Grant Smith-Porter Yard, From Which 32 Vessels Launched, Turned Over to Government.

NATIONAL RECORD IS MADE

6500 Employes Constituted Happy Family Which Did Most to Help Uncle Sam Win War.

On the banks of the placid Willamette river at St. Johns during the past week was written the closing chapter in the annals of industrial achievement that will be filed away in the national archives as one of the momentous events in the history of the great war in Europe.

There was no fanfare of trumpets, no crash of brass bands, no silver-tongued oratory and no streaming banners to herald the passing of a history-making

The occasion was the formal relinquishment by the Grant Smith-Porter Ship company of the premier wooden shipbuilding yard of the United States. Simply, but with due reverence, the acetylene torch. with its war-fanned fiame snuffed out by the signing of peace, was handed by the shipbuilders to duly accredited representatives of Uncle

CONTRACT IS FINISHED

Its contract with the United States shipping board fulfilled, its obligations in the sanguinary battle for democracy met, the Grant Smith-Porter Ship company quietly and unostentatiously turned over its material assets to the shipping authorities. Rising high over the area where 6500

sturdy workmen until recently tolled at the herculean task of building a "bridge of ships across the Atlantic" stand the eight sheds which cover the eight ways from which 32 steamships have been built and consigned to the American merchant fleet. The ways are idle now, and hugging the docks in front of the plant till remain the last of the Mo-hicans—the uncompleted hulls of a few thips which will soon join their sister on the high seas of commerce. GREAT RECORD MADE .

Without previous training or experi-ence in building ships the founders of the Grant Smith-Porter Ship company tackled the job of restoring a lost art. Surrounding themselves with capable help the prodigious task was comm ways were laid, sheds were erected, and in the mould loft the geniuses, imbued with the fighting vigor of red-blooded Americans went to work. February 17, 1918, the Wasco, the first ship con-structed, was launched. With feverish determination the workmen plodded on and on, and February 17, 1919, the launching of the Aculeo was celebrated. Twenty-nine hulls in 12 months was the record established. When the active building activities ceased a few months later 32 ships had been completed at the Portland yard.

In total output as well as individual ship construction the yard led all other similar plants of the country. Time and again the shipping board awarded the first honors to the Portland plant. WORKERS CARED FOR SOCIALLY

Aside from the industrial achievemen there was the delicate task of promoting shop harmony. To meet the social needs of the employes the owners threw about their army of workers every inducement to make them happy and contented. A spacious cafeteria and gymnasium were built, a brass band of 35 pieces was organized, clubhouse and dancehall accommodations were provided. In short, according to the management, nothing was left undone to maintain that high degree of morale necessary for the success of a heterogenous organization of tollers drawn from many quarters. The community spirit drew closer together men of divers racial, political and mechanical natures. The wives and the women relatives and friends of the employes shared in the social pleasures af-forded. Young men of brawn and muscle were given a chance to participate in their favorite sports. Boxing matches and baseball contests were staged. EMPLOYES HAPPY FAMILY

"The Grant Smith-Porter family was happy," says Eric V. Hauser, vice president and general manager of the shipyard, "and when the last spike was driven and the smiles from the last fair sponsor had faded away it was like parting with life-long friends," he said. Ships which left their cradles in the earlier stages of the shipbuilding program are now scattered to the seven seas. Most of them were christened after the carnage of blood and death overseas had ended. To the late units of the fleet remains the honor of helping to rehabilitate war-stricken Europe. The shippard site will now be used as an assemblying point for materials of the Emergency Fleet corporation

#### Several Fined for Breaking Game Law

R. V. Smith and V. G. Dawson, both of Portland, were arrested in Tilla-mook county last week by Deputy Game Warden Russell for having in their possession trout under six inches in length. They were fined \$25 each. For catching and having in their possession a beaver, Wesley Whitaker and James W. Jackson, both of Mapleton, Or., were arrested and fined \$25 last week. Whitaker and Jackson were arrested by Deputy Game Warden Dilg. W. J. Scott of Portland was arrested in Tillamook county for another without a license and was also angling without a license and was also fined \$25.

### Father's Illness Calls Dr. Dillehunt East

Dr. R. B. Dillehunt, who returned to Portland earlier in the month to resume his practice of medicine and surgery after two years' army service, left for Decatur, Ill., Saturday evening, where he was called by the illness of his father.

Idaho Miners Killed

Burke, Idaho, July 26.—Four miners are dead and three others are suffering serious injuries today as a result of an accident to the cage in which they were riding at the mine. The cage shot into the sheaves instead of descending into

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Co-operative Sales



### All Charge Purchases

Tomorrow and Balance of Month Go on August Bills

Rendered September 1

Beginning Tomorrow—An Annual Event With a New Significance

# August Co-operative Sale of Furniture

With Which Are Included Curtains, Table and Bed Linens, Rugs and Allied Lines

### Congoleum, Yd. 67c

You know the desirability of Congoleum felt-base floor covering-how sanitary, how easily cleaned and how serviceable it is.

For our Co-operative Sales we offer excellent quality Congoleum in a variety of patterns, 6 feet wide, at square yard 67c.

-Meier & Frank's Co-operative Sales: Seventh Floor.

### Grocery Specials

Flour, Royal Banquet or Crown, 49- \$3.05 Pork and Beans, with tomato sauce, No. 2 cans, case \$3.45, doz. \$1.75, 15c Matches, good 25c

Lard, Silver Leaf, 10-lb. net weight \$4 Soap, Crystal White, box of 100 bars 65c \$6.25, ten bars Brooms, fancy stock, special \$1.20 \$1.60



### Table Cloths \$2.75

72x72 inches. Good quality hemstitched or scalloped table cloths. Round and square.

Cloths \$1.75

table cloths in good pat-

64x64 inches. Servceable round scalloped

Cloths \$3.98 60x60 inches. Extra heavy table cloths in at-tractive designs. Special

-Meier & Frank's Co-operative Sales: Second Floor.

### Muslin Sheets \$1

Good sturdy quality muslin sheets in size 54x90 inches. Very specially priced at each \$1.

Cases 25c

Finely serviceable musin pillow cases in size 45x36 inches. Limited

36 inches wide. Good soft finished muslin at this low price while any

Muslin 25c

-Meier & Frank's Co-operative Sales : Second Floor,

### · Introductory Showing of The "Victory" Pattern in Alvin Plate

-Meler & Frank's Co-operative Sales: Ninth Floor.

Patrons are cordially invited to attend this initial showing and sale of the new "Victory" pattern in Alvin Life-long Plate which begins tomorrow.

This new pattern is suggestive of its name-it has laurel leaf and flower ornamentation. It is decidedly different from any design we have yet shown and it is sure to appeal to discriminating

#### Complete Assortments

of the "Victory" pattern will be on display tomorrow. Come in and see it.

-Meier & Frank's: Silverware Shop, Main Floor.

## \$4.75-\$5.00 Suit Cases \$3.95

Sale of Fruit Baskets

The Universal Pipeless

Hoffi straw and fiber suit cases in regulation size. The straw cases have bound edges, straps all around, cloth linings, waist pockets and straps inside top and bottom (one sketched). The fiber cases have full leather straps, heavy corners, cloth linings and waist or shirt folds. Size 24x634 inches.

Furnace

heats every room in the home through one register—no heat is lost in the basement—it is a won-

derful fuel saver. The Universal Pipeless Furnace is what the name

implies-a furnace without pipes.

The advantages to be gained from

using a Universal Pipeless Furnace

are many. First of all is a cool

basement-so important for the

storing of vegetables and fruits. And next is the fact that all heat

generated must pass into rooms above-absolutely no waste of heat. Come in tomorrow and let us

explain to you the many other merits of the Universal Pipeless Fur-

Make Your Own

Terms in Reason

nace. If desired

-Meier & Frank's Co-operative Sales: Sixth Floor.

"By request" we offer a wonderful assort-

ment of fruit baskets shown in ten dif-

ferent styles at \$1.98. Light and dark double

bamboo baskets with and without handles.

One sketched. Good values at \$2.50 and \$2.75 these baskets are exceptional at \$1.98.

-Meier & Frank's Co-operative Sales : Fifth Floor

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-Meler & Frank's: Sixth Floor, Fifth Stre

### Annual August Co-operative Sale of Home Furniture

offers hundreds of pieces of thoroughly dependable furniture for living rooms, dining rooms and bed rooms at savings of from \$3.65 on a chair to more than \$250 on a Jacobean oak dining suite.

LL OVER the world people are fixing up their homes.

Parisians are rehanging portraits and taking out of secret hiding places their silver and objects of art which they had put away to guard against invasion or bombardment. The English, too, are re-adjusting their lives-opening the homes which were so long used as hospitals-welcoming their hundreds of thousands of demobilized soldiers.

### And America—and Portland— Are Brightening Up Homes for Our Boys

Nearly all our Portland "Yanks" are home or on the way. The 40th, the 41st, the 91st divisions, the 147th Field Artillery-most of the Portland men are "out" and home and others are coming every day. The Great War is over.

War cantonments are closing. War gear is being disposed of. The army is going back to normal strength.

-Now for the old sweet life of home once more. A finer home life than ever before because we have all come to know what

New furniture is needed right away. Comfortable new chairs. Bigger dining tables to bear the good things cooked for the boy who has come back from the front. New furniture for his room-or for the living

### The August Furniture Sale Opening Tomorrow

brings our fine one-of-a-kind pieces of all sorts of good | furniture at worthwhile reductions from our standard prices. Furniture mostly copied from period styles. Well built. Good to live with.

Read the lists printed below. Check off the items in which you are interested. Come early tomorrow to make sure of getting what you want. Please remem-ber that there is only one piece of a kind.

| Was | | New

\$ 64.50 47.00

52.50

52.50

49.50

47.50

29.50

15.85

\$ 98.00 94.00

endale

82.50

75.00

65.00

59.00

49.00

#### AUGUST SALE OF LIVING ROOM FURNITURE

	Was	Now	
avenport, upholstered in mulberry and gold damask, down cushions	\$325.00	\$195.00	Arm Chair, solid mahogany, damask
ofa, mahogany and cane, upholstered with black and gold damask	255.00	189,00	Love Seat, gold satine covering. Chair, overstuffed, rose mohair
avenport, upholstered in figured ve- lour, down cushions	252.00	175.00	Sofa, mahogany finish, Chippe green denim upholstery
hair, high back, mahogany veneer and cane, denim covered	120.00	64.50	Rocker, overstuffed, rose mohai holstery
satine covering	115.00	79.50	berry velour upholstery
rm Chair, carved, Chippendale style ocker, mahogany, tapestry seat and	99.75	52.50	Rocker, overstuffed, blue denin
backhair to match	44.00	35.50 23.50	Rocker, mahogany finish, cane tapestry seat
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#### AUGUST SALE OF DINING ROOM FURNITURE

\$800 Jacobean Oak Dining Room Set Complete \$539

16 pleces, consisting of 72-inch sideboard, 54-inch dining table, a serving table, a china cabinet, 5 side chairs and one arm chair with leather seats and cane backs.

Very simple, well made, beautiful furniture for any home.

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	Was	Now		Was	No
Buffet, mahogany veneer, William and Mary style, no mirror	\$60.00	\$45,50	Buffet, Cromwellian style, no mirror, wainut finish	\$ 45.00	\$ 35
Buffet, mahogany veneer, Queen Anne style	65.00	47.50	Buffet, with mirror, waxed oak	34.50	27
Buffet, mahogany veneer, Queen Anne style with mirror	55.00	39.75	Serving Table, mahogany veneer, Queen Anne style	24.50	18

#### AUGUST SALE OF BED ROOM FURNITURE

\$701.50 Black Enameled Decorated Bedroom Set \$485

table, side chair, rocker and dressing table chair. Black enamel, beautifully decorated with roses. Suitable for a large home.										
	Was	Now		Was	Now					
Dressing Table, solid mahogany, unusually large, made by Berkey & Gay Dresser of ivory enamel. Dresser of ivory enamel. Dresser of drawers, mahogany veneer. Dress of drawers, ivory enameled. Dress of drawers, ivory enameled. Dress of drawers, walnut.	\$162.00 110.90 101.50 87.50 83.75 78.50 75.50 83.00	\$ 99.50 78.50 73.50 59.85 59.75 62.50 37.50 54.50	Dressing Table, walnut Dresser, ivory enamel Chiffonier, mahogany veneer Chifforobe, mahogany veneer Chifforobe, mahogany finish Dressing Table, mahogany veneer Dressing Table, large. Dressing Table, ivory enamel Dressing Table, ivory	\$ 74.00 73.09 53.50 47.00 46.50 42.00 41.00 31.50 28.00	\$ 59.00 52.50 39.75 37.50 32.50 31.50 25.00 19.86					

Make Your Own Terms in Reason—Eighth Floor

### Co-operative Sales Bring Big Values in Curtains, Curtaining

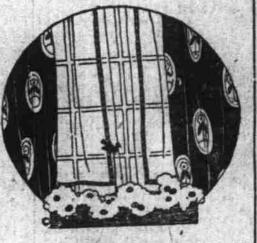
People who are in quest of curtains and drapery fabrics for beach cottages, summer homes, etc., will do well to profit by these Co-operative Sales tomorrow and succeeding days:

> Cretonnes 67c

An immense assortment of 3000 yards fine quality cretonnes suitable for draperies, slip coverings, pillows, box coverings, etc. Most are taken from regular stocks where they have been priced as high as \$1" yard. patterns and colors.

> Curtain Scrims 23c, 28c, 32c

Excellent quality curtain scrims with fancy drawn work borders. 36 inches wide. About 2000 yards in this sale at yard 23c, 28c and 32c.



Marquisettes Yd. 39c, 56c

Dotted marquisettes in pleasing designs and colors. Fine soft material that will make splendid summer curtains. 2000 yards at yard 39c and 56c.

#### Sale of Curtains, Pr. \$1.95

300 pairs of perfect quality marquisette curtains with attractive lace edges. This price for the Co-operative Sales represents a saving of a third. -Meier & Frank's Co-operative Sales: Seventh Floor.

### **Antique Stand Frames** 49c-59c

antique stand frames for the Co-operative Sales at 49c and 59c. Two sketched.

Antique stand frames complete with glass and back. Several styles of mouldings. Bring your pictures with you. Cabinet and 5x7 sizes 49c. The 6x8, 7x9 and 8x10 sizes 59c.

-Meier & Frank's Co-operative Sales : Fifth Floor,

### Special Introductory Offer A Can of "Steri-Foam'

and a Toilet Brush Good 50c Value for

25c

"Steri-Foam" is a magical com-pound that safeguards health by deodorizing and disinfecting the closet bowls, invisible traps and connections. It is a dry powder that will not harm the hands, clothing, carpet or anything upon which it may fall.

As a special introductory offer we

will sell a large can of "Steri-Foam" (regularly 25c) and a "Jiffy' bath tub or commode brush (regularly 25c)—a 50c value—for 25c

#### "Pyrex" Ovenware Just In

We have just received a large new shipment of "Pyrex" glass. oven ware in the following pieces: Round casseroles, round pudding dishes, oval baking dishes, cake dishes, bread pans, pie plates, custard cups, etc.

-Meler & Frank's Co-operative Sales : Baseme

