

# TWO U. S. FLEETS WILL BE FORMED BY NEXT SUMMER

Atlantic and Pacific Fleets to "Keep Navy on Toes," Says Daniels.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—To keep the navy "fit and on its toes," two great fleets, one based on the Pacific coast and the other on the Atlantic coast, will be established by next summer, with war games and joint maneuvers, as a part of the regular program of training.

Secretary Daniels in explaining his plans to the House naval committee yesterday, said that after every war there is a tendency for the navy to retrograde and that the fleet division has been determined upon to prevent slump. The plan, he said, had received the endorsement of Admiral William S. Benson, chief of operations, who is now in Europe with the peace delegation.

"An admiral who can stay long enough to stir up 'ambition' will be placed in command of each fleet," Mr. Daniels said, "and all officers will be kept on their ships for two years." In effect, the secretary added, "there will be a war between the Atlantic and Pacific fleets which will so stimulate the keenness that it will make the men feel they are in actual war."

Combined Fleet to Maneuver. Mr. Daniels did not indicate to the committee how many ships will be in each fleet. It is assumed, however, that there will be an equal distribution of the capital ships, most of which, heretofore have been kept on the Atlantic coast. During joint maneuvers the combined fleet will visit each coast so as to give the people on the Atlantic and Pacific seaboard an opportunity to see the full navy force.

Mr. Daniels also told the committee that during peace times the submarine bases at San Diego, Cal., Key West, Fla., and New London, Conn., will be retained. The principal training stations for seamen in the east will be at Chicago, Hampton Roads, and Newport, R. I.

Secretary Daniels and Admiral Benson plan to visit the Pacific coast next summer to study conditions there with a view to recommending extension of the navy yards, while other officials will visit Eastern yards for the same purpose.

## RISKS LIFE TO KISS BLARNEY STONE

(By Associated Press)

LONDON, Jan. 2.—Peter McGuire, sometimes of San Francisco, now of the United States Navy, imperiled his neck for the right to tell his admiring friends at home, "I've kissed the Blarney Stone." McGuire was a member of a party of American sailors conducted by the Young Men's Christian Association to Blarney Castle.

"It's a bit of a drop," said Pete, after he had climbed to the top of the castle wall and looked down a sheer one hundred and ten feet. "It's by adding a little sport to the game."

Pete watched other Yankee blue-jackets kiss the Blarney Stone. The approved method is for a strong man to grasp the candidate's left leg and arm, while another grasps his right leg and arm, then they swing him out over the abyss as far as they can reach and let the intrepid one bounce his nose against the scarcely attainable rock, call it a kiss, and let it go at that.

Not so McGuire. He knew he could reach out over the ledge and kiss the Blarney Stone across the way without assistance. As he had almost attained his goal, he lost his balance and started down the one hundred and ten feet straight through the air.

The keeper descended by a safer route intending to pick up the dead American sailor. What he saw was McGuire rubbing himself and pointing heavenward with a sort of sheepish grin.

"The keeper saw where McGuire after falling sixty feet hit well out on a tree limb and broke it off. Below that was another bough to which he had clung, and below still another, also breaking the fall so that the last drop of fifteen feet was very minor."

"The custodian became very angry. 'What do you mean?' said he, 'breaking off the limbs of the trees. Don't you see that sign? Do Not Injure the Shrubbery!'"

## Blind Preacher to Give Lecture at Reid Church

The Rev. J. O. Hayes, the blind preacher, will give his illustrated address on "The Other Wise Man," at Reid Memorial church this evening. There will be no admission charge. An offering will be taken after the lecture.

## DAVID LUBIN DIES IN ROME

Rome, Wednesday, Jan. 1.—David Lubin of San Francisco, founder of the International Institute of Agriculture and the American representative on its permanent board, died here today of pneumonia. His fatal illness followed an attack of grippe.

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## Mrs. Charles Smith Dies in Richmond, Va.

WINCHESTER, Ind., Jan. 2.—The funeral of Mrs. Charles Smith, who died at the home of her grand-daughter, Mrs. Leon Cranor Miller, in Richmond, Va., Saturday, was held Monday afternoon at the home of her brother, George Browne, on South Meridian street. Burial at Fountain Park. Mrs. Smith was born and raised here, and was 77 years of age. She was a sister of General Thomas M. Browne, who represented this district in congress for many years. Her husband, the late Charles Smith, was a druggist for many years. Deputy Sheriff Puckett arrested James Grady of Red Key, at Ridgeville Saturday for intoxication. Grady also had three pints of whiskey in his possession. Paul Willis was arrested Saturday by Sheriff Davisson

on a charge of provoke, filed by Frank Miley. He was released on bond. A new case filed is the Atlas State Bank of Union City versus Earl C. Teaford, et al, a suit on note to foreclose mortgage. Miss Anna Tocher has resigned her position at the auditor's office and has accepted a position in the office of the secretary of state, at Indianapolis. The funeral of Mrs. Karl Payne, who died in Indianapolis, was held at the home of her brother-in-law, Lewis Payne, North West street, Monday morning at 10:30, in charge of the Rev. Mr. Baker. Interment at Fountain Park. Benjamin F. Marsh, 65, died at a Muncie hospital Monday, the result of an operation. He was taken to the hospital last Friday. He was born in Hancock county and came to this county in the early seventies. For several years he was a teacher in the schools at Lynn and Winchester. He has practiced law here for thirty-seven years. He had

a life long member of the Friends church and took a deep interest in all church work. He was also an active worker in the Masonic and Knights of Pythias orders. The funeral was held yesterday at the home, conducted by the Rev. Frank Cornell, with interment at Fountain Park. Mrs. Eva Albertson, wife of Ollie Albertson and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Engle died at her home near Carlos City Monday of influenza. She was a niece of former Judge J. S. Engle of this city. The husband and six children survive. The funeral was held Wednesday, at Winchester. The announcement of the engagement of Miss Hazel Rubey, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Rubey and one of Winchester's most popular society ladies, was made public at a Tri Kappi party Saturday afternoon. Following refreshments a basket of roses was distributed to the guests, each rose bearing a card announcing the ap-

proaching marriage of Miss Rubey to Lester P. Simms of Ridgeville. The wedding will be solemnized in February.

## Court News.

James Brady was arraigned before Special Judge W. O. Smith Monday and pleaded guilty to having three pints of whiskey in his suit case and was fined \$50.00 and costs, amounting to \$82.50 in all.

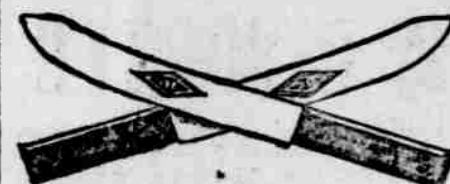
Two cases for foreclosure of mechanic's liens were filed against James and Anna Manning Tuesday, one by Cosh Brawley and one by Benjamin S. Jarrett.

William E. McFarland has filed a petition to close a highway in Jackson township.

It costs some of the big retail stores in New York city \$5,000 to \$10,000 a year to clean windows and metal signs.

## WAS RESTLESS AT NIGHT

Sufferers from kidney trouble experience backache, rheumatic pains, aches in joints and muscles and other torturous afflictions. E. W. Kitt, R. F. D. 2, Box 9, Shorters, Ala., writes: "I used Foley Kidney Pills as I was so restless over night with pains in my back and side. They did me good and I truthfully say Foley Kidney Pills is the medicine for kidney trouble." For sale by A. G. Luken & Co.—Adv.



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