

SAYS CHARTING OF SEAS ONE BIG NEED FOR NAVY

Chief Hydrographer Cites Dependence on Great Britain for Shipping Data.

POINTS OUT DANGER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The United States Navy is absolutely dependent upon the British admiralty for nearly 30 per cent of her sailing charts, and entrance of American warships into European waters is practically under the control of the British government, Chief Hydrographer L. H. Chandler asserted today in his annual report to the Secretary of the Navy.

Of the 4,542 charts used in navigating American war vessels and merchant ships in 1920, the Navy Department furnished only 2,720, being compelled to look to British naval authorities for 1,178, the report said. Seventy-five per cent of the sea maps used in navigating northern European waters came from British sources.

"During the last war," Read Admiral Chandler continued, "we were fortunately associated with Great Britain and were therefore able to get the necessary charts from the British admiralty. In any future war in which Great Britain would be either neutral or hostile, we would be fatally restricted by lack of charts."

The admiral declared this situation should be remedied as soon as possible, but warned that at the present rate of progress it would be forty years before the United States is independent of Great Britain.

Admiral Chandler recommended the enlargement of the hydrographic bureau to meet these needs and the amendment of existing laws prohibiting the purchase and supplying merchant ships with all necessary sailing maps. An appropriation of \$60,000 a year for five years, the admiral said, would be sufficient to cover all needs and would place the American Navy and merchant marine in an independent position so far as charts are concerned.

FREEDOM SOUGHT FOR MRS. MYERS

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of the city in the direction of Sheridan, the old family burying lot.

Byron, 14, and Arthur, 12, sons of the dead man by a previous marriage were present.

AFFECTIONS ARE ALL WITH STEPMOTHER.

These boys present one of the strange anomalies of the case. Their affections are all with the little woman held for the murder of their actual father, and they make no pretense of concealing their grief over her incarceration.

"The worry of all our thoughts are with mother," they said repeatedly yesterday.

One of the youngsters told a playmate at the time Mrs. Myers fled the divorce complaint against her husband that "If the court gives us to father we will run away and go to mother."

They have been staying at the home of a policewoman, a neighbor, since the slaying of their father, and it is said the old couple in conversation of the boys is "how happy we will be when we are with mother again."

In the big three-story frame residence and studio at 1806 North Alabam street, known as Myers Photo Shop, the very walls had ears, for Myers had the entire house wired and dictaphones were hidden in the most unexpected places, according to secrets discovered by the police.

For a time his knowledge of even unimportant conversations which occurred between members of his family and employees seemed almost supernatural. For example, when Mrs. Clara Creel, the cook, was needed Mrs. Myers, in the kitchen, the morning after, said: "How did Mr. Myers sleep last night?" and Mrs. Myers would answer, "Not very well," a little later Myers would tell them of that conversation and is said to have remarked, "You seem determined about how we sleep."

In the evening, during a visit to Palm Beach, Fla., that the dictaphones were discovered and a net work of wires in the walls and between the floors leading to the phones were removed.

In the Myers photo shop is a crystal which causes no end of mirth among the young women employed there but which Myers regards in a serious light.

This is all that Mrs. Myers, would never reveal wonderful things under certain conditions.

MOONLIGHT EXPOSURE REVEALS WONDERS.

"You must place it on a piece of black velvet, in a room with a northern exposure, and look at it in the moonlight, then and only then will you see what it can reveal," was what Myers is reported to have often told his employees.

Myers was a student of a book written by Dr. Leopold. Leopold entitled, "The Mystic Will." That book and other similar publications are in the studio. It was this book that he is said to have read to a woman the night the morals squad raided a house at 437 North Alabama street, and Myers was then followed there by police. The woman was Eva Hubner, the police say.

"The Mystic Will" is described as a book setting out "A method of developing and strengthening the faculties of the mind through the awakening of a simple scientific process possible to the person of ordinary intelligence."

The treatise was first published in England several years ago under the title of "Have You a Strong Will?"

Thinks Taxi Driver's Murder Was Planned

Special to The Times.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 7.—Coroner Kreilkraus of Warrick County, today returned a verdict that Dennis Kuban, 17, taxi driver, supposed to have been murdered in that county, came to his death from a wound inflicted by a revolver and that the crime appeared to have been premeditated. Walter Woodring is under arrest here for the reputed murder.

Police are investigating several theories as to the case are looking for a man who last Saturday night stayed in a grocery store here that Kuban won all the money in a craps game the night of the murder. The sum was said to be large.

The police also are seeking the man who wrote down the number of Kuban's taxi on a naval victory medal application blank at a Vincennes game.

James Westfall, a suspect, is still held by the police.

Fulkerson to Be Guest at Kiwanis Luncheon

A record attendance is expected at the luncheon of the Kiwanis Club at the Hotel Seven, Wednesday noon, when Ross Fulkerson, first vice president of the international Kiwanis organization and editor of the Kiwanis Magazine, will be the guest of honor.

Mr. Fulkerson is coming on from Washington, D. C., where he is a newspaper writer, to talk to the club on the subject, "The Battle of Business."

An unusual program has been arranged by an entertainment committee of which Henry L. Dithmer is chairman. On Wednesday night Mr. Fulkerson will go to Noblesville to present a charter to a new Kiwanis organization.

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