and four round trips through the war

Three of the former German vessels have been the objects of successful attacks by the submarines. The Actaeon, formerly the Adametrum, and the Owasco, formerly the Allemania, were sunk and the Armenia was hit out of business in New Jersey. by a torpedo, but was saved after be-Several other former German ships have been attacked but escaped.

The announced sinking of British ships for the year up to and including the week ending January 23 have been 1032 vessels, of which 763 were over 1600 tons and 270 were under that fig-The joint losses of France and Italy have averaged three to four large vessels weekly.

AMERICAN TO WED DANE have to walk up the 500-foot stair-

Bride-to-Be Is Daughter of Count Raben-Levetzau.

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 28.-Lithgow Osborne, former attache of the American Embassy at Berlin and now second secretary of the legation here, is to marry the Countess Lill Raben-Levetzau, daughter of Count Raben-Levetau, former Danish Minister of Poreign

brated in April. The mother of Countess Lill is an

U. S. RECEIVES HALF

\$60,950,364 GOES AS INCOME. EXCESS PROFITS TAXES.

Big Industrial Still in Position to Declare Preferred and Common and Extra Dividends.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29 .- The United States Steel Corporation paid to the VESSELS SUNK IN YEAR Its earnings in the final quarter of EVERY SON OBJECT OF CARE Federal Government more than half 1917, according to a statement of the corporation, issued today.

Total earnings for that period amounted to \$59,724,125, after making Government Takes No Chance allowance for \$60,950,364 paid into the Government Treasury as war income and excess profits.

Net income for the final quarter was \$48,035,344 and surplus for the same period amounted to \$16,258,272.

This compares with total earnings of \$68.242,784, net income of \$55,245,-377 and surplus of \$21,824,554 for the previous quarter.

In keeping with expectations the directors declared an "extra dividend" of per cent on the common stock, in addition to the regular common dividend of 1% and preferred of 1%.

Including a Red Cross dividend of 1 per cent voted in the second quarter, NEW YORK, Jan. 23 .- In the 12 total disbursements on the common unrestricted warfare shares for 1917 amounted to 18 per

Total earnings for 1917 amounted to \$331,668,131, after charging off \$212,-467,249 to Government taxes, etc. It is expected this amount will be increased can vessels, totaling 171,061 gross tons, to \$225,000,000 when the final returns

In 1916, when no appropriations were made for war income and excess profits, the corporation's total earnings were \$342,997,092.

The statement for the last quarter of 1917 also shows that \$55,000,000 has at present. In substance it ran: "We sels, having a gross tonnage of 636,424, plants and construction. The balance to our country, but we are not willing central powers a net gain of \$15,433 ance of \$90,681,962 reported in the final We want to know that they will be quarter of 1916.

Chairman Gary stated that the corporation has no new financing in contemplation, and that its liquid assets voyed? Will their comfort and health are more than sufficient to meet all

SPRING BLOSSOMS APPEAR

Almond Tree Is Good Advertisement for Portland Wenther.

Still they come, the signs of Spring! W. B. and H. Mallels yesterday produced the most recent in a bouquet of The number of ships making up the blossoms from an almond tree in the Duffy yard at East Twelfth and Caruthers streets. The tree is almost mage occasioned by the submarine war- in full blossom and presents a pretty out the land. I saw the California fare, the United States through the commentary on the balmy Winter troops in their camps; the Chicago

The tree is a good bearer of almonds.

Women Armed With Revolvers Flee

With 6 Pairs of Trousers. KANSAS CITT, Mo., Jan. 20 .- Two omen, each armed with a revolver, today held up a drygoods store on the

Unable to obtain any money from the woman proprietor of the store, who was alone at the time, they seized a sels were 21 ships in Great Lakes trade quantity of clothing, including six

Premier Venizelos Pays Tribute to President's War Alms.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.-A message from Prime Minister Venizelos of German ships by their officers and Greece to the American Hellenic Soclety was given out here tonight.

"Greece is fighting in conformity with the noble principles so clearly defined and with such a profound conviction by President Wilson in his recent message," it declares.

3000 SALOONS DOOMED

New Jersey Governor Signs Measures for Local Option.

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 39 .- Governor Edge today signed the Mackay and

Wells local option bills. It is estimated that through the local option elections which many of the cities and towns of the state will now have, about 3000 saloons will be put

MONUMENT AIDS IN WAR Great Elevator at Nation's Capital Closed by Fuel Order.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29 .- The Washington monument today was placed in the class of amusements falling under the fuel administration's closing order. Hereafter, on Tuesdays, visitors desirng to see the view from its top will Ways.

EGGNOG PARTY KILLS 7

More Than Score Are Ill From Denatured Alcohol Used in Drinks.

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Jan. 29 .- Seven persons are dead, two others are expected to die and a score are ill as a Affairs. The marriage will be cele- result of an eggnog party Sunday at Francis, Okla.

Denatured alcohol was used by mis-

OF STEEL EARNINGS SEA TRIP DANGERS TO TROOPS SLIGHT

Cheering Message Sent to War Mothers.

With Precious Lives.

CONVOYS EVER ON GUARD

Physical Well-Being, Food, Recrea tion of Soldiers Sent by America to Fight in France All Best Available.

Herman Whitaker, author of the follow-g article, which is the first of a series on ar topics by him, is a well-known author. th army affairs, having been formerly it British. He has traveled widely, has en for years a contributor to high-ci narican magazines, and is the author veral books.

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BY HERMAN WHITAKER.

In a recent article one of our woman writers put a question that is foremost in the minds of all American mothers mothers are willing to give our sons properly safeguarded by land and sea Are the transports which are to take them to France to be properly con be conserved during transit and upon their arrival? Are our military operations to be conducted with wisdom and foresight to prevent unnecessary loss

These questions are legitimate and should be answered. It is just as necessary to maintain a high morals among the folks at home as with our soldiers abroad and this cannot be done on a

diet of doubts and misconceptions. Nation Seen Rising in Arms.

Lately, in passing from San Francisco to New York, it was my privilege to secure a close-up view of the great military movement now in course through drafts, in civilian clothing, leave for

theirs. In the towns I passed through the high school boys were drilling. Officers packed the trains. On the sidings we passed long military trains or met them on the way. Washington was aflame with martial spirit. New York He called to the man to stop, but he buzzed with the same.

The movement attained its last high significance when the vessel on which shots without effect my passage was booked turned out to be one of a convoy carrying American troops to Europe.

that all transports are convoyed. But (Concluded on Page 3, Column 3.)

VILLA MEN BLOW UP

RAILWAY WORK CREW AND SOL-DIERS BANDITS' VICTIMS.

Attack Follows Massacre of 40 on Passenger Train and Carrying Away of 18 Girls.

JUAREZ, Jan. 29 .- More than 110 soldiers and passengers were killed by Villa followers Saturday, 25 miles south of Santa Rosalia, when the Villa troops KAISER DISTURBED AT CRISIS dynamited a work train going to Rellano to repair the railroad line and remove the debris of the passenger train Wednesday. This information was reselved here tonight by a number of reliable persons, and was not denied by the officials.

The work train was proceeding from the yards at Chihuahua City to the scene of the train hold-up, January 23, WAR FACTORIES AFFECTED when 40 were killed and 18 girls carried away. The Villa forces attacked from both sides of the railroad and al-Federals and killed or executed many of the repair crew. Troops were sent out from Chihuahua City Sunday, but the Villa force had fled to the mountains. Many wounded and mutilated Federals were brought back to the state capital on the train.

All train service between Chihuahua City and Torreon has been suspended because of the activities of the Villa bands.

Francisco Villa led the attack on the of Germany. work train in person, according to these sources, with Martin Lopes second in command. After killing all of the who fought for eight hours, the Villa followers proceeded to Santa Rosalia, where only 125 soldlers were stationed. They killed a number of these during the fighting, executed others and then looted the place. Villa did not participate in the sacking of Santa Rosalia, according to reports received here.

CARNEGIE HERO GETS \$1000

H. W. Carson, of Eugene, Wins Cash as Well as Medal for Rescue.

H. W. Carson, to whom a bronze medal has been awarded by the Carnegle hero commission for rescuing Lawrence Parks, aged 9, from the McKenzie River, today received a letter from the mmission stating that his award also included the sum of \$1000.

Mr. Carson at the time he saved the Parks boy from drowning was an em- Essen. ploye of a Eugene laundry, driving a wagon. He is now an agent of an insurance company. The Parks boy is a son of E. B Parks, Eugene Councilman.

CITY MARSHAL IS ROBBED

St. Helens Official Captures Much Whisky, but Loses It Soon.

ST. HELENS, Or., Jan. 29 .- (Special.) About 2 o'clock Sunday morning, Marshal Potter saw a man carrying a suitcase which seemed to be heavily laden. ran at full speed, leaving his suitcase behind. The Marshal fired several

The suitcase, which was filled with quart bottles of whisky, was taken by the Marshal to his room, but while at It is almost unnecessary to state breakfast, some one entered the room and carried off"the whisky, leaving only the suitcase,

TRAIN; 110 KILLED 90,000 WORKMEN AT BERLIN STRIKE

Labor Troubles Extend to Other Points.

which was robbed and wrecked there Birthday Message Expresses portant that the Germans know just Concern Over Unity.

most annihilated the train guard of 100 Rhineland, Westphalia and Bochum Mining District Said to Be Scenes of Walkouts-Socialist Leaders to Be Arrested.

> LONDON, Jan. 29 .- Dispatches from witzerland and Holland tell of a general strike in Berlin and other parts

According to Central News advices from Amsterdam, nearly all the workmen of the Daimier, Boersig, Ludwig Mexican workmen and train guards, and General Electrical Works are on strike. Trades unions are not at the head of the movement, but several trades are almost completely at a

> standstill. The Independent Socialists have carried on an active propaganda during sidered negligible for any offensive. the last few days, the dispatch says. ings are prohibited.

Airplane Plants Affected.

suburbs of Lichterfelde, Heringsdorf and Johanisthal, where electric works and airplane factories are situated. Strikes also have broken out in Rhineland and Westphalla.

lays in passing the Prussian reform chum mining district, nine miles from

A dispatch to the Exchange Tolecalled to join the army.

Dock Yards Employes Out.

yards struck Friday, the dispatch adds. AMSTERDAM, Jan. 29.-Up until vening of Monday, according to a Berlin dispatch, not a single incident connected with the strike was reported. Berlin and environs the total number of those who failed to appear for work was 90,000, most of them

youthful workers of both sexes. Editor Reported Arrested.

upon arrest of six Independent Socialist leaders. These include three (Concluded on Page 2, Column 2)

It is particularly grave in the

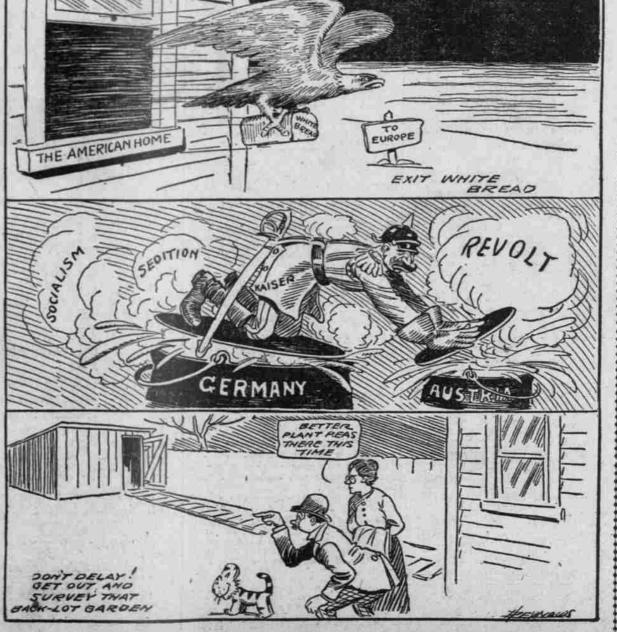
The Frankfurter Zeitung says the movement is directed against the debill and the agitation conducted by the fatherland party. The same paper adds that the strike has spread to the Bo-

graph Company under date of January 38 says that a thoroughly trustworthy report from Kiel declares the will receive workers in the torpedo factory at afternoon. In consequence of this a number of the men's leaders are being

The employes at the Germania dock

The German government has decided

AS THE WAR GOES ON.



TEUTON RIDICULES U. S. WAR EFFORTS

HILITARY EXPERT PROFESSES TO LAUGH AT AMERICANS.

Colonel Gaedke Declares That Army Cannot Be Transported in Time to Save Entente.

LONDON, Jan. 29 .- "The Truth About the American Army," is the title of a long article written by Colonel Gaedke in the German Socialist newspaper BIG DRIVE IS DUE IN SPRING

Bremer Zeitung. "The entente now has pinned its faith entirely to American help," says Colonel Gaedke. "It, therefore, is im-

"The Americans are coming to Europe to meet the most perfect instrument of war that any age has ever seen. Can they do it? "Secretary of War Baker recently

how serious is this American menace.

told us that a million and a half men were under training. With all modesty we call his attention to the fact that the men who are still being trained cannot terrify us.

"How are the Americans off for officers? Where are they to get 4500 Gen-erals and staff officers? Mr. Baker said he had 9000 officers of all ranks in April, but now has 110,000. "That is truly an American master

piece of accomplishment-to sew epaulettes on a hundred thousand men and call them officers. "What about non-commissioned officers, who are so important for train-

ing and holding together an army? It is an insoluble programme, "Of the total strength the Americans are able to muster, only a half million can get to Europe. But when? The entente leaders have got to expect them before next Autumn-neutral observers

say six months later.

untrained. While perhaps they may be used for a defensive, they may be con-"The greatest possible American mil-The movement appears to be very itary effort will be too weak and in-serious, and in industrial centers meet- significant to make good the loss of significant to make good the loss of the Russians and the weakening of the

"Moreover, these men will arrive still

BOLSHEVIKI SEIZE GOLD People Ordered to Turn Over All Articles Above Certain Weight.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 29 .- The people's ommissioners have decreed a state monopoly of gold. Gold articles weighing more than 16 zolotnik, 96 of which go to make up the Russian pound, belonging to private persons or shops, must be handed over to the state at fixed prices. They will be confiscated unless delivered within a month. Informers will receive one-third of the value of probable quota of double the amount

Friedrichsport went on strike Friday Institutions are requested to place their must be greatly increased. Churches, museums and other public number of individual subscriptions gold articles at the disposal of th

Italy Raising Fifth Loan.

ROME, Monday, Jan. 28 .- The subscriptions during the first 11 days of the canvass for Italy's fifth national loan totaled 2,555,000,000 lire.

Of this amount 1,520,000,000 was in

The Weather.

YESTERDAY'S-Maximum temperature, 49 degrees; minimum, 41 degrees. TODAY'S-Fair and colder; moderate north-War. American war mothers reassured as to safety

of sons they are sending to fight in gate to the San Francisco conference, France, Page L. Telegraph and cable lines to Russia mys teriously cut. Page 2. Italians deliver smashing blow to Austrian front. Page 2. German army expert ridicules America's in-

fluence on war. Page 1. Foreign. Villa bandits blow up work train, killing 110. Thousands reported on strike at industrial centers of Germany. Page 1. German air fleet raids Britain again and drops bombs in suburbs of London.

National. United States ahead in submarine war. Page 1.

Caparitment of Labor will be reorganized and placed on war basis. Page 5.

Women capable of doing farm work to be registered. Page 7.

Domestic. Goethals and Cotton to testify regarding Bloan-Clinchfield ship contracts. Page 4. Packers rule prices and often sell below cost,

is testimony. Page 4. United States Steel Corporation pays over half its earnings to Government as taxes. Freight congestion in East likely to con-tinue until late in March, Page 2. Second draft may call for another million men. Page 5.

San Francisco banker interned as dangerous alien. Page 3. Sports. Lincoln High defeats School of Commerce, 30 to 28. Page 8. Rosebuds return from Vancouver and are in trim. Page 8, Girls' swimming contest is success. Page 3. men. These will be responsible for Frank Kendall announces intention of re-turning to ring. Page 8.

Commercial and Marine, Government regulation of oats prices is planned. Page 17. Apple movement increases since holidays. Page 17. Bullder of steamer in Tiliamook Bay epti-mistic. Page 14.

Portland and Vicinity. Oregon lays plans for third liberty loan, John McCourt demands rigid enforcement of laws prohibiting social evil. Page 7. Man convicted for third time wants to serve country Page 11.

day, Page 12. Miss Grace Phelps receives call for 40 nurses aides for service in France. Page 12.

Funeral services of late Charles W. Fulton simple and impressive. Page 13.

can give you—speakers, publicity—whatever is at our command. But upon you men rests the question of whother your counties will be in the honor col-Liquer found in raid on Southern Pacific dining-car. Page 13.

Dramatic scene marks trial of Floyd Ramp. Prominent Portland men included in boot-legging investigation. Page 18. Victory bread will be placed on sale in Port-land today. Page 4. Mrs. R. S. M. Emrich tells story of German ities. Page 3.

OREGON PLANS FOR THIRD LIBERTY LOAN

Representatives From Each County Confer.

State's Quota May Be \$50,-000,000, It is Pointed Out.

CAMPAIGN TO BE THOROUGH

With Month of Endeavor Some Time Between March 1 and April 15, Preparations to Canvass Every Section Are Discussed.

Through representatives of the couniles, assembled with the executive committee in a conference of the liberty oan state central committee, held yesterday in Portland at the Multnomah Hotel, patriotic Oregon spoke its purpose toward the impending third drive for liberty dollars. Sometime between March 1 and April 15 lies the month of

endeavor. Speaker after speaker took the floor, with never a waver in determination to carry the third liberty loan through to a victory in keeping with Oregon's record in other calls, when the state gave freely of her men and money to America. Behind this discussion, which differed only on immaterial points of policy, gradually grew the comprehensive plan of the coming campaign.

Big Task Is Foreseen.

The delegates, who will hold responsibility for their counties in the days of the drive, were told that, in all probability, the National quota of the third loan would be from \$6,000,000,000 to \$3,000,000,000, and that Oregon's share of the bonds may be placed at not less than \$50,000,000-a task titanic by comparison with all that have

preceded it. To meet the demands of the coming campaign, they were told, all citizens must be enlisted in the bombardment of dollars against the Hun. With a raised during the second drive, the

As chairman of the executive committee, Edward Cookingham opened the forencon session. He told of his pride in reading, in a New York paper, the headline, "Oregon Leads the Union," and tracing the list of 14 Oregon counties that had been cited to the Secretary of War for the volunteers they furnished, far in excess of their quo-

Such should be the slogan of the INDEX OF TODAY'S NEWS state in money as well as men, declared Mr. Cookingham. But three classifications exist for its citizenry under the liberty loan test-those who will, those who won't and those who can't-asserted the speaker, in introducing A. L. Mills, chairman of the sub-committee on organization, and recent dele-

Large Contributions Necessary.

Mr. Mills aketched the probabilities

of the campaign and the certainty that

It will be greater in its demands than ever before. Only 50,000 subscribera participated in the last liberty loan purchase, or an average of \$500 to each. If that record is to be doubled, demanded as the third quota, an equal number of subscribers would be forced to subscribe \$1000 each if the pace is "What does that mean?" queried the

speaker. "It means that we must get

a far larger number of subscribers than

ever before. We must comb the state

with a fine-tooth comb in the sale

of bonds. We must perfect an organization that shall reach every citizen who is able to buy the bonds." County Leaders Responsible. Direct responsibility was placed by Mr. Mills upon the county members of the central committee, who will serve as chairmen for their various counties. Broadly, the campaign tactics will involve two phases-solicitation by in-

tricts. For the various banking towns in their counties, the county chairmen were instructed to name local chairmen or managers, who in turn are to appoint four assistant local committeethe liberty bond progress of their towns. Each county will be districted, either by school districts or by precincts, and chairmen appointed by the

dustries and an intensive drive by dis-

county chairman. The last unit of the campaign plan. committees of 10, led by a captain, will constitute the actual corporal's squad which explores each nook for lurking dollars and which forms the fighting

backbone of the great drive. Ald Will Be Given.

"If you need assistance," promised City Council to discuss 6-cent fare issue to- Mr. Mills, "you will have all that we can give you-speakers, publicityyour countles will be in the honor column or the slacker column You are Dynamite stolen at Lents may be German asked to name local committees, to arplot, feared. Page 13. each school district or legal precinct. But your county is yours to deliver."

> cussed at the seven-state conference in San Francisco, detailed recitals of which will be furnished, as they con-(Concluded on Page 6, Column 1.)

Mr. Mills spoke of the plans dis-