

GERMAN COMPETITION THREAT TO BRITISH SHIPBUILDING YARDS

By GEORGE JOYCE
LONDON, Reuters — Rapidly growing German competition in the shipbuilding industry is threatening British supremacy and bringing fears of a slump to the shipyards.

Members of Parliament have voiced concern in the House of Commons at falling orders and asked for government assurance that large-scale unemployment, a bitter memory of pre-war poverty for shipyard workers, is not on its way back.

J. P. L. Thomas, first lord of the admiralty, after a recent tour of the shipyards, said "the admiralty is watching the situation and is not complacent."

J. W. Elliott, chairman of one of Britain's leading shipbuilding firms, complained that orders have fallen by half, with a dearth of new contracts becoming more pronounced.

Germany Gains
But Britain today still heads the world. The latest figures available show that she is building 323 ships, with a total tonnage of 2,175,760. The industry employs 200,000 workers, with an average wage of £9 a week.

By comparison, Germany has 141 ships with total tonnage of 644,361 under construction. But her labor force is growing and wages are below the British level.

The German yards, first bombed and then dismantled by the Allies, have been rebuilt and thoroughly modernized. Hamburg is reported to be working at full pressure, with orders from such countries as Norway, India and Indonesia.

The German industry has received \$70,000,000 in subsidies from the West German government and mutual assistance funds.

Largest Oil Tanker
America plans to build super cargo ships in German yards, with a tonnage comparable to the Queen Elizabeth and Queen Mary, are

said to be well advanced. Aristotle Onassis, the Greek shipping magnate, had the world's largest oil tanker launched from the Howaldt yard.

At the end of the war, Germany had a mere 120,000 tons of merchant shipping, much of it fit only for the breakers. Today, her fleet has increased to 1,600,000 tons. At the beginning of 1954, she was building 250,000 tons of shipping for foreign customers, and she has orders which will last well into 1956.

The German boom has knocked Japan out of second place among the world's biggest shipbuilders. Many people in the industry here blame Britain's present position on the complacency engendered by the boom she experienced after the war. Order books were choked. Costs were rising, but the profits were good and shipyard workers were able to press their claims for higher wages.

Germany Moves In
Britain had so much work on hand that foreign customers were never quoted a fixed price and were left guessing about the time which would elapse before their ships were delivered.

It was then that Germany came in as a serious competitor. The first jolt for British shipbuilders came with a series of cancellations of orders. Norway alone withdrew five contracts. Countries in a hurry for their new ships had started to turn to Germany, where fixed prices were quoted and early delivery dates guaranteed.

Sir Frederick Rebeck, head of Harland and Wolff, one of Britain's biggest firms, was one of the first to see the danger. He told his shareholders that a German yard had offered to undercut a British contract by 10 per cent for a 10,000-ton ship and guarantee delivery in 12 months.

"On the continent, work is being done quicker, cheaper and equally well," he said.

so on. "I soon found most Londoners don't know much about London," said Blackburn, who has been operating since early June. "I asked dozens of them where Nell Gwynn was buried and nobody seemed to know. Now I figure I know more about the place than most natives."

Nell's grave, incidentally, is in St. Martin-in-the-Fields churchyard in Trafalgar Square. She was a court favorite in the time of King Charles II.

ATTRACTS ATTENTION
Blackburn's baby bus, a buff and cream creation costing £1,000, is an eye-catcher.

"Whenever we stop, a crowd gathers. I thought the British were supposed to be reserved? I get so embarrassed, sometimes, I want to get out of the driving seat and run a mile."

Unlike the bigger buses, the 12-foot-long coach is allowed into royal grounds.

Blackburn served with the 2nd Canadian Division in the Second World War, went to Korea in 1950 with the 25th Brigade and later served in Germany with the 27th Brigade.

Blackburn, who also caters for Canadian service personnel on leave from the continent, was born in Montreal but lived more than 38 years in Ottawa.

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ENGAGEMENT — Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Wood wish to announce the engagement of their daughter Ruth Lina to Lorne Galvin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allie MacNeill, West Cape. Marriage to take place early in August.

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, services Birch Hill, Wednesday, July 14th, Thursday, July 15th, Friday, July 16th, at 8 p.m. (standard time) conducted by Rev. W. MacLeod. Services Stanchel Tuesday, July 13th, Wednesday, July 14th, Thursday, July 15th at 8 p.m. (standard time) conducted by Rev. Prof. D. MacKenzie. Preparatory services Cape Traverse, Thursday, July 15th, and Saturday, July 17th, 8 p.m. (standard time). Rev. J. H. Bishop, Minister.

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Atlantic Provinces Junior Red Cross Delegates at Wolfville



Articles comprising an exhibit to be put on display at an international Junior Red Cross training centre at Flamslatt, Sweden, later this summer are examined and discussed by a group of delegates to the Atlantic Provinces High School Junior Red Cross Leadership Training Centre, now in progress (to July 15) at Acadia University, Wolfville, N. S. Intended as an expression of friendly greetings from Canadian Juniors, who prepared most of the items themselves, they include portfolios of both professional photos and casual snapshots and sketches of typically Canadian scenes; paintings, dolls, pennants, decorated shells and other ornaments and collections of favorite Canadian ballads. The six Canadian delegates to the international centre are among 80 high school students attending the Wolfville course. Appearing in the photo are: seated, left to right, Allison Styan, Magog, Que.; Rene Cotton, Charlottetown, P. E. I.; Norma White, Souris, P.E.I.; standing, Ian Smith, Kingsley Falls, Que., Bernice Delory, Georgetown, P.E.I.; Wayne MacDonald, Charlottetown, P.E.I.; Miss Marie Bowness, Charlottetown, P.E.I.; provincial director of the Junior Red Cross for Prince Edward Island; Suzanne Francis, Charlottetown, P.E.I.; James McLean, Kensington, P.E.I., and Frankie McGuigan, Charlottetown, P.E.I. — (Photo by R. B. MacAulay).

Hampton and Vicinity

Students from this school taking entrance examinations at P. W. College recently included Misses Joyce Ferguson, Barbara Dunsford and Roma Sherren.

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Hope River Picnic

WEDNESDAY, JULY 14

Supper and Games.

IN MEMORIAM

HUDSON G. MORROW
June 25, 1954, will hold sad memories for North Lake and elsewhere where Hudson Morrow was known. On that day he went to Charlottetown with a neighboring family. On arrival there he seemed about as usual, but before he had time to say I rewe'll his life on earth was closed.

He was born August 9, 1896, son of Alfred and Winnie (Dingwell) Morrow. His father died when he was quite young, and he was called upon to take charge of a large farm property. He maintained and improved the family herds and flocks and unselfishly helped others along the same lines. That trait of character, commendable as it is; is small compared to his standing as a citizen, neighbor and friend, to all alike. The death of his mother and sister after prolonged illness of both combined with anxiety and home duties and willingness to "carry the heavy end" no doubt hastened his death at the age of 58.

He leaves to mourn his wife, the former Rhoda Robertson, after a married life of 34 years. The funeral service first at the home continued at Kingsboro Church with burial at South Lake Cemetery. The ceremony was conducted by a former pastor and longtime friend, Rev. H. R. Bell, assisted by Rev. R. Johnson. The sermon, thoughtfully and feelingly delivered, was assisted by a male choir of five in the singing of "That Beautiful Land." "No Night There, 'A Home on High," and at the grave, "O Think of The Home Over There." Floral offerings as follows:—

Pillow
Wife.
Wreaths
Harold and Doreen J. E. and Ethel.
Russel, Irene and Heath.

LITTLE POND C. W. L.

The June meeting of the Little Pond C. W. L. was held at the home of Mrs. John Blackett on June 30 with a large attendance.

Meeting opened with prayer led by the president, Mrs. Chas. J. MacDonald, followed by roll call and minutes of last meeting.

Sick visiting committee, Miss Mary A. MacDonald and Mrs. Allan J. MacDonald reported visiting the sick of the parish and giving them a treat. Next committee is Mrs. Allan MacKenzie and Mrs. Vincent MacDonald.

Meeting closed with prayer and a reading entitled "C. W. L." taken from the League magazine.

Next meeting is to be held at the home of Miss Annie Steele. Lunch was served by the hostess assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Doyle.

Among the boys booked for attendance at the Boys' Camp at Augustus Cove are Donnie Gordon, John Gordon and Juddie MacEachern, all of Appin Road, children of Mr. and Mrs. James Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Gordon, and Mr. and Mrs. John MacEachern.

A visit to Argyle Shore beach was the recent experience of the

PERSONALS

Mr. W. Earl Warren, building contractor, Charlottetown, who has been ill in the P.E.I. Hospital has returned to his home and is carrying on business as usual.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Peppin and daughter, Patty, Guilph, Ontario, have arrived to spend two weeks with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Peppin, at their summer cottage at Keppoch.

Mr. and Mrs. William W. Allan, West Roxbury, Mass., are on a motor trip to P. E. I. by way of Nova Scotia. Mrs. Allan is the oldest daughter of the late Colin MacPherson, formerly of Uigg.

Mrs. Arthur MacDonald anti daughter Shirley of New Dominion left Saturday by the "Overlander Special" on a holiday trip to the West Coast. They will visit friends and relatives in Vancouver, Victoria and Seattle.

On June 24 Mrs. Andrew Jardine, Freetown, Miss Mary MacKenzie, deaconess from Tryon, together with several of the ladies from the surrounding districts assembled in the Church of Scotland for the purpose of organizing a W.M.S. Also present were Rev. and Mrs. Donald Nicholson from Clyde River.

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RED PLANE WANDERS
SEOUL, (AP)—An alert was sounded over the Seoul area for 20 minutes shortly after noon today when a Communist aircraft was reported spotted over the demilitarized zone. The 5th Air Force said the plane turned around and headed north.



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DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS	7. A color	28. Brownish-red chalice	38. Arabian chief
1. Coast	8. Excess of chances	29. Female parent	39. Female parent
6. Shepherd's	9. S-shaped	30. Tense	40. Board of Ordrance (abbr.)
11. Ancient language	10. County (Eng.)	31. Abrasive materia	
12. Avoid an open course	14. Peruse	32. Ancient name of Syria	
13. Female singing voice	16. Sea eagle	33. Crescent-shaped figure	
14. Make red	19. Kindled into flame	34. Ocean	
15. Infant's knitted shoes	20. Soak flax	35. Italian beach resort	
17. Place of moiding	21. Core (Swed.)		
18. Harangue	22. Dancer's cymbals		
20. Round	24. Trouble		
23. Claw	25. I have (contracted)		
27. Rub out	26. Guided		
28. Sheave or pare			
29. Legendary Swiss patriot			
30. Followed (slang)			
31. Long (for)			
33. A wing			
36. Jumbled			
40. A shade of brown			
42. Capital (Peru)			
43. Near (post.)			
44. To make dim			
45. Pithy			
46. Smells			

DOWN
1. Thick slice
2. Circle of light
3. Man's name
4. Tumultuously
5. Half an em
6. Bureau

Yesterday's Answer
1. ACRYLON
2. LONGFELLOW

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE—Here's how to work it:
A K Y D L E A A X R
L S O N G F E L L O W

One letter simply stands for another. In this example A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Quotati
R L A Q U. E P M B G M R K P L H W
U J U A Q U. E P U S A X U R I L S Q U M H N
X R I X B A U K K ? - Q N A L R

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