

U. S. MAY SEIZE OIL FOR SHIPS

Navy Receives Bids on Only 660,000 Barrels of the 5,000,000 Needed PRICE STILL SOARING Estimates by Two Companies More Than 250 Per Cent Advance.

The government's position as regards fuel oil reached a crisis yesterday when the Navy Department received bids on only 660,000 barrels of 5,000,000 barrels that will be needed at East coast ports alone, and those at prices more than 250 per cent above the present contract price of 83 cents.

The situation created, which affects not only the Navy Department but the Shipping Board, War Department and Interior Department as well, renewed the suggestion yesterday that the government would either commandeer the oil needed subject to an adjudication of the price or that President Wilson, through his powers under the Fuel Administration, would declare an embargo on the export of oil and insure a supply for domestic needs at a reasonable price.

Demand Exceeds Supply. The government at the present time has an unfiled need of more than 31,000,000 barrels of oil. The Shipping Board, which has estimated its needs for the coming year at 27,000,000 barrels, has been able to get bids for only 1,000,000 barrels, and these at a price ranging from \$2 to \$25.

The situation which is said to confront the oil producers of the United States is that the demand for fuel oil in this country is far larger than the supply.

Rumanian Production Low. Production in the Rumanian fields and the Russian Baku district has not been resumed on anything approaching pre-war capacity.

It was said yesterday by officials who have followed the course of the negotiations that the President still has full power under the war-time legislation, creating the Fuel Administration to handle the situation and that it was extremely probable that the entire matter would be referred to him for settlement if the producers continued to refrain from submitting bids to meet the requirements of the government.

With Best Birthday Wishes



DR. JOHN E. WALSH, well-known Washington physician, who is 53 years old today. Dr. Walsh's career has been an unusual one. Besides attending a large practice he has invented a number of safeguards against watch-stealing and one appliance to facilitate the collection of mail from boxes.



RUDOLPH H. YEATMAN, prominent Washington lawyer, who resides at 4904 Georgia avenue northwest, will celebrate his 35th birthday today. Yeatman was born in Washington and has been practicing law here 13 years.

STOCK DIVIDENDS TAX MAY BE REQUIRED

A tax on the privilege of issuing stock dividends will be recommended to the House by the Ways and Means Committee, it was indicated by members of the committee last night.

SHOOT HIS WIFE THEN KILLS SELF

Robert Blue, colored, 22 years old, is dead, and his wife, Jennie Blue, 18 years old is in a serious condition at the Emergency Hospital with two bullet wounds in her body as the result of a quarrel yesterday at 224 Second street northwest, which was brought to an abrupt close when the husband seized a pistol, fired three shots at his wife, and then emptied the remaining chambers of the gun into his head.

REAL ESTATE SCHOOL PLANNED BY BROKERS

Formation of a "Real Estate Institute" in which young real estate men of the District could study the problems under the guidance of experts, will be planned at the March meeting of the Real Estate Brokers' Association, Friday night.

The project was launched by John D. Weaver, president of the National Real Estate Exchange, at the annual banquet of the local association two weeks ago. He would model the institute after the Junior Institute of American Bankers, and give courses in taxation, real estate sales, leases and other branches.

Oak Park, Ill., Doubles Population in Ten Years

The population of Oak Park, Ill., has more than doubled in ten years, according to the official 1920 census figures announced last night. The new enumeration gives the city 35,830 inhabitants, as compared with 19,044 in 1910, or a gain of 104.8 per cent.

QUALITY FOODS—AT POPULAR PRICES

The Power-Kearney Market Co.

Opens Its Doors This Morning at 714 Eleventh Street Directly Opposite Palais Royal. It's a new store—organized on a new principle—and makes its appeal for patronage on just two counts—QUALITY and PRICE.

Nothing better comes into the Washington market than will stock this store. Standard brands of Groceries. Fresh Creamery Butter, cut from the tub. Domestic and Imported Cheese. Fresh Country Eggs, supplied direct from nearby farms. Best of Meats—Fish and Poultry. Freshest Fruits and Vegetables.

You have never seen a more modern appointed Market—in which provision is made for the display and, at the same time, protection of perishable stuffs.

Coffee roasted right before your eyes—and ground as you buy it. So you will KNOW it's fresh. A special blend that will exactly suit your taste.

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- "Our" Coffee, roasted and ground right here. 38c. Porterhouse Steak, native steer beef. 45c. Gold Medal Flour, 6-lb. Sack. 48c. Strawberries, delicious, big, red Florida fruit. 70c. Finest Creamery Butter, cut from tub. 76c. Potatoes, fancy No. 1 Stock. 87c. Fresh Country Eggs, guaranteed. 48c. Bacon, machine sliced (rind off). 45c.

The proprietors are well known to the Washington trade—and have centered in this Market the result of their long and successful experience.

Test the service—today—and you will become a regular patron

Power-Kearney Market Co.

714 Eleventh Street N.W. Opposite Palais Royal

CIVIL SERVICE BILL UP SOON

Sterling to Push His Measure to Retire U. S. Employees.

Senator Sterling, author of the Sterling-Lehbach Civil Service Retirement Bill, said yesterday that it is his intention to bring up the bill as soon as the peace treaty is out of the way.

Next in order of important District legislation will be the report of the Salary Reorganization Commission, and then the question of reinstating the \$240 clerks' bonus in the Legislative appropriation bill. This bill is now before the subcommittee on appropriations.

\$200 Raised in First Day of Marne Memorial Drive

Washingtonians gave nearly \$200 of the city's \$1,000 quota on the first day of the drive to raise funds for the memorial America is to erect on the battlefield of the Marne.

While the national campaign for the fund will not commence until next week, it is expected the District quota will be complete before that. John Poole, president of the Federal National Bank, is treasurer of the Washington committee.

LOVE SUSPENSE BRINGS BULLET

Ensign's Guest on Ship Declares Devotion and Shoots Herself.

Norfolk, Va., March 16.—Declaring she loved Ensign W. E. Collier more than anything in life, Mrs. Annie R. Worloff, a handsome woman, fired a bullet into her breast on board the United States torpedo boat destroyer, Haraden, Sunday night.

The woman and two young men, whose names could not be learned, were guests of Ensign Collier aboard the Haraden. Mrs. Worloff left the party to go to a stateroom to get her wraps, when the sound of a pistol shot was heard, and a member of the crew

DENIES IRISH CAUSE IS MATTER OF CREED

Denial that Irish self-determination is a question of creed, was voiced by Rev. Dr. John Cavanaugh, president of Notre Dame University, in his address before the Knights of Columbus, 606 E street northwest, last night.

"It was English tyranny that planted the seeds of religious strife in Ireland," said Dr. Cavanaugh. "If Irish political questions are religious questions today, it is not the Irish people who are to blame. But I deny that the freedom of Ireland is in any fair sense a religious question."

Catholics and non-Catholics are found fighting shoulder to shoulder for the triumph of the Irish cause.

"BAYER CROSS" ON GENUINE ASPIRIN



"Bayer's Tablets of Aspirin" to be genuine must be marked with the safety "Bayer Cross." Always buy an unbroken Bayer package, which contains proper directions to safely relieve Headache, Toothache, Earache, Neuralgia, Colds and Pain.

Handy tin boxes of 12 tablets cost but a few cents at drug stores—large packages also. Aspirin is the trademark of Bayer Manufacturers of Moselesheim, Germany.

Advertisement for Peoples Drug Stores featuring Tyro's Antiseptic Powder, Welch's Products, Pure Candy, and Freeze Remover.

In All Seven Stores--Wednesday Only

Spring Cleaning and Toilet Articles advertisement listing various household products and their prices.

P. D. S. A 'Killer' for Bedbugs advertisement.

People's Cigar Department advertisement.

All Aspirin Is Not Bayer's Aspirin advertisement.

Family Penstar Remedies advertisement.

Advertisement for various Penstar remedies including Arnica Salve, Arvitol, and others.

Purify Your Blood advertisement.

Our Rubber Goods We Guarantee advertisement.

Special Sale on Douche Pans advertisement.

Real Medicine For a Cough advertisement.

BABEK advertisement for malaria, chills, fever, and La Grippe.

Overworked Men, Weak Women and Delicate Children Derive Great Benefit From the Use of MALTOGEN advertisement.

A Woman's Strength advertisement for Gillette Safety Razors.