

COURT MARTIAL FOR ADM. LITTLE

Retired Navy Officer To Be Tried for Careless Inspection.

DUE TO TROUBLES ON SUBMARINE K-2

Secretary Calls Action Against Officer After Retirement "Somewhat Radical."

Washington, Oct. 15.—Secretary Daniels ordered today the trial by court martial of Rear Admiral William M. Little, retired, on "charges involving neglect and careless methods in the conduct of his duties while inspector of machinery at the Fore River Shipbuilding Company, Quincy, Mass., in connection with the construction of the submarine U. S. K-2."

The court will meet at the Boston navy yard next Monday and will be composed of Rear Admirals Fiske, Helm, Parks, Worthington, Gleaves and Dunn, and Paymaster General Cowie, with Lieutenant Commander A. W. Johnston as judge advocate.

"The action of the department in this case," says the statement issued by the Secretary, "of ordering the trial by general court martial of an officer who has been retired after attaining the highest naval rank on charges relating to duties performed prior to retirement is somewhat radical and arrests attention. It can be accounted for only as an evidence of the department's determination that the inspection of ships under construction for the navy shall be conducted with the greatest care and thoroughness."

The K-2 was accepted in January, 1914, and troubles with her storage batteries have developed since that time. Navy officials said today that defective installation rather than design had caused short circuiting. The boat was constructed by the Electric Boat Company and constructed by the Fore River plant.

"The source of trouble in vessels of this class," the Secretary's statement continues, "has been the subject of close investigation by the Navy Department. As a result of this investigation the department has been led to believe that the inspection of the K-2 while building at the Fore River Shipbuilding Company was not conducted with sufficient care and thoroughness, and accordingly, has ordered Rear Admiral Little, who was responsible for the inspection of this vessel, to be tried by court martial."

Mr. Daniels said that he had received a letter from Rear Admiral Little saying that he had been assured by the builders that any fault with the batteries of the K-2 which developed after her acceptance would be rectified by the company at its own expense, and had recommended her acceptance on that basis.

Quincy, Mass., Oct. 15.—The announcement that Rear Admiral William M. Little was to be court martialled for alleged neglect and carelessness in inspecting submarine K-2 caused surprise among officials of the Fore River Shipbuilding Company, where the hull of the submarine was constructed. The K-2 was launched in 1913 and turned over to the government in January, 1914.



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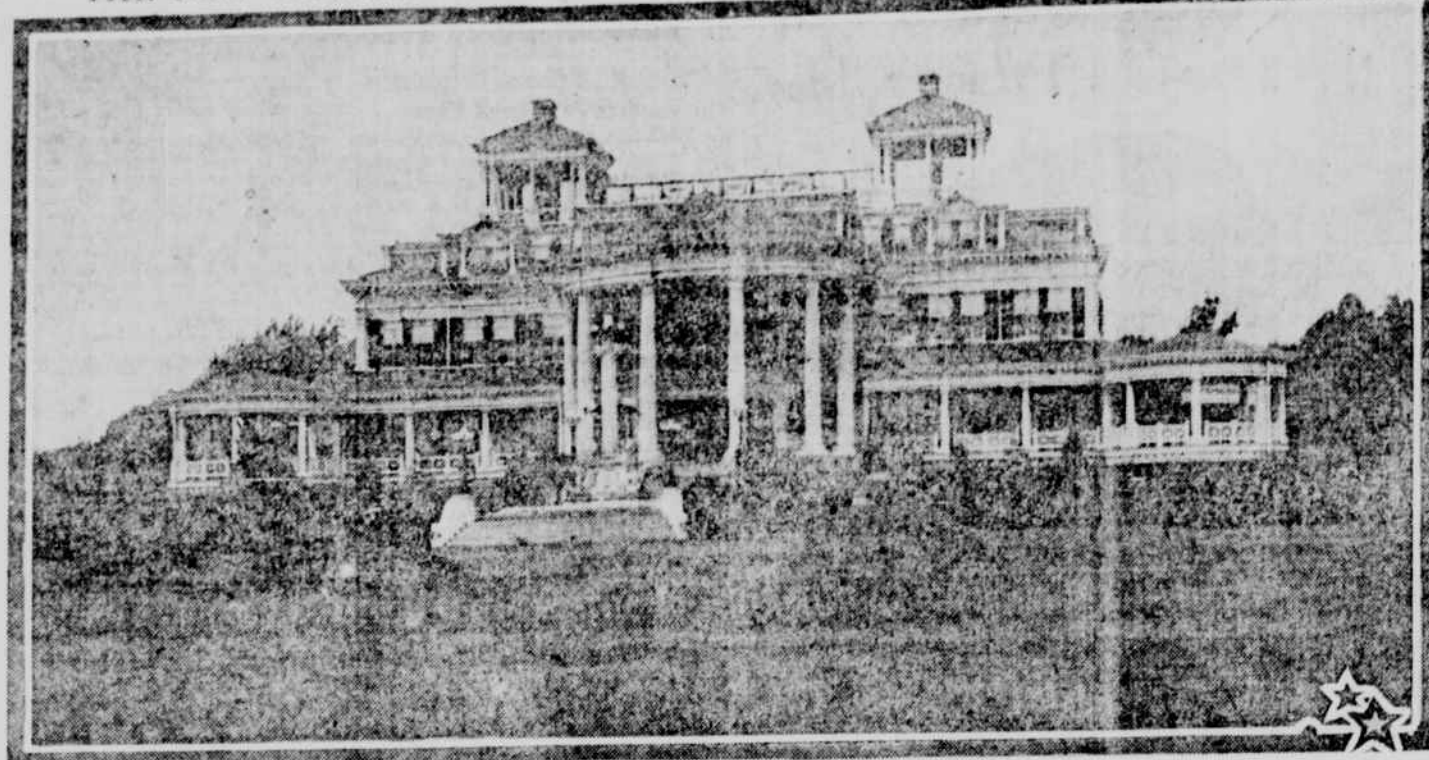
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HOADLEY LOSES POWER CO. FIGHT

Jersey's Highest Court Affirms Receivership Decree.

Trenton, N. J., Oct. 15.—The appointment of William P. Sadler, of this city, as receiver for the International Power Company was affirmed today by the Court of Errors and Appeals. Henry W. Hoadley, of New York, a stockholder, obtained the appointment of the receiver in the Court of Chancery on the ground that Joseph H. Hoadley, the promoter, had stripped the concern of thousands of dollars.

The downfall of the International Power Company began in 1902. On April 30 of that year the stock shot down 78 points, and Joseph Leiter, Hoadley and Cyrus Field Judson, a broker, were accused of having engineered the pool that produced the terrific crash. Franklin, Scott & Co., brokers, sued Hoadley and Judson for \$50,000. Suit after suit was brought. The case was in the courts and out of it—a regular Ping-pong game.

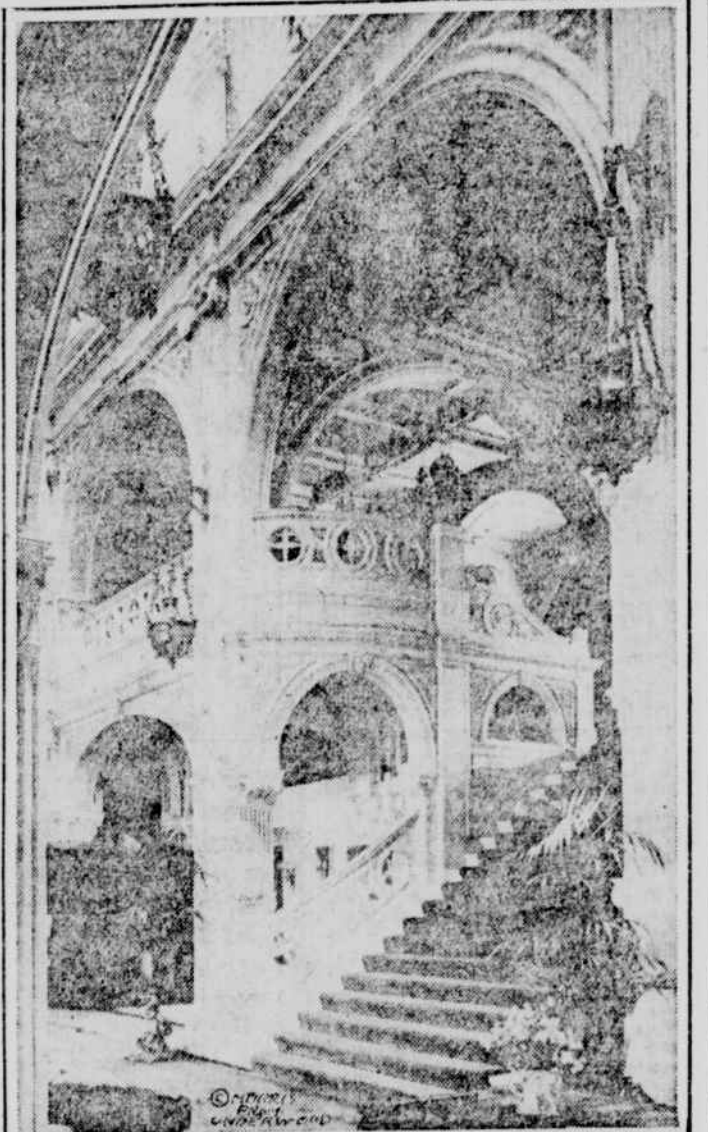
Hoadley at first refused to show his books. After a year or so, a threat of imprisonment in Ludlow Street jail made him show them. H. W. Marsh, of the United States Steel Corporation, brought another suit for \$21,000, alleging Hoadley had induced him to invest in International. This case alone dragged on for five years.

In the mean time Hoadley once appeared as a cotton king. Then he made himself scarce. He had cornered Tennessee Coal and Iron stock. He also sold the franchise of the Manhattan Transit Company, which owned a right of way from the New York Postoffice to the Brooklyn City Hall.

Verdict Obtained by Brokers.
In 1907 Joe Leiter took the stand and denied that he had been in a pool with Hoadley at the time of the crash in International Power. That year the brokers got a verdict against Hoadley. Judson declared he was bankrupt in 1908 there was a third trial. Four years later a referee decided Judson was responsible for the pool and his consequences. In January, 1914, Hoadley was in litigation again connected with the Manhattan Transit Company and the Long Acre Electric Light and Power Company.

Mr. Bull, who made the complaint in the action decided today, asserted that the power company was merely a fence for Hoadley—a sort of clearing house for companies which Hoadley promoted. The broker charged that the trial balance of the company showed assets of \$1,200,000, but liabilities of \$1,000,000. The books were altered in December, 1913, Mr. Bull charged, to make it appear that four years prior to that the company took over \$1,200,000 of its capital stock, now worthless, crediting Hoadley with the amount he was supposed to have paid for the stock. Others charged, together with interest, other charges were that Hoadley received a salary of \$15,000 annually, with \$5,000 for traveling expenses, and that George S. Graham, an attorney, was paid a retaining fee of \$5,000 the year the company was organized.

The assets of the company, Mr. Bull asserted, were \$500,000 in bonds of the Manhattan Trust Company, stock in the Alabama Consolidated Coal and Iron Company (adjudged a bankrupt in 1912), stock of the Trinity Zinc, Lead and Smelting Company, both the Dominion Bessemer Ore Company, both of doubtful value, stock of the American and British Manufacturing Company (sold to the International Company), patents and patent rights carried on the books as worth over \$3,000,000, but which never earned any income, stock of the American Diesel Engine Company, bonds of the Hudson Company and the Public Service Telephone Company, on which default had numerous book accounts, debts and claims of long standing.



The grand staircase in Shadowlawn. Built in the heyday of the late John A. McCall, it abounds in magnificence of an earlier day and is quite the showiest place in a district devoted to show places.

Wilson Decides To Take New Summer Home on Jersey Coast

Washington, Oct. 15.—Shadow Lawn, the former home of John A. McCall at Elberon, N. J., will be the summer White House next year. President Wilson accepted today the offer of the house made by a delegation from New Jersey headed by Representative Scully.

"We want you to return to New Jersey, which has given the country the greatest President in its history," said Mr. Scully.

The President also received a letter from Governor Fielder urging him to spend the next summer in New Jersey to receive "the glad tidings of his re-nomination."

Back riding, but I object to riding a horse in a frock coat and silk hat.

Wilson decided today that he will not return to Harlakenden House, the residence of Winston Churchill, the novelist, at Cornish, N. H., which has been the summer capital during the preceding events of the last two years.

\$68,000,000 FUND A MYTH

Treasury Has No Money for ex-Slaves or Any Other Cotton Pickers.

Washington, Oct. 15.—The Treasury Department denied today that it held a fund of \$68,000,000, or any other sum, for ex-slaves or their heirs, or for other persons who worked in the cotton fields during the Civil War and the years just preceding and following that conflict.

The department calls attention to a suit brought in the District of Columbia Supreme Court against Secretary McAdoo to have this sum paid to claimants who helped to pick cotton on which the \$68,000,000 was assessed as an internal revenue tax.

WINS \$20,000 FOR LOST LEG

Civil Engineer Awarded Verdict Against Corona Contractors.

John W. Greenwood, a civil engineer, living in Flushing, who had his left leg crushed in a concrete mixer on the Corona sewer about a year ago, so that he recovered a verdict of \$20,000 against the Corona Contractors, before Justice Blackmar in the Queens County Supreme Court yesterday.

LANSING TO CALL LATIN DIPLOMATS

Conference Will Fix Form of Carranza's Recognition.

OTHER COUNTRIES TO FOLLOW U. S.

Reception of First Chief's Agent Next Week Will Be the First Formal Step.

Washington, Oct. 15.—Secretary Lansing will call a conference next week of the Pan-American diplomats to arrange the form in which recognition is to be extended to the de facto government led by General Carranza.

Although formal responses have not yet been received by the Brazilian and Chilean ambassadors last week after their governments last week after the decision to recognize Carranza, informal assurances were given in advance of the conference to diplomatic representatives of the United States in Santiago and Rio de Janeiro that both Brazil and Chile were in accord with the policy of the Washington government.

As soon as word is received in a formal manner through the Brazilian and Chilean ambassadors here the meeting of the Pan-American conference will be called. The Argentine Ambassador and the Uruguayan Minister saw Secretary Lansing today. Both had received instructions to adopt the same form in recognition as the United States does.

The Bolivian and Guatemalan ministers, the remaining members of the conference, have had similar instructions. Although not a member of the conference, the Venezuelan Minister, with other diplomatic representatives, has been instructed to take identical action with the United States.

H. SCHUMANN HEINK ACCOUNTING

Paterson Officials Order Completed on Embexcellent Charge.

Henry Schumann-Heink, son of Ernestine Schumann-Heink, the prima donna, was accused yesterday of embezzling \$3,800 from funds of Ernestine Schumann-Heink, who is twenty years old, had been clerk of the court for two years up to about four years ago.

Schumann-Heink was suspended after a secret meeting of the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners, which hired public accountants to investigate his books. Efforts to serve him with subpoenas at his mother's home in Caldwell, N. J., where he has been since he left his office, were unsuccessful.

The accountants placed in charge of the books reported they failed to find any accounting for about \$3,800 which had been paid in fines to the courts.

The report of the experts was submitted at a meeting of the Fire and Police Committee last night, and Ernestine Schumann-Heink, who is the mother of the defendant, was ordered to appear at the meeting this evening. It is said that she refused to appear, but he did not obey the summons or any word received from him.

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In THE LITERARY DIGEST for October 16th, the subject of Wall Street's fever of speculation in war-stocks, facetiously nicknamed "War-Brides" and "War-Babies," is covered in much detail. While the article relates tales of fortunes made over night, it also shows the other side of the picture and the financial risks and dangers incurred by the present speculative craze in war-stocks.

This number of THE LITERARY DIGEST is a particularly interesting one, and among other features that will be received with eager interest by the hundreds of thousands of men and women who depend upon this foremost weekly for world-news, are:

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SUES FOR \$1,900,000

Jacksonville Man Seeks Commission Deal for Sale of 1,250,000 Acres.

Suit to recover \$1,900,000, alleged to be due on a contract for the purchase of 1,250,000 acres of land in Florida, was begun in the Federal court yesterday by Cromwell Gibbons, of Jacksonville. The defendants are H. S. Jarvis and William J. Patterson, executors of the estate of Samuel M. Jarvis.

Gibbons says he performed all the conditions of an agreement made in 1912, under which he was to receive a commission of \$1 for every acre of land Jarvis purchased from the International Improvement Fund of the State of Florida. This, he added, was to be paid in four annual installments, beginning July 1, 1914. Jarvis died before that date, and Gibbons contends the executors have failed to pay him.

Drowns Trying to Save Mate.

Saville, N. Y., Oct. 15.—In an endeavor to save his companion, Stewart Brown, who had fallen from a motor boat in Great South Bay last night, William Shannon leaped from the craft and was drowned with him.