

SIMS ATTACKS MEDAL AWARD TO DANIELS' KIN

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GIVES HIS STAFF CREDIT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—A man who lost in battle should not receive a special award due those who were victorious," declared Admiral William S. Sims yesterday before the senate subcommittee investigating the award of naval medals of honor.

Admiral Sims was referring to the award of a medal of honor to Commander David Worth Bagley, brother-in-law of Secretary Daniels, who commanded the destroyer Jacob Jones, which was sunk.

At the outset of the hearing Senator Pittman, democrat of Nevada, protested against Admiral Sims being permitted to testify before Secretary Daniels was allowed to present his side of the controversy. Secretary Hale declared that inasmuch as Admiral Sims was the complainant that he should testify first. A vote was taken and Senator Hale was sustained by the subcommittee.

SAYS HIS STAFF DESERVES CREDIT.

Admiral Sims declared he had taken the facts upon which he based his protest against the naval awards from the annual report of the secretary of the navy. He said he considered those recommendations. He stated he had written a letter of protest to the secretary, but "the secretary did not answer my letter; he replied to it by saying the recommendations were not final."

The American people know less about the navy than any other great maritime power," Admiral Sims said. "Other nations have the right to make announcements concerning the navy public, while not on active duty. This is necessary for the good of the service."

Admiral Sims said only nineteen of 202 officers of his staff received naval medals. "I say this to answer some criticism I heard that all members of my staff received awards," he said.

"Whatever our political action and popularity I might have obtained from the war is due to the work of my staff. All I claim credit for is selecting the men of my staff," Sims said.

"I think the entire system of awards is wrong," Sims said. "I believe that most of the trouble could have been avoided had the commanding officers been further consulted."

"I requested the navy department for the policy to be followed by the department. It was impossible for commanding officers to get together and we had no policy defined to guide us."

"I did everything I could when I saw this trouble coming to ward it off. Presidents of the service awards committee by changing the awards recommended three men for D. S. M. They were confused. That was three out of 40,000 men."

The only man under me who received the D. S. M. was a man named Isaacs. All he did was to be captured by the enemy."

Senator Hale asked if Sims was unable to get any definite policy from the department.

"I wrote to Admiral Knight relative to the policy and he told me the awards board had no policy."

CHARGE SECRETARY CHANGED THE LISTS.

Admiral Sims, in a letter to Secretary Daniels some weeks ago, charged the secretary with having altered the list of the awards of honor—medals were sunk by the enemy than recommended, among such officers being the secretary's brother-in-law, Commander Bagley.

A second letter from Admiral Sims, at Newport, R. I., to the secretary of the navy, dealing, it is understood, with lesions taught by the war, will likewise be one of the exhibits at the hearing. Of this communication, Secretary Daniels remarked:

"Again the pipe line from Newport seems to have given out information concerning the letter before, or as soon as had reached my desk. I have not yet had a chance to read it all, but as far as I have gone it is critical in spirit."

SOUTH SIDE NEWS

Persons having items for the South Side News Column may call L. W. Frucht, Prospect 827.

HOLDS CITIZENSHIP CLASSES.

Classes are being formed at the communal buildings 17 West Morris street, for the study in civics, history and citizenship. The Jewish federation has secured the Indiana university course in these subjects and it is the intention of the federation to offer the people of the city the opportunity to secure a high grade education free. Indiana university will furnish expert teachers and lecturers who will meet the classes every Thursday night. "Community Civics," "The Immigrant and American History," "Present Political Parties" and "The Contribution of the Immigrant" are some of the topics to be discussed.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The uniformed rank of the Knights of St. George gave a dance at Sacred Heart hall Thursday evening, Jan. 15. Lynch brothers' orchestra played the music.

The ladies' auxiliary of the Talmud Torah will give a dance at the communal building, 17 West Morris street, Sunday evening.

John's Social club plans to give a card party at St. Catharine's Hall Jan. 23.

The ladies of St. Catharine's will entertain with a card party at St. Catharine's hall Sunday evening, Jan. 18.

St. John's Alumnae association will give a card party and dance at Tomlinson hall Jan. 22. All of the friends and students of St. John's academy are invited.

Mr. Arthur R. Bobbison will speak at the Morris Street Methodist church on the subject "America and the World War" Wednesday evening, Jan. 21. The public is invited.

Claud Little, 918 South State street, has been selected teacher of the young men's class, which was organized at the Villa Avenue Methodist Protestant church.

The plastering work in the main auditorium of the new Victory Memorial church has been completed and the seats have been shipped.

Shorthorn Breeders Elect Dr. Harland

LAFAYETTE, Ind., Jan. 17.—Dr. A. E. Harland, Alexandria, was re-elected president of the Indiana Shorthorn Breeders' association; R. C. McMillan, vice president; and W. B. Krenck, treasurer.

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SUFFRAGISTS WATCHING LEGISLATURE WORK



Leading suffrage workers in Indiana photographed along the railing in the senate chamber today, while watching the legislators discuss the suffrage bill.

Standing along the railing, left to right, are Mrs. Horace Stillwell, Anderson; Miss Sara Lauter, Indianapolis; Mrs. Fred Alice Foster McCulloch, Ft. Wayne; Miss Eldena Lauter, Indianapolis; Miss Ada E. Bush, Kentland; Mrs. Richard E. Edwards, Peru; Mrs. G. W. McNutt, Indianapolis; Miss Betsie Edwards, Shelbyville; Helen Benbridge, Terre Haute, president of the Woman's Franchise League of Indiana; Miss Mae Helmer, Terre Haute, and Mrs. W. T. Barnes, Indianapolis, chairman of the Seventh District Franchise league.

NEW TO SEEK ANOTHER TRIAL

SECRET NOTE Given Judge by Jury, Ground, Says Counsel.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 17.—A note handed to the Judge by the jury, which found Harry S. New, Jr., guilty of second degree murder for the killing of Fred Lesser, will be the basis of the motion for a new trial to be made when New comes up for sentence Monday, the defense announced today.

The note, marked "to the court and not for the press," said the jury requested the Judge to have New first confined to "some institution" for observation as to his sanity. This, the defense holds, shows that the jury had a reasonable doubt as to New's sanity and that the second degree murder verdict was given on a basis of expediency.

But the motion for a new trial is denied as the appeal is taken. Leopoldo Davis, chief counsel for the defense, announced. An attempt will be made to secure the release of New on bail, pending the new trial or the appeal.

BAKER KILLED IN COLLISION

C. George Fatally Hurt When Train Hits His Wagon.

Christ George, 43, proprietor of a bakery at 563 West Washington street, died at the City hospital yesterday as the result of injuries received an hour earlier when a train hit his wagon. The accident occurred at Concord and Walnut streets. George was placed on the train and brought to the Union station.

Motor Police Officers Golder and Lanning investigated. Allee E. Bennett, 1418 East Market street, was the engineer and Harry Pitzenberg was the conductor of the train.

Friends of the dead man said he is survived by a widow and five children. They said he was a Hungarian and that he had been in business at the West Washington street address for a number of years.

Legion Official Urges Universal Training

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Favoring universal military training for American youth from 21 to 21, for not less than four months with service for two years is an amendment to the resolution of the American Legion, proposed by the training period as far as possible by civilians and under civilian laws and practices. Thomas W. Miller, chairman of the legion's legislative committee, today told the house military affairs committee. The legion is opposed, he said, to compulsory military service in times of peace.

King Decorates U. S. Correspondent

PARIS, Jan. 17.—Henry Wood, chief of the United Press bureau here, was decorated by King Nicholas of Montenegro with the order of Prince Danilo, in recognition of the association's brotherhood to the people of Montenegro.

Wood already had received the French Legion of Honor in recognition of his services in reporting the world war.

JUDGE CARTER III; SO IS JOE HAYES

Judge Solon Carter of superior court, room 3, was yesterday confined to his home because of contracting a cold. He was forced to retire yesterday from the bench. Joseph Hayes, county commissioner, is home with the grip.

Indiana 26th State to Ratify Federal Suffrage Measure

Indiana is the twenty-sixth state to ratify the Susan B. Anthony federal suffrage amendment. Thirty-six states are necessary to carry the amendment.

The date only one state, Alabama, has rejected it.

Here are the states in the order in which they acted on the suffrage question as they are on the suffrage.

ILLINOIS—June 10, 1919.

WISCONSIN—June 10, 1919.

MICHIGAN—June 10, 1919.

KANSAS—June 16, 1919.

NEW YORK—June 16, 1919.

PENNSYLVANIA—June 24, 1919.

MASSACHUSETTS—June 25, 1919.

LOUISIANA—July 1, 1919.

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ARKANSAS—July 28, 1919.

MONTANA—July 30, 1919.

NEBRASKA—Aug. 2, 1919.

MINNESOTA—Sept. 8, 1919.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—Sept. 10, 1919.

UTAH—Sept. 30, 1919.

CALIFORNIA—Oct. 1, 1919.

NEW MEXICO—Oct. 1, 1919.

NORTH DAKOTA—Dec. 1, 1919.

SOUTH DAKOTA—Dec. 4, 1919.

COLORADO—Dec. 12, 1919.

KENTUCKY—Jan. 6, 1920.

OREGON—Jan. 12, 1920.

INDIANA—Jan. 16, 1920.

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