

PAYS FOR 160 ACRES OF LAND

From the Crop of Wheat on 53 Acres in Western Canada.

This story of paying for your land out of one year's crop is fully authenticated by a great many farmers in Western Canada.

And now, all that the farmer makes is profit and you find him going more extensively into stock raising, for all authorities agree that in a short time there will be a demand for live stock, such as even will tax the vast resources of Western Canada. They will go into stock raising because of the adaptability of the country to provide food and fodder without feeding grain if necessary. They will go into stock and improve their places. They will install steam and heating plants—in fact, many are now doing it. They will have automobiles, in fact in many districts there is not a farmer but has one. They will beautify their homes and erect fine barns until the whole country will be as attractive as many of the counties in the best states in the Union. But we started out to tell you of the farmer who paid for 160 acres of land from the crop of wheat of 53 acres. The Holden district on the line of the Grand Trunk Pacific does not appear to be the ordinary observer to be any better than many other districts along that line, and probably isn't. It was in this district that John Larcome, a settler, purchased in 1915 160 acres of raw prairie land. He broke and seeded 53 acres. His crop turned out well, and he sold the greater portion of it for \$2,970. His land cost him \$16.50 per acre, or \$2,640. So that the crop from the 53 acres paid for the land and left a balance of over \$300, which with part of the crop left over would just pay for the cost of operation. This is not really an unusual case, hundreds of other farmers in Alberta and Saskatchewan having been able to do the same.

Sales of land are being reported from many districts in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta at good prices. And values are yet low, but with the flow of any value that will take place after the war, no doubt they will be considerably increased. The homesteads in the Park sections which are to be had actually free are having the attention of a good class of settlers, who want to go into mixed farming.—Advertisement.

Found Out.
 "Would you like to hear a secret involving Mrs. Nextdoor in a dreadful scandal?"
 "Yes, oh yes; tell it to me."
 "I don't know any such secret. You certainly have a mean disposition."

"CASCARETS" ACT ON LIVER, BOWELS

No sick headache, biliousness, bad taste or constipation by morning.

Get a 10-cent box. Are you keeping your bowels, liver, and stomach clean, pure and fresh with Cascarets, or merely forcing a passage every few days with Salts, Cathartic Pills, Castor Oil or Purgative Waters?

Stop having a bowel wash-day. Let Cascarets thoroughly cleanse and regulate the stomach, remove the sour and fermenting food and foul gases, take the excess bile from the liver and carry out of the system all the constipated waste matter and poisons in the bowels.

A Cascaret to-night will make you feel great by morning. They work while you sleep—never gripe, sicken or cause any inconvenience, and cost only 10 cents a box for your store. Millions of men and women take a Cascaret now and then and never have Headache, Biliousness, Coated Tongue, Indigestion, Sour Stomach or Constipation. Adv.

An Exchange of Courtesies.
 "Six cents a loaf for bread? How's that?"
 "You'll pay ten before the winter's over," snapped the baker.
 "Maybe so, but I won't pay it here." And Mr. Dum Dum walked out.

THE 3 D'S IN DODD'S

Mr. Robert W. Ferguson, Hingham, Mass., writes: I suffered from kidney disorder for years. Had incessant backache and trouble. Nearly died from it at one time while in Vancouver, but overcame it by a persistent use of Dodd's Kidney Pills. Finally I was completely cured. I occasionally use the remedy now in order to keep the kidneys regulated. I have the highest praise for Dodd's. Be sure to get "DODD'S," the name with the three D's for deranged, disordered, diseased kidneys. Just as Mr. Ferguson did. No similar named article will do.—Adv.



Conceit is to character what paint is to beauty; it is not only needless, but impairs what it is supposed to improve.

MORE U. S. WARSHIPS

FOUR GREAT BATTLE CRUISERS AND SIX SCOUT VESSELS ORDERED TO BE BUILT.

RECORD ORDER FOR NATION

Craft Will Cost the Government Over \$100,000,000—Firms to Keep 70 Per Cent of Working Forces on Navy Construction.

Washington, March 17.—Contracts for what is believed to be the largest single order for fighting craft ever given by any nation were placed by the navy department.

Private builders undertook to turn out four great battle cruisers and six scout cruisers, costing nearly \$112,000,000 for hulls and machinery alone, and pledged themselves to keep 70 per cent of their working forces on navy construction.

In response to an appeal to their patriotism by Secretary Daniels, the major shipbuilders have agreed to accept 10 per cent net profit on the battle cruisers, whose cost will represent about \$75,000,000 of the total sum involved in the contracts. A fifth battle cruiser will be built at the Philadelphia navy yard.

The builders are besieged with offers of merchant work, and are getting as high as 50 per cent profit on these jobs, with more work in sight than they can do. They have placed their facilities at the disposal of the government, making it unnecessary for the president to consider employing authority to commandeer plants.

Both classes of cruisers ordered are new types to naval architecture, and are designed for a speed of 35 knots an hour.

The scouts were awarded on bids submitted, prices ranging from \$5,950,000 to \$5,995,000, and stipulated time of delivery from 30 to 32 months. Construction will be hastened to the limit, however, the government footing the bill for additional cost.

The battle cruisers, the fixed limit of cost of which is \$19,000,000 per ship, exclusive of speeding up expense, were placed as follows:

Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock company, two ships; Fore River Shipbuilding corporation, one ship; New York Shipbuilding company, one ship.

Four of the scout cruisers will be built on the Pacific coast, two by the Seattle Construction company and two by the Union Iron works at San Francisco. The other two will be built by William Cramp & Sons, Philadelphia.

Of the authorized building program there remain to be contracted for three dreadnaughts, 38 submarines, the 15 destroyers, and several auxiliary vessels. Bids will be opened early in April on these craft, and at the same time orders will be placed for more than 100 coast patrol boats.

The characteristics of the scout cruisers follow: Displacement, 7,100 tons; speed, 35 knots; length, 550 feet; beam, 55 feet; armament, 8 6-inch guns, four torpedo tubes, and two three-inch anti-aircraft guns; complement, 330.

The battle cruisers will have the following main characteristics: Displacement, 34,800 tons; speed, 35 knots; length, 850 feet; beam, 91 feet; armament, ten 14-inch guns, eight torpedo tubes, 18 five-inch guns, four three-inch anti-aircraft guns, and other guns of lesser caliber.

LIVERPOOL BOUND BOAT SUNK
 Sagamore, Munitions Laden, Is Torpedoed—Two Americans on Board.

Boston, March 17.—Agents of the Warren line announced that they had received indirect word that the British steamer Sagamore, which sailed from Boston February 21 for Liverpool, had been sunk by a submarine. The Sagamore was in command of Capt. P. Cummings and had a crew of 50. It was said that two Americans were aboard. It carried a general cargo including munitions for the British government and was armed with a 4.7-inch gun. Vessel and cargo were valued at \$1,500,000.

SIX KILLED BY EXPLOSION
 Every Man in Aetna Factory Building Is Dead—Fire Extinguished.

Utica, N. Y., March 16.—Six men were killed in an explosion which destroyed the solvent factory at the Howard plant of the Aetna Explosive company at Emporium, Kan. Simultaneously with the explosion fire was discovered in the cotton storage building, half a mile away.

ARMED MAN PERILS GOVERNOR
 Executive of the State of Washington Driven From His Office by Stranger.

Olympia, Wash., March 15.—An unidentified armed man chased Gov. Ernest Lister out of his office on Tuesday. The stranger held possession of the office for some time after the sheriff and police guard had been summoned. Later the intruder surrendered and the governor returned to his office.

Four Russ Transports Sunk.
 Berlin, March 17.—According to telegrams from Vienna the commander of the Black sea fleet announces that four Russian military transports on the way from Sebastopol to Armenia were sunk by mines or torpedoes.

Southern States to Ship Eggs.
 Mobile, Ala., March 17.—It was announced that eggs in carload lots would be sent to northern markets from the extreme southern states. This announcement was made by the Gulf Coast Produce exchange.

Serves 30-Second Sentence.
 Freeport, Ill., March 17.—After hearing testimony in the case of George Ritzell, indicted for violation of the Mann act, Judge Landis sentenced him to sit for 30 seconds in a chair and then the judge freed him.

U-Boat Films Algonquin.
 Plymouth, Eng., March 17.—Pictures of the Algonquin, showing the American flag flying at its stern and painted on both sides, were taken by the German submarine commander before the Stars and Stripes were hauled down.

THE HAND ACROSS THE SEA



U. S. VESSELS ARMED PLOT TO WRECK FORT

WASHINGTON NOTIFIES ALL FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS. NEW YORK POLICE CALLED TO GUARD FORT HAMILTON.

Washington, March 14.—Formal notice that American ships traversing the German submarine zone are to carry "armed guard for the protection of the vessel and the lives of the persons aboard" was sent by the state department to embassies and legations of all foreign governments in Washington.

Following is the text of the communication as made public by the state department:

"In view of the announcement of the imperial German government on January 31, 1917, that all ships, those of neutral included, met within certain zones of the high seas, would be sunk without any precaution being taken for the safety of the persons on board, and without the exercise of visit and search, the government of the United States has determined to place upon all American merchant vessels sailing through the barred areas an armed guard for the protection of the vessels and the lives of the persons on board."

London, March 14.—The sinking of the Norwegian steamship Storstad, in the service of the American commission for relief in Belgium, occurred in latitude 51.20, longitude 11.50 (in the Atlantic off the southern end of Ireland). The submarine fired about fifteen shots at a range of three to four miles. The Storstad stopped and hoisted the Belgian relief signal. The submarine submerged, but half an hour later the Storstad, which had not resumed her voyage, was torpedoed without warning as she lay stationary with all the crew on board.

NEW YORK POLICE CALLED TO GUARD FORT HAMILTON.
 Reserves Armed With Rifles Rushed to Fight Plotters—Martial Law Is Declared.

New York, March 15.—Three hundred and seventy policemen, armed with rifles, were hurried to Fort Hamilton, on the Brooklyn shore of the Narrows, on Tuesday night and established martial law.

It had been reported to the police department by the military authorities that 500 German reservists would attempt to destroy the fort at midnight.

Three police launches, each armed, were hurried to the anchorage off the water side of the fortifications.

By midnight, the hour set for the attack by the German reservists, according to the military informants of the police, Fort Hamilton was guarded from both the land and sea in such a manner as to make an attack utterly impossible.

Colonel Rafferty, commander at Fort Hamilton, had three companies, more than 300 men, ready. There was considerable stir inside the fort at midnight.

The gigantic searchlights were made ready for instant service to guard against a surprise attack.

The object of the attempted destruction of the fort, the police department was told, was to destroy the base from which all mine laying operations in New York harbor would be conducted in the event of war.

HARRY THAW HELD INSANE
 Judge Orders Pittsburgher Removed to Asylum in Pennsylvania—Extradition Is Barred.

Philadelphia, March 15.—Harry K. Thaw was adjudged a lunatic on Tuesday by the common pleas court of this city, and under the law cannot be taken to New York on requisition to stand trial on charges of assaulting Frederick Gump, Jr., a high school student of Kansas City, Mo. Thaw will be kept in St. Mary's hospital here pending his removal to a Pennsylvania asylum.

The court's action was based on the report presented by a lunacy commission, which on Monday took the testimony of Thaw and his mother.

Judge Martin appointed J. D. Enniston Lyon, a Pittsburgh banker, and Dr. Walter Riddle, the Thaw family physician in Pittsburgh, as a committee to take charge of Thaw's estate. Thaw's present income, according to his counsel, is between \$75,000 and \$80,000 on two trust funds left by his father, William Thaw.

ALL N. Y. BOYS MUST TRAIN
 Governor Whitman Signs Bill Making Drills for Youths Between 15 and 19 Years of Age Compulsory.

Albany, N. Y., March 17.—Governor Whitman signed the military training bill which extends the law enacted last year so as to compel all boys between sixteen and nineteen years of age to receive military instruction. Last year's law applied only to school boys, but the bill signed includes working boys as well.

TARIFF BOARD IS NAMED
 President Wilson Selects Members of Commission—Prof. Frank W. Taussig Heads Body.

Washington, March 16.—President Wilson has elected the following men as members of the tariff commission:

Prof. Frank W. Taussig of Harvard university.
 Former Representative David J. Lewis of Cumberland, Md.
 Former Representative William Kent of Kentfield, Cal.
 Daniel C. Roper of McCall, S. C.
 E. P. Costigan of Denver, Colo.
 W. S. Culbertson of Emporia, Kan.

Chile Lodges a Protest.
 Santiago, Chile, March 16.—The Chilean minister to Great Britain has been instructed to lodge a vigorous protest with the British foreign office over violation of Chilean neutrality by British warships.

French General to Wed Nurse.
 London, March 16.—Gen. Paul Maurice Emmanuel Sarrail's engagement to Mile. de Joannis, a member of the French nursing staff with General Sarrail's army, was announced officially at Saloniki. Sarrail is sixty-one years old.

ORDERS THE STRIKE

CALLED WHEN ROADS REJECT MEN'S ULTIMATUM

PLAN BIG MERCHANT FLEET

Discuss Measures for Transporting Supplies in Case of War

Western Newspaper Union News Service. New York.—A progressive strike of the 400,000 members of the four brotherhoods for Saturday on eastern roads, has been ordered. The walkout includes all the railroads in the country. Chiefs of the workmen's organizations set the strike machinery in motion within a few minutes after an ultimatum delivered to the conference committee of railroad managers had been rejected. A compromise proposal offered by the managers was declined without debate.

Only successive intervention by President Wilson, it appears, can avert a strike. The brotherhood leaders gave no indication that even an appeal from the nation's chief executive can change their purpose to obtain a basic eight-hour day and pro-rata time for overtime thru the use of the "protective feature" of their organization. They refused flatly to submit their case to the eight-hour commission, headed by Maj. Gen. George W. Goethals, or to await the decision of the supreme court on the constitutionality of the Adamson law.

The railroad managers say they expect enough of their loyal men to maintain a skeleton service on most roads. The managers some time ago caused a census of their employees to be taken to determine how many would refuse to go on strike. This resulted, it was said, in varying percentages ranging from a very few on some roads to from 50 to 60 per cent on others.

Income Taxes for 1917.
 Washington.—Preliminary reports to the treasury department indicate the government will collect \$300,000,000 in income taxes during the current year, or about two and one-half times as much as during the past twelve months. Internal revenue receipts are expected to exceed \$700,000,000, an increase of nearly \$200,000,000.

The time for filing income returns expired March 1. Most of the increase is due to the higher rate of taxation. Collections actually made up to the present aggregate about \$25,000,000, or \$7,000,000 more than was collected this time last year.

The government's tax of munitions will net \$40,000,000, it is thought, while for the few months of the fiscal year during the former emergency tax law was in effect, the returns will approximate \$25,000,000 on miscellaneous items affected by this tax.

PLAN GREAT MERCHANT FLEET.
 Measures Discussed for Transporting Supplies in Event of War.

Washington.—Speeding up measures to enable the United States in event of war with Germany to procure without delay a great fleet of vessels for transportation of supplies to the allies, were discussed here by wooden shipbuilders of the Atlantic and gulf coasts, who met at the call of the shipping board. Yards that produce steel tonnage already are working to their capacity.

In the near future the board will call in Pacific coast builders and then the makers of power machinery will be consulted.

Theodore Brent of the shipping board told the builders the board desired to prepare for any emergency the country may face and that the information asked concerning labor and standardization was vital as a measure of preparedness. The board, he declared, had no desire to go into shipbuilding to compete with private yards of placing orders, but felt it necessary to prepare the way for rapid building if the occasion arises.

Organized Labor Will Aid.
 Washington.—Organized labor in America, through its representative in conference here has offered its services to the country in every field of activity, if, despite all endeavors and hopes, the United States should be drawn in war.

The action was taken by unanimous vote of more than 150 delegates from national and international trade unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labor and five unaffiliated organizations, including the great railroad brotherhoods.

Approved Colombia Treaty.
 Washington.—The senate foreign relations committee has approved in modified form the treaty with Colombia by which the United States will pay that republic \$25,000,000 for the partition of Panama. It will be pressed to a vote in the present special senate session.

The senate was in session six minutes Tuesday and adjourned until Wednesday when it was thought the foreign relations committee might be ready to recommend action on the Colombia treaty.

WOMAN NOW IN PERFECT HEALTH

What Came From Reading a Pinkham Advertisement.

Pateron, N. J.—"I thank you for the Lydia E. Pinkham remedies as they have made me well and healthy. Some time ago I felt so run down, had pains in my back and side, was very irregular, tired, nervous, had such bad dreams, did not feel like eating and had short breath. I read your advertisement in the newspapers and decided to try a bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It worked from the first bottle, so I took a second and a third, also a bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Blood Purifier, and now I am just as well as any other woman. I advise every woman, single or married, who is troubled with any of the aforesaid ailments, to try your wonderful Vegetable Compound and Blood Purifier and I am sure they will help her to get rid of her troubles as they did me."



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