

Sims' Criticism Arouses Denby

Hints That Rear Admiral May Face Court-Martial Heard as Result.

Washington, May 10.—Caustic criticism by Rear Admiral William S. Sims of the policy of placing non-graduates of the war college in high offices stirred up somewhat of a hornet's nest in navy circles yesterday. Officers who have dubbed Sims "the best British admiral in the American navy," strong hinted that if his remarks were authenticated, he could be summoned before a court-martial and punished. Others were inclined to ignore the matter except to recall that a superior officer once reported Sims to be "loose with his facts."

Secretary Denby issued this statement: "I find it hard to believe that Admiral Sims made the statements attributed to him. I cannot believe that any officer would show such disloyalty to the service."

Says Attitude Crime.

Sims' remarks were printed as a special dispatch from a Boston news agency. He is quoted as having said: "In my opinion, the attitude of the Navy department toward the naval war college has long been a crime. The appointment of an officer who is not a graduate of the war college to command the great United States fleet is a crime against the people, and so is the appointment of a non-graduate to the most important position in the Navy department—that of chief of naval operations."

More than half of the officers given preference in the transfers recently are not graduates of the war college. The service is disgusted with the situation—disgusted that the same old game of service politics is being played. It believes that the best place is a seat next to the dealer at Washington. Personal influences bring greater rewards than war college training.

Hits at Denby.

The particular officers on whom Sims trained his guns were Secretary Denby, the so-called "dealer," Admiral Edward W. Eberle, commander of the United States battle fleet in the Pacific, who is to succeed Admiral Robert E. Coontz as chief of the bureau of naval operations, and Admiral Coontz, who on being relieved, will go to command the fleet. Indirectly, he hits a number of other officers, including Rear Admiral Henry B. Wilson, superintendent of the naval academy at Annapolis, who commanded the United States forces in France during the world war, and Rear Admiral Thomas Washington, head of the bureau of navigation, who goes soon to command the Asiatic fleet and will be succeeded by Vice Admiral Andrew T. Long, now commander of the forces in Europe.

Sims is retired and is living at Newport, R. I., which is the seat of the war college. His state of retirement would not relieve him from court-martial or save him from having his retirement pay slashed or cut off entirely in case of conviction. He has been reprimanded several times for his gratuitous criticism of the navy, covering a period of 20 years.

Society

University Play Friday Night

The University of Omaha Players' club will present "Nothing But the Truth" May 11 at the university gymnasium, Twenty-fourth and Pratt streets. The public is invited.

The Players' club was started two years ago by the students then interested in dramatics. There had been "players" before, students interested in dramatics who put on an annual play, but this was the first organization. The membership limit is 20. At present there are 14 members.

Lucile Bliss, who has the feminine lead in "Nothing But the Truth," is president of the club. The secretary-treasurer is Marie Pelligrin, who had the part of leading lady in "Jiggers of 1923." Dr. W. Gilbert Jones, instructor in expression at the university, is the faculty member connected with the club.

Yates Parent-Teachers' Close Season.

The Yates Parent-Teacher association will close the season with an evening program Friday in the school auditorium. Dr. George A. Miller, pastor of the First Christian church, will speak on "Temples and Tombs of Egypt." The program will also include violin solos by Robert Cusaden; a piano group by Benjamin Adamovsky and selections by the school orchestra under direction of Mr. Cusaden.

Mrs. Caswell Honored.

Mrs. J. W. Caswell of Huntington, Ind., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. Brewer, and Mr. Brewer, on route to her home from Los Angeles, where she has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Ormsby at their Hollywood home. On Friday Mrs. Carroll Belden will give a bridge at the University club in compliment to Mrs. Caswell, and Tuesday of next week Mrs. C. W. Pollard will be hostess in her honor.

To Plum Lake.

William Ramsay, jr., and George Johnston, jr., leave the first of June for Camp Highland at Plum Lake, Wis., where they will spend the summer. Their parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Ramsay, and the George S. Johnstons will spend a month across the lake from the camp.

South American Visitor.

Mrs. T. W. Patterson of Guayaquil Ecuador, South America, will be the honor guest Saturday evening when Dr. and Mrs. Clarence Rubens will have 12 to dine at their home. Mrs. Patterson is the guest of Mrs. Roy Ralph and Mr. Ralph, and is en route to Japan to join Mr. Patterson.

Luncheon Club.

Mrs. R. E. Davis will entertain her bridge luncheon club Friday at her home.

Loyola Club.

Loyola club will give a dance Friday evening, May 11, at the Hyland academy. Music will be furnished by the Southern Harmony Six.

Extension Club.

The extension club will meet for cards Friday, May 11, at 2:30 at the home of Mrs. J. J. Sexton, 1746 South Twenty-ninth.

Miss Mullen Presents Pupils in Dance Recital.

Thirty-five pupils of Miss Gladys Mullen appeared in a dance recital Wednesday evening at the Burgess-Nash auditorium, assisted by Miss Ruth and Catherine Stefan, dramatic art pupils of Mrs. John M. Mullen.

Features of the evening included an oriental dance, "Devidassi," and an East Indian dance, "Temple Bells," by Miss Mullen, and a dramatic reading, "The Blind Flower Girl," from Bulwer Lytton's "Last Days of Pompeii," by Mrs. Mullen.

Pupils presented by Miss Mullen were: Maude Fudera, Mary Gibson, Margaret Adams, Alice Powers, Myrtle Rosch, Ann O'Connell, Catherine Foley, Frances McGrath, Genevieve Daugherty, Alice Carvie, Alice McAvoy, Hazel Ryan, Marguerite Hug, Frances, Catherine, Betty and Peggy Haller, Catherine Roach, Dorothy Mae Lackie, Wilma Emerson, Betty Jean Assman, Jean Burke, Marvel Robinson, Catherine Ann Sullivan, Betty Clair Power, Mary Jane Hart and Billy Roach.

Burgess Bedtime Stories

An Awakening in the Green Forest. By THORNTON W. BURGESS.

There comes a time in which no other can quite supply the place of mother.—Boxer.

Spring had come to the Green Forest as well as to the Old Orchard, the Green Meadows, the dear Old Briar Patch and all the other places. It had awakened sleepers.



"Let's go over and see," said Boxer to Wolf Wolf.

There just as Johnny Chuck had been awakened, and two of these sleepers were Boxer and Wolf Wolf, the twins of Buster Bear. Now that spring awakening was a strange experience for Boxer and Wolf Wolf. You see they had not slept away the winter with their mother as they had the winter before. When it had come time to go to bed Mother Bear had told them that they couldn't sleep with her, but must find a home of their own.

They hadn't known what to make of it. For a while it had quite upset them. They had been quite unhappy over it. But Mother Bear had

Marie Matthews Heads Overseas League.

Miss Marie Matthews was elected president of the Woman's Overseas League, Tuesday evening at the Y. W. C. A. Miss Harriett J. Ball of Council Bluffs was chosen vice president; Miss Mona Cowell, secretary; Miss Lucille Scott, treasurer; Miss Elizabeth Stewart, historian; Miss Herman Auerbach, publicity.

Tri Delta Officers.

Mrs. L. C. Emert was elected president of Delta Delta Delta, alumnae at the May meeting at the home of Mrs. Emert. Miss Josselyn Stone was chosen vice president; Miss Caroline Miller, second vice president; Mrs. C. S. Whitfield, secretary, and Mrs. G. F. Nye, treasurer.

Crete Girl Is Winner in State Declamatory Contest

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.

Central City, Neb., May 10.—The dramatic section of the state declamatory contest was held in this city. Miss Louise Wright of Crete securing first honors. Second place was awarded to Mildred Skinner of North Platte and Miss Harriet Fleischmann of Omaha won third. Eight contestants participated.

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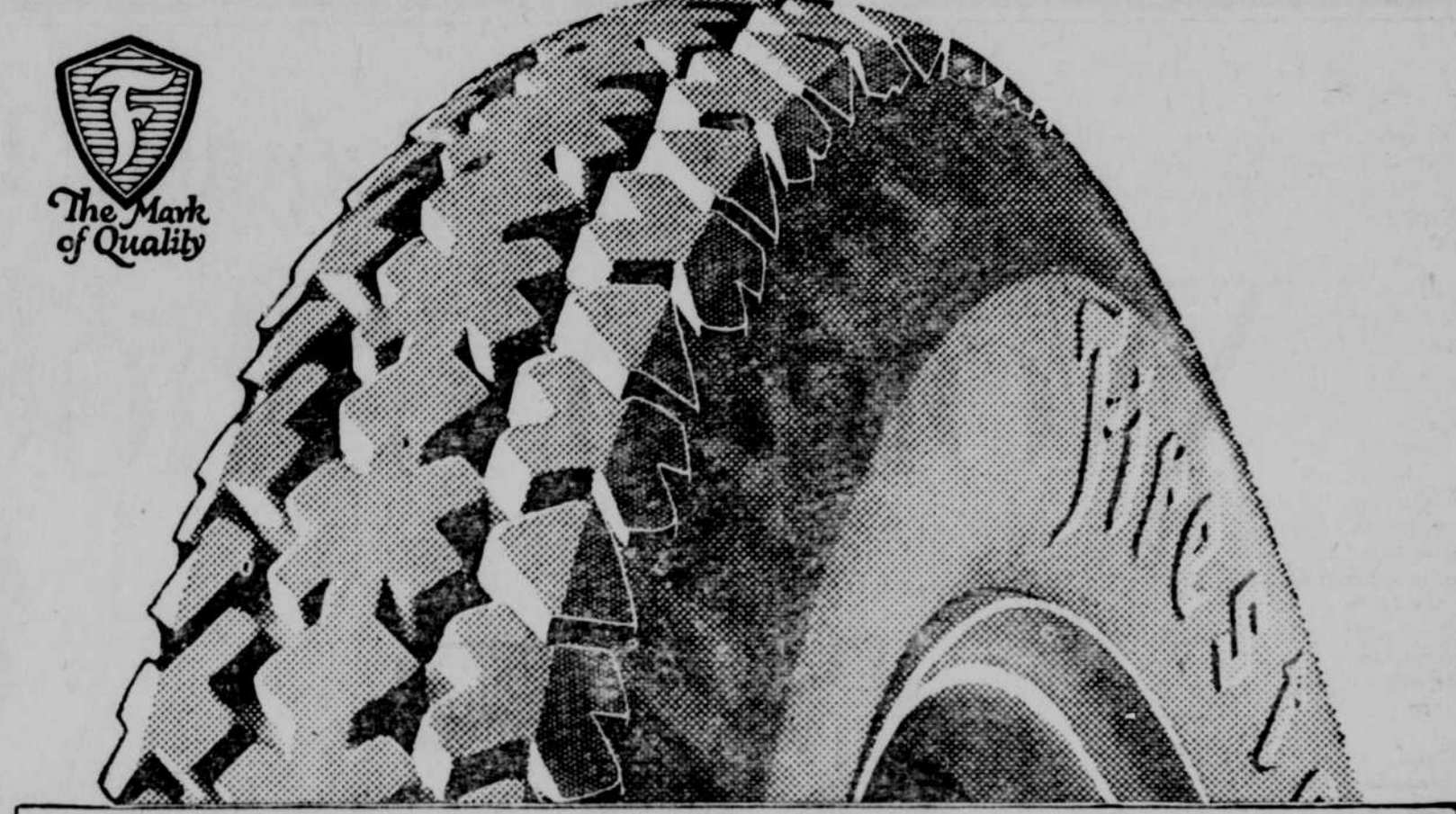
made it very clear that she meant exactly what she said. And so the twins had scraped some leaves into a big hole under the roots of an upturned tree, and had there gone to sleep. Of course, the snow had covered their bedroom with a deep, white blanket, and they had been very comfortable there even without their mother. Because they had slept most of the time they had not missed her.

But when spring had come and they had awakened and come out of their winter home, they had missed their mother. Boxer wouldn't have admitted it, but it was so. They were big now, about half grown. As a matter of fact, they felt themselves quite grown up. Nevertheless they did wish Mother Bear was there to show them where to look for something to eat. They were rather cross. They were ready to quarrel with each other over every little thing. You know some folks are apt to be cross when they first wake up.

That first day they didn't do much. They shuffled around, no going very far from their bedroom, and then went back into it. The next day they went a little further. Boxer remembered the big windfall under which they had been born, and which for a long time had been their home with Mother Bear. It popped into his head that very likely Mother Bear had spent the winter there. She might be there now.

"Let's go over and see," said Boxer to Wolf Wolf.

Wolf Wolf was quite willing. She shuffled along behind Boxer, and they headed straight for the old windfall which had once been their home. When they came in sight of it they stopped and sat up to study it. It looked just as they remembered it. They could see the entrance through which as little Bears they had gone in and out so often. It looked inviting. They shuffled a little nearer, and again sat up to look. They wanted to go in there,



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