

MUST STOP MAKING PASSENGER MOTORS

Automobile Men Advised to Put Plants on an Entire War Basis by Jan. 1.

STEEL SUPPLIES TO STOP Offer to Reduce Production 50 Per Cent. Meets With a 100 Per Cent. Demand.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—Manufacturers of passenger automobiles were advised by the War Industries Board today to convert their plants to 100 per cent. war work as rapidly as possible, and to place them on that basis not later than January 1, 1919, in a letter addressed to the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce.

The letter was in response to a proposal made yesterday by Hugh Chalmers on the part of the manufacturers voluntarily to curtail the passenger car industry 50 per cent. The War Industries Board declared that the present situation regarding steel and other materials needed for war work gave little assurance of material for the manufacture of passenger automobiles, even after providing for war requirements.

Pending receipt by the board of sworn inventories of materials on hand reported July 16, the board will not permit passenger car manufacturers, the letter states.

The letter in part follows: "We are in receipt of and have given very careful consideration to your communication of August 8 embodying the resolutions passed at your meeting at Detroit Tuesday, August 6. We note that the manufacturers have voluntarily agreed among themselves to curtail the production of passenger cars 50 per cent. This is clearly a step in the right direction and furnishes a basis for each one of all the manufacturers without further delay to make appropriate reductions in selling, general and overhead expenses, and to stop a stop and further curtailment is inevitable.

"Fairness to your industry impels us to frankly state that the situation as it is presented to us today indicates very clearly that there will be little if any of the principal materials required in the construction of passenger cars available for non-war industries after the war requirements have been provided for, and the War Industries Board cannot at this time make any promise whatsoever regarding the supply to your industry of steel during the war period for any definite period in advance.

"We strongly believe that it is to the best interest of your members and all other manufacturers of passenger automobiles to undertake to get on 100 per cent. war work as rapidly as possible and not later than January 1, 1919, for in no other way can you be sure of the continuance of your industry and the preservation of your organization."

Although the communication states further action will be taken, when the inventories are returned, the board is held out by members of the War Industries Board to the automobile industry unless its entire manufacturing activity is devoted to the production of steel for the war. It was stated by one member, allocation of steel to the industry has been stopped, and those who are far sighted enough to observe the steel prior to the restrictions on delivery in all probability will have their supply taken by the Government, to be turned over to war industries short of it.

Many of the manufacturers who have so far returned sworn inventories, it was stated, have on hand sufficient steel and other material to operate at 100 per cent. capacity from four to six months. When the inventories are all in a leveling will occur, placing all manufacturers of passenger cars on the same basis. This was clearly stated, would the amount of steel the Government may be able to supply after war requirements are met.

The steel requirements of the Government and the Allies for the last six months of this year have been estimated at 22,500,000 tons, which was taken to mean that the leveling process probably will be actual commencing of steel metals which the "far sighted" automobile manufacturers observed.

WILSON TAKES HAND AGAINST HULLSTON Calls Alabama Man "Opponent of Administration."

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—President Wilson in a telegram sent today to Frank P. Glass of Birmingham, Ala., characterized Representative George Huddleston of the Ninth Alabama District, who is a candidate for reelection, as "an every way an opponent of the Administration." Mr. Huddleston is opposed by Fred M. Jackson and the Rev. D. A. Dickinson. The President's telegram, sent in answer to an inquiry from Mr. Glass as to Congressman Huddleston's record, follows:

WIN FIGHT WITH FIRE ON MUNITION SHIP Sailors' Quick Work Saves Valuable Cargo at Night.

Prompt action of the crew aboard a freight steamer roused from sleep by smoke fumes as the ship lay at Martin's dock, off the foot of Canal street, Stapleton, Staten Island, late last night averted a disaster. The fire, believed to have been started from a carelessly thrown cigarette, burned out hatch No. 4 and threatened ammunition for the ship's gun stored in an adjoining hatch. The ship also carried a quantity of benzene which is explosive, and a big cargo of cotton, sugar and steel.

A stubborn two hour fight, in which fire patrol boats and the Stapleton Fire Department aided, put out the flames before the ammunition was reached. Other ships moored in the vicinity were moved from their anchorage to safety. A large crowd of spectators gathered to watch the unusual sight.

The sailors formed a bucket brigade at the first alarm and used a hose to penetrate into the burning hatch. The fireboat, summoned from Brooklyn, arrived soon after and saved the situation by flooding the hatch where the amount was stored.

The cargo in hatch No. 4 will have to be removed, but it is not expected the ship's sailing will be long delayed.

HUSBANDS WILL GO ON THE EXEMPT LIST

Continued from First Page. was against making the marital status as such a cause for deferred classification in the present regulations. But these men, it is pointed out, can be reached just as well under new regulations which will make deferred classification for married men the general rule, and a set rule which will work automatically except in unusual cases to be specified in advance.

Senators to Act Promptly.

Secretary Baker appeared before the Senate Military Committee today and urged prompt enactment of the man power bill. He said it was imperative that the bill be passed as soon as possible. He said that registration day was in September. In view of the size of the army the amount of the appropriations will of course be enormous. The bill is now in preparation for early submission to Congress.

The Secretary was told by Chairman Chamberlain that all efforts to expedite the passage of the bill would be made by the committee, which has been called to meet Monday morning with a possibility that a favorable report would be made yesterday by the Senate committee. But in the event of any delay the committee is confident it will report at the session of the Senate next Monday, August 19, instead of Monday, August 26, as previously planned.

With the Senate again in session the prohibition question intrudes as a bar to Secretary Baker's plea for haste. Under the terms of the agreement it was set forth that the agricultural production stimulation bill, with its rider making the nation bone dry for the period of the war, would have the right of way in the Senate and it will not be possible to set this measure aside except by unanimous consent.

Would Give Crowder Time to Act. This is an added reason for getting the Senate into action again. It is possible, though improbable, that the prohibition amendment might be disposed of by the Senate in the period between August 19 and 26, thereby giving the man power bill its chance for action in the President's hands.

A few days ago he came back in civilian clothes, produced records to show he was of draft age and asked to be immediately inducted into the service. He was assigned to a rookie company under "non-coms" who were privates in his old command, but he has tackled the work with grim ambition, determined to win back his old rank if possible and at least be of real use to his country.

MUSICIANS PROTEST LOYALTY. Steindal and Chicago Associates Quizzed by Federal Attorney. CHICAGO, Aug. 9.—Complete details of the alleged sedition remarks of an inductor to them was made this afternoon by Stenrod Steindal, noted cellist, and three other members of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, when quizzed by Assistant District Attorney Borelli.

Mrs. Steindal, who also was examined, said that the denunciation was an act of spite on the part of one of the other members of the orchestra.

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MAUDE ADAMS GOES TO CAMP. Spends Vacation as Hostess at Upton House.

Special Despatch to THE SUN. CAMP UPTON, Aug. 9.—Maude Adams came to camp to-day to pass part of the vacation as a hostess in the lower hostess house of the Y. W. C. A. She was assigned to quarters in the building and will remain for several weeks. She helped serve luncheon to enlisted men in the cafeteria and later joined the other members of the staff in receiving women guests of the soldiers.

Miss Adams plans to give an entertainment here with members of her company. Recently she was here, and after inspecting the camp received a devote part of her summer to hostess house work.

Mrs. Richard Mansfield also is here acting as a hostess.

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