

SHIPS LOCKED IN ICE EMBRACE

Steamer Sidney O. Neff Is Stuck Four Miles Out in Lake Michigan

ALABAMA CAUGHT SIX MILES OUT

Six Men Who Attempted to Reach the Former Are Unaccounted For

Chicago, Jan. 26.—Six men who tried to reach the steamer Sidney O. Neff, stuck in the ice four miles out in Lake Michigan, were unaccounted for early today, and the Goodrich Transit company's flag ship Alabama, carrying a crew of 50, was fast in the ice banks six miles out.

For the first time in a week, however, the wind today had changed to off shore and it was believed the shifting ice would permit the Alabama to crash her way to port.

U. S. DESTROYERS SCRAPPED.

Thirteen Vessels at U. S. Navy Yard, Philadelphia, Have Been Sold.

Philadelphia, Jan. 26.—Thirteen torpedo boat destroyers of the United States navy here have been sold to be scrapped.

The vessels are the Stewart, Hull, Lawrence, Paul Jones, Berry, Preble, Truxton, Bainbridge, Barry, Dale, Decatur, Worden and Whipple and are in the basin of the Philadelphia navy yard.

All the destroyers, before the war were units of the Asiatic, Pacific and Atlantic fleets. During the war they were in active service. The Decatur, it is reported, won two service chevrons.

This is the largest fleet ever purchased from the navy by a private concern. The ships were constructed between 1901 and 1906 and cost the government approximately \$250,000 each. The purchase price in the present sale has not been announced, but it is understood it runs into several hundred thousand dollars.

The purchasers will have the vessels transported to their property at Bridesburg, Pa., near here, on the Delaware river, where they will be dismantled.

VENIZELOS RETURNS TO GREECE.

Was Held Up in Italy 15 Hours by Railway Strike.

Rome, Sunday, Jan. 25.—Premier Venizelos of Greece, who is on his way to Athens from Paris, arrived here at midnight last night, having been delayed 15 hours by the railway strike. He was, therefore, unable to confer with Premier Nitti, as he had intended. Later he left on a special train for Laranto, from which port he will sail for Greece.

POINCARÉ OUTLINES WORK.

Will Devote Himself Entirely to Reconstruction in Meuse.

Paris, Jan. 26 (Havas).—Raymond Poincaré, who will retire from the presidency of the republic on Feb. 17, desires to devote himself entirely to the reconstruction of the department of the Meuse, which was a part of the battle zone, and for this reason will not accept a position in the government for a period of three years, according to the Eclair.

Hood's Pills

In small doses A GENTLE LAXATIVE In Larger Doses A THOROUGH CATHARTIC Made by C. I. Hood Co., Lowell, Mass.

AMERICA AND BRITAIN FIGHTING FOR TRADE

British Official Makes Flat Statement That His Country Is Going to Supplant United States in South America.

Buenos Aires, Sunday, Jan. 25.—Statements by Lord Ashfield of Southwell, president of the British Board of Trade, that the British were "going to supplant the United States in the market she won in South America during the war," which were recently cabled to Argentina, have aroused considerable feeling among Americans here.

Lord Ashfield's declarations have been given wide publicity here by a British advertising agency, and, speaking last night at the first annual banquet of the United States Chamber of Commerce in Argentina, William H. Robertson, American consul general, took exception to them as being what he described as "hostile propaganda."

"The amount of our Latin-American and Argentine trade we hold after the war," he said, "will depend exactly, as always, upon the efficiency of our manufacturers and the skill of our salesmen—in other words, considerations of price and quality. With an enormous valuable home market, the United States has up to the present made virtually no concerted effort to secure Latin-American trade. Our goods sold themselves on their merits alone, in spite of all the hostile propaganda used against us by our rivals. I think the president of the British Board of Trade will find himself mistaken in his recent alleged utterance, and that 'more experienced methods in trading, sentimental relations and British quality' are going to supplant us soon with our Latin-American friends."

Mr. Robertson cited statistics to show it was a misconception that European nations like Great Britain and Germany had in the past obtained the United States in South America, and to demonstrate that the increase of United States trade during the war was merely an enlargement of old, long established business. He said this was contrary to the impression the United States had taken her opportunity to step in while European nations were engaged in the war and take away the profits of their business.

"The simple fact is," he continued, "that the United States has not been outside in the past and has little cause for worry as to what Europeans are going to take away from her in future."

Protesting against the habit attributed to some Americans in referring to American importers and manufacturers, dealing in South America as "dishonest," Mr. Robertson insisted there should be retractions made. He said these men had been imposed upon by "subtle propagandists," who had as their object the injuring of America's commercial reputation abroad. He asserted a few specific complaints had been made the basis for general statements.

"It would be interesting," he concluded, "to learn to what extent such complaints are kept alive in foreign markets by our competitors, but the best reply to their unworthy and insincere aspirations is the simple fact that between 1905 and 1913 our exports of manufactures nearly doubled and they have been steadily increasing since."

PLAGUE DRIVES REDS.

Soviet Government Has Left Moscow for City of Tvor.

Stockholm, Jan. 26 (Havas).—Members of the soviet government have left Moscow, following a renewed outbreak of the plague, and have gone to the city of Tvor, on the upper Volga, according to advices received here.

TRYING I. W. W.'S FOR MURDER

Regular Venire of 80 Men and Special of 300 Men Called

TEN WEEKS NEEDED TO COMPLETE TRIAL

Ten of Eleven Men Indicted Are Charged Specifically With Murder

Montesano, Wash., Jan. 26.—A regular venire of eighty men and a special venire of 300 to-day had been summoned for the opening of the trial of 11 Industrial Workers of the World, charged with murder in connection with the shooting to death of four former soldiers at Centralia on armistice day.

Defense counsel had announced, however, that a second request for a change of venire would be made. The trial was transferred to Montesano, seat of Gray's Harbor county, from Lewis county, where the shooting occurred. Defense counsel then as now, charged sentiment against the defendants would deprive them of a fair trial.

It has been estimated that ten weeks will be necessary for the trial. The prosecution has a list of more than 300 witnesses and the defense is said to plan to present fully 100. Ten defendants are charged specifically with the murder of Lieutenant Warren O. Grimm, a leader in the armistice day parade.

The eleven men, Elmer Smith, Centralia attorney, is charged with being an accessory before the fact in the alleged conspiracy to shoot the former service men as they marched in a parade.

6,000 REBELS IN MEXICO.

At Least Half Are Unarmed or Poorly Equipped.

Mexico, Jan. 26.—There are now 6,000 rebels in Mexico, according to an estimate by General Francisco L. Urquiza, chief of staff. At least half of these are declared to be either unarmed or equipped with useless weapons. Among the rebel leaders mentioned in the summary are: Villa in Chihuahua and Coahuila; Felix Diaz, Pedro Gabay, Panuncio Martinez, Higinio Aguilar and Pedro Galan in Vera Cruz; Abel Salazar, Gilardo Magana, Sotto y Gama and Manuel Palafox in Morelos; Manuel Pelaez, Magdalena Cedillo and his brother, Luis Caballero and Eugenio Lopez in Tamaulipas; Felix Fanelos in Aguascalientes; Pedro Zamora in Colima; Guillermo Meluero in Oaxaca; Federico Cordova Cirilo Arenas in Puebla; Jesus H. Salgado in Guerrero.

NEW FRENCH WAR COUNCIL.

Foch, Joffre, Petain and Bust Make Up Supreme Board.

Paris, Jan. 26.—Marshals Foch, Joffre and Petain and Major General Bust, chief of staff, make up the new French supreme war council, according to announcement. Nine generals will be chosen to act on the council, which will be under the presidency of the minister of war. Marshal Petain will be vice-president and commander-in-chief of French armies in time of war.

The Big Open.

One time a young gent from the West Had a dragon tattooed on his chest. That got restless one day And sneaked right away Through a hole that he found in his vest. —California Pigskin.

AN "UNSURPASSED" WEAPON

Said to Be Almost Ready for British Navy.

London, Jan. 24.—The British navy may soon be given a new and "unsurpassed" weapon in a large calibre shell which will pierce the heaviest armor without shattering, said Sir Robert Hadfield, chairman and managing director of Hadfield's, Ltd., steel manufacturers, recently. He indicated that possession of such a shell during the great war would have been of incalculable value to the British fleet.

"The feat has been accomplished," he said, "within the last few days, of getting the largest calibre of armor-piercing shell unbroken through the thickest of modern, hard-faced armor plate. This result will render the British gun unsurpassed, incomparable and the master in any naval engagements of the future."

"If we had possessed such a shell during the war many of the German battleships would have been 'scuttled' long before they were at Scapa Flow."

PLEA TO LIFT BLOCKADE

Has Been Made in the Name of Ukraine.

Basle, Jan. 26.—M. Bezpalko, minister of labor in the Ukrainian cabinet, has telegraphed, in the name of the Ukrainian government, an urgent note to the supreme council at Paris asking a lifting of the blockade, at least so far as it relates to drugs and sanitary material. He says this step is necessary to enable Ukraine to fight the epidemic of cholera and typhus now raging in that country, according to Vienna advices.

UNITED STATES HAS PETROLEUM CONTROL

Is Now Supplying More Than 69 Per Cent of the World's Annual Supply.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 26.—The United States has produced more than 51 per cent of the world's crude petroleum since the discovery of that product, and at latest reports was producing more than 69 per cent of the world's annual supply. Compilation of the production's statistics just issued by the geological survey shows that from 1857 to and including 1918 there were produced throughout the world 7,503,147,138 barrels of crude petroleum, of which the United States supplied 4,908,571,719 barrels. Russia furnished almost 25 per cent. In the last year's statistics there of 1918, the United States produced 353,927,716 barrels, while Mexico furnished more than 12 per cent and Russia almost eight per cent.

SAVE EVERY POUND OF FOOD.

That Is the Plan to Be Discussed at Canners' Convention.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 26.—Plans to save every possible pound of food from waste will be discussed by food and agricultural experts from all parts of the country during the six-day convention of the National Canners' association, the Canning Machinery and Supply association, and the National Canned Foods and Dried Fruit Brokers' association, which opened here today. Joint sessions will be held by the three organizations with nearly 5,000 delegates.

Good Evidence.

A certain little youngster was on a visitor to the doctor, who coaxed him along with the usual line of "jollying." "Now, Bobbie," he said kindly, "you must sleep all you can—get plenty of rest and sleep and you will grow well and strong, and have bright rosy cheeks."

Bobbie turned to go when he spied the highly rouged attendant in the next room. He stepped to the door and looked at her admiringly as he exclaimed, "Gee, you must have had a good nap." —Indianapolis News.

VERMONT CROPS \$45,778,200

No State East of Mississippi Had More Yield Per Acre of Hay

ONLY ONE AHEAD IN BUCKWHEAT

Vermont Is Also Well Up in Rye, Spring Wheat, Oats, Barley and Potatoes

The Vermont crop report for 1919, compiled from the monthly crop report issued by the United States department of agriculture, shows that Vermont's total yield for the year was \$45,778,200. No state east of the Mississippi river had a greater yield of hay per acre, only one state more in rye and spring wheat, three states more in corn, four states more in oats and five states more in barley and potatoes.

The report of Vermont is as follows:

Corn.
Acreage, 1919, 40,000; 1918, 40,000.
Average yield per acre, 53 bushels, 38 bushels.
U. S. average yield, 28.6 bushels; 24 bushels.
Production, 2,120,000 bushels; 1,520,000 bushels.
Price, Dec. 1, 1919, \$1.75 per bushel; 1918, \$1.70 per bushel.
U. S. average price, \$1.349 per bushel; \$1.365 per bushel.
Total farm value, \$3,710,000; \$2,584,000.
Value per acre, \$92.75; \$64.50.
U. S. average price, \$32.70; \$33.58.
Only three states report a larger yield per acre and Vermont's value per acre is almost three times that reported for the United States.
(The first set of figures given is for 1919, the second for 1918.)

Oats.
Acreage, 110,000; 110,000.
Average yield per acre, 36 bushels; 41 bushels.
U. S. average yield, 29.4 bushels; 34.7 bushels.
Production, 3,960,000 bushels; 4,510,000 bushels.
Price Dec. 1, \$0.90 per bushel; \$0.90 per bushel.
U. S. average price, \$0.717 per bushel; \$0.709 per bushel.
Total farm value, \$3,564,000; \$4,059,000.
Value per acre, \$32.40; \$36.90.
U. S. average price, \$21.12; \$24.59.
Only four states report a larger yield per acre.

Barley.
Acreage, 14,000; 13,000.
Average yield per acre, 30 bushels; 31 bushels.
U. S. average yield, 22.3 bushels; 26.3 bushels.
Production, 420,000 bushels; 403,000 bushels.
Price Dec. 1, \$1.50 per bushel; \$1.63 per bushel.
Total farm value, \$630,000; \$617,000.
Value per acre, \$45; \$47.43.
U. S. average price, \$27.01; \$24.12.
Only five states report a larger yield per acre and only four states a larger value per acre. Vermont's yield per acre and value per acre were nearly twice that of the United States.

Buckwheat.
Acreage, 9,000; 10,000.
Average yield per acre, 25 bushels; 21 bushels.
U. S. average yield, 20.8 bushels; 16.5 bushels.
Production, 225,000 bushels; 210,000 bushels.
Price Dec. 1, \$1.70 per bushel; \$1.60 per bushel.
U. S. average price, \$1.474 per bushel; \$1.665 per bushel.

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Total farm value, \$382,000; \$336,000.
Value per acre, \$42.50; \$33.60.
U. S. average value, \$30.41; \$27.40.
Only one state reported a larger yield per acre and Vermont's value per acre exceeded that of any other state.

Rye.
Acreage, 1,000; 1,000.
Average yield per acre, 17 bushels; 21 bushels.
U. S. average yield, 12.5 bushels; 14.2 bushels.
Production, 17,000 bushels; 21,000 bushels.
Price Dec. 1, \$1.50 per bushel; \$1.66 per bushel.
U. S. average price, \$1.345 per bushel; \$1.516 per bushel.
Total farm value, \$26,000; \$35,000.
Value per acre, \$24.50; \$34.86.
U. S. average value, \$10.83; \$21.50.
Only two states report a larger yield per acre.

Spring Wheat.
Acreage, 12,000; 19,000.
Average yield per acre, 21 bushels; 22 bushels.
U. S. average yield, 9 bushels; 16.2 bushels.
Production, 252,000 bushels; 418,000 bushels.
Price Dec. 1, \$2.27 per bushel; \$2.31 per bushel.
U. S. average price, \$2.295 per bushel; \$2.009 per bushel.
Total farm value, \$572,000; \$966,000.
Value per acre, \$47.67; \$50.82.
U. S. average value, \$20.59; \$32.46.
Only two states, and those in the irrigated region of the West, reported a larger yield per acre, and only one state reported a larger value per acre. Both Vermont's yield per acre and value per acre were more than twice the figures reported for the United States as a whole.

Potatoes.
Acreage, 25,000; 28,000.
Average yield per acre, 125 bushels; 130 bushels.
U. S. average yield, 89.2 bushels; 95.9 bushels.
Production, 3,125,000 bushels; 3,640,000 bushels.
Price Dec. 1, \$1.37 per bushel; \$1.38 per bushel.
Total farm value, \$4,287,500; \$4,812,000.
Value per acre, \$161.4 per bushel; \$1.193 per bushel.
Total farm value, \$4,906,000; \$5,023,000.
Value per acre, \$196.25; \$179.40.
U. S. average value, \$143.63; \$114.44.
Only five states report a larger yield per acre and only six states a larger value per acre. With one exception Vermont's yield per acre was the largest of any state east of the Rocky mountains.

Hay.
Acreage, 910,000; 905,000.
Average yield per acre, 1.60 tons; 1.30 tons.
U. S. average yield, 1.62 tons; 1.37 tons.
Production, 1,456,000 tons; 1,176,000 tons.
Price Dec. 1, \$20.10 per ton; \$16.30 per ton.
U. S. average price, \$20.15 per ton; \$20.13 per ton.
Total farm value, \$29,266,000; \$19,182,000.
Value per acre, \$32.16; \$21.19.
U. S. average value, \$32.65; \$27.68.
The very large yield of the irrigated states of the far West brings up the general average. No state east of the Mississippi valley exceeded Vermont's yield per acre. Eighteen states reported a larger average yield. Twenty-one states produce more tons of hay and the same number report a greater total farm value, but Vermont ranks 42d in area and population.

Apples.
Total crop, 1,500,000 bushels; 1,990,000 bushels.
Price per bushel, \$1.75; \$1.40.

Value of crop, \$2,625,000; \$1,306,000 bushels.
Pears.
Total crop, 18,000 bushels; 13,000 bushels.
Price per bushel, \$2.40; \$2.
Value of crop, \$43,200; \$26,000.

Vermont Farm Yields and Values, 1919

Yield.	Value.
Corn, bushels	2,120,000 \$3,710,000
Oats, bu.	3,960,000 3,564,000
Rye, bu.	17,000 26,000
Spring wheat, bu.	252,000 572,000
Barley, bu.	420,000 617,000
Buckwheat, bu.	225,000 352,000
Potatoes, bu.	3,125,000 4,906,000
Hay, tons	1,456,000 29,266,000
Apples, bu.	1,500,000 2,625,000
Pears, bu.	18,000 43,000
Total	\$45,778,200

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