End the conditions that throttle our shipping

MORE than nine million tons of ships built in American shipyards fly the American flag on the high seas—

We have put a great merchant marine on the seas. But it cannot be kept there under present conditions.

It cannot make America independent of foreign shipping in getting American goods to the markets of the world.

It cannot meet in successful competition the ships of other countries which are built more cheaply; operated more cheaply.

It cannot cope with trade fleets grown by other Governments who have thrown the protective arm of preferential treatment and legislation.

But these conditions can be changed.

Under the operation of commercial treaties between the United States and other countries our merchant fleet almost vanished from the seas.

With our hands tied by these agreements, we have been powerless to take effective steps for the maintenance of our merchant marine.

These treaty provisions, which have operated to throttle American shipping, are subject to termination.

The Senate Shipping Bill expresses the opinion that they should be modified and direct action to this end.

When this is done we shall be in a position to enable American ships to hold their own in competition for our fair share of the commerce of the world.

This is a for-America policy that deserves the support of all good Americans.

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