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# CABLEGRAMS

**CHAIRMAN EDWARD N. HURLEY** *cables:* " \* \* \* We want you and the boys in the trenches to know that the men in the yards are going the limit to provide in record-breaking time the ships that will carry more Men, Food and Munitions to the intrepid American Expeditionary Forces."

**GENERAL PERSHING** *replies:* "The launching of nearly 100 ships on the Fourth of July is the most inspiring news that has come to us. All ranks of the Army in France send their congratulations and heartfelt thanks to their patriotic brothers in the shipyards at home. No more defiant answer could be given to the enemy's challenge. With such backing we cannot fail to win. All hail, American Ship-Builders!"