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OREGON WEATHER
Rain, warmer in east portion tonight. Strong south winds in the interior; fresh southerly gales on the coast.

WORLD SHIPPING CONDITIONS

G. M. Standifer, owner of three shipyards on the Pacific coast and just returned from an investigation of shipbuilding conditions in Europe, says:

We will be building ships for all the world as soon as the peace conference concludes its work. The cupboards of Europe are empty. Only completion of the peace terms is holding up a wave of business development that will exceed anything the world has ever seen. It cannot but come true. It's shortage, shortage everywhere.

There countries have not recovered from after the war effects. Business is in a dazed condition. Just as the people are.

Our yards compare very favorably with those of Europe in every respect. In speed we can exceed any yard on the other side. And there is no doubt that we can turn a ship that will size up with any type that can be built there.

The strikes in England are now holding up work in the shipyards. The socialist spirit is felt among the workers, and I am not so sure that Bolshevism has not begun to spread in the radical groups.

As I see the situation, now fresh from a trip into the European countries, I would say that the first thing for the government to do is to release the shipbuilders from control of the shipping board.

For the ship operator the rates must be reduced and the Seaman's act must be re-written. But these changes will come in due time. What we want right now is an opportunity to conduct our own business according to the law of supply and demand.

RELICS OF LOST HEROES

Carefully stored at pier No. 3 at Hoboken, N. J., according to information from the war department headquarters, are scores of tons of personal belongings of American soldiers who perished on the battlefield or in the hospitals abroad.

Mute testimonials of valor, they have been sent to this country, but thus far have gone unclaimed, although every effort is made by the "effects bureau" to return the things to friends or relatives.

When a soldier dies, his personal effects are collected, sent to French headquarters and shipped to this country. Letters are sent at once notifying relatives and requesting instructions about forwarding them. Strange as it may seem, many of these letters of inquiry are never answered, though apparently delivered. Others are returned as incorrectly addressed, the family having moved or the boy himself having given a wrong address—a thing which has happened in thousands of cases and caused infinite trouble in many army

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departments since the war started. Most touching of all, perhaps, are the effects of the apparently friendless boy who either had no one to claim his things or who went away in youthful pride or anger, leaving no word by which his people can be traced.

Many of the articles are of little money value; yet they would be infinitely precious to grieving hearts. Families that have received no word concerning the personal belongings left by a well-loved lad could at least notify the bureau and quite possibly get trace of things they would cherish. It would be worth the effort and helpful to the men whose aim is to return every possible bit of this pathetic salvage.

A GOOD SUGGESTION

The American Federation of Labor has asked that immigration be forbidden for at least four years after the close of the war and the signing of peace, on the ground that there are more workers in the United States now than can find jobs. But if the workers now here refuse to work at wages from 100 to 300 per cent greater than European laborers are getting, it may be necessary to import foreign laborers to the United States. And just to avoid "going empty one way" it might be well to load the ships that go to Europe to bring laborers here, with the foreign radicals now here who refuse to work for the high wages offered. Let the ships carry loads both ways.

AN INSULT TO SOLDIERS

The assertion that the returning soldiers will rush to the rescue of the imperiled German beer business is an insult which every friend of these brave men will resent. It is a safe assertion that at least 65 per cent of the men and officers of the American army are prohibitionists, and most of the other 35 per cent are sufficiently intelligent to realize the German nature of the business and consequently are by no means enthusiastic about it.

Anyone who will attend the hear-

ings of the senate committee investigating the activities of the brewers and the Germans during and before the war, will realize just how this propaganda tending to create the impression that the soldiers are all champions of booze started. Ten to one it had a German father and a German mother.

SAID ICE CREAM "BURNED"

Think of it, French Kiddies Had to Be Coaxed to Partake of Strange Delicacy!

Striking proof of the well-known fact that extreme heat and extreme cold have the same physical properties was recently furnished by "Jugger" Crane, the scientist-philosopher of Company B.—th engineers, when he fed some American ice cream to a group of French children, says the Splinter.

The inhabitants of the French farmhouses near the camp had never seen any ice cream until "Jugger" took them over a mess kit full of the great American delicacy.

The children gathered around expectantly. The first onetook a spoonful and at once began to weep and declare that the strange food was hot.

The others who had watched rather horror stricken the fate of the first became convinced that it was some sort of white fire and would have nothing to do with the cream.

The mother had to eat virtually all the cream in order to induce them to believe it was cold rather than hot and that when not taken too fast, was good to eat. Eventually, the children ate the last of the dish.

But they partook of it gingerly, evidently greatly mystified that anything which, first seemed hot, then cold, could be good to eat.

World's Coal Areas. A good authority gives the coal area of the world in square miles as follows: United States, 192,000; British America, 18,000; Great Britain, 12,000; Spain, 4,000; France, 2,000; Germany, 1,800; Belgium, 518; rest of Europe, 100,000; China, 2,000; Japan, 5,000. Coal is found in commercial quantities in 27 of the states and territories of the United States and Alaska.

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"Prosperity Is Coming When War Debt Cleared Up," Says Wizard

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Edison bought the maximum of Stamps when he heard that his employees were planning to conduct a Stamp-selling campaign in his laboratories and factories.

"Prosperity is on the way as soon as we clear up the war debts," said the wizard, "and the individual will get his share of that prosperity in proportion to his willingness to work for it."

"Thrift has always appealed to me as an avenue to success. The government needs thrift and the individual needs it. That is the reason I subscribed at once for the full limit of War Savings Stamps. The money will help the government."

"I hope my young men will see that in helping the government through the purchase of Stamps they are also helping themselves toward individual success and prosperity by establishing the habit of thrift. A great many of my young men in the factories here are in the habit of looking to me for an example, so I subscribed early for War Savings Stamps in order to get them started as soon as possible on the right road."

Nothing but the shooting is over. We haven't paid for the job the boys did over there.

ALEXANDER OF SERBIA



Portrait of Crown Prince Alexander of Serbia, who has been appointed regent of the Jugo-Slav state by the national council at Agram.

Plucky. Soldiers as a rule are plucky fellows when wounded. This story is told of one:

He came in on a stretcher—face all bruised and swollen, eyes protruding, all full of mud and bits of stone. There wasn't an inch of his body without its own bruise or cut.

He'd been standing in a muddy place and a big obus had plumped into the ground just in front of him, and then, from a couple of feet down, had gone off and up. As he opened his eyes the doctor said to him: "You must have had a pretty rough passage."

He replied: "Nothing in it, sir—nothing in it. I'll be all right after I've had a shave."

Their Tendency.

"Tailors ought to be the most eager of men to go to law." "Why so?" "Because they are always ready to press a suit."

PHYSICALLY FIT AT ANY AGE

It isn't age, it's careless living that puts men "down and out." Keep your internal organs in good condition and you will always be physically fit.

The kidneys are the most over-worked organs in the human body. When they break down under the strain and the deadly uric acid accumulates and crystallizes look out! These sharp crystals tear and scratch the delicate urinary channels causing excruciating pain and set up irritations which may cause premature degeneration and often do turn into deadly Bright's Disease.

One of the first warnings of sluggish kidney action is pain or stiffness in the small of the back, loss of appetite, indigestion or rheumatism. Do not wait until the danger is upon you. At the first indication of trouble go after the cause at once. Get a trial box of GOLD MEDAL Haarlem Oil Capsules, imported direct from the laboratories in Holland. They will give almost immediate relief. If, for any cause they should not, your money will be refunded. But be sure to get GOLD MEDAL. None other is genuine. In sealed boxes, three sizes.

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