

Notes and Comments

Thousands of persons in Austria are dying of starvation.

The city of Sydney will have a surplus of \$15,000 for the past year.

The Archbishop of Paris has prohibited absolutely to his parishioners such dances as the tango and the fox trot.

The number of motor cars stolen each year in the United States is far greater than the combined output of five big manufacturing plants.

Servant girls in the exclusive residential section of St. Paul, Minn., have the use of their mistresses' automobiles "one or two" times a week.

Children in India have to learn the multiplication table up to forty times forty, and this is further complicated by the introduction of fractional parts.

The Labor Party in England is growing and showing renewed strength at every election. Unless the Unionists look out there will be a Labor Government in England.

When a Russian family removes from one house to another it is customary to take all the fire from the hearth of the old domicile and carry it in a closed pot to the new residence.

Coal from the Dominion Coal Co.'s mines in 1919 had the smallest output since 1905, only 3,087,134 tons. The causes are the eight hour day and the scarcity of skilled labor.

Details of the Prince of Wales' Australian tour have not yet been definitely settled, but it is believed that he will travel aboard the Renown by way of the Panama Canal. His visit to India will not likely take place until 1921.

In England 15 years ago 70,000 persons were yearly committed to prison for drunkenness. Just before the war 60,000 was the scoop and last year, with war-time restrictions on the sale of intoxicants there were but 1571 arrests.

The Farmers' Candidates in Albert, N. B., will be A. S. Milton, a long dyed-in-the-wool Tory and a Methodist; and G. M. Russell, who believes everything that ever appeared in a Grit paper, and a hard-shell Baptist deacon. They can carry Albert county easily.

Motor vehicle production in 1919, including passenger and commercial cars, represented a wholesale valuation of \$1,807,594,580, establishing a record in the automobile industry, the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce announces. In the current year the automobile industry will rank second to steel, it was predicted.

France is making systematic plans to attract the automobile tourist. Under a new order all the villages in the country are to have their names shown in eight-inch letters on the municipal offices. National roads will have red painted mile stones, while the old-fashioned sign-posts are to be replaced by large blue enamel plates, with the direction of the next town and its distance displayed in big white letters, so as to be easily read from the passing cars.

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1920 Will be the Centenary of

The discovery of quinine.

The death of Daniel Boone.

The invention of percussion caps.

The invention of friction matches.

The admission of Maine to the Union.

The invention of the daguerreotype.

The Spanish revolution under Riego.

The accession of George IV. of England.

The celebrated trial of Queen Caroline.

The passage of the Missouri Compromise Bill.

The election of James Munroe to the presidency.

The first appearance in America of Edmund Kean.

The introduction of India-rubber shoes in America.

The first manufacture of carpenters' steel squares.

The beginning of steam navigation of Lake Michigan.

The dedication of the first Protestant church in Detroit.

The organization of the General Synod of the Lutheran Church.

The first appearance of anthracite coal as an article of commerce.

The fourth United States census, which showed a total population of 9,633,822.

The establishment of the first steamship line between New York and New Orleans.

Net Results of British Submarine Warfare

In the current issue of the Journal of the British Navy League appears a well considered and careful list of enemy submarines sunk in action, and in the light of the fuller information from German sources the ninety-four victories set down may be taken as the irreducible minimum of British achievements. This number is of course much below the 150 sinkings claimed by Lloyd George in August, 1918, three months before the fighting ended; but some of the discrepancies may be charged to the possibility that certain submarines which had been badly hit and were supposed to have been destroyed managed to struggle home and that others officially listed at the time were overcome by accident or by passive action and not by attack. Commander Graham Bowers, R. N., better known under his pen name "Klaxon", also supplies much new information in his latest book, "The Story of Our Submarines".

Among other things he declares and proves that in submarine construction and power the British were ahead of the Germans, who had never produced a craft like the famous "K" class—a type that, had there been another fleet action, could have been used with every promise of success.

A study of the Navy League's list shows that the largest share fell victim to the destroyers, which by ramming, gun fire or depth charges sometimes acting alone and at other times in company with trawlers, motor launches or aircraft, accounted for twenty-seven German boats. Trawlers sunk seventeen in addition to two destroyed by torpedoes fired from the "C" class of submarines under tow of trawlers, and fifteen more were destroyed by other submarines acting independently. The remainder of the ninety-four German submarines listed by the British Navy League were overcome by seaplanes, aircraft proper, small gun vessels and by the "Q" and "P" so-called mystery

types. In this Homeric enumeration of the ships the surprises are that only one each can be credited to all the battle ships, armored cruisers, respectively, and further, that the loudly exploited nets, appliances and schemes combined and everywhere located assisted in the destruction of but three of the underwater craft.

What perhaps is no less astonishing, in view of the pre-war denials as to such probabilities with vessels blinded by submersion, submarines have with success fought other submarines. It is true that in some instances one assailant was on the surface, but other positive cases are cited in which both crafts were submerged. This is pregnant with significance when the chances of future warfare are considered.

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Women's Shoes Worth Weight in Silver

Before the annual convention of the National Shoe Byrnie, of Rochester, N. Y., last week, the president of the association predicted a fifty per cent advance in the prices of shoes next summer.

Mr. Byrnie said that when women appeared on the streets wearing glazed or colored kid-skin shoes they are wearing something that approximately is worth its weight in silver. He also said that there are plenty of grades of cheap leather for shoes, but that the public did not want them.

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