

NEW WAR FLEET NEEDED, METCALF'S PARTING ADVICE

**Navy Secretary Just Resigned
Suggests Twenty-nine Ves-
sels of Various Types.**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—In the report of Secretary of the Navy Metcalf, completed just before his resignation recently and made public to-day, it is recommended that Congress authorize the construction of four battle ships, four scout cruisers, ten destroyers, four submarines, three colliers, one repair ship, one ammunition ship and two mine-laying ships—these two ships to be converted from cruisers now on the navy list.

Mr. Metcalf discusses, as the most notable naval event of the past year, the voyage of the battleship fleet, which "has proven an epoch-making cruise." This cruise, as yet hardly half over, he declares has given us an opportunity to get better acquainted with the republics to the south of us, with our own island possessions, with the new and vigorous branch of the British Empire in Australia, and particularly with Japan, and has given to those countries a better opportunity to get acquainted with us. It has been everywhere understood and accepted, as it was intended, as the reaching out of a strong hand in friendly greeting on the part of America, and the cordial hospitalities extended to our fleet will be long remembered and have powerfully influenced feeling in this country. Between the United States and every country visited there is a feeling of deeper interest and friendship than existed before the fleet sailed.

Passing to certain recent criticisms of the new and larger battleship building, the Secretary says that at the conference, convened and opened by President Roosevelt at Newport, the general matter of design of these ships was approved after forty-three days' consideration, by this assemblage of the best authorities available in the navy, consisting of about sixty officers, all but seven of whom were line officers of the regular branch of the service. The Secretary, he says, has improved on practice cruises. With respect to the assertion that our 12-inch guns are inferior to those of other powers, the facts are found to be that the actual muzzle energy of these 12-inch guns, which form the main armament of our eight latest battleships in commission, is somewhat greater than that of any gun afloat in any other navy.

As the officer in command of the American fleet now in the Far East holds the rank of Rear-Admiral only, he is in a position of subordination to foreign naval officers. This is true because foreign powers have, on important naval stations, representatives of the rank of vice-admiral.

The Secretary urges that the navy should without delay be provided with two vice-admirals. Secretary Metcalf recommends that the navy yards at New York, Philadelphia, Norfolk, Charleston and Navy Island be developed to their full capacity for the repair and maintenance of ships, but says it is not further desirable to develop other navy yards, at least until that at Guantanamo shall have been equipped, the last named station being regarded as of the first military importance and as a natural strategic base.

The Navy Department being a large business organization, Mr. Metcalf suggests that rearrangements of the duties of any bureau are exceedingly difficult and complex, and necessarily rests with Congress; but those who speak of millions unnecessarily spent annually by the lack of economical administration do not realize that a comparatively small percentage of the annual budget goes for repair and maintenance of the materiel of the fleet.

The greater part is expended for the pay and provisioning of the Navy and

Marine Corps, ammunition, fuel and expenditures on account of increase of the Navy. So far as concerns the last named item, the department has long been an exceedingly economical spender, the contract price of our latest battleships being hardly more than the actual cost of labor and material and incidental expenses, and very considerably below the limit fixed by Congress. The Secretary says also that it would be difficult to find in any large manufacturing establishment or other industrial organization greater coordination than exists among the heads of the great bureaus and offices of the Navy Department.

NO WAR IN DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

Chairman Mack, Who Still Professes Friendship for Bryan, Makes the Declaration.

BUFFALO, Dec. 11.—National Chairman Norman E. Mack, when asked about the published report that a disagreement has developed between himself and Secretary Woodson, of the National Committee, Mr. Mack said: "There is nothing to it; nothing at all." "Will the Democratic National Committee meet soon?" "Unless something now unforeseen arises the committee is not likely to meet for three years. It is the customary for the committee to meet be-

fore a campaign. Nothing will be done about the establishment of permanent headquarters until after the holidays. "Are you still friendly to Mr. Bryan?" "Certainly. I see no reason why I should not be just as good a friend of Mr. Bryan now as I have been in the past."

NAPKINS FOR HITCHCOCK'S.

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The manufacturers had cancelled orders from different parts of the country, and were glad to make the concession that brings these handsome Coats at this popular price for tomorrow's selling. They are made of warm chevots and heavy chinchillas; colors include blue, brown, gray and red, in many pretty styles, tastefully trimmed; all are full length and buttoned high at the neck. Sizes for 6 to 14 years, all at \$5 each.

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Women's Persian Paw Fur Sets at \$9.75

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Women's \$3.50 "La Mode" Cushion Sole Shoes at \$1.90

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Girls' and Small Boys' Shoes at \$1 a Pair

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Women's Newly Trimmed Hats at \$3

This offering is a special purchase from a manufacturer who was clearing up his Winter materials in preparation for Spring business. The Hats were made from his surplus of satin and velvet, and the trimming was done in our own work rooms. No two hats exactly alike. Just about one hundred ready tomorrow morning. The earlier price would have been double at least. \$3 each.

Women's Sweaters at \$1.75

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- 52 in. long, Empire style, with Danton or military collar, effectively braided, lined with satin; regularly valued at \$25 and \$27.50.
- Handsome Coats of imported caracul cloth, 52 in. long, at \$20. Regularly valued at \$35.
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