

DANIELS, COME TO JUDGMENT, SIMS DEMANDS

Tells Senators Secretary's Delay on Convoy Plans Lost Many Ships.

AMERICAN SHIPS FEW

WASHINGTON, March 12.—Secretary of Navy Daniels was responsible for confusion in the convoying of ships which resulted in unnecessary losses during the war, Admiral Sims declared today before the senate subcommittee investigating charges against the navy department.

Admiral Sims said that after the British admiralty had worked out a convoy system which the allies adopted, Secretary Daniels attempted to put into effect a different plan for American ships.

The delay of the navy department in accepting the recommendations for the convoy system, delaying its establishment for some months, resulted directly in the loss of thousands of ships of shipping lost unnecessarily to the allied cause as a whole," Admiral Sims said.

CONVOY SYSTEM

"MOST IMPORTANT."

Admiral Sims said his letter of Jan. 7, 1920, "was a very mild statement of the serious embarrassments and delays and dangers in putting into effect the convoy system, which was the most important of all the measures used in defeating the submarine campaign against allied shipping."

Sims told the committee of "the real state of desperation in which I found myself almost daily during the first months of the war." He added:

"The cause of this was not a single matter, such as the failure to act on my convoy recommendations, but that in a dozen different matters at the same time I was faced with the same difficulty. I always hoped from the day that the department would finally realize the situation and either accept the recommendations or send over somebody in whose judgment they could trust."

AMERICAN SHIPS FAR DOWN IN LIST.

American shipping in July, 1917, he said, was not more than 5 per cent of the arrivals and departures in the war zone. After fifteen months of participation, Sims said, American ships made up less than 12 per cent of the allied tonnage in the North Sea committee.

On his request for tugboats, Sims stated that it was a year after we entered the war before he received any, and that at the time of the armistice the navy had fewer than a dozen in European waters.

JELLIFFE THANKS AMERICAN NAVY

OTTAWA, Ontario, March 12.—Naval operations of the United States during the war "were of great help" to the empire, according to a report regarding proposed Canadian naval defenses presented to parliament by Admiral Jellicoe.

The report, which has been tabled, states that, without the American naval assistance given, England, because of the submarine menace, would have been forced to abandon some of her overseas expeditions.

Four suggestions for naval defenses for Canada are made by Admiral Jellicoe, ranging from a \$5,000,000 fleet to one costing \$25,000,000. One basis for a Canadian fleet suggested is that it should comprise one battle cruiser, two light cruisers, six destroyers, four submarines and two mine sweepers.

POLITICAL SIDELIGHTS

Seventh ward republicans have just completed the organization of a Lowden-for-President club. Dean Ross is president; Ben Kamp, vice president, and Hays Hollowell, Harry Holtzman and Paul Doer, directors. The Lowden organization has received word that the Theta chapter of Beta Theta Pi of Delaware, O., has gone on record for the election of the Illinois governor.

Henry A. Link, a naturalist of Hermitage place, Waterloo, Ind., and one of the leading farmers of northeastern Indiana, is an earnest supporter of Dr. C. B. McCulloch for the democratic nomination for governor. He has written Dr. McCulloch as follows: "I am glad that a man of your attainments and ability has announced as a candidate for governor. We need such a man as you at the head of this great state. It is high time we were changing the statehouse course. The tax law and the many other objectionable laws should be amended or taken off the books."

According to State Senator Walter McCoahy sentiment for Edward C. Toner for governor is growing in Wayne county. According to Senator McCoahy Mr. Toner's record in advocating social and industrial welfare and his efforts in behalf of the public school system have won him many friends in and around Richmond.

James W. Fesler continues to be the third candidate in straw votes given out at McCray headquarters. The latest vote was taken at the plant of the National Motor Car Company, showing 117 for McCray, 33 for Toner and 27 for Fesler.

The Harrison Republican club of the fourth ward has invited all republican candidates to attend a meeting at Udell and Clifton streets tonight.

LOYAL TEACHERS KIDS' BOOSTERS

Sample of Services That Give Future Citizens Start Found at School 45.

By WALTER D. HICKMAN.

"All right, Virgil, you may read," said Miss Fisher.

Virgil was all smiles as he read, "Did you see Billy?"

The second line was read by Dorothy, which was, "Yes. He ran away."

Miss Fisher told the children to read the next line.

Every boy in the class brightened up when they discovered that Billy and his pal, John, ran away to wade in the creek.

By this wonderful method, these little children are able to read rapidly and with the right inflection the printed page after being in school less than five weeks.

Then the older children were told to get their "button counters."

Eagerly they marched to the rear of the room and obtained their counters and returned to their little desks. Marshall was called to the head of the class to give a problem. Up stepped he with his counter and said, "A man had ten automobiles in his shop. Another came in and bought two. How many automobiles does the man have left?" Quickly every child counted and in a second every child in this class had the correct answer.

And so the loyalty of Miss Fisher to her little pupils is giving future citizens their correct fundamental training.

And the loyalty does not stop there.

Miss Ruby Lee and Miss Gertrude Buehler are giving the children of this school training in dramatic art as well as a fundamental training in writing little plays. This is a splendid way to teach a child composition.

Miss Alexander stated that she is planning to have the children present William O. Bates' "Polly of Pogue's Run" as a feature for Indiana Centennial week.

Miss Fisher instructed the children to look at the printed page they held in their hands.

"Now read the first line," she said.

There was silence.

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