

### BRITISH WILL DELAY BUILDING OF LINERS

#### Cargo Carriers Preferred to Passenger Steamers.

### LITTLE RELIEF IN SIGHT

#### Thousands of Persons, Wishing to Visit Orient Through United States, Are Refused.

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LONDON, March 23.—(Special Cable.)—Because of the increase in the cost of ship production the Great Britain companies have decided not to lay down the keels of any giant liners like the Aquitania, for some months to come. Shipping officials informed the World correspondent today.

Instead, it seems to be the intention to concentrate on the production of cargo and passenger-carrying vessels without luxurious fittings, which, however, will be eventually returned to in future competitive shipbuilding.

It was asserted today that the resumption of anything like normal passenger traffic probably will be impossible in less than six months. The world shortage of tonnage and the use of the greater part of it up to next autumn for transporting troops, is causing an acute working situation even for the most legitimate travel.

**Little Relief in Sight.** There is little if any relief in transatlantic passenger conditions. The American consulate-general is turning away hundreds who want to go to the orient through America so that there may be tonnage to enable American civilians to return home. This is arousing considerable feeling among business men. One British line to the far east has every berth booked for a year. Scores of vessels, it is asserted, must be overhauled after they are released by the government before resuming passenger traffic.

**LIVERPOOL, March 23.—(Special Cable.)**—British shipping interests here are alive to the fact that America henceforth is their great rival, because Germany will not be a serious competitor for years. The lack of experienced crews and especially of masters and officers for American vessels, it is believed, will give the British a chance of giving America a good run for her money.

**Many Steamers Are Lost.** One of the biggest handicaps that the British must overcome is that caused by German submarines. The White Star company lost nine liners of an aggregate tonnage of 148,145. The company now has under construction at Belfast the Homeric, 39,000 tons, which, with the Olympic, is expected eventually to ply between Southampton and New York.

The Pittsburgh, 6500 tons, is now under construction. When the war broke out the White Star company had the Belgic, 24,500 tons; Regina, 16,300 tons; Albatross, 13,311 tons, and the Vedick, 9231 tons, on the stocks.

**Cunard Liners Building.** They were built as cargo carriers, but are now in process of reconversion to the passenger service between Liverpool and New York.

The Cunard line lost ten vessels, including the Lusitania. Orders have been given to replace this tonnage. The Cunard is not building any four-funnel vessels, intending for the present not to exceed 20,000-tonners. The Aquitania, which required three years to build and cost more than \$6,000,000, could not be reproduced now for \$12,000,000.

Many British ship owners advocate the demand for Germany of big vessels to replace the Lusitania and Britannic.

### DISCHARGED MEN GUIDED

#### ALL CLAIMS FOR PAY SHOULD BE MADE DIRECTLY.

**War Department Warns Against Asking Settlement Through Attorneys or Agents.**

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Officers and enlisted men discharged from the service will not expedite settlement of their claims for arrears in pay by placing them in the hands of attorneys or claim agents, said a statement issued today by the war department. It was explained that adjustment of claims thus presented was delayed "by reason of additional filing and handling of unnecessary papers of the intermediary."

"The claim of the soldier is all that is required," said the statement, "and such claims should be submitted directly by the discharged officer or soldier to the war department director of finance, who will give them as prompt and careful consideration as possible. Any fee paid by the soldier to an attorney or agent is a loss."

**Stops Medicine—Health Recovered by Internal Baths**

Mr. A. Casarnecki, 657 Montgomery st., San Francisco, Cal., writes Tyrrell's Hygienic Institute of New York as follows:

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Why not learn more about this rapidly growing and natural practice? The 'J. B. L. Cascade' is the invention of Chas. A. Tyrrell, M. D., of New York, a specialist on internal baths for 25 years, and is now being shown and explained by the Woodward-Clark & Co's Drug Stores in Portland, Oregon, who will give you—free on request—an interesting booklet on the subject called "Why Man of Today is Only 50% Efficient."—Ady.

### GERMANY IS DRIFTING TOWARD BOLSHEVISM

#### People Must Be Fed, Says Oswald G. Villard.

### MORE STRIKES EXPECTED

#### Tenure of Ebert Government Held to Be Precarious; Bitterness Toward Allies Growing.

### HEPPNER EXALTED RULER HAS UNIQUE DISTINCTION.

#### Francis A. McMenamin, Heppner, Or., March 23.—(Special.)



Francis A. McMenamin, Heppner, Or., March 23.—(Special.)—Francis A. McMenamin, recently chosen as exalted ruler of Heppner lodge, No. 338, B. P. O. Elks is a rising young lawyer who came to Heppner from Portland less than two years ago and has already established himself in the professional and business circles of the city.

Heppner lodge is one of the oldest lodges of this order in Oregon and enjoys the unique distinction of being the only lodge in the country in a city of less than 5000 inhabitants. A special dispensation was granted the applicants for a charter because of the vast territory for which, at that time, Heppner was the center.

act, should be made direct to the war risk insurance, treasury department, and not to the war department. It was reiterated that it also was unnecessary to employ attorneys or other claim agents in order to have these claims adjusted.

### HYLAN MARS CELEBRATION

#### THREAT TO WITHHOLD FLAG FROM CARUSO HALTS SPEAKER.

#### Address by Opponent of Hearst at New York Given Up When Executive Puts String on Gift.

NEW YORK, March 23.—John M. Beck, former assistant attorney-general of the United States, who was to have delivered an address on the occasion of the Metropolitan opera house at the celebration of Enrico Caruso's 25th year on the operatic stage, did not speak, asserting in a statement issued late last night that Mayor Hylan threatened, if he did so, to prevent Police Commissioner Enright from presenting a flag of the city of New York to the noted tenor.

William Randolph Hearst, the publisher, whose newspapers supported Mr. Hylan in his campaign, and have since praised his administration, was recently involved in a controversy with Mr. Beck over the refusal of the latter to receive at a meeting at which he was the principal speaker, a petition of soldiers and sailors for extra pay on their discharge. This petition had received the support of Mr. Hearst. Certain references of Mr. Beck to President Wilson also have been severely criticized by Mr. Hearst.

In a statement last night Mr. Beck said that "just as the curtain went up the mayor sent me word that if I spoke the flag intended to be given Mr. Caruso would not be presented."

"It was then left to me to determine whether I would speak," added Mr. Beck. "Rather than interfere with the gift to Caruso, I preferred to remain silent, conscious that this atrocious exhibition of bad manners, which is as much an insult to Mr. Caruso and the audience as it was to me, would injure the mayor more than it would me."

"It must not be thought that the willingness of the mayor to mar a notable occasion was due to any expression of opinion on Lincoln day with reference to the certain phases of our foreign policy. It is due to the fact that in the most critical hour of the war I drew the attention of the public to the activities of the Hearst press."

### SENDING STATION CHOSEN

#### Point Loma Hereafter to Give Out Pacific Radio News.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., March 23.—Sending news broadcast to all ships in the Pacific as well as to shore stations on the Hawaiian, Samoan, Ladrona and Philippine islands will be accomplished exclusively hereafter, as far as the Pacific coast is concerned, by the Pacific station at Point Loma, this city, according to announcement made here today. The San Francisco station has done this work heretofore.

Lieutenant Ellery Stone, commanding at the Point Loma and Collas Heights station here, said today that the two stations are in nightly communication with the naval radio station at Vladivostok, Siberia, and that a large amount of information relating to the American expeditionary forces operating against the Bolsheviki along the trans-Siberian railway is being sent to the Vladivostok station from here.

### MALHEUR IS INTERESTED

#### Proposal to Bond for \$200,000 for Roads to Be Voted Upon.

BAKER, Or., March 23.—Baker County good roads boosters, including Engineers Bennett and Kopack, returned this evening from a successful trip to Ontario, where they went to inspect the Baker-Ontario link of the Columbia Highway and to interest the people of Malheur county in completing that county's portion of the project this season.

Malheur county will submit to the voters a proposition to bond the county for \$200,000 at the earliest possible date, and those who attended the Ontario meeting assured their visitors that the bonding election would carry.

### NEED FOR CLOTHING GREAT

#### PORTLANDERS URGED TO LOOK IN CLOSETS FOR GARMENTS.

#### Returning Soldiers Learn to Rely on Red Cross Shop for Getting "Civies" at Moderate Cost.

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