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NAVAL FIGHT WARM

QUESTION OF BUILDING NEW BATTLESHIPS INTERESTS CONGRESSMEN.

DIVISION IS NOT PARTISAN

Underwood, Leading Opponents of Increase, May Be Forced to Compromise—One or Even Two Great Vessels May Be Authorized.

By GEORGE CLINTON.

Washington.—No other piece of legislation now before congress or to come before it prior to the incoming of the new administration stirs the personal interest of the members so much as the question of the increase in the strength of the navy by the building of one, two or three battleships. Congress in a way is divided into two forces, a land force and a sea force, and the signal is set for a fight between the two.

Representative Oscar W. Underwood, the Democratic leader, is not in favor of adding another battleship, let alone two or three, to the navy at this session. It seems likely, however, that Mr. Underwood may compromise as he did once before to the extent of withholding his opposition to a navy building program which shall contain a provision for only one great "ship of the line."

If Mr. Underwood, who believed with a good many Democrats that the money spent for battleships should be put into the improvement of rivers and harbors and into public buildings, does not agree to with hold his opposition there seems to be a strong chance that the Democrats who are kindly disposed to the navy will defy leadership's wishes and, with Republican aid, sanction an appropriation for one ship and possibly for two ships. Whether it be one or two, it is certain that with the new vessel authorized last year and now under construction the next dreadnoughts of the American sea service will outclass in fighting abilities anything now afloat in the navies of the world.

Cannot Be Postponed.

Matters of greater seeming importance in legislation than the naval increase are being shoved ahead into the future because then the Democracy will have control of the two houses of congress and also of the administration. Then, they know, they can pass such legislation as they wish almost unimpeded. The battleship building matter, however, of necessity comes up for action at every session, for it is an integral part of an appropriation bill and as such it must be passed upon with the rest of the appropriations if the government is to have money to pay its expenses.

It is a sort of a relief to have a matter of large importance under debate in committee rooms or on the floor, which has in it little of the rancor of partisanship. Factionalism enters into the navy matter, but each opposing faction is made up of conservative and progressive Democrats and regular and insurgent Republicans. Those who are bitterest among them on most occasions get together in comradeship in the ship matter, each side under its own flag.

The navy draws its friends and its foes not only from all parties, but from all sections. No Mason and Dixon line and no Mississippi river divide the fields of the opponents and proponents of a greater navy. Men who agree on nothing else agree on battleships, and men who disagree on nothing else disagree the instant that the building of a dreadnought is mentioned.

Want at Least One a Year.

On an average two battleships every three years are put into the out-of-date class. This means that with one new battleship a year the strength of the navy is increased slowly, but it marks progress and that is what the sailors are after. One ship every two years would send the navy back, and this country would soon drop below France if such a building program were to be adopted. Most of the Democrats seem to be willing that the navy should be kept at least at its present strength, while there are enough of them willing to grant a yearly increase to keep the navy moving forward, and to accept the aid of the Republicans who happen to be of the same mind.

The dreadnought ordered last year will be in the service in time to take part in the naval demonstration in force at the time of the opening of the Panama canal. It is barely possible that the dreadnought which probably is to be authorized this year can join its sister ship at that time, and if such shall prove to be a fact the United States will be represented at the Panama canal celebration by two vessels which perhaps no navy of the world can equal.

Arctic Thunderstorm.

A Russian mining engineer describes in Meteorologische Zeitschrift a severe thunderstorm far within the arctic circle. It occurred in Spitzbergen, where the writer was making explorations, on the 13th of last August. The storm lasted about eight hours, with incessant lightning, loud thunder, and heavy rain. Contrary to the prevailing belief, thunderstorms are by no means rare in the polar regions, though they are less common there than in lower latitudes. The storm in question, however, appears to have been altogether exceptional in violence and duration for that part of the world.

BIG PROBLEM IS BEING STUDIED

EXPLANATION OF WORK BUREAU OF SOCIAL HYGIENE HOPES TO ACCOMPLISH.

ABOLISH WHITE SLAVE TRADE

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., Tells of Plans for the Investigation of Vice Conditions.

New York.—In order that the public might better understand the Bureau of Social Hygiene, John D. Rockefeller, Jr., gave out a statement explaining the origin, work and the plans of that institution. The bureau, he said, came into existence about two years ago as a result of the work of a special grand jury appointed to investigate the white slave traffic in New York City. This jury recommended that a public commission be appointed to study the social evil.

Mr. Rockefeller was foreman of that grand jury and he thereafter gave the subject deep thought and conferred with a large number of the leading men and women. "These conferences," says Mr. Rockefeller, "developed the feeling that a public commission would labor under a number of disadvantages such as the fact that it would be short lived; that its work would be done publicly; that at best it could hardly do more than present recommendations. So the conviction grew that in order to make a real and lasting improvement in conditions, a permanent organization should be created, the continuation of which would not be dependent upon a temporary wave of reform, nor upon the life of any man or group of men, but which would go on, generation after generation, continuously making warfare against the forces of evil. It also appeared that a private organization would have, among other advantages, a certain freedom from publicity and from political bias, which a public appointed commission could not so easily avoid.

"Therefore, as the initial step, in the winter of 1911 the Bureau of Social Hygiene was formed. Its present members are Miss Katharine Bement Davis, superintendent of the New York state reformatory for women at Bedford Hills, N. Y.; Paul M. Warburg of the firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Co.; Starr J. Murphy of the New York bar, and John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

"One of the first things undertaken by the bureau was the establishment at Bedford Hills, adjacent to the reformatory, of a laboratory of social hygiene, under Miss Davis' direction. In this laboratory it is proposed to study from the physical, mental, social and moral side each person committed to the reformatory. This study will be carried on by experts and each case will be kept under observation for from three weeks to three months, as may be required. When the diagnosis is completed, it is hoped that the laboratory will be in position to recommend the treatment most likely to reform the individual, or, if reformation is impossible to recommend permanent custodial care. Furthermore, reaching out beyond the individuals involved, it is believed that this important knowledge of the conditions ultimately responsible for vice. If this experiment is successful the principle may prove applicable to all classes of criminals and the conditions precedent to crime and lead to lines of action not only more scientific and humane, but also less wasteful than those at present followed.

That its work might be done intelligently the bureau employed George J. Kneeland to make a comprehensive survey of vice conditions in New York, and Abraham Flexner to study the social evil in Europe, and their reports are now being prepared.

In conclusion Mr. Rockefeller's statement says: "It cannot be too strongly emphasized that the spirit which dominates the work of the bureau is not sensational or sentimental or hysterical; that it is not a spirit of criticism of public officials; but that it is essentially a spirit of constructive suggestion and of deep scientific as well as humane interest in a great world problem."

Ryan's Bond Refused.

Chicago.—For the second time the United States circuit court of appeals declined to approve bonds submitted for the release of Frank M. Ryan, president of the International Ironworkers' union; R. H. Houlihan and William Shupe of Chicago, convicted of conspiracy in connection with illegal transportation of dynamite. District Attorney Miller advised the court he had inspected the sureties and found them insufficient. Bonds of William Bernhardt of Cincinnati for \$10,000 were accepted.

Speedy Justice Meted Negro.

Gulfport, Miss.—Within seven hours after he had shot and killed Chief of Police Charles Dickey, Percy Newkirk, a negro, who had been trapped by the officer while in the act of burglarizing a store, was indicted by the county grand jury, tried on a charge of murder, convicted, and sentenced to be hanged just one month from date. Notwithstanding the quick justice meted out to the negro, a large and excited crowd thronged the streets near the court house and threats of lynching made.

GREAT MEN ENRICH LANGUAGE

Famous Names Are Used as English Nouns and Verbs—How Word Boycott Originated.

London.—The growth and change which are inseparable from all living languages cannot fail to interest the student, and a special interest attaches to the incorporation of the names of well known men. Thus Wellington has come to mean a sort of boot; Brougham, a carriage, and Gladstone, apparently enough, a traveler's bag, as that great man advocated the "bag and baggage" policy which seems likely at length to be adopted.

Other names have been turned into verbs as well as nouns. For instance, the murderer Burke's name is perpetuated in the word's to burke, burked, burking and burkism, while in quite recent times Captain Boycott's experiences resulted in the language being enriched by the phrases to boycott, boycooter, boycotting, etc.

The most notable case was probably that of the great and good man, Rev. T. Bowdler, D. D., who by publishing a "family" edition of Shakespeare in 1811 added the words "bowdlerize" and "bowdlerism" to our language.

DIG UP STOLEN TREASURE

Fifteen Hundred Dollars Supposed to Have Been Taken From Texas Bank Recovered.

San Marcos, Tex.—Fifteen hundred dollars in currency, identified as part of the \$17,000 stolen from the Kyle State bank at Kyle, Tex., where the bank vault was dynamited several years ago, was unearthed by telephone linemen, who were placing poles here.

In a Literal Sense.

Juvenile remarks are not always so naughty as they seem. Small Sara, for instance, had no intention of using bad language when he got into such severe trouble in class.

His teacher was trying to press home certain facts concerning a volcano. In reviewing the lesson she drew on the blackboard her own conception of a flaming mountain, using colored crayon with extraordinary effect.

"What is it?" she asked, the picture finished.

The scholars shook puzzled heads. "You don't know? Well, what does it look like?" the teacher persisted.

Piped Sammie, whose home boasts a colored pictorial Bible.

"I think it looks like hell."—Chicago Record-Herald.

ECZEMA FOR TEN YEARS

1809 Little Walsh St., Baltimore, Md.—"I was afflicted with eczema for about ten years, the most tormenting and agonizing. It was dry eczema, all itching. It was scratch, scratch, scratch and burn, burn, burn. By scratching I brought sores which scabbed. I tried all remedies which I knew or heard of; some gave me temporary relief, but none permanent cure. I couldn't sleep for scratching, after which there was burning. I saw the advertisement for free samples of Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment and wrote for them. They did me good immediately and I then bought a box of Cuticura Soap and a cake of Cuticura Soap. I was cured in two weeks." (Signed) George Wooden, Jan. 21, 1912.

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GOT LEFT IN THE RUSH.



"Ruth is engaged to be married the coming winter."
"The mischief she is! I intended to propose to that girl myself when I got time."

Fair to All.

"Recently," says a Richmond man, "I received an invitation to the marriage of a young colored couple formerly in my employ. I am quite sure that all persons similarly favored were left in little doubt as to the attitude of the couple. The invitation ran as follows: 'You are invited to the marriage of Mr. Henry Clay Barker and Miss Josephine Mortimer Dixon at the house of the bride's mother. All who cannot come may send.'"—Lippincott's Magazine.

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LIFE'S STRUGGLE WITH ILLNESS

Mrs. Stewart Tells How She Suffered from 16 to 45 years old—How Finally Cured.

Euphemia, Ohio.—"Because of total ignorance of how to care for myself when verging into womanhood, and from taking cold when going to school, I suffered from a displacement, and each month I had severe pains and nausea which always meant a lay-off from work for two to four days from the time I was 16 years old.

"I went to Kansas to live with my sister and while there a doctor told me of the Pinkham remedies but I did not use them then as my faith in patent medicines was limited. After my sister died I came home to Ohio to live and that has been my home for the last 18 years.

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