

AMNESTY ARMY WILL ABANDON PICKET TACTICS

Campaign of Peaceful Persuasion for Prisoners' Release Planned.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—Leaders of the "children crusaders," who are to "camp" in the national capital until their fathers and relatives—the political prisoners—are freed from Federal prisons, today decided to abandon militant picketing methods.

From now on, a campaign of peaceful persuasion will be conducted, with the idea of getting "the real facts" before Congress and the Administration. Mrs. O'Hare, one of the leaders of the little army, said.

The crusaders turned their campaign against Congress today. The plea for amnesty was presented to the members of Congress, with personal delegations from which the political prisoners come. Seven representatives from seven States—Rhode Island, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Illinois, Oklahoma, Missouri and Arkansas—were interviewed.

NAVY OFFICERS PROTEST CUT FROM RESERVE

Appeal to Harding Against Alleged Discrimination Against Them.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—Nearly 400 Naval reserves and auxiliary officers of various grades now in active duty will be separated from service July 1, with provision for the future under terms of the Navy Appropriation bill which has passed the House.

Included in this number of officers are fifty-nine old time officers who compose the Naval Auxiliary Service, which was organized in 1888 for the Spanish-American war. They were placed in charge of the naval supply ships; all of the officers of need were given establishment be-

ing needed for the battleship.

The Navy Appropriation bill which passed the House made no provision for these fifty-nine auxiliary reservists, who had served both in the Spanish-American and in the World War. It is claimed for them that their service should give them a status identical with or superior to that of many of the younger regulars.

NO RETIREMENT PAY.

Legislation already enacted and bills pending before the House Naval Affairs Committee provide for pensioning regular combat officers and for retirement at 60 years of all naval auxiliary service. No retirement pay or other benefits are provided for the fifty-nine officers who composed the old naval auxiliary service, many of whom are nearing the 60-year age limit.

These auxiliary officers have appealed to President Harding in an effort to correct this alleged gross discrimination. Letters of protest, in effect a round robin, have been mailed by each officer to the White House.

It is expected the fight will be carried to the Senate Naval Appropriations Committee, where the work of the House Appropriations Committee is to undergo careful revision. Friends of the old naval officers expect the Senate to grant relief from the apparent injustice.

The House Appropriations Committee considered the case of the reserve and auxiliary officers serving their duty when it framed the appropriation bill. It was determined to reduce the cost of the naval establishment and decided the only way to effect reductions was to cut off officers and men. It was not authorized to make provisions for retirement or retirement pay, that being the duty of the provinces of the Naval Affairs Committee.

A survey made of the officer personnel of the navy convinced the appropriations committee there were a sufficient number of regular officers in the navy to command all vessels of the reduced navy, even the collier, the submarine and others. It is on these latter vessels, auxiliaries to the battleships, that the reservists and auxiliary service men were in command or served as chief officers and chief engineers.

REGULAR OFFICERS

It was decided by the appropriations committee that the better policy was to retain in the active service as many as possible of the regular navy officers and to force removals or separations from among the reservists. This plan was followed, and pay authorized by the bill is restricted to regular officers of the navy, with some new exceptions. Commandant William F. Prather, commanding ship Rappahannock at San Diego, Calif., is one of the auxiliary officers who has written the President. He was first officer of the supply ship Zafiro, which went with Admiral Dewey's fleet to Manila Bay, May 1, 1898 and has since been in the naval service.

"We are fully satisfied," Prather commands, "that Congress and the administration will correct the lack of provision for us in the pending legislation when our long years of faithful service are brought to their attention.

"There are two simple means of remedying the situation. Congress might take the initiative in a plan to transfer these officers to the regular service or extra numbers in grade out of the line of regular promotion and retain them for service on auxiliary ships. If this is not feasible retirement pay privileges

should be granted.

**EAGLE LOSES
FIGHT TO FLY.**

King of Birds Breaks Neck Against Airplane Strut.

QUANTICO, Va., May 2.—A combat in the air between an eagle and a marine corps plane, in which the king of the air lost his life, took place near Quantico.

Lieut. R. O. Sanderson, flying near the flying field, saw a flock of birds and gave chase. An eagle which had been hovering high over the flock, wheeled on his course and at top speed flew directly toward him.

The bird struck one of the wire braces of the plane with such force as to break the brace and the eagle's neck. The bird was caught in the braces of the plane. The eagle measured seven feet between the wing tips.

DOCTOR TO BE TRIED.

DURHAM, England, May 2.—Dr. Edwin Ernest Willis will be tried for manslaughter for the death of a patient on whom he operated. He is accused of being intoxicated.

FUNCH IN NOSE FATAL.

CALCUTTA, May 2.—A riot precipitated by a punch in the nose given to a millhand by his manager caused a riot in Delaware County. The city vote will fall considerably below that of the city primary a year ago. Former Governor Ralston seemed to be a favorite in the

Terre Haute Doctor Says He Was Asked to Operate on Girl for Honor's Sake



This is the latest picture of Gertie Hanna, who was found murdered in the basement of the vacant parsonage belonging to the United Presbyterian Church at Hooperston, Ill. Below are shown the parsonage and the church which adjoins it.



W. T. HANNA, FATHER



GRACE HANNA, SISTER

Democratic senatorial race in Delaware County.

LIGHT VOTE AT TERRE HAUTE

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o'clock. Twenty-five of these were Democrats.

A member of the election board in the Eighth precinct of the town of Elkhorn, 20 miles west of Terre Haute, said the light activity was expected later. There had been eighty-five voters at 8:30. Eight were Democrats. This ordinarily is a top-heavy Republican precinct.

Only 101 had voted at the Marion Club, in the Seventh precinct of the Sixth ward, at 9:30 o'clock.

At the 10th precinct of Washington Township reported 102 votes at 9:30 o'clock. Eighteen were Democrats.

In the Eighth precinct of the Tenth ward, normally Democratic, 108 Republicans and 55 Democrats had voted by 8:30 o'clock. Only four voters in the First precinct of the Twelfth ward at 8:30 o'clock. Forty-seven Republicans and eighteen Democrats had marked their tickets by 8:30 o'clock in the Eighth precinct of the Ninth ward.

The Eleventh ward was coming in as slowly as the others, a report here today. Farmers were staying in their fields trying to catch up with work which was stopped by recent flood waters.

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HARDING SAYS HE'LL WELCOME LEASE INQUIRY

President Believes Oil Agreements Will Serve Best Interests of U. S.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—President Harding welcomed any investigation, friendly or unfriendly into the oil leases entered into by Secretary of Interior Fall with large private corporations. It was stated at the White House in the course of President Harding's bi-weekly conference with his cabinet and assistants.

The President believes, it was said, that the leases entered into will serve the best interest of the Government, and welcomes any scrutiny which the Senate or any other investigating agency cares to give them.

PUT FINAL TOUCHES ON BIG BALLOON

Soldiers Will Enter Their Racer in Meet at Milwaukee.

BELLEVILLE, Ill., May 2.—Soldiers of the United States Army Air Station here are putting the finishing touches on the big balloon that the War Department has entered in the International Balloon Race to be held May 8 at Milwaukee. This is the second balloon to be entered by the Government in an international balloon event. It is being built under the direction of A. Leo Stevens, veteran balloonist, chief civilian aeronautic officer at the balloon field.

The first balloon entered in a race by the Government was constructed two years ago at Ft. Omaha under the direction of Stevens. It had a capacity of 78,500 cubic feet of gas. The balloon under construction here will have a capacity of 80,500 cubic feet and a lifting power of three and one-half tons.

All of the work on the unusually large craft will be done by private and servants, with the exception of the seamstress work, which will be carried on by women.

It takes 2,500 yards of special balloon fabric for this envelope. Five and one-half miles of sewing are represented in this job; two and one-half barrels of special varnish, five barrels of naphtha and many other ingredients have been used.

The balloon will be known as "U. S. Army No. 2" and will require a net in which 15,250 feet of rope will be used. The net will represent 144 meshes. The balloon when completed will stand 105 feet high from the bottom to the top of the valve.

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"We want to tell the world," Margaret continued, "that it's none of their business if we smoke a cigarette now and then, and it won't injure our health any more than it will the health of our fathers or big brothers."

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'BABIES' ON PAN-AMERICAN MEET



Senorita Maria Clotilde Vega from Nicaragua and Senorita Ruby Gutierrez from Paraguay are the youngest delegates to the Pan-American Conference of Women.

WORKERS FORM NEW PARTY AS ANTI-SOCIALIST

Executive Is on Bail on Charge of Criminal Anarchy During War.

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