

BIG MERCHANT FLEET MOVES LIKE RAILROAD

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—Every six minutes a merchant vessel arrives and another departs from American ports. From North Atlantic seaports, there is a department every eleven minutes; and one for Europe every forty minutes. This rate of operation does not include vessels in the service of the Army or Navy.

The merchant fleet of 1,500 ships under the control of the Shipping board are run as railroads on a time schedule. The duty of measuring ship's performances with their tasks is lodged with the Planning and Statistics Division of the Shipping Board, headed by E. H. Gay, formerly dean of the Harvard Graduate School of Business.

Obviously, the division must know the tasks in details, and so it coordinates with the War Industries and War Trade Boards in determining and providing for the country's needs from abroad. It works on month to month schedules or as far in advance as it is feasible or possible to forecast.

In planning the use of ships, the division works with the Food Administration in determining the shipping requirements for food; with the War Department in correlating shipping with the requirements of the line of supplies to the Western Front; with the War Industries Board in seeking solution of the problem of bringing necessary raw imports into the country; and with the War Trade Board in preparing the lists of essential imports and exports.

As the country has gone more and more on a war basis, it has been regarded necessary to limit the list of essential imports to less than a hundred. Data on the ships and their trade provides the basis for operation of the vessels under the Shipping Board's control. Likewise, records are kept of neutral vessels coming to this country or linking up with foreign trade. Thus the division checks daily about 7,000 vessels, 1,500 of them being those of the Shipping Board, 3,000 engaged directly in American commerce and 2,500 scattered over the globe and trading for the most part with the Allies or their colonies.

Ship performances against tasks are recorded by "progress charts," which show at a glance what the vessels have to do and how they are doing it. Each set of charts is divided into ten divisions, one for movements of vessels, turn-arounds, shipcharts of commodities, individual commodity charts, summary of imports, performances in ports, and dock performance. Copies are distributed every ten days to governments which require constant information about the movement of supplies.

By these movement charts, all information regarding locations and

movements of vessels is accessible, and from past records one may forecast the time of future voyages.

The summary on shipping and trade, prepared every ten days for War Industries and War Trade Boards and the Food Administration, help shape the larger policies underlying the use of American ships in war time. The charts tell whether the ships all located to a certain trade are enough, too many or too few; whether they bring in too little, or too much; whether they are on time; ahead of time or behind time; and whether the trade movement is too slow, too fast or just right. The charts also serve to guide the Ship Control committee in the assignment of vessels to various trade. By comparing import requirements against deliveries, the charts show when vessels may be transferred from one trade to another or released to the Army.

NEW BRITISH AIRPLANES TO DO WONDERS

LONDON, Aug. 20.—Swarms of a new type of raiding plane will soon be in the hands of the Royal Air Force.

This new British "wonder plane" that its enthusiasts say may revolutionize raid warfare, is claimed to combine enormous speed and climbing power.

It is described as being able to climb to an altitude of more than 20,000 feet in a remarkably short time, and is able to keep up terrific speed even at the highest altitudes. And it can accomplish this, it is claimed, carrying pilot, observer, great weight of bombs, machine guns and other equipment.

The London Daily Express says of it that "it is so fast that long distances can be accomplished in the shortest time, and bombing raids which, with the older type of bombing plane, would perhaps need a whole day's preparation, will now be carried out within a couple of hours."

BIG RANCH SOLD IN CROOK COUNTY

Prineville, Aug. 20.—The largest land and livestock sale by one individual ever recorded in Crook County was made when former Congressman J. N. Williamson, pioneer sheep man, disposed of 22,000 acres of his holdings, including a large number of cattle, sheep and horses. E. L. Ashby, William Ledford and T. H. Lafayette, all prominent stockmen of this section, made the purchase.

Mr. Williamson has been in the sheep business for 42 years. He retains 6,000 acres of land and 2,000 head of fine ewes, with which he will stock this place.

FORMER PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE INDICTED



EUGENE V. DEBS

Eugene V. Debs, four times candidate of the Socialists for president, has been indicted by the United States grand jury at Cleveland for remarks made by him at a Socialist convention in Canton, Ohio, June 16. During his speech he made a defense of Rose Pastor Stokes, who was sentenced in Kansas City to ten years for violation of the Espionage act.

NONE EXCUSED FOR FAILURE TO REGISTER

PORTLAND, Aug. 20.—Every young man in the United States who has passed his 21st birthday since registration day for 21-year-old men last June 5, must register for the draft on Saturday, August 24.

By proclamation of President Wilson, just issued, this call includes citizens as well as non-citizens. The only men of the age specified who will not have to register are those already in the military or naval service.

This call should not be confused with the big registration day, to be held some time in September, for registration of all men between the ages of 18 and 45 years. This registration day just ordered is exclusively for the men who were not yet 21 years old last June 5, but who have become 21 years old on or before August 24. Every man of them must register.

As before, registration will be in charge of local draft boards. The registration places will be open from seven o'clock in the morning to nine o'clock in the evening. No excuse will be accepted for failure to register. The time remaining before registration day is so very short that every man who comes within the call should arrange his affairs now so that he can go to the registration place on August 24 and register.

Failure to register is punishable by imprisonment up to one year and followed by induction into the service.

Even sickness will be no excuse for failing to register. Any 21 year old man who is ill should send some competent person immediately to his local draft board, which will explain what to do.

Men who will unavoidably be away from their home precincts on registration day, should proceed at once to the local draft board nearest the place where they may happen to be, and ask for instructions for registering by mail. Prompt action is of the utmost importance, for all mail registrations must be received by the proper local board by August 24.

The purpose in requiring at this time the registration of men who have become 21 years old since last June 5 is to keep Class 1 filled until congress can pass the new law raising and lowering the draft age.

Let every man subject to the coming registration make note of and remember these important facts: Registration Day is Saturday, August 24. Time for registration, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Place for registration, with local draft board.

State Fair, Salem, Oregon, September 23-29. Splendid exhibits, excellent music, high class entertainments and a superb racing card. For particulars write A. H. Lea, Salem, Oregon, August 21, 1918.

At the Theaters

The picture at the Star theater today is Jack Pickford's latest Paramount offering, "The Spirit of '17"



JACK PICKFORD in "The Spirit of '17" at the Paramount Picture

In which the clever young star portrays Davy Glidden, a patriotic youngster of the middle west, who with the help of a number of worn out old veterans of the Civil war, saves his town from German spies who attempt to blow up a mine and who also have incited a strike. The production is an interesting one in photoplay history and one of the best the clever young star has done in some time. It was written by Judge Willis Brown of the Chicago Juvenile court and arranged for the screen by Julia Crawford Ivers. The director, William D. Taylor, has spared no pains in presenting the photoplay and the photography, settings, lighting and other requirements are fully up to the Paramount standards.

Carlisle Blackwell and June Elvidge will soon be seen here in their newest photoplay, "The Way Out," and in this startling new drama these famous and popular stars have splendid roles. "The Way Out" will be shown tonight at the Orpheus theater.

This surprising new story has a tremendous climax on a European battle field, and the incident that occurs on this battle field has a direct bearing on the happiness of a charming and beautiful American girl.

The problem presented in this story is a novel one and the title of the drama is taken, of course, from the manner in which the problem is solved—the way out. Many remarkable interesting and beautiful scenic effects are seen in this production, and "The Way Out" is an altogether satisfactory screen entertainment. It is the latest World-Picture.

If you have a big family and need a big house, better look at that modern eight room house on Pacific terrace for \$2100. See Chilcote, 633 Main St.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS Notice is hereby given that the tax books of Klamath County will be open for the inspection of the taxpayers at the office of the county assessor up to and including Saturday, August 31, 1918.

HUN PRINCESS GOES ON TRIP IN SUBMARINE

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 20.—The crown princess of Germany, accompanied by the grand duke of Mecklenburg and the Princess of Brunswick, has made a submarine trip to Heligoland, according to German newspapers, which add that she did not secure the consent of the emperor or the crown prince before leaving.

This was the first submarine trip the crown princess ever took and the newspapers of Berlin observe that it was all very well to make the venture once, but that the future empress should not risk her life in

"such experiments." The German crown princess was formerly the Dutchesse Cecilia of Mecklenburg-Schwerin. The Grand Duke of Mecklenburg is her brother. The Princess of Brunswick referred to in the above dispatch is probably Princess Alexandra, who was married to the Grand Duke of Mecklenburg in 1904.

Oregon hens lead Oregon Agricultural College, Aug. 20.—Oregon hens from O. A. C. are holding first place in each of the three great egg laying contests, Storrs, British Columbia and Pullman. Reports from Storrs International, with birds from many states and foreign countries, show that at the end of nine months the Oregon hens have the first place with a record of 1707 eggs, a gain of 11 over the second highest and third place of all pens. The second pen had laid 1655 and third 1559. The Colgate Barred Rocks at Pullman, and at British Columbia are maintaining their lead.

County Court Proceedings

Table listing County Court Proceedings for July Term, including names of attorneys, fees, and various legal notices.

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