

SALE OF LETTERS TO BE INVESTIGATED, SAYS DANIELS.

FLIGHT UNDER INQUIRY

Secretary Deplores Clash Between Lieutenants Farrell and Hinton in Canada.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Secretary Daniels announced tonight that a court of inquiry would be convened at the Rockaway N. Y. air station upon the arrival there of Lieutenants Hinton, Farrell and Kloor.

Another subject of the inquiry, the secretary said, will be the clash yesterday at Mattice, Ontario, between Lieutenants Farrell and Hinton.

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FARELL REFERS TO HINTON AS 'MY OLD PAL'.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Official report of the voyage of the three American naval balloonists, who reached here last night from Moose Factory, where they landed December 14, after their thrilling balloon flight from Rockaway, N. Y., was telegraphed to Seattle today.

When the filing of the report, the officers announced they were free to talk. Seemingly reticent after the dispute when Lieutenant Stephen Farrell struck Lieutenant Walter Hinton, they added little to their story.

Lieutenant Kloor declared that in his opinion Farrell stood the hardships remarkably well for his age. Lieutenant Kloor referred to "little spats" which occurred between the men during their four days' wanderings in the woods, but these were rather of a friendly nature, he declared.

Lieutenant Kloor said he had written nearly 10,000 words telling of the trip. Much of it was written by candle light and many of the candles were made himself from tallow.

"I do not want to appear selfish," he said. "I have had a wire from Secretary Daniels authorizing us to talk, but I have written a story of the trip myself and it contains some dope that has not been printed."

The fight between Lieutenants Farrell and Hinton yesterday was described in a statement to over-wrought minds induced by their hardships and grueling struggles.

The statement, Lieutenant Kloor said, was prepared at the direction of Hinton and Farrell, who had mended their differences. The three officers were together in the private car of H. H. Way, divisional superintendent of the Canadian National railways.

"On several occasions," the statement said, "after a long and tiresome walk, one of two of us would become grouchy and at the slightest provocation would make a fuss. These quarrels were just temporary disagreements. Almost as quickly as they would start they would end."

"As commander of the balloon, I flew to Moose Factory. I had perfect liberty to select any of the officers at the station to accompany me and authorization from the commanding officer. In picking my passengers, Lieutenant Hinton and Lieutenant Farrell, I selected them because they were two of my best friends and themselves good comrades."

"During the trip all of us have been ready to make sacrifices for one another. We have fought our battles as brave shipmates and the traditions of the navy. We have done our best to uphold our own dignity as well as that of the service. We always will be broadminded. Such petty quarrels as may have occurred will not lessen our affection. Today, after the first real rest since we left Moose Factory, our difficulties patched up and our friendship renewed, we can not emphasize too strongly that there is not now, and has not been, any misunderstanding in our party other than of a passing nature."

The statement was signed by Lieutenant Kloor. Hinton admitted he had written the letter that caused the quarrel, but declared he had not intended it for publication and was sorry. Belief in this statement was expressed by Farrell, who alluded to Hinton as "my old pal." They indicated that the incident was closed all of us have been ready to make sacrifices for one another.

The train probably will reach Toronto tomorrow afternoon. They intend leaving Toronto for New York at 4 o'clock. Lieutenant Hinton was suffering from swollen feet as a result of the long trip from Moose Factory on snowshoes. The others apparently are in good shape.

Farrell Right, Says Wife. Mrs. Hinton flees to room and remains silent on row.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—Mrs. Stephen A. Farrell, wife of Lieutenant Farrell, today asserted that she believed her husband was right in "defending his character," when he struck Lieutenant Hinton at Mattice yesterday.

"Of course I think my husband was right in defending his character," she said. "I read a letter received from Lieutenant Farrell by Francis F. Bent, commissioner of contracts, and it was marked that it was not to be published."

"In my opinion, the letters that Lieutenant Hinton and Kloor wrote their relatives and friends should not have been published. Now you can see what it has caused. Had I received a letter from my husband all the money in the world could not buy it. It is a question of principle and loyalty to my husband."

Mrs. Stephen A. Farrell and Mrs. Walter Hinton, wives of two of the naval balloonists, characterized as "unbelievable" the story of the dispute between their husbands over the letter Lieutenant Hinton is alleged to have written to his wife Mrs. Hinton, after expressing her disbelief of the affair, fled to her room, saying, "I have no statement to make until I hear from my husband."

RATHLON AND WIFE AGAIN IN LIMELIGHT

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NOTORIETY STARTS HERE

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fleet, Secretary Daniels said, but it will be "considerably weaker." He added, in light cruisers and other ships needed to protect the main fleet and to carry out blockading and other strategic operations. "We will be slightly inferior in submarines and will have no modern aircraft carriers suitable for operating with the fleet," the secretary said. The data submitted showed that within the completion of all present authorized building the effective battle strength of the British navy will be 36 ships, aggregating 635,650 tons; American navy 37 ships, aggregating 657,650 tons; Japanese navy nine ships, 230,370 tons. The battle cruiser figures will be: Great Britain six, aggregating 175,400 tons; United States six, 261,900 tons; Japan, eight, 270,000 tons. "If Japan's projected programme for 1927 is authorized, however, it will raise her battleship strength in that year, according to the figures, to 13 ships, aggregating 459,730 tons and increase her prospect of superiority over the American navy in battle cruisers, giving her 12 ships of that class, aggregating 430,000 tons. This programme already has been approved by the Japanese government, Secretary Daniels told the committee, but there have been no appropriations for it. Secretary Daniels declared one of the most serious shortcomings of the American navy at the present time was its total lack of speedy aircraft carriers.

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At that time the count was known to be in fairly affluent circumstances and was said to be descended from one of the oldest and proudest of Danish families, his father being Baron C. F. E. Holstein of Copenhagen.

He was said to be a traveling salesman, and it was proved that the countess had flirted with Morgan, dined with him and then invited him to her rooms at the Rosing hotel of St. Louis to view her treasures.

Morgan accepted the invitation and was sitting in the room conversing with the charming countess when her husband rushed in, brandished a revolver and forced Morgan to hand over \$115,000 all the money the traveling salesman had in his pockets.

However, Morgan at this point wrested the gun from the count, held the couple at bay until daylight and then phoned the police. He is said to have stated that the reason he did not communicate with the police earlier was because he feared he himself would be arrested on some charge.

The two numbers for strings were marked favorites, especially the Schumann "Traumerer," and this latter was so beautifully played and had such perfect ensemble that it had to be repeated. The overture "Marriage of Figaro" is ordinary, and is not worthy of the genius of Mozart, who composed many better things.

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