

BIG MERCHANT MARINE ASSET TO MID-WEST

FARMER'S INTEREST IN ASSURING EXPORT MARKET NOW AS KEEN AS MANUFACTURERS, SAYS SHIPPING BOARD CHAIRMAN. FARM FEDERATION HEAD SEES INSURANCE TO AGRICULTURAL SECTIONS IN SHIPPING AID MEASURE.

Note: This is the fifth of a series of articles on the American Merchant Marine by the Chairman of the Shipping Board.

ARTICLE 5.

Modern civilization is an economic one. The basis of all economic civilization is transportation. Coal and oil may be only momentarily basic fuels; it is possible some other fuel may be discovered. Fuel in one form or another will always be basic to transportation, and transportation in one form or another is basic to exchange of goods.

In my first article I undertook to demonstrate how, up to the time of the Civil War, America had developed a strong merchant marine, and to sketch the conditions surrounding our practical disappearance from the sea between the time of the Civil War and the World War.

During this latter period we were a self-sufficient and self-contained nation, having need of world trade only in small measure for the disposition of surpluses and to pay with them the moneys borrowed for our development. Our creditors were largely the leading maritime nations of the world, and they sent their ships to receive the goods in payment of what we owed them.

America's Position Altered. In the last decades, though, America has changed from a self-contained and self-sufficient nation to one that now must look across the waters for many of its needs. Our manufacturers must look across the sea both for markets and raw materials; our agricultural sections must sell their surplus to other nations.

If we are to keep our industries going, we must make sure of a steady flow of those materials which we need and must insure prompt and continuous delivery of manufactured wares and raw materials which we wish to give in exchange for that which we buy.

Thus the manufacturer can see, in the changing conditions America finds itself, that in the ultimate his very life may be dependent on the existence of an American merchant marine. No less interest has the farmer. His interest in the merchant marine is evidenced by the cry of the sixteen great agricultural states, ranging from our central valleys to the Pacific, with a population of over forty million people, for the development of the Great Lakes—St. Lawrence waterway, the Lake to the Gulf waterway, and the widening and deepening of our rivers, including the Mississippi, intended to bring the seacoast a thousand miles nearer to the valleys of production.

Thus the farmer admits the very essential necessity to his prosperity of water carriage abroad. Even the most ardent proponent of our inland waterway development can no longer feel there is any possibility of success to the venture unless we have assurance of ships under our own flag.

Subsidy Comparable To Tariff. The world has completely changed in consequence of the late war; and, no nation's needs have changed more than America's. Therefore, the old arguments that existed against the necessity of a merchant marine, no longer hold. But unfortunately millions, including the farmer, have not had time or opportunity to develop the facts as to the changed conditions and changed needs.

It is often asked by those who are living in the shadows of other days, why the farmer should be required to contribute to a subsidy for ships, when the product of the farm remains unsubsidized. Such, of course, is far from the fact; because, in the protection given by the tariff, the farmer, like the manufacturer and all of us, is subsidized, and very properly, to the extent of our needs. Subsidy for ships is the identical thing that tariff protection is to home production.

At the hearings held by the joint Committee of the Senate and House in relation to the proposed subsidy legislation, Mr. J. R. Howard, President of the American Farm Bureau Federation, testified that while his association was opposed to subsidies in principle, and certainly to subsidies save for a limited period (which is the view of the Harding Administration), a careful study by experts appointed by the Federation had led him to testify in behalf of and to urge the enactment of the legislation proposed for the merchant marine.

"Merchant marine rates," said Mr. Howard, "are just as important as railroad rates to the farmer. The farmer may not always realize this fact, because he is able to visualize the rail transportation and does not frequently come in contact with ocean traffic. It is a distinct factor, however, in the price of his com-

modities, for the surplus of our crops sold abroad largely sets the price of those commodities in this country."

Farmer Viciously Concerned. Mr. Howard averred that 23 per cent. of our wheat and 56 per cent. of our cotton is exported. He figured closely the cost of subsidizing agricultural cargoes under the Act, and estimated it would amount to an average of one-fourth of a cent a bushel on wheat and six cents a bale on cotton. Said Mr. Howard, "The subsidy will be a guarantee against loss from failure to reach markets regularly and when markets are best. Marketing is today the farmer's chief problem. The ship subsidy is our best insurance for the marketing of the farmers' exportable surplus."

Whether it be from the standpoint that the farmer will have surpluses which, if their transportation abroad is not assured, will back up on him to the destruction of his prices; or whether ultimately he will have no surplus and relies on the prosperity of the American workers in other callings, the establishment of a merchant marine has become of prime importance.

In the next and concluding article of this series I shall undertake to discuss how the Government proposes to insure the needed sea carriage.

"VAMPS" WHO MADE HISTORY

By JAMES C. YOUNG.

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THE VAMPIRE WHO WON MILLIONS.

She was a woman beloved by two nations. She sold the secrets of each to the other, and made millions in the process.

Louis XIV first loved dainty Louise de la Querouaille. But the historians say that she proved unfaithful to her royal admirer. Louis did not let this prevent him from sending her to England in the train of a court lady bound there on a visit of state. And he told Louise to captivate Charles II of England. Then she was to send him news of England's statecraft and to influence Charles so that he would make concessions which the French monarch wanted. For all of which Louis engaged to pay her handsomely.

Louise found the occupation such an easy one that she decided it would be just as simple to sell Charles news of Louis and his policies. So she received much gold from both kings, but it is said that she never informed Charles of anything more than trivial matters, remaining loyal to her own land.

This double traffic made Louise a very rich woman. But her ambition craved greater honors. She persuaded the English king to make her duchess of Portsmouth, and as such she was thoroughly despised by the English people. In addition, to dealing in secrets of state she wielded her influence at the two courts to obtain many political appointments, for which she was duly paid by the appointees. But Louise was not sufficiently wise to hold all of this money, for she became a devotee of the gambling tables and lost large amounts with a superb indifference. At home she induced Louis to give her a high position in the French court, telling Charles that her visits to Paris were for the purpose of obtaining information about the plans of Louis. Then Charles suddenly died, in 1685. His successor, James II, packed Louise off to France, bag and baggage. Much of her wealth had been dissipated. She found herself without an occupation, her English possessions lost, and only a scanty welcome at home. And in the course of a little while she disappeared from court, her purse penniless. Louis paid heed to her misfortunes and granted a small pension which served to sustain the arch spy and vampire for the remainder of her brief days.

BAKED 50 YEARS AGO

This Wedding Cake was baked Feb. 28th 1872 and was re-frosted for the Golden Wedding Celebrated Feb. 28th 1922



This wedding cake is fifty years old and has seen duty at two weddings and a golden anniversary for a Chicago couple. Yet it looks as appetizing today as it did in 1872, when it was baked. It is now the property of L. B. Sinclair, chef at a Chicago cafe. It was baked for the wedding of Mr. Sinclair's parents and recently was re-frosted for the parents' fiftieth wedding anniversary.

Children in Zurich's Spring Fete



With the exit of winter there is held a celebration in Zurich known as the six o'clock ringing feast. This photograph shows some of the children taking part in the parade in their quaint costumes, on their way to see the symbolic figure of winter blown away with fireworks and gunpowder.

Local Addenda

With Shall's Glasses, he leads his classes. 29-30-1

Tom Hubbard and Vernon Thrash went to Galt Friday.

C. C. Carlstead made a business trip to Brunswick Friday.

Mrs. Robert Lewis visited friends in Forest Green Sunday.

Dr. Crawford of Dalton was in Keytesville Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Lancaster and son and Mrs. Taylor of Marceline are guests of Mrs. L. B. Thrash.

Miss Eunice Rebyburn who has been visiting relatives here returned to her home in Bosworth Sunday.

Misses Mayme Sweargin and Mayme Grojan went to Salisbury Sunday for a visit with Mrs. C. F. Elmore.

Roy Landree who has been visiting relatives here returned to his home in Prairie Hill Saturday for a visit before going to Weston where he is employed as a teacher in the public school.

GIVENS & MAUPIN SUFFER SEVERE FIRE LOSS

At about 10 o'clock Tuesday night F. W. Reed, operator at the C. & A., turned in a fire alarm and notified Rice Maupin there was a blaze in the lumber yard. The firemen responded promptly and worked hard to check the flames, but the fire spread so fast it was thought for a time to be beyond control, and a call was sent to Fayette for help. The Fayette boys came over, bringing additional hose, but the blaze had been checked when they arrived.

The yards contained lumber of an aggregate value of \$25,000; and the loss will approximate about 50 per cent of the stuff in the yards. The loss is fully covered by insurance. The origin of the fire is a matter of speculation, the most plausible theories being that it was started by sparks from a passing engine, or by tramps who had made a bed of shavings and sacking between lumber piles and left cigarette butts lying around. The loss will fall heavily on the owners.

Rev. H. E. Corbin, who helped to fight the fire and rendered valuable aid, was overcome by the intense heat and had to be taken home, but was fully recovered the next morning.—Glasgow Missourian.

THREE BIRTHDAYS CELEBRATED

At the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. D. West last Sunday thirty-two people gathered to celebrate the birthdays of Mrs. West, Mrs. Roy Gordon and Mrs. Will Stratton of Marceline. All present enjoyed the day to the fullest extent.

Those present were: E. B. Gordon and family of Marceline, Ray Gordon and family of Marceline, Dr. Spencer and family of Marceline, Dr. Buck and family of Rothville, Will Gordon and family of Rothville, Frank Gordon and family of Rothville, S. F. Gordon and Ben Ferrel of Omaha, Erwin Gordon of Keytesville and Top Riley and family of Mendon.—Mendon Constitution.

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THEY FORGOT JIM REED

Having agitated ourselves sufficiently over the twelve greatest women in the country, we are now invited to consider which are the twelve greatest men. Making a satisfactory list is a difficult task; making one that all can agree on is impossible. Here is an interesting choice made by selection from scores of lists submitted to the New York Times by well-known citizens of the metropolis: Thomas A. Edison, Woodrow Wilson, Charles E. Hughes, Charles W. Eliot, Herbert Hoover, John D. Rockefeller, John S. Sargent, Henry Ford, General Pershing, William H. Taft, Elihu Root and Booth Tarkington. A distinguished dozen, but it omits George W. Goethals, Charles P. Steinmetz, Charles M. Schwab, Senator Borah, Senator Lodge, Daniel C. French and Orville Wright, all of whom are men of some achievement; and it contains the names of none of the religious leaders of the country.—Youth's Companion.

WEATHER POEM

Backward, turn backward, Oh time in your flight,
Give me the chill of a December night.
Lose me in snowstorms; glaze me with sleet,
Anything, time, but this dodrotted heat.
Icemen and laundrymen thrive on this stuff,
But among us poor mortals, enough is enough. —Scissored.

MISSOURI CONFERENCE WILL MEET IN MOBERLY THIS TIME

The 105th annual session of the Methodist Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, will be held this year in Moberly. The conference came together on Tuesday of this week and will continue until September 4th. Bishop W. F. McMurry of St. Louis, will preside. It is expected that there will be 250 to 300 delegates in attendance, among these will be many church celebrities. This is the third time in the history of the Missouri conference that it has been held in Moberly, the first time being in 1891. At that time Bishop Pierce was the presiding officer. The second time Moberly was the hostess for the conference was in 1907. That time Bishop Key was chairman.

These conferences has always been a most important event for the churches of the district and for the preachers as appointments are made at this time.

Rev. O. L. Hunt is attending this annual meeting this week. His many Keytesville friends hope that the deliberations will end with Mr. Hunt's reappointment to this charge.

POEM

The chigger is a beast of prey,
He haunts our fields and grasses.
And is, as office-seekers say,
A "close friend of the masses." —Scissored.

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A FRIENDLY LETTER

Santa Fe, New Mexico, Aug. 22, 1922.—Mr. J. H. Willard: My time for Courier has expired. As I like to know how my old home town is rising "Phoenix-like from its ashes" I enclose my check for two dollars for another year's subscription. Regret the water proposition did not carry as women's work would have been made so much lighter. Respectfully, Mrs. Kate A. Carmon.

PUTTING THEM OFF THE MAP

Leave it to a county agent to set systematically about any proposition requiring the action of several hundred persons and involving hundreds of thousands of dollars. A survey of Chariton county has recently been completed by County Agent Jay to determine the exact location and extent of Hessian fly infestation in his county. Numerous letters have been sent out to farmers asking them to report on the infestation in their localities. From these replies Mr. Jay has been able to consider that with a reasonable amount of care from the farmers at plowing time and fall planting time that the county can be reasonably sure of being practically free of no serious damage next year.

The farmers will be reliably informed through the columns of the Courier as to the safe time to seed wheat fields this fall, and already many farmers throughout the county are plowing and getting ready to take care of all volunteer wheat.

FORMER BRUNSWICK GIRL MARRIED IN CALIFORNIA

Many friends in Brunswick and vicinity will be pleased to learn of the happy marriage of Miss Alma Woodward, a former Brunswick girl, who for the past year has been visiting her sister, Mrs. W. E. Adkins, at Bakersfield, Cal.

Miss Woodward, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Woodward, now living near Keytesville, was married Wednesday, August 2, at the Congregational church in Bakersfield, Cal., to Mr. A. C. Hinson also of that place. Mr. and Mrs. Hinson will make their home at 927 Truiston Avenue, Bakersfield.

The Brunswicker joins the many Brunswick friends of the bride in extending best wishes and congratulations.—Brunswick.

THE KEY THAT UNLOCKS THE

The men of eighty-five and ninety years of age are not the rotund, well-fed, but thin, spare men, who live on a slender diet. Be as careful as you will, however, a man past middle age will occasionally eat too much or of some article of food not suited to his constitution, causing indigestion or constipation and will need a dose of Chamberlain's Tablets to move his bowels and invigorate his stomach. When this is done, there is no reason why the average man should not live to a ripe old age.

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HOSPITAL WORK IS BEING RUSHED

Brick work on the walls of the B. B. Putnam hospital is being pushed. The building will be highly ornamental in appearance, and the workmanship is apparently the best in every respect. It is too early to say just when the building will be completed, but some time this winter Supt. Floyd Newman expects to be able to turn it over to the hospital board. Nothing is being slighted, however, in the interest of haste.

The contract for the heating and plumbing work was awarded Monday night, to the G. W. Bigger Heating and Plumbing Company. This is a big contract, providing for the installation of a vapor steam plant, 41 radiators and three bath rooms, together with all plumbing and water connections. The choice of a heating plant rests between the American Ideal and the U. S. systems. On account of the size of the building a vapor system was regarded as the most practical install.

This is one of the largest plumbing contracts ever awarded in Marceline, and the fact that it went to the G. W. Bigger Heating and Plumbing Co. is no surprise to people who know how well this concern is equipped to handle large orders. They carry an immense stock and have a large force of experienced workmen.—Marceline Journal-Mirror.

Try the want add column.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Whereas, Forrest Fugitt, a single man, by his deed of trust dated May 30th, 1919, and recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of Chariton County, Missouri, in book 46 at page 632, conveyed to the undersigned in trust to secure the payment of the indebtedness in said deed of trust described, the following described real estate situate in Chariton County, Missouri, to-wit: All of the Southwest quarter (1/4) of the southwest quarter (1/4) in Section eleven (11), Township fifty-five (55), Range twenty-one (21);

And whereas, the notes secured by said deed of trust are now past due and default being made in the payment thereof.

And whereas, the owner of said notes has requested me to execute the power vested in me by said deed of trust and to sell said real estate, and out of the proceeds of said sale pay the costs of executing this trust and the payment of the notes secured by said deed of trust.

Therefore in compliance with said request, and in pursuance of the power vested in me by said deed of trust, I will sell said real estate at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash, on Saturday the 2nd day of September, 1922, at the front door of the Circuit Court house in the City of Keytesville, Chariton County, Missouri, between the hours of 9:00 a. m. and 4:00 p. m.

JOHN A. RYAN, Trustee.

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