

LARGER NAVY SOUGHT TO AID WORLD PEACE

Secretary Daniels' Annual Report Details Brilliant Achievement of American Navy—Fought U-Boats and Conveyed 2,000,000 Troops—Marino's Gallant Stand Turned War.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—With a story of brilliant achievements of the American navy in the war, Secretary Daniels couples, in his annual report made public today, an urgent recommendation for continued naval expansion to meet the demands of peace for national and international work on the sea.

Through nearly all of 144 printed pages the secretary tells in brief phrases of the navy's part in the war, of the doing of the seemingly impossible through teamwork. He speaks of the mighty accomplishment of transporting two million men to France, without the loss of an east-bound troop ship through enemy action and he devotes a graphic chapter to the marine brigade, which as all the world knows, blocked the last Prussian advance on Paris, and started the German retreat that ended with the war.

An End of War Near

This reference to the future concludes the report:

"The day is not far distant when the world will witness an end of competitive building between nations of mighty weapons of war. In the peace treaty there will undoubtedly be incorporated President Wilson's proposal for a reduction of armament to the lowest point consistent with domestic safety."

"Navies will still be needed as an international police force to compel compliance with the decree of an international tribunal which will be set up to decide differences between nations. Naval vessels will have large peace tasks of survey and discovery and protection in addition to police duty of an international as well as of a national character.

"Inasmuch as the United States is the richest of the great nations and has suffered less in war than any of the allied powers, it will devolve upon this country to make a contribution to the navy to preserve the peace of the world commensurate with its wealth, its commerce, its growing and expanding merchant marine, and its leadership in the council of free people. It is therefore, our duty now, not, indeed, to enter upon any new and ambitious naval program, but to go forward steadily upon the lines of naval increase to which the country committed itself by the adoption three years ago of the first far-reaching construction naval program in the history of the republic.

Three Year Program

"I have recommended to this congress the adoption of another three-year program substantially like the one authorized in 1915. But the victory of the allies and the United States should, and I sincerely trust, will within a few years make it no longer necessary for any nation under whip and spur to burden its taxpayers to undertake to build, in competitive construction, bigger fighting ships and more of them than any other nation can construct."

Mr. Daniels shows that the new \$600,000,000, three-year building program he proposed will provide 150 additional naval ships, ten of them dreadnaughts and six battle cruisers, and the others to be in such distribution of approved types as the department may deem best.

Taking up his story of the navy and the war, the secretary declares the service was "ready from stem to stern" when the United States entered the conflict. From the day when the first three-year program was adopted in 1916, he adds, "congress has given everything that could be desired to insure the effectiveness of the naval arm."

Team Work the Slogan

Teamwork has been the navy's slogan for five years, and it continued to be the war motto both at home and abroad. The striking success of the navy is ascribed to this fact by Mr. Daniels, who continues:

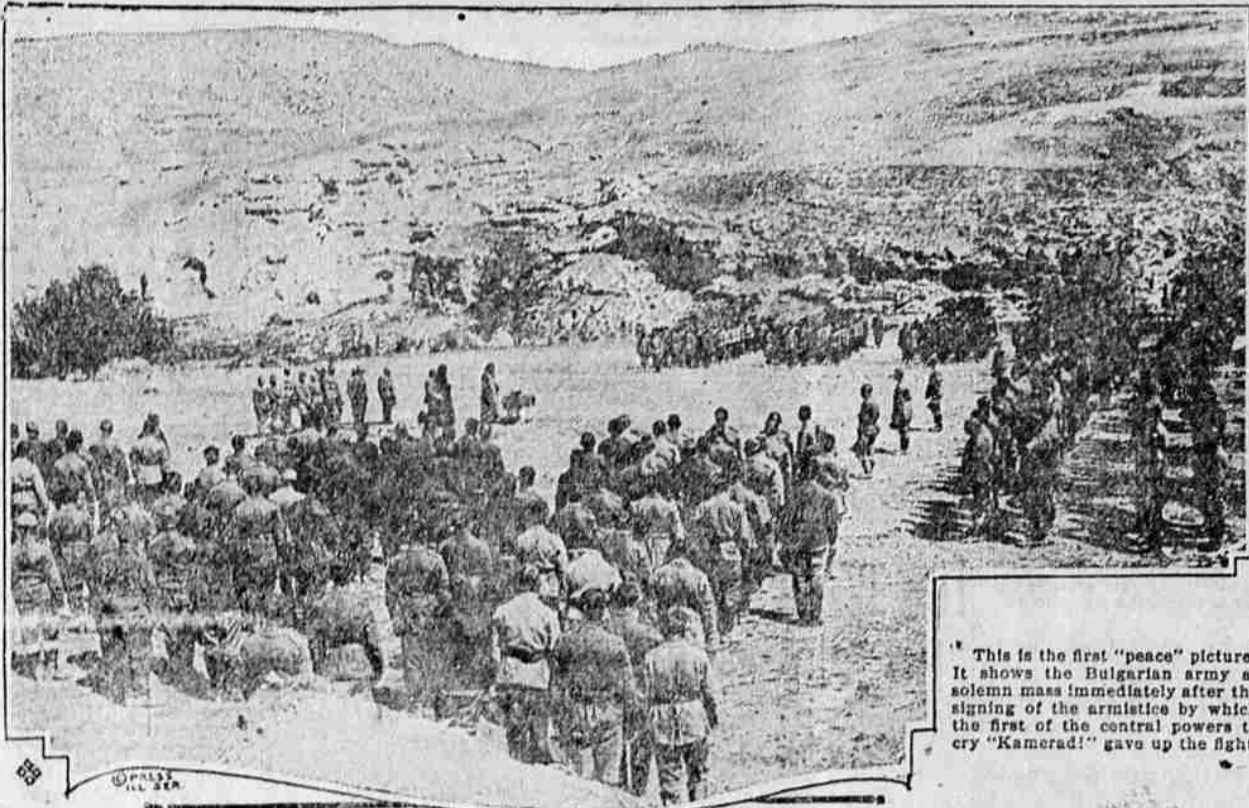
"Apparently there have been times when a secretary of the navy seemed to find friction and lack of co-operation among the officers around him. If that spirit ever existed in the United States navy, I can state with confidence and pride that there is now no vestige of it, and I firmly believe, from my experience, not only during the last year but during the five preceding, it will never return."

As concrete evidence of what was accomplished, the report shows that on October 1 there were 339 United States naval ships abroad with 5,000 officers and 70,000 enlisted men, or a greater force than the total strength of the navy when war was declared; while the American fighting craft has steamed an average of 626,000 miles per month in the war zone. This did not include the cruisers and battleships on escort duty. Of the first destroyers to go over, the Porter steamed 64,473 miles, the Conyngham 63,952, and the Davis 63,015.

Conveyed Two Millions

The major naval operation of the war so far as the United States is concerned is given to the conveying

BULGARIAN ARMY THANKS GOD FOR PEACE



This is the first "peace" picture. It shows the Bulgarian army at solemn mass immediately after the signing of the armistice by which the first of the central powers to cry "Kamerad!" gave up the fight.

SELLING BABIES FOR ADOPTION BY YANK SOLDIERS

PARIS, Dec. 9.—"Selling babies to soldiers," is Murray G. Sawyer's characterization of his activities as a Red Triangle man with the American expeditionary force. Mr. Sawyer comes from Minneapolis, Minn.

"Horrible, isn't it, but true," he said to a friend who met him in a French village and asked what he was doing. "My particular outfit of men have sold 10 babies in the last 10 days and we expect to sell 100 more within the next two months. Why, it's the greatest business in France today—this selling of babies to soldiers."

"We have been working with a bunch of men pretty close to the front lately, and when pay day comes around there's nothing much to do with their money. So we W. M. C. A. men began to figure out something to offset that.

"There are 50 men in a platoon, and we suggested that a platoon should adopt a baby on pay day. It costs 500 francs to take care of a baby for one year, and that meant that all but nine men in a platoon should pay five francs each on the first installment, and five francs each on the following day. Making a payment each time of 250 francs, or the 500 in all. Each platoon elects a leader who acts as a go-between, for the babies are bought through the baby department of the Stars and Stripes. On the payment of the second and final installment the leader gets seven pictures of the child in various poses.

"It will be possible for one platoon to take up six babies a year, for it would mean about a dollar from each man on every pay day, which comes around about twice in two months."

CUNARD LINERS TO MAKE ANTWERP PORT OF CALL

ANTWERP, December 9. — The Cunard steamship line has decided to make Antwerp a port of call and has requested from the city authorities the use of the pier formerly occupied by the North German-Lloyd.

of more than 2,000,000 troops to Europe without the loss by enemy action of a single east-bound transport. This accomplishment, the report says, will stand as a monument to both the army and the navy as the greatest and most difficult transporting effort which has ever been conducted across seas. Up to November 1, it is shown 924,578 troops had been carried to France in American transports under American convoy with no losses outward bound and only three vessels sunk on the home road. From November 1 to the date of the report, there had been 289 additional sailings of American troop and supply ships, the average being one ship every five hours.

Writing with pride of the record of the marine brigade in France, the secretary shows that with only 8,000 men of the corps engaged, the casualties numbered 69 officers and 1,531 men dead, 78 officers and 2,435 seriously wounded, while but 57 marines are reported officially as captured by the enemy, illustrating the desperate character of the fighting in which the brigade participated in the fact that it was always advancing.

MUSIC AND NEWS FOR SOLDIER PATIENTS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Music and the day's news, both over the telephone, are to be provided by the Red Cross for every patient in the reconstruction wards at the Walter Reed hospital here. If the system proves successful, similar ones will be installed in all hospitals where soldiers are under treatment.

By each soldier's bed will hang a telephone receiver connected with a music box or with a person reading news bulletins. The patient can "listen in" by pressing a button on his telephone.

MOTHER'S PENSION LAW IS UPHELD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—An attack upon the Washington state mothers' pension law of 1915, brought by Mrs. Rose Snyder of Seattle, who alleged it was unconstitutional in providing pensions for widows and not for deserted mothers, was dismissed today by the supreme court. Washington court decrees upholding the law's validity were affirmed.

O. P. Jones and W. H. Calkins of Dallas, Ore., arrived in Medford this morning to look over the country and will visit with Mrs. E. L. Hornshuh, a sister of Mr. Calkins.

Mrs. J. W. Wilson came over from Yreka Saturday to visit friends in the city.

Mrs. Jas. A. Jones and Mrs. J. E. Walker of Joe Bar are in the city for a few days visiting friends.

R. G. Brown and Thomas Lewis of Eagle Point, were in the city Saturday on business.

Women in War Work

Not many are familiar with the duties of the head of the home service department, or how far-reaching this work is and the good accomplished. In the short time Mrs. Chas. Schloffen has had this work in hand many soldiers' and sailors' families have received service in various ways. The department is a branch of the Red Cross and many are the benefits derived therefrom. In case a soldier's remittance to his family goes astray or there is a delay in the receipt of same, an application to the home service department will bring quick results. Clothing, food and bedding has been furnished where these comforts are not available and the services of a physician and nurse can be secured.

HEARST'S PAPERS FOR KAISER.

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pro-German feeling among the negroes of the south proved entirely unsuccessful, Bielaski stated. Stories were circulated there to the effect that the negroes were descendants of the Indians and were the rightful owners of the land instead of the white people. Another story, designed to create feeling against the English, was a perverted account of the aid given the south during the civil war.

PROSPERITY RESTS UPON COMMERCE SAYS CHAMP CLARK

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 9.—America's future prosperity rests in large measure on the increase of its foreign trade, Speaker Champ Clark of the house of representatives in an address here at the opening of the annual convention of the Southern Commercial congress said.

"The one problem resulting from the war with which the Southern Commercial congress is most concerned, is what arrangement will be made touching the freedom of the seas," said Speaker Clark. "When but a handful, for the freedom of the seas we fought the most powerful nation on earth. Last year and this, we fought the central powers for the freedom of the seas, for after all it is said and done, that is the chief reason why we participated in the war."

"We can depend on President Wilson to secure freedom of the seas at the congress of Versailles."

The immense merchant marine built up during the war should be maintained forever, Mr. Clark declared, and added that the only way to do it "is to modernize our navigation laws, make our seamen the most efficient and above all things increase our foreign trade."

"We have not time to lose in the preparation for the trade war, which comes simultaneously with peace," warned Speaker Clark in concluding. "Great Britain and France have been busily and scientifically preparing for it even within the sound of the roar of the great guns."

MOONEY STRIKES ALL CALLED-OFF

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9.—Strikes planned throughout the country today as a protest against the conviction and further incarceration of Thomas J. Mooney, have all been called off until a special labor congress can meet in Chicago on January 14 to consider all phases of the Mooney case, the International Workers' Defense League announced here today. The league announced that it had heard from all of the unions which had contemplated strikes, and they had complied with the league's request to postpone action until after the workers' congress.

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