

# Daniels Says He Carried Out Dewey's Plan

## Program of Preparedness Executed as Far as Funds Granted by Congress Permitted, Secretary Asserts

# Criticizes Meyer's Work

## Declares Shortage of Enlisted Men and Officers in Navy Was Inherited

WASHINGTON, May 15.—Secretary Daniels' testimony today before the Senate Naval Investigating Committee was devoted to answering Rear Admiral Sims' charges that the Navy was not properly prepared for war in 1917, and that adequate steps toward complete preparedness had not been taken after the World War started. He reviewed naval records of the Roosevelt and Taft Administrations and his own recommendations from 1913 to 1917, and said:

"President Wilson and Congress were in advance of public opinion in 1913, when three drafts were authorized as against one in 1912. "In view of the war needs," he continued, "I grant you that the navy was too small in all these years, but the record is complete refutation of the criticisms you have heard regarding securing personnel, ships and munitions before the United States entered the war."

Carried Out Dewey's Plan After the European war broke, Admiral Dewey, then head of the General Board, submitted a plan for a preparedness that was approved and carried out "as far as the funds granted by Congress would permit," Mr. Daniels said.

The shortage of enlisted men caused by Admiral Sims, like the shortage of officers, Mr. Daniels said, was "inherited by the Wilson Administration." Former Secretary George von Meyer, of the Taft Administration, came in for criticism in this connection, Mr. Daniels charging that Meyer failed to provide a single enlisted man toward overcoming the shortage that existed when President Taft took office. It was not until the Wilson Administration that any effort was made to establish a real naval reserve, he further charged.

Shortage of officers was due, he said, to the fact that for many years prior to 1916 there had not been enough midshipmen appointed to the Naval Academy.

Not Charitable for Shortage "As it takes four years to graduate an ensign, any lack of officers in 1918 could not be fairly charged to the Wilson Administration," the witness asserted, adding that he began taking steps to correct the shortage when he took office.

Mr. Daniels outlined his views of future naval building programs and reiterated his recent statement before the House Naval Committee that, unless the United States should become a member of the league of nations, it must build a navy at least equal to any other in the world. He said he would recommend renewal of the three-year building program if the league covenant should not be ratified.

The Naval Secretary will resume his public reading of his prepared statement before Wednesday.

# Heroic Chaplain's Body Decorated With D. S. C.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., May 15.—Funeral services for the Rev. John B. De Valles, heroic chaplain of the 10th Infantry of the Yankee division, who died Thursday as a result of wounds suffered in action, were interrupted

to-day while Major General Clarence R. Edwards pinned on his breast the Distinguished Service Cross. The award had been made known to the chaplain half an hour before his death. Father De Valles had previously received the Croix de Guerre with palms for heroism in going over the top with his men and in succoring wounded under conditions which General Edwards said were unexampled.

Soldiers, clergy and citizens joined in the final honors to the hero chaplain. Solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated at the Church of St. John the Baptist, where Father De Valles was pastor for several years. The celebrant was the Right Rev. Monsignor James E. Cassidy, D. D. V. G., in charge of the Fall River diocese.

Flags on all public buildings were at half-staff, and stores closed their doors for half an hour in tribute. Immediately after the mass a military and civil procession escorted the body to the cemetery, where it was interred with full military honors.

# Labor Party Asks Women Voters to Back Its Ticket

## Luncheon Speakers Assert Their Group Offers Best Chance of Passing Legislation of Social Value

Prominent suffragists addressed a luncheon conference of votes-for-women workers and leaders of the American Labor party at the Civic Club, 16 West Twelfth Street, yesterday, in behalf of the formation of a women's section of the Labor party. Others who spoke were Gladys Bean, of the British Labor party, and Bishop James Gratian Mythen, of St. Nicholas's Cathedral, Henrietta Rodman presided.

Declaring that it is the duty of women not to support the Republican and Democratic parties, Mrs. M. Toscan Bennett, member of the national advisory board of the Woman Suffrage party, appealed to the women to get behind the Labor party.

Miss Rose Schneiderman, of the Woman's Trade Union League, assailed Speaker Sweet, of the New York Assembly, for his opposition to the welfare bills and declared the only way in which the working women can get legislation of social value is through the Labor party.

Ordway Tead, of the Bureau of Industrial Research, said the Labor party is not a class organization, but one that will serve the public interest as a whole. "The Labor party," he said, "is unqualifiedly opposed to the dictatorship of the proletariat."

"The intention and declared desire of the people in the Labor party is that it shall be a movement of the people who work with hand or brain, and the prime mission of the party is to advance the interests of the public."

"Woman suffrage cannot be regarded as a panacea," said Miss Schneiderman, who was one of a commission of two women sent by President Wilson to Europe to participate in the drafting of the international labor charter embodied in the league of nations covenant. "The ballot must be used intelligently by women and we in the Woman's Trade Union League have come to the conclusion, through bitter experience, that we must organize in a political party of our own if we want to put through legislation of value to women in industry."

"Our experience with the welfare bills at Albany has especially served to emphasize this lesson. Both the Democratic and Republican parties serve the interests of the people who pay their election expenses. Speaker Sweet represents the interests who sent him to the Legislature. Governor Smith is an intelligent and humane man, but he cannot be elected if he is restrained by Tammany Hall. Labor cannot hope to get anything from people whose election expenses are paid by the financial and manufacturing interests of the state."

It was announced that a woman's section of the Labor party will be formed at a meeting on Tuesday evening, May 25, at the headquarters of the Labor party, 123 East Twenty-third Street. Women of many civic and labor organizations will be present.

# Deserter, Fearing Death, Hides for 2 Years in Cave

## Shooting of Civil War Runaway Haunted Drafted Man, Who Quit Camp Sherman to See Wife and Baby; Surrenders When Assured of Life

CHILLICOTHE, Ohio, May 15.—Stories of how a deserter from the Union army during the Civil War had been brought to bay in a nearby village by a United States marshal and shot, brought visions of a similar fate to Carl Amerine and impelled him to hide in the hills for almost two years.

Amerine, drafted into the army, left a wife and two-year-old child at home in the hills. He could neither read nor write and the largest village visited in his twenty-four years had numbered less than a thousand people. The bustling thousands at the camp, military restraint and customs weighed heavily on him and an impelling desire to see his wife and baby boy led him to quit camp to see them without obtaining permission.

At home, his father, a veteran of the Civil War, told him he was a deserter. Visions of the firing squad flashed through his mind. Kissing his wife and baby goodby, he took to the hills.

There he found a cave in which he spent most of the time, venturing forth only at night and at times in the day when there was little chance of being seen. His fare was the scanty food that his wife could get to him, herbs and wild berries that he gathered and

such wild game as he could catch. The cave in which he lived was large enough for one person only and could have been defended against an enemy. So closely did he watch all approaches to his hiding place that until a few days ago he had been seen by no one except his wife and a brother-in-law.

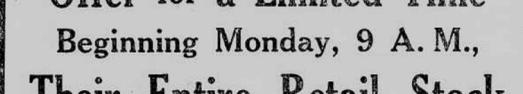
Military authorities had abandoned the search for Amerine. Three weeks ago an attorney friend of the family became interested and implored the wife to have her husband return and give himself up. She steadfastly held that her husband would be shot if captured and refused to have him return.

Last week Clarence Stone, of Adelphi, managed to get word to the youth that his was not a case for a firing squad. Last Monday night Amerine visited Stone's home, where they went over the situation. He agreed to give himself up.

Early Thursday morning the fugitive again went to Stone's home. His wife brought his uniform, which she had preserved for him and had pressed for the occasion. With Stone and an attorney Amerine went to Camp Sherman and surrendered to the adjutant. He made no comment except to express himself as being well pleased that "it is all over."

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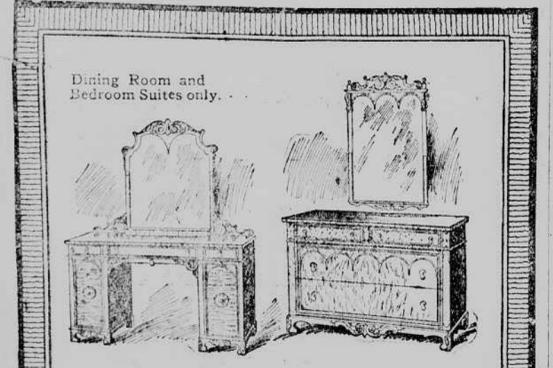
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