

SENATOR SMITH ENTERS DENIAL

Has Not Withdrawn From League of Nations. Letter to Editor.

Washington, Sept. 7.—Today the Washington Post carried a story that Senator E. D. Smith was about to scuttle the league of nations scheme. When Senator Smith read this he was indignant and issued the following statement in a letter to the editor of the Post, of which the following is a copy.

"Another issue of this, Sunday, morning contains the following statement:

"Another democratic senator who may be affected by Senator Simmons' attitude, is Senator Ellison D. Smith, of South Carolina. Senator Smith is known to be much impressed by the stand taken by his warm personal friend and seat neighbor in the senate, Senator Shields."

"This statement is entirely unwarranted and originated in the imagination of the writer or in the imagination of those whom whom he intimates he got his information.

"I shall at such time as I choose express upon the floor of the senate my own convictions and attitude towards this serious question.

"I have the highest regard for the character and opinions of my colleagues, but I am not likely to allow their opinion or attitude on public questions to become the controlling force in what action or attitude I shall take."

While the senate yesterday was considering amendments to the federal reserve act with regard to charters for international business, the following discussion took place between Senator Dial and other senators:

"Mr. Dial: Let me ask if we can not get around that in this way: Since the object of the corporation is to deal in foreign countries I can not see where it would hurt to have a minority of foreigners as directors. They would have knowledge of the conditions in those countries where we traded and could render valuable assistance in the way of giving information. If they become obnoxious to the stockholders and the other directors they could be removed at the next annual meeting, since a majority of the stock will have to be owned here and a majority of the stockholders elect the directors.

"Mr. Smoot: The bill now, I will say to the senator from South Carolina, as it will be amended will not allow any foreigners to be on the board of directors.

"Mr. Dial: Then the senator does not think it would be well to have any foreigners on the board of directors.

"Mr. Smoot: No; I do not think we want to have any foreigners a member of the board of directors of an American bank, the object of the organization of which is for the very purpose of assisting in the dissemination of our goods throughout the world.

"Mr. Dial: Of course, it is true that foreigners are not popular in this country, especially now, but since we expect to trade with them we ought to get the best information obtainable."

Senator Dial is very much interested in building up foreign trade wherever it may be done.

Senator Dial has introduced a resolution authorizing the war department to loan tents and other equipment for the Thirtieth Division reunion at Greenville, September 29.

SECOND YORK IN FIRST DIVISION

New York, Sept. 5.—One lieutenant-colonel, 12 other officers and 250 snipers of the German army cried "Kamerad" to Sergeant "Bill" Donnelly, a fighting Irish member of the second battle of the Marne—and thereby placed Sergeant "Bill" up in the class with Sergeant Alvin C. York, of Fall Mall, Tennessee, champion hero of the world war—it was announced here tonight.

York, who in peace time, had been second elder in the Church of Christ and Christian Union in the little Tennessee village on the winding Wolf River, killed more than 20 Germans, put 35 machine gun nests out of business, and took prisoner 132 of the enemy including a major.

Donnelly, according to his official record, with a squad of six men, "surrounded" a chateau in which German snipers were at work, drove them to their "bomb proof", and then loudly called for grenades with which to blow them up.

The result was that all surrendered, fled out and marched back to the First Division lines under Donnelly's able direction and won Sergeant "Bill" the French military medal, the highest war decoration of France, and recommendation for the congressional medal of honor, the highest military award of the United States.

Members of Sergeant "Bill's" company at Camp Mills announced confidently tonight that General Pershing and the First Division will parade with Bill on Wednesday."

SALVAGE MILLIONS FROM SEA'S DEPTHS

British Admiralty Recovers 440 Vessels and Property Worth \$250,000,000. U-Boat's Secrets Found.

London, Aug. 30.—The salvage of 440 vessels and the recovery of property valued at \$250,000,000 is the record in four years of the Admiralty Department which, under Rear Admiral Philpotts, has been conducting salvage operations in home and foreign waters. The department came into existence in the Autumn of 1915 and finished its last contract this week. This was the salvaging of an American steamer at Penarth.

From the beginning of October, 1915, to the end of November, 1918, British allied and neutral vessels totalling 1,623,551 gross tons have been salvaged. Suggestions have appeared now and again that weird appliances were being employed in this salvage

work, but only principles already existing, although vastly improved, have been used. The Admiralty relied wholly upon steamers with extraordinary pumps and a series of six lifting lighters, converted from hopper dredgers, which can support a strain of 2,000 tons with three-inch wires.

In one instance, indeed, where a collier was sunk at her anchorage at Rosyth, they lifted her and her weight was then 2,700 tons—a figure which before the salvage department was created would have been regarded as impossible. Within three months the collier was in commission again, notwithstanding that she had been submerged for seven months. Once the conventional methods were slightly diverged from. This was at Folkestone.

The troopship Onward caught fire and was scuttled, and, in the absence of capstans on the quay, arrangements were made for disengaged railway engines on the shore to haul the wreck

During one of the pushes on the western front when Boulogne Harbor was a vital link in the lines of communication the grain ship Araby grounded in the fairway and broke her back.

The salvage fleet promptly cut her in halves and brought the halves across to England, thus clearing what might have proved a disastrous obstruction in the way of a projected attack.

In the case of the Laurentic, from which bullion valued at \$9,500,000 was recovered by divers, working at a depth of twenty-three fathoms, strong rooms in which bars of gold had been locked had to be forced with explosives and the debris removed.

Among the notable successes of the salvage fleet was the case of a convoy of three merchantmen and two destroyers which, sailing from Liverpool, ran into a heavy fog and grounded off the northeast coast of Ireland,

four of them within a radius of half a mile. Salvage craft hurried to the spot and the whole convoy was refloated in ten days. Ingenuity accounted in part for the swiftness secured, for the destroyers were employed to race around the waters at top speed and so created a wash in which one or two of the stranded vessels slid off.

Similar methods were used to refloat the United States transport Naragansett, which stuck on Bembridge Ledge, Isle of Wight, and was in danger of breaking her back.

One of the smartest pieces of salvage linked with seamanship relates to a U-boat with a displacement of 700 tons which was sunk thirty-five miles off the Tyne. The Salvage Department was ordered to bring her in to dock for examination, with a view to obtaining information concerning the enemy designs and plans.

Divers located the wreck and passed lifting wires under her which in

turn were attached to a lighter and the whole boat was taken in tow and brought to the mouth of the Tyne. There the submarine slipped from the wires but again she was grappled up and brought into the harbor.

When the armistice was signed the Salvage Department was engaged in raising a U-boat that, having become entangled in the British defensive nets, had "touched off" a mine and gone to the bottom. A diver who descended for examination and to secure any secret papers and documents she might carry found that the crew consisted entirely of German officers. Protruding through a hatchway were a pair of hands, in the lifeless fingers of which were clutched the documents the diver sought.

When death came that member of the crew was endeavoring to cast adrift the secret orders for submarines the "last hope" of the cruise.

THE FILM OF FASHION

The Season's Leading Style Favorites are All Here in This Full Showing of The Earliest Autumn Models

THE NEW STYLE SUITS

Styldom recognizes such a wide variety of new effects, varying from semi-fitted to loose belted, and with Coats ranging from medium to knee length, every type of figure has a selection of pleasing, suitable models which are all the more attractive for the inclusion of fur especially in short hair skins, deftly worked into the decorative treatment of both upper and lower garments. We are showing some Characteristic New Models of Tricotine, Tinstleton, Serges, Black, Navy and Colors.
Priced at \$32.50 to 65.00

THE NEWLY DESIGNED DRESSES

Though a slight change is noted in the silhouette of the fall styles, suggested by draped effects at the hips strictly speaking there is no radical departure from the straight lines of the familiar American model. Simplicity in cut is contrasted by a perfect riot of richness in brodered, braided and buttoned novelties in trimming, while a slight departure to French ideas is seen in the lines of the returning Coat Dress. But as will be noted in the scores of models we show endless variety of designs most becomingly overtakes the unity of figureline in the new dress fashions for fall. Serges, Satins, Crepe-Meteors, in Black, Navy and Colors.
Priced at \$25.00 to \$50.00.

THE NEW COATS AND WRAPS

Run largely to Coats and Coat Wraps, there being but few Capes, while in furs some of the new garments are capelike in effect. The new Coats are full and loose with the lines of the shoulder and arm-hole ample and free. Large pockets, choker collar, and frequently down the front seam of the Coat, fur trimming is largely shown, indicating a richness to the new Coat which will please the woman who seeks for a regal elegance in her fall attire. These new Fall Coats come in all shades of Tinstleton, Velours and Broad Cloths.
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