

FOR THE BUSY MAN

NEWS EPITOME THAT CAN SOON BE COMPASSED.

MANY EVENTS ARE MENTIONED

Home and Foreign Intelligence Condensed into Two and Four Line Paragraphs.

WAR NEWS.

Austria-Hungary is calling up fifteen classes of men which heretofore had been exempt from military service, says a dispatch from Berne, Switzerland.

Total casualties among officers and men of the Canadian expeditionary forces were 52,025 up to October 11, according to figures compiled by the casualty record office at Ottawa, Ont.

Since the start of the war a total of 1,217 mines have been washed on the coast of Holland. Of these 656 were British, 62 French, 219 German and 280 of undetermined origin.

Word has been received in London that the German submarine Bremen is on its way to German East Africa and that it was never intended for it to go to the United States.

Nearly 650 troops lost their lives when the cruiser Gallia, carrying 2,000 Serb and French soldiers, was torpedoed and sunk in the Mediterranean on October 4.

Further evidence of the heavy toll neutral shipping is paying in the world war is contained in a statement given out in London, showing that nineteen Dutch vessels had been sunk by enemy mines from June 1 and Sept. 24.

The British official press bureau announces the German losses during the war up to the end of September as: Dead, 870,182; prisoners and missing, 428,829, and wounded, 2,257,007—a total of 3,556,018. The figures were compiled from German official lists.

Casualties among the Russian armies during this year's offensive on the eastern front, according to German calculations, have been 1,250,000 officers and men. According to conservative Danish calculations, during the first two years of the war Russia lost considerably more than 6,000,000 men.

Latest reports on the situation in Greece are that the Greek authorities have yielded to the allies demands for the turning over of virtually the entire Greek navy and the dismantling or surrender of forts on the sea coast and control of railroad, mail and telegraph service.

Four British freight steamers, the Strathdene, West Point, Stephano and the Kingston, also one Dutch freighter, Bloomesdijk, and a Norwegian craft were sunk by a German U-boat off the Massachusetts coast on Sunday, Oct. 8. It is reported all were given warning before being sent to the bottom of the ocean and no lives were lost.

GENERAL.

During the fiscal year ending with July, 1916, the population of Berlin, Germany, declined to 1,790,821 from the 1915 total of 1,860,484.

The Spanish government has given definite orders prohibiting the revictualing of submarines in Spanish waters.

Nine men lost their lives in a fire which destroyed the central portion of the main building of Christian Brothers' college at St. Louis.

A public drinking fountain will be erected by the Women's Christian Temperance union of Kansas as a memorial to Mrs. Carrie Nation, militant crusader against saloons, in Capitol square at Topeka.

James Couzens, Detroit's multimillionaire police commissioner, announced the establishment of a bonus system for members of the Detroit police force. The bonus provided personally by Mr. Couzens will amount to about \$10,000 annually. It is believed to be the first of its kind ever established in the United States.

The Topeka Western League Baseball club will be moved to some other city, probably Peoria, Ill., or Kansas City, Kas., or sold soon, according to an announcement by John Savage, owner of the club.

A starvation period is an excellent substitute for a month's vacation, according to Prof. Carlson of the University of Chicago physiology department. He and an assistant went without food for five days and claim to have proved the theory.

Denver bakers were justified in their recent proposed increase in the price of from 5 to 8 cents a loaf, according to a report by a special committee from the Denver Civic and Commercial association.

Resolutions urging that lynching be made a federal offense and that persons prosecuted for it be tried in another state from their own, were adopted by the National Equal Rights league in a convention at Washington, attended by negro delegates from twenty-five states.

Rear Admiral Francis A. Cook, U. S. N., retired, who was commended for "eminent and conspicuous conduct in battle" while in command of the cruiser Brooklyn at the battle of Santiago de Cuba, died in Northampton, Mass.

Rev. Irl R. Hicks, astronomer and "long distance" weather forecaster and publisher, died at St. Louis. He was 71 years old. He is said to have amassed a fortune through the publication of "Hick's almanac."

A woman was killed, two men probably mortally wounded and a half dozen other persons less seriously hurt when the police fired a volley into a crowd of Standard Oil strikers and their sympathizers at Bayonne, N. J.

Armour Packing company will cut a 400 per cent melon at the next meeting of the board of directors. R. J. Dunham, vice president, in a statement at Chicago said an increase of the capitalization from \$20,000,000 to \$100,000,000 also would be considered.

Former King Otto of Bavaria, who has been insane for many years, has died suddenly, according to a Berlin official announcement. The mad king died at Fuerstenried castle, near Munich, where he has been confined since 1873.

A cyclone swept over St. Thomas, D. W. I., with disastrous results. Almost every building in the city was damaged. The damage is estimated at \$2,000,000. The island of St. Croix and the town of Christianstad suffered heavily.

In reporting to its membership a baseball game between Brooklyn and Boston during the world-series at Brooklyn, the Associated Press delivered the descriptive play to 400 of fices, using a total of 26,000 miles of telegraph wires, all operated and controlled by the sender at the park.

The Boston American league baseball team gained the title of world's champions when they defeated the Brooklyn Nationals, in the fifth and final game of the world's series of 1916, making four wins for the Red Sox to one for the Dodgers. The attendance for the five games amounted to 162,359, and the receipts \$385,590.50.

MEXICAN TROUBLE.

A new element has been injected into the discussions of the American and Mexican commission at Atlantic City, N. J., by the inability of the Carranza government to pay its soldiers.

General Carranza may not be a candidate for the presidency of Mexico at the election to be held by the de facto government, J. J. Pesquiera, Carranza consul at Los Angeles, Cal., declared recently.

Notwithstanding the sufferings of peons in the district which Villa is now preying on, they would rise to a man in his behalf if the American expedition were to operate south of its present base, according to a report received in El Paso.

Nineteen Mexicans who are being held by the army authorities at Colonia Dublan for alleged connection with the Villa raid on Columbus, N. M., March 9, have been indicted by the Luna county grand jury. All are charged with murder.

The Mexican government has prepared a decree providing for the death penalty for robbers, bandits and those convicted of holdups. The decree is similar to the one issued by Benito Juarez, and is for the purpose of putting an end to banditry.

General Carranza has signed a decree prohibiting bull fighting throughout Mexico. The decree is the climax of a campaign waged by the newspaper, El Universal, which attracted wide attention throughout the republic.

An official report to Maj. Gen. Frederick Funston confirmed reports that a small band of Villistas is within ten miles of General Pershing's column. Villa himself is at the head of 1,800 men at Guerrero, on the Mexican Northwestern line, where Pershing's cavalry had a battle last spring.

WASHINGTON.

Further decrease in production prospects of the country's principal farm crops, excepting corn, flax, rice and kafirs was indicated in the Department of Agriculture's monthly report, just issued.

Submarines of belligerent powers visiting American waters will be treated as warships under international law. This fact was made known to the allies by the state department in answer to a memorandum asking that submarines be prevented from the use of neutral waters and that such vessels entering neutral harbors be interned.

The pension bureau has received 66,000 applications for increases in widows' pensions under the law passed by congress at the last session. Of the applications 25,000 already have been allowed and allowances are being made at the rate of about 2,000 a day.

The federal farm loan board has fixed on 4 per cent as the interest on farm loan bank bonds. This means that farmers who patronize the farm loan banks will pay from 4 1/2 to 5 per cent for loans.

The war department in making payments to dependent families of National guardsmen announced disbursement in the case of each soldier would be determined by the amount he contributed to the support of his family prior to his call into federal service.

Consul General Skinner at London notified the department of commerce that Great Britain has extended her embargo against importations into the United Kingdom to include cotton knit goods.

CONDENSED NEWS

OF INTEREST TO ALL.

DATES FOR COMING EVENTS.

Oct. 31—Northwestern Nebraska Medical Society meeting, Long Pine. Nov. 2-5—Nebraska Christian Endeavor Union state convention at Omaha. Nov. 8-10—Nebraska State Teachers' association meeting at Omaha. Nov. 14, 15—Second Annual Course-ning Meet at Omaha. Nov. 17—General Election Day in Nebraska. Nov. 27 to Dec. 2—Annual Poultry Show at Opaia. Dec. 4 to 9—Annual Poultry and Pet Live Stock Show at Beatrice. December 20-21—National Farmers' Equity Convention at Omaha.

The Hildreth Baseball club claims the championship of southwestern Nebraska. Hildreth has finished a season of six defeats out of thirty-two games played and bases its bid for championship on the refusal of Loomis, the only other contender for the title, to play the rubber game of a championship series.

Citizens of Chadron and surrounding country are greatly excited over the possibility of the discovery of oil in Dawes county. Drilling for the precious fluid will begin at once by The Midwest company, nineteen miles northeast of Chadron. Geologists and oil experts say the formations are ideal for oil.

The pastors of the three Protestant churches of North Bend have secured the service of Evangelist Rayburn to hold a union revival in North Bend June, 1917. Preparations for this meeting will begin at once by the churches redoubling their efforts to more successful work.

A case of infantile paralysis in its advanced stages has been placed under quarantine near Hastings. The district school has been closed and every other possible precaution taken to prevent spread.

The First Christian Geminization of Fremont dedicated their remodeled church last Sunday. Several thousand dollars were expended on the structure and it is now one of Fremont's most beautiful edifices.

The Farmer's Institute and the Colfax county stock show will be held in Schuyler on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, November 2, 3 and 4. The officers are now at work arranging a fine program.

Will Pollard, county surveyor of Colfax county, was almost instantly killed near Howells when an automobile in which he was riding turned turtle, crushing him beneath it. Maria, the four year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Washburn of Grand Island, is in a critical condition as the result of poisoning from a penny which she swallowed several days ago.

Charles Daniels, 38, husband and father of three children, was crushed to death at the Grand Island sugar factory by the failure of the brake of the hoisting engine to work properly.

Mr. and Mrs. I. R. Clayton, old Gage county residents, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their home in Wymore last week.

Frank H. Ward, president of the Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph company, has been elected president of the Lincoln Commercial Club.

Elmer Greider of the Diller vicinity has purchased a sixty acre farm in Gage county, for which he paid \$8,000, or \$133.50 per acre.

The new Elgin Community club is rapidly nearing completion and will probably be ready for occupancy in December.

Fairbury has voted \$50,000 bonds for paving intersections of streets in the paving districts throughout the city.

Home grown celery is now on the Grand Island market, it having been found by the truck growers of that section of the state that the Pascal celery is especially adapted for raising there. Plans are being made to greatly increase the crop for next year.

Mr. and Mrs. Kerl, residing ten miles from Pawnee City, had a pair of twins and set of triplets on exhibition at the Pawnee county fair at Pawnee City. The twins were boy and girl six years old. The triplets were girls, five months old.

An agreement has been reached between Bayard and the Intermountain Electric Light and Power company whereby a twenty-four-hour service for all the light and power needed by the town is to be furnished by the company.

Unable to secure a church large enough, the Omaha Christian Endeavor union has secured the Brandeis theater in which to hold the annual state Christian Endeavor convention, November 2 to 5, when 2,000 young people are expected in the city.

Mrs. Alvina L. Lubke of Pierce has brought suit against eleven saloon men of that town and Norfolk for \$27,000 damages she claims they did her husband by reducing him to his death from chronic alcoholism.

Omaha has again installed the curfew, six big manufacturing companies being engaged to sound the warning at 9 o'clock each night when all juveniles must scurry for home. The rule is to be rigidly enforced.

Over 100 cars of potatoes have thus far this season been shipped from Alnsworth.

Rev. Walter Ernstmeier of Wauwata is in a serious condition at a Fremont hospital. An electric light pole fell on the minister while he was passing through the streets of Arlington in an automobile.

The Nebraska State Federation of Women clubs went on record in favor of the prohibition of the liquor traffic in Nebraska during the annual convention at Hastings.

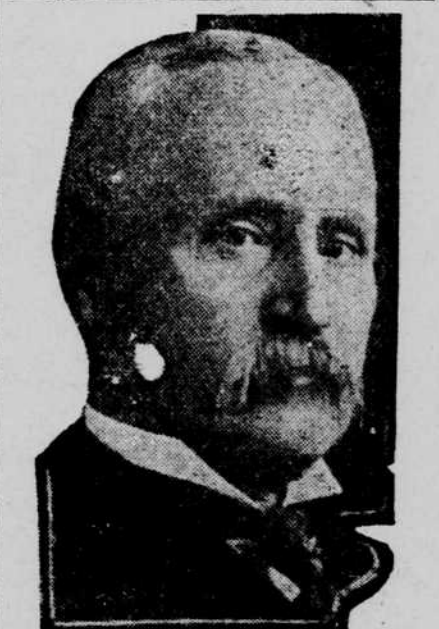
The National Farmers' Equity union is to hold its convention in Omaha, December 20 and 21. Some 250 delegates are expected.

Corn yield better than expected, oats exceptionally good, one-third of spring wheat damaged by black rust, winter wheat up to estimate with 19.5 bushels an acre; barley yield good; late potatoes low, early potatoes good; hay, total yield, large; clover seed, fair crop; alfalfa seed, crop assured; sugar beets, good; forage crops, fair; tomatoes, cabbages and onions, low. This sums up the crop conditions in Nebraska October 1, according to the survey of A. E. Anderson, government field agent. He further points out corn in east central and northeastern sections will be excellent. While some of the drought damaged counties promise less than half a crop, well cultivated fields will give a fair yield, he says. Winter wheat planted under ideal weather conditions is in excellent shape, he states.

Buttermilk powder making, the world's newest industry, is to be established in Omaha. Fifteen million pounds yearly of buttermilk formerly thrown away or fed to stock is to be converted into a salable product. Bakers, cracker makers and manufacturers of pancake flour will be the chief buyers. A \$100,000 building is being constructed to house the new factory.

The Elgin Community club has employed Walter C. Nye of Ogalala, as commissioner at a salary of \$1,200 a year. Mr. Nye has been with the Trans-Mississippi Grain Co. for a number of years, and was secretary of the Keith County Community club and Fair association. He will take charge of the club activities November 1.

In a special election, held at Beemer, to vote bonds to build a new school house, 193 votes were cast, 143 for and 50 against, making 43 above the two-thirds majority required to win. The bonds were for \$30,000. Every woman voter in the district turned out. This is the second time this question has been voted on.



GEORGE A. JOSLYN. President of the Western Newspaper Union, who died at his home in Omaha, October 4, 1916.

The Women's Civic league has adopted alfalfa as the Chadron flower. The color and form blends well with golden rod, the Nebraska flower, and because Dawes county raises the best alfalfa, the seed bringing the highest price in the United States.

The Hastings city council has ordered the salary of every member of the police and fire departments increased \$5 a month. This will place the salaries of the patrolmen and firemen at \$70 a month and those of the chiefs of the departments at \$90.

Ladies at the "dry" headquarters which has been established at Grand Island, report that since their beginning to serve free coffee and wafers, many of the "down and outers" have visited the place.

The annual meeting of the Royal Neighbors of America of Cass and Sarpy counties will be held at South Bend, October 27.

The directors of the Beatrice Poultry and Pet Live Stock association have decided to hold the annual show in that city, December 4 to 9. Five silver cups will be given away to the highest scoring birds. The officers plan to make this the biggest and best show ever held in Beatrice.

Rev. W. H. Moore, the past two years pastor of the Presbyterian church at Emerson, has tendered his resignation to take effect at once. He has been elected professor of English and public speaking at the Omaha university.

A double tragedy occurred in Sidney in which "Slim" Weisman, an aged because his wife had complained against him, shot her several times and after threatening to shoot Deputy Sheriff Krueger, shot himself in the head. Both died.

Word has been received at North Platte that the case of John G. Porter, former postmaster of Bridgeport against W. M. Cable, has been dismissed. Porter is the postmaster who fought removal by the postmaster general.

The Dodge County Board of Supervisors instructed County Attorney S. Sidner to draft a petition asking for the authority to expend not to exceed \$20,000 for additional ground for the new court house at Fremont.

The Lincoln Cleaning and Dye Works baseball team, as the result of the Cleveland Mays refusing to play them, lays claim to the National Amateur Baseball association championship of America.

The Kearney canning factory has packed 2,000 cases of tomatoes, with much of the crop still in sight.

A number of farmers in Gage county are advertising for corn huskers, and if the weather remains favorable will soon begin to gather some of their early corn, which has matured rapidly the last few weeks.

F. D. Farmer, residing on the outskirts of Omaha, sold to C. E. Saar of Henderson, Ia., for \$307.50, a pig which took second prize in the senior boar class at the National Swine show in South Omaha last week.

Arrangements are being made at Winnebago for the erection of a new Episcopal church building.

LEASES OIL LANDS

CHADRON MAN WILL SEEK AND MARKET PRODUCT

Items of General Interest Gathered From Reliable Sources Around the State House.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. What is thought to be the first oil land lease ever made by the state of Nebraska has been executed between the state board of educational lands and funds and E. D. Crites of Chadron. It covered a half section of state school land, lying twenty miles north of Chadron, upon which Mr. Crites and



WAYNE HENRY KUSTER Who made a score of 96.5 at the state fair Better Babies show. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kuster of Roca.

his business associates expect to drill for oil.

Mr. Crites already held the land, which is only two miles from the South Dakota boundary line, for farming and grazing purposes, under an old contract with the state, whereby he paid \$24 a year for the use of the land, or 7 1/2 cents per acre.

Under the new contract he is given authority to take whatever oil he may find and market it as his own product, the state to receive one-tenth of the royalty therefrom. The contract runs for five years.

State Historical Publications

"Nebraska History and Pioneer Days" is the title of a new publication which will appear shortly. It is the outcome of plans made more than a year ago. A. E. Sheldon is the editor-in-chief of the new publication, with a staff of some thirty well known Nebraska pioneers and historical writers. The publication is designed to furnish a means of communication and information upon Nebraska history and ethnology. It will be both popular and scientific in its nature, and aim to reach all persons, old and young, who are interested in Nebraska history and the preservation of its records and memories. Organization of the staff for this publication was begun in 1915 and the preparation of articles and illustrations for the first number has been under way for several months.

State Auditor Smith is refunding to about thirty counties the amounts they overpaid the state many years ago in settling with the state for the care of insane patients. The last legislature made appropriations to reimburse the counties that overpaid. Merick county heads the list with an overpayment of \$201.15. Harlan county will receive back only 3 cents.

Nebraska soldiers now stationed on the Mexican border will have a chance in a few days to break into the movies and have their first taste of "reel" action, if the plans of a film company are carried out. This corporation contemplates taking advantage of the great number of soldiers at Llano Grande camp to use in some "thrillers."

According to word received from Secretary Mellor there will be a fund from the state fair this year of about \$25,000 with which to prepare for next year's exposition.

State Funds Decreasing

The monthly report of State Treasurer George E. Hall shows that the total in the state treasury decreased during the month of September from \$1,560,933.57 to \$1,461,960.70, a decrease of \$98,972.87. The educational or trust funds invested is now \$9,860,493.33, an increase of only \$5,400. The interest in the four trust funds at this time, available for investment, is reduced to a total of \$8,100. The general fund dropped during the month from \$507,208.11 to \$406,550.06, a reduction of \$100,658.06. The receipts for this fund during the month amounted to \$50,748 and the disbursements were \$151,406. The total receipts for all funds amounted to \$197,643.10 and the disbursements \$296,607.97.

The Madison county commissioners' board has asked State Auditor Smith to go to Madison and meet with it, in relation to the unpaid insane fund due the state from that county, amounting to \$7,007, plus interest. The date of October 17 is set by the board for the proposed meeting.

No Nebraska Rifle Team

Owing to the time being too short to hold a tournament and qualify a team of marksmen to represent Nebraska at the national rifle association shoot at Jacksonville, Fla., no contestants will go from this state. Notice of the national shoot was received only on September 24. This left barely two weeks' time to get ready and pick out the best shots in competitive events. Civilian rifle clubs are allowed to compete in the national tournament. National guard members are barred, except in special cases.

FARMERS INSTITUTES

Short Courses in Agriculture and Home Economics

The number of short courses in agriculture and home economics to be given this year by the extension service of the university college of agriculture is to be double the number held last year. Last winter the service conducted twelve short courses; this year twenty-four courses have been signed up, an increase of 100 per cent. Last year the total attendance at all sessions of short courses reached the 15,000 mark. This year it is expected to exceed 30,000. The first course for this season was held at Cozad October 2 to 6. Page and Tilden were scheduled for the following weeks, and then the short courses will stop until corn picking time is past. Giving of courses will be resumed December 4, and will last until March 2. Instruction is given by a crew of extension specialists consisting of two men and two women. This year two crews are being used so that two courses can be given simultaneously at two different points. The list of courses scheduled this year follows: October 2 to 6, Cozad; October 9 to 13, Page; October 16 to 20, Tilden; December 4 to 8, Gresham and Springfield; December 11 to 15, Allen and Lyons; December 18 to 22, Dakota City; January 1 to 5, Papillion and Pleasant Dale; January 8 to 12, Weston and Laurel; January 15 to 19, reserved for organized agriculture; January 22 to 26, Wausa and Dixon; January 29 to February 2, Polk and Nysted; February 5 to 9, Stromsburg and Western; February 12 to 16, Morrill and Nemaha-Richardson consolidated school; February 19 to 23, Loomis and Wood River; February 26 to March 2, Waterloo and Cowles.

Raised Less But Worth More. A bulletin from the state board of agriculture, issued by Secretary W. R. Mellor, shows that Nebraska raised less winter wheat this year than last year, but this year's crop is worth nearly \$20,000,000 more than the crop of last year. The area planted this year's acreage and the yield this year averaged 1.6 bushels more to the acre, being an average of 21.3 bushels to the acre.

The total acreage this year as 3,063,756 or 352,574 less than last year. The total yield this year was 65,365,691 bushels, or 1,954,757 less than last year's yield, but the crop this year is valued at \$120 a bushel, or a total of \$78,438,829 as compared with \$58,856,358 for last year, an increase of \$19,582,471 over the value of last year's crop.

No More Spring Shooting. "Spring shooting is gone forever, as it concerns waterfowl and migratory game," says I. A. Lawyer of New York, a federal game warden, in Lincoln to confer with State Game Warden Gus Rutenbeck.

"Treaty provisions, running eighteen years, have been signed by the United States and Canada, absolutely eliminating spring shooting in both countries and this treaty takes precedence over federal and state laws."

He says that the United States government does not propose to relax its regulations and allow birds to be killed before they have hatched their young.

Many Autos in State. Secretary of State Pool issued 3,444 automobile licenses and 100 motorcycle licenses in September, making a total of 9,750 automobile licenses issued since the first of the year. As 577 of these were issued to replace alleged lost numbers, the total number of automobiles in operation in Nebraska is now 95,173. The expense of the automobile department for September was \$6,423.84, but \$5,560 of this amount was paid for automobile number plates for use next year. The fees of the secretary's office in September amounted to \$4,113.07, the greater part of which was for the filing of articles of incorporation and for corporation permits.

Investigating Car Shortage

Inspectors Adams and Hayes, employed by the interstate commerce commission, have arrived in Lincoln to make an investigation of the freight car shortage situation in this state. They were sent after the Nebraska commission wired to the federal body asking its assistance in meeting the emergency which is causing heavy loss to Nebraska farmers and shippers of grain.

State Wins Test Suit

Suit has been filed in supreme court by Attorney General Reed to quiet the title to the six lots in the city of Lincoln. A mortgage for \$5,000 was given the state on this property and a tract of farm land in 1870 for money loaned from the permanent school fund. The mortgage was afterward released as to the farm land but not as to the city property. In this suit, brought in the name of the state, the supreme court is asked to order an accounting and the sale of the property under foreclosure.

League of Second Generation

The League of the Second Generation, a university club composed of students whose parents were once students, met last week and organized for the coming year, with the election of Ralph Wagner as president. Other officers named were Louise Peck, vice-president; J. Dwight Davis, secretary, and Ralph E. Anderson, treasurer. The league will co-operate with the athletic authorities in securing a large number of alumni at the homecoming football game with Kansas, November 18.

Operating Revenues Increase.

St. Paul.—An increase of approximately 21 per cent in operating revenue for 1916 over that of 1915 is shown in the annual report of the Great Northern railroad issued here.

Victim of the Comic.

Chisholm, Minn.—Because, friends say, he believed the "funny" sections of Sunday newspapers were drawn for the purpose of making him a subject of ridicule, Charles Marila committed suicide by blowing himself up with dynamite.

Inhales Steam and Dies.

Chicago.—An unusual cause was assigned for the death of 3-year-old Gerald Keelin. The boy placed his mouth over the spout of a teapot and inhaled the steam, causing death.

Holding Dove Labeled "U-53."

Degewater, N. J.—The police are holding prisoner a white dove with a band of yellow metal on its leg bearing the inscription "U-53," the number of the German submarine which made its memorable raid off Nantucket.

Kingstonian Reported Safe.

Boston.—The British steamer Kingstonian reported as among those torpedoed by a German submarine off Nantucket, is safe in port, according to word received here.

WHY BREAD IS HIGH

BAKERS GIVE REASON FOR INCREASE AND SMALL LOAF.

COST OF FLOUR CHIEF CAUSE

Increased in Price 37 Per Cent in Five Months; Bread Raised 11 Per Cent in Same Period.

Washington.—The extent of increase in the price of bread or decrease in weight of loaves during the four months from May 15 to September 15, is detailed in figures from forty-five of the country's principal industrial centers, just made public by the Bureau of Labor statistics. Bakers in reports to the bureau gave as reasons the increased cost of materials and ingredients, especially flour. Changes in prices and weights have been most numerous during the last two months, which the figures cover. Of 210 brands of bread that retailed for 5 cents and weighed fifteen ounces or over May 15, only fourteen remained at the same price and weight September 15.

Comparative figures on wheat and flour gives the retail prices of bread and show that in September the wholesale price of wheat was 31 per cent greater September 15 than May 15; the wholesale price of flour 37 per cent higher; the retail price 23 per cent higher for the same period and the average retail price of bread 11 per cent higher.

In May, flour was \$5.48 a barrel wholesale and \$7.62 retail, leaving a margin of \$2.14 to cover transportation, retailer's expenses and profits between the mill and the retailer. In September the margin was \$1.90 a barrel.

The retail price of bread per pound before baking in May was \$0.56, in September, \$0.62. The wholesale price of 10.45 ounces of flour in one pound of bread before baking, assuming 390 loaves to the barrel, in May was \$0.18, in September, \$0.25.

In May the wholesale value of 10.45 ounces of flour was 1.8 cents; the average retail price for sixteen ounces of bread, before baking being 5.6 cents, making a margin of 3.8 cents between the wholesale price of flour in a sixteen-ounce loaf of dough and the retail of the sale loaf baked. The margin figures do not include the cost of retailing and the retailer's profits.

Recommends Potato Bread.

Washington.—More general use of potatoes in making bread is recommended by the baking specialists of the Department of Agriculture. Bread containing potatoes was found to be just as nutritious as wheat bread and to have the quality of remaining fresh longer. The department believes that in localities where there is a surplus of potatoes or where they are cheap, much economy can be practiced at this time in this way. In their experiments the government experts baked excellent bread with three pounds of potato and two and a half pounds of flour. Three recipes have been formulated.