

WOODEN SHIPS BUILT FOR WAR NOW USELESS

Fleet of 170 Vessels, Costing Millions, Are Interseeking Buyers.

Chicago Tribune-Omaha See Leased Vessels Washington, Aug. 9.—The greatest fleet of wooden ships in the world is being mobilized in the James river by the United States shipping board. There are about 100 there now, and there will be 170 eventually.

The ships, which represent the nation's ill-starred adventure in war shipbuilding, are being gathered from all parts of the country, not for service, but for conservation until they can be sold to any interests, American or foreign, that find a use for them.

The government constructed 300 or more wooden ships during the war at a cost of \$250,000,000, the greater part of which was poured into the south for the purpose of utilizing southern timber. The design of the ships altered three times before the southern timber could be utilized, but in the end the craft, which were generally of 3,500 tons, proved unavailable for war transportation purposes.

Caused Ship Board Row.

The construction of wooden ships was the original inspiration of William Denman, a member of the shipping board, in 1917. It led to the row between Denman and General Goethals, who pronounced the wooden ship program useless and wasteful, and originated the construction of fabricated steel ships on a vast scale. President Wilson finally accepted the resignations of both Goethals and Denman, and the building of wooden ships proceeded on a restricted scale inspired by Edward M. Hurley, who then became chairman.

General Goethals' attitude appears to have been vindicated by experience. Of the 300 wooden ships built, 50 have been sold, and of the remaining 250 about 80 are being operated, chiefly on short runs out of south Atlantic and gulf ports. They cannot be employed profitably in overseas trade.

The shipping board is gathering the idle wooden ships into the James river in order to effect a tremendous saving in the upkeep, according to Chairman Benjamin

They are now costing from \$2,000 to \$3,000 each a month to maintain, but in the James river, tied up under the supervision of manning caretakers, the monthly cost of upkeep will be only about \$50 to \$100 each.

Admiral Benson explained that there is no secret about the present status of the wooden ship fleet. He added that there was not a great demand in this country for the type of ship of which the wooden fleet is composed.

The big problem now facing the shipping board is how to dispose of the wooden ships. The board seems particularly desirous of selling them to Americans as an addition to the prospective American merchant marine, but is evidently finding difficulty in doing this.

Rev. W. H. Kearns Marries Three Couples on Monday The Rev. W. H. Kearns, Omaha pastor, married three couples Monday afternoon. They were: Cecil L. McMorris, Clinton, Ky., and Elizabeth Marshall, St. Louis; Charles C. Hoff, Albion, Neb., and Anna Peterson, Newman Grove, Neb.; E. Reed Oakley, Omaha, and Mary Adams, Lincoln.

The first two couples were married at the headquarters of the Presbyterian church, 516 Peters Trust company, while the third couple was married at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Adams, Dartmouth apartments.

Woman Sues City for \$20,000; Husband Killed Beatrice, Neb., Aug. 9.—(Special).—Mrs. Dolly Hawkins, formerly of this city, has brought suit in the district court at Fairbury against the city for \$20,000 for the death of her husband, O. U. Hawkins, who was killed by coming in contact with a live wire at that place a year ago. Hawkins was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hawkins of this city and was 26 years old at the time of his death. He left a widow and two children.

Harding Won't Be Here For Ak-Sar-Ben Festival Senator Warren G. Harding will not be able to visit Omaha during the Ak-Sar-Ben festivities or any time during September according to a telegram received by Thomas Lynch, secretary of the republican county central committee.

Senator Harding probably will be in Omaha during October on a trip which will include Denver and western cities, according to Mr. Lynch.

Max Bacon Burned When Gas-Soaked Shirt Explodes West Point, Neb., Aug. 9.—(Special).—While Max Bacon, automobile dealer of West Point, was filling the gasoline tank of his car some of the gasoline dripped into his shirt. A few minutes later when he wanted to smoke a cigarette he lit a match. There was a puff and Bacon's shirt was aflame. He will recover, although his burns are severe.

250 Teachers at Institute Conducted in Tecumseh Tecumseh, Neb., Aug. 9.—(Special).—The tricentury teachers' institute, held by Nemaha, Pawnee and Johnson counties in Tecumseh, was a pronounced success. This was the first to be held, and was in the nature of an experiment. Over 250 teachers were present from the three counties.

Old Resident Returns. Beatrice, Neb., Aug. 9.—(Special).—B. G. King, who has been manager of the Dempster branch house at Omaha for nearly twenty years, has returned to Beatrice. He is recovering from a severe illness caused from pneumonia.

WOMEN DIVE FROM STREET CAR WHEN GANG STARTS ROW

Offer of a Drink of Liquor to Woman Results in Two Arrests on S. S.

Women dived head first through windows of a Benson street car Sunday at 1 a. m. when a fight started over the offer of a drink of liquor to a woman at Twenty-fourth and M streets.

Police answered a riot call from the scene and found the car vacant except for P. H. Doyle, 1012 Dorcas street, and Rodney Maseko, 2205 South Sixth street.

The pair was arrested for being drunk, disturbing the peace and resisting an officer. Police said Maseko pulled forth a flask of whiskey on the street car, crowded with picnickers, returning to their homes from a lark at the park.

Offers Drink to Woman. He offered a drink of Florence Rhyno, 5122 South Thirty-eighth street, police say, but the girl declined.

Her sister, Pearl, interferred and leagued Maseko for his action, whereupon Maseko struck her in the eye, police declared.

When other passengers came to her aid a fight started, according to the officers. Florence went out the window head first and was only saved from striking her head on the pavement by spectators who had gathered about the car to watch.

Leap From Car. Her sister followed as did Clara Macman, and her sister, Mary, 4209 South Twenty-ninth street, who went out the front window of the motorman's car, over the fender and to freedom.

The car was soon emptied, Doyle and Maseko being left in control of the car.

When police arrested the two men put up a night scuffling all the way to police headquarters.

They were sentenced 30 days each on two counts, that of resisting an officer and disturbing the peace.

Old Settlers' Reunion. Union, Neb., Aug. 9.—(Special).—Music, oratory and athletic events will feature the 32d annual reunion of Old Settlers to be held here August 20 and 21. The 20th infantry band of Fort Crook has been obtained to furnish the music. Hundreds are expected to attend.

Divorce Court. Divorce Petitions. Fred E. Hartman against Jeanette Hartman, custody.

Divorce Decrees. Fred Dunlap from Margaret Dunlap, extreme cruelty.

WHEAT FORECAST IS 553,000,000 BUSHEL FOR 1920

Production Estimate Placed by Department of Agriculture From Crop Condition On August 1.

Washington, Aug. 9.—Production of crops forecast today by the Department of Agriculture from their condition on August 1 was as follows:

Winter wheat, 553,000,000. Spring wheat, 262,000,000. All wheat, 795,000,000. Corn, 3,085,000,000. Oats, 1,402,000,000. Rye, 196,000,000. Buckwheat, 14,800,000. Sweet potatoes, 402,000,000. Tobacco, 1,544,000,000 pounds. Flax, 14,300,000. Rice, 52,000,000. Hay (tame), 88,600,000 tons. Hay (wild), 18,600,000 tons. Sugar beets, 8,900,000 tons. Apples (total), 213,000,000 bushels. Peaches, 45,500,000. Peanuts, 38,700,000. Kafir, 126,000,000. Condition of the crops on August 1 was:

Spring wheat, 73.4 per cent of a normal. Corn, 86.7. Oats, 87.2. Barley, 84.9. Buckwheat, 90.5. White potatoes, 87. Sweet potatoes, 86.9. Tobacco 84.1. Flax—86.1. Rice, 88.7. Hay, 90.5. Sugar beets, 91.9. Oats remaining on farms August 1 is estimated at 96,420,000 bushels, compared with 93,045,000 bushels a year ago.

Governor at Beatrice. Lincoln, Aug. 9.—(Special).—Governor McKelvie went to Beatrice to deliver an address at the chautauqua now in session.

To Sink New Wells. Beatrice, Neb., Aug. 9.—(Special).—The Dempster company of this city has been awarded the contract for sinking two wells at the feeble-minded institute east of the city in order to increase the water supply at the institution.

Exchange Bulgarian Pact. Paris, Aug. 9.—The peace treaty with Bulgaria today was made formally effective by the exchange of ratifications among the powers party to the pact. The treaty was signed at Neuilly, November 7, 1919, and was ratified by the Bulgarian Saborian January 12. France's ratification was completed by her Senate July 31.

Farmer Kills Self And Four-Year Son With Safety Razor

Wood River, Neb., Aug. 9.—(Special Telegram).—Frank Teaper, 45, killed himself and his 4-year-old son here Sunday night by slashing their throats with a safety razor. The coroner was notified, but because the suicide and murder are so evident, no inquest will be held.

Teaper lived on a farm about two miles from Wood River. He came to town about 6 o'clock Sunday evening with his wife and little boy. At the edge of town he told his wife he was going to kill himself and the little boy, and turned the car about and headed for home. Mrs. Teaper feared that he would drive the car over a high bank into Wood river, and jumped from the car.

She notified two men of her husband's threat. These men and others immediately followed the car. When they reached a point a mile from town they found the Teaper car by the roadside, and followed tracks into a cornfield some five rods, where they found the bodies of Teaper and his little son in a pool of blood.

Both were dead when found. The boy's wrists and throat had been cut, and Teaper had cut his own throat so deeply as to sever the windpipe. Teaper had been in poor health for several months.

Crab Orchard Man Fined For Possession of Liquor Beatrice, Neb., Aug. 9.—(Special).—William Jeffrey of Crab Orchard, who, in company with several friends, drove into Wymore in his car, was arrested on the charge of having liquor in his possession. He pleaded guilty before Judge McCandless and was fined \$100 and costs, which he paid.

BEET SUGAR CROP WILL CUT PRICES HERE IN OCTOBER

Nebraska Firm Writes C. of C. for Laborers—Speculators Face Heavy Loss.

The new beet sugar crop will enter the market in October, and signs of a heavy fall in prices are discernible to housewives.

Work in the sugar beet mills of Nebraska will open late in September and continue until February 1 at full blast.

A splendid crop of beets is reported from the irrigation district around Scottsbluff.

Machinery Laborers Needed. A letter from the Great Western Sugar company to the Omaha Chamber of Commerce states 1,000 unskilled factory laborers will be needed in its plants at Scottsbluff, Gering, Bayard and Mitchell about September 20. The pay is 50 cents an hour.

There are also a number of places in the laboratories for high school graduates having some knowledge of chemistry, at the rate of 55 cents an hour, eight hours a day for seven days a week.

It is also said that the farmers will want several hundred field hands to gather the beets.

Speculators who have been hoarding sugar now face a heavy loss, men familiar with the market declare.

Heavy cargoes of sugar from Argentina have put an end to the excessive prices, and it is said that sugar will drop back almost to normal with the coming of the new crop.

Hastings Man Loses In Love Suit, Then Appeals

1,000 Men Are Needed to Harvest Beet Sugar Crop

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Head of Home Quits. Lincoln, Aug. 9.—(Special).—Mrs. Ella J. Pyle, who was appointed superintendent of the new woman's industrial home at York a few months ago, has resigned, giving as her reason that the home lacks modern equipment. Dr. Alma Chapman of Lincoln has been appointed to fill the vacancy.

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