

### GREAT ACTIVITY INDICATED IN BEET SUGAR INDUSTRY

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16.—Great activity in the sugar-beet industry in this country is foreshadowed by the recent record-breaking imports of sugar beet seeds. Figures made public by the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, of the department of commerce, indicate that for the 2 months ending September 30, 1916, the imports of seed reached a total of 18 1/2 million pounds, which is a million pounds more than were imported during the complete calendar years 1913 and 1914, and nearly double those for the full year 1912.

Before the war Germany was the chief source of sugar-beet seeds, but the trade is now in the hands of the Russians. In the fiscal year 1914 Germany supplied nearly 9 million pounds of a total of 10 1/2 million pounds, the remainder coming chiefly from Austria-Hungary, Russia and Holland. In the fiscal year 1916 Russia supplied 5,881,946 pounds out of a total of 9,042,490 pounds. Imports of beet seed into the United States for the calendar years 1911 to 1916 were as follows:

| Years         | Pounds.    |
|---------------|------------|
| 1911          | 11,025,534 |
| 1912          | 9,954,894  |
| 1913          | 17,641,721 |
| 1914          | 17,557,062 |
| 1915          | 4,929,022  |
| 1916 9 months | 18,474,995 |

It is an interesting fact that exports of refined sugar in the first 9 months of 1916 totaled 1,388,650,984 pounds, or nearly 50 per cent more than during the whole calendar year 1915, 3 1/4 times more than in 1914, and 26 times more than in 1913.

### FREE INSURANCE FOR EMPLOYEES

In line with modern efforts toward welfare in working conditions, one progressive manufacturer in San Francisco has recently inaugurated a plan of insuring the lives of its employees, free of any charge to them.

Under this plan, each employe of the company is asked to designate in writing the person or persons he or she wishes to become beneficiary in the event of death. To such beneficiary, this company has agreed to pay the sum of \$500 in the event of the death of the employe.

The plan has received the hearty approval of the large corps of factory workers, office employes and salesmen employed by the company. Especially in the case of factory workers the insurance has been greatly appreciated, as it often happens that they are not in position to provide for those dependent upon them in case of their death.

A glance at the list of beneficiaries designated is interesting from the point of appreciation of this insurance. For example, one woman has requested that the \$500 be distributed amongst her seven children. Doubtless, she feels that at least she has now some small protection for those dear to her in case of her death.

The John Bolman company, who have established this new scheme, are large manufacturers of cigarettes in San Francisco. This is in line with the many other favorable working conditions for those employed by them that they have embodied into their new and modern plant.

A trip through this modern factory with its spotless tile walls, its light, cheerful working floors, rest rooms, shower baths and restaurant facilities is an education along industrial welfare lines.

### UNITED STATES BUILDING SPLENDID MERCHANT MARINE

NEW YORK, Nov. 16.—Predictions of a "splendid" American merchant marine as a result of the world war, the federal reserve act and shipping legislation, were made here today by Stevenson Taylor, president of the society of naval architects and marine engineers, in a speech marking the opening of the 25th annual meeting of the organization.

The United States, he said, was making rapid strides in shipbuilding. Whereas between 1910 and 1914 this country produced only 9 1/4 per cent of 253,000 tons as against Great Britain's 60 per cent of the average annual world's production of 2,749,000 tons, Mr. Taylor declared, Great Britain in 1918 will produce 2,260,000 tons and the United States 867,000 tons, an increase of 14 per cent for Great Britain and about 3 per cent for the United States over the figures for 1915.

The normal tonnage of the world, 20,000,000, has been sadly depleted by the war, says Mr. Taylor, due to the destruction of 5,000,000 tons, the intermingling of 1,000,000 and the commandeering of 12,000,000 tons, leaving available for service 28,600,000 tons, or 57.2 per cent of the normal tonnage. This reduction was responsible for the high marine freight rates.

American shipyards, the speaker said, are building 1,500,000 tons of steel ships and 50,000 tons of wooden vessels to be completed within two years. One third of them are for foreign nations. To September last, he said, 196 foreign built ships with a tonnage of 617,842 were admitted to American registry.

### WOMEN FAILURES ON ELECTION BOARDS

CHICAGO, Nov. 16.—Women are failures as clerks and judges of election, according to a statement today by Frank D. Ayres, assistant corporation counsel, who is aiding in supervising the canvass of the recent election. The county, he said, will be obliged to spend several hundred dollars to untangle mixups caused by women officials.

"The women who were called before the election board probably could remember how other women judges or clerks were dressed, but they utterly failed to remember what they had written on tally sheets, even though given their sheets to refresh their memory," Ayres said.

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### SULTAN OPENS PARLIAMENT WITH SPEECH ON THRONE

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 16.—A Constantinople dispatch says the sultan opened parliament in the presence of the cabinet and the German ambassador with a speech on the throne, in which he referred to the Turkish victories at the Dardanelles and eulogized the achievements of Turkish troops in all theaters of war. The sultan said that after the abolition of the capitulations, granting extra territorial rights to foreigners, Turkey began negotiations with Germany in regard to an agreement to regulate their legal relations on the basis of European laws and the principle of reciprocity. He hoped the agreement would soon be ratified.

Turkey also gave notice, the sultan continued, of the termination of the Paris and Berlin agreements. Turkey's relations with her allies were developing, the sultan added. He reiterated his statement of last year concerning a common policy in the prosecution of the war on all fronts in order to obtain peace and develop the capabilities of the country.

Hudji Adil Bey was appointed president of the chamber and Hussein Djahid and Ahmed Ghazi Pasha vice-presidents.

ATTENTION A. F. & A. M. Regular communication Medford Lodge No. 103, A. F. & A. M. Friday evening, November 17th. Business of importance. By order of W. M. A. N. HILDEBRAND, Secy.

### 25,000 GUARDSMEN ON BORDER ENGAGE IN SHAM BATTLE

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Nov. 16.—Twenty-five thousand national guardsmen of nine states and several regular army organizations today began what army officers declare the most extensive army maneuver attempted since the coming of the national guard to the Mexican border. The maneuver is not expected to be completed in much less than two weeks.

An invading force, the Brown army, commanded by Brigadier General H. A. Allen of the Iowa brigade, is to try to wrest a large section of territory, known as the "lower Rio Grande valley" from the White army.

### RUSSIAN MUNITION SHIP BLOWN-UP

LONDON, Nov. 16.—The Stockholm newspaper, Afton Tidningen, says that some days ago an explosion occurred on board the Russian ammunition steamer, Baron Brecent at the Russian seaport of Archangel, causing the death of 150 persons and the wounding of 650 others, according to a dispatch from the Swedish capital to the Exchange Telegraph company. The Baron Brecent and another steamer, the dispatch adds, were destroyed. Several buildings near the harbor and two barracks were set on fire and burned down.

All rules of warfare will be observed. Towns are to be captured and manufacturing plants of various kinds "seized."

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