British Naval Supremacy and Anglo-American Antagonisms, 1914–1930

During World War I, British naval supremacy enabled Great Britain to impose economic blockades and interdiction of American neutral shipping. The United States responded by starting to build “a navy second to none,” one so powerful that Great Britain could not again successfully challenge America’s vital economic interests. This book reveals that when the United States offered to substitute naval equality for its emerging naval supremacy, the British, nonetheless, used the resulting two major international arms-control conferences of the 1920s to ensure its continued naval dominance.

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Abbreviations

AC    Austen Chamberlain Papers, University of Birmingham Library, Birmingham, England
ADM    Admiralty Papers, Public Record Office, Kew, Surrey, England
BED    British Empire Delegation
BEDM   British Empire Delegation Minutes, CAB 27/350, Public Record Office
BOR    Sen. William E. Borah Papers, Library of Congress Manuscripts Division, Washington, DC
BGMN/2 Unpublished Biography of William Bridgeman, Bridgeman Papers, Churchill College Archives, Cambridge, England
BP     Earl David Beatty Papers, National Maritime Museum Greenwich, England
CAB    British Cabinet Papers, Public Record Office
CAB, NPC Cabinet, Naval Program Committee Papers, Public Record Office
CCP    Calvin Coolidge Papers, Microfilm Series I, MF 73/1289, Library of Congress Manuscripts Division
CHAR   Winston S. Churchill Papers, Chartwell Collection, Churchill College, Cambridge University, Cambridge, England
CID    Committee of Imperial Defence Papers, Public Record Office
CP     William R. Castle Papers, Herbert Hoover Presidential Library West Branch, Iowa
EC     Executive Committee, Chief Delegates, 1927 Geneva Naval Conference
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FLNA Further Limitation of Naval Armaments Sub-Committee Papers, Public Record Office
GB General Board, United States Navy
GBDCS General Board Disarmament Conference Series, Record Group 80, National Archives, Washington, DC
GBM General Board Minutes, Naval Historical Center, Washington Naval Yard, Washington, DC
GBR General Board Report
GBS General Board Study
GBUSN General Board, Records of the Department of the Navy, National Archives, Washington, DC
GD Hugh Gibson Diary, Hugh Gibson Papers, Hoover Institution Stanford University, Palo Alto, California
GP Hugh Gibson Papers, Hoover Institution, Stanford University, Palo Alto, California
JP Hilary P. Jones Papers, Library of Congress Manuscripts Division, Washington, DC
KF Frank B. Kellogg File, Gibson Papers, Hoover Institution, Stanford University, Palo Alto, California
KP Frank B. Kellogg Papers, Minnesota Historical Society, St. Paul, Minnesota
LC Manuscripts Division, Library of Congress, Washington, DC
LCR Lord Robert Cecil Resignation Papers, Public Record Office
MC Microfilm Reel Number
MCDS Memorandum of Conversation File, Department of State, Record Group 43, National Archives
MH Sir Maurice Hankey Papers, Churchill College Archives, Cambridge University, Cambridge, England
NA National Archives, Washington, DC
NCP Neville Chamberlain Papers, University of Birmingham Library, Birmingham, England
NI Records of the Office of Naval Intelligence, Record Group 39, National Archives
N.I.D. Naval Intelligence Division, Admiralty Papers, Public Record Office
NO Records of the Bureau of Ordnance, Record Group 74, National Archives
NWC Naval Historical Collection, Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island
PCF Preparatory Commission File, Hilary P. Jones Papers, Library of Congress
P.D. Plans Division, Admiralty Papers, Public Record Office
PP, HHPL Presidential Papers, Herbert Hoover Presidential Library, West Branch, Iowa
PRO Public Record Office, Kew, Surrey, England
Abbreviations


RG  Record Group, National Archives

ROSKCC  Stephen Roskill Papers, Churchill College Archives, Cambridge University, Cambridge, England

SBP  Stanley Baldwin Papers, Cambridge University Library, Cambridge, England

SD  Diary of Adm. Frank H. Schofield, General Board Disarmament Conference Series VI.3, Records Group 80, National Archives

SF  William B. Shearer File, Presidential Papers, Herbert Hoover Presidential Library

SLGF  Sir Shane Leslie-Godfrey Faussett Papers, Churchill College Archives

SMP, GB  Senior Member Present, General Board

TC  Technical Committee, Geneva Naval Conference

TR  Theodore Roosevelt, Jr. Papers, Limitation of Armaments File, Manuscripts Division, Library of Congress

WBP  William Bridgeman Papers, Shropshire County Record Office, Shrewsbury, England

WBPPCC  William Bridgeman Papers, Churchill College Archives, Cambridge University

WCP  Winston S. Churchill Papers, Churchill College Archives, Cambridge University