

MORE SHIPS SUNK THAN ANY NATION HAS BUILT IN YEAR

Britain Built 2,898,299 Tons in 1913; U-Boat Toll in Past 10 Months Over 3,000,000.

U. S. PLANS PROGRESSING 6,000,000 Tons by End of 1918, Present Outlook; Other Nations' Building Behind Losses

Washington, Dec. 1.—(N. S.)—The Germans have sunk more British ships in the first 10 months of their unrestricted U-boat warfare than Great Britain or any other nation has ever built in a full year.

The other and startling revolutions were made today when Senator Gilbert M. Hitchcock of Nebraska made public a letter he had received from Chairman Edward N. Hurley of the United States shipping board, showing the status of the American shipbuilding program. Figures compiled from official reports show that the Germans have sunk something more than 3,000,000 tons dead weight in 10 months.

Chairman Hurley informed Senator Hitchcock that the greatest shipbuilding feat any nation had ever accomplished was that of England in 1913, when 688 vessels of 2,898,299 tons were completed.

The American program, unless it is hampered by unforeseen events, will produce 6,000,000 tons by the end of 1918. Of this amount about 5,000,000 tons will be completed in 1918 alone, thus surpassing Great Britain's best effort about two million tons. Details of the program were forwarded to Senator Hitchcock in reply to his request for information.

The United States now has available for Transatlantic service 682 ships of a total of 2,721,806 tons, including former German and Austrian vessels and oil tankers.

Mr. Hurley showed that between January 1 and June 1, this year, American shipyards had built and launched 87 ships of a total of 593,523 tons. Of this total, 44 vessels were steel, 40, 964 tons; while 32 were of wood, 72,923 tons.

Senator Hitchcock asked for details on the labor question and friction between shipbuilders, the government and the steel men. Mr. Hurley referred him to the department of labor as to strike troubles and refused to go into details publicly on the other questions.

In reply to questions regarding the activities of the new shipyards, Mr. Hurley declared that all of them that have contracts now have work cleared and will have their buildings and ways completed, ready to start actual construction work on vessels they are to produce, early in 1918.

Other Nations Fall Behind. The new yard at Hog Island, Pa., must deliver 50 ships before November 1, 1918, he said, and the Port Newark yard must furnish seven in June. The new Bristol plant must have four ships ready for service in May.

Senator Hitchcock said his questions were designed partly to enable him to get information for the senate for the status of the shipping board's program and partly to enable him to compare shipbuilding progress with the losses due to the German submarine campaign. He asked only one question on the latter point, however.

"Have any British, French or Norwegian, Italian or Holland authorities yet asserted that they are now building new ships as fast as the submarines are destroying them?" he asked.

Chairman Hurley's reply was a short but emphatic "No." It will be up to the United States, he indicated in his figures, to produce new ships faster than the Germans sink them, providing losses are not pulled down by the allied navies.

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VANCOUVER'S MAYOR IS ACTIVE CITIZEN



G. R. Percival

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 1.—At a recent meeting of the Vancouver city council Mayor Milton Evans resigned and G. R. Percival, one of its members, was elected mayor to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Evans.

Mr. Percival was born in Geauga county, Ohio, February 18, 1860, and lived on the western reserve until coming west and locating at Vancouver in 1902. He was admitted to the bar in Ohio, and also in United States courts in 1925, and practiced his profession at Ravenna, Ohio. He was married to Elva H. Hall, April 15, 1886. He has two sons, Ralph, now employed in the United States National bank of Portland, Or., and Donald, an engineer employed in the shipbuilding plant at Vancouver.

Mr. Percival is one of the men who interested the G. M. Standifer Construction company in work on the waterfront of this city, and has always been active in upbuilding the city and community.

MEASLES QUARANTINES ENTIRE REGIMENT AT LEWIS CANTONMENT

363rd, Composed Mostly of San Francisco Men, Take Enforced Restrictions Good Naturally.

Camp Lewis, American Lake, Wash., Dec. 1.—(N. S.)—The entire 363rd regiment, composed of 3804 men and approximately 100 officers, is under quarantine tonight as the result of the discovery today of additional cases of measles in the organization.

The regiment, composed for the main part of men from San Francisco and neighboring communities, is taking the quarantine good naturally, the men realizing that in segregation lies the only way of effectively combating the disease, which, though not serious, is attended at times by high fever and still more importance in the drilling of the men, an inability to work.

There are 16 cases of measles in the regiment and one case of meningitis, it was said tonight. The men in this patient has been in the base hospital for several days and is well on the way to recovery, but C company will be under quarantine for it for a week yet.

According to Captain C. C. Quigley, regimental adjutant, friends and relatives of the men need not worry about the quarantine, as every measure is being taken to prevent the disease from becoming an epidemic. The men are forbidden to enter any barracks but their own or to go to the Y. M. C. A. or any place where there is any large assembly.

Woodburn Entertains The Epworth League

Woodburn, Or., Dec. 1.—The Epworth league convention of the Salem district opened the annual district convention here Friday morning and is to continue until Sunday evening, when it will close with an address by Rev. E. E. Gilbert of the M. E. church of Oregon City.

A delegate present for every 10 members of all local chapters makes the attendance large and much interest is shown. The session is being held in the Methodist church and delegates are being entertained by the church people of the town. The address Friday evening was given by Rev. R. N. Avison of Salem Methodist church.

Smelt Business Is In Good Condition

Chehalis, Wash., Nov. 30.—All smelt dealers and fishermen anticipate an unusually good market for this little fish this season.

A new double deck building has been erected for the Columbia River Smelt Packing Co. It is provided with a conveyor from the landing to the upper floors which will do away with much of the hard work of the past and other conveniences have been put in also.

On the old Cowlitz Bridge company's dock the cold storage room of the Seaside Packing company at Kelso is nearing completion. Four storage compartments have been built and the double walls are finished.

SALEM MERCHANTS TO GOIN FOR WHEATLESS AND MEATLESS DAYS

Petition Being Circulated for Presentation to Board of Education; Matter in Text Books is Obnoxious.

Marshfield, Or., Dec. 1.—A petition is being circulated here by Coroner Wilson, and signed by almost every one approached, asking that the teaching of German in the Marshfield schools be eliminated. The objection is to the German ideals for the reports in the text books and to remove this it is asked that the study be left out of the school course. Hundreds are signing the petition which will be presented to the board of education.

Marshfield.—L. J. Simpson of North Bend announced that there is no foundation for the reports that he is to be candidate for the Republican nomination for congress. The rumor has been circulated here, and Mr. Simpson says positively he is not in the field against W. J. Hawley.

Marshfield.—Edward Sandline, 23, this evening accidentally shot off his right foot. He resides on his father's farm on Kentuck inlet. The parents were in North Bend and the young man was crossing in a boat to take them home. He had a shotgun with him in hopes of getting a shot at ducks. When he landed in North Bend he moved the gun in his home and accidentally discharged close to his ankle. His right foot was so badly shattered that amputation was necessary.

Seattle Anarchist Quickly Convicted

Seattle, Dec. 1.—(N. S.)—Miss Louise Oliverason, one of the best known anarchists in the United States, faces a penitentiary term as the result of a conviction in the federal district court last night on six out of nine counts alleging seditious and treasonable activities. The jury deliberated less than half an hour.

Judge Jeremiah Netter, after hearing the verdict of the jury, increased the anarchist's bail from \$7500 to \$15,000. She was unable to meet the bail and today was taken to the Pierce county jail.

She was accused of distributing more than 2000 circulars that the government charged tended to incite insurrection and rebellion and were of a treasonable and seditious character.

Logger Blown Up; Injuries Not Bad

Hoquiam, Wash., Dec. 1.—(U. P.)—Blown 50 feet straight up, Jack O'Brian, a logger, escaped with three fractured ribs and several bruises. He passed a stump just as a heavy charge of dynamite exploded.

Roseburg Man Stricken. Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 1.—Mrs. N. W. Sumner, of 2815 East Thirty-first street today received a telegram notifying her of the illness of her father, J. F. Birdsell, formerly of this city but now of Roseburg, Or. Mr. Birdsell suffered a paralytic stroke and his condition is considered serious. Mrs. Sumner left this evening for Roseburg.

Fugitive Gives Up; Would Join Army

Kelso, Wash., Dec. 1.—Emmit Erway, who escaped from the Cowlitz county jail several months ago while awaiting trial, surrendered himself to Sheriff Charlie Stebbaker Wednesday and declared he was willing to face trial, although he would rather enlist in the army if the charges against him could be dropped or suspended. Erway was called for the draft following his escape from jail, he is also listed on the government records as a deserter from the draft, and it is possible that the county authorities will turn him over to the army authorities.

O. A. C. Is Collecting Books for Soldiers

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Dec. 1.—A supply of text books for men in the service who wish to pursue their educational work while serving their country is being collected at the college library, under the supervision of Mrs. E. K. Kider, its librarian.

Notice

All contributions to the International Booth of the Allied Bazaar will be received at 269 1/2 Salmon street.

Adolph Wolfe, Chairman.

Pacifist Is Roughly Treated by Men

Seattle, Dec. 1.—(N. S.)—Because of his pacifist tendencies and his anti-war talk, George W. Croff, a merchant of Monroe, Snohomish county, was seized and taken to the outskirts of town Friday night and badly beaten by five masked men. Croff has a large sum of money in his possession, but it was not touched.

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HERE'S A CHANCE TO GO INTO SERVICE IN ARMY SIGNAL CORPS

Probable That Course of Instruction in Radio Buzzer Department Will Open Dec. 10.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Dec. 1.—Announcement that the radio buzzer course to fit men for service in wireless telegraphy in the United States army signal corps, requested by the federal government, will open at the earliest date possible, probably Monday, December 10, has been made by President W. J. Kerr.

Any man subject to the second and succeeding drafts is eligible to enter. No special education qualifications are required. Instruction and training are free, and assignment to corps when called to the cantonment is guaranteed by the war department.

Instructors will be recruited among retired operators, wireless telegraphers and radio men. The college will pay the salaries of the men accepted as instructors. All who are qualified for this work are requested to notify President Kerr.

Knights Entertain At Mount Angel

Mount Angel College, Saint Benedict, Or., Dec. 1.—The Knights of Columbus of Mount Angel gave an interesting vaudeville and musical program on Tuesday for the benefit of the Red Cross. The affair proved to be a grand success.

The program: Duet, Fathers Dominic and Ambrose; a half-Baker's radio-ferance, George May Sr., C. J. Terhaar, J. T. Bauman, A. M. Oswald, A. Bourbonnais, G. Fresken, S. A. Finmore, J. Schwab, J. J. Keber, Alois Keber; vocal selection, A. Bookler; musical selection, Bernard Kropp; "Pickles for Two," A. Oswald and H. Jumper; vocal selection, K. of C. Quartet; musical selection, Bernard Kropp; "A Crowded Hotel," Alois Keber, J. Berchold, E. A. Ast, A. Bourbonnais, F. Schwab; "America," K. of C. Quartet.

Willamette Rises 11 Feet at Salem

Salem, Or., Dec. 1.—The Willamette river has risen 11 feet here in the last 48 hours. The rapid rise has kept the Spaulding Logging company busy taking care of log rafts which had been held during low water. In the main channel of the river about two miles above Salem. A large log raft was brought down yesterday and caused considerable excitement among onlookers as loggers worked to keep floating logs from striking piers of the new Salem bridge in course of construction.

Officer Who Fired At Auto Indicted

L. Armentrout of Albany Fined. Tires of the Machine in Which Senator Chamberlain Was Riding to Corvallis, Corvallis, Or., Dec. 1.—The Benton county grand jury in session here indicted L. Armentrout, the special officer of Albany, on the charge of willful and malicious destruction of property. Armentrout shot through a tire of Senator Chamberlain's automobile on the Linn-Benton bridge while Senator Chamberlain was being driven to Corvallis. Armentrout pleaded guilty before Judge Hamilton and his trial will come next week.

Ed Vanorden was also indicted for stealing mobair from Roy Rickard of South Corvallis. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to prison from one to two years, and was then paroled on his promise to make good the wool.

Boys' Conference Elects Roy Veatch

Eugene, Or., Dec. 1.—The Western Oregon Older boys conference in session here today elected the following officers: President, Roy Veatch, Eugene; vice president, Merle Husong, Astoria; treasurer, Richard Cramer, Grants Pass; secretary, Carl Jenkins, Corvallis. The meeting next year will be held at Roseburg.

Woodland Bank Reflects Business

Woodland, Wash., Dec. 1.—The report of the Woodland State bank as to its condition at the close of business November 30, 1917, shows deposits of nearly \$171,000, the highest mark ever reached in this institution, and shows that while this has not been a favorable year, taking the extreme high water in the early

summer and the drought in the latter part of the summer into consideration, the community is progressing at a splendid rate.

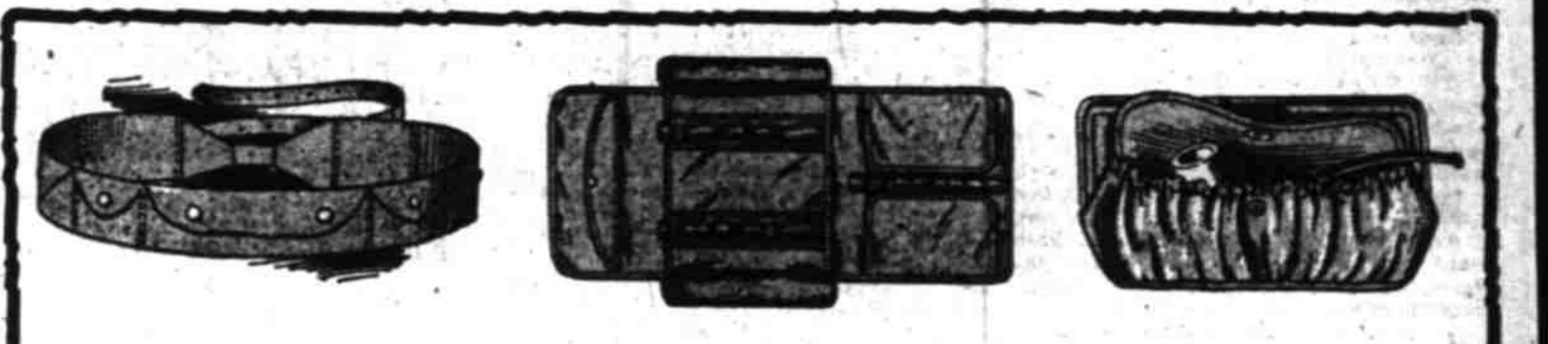
Up at Vancouver. Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 1.—Since November 23 the Columbia river has risen 4.1 feet due to recent heavy rains. On the 23d of last month the water registered 3.3 below zero and this morning at 8 a. m. at 3.3 above. The low water and danger for cause at the same time and seriously hindered river traffic. Boats are now running on a new schedule.

As a substitute for pencils, pens and marking crayons, an Ohio man has invented a writing implement composed of a mixture of pumice stone and wax containing particles of ink.

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