

5000 Houses Here to Be Sold By U. S.

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These houses could be bought for now from private owners or real estate agents, particularly new houses.

The cost price of the houses was kept to a minimum by the purchase of materials in huge quantities, and getting the work of building done by private contractors who made only a very small profit.

Other developments nearby, all put through by the Emergency Fleet Corporation, include in round figures 1500 houses at Camden, 800 at Chester, 400 at Gloucester and 400 at Bristol.

Partial relief from Philadelphia's house famine may be expected by next spring from private building according to Daniel Crawford, Jr., president of the Operative Builders' Association of this city.

The city is short at least 20,000 houses, according to estimates made by Mr. Crawford, who believes that the amount appropriated for sewers in the loan bill will provide drainage for between seven and eight thousand houses.

"I am sorry that the sewer items in the loan bill did not go through," said Mr. Crawford. "The sum of \$500,000 was taken from the original amount for sewers. These sewers will have to be built ultimately, and the price of labor is advancing at such a rate that the same amount of work will cost a great deal more money a year or so from now than it would cost if put under contract at present."

Business Failures Many
"I know of no business which has seen so many failures as that of the builder. Nearly all of them are traceable to one cause—builders taking chances erecting dwellings on land which lacked essential improvements.

"Real estate is not a paying proposition any more. The only way to induce people with money to invest in real estate for renting purposes is to make the investment attractive. With building costs 60 to 75 per cent above normal it is necessary to make rents conform to real estate ownership is to show a profit."

"I should say that there is a 'rising market' in houses at present, rather than 'prostituting'. There will be real profiteering, however, if houses are not speedily built to meet the city's needs."

"Financing is another important consideration. The trust companies loan funds for building with the understanding that the builder will re-finance the houses when completed, and return the original loan to the trust company, which cannot afford to have its funds tied up for an indefinite period. The builder does this by obtaining mortgages from private investors or estates, either direct or through a mortgage broker. Mortgage money at present is scarce and dear. It is difficult to place mortgages. They cost as high as 7 or 8 per cent, though some are to be had for 6."

PRESIDENT WILSON'S TWO TRIPS ABROAD, TOLD CHRONOLOGICALLY

November 18, 1918—Announces he will go abroad to participate in Peace Conference.
December 4, 1918—Sails on steamship George Washington.
December 13, 1918—Lands at Brest.
December 14, 1918—Arrives at Paris and meets President Poincare.

January 27, 1919—Visits Rhinos and Chateau Thierry.
February 15, 1919—Leaves Brest for United States on George Washington.
February 21, 1919—Lands in Boston. Speaks on League of Nations.
February 23, 1919—Back in Washington.

March 4, 1919—Visits daughter in Philadelphia.
March 5, 1919—Sails again on the George Washington.
March 13, 1919—Lands at Brest. Speaks to Paris.
March 23, 1919—Visits French battlefields.

April 1, 1919—Warns counsel to speed peace terms.
April 23, 1919—Witnesses Italy getting France.
May 29, 1919—Sends message to Sixty-sixth Congress, urging Congress to revoke war prohibition act.

June 18, 1919—Received at Brussels by King Albert.
June 19, 1919—Tours Belgian battlefields.
June 29, 1919—Returns to Paris.
June 30, 1919—Sails from France on the George Washington.
July 8, 1919—Lands at Hoboken. Big reception in New York.

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Abroad U. S. S. George Washington, July 8.—(By Wireless to the Associated Press.)—President Wilson's message, to be delivered to Congress on Thursday, is completed. The message, the reading of which will take about twenty minutes, contains about 5000 words devoted to the peace treaty and proposals and the work of the Peace Conference.

It is understood that these Peace Conference subjects are dealt with in broad general lines without taking up the large questions of the treaty in detail, as this probably will come later when the foreign relations committee of Congress examines the details. The President also will have an opportunity to go over these matters with members of the committee. In this examination of the terms he will have the cooperation of a number of specialists now returning with the presidential party, who have dealt with the detailed reparations, territorial readjustment and economic questions.

R-34 Is Prepared for Tomorrow's Dash

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scended from amidships. As this ballast left the craft the R-34 moved upward slowly. From both sides, well forward, rays from the undersurface, also well forward, three wire cables were connected with anchorages on the ground. The stern was left to swing with whatever breeze might stir during the night.

"We did not come any way near losing the ship and allow me to say that it would have been all right if we had lost it. When we planned to come here the British Government asked the United States Government to build a shed in which to house the ship during her stay in this country. This the United States Government refused to do. When the British Government learned this it said something equivalent to 'all right.'"

According to prominent representatives, President Wilson will not be invited before the committee, but Secretary Lansing and others of the committee mission probably will be called. If any information from the President is deemed necessary, it was said, a request would be made formally by the Senate and not by the committee.

Senator Sherman, Republican, of Illinois, introduced a resolution asking the President by what authority he had undertaken "to impose upon the people of this country and to make its government subject to the league of nations. The resolution describes the league as containing "all the necessary vital organs of an independent government whose powers are absolute over the member nations."

A preamble said the President, "with four other citizens have assumed at the Paris conference to represent the United States government" and asked that the constitutional authority for this and other acts mentioned be cited. Under the rules the measure went over without action.

BOLSHEVIKI PLAN TO QUIT PETROGRAD

Washington, July 8.—(By A. P.)—Definite information that the Bolsheviki authorities are planning to evacuate Petrograd has been received in official circles here. Decision to quit the capital was said to have been violently opposed by some elements of the government.

Dispatches from Paris today that the Council of Five has approved a proposal for a joint attack on Petrograd by Admiral Kolchak and the Finns elicited great interest here. Petrograd has been the object of the attacks of Finnish, Estonian and Russian volunteer troops for several months. A few weeks ago the Estonians and Russian volunteers were closing in on Petrograd, but an announcement made in Copenhagen Monday by the Estonian bureau said that the troops which had been advancing on Petrograd had suffered a reverse and were in retreat. The anti-Bolshevik forces were reported to have abandoned several positions along the coast of the Gulf of Finland and the Petrograd-Narva railroad.

Admiral Kolchak's plan to attack Petrograd probably does not anticipate the use of the Siberian armies which have been fighting the Bolsheviki west of the Urals. At present the Kolchak forces west of the Urals are more than 800 miles east of Petrograd. It is likely that the Finns will be joined by Russian volunteer troops and forces of the North Russian government at Archangel.

The North Russian government has agreed to co-operate in military operations against the Bolsheviki while retaining local autonomy. Finnish troops are within thirty miles of Petrograd on the north, while forces of the North Russian government are operating in the southern part of the province of Olonets, northeast of Petrograd.

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Allies Back Plan to Win Petrograd

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train note on the subject. The reply will be of a friendly character. A decision of the Council of Five to devote further time to consideration of Austrian territorial questions has resulted in the Austrian peace treaty being held up after the printers had set the type and handed over the proofs. The boundaries question will be taken up tomorrow and it is stated that the treaty will not be ready for presentation before the end of the week at the earliest, as there are many problems in this connection to be considered.

Decision was reached today to lift the commercial censorship on communications with Germany simultaneously with the lifting of the blockade. This decision will not affect the censorship on matters of a political nature. The supreme council of the Peace Conference has decided to appoint a committee of four members to inquire into Norway's claims to Spitzbergen. A Norwegian note on war claims and the repatriation of Armenians were among matters considered today by the Council of Five. The Norwegian note was one from the government presenting claims for ships sunk during the war by submarines and damages for sailors' loss of life.

The matter of the repatriation of Armenians in Russian Russia was referred to Viscount Milner, British member of the committee on mandatories. Helsinki, July 8.—(By A. P.)—It is reported that all foreign embassies, legations and consulates in Petrograd have been occupied by Bolsheviki troops. The archives have been seized, it is said, and those in charge have been arrested and handed over to an extraordinary commission dealing with charges of espionage against the soviet government.

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Mighty U. S. Fleet Welcomes President

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cavalries were commanded by Admiral Wilson.
The city's official welcoming party, headed by Mayor Hylan and Governor Smith, were passengers aboard the national steamships Patrol and Corveta.

Among the destroyers in the escort to meet the George Washington were the Wilkes, Rowan, Kimberly, O'Brien, Nicholson, Winslow, Ericsson, Wadsworth and Porter, all of which were in the United States destroyer escort of twenty-four destroyers for the transport on December 13 last, from Queenstown when the President made his first trip to France.

1100 Policemen on Guard
On duty for the President's arrival were 1100 policemen from the Jersey City and Hoboken forces and several thousand school children were formed in River street to greet the President with "The Star-Spangled Banner" as he leaves the George Washington to embark for Manhattan on a special ferryboat. Hoboken is a mass of flags in honor of the President's return.

Immediately after welcoming exercises in Carnegie Hall, where he will speak, President Wilson will go to the Pennsylvania station to take a special train for Washington.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, headed a delegation of twenty-five prominent labor leaders from Central and South American countries who went down the bay on a city ferryboat to bid in welcoming the President. The South American labor leaders are in this city attending a conference of the Pan-American Federation of Labor, which opened yesterday.

Another ferryboat carried 1000 residents of Staten Island and a large number of relatives and friends of the soldier returning on the George Washington. All the vessels of the welcoming fleet were gaily decorated with bunting from stem to stern.

The streets along which the President is to pass on his way to Carnegie Hall

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