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Improvement is not speedily made, the point where production balances losses will be postponed to a dangerous extent, and even when that point is reached we shall still have to make good the losses of the past during the critical period that confronts us. We must rely in the main on our own shipyards and on ourselves.

"Our partners in the war are making every effort to increase their production of ships, but a considerable time must elapse before the desired output is secured to produce in the United Kingdom 1,800,000 tons in 1918, and to reach an ultimate production at the rate of 3,000,000 per annum is well within the present and prospective capacity of our shipyards and marine engineering shops; but the ranks of the skilled men must be enlarged without delay by the introduction of men and women at present unskilled."

Catarrhal Deafness Cannot Be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarrhal deafness, and that is by a constitutional remedy. Catarrhal deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be reduced and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Many cases of deafness are caused by catarrh, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Medicine acts through the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system.

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HELD CONFERENCE WITH WIFE.

After Which Farmer Asked Family to Witness His Suicide.

Moultrie, Ga., March 20.—After a conference with members of his family, during which he told them that it was his last night on earth, and that he meant to kill himself, J. W. Merritt, one of the largest planters in Southwest Georgia, committed suicide at his home, 12 miles from here, Monday night by shooting himself through the head.

Earlier in the evening, Merritt telephoned his wife and three sons, who reside here while school is in session, to drive out, he wanted to talk to them on business. When his family arrived, Merritt stated that he was tired of life, and that there was no use for any grief or demonstration of any kind, as he had fully made up his mind to "end it all," and that during the few minutes which he had to spare he wanted to go over his business affairs with them.

Mrs. Merritt and the children tried to reason with the despondent man, but he would hear none of it. After seeing that they were powerless to prevent the tragedy, Mrs. Merritt and two of the sons left the room and went into another part of the house, but one of the boys remained. Merritt talked to him for several minutes, advising him as to what disposition to make of certain matters, and then stopped abruptly, saying: "I am through; you may go." The boy went.

He had hardly closed the door before he heard a pistol shot; it was followed quickly by another. With other members of the family he went back into his father's room. They found Merritt dead. He had gotten down on his knees by his bed, and fired the shot that instantly ended his life. The body fell forward, the head resting on the bed and the pistol falling to the floor. It is presumed that Merritt shot the first time to see if the weapon was working well. Merritt owned several thousand acres of fine farm land worth more than \$200,000. He was about 45 years old.

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Beware of Counterfeits. Refuse all Substitutes.
LADIES! Ask your Druggist for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS in RED and GOLD metallic boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbon. Take no other. Buy only Druggist and ask for CHICHESTER'S DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for twenty-five years regarded as Best, Safest, Always Reliable.
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PEOPLE VS. GOVERNMENT

As the people reduce their expenditures for personal comforts and luxuries, and put their surplus earnings into Government loans, they transfer their buying power to the Government. Two millions a day saved and loaned to the Nation means two millions to be spent by the Government to win the war instead of by private citizens for personal satisfaction.

THINKS TANLAC SAVED HER FROM HOSPITAL

ONCE AFRAID TO EAT BECAUSE OF SUFFERING WHICH FOLLOWED.

GAINED FIFTEEN POUNDS.

Instead of Living on Bread and Water Diet She Now Eats Heartily.

"I was so afraid to eat because of the suffering food caused me, that I had been living almost on bread and water when I heard what a wonderful medicine called Tanlac was doing for others. And just think of it, I have been saved from the hospital and have gained fifteen pounds." This was the earnest declaration of Mrs. Edwin C. Shell, of 6 Main avenue, Schenectady, N. Y., that shows the wonderful record this new reconstructive, system purifier and stomachic is making. "What a blessing Tanlac has been to me," Mrs. Shell continued, and her words have been echoed by thousands of other men and women. "For more than three years," said Mrs. Shell, who is the wife of a well-known business man, "I suffered. When I tried to eat ordinary food it would not digest, but would sour and ferment and cause gas, bloating and pain. The pains would extend even to my chest and I would have a feeling of suffocation and shortness of breath. Some nights I would get only two or three hours sleep. When the stifling spells came I would have to sit up. When I tried to do housework I would have to sit and rest every little while. I was losing flesh and strength every day, and, oh, how miserable I was! "After I had taken the Tanlac treatment I did not have a bit more trouble with my stomach—not even indigestion. I could eat anything. I slept fine and always felt good. I did not tire out after my work and I could even do my washing. With good digestion and fine sleep I began to build up right away and was not surprised when I began to gain in weight. Finally I gained 15 pounds. I am very glad to tell every one about Tanlac."

Tanlac, the master medicine, is sold exclusively by Bell's Drug Store, Walhalla; J. C. Cain, Oakway; Salem Drug Co., Salem; Seneca Pharmacy, Seneca; Stonecypher Drug Co., Westminster; Hughs & Dandy, Richland.—Adv.

RED CROSS WAR FUND DRIVE SET FOR MAY 20

In order not to detract even slightly from the forthcoming Liberty Loan campaign, the War Council of the American Red Cross has postponed the campaign to raise the second War Relief fund of \$100,000,000 to the week of May 20 from the week of May 6th, as was originally intended, it was announced in Washington today.

This action fixes the date of the second Red Cross campaign eleven months after the first, which was started on June 18, 1917. The War Council had been appointed by President Wilson only five weeks prior to the beginning of this campaign, so that its first great task was to provide means for carrying on relief work during the war on a scale commensurate with the military operations.

More than \$100,000,000 was contributed in response to the first call for financial aid and contributions plus interest brought the total receipts from the first drive up to \$105,099,527. Of this amount, \$17,008,121 was refunded to Red Cross Chapters for local relief work. Of the balance, \$77,721,918 has been appropriated, leaving a balance of \$10,371,217 available for appropriation. France has received appropriations amounting to more than thirty millions. During the week preceding Christmas the Red Cross conducted a membership drive which resulted in the enrollment of approximately 22,000,000 new members. This was followed last month by a campaign conducted by the Junior membership of the Red Cross which resulted in the enrollment in the collateral organization of practically all of the school children in America.

RED CROSS MADE OFFICIAL WAR FILM DISTRIBUTOR

The American Red Cross has been designated by the government as the official and exclusive distributor of the United States official war pictures—both motion pictures and stereopticon slides—and likewise the sole distributor in this country of all official French war pictures hereafter released except those pictures which are distributed through the news weeklies.

In the Southern Division, comprising Georgia, Florida, the two Carolinas and Tennessee, the Bureau of Publicity will handle these pictures and all requests for same, whether by chapters or by motion picture theaters, must be made to the publicity director.

There are already on hand at the national headquarters in Washington five motion picture films, two multiple reel and three single reel pictures, and two sets of stereopticon slides which may be had in either black and white or in colors. The Southern division has just placed an order for these films and slides, and as soon as they arrive in Atlanta they will be offered to Chapters throughout the division at a small rental.

These pictures show various scenes and activities in France and elsewhere in Europe, and should be most interesting to the people of the United States. Some of them picture war activities and others the work of the Red Cross in Europe.

The United States official pictures are taken by the Signal Corps, Photographic division, of the United States Army. The French official pictures are taken by the Cinematographic and Photographic Division of the French Army.

Children Cry for Fletcher's

CASTORIA

The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but Experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

What is CASTORIA
Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and Soothing Syrups. It is pleasant. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other narcotic substance. Its age is its guarantee. For more than thirty years it has been in constant use for the relief of Constipation, Flatulency, Wind Colic and Diarrhoea; allaying Feverishness arising therefrom, and by regulating the Stomach and Bowels, aids the assimilation of Food; giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

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In Use For Over 30 Years
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Farmers Must Swear Regarding Help

Washington, March 20.—Farmers seeking to have their help given deferred classification in the draft must file affidavits with local draft boards, the Department of Labor announced today. Attention was called to the fact that the boards have no authority to give deferred classification otherwise.

"If farmers whose hands are affected in this new call fail to file affidavits they should have no cause for complaint if their men are taken from them at this critical time," the statement says. "It will be useless to protest later."

Rheumatism and Gout

A convincing fact of the remarkable power of L-Rheumo as a cure for Rheumatism and Gout is shown by the grateful letters from people that have taken this famous remedy. L-Rheumo eliminates poisons by its action on the liver, kidneys and bowels, aids digestion and assimilation of food, purifies the blood and builds you up. Don't suffer when L-Rheumo is ready to add you. Demand the bottle with big "L".

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Life Was a Misery

Mrs. F. M. Jones, of Palmer, Okla., writes: "From the time I entered into womanhood . . . I looked with dread from one month to the next. I suffered with my back and bearing-down pain, until life to me was a misery. I would think I could not endure the pain any longer, and I gradually got worse. . . Nothing seemed to help me, until, one day, . . . I decided to

TAKE CARDUI
The Woman's Tonic

"I took four bottles," Mrs. Jones goes on to say, "and was not only greatly relieved, but can truthfully say that I have not a pain. . .

"It has now been two years since I took Cardui, and I am still in good health. . . I would advise any woman or girl to use Cardui who is a sufferer from any female trouble."

If you suffer pain caused from womanly trouble, or if you feel the need of a good strengthening tonic to build up your run-down system, take the advice of Mrs. Jones. Try Cardui. It helped her. We believe it will help you.

All Druggists

2,632,297 TONS SHIPS LOST.

These Figures Represent Net World Tonnage Destroyed.

Washington, March 21.—Publication to-day of the long-held secret official British admiralty figures showing exactly the total of submarine losses up to January 1, and that, despite anti-submarine measures, the undersea boats are destroying ships twice as fast as the world's shipyards are building them, promises to be the forerunner of some further official pronouncements which will bring home to America more strikingly than ever before the need of the bridge of ships to France.

Chairman Hurley, of the shipping board, possibly may make a statement, but it is certain that in a speech he is to deliver in New York Tuesday he will give some facts, which, taken in connection with the recent declarations of Sir Eric Geddes, first lord of the British admiralty, and the official figures published here to-day by the British embassy, will show the present ship construction situation as clearly as the British have shown the rate of destruction.

Figures Not Expected.

The British official figures published so unexpectedly here to-day, when every one thought they would indefinitely be withheld because of the supposedly valuable information they might give the Germans, were not without their note of comfort despite the ringing warning they gave of the need of rushing shipbuilding.

While they show more than 11,000,000 tons of ships destroyed since submarine warfare began, and only 6,000,000 tons of ships built to take their places, they show that the rate of submarine destruction steadily has decreased from the heights it reached when, early in 1917, Germany announced a new and unrestricted campaign of ruthlessness and forced the United States into the war. Officials here regard the new British policy as a frank laying of all the cards on the table, so that the public might know exactly what it has to face and might place the blame for failure in the shipbuilding program. The showing was not reassuring, but there was no pessimistic utterance which might be interpreted as an expectation that the U-boat campaign would not be defeated sooner or later.

Labor troubles in England, accord-

UGH! ACID STOMACH, SOURNESS, HEARTBURN, GAS OR INDIGESTION

The Moment "Pape's Diapepsin" Reaches the Stomach All Distress Goes.

Do some foods you eat hit back—taste good, but work badly; ferment into acids and cause a sick, sour, gassy stomach. Now, Mr. or Mrs. Dyspeptic, get this down: Pape's Diapepsin helps neutralize the excessive acids in the stomach so your food won't sour and upset you. There never was anything so safely quick, so certainly effective. No difference how badly your stomach is upset you usually get happy relief in five minutes, but what pleases you most is that it helps to regulate your stomach so you can eat your favorite foods without fear.

Most remedies give you relief sometimes—they are slow, but not sure. "Pape's Diapepsin" is positive in neutralizing the acidity, so the misery won't come back very quickly. You feel different as soon as "Pape's Diapepsin" comes in contact with the stomach—distress just vanishes—your stomach gets sweet, no gases, no belching, no eructations of undigested food, your head clears, and you feel fine.

Go now, make the best investment you ever made, by getting a large fifty-cent case of Pape's Diapepsin from any drug store. You realize in five minutes how needless it is to suffer from indigestion, dyspepsia, or any stomach disorder, due to acid fermentation.—Adv.

ing to confidential advices, have caused serious delays in production. While the vast majority of American workmen have rallied to the support of the fighting forces, their English fellows abroad admittedly have lessened their efforts as their pay increased. The result was a bare 58,000 tons of shipping produced in England in January and 100,000 tons in February, both months far short of the amount necessary if the program of 1,800,000 tons this year is to be carried out.

Hurley to Speak.

America has only begun to build ships. Mr. Hurley's speech in New York will be one of the most important revelations of war progress made by any branch of the government, as it is understood he proposes to tell the country exactly what is being done and how the United States in the last year has built more steel shipways than all the English yards put together. The wooden yards also are adding substantially to the merchant marine.

Admiralty Memorandum.

Following is the substance of the admiralty memorandum: "Hitherto the board of admiralty have been averse from any publication other than that contained in the weekly return of losses, although it has frequently been pressed upon them that the whole tonnage facts should be made public. So long as publication would encourage the enemy and would stimulate his energies in a dangerous direction, they have not been able to concur in the proposal.

"The figures to-day will not stimulate the enemy, and the admiralty recognizes that the policy of silence, necessary as they believe it to have been from a naval point of view, has had this serious defect, that it fails sufficiently to impress upon the people of this country the vital necessity of individual and united effort on their part to make good the losses caused by enemy submarines.

"In the spring of 1917 the full menace of the submarine campaign was first disclosed. Since that date we have steadily increased our knowledge and our material resources for this novel warfare.

"The situation should be viewed from the standpoint of the world's tonnage, as in these problems the mercantile navies of the whole world, excluding the enemy, may be regarded as one.

Gaining Upper Hand.

"On the subject of losses the admiralty disclaim any desire to prophesy about so uncertain a thing as war in its submarine phase. The results of the past year have shown the ability of our seamen to get upon terms with the submarine menace and gradually to gain the upper hand. This result has been achieved in spite of an imperfect knowledge of a new and barbarous method of warfare and of a scarcity of suitable material. Our material resources for this warfare are already improved, and are being rapidly augmented, whilst science is placing at our disposal means of offense and defense of which we have been in need. Subject to this technical advice and to the warning that undue optimism is fatal, the admiralty consider that the facts with regard to tonnage losses speak for themselves.

"With regard to the other factor—the production of merchant tonnage—any estimate for the future must depend wholly on the determination of employers and men in the shipyards and marine engineering establishments. The production, however, of merchant ships in the United Kingdom during January, 1918, even making the most generous allowance for weather conditions, fell so far below that of each month in the preceding quarter that if im-