BANQUET IS HELD

Postmaster Gatling Meets Postal Employes Around Festive Board

CONGRESSMAN POU GUEST

Tolls of The Educational Influ-

In order to give Raleigh's new rks, the city letter carriers and R. P. D. carriers a chance to "get ac-

"get acquainted" part of the et was held in the civil service where the speeches took place. J. A. Goodwin, assistant superin dent of mails, presided. The first aker of the evening was Mr. J. W. ley, who after making a few re-ris on the purpose of the occa-sintroduced Mr. Pou with this seniment: "Long may be live, which is say may be be Congressman."



CONGRESSMAN E. W. POU ade the principal address last at a banquet of Postal Em-

Mr. Pou thanked Mr. Bulley for his ind toust, after which he dwelt upon the R. F. D. service as one of the lost important educational institutions in the country. He paid a high ribute to Hon John W. Atwater, his redecessor in Congress, who did a reat deal to improve the R. F. D.'s in his district. Mr. Pou thanked the cullemen present for asking him to estlemen present for asking him to be "get acquainted" meeting, and saied that he would be glad to corate with them in any way pos

In the course of his address Mr. on made the assertion that the R. F. service had had a pronounced efect in an educational way. On this bject he said:

"I say deliberately that this service has done more for substitutions."

"I say deliberately that this serves has done more for education, for halerial advancement, for contentment in rural life than any reform angurated by the government in my fe time. As long as I live I shail se a pride in the extension and deviopment of rural free delivery durag my service in Washington. And hope I may be permitted to say this: overy carrier should feel proud of his ffice. Every man should welcome

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opportunity to serve the public interest; not because of the salary be receives, but for the aske of the good he is accomplishing—the general betterment of the condition of his fellow citizen. No man has finer opportunity to serve in the way indicated than the men charged with the duty of delivering our daily malls. He is, of course, brought in close touch with many people. Every day he performs his daties he has opportunity desiled to many of his fellow citizens to do something to promote education and the cause of right living in his sphere of service. There is no man more useful and more justify popular and influential than the high nunded faithful rural carrier."

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CONGRESSMAN POU GUEST

alls of The Educational Influence of The Rural Free Delivery; Urges Faithful Public Service; Introduced By Mr.

J. W. Bailey; Postmaster

Asks For Co-operation

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manded faithful rural carrier. Postmaster Speaks.

Postmaster Gatling then made, a few remarks, in which he asked all connected with him officially to help him make his administration the best in the history of Raleigh. Mr. T. C. Council. assistant postmaster, was then called upon for a few words. He said that Raleigh should be proud of her postmaster, postoffice and its clerks, and that he hoped the high standard already set would be lived up to. Mr. Honeycutt, one of the R. P. D. carriers, then spoke in behalf of the rural carriers and thanked Mr. Pour for his presence. After this Mr. B. J. Utley spoke for the postoffice circles, He assured Mr. Gatling that the men in the office would support the men in the office would support him and do their best to make this

sainfed" an informal banquet was administration the best eyer, ald last night in the postofice build.

Mr. Othe K. Holding, postmaster at Wake Forest, told of how much hed, congressman from the fourth he enjoyed Mr. Pou's speech, and strict, was the principal speaker of thanked his Roleigh friends for their sevening.

The "get acquainted" part of the get acquainted to the malls, then made some tendent of the malls, then made some tendent of the malls, then made some remarks on his part of the service, and said that he was going to do all in his power to improve the distribu-tion of the mails. Messrs. Andrews, Brewer and Broughton then

> After the "get acquainted" part of the program was completed the meet ing adjourned to the basement wher a delightful repast had been spread.

HUNDREDS ARE

Native Christians in Persia Rounded Up and Massacred; General Slaughter Feared

Tabriz, Persia, March 31.—via Petrograd, and London April 1.—Preceding the reoccupation by the Russians of Salmac Plains, in Aserbaijan Province, Northwest of Uruminh, hundreds of native Christians were rounded up by the Turks in the vilinge of Haftdewan and massacred. Many of these were searched out from the hornes of friendly Mohammedans who tried to hide them. The Russians on entering the viliage found 720 hodies, mostly naked and mutilated. Recovery of bodies from wells, pools and ditches and their burial kept 200 men busy for three days.

The wailing of women intensified the horror of the scene. Widows able to identify the bodies of their husbands insisted on digging graves and burying them. Some of the victims had been shot, others had been bound to ladders and their heads protruding through, hacked off. Eyes were gouged out and limbs chopped off.

A general massagre of the 10,000 or 15,000 Christians remaining in Urumiah is expected, unless it should be averted by orders from Constantiacple. Verbal messages from Urumiah confirm earlier reports that more than \$00 persons already have been killed, in that neighborhood and that more than 2,000 have died of disease. These messages also confirm the reports of the maitreatment of the Rev. Dr. E. T. Allen, an American missionary at Urumlah. days.
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GIVEN HEAVY FINE.

Ed Potter Pays \$20 and Costs For Disorderly Conduct.

Ed Potter was fined \$20 and costs and Louis Forsythe \$5 and costs yesterday in the Raleigh city court upon conviction for disorderly conduct in the armory Tuesday night during inspection of the Raleigh company of coast artillery corps. James Justice was discharged. Testimony against the young men was given by Captain W. D. Marre, Adjutant General L. W. Young, Captain A. Grieg, Jr., and members with the company, all of whom said that Potter was very unruly, called Captain Marrow an unprintable name and raised a "rough-house" in the armory.

THE LONELIEST MAN **MUCH REMEMBERED**

Private A. C. White of First Rifle Brigade, English Expeditionary Force, Made Happy, (By 6s Associated Press.)

Londan, March 31.—Some 800 remembrances form but part of the reward that Private A. C. White of the 1st Rifle Brigade is getting for being "the lonellest man in the British expeditionary force."

The trouble started through a pathetic letter written by a patient in a military hospital near the firing line and published in a London newspaper. It reads:

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"Of the many unfortunate soldiers I have met out here this young Iad, seems most to desrve the titles of the lonely man. He had not received a letter or a parcel since he came out here, because he has no friends. No one cares enough for him to send him the slightest word of encouragement.

"I don't mind as a rule, he confided to me with a break in his voice which belied his words, but when I see the other chaps with their letters and parcels full of things to eat, I feel—"He did not tell me what he felt, but I knew. He is here with nerves and weakness, and they are doing their flest to cure him with pills. What he needs is not pills, but a little human sympathy."

This letter was published some days ago.

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Now comes another letter from the hospital which says:

"About 150 people wrote to White at once, as he got 120 letters and post-cards at one time and 30 packets, newspapers and parcels followed. Next mail brough 470 letters and posteards and about 200 packets, papers and parcels."

His companions, whom he once envied, are now helping him read his mail and also to eat up the delicacies with which he is swumped. But the gifts have had the intended effect. They have done far more tan pills to improve Welte's condition.

Alexander Has the Money.

Mountain Scout.

According to the bank reports there is about \$75,000 in Alexander banks on time certificates drawing four per cast. This would more than take up the first \$50,000 of Alexander road bends and pay the buyers five per cent interest. We would be glad to see our own citizens buy these bonds and keep the money the county pays in interest at home in our own banks.

FOR THE DROUGHT

Man Arrested By Police Yesterday Had 101 Bottles of

Elmo Gill, a young white man familiar in police circles, yesterday saw his dreams of money-making shattred and his hard-earned capital reduced to naught when police offic broke up his business and seized his carefully guarded property. Today

carefully guarded property. Today Gill is in a strong cell in the city lockup. In a cell just opposite the one in which he is confined are 101 pint bottles of rye whiskey. The liquor comprised Gill's little business.

Today Gill is also wondering who revealed the secret of his wine cellar and depository, or, in other words, who told the police that he had ilquor buried neatly under a wood pile and also had some packed in an improvised hiding place under his dining table. The hiding places of Gill's lique

The hiding places of Gill's liquor occupies the most important thought with the police and the discovery of the 161 bottles of wet goods is considered quite a lucky find by Captain Lloyd and Patroimen Pierce, Pope, Mangum and Nickols. The liquor was found first and Gill arrested later.

Acting upon instruction from Chief Walters, these officers went to Gill's home near the railroad crossing on Fayetteville street yesterday afternoon with search and seizure warrants. The search was disappointing during its early stage and the police were thinking of giving up hope when some new early stage and the police were thinking of giving up hope when some new dirt was seen under a pile of wood in the backyard. The wood was removed, dirt cleared away and a large box was lifted from the hole and placed upon the ground. A count of its contents revealed 62 pint bottles of liquor. Gill's wife, who was at the home at the time, was arrested and later re-leased upon the arrest of her husband. Officers made another inspection of the home after the arrests and last night found 39 bottles packed in special built enclosure under the diningtable. Two bottles were found in the cupboard.

cupboard.

The raid yesterday was the first by

the local police department after the new State prohibition law went into effect. Gill had received his liquor effect. Gill had received his liquor probably several days before, but was prepared to supply Raleigh customers during the drought. Police say he has been working very hard of late and it is thought he has been investing his wages in liquor.

As liquor is said to be retailed by blind tigers in Raleigh at \$1.25 per pint. Gill's little business would have pint. Gill's little business would have

brought him \$126.25.

Money, liquor and all is lost now to Gill and the police say he is now facing a heavy sentence.

PROSPERITY

Good Times Are Already Here Declares Congressman Pou in Interview

"I have the utmost faith that the "I have the utmost faith that the country is on the eve of an era of very great prosperity." said Congressman E. W. Pou last night in discussing the business outlook. "I recently saw several of the officials of one of the largest banks in Newe York and they all agreed that prosperity is here and that times are going to get steadily better.
"So far as Congress is concerned," said the Congressman. "pretty much

"So far as Congress is concerned," said the Congressman, "pretty much all the important legislation that the people want with two important exceptions was enacted by the Congress which has just adjourned. The exceptions are first, government aid to rural highways in co-operation with the States; second, a national rural credit system backed by government aid. If these two laws are added to the laws already passed during the Wilson administration I believe the country will with one accord agree that President Wilson has accomplished more than any President in the last fifty years and will realize what many people already know—that he is one of the nation's half dozen greatest Presidents."

Mr. Pou was in Raleigh by invitation to make an address at a banquet of postal employes held last night in the Federal building. "I have always felt a deep interest in the rural free delivery service," he said. "You might note," added a friend who heard the conversation between the newspaper man and Mr. Pou that since Mr. Pou has been in Congress the number of rural free delivery routes in the Fourth District has grown from four to 118. Mr. Pou has always been active in the increasing of the R. F. D. facilities of the district."

Congressman Pou is a guest at the Yarborough. He plans to return to Smithfield this morning.

THE CRUCIFIXION

Good Friday Widely Observed. Number of Raleigh Churches To Display Emblems

The anniversary of the Crucifixion of the Saviour on Calvary as an atoning sacrifice for the salvation of mankind will be kept today, Good Friday

day.

A number of Raleigh churches will hold solemn commemoration services and mourning emblems will be displayed in the chancels, the altars in most cases being vested in black.

In some parts of the country the observance of Good Friday is more general than it is in others, the observance being elaborate and extensive in some of the larger cittes, exchanges closing and other notice being taken of the holy day. In this state the banks of Wilmington close but this is not true of any other North Carolina city.

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The Raleigh schools yesterday took notice of the holiday by closing until Tuesday.

Solemn services will be held at Christ church today where the three hours service commemorative of the Saviours agony on the cross will be observed. Services will be held also in the Church of the Good Shepherd. Church of the Sacred Heart. St. Mary's at Nazareth Orphanage, and at many colored churches.

FRENCHMAN STORY

President Authorizes Statement That He Had Given No Interview On Current Events

STORY SENT TO THE TEMPS

Mr. Wlison Let It Be Known That Secretaire General of Paris Paper Was Presented at White House On Wednesday By French Ambassador Merely To Pay His Respects

(By the Associated Press.)

Paris, April 1.-(5:00 p. m.) Gabriel Alphaud, Secretary General of the Hemps, who was introducede to President Wilson at the White House Wednesday by the French Ambassador in Washington has sent to the Temps an interview which he says he had with the President.

"I am glad to see on American soll," President Wilson is quoted as having said, "Frenchmen who come to satisfy themselves as to the state

to satisfy themselves as to the of opinion in the United States. will not receive an impression, I am sure that will give you cause reason-ably to complain of that opinion. "Definite questions are at times considered by France or others of the belligerent countries as proof that the times one and some times the others of the combatants. The two groups of belligerent nations complain of the attitude of the American government in equally vigorous terms. Each time one of these cases arises is it not proof that the government of the United

States is conscientiously observing the rules of neutrality?

"The Germans or the allies may at times find that we are exacting— that the American government sticks that the American government sticks too closely to these rules. The war will not last forever. When it is finished, such or such a nation will perhaps be glad that we have maintained the rules against which she protests today.

Speaks of Letter.

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Letter will avoid the error of believing what individuals of the peoples in the conflict often think—that is—that he who is not actively for them is against them. As to my own

is—that he who is not actively for them is against them. As to my own sentiments regarding France, I ad-dressed a letter to the President of the French republic that expresses them clearly. Be sure that I do not think anything less than what that letter says." M. Alphaud says he saked President

Wilson if the contemplated increase in the American army and navy had any precise object, and that the Presi-dent replied:

"No. augmentation has been retarded rather than hurried by current events. We desire to avoid false in-

eventa. We desire to avoid false in-terpretations."

Asked if an early end of the Mexi-can trouble could be hoped for Presi-dent Wilson is reported to have said:

"It is indeed difficult to reply. A A is indeed difficult to reply. A favorable symptom appears however in the last indications received here. They show a better disposition on the part of the principal Mexicans to understand why they have to respect the lives and interests of foreigners. Nothing shall be neglected by the American government to accentuate these tendencies."

tendencies."

The letter referred to by M. Alphaud, it is understood, was delivered three weeks ago to President Poincare by Col. Edward M. House, who is in Europe observing conditions. The letter, it is said was read to the French Cabinet upon the members of which it made an agreeable impression.

President Makes Denial.

Washington, D. C., April 1.—President Wilson tonight authorized the statement that he had given no interview and had given no expression of opinion about current affairs to Gabrial Alphand who cabled to the Paris Temps what purported to be an interview with the President on European and Mexican affairs.

The President let it be known that Aphaud, who was presented at the White House yesterday by the French Ambassador camie merely to pay his respects and that although he was secretaire general of the Paris Temps, it was distinctly understood there was to be no interview. The statement also was authorized at the White House that President Wilson had sent no letter recently to President Poincare as suggested by M. Alphaud, but that the letter to which reference was made was sent several months ago, by Mr. Wilson, as a member of the American Academy of Arts and Letters, in reply to one from President Poincare of the French Academy, brought to this country in person by Emile Brieux, the French playwright. The letter was made public at the time, White House officials recalled and contained only felicitation of a general charter.

Conditions Relating To Municipal Election To Be Considered at Raney Hall

"We are going to have a big crowd at the Enney Library hall tonight for the mass meeting to consider city matters as related to the coming election for commissioners," said several of the gentlemen who called the meeting fixed for tonight.

There will be five or six short, spicy speeches according to the plan that has been worked out and aspecial effort will be made to keep the meeting within reasonable bounds as to length. "No one will be wearied by the length of the speeches," one of the promoters of the mass meeting said. "For the speeches will be good stuff and they will be short. We are confident that we will have a large attendance."

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London the call for the meeting it is agreed that no candidate will be endorsed or named for office.

Named Wrock Con Governor Craig yesterday named Y. Gray, of Dare county, Wreck samulationer for the Third District.

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Brussels in 1913 sent \$167,294 of artificial silk to the United 3

Cross, Horton and Eatman Together With White and Cauble Testify

After several delays for the want of the woman in the case as a witness, George Cross, Ernest Horton and Joe Eatman were yesterday placed on trial in the Raleigh city court upon the charges of disorderly conduct, forcible entry and assault with deadly weapon. Before the trial began a warrant was drawn against these three defendants. George White and Clerk Cauble, for an affray with deadly weapons, following suggestions from counsel for Cross, Eatman and Horton.

The desired witness, the Mrs. Cooper, whom the defendants were so anxious to find, was not present. Judge, not "Justice" any longer, Harris, informed the attorneys that a letter from the mayor of Henderson stated that the woman with a carnival company there was not the one wanted in connection with the cafe case.

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Character testimony was the first
introduced yesterday and Mr. George
White and his cafe were given good
characters by State Treasurer B. R.
Lacy, Fab. H. Briggs, W. M. Wiggins,
J. P. Byrd and Frank Jolly. Messra.
Byrd. Wiggins, and Tom Bost also
said Caubie's character was good. Mr.
Bost said that he had known Mr.
Caubie nearly all the young man's
life while in Satisbury. Messra, Lacy,
Briggs and Jolly also testified to the
good character of Ernest and Jim
Horton, the latter being a witness.

At the conclusion of the character
testimony the question as to argument
arose and attorneys on each side made
a number of remarks upon this question. Solicitor Dixon spoke against
the affray matter, saying that he did
not know such a charge was going to
be made. "It is my opinion that this
affray business was brought suddenly
to put the court in a hole." he said.

Cross was first to take the stand and
told of the visit to the cafe the night
of the disturbance and said in substance that he, Horton, Eatman and
a companion named Fuller went there
to eat supper, got 95 cents worth and
were called down by Clerk Cauble and
then by Mr. White for "taiking too
loud" in the presence of a woman
who had come in the cafe while they
were eating. He then told of being
ordered from the place by Mr. White

were eating. He then told of being ordered from the place by Mr. White and said that upon leaving he called Mr. White an unprintable name, ther invited him out into the street when he (Cross) would administer a beat ing. It was then, according to Cross that Cauble struck him on one side of the face and threw a salt stand against the other side. A genera fusilade of salt and pepper stands fol-lowed, he said, until he and Cauble were separated by Eatman and

Cross also told of going to Justice of the Peace Plummer's home after the fight and submitting. He was em-phatic in his denial of being either drunk or under the influence of hquor, or that any of his party was drunk or had been drinking. Eatman and Horton followed Cross

and corroborated practically eyerything Cross said.

Cauble and White then told their side of the trouble and each in substance stated that the four men were under the influence of liquor and were disorderly in the presence of the woman who was in the cafe during their visit. They testified in regard to the fight and placed the blame on Cross and others, saying that Cross followed Cauble in the back part of the cafe when the young clerk endeavored to end the trouble. Mr. White said that they were ordered from the cafe and then came back. According to their testimony all the trouble was started by Cross and his party. and corroborated practically every

party.

At the conclusion of this evidence the court adjourned for the day and the trial will be resumed today. It is expected that it will continue all through today and Saturday.

The case drew a large crowd into the court room.

FOR CLUB HOUSE

Woman's Club Appropriates Sum For Purchase: New Officers Elected

The Raleigh Woman's Club will at an early date be holding their meetings in a handsome new club house. This was definitely decided upon at one of the argest and most important meetings in the history of the club held in the auditorium of the Y. M. C. A. yesterday afternoon at four's o'clock. It was voted to apply \$11,000 of the funds received from the State for the former property of the club on Salisbury street to buy th. Hill property on Hillsboro, and let the contract for the new building immediately.

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The following officers for the ensuing year were elected: President Mrs. Clarence Johnson; first vice-president, Mrs. James Briggs; second vice-president, Mrs. W. W. Vass; Rec. Sec., Mrs. J. N. Holding; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Rufus Hunter; treasurer, Miss Bertha Rosenthal; auditor, Mrs. W. W. Kitchin; chairman; art. Mrs. Ernest Cruiksbank; Civies, Mrs. Ernest; house committee, Mrs. Elias Carr; ways and meana Mrs. W. N. Hutt.

Owing i. the splendid financial record made to the splendid financial record made to the State Federation meeting at Goldsboro, May 8, besides the five previously chosen. Mrs. Ashley Lambert, already an afternate, was chosen and Mesdames Charles McKee and Bryan Grimes selected as additional alternates.

In point of attendance, interest.

additional alternates.

In point of attendance, interest shown and business transacted, the meeting yesterday set a new pace for this busy organization. MENTION OF MR. ALF A.

THOMPSON FOR MAYOR

Talk on the Streets That He Would Make An Admirable Official For the City.

There was talk on the streets yeserday of Mr. Aif. A Thompson as a man who would make an admirable mayor and commissioner of finance of he city. In talk about him there was request expression that when he was mayor of Raleigh, he made a record world make in looking after the financial affairs of Raleigh. The talk was hat if former Mayor Thompson could hat if former Mayor Thompson could be in great good luck the city would be in great good luck the were elected and put in charge of Raleigh's finances.



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CROWDS WATCH **WILLARD TRAIN**

Alternate Referee and Time-Keepers Selected; Willard Tells His Future Plans

(By the Associated Press.)

Havana, April 1,-With only a fee days left for training, rain today in-terfered with the work of Jack John-son and Jess Willard, who on Monday next will battle for the heavyweight championship of the world. Willard carried out his exhibition program before a crowd of enthusiasts who paid to see him. In the rain he boxed nine rounds with his spareins

boxed nine rounds with his sparring partners. Savage, Monahan and Hemphili, and did excellent work. He cut loose against Savage and lifted the 200 pounder clear off his feet with an easy right swing.

He finished by letting Tex O'Rourke, the wrestler, throw a heavy medicine ball with all his strength twelve times against his stomach, at the conclusion of which O'Rourke, who weighs 220 pounds, was tried out and Willard laughing.

Winding up his other routine work of the morning. Willard walked and ran five miles in a heavy sweater and came home dripping.

ran five miles in a neavy aweater and came home dripping.

People apparently never tire of watching this young giant train. The attendance at his quarters has been large and enough money has been taken in daily to pay ail camp ex-

penses.
Johnson took a short run in the morning to a private bath in the harbor, where he swam for the greater part of an hour.
When the rain began to fall he decided to cut out his exhibition in the open stadium. Instead he went to the races.

open stadium. Instead he went to the races.

M. J. Hinkel, of Cleveland, today was selected alternate referee for the fight. Bob Vernon, of New York, was appointed official time keeper of the club; Sam Leonard, of Toronto, is time keeper for Johnson. Willard named Otto Floto, of Denver, as his time keeper. Tom Jones, Willard's manager, will act as his chief second. Tom Plannagan and Bob Armstrong will second Johnson.

Willard and his followers are so confident that they have planned a triumphant entry into the United States of the "New Champion" a few days after the battle. They expect to

States of the "New Champion" a few days after the battle. They expect to make a tour of the principal cities of Cuba on April 6 and 7, if Willard's condition permits, and then go to New York by way of Key West, stopping at various planes en route. Willard expects to be the principal figure at a great reception in Madison Square Garden. Later, he says, he will make a trip around the worla. He has no particular plans if he should loss.

Willard says he will enter the ring calm and determined to win because he needs the money and knows he can win it in the prize ring.

Johnson Back to France.

After his bout with Willard Johnson expects to take his earnings, return to France and settle down there for good. If he wins he probably will visit South America for exhibition bouts before going to Europe but if he losses he will go to France and once. days after the battle. They expect

Johnson and Willard have met on two occasions since they came to Havana, but they exchanged only a few words. Previously they hav few words. never met. Johnson encountered Willard unexpectedly last night Johnson seemed studiously to avoid paying the slightest attention to his antagonist, talking loudly to friends Willard however, carefully watched Johnson's severy move.

antagonist, talking loudly to friends Willard however, carefully watched Johnson's every move.

Outwardly Johnson is all confidence but in the privacy of his training quarters he views the fight seriously. This is something new, and it cause many of his followers to believe happreciates the enormous physich proportions and powers of endurance which Willard possesses.

General Mario C. Menocal, President of Cuba, has accepted a special ring side box of eighteen eats, from which he will watch the fight with his friends and cabinet officers. Nexto the President's box one has been set aside for the American ministe and adjoining boxes will be occupied by the governor of Havana province the mayor of Havana and the commanding general of the army.

The Cuban Congress will not convene Monday as that would interfer with the desire of the members of witness the battle. Twenty of the leading stores will close at 18 o'cloc Monday morning to enable proprietor and empoyes to see the contest.

The ticket mie for the fight habeen large among the natives and the promoters refused to sell a bloci of 5.000 three dollar seats today to: local ticket agency. Hundreds of ne groes, the best aports on the Island are anxious to attend the fight, by cannot afford the admission charges.

LONDON BAND CONCERTS. OUT FOR WAR REASONS

London, April 1.—The ownil summer band concerts in the parks will be dispensed with this summer as a matter of war economy. These concerts cost about \$55,000 which the London County Council has planned for more pressing needs. The sum devoted to the treatment of eythrost, and dental cases sincing the school children in the figures has been increased by \$29,000.

Mackmen Go Through Regulation Game in Practice; McCord Expected

Having been benefitted by a day's rest the Mackmen yesterday began their hard practice in anticipation of the game Easter Monday with the Athletics, and spent several hours both morning and afternoon in two strenuous work-outs. In the afternoon the regular two teams lined up for a nine-inning game, and the few spectators were given a good 25 cents worth of league ball.

The pitchers have gotten rid of their stiff arms and are now beginning to show some curves. Steam has not been neglected, and the Capitals have been up against no easy pitching in their practice spins.

Mack has not yet decided on his line-up for the Monday game, and from now until that day will watch the work of his charges with a determination of putting the best he has against Counte's big leaguers. McCord will arrive in the city sarly the morning and will be out in uniform for both practices today. With this

Cord will arrive in the city early this morning and will be out in uniform for both practices today. With this Capital on the job, Mack will have the same infield as latter part of last season. With Mack on first, McCord at second, Citrane playing short, Newman on third, and Perkins doing the catching, Raleigh fans will probably see the infield that will appear in the opening game against Durham.

The outfield and pitchera are receiving the biggest attention from Mack just now. However, he has plenty of material from which to select good outfielders and pitchers. It is not going to be an easy job for him to pick the right men. With Parmer, Kearnan, Schuyler, Tally, Dysert, Heins, Poll, and Malone working like Trojans to sland one of the jobs in the outer gardens, it will be a problem to solbe.

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Osaba, Gittings, Parnham, Yon.
Magalis, and McPherson compose the
corp of twirlers. Of this number,
McPherson has not shown very much,
at least, not enough yet to justify any
great expectations of a phenon.

Mack will have to select a secondstring catcher, and he has Samesis,
a likely looking chap; Poole and
Smith fighting for the place. lem to solbe

BRITISH PAY OFFICE IS HUGE ESTABLISHMENT

BRITISH PAT FFICE
Ten Times as Many People Employed
as Were Required When Country
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(fir Tis Associated Press).

Was on Peace Basis.

(In The Assoluted Press).

London, April 1.—The pay deparament of the British Army now employs nearly 700 officers and about 7,000 clerks. This is nearly ten times as many people as were required for the work in times of peace. The housing of the constantly growing staff of the paymaster's office was one of the first difficulties, and the London main office has moved twice since the war began. Lately it has taken to adding private houses to its office area. Much of the time since the first of August, the whole army pay organization has worked day and night.

The soldier receives his pay, if he wishes it, not only at the front, but even in the trenches. The cash, in French treasury notes, is issued by his company officer in the field, and in accounted for on the so-called Pacaquittance rolls." Every soldier carries his paybook right through the war. As far as possible, he is paid weekly. Men in the advanced trenches draw their pay aimost as if they were in the barracks at home.

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