American Navy Will Not Be Sponsor to Movement To Eliminate Submarine

While United States Would Not Stand Out For Submarine Should All Other Governments Agree to Outlaw it, America Will Certainly Not Take Lead in Effort to Prevent Use of Undersea Boats

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Washington, Nov. 19.—Despite the disasters which have befallen the submarine in peacetime, the American Navy does not favor any movement to abolish the use of this weapon of warfare and President Coolidge is thoroughly in sympathy with the Navy viewpoint.

This is not saying that the American Government would stand out for the use of the submarine, if all other civilized nations would agree to discard the weapon, but it does mean that the United States will not take the leadership in such a movement and is not at all sure that abolition of the submarine is desirable.

The American Navy was quick to see the possibilities of the submarine and even during the time that the Germans were making such effective use of the weapon American Naval officers insisted that the Navy here should study the possibility and be prepared to consider the submarine as a permanent weapon. American officers by no means approved of the way the submarine was used by the Germans and it will be realized that in the Washington conference for the elimination of naval armament, the American delegation made a valuable effort to get other countries to restrict the use of the submarine.

But the American Navy feels that the submarine is just as much a legitimate weapon as a big gun. Strategists bear out the statement that when artillery was first used, there was a hue and cry against it, but after a few years it came to be recognized as a desirable weapon. The test always is whether a new weapon of warfare is effective and not whether it is humanitarian. If a weapon is of no consequence and is unhumanitarian it would be discarded because the disadvantages of incurring ill favor with public opinion outweight the advantages of the weapon.

The submarine has proved itself valuable in blockade and in both offensive and defensive operations.

Leaving sentimentality out of the question American Naval officers say that use of bombs from airplanes and dirigibles is just as horrible as attacks by submarine.

The pacifists, of course, arguing that all war is terrible, are not in sympthy with enlarged armament of any kind. On the other hand those who believe in adequate military defense are not willing to throw away the submarine unless there is an agreement on every side to reduce the scope of modern war.

The British effort to get a general agreement will fail it is felt here, for the French will not come into the parley and the American Navy thinks such a parley useless. The submarine is invaluable to the smaller nation for defensive purposes and no weapon can be discarded until all nations agree to abandon it.

President Coolidge has been guided in his disarmament policies by the Army and Navy viewpoint where strictly national defense questions are involved. He feels that the question of a submarine's use is a technical matter, intimately related to adequate defense and that his only duty is to determine the size of the American military budget, leaving it to the experts to determine just what the money is to be spent for. The President's position is no surprise, but it will turn the efforts of the advocates of disarmament in another direction. They cannot hope to accomplish much by singling out any one weapon of warfare. The most that he can hope to do is insist that nations spend smaller sums for military purposes. This is the old argument that a large army and navy is a temptation to war.

Outside Workers Busiest In Fifth Week Advance's Drive for Subscriptions

Several workers living outside of Elizabeth City and entered in The Daily Advance subscription campaign for a share of the many prizes to be awarded on November 28, are the only ones out of a list of 24 entrants who have made any worth-while gains for the week thus far.

J. E. Wood, Chapanoke Route One, heads the list mentioned. Mr. Wood has been one of the mainstays of the campaign since the announcement some five weeks ago and the end, which is only nine working days away, should find him well rewarded for his efforts if he but continues and lets nothing stand in the way of his success.

Others besides Mr. Wood have done excellent work also but we just mention this hustling candidate's name as he happened to be one of the first of the old reliables to turn in for the week. Before the week is out there will no doubt be many others who will take advantage of the few days remaining of the second period and who will bring in the remainder of their promises before the votes given on subscriptions take their final decrease of the campaign.

Miss Alethia Riggs, City Route Three, is proving these last two weeks that she is going to be a strong factor in the final reckoning. This lady started her campaign ball rolling rather slowly but her work of late has been such as to give concern to those few who still stand between her and the leading prize. Miss Riggs' rise to the top of list is a fair example of what persistency will do in work of this sort.

The big work of the week is expected to be turned in Friday and Saturday when many of those who are now hard at work will turn in what subscriptions they have gathered during the past few days. Remember there are just two more days before votes decrease. Two more days to turn in every possible subscription as next week, the final one of the campaign, they will count approximately one-fifth less.

The closeness of the race still continues. The campaign manager can't urge too strongly that those who have put any real effort into their work to continue for you surely have made progress and will be well rewarded if you can hold the place on the list that must be yours if you have tried at all. Indications all point to the winners being those folks who can accomplish any real results between now and the close.

Today's paper carries the list of workers and their votes. If anything today the list will [illegible] with a change of leading. Every day from now till the close, a week from this coming Saturday, Many on the list have published all their votes, some have not of their votes published, while [illegible] others are still holding many in reserve. Any worker is allowed to publish up to 25,000 daily [illegible] by workers.

above the leader of the previous list, and all real contenders are urged to let their vote totals swell from now till the close of the campaign.

All new on the list should remember that it takes two yearly subscriptions to qualify for the final week. Four six months' subscriptions will answer and there should be easy to get as there still remain lots of persons who haven't as yet been approached. Several new subscriptions were added to The Advance list yesterday that were not brought in by any workers.

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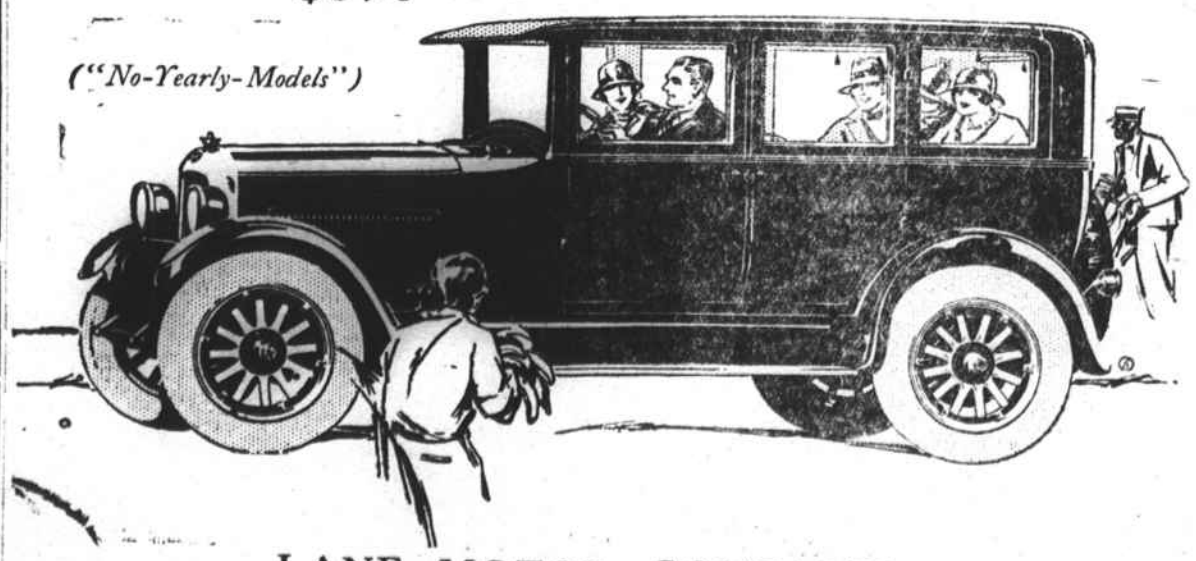

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