

TRADE WITH MEXICO IS NOT SO SMALL AS MANY BELIEVE

Mexico City, Sept. 20.—Despite conditions popularly regarded in the United States as uninviting to American trade expansion here, business between that country and Mexico shows a decided upward trend. During the fiscal year just closed imports and exports between the two republics amounted to more than 531,000,000 pesos, according to figures given the Associated Press by W. F. Saunders, secretary of the American Chamber of Commerce in Mexico City.

Of this amount 376,000,000 pesos represent exports from Mexico and 164,000,000 pesos represents imports. Previous to the current fiscal year, the banner period of Mexican-United States business was in 1911 when 102,000,000 pesos worth of goods were exported from Mexico and 146,000,000 pesos worth were imported.

"Deducting amounts representing petroleum exportations which are not considered in the ordinary run of commercial business, and for increased values of goods, these figures indicate clearly that trade is increasing," said Mr. Saunders. "Mexico will spend more than \$150,000,000 in the United States during the year 1919, with imports of hardware, machinery, drugs and dry goods leading all others. During the month of August we received more than 700 letters from firms who intimated intentions of establishing branches here.

"The end of the war has brought sharp competition for Mexican business. It is interesting to note in this connection that sentiment is giving way to sound business in dealings with the Germans. It will be remembered that during the war a referendum vote of chamber of commerce members favored a commercial boycott of Germany after the war. This has been forgotten here and German firms, who are conceded to have the firmest hold on the hardware business in the republic, are buying practically all of their supplies from American dealers. Japanese competition is negligible."

A strenuous effort is being made to stabilize transportation conditions which present the most serious obstacles to trading. Congestion of freight at Nuevo Laredo for transmission to Mexico City still exists but within the past few weeks arrange-

ments have been made by three concerns here for the operation of "special freights" between the two points. A new steamship line between Vera Cruz and New Orleans will also open for business next month.

SALVAGING MILLIONS FROM LOST STEAMER

Divers Already Are Bringing Up Treasures from White Star Liner Laurentic.

Portsalon, Ireland, Sept. 20.—Salvaging \$35,000,000 worth of gold ingots and bullion from the White Star liner Laurentic is reported to have carried when she was sunk the night of January 25, 1917, off Fanad Light, one of the northernmost headlands of Ireland at the entrance to Lough Swilly, is being conducted by the salvage ship Racer.

The princely cargo, lay at a depth of twenty-two fathoms. The gold and bullion were contained in the strong chamber amid-ships rendered almost impregnable by its thick steel walls and heavily bolted doors. At first portions of the Laurentic's decks were blasted away and a passage was made clear for the divers. On June 20, the retrieving of the treasure began.

The first bucket sent up contained only copper pennies and a few silver coins. Then for several days, bucket after bucket containing three or more gold bars, each worth more than \$5,000, were hoisted to the surface and dumped on the deck of the Racer. The first of these bars brought lusty cheers from the crew of the salvage ship, but tossing fortune about soon came to be merely another form of manual labor to these seafarers.

Most of the gold bars were nine inches long, two inches thick and four inches wide and weighed about twenty-eight pounds. For days not one was found as many of them were hurled clear of the wreck by the blasting necessary to make the strong chamber accessible. Several feet of sand have now been washed over these scattered bars and beneath masses of twisted steel and it frequently requires hours of patient labor to pry them loose. The record day's haul so far has been forty-seven bars—worth approximately \$350,000. Thus far several million dollars worth of treasure has been salvaged.

The Racer carries eight divers. Their "tricks" are so arranged that

one diver is at work throughout the day. Each works half an hour and then must spend thirty minutes in coming to the surface as otherwise the sudden relief from the tremendous deep water pressure might cause partial or complete paralysis. They are brought up in ten fathom "hauls", with ten minutes "rest" intervals.

When the day's work is over, the day's catch, if considerable, is dispatched to London with an armed convoy.

When first built the Racer was a square-rigged man-o-war—one of the "Wooden Walls of England," as the ships of the British navy at that time were known—a century ago.

GERMANY DYNAMO OF STRENGTH YET

Henry Morgenthau Says Germany is Still Powerful and Awaits Time to Strike.

Paris, Sept. 19.—Germany came through this war a perfect dynamo of strength. Her human military power is practically as great as ever and her 65,000,000 people have been schooled and hardened by trials. They have enlarged economically and the nation has impressed into a concentrated mass, which is surcharged with energy and moving with centrifugal force.

Thus spoke Henry Morgenthau, who headed the United States investigation commission which has been at work in Poland and discussing today his observations in central Europe.

"And what will be the result," Mr. Morgenthau asked. Replying to his own question he continued:

"If disintegration keeps up among Germany's neighbors, there can be but one result. I doubt whether Germany fully appreciates her own strength. As she sits, calmly watching the dicker going on between the new states which are losing sight of great principles and fighting over little strips of territory, she must take grim satisfaction in the battle her enemies are waging in her behalf, and a Germany encouraged by such discord among weak and struggling states, undoubtedly will resort to arms within a few years and regain her lost territory.

"What will prevent the military clique from regaining control in Germany if Europe continues to offer such

tempting prizes to various nationalities, such a situation will not encourage Germany to regain her trade peace means and to pay indemnities.

"It will not satisfy the militarists in Germany to return to the factories to their war-worn neighbors who offer themselves as prey to the Hun spirit."

"What is to encourage Democracy in Germany who are trying to away from militarism? Europe idly is driving on toward a situation which eventually must result in a coalition between Russia and Germany and the absolute destruction of the newly created powers unless steps be taken to prevent it.

"Opinion is strong that the let of nations is the only means for preventing such a disaster. And it comes soon and have the loyal support of both great and small powers—Greece, Italy, Jugo Slavia, Czechoslovakia, Poland and other European countries which have been fought and are in a sadly weakened condition—need the support of some organization which will afford them proper tribunals for their disputes; assist them in winning their way away from the idea that war is the only means of getting justice.

"It is impossible to create barriers against Bolshevism and militarism, and if these new states continue their quarrels and weaken themselves they can not resist any enemy, much less a great untouched power like Germany."

A MILL STORE ADV.

The Lydia Mill Store is beginning a series of advertisements in today's issue of The Chronicle in which they are offering some attractive prices calculated, as they state, to help lower old man H. C. L. This concern is handling a complete line of standard goods and as will be seen from their announcement are not confining themselves to their mill trade but are stretching out to cover both the city and surrounding territory.

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