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Others Confronted

In reaching an agreement with the United States Government, Mr. Onassis said he would build a 106,000 deadweight ton ship (which would be the largest in the world) and two 46,000-tonners under the American flag.

Because of the extremely poor condition of the ship charter market, the shipping magnate would like to be able to get out of this agreement.

Could Forfeit \$8,000,000 Bond

He could automatically, by simply forfeiting an \$8,000,000 bond he has posted with the Government. But it is unlikely that he would be tempted to sacrifice this sum of money.

In addition to the three ships mentioned, the Onassis interests have under construction at Bethlehem's Quincy (Mass.) Shipyard two 46,000-tonners for foreign flag. It is believed that he will transfer these two to American registry in order to fulfill that part of his obligation to the Government, and cancel the building of two under foreign registry.

As far as the 106,000-ton ship is concerned, speculators believe that if he cannot get the Maritime Administration to agree to cancellation at a "reasonable" loss, he will either postpone its construction or build two or more smaller ships (like the *Mariner*).

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