

SIMS EXPLAINS HIS STAND UPON MEDAL AWARDS

New York, Jan. 21.—Rear Admiral William S. Sims was given an ovation last night by several hundred of his brother officers of the army and navy, when it was announced at a banquet tendered to general officers of the army and flag officers of the navy that Admiral Sims, one of the guests of honor, would, "in view of recent happenings" answer any questions which were put to him at the close of his address.

The admiral said there were "two distinct rows" on at present, one over medals and the other over his criticism. He declared the impression was that he is aggressor, but having had that historical and practical knowledge of the navy, he saw "this trouble" coming for some time and tried to avoid it. His criticism, he contended, was not an act of insubordination, "let me say it was nothing whatever of the kind," he continued. "The regulations of the navy provide that any officer who can consistently and efficiently criticize the actions of the department is to do so. But some of them don't. It is not proper to publish these criticisms without the order of the department."

Admiral Sims declared the secretary himself issued orders inviting criticism, adding that anybody who did criticize probably interfered with his personal comfort.

"But an officer must consider the efficiency of the navy," he said. "If he doesn't make criticisms where he thinks they would do good, he is not worth the pay the government gives him and not worth the powder to blow him to hell."

Admiral Sims asserted that medals are of no value unless discretion is used in distribution. He caused much laughter when he remarked men in the navy didn't want their grand children to say to them in later years: "Grand-daddy, what ship did you lose during the great war?"

In answer to a question as to what effect present conditions in the department had on the morale of the navy, the admiral said:

"Public pride in the navy is justified. The navy, you may take it from me, is solid to the core. The officers are supporting each other and during the war were loyal to the common cause of the allies. There is no possible complaint at all about the navy itself."

ARMY ESSAY PRIZES OFFERED TO PUPILS

Washington, Jan. 21.—Secretary of War Newton D. Baker, General John J. Pershing and General Peyton C. March, composing a board of award, will announce to an awaiting juvenile world on April 19 next, the names of three medal-winning school boys or girls, who, on February 20, 1920, wrote the best essays of all the school boys and girls of America, on the subject: "What Are the Benefits of an Enlistment in the U. S. Army?"

The contest is under the auspices of the war department and is open to the students of all schools, except colleges and universities, whether public, private or sectarian.

The winners may be of any age, any color, male or female, American or foreign born.

The winners of the contest will be brought on to Washington, accompanied by parents or guardians with all expenses paid, where, on May 5, Secretary Baker will present them with medals. There is a war department gold medal for first prize, a silver medal for second prize and a bronze medal for third prize. In addition three silver loving cups will be presented to the schools producing the winners.

Other prizes for state, county, district, township, city and village winners probably be offered.

Lady Astor May Second Reply To Message Of King

London, Jan. 21.—Suggestions have been made that Lady Astor be called upon to move or second the address replying to the king's speech from the throne on the occasion of the reopening of parliament on February 10. The Marquis speculates whether in case she is chosen for either place she will wear full court dress in accordance with the tradition which prescribes that the member making the motion or seconding it shall wear a uniform or court costume.

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Central Howell News.

Central Howell, Jan. 22.—February 13th, beginning promptly at 8 p. m. a comical program and a basket social will be held at the Central Howell school. Proceeds will be used for school play apparatus. Ladies please bring baskets and gentlemen bring your pockets full of money.

Last week new windows were put in the school house and the floors were oiled.

Mrs. Fulkerson is expected to visit the school this week.

January 14 a party was given in honor of Barney Liechly at the home of Albert Jantz. The evening was spent in playing games and dancing. About 11:30 p. m. a delicious lunch was served, after which the guests departed.

January 18 a few friends surprised Abe Steffen as it was his birthday. There were about twenty three present.

Mr. and Mrs. Nauphselger and children spent Thursday evening at Abe Steffen's home.

American Aviator Joins Poles To Fight Bolshevik

Paris, Jan. 21.—Captain Harmon C. Rorison of Wilmington, N. C., an officer of the reserve corps of the American aviation service, has arrived in Warsaw and joined the Kosciuszko squadron in fighting against the bolsheviks, according to advices from the Polish capital. To enlist with the other Americans making up the squadron, Captain Rorison traveled 6000 miles and accepted the rank of lieutenant. Members of this squadron receive monthly pay of about \$6.

Salvage Of Lusitania Cargo Being Considered

London, Jan. 21.—Efforts to raise some of the treasure from the ill-fated Lusitania will be made early this year. Engineers and divers who have been prospecting about the sunken vessel believe that they can at least get thousands of pounds worth of valuables but that it will be impossible to raise the steamer or much of her cargo owing to the great depth of the water in which she is lying.

Sinn Feiner Killed In Ambush Attack On Police

Kilrush, Ireland, Jan. 22.—An encounter occurred near here today in which a man supposed to be a Sinn Feiner was killed. While policemen were removing their belongings from the village of Cooraclare to Knock in a motor van they were fired on by a large party from both sides of the road. Four bicycle policemen returned the fire, killing one man and capturing two others. The policemen escaped injury.

Retired Austrian Officers Seek Work As Porters

Berlin, Jan. 21.—The plight of retired Austrian officers is illustrated by an incident reported from a fashionable suburb of Vienna. A house owner was in search of a porter and made his want known to the Officers League. Among the applicants were a major general, three colonels, two lieutenant colonels, seven majors and 18 captains.

WOULD EXTRADITE KAISER

Geneva, Switzerland, Jan. 22.—Swiss newspapers, following the lead of the Geneva Tribune, favor the extradition of former Emperor William from Holland. The consensus of editorial opinion is that owing to the exceptional crimes of an international character charged against him, Holland would not be guilty of abusing the traditions of neutral countries.

BANDITS TAKE \$7000 IN GEMS

San Francisco, Jan. 22.—Two armed, masked men, within two blocks of the central police station here, today locked Ben Morgan and his clerk in the vault of his jewelry store and escaped with jewelry Morgan reported to the police to be worth \$7000.

CHINESE VESSEL GOES AGROUND

San Francisco, Jan. 22.—The steamer China of the China Mail Steamship company is ashore five miles from the harbor of Nagasaki, Japan, and her cargo is being lightered, according to a cablegram received here today by the marine department of the chamber of commerce. The China left San Francisco December 27.

MEXICO HOLDS SHOOTING SUSPECTS AND ACCOMPLICES

Washington, Jan. 22.—Mexican federal authorities have arrested two suspects and their accomplices in connection with the killing of P. S. Roney and Earl Holes, American citizens, the state department was advised today from Mexico City.

CARELESS SHAMPOOING SPOILS THE HAIR

Soap should be used very carefully, if you want to keep your hair looking its best. Most soaps and prepared shampoos contain too much alkali. This dries the scalp, makes the hair brittle, and ruins it.

The best thing for steady use is Mulsified coconut oil shampoo (which is pure and greaseless), and is better than anything else you can use. One or two teaspoonfuls will cleanse the hair and scalp thoroughly. Simply moisten the hair with water and rub it in. It makes an abundance of rich, creamy lather, which rinses out easily, removing every particle of dust, dirt, dandruff and excessive oil. The hair dries quickly and evenly, and it leaves the scalp soft, and the hair fine and silky, bright, lustrous, fluffy and easy to manage.

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Negotiations Between Reds And British Reported Hot

London, Jan. 22.—Negotiations between James O'Grady, British delegate and Maxim Litvinoff, representative of the Russian soviet government at Copenhagen looking to the exchange of prisoners have reached a critical stage because of the alleged system of espionage practiced on the latter, according to the correspondent of the Herald at the Danish capital.

Virtually every hotel is said to have refused to accommodate M. Litvinoff, who has appealed to both Mr. O'Grady and M. Tchitcherin, bolshevik foreign minister, asking that the negotiations be transferred to another country.

Advertised Meat Sale Causes Riot In Vienna

Vienna, Jan. 22.—Announcement that a limited supply of meat would be placed on sale at the central market, three ounces being allowed per person, caused great crowds to assemble there. Forty thousand persons gained entrance to the market at 6 o'clock in the morning and 20,000 tried to get in. Many fainted and were trampled upon while pickpockets added to the confusion.



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The capacity of the Associated Oil company's plant, at 19th and Oak streets, will be doubled when construction work, now under way, is completed according to R. O. Snelling manager. The offices, garage, loading platforms, tanks and other buildings on the premises are affected by the enlargement plans, which, when finished, will make the Associated Oil company's holdings in this city larger than any competitor.

The fact that other building in the city is commencing with the coming of better weather is evidenced by the issuance, Wednesday by the city recorder of three permits to build.

G. R. Conn, 2274 North Church street, will alter his home, at a cost of \$250.

A new two story dwelling will be constructed at 860 North Church street, at a cost of \$5000, by Hansen & Rasmussen company.

T. R. Dickson will alter his home at 1813 Front street, at a cost of \$500.

DEMOCRATS NOMINATE

Camden, Mo., Jan. 22.—Captain Jacob L. Milligan of Richmond, Mo., was nominated for congress by the democrats of the Third Missouri congressional district on the 302nd ballot this morning. The nomination came after a deadlock which had lasted since yesterday. He will oppose John E. Frost of Plattsburg in the special election February 14.

EIGHTEEN LOST IN WRECK

Copenhagen, Jan. 22.—Eighteen passengers were killed and twenty injured in a railway collision outside of Scheldemuhl, Prussia, last night.

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London, Jan. 14.—Cairo and Cape-town, representing the extremes of the African continent, have at last been linked up by an air service. The British air ministry has announced that the air route is finally ready for traffic.

San Diego Plan Before Investigating Board

San Antonio, Texas, Jan. 22.—The plan of San Diego which had as its purpose the recovery of certain American territory by Mexico was to the forefront today when the senate subcommittee here investigating the Mexican situation resumed its hearings.

Senator A. B. Fall of New Mexico, who had been in El Paso in connection with the transfer of the hearings to that city shortly, was back in the chair as presiding officer.

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