

CONCRETE SHIP LAUNCHED IN PACIFIC

Largest Craft of Kind in World Christened the Faith

CAPACITY OF 5000 TONS

A Pacific Port, March 15. A concrete ship, the largest of its kind ever launched, which will solve the nation's need for vessels of the type of its builders are realized, is being launched here today. She will have a carrying capacity of 5000 tons and when loaded will draw twenty-four feet.

Built Fifty-four More Ships

So successful was the launching that the Faith's builders announced they immediately would begin construction of fifty-four similar ships of larger size and expected that all would be completed within eighteen months.

Experts Who Witnessed the Launching

Experts who witnessed the launching predicted that concrete construction would mark a new era in shipbuilding, and that the speed with which such ships could be turned out undoubtedly would have an important bearing on the Allies' successful prosecution of the war.

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Mr. Stephenson for many years was a prominent figure in Wisconsin politics, his career having been marked by frequent clashes with La Follette, when the latter was recognized as the leader of what was known as the "progressive" wing of the Republican party in that State. He was a consistent stand-patter in his political ideas.

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TEUTON PLOTS JUSTIFY DUTCH SHIPS' SEIZURE

Germany Planned to Choke Off American Relief for Neutrals

HOLLAND IN PROTEST

Washington, March 15. German efforts to choke off American relief for European neutrals by ruthless submerging of neutral craft was regarded here today as ample justification for the requisitioning of Dutch shipping—if justification were fully permitted this course.

Threatened by Germany

German has recently been threatening her and other neutrals with dire consequences if they should agree to permit America with ships in return for food.

Rules for U. S. Firms

Branches of American houses in Allied or neutral territory before performing any contract involving trading with an enemy or ally of an enemy must obtain an enemy trade license covering each particular transaction.

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WORLD EVENTS AS VIEWED BY LEADING CARTOONISTS



IT MAY HOLD THE RUSSIANS' KITEPATRICK in The St. Louis Post Dispatch

BOTH FOOTSTITTEN BREWSTER in The Minneapolis Journal

TO WELCOME THE NEW TENANT TUTTLE in The St. Louis Star

U. S. RUSHES TROOPS, PLANES ARE DELAYED

Speeding Up of Soldier Shipments Brightest Fact Revealed by War Council

Washington, March 15. Accelerated troop movement is, for the moment, the brightest spot in American war work; delay in the aviation program is most discouraging.

WASHINGTON PARK IN WAR ROLE; BECOMES U. S. AMMUNITION POST

Ordnance Department Leases Noted Old Hotel and 1600-Acre Campbell Soup Company Farm on the Delaware for Distribution Station

WASHINGTON PARK, on the Delaware, promises to figure conspicuously in helping Uncle Sam during his present fight against the Hun.

RENEW UKRAINE FIGHTING

Germans Said to Be Shooting At Maximalists Captured

Amsterdam, March 15.—Intense fighting has been resumed in the Ukraine where the ranks of the Maximalist command are receiving reinforcements from bodies of Czech and Austrian deserters, says a Berlin dispatch to the Rheinische West-falische Zeitung.

BOARD OF HEALTH BEGINS TO 'CLEAN UP CAMDEN'

Inspectors Start Still Hunt for Dirty Alleys and Yards—Highway Department Will Aid

The Camden Board of Health inspectors are on a still hunt for dirty alleys, side streets and yards. "Clean up Camden" This is the slogan of the Board of Health.

SAILOR FOUND SHOT

Calls for Mother, but Won't Tell Where She Lives

With a bullet in his left lung, Leroy H. Gearholt, a sailor, is in the Pennsylvania Hospital today, continually calling for his mother, but he won't tell where she lives.

Tomorrow! Easter Suits For 2000 Men

(Every suit at a distinct saving in a great sale before Easter.)

It is an offer that undoubtedly will make history in the retail clothing business of Philadelphia this year.

It will make history because for a store to sell an all-wool suit in these war times, guaranteed for wear, for color, for style and quality at \$15 is a mercantile achievement, thoroughly typical of Oak Hall.

We went out into the markets and bought these suits from six good manufacturers in such volume as to bring them to our customers at these savings right now when men will want new Spring Suits most:—

\$15 Will Buy New Easter Suits Worth at Least \$20

\$19 Will Buy New Easter Suits Worth \$22.50 and \$25

\$23 Will Buy New Easter Suits Worth \$30 and \$35

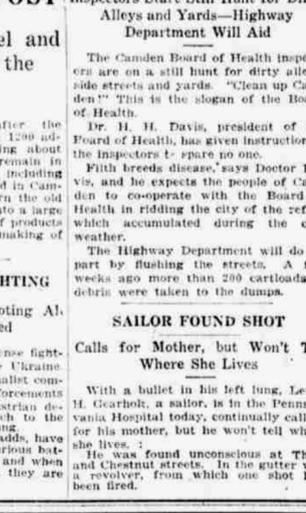
Worsteds, flannels, homespuns, serges, stripes, checks, plaids, grays, blues, browns and greens.

Hundreds of suits in fine worsteds especially purchased for men of large stature.

Wanamaker & Brown

Market at Sixth Street for 57 Years

AT THE FRONT



13 Cents

HELMAR

TURKISH CIGARETTES

Makers of the Highest Grade Turkish and Egyptian Cigarettes in the World

Quality - Superior

EL PRODUCTO advertisement featuring a cigar and text: 'YOUR taste for good cigars will increase with every El Producto you smoke. Smokers enjoy the skillful blending of the fine Havana filler and the selected shade-grown wrapper, that makes El Producto a masterpiece of cigar-making.'

Wanamaker & Brown advertisement featuring a list of suit prices and descriptions: '\$15 Will Buy New Easter Suits Worth at Least \$20', '\$19 Will Buy New Easter Suits Worth \$22.50 and \$25', '\$23 Will Buy New Easter Suits Worth \$30 and \$35'.

BIGGER CUT IN RATIONS DEMANDED BY COOKE

Food Controller, Back From Washington, Tells of Need for Wheat

Stations still must be cut to conserve the nation's wheat supply, according to announcement by Jay Cooke, local food administrator, who has just returned from a meeting of State and Federal food administrators with Herbert C. Hoover in Washington.

Wheat still is the overwhelming problem, he explained.

"The supply is seriously short of requirements," he said. "It is becoming increasingly clear that more radical measures than those now in effect must soon be adopted further to conserve the scanty supply. Such measures were discussed by the State administrators in Washington. No conclusions or decisions had been reached when I left."

"The meat supply of the nation is plentiful just now, but it is a temporary condition. I do not look for any radical fall in price. A little later on there will be another scarcity. The present condition results from bad transportation conditions in the winter, which backed up the supply on the ranches. Now transportation is better and large supplies of cattle are coming in. A contributory factor, of course, is the shortage in ocean shipping. Englishmen are living on one pound of meat a week each."

"The European demand for beef from us to ship our surplus. This condition will be remedied, I am confident, and our stocks will again be depleted."

SUITS FOR \$75,000 BY MOTORCYCLISTS

Three Youths of Railway See Damages From Port Reading R. R.

Three suits for damages amounting to \$75,000 have been instituted in the Supreme Court in Camden against the Port Reading Railroad Company, a subsidiary of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway. The suits were instituted on behalf of three youths of Railway, N. J. The plaintiffs are Clinton C. Moffett, Herbert Stall, by his next friend, William Stall, and Samuel Klein by his next friend, Max Klein. Each alleges \$25,000 damages.

The suits are the result of an accident on November 19 at the Woodbridge avenue crossing of the Port Reading line at Woodbridge, Middlesex County. Klein was driving a motorcycle and the other two were passengers. It is alleged there were no signals given when a train struck the motorcycle.

Moffett alleges his face was discolored, Klein suffered fracture of the skull, jaw and legs, while Stall had bruises and shoulders injured.

Suit also was instituted in the Supreme Court on behalf of Frank Creswell, of 215 Woodland avenue, Camden to recover \$15,000 damages against the Public Service Railway Company for injuries suffered on December 14.

Creswell was driving an automobile on Broadway near Van Hook street in Camden, when his machine was struck from the rear. Creswell was crushed between the back seat and the steering wheel and suffered injuries alleged to be permanent.