

# With Wilmington Shipbuilders

Doings of the Men Who Are Building Spans in Pershing's Bridge of Ships.

In spite of all that has been said and written on the subject, the *Atlantis*, concrete ship constructed by the Liberty Shipbuilding company at Brunswick, Ga., has not yet left the ways. The vessel was scheduled to have been launched last Saturday, and a party from the Liberty yard here went down to witness the exercises; also, H. J. Brunner, assistant head of the concrete ship section of the Emergency Fleet corporation, came down from Philadelphia to represent the shipping board at the event. Everything was in readiness for the wine spilling ceremony, christening fluid of the bottled in bond variety had been provided and the bottle tied with an elaborate bow of ribbon, but just at the moment when the natives in that neck of the woods were getting ready to snap their hands and shout "Bravo!" the ceremony was called off and the launching postponed. The reason, it was stated, for delaying the matriculation of the launching way, apparently a trivial matter, but one the resident representative of the Emergency Fleet corporation insisted should be corrected in order to insure a perfect launching. The *Atlantis*, then, has not left the ways, although The Star received a dispatch over its leased wires Saturday night describing the event. Evidently the man who wrote the article went to sleep Friday night and didn't wake up until Saturday night, and knowing the vessel was to have been launched Saturday morning he just up and said so without investigating to see if it had actually been accomplished. General Manager Ferguson, who returned from the Brunswick yard yesterday, said the *Atlantis* will probably be launched Saturday or Sunday.

Mr. Ferguson was accompanied on his return from Brunswick by Mr. Brunner. The two spent the greater part of the afternoon inspecting the work on the ways and other sections of the yard, and snapped several kodak pictures of various phases of the work. Mr. Brunner is expected to remain in the city as Mr. Ferguson's guest until he returns to the Atlantic.

The shipbuilders will not work today. Although they have made for themselves to a certain extent, in fact just learn to get down to work every morning, some of them even getting there ahead of time, and stopping work in the afternoon with a sigh of regret, etc., they say that Thanksgiving by the grace of God and the pilgrims of old who set the precedent is a legal holiday and they shall observe it as such; in fact one shipbuilder says it would be a crime not to observe it, for to make a man work all the morning, eat a big Thanksgiving dinner in the time allotted for lunch and then work again all afternoon would be murder in the first degree. To do this would be to work a cooked turkey, baked to a light golden-brown deliciousness and floating in his own rich gravy, with all his accompaniments attached, one should have several leisure hours before the feast and several hours of rest after it. This, at least, is the opinion of one shipbuilder who has been looking forward to this day with great anticipation. The joys it holds for him, he says, are as follows: He will have enough to eat roast turkey today will simply have to eat something else.

This joke is not on Mr. Audi at all, but inasmuch as he is extremely sensitive on the subject and resents any suggestion that because he is not a foreign country he is not a true American, we beg his pardon for repeating it before going any farther and ask that he view the matter in a kindly light. For although he comes from a little country at yonder end of the Mediterranean sea, many hundreds of miles from America, and the memory of his native language still hampers his speech, Mr. Audi is in perfect accord with the principles of democracy and is a loyal American in every sense of the word. This, then, is the joke. Recently when Mr. Audi looked after the employment end of the service department, and that was several weeks ago while the war was still on and everybody was doing any and everything that looked like patriotism, one of the young ladies of the city who moves in the upper circles, as the social column says, conceived the idea of doing something really worth while for her country, so she went down to the shipyard and offered herself for service.

"What can you do?" was naturally the first question asked by Mr. Audi.

"Well, I have never worked before, but I am willing to do almost anything," the pretty young thing replied.

The Liberty shipyard, while it is weeding out a few employees who can not be of service any longer, is also employing additional helpers. Resulting from a labor-scouting expedition into Virginia made recently by Peter Van Geyt of the service department, 20 first class carpenters from Hopewell, Va., arrived here last Monday to aid the concrete shipbuilders in their task of building the vessel. These men were assigned to the construction of the hull and near Hopewell until hostilities ceased. They are carpenters by trade, and when the munition plants closed down, they returned to their peaceful vocation and are now employed by the carpenter force at the Liberty yard.

Sixteen vessels totalling 94,825 dead-weight tons, were completed and delivered to the shipping board by American shipyards during the week ending November 22. All but one of these ships were steel.

With 1,050 skilled boilers and riveters and 135 other skilled steel workers on the job the construction of steel ships at the yard of the Carolina Shipbuilding corporation continues to progress as fast as the arrival of material will permit. While yard construction work and the work in the fabricating steel shops, the machine shops, carpenter shops, and in fact every department of the yard, continues unabated and as the days go by the company is laboring under a shortage of material. The actual ship construction work has not moved ahead altogether as fast as the officers would like it, but the progress is decidedly good in view of the continued delays in the arrival of material. Most every stage of steel is arriving continuously and it is hoped that the parts that are holding up the work will soon reach their destination. Skilled workers are coming in now about as fast as they are needed and by the time all parts are on the ground it is expected that the force of skilled steel workers will be in the neighborhood of 2,600 or 2,700 which is about the capacity of the four-way yard.

A trip through the Carolina yard reveals much activity in all departments. In the fabricating steel shop big machines for the handling of steel in all sizes are being installed while others that have already been put in operation are kept busy turning out material ready to be made into cargo carriers. One of these huge pieces of machinery, a machine for punching holes in steel plates in all sizes, was full speed yesterday. It punches holes in a sheet of steel about half an inch thick and 5-8 of an inch in diameter as though one were sticking pins in a sheet of paper. There are other machines in this building that will cut angles in a large sheet of steel like trimming paper with scissors. In fact there is machinery at this yard that will enable the workmen to do anything that can be done in preparing the plates for their respective places in the ship construction.

The last of the three large oil tanks which will be used as fuel tanks for the fuel used in heating oil in large basins has arrived. Two of the tanks have already been placed and one is filled with oil. The fuel is fed by pressure from the tanks to the basins, which are underneath the basins, which are located some distance away. The base has already been prepared for the third tank and it will be placed within a few days. The oil preparation in the basins is being completed and the basins will be shaped to fit the place they are to occupy in the making of the vessel. The sheets are placed in the hot preparation and allowed to remain there until reaching a certain temperature. A large Brownlie locomotive, which was ordered for the Carolina some weeks ago, arrived on the yard Tuesday afternoon, has been unloaded and was operating under its own steam, yesterday afternoon.

The "outfitting" dock, where the vessels will be tied up after being launched while the machinery is being installed, and finishing touches completed, is being completed as fast as possible. This is located just above the ways and on either side a channel will be dredged sufficiently deep as to take a boat of the size that are being built at the yard, which will be fitted up to be fitted up at the same time. Hundreds of piles have been driven for the foundation, and the stage of construction is almost ready to begin work on the dock.

The activity of the company on the outside of the yard also looks good. The grading of the street leading from Pembroke boulevard along the northeastern line of the yard to the river or the Sunset Park road, has almost been completed. The street passes in front of the new 100 room hotel that is being constructed just outside the yard fence, and which is completed. A new street car track will be laid on it and the main entrance to the yard for the workmen changed from its present location to a point on the north side near the mess hall. The cars will come in on the new track and will be able to discharge the passengers. The grading for the double tracking of the car line from Lakeside park to the yard is practically completed and workmen are now busily engaged in laying the track, approximately half a mile of which has already been put down and a part of the trolley wire strung. The progress on the hotel is very satisfactory to the company officials.

North Carolina W. S. S. Sales. Winston-Salem, Nov. 27.—North Carolina people had bought \$19,565,532 worth of war savings stamps up to the first of November, according to figures compiled at state headquarters here.

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## DENSMORE REPORT TO GOV. STEPHENS USE HUNDREDS OF PLANES FOR MAIL

### He Assures Labor Mooney Will Get Careful Consideration. War Department Turns Machines Over to Postal Dept.

Secretary Wilson Criticizes San Francisco Grand Jury for Its Attitude—No Indication When Action Is Coming.

Washington, Nov. 27.—The report alleging irregularities in the Mooney case, which was made recently by Secretary Wilson by John B. Densmore, director-general of the federal employment service, is to be furnished to Governor Stephens of California and Mr. Densmore is to place himself at the governor's disposal in connection with any investigation the California executive may order.

This announcement was made tonight by Secretary Wilson, who made public a copy of a telegram sent to Governor Stephens. Mr. Wilson's telegram revealed that the grand jury at San Francisco which is investigating Mr. Densmore's charges, had asked for a complete copy of the director-general's report, together with all information Mr. Densmore has bearing on the charge.

Mr. Wilson did not grant this request, informing the governor that it had been his original purpose to furnish a copy of the report to him and he would now carry it out despite the fact that the report had received "unintended and partial publicity." The report was published November 22 and was said to have dealt largely with the case of Mrs. Herman Mooney, wife of Thomas J. Mooney, under sentence of death as the result of the preparedness party bomb explosion in San Francisco.

In the report as published, it was alleged that evidence against Mrs. Mooney was "manufactured" and mention was made of a former justice of the California supreme court, a member of the public prosecutor's office and other persons connected with the cases growing out of the explosion. Mrs. Mooney was indicted with her husband and three others on a charge of murdering. She was acquitted on one count, four were dismissed and she is now at liberty on bail.

In his telegram to Governor Stephens today, Secretary Wilson criticized the investigation of the grand jury saying that this body "does not seem the impartial and appropriate instrument of investigation the situation calls for, inasmuch as the inquiry was conducted by an attorney who is legal adviser of the grand jury."

Army Aviators Will Be Employed in Carrying Mail to All Cities of Country—Turn War Service to Peace Uses.

New York, Nov. 27.—Captain Benjamin E. Lipsner, director of the United States aerial mail service, announced here tonight that the war department had turned over to the use of the mail service, "hundreds of airplanes."

Captain Lipsner said he was not in a position to announce the exact number but that the machines would be used as rapidly as possible in extending the aerial mail service to all cities of the country. The service anticipates that it will be able to organize its personnel from hundreds of army aviators.

Plans for the laying of new routes and the extension of the service on a nation-wide scale have not as yet been formulated, but it is expected that the extension will begin soon. Captain Lipsner pointed out that in addition to the commercial value of the aerial mail service, the employment of hundreds of pilots will enable the nation to maintain an aerial reserve for military purposes in the event of another war. Also as an immediate benefit, a solution will be offered of the problem of employment of the returning aviators and the money spent by the government in training them will not be altogether lost in the event of a new war.

The New York-Chicago aerial mail service will be placed in operation next month.

### THANKSGIVING EVENTS AT N. C. UNIVERSITY

Various Exercises and a Big Football Battle Between University and Camp Polk Men.

(Special Star Correspondence.) Chapel Hill, Nov. 27.—Plans to stage a mammoth communal patriotic and religious peace celebration here on Thursday, Thanksgiving day, have just been completed by the committee in charge, of which the Rev. R. M. Marshall is chairman.

The gala day will begin with a long parade at 10 o'clock in the morning by the faculty, students and all Chapel Hill organizations being in the line of march, followed by exercises on Emerson field, where Thanksgiving prayers, patriotic hymns, addresses and war songs will be given. The parade will be closed with a football clash in the afternoon between the university eleven and the officers' training company at Camp Polk.

Features of the morning events will be the burning of the former kaiser in effigy on the athletic field by the Boy Scouts, who will thus symbolically purge the earth of absolutism and autocracy, amid war songs, which will be followed by a review of the S. A. T. C. and non-S. A. T. C. students.

The gridiron contest between Carolina and the Camp Polk officers is expected to be hotly contested. A team of former northern and western college stars, the fact that it beat the A. & E. college team in Saturday's game by only one touch-down—and it is admitted that A. & E. is usually the better team this season—adds materially to the hopes of Carolina enthusiasts. V. F. I. administered a 25 to 0 lopping to A. & E. in Norfolk last Saturday week, while Carolina held the Techs to a 14 to 7 score in the game Saturday. So if comparative scores count for much the university soldiers have at least an even chance to beat the Camp Polk officers.

Features of the afternoon events will be the burning of the former kaiser in effigy, which will follow the parade, will be opened by prayer, followed by an address by Mayor W. S. Roberson, an address by Dean M. H. Stacy, chairman of the faculty, patriotic hymns and songs during the burning of the kaiser in effigy, and ending with a grand parade and review of the military companies.

### ASSURANCE THAT MOONEY IS TO GET DUE CONSIDERATION

Sacramento, Cal., Nov. 27.—Assurance that the case of Thomas J. Mooney, sentenced to hang, would be given "careful consideration" was given today by Governor Stephens to members of a committee of the San Francisco labor council who called to ask the executive to open the way for a retrial of the case.

This statement was made by D. C. Murphy, president of the California Federation of Labor, who headed the committee. He said that Governor Stephens did not indicate when he stepped on Mooney's petition for a pardon or what course he would take.

### PEACE CONFERENCE NEWS NOT CENSORED

Office Pier No. 2, at 12 o'clock noon on Monday. If officials at this pier receive checks sufficiently in advance they will attend to collection.

"It is requested and hoped that correction will be made of the very untrue report that steel will be made to interfere in any manner with the free flow of news from America to Europe or from Europe to America. The whole effort of the government, from the first, has been to hasten the peace and authoritative representation of the press at the peace conference and to assist news distribution in every way.

"There is no press censorship of any kind in the United States today, and the personal request of the president the French and English governments have lifted all censorship regulations bearing upon American press matter.

"The widely circulated rumor that George Creel, chairman of the committee on public information, will have control of official publicity in connection with the peace conference is absolutely without foundation. There will be no such control and the situation itself precludes any such control. The peace conference itself will undoubtedly decide upon the manner of announcing its deliberations and decisions and the right of correspondents to free movement and interview is, of course, one that can not be abridged in any degree.

"The postmaster general is making a study of the cables with a view to aiding in every possible way and will shortly make his own statement.

"Mr. Creel, who has made all arrangements for the discontinuance of the committee's foreign work and its public information, is proceeding to Europe to wind up the work of the foreign section. He has no connection whatsoever with the peace commission.

"The representatives of the committee on public information who sailed last week did not, in any manner, constitute an official peace conference press mission. They were stenographers, accountants, and other miscellaneous heads, not one of whom will have connection with the peace conference or with the preparation of the conference's press matter. Their sole duties will be the completion of the committee's foreign work and the settlement of contracts and business details incident to the absolute cessation of activity."

### IN MEMORIAM.

Lieut. W. G. Davis was killed in the great American advance against the Germans November 9th, a few hours before the dawn of peace. Born January, 1894, he was just in the prime of young manhood, the idol of his father, the pride of his mother and an inspiration to all those who knew him.

Of a strong athletic frame, he was always interested in the clean, healthy sports. While at the high school and later at the Eastman Business college, he was a leader in sports, usually an all-around athlete. He was a successful business career.

Upon America's declaration of war against Germany he was one of the first to volunteer his services and went to Oglethorpe, where he was commissioned as a lieutenant.

His knowledge of the mercantile business, he was put in charge of the post exchange at Camp Jackson, and was only relieved at his urgent request to be in the line where he could see active service. He was ordered overseas in mid-winter and in one of his last conversations before going over, stated that it was a wonderful privilege to be allowed to go across and fight for such a great cause.

In doing his bit he paid the supreme sacrifice to protect civilization against being crushed by Hunnish Kultur, and as he looks down from on High there must be a smile upon his lips when he realizes that this sacrifice was not made in vain.

D. N. CHADWICK, JR. Wilmington, N. C., Nov. 27, 1918.

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