

# GREAT BRITAIN PICKS FINEST OF ROYAL AIR FORCE TO NAVIGATE FIRST DIRIGIBLE ACROSS OCEAN

## Britain Sticks To Naval Plans

## Sinking of the German Fleet Will Not Result in Any Re- duction in Program Already Prepared.

London, July 10.—The British naval programme will not be modified because of the sinking of the German warships, Walter Hume Long, the First Lord of the Admiralty, declared in the House of Commons today in reply to a question.

Mr. Long pointed out that the programme had been reduced very considerably before the sinking of the German vessels. The possibility of the destruction of these warships had not been taken into consideration in

drawing up the "Hess" construction programme, the First Lord added, "there had been considerable taxation of the fact that there was no chance of the German fleet being restored to Germany, and that therefore it ought not to be calculated as a possible enemy force, but, instead, as a possible addition to the fleets of the Allies.

## Public Utility Costs Mount Up

Britain is Not at All Backward in Spending Money in Works All Over the Coun-

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Trade Commissioner H. G. Brock, London, in United States commerce reports, has the following in regard

Official investigations made by the government engineering inspectors indicate that, exclusive of the cost of state housing schemes, the public utility works now actually in progress are estimated to cost over \$12,000,000.

sary preliminaries of which have been completed, and which the local authorities are about to proceed with, are estimated to cost nearly \$77,500,000, while works intended to be carried out but of which the prelimi-

works remain to be completed, are estimated to cost \$175,000,000.

Government loans for the construction of public works have been sanctioned before the outbreak of war amounted to \$124,900,000, to which £16,000,000 has since been added, amounting to \$1,000,000,000. These works include public offices, water-works, street improvements, electric tramways, gas supply, and other schemes. Among the public works for which the expenditure has been sanctioned by the government, and which are now being carried out, are:

Aylesbury electricity works, \$225,000;  
Oxford Plymouth gas, electricity, schools, public parks, and pleasure grounds, \$1,800,000;  
Birmingham gas, electricity, and waterworks, \$145,000;  
Grays and Tilbury seawater drainage, \$220,000;  
London gas, electricity, and waterworks, \$75,000;  
Birmingham waterworks, \$1,000,000;  
Leeds electric lighting, \$375,000;  
Manchester water supply, \$1,000,000;  
Liverpool gas, electricity, and waterworks, \$1,250,000; Nottingham

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with are: Birkenhead, waterworks, \$1,850,000; Durham county, main roads, \$850,000; Sunderland bridges, \$1,200,000; Rochester and Chatham, sewage disposal, \$775,000; Blackpool, promenades, sea wall, etc. \$935,000.

Burnley, reservoirs, \$800,000; Fyde, waterworks, \$4,500,000 Lancaster, waterworks, \$3,425,000; Manchester, waterworks, \$12,000,000; London County

Council, trams, \$300,000; street improvements, \$230,000; Metropolitan Water Board, reservoirs, including land, \$1,525,000, aqueducts, \$1,825,000; machinery, \$160,000; Middlesex, road construction, \$1,455,000; Birmingham,

\$710,000; Sheffield, waterworks, \$3,400,000, electricity, \$1,085,000; Bradford waterworks, \$5,782.75.

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## Bill Restricting Employment of Outsiders is Forced

### Committee.

London, July 10.—Despite strong opposition by the government a House of Commons committee passed today

The Under-secretary of the Home Office argued before the committee the inclusion of the clause in the bill.

## ANZACS REJECT PROHIBITION

aWillington, New Zealand, July 10.—The final figures in the balloting of Liquor Licensing show a majority of 10,362 votes in favor of a continuance of the licenses.

continuance, 232,208; for prohibition  
248,104. Soldiers, for continuance  
21,981; pro prohibition, 7,723.

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