

### OIL TANKERS TO BE BUILT FOR WAR USE

#### U. S. to Pay for Arming Ships Privately Owned.

Washington.—The United States has begun to move forward toward its goal of armed peace by joining hands with private enterprise, without congressional sanction or action, to meet urgent navy requirements.

Marking a new policy in the national defense program, the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey has signed an agreement with the maritime commission to construct twelve high-speed tankers which could be transformed overnight into auxiliary fighting vessels.

During times of peace, the vessels would go about their own business, transporting oil. But, in the event of war, the ships literally would be thrown into high gear, guns and navy searchlights would be mounted and the cruising range extended.

#### United States Pays for Arming.

Standard Oil—and other oil companies probably will take part in the program—has agreed to pay for the construction and maintenance of the tankers, with the maritime commission standing the cost of the auxiliary equipment.

Joseph P. Kennedy, chairman of the commission, announced the company had awarded contracts totaling \$37,556,004 for the twelve tankers to four shipbuilding concerns, each to build three.

The latest agreement, plus construction of twelve high-speed cargo vessels, for which bids will be opened February 1, and a modern safety liner to replace the Leviathan in the North Atlantic, will bring to twenty-five the number of ships now a part of the commission's ambitious building program.

#### Jobs for 10,000.

Cost of the ships was estimated between \$60,000,000 and \$75,000,000, unofficially and would give employment to an estimated 10,000 shipyard workers.

Kennedy pointed out that the agreement did not represent a subsidy to Standard Oil but constituted a step in national defense. The commission's share in the cost of construction will be \$10,563,000.

The ships will have a speed of 16½ knots fully loaded compared with 12½ knots of the ordinary tanker. They will have a tonnage of 16,300 tons dead weight, a length of 525 feet and a cargo capacity of 150,000 barrels.

Modern in every detail, the horsepower will be stepped up to 12,800, thus being able to develop 300 per cent more power than the ordinary commercial tankers.

### Child Marriages Traced to Three Main Factors

Chicago.—Juvenile marriage depends on climate, delinquency and disposition, the Society for Research in Child Development has found in a survey.

In a monograph, psychologists reported that regions having an annual temperature of 60 to 75 degrees induce 17.7 per cent of marriages in the 'teens. A colder climate—35 to 45 degrees—brings the rate down to 7.5 per cent. Warm climates bring earlier maturity, the psychologists explained.

Only 2 per cent of socially superior groups of women marry under twenty, it was said.

The possibility of a girl in the country marrying younger than her city cousin is also much greater, the pamphlet says. This is because of the relatively few women known to "the boy down the road," which makes his choice limited and therefore quicker.

Women citizens of native parentage have a 13.3 per cent average of "younger generation" weddings, against 6.3 for those of foreign parentage.

### Onions and Garlic Found Useful to Fight Disease

Albany.—Dr. Daniel V. O'Leary, Albany health commissioner, contends that onions and garlic are useful in combating infectious diseases because of their immunity to bacterial attack.

"The chemicals in onions and garlic," he asserted, "which bring tears to the eyes, are now found to have germ-killing powers."

The chemicals have been isolated by Dr. Richard E. Vollrath, professor of physics, and Dr. Carl C. Lindgren, chairman of the bacteriological department of the University of Southern California, Dr. O'Leary said.

### Horseshoe of 1847 Found in Oak Tree

Del Monte, Calif.—A horseshoe believed to be more than 90 years old was found imbedded in the heart of an ancient oak tree on the Del Monte golf course.

The shoe, which old-time residents here believe dates back to the days when nearby Monterey was the capital of Spanish California, was found in the center of a one-foot thick limb while the old tree was being cut down.

It was believed generally that the shoe was thrown by a horse nearly a century ago; that its rider hung it around a branch, and that the limb grew around it.

### LAUGHS FROM THE DAYS NEWS!



### CROSS ROADS

Carl Baber and his aunt have returned to their home in Gastonia, after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Welch, Sr. Mrs. Baber and children will be here for some time.

Guy Russell Parker, of Washington, D. C., spent the Fourth with his mother, Mrs. Belle W. Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Elliott visited A. T. Belch, at General Hospital, in Norfolk, Va., Sunday.

Raymond Evans, of Florence, S. C., spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. Mattie Evans.

Weldon Hollowell and a friend attending summer school at Wake Forest College, spent the week-end with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Hollowell, Sr.

David Byrum was at home from Wake Forest College to spend the week-end with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Byrum.

Miss Elise Hines and Robert Winborne, of Suffolk, Va., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Winborne.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Shaw, Miss Elise Hines and Robert Winborne attended the Lost Colony pageant at Fort Raleigh on Sunday evening.

W. G. Shaw, of Wagram, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Winborne. He was accompanied home by Mrs. Shaw and daughter and Miss Mildred Green.

John Welch has returned to his home in Washington, D. C., after a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Welch, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Hollowell, Sr., Miss Orene Hollowell and Lindsey Evans, Jr., visited Mr. and Mrs. Melton Bateman Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey Evans and sons spent Sunday with Mrs. Mattie Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Elliott visited Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Welch, Sr., on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey Evans and sons visited Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Privott Sunday evening.

Mrs. S. R. Burch, of Baltimore, Md., is visiting her mother, Mrs. W. W. Burch.

Mr. and Mrs. Drew Welch spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Rob Bunch.

Miss Myra Bunch and Miss Marguerite Asbell, students at E. T. C. C., Greenville, were at their respective homes for the week-end.

Mrs. Alma Boyce and Miss Lillian Styron are visiting their parents at Morehead City.

Mr. and Mrs. Rob Bunch called on Mr. and Mrs. Rob Evans Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Hollowell, Jr., and daughters, and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Perry and children were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Perry Sunday evening.

Watson Blanchard, of Norfolk, Va., spent the Fourth with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Blanchard.

Herbert Dail, Jr., of Norfolk, Va., and Emmett Dail, of Edenton, spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Dail.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Elliott spent Friday in Tarboro with Mrs. Elliott's mother, Mrs. Fannie B. Knight.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Hollowell, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hollowell and children, Mrs. Gordon Blow and Miss Annie Hollowell spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Winslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hollowell, R. H. Hollowell and Norman Hollowell attended a baseball game at Eure on Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Goodwin and Mrs. Susie Ward, of Elizabeth City, visited Mrs. R. H. Hollowell Monday afternoon.

Mrs. A. S. Bush and Miss Louise Bush visited Mrs. Lula Rountree, at Hobberville, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Lula Rountree, Miss Beatrice Rountree, Miss Bessie Lee Hollowell, Hallett Rountree and Walter Wiggins Rountree, of Hobberville, spent

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Monday with Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Bush.

Miss Annie Coffield spent Saturday afternoon with Mrs. W. A. Perry.

Mrs. B. W. Evans is visiting Dr. and Mrs. Tiffany Wilson, at Savannah, Georgia.

Miss Evelyn Byrum accompanied some friends from Hertford to Virginia Beach and Ocean View Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Riddick spent Sunday afternoon in Norfolk, Virginia.

Misses Peggy and Sarah Brown have returned to their home at Asheville, after a visit with Miss Dorothy Lee Savage.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Hollowell and son spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Grover Hollowell, at Corapeake.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Hollowell and son visited Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Leary, Sr., in Rocky Hock, Monday evening.

J. C. Leary spent the week-end in Washington, N. C., with Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Welch, Jr. He was accompanied home by Mrs. Leary.

Miss Etta Pardee, of Chicago, Ill., is visiting relatives here.

Miss Frances Evans, of Manteo, spent the week-end with her sisters.

Miss Eleanor Small, of Edenton, and Miss Mary Moore Hall, of Cape Charles, Va., spent Friday night as guests of the Misses Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Evans and family visited Mrs. Lillie Wilson, at Weeksville, Monday afternoon.

Misses Willietta, Esther, Helen, Marguerite Etta and Mary Winborne Evans attended the pageant at Roanoke Island Sunday evening.

Mrs. H. N. Walters and Miss Dorothy Walters, of Warrenton, visited Miss Esther Evans Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hollowell and children have returned to their home at Vanleet, Miss., after visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Hollowell.

### CENTER HILL

Mrs. Frank Bunch and children, Frances and Elizabeth, of Franklin, Va., were guests of Mrs. J. S. Turner last week.

Mrs. Oscar Parker, of Norfolk, Va., was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Bunch, last week. Mr. and Mrs. Bunch accompanied her home and joined by Mr. Parker spent the Fourth on a trip over the Skyline Drive and visiting other points of interest.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Lamb, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Bunch, Rosser Bunch, and Mrs. Oscar Parker, of Norfolk, Va., attended the funeral of Henry Lamb, in Elizabeth City, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ellis and son, of Newport News, Va., dined with Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Chappell on Monday.

Miss Irene Furry has returned home after visiting friends in Bertie County for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hollowell and two children, Elizabeth and Bernice, of Sunbury, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Turner.

Charlotte Leary, of Edenton, and Joyce Harrell, of Brayhall, spent a few days last week with their aunt, Mrs. Cameron Boyce.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ward spent the week-end at Ocean View.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Copeland and son, Carroll, of Edenton, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Byrum and sons, Edward and Alma, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hollowell and two children, of Sunbury, dined with Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Turner on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bunch visited Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Furry Saturday evening.

Mrs. Roy Parker and daughter, of Gatesville, spent Thursday with Mrs. Cameron Boyce.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Jones, of Norfolk, Va., spent Wednesday night with Mrs. Ida Reed.

E. O. Furry is able to be out again.

### PENDER ROAD NEWS

Mrs. Whit Matthews is spending this week with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Matthews.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Y. Berry and two sons, Edgar Young and Dan, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Spruill, at Long Beach, Chowan County, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Basinger and two daughters, Frances Lane and Irene, of Plymouth, spent the week-end with Mrs. Basinger's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ed Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Harrell and daughter, Juanita, from near Norfolk, Va., visited Mr. Harrell's par-

ents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Harrell, over the week-end.

Miss Alma Davenport spent last week with Miss Martha Barber, near Edenton.

Miss Ann Matthews returned to her home Sunday, after visiting Mrs. W. W. Hanbury, in Norfolk, Va.

Lloyd Proctor visited his sister, Mrs. W. W. Hanbury, in Norfolk, Va., one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Dail and two granddaughters, Frances and Daisy Byrum, and Archie Dail, of Norfolk, Va., were Saturday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Stallings. A. J. Dail remained over with Mr. and Mrs. Stallings for a few days.

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