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WANTS ACTION ON SHIP PURCHASE BILL

**Belief Exists That Measure Will Carry at
Next Session and Many Want
Meeting at Once**

Washington, May 18.—Interviews given by democratic senators and representatives since the sinking of the Lusitania, and slight intimations gathered in official circles in Washington, indicate that the ship purchase bill, which caused a serious tieup at the last session of congress, will be revived at the next session, and will have the full strength of the administration behind it. The advocates of the ship purchase bill maintain that there is more reason for its enactment now than there was last winter, and, as the destruction of foreign ships continues, the necessity for American ships will continue to grow.

The ship purchase bill, though backed strongly by the president during the short session of congress, failed principally because of the constitutional limitation of the session, which proved to be a great factor in favor to those senators who filibustered against the administration measure and defeated it. Had the recent session not been limited to adjourn March 4, the filibuster doubtless would have failed, though it might have been continued a month or two beyond the time when it did collapse.

While there has been no intimation from the White House that the president intends to call a special session of congress for any cause, some of the strongest supporters of the administration have advised that an extra session be called to consider a ship purchase bill.

Liberty Bell Due July 15

Philadelphia, May 18.—Saturday, July 17 will be Liberty Bell day at the Panama-Pacific exposition. The relic will leave Philadelphia July 5. It will arrive in San Francisco on July 16.

Several stops will be made along the way. It will reach Portland July 15 at 6 a. m. and will be sidetracked here for six hours so that all who wish may have the opportunity of viewing it. It will leave here for Salem on the S. P. at noon.

Loganberry growers say they will have less than one-half crop this year.

DR. A. G. PRILL
Physician and Surgeon

Calls Attended
Day or Night

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A Do Nothing Council

The city council held a special meeting last Friday evening to consider the proposed street improvement.

As was expected, the council did nothing. In fact, so it is reported, the council seemed afraid to do anything and, as a result, Main street is to continue to be a disgrace to our town and a subject of remark by visitors.

Of course, there is no use to complain about the matter. We will simply have to wait until our citizens arouse to the conditions, elect a progressive council and, if need be, get a new charter and one which will hold water. A council which has the opportunity to do good work and neglects to do so, simply must be bourne with until their places are supplied with men who have the ability and courage to do things.

SNOW AND COLD WAVE HIT EAST

**Heavy Frosts Rule in Middle West—Mer-
cury Drops to 20 Degrees Below
Seasonal Average**

Washington, May 18.—Abnormally cold weather prevailed tonight throughout the entire country except in the Gulf states, with temperatures 20 degrees below the seasonal average in the upper lake region and the Dakotas. Snow fell in St. Paul and other parts of Minnesota and West Virginia. Reports to the weather bureau told of the disturbances, one accompanied by heavy frosts in Nebraska, Minnesota and parts of Iowa and Wisconsin, and the other attended by rains over the Northern states east of the Mississippi, which were said to be responsible for the unsettled condition and low temperatures.

The eastern storm was said to be passing into the Atlantic and the one in the west to be moving eastward.

Frost warnings were issued tonight for many sections.

British Loss in Ships in War 460,628 Tons

London, May 18.—Thos. J. McNamara, parliamentary secretary of the admiralty, announced in reply to a question in the house of commons today that 460,628 tons of British shipping other than warships had been sunk or captured by the German navy since the outbreak of the war.

New Harness Shop

I hereby announce that I have opened a new harness shop in the north room adjoining the Scio Feed store. I am prepared to do all kinds of harness work and guarantee satisfaction at reasonable prices.

W. A. CROSS,
Scio, Oregon.

A Pendleton girl when returning from a dance, was struck by lightning this week and paralyzed for a short time. An umbrella she carried seemed to attract the electricity.

BREAK WITH ITALY SEEMS IMMINENT

**German and Austrian Envoys Are Ready
to Go—Their Trunks Already
Sent Away**

Rome, via London, May 19.—The Giornale announces that Prince von Buelow, the German ambassador, and Baron von Macchio, the special ambassador of Austria, have demanded their passports. The newspaper adds that the staffs of the German and Austrian consulates will leave Rome Thursday night.

Several cases and trunks which are believed to have contained the documents of the two embassies, already have been sent out of the country.

The German and Austrian consuls-generals and their staffs have received instructions to be ready to leave Rome today or tomorrow.

The Messagero says that it is of the opinion that Prince Buelow and Baron Macchio are only awaiting definite instructions for their respective governments to ask explanations of the Italian government concerning Italy's purposes and that this request will be answered by handing them their passports.

Mesdames E. C. Peery and Chas. Warner Entertains

Mrs. E. C. Peery and Mrs. Chas. Warner entertained a number of their friends at the E. C. Peery home last Saturday afternoon. 500 furnished the amusement of the afternoon after which dainty refreshments were served by the hostesses. Mrs. A. G. Prill received the first prize and Miss Freeman the booby.

Those present were: Mesdames Walter Bilyeu, Jennie Jones, Henry Stepanek, A. G. Prill, Fred Bilyeu, J. S. Sticha, Roy Shelton, Rolla Shelton, Riley Shelton, Ethel Arnold, Audrey Hobson, John Wesely, Joe Wesely, P. H. MacDonald, O. B. Cyrus, Edes Cox, A. E. Edwards, A. Hagey, Mrs. Balantine, Misses Vella Brenner, Severence, Freeman, Smith, Shannon, Blanche Kopecky, Johnson.

A Young Old Man

The Tribune family is indebted to S. W. Gaines, of Santiam farm, for some most excellent strawberries, fresh from the vines, last Saturday. Mr. Gaines has more than reached the allotted age of man (70 years) but is as vigorous and active as many men twenty years his junior. This year he plowed and seeded 40 acres of grain, besides taking care of his large garden and berry patches.

Mr. Gaines is never satisfied without he can produce better crops, finer vegetables and larger berries than his neighbors. This is evidence that he works early, late and between times, which is remarkable for a man of his age. Many younger men than he have given up active work, thus placing themselves in the ranks of the hasbeens. Not so with the renowned "Pie Eater." He expects to be on the turf for many years yet. He says his health was never better than now.

Will Accept Mail Deposits

Deposits will be accepted by mail by all postal savings banks after July 1. This announcement was made in a pamphlet just issued by Postmaster Burleson. By this change the department expects to make the use of the postal savings system accessible to every person in the United States over the age of ten years.

An account may be opened by a married woman free from any control or interference by her husband. Postoffice officials are forbidden to disclose to any person, except the depositor, the amount of any deposits. Withdrawals may be made without previous notice. The government guarantees to repay all deposits on demand with accrued interest.

NEUTRALS TO JOIN DEMANDS ON KAISER

**Copies of the American Note Has Been
Sent to Each of the Neutral
Nations**

Washington, May 18.—Pressure from other neutrals is the trump card the United States has played in her attempt to force Germany to accept the position of the United States regarding submarine attacks upon neutral ships and passenger carrying vessels of belligerent nations.

It is learned that copies of President Wilson's note have been placed at the disposal of neutral countries whose citizens were lost when the Lusitania sunk.

It is reported these nations have endorsed the issues as outlined by President Wilson. It is presumed this is what the president had in mind when in his New York speech yesterday he said: "We ask only what we have the right to ask for all humanity."

Panama Canal Traffic In March Makes Record

Washington, May 18.—Record breaking cargoes passing through the Panama canal in March, according to war department statisticians, would have filled approximately 1800 freight trains of 20 cars each. These trains, it is estimated, would have stretched 275 miles in length or filled five parallel tracks from Panama to Colon. Had this freight been transported across the isthmus in freight trains, it would have required a train every 48 minutes, or 58 trains a day. The cargo handled in March through the canal aggregated 635,957 tons.

Pythian Sisters Initiate

Wednesday evening of last week the Pythian Sisters held a very interesting meeting when Dr. Prill, Roe Shelton and John Kelly were initiated into the order. After the session, all present indulged in progressive "500" after which the hostesses of the evening, Vella Brenner, Audrey Hobson and Minnie Shelton served dainty refreshments.

BOOTH-KELLY FIRM LOSES CLAIM CASE

**Highest Court Finds Fraud in La Rauts-
Jordan Transfer—Five Patents
Are Involved**

Washington, May 18.—The supreme court unanimously affirmed today the decision of the ninth United States circuit court of appeals in cancelling five patents to Oregon lands held by the Booth-Kelly Lumber Co., because of fraud in entry. In the decision the supreme court said:

"The issue is purely one of fact upon matters with regard to which the circuit court seems to have been prevented from coming to the same conclusion as the circuit court of appeals, rather by the presumption in favor of the patents than by its belief in the testimony for the defense."

Of the LaRauts the court said: "The LaRauts were taken to inspect the land, so that they might make the necessary affidavits, but beyond that appear to have known nothing and to have made no inquiries at any time. The company paid their expenses—all the bills, in short." The decision is squarely against the company.

The fraud alleged by the government was that Stephen, Alice, Ethel, and Lucy LaRaut and Edward Jordan had filed on claims under the timber and stone act for the purpose of turning the land over to the Booth-Kelly Lumber Co. All expenses of their entries, the government averred, were paid by the company and in addition they were each given a bonus of \$100.

The four LaRauts were relatives of R. A. Booth, who at that time was manager of the Booth-Kelly Lumber Co. All admit they had received the money, but Booth claimed he had given the money to the LaRauts to help them along. They were in reduced circumstances.

In making its decision the United States circuit court of appeals said that Booth's statement that he had paid the money to assist his relatives did not coincide with certain parts of the evidence to an extent which would justify it in sustaining Judge Bean's decision.

We Have the Best Sheep

Mr. West, of whom we made mention last week, has been buying sheep in this locality. He says the Willamette valley sheep, especially of the mutton variety, are superior to those produced in any other section of the Pacific coast. This is because, at a given age, they weigh more than sheep from any other locality. Green grass during the winter months, produce a continuous growth which cannot be reached when dry winter feeding must be resorted to.

At the same age Willamette valley lambs weigh more, by from 40 to 50 pounds, than those from the colder sections where winter feeding is necessary.

The I. O. O. F. grand lodge is in session at Newport this week.