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## NOT SHIP SUBSIDY?

We may not be on a ship subsidy basis yet in this country, but we have something else. Under the Jones-White shipping law the sum of \$250,000,000 is made available for ship construction "for the purpose of aiding in building up the American merchant marine." Loans from this fund to shipbuilders are administered by the shipping board, up to three-fourths of the cost of the vessel to be built at low rate of interest. The loans are to be repaid in twenty annual payments. But what peeps up our goat is the fact that the shipping board already has more than it can do to get rid of government-owned vessels by scrapping them, selling them or giving them away. Just why the government should clothe the shipbuilders with a stake of \$250,000,000, when it is in a position to throw sea-going vessels bought and paid for, at the birds, is past our ken. However, the following Washington dispatch elucidates the situation somewhat.

"A minority of the shipping board today succeeded in blocking the sale of the steamship West Hartman to the States Steamship company to replace the Michigan which sank recently in a Philippine port.

"The debate within the board concerned the disposition of the insurance which will be paid on the Michigan, amounting to \$250,000 in all. Several members of the board contended that it should take the full amount, allowing the owners of the vessel nothing at all for the payment they had made on the purchase price, the stores on board or the insurance premiums they had paid.

"This demand was opposed by Commissioners Myers of Portland, Sanders of Los Angeles, and others.

"It was pointed out by the commissioners that when a vessel sold by the board to the Export Steamship company of New York was lost in a similar manner the board sold that company another ship at the same price as the first and allowed it \$80,000 of the insurance money in addition."

"The situation 'as is' makes it possible for unscrupulous buyers to purchase a vessel from the shipping board, sink her, pocket the insurance and then demand another vessel to replace the lost one.

## UNION OF LEGION AND LABOR

Union of Labor and the Legion to support legislation to prevent war was urged by Paul V. McNutt, national commander of the American Legion, in an address before the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor.

"Shoulder to shoulder, labor and the Legion can do this service together for our country," he exclaimed amid applause from the labor leaders.

Appealing for labor support for universal draft legislation backed by the Legion, McNutt said it would be a "service for all, creating an equal responsibility in citizenship, eliminating the slacker, eliminating privilege, profit and plunder when the emergency arises."

Declaring that at the close of the World war "a few millionaire's mansions could be checked against every white cross and star on the battlefields," he asserted that the Legion was convinced that the "greatest insurance for permanent peace is the taking of profit out of war."

"The trail of '98" and the new trail to be opened up to Alaska next spring are quite different, if nothing else. The old trail of the gold rush days tried the stoutest hearts and shut the gates of fate in the faces of many of the physically unfit as they trudged wearily upward through Chilkoot Pass. Over the new trail as planned for air service, Juneau will be only nine hours from Seattle, and Ketchikan but six hours distant, for passengers who will ride in two-motored amphibian planes representing an investment of \$100,000 each.

It is said that two dogs are the only livestock on a 4,000-acre ranch in this county. All motive power for crop operation during the past two years has been done by motorized machinery. We would say that this ranch must be rather a lonesome place to live with nothing but tractors moving around.

Senator Norris of Nebraska seems to be eternally on the hot side of things. A recent charge he made against radio station WENR owned by the Great Lakes Broadcasting company was to the effect that the utility concerns owning the station were attempting "to control the very air we breathe."

What of the new "Chevy Six?"

The shadow length of the automobile tourist is rapidly shortening as winter approaches. More than 250 automobiles were stalled in snowdrifts on the highway ten miles south of Salt Lake City. Drifting snow will put the kibosh on a motor trip more effectively than anything else we know of.

Once in a while we hear of a man who does not want office. G. W. Vaderwall, recently elected mayor of Haines, Baker County, has refused to qualify and a special election will be necessary. Vaderwall says he did not consent to serve as mayor, and that "they can just go and get someone else."

Borleskie's fighting Missionaries have pulled down their first Northwest conference football championship, and Athena fans are muchly pleased thereat.

It seems a little out of tune to read of 500 men fighting a timber fire in the Los Angeles section, while auto travel is blocked by snow and blizzards in Utah.

Over in England they don't like Coolidge's Armistice Day speech. Maybe they were not expected to.

This is Oregon year and the States have been crowded out of the picture.

## Has Electric Sign

Gerald Kilgore has put an electric sign on the front of the Kilgore Cafe. The sign is a blinker model, the center oval bearing the words "Kilgore's Cafe-Fountain" in red letters on a white background. The oval is controlled by an off and on movement, which is centered within a red border circle which remains as the stationary light.

## 22 Years Ago

November 23, 1906

Sunday, November 25, at 2 p. m., occurred the wedding of Mr. Arthur Coppock and Miss Mabel Tompkins, both popular young people of Athena. The groom is a son of Robert Coppock, a pioneer farmer of this vicinity and the bride is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Tompkins, who reside in this city.

B. S. Kidder, the well known painter, is an artist with canvas and oil, as well as being a master in house painting and decorating. At present he is reproducing the famous stallion Arion 2:07 1/4 on canvas, life size. It is a master piece of work. The picture will be used as a sign attraction on the front of McBride's livery stable.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Preston returned home Saturday evening from a visit in Seattle, Tacoma and Portland. In Portland they were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Preston of Waitsburg, and the brothers each purchased an Olds touring car. The party and the two machines came by boat to The Dalles and the remainder of the trip was made overland.

Miss Minnie Naylor came over from Whitman college and spent Sunday with Athena friends.

Albert Bales, a former resident of this place, now employed in Rader's furniture store at Pendleton, spent yesterday in Athena.

Good sleighing is reported on the mountain roads east of town. However, there is mud and plenty of it on the foothills between here and the snow line.

As usual the St. Nichols dining room will be thrown open to the public at noon Thanksgiving with a splendid Thanksgiving dinner. Everything good to eat, including turkey, will be served for 25 cents.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Swaggart have returned home from a visit to relatives in Malheur county. "Milt" brought home with him quite a bunch of knowledge of the country and a white weasel skin, which he uses for his small change.

Dr. Leonard Dell, who is the official Tyler of Dolph Lodge, No. 80, A. F. & A. M. of this city, has just completed once more a complete review of the holy bible from the beginning of Genesis to the end of Revelations, including the Book of Psalms, a task of nearly eighteen months.

So far Athena has escaped having cases of scarlet fever and diphtheria. Milton and Walla Walla have reported cases of diphtheria and the latter place several cases of scarlet fever. Athena physicians report but little sickness of any nature the past month.

A splendid specimen of horse flesh arrived in town yesterday over the O. R. & N. from Ogden, Utah. The horse, a beautiful brown French Coach, was consigned by McLoughlin Bros., of Kansas City, importers of Percheron and French Coach horses to F. G. Lucas of this city, who will at once organize a company to purchase the fine animal.

Tuesday evening as the west bound passenger on the O. R. & N. pulled out of the station here, a stranger escaped a horrible accident by a narrow margin. He was at the front end of the train putting a dog in the express car when the train began to move. With two grips in his hands he ran back to board a passenger coach. He flung his valises on the steps and jumped on after them. Twice he missed his footing but the third effort placed him on the train.

John Bell has purchased the Ely farm west of town, containing 160 acres, for \$12,000.

President French of the Eastern Oregon State Normal School, accompanied by his wife, spent Saturday in Athena.

Clifford Stone has been assisting in the grocery department of the Mosgrove Mercantile Co. store during the absence of Arthur Douglas.

Jerry Swart will leave Adams soon for Dayton, Wash., being transferred to the O. R. & N. station at that place. Mr. Nelson will take the agency at Adams.

**ESTATE OF MARY TOMPKINS, DECEASED**  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. In the matter of the estate of Mary Tompkins, deceased.

Notice is hereby given; that the undersigned have been appointed executors of the estate of Mary Tompkins, deceased, by the Judge of the above entitled Court and have qualified as such executors. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present the same, with proper vouchers, to the undersigned, at the office of S. A. Newberry, their attorney, room 250, Postoffice Building in Pendleton, Umatilla county, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated this 8th day of November, 1928.  
**ARTHUR R. COPPOCK,**  
**JOHN TOMPKINS**  
Executors of the estate of Mary Tompkins, deceased.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. In the Matter of the Estate of William Matheny, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern: That Herman Peters has been appointed administrator of the estate of William Matheny, deceased. All persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present them with proper vouchers as required by law, with the administrator, at the law office of Will M. Peterson, attorney at law, Stangier Building, Pendleton, Oregon, within six months of the date of the first publication of this notice which is the 16th day of November, 1928.  
**HERMAN PETERS, Administrator**  
Will M. Peterson, George R. Lewis Attorneys for Administrator. N16D14

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