

PRINCE PRAISES OREGON TROOPS

Governor Olcott Receives Reply to Invitation Extended Englishman

A compliment to the 162nd United States Infantry, Oregon troops who were stationed in England during a part of the war, is paid in a letter from the Prince of Wales, through his secretary, Lieutenant Colonel George M. Griggs, received by Governor Olcott.

The letter is in reply to an invitation to the prince to visit Oregon when he was on the Pacific coast last April on a British warship. The invitation did not reach the prince until he had arrived in Australia.

The prince's letter, dated July 11 on the Trans-Australian railway, follows:

"I am directed by the Prince of Wales to convey to you his sincere thanks for the courteous invitation which you extended to him to touch at an Oregon port during his outward voyage to Australia. Your letter unfortunately missed His Royal Highness at San Diego and has only reached him here after many days. He very much regrets that he was unable to avail himself of your in-

itation, which he values very much, but hopes that the opportunity may recur at some future date, as he has looked forward for a long time to making acquaintance with the great western states of the United States of America.

"He also very much appreciates your acknowledgment of the country extended in England to the 162nd United States Infantry, whose officers and men were drawn entirely from your state. His esteem for the high quality of your troops grew out of personal contact with them in the field and will always remain for him a special link with the people of the United States."

OSTEOPATHS MEET.

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 13.—The Oregon State Osteopathic association gathered here today for the annual session of two days.

Dr. Charles H. Spencer of Los Angeles, formerly dean of the faculty of the Los Angeles College of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, is scheduled to make an address and hold a clinic.

Dr. Louis C. Chandler, president of the Los Angeles college, also will speak.

PRINCE ON WAY TO PORTLAND.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 13.—Carol, crown prince of Rumania, left here tonight for Portland and Seattle, accompanied by the members of his staff and his retinue of servants.

LUMBER BUYERS SEEK TO COVER ON RATE RISE

Commerce Commission's Order Causes Heavy Buying During Last Week

PRODUCTION SURPASSED

Promised "Rush of Cars to West" Fails of Fulfillment on Coast

Lumber buyers seeking to get under cover ahead of the freight rate increase purchased heavily during the past week.

West Coast Lumbermen's association mills took on the greatest volume of new business booked since the first week in April.

Orders accepted exceeded production 5 per cent; and shipments, 13 per cent.

A considerable volume of new business placed is apparently to be put in transit for speculative purposes, and if not shipped prior to August 25, may be subject to cancellation.

Cars, for lumber loading, continue scarce. About 30 per cent of requirements is being furnished.

Cars Fail to Come

There is no evidence of the widely advertised "rush of cars to the west coast for lumber" which railroad press agents announced some time ago.

Association mills participating in the weekly statement, produced 75,468,646 feet of lumber for the week ending August 7.

The sawmills took on 78,490,612 feet of new business; and shipped 68,457,790 feet of old business.

New business for transcontinental delivery by rail totaled 1792 cars. Rail shipments totaled 1486 cars.

New Business Is Totaled

New cargo orders amounted to 16,503,702 feet in the coastwise domestic trade; and 5,974,939 feet for future export clearance. Total new cargo business, 22,478,641 feet.

Cargo clearances amounted to 11,017,839 feet in coastwise trade; and 8,825,757 feet for overseas. Total 19,843,596 feet.

The unshipped balance in the rail trade totals 7,750 cars at 126 miles. Unshipped domestic cargoes, 69,632,702 feet. Unshipped export orders, 61,694,136 feet.

Railroad freight advances effective August 26, which increase freight charges 33 1-3 per cent on shipments consigned east of the Rocky mountains, will greatly curtail shipments by rail, until such time as the transcontinental carriers work out and file tariffs permitting west coast mills to again compete for business in eastern markets.

Differential Handicaps West

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per cent, and he estimated this wealth now in the neighborhood of \$70,000,000,000 to \$80,000,000,000.

The national wealth of Japan, he estimated, had been doubled by the war.

On the basis of a post-war mark valued at 50 per cent of its pre-war value, he estimated the German war loss, apart from the indemnity, 24 per cent of her national wealth, the whole of her mercantile marine, all her colonial possessions and practically the whole of her investments abroad. If the figures suggested at the Hythe conference, \$6,250,000,000, were fixed as the German war indemnity, he declared the total losses of the German people arising out of the war would be equivalent to about \$15,000,000,000, or one-half her national wealth.

"So far as the world as a whole is concerned the principal loss is in the fact that Europe is not yet 'a going concern,'" he continued, "but the underlying economic forces which made her the great center of the world's commercial activities are still at work and will rapidly transform the economic situation in Europe."

He said the dominant characteristic of international trade in the next 10 years will be a tremendous world demand for capital, and the internal financial policies of the nations should be framed with due regard to this condition.

All Ireland Assumes Sinn Fein Attitude

DUBLIN, Aug. 10.—Besides their resolutions acknowledging allegiance to Dail Eireann and their sympathy with the Easter Week rebellion, the new Irish local councils are giving many evidences of an advanced Sinn Fein attitude.

At Cavan they have decided to cut off the water supply to the military police barracks. In north Tipperary they have refused to accept the services of policemen appointed to act as inspectors under the Food and Drugs act. At Longford they have refused to apply the Vaccination acts until they learn whether or not Dail Eireann approves of vaccination. Everywhere they are refusing to make income tax returns.

Many of the higher officials of the new bodies are magistrates, and they are being ordered, and in most cases obeying the order, to resign their commissions as justices of the peace.

Price of Foodstuffs Is Somewhat Lower

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—Crop reports indicate somewhat lower prices for foodstuffs, according to the monthly bulletin of the United States chamber of commerce committee on statistics and standards tonight.

"Unless experience be misleading, the new purchasing power of the railroads will be a strong factor in maintaining both prices and the volume of business," the bulletin states in commenting on the recent rate increases.

The automobile industry, the bulletin adds, gives indications of approaching the peak of production for the present, "while building operations are hampered by high prices of materials and labor 'to the point where only the most imperatively necessary construction can and will proceed.'"

Man Will Sail From New York to England in Yacht

NEW YORK, Aug. 10.—William Washburn Nutting, a motor boat publisher of Beachhurst, L. I., who recently departed from New York aboard his ketch "Typhoon" for Cowes, England, took with him a crew of amateur sailors.

"Typhoon" is a new yacht built at the laboratories of Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, Baddeck, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada from designs by William Atkin. She is a 45-foot craft with a beam of 14 feet and auxiliary power for use only in case of calm weather.

The crew consists of Nutting, F. W. Baldwin, the head of Dr. Bell's laboratories, "Jim" Dorsett, Baldwin's right hand man and Gu Matheson, who joined the Canadian Expeditionary Force as a private and came back an acting colonel with the distinction, it is said, of winning every military decoration with in the gift of the British nation except the V. C.

The yacht will sail approximately the course taken by Alcock and Brown in their famous airplane voyage from Newfoundland to the British Islands. This is far north where there is plenty of wind and usually plenty of sea with it. Mr. Nutting expected to arrive at Cowes in time to attend the races for the British international trophy, for which an American team of three boats has challenged and which will take place starting August 10. Later the "Typhoon" will cruise about the British Isles, then down the French coast and into the Mediterranean. Before snow flies the party will sail for the United States via the Southern course, stopping at the Azores and Bermuda.

Judge Sentences Youth Despite Jury's Verdict

Portland, Aug. 13.—E. J. Ritzman, a farmer aged 19, of Toledo, Wash., was sentenced today in the municipal court to serve six months in jail, on conviction of reckless driving of an automobile. Ritzman accidentally ran down and killed 5-year-old Donald Harvey as the child was crossing a street last Sunday. A coroner's jury had absolved him of blame, but Municipal Judge Richard Deich declared Ritzman had been to blame. Ritzman gave notice of appeal.

CAPACITY IS DOUBLED

PORTLAND, Or., Aug. 9.—The capacity of the California Plating company's plant in this city has been doubled by the addition of new machinery. This plant is now the best equipped on the Pacific coast for gold and silver plating, also manufactures silverware to order.

BOLSHEVIKI AGENTS SELL CROWN JEWELS

131 Diamonds Taken From Swedish Sailor, Neils Jacobsen

OFFICIALS KEEP QUIET

Consigned to Martens-Soviet Representative in United States

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—Traffic by Bolshevik agents in precious stones supposed to be part of the famous jewels of the Russian royal family has been unearthed by federal authorities.

One hundred and thirty-one diamonds found on Neils Jacobsen, a Swedish sailor by customs officials in New York, July 23, it became known today, were enclosed in a package addressed to "Comrade Martens." Federal officials began an investigation which they declare has definitely connected Ludwig Martens, self-styled soviet ambassador to the United States, with the traffic. Disclosure that the package was intended for soviet agents was withheld when Jacobsen was arrested although no details of the seizure of the jewels were then made public.

Jacobsen, officials said today, identified during the investigation a photograph of Santei Nuorteva, former secretary of Martens, as a person to whom previous packages had been delivered.

Introduction of the alleged incriminatory evidence of traffic in precious stones between soviet representatives here and abroad at the hearing in the last deportation proceedings against Martens resulted in postponement of further hearings until August 30 to enable Martens to obtain evidence to refute the charges.

Begun six months ago, the smuggling is described by government officials as the most perfectly organized courier service between soviet agents abroad and in the United States yet discovered.

Enclosed about the diamonds taken from Jacobsen, whom officials exonerated from complicity in the illegal proceedings, was a quantity of communist literature, including an "appeal of the executive committee of the third internationale at Moscow to the I. W. W."

This manifesto declared: "Unless the workers of other countries rise against their own capitalists the Russian revolution cannot last."

British and French Premiers Won't Meet

LONDON, Aug. 13.—It was officially stated this afternoon that no arrangements were being made for a meeting between Premier Lloyd George and Premier Millerand as a result of France's action in recognizing General Wrangel's government in South Russia.