

SHIPS, NOT WHEAT, SAID TO BE SHORT

Herbert Hoover Points Out That Transportation to Europe Is Problem.

ALLIED CROPS ARE LARGE

National Food Administrator Shows Figures Which Indicate That Europe Can Be Supplied if Boats Prove Available.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Oct. 27.—There is no world shortage of wheat at the present time, on the contrary, there is a world surplus, a surplus far more than enough to meet the necessary and normal demands of the allied countries of Europe.

But there is a big wheat problem facing the United States and the allies, just the same, notwithstanding this surplus. The problem results from a shortage of ocean tonnage. Transportation, or lack of it, creates the situation which is bothering the United States as well as England, France and Belgium.

Surplus Wheat Large.

Herbert Hoover, the food administrator, has been to considerable pains to compile world figures on wheat production for 1917. He finds that allied Europe needs, in addition to its home supply, a total of 57,709,000 bushels of wheat to maintain normal consumption in those countries. He finds that the surplus wheat in the United States and other great grain-growing countries amounts to 73,000,000 bushels, or nearly 200,000,000 more than is required to sustain allied Europe until next year's wheat becomes available.

But while there is a great surplus in the world, the bulk of it is found in Australia, in India and in Argentina, far removed from Europe and at such a distance that its transportation with facility to the countries where it is needed is well-nigh impossible with tonnage now available—tonnage that could be employed with reasonable safety in the war zone.

Normally, using the three pre-war years as the basis, Mr. Hoover finds that Europe, that is, allied Europe, imported 330,500,000 bushels of wheat and raised 59,675,000 bushels. The wheat crop of those countries this year is 196,905,000 bushels short, so that Europe this year, to meet its needs, must import 57,709,000 bushels.

Shipping Is Problem.

The United States has a surplus of 80,000,000 bushels and Canada 150,000,000 bushels, a total of 230,000,000 bushels less than the demand. With shipping available this could be made up with ease from the other countries above named, for Australia has a present surplus of 120,000,000 bushels and an equal surplus from the new crop; India now has 50,000,000 bushels surplus and 70,000,000 in sight from the new crop, and in January Argentina will have a new crop, of which it is estimated that 150,000,000 bushels will exceed the home demand.

These countries combined, therefore, have or soon will have an available surplus of 540,000,000 bushels of wheat, or nearly enough to feed all of Europe that is arrayed against Germany. After reciting these figures Mr. Hoover, in a personal statement, explains the difficulty that confronts the allied powers.

Atlantic Route Best Guarded.

"There is," he says, "ample promise of a supply of wheat without effort on our part if shipping were available to transport it. But the world's shipping is already too short to afford sufficient tonnage to traverse the longer routes, and the bulk of the load thus falls upon North America. The shorter routes, Australia and India, requires three times the time of one to North America, and thus three times as many ships to transport the same quantity. Furthermore, the American route is best protected.

"The problem," continues Mr. Hoover, "is thus simply one of ships. If ample shipping existed there would be no need for saving or increased production of wheat on the part of the American people. But, as it is, the United States can produce such economies in consumption and such stimulation of production in the United States and Canada as will enable it to feed the allies from this continent, and thus enable them in the final analysis to live without sending a ship further afield than our Atlantic seaboard, we can resist the submarine indefinitely."

TYPHOID SCOURGES FAMILY

Father and Son Dead, Girl Dying, Mother and Grandmother Ill.

LAUREL, Del., Oct. 18.—Joseph Calloway, Jr., 2 years old, whose father died yesterday, died at noon today. The remaining child, a girl of 5, is in a dying condition, while the mother and aged grandmother are critically ill, typhoid having stricken the family.

William Calloway, an uncle, has just recovered from a two months' illness.

EIGHT PER CENT REJECTED

131 of 1569 Seattle Men at Camp Lewis Physically Unfit.

SEATTLE, Oct. 27.—Major Albert Moody, chief of registration and draft in the office of the Adjutant-General, has been notified that of the total of 1569 men sent to Camp Lewis from Seattle as part of the National Army, 131, or approximately 8 per cent, have been rejected by Army physicians due to physical defects.

A Sure Way to

End Dandruff

There is one sure way that has never failed to remove dandruff at once, and that is to dissolve it, then you destroy it entirely. To do this, just get about four ounces of plain, common liquid arvon from any drugstore (this is all you will need), apply it at night when retiring, use enough to moisten the scalp and rub it in gently with the finger tips.

By morning, most, if not all, of your dandruff will be gone, and three or four more applications will completely dissolve and entirely destroy every single sign and trace of it, no matter how much dandruff you may have.

You will find all itching and digging of the scalp will stop instantly, and your hair will be fluffy, lustrous, glossy, silky and soft, and look and feel a hundred times better.—Adv.

DAUGHTERS OF ALSATIAN LEADER, WHO FLED FROM GERMANS, NOW SAFE IN THE UNITED STATES.



Left to Right—Misses Lydia and Janet Blumenthal, Daughters of Daniel Blumenthal Who Was Mayor of Colmar at the Beginning of the War, Until the Germans Advanced and Deported Him.

The two girls fled secretly from their home in Colmar to France to save their lives as the Germans advanced into the town.

"We left our home in Colmar," Miss Janet Blumenthal said, "on July 21, 1914, just before war was declared between France and Germany. For many days troops had been moving westward and we knew what it meant. The names of our family headed the German blacklist and we realized and feared. We feared what the world knows of the atrocities never to be forgotten. We were halted many times, but were allowed to pass."

The girls arrived recently in this country. Daniel Blumenthal arrived here about six months ago. He is well known as a leader in Alsace and as President of the World League for the restitution of Alsace-Lorraine.

DISCONTENT IS RIFE

Austrians, Above Everything, Want Peace.

MEN KEPT IN IGNORANCE

Californians in Albania Gather Evidence of Distressing Conditions Now Prevailing in Central Empires.

KORITZA, Albania, Oct. 2.—(Staff Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—The American ambulance section, stationed here, made up of men from Leland Stanford University, California, has won distinction of late.

First, it made a record advance of 40 miles, keeping up with the recent forward sweep of General Grossetti's forces from Poprodek to Padshoja on Lake Ochrida—one of the biggest military advances of the war.

The culminating achievement of the Californians has been bringing in proof positive confirming the French account of a recent desperate fight, in which 200 Austro-Bulgars were killed and 450 captured, which had been denied in a German communiqué. The proof, coming from an independent American source, has been received with great satisfaction at French headquarters.

Chicago Men Discovered.—The Americans secured their evidence of the French success by a chance meeting with the convoy of Austro-Bulgar prisoners as they were brought back to the prison camp. The ambulances were moving along the road, parallel with the long file of prisoners, when a voice suddenly came from the prisoners' ranks:

"Hello, Americans."

This was in good English and the prisoner who spoke was soon sorted out.

"I am from Chicago," he said, "and I'm mighty glad to see some of my American fellow-citizens."

"But what are you doing there as an Austrian prisoner?" asked Walter E. Bruun, of Oakland, Cal.

"I'll tell you," said the Austrian prisoner frankly. "I was living in Chicago when the war broke out, but as a native-born Austrian I felt I ought to return to my country. And so I did it and it was the greatest mistake I ever made in my life."

Austrians Want Peace.

"Why, not half of the men here know what the war is about or what it's for," he said. "The one thing every man in the Austrian ranks wants is peace and he knows Germany is the obstacle to Austria getting peace. That makes a bitter feeling against Germany among the men."

Meantime others among the colleagues were gathering data concerning the encounter in which the prisoners were taken. Their count tallied 418. Their car later followed the prisoners all the way to the prison camp. Peck got two medals from the prisoners, showing them of Francis Joseph, with the words "Bosnia-Herzegovina-Dalmatia, 1914-1915 Weltkrieg."

These medals showed the prisoners were from the Czechs and Bohemian classes, the elements opposed to the war. Many of them openly declared the Czech element was seeking to be captured at every opportunity.

BALBOA SWORD TREASURED

Marines Prize Historic Weapon Taken in Nicaraguan War.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 27.—(Special.)—A sword, broken and rusty, but with the hilt intact, said to have been bathed in the waters of the Pacific by

NATION'S CAPITAL DRY ON THURSDAY

Washington Becomes Largest Liquorless City in Country.

COME-BACK IS IMPOSSIBLE

Residents of District Stock Up With Beverages, Though Wet Baltimore Is Only 40 Miles Away—Bars Close.

BY A. W. CRAWFORD.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27.—(Special.)—Washington climbs on the front seat of the water wagon on Thursday, November 1. On that date the act passed last year by Congress making the District of Columbia dry territory becomes effective.

The Nation's capital will take rank as the largest dry city in the country. John Barleycorn is not giving up the battle without a final struggle. A case is pending in court testing the constitutionality of the act. But the possibility of court intervention is not considered a betting proposition.

Prohibition Forced on District.

The drinking population bemoans the fact that no opportunity was given for an expression of the desires of the residents, but that prohibition was forced upon them by the votes of citizens of far-distant states. However, the people have had a year to adjust themselves to the idea of a saloonless town and the change will be made without attracting more than casual attention.

For the past few months those who do not intend to abstain entirely from liquor have been stockpiling their cellars. Retail sales have been three or four times as large as normal. The demand for wet goods would have consumed the supply in the city long ago but that additional quantities have been brought in just about as fast as transportation facilities would allow. During the last few weeks the liquor dealers have been greatly hampered by the fact that they could not get deliveries, even by express.

Stocks Sold Out.

The dealers now have almost sold out their stocks. One of the largest wholesale wine merchants in the city went out of business two weeks ago.

Some of the hotels have closed up their bars and are using the additional space for cafe to accommodate the enormous transient population.

The liquor stocks will be so depleted that the usual celebration of the final night may be rather tame.

Repeal Not Likely.

The saloonkeepers know that they are going out of business permanently. There never will be a chance for the residents of the district to vote them back. Only a repeal of the law by Congress will turn the trick. With Senators and Representatives guided by sentiment in their home states and indifferent to what the voteless inhabitants of the district may think, there does not seem a chance of such action.

New Revenue Needed.

The District Commissioners will have to figure out a new way to raise money. The revenue obtained from licenses amounted this year to \$174,706. It is expected that there will be increases.

DALLAS WOMAN IS INJURED

Mrs. G. Harder Has Head Crushed While Riding in Elevator.

DALLAS, Or., Oct. 27.—(Special.)—Mrs. G. Harder, of this city, narrowly escaped death at the prune-packing plant of the California Packing Corporation in this city Thursday, when in riding on an elevator to an upper floor of the building she looked downward and her head was caught between the floor of the lift and the second floor of the building.

Only the prompt efforts of other workmen nearby at the time of the accident prevented her from being killed. She was removed to her home in an unconscious condition. Her injuries may prove fatal.

ONLY NEGRO BUYS BOND

Daisy Moody, Hood River, Is Real Patriot.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Oct. 27.—(Special.)—Daisy Moody, cook for a local family, the only negro in Hood River County, subscribed yesterday for a liberty bond. The city says that she has written to her father, a farmer of Humphreys County, Tennessee, urging him to invest in the liberty loan.

Daisy has participated consistently in local patriotic activities, having joined the local chapter of the Red Cross last Spring.

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Outside of a few Maryland roadhouses, the nearest wet spot hitherforth will be Baltimore, 40 miles distant. Virginia, on the other side of the Potomac, is a dry state. The dry forces now are organizing for statewide prohibition in Maryland.

SERVICES TO BE TOMORROW

Fifth Victim of Auto Accident Will Be Buried at Rose City.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary Schneider, fifth victim of the automobile-train accident near Hillsboro, October 7, will be held tomorrow at 2 o'clock at the First Evangelical German Church, Twelfth and Clay streets. Rev. G. F. Leining will officiate. Burial will be at Rose City Cemetery.

Mrs. Schneider was the wife of Adolph Schneider, 1314 Cleveland avenue, who, with three others, was killed in the accident. Mrs. Schneider was past 50 years of age and had been a resident of Oregon for 32 years. She was born in Switzerland.

LUMBER PRODUCTION LOW

Review States Output Is Not What It Should Be.

SEATTLE, Oct. 27.—A review of lumbering operations for the past week

issued from headquarters here of the West Coast Lumbermen's Association expresses dissatisfaction with the rate of output of aircraft and ship lumber.

Although an increase in the production of these grades is noted. The report declares every effort will be made to speed the production of lumber of these kinds.

The report states that production for the past week was 82 per cent of normal and actual production for the week totaled 75,155,528 feet.

Doctor Tells How to Strengthen Eyesight 50 Per Cent in One Week's Time in Many Instances

A Free Prescription You Can Have Filled and Use at Home.

Philadelphia, Pa. Do you wear glasses? Are you a victim of eye strain or other eye weaknesses? If so, you will be glad to know that according to Dr. Lewis there is real hope for you. Many whose eyes were failing say they have had their eyes restored through the principle of this wonderful free prescription. One man says, after trying it: "I was almost blind, could not see to read at all. Now I can read everything without any glasses and my eyes do not water any more. At night they would pain dreadfully; now they feel fine all the time. It was like a miracle to me."

A lady who used it says: "The atmosphere seemed hazy with or without glasses, but after using this prescription for fifteen days everything seemed clear. I can even read fine print without glasses." It is believed that thousands who wear glasses can now discard them in a reasonable time and multitudes more will be able to strengthen their eyes so as to be spared the trouble and expense of ever getting glasses.

Eye troubles of many descriptions may be wonderfully benefited by following the simple rules. Here is the prescription: Go to any active drug store and get a bottle of Bon-Opto tablets. Drop one Bon-Opto tablet in a fourth of a glass of water and allow to dissolve. With this liquid bathe the eyes two to four times daily. You should notice your eyes clear up perceptibly right from the start and inflammation will quickly disappear. If your eyes are bothering you, even a little, take steps to save them now before it is too late. Many hopelessly blind might have been saved if they had cared for their eyes in time.

Note: Another prominent physician to whom the above article was submitted, said: "Bon-Opto is a very remarkable remedy. Its constituent ingredients are well known to eminent eye specialists and widely prescribed by them. The manufacturers guarantee it to strengthen eyesight 50 per cent in a week's time in many instances or refund the money. It can be obtained from any good druggist and is one of the very few preparations I feel should be kept on hand for regular use in almost every family." It is sold in this city by the leading druggists.—Adv.

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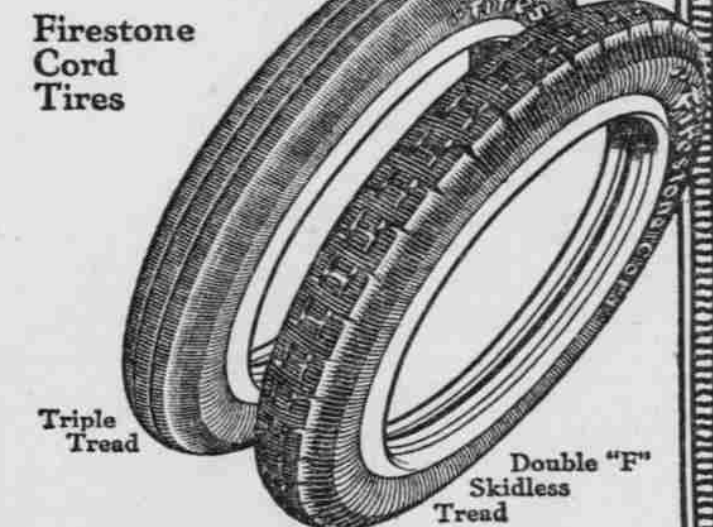
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