



## SIMS ASKS AID FROM HOOVER IN NAVAL INQUIRY

Senators to Question War's Food Chief on Reported Peril of Allies.

### ADMIRAL HEARD AGAIN

WASHINGTON, March 11.—Herbert Hoover, former food administrator, will be asked to testify in behalf of Rear Admiral W. S. Sims before the senate naval affairs committee investigating the Daniels-Sims controversy. Sims today requested the committee to call Hoover and Chairman Hale stated he would be called to testify Saturday.

Sims wants Hoover to corroborate his testimony regarding the desperate situation of the allies when America entered the war. He said Hoover first gave him the first realization of the possible dangers of the allies during a conference in London shortly after he arrived.

### CLASH WITH DANIELS

Sims today made the disclosure that in June, 1917, he urged Secretary Daniels to completely strip the American coast of "seagoing protection" and transfer the ships to British waters. Daniels, testimony showed, refused to entertain the suggestion. In a cable to Daniels Sims said:

"I fully realize the shortsightedness of public opinion and its effect on the distribution of our forces, but the fact remains that we could well afford to strip our coast of seagoing protection and concentrate it all in the critical area on this side of the ocean."

Ten days later, finding his suggestion still unheeded, Sims sent another message to Daniels, again urging that American ships be transferred to European waters.

"I again submit that if the allied campaign is to be viewed as a whole there is no necessity for any high sea

protection on our own coast," he said. "As long as we maintain control of the sea as far as surface craft are concerned there can be no fear of the enemy establishing submarine bases in the western hemisphere."

Sims went on to say the anti-submarine war would be won if the enemy could be forced or led into "diverting part of his submarine effort to the United States coast, or to any other area distant from the critical area surrounding the coast of France and the United Kingdom."

### REPEALS CRITICISM ON DESTROYERS

Sims today repeated his criticisms that the navy department was slow to act on his requests for destroyers.

"The repeated promises of the department to supply additional forces at definite times were not kept," he said, "and I often found myself seriously embarrassed."

He replied to Sims' demand that the American coast be stripped, Secretary Daniels said that "the future position of the United States must in no way be jeopardized by a disintegration of our main fighting fleet," according to a cable from the secretary read by

passers in dealing with the allies because, acting upon the information furnished by the department, arrangements had been made for the disposition of these new forces, which involved rearrangement of allied forces and these could not be made because of the failure of the new forces to arrive."

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Other official cables read showed that Sims opposed the project for building a mine barrage in the North sea, which the navy department later carried out over the opposition of British naval ex-

## POLES ARE TOO WEAK TO WORK

Famine Hits Small Towns Severely, Says Zoo Beckley.

### ZOE BECKLEY.

WARSAW, March 11.—Polish suffering is greatest in the smaller towns, where absolute famine reigns.

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schools and stores closed. The peasants starved off starvation by sneaking flour and vegetables from Warsaw, after the Germans took the town from the Russians in 1915.

When the Germans left they robbed the wool mill of every scrap of copper and brass.

During the Russian occupation the farms were seized and there has been no agriculture and industry in or near Marki for five years.

The English owner of the mill is in England trying to raise money to reopen the plant. Even if he is successful it will be months before Marki is able to support itself.

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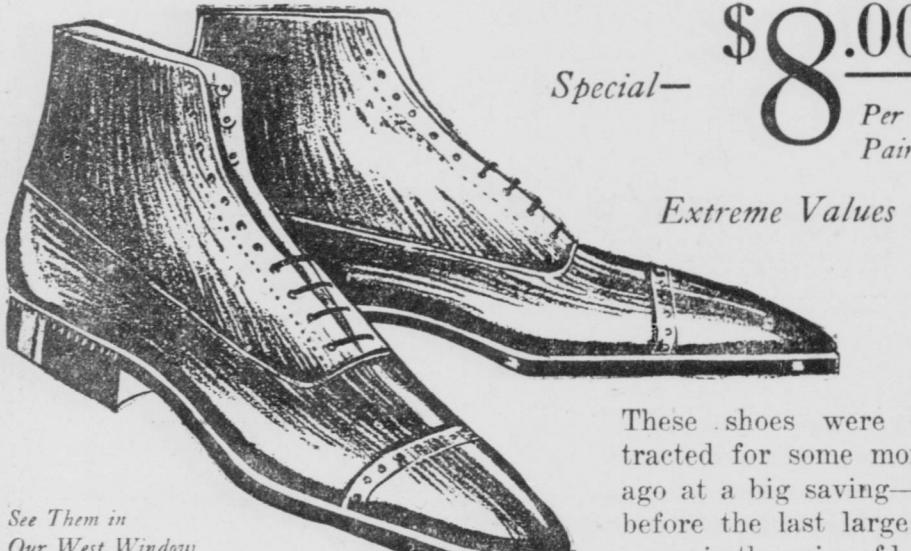
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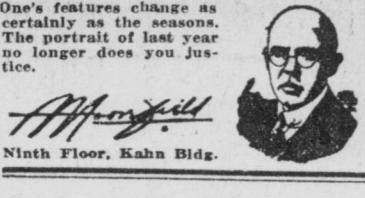
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