

SENATE ORDERS QUIZ TO SIMS' CRACK AT DANIELS' WAR POLICY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—A full investigation of the charges made by Rear Admiral Sims regarding the American naval policy during the war was ordered today by the Senate naval affairs committee. Secretary of Navy Daniels today intimated that Admiral Sims may be forced to explain and prove many of the charges he has made against the naval policy.

"A thorough investigation should be made of these charges," Secretary Daniels said. "If the senate doesn't make it, some other tribunal may be asked to."

The committee authorized the medal award investigation committee to inquire fully into the facts placed before that committee by Admiral Sims on Saturday that he was sent to France with orders "Not to let the British pull the wool over your eyes."

The conduct of the war by the navy department also will be gone into. Senator Pittman, democrat, Nevada, offered a resolution to have the full navy committee take up the case. This was defeated. A second motion by Pittman to have a separate subcommittee inquire into the question was defeated. Senator Walsh, democrat, Montana, offered a resolution to have the medal awards committee inquire into the charges.

This was passed without a record vote.

The committee will begin the probe following the completion of the medal awards investigation.

BRITAIN UNMOVED

LONDON, Jan. 19.—Early newspaper comment on dispatches from Washington reporting the testimony of Admiral Sims before the senate naval affairs committee was not inclined to give the affair undue significance.

The American statement that he was warned not to let the British "pull the wool" over his eyes and that "we would as soon fight the British as the Germans," was not interpreted as cause for alarm.

WARNING NATURAL, SAY NEWSPAPERS

The warning, some newspapers pointed out, was natural enough in view of a certain amount of anti-British sentiment which existed in the United States at the time it was given.

It was pointed out that when America did enter the war she came wholeheartedly and was unflinching in her efforts to aid Great Britain and the allies.

The American navy, particularly in the opinion of some newspapers, placed itself unreservedly under the command of the British commanders and did "wonderful and unforgettable service."

PERSHING FIRST TO HIT BRITISH

Many statements may be made in the United States which "will be hurtful to our insular pride," the Evening Telegram said.

"Pershing, that fine soldier, gave us the first blow when he declared America was in the war. Now, Admiral Sims hits us in a different fashion by revealing the spirit in which some Americans went into the fight."

"We'll let every American thank God it was the Germans they fought and still let them think they won the war."

DEMOCRATS SMILE

By WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS,
Star Correspondent of the International News Service.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Democrats here are smiling broadly over the "thrill" of Vice Admiral William S. Sims against Josephus Daniels, secretary of the navy.

"It is simply the opening of the campaign," they are saying, "beginning of the opposition party's attempt to 'investigate' the democrats out of the whitehouse into political oblivion."

A careful canvass of leading democrats in Washington indicates that this and the composite opinions which follow is the view generally accepted by the administration.

They point out a number of things which, they say, plainly indicate a widespread plot to discredit administration officials in their conduct of the war, and, if possible, to bury the fact that the war was won under a deluge of probes, investigations, legislative inquiries and alleged scandals.

HOW THEY SUM UP ADMIRAL'S ATTACK

Admiral Sims, they point out, might have summed up his entire letter, which democrats charge was to the public and not to Secretary Daniels, in a paragraph, to wit: that he naturally considered his "sector" the most important in the war, and, in his opinion, he should, therefore, have been given everything he asked, regardless of needs elsewhere.

The attitude of Admiral Sims and that of Gen. John J. Pershing, now declared to be a receptive candidate for the republican nomination for the presidency, democratic critics observe, are distinctly at variance.

The admirals' suggestion that the navy department "consider our naval forces as but one relatively small item of an allied naval team, and that our mission was the protection of all lines of communication and not the United States lines of communication alone," they insist should be studied with care.

Pershing's reply to Marshal Foch and the allied staff when he was asked to consider the American army as a relatively small unit to be studied with care, and let the American troops be amalgamated with the British and French. Pershing's emphatic refusal and his insistence that the Yankees should fight as an American unit, democrats aver, received the unanimous approval of republicans and democrats alike throughout the land.

QUOTE REPORT AGAINST HIM

Administration officials are putting the hypothetical question:

"Suppose Secretary Daniels had taken Admiral Sims' advice and the American navy had been amalgamated with that of Great Britain, for the protection of allied lines of communication and not the United States lines of communication?"

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THE WEATHER

Local Forecast—Fair and colder tonight and Tuesday, becoming unsettled on Tuesday night; lowest temperature tonight 15 to 20 degrees.

Indiana Forecast—Fair tonight, except snow in northern portion; Tuesday fair and colder.

FOURTEEN TEMPERATURE.

6 a. m.	24
7 a. m.	25
8 a. m.	26
9 a. m.	26
10 a. m.	26
11 a. m.	26
12 (noon)	26
1 p. m.	26
2 p. m.	26
3 p. m.	26
4 p. m.	26
5 p. m.	26
6 p. m.	26
7 p. m.	26
8 p. m.	26
9 p. m.	26
10 p. m.	26
11 p. m.	26
12 (midnight)	26

Sun sets today, 4:40; rises tomorrow, 7:02; sets, 4:50.

One year ago today, highest temperature, 54; lowest, 27.

Martens' Quiz Starts Without Legal Counsel

**Senators Object to Stevenson
Who Served Committee
in New York.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Opposition to Archibald Stevenson, counsel for the Lusk legislative committee when it investigated soviet Russian activities in New York, caused the senate committee, appointed to probe alleged bolshevism and propaganda to proceed without legal assistance this morning.

Senator Moses, republican of New Hampshire, chairman of the committee, said counsel would be selected later.

When Stevenson was suggested as counsel, Senator Borah, republican of New Hampshire, said: "I don't want to let the committee be misled by a man who was in the Lusk committee."

WARRANT READY TO SERVE ON MARTENS

Frank Burk, assistant chief of the Washington bureau of the department of justice, is waiting at the capitol with a warrant for the deportation of Martens. It was stated at the department of justice, department officials said Burk would serve the warrant on Martens as soon as the senate subcommittee hears his complete testimony.

Martens probably will be taken to the immigration station at Baltimore, where he will be interrogated and possibly released on bail until transportation facilities are secured for his deportation to soviet Russia.

MARTENS FIRST WITNESS CALLED

Martens was the first witness called by Senator Moses. Former Senator Hardwick, Martens' counsel, stated the Russian envoy had prepared a "full and complete statement," which he desired to read to the committee.

Accompanying the statement would be many documents in English and Russian, Hardwick said.

"In the statement Martens will deny specifically that he had been identified with or instigated any movement or propaganda involving any resort to violence or any attempt whatever to overthrow the American government," Hardwick said. "It will show that he has acted with scrupulous propriety and in full accordance with international law as a representative in this country of the Russian people."

Hardwick said he himself had supervised the "construction" of the statement.

At Senator Borah's suggestion, Martens was permitted to proceed with his statement. He spoke in English with a pronounced accent off Cape May today, not, however, prevent him from being clearly heard and understood.

RHODE ISLAND TO TEST U. S. LID

**Supreme Court Grants Right
of Liquor Law Hearing.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—The supreme court today speeded up its final decision as to whether constitutional prohibition is valid.

Announcement was made that the application of the state of Rhode Island to institute original proceedings in the court to test the validity of the eighteenth amendment, according to a telegram received today by L. N. Hines, state superintendent of public instruction. The commission will spend the remainder of the winter in the state of Rhode Island. There are thirteen persons in the party, according to the telegram.

Pastors, Sunday school superintendents, teachers, officers of the Sunday school, and members of the Christian Endeavor societies of the city will attend. Well known speakers will address the sessions of the convention.

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\$250,000 in Drugs Taken by Burglars

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 19.—Fifteen men broke into the plant of the Standard Medical Company early today and escaped with cocaine, morphine and heroin estimated to be worth \$250,000. They bound the watchman and carried away the loot in sacks.

Attorney General's Life Guarded as Radicals Send Threat Letters

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—Threats against the life of Attorney General Palmer are being made daily, it became known here today, because of his activities in suppressing criminal radicalism.

Justice department officials are taking every precaution to guard their chief.

"Threatening letters are received almost every day," said Robert Scott, confidential secretary to Palmer, today.

"Although many are obviously written by cranks, there is no doubt that there is real danger."

The bureau of investigation has charge of taking the necessary precautions to guard Palmer, Scott said.

Immediately after the attempt to assassinate Palmer last summer by dynamiting his house, the bureau assigned one of its most skillful operatives to guard the attorney general. This man now goes everywhere with Palmer, no matter how short the distance.

LETTERS OVERFLOW LARGE FILE

Washington, other operatives are assigned to guard, when necessary.

"Meanwhile, still other agents of the investigation are continually engaged in hunting down the senders of the threatening letters which now overflow a large file in the investigation bureau."

"These letters have been sent from practically every big city in the country," said Scott. "Occasionally a name is signed, presumably a false one, but most of the letters are without signature."

AMERICA WILL SERVE WORLD TO BEST OF ABILITY--

"AIN'T HE GRAND?"



ASK NEW TRIAL FOR HARRY NEW

**State Objects to Plea of
Attorneys.**

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 19.—Another effort to save Harry S. New, Jr., now under indictment of second degree murder, for the slaying of his sweetheart, Freda Lesser, was begun here today with the filing by his attorneys of a motion for a new trial. The expense of the trial, if granted, will be borne by United States Senator Harry S. New of Indiana.

New was scheduled to come before Judge Craig today for sentence. The law provides that he may be sentenced to from ten years to life.

The state will strenuously oppose the granting of a new trial.

M. MILLERAND MADE PREMIER

**Governor of Alsace Accepts
French Leadership.**

PARIS, Jan. 19.—Alexandre Millerand, governor of Alsace, today accepted the offer of President Poincare to head the new French cabinet.

Millerand himself will take the portfolio of foreign affairs in addition to his duties as premier. The remainder of the cabinet was named as follows:

Minister of war, Andre Lefevre.
Minister of marine, M. Landry.
Minister of the interior, M. Steeg.
Minister of public instruction, Andre Honnont.
Minister of finance, Francois Marsal.
Minister of commerce, M. Isaac.
Minister of labor, Paul Jourdain.
Minister of justice, M. L'Hotellerie.
Minister of public works, M. Letrouquer.
Minister of hygiene, M. Breton.
Minister of liberated regions, M. Touron.

50,000 BARRELS WHISKY SEIZED

**Government Charges Tax
Fraud Against Kentucky Firm.**

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 19.—Officers of the internal revenue department today seized the entire plant of the Wathen distillery and 50,000 barrels of whisky, charging that an attempt to defraud the government has been made on the liquor taxes.

The entire plant and the whisky, the total value of which is estimated at between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000, are subject to forfeiture to the government.

Government agents charge that thousands of cases of whisky were placed in the free warehouse after \$2.20 tax was passed on the liquor for medicinal purposes. It is charged that this whisky was later sold generally at \$1.50 a case to anyone who would purchase it. The tax on it would thus have been \$0.70, and the government a swindle of \$100,000.

It was announced that warrants were issued for R. E. Wathen, head of the firm, and for W. F. Knobekamp, manager of the firm. Knobekamp also is president of the Louisville baseball club. Charges will be charged with defrauding the government of whisky taxes, of failure properly to label whisky, selling without a license and violation of the war-time prohibition act. These offenses carry penalties of fines up to \$5,000 and imprisonment up to two years.

Italian Rail Men Vote General Strike

PARIS, Jan. 19.—The Italian railway unions have voted by a large majority to call a general strike today, a dispatch from Milan to newspapers here declared.

Buffalo Times Plant Burns; Loss \$500,000

BUFFALO, Jan. 19.—The two buildings of the Buffalo Evening Times were burned Sunday, with a loss of \$500,000. Norman E. Mack is publisher of the paper.

MESSAGE SENT PAN-AMERICAN MONEY CONFAB

**Republics Will Fulfill Every
Obligation, He Declares in
Brief Address.**

POSITION IS PRIVILEGED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—The American republics are able today to say to the world, "Here is an important section of the globe which has today eliminated the idea of conquest from its national thoughts and from its international policy," said the message.

REGRETS INABILITY TO BE PRESENT.

President Wilson's message read at the opening session of the Pan-American Union this morning follows:

"Gentlemen of the Americas: 'I regret more deeply than I can well express that the condition of my health deprives me of the pleasure and privilege of meeting with you and personally expressing the gratification which every officer of this government has because of the friendly and significant mission which brings you to us.'

"I rejoice with you that in these troubled times of world reconstruction the republics of the American continent should seek no selfish purpose but should be guided by a desire to serve one another and to serve the world to the utmost of their capacity."

POSITION GIVES GREAT PRIVILEGES.

"The great privileges that have been showered upon us both by reason of our geographical position, and because of the high political and social ideals that have determined the national development of every country of the American continent, carry with them obligations, the fulfillment of which must be regarded as a real privilege by every true American."

"It is no small achievement that the Americans are able today to say to the world, 'Here is an important section of the globe which has today eliminated the idea of conquest from its national thoughts and from its international policy. The spirit of mutual helpfulness which animates the conference supplements and strengthens this important achievement of international policy. I rejoice with you that we are privileged to assemble with the sole purpose of ascertaining how we can serve one another, for in so doing we best serve the world.'

AMERICAN GAINS NEW RESPONSIBILITIES

Secretary Lansing, who made the welcoming address, also urged high ideals.

"We can not avoid new responsibilities to one another and to the world and ought not even if we could," he said, "It is folly to cherish the illusion that the war has not effected the peace, prosperity and progress of American nations," he declared.

"The American stand for certain political and social ideals which permeated our very existence as nations since we declared and achieved our independence. We can render to humanity no greater service than to preserve these lofty ideals untouched by sordid or selfish purpose as living witnesses to the beneficent power over the affairs of men."

Secretary Glass, who presided, declared that the world is suffering from a great unrest, and that it is showing signs of "neurosis," which may presage the breakdown of government unless all differences are settled for the common good.

May Request Kaiser to Give Himself Up

THE HAGUE, Jan. 19.—Dr. Ch. J. M. Boga de Bogenbroek, the Dutch jurist, had a long conference with Foreign Minister Kerebek, presumably over the allied note demanding extradition of the former kaiser, it was reported today.

The Dutch officials, it was said, agreed to make representations to the former kaiser suggesting he offer to surrender voluntarily to the allies.

Burglars Plunder Dentist's Office

Burglars got \$35 worth of gold and some instruments in the office of Dr. E. E. White, dentist, 244 Old Police building, during the night. They "jimmied" the hall door and an inner door. It is believed by Motor Police Morarity and Harris that the burglars were frightened away, as they left some gold and did not try to enter an adjoining office.

Judge Holds Fate of Fortune Teller

Anna Adams may know what Judge Pritchard is going to do to her in court, for the judge announces his decision, "sign on the window of the place, 517 West Washington street, re: 'Come in—Your head is like an apple to me.'"

Sergis, Bates and Helm are arrested on charges of kidnapping the fortune teller. She will be tried in court.

Man Fractures Hip in Fall on Icy Walk

James W. Williams, 54, of 324 North Missouri street, fell on an icy sidewalk today and his right hip was broken. He was sent to the city hospital.

1,000 New Flu Cases in Chicago; 13 Die

CHICAGO, Jan. 19.—Nearly 1,000 new cases of influenza were reported to the health department in the last twenty-four hours. Thirteen deaths were reported in the same period.