

\$166,493,990 PROFIT MADE BY U.S. ON SHIPS, SAYS PAYNE

WASHINGTON, March 12.—Government operations in the shipping business resulted in a net profit of \$166,493,990 up to last June 20, Chairman Payne told the Senate merchant marine committee, making public for the first time complete statistics covering this financial aspect.

The revenue does not include unpaid balances due from other government departments, he said, adding that the food administration owes the board about \$15,000,000 and the War Department about \$150,000,000.

On Feb. 1, he said, the board was operating 1,397 bottoms of 8,383,000 deadweight tons, including 1,048 steel cargo ships, 276 wooden vessels, 48 tankers and 16 refrigerator ships.

A total of 158 companies, he said, held operating charters for vessels owned by the board. On the first day of February, 209 ships were listed as "under repair," 135 "laid up for the winter" and 1,179 "in actual operation."

No Money Asked.

Not one cent will be asked of congress by the shipping board to complete its construction program, Chairman Payne said, since funds from operation and sale of ships will take care of estimated expenditures of \$307,000,000 for the next fiscal year.

He reiterated that the "government should get out of the shipping business as soon as possible, and stay out."

"Very much too much has been said by private interests seeking to buy ships," he remarked, "since some people appear to have the impression that congress can be induced to force the shipping board to sell its vessels for \$100 or \$150 a ton. This made many prospective purchasers hold off, but when the debate is over they will move faster."

City Lodges

EAGLES.

Plans are being made for an active membership campaign to be started soon by Wayne aerie. Ten applications were received at the last meeting of the lodge, and it is planned to obtain at least 100 more members before the drive closes.

Presidents of the Aerie of Indiana and Ohio attended the reception and smoker held in the lodge home last Wednesday. Following the business session, a lunch was served and a short program of entertainment was given.

MASON'S.

Master Mason's degree will be conferred in Richmond lodge next Tuesday evening. On Wednesday evening, Webb lodge will hold its stated meeting.

King Solomon's chapter will hold its stated conclave Friday evening. The chapter will also confer Royal Arch degree.

Richmond Commandery will have work in the Order of Red Cross next Monday evening, beginning at 7 o'clock.

Masons of the city will be the guests of Loyal chapter O. E. S., next Thursday evening. An elaborate program has been arranged, and every member of the order in the city is urged to attend.

I. O. O. F.

Twelve candidates will be initiated into Whitewater lodge at the meeting Friday night. Every member of the lodge is urged to attend.

K. O. P.

Arrangements for a musical comedy, "Pal O'Mine," to be given by the Knights of Columbus some time after Easter, will be made by the committee at a meeting next Monday night. A director from Chicago may be brought here to stage the play.

Took 'Em Off? Put 'Em On Again, Warns Moore

Real March weather is due for the next three days, decrees Weatherman Moore.

Cold weather, with snow flurries is scheduled for Friday afternoon and night, with freezing temperatures Friday night. After this little parting shot, the thermometer will start climbing again. Warm weather is due the first of the week.

Warning is given to pedestrians and drivers to anchor their hats and "motor cars," as high winds will be swooping down in unexpected places Saturday.

The ground will be frozen by Friday night's cold snap, but the temperatures will not go far below freezing.

City Second in State in February Building

Eleven buildings, at a cost of \$29,800, were erected in Richmond during February, 1920, as compared with 13 at a cost of \$10,960 for the same month in 1919. Figures just compiled by the American Contractor Publishing company show, Richmond has the second largest percent of increase in the cost of work done, of any city in the state. The per cent gain, according to the American Contractor, is 302. Elkhart has the largest per cent increase, 340.

Sailors "Swipe" Auto, Alleged; Quickly Caught

The federal government will handle the case of Cleo Vursas and William Calkins, sailors, charged with stealing an auto belonging to Dr. J. E. King, 24 South Ninth street. Roy Wenger, chief of police said Friday.

The car which was stolen early Thursday evening, was recovered within six hours at Dayton.

Vursas and Calkins will be tried under the interstate theft act, which carries a minimum sentence of five years.

HAS NEWSPAPER OF 1846
PRINCETON, Ind., March 12.—What is believed to be the oldest copy in existence of a Princeton newspaper was exhibited recently by Prentice McClure of this city. It is a copy of the Princeton Chronicle, a five page folio, dated April 26, 1846, and published by John F. Bunting. Local tradition says the newspaper stopped publication some time later the same year. The McClure copy was found among the effects of the late Joseph McClure, father of the present owner.

Helps Poland

If you have a particularly keen memory for things that are rather inconsequential as things go nowadays, you may remember that when William C. Redfield became secretary of commerce in Mr. Wilson's cabinet, E. Dana Durand, chief of the census bureau and a statistician of overwhelming ability and productivity, resigned. Today he is in Poland, active head if not the nominal head of the Polish food ministry. Poland has a ration schedule. She lives by the calory and her citizens are permitted to have a sufficient number of food calories every day to keep them fit to do their particular work in riveting Poland to a permanent place on the political map of the world. The diversion of ever so small a quantity of food from one section of Poland to another means that the first section is going to be hungry before the fixed time for the next meal, and there's liable as not to be a great deal of trouble among the populace.

So it is the job of this exceedingly able but little advertised man to do the statistical work of apportioning food throughout Poland. He investigates living conditions for the Polish government. He ascertains the reason for economic, political and social disturbances and sets these reasons forth in clear reports that the Polish cabinet can know what curative measures to adopt.

Mr. Durand was born at Romeo, Mich., in 1871. He was assistant professor of administration and finance at Leland Stanford University, 1898-9; secretary United States industrial commission, 1900-2; special expert agent United States census office on street railways and electric light plants, 1902; special examiner United States bureau of corporations, 1907-9; director United States census, 1909-13. In the latter year he was named professor of statistics and agricultural economics at the University of Minnesota, position he held until going to Poland.

Earlham

Although in 190 state, county, city and private normal schools a total of 11,503 fewer teachers on Nov. 1, than in the year previous to the war, reported, Earlham college has weathered the general national situation and has at present more pupils than ever before in the educational department. President David M. Edwards said Friday.

Despite the contradiction at Earlham the national situation is desperate; it cannot be over emphasized," said the president. "These schools reporting a loss in teacher-pupil ratio, represent 60 per cent of the total normal schools, and on this basis there would be a shortage of 19,170. At graduation time, 1920, there will be 7,000 fewer graduates from the normal schools, at the very time when there should be more than ever before."

President Edwards arrived at the college Friday morning, following several days in Philadelphia, New York and Boston. One hundred and fifty Earlhamites are members of the Philadelphia club, a meeting of which he attended.

Cecilia Chandler, of Dayton, was visited by her mother, Friday.

Appointments to the Young Men's Christian Association cabinet for 1920 were made public Thursday, as follows: devotional committee, Morris Tompson; Bible study committee, Donald Snyder; missionary committee, James Thorpe; social committee, Paul Gordon; music committee, Hurford Crossman; deputations, Warren Fauquier; employment committee, Dolan Lorcee; personal work, Josiah Russell; receptions, Raymond Jenkins; finance, Leslie Nicholson; membership, Leslie Pennington.

Madame Else Harthan Arendt, soprano, who was to have appeared jointly with Clarence Eldan, pianist, but owing to illness postponed her recital, will appear on Wednesday, March 24, at 8:15 p. m., in Lindley Hall. Tiny Mae Haines, organist at St. James Methodist church in Chicago, will accompany her. Madame Arendt is a resident of Chicago, married and a mother. Because of her home attachments she is not going into opera work in this country, although she has appeared operatically abroad. She has been called the greatest soprano of all the west. All seats have been previously engaged for the recital.

Prof. George Hilliard, head of the department of education, is ill with scarlet fever at his home in West Richmond. No one has been secured to take his classes.

The Glee club will give a concert in Fountain City Friday night. Last week the aggregation sang in Winchester.

4 to Represent Earlham at Y. W. C. A. Meeting; Minstrel to Pay Expenses

Miss Lova Pearson, retiring Y. W. C. A. president; Miss Elsie Chappell, president-elect; Mrs. Morris, chairman of the advisory committee, and one other delegate, to be appointed later, will represent Earlham at the national Y. W. C. A. convention, in Cleveland in May.

To finance the expenses of these delegates young women of the Earlham association have arranged a minstrel, to be given in Lindley Hall chapel Saturday evening.

BREAK ICE WITH BOMBS.
(By Associated Press)

PORT DEPOSIT, Md., March 11.—It is believed today that efforts to break the ice-gorge in the Susquehanna river by bombing from airplanes will be successful.

Under the combined attack of the army aviators and a mild atmosphere the jam was loosened late yesterday to such an extent that a small amount of ice and backwater began passing out into Chesapeake bay. However, the channel was not wide enough to assure that the ice would not gorge again and the airmen arranged to return again today and continue their work.

TEACHERS OF WHOLE U. S. ARE UNDERPAID

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, March 12.—The country is faced with a serious shortage of school teachers, chiefly through failure to provide adequate salaries, according to reports to the United States Bureau of Education. Conditions are becoming slightly better, however, the report states, in some sections, compared with those of last October when the National Education Association conducted inquiry into the situation.

Based on returns from state school officials, the reports show, that on Feb. 13, last, there were 18,279 schools closed because of lack of teachers and 41,900 being taught by teachers characterized as "below standard but taken on temporarily in the emergency." Greater shortages are shown to exist in southern states. Responding to a questionnaire sent out by the commissioner of education a great majority of the states in which schools are closed report that children are being transferred to other districts, while the remainder report pupils losing the grade.

Taxpayers Favor Increase.

On another question as to what extent taxpayers are interesting themselves in paying better salaries for teachers, the response was almost unanimous for an increase.

Salaries paid teachers in 1918, statistics show, were on an average of \$606 for elementary teachers and \$1,031 for those teaching in high schools. From salary schedules collected from various states, giving salaries received by individual teachers in these counties in each state, it is shown that wages paid rural teachers fell far below the foregoing average in many states, many localities showing salaries paid as low as \$150 and \$200 a year.

**TOWNSHIP SCHOOL
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U. S. RED CROSS NURSES HOME AGAIN FROM SIBERIAN SERVICE



The nurses on their arrival at San Francisco.

These four Red Cross nurses registered joy as they walked down the gangplank of the transport Great Northern at San Francisco recently. Their heroic services in

Siberia, where they were for months engaged in administration of relief for thousands of sufferers from hunger and disease, are over. Reading from left to right: Har-

riet Kift of Sunbury, Pa.; May Mikula of Chicago; Reba Dobson of Honolulu, and Neola Moyer of Decatur, Ind. They served at Vladivostok and Irkutsk.

TOWNSHIP SCHOOL LEVIES VARY WIDELY

Statistics prepared by the rural school survey committee, appointed recently by L. N. Hines, state superintendent of public instruction, show a wide difference in the amount of taxable property and tax levies made for school purposes in townships of certain counties of the state.

The following table indicates conditions in a typical county:

Township	Assessed Value	Rate	School Tax
A.	\$4,440,860	\$0.12	\$50,21
B.	6,003,190	.03	.04
C.	2,328,220	.20	.08
D.	2,165,315	.14	.09
E.	2,835,350	.07	.15
F.	1,436,330	.36	.27
G.	1,977,865	.26	.33
H.	6,123,510	.05	.20
I.	991,330	.05	.05
J.	2,665,135	.12 1/2	.12 1/2
K.	3,344,100	.28	.31
L.	1,838,780	.23	.20
M.	1,908,570	.17	.19

Shows School Levies.

It is interesting to note the great difference between the taxable property of Township H and Township I, together with the school levies.

The amount to be derived from the levies made in Township H will amount to \$15,308.77, while in Township I it will amount to \$991.33. The former township maintains eight schools; the latter four.

The length of the rural term in this county last year ranged from 130 days to 170 days.

The cities in this county maintain an average tuition rate of 55 cents, and a special school rate of 25 cents;

while the incorporated towns maintain an average tuition rate of 51 cents and a special school rate of 44 cents.

High School

J. H. Bentley, superintendent of schools, has appointed a body of departmental leaders who will work on feasible courses in consultation with members of their departments in the junior and senior high schools. E. W. Cline heads the foreign language department; John E. Fries, the mathematics department; L. B. Campbell, the commercial department; H. G. McComb, practical arts department, with Miss Florence Williams as assistant; R. C. Sloane, music department, and Miss Williams, the art department. Floyd McGranahan will head the English department, and W. G. Bates, principal of the high school, will supervise work in the history, civics, geography departments which will come under the general head of social science.

E. W. Cline, teacher in the Richmond senior high school, reviewed general changes which have taken place in education and emphasized the great need for capable teachers before the upper-classmen, Friday morning.

Owing to the complication of work at the printing company which sets up the school Register, the weekly publication will not come from the press this week.

Seniors have been assigned special seats in the high school auditorium. Wilbur Vogelsong was assigned editor for the week.

Superintendent Bentley is still looking for a teacher for the history department.

FORMER OXFORD COLLEGE TRUSTEE HEAD IS DEAD

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 12.—Mrs. Emma Lee Elam, president of the board of trustees of Oxford College for Women, at Oxford, O., and for a short time in 1917 ex-officio president of the college, died Thursday at her home, 1340 Park Avenue.

Mrs. Elam, who was the widow of John B. Elam, Indianapolis attorney, who died March 27, 1916, has been prominent in educational and other civic affairs in this community for many years, having served as a member of the board of state charities and correction for about 16 years.

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