

GERMANY'S SHIPPING TRADE SHOWS GREAT IMPROVEMENT

Merchant Fleet Which Fell to Fourteenth Place in World Shipping Has Risen to Fourth Mainly as Result of Agreement Made Between Government and Shippers.

Berlin, Feb. 27.—The revival of German shipping trade continues steadily. At the outbreak of the world war Germany possessed the second largest merchant fleet in the world, but, through the compulsory surrender, as stipulated in the Versailles Treaty, of all ships of more than 1,000 tons, she sank to fourteenth place.

The process of reconstruction now being carried on with such striking success was, of course, only rendered possible in the first instance through the shipping trade agreement made between the government and shippers, according to the terms of which the former contributed 12,000,000,000 marks for that purpose.

The advantages which the shipping trade have derived from the arrangement mentioned are the following: 1. Capital for reconstruction and development purposes. 2. Raw materials at reasonable prices. The shipping trade.

A clash of interests between the "heavy" industry and the shipping trade—the quarrel between Hugo Stinnes and the Hapag Line was mentioned in this respect—has rendered valueless in some instances the benefits anticipated from the close working arrangement referred to, but, on the other hand, the utmost harmony has characterized the new relations established between the "heavy" industry and the shipping trade.

Thus the Haniel group, in conjunction with the A. E. G. (Allgemeine Electricitaet - Gesellschaft) founded two shipbuilding concerns—the German Dock Company and the Hamburger Dock Company—"Deutsche Werft" and "Hamburger Werft," to use their German titles; the Thyssen group has a large interest in the Flensburg Shipbuilding Company (Flensburger Schiffbau Gesellschaft), and the Stumm group dominates another recently established building concern.

As a result of the methods mentioned now shipping to the extent of 900,000 tons was built in the past year, and the German merchant fleet, trade has resulted in the establishment of a regular market for its products.

Iceland's Cabinet Shaken On Issue Of Prohibition

Copenhagen, Feb. 27.—Copenhagen newspapers report a Cabinet crisis in Iceland on the prohibition problem, says a dispatch to the Central News from the Danish capital. The Premier has resigned, and is likely to be succeeded by M. Eggers, who will propose the abolition of prohibition.

Since 1918 Iceland has been acknowledged as a sovereign State, with King Christian X. of Denmark ruling. The Parliament of Iceland in 1916 passed a measure forbidding the sale of alcoholic liquors. Previously, in 1819, the Danish Government had prohibited alcoholic beverages in Iceland.

He Has No More Pains In The Back Now Sings The Praises Of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Saskatchewan Man Who Has Found New Health and Gained Twenty Pounds In Weight Recommends Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Wakaw, Sask., Feb. 27.—(Special)—Simon Gawlik, a well-known and respected resident here, is a sworn friend of Dodd's Kidney Pills. He has tried them and found them good. "I am more than thankful that I was led to use Dodd's Kidney Pills," Mr. Gawlik states. "I had backache and after using Dodd's Kidney Pills I grew much stronger and I gained twenty pounds in weight."

"Now I am very thankful to say I have no more backache and I recommend Dodd's Kidney Pills to everybody." That Mr. Gawlik's troubles came from the kidneys is evidenced by the relief he got from Dodd's Kidney Pills. They are purely and simply a kidney remedy. They heal and strengthen the kidneys and put them in shape to strain all the impurities out of the blood. Sound kidneys mean pure blood. Pure blood means good health.

Ask your neighbors if Dodd's Kidney Pills do not make sound kidneys.

Hits Wife With Axe; "Just Making Love"

She Resents His Arrest, So Court Frees Him — Go Home Together.

New York, Feb. 27.—Soon after Oscar Anderson, of 79 Ropley street, Brooklyn and his wife Eugenia called on friends at 145 Conover street, Brooklyn, Sunday Oscar hit his wife on the head with an axe. While an ambulance surgeon was taking nine stitches in Mrs. Anderson's head some body called the police and Anderson was locked up.

Mrs. Anderson said in the Fifth Avenue court, Brooklyn, yesterday that she wished people would mind their own business. "If I had not been unconscious," she said indignantly, "I would never have permitted the doctor to call the police."

When the Magistrate asked what she wanted done with her husband she replied: "Nothing. I want to take him home with me."

"I was only joking," Anderson explained to the Magistrate, and Eugenia nodded her head.

"We were just making love," Anderson said.

When the Magistrate dismissed the charge Anderson asked for his ax.

The Daily Don't. Don't help an idle rumor to get busy.

Others Relieved—Why Not You?

Catarrh Does Harm—Get Rid of It. Catarrh of the nose or throat when it becomes chronic weakens the delicate lung tissues, deranges the digestive organs, and may lead to consumption. It impairs the taste, smell and hearing, and affects the voice. It is a constitutional disease and requires a constitutional remedy.

Take Hood's Sarsaparilla, which by purifying the blood removes the cause of the disease and gives permanent relief. This alternative and tonic medicine has proved entirely satisfactory to thousands of families in three generations.

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If your nostrils are clogged, your throat distressed, or your head is stuffed by nasty catarrh or a cold, apply a little pure antiseptic, germ destroying cream into your nostrils. It penetrates through every air passage, soothing inflamed, swollen membranes and you get instant relief. How good it feels. Your nostrils are open. Your head is clear. No more yawning, sneezing, dryness or struggling for breath. Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from any druggist. Colds and catarrh yield like magic. Don't stay stuffed up. Relief is sure.

FIVE MORE BROKERAGE HOUSES MEET DISASTER

Involuntary Petitions in Bankruptcy Filed Against Four—Fifth Voluntarily Assigns

New York, Feb. 27.—Financial woes overtook five more brokerage houses in Wall Street today. Involuntary bankruptcy petitions were filed against four, while a fifth, C. W. Starbuck and Company, made a voluntary assignment for the benefit of creditors.

Today's failures brought the total since last November up to thirty-five. The firm of Mosher and Wallace was the first to go down today, an announcement of its suspension from the consolidated stock exchange being followed quickly by the filing of a bankruptcy petition in Federal Court. Liabilities were estimated at \$175,000, while assets were not stated.

The same fate quickly overtook Thomas H. Cowley and Company, and Showery and Falkland, liabilities and assets of the former being listed respectively at \$100,000 and \$40,000, while in the case of Showery and Falkland liabilities alone were estimated at \$60,000.

Neither liabilities nor assets were estimated in the petition against Thomas H. Cowley and Company, is an "outside" house, with no exchange connection.

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Always bears the Signature of Dr. H. H. St. John

HAMPTON

Hampton, Feb. 27.—Miss Florence Murray is spending a few weeks at her home in St. John.

The many friends of Mr. Frank Keirstead will be glad to hear that he is again back at school after a severe cold.

Mr. Charles Lyons is recovering from her recent severe illness.

Mrs. B. S. Thorne is also convalescent after an illness of two months.

Miss Katherine Bartlett passed through Hampton last week on her way to Boston, where she will spend some time. Miss Bartlett has spent the last few months in Nova Scotia.

Mr. Allen Coster was a recent visitor in St. John after a three weeks' visit with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Coster.

Mrs. Tait has returned to her home in Sussex after spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. H. L. Worden.

Mrs. Davis of Sussex, was a guest of Mrs. H. M. Paries on Saturday.

Miss Vivian Fowler of St. John spent Sunday at her home here.

Miss Lucy Coster returned to her home in St. John after a three weeks' visit with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Coster.

Miss Jennie Dyart of Sussex, spent the week-end here the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Worden.

Mrs. Conway is visiting her son, Rev. Father Conway at Devon, York County.

On Friday evening Mrs. R. A. March entertained the Bridge Club. The following were present: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sharp, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Demming, Dr. and Mrs. F. E. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Humphrey, Mrs. Hallett, Mrs. Sprone, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Angevine, Mr. and Mrs. Sweetman, Marjorie Barnes, T. A. Peters, Bob Hallett and Ren Smith. Prizes were won by Mrs. Hallett and Mr. Demming.

Mrs. Palmer of St. John, visited friends here on Wednesday.

Eric Warnford has been transferred to the Bank of Nova Scotia, Head Office, in St. John.

Mr. Angevine returned Friday from a trip to Nova Scotia.

Mr. A. Jost who has been taking the place of Mr. Wilkinson in the Bank of Nova Scotia here, left Monday for Sydney.

The Hampton Boy Scouts were entertained by the Rothery Boys on Friday evening.

Mrs. John Cameron returned to her home at Campbellton on Friday after spending the last few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Wilkinson.

Harry Evans of St. John, spent last Wednesday with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Fowler.

Mrs. Donald returned Friday from a visit to St. John.

Miss Gladys Smith, Lillian Fowler and Constance March of St. John, spent the week-end at their homes here.

Miss Laura Manning spent Sunday at her home in Sussex.

On Thursday evening a congregation of the Hampton Village Baptist Church, gave a social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Chipman.

NATIONAL IMMIGRATION POLICY URGENT NEED

Deputation from Council of Women Wait Upon Minister of Interior.

Ottawa, Feb. 27.—Urging that the Dominion Government "evolve a national immigration policy, based on the needs of the country and the adaptability of the immigrant, and insisting on a predominance of British citizens, amongst those admitted to the country," a deputation from the National Council of Women waited upon the Minister of the Interior, Hon. Charles Stewart, today, and were promised that the resolution would be laid before the special cabinet sub-committee. The deputation was composed of Mrs. W. E. Sanford, president, National Council of Women; Miss Joan Arnold, regent of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire; Mrs. C. H. Thorburn, Ottawa, and Mrs. Fitzandolph, of Fredericton, N. B.

Auto-intoxication means self-poisoning. Many people suffer from partial intoxication or insufficient action of the bowels. Waste matter which should pass out of the body every day, remains and poisons the blood.

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Breaking up the Game

The cougher or the sneezer is not a popular member of any card party; he is truly the wet blanket and the evening's enjoyment is spoiled for one and all. When you have that irritation and feel a cold coming on, assure yourself of an evening's good time by buying and using a bottle of

SHARP'S BALSAM OF HOREHOUND AND ANISE SEED

A. McDonald, Halifax, N.S., writes: "For quick action in checking a sneezy, rotten cold give me every time Sharp's Balsam of Horehound and Anise Seed. I have used it with great success and would not think of travelling without it."

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MOTHER! Clean Child's Bowels With "California Fig Syrup."



Even a sick child loves the "fruity" taste of "California Fig Syrup." If the little tongue is coated, or if your child is listless, cross, feverish, full of colic, has colic, give a teaspoonful to cleanse the liver and bowels. In a few hours you can see for yourself how thoroughly it works all the constipation, sour bile and waste out of the bowels, and you have a well-playful child again.

CANADIAN MONEY ACCEPTED AT PAR

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 27.—Seattle retailers, through the Retail Trade Bureau of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce, today announced that Canadian money would be accepted at par for the first time since the unfavorable situation created by the war.

DID PAIN DISTURB YOUR SLEEP?

THE pain and torture of rheumatism can be quickly relieved by an application of Sloan's Liniment. It brings warmth, ease and comfort and lets you sleep soundly. Always have a bottle handy and apply when you feel the first twinge. It penetrates without rubbing. It's splendid to take the pain out of your head, aching muscles, sprains and strains, stiff joints, and lame backs. For forty years pain's enemy. Ask your neighbor.

At all druggists—50c, 70c, \$1.40. Made in Canada.

Sloan's Liniment

PREPARED TO TALK WAGES WITH MINERS

British Empire Steel Corporation to Meet Miners' Executive Today at Montreal.

Montreal, Feb. 27.—A wage and working agreement, which will be acceptable to the 12,000 coal miners of Nova Scotia, will be discussed here tomorrow morning by the officials of the British Empire Steel Corporation and the executive of District No. 26, United Mine Workers of America, who arrived today, following an invitation from the corporation that officials were prepared to negotiate with the men. By the given award, which the company accepted, the wages of 2,000 men, which were \$3.50 per day, are cut to \$2.85. J. B. MacLachlan, District Secretary, has declared that the minimum for which the miners will fight is \$3.50 but this point is not yet decided and is being discussed here today by the executive for the men.

The executive, which will meet the corporation, comprises R. Baxter, president; W. P. Delaney, vice-president; J. B. MacLachlan, Secretary; treasurer; Angus McPhoe, Lewis McCormack, Alonso Hall, William J. McKay, G. Coleman, members of the sub-district board; and Del. Livingstone, and John E. White representatives of the International Board.

Woman Staged "Hold-Up" Because of Money Reverses

Freehold, N. J., Feb. 27.—After the alleged confession of Mrs. Sarah L. M. Robertson that she "staged" the hold-up at her Deal Beach home last Saturday night, the police are seeking to learn if she is the same woman who a year ago procured \$10,000 from an insurance company from the reputed theft of gems in Columbus, Ohio.

The police last night recovered Mrs. Robertson's jewels, which were supposed to have been taken by the "robber." She gave the authorities a note to the person in whose custody the gems were, and they were turned over without further ado. Two of the pieces recovered, the police say, correspond with descriptions of the gems alleged to have been stolen from Mrs. Robertson in Columbus.

The police say she included in her confession a statement that she was driven to desperation by embarrassments in her real estate business and that she had planned in addition to the "fake" robbery of herself, two real robberies of New York friends.

The recovered jewels are said to be worth \$20,000. They were insured for \$70,000.

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