

BIG NAVY FOES LED BY BRITAIN

Fight Against Increasing U. S. Fleet Spurred by English Writers, Says Poindexter.

By SEN. MILES POINDEXTER, of Washington.

Chairman of the Senate Committee on Naval Affairs. Written Expressly for Universal Service. A great deal of the opposition to the building up of the American navy is the result of propaganda from foreign countries, which are interested in keeping the United States in an inferior position, both as to its navy and as to its merchant marine.

PEOPLE DECEIVED.

Many of our people have been deceived by this insidious and more or less disguised attack on our vital interests. Prominent English writers working for their own country and its predominance in a perfectly legitimate way have secured responsible positions as writers for prominent American newspapers, and through this powerful agency have done everything they could to develop opposition to American maritime interests.

Their favorite argument has been that we cannot hope to compete in this race.

A good deal of the opposition in the Senate comes from men who say we should not undertake to defend our rights and interests on the high seas or abroad. Some of them thought we should have tamely submitted to the demands of Germany. They now say we should not attempt to compete with foreign nations, and that if we have trouble we should abandon our foreign commerce and only prepare to defend our sea coast.

MUST BE POWERFUL.

Of course, if such a poltroon and destructive policy is to be adopted,

PRINCESS SAPIEHA, wife of the Polish minister to England, Prince Jean Sapieha. Prince Jean is well known in America, having lived here many years. While in England he was arrested and confined as prisoner of war in consequence of his being a chamberlain of the Emperor of Austria and an officer of the Austrian cavalry.



It is true we would not need a great navy.

But if we are to maintain our rights and self-respect we must of necessity have a powerful navy. A strong navy will enable us to dispense with a large army, and in this way be economical.

The best guaranty of peace is sufficient naval power to command peace. The United States seeks only peace and justice for itself, as well as other people, and the one sure way of securing this and is to be able to defend our rights.

Hardings at Keith's.

President and Mrs. Harding, General and Mrs. Sawyer, and Dr. C. E. Sawyer and Mrs. Sawyer, with their son, Warren, from Marion, attended B. F. Keith's Theater last evening. They occupied the box devoted to Manager Robbins to the use of the White House folks.

SENATORS MENACE HARDING CABINET, HAPGOOD ASSERTS

Drive of Foreign Relations Committee Aimed at President's Official Family.

By NORMAN HAPGOOD.

One of the most delicate situations yet developed faces the President. The drive of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations against Mr. Hughes has taken a direction in which it cannot much longer be disguised. The President will have to give definite support to his Secretary or his powerful Cabinet will dissolve.

The unmistakable success that has marked the first three months of the Administration has been due to the fact that, against fierce protests, the President selected a strong Cabinet and backed it up. Elements in the community that opposed Mr. Harding in the campaign have freely conceded the remarkable strength developed.

Hughes and Hoover have stood first in this Cabinet phalanx, but Wallace is a complete success. Hays has shown courage and ability, notably in his recent declaration on return to freedom. Mellon is doing well. Six or seven out of the ten are doing work that stands out creditably.

The groups in the party that want to break down this Administrative power and leadership have selected Hughes as their target. Hoover can wait until the Hughes matter is settled. Colonel Harvey's Pilgrim speech was not a casual performance. It was part of a policy he and Lodge worked out before Harvey sailed.

The President is reported to have said: "Harvey has spilled the beans already."

He is also reported to have said he holds Harvey's promise to resign immediately in case of a certain specified kind of indiscretion. But this speech is no indiscretion.

Colonel Harvey stated his position to several persons frankly before he left Washington. He spoke slightly of Mr. Hughes, and said he would not accept the post of ambassador to Great Britain if it meant serving under the Secretary of State.

As a matter of fact argued Harvey, the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations intends to conduct our foreign relations, and ought to conduct them. Therefore, Harvey said, he should look to that committee as his real chief.

Mr. Hughes is not exactly the person to take so humiliating a position lying down. He did not wish to be Secretary of State. He was at the head of the American Bar, enjoying his work and rapidly piling up a competence.

Senator Lodge has been back of Harvey from the beginning. Even during the preceding Administration Harvey's periodical used information that had no right outside of Senator Lodge's committee. Lodge pressed Harvey's appointment and counted on him to represent the Senate Committee.

The prophecies, so freely indulged in by Senators, that Mr. Hughes would not last a month, were based on this plan. They figured they could make the Secretary's life unbearable. They have failed so far for two reasons.

First, the magnificent work of Hughes, scoring one foreign triumph after another, has filled the entire press and public with enthusiasm. Second, the President, with the exception of the Harvey appointment, has stood firmly behind the Secretary, and has several times warned the Senate that it would not be able to encroach on the Executive.

In my opinion, even after this Pilgrim demonstration, the Senators are mistaken who think they have the Secretary's scalp all ready for the wigwag. If Mr. Hughes should leave the Cabinet, it would be only the beginning.

Japanese soldiers have increased two inches in height on an average since meat was included in their rations.

MARY TALKS BABIES TO YOUNG REPORTER



Mary Pickford and Baby Guy Price

"OUR MARY" HUGS CRITIC, BUT WON'T GIVE UP BIG SECRET

Movie Star Takes Interview in Her Lap—He's So Young, Doug Won't Kick.

By International News Service. LOS ANGELES, May 31.—Guy Price, Jr., America's youngest dramatic critic, claims the unique distinction of being the first newspaper man to sit on Maryland Pickford's lap while obtaining an interview.

Young Price, who resides in Los Angeles, was assigned by a local newspaper to visit the studio of Mrs. Douglas Fairbanks (Mary's name in private life) and carry out the delicate mission of interviewing the film star on whether Mr. and Mrs. Fairbanks are expecting a heir.

As soon as Price, Jr., saw Mary he held out his arms to her. Although she was busy before the camera, Mary stopped work right then and there and took this youngest reporter of them all on her lap and hugged him tight.

ONLY 14 MONTHS OLD. But then, you see, Price, Jr., is only fourteen months old.

The way he happens to be a journalist at such an early age is because he "inherited his liking for the stars," his father being widely known as the dramatic editor of a Los Angeles newspaper.

"Goo-rrr as-h-h-h?" questioned Price, Jr., as soon as he was comfortably settled on Mary's lap.

"No, I'm sorry," answered Mary, "but I haven't any little girl or boy for you to play with. Won't I do?" "Burr-rug-a-goo-a-goo. Er-er-er-hmmmm."

"Why, the idea. He wants to know if I intend to have a playmate for

ARREST AUTOIST WHOSE CAR HITS THREE OTHERS

After his machine had collided with three other cars in the 1700 block of Pennsylvania avenue northwest shortly before 10 o'clock last night, Edward Brooks, colored, forty-five, of 1206 Half street southwest, was arrested by police of the Third precinct in the charge of operating his automobile while intoxicated. One of the cars struck by Brooks' machine was the property of A. G. Batchelder, of 1842 Sixteenth street northwest, who was killed Saturday evening in the airplane crash at Morgantown, Md., in which seven persons lost their lives. No one was in the car at the time, it having been parked in front of 1730 Pennsylvania avenue. Damage has not been estimated.

Florence Coleman, colored, of 223 Third street southwest, was injured on one hand. She walked to Emergency Hospital and received treatment.

him the next time he sees me," confessed Mary, blushing.

"I refuse to answer. Ouch! He's got a hold of my hair," cried the actress. "Please stop pulling so hard on that curl—I'm dreadfully sorry, but Doug and I both hope so sometime—yes, I'll tell you the very first one, only please—nice boy?"

"Won't you come up for bread and milk some afternoon with Doug and me?" the "movie" star asked.

"YUM, YUM, HE COOES." "um-yum-yummy-you-yum," cooed Price, Junior.

"And then you can have your afternoon nap on my very own bed. Would you like that?" said Mary, her golden curls all tousled.

"Mmmmm-mmmmm," hummed Price, Junior, contentedly.

"He says that I have you, and that he doesn't care what the city editor says to him about falling down on a story," laughed Mary. "Well, you just say that I love all children, and I guess that will do for this time."

And the interview was terminated with a good old-fashioned "bear hug."

The first pair of silk stockings ever woven in England was made at Chesham, Surrey, and presented to Queen Elizabeth.

WIZARD MACHINES BETTER THAN GIRL WAR RISK CLERKS

Devices Can Write Checks, Compute Interest, and Do Other Tricks.

The Government's economy program calls for wider use of labor-saving machines in various executive departments and bureaus. Greater efficiency, speed and savings will be attained, officials said today, by introducing machines more extensively into routine clerical work.

One of the most remarkable devices installed recently is the writing-adding-subtracting-computing machine installed in the War Risk Bureau. These machines are compact and

silent, but turn out a big volume of work.

Aside from the much-needed economy to come from this device, it will prove a benefit to thousands of service men. Remittances to former A. E. F. men hereafter will go out from Washington with less delay, and other service matter will be similarly handled with better dispatch.

Each of the machines is operated by a young woman. The machine, doing the work formerly done by a half dozen or more clerks, computes the net amount due a soldier or beneficiary on account of allotments and allowances, compensation or insurance, by accumulating the total of each of six columns, preparing a typewritten payroll in triplicate, writing the check and making a copy in carbon of the transaction. At a single stroke of the key these machines write, add or subtract.

In detailed operation the machines perform mathematical feats that heretofore have been done only by highly trained experts.

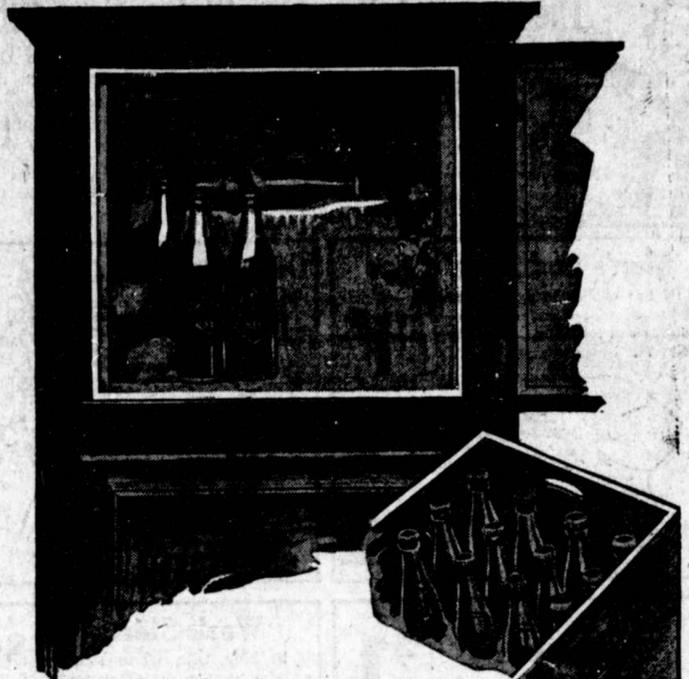
The amounts accruing to a soldier or beneficiary for inclusive periods at certain monthly rates are added in the column for accruals. The machine keeps track of the amounts previously paid the soldier, the deductions to be made for insurance premiums. The

net amount due the soldier appears automatically in a small dial as the machine reaches the check, which is then written for the exact amount shown.

Experts said that the machines will pay for themselves in three months by cutting down payroll. The machine combines into a single operation a large number of separate operations. The machines are also equipped for proofreading to reveal possible errors. Finished checks turned out by the machines are written in indelible ink, which cannot be removed without destroying the tissue paper. The checks to the service men are going out in the mails at least ten days earlier than under old methods.

Dies in Movie Stunt.

PHILADELPHIA, May 31.—While trying to do "stunts" with a rope, in imitation of his favorite film heroes, yesterday, eleven-year-old James Pelizzo accidentally manipulated his rope into a hang-nose and was strangled. His brother Antonio, who went to call him from the backyard, where he had been playing, found his body suspended, lifeless, from a beam projecting from a woodshed.



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