

OIL WOULDN'T BURN BAD TIME FOR CREW

Steamer Stripped of Wood for Fuel and Even That Gave Out.

Boston, Dec. 17.—Oil that would not burn brought danger and delay to the shipping board freighter West Waunakee, which was docked here, 27 days out of Antwerp, after experiences unusual even on the wintry North Atlantic. Helpless in heavy seas when the oil supply failed in mid-ocean, the crew had to burn deck fittings, doors and other wooden parts to obtain fuel for the auxiliary engine that ran the steering gear and pumps. The freighter came to port without a splinter of wood left aboard.

When the wood was all burned the pumps had to be manned by hand. The crew took turns at the hand-steering gear, strapped to the wheel in pairs thru several storms.

At the end they were worn in mind and body by their experiences that the fights broke out aboard, and radio calls were sent for police to board the vessel when she docked. They found the men demanding discharge and in an angry mood, but a row of handcuffs on the chief officer's desk with threats of irons had partly subdued them.

The West Waunakee was bound for Philadelphia, but it is expected that she will be ordered to discharge here and go in dry dock. Capt. Richard O. Herbert, her skipper, said the oil that they could not burn was taken on at London to replenish their supply, after they had given 4,000 barrels to assist a steamer that ran short at St. John's, Nfld. The remainder of their oil was used from November 15 to December 5, and from that date their troubles began.

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DENY BIG INFLUX TO UNITED STATES

Ottawa Officials Declare Many Canadians Only Cross Line for Temporary Stay.

Ottawa, Dec. 16.—(Canadian Press.)—Figures issued at Washington by A. Caminetti, United States commissioner of immigration, showing an influx of 90,025 people from Canada to the United States, as against 7,166 from the United States to Canada, during the last fiscal year, do not represent the actual traffic between the two countries, according to immigration officials here.

It is said the United States figures as to entry of immigrants are misleading. Many Canadians entering the United States to work for a few months, or on holidays, are registered as having paid head-tax, but there is no record of their departure unless they return to the immigration office for a rebate of the sum deposited. In recent years, Canadian ports have always shown a greater movement from the United States than vice versa, the Canadian statistics being compiled from the forms of declaration which each immigrant of other than Canadian nationality must sign when he enters the country.

SELL STOLEN LIQUOR THEN STEAL IT BACK

Newark Bootleggers Get Rich Quick Thru an Ingenious Scheme.

New York, Dec. 17.—The method by which ex-gunmen and thugs found fortune thru the operation of "bootleggers' row," the Newark "Whisky Curb," was told by a man who knows many of these men personally and who is at the same time in the confidence of the police. The story is as follows:

"In the back room of 'headquarters' one morning a scheme was cooked up. It was known that several truckloads of whisky were on the way to Newark warehouses from Baltimore. Gunmen were assigned to get at least one of these. I think they got three truckloads. At any rate, the story was published at the time.

"The whisky curb was busy the next day. The demand exceeded the supply many times over. So the gang met again and their problem was solved.

"Why have experienced burglars in the organization unless they work at their trade? That was the suggestion that paved the road to fortune for the members of the whisky curb. With the aid of the burglars all the orders taken on the 'whisky curb' were filled with the whisky on hand, as were many future orders. This was the way the gang operated.

"The truck will call at your home during the night," the bootlegger would tell the purchaser. "Of course I don't want the neighbors or the police to see," the law violator would reply, and a time for the delivery would be set. The booze would be delivered, paid for, and the truck drivers would go on their way. A smile at having put one over on Uncle Sam.

The next morning, perhaps, he would go to his cellar to take a bottle to the office that he might enjoy the envy of his friends and business associates. And then would come the rude awakening. He would find, usually, that his house had been broken into and his load of liquor had been moved on.

"And what could he do about it? He might complain to the police, but he would risk arousing curiosity as to the time he got the booze. Usually he said nothing.

"So the liquor was sold over and over and soon those who knew the men on the 'whisky curb' and their antecedents were started to see them driving down 'to business' in town cars, limousines and nicely appointed sedans from homes in the better sections in Newark."

U. S. BUILT MORE SHIPS THAN BRITAIN LAST YEAR

Washington, Dec. 17.—The annual report of the United States commissioner of navigation made public today, states that United States ships built and documented during the year aggregated 3,880,639 gross tons. The report declares that British ships under construction June 30, 1920, aggregated 3,308,056 gross tons.

United States shipyards reached a rate of 4,258,141 gross tons a year to the end of December, 1919, the report shows. At the end of March, 1920, they had built steel ships alone at the rate of 3,679,285 tons a year, a small portion of this being foreign tonnage.

United States tonnage sufficient to carry sixty per cent. of the foreign trade of the United States had been registered July 1. During the year they actually carried 48 per cent. in value of the exports from the United States and 39 per cent. of the imports, the report said. In 1914 American ships carried but ten per cent. of United States exports and imports.

Dominions to Take Part In Naval Construction

London, Dec. 17.—(Can. Press.)—Premier Lloyd George, answering Percy Hurd in the house of commons today, assured him it was hoped to summon those having a special knowledge of the point of view of the overseas dominions to the investigation into the question of naval construction, which will be held by the committee of imperial defence. "That is, of course, very important," added the prime minister, "because, in any future naval construction, I trust the dominions will take a fair part."

APPOINT WOMAN JAILER.

PERTH, Amboy, N.J., Dec. 17.—An ordinance has been adopted in South Amboy authorizing the city to appoint a woman jailer. The action was taken because of failure to get a man to take the job. The appointment will be made in two weeks.

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POLAND REPLIES TO RUSSIAN NOTE

Says Zeligowski Troops in Vilna Constitute No Menace to Frontier.

London, Dec. 17.—Poland, answering the recent Russian note protesting against the sending of troops to Vilna and charging that the Soviet government possessed "concrete and incontrovertible evidence that Poland is furnishing men and munitions to General Zeligowski, who otherwise would not be able to retain Vilna," deals with the three principal points raised and concludes:

"The Polish government rejects the supposition of the government of the Soviet Republic that we are seeking a pretext for breaking the undertaking signed by them."

An official copy of the note received in London maintains that the question of allegiance of the disputed territories remains for settlement by the people of those territories; that the allied troops for Vilna were sent there only for protection, and that the presence of the Zeligowski troops in Vilna does not constitute a menace to Russia, owing to their distance from the frontier.

POPULATION GROWS IN CANADA'S PRISONS

Report Shows Big Increase in Eastern Canada—Robbery with Violence Common.

Ottawa, Dec. 17.—A big increase in prison population, especially in eastern Canada, is noted, according to returns in the penitentiary branch of the department of justice. In Ontario and Quebec an increase of 80 or more per cent. since the war is noted.

Discussing the subject, a high official of the branch stated that the increase in the number of inmates in the penitentiaries was chiefly due to the spread of crime among young men in their teens and early twenties, and the crimes they committed were characteristic of young desperadoes. These included robbery with violence, the use of firearms, wounding and such like. In St. Vincent de Paul penitentiary, Quebec, the population of criminals has risen from 200 to over 500 in the last two years. Warden C. S. Malenfant, of that institution, who is in Ottawa, stated that this great increase came chiefly from young men who committed crimes in the lower quarters of Montreal.

The same condition exists in Kingston, where the increase in criminals has been about the same proportion. And Kingston now harbors some of the "toughest" criminals ever behind bars in Canada, altho it is stated in the department that the recent reports regarding jail breaking are "90 per cent." imagination.

Less Winter Wheat Acreage Is Sown in United States

Washington, Dec. 17.—The area sown to winter wheat in the United States this fall is 40,695,000 acres, which is 2.8 per cent. less than the revised area sown last fall. The condition of the crop on December 1, was 87.9 per cent. of normal, compared with 85.2 a year ago, 98.5 on December 1, 1918, and 88.4, the ten-year average on that date.

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NEW YORK CROOKS GROW MORE DARING

Have Extended Their Raids Even Into the Municipal Courts.

New York, Dec. 17.—It became known today that the criminals, who have been taunting the police with raids into the very centre of the city's shopping and hotel districts, have extended their pilgrimages to municipal courts.

It was found this morning that cracksmen had blown open an old-fashioned safe in the West 125th st. court and looted it of \$2,000.

The figurative snapping of lawless fingers under the very nose of the municipal authorities, came as a sequel to a 24-hour period distinguished by no less than three brutal murders, one including a \$100,000 jewelry store robbery, and a series of crimes of lesser magnitude, the combination of which brought forth an appeal to Governor Smith to take action to curb the "crime wave."

The latest sensation in the city's crime record was a job done apparently by skilled safe-crackers, whose technique was so faultless that they blew the safe and at the same time muffled the explosion so that suspicion was not aroused until this morning when the theft was discovered. Office coats of court attendants were used by the cracksmen to wrap around the safe, thus minimizing the noise.

Big Steel Merger Is Not Abandoned

London, Dec. 17.—(By Can. Press.)—Sir Newton Moore, prominently connected with negotiations looking to the formation of the British Empire Steel Corporation merger, made today a statement in relation to the numerous rumors that have been gaining currency recently with regard to its possible abandonment.

Sir Newton says that it is incorrect to assume that the big amalgamation scheme is abandoned and forewarns the appointment of a committee to carry out a modified plan of amalgamation.

Devonshire Drives First Bolt In Racing Fishing Schooners

Lunenburg, N. S., Dec. 17.—His excellency the governor-general of Canada will tomorrow drive the first bolt in the keel of the fishing schooner which is being built here for Capt. Angus Walters from designs of W. J. Rouse, of Halifax, in the confident expectation that she will earn the right to race against the American for the international fishermen's race trophy here next season.

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