

PRIVATE SHIPS TAKEN OVER BY GOVERNMENT

Three Vessels of United Fruit Company Are First to Be Seized

ACTION IS PROTESTED

Board Announces It Will Continue to Commandeer Whenever Need Develops

Washington, May 2.—General Pennington and the United States shipping board, it is announced here today, have taken the decision to take over the private ships of the United Fruit Company, the owners of which have refused to sign the requisition agreement, making their vessels subject to the call of the United States.

The United Fruit Company, which is largely engaged in trade between the United States and Central American countries, was the first to feel the effect of the order. Three of its ships have been taken over. General Pennington recently requisitioned two of them in Ecuador and the other was taken over in Panama.

Although questions in connection with the seizure remain to be adjudicated, shipping board officials declare it might be well to continue to take over vessels as the need for them develops.

The action was regarded as an especially significant one in the light of the statement made by Lord Reading, British ambassador, that a transportation improvement in the shipping situation could be reached but for the fact there were many private vessels that had to be seized.

The principal question to be settled is the rate of compensation to be paid the United Fruit Company for the use of its vessels. The company contended that the rate of compensation should be set at a rate of 10 per cent of the value of the cargo.

The attitude of the shipping board is that the banana trade is one of the most important in the world and that the United States is being made to do double duty in behalf of the military needs of the United States.

70,000 FREIGHT CARS ORDERED BY M'ADOO

Largest Single Purchase Ever Made—Cost About \$200,000,000

Washington, May 2.—The railroad commission has placed orders for 70,000 additional freight cars with fifteen car-building concerns. The aggregate cost is between \$120,000,000 and \$200,000,000, and the average profit to builders is about 3 per cent.

This is the largest single order for freight cars ever let. Together with orders already placed, the contracts awarded yesterday make up a railroad rolling stock building program which will shortly be under way, of \$225,000,000, including 80,000 cars for fifteen months ordered two days ago.

The cars ordered will have steel underframes, but the sides will be made largely of wood to save steel for other purposes. All are of standard design recently arranged by the railroad administration.

The orders were distributed as follows: The Standard Steel Car Company, Pittsburgh, 15,000 cars; Pressed Steel Car Company, Pittsburgh, 14,000 cars; Pullman Company, Chicago, 10,000 cars; Haskell & Sons, Newark, N. J., 10,000 cars; American Car and Foundry Company, Detroit, 10,000 cars; Bethlehem Steel Corporation, Bethlehem, Pa., 10,000 cars; Republic Steel Corporation, Chicago, 10,000 cars; Republic Steel Corporation, Chicago, 10,000 cars; Republic Steel Corporation, Chicago, 10,000 cars.

END MISSIONARY MEETING

Japanese Makes Address at Final Session of Conference

London, May 2.—An address on "Japan Day" given by Hajime Tanihara, was the feature of the closing sessions of the thirteenth biennial conference of the Women's Missionary Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of North America, which is being held here today.

Other speakers were Dr. E. Schunck, president of the general council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of North America; the Rev. H. K. Laute, president of the American Council of Christian Education; the Rev. H. A. Weller, president of the Lutheran Mission of Pennsylvania; and Prof. H. H. Sipes, a missionary to Paduanar.

6500 Germans in Business in Britain

London, May 2.—A Joynton-Hecks, M. P., at a meeting of the House of Commons today said there are 6500 Germans at liberty in Great Britain who are engaged in commercial business. He declared they should be interned now and deported later.

BUSINESS CAREER OF PETER FLINT

A Story of Salesmanship by Harold Whitehead

It is a story of a man who has made a name for himself in the business world. Peter Flint, a young man of twenty-five, has been successful in his career as a salesman. He has been in the business for five years and has made a name for himself. He has been successful in his career as a salesman. He has been in the business for five years and has made a name for himself.

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EX-POLICEMAN DRIVES ARMY MULES

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PLENTY OF LIFEBOATS ON CITY OF ATHENS

Revised List Shows 69 Died in Collision With French Cruiser

New York, May 3.—Almost twice the actual number of lifeboats were found on the City of Athens when she was captured and sunk by a French vessel off the Delaware coast early Wednesday morning, according to L. Collins, assistant harbor master of the Philadelphia harbor. The vessel carried 142 persons, and there were 135 on board, six of whom were lost.

Mr. Collins gave out a revised list of deaths, showing 69 of the crew and passengers and thirty-two of the crew and passengers who were lost. The revised list shows 69 died in the collision with the French cruiser.

Two independent investigations of the incident are under way. The State Department is making an investigation of the City of Athens, and the French government is making an investigation of the French cruiser.

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A Man's Money Buys Greatest CLOTHING Value Here

Dollar for Dollar and Suit for Suit These Superb Garments Are Without Rival

And We Doubt if There Is Another Such Collection of Fine Woolsens in America—We Know There Is Not at These Popular Prices

Men's \$18 to \$20 Spring Suits \$13.75, Men's \$22.50 Fancy Mixture Suits \$16.75, Men's High-Grade All-Wool \$25 \$20 Blue Serge Suits, Boys' Extra Good Serge Norfolk \$8.75 Suits, Boys' Spring Suits & Coats at Popular Prices, \$5.98, \$7.50, \$10.



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LIBERTY BOND TOTAL LACKS \$162,000,000

\$2,438,377,300 Now Reported—Treasury Confident of Oversubscription

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AVERTS DANCE TESTIMONY

Burlington Firemen's Committee Pleads Non-Violent Contention

Montreal, May 2.—The Burlington Firemen's Committee today pleaded non-violent contention in the case of the Burlington Firemen's Association, which is being prosecuted for the alleged violation of the Liquor License Act.

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ANNOUNCE FOR SATURDAY May Clearance Exceptionally Special Values in MISSES' SPRING FASHIONS

Misses' Tailleur Suits Special 110—Suits taken from regular stock, one or two of a kind; in serge and Poiret twill; navy, tan and covert. 125—Suits, tailored and dressy models, Poiret twill, tricotine serge and jersey; all the fashionable colors. 98—Suits of tricotine, velour, checks, Poiret twill, serge, Poiret and linen combinations and jersey.

Misses' Coat and Cape Special 110—Coats and Capes, for sport, street and general utility wear; burella, Jersey, tricotine, Poiret twill and serge. 29.50 Were up to \$45.00

Misses' Frock and Gown Special In satin, taffeta, crepe de chine and serge. 22.50 Were up to \$37.50

Misses' Afternoon and Dinner Gowns—Georgette crepe, foulards, satin, crepe de chine and taffeta. 37.50 Were up to \$55.00

Girls' Section Celebrates First Saturday in the May Sale With Extra Special Values Lingerie Drfesses \$1.98 to \$12.98

What a Wonderful Muslin Undergarments! May White Sale of It's For Exceeding Our Own Expectations for Quick Selling

Misses' and Women's Supremely Smart Apparel! New Lots Hurried In; Prices Very Low

For Misses—Suits, \$19.50, Misses' Serge and Poplin \$29.75 Suits, Jaunty one-button suit is illustrated. Also serge and bustle cloth coats of smart lines as well as military-looking coats of bustle cloth.

Women's & Misses' Dresses, Charming \$25 Modes... Women's Coats: Tailored and Military Styles, \$18.50

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