

NAVAL LIMITATIONS TO HIT LAND PLANTS

Fleets Afloat Will Be Kept Up to Treaty Maximum.

YARDS TO BE CURTAILED

Members of Congress Interested in Plan Learn Most Stations Will Be Abandoned.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 18.—(By the Associated Press.)—Members of congress have gained an impression at the navy department, it was learned today, that under Secretary Denby's announced policy of concentrating efforts on the Atlantic coast, particularly along the Atlantic coast, would be first to feel the effect of reduction of naval appropriations for next year to \$250,000,000 or less, as has been suggested in the house naval committee hearing.

Mr. Denby asked for \$350,000,000 to keep the fleet at the 5-5-3 ratio strength provided for under the naval limitation treaty. The chief topic of the hearing was the proposed plan to curtail the yards.

Two Atlantic Yards Needed. It was said to be obvious from a military view, however, that only two Atlantic yards, New York and Norfolk, would be regarded as vitally essential to the present Atlantic fleet, and that even at these reductions of a radical nature would be made, it is necessary for the sake of keeping the maximum force afloat.

The congressional leaders are understood to feel that Mr. Denby would recommend the closing of all other Atlantic yards and the lease, or possibly even the sale, of the shore plants rather than the sacrifice of an important fleet unit, although no such plan has actually been formulated.

60,000 Men Afloat Required. Secretary Denby's suggestion that by putting 100 destroyers out of commission and reducing complements on many of the active ships to a point which officers declare will work against their efficiency in both upkeep and handling, it would be possible to keep the navy going with only 60,000 men, a reduction of 10,000, means a floating navy of about 50,000 men. This is the minimum necessary to keep even a semblance of the 5-5-3 ratio strength afloat.

Landis Quits March 1. The situation thus pictured and which is understood to have prompted the administration to hand down the thought of getting down to the 50,000 enlisted strength figure in present world conditions is believed to have been laid frankly before members of congress by department officials.

TAFT SAYS COURTS ARE OVERWHELMED

Ineffectiveness Is Declared Faced as Result.

RELIEF LAWS DISCUSSED

Chief Justice Comments on Bills Introduced in Congress. More Judges Needed.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Chief Justice Taft, speaking tonight on law reforms at a dinner at the New York County Lawyers' association, said that the federal court system was threatened with most discouraging ineffectiveness because the dockets are crowded with arrears of business of which, under the present system, it does not seem possible to get rid.

Changes Also Discussed. Commenting on a second bill, introduced yesterday in both the house and senate, making changes in the appellate jurisdiction of the supreme court and the circuit court of appeals, the chief justice said: "The bill has been prepared with a great deal of care. It has long been a relief that the court needed some evident in order to enable it to keep up with its docket.

Supreme Court Discussed. "The function of the supreme court of the United States under our present system is not always clearly understood," he continued. "Congress has provided intermediate courts of review in nearly all cases.

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WITH performances of "Madame Butterfly" yesterday afternoon and "Il Trovatore" last night, the San Carlo opera company has finished its present engagement of grand opera offerings at the public auditorium and is on its way to Seattle to begin opera there.

Astoria Beats Dentists. Columbia Club Team Wins Second Victory Over Toothpullers.

RAIL UNIONS CONFERRING. Chiefs to Meet in New York for Talk on New Plans.

Cemetery Loses Suit. New Yorker Gets \$2500 for Loss of Wife's Body.

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