THREE BIG VESSELS EN ROUTE UP RIVER

Coaxet, Vinita, Taikai Maru Bring Oriental Cargoes.

COAXET WILL BE TIED UP

First Shipment of Copra to Come for Vegetable Oil Mills Is Part of Manifest.

The American steamers Coaxet and Vinita and the Japanese steamer Taikai Maru were all on their way up the river to Portland last night with oriental cargoes to discharge here.

The freight aboard these vessels is the largest lot to reach Portland from across the Pacific in a single day for many years. That aboard the Japanese vessel, amounting to about 2000 tons, is one of the heaviest oriental cargoes ever received here.

Coaxet Will Tie Up.

The steamer Coaxet is terminating her trans-Pacific service under the house flag of the Admiral line and after discharging her inbound freight will be turned back to the shipping board to be tied up. She has in her holds the first shipment of copra to come in for the new plant of the Portland Vegetable Oil Mills company. An important item in her manifest is a shipment of silks from China.

The copra was loaded at Manila and will be discharged at the dock of the vegetable oil mills.

Tea Part of Big Cargo.

The Taikai Maru is operating in the trans-Pacific service of the Yamashita Kisen Kaisha, which recently started a direct and exclusive line between Portland and the orient. Her freight on this trip consists of a wide variety of oriental products and includes a heavy shipment of tea.

Most of the cargo of the Taikai Maru will be handled by direct transfer from the vessel to cars which will be spotted alongside the vessel at terminal No. 4, though several hundred tons of the freight are for local consumption.

Vinita Has Mixed Cargo.

The steamer Vinita, operating in the North China line of the Columbia-Pacific Shipping company, has about 500 tons of mixed freight to unload here. She will discharge her cargo at municipal terminal No. 1.

STEAMER IRALDA IS SOLD

Dalles-Columbia Company Buys Fast Propeller Boat.

The steamer Iralda, a fast propeller boat which has been operating on the Willamette and Columbia rivers for many years, was sold yesterday by L. H. Holman to the Dalles-Columbia company, operators of the steamer Teal. Mr. Holman reported that the transaction was entirely for cash. The Iralda will replace the steamer Teal on the run between Portland and The Dalles. She will carry passengers and fast freight and will operate from the Alder-street dock. L. H. Holman will act hereafter as agent for the vessel instead of owner.

The steamer J. N. Teal has come into her own with the paralysis of railroad and truck traffic in the upper river country and has been carrying her full capacity of passengers and freight. She arrived at her dock at 6 o'clock yesterday morning with 300 passengers and all the freight she could carry. She will go out again from Portland at 6 o'clock Sunday morning.

The Iralda operated for many years between Portland and St. Helens in conjunction with the steamer America, which is still on this run. She was taken from the route because of the inroads made in her business by the truck and bus lines, and placed on the Astoria run, where she participated in a lively rate war last summer.

GRAIN ELEVATOR IMPROVES

Increased Efficiency for Plant Is Indicated by Figures.

Performance records of the municipal grain elevator which show that the plant is increasing its efficiency with continued operation until it far surpasses its estimated capacity were given to the commission of public docks yesterday by Harbormaster Speier. The Norwegian steamer Torrey, he reported, loaded 6435 long tons of bulk wheat at the elevator in 13 hours and 4 minutes, putting away the loose grain at the rate of 494 tons per hour.

A still more enviable record was established by the Dutch steamer Kinderdyk, which departed yesterday. This vessel took 134,000 bushels of bulk wheat in 5 hours and 15 minutes, working at the rate of 24,363 bushels per hour. The Japanese steamer Glasgow Maru, loading sacked wheat by the usual method at the same terminal, stowed 27,000 bushels in eight hours.

Marine Notes.

The Japanese steamer Yonan Maru, which has been lying at the Southern Pacific open dock for several days with a full cargo of lumber on account of the flood in the Willamette, will go down the river at 8 o'clock this morning for Japan. The cargo was supplied by the Pacific Export Lumber company.

The Dutch steamer Kinderdyk of the Holland-America line departed from municipal terminal No. 4 at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon with fresh apples and bulk wheat for Europe.

The steam schooners Ryder Hanify and Halce departed from Westport yesterday with cargoes of lumber for California ports.

The Japanese steamer Hokkai Maru is expected to get away today from the Portland Flouring Mills dock with a cargo of wheat and flour for the orient.

The Williams line steamer Willhilo shifted yesterday from terminal No. 1 to the Portland Flouring Mills company's dock to take a shipment of flour for the Atlantic coast.

The Japanese steamer Yesaki Maru moved from the Montgomery dock to the Elevator dock yesterday afternoon to complete a cargo of grain for Japan. The Norwegian steamer Erviken, which has been lying at the Elevator dock, moved to the American Can company's dock and surrendered her berth.

The Admiral line steamer Curacao, damaged in a gale between Coos bay and the Columbia river on her last trip up the coast, moved to the slip at Supple's dock yesterday afternoon to undergo repairs.

Because municipal terminal No. 1 was again crowded to its capacity, the steamer West Lewark, arriving late last night, was obliged to go to terminal No. 4 to await a berth at the uptown dock.

Movements of Vessels.

PORTLAND, Nov. 25.—Arrived at 10 P. M., steamer Coaxet, from orient; at 10:30 P. M., steamer Vinita, from orient; at midnight, Japanese steamer Taikai Maru, from Kobe. Sailed at 11 A. M., steamer Springfield, for New York, via Seattle; at 2 P. M., Dutch steamer Kinderdijk, for United Kingdom; at 4 P. M., steamer Halce, for San Pedro, from Westport; at 9 P. M., steamer Ryder Hanify, for San Pedro.

ASTORIA, Nov. 25.—Left up at 10:30 A. M., steamer Vinita. Left up at 10:30 A. M., steamer Coaxet. Left up at noon, Japanese steamer Taikai Maru.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 25.—Arrived at 2 A. M., steamer Arizonan, from Portland, for New York and way ports; at 6 A. M., steamer Willsolo, from New York, for Portland. Sailed at 1 P. M., steamer Rose City, for Portland. Arrived at 2 P. M., steamer Dakotan, from Boston, for Portland.

ANTWERP, Nov. 21.—Arrived: Danish steamer Natal, from Portland.

LONDON, Nov. 23.—Arrived: Steamer Steel Exporter, from Portland.

BELFAST, Nov. 24.—Arrived: British steamer City of Vancouver, from Portland.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—Sailed: Steamer Iowan, for Portland and way ports.

SUNDERLAND, Nov. 23.—Sailed: British steamer Karonga, for Portland and Puget sound.

CRISTOBAL, Nov. 24.—Arrived: Steamer Minnesotan, from Boston, for Portland and way ports.

NORFOLK, Nov. 23.—Arrived: British steamer Eastern Prince, from Portland, for Leith.

CRISTOBAL, Nov. 23.—Sailed: Steamer West Isleta, from Portland, Me.; Swedish motorship Buenos Aires, from Portland, for Gothenburg; British steamer Norman Monarch, from Columbia river, for United Kingdom.

SHANGHAI, Nov. 22.—Arrived—Keystone State, from Tacoma.

HONGKONG, Nov. 23.—Arrived—Africa Maru, from Tacoma.

HONGKONG, Nov. 23.—Empress of Japan, for Vancouver; Ixion, for Tacoma.

SAN PEDRO, Cal., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Arrived—Cold Harbor, from San Francisco, 11 A. M.; Ensley City, from San Francisco, 10:30 A. M.; Panaman, from San Francisco, 7 A. M.; Fort Bragg, from Mexico, 6 A. M.

Sailed—Anne Hanify, for Ballard, 6 P. M.; Yale, for San Francisco, 3 P. M.

SAN PEDRO, Nov. 24.—Arrived: Steamer Mundelta, from Galveston, for Portland and way ports. Sailed: Steamer Dakotan, from Boston, for Portland.

TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 25.—Arrived: Fulton, from Powell River, B. C.; Yoko Maru, from Kobe, Everett, from San Francisco. Sailed: Tosan Maru, for Yokohama; Hakatas, for Yokohama, via Seattle; Santa Cruz, for Everett; Nome City, for San Francisco; Robin Adair, for New York; motorship Charley Watson, for San Francisco; Arizona Maru, for Vancouver, B. C.

GRAYS HARBOR, Wash., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—The steam schooners Helena and Santa Rita arrived from San Francisco this morning. The Helena loads at the Aberdeen Lumber & Shingle mill, Aberdeen, and the Santa Rita at the American mill, Aberdeen.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 25.—Arrived: City of Spokane, from Dairen; Culburra, from Los Angeles; Admiral Schley, from Los Angeles.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 25.—Arrived: Arizonan, from Columbia river; Willhelo from New York; Dakotan, from New York. Sailed: Rose City, for Portland; Manuiani, for Seattle; Tacoma, for Honolulu.

RAYMOND, Wash., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Sailed: Munindies, for Tacoma, 10 A. M.

Tides at Astoria Saturday.

High.	Low.
10:14 A. M. ....9.7 ft.	4:13 A. M. ....2.4 ft.
11:09 P. M. ....7.7 ft.	5:12 P. M. ....0.4 ft.

Report From Mouth of Columbia.

NORTH HEAD, Nov. 25.—Condition of the sea at 5 P. M., rough; wind, northeast, 36 miles.

COUGARS KILLED IN NIGHT

Hunter and Dog Get Animals After Freshly Killed Deer Is Found.

HOQUIAM, Wash., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Four cougars in one night and morning of stalking and perserverance rewarded John Bunch, well-known Quinault rancher, trapper and nimrod, recently, according to a letter M. H. Mulky, special deputy game warden, has written F. W. Mathias, game commissioner in the western part of the county.

Mr. Mulky writes that Mr. Bunch was returning from his trapping cabin a week ago today, when he came across the carcass of a fine, full-antlered buck deer, apparently freshly killed by wild animals, lying in the trail near Muncaster mountain. After a long chase he got the cougar.

After skinning her and preserving the bone of the forepaw for bounty purposes he returned to the carcass of the deer. Fresh tracks of three cougars were discovered and the dog took up one after another, treed them and Mr. Bunch brought them down with his rifle.

Montesano's Poor Remembered.

MONTESANO, Wash., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—The Knights of Pythias lodge of Montesano again will play Santa Claus to the poor of the city at Christmas. They plan that no worthy family shall be without food and cheer at that time. Eldridge Wheeler, W. L. Carter and Lloyd Pickering compose a committee to handle this work for the lodge. Last year nine families were cared for, each receiving a large basket of food and presents.

Husband Valued at $6416.50.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—A husband was valued at $6416.50 by a jury which heard the case of Florence Leroy against Mary Harmon. Mrs Leroy accused Mrs. Harmon of alienating the affections of her former husband, Ed Leroy, and asked $35,000. Two hours were required for the jury to decide the value of Leroy to his former wife. Motion for a new trial was filed.

Caucus Candidates Nominated.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—At a caucus held in Tenino Tuesday night, C. W. Cook and James McArthur were nominated as candidates for councilmen at the city election December 6. Grace Gibson was nominated for treasurer. Noble Urquhart, nominated to succeed himself on the Napavine council, has refused to serve again. The vacancy on the ticket will be filled by a committee appointed at a recent caucus.

Napavine to Have Legion Post.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—An American Legion post will be organized in Napavine at a meeting to be held there December 10. C. D. Cunningham, department commander of the legion, will assist in the organization. Only 12 members are required to form the post, but it is expected the organization will have a charter membership of between 35 and 40.

Masons to Dedicate Temple.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Tenino's new Masonic temple will be dedicated December 1. Grand lodge officers will have charge of the exercises at 4 o'clock. At 6 o'clock a dinner will be served for Masons and their women folk. The new temple is constructed of Tenino stone and was erected at a cost of about $20,000.

Chinook Melts Heavy Snow.

CONDON, Or., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—The snow reached about 30 inches on the level here and is going off with a chinook. The farmers are jubilant. No trains arrived here for two days. No loss of stock is reported from the ranges.

McGuire Wins Billiard Match.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Walter McGuire was a little too much for Joe Zan in the county championship billiard match last night at the Academy parlors and defeated him 75 to 37.

4 CRAFT ENTER RIVER

VINITA, COAXET, TAIKAI MARU AND TEXAN ARRIVE.

West Lewark to Be Turned Back to Shipping Board After Discharging Cargo Here.

Besides the four large ocean steamers which arrived in the Columbia river yesterday bound for Portland, three more were due at the mouth of the river last night and another should enter the Columbia early this morning. Arriving during the day were the steamers Vinita, Coaxet and Taikai Maru from the orient and the steamer Texan inbound in the intercoastal service to load for Europe.

Due outside last night were the steamers Harry Luckenbach and West Lewark and the Danish motorship Chile. The Norwegian steamer Niels Nielsen is expected in the river early this morning. The Harry Luckenbach is operating in the intercoastal service of the Luckenbach Steamship company and will discharge and load here. The West Lewark is terminating her service in the European-Pacific line, operated by Williams, Dimond & Co. and represented here by the Columbia-Pacific Shipping company. After discharging her European freight at Portland and Seattle she will be turned back to the shipping board for lay up or assignment to new duties. The Chile, operated by the Danish East Asiatic company and represented here by Balfour, Guthrie & Co., is bringing large shipments of glass, toys and other freight from Europe and will load lumber here.

The Nielsen steamer is the first of three vessels of this company taken on a year's charter by Dant & Russell to carry lumber to the orient. All three are bringing coal from the United Kingdom to San Francisco on their way here to enter their new service. The other two will arrive here at intervals of a month.

Pacific Coast Shipping Notes.

ASTORIA, Or., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—The steamer Agwidale with general freight from Portland and 4000 cases of salmon from here was scheduled to sail tonight for Boston via Seattle.

The steamer Texan arrived at 11 o'clock last night from Puget Sound and after taking on freight here went to Portland tonight.

The steam schooner Hornet with 595,000 feet of lumber from Knappton for San Francisco was still weather bound here.

The steam schooner Trinidad with lumber from Westport for San Pedro and the steam schooner Annette Rolph with lumber from St. Helens for San Pedro were in the lower harbor, awaiting better weather before going to sea.

The steamer Coaxet arrived at 11 o'clock last night from the orient with freight for Portland.

The steam schooner Halce with lumber from Wauna and the steam schooner Ryder Hanify with lumber from Westport will be due to sail tomorrow morning for San Pedro.

The Danish motorship Chile was due tonight from Antwerp via San Francisco, to load lumber, probably at Westport.

The steamer West Leward from Europe was due tonight en route to Portland.

The steamer Harry Luckenbach from San Francisco was due tonight, en route to Portland.

The Norwegian steamer Niels Nielsen from San Francisco will be due at 3 o'clock tomorrow morning and will go to Portland.

The Japanese steamer Malta Maru from the orient was off the mouth of the river late this afternoon and was expected in tonight, en route to Portland.

The Japanese steamer Texas Maru en route to Portland was off the mouth of the river late today and was expected in tonight.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Coming from Kobe, via Dairen, the Admiral trans-Pacific steamer Spokane arrived this afternoon, proceeding to Seattle after passing quarantine. She brought a small quantity of freight for discharge at Seattle.

The United States coast guard patrol boat Arcata has been equipped with a new one-pound rapid-firing gun and is now better prepared than ever for smuggling of liquor from British Columbia to points on Puget sound in speedy power boats. Large quantities of liquor have been landed on the Olympic peninsula and then transferred to Seattle, Tacoma and Portland in automobiles. All of the highways are being closely guarded by prohibition officers. State officials are planning to place several fast power boats in commission to patrol the waters of Puget sound, which will make rum-running more hazardous.

Inaugurating the new trans-Pacific service of the Kazuda Steamship company, the Japanese steamer Yoko Maru arrived last evening from Kobe in ballast, proceeding to Tacoma, where she loads a part cargo of lumber, completing at Seattle and Tacoma.

Bringing a big general cargo, including a shipment of raw silk, the Blue Funnel steamer Protesilaus is scheduled to arrive tomorrow from the orient. She will discharge the larger portion of her cargo at Seattle and the remainder at Vancouver, B. C.

After loading a part cargo of lumber at Genoa bay, British Columbia, the Japanese steamer Yukoku Maru arrived last evening, proceeding to Seattle. She will complete her lumber cargo at Seattle, Tacoma and Everett for Australia.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—To load big shipments of flour, wheat and salmon, the Java-Pacific line steamship Arakan, which shifted to Tacoma from Vancouver this week, will come to Seattle early next Monday morning and will dock at the west Seattle grain elevator, it was announced by the General Steamship corporation, Seattle representative for the line. The Arakan is the first Java-Pacific line ship to call at this port in many months. In all she will have 5000 tons of wheat, flour and salmon for the orient and Java ports when she leaves Seattle for the far east, the end of next week.

The Trans-Oceanic company, Seattle agent for the Compagnie Generale Transatlantique, the French line, was informed today that the second steamship of the new French line service, the Mississippi, will reach Seattle about December 24, and that the third carrier, the St. Joseph, left Bordeaux this morning for Pacific coast ports.

Local officials of the Trans-Oceanic company said today that the European cargo business, which for several months past has been very depressed, has improved materially in the last few days and that cargo space aboard the French line ships are at a premium.

Chartered from the shipping board by the Luckenbach Steamship company for one voyage between Puget Sound and the Atlantic seaboard, the Tusalia Avondale will arrive here tomorrow with 1800 tons of general freight loaded at east coast ports. On the sound she will take several thousand tons for New York and Boston. Monday afternoon the Luckenbach line freighter Harry Luckenbach is due with 800 tons of east coast freight.

Consigned to merchants of Chile and Peru, several lumber parcels will be picked up here the end of next week by the General Steamship corporation's steamship Jeptha, which shifted to Tacoma from Vancouver, B. C., today. At the British Columbia port the Jeptha discharged 2500 tons of sugar and at the Tacoma smelters she will unload 2000 tons of ore. To Seattle she is not bringing cargo from the west coast of South America, but will commence to load outward here.

A cable dispatch received today by local officials of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha reported that the company's trans-Pacific freighter Tokiwa Maru, which left Yokohama for Seattle November 22, is laden with 1000 tons of oriental freight which she will discharge at Seattle. The vessel is due at this port December 9, on which day the Suva Maru, of the same fleet, will be dispatched for Japanese and Chinese ports. The Tokiwa Maru is a fast freighter and is being substituted for the Toyama Maru.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—With a cargo of coal for Seattle, the Canadian-Australian freighter Wakkawa today was inbound from Newcastle via San Francisco and Seattle. Outbound she will take pulp paper and general cargo from this port.

The Canadian-Australian passenger liner Makura was due at Honolulu today and was expected to reach this port about December 8.

It will be early next week before the Isthmian freighter Santa Rosalia can make port from the orient, as that vessel was about 1500 miles off port today. This steamer is coming in ballast and will go on berth here for the United Kingdom.

The Canadian government merchant marine steamer Canadian Farmer was delivering a heavy shipment of salt at Nanoose from San Francisco and will bring the cured fish to this port for transshipment.

December 1 has been set as the date for the arrival here of the big Dollar freighter Robert Dollar from New York. That steamer has about 4000 tons of freight on board now, but on arrival here will take on consignments of lumber, wheat, machinery and general, for the orient and Mediterranean points. This is the last trip of the big freighter for some time, as that vessel will make San Francisco the port of call on this coast after this.

The local office of the Dollar Steamship line has been advised of the arrival at Yokohama of the steamer Melville Dollar after one of the toughest trips that boat has ever experienced.

Flour and cement will move out of this port on the steamer Sinaloa of the Latin-America Steamship line. This is a new trade route for Canadian ships and both South and Central America are showing much interest in Canadian flour and cement.

The steamer Tokufuka Maru is loading lumber at the Fraser River mills and will sail in about 10 days for United Kingdom ports.

Prior to sailing for Europe the Holland-America steamer Eemdijk is loading lumber at Victoria for delivery at Antwerp. She loaded canned salmon, flour and general at this port.

The British-Canadian Steamships, Limited, received a report from the steamer City of Vancouver today announcing the arrival of that boat at Belfast, where she will discharge the balance of her cargo. If no freight offerings present themselves the boat may be forced to return to Vancouver with coal as ballast.

SAN PEDRO, Cal., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—The failure of the coxswain of a navy launch to observe harbor rules caused the narrow escape of the pilot launch Hesper from being sunk this morning. As a result of the collision between the two launches the Hesper will have to be repaired in a local shipyard. The navy launch was coming in on the left side of the main channel, which is contrary to harbor regulations.

The Red Stack tug Sea Eagle, whose pilot house was washed ashore near Portland, formerly was owned in this port. She was the tug Collie and was owned by the Pacific Electric company several years ago. She was used when Redondo had more shipping than today and when the long wharf at Santa Monica was the principal wharf over which merchandise reached Los Angeles from the sea. She had not been used for years and was tied up in the inner harbor.

Earl M. Leaf, vice-president of the Los Angeles Steamship company, has returned from Washington, bringing the information that the company may purchase five shipping board steamers and transform them into combination cargo and passenger steamers. A proposition has been made to the shipping board and unofficial hints passes upon it local officials would give no definite information.

TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—In the service of Kosuda company, the Japanese steamer Yoko Maru arrived here last night and is loading lumber for the orient. The vessel will shift down sound tomorrow night, it is thought, and take some cargo, after which the Yoko will return and complete loading.

Ralph T. Jones was in Tacoma today looking after the vessel. He made his home in Tacoma for a number of years and made his start in the steamship game with Dodwell & Co., and later with the Osaka Shosen Kaisha. He expects to have a second vessel, the Meigen Maru, here in a few days, also to take a lumber cargo at the port dock.

The Arakan, which arrived here last night, is taking flour and wheat for Batavia. The steamer will probably get away tomorrow evening for down sound ports.

The Santa Cruz shifted this morning to Everett to load. The steamer will return next week to load general freight here.

The San Diego and Phyllis, loading lumber here, will get away, tomorrow, it is expected, for San Pedro.

The Tosan Maru sailed tonight for Japan with a full cargo of wheat. She took 6000 tons here.

The Johnson line motorship Canada, due here to load lumber for Australia, is reported barbound at Grays Harbor. Heavy weather is also reported to be delaying the Mundarles, also due this morning to load.

The Hakata Maru was expected to clear tonight after loading 2300 tons of wheat at the Balfour dock.

The motorship Charlie Watson arrived at the Standard Oil dock last night. She is unloading gasoline and was to go out tonight.

The Alameda, from the north, arrived at the Tacoma smelter with a cargo of copper ore last night. She will be in port unloading several days.

The Santa Cruz, Kachikan and barge Baroda are also still at the smelter dock.

After unloading a cargo of wire and nails with some miscellaneous freight from the east coast at the terminal dock, the Isthmian line steamer Robin Adair shifted yesterday to the sound to take a cargo of copper for the return trip.

The Kenkon Maru, of the Yamashita Kisen Kaisha line, will be due here to load lumber at the port terminals, but no word has been received from her. The vessel is not equipped with wireless and so her whereabouts are not known.

Another windjammer will be in port by Sunday, it is expected. The sailing vessel William H. Lewis is reported nearing Cape Flattery with a cargo of nitrate from South America, to be unloaded at Dupont. The vessel is in the General Steamship corporation service.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Officials of the Waterfront Employes' union are considering whether a cut in the wages of stevedores in this port is justifiable, it was stated yesterday by Captain Walter J. Peterson, manager of the Ship Owners' Employment bureau, at 54 East street. The question of a cut is being considered following the recent annual meeting of the ship owners, represented by the Waterfront Employers' union, and the stevedores, represented by the San Francisco Longshoremen's association, for the consideration of wages and conditions. At this meeting the stevedores expressed themselves as satisfied with the present wage scale, which is 90 cents an hour, with $1.35 an hour for overtime. This scale has been in effect since last May, when the rate of pay was cut from $1 an hour, the highest point it had reached during the war.

The ship owners are not at the present time considering cutting seamen's wages, according to Captain Peterson, although they are aware of the fact that seamen's wages are being cut at many points on the Atlantic coast.

Twenty-seven days from Boston via New York and San Pedro, the American-Hawaiian freighter Dakotan arrived here today with about 2000 tons of general merchandise for discharge at this port. The Dakotan will sail for Europe on her next run from this coast, leaving here December 17, according to Williams, Dimond & Co., operating the vessel.

Frank Relyea, director of the shipping board for this district, returned to his duties here today after an inspection of the Oregon district of the board. Mr. Relyea said the conference to be held Monday in Washington will determine Portland's operation of government tonnage.

A total of 2181 tons of freight was brought here for discharge today from the east coast on the Williams line freighter Willsolo. Among the cargo for delivery here was 61 tons of pig iron, 22 tons of pipe fittings, 35 tons of steel plate, 80 tons of wire and 280 tons of nails. As soon as she discharges, the Willsolo will proceed to Puget sound to complete unloading.

Bound for this port, the new five-masted motorship Coberhaven sailed from Shields November 17. The vessel is declared to be one of the largest vessels of her type afloat. She is owned by the East Asiatic company and was built by Ramage & Ferguson.

The Japanese liner Tadyo Maru will arrive Sunday at daylight bringing 199 cabin, 55 second and 152 steerage passengers. She is bringing 90 tons of raw silk and 200 tons of tea, according to a wireless message received here today by the company.

Scheduled to arrive here Monday, the China Mail liner China will not reach here until Wednesday, according to advices received by the marine department of the chamber of commerce. She is bringing passengers and freight from the orient.

In to finish loading for New York, the American-Hawaiian freighter Arizonan arrived here today from the Columbia river.

Gift Makers to Confer.

MONTESANO, Wash., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Women of Grays Harbor county will have a clearing house for Christmas present ideas at a meeting of the clothing project leaders of the county in Montesano November 29. Miss Mabel Webber, home demonstration agent, has called the meeting and asked each woman to bring samples of all manner of hand-made Christmas presents. The making of these presents will be explained and the leaders will return home prepared to instruct their neighbors. The sample presents will be on display at a public meeting following the conference.

BABY IS KEPT IN JAIL

RESULT OF FIGHT OVER TECHNICALITY AWAITED.

Mother Refuses to Part With Infant So Both Are Put on Top Floor of Bastile.

While Mrs. Lola G. Baldwin, superintendent of the women's protective division, and the juvenile court have been clashing over a technicality in procedure the 13-months-old daughter of Lai Laki, young Filipino bride, has remained in the city jail with her mother since last Tuesday night.

Differences arose on Wednesday morning when Mrs. Baldwin, deeming the detention rooms at the city jail an unsuitable place for a baby, caused a complaint to be issued for the juvenile court, charging that the baby was without proper parental care, in order that the juvenile court would take it into custody and remove it from the detention room.

The juvenile court delayed until late Wednesday afternoon, saying it could not care for the infant properly. Mrs. Baldwin offered to have it sent, but her offer was not accepted. Mrs. Harriet Heller, a representative of the court, then appeared for the child and the real trouble began. The mother stoutly refused to part with it.

Saying that the affair rested with the juvenile court, Mrs. Baldwin took no part in this step. The court then asked the co-operation of the police department to obtain the child, but this co-operation proved as futile as the first attempt to take it. At every attempt to assume custody the mother rose up in arms and defied the officers. Co-operation was then abandoned, and, since Mrs. Baldwin refused the use of her detention rooms, mother and child were transferred to the top floor of the jail.

The mother is held on charges of improper conduct and has not been arraigned, pending the outcome of an investigation. Mrs. Baldwin contends that Lai Laki is morally unfit for the responsibilities of motherhood and declares the child should be taken away from her. The husband and father is living in another city.

DR. HUGH MOUNT RETURNS

Business in East Is Optimistic, Says Oregon City Physician.

OREGON CITY, Or., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—The spirit which pervades the east is one of general hopefulness in both financial and international affairs, according to Dr. Hugh S. Mount, who returned to Oregon City today after a four weeks' trip to the Atlantic coast. He was accompanied by Mrs. Mount and his son, Hugh Jr.

In Philadelphia, a fellowship in the American College of Surgeons, a branch of the Royal College of Surgeons of London, was conferred upon Dr. Mount. At Cleveland he visited the Kriel Clinics and at Rochester, N. Y., visited with the Mayo brothers.

Throughout the east, says the doctor, business men feel optimistic over the future. There is sufficient money moving, he says, to take care of all legitimate business. Manufacturers in the east, it was found, are looking toward the further return of normal conditions in the near future.

JURY WEEDING CONTINUES

11 of Prospective Burch Venire Are Women.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 25.—The weeding out of prospective jurors for the trial of Arthur C. Burch on the charge of having murdered J. Belton Kennedy continued all of today in Judge Sidney N. Reeve's court, and adjournment was taken until Monday with the final panel still unselected. Three days have been consumed in examination of talesmen.

At the time of adjournment the box was filled with temporarily passed jurors, 11 of the 12 being women.

Burch continued to show a lively interest in the proceedings and laughed heartily at many of the answers given by the talesmen to questions relating to insanity as a defense.

YOUTH ESCAPES AGAIN

Aberdeen Prisoner Digs Out Bricks and Flees From Jail.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Armos Saari, Aberdeen's 17-year-old escape artist, again broke jail at 4 o'clock this morning by removing 12 bricks from the side of the Aberdeen city prison and dropping to the ground outside. He was accompanied by Dave Bird, 17, and Arthur Abitz, 18, who were held on vagrancy charges, pending filing of larceny charges against them in connection with robbery of a Cosmopolis home.

Abitz and Bird were rearrested six hours later, but Saari has not been seen. Saari was arrested by a Cosmopolis officer a month ago, but broke away on the way to the jail. Rearrested a few days later, he admitted connection with a dozen robberies, but escaped from the juvenile ward by prying up a couple of light bars and jumping 20 feet to the ground from the second floor window. He was rearrested Tuesday after trying to elude the officers by taking refuge in a deep slough and was lodged in the jail proper, from where he escaped this morning with the aid of a small piece of iron torn off a cell.

Port Calendar.

To Arrive at Portland.

Steamer—	From—	Due.
Malta Maru	Japan	Nov. 26
Yelkoku Maru	Japan	Nov. 26
Harry Luckenbach	N. Y.-Phila.	Nov. 26
West Lemark	Europe-S. P.	Nov. 26
Child (M. S.)	San Fran.	Nov. 26
Deerfield	Grays Harbor	Nov. 27
Yayoi Maru	Grays Harbor	Nov. 27
Robin Adair	Seattle	Nov. 27
Texas Maru	Japan	Nov. 29
*Rose City	San Fran.	Nov. 27
Niels Nielsen	San Fran.	Nov. 27
Depero	Seattle	Nov. 27
West Haven	Baltimore	Nov. 28
Milan Maru	Galveston	Nov. 28
Hollywood	Eureka	Nov. 28
Admiral Sebree	San Fran.	Nov. 29
Willhilo	N. Y.-S. F.	Nov. 30
Emdyk	Europe-S. P.	Nov. 30
West Nomentum	Hakodate	Nov. 30
Kentucklan	New York	Dec. 2
West Cayote	Japan	Dec. 2
Santa Rosalia	Seattle	Dec. 2
West Kader	Dairen	Dec. 2
Lewis Luckenbach	N. Y.-Phila.	Dec. 3
Mobile City	Seattle	Dec. 4
Sinaloa	Europe-S. P.	Dec. 5
Katrina Luckenbach	N. Y.-Phila.	Dec. 8
Mont Cervin	Vancouver	Dec. 8
Saleier	San Fran.	Dec. 10
Dakotan	New York	Dec. 10
Mississippi	Bordeaux	Dec. 10
Liberator	Baltimore	Dec. 12
Artigas	Boston	Dec. 13
Walter A. Luckenbach	N. Y.-Phila.	Dec. 13
Virginian	New York	Dec. 15
Chas. H. Cramp	Baltimore	Dec. 12
Brush	Boston	Dec. 21
Florence Luckenbach	Mobile	Dec. 21
Minnetonka	New York	Dec. 27
Princess	New York	Dec. 24
Nicherey	London	Dec. 24
Hattie Luckenbach	Mobile	Dec. 30
Iowan	New York	Dec. 30

To Depart From Portland.

Steamer—	For—	Date.
Hokkai Maru	Orient	Nov. 26
Yonan Maru	Japan	Nov. 26
*Curacao	Panama	Nov. 26
*Admiral Evans	San Diego	Nov. 26
Robin Adair	New York	Nov. 28
Texan	Europe	Nov. 27
Woodarra	Europe	Nov. 27
*Rose City	San Fran.	Nov. 30
Vinita	North China	Nov. 30
Admiral Sebree	San Pedro	Nov. 30
*Senator	San Diego	Dec. 3

Vessels in Port.

Steamers—	Berth—
*Admiral Evans	Terminal No. 2.
Annette Rolph	St. Helens.
Dakotan	Terminal No. 4.
*Curacao	Supple's dock.
Erie Maru	Westport.
Erviken	American Can dock.
Glasgow Maru	Terminal No. 4.
Helena Maru	West Oregon mill.
Hokkai Maru	Port. Flour mills.
Johan Poulsen	Westport.
Nebraska	Terminal No. 4.
Ohio Maru	Westport.
Oregon Pine (sch)	Drydock.
Oregon Maru	Clark-Wilson mill.
Reiyo Maru	Terminal No. 4.
Trinidad	Westport.
Taikai Maru	Terminal No. 4.
Texan	Terminal No. 1.
Vinita	Shell dock.
*Wapama	St. Helens.
Willhilo	Port. Flour Mills.
Woodarra	Terminal No. 4.
Yesaki Maru	Elevator dock.
Yonan Maru	S. P. siding.
Yori Maru	Peninsula mill.

*Carries passengers.

WORLD IS MOVING TOWARD NORMALCY

Cost of American Dollar Abroad Falls in Year.

BUSINESS IS PICKING UP

Liquidation in Some Parts of United States to Require Another 12 Months.

Observation of the progress of the agricultural regions and foreign countries toward stability and normalcy is interesting now that commercial credits in New England and the eastern states are normal. There is a general impression, it is observed in a letter of the Alexander Hamilton institute of New York, that Texas, Minnesota and other neighboring states will require another year to liquidate.

It is interesting to note that the reserve banks in Minneapolis, Dallas, Atlanta, Richmond and San Francisco have reduced their loans substantially as compared with the peak of a year ago. The decreases amount, with the exception of San Francisco, to only 20 to 30 per cent, however, while the average of the entire country is 50 per cent and at San Francisco the decline in loans has been 49 per cent.

Improvement Is Shown.

Following is the showing of the 12 federal reserve banks:

Federal Reserve Bank Loans (Millions).

	Oct. 1921.	Oct. 1920.	Dec. P.C.
New York	$320	$1110	71.2
Chicago	239	565	57.7
Cleveland	146	298	51.0
Boston	91	245	62.9
San Francisco	121	237	49.0
Philadelphia	127	246	48.4
Atlanta	112	139	29.6
Richmond	107	132	19.0
St. Louis	80	141	43.3
Kansas City	88	140	37.2
Dallas	62	91	32.5
Minneapolis	74	95	22.1

Not only have the agricultural sections made some progress toward the liquidation of debts, but Canada and Great Britain show solid improvement in financial condition and France has recently made a successful beginning toward deflation.

This evidence of improvement is shown in the decline in the cost of the American dollar abroad. A year ago the French were paying 302 per cent of the normal price of the dollar but now only 265 per cent. In Great Britain the cost has declined from 141 per cent of normal to only 123 per cent. All of the countries in the following table have shown improvement during the past year and in all of them, except Italy, France and Denmark, the premium on the dollar is less than 25 per cent:

Cost of American Dollar.

In	Percent of Normal Cost Now.	Yr. ago.
Switzerland	106	122
Canada	109	110
Sweden	116	138
Holland	118	131
Great Britain	123	141
Denmark	139	194
France	265	302
Italy	490	512

Trade Depression Indicated.

It is not surprising that in the above table Sweden, Denmark, Holland and Switzerland show improvement. They were neutral countries during the war. It is difficult to understand, however, why Spain and Norway have shown no improvement during the last year. In those countries the premium on the dollar is slightly greater than a year ago, as in the following table:

Cost of American Dollar.

In	Percent of Normal Cost Now.	Yr. ago.
Argentina	132	121
Uruguay	138	83