

**SIMS HITS GAG RULE  
AT UNIVERSITY DAY  
EXERCISES OF PENN**

Admiral Says Criticism, Welcomed by Other Nations, is Vital for Preparedness

HE AND 5 OTHER NOTED MEN GIVEN HONORARY DEGREES

Dr. Edgar Fahs Smith, Retiring Provost, Presides at Function in Academy of Music

**Pithy Paragraphs**  
From Sims's Speech

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"In consequence, American people know less about their military forces than the people of any other great power."

The complete text of Admiral Sims's address appears on page 15.

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Vice Admiral William S. Sims, speaking this morning at the University of Pennsylvania's University Day exercises, thus indirectly alluded to the controversy which has been raging between himself and the secretary of the navy over the nation's naval preparedness.

Vastly different, the admiral pointed out, are conditions in other countries.

"There," he said, "the national defense is a live issue. The military forces must not only be adequate in material and personnel, but they must be kept intellectually efficient through constant training in readiness for war."

**Truth Vitally Important**

"Under these circumstances the truth about the actual condition of their armed forces is so vitally important that any one who suggests a defect or suggest an improvement will earn the gratitude of his government. Criticism is recognized as so vital to efficiency that it is not only welcome but invited and is rewarded when it proves beneficial."

"Officers not actually on duty are at liberty to publish any criticism they please of the actions of the government or of any of its departments."

"Such of these criticisms as subsequent public discussion shows to be well founded will necessarily have the effect of avoiding in future the errors they have pointed out."

"Incidentally, though hardly less important, such discussions serve to create an enlightenment among the people on these subjects—and efficiency is hardly possible without a clear understanding on the part of the people, at least of the necessities for, and the necessary elements of, preparedness."

**Criticism Resented**

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Quietly, but distinctly, and with a clearness that could not be misunderstood, the admiral carried home his argument for preparedness, drawn from a study of the military history of George Washington, whom he eulogized.

The admiral's address produced a powerful effect on the huge audience of officers and students of the university, and the friends of the graduates and recipients of advanced degrees, who filled the Academy of Music from orchestra to family circle.

"Three long rays" greeted the admiral when he was introduced by Dr. Edgar Fahs Smith, the retiring provost, who himself was cheered by the students and alumni.

When the admiral finished his address with a reference to the "trained intelligence, zeal and loyal devotion" of the men who served under him and who were honored, he said, in the honor conferred on him by the university, the cheering and applause were tumultuous.

Admiral Sims, who was the orator of the day, was the recipient of the honorary degree of doctor of laws. Honorary degrees were conferred also upon five other distinguished men.

**Cheers for Admiral**

The honorary degree men, aside from Admiral Sims, follow:

The Rev. Dr. Robert Johnston, rector of the Episcopal Church of the Saviour, Thirty-eighth street above Chestnut, made a Doctor of Sacred Theology.

Judge George Boal Orlady of this city, judge of the Superior Court of Pennsylvania, degree of doctor of law.

Former Justice Edward J. Fox, of the United States Supreme Court, doctor of laws. His home is in Easton.

Theodore William Richards, doctor of laws. He is professor of chemistry and laboratory at Harvard. He is a native of Germantown.

Herbert Adams Gibbons, doctor of letters. He is a former professor of history and political economy in Robert College, Constantinople, and since the war has won fame throughout the world as a war correspondent.

**Tribute to Sims**

Admiral Sims was presented for his degree with these words:

"Proud is every British naval hero."

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**Still in Doubt**

Night turning to day; snow turning to rain;

Unsettled tonight and on Sunday. Frost over to southeast blow the winds; light but may happen on Monday.



VICE ADMIRAL WILLIAM S. SIMS  
Upon whom the University of Pennsylvania conferred the degree of doctor of laws at the University Day exercises at the Academy of Music today

**ACCUSED OF SELLING LIQUOR**

Hotel Man and Four Waiters Held for Federal Authorities

Harry Snyder, proprietor of a hotel at Kensington avenue and Wornath street, was held under \$500 bail for court today by Magistrate Rooney at Central Station. Four waiters employed at the hotel were held under \$300 bail each.

Following the hearing before Magistrate Rooney, the five men were turned over to federal authorities, and will be given a hearing before the United States commissioner for violation of the Volstead enforcement act.

The hotel was raided last night by Lieutenant Andrew Hamilton, of the Frankford police station, after a patrolman and his wife are said to have obtained evidence that liquor was sold. The charge before Magistrate Rooney was conducting an establishment in a disorderly manner.

**CAUGHT IN FIRE. TWO JUMP**

Interior of Home Ruined by Mid-night Blaze

The furnishings in the home of Rudolph Gratz, at 440 Durlor street, were ruined by fire at midnight last night, and the family had difficulty in escaping from the house.

Gratz and his son Herman, eighteen years old, jumped from a second-story window, while Mrs. Gratz and the other five children made their way to safety down the stairs. All were cared for by neighbors.

Mrs. Gratz was awakened at midnight by the odor of smoke, and at once awakened the other members of the family. With her one-year-old baby in her arms, she led the way to the street, followed by her sons Harry, seventeen years old; Henry, fifteen years; Ernest, eleven years; and Fred, nine years.

By this time the escape of her husband and oldest son had been cut off, and they were forced to jump. The amount of damage to house and contents has not yet been determined. The house was two-story, brick.

**UNSETTLED WEATHER DUE**

Next Week's Variety Not of Promising Nature

Washington, Feb. 21.—(By A. P.)—Weather predictions for the week beginning Monday are:

North and middle Atlantic states—Unsettled first of week with snow in New England Monday; temperature moderate. Snow or rain again Thursday or Friday, moderate temperature.

South Atlantic and east Gulf states—Rain about Wednesday and again at end of week; temperature mostly above normal.

Ohio Valley and Tennessee—Probably rain about Wednesday and again at end of week; temperature moderate.

Region of Great Lakes—Fair first of week; except snow along the lower lakes Monday; moderate temperature, probably about Thursday and frequently thereafter; temperature close to normal.

**BANDITS WORK IN LIFT**

Stop Elevator Between Floors in N. Y. Building and Rob Passenger

New York, Feb. 21.—(By A. P.)—Two holdup men placed a revolver at the head of an elevator operator in a Broadway building today, ordered him to stop between floors and took a \$500 diamond pin from one of the passengers. Then they cut the power, lowered and with a final injunction to "shut up" left the building.

A pin corresponding to the stolen one was found shortly afterward by the police in the possession of a man who was exhibiting it to a crowd of boys.

**SNOW PAYS ANOTHER VISIT**

Intermittent Falls This Afternoon, More or Rain Tonight

Incidental snow this afternoon added to the variety of weather during a hectic week. The first appearance of flakes was about 1.15 o'clock, and the flurry lasted fifteen minutes. At one time it had every indication of a heavy storm.

The snow resumed later in the afternoon and appeared at intervals thereafter. The weather forecaster predicts either rain or snow tonight.

The temperature hovers below the freezing point, with little indication of an immediate change.

**PROVOST SMITH ENTERTAINS**

Recipients of Honorary Degrees at Penn Exercises Luncheon Guests

The recipients of honorary degrees from the University of Pennsylvania today were the guests of Dr. Edgar Fahs Smith, the provost, at an informal luncheon this afternoon at the Houston Club. All attended but Admiral Sims, who was compelled to take a train for New York immediately after the University Day exercises.

Trustees, faculty and the marshals of the academic procession were at the luncheon. There was no speechmaking.

**Bandit Holds Up Woman  
in Store, 8th and Morris**

Threatens Neighbor in Charge of Place With Revolver as Shoppers Pass By—Escapes With Her Ring and Cash in Taxi

A taxi bandit, working alone, robbed the delicatessen store of Morris Morgannan, at 1629 South Eighth street, this afternoon.

While scores of Saturday afternoon shoppers passed outside, the robber secured a diamond ring valued at \$200 and the contents of the cash register, and before the alarm could be given he had escaped in the taxi.

Shortly after 6 o'clock, the bandit drove up to the front of the store and hurriedly entered. Mrs. Ethel Morgannan, wife of the proprietor, had gone upstairs, leaving the store in charge of Mrs. Eva Herr, a neighbor.

Just before she left, Mrs. Morgannan took off her diamond ring and placed it in the cash register.

When the bandit entered, he asked for a package of cigarettes, tendering a bank note in payment. When Mrs. Herr opened the cash register, the robber whipped out a gun and ordered her to turn over its contents.

Two men were passing at this instant. "Scream and I'll kill you," the robber said. "Here," he mechanically handed him the \$200 ring and \$15 in cash. The robber returned to his auto and springing to the driver's seat, hurried out Morris street toward Seventh. He has not been captured.

**CONNELLY MAY RUN  
FOR CONGRESS SEAT**

Cunningham Approves Candidacy of Former Vire Man in Third District

MAYOR HAS "OPEN MIND" \$275,000 LOSS ESTIMATED

John P. Connelly, who transferred his allegiance from the Vare to Mayor Moore, boomed up strongly today as a possible candidate to succeed Mr. Moore as congressman from the Third district.

The former city solicitor conferred today with City Solicitor David J. Smyth, the Mayor's close adviser, and is expected to hold further conferences with Thomas W. Cunningham and the Mayor himself.

Has "Open Mind"

While friends of Mr. Moore say the executive has an "open mind" in the matter, it was believed the administration accolade was given Mr. Connelly by Cunningham, who is president of the Republican Alliance.

The Mayor himself refused to make any statement on the question this afternoon.

"Mr. Connelly," Mr. Cunningham declared, "by his wide legal and political experience, would make a good candidate to succeed Mr. Moore at Washington."

"He is of the type of man the Mayor had in mind when he said he is looking for a big man. I do not know, however, that he will be a candidate."

The Eleventh ward leader's possible candidacy for Congress is said to be linked up with the administration's desire to strengthen its majority in the city council.

Councilman Isaac D. Hetzell, Vire leader of the Eighteenth ward, said he believed the fire started when a cigarette, soaked in gasoline, was thrown into the street, and it was with difficulty that he could be gotten from the place in time to save his life. He carried the fire to the University Hospital, where he is now in a serious condition.

Students of the University of Pennsylvania, who were in the fraternity building at the Omega, 3364 Spruce street, turned out to help the firemen. They attached ropes to two cars and managed to drag them to safety.

So dense was the smoke in the burning building that the men could not work inside for any length of time. They attached the ropes to the two cars, and then, running from the building, dragged them to the street. At this time, the flames had gained such headway, feeding on the gasoline and oil in the garage, and in the tanks of the cars, that the building had become a roaring furnace and was doomed.

**WARN OF POISONED  
STUFFED OLIVES**

Fifty-two Towns in Eight States Cautioned Against Infected Shipment

Chicago, Feb. 21.—(By A. P.)—Warning that poisoned stuffed olives had been shipped by a Chicago wholesaler to dealers in fifty-two towns of eight states was issued today by J. L. McLaughlin, state superintendent of food and dairies.

The olives are infected with bacillus botulinus, a form of poison which has recently caused a number of deaths in several states.

All deaths so far reported, however, came from unstable olives. This is the first time poisoned stuffed olives have been reported.

The poisoned olives, Mr. McLaughlin said, which should easily be detected. Olives found contaminated have usually been soft and odorous.

The olives are of the ripe, stuffed variety known as "pimento olives" and are in bottles.

The distributor has instructed his salesmen in all states to call on customers and instruct them to withdraw from bottles immediately.

The olives were distributed by Sprague, Warner & Co., of Chicago. Major A. A. Sprague, head of the firm, is federal fair-price commissioner for Illinois. Mr. McLaughlin, in his statement, praised the firm for help rendered in tracing the olives.

The olives were packed in 1918 and thousands of bottles have been sold throughout the country without any previous reports of poisoning. Mr. McLaughlin said. The cause of botulinus in food is a mystery, he adds.

Mr. McLaughlin said that no blame attached to the packer, wholesaler or retailer of the olives.

**PALLBEARER FOR PEARY**

Mayor to Act at Funeral of Pole Discoverer

Mayor Moore will be one of the honorary pallbearers at the funeral of Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary, which will take place on Monday morning from the parlor home in Washington. The admiral died yesterday after a long illness.

A request that he act as pallbearer was received by the Mayor today from Mrs. Peary. The Mayor accepted by wire, at the same time expressing his sympathy.

During the lengthy controversy over the discovery of the North Pole between Rear Admiral Peary and Doctor Cook, Mayor Moore, then a congressman, was one of Admiral Peary's strongest champions and fought for him unceasingly in the House.

**JOHN S. REARDON WINS**

Breaks Track Record to Win First at New Orleans

New Orleans, Feb. 21.—John S. Reardon, at odds of 3 to 1 straight, won the first race of three furlongs for two-year-olds at the Jefferson Park track this afternoon. The winner's time of forty-two and two-fifths seconds establishes a new track record. Contro, the favorite, and Blenshied finished second and third respectively. FIRST RACE, purse \$800, for two-year-olds, 114. 8 to 10 9 to 20 out. Blenshied, 105 1/2; Contro, 117 1/2; 3 to 2. Time, 42 2/5. Handicap race, Ladies' Star, 119 1/2. Handicap race, Ladies' Star, 119 1/2.

**STUART REFUSES OFFICE**

President Withdraws Nomination to Interstate Commerce Commission

Washington, Feb. 21.—(By A. P.)—President Wilson today withdrew the nomination of Henry C. Stuart, former governor of Virginia, to be a member of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Mr. Stuart declined the appointment.

**G. O. P. SENATORS  
DENOUNCE ROOT'S  
STAND ON LEAGUE**

Johnson Leads Attack on Proposal to Reform It After Inauguration

LODGE CALLS AMENDMENT OF COVENANT IMPOSSIBLE

Borah Answers Massachusetts Senator With Threat to Fight Treaty at Polls

By the Associated Press  
Washington, Feb. 21.—The peace treaty as a possible campaign issue was debated at length again today by the Senate, with prominent Republicans criticizing declarations made on the subject yesterday by Elihu Root in his address to the New York Republican state convention.

Assailing the position taken by Mr. Root as "a crime against the American people," Senator Johnson, of California, an active candidate for the Republican presidential nomination, said it was "utterly silly" to suggest that the United States should go into the League of Nations and then reform it after the next inauguration.

Borah Answers Lodge With Threat

The Republican Senate leader, Senator Lodge, interrupted to suggest that under the present amendment of the league would be "practically impossible," and Senator Borah again served notice that if the party did not come out against the league and the treaty entirely he would carry his fight against ratification to the people themselves after the national conventions.

Senator Walsh, of Montana, said he apprehended no disagreement with Mr. Root's proposal among the Democrats, because it was "realized on this side of the chamber that the league covenant is the part of the treaty, and the constitution of the United States was perfect."

"I would like to join with Mr. Root," said Senator Walsh, in the majority that after we enter the league we take steps to get the nations together to reform not only the covenant, but some other features of the treaty."

Senator Johnson read article sixteen of the covenant, requiring amendments to have assent of all the nations holding membership on the council and of a majority of those represented in the assembly.

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**ARREST DRUG SUSPECTS**

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**GEDDES DENIES OFFER**

British Minister Ignorant of Appointment as Envoy to U. S.

London, Feb. 21.—(By A. P.)—Sir Auckland Geddes, minister of national service and reconstruction, who is reported to have been offered the ambassadorship to the United States, informed the Associated Press today that he was "not aware of the government having arrived at any decision regarding the naming of an ambassador to Washington."

**TODAY'S BASKETBALL SCORES**

PRINCETON	12 13-25	YALE	3 2-10
NAVY	12 12-24	ARMY	10 8-18
CAPE MAY HIGH	10 3-13	MOORESTOWN H.	16 18-34
P. M. J.	8 14-22	WASHINGTON COL.	10 14-24
HADDON HEIGHTS	7 14-21	HUNTINGDON VL.	4 7-11
GIRARD COL.	7	WESTTOWN SCHL.	15
GIRARD COL. 2D.	17	WESTTOWN S. 2D.	14

**TODAY'S SOCCER SCORES**

FLEISHER	3 1-4	LUPTON	0 0-0
KINGSESSING REC.	1 1-2	EDDLEYVILLE	0 0-0
FRANCISVILLE	0 0-0	PURITAN Y. M. L.	0 1-1
FUNFIELD	0 3-3	LIGHTHOUSE WHTS	0 0-0
CLOVERS RES.	1	KENSINGTON	0
ST. NATHANIELS	2	WESTMORELAND	0

**AUTO BANDITS STEAL \$12,557 PAYROLL**

DES MOINES, Iowa, Feb. 21.—Four bandits in an automobile held up the offices of the Saylor Coal Mine at Carney, north of this city, today and escaped with \$12,557, the payroll of the mine.

**HITCHECOCK AMENDMENT TO RESERVATION FAILS**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Taking a first vote on the peace treaty since ratification failed in November, the Senate defeated today a motion by Senator Hitchcock, the Democratic leader, to amend the Republican reservations so that a joint resolution of Congress would be required to serve notice of withdrawal from membership in the league. Senators Gore, of Oklahoma; Shields, of Tennessee; and Smith of Georgia, all Democrats, voted against the Hitchcock proposal, which was lost 38 to 26.

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**ESCH TELLS HOUSE  
ROADS WILL FAIL  
UNLESS U. S. AIDS**

Defends Rail Bill Report in Address—Measure Assailed as Unconstitutional

LABOR CLAUSE UPHELD BY SPONSOR OF BILL

Cries of "Vote, Vote" Interrupt Speakers After Several Have Been Heard

By the Associated Press  
Washington, Feb. 21.—Railroad administration estimates place the net cost to the government of federal control of the railroads at \$636,000,000. Chairman Esch, of the Interstate Commerce committee, told the House today in opening debate on the conference report on the compromise bill.

"This \$636,000,000 will have to be charged off as a war loss," he said. "One may say it was expensive, but it was worth the price. Without the railroads, transportation would have failed to supply our troops overseas."

Half Roads Would Fail

Referring to present "financial straits" of the carriers, Esch said that prior to government operation only 60 per cent of the roads earned dividends and paid interest.

"During federal control 108 of the 175 class one roads did not earn interest," he added. "In 1916 the roads lacked \$60,000,000 of paying interest on their indebtedness."

"Eighty per cent of the roads in this country would go into the hands of receivers in three months without the government guarantee," Esch declared. "and I want to warn you that receiverships of railroads means receiverships for industrial enterprises and other business."

Referring to the labor provisions Esch declared that the measure contained "nothing about compulsory putting into effect of the provisions" of the labor boards, but that "it relies on public opinion, which is greater than any legislative decree." Anti-strike legislation, he said, was attempted in the original Senate bill, but similar laws in foreign countries had been failures in preventing strikes.

All railway labor, Esch continued, is not opposed to the bill. The method provided for settling disputes, he asserted, is "just and fair" and the "more it is studied, the more supporters it wins."

Total appropriations of approximately \$1,500,000,000, including those already made, were the "experience of federal control" and he announced that he had added that of these amounts approximately \$1,250,000,000 were "investments" in the form of improvements made for the roads and for which they ultimately will pay.

Provisions for Passes

The short lines, Esch said, had been fairly and generally dealt with, adding that if they suffered the people they served and trunk lines would suffer.

Details of the \$300,000,000 revolving fund were explained, and the chairman declared that he had announced that provisions for free passes for railroad lawyers, doctors and other stood as heretofore.

"I expect this one question has given members of Congress more actual concern than the most important provision of the conference report," he declared.

Esch denied that the government, under the compromise bill, guaranteed a return of 7 1/2 per cent on railroad investment. He explained that the guarantee was an actual value.

"It is up to the railroads to earn by efficiency," he said.

"The government is losing nothing," he added. "Commerce is stimulated. This is the best practical solution for a most difficult problem."

**Return Not Revocable**

President Wilson's order directing the return of the roads to their owners March 1 is a "completed act," which is not revocable," Esch declared. "Without this bill then," he concluded, "there will be no legislation to enable the roads to live."

Representative Barkley, a member of the interstate commerce committee, opposing the bill, declared that while it contained many good provisions they were "entirely overlaid by the most vicious and insidious departure from established principles."

Attacking the rate-making section, he charged that the Railway Security Holders' Association maintained at Washington a committee which accompanied the roads to live.

**RAIL MEN PRESENT  
PROTEST TO WILSON**

Present Memorial to President Objecting to Labor Provisions of Bill

Washington, Feb. 21.—(By A. P.)—Representatives of the railroad Brotherhoods who conferred with President Wilson, called on the president today to present a memorial to the President protesting against the passage of the railroad bill and stating that the labor provisions are wholly unacceptable to the railroad workers.

Accompanying the letter to the President was the memorial which the railroad men recently sent to members of Congress. The President was asked to give this careful consideration.

"In our analysis of the labor provisions of the act," said the letter, "we have set forth reasons, coupled with our experience in negotiating wage adjustments, which to us seems sufficient to warrant the definite conclusion that the Congress has not proposed a method of procedure acceptable at any time and entirely inadequate to meet the present situation."

"We feel sure that you can agree with us to the extent that there is little likelihood that Congress will be able to reach an agreement that will insure a prompt disposition of the question."

**BERLET'S HEARING  
OFF TILL MARCH 22**

Friends of Alleged Bankrupt Stability Motors Co. Head May Make Up Shortage

The hearing of E. J. Berlet, president and treasurer of the Stability Motors Co., alleged bankrupt, has been postponed until March 22, with indications that the charges against him may be dropped.

Announcement of the postponement was made this afternoon by A. E. Hurshman, counsel for the Commonwealth Finance Corporation, which charged Mr. Berlet with illegal conversion of property.

The hearing on this charge was scheduled for Tuesday next before Magistrate Greiss.

"Friends of Mr. Berlet are rallying to his aid," said Mr. Hurshman. "It is possible that his company's shortage may be made up. We hope it will be."

One of Three Creditors

The Commonwealth Finance Corporation was one of three creditors of the Stability company who filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States District Court.

The finance corporation's claim is for \$25,722.83. The Northwestern National Bank claimed \$28,004.60 for money loaned the motors company. Harris J. Galt, another creditor, has a claim for \$1,000.

**WELL-DRESSED MAN  
ROBS APARTMENT**

Surprised in the Monterey, 43d St. and Chester Ave., Thief Escapes

A thief with Chesterfieldian manners, dressed in the height of fashion, casually entered the apartments of Mrs. Edgar A. Reuter and Mrs. Albert Rahm at the Monterey Apartments, Forty-third and Chester avenues. After taking jewelry valued at \$1500, the man locked Mrs. Rahm in the room and departed with the key. The robbery occurred late yesterday.

The man first went in the apartment of Mrs. Reuter, where he leisurely took the jewelry from several velvet boxes in the bureau. He then entered the room of Mrs. Rahm, which adjoins the Reuter apartment, and prepared to make a further haul.

But Mrs. Rahm was taking a nap. Rising from a couch she asked the man what he wanted. Removing his black velvet hat, the caller said:

"I beg your pardon, I see that I have got into the wrong room."

"You certainly have," asserted Mrs. Rahm.

**BANDIT "LOCKS UP" GROCER**

Shows No Fear of Intruder

Her manner showed that she did not have the slightest fear. "Go immediately," she said, "or you will have cause to be sorry."

The man backed out with his hat in hand.