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The concluding paragraph read: "In regard to convoys I consider American vessels having armed guards are safer when sailing independently."

Mr. Daniels testified that upon reading the admiral's testimony he knew he never signed such a cablegram, and immediately started an investigation. Mr. Daniels said he found the original dispatch in the British embassy, thru which it had been sent, and it was signed F. G. Carter, "in direction of the chief of naval operations."

"The statement that it was signed Daniels is untrue," said the secretary. "No such cablegram signed 'Daniels' was ever sent to Admiral Sims."

In his testimony, he reiterated that this dispatch made him about ready to jump on Admiral Sims and that it was signed with my name, covering the impression that the secretary of the navy had passed on a particular system and was resisting the convoy system. It never entered into the opinion contained in the dispatch he displayed.

Mr. Daniels said Admiral Sims should produce the person responsible for the alteration of the signature.

Much of the testimony today was devoted to the controversy over conveying troop ships. He insisted that Admiral Sims had not agreed with department views as to the means of protecting transports, and told the committee that he had finally secured the necessary to remind Admiral Sims that the first duty of American destroyers abroad was to protect their vessels.

The admiral's course regarding the protection of troop ships caused the department "great anxiety," the secretary declared, and finally he "bluntly" told Sims that everything was secondary to the safeguarding of vessels carrying American soldiers.

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