

SEVERE ATTACK ON NAVAL BILL

House Republicans File Scathing Minority Report to Administration's Plan.

SAY IT FALLS SHORT

Wilson Opponents Call Bill Compromise Between Those Who Wanted "Little or Nothing."

A severe attack upon the administration's naval bill, which is described as falling far short of meeting the demand for adequate preparedness, is made in a minority report of the House Committee on Naval Affairs, submitted yesterday.

The Republican members assert that the authorization of five battle cruisers is sufficient. "We therefore recommend," they add, "the authorization of two Dreadnoughts and six battle cruisers in this bill, and feel that anything short of this would not be making adequate preparation for the national defense."

The minority report is submitted by Representative Butler, of Pennsylvania, and is signed by all the Republican members of the committee.

"The building program submitted by the committee for the increase of the navy," reads the report, "is inadequate for the defense of the country. It is not the product, in any degree, of expert naval opinion and disregards every plan suggested by naval authorities for the development of the navy. It ignores the recommendations of the Secretary of the Navy and sets aside expert opinion, as expressed by the General Board of the Navy, the chief of operators of the navy, the admirals in command of the fleet, and every other naval officer appearing before the Committee on Naval Affairs. Apparently the only explanation that can be given for the program suggested is that it is a compromise between those who wanted nothing in the way of additional naval protection and those who wanted but little."

After reviewing the naval policies of the last four administrations the report adds:

"As the first and most important step toward the restoration of our navy to second place by the Sixty-fourth Congress, it is our judgment that we should make up at this session for the Sixty-second Congress failed to provide, and, also, for six battle cruisers which should have been authorized heretofore."

"Instead of discontinuing the construction of Dreadnoughts, we think it a wiser policy to authorize two or more at this time, and provide that they shall be constructed according to the plans and specifications now ready for the California and the Tennessee. These plans have just been completed and embody the best thought and the latest improvements in naval construction. If this course is pursued the two dreadnoughts could be completed as soon as the California and the Tennessee, effecting a saving in time of at least one year."

"The minority is strongly impressed with the urgent necessity of providing in this bill for the full number of men required for the navy on a peace basis, and we further believe that the President should be authorized to enlist, in his discretion, such additional men as the needs of the navy may require, not to exceed the total of \$2,750,000 recommended by the general board."

The report recommends fifty submarines instead of seventeen; \$3,500,000 instead of \$2,000,000 for aeroplanes; a council of national defense, and insists that construction of new ships be pushed with all possible speed.

MERCHANTS TO FIGHT RIDER.

R. P. Andrews Names Committee to Appeal to Congress.

President R. P. Andrews, of the Retail Merchants' Association, yesterday named a special committee to appeal to Congress to kill the "rider" to the District appropriation bill which would levy a tax upon vault spaces under sidewalks. A Lisner was made chairman of this committee. George A. De Neale, Sam Hart, Isaac Gans, and Jacob Eisenmann were the other men appointed.

HALF RIDER CALLED UNFAIR LEGISLATION

Commerce Chamber Directors Ask for Defeat of Measure Upon Which Hearings Are Not Given.

A resolution protesting against the repeal of the half-and-half fiscal plan for the District, in which the United States Treasury pays one-half the expenses of the District's upkeep, was passed yesterday by the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce. The directors contend that when important legislation of this sort is tacked onto an appropriation bill as a "rider" such legislation cannot have the undivided attention of the House.

Secretary Tom Grant will send copies of this resolution to every member of Congress.

The resolution says this "rider" was never considered in the House Committee on the District, but was adopted by the Committee on Appropriations without notice or hearing. It declares:

"The proposed rider does not accord either with the spirit or letter of the report of the Joint Select Committee of Congress appointed at the last session to consider the fiscal relation between the United States and the District of Columbia, and the maintenance by definite and fixed taxation, stating that the District was not adequately taxed, and in favor of treating the National Capital as the nation's city, and providing for its development and maintenance by definite, regular and liberal appropriations, and said Joint Select Committee of Congress has not yet presented a bill to carry out its own recommendations, nor has such a bill been presented by any member of the House Committee on the District in the Senate or House of Representatives, or by any Senator or Representative."

VETERAN REPAYS U. S.

Conscience Fund Gets \$150 Government Overpaid Him During War.

One of the oldest "conscience fund" contributions on record was received at the Treasury Department yesterday. It consisted of \$150 and a letter accompanying the money stated that it was from an old soldier who had been paid too much by the government when he was in the United States army.

The money, the letter said, was used by the writer's father to educate him, and he had at last reached the conclusion that he ought to pay it back. The writer signed himself "X" and the name of the town where the letter was mailed was not decipherable.

SEEK WOMAN'S ASSAILANT.

Negro Escapes and Entire Police Force Is Looking for Him.

The entire police force at the Capital is conducting a search for the negro who early yesterday morning entered the home of Mrs. Alice Ringgold, 255 Twelfth street northwest, and struck her in the face with a blunt instrument. Her injuries are not serious.

The force of the blow awoke Mrs. Ringgold, and she screams frightened the intruder away before he could rob her house.

RIGGS CASE GOES TO JURY TODAY

Justice Siddons Considers Motion to Direct Acquittal of Bankers.

ARGUMENTS ARE LENGTHY

Attorney Hogan, on Witness Stand, Again Clashes with Assistant Prosecutor Fitts.

The trial for perjury of Riggs bankers, in Criminal Court, No. 1, will go to the jury late today. It was generally believed after the argument of the session yesterday were the abrupt termination of the trial were the abrupt termination of the defense's case and a motion to direct the jury to acquit the bankers.

Justice Siddons took the motion under consideration and this morning will announce his decision.

The afternoon and part of the morning sessions were consumed in arguments on the motion. The motion was made by Attorney George W. Hoover, for the defense. With the exception of Attorney Hogan, all counsel for the bankers argued for the motion.

Assistant District Attorney Archer and W. C. Fitts, assistant Attorney General, opposed the motion. The motion was made on the ground that insufficient evidence and testimony had been presented to sustain the indictment of perjury.

The defense closed its case when Frank J. Hogan, one of the leading counsel for the bankers, left the witness stand. Assistant Prosecutor Fitts finished the cross-examination of Hogan.

Antagonism between the two reached a peak yesterday, when their animosity broke out in even greater intensity. Attorney Fitts asked Hogan if he feared he would be indicted for insubordination of perjury. Attorney Hogan replied he had been told by a member of the District Attorney's staff that no such move was contemplated.

"I told him that I would see his office in hell before I would ever come to his officials and ask favors in connection with such a contemplated action," declared Hogan.

Justice Siddons halted Mr. Fitts, declaring the attorney was "going far beyond the limits of any cross-examination." The Justice frequently warned the spectators that the laughter should cease and finally instructed the United States marshal to clear the court room if demonstrations continued.

Purely Personal

Miss Florence Guard and Miss George Apperson have given their homes in Winchester, Va., after a visit of several days in Washington.

Mrs. Harrington Mills and Mrs. F. W. Carls have been spending the past week at Atlantic City.

Miss Sylvia Frank, of Baltimore, has been the house guest of Mrs. Lawrence Gessenheimer in the Capital for the past several days.

Herbert Williams has gone to Winston, Minn., to spend the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Carpenter have had as their guest for the past several days Mrs. Carpenter's father, Cornelius Stanley, of Frederick, Md.

Mrs. George C. Dye has returned to her home at Berkeley Springs, W. Va., accompanied by her sister, Miss Laura Blizzer.

Harry C. Herman has been appointed fourth assistant examiner in the Patent Office.

Edwin M. Kline has been transferred from the Census Bureau to the Department of Labor as an expert clerk.

John E. Black, a clerk in the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, has been promoted.

William J. Schmitt, employed in the office of the Secretary of the Interior, has been promoted and transferred as a clerk to the Steamboat Inspection Service.

Peter Hidernt has been reinstated as an aid in the Bureau of Standards.

Lieut. Harold Snow, U. S. N., who has been stationed on the President's yacht Mayflower, has been ordered to New York to join the U. S. Maine.

Joseph Loris-Melikoff, secretary of the Russian Embassy, has gone to New York for a short visit.

Rev. Charles C. McLean, pastor of Douglas Memorial M. E. Church, has returned to Washington after attending the general conference at Saratoga Springs, N. Y.

Senators Swanson, Chilton, Smith, of Maryland, Phelan, Clapp, Smith, of Michigan, and Poindeexter, have been named as the board of visitors of the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis.

William J. Schmitt, assistant messenger in the office of the Secretary of Commerce, has been promoted to a clerkship and transferred to the Steamboat Inspection Service.

Rear Admiral and Mrs. Robert E. Peary are expected to leave Washington within a few days for their summer home at Eagle Island.

Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador, is at South Bethlehem, Pa., attending the eleventh annual Bach music festival.

DEATH RECORD.

WHITE.
William C. Fisher, 25 years, 1003 1/2 st. n.w.
Frances A. Harselman, 75, 1419 East Capital st.
James W. Hummelt, 39, 756 6th st. n.w.
Lettie M. Hays, 75, 119 1/2 st. n.w.
Eva Seeley, 64, 1920 15th st. n.w.
Charles M. Rodler, 48, Naval Hospital.
Thomas A. Frick, 39, Georgetown Hospital.
Clifton I. Williams, 70, Nat. Home Hosp.
Elizabeth K. Johnson, 70, 1434 Webster st. n.w.
William H. Mink, 45, E. S. Sol. Home.
Michael Griffin, 77, Hoop U. S. Soldiers Home.
Mary P. Taylor, 30, Georgetown Univ. Hosp.
Johanna L. Maloney, 30, 513 F st. n.w.
William Bailey, 38, Casualty Hospital.
Infant of Leo C. and Hattie M. Cleveland, 5 hours, 727 12th st. n.w.

COLORED.
Louisa Dean, 67 years, 235 23d st. n.w.
John Fletcher, 44, Wash. Asylum Hosp.
Anna E. West, 60, Georgetown place n.w.
John B. Webb, 85, Lamond, near Takoma Park.
Susie Braxton, 30, 1633 16th st. n.w.
Isabelle Winters, 34, 346 V st. n.w.
William Tyler, 47, Casualty Hospital.
Lizzie D. Hays, 52, 806 T st. n.w.
Helen Butler, 14, Freedmen's Hospital.
Fred Thompson, 63, Freedmen's Hospital.
Mary Jones, 18, Tuberculosis Hospital.
Salva Penn, 23 months, 907 S st. n.w.

Yerba mate, the famous "Paraguay tea," is to be tested by France to determine its fitness for soldiers' rations. Paraguay's defense, years ago, against the combined armies of Brazil and Argentina was one of the world's most heroic, and there is no telling what part the yerba may have played.

G. A. R. SURPLUS IS \$5,000.

Committee Will Divide Money Pro Rata Among Contributors.

After all bills incidental to the G. A. R. encampment in Washington last fall were paid, the committee had on hand the sum of \$5,000. This amount will be distributed, pro rata, among contributors to the fund.

The auditing committee, composed of Capt. James F. Oyster, chairman; Daniel J. Callahan and G. M. Hunt, made this report to the general committee at its meeting yesterday afternoon at the Chamber of Commerce. William F. Gude was chairman of the general committee.

CABINET AND CONGRESS WILL INSPECT AIRBIRD

Machine Which Flew from Gotham in Three Hours Will Be Viewed on White Lot Today.

Cabinet heads, members of the military and naval committees of the Senate and House, and army and navy officers have been invited to inspect the giant Curtiss military tractor in which Victor C. Carlisle flew from New York to Washington yesterday morning, making the 225 miles in 187 minutes, with Alan R. Hawley, president of the Aero Club of America, as a passenger.

The machine, the J. N. 8, will be on exhibition all day on the White Lot opposite the Corcoran Art Gallery. From 10:30 to noon is the time when the officials will inspect it. Early tomorrow morning the J. N. 8 will be shipped to the National Guard of New Mexico, the gift of the Aero Club of America, and to be used on the Mexican border.

Capt. Ralph Taylor, of the Connecticut National Guard, and Lieut. E. W. Bagnell, of the Nebraska Guard, both aviators, are in charge of the big flyer, and will explain its mechanism to visitors.

To the J. N. 8 goes the honor of being the first aeroplane to fly from New York to Washington with a passenger, and it demonstrates the ease with which the Capital could be reached from the East by an enemy machine flying from a landing place on the Atlantic coast. It can carry a pilot, a bomb-thrower, a light rapid-fire machine gun, and about 300 pounds of high explosives.

Soon after arriving Mr. Hawley called on President Wilson and Secretary Daniels, and also Bryon R. Newton, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, a member of the National Advisory Council on Aeronautics, and Chief Admiral Robert E. Peary is chairman.

TEAR-STAINED NOTE WAS WIFE'S FAREWELL

"You Were Best Man a Wife Could Ask For," Wrote Woman, Infatuated with Another.

Baltimore, May 25.—Back of the formal decree that today divorced Julius Peter, of this city, from Friederika Peter, now in Chicago, is hidden an appealing human-interest story—a story of a wife's deep respect and devotion to her husband clashing with an uncontrollable infatuation for another man who had come into her life.

The story of her husband's effort to forgive, forget and wear her away from her new affection; her struggle to overcome it, and, finally, her pathetic leave-taking, which took the form of a farewell note that summarized the feelings the couple bore toward each other.

The husband's dream of a happy wedded life was shattered when he learned that another man had come between him and his wife. He tried to overcome his suspicions; then, when he had verified them, attempted to forget what he had learned and to win back the love of his wife. Their separation followed her admission that she was infatuated with the rugged man of the Middle West and could not live without him, according to Peter. When he returned to his little home he found this note, spotted here and there by tear stains:

"Dear Julius—With these lines I say good-by forever. Things could not go on any longer. You chafe under it as well as I. You said that I should take the first step. I know it is awfully hard for you; seek to forget me, but do not think badly of me. You are not to blame, because you were the best man that a wife could wish for."

"Farewell. "FRIEDA"

BIRTH RECORD.

WHITE.
Mauroe and Sara Schwartz, boy.
Melroe H. and Mary C. Smith, boy.
James W. and Jessie H. Smith, girl.
Daniel B. and Marie G. Payne, girl.
Harris and Edie E. Fumero, boy.
Clarence C. and Mary E. V. Osborn, girl.
Hammett D. and Ruby E. Nettzer, boy.
John P. and Ida Meier, girl.
Seymour J. and Madge Kohn, girl.
Joseph B. and Irene Gray, girl.
John S. and Thelma P. Giles, boy.
Chester C. and Hilda E. Flanders, boy.
Maurice P. and Mattie A. Finley, girl and boy.
Archie N. and Rosabella Firon, boy.
Russell B. and Nellie M. Bushong, boy.

COLORED.
Alfred and Emma Hiner, girl.
Charles and Ethel Johnson, boy.
Raymond and Hattie Jackson, girl.
Lloyd C. and Mary Hill, boy.
Frank and Anna Dixon, boy.
Jerome and Mary Dunmore, girl.
Walter J. and Hattie Coates, boy.

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Sizes.	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	42	44	46
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Stout					4	5	6	7	5	4
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If your size is here—note list above—will it not be wise to borrow a little time today? It will require but a few moments to slip into the coat and vest of the suit you fancy. Another few moments for the trousers.

Blue Serge Suits. Shepherd Check Suits. Various Stripe and Plaid Suits.

Only the regular stock of this New Men's Shop is offered—no suits made for "a sale" have been added. Note, too, that the styles most in demand are first to become broken lots. In the "bunching" of these many lots are quarter, half, and full lined all-wool cloth suits in the light weights appropriate for now and later, for sport, touring, and business wear.

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