

### Battleship Massachusetts Waits Bath of Shot and Shell

#### Can't Parade 'Package' Without Receiving \$100 Fine

(By International News Service.)  
Johnstown, Pa., Dec. 22.—Life for the hobo in Johnstown is not what it used to be. City Council, the Mayor and the Police Department have spoiled all the soft snags for the man of the road.  
Recently the Police Department cut out the good old free feeds. The mess had degenerated down to molasses and bread and a little coffee three times a day. Transients don't even get the molasses and bread.  
Now the Mayor has taken a hand. Neither the hobo talent nor outsiders can safely get drunk in Johnstown. It's going to be dry town.  
Mayor Joseph Grunfeld, sitting in Police Court, opened an active campaign against drink. "Each and every offender brought before me in the future will receive a fine of \$100 and costs or spend the next three months in the county jail," declared the Mayor as he imposed such a penalty on the first three men before him, who were charged with being drunks.  
"For a time," said the City Executive, "I have been giving first offenders an opportunity to realize their wrong by imposing small sentences. But in the future the first offender and the delinquent will be treated alike—\$100 and costs or three months in jail."

### Orphan Boy Strikes Riches In Cripple Creek Mine Share

(By International News Service.)  
Cripple Creek, Col., Dec. 22.—A quarter interest in a lease on a lead mine, originally purchased for \$600, will probably mean a fortune for Clarence Boyle, an eleven-year-old orphan of this city, who has come to be known as the youngest mine operator in the Cripple Creek district.  
The boy's mother died two years ago. Last month his father, James Boyle, met with an accident that resulted in his death.  
A short time before the elder Boyle's death he purchased a quarter interest in the Durack lease, on Blue Hill, for \$600. An ore body five feet wide has been discovered at the surface. The ore is exceptionally rich, and mining men declare that young Boyle will soon amass a fortune from the \$600 investment. Already fifteen cars of ore with a value of \$150,000 have been shipped from the mine.

### Plan New Ship Route From Montreal to Great Lakes

(By International News Service.)  
Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 22.—Plans for a route for ocean-going ships from Montreal to the Great Lakes, by way of the Ottawa River and a deep-water canal at Cardinal, were laid before the International Joint Waterways Commission by John Bingham, president of the Ottawa Board of Trade.  
The advantages of the scheme, Mr. Bingham pointed out, are that it could be carried out with less expense and less difficulty than the work of deepening the St. Lawrence River. If the canal connecting the Ottawa River with the Great Lakes were built, Mr. Bingham said, it would reclaim 200 square miles of Ontario land that is now marsh and unfit for the plow. It would also furnish a new outlet for a large agricultural area in the Great Lakes belt where farmers are settling in large numbers. Mr. Bingham estimated the cost of the project at \$100,000,000 less than the St. Lawrence River improvements.  
The international commission expressed interest in the plan, but declared that as it was purely a Canadian project they were not in position to consider it.

### No Body Guard for Oregon in Mexico No Body Guard for Oregon

(By International News Service.)  
Mexico City, Dec. 22.—Lullies some of the other outstanding figures in Mexico, notably Francisco Villa, General Alvarez Oregon does not move about with a body guard.  
While in Mexico City he has moved about the streets unattended and sometimes alone.  
His face and figure are well-known everywhere. Street strikers readily recognize him because of pictures they have seen and because of the empty sleeve of his coat, showing where his right arm was off in battle with Villa.  
His untroubled face as he passes through the crowds which fill the sidewalks, indicates fearlessness or faith in the Mexican people.  
This unassuming way adopted by General Oregon is causing about the city has made a decidedly good impression because of the fact that generals of much less importance have the habit of haughtily flaunting motor cars, gleaming with mirrored varnish and steel.  
It may be probable that the Mexican Secret Service is advised of every movement General Oregon makes on the street, but if this protection is given it is not meant to those whom Oregon passes.

### Irish Terrier Is Canine Sinn Feiner

(By International News Service.)  
San Francisco, Dec. 22.—Tommy, an Irish terrier, is more of a Sinn Feiner than any of them.  
For a dog, Tommy has strong national predilections. And he does not hesitate to show his likes and dislikes. As a citizen of the Irish republic, almost Tommy has a distinct aversion to Englishmen.  
"I say, old top, come here; have a bone."  
In response to a speech of such an English accent Tommy bristles up, backs away and growls. But he does not confine his national vote to the English. He shows his teeth on hearing such words as:  
"A scene jump puppy, no? He eats a little goat cheese?"  
Tommy is perfectly amiable toward those who address him in the English tongue as spoken by Americans. The dog is in the custody of Captain J. P. McKenna, of this city.

### Shot at Picture to Commit Suicide

(By International News Service.)  
Paris, Dec. 22.—"Leave me alone. Can't you see I'm dead. I've just committed suicide." This was the strange reply police agents received when they had forced open in the door of Paul Sayev's house and asked him what he was doing firing a revolver in such a wild way.  
Sayev carries on a small coal trade in Paris while his wife sells vegetables in the streets. It was the latter who gave the police the reason for hunting out Sayev. The woman was seen crossing a bridge shouting wildly: "Hurry, help me; my husband wants to kill me."  
The coal merchant felt sure he had committed suicide and the police on looking around for any grounds for such statements found that Sayev had fired six shots into a picture of himself hanging from the wall. He lay also shot at his wife's picture.

### Capital Journal Want Ads Bring Results

Pensacola, Fla., Dec. 22.—Lazily tugging at her anchors a thousand yards off-shore in the Gulf of Mexico the obsolete battleship Massachusetts awaits her bath of shot and shell, and this will be poured into the stripes of hull of the once-mighty American navy battleship this month. The army alone will play the last card respecting the existence of the old battleship, and the War department's newest method of coast defense will be employed in the operation. Aside from the guns on the ramparts of Fort Pickens and McRae, the old ship will receive the heavy and destructive shells from Uncle Sam's railway batteries. Known as the mobile battery of the army, these guns are on the way now from Fort Eustis, and upon their arrival they are to be side-tracked until the spot they will occupy while opening up on the old battleship can be made stable by the construction of heavy concrete bases. The guns are mounted on railway carriages, and it is claimed this kind of arrangement is one of the most dependable ever devised by the War department's chiefs. Guns are fired accurately at 3,000 yards.  
Had Stormy Voyage.  
The Massachusetts arrived from her last voyage at sea in tow of the minesweeper Vrelo and the naval tug Alabama. It required 15 days to make the trip from Philadelphia to Pensacola. Comparative good weather for this season of the year was encountered until a few days from her destination, and then it seemed as if the elements were fighting to keep the old battleship from the fate which awaited her at Pensacola.  
The Massachusetts will be sunk, it is understood, at her present anchorage. This is at a point in the Gulf of Mexico approximately 5,000 yards from the point where the destructive coast defense fortifications are located. That means that the ship will be fired on at a distance of 5,000 yards. The old hull, immediately upon arrival, was filled with water and allowed to sink on the bottom in water about twelve feet in depth. Once the big gun target practising is ready to begin, the old ship will be raised, naval tugs going to her side and pumping out the water from her holds. This will permit the guns to be trained on a real battleship model for a target.  
Planned to Spot Shots.  
There will be planes from the Pensacola Naval Air Station and army planes from Camp Sheridan field employed to do their bit in the work of destruction. At the beginning of the maneuvers the planes will be employed to spot the shots and record the hits or misses as the cases may be. It is not believed the old ship will be sunk for several days, but that is not meant as a reflection on the gunnery of the navy. On the contrary, it is stated a salvo of shells will be hurled at the great mass of steel armor, then a cease firing order will be given, and the board of ordnance experts will go on board to make surveys on the effects of the shots poured from the land batteries. These will be carefully marked and recorded and made into a part of the record of the maneuver. At the time the ship is through with her last voyage she will be completely ship by bombing from 1,000-foot altitudes.

### Hop Industry Stands Still

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out of the game because of selfish motives alone. He is a buyer dealing extensively with London, the biggest hop market in the world, and speaks with authority when he says he cannot see where the hop industry has anything to offer the prospective grower.  
"What is in prospect for the hop market? I don't know, and I don't know that there is anyone who does know," is Mr. Bents reply to query put to him.  
Market Uncertain  
"I can guess at what the future of the hop industry is and I can tell you why I would advise men not already in the business to stay out of it for the present, at least, but I can't tell you what the future of the industry in this part of the world will be. There are too many factors entering into the determination of the hop market over which no one connected with the industry has any control."  
The recently enacted prohibition amendment to the constitution and the extent of its interpretation and enforcement are going to be the principal factors in determining the future of the hop industry, in Mr. Bents' opinion.  
Upon the policy of the federal officials regarding these two issues depends whether the industry shall hold its own, or gradually give way to more profitable agricultural pursuits, he thinks.  
Analyses Situation  
Analyzing the hop market as it stands today, Mr. Bents points out that Pacific coast yards are normally producing approximately 185,000 bales of hops annually. Of this amount California grows 100,000 bales, Oregon 60,000 and Washington 25,000. England has the market for about 100,000 bales of these crops each year. The United States in its own hop and home brewing activities has consumed in the neighborhood of 50,000 bales, leaving around 75,000 bales to furnish the needs of Canada, Japan and the rest of the world and to protect the users of hops against shortage in case of abnormal demands.  
Market at Peak  
One hundred and eighty five thousand bales represents the total that can be assimilated by existing markets for hops, and the possibility of developing a wider market is nearly hopeless at this time, Mr. Bents thinks. With the prohibition movement spreading rapidly over the entire world, he is not optimistic over the possibilities of finding or developing markets for hops where none have existed in the past, even under normal financial conditions. Until the world has returned to even fairly normal conditions and exchange rates are stabilized to sound

### Unique Styles Displayed at Chicago Fashion Art Show

This beautiful and unique sport costume, worn by Miss Josephine Flamigan, was one of the striking costumes displayed at the show at the Fashion Art League in Chicago recently. The creation is of white bronzed silk with a short accordion plaited skirt of orange chiffon. The feature of the gown is the back, which sets military's figure to perfection.



Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle in 'The Life of the Party' A Paramount Picture

### Sewer Problem Worries Dallas Council Heads

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 22.—The city council met last evening at the council chambers for their regular meeting at which time several questions were discussed pertaining to the city welfare. The fire and water committees were instructed to see that the hose cart house on Main street between Mill and Ash streets was repaired by placing on a new roof. The health and police committee was instructed to procure an assistant to Mr. Chase, who is now confined to his bed with acute rheumatism.  
Considerable discussion was had in the present condition of the sewage tank, which is not working satisfactorily. City Engineer Ed Hines stated that it would be impossible to lay the new contemplated sewer system for the south and east end of town and use the present sewage tank unless the sewers were laid within two feet of the surface. The council is at a loss to know what to do as the present sewage tank is not yet paid for. The matter was held over until a later date.  
M. H. Pinera, of Independence, represented the gravel company who sold the contractors, Pugh & Souder, who laid the sidewalks last summer in Dallas, \$200 worth of gravel and sand for which they have not received their money. Mr. Pinera will take the matter up with the bondsmen for the contractor and if necessary bring suit against the bondsmen.  
The street committee was instructed to take the matter up with some attorney at Dallas and report at the next council meeting what efficient attorney is available for the position of city attorney to fill the vacancy of Ed Coody, who

### English Production Grows

The London market for 100,000 bales is in no manner guaranteed by conditions other, according to Mr. Bents, except that Pacific Coast growers now under contract to English buyers up to that amount are protected for the duration of their contract period.  
What the English demand for American hops will be by the time existing contracts expire remains to be seen. While the consumption of hops in England is nearly stationary from year to year and tends to continue in the same channel, the average of hops in that country is constantly increasing, and with the English government fostering a policy of promoting the hop industry along with other industrial pursuits, that country is gradually developing an acreage which will yearly come closer and closer to making it self sufficient in the production of hops.  
"No, I can see nothing which should encourage a farmer to plant hops at this time," said Mr. Bents. "Can you?"  
"The man who is already engaged in the hop business and who has his crop contracted for over a period of years has nothing to lose and everything to gain by staying in the game. The price at which the contracts now held by valley growers, ranging from 20 to 30 cents over a period of years, were written, insure them of good profits with production costs rapidly falling. Prospects at present are that the cost of materials and labor will be 50 percent less in 1921 than during the past year."  
"And the growers who have lived up to their contracts faithfully in the past and made good on their deliveries, may even extend their acreage with a degree of assurance that if there is a demand for hops over and above their contract lots their hops will be purchased where those of a stranger beginning in the business might be passed up."  
"The man with his yards already bearing has another means of

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protecting himself from a de-normalized market in the future; he can plant loganberry roots between his hop vines. Then after the first or second year he can take his choice—if the hop prospects look bright he can grub out the loganberries, or if the reverse is the case, he can grub out the hops, cut off the poles to the height required for the berry vines and continue production without loss of a crop.  
"No, I would not advise a man to enter the hop raising business at this time. The initial cost is too heavy as compared with that of starting other crops, and the future of the industry is too uncertain."

### May Grow Hemp on Big Scale in Lake Labish District

Efforts to get concerted action from farmers in the Lake Labish district, north of Salem, in planting hemp instead of onions on their farms is being made following the

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