

In explaining the report to the assembly, Hjalmar Brenting, of Sweden, and H. A. L. Fisher, of Great Britain. the committee, while unanimously wholehearted in favor of the speed-

later nearly every seat was filled. It was estimated that 14,000 persons were present and that the receipts would reach \$200,000. The management announced that the carlier estimates for 1920 of 33,to come to the conclusion that the mo-inent had not arrived when it would be \$100,000. It is understood that Bren-230,000 bushels. The 1920 acreage aban-doned from winter killing was less than nan will receive \$35,000. was expected as indicated by the very The crowd was representative of the bad and unpromising conditions on May 1, and the increasingly favorable ed out that a convention for the city's cosmopolitan and professional control of the traffic in arms and amcharacter of the later season permitted much wheat then considered hopeless noted in the reserved floor and arfi seats. to develop and come to harvest. The Harty Farrell, a local middleweight, reports of increase over earlier exdefeated Frank McGuire, of Willamspectations of winter wheat produced port, Pa., in the first preliminary conome from almost every important wintest, which went six rounds. McGuire was on the defensive from the start, ter wheat state. The greatest gain, 13,-000,000, is in Kansas, the leading probleeding from the nose and mouth ducer of winter wheat. In that state after the opening round. Farrell weighed 155 pounds and McGuire 157 1-3. the increase was helped by an area of over 1,000,000 acres of volunteer wheat prouted from shattered grain in the

"The final outcome of the 1920 wheat harvest, winter and spring combined, is estimated at 789,878,000 bushels, compared with 934,265,000 bushels

1919, this being an increase over

sentative in conferences with European statesmen. The President-elect said he had "no agents in Europe, in the United States or in any other part of the world."

Today Mr. Harding saw few callers and posed law reads: held no conferences on the association "That persons engaged in the proplan. Governor William C. Sproul, of duction of agricultural products as farmers, planters, ranchmen, dairymen, Pennsylvania, and W. W. Atterbury, vice-president of the Pennsylvania Rail or fruit growers, may act together in road, were on his engagement list, but associations, corporate or othtrwise, requested that their appointments be put with or without capital stock, in col over until a later date. Tomorrow he lectively processing, preparing for marwill see Raymond Robins, a former ket, handling and marketing in inter leader of the Progressive party, and a state and foreign commerce such prod ucts of their members; and such promember of the Republican executive campaign committee in the 1920 camducers may organize and operate such associations, corporate or paiga. How long the President-elect will recontracts and agreements to effect that main in Marion still is undetermined, and published reports of a definite plan purpose, any law to the contrary notwithstanding; provided, however, Southern resort in the to move to some such associations are operated for the near future all were denied today at mutual benefit of the members thereof Harding héadquarters. Officials as such producers. many invitations had been received, but Protects Public Interests. Jurisdiction over such organizations would rest with the Federal Trade Comno definite action taken. The gen-eral understanding has been that a

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mission instead of the Secretary of Ag

riculture, according to a Senate amend-

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OF CONFEDERATE SOLDIER

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RAT BITE CAUSES DEATH

ment to the House bill.

The bill has been passed in the House and Senate Leaders predict that it will pass in the upper body tomor-nated as sponsor of the vessel. it will pass in the upper body tomor- nated as sponsor of the vessel. row. The first paragraph of the pro-Secretary Daniels Letter

With Two Powers For Five.

fered by Senator Borah, Republican, of Idaho, requesting the Present it is seek an agreement in those powers with construction programs cut in half during that period. It would, he said, "devolop whether Great Britain and

course to arms," he added, "but until

iest possible disarmament, was forced possible to accomplish it.

The committee, in its report, pointmunition was signed by Great Britain, the United States, France, Japan, Belgium, Bolivis, Cuba, China, Ecuador, Greece and Italy at St. Germain when the Austrian peace treaty was signed, but that this convention had not yet been ratified and that no steps had been taken to make it effective. The report proposes that the council urge signatories to ratify the treaty without delay.

#### Britain Would accept.

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Mr. Fisher, in discussing the recommendation in the report regarding the checking of the growth in armaments, said he had no doubt of the acceptance Great Britain for proposal to spend no more on armaments for the next years than she did last year.

said George Nicholl "Disarmament, Barnes, of the British delegation, who followed Mr. Fisher, "is the real acid test of the success of the League of Na-

"I regret," he added, "that there is report no clearent declaration ; in the that there is not less quibble and more

# TO RELIEVE CONGESTION OF FREIGHT AT HAVANA

Havana, Cuba, Dec. 13 .- Manuel Despaigns, former collector of customs, has been commissioned by President Menocal to take charge of the work of relieving freight congestion in Havana harbor. . He will be under the orders of the secretary of the treasury, but will have complete charge of the actual relief work.

is expected he will later be ap-It pinted secretary of the treasury to fill the vacancy created by the resignation last week of Dr. Leopoldo Canelo, which is being temporarily filled by Secretary Commerce Bustemante.

Despaigne was a member of the joint Cuban-American commission appointed some months ago to study harbor con-ditions and make recommendations for improvement ? the serious freight conwhich has existed for many

## EXPRESSES DOUBT AS TO FUTURE OF LEAGUE

Paris, Dec. 14 .- Doubt relative to the future of the League of Nations has been expressed by United States Senainture of the Lengue of Mattes Sena-been expressed by United States Sena-ter Medill McCormick, says a Geneva despatch to the Echo De Paris. Senator McCormick, the despatch assoris, has declared that he has an impression the "league will be smothered by the elo-quence of its members, and that a great deal too much time is lost in welless verbage."

### Other Preliminary Bouts.

autumn of 1919, which despite its un-Charley Weinert, the Newark, N. J. heavyweight and Bartley Madden of this city, furnished the second bout. Weinert weighed 185, three pounds more than Madden. The Newark man was the aggressor throughout and gave Madden a sound beating. The judges agreed on Weinert as the winner at the

and of the tenth round. Two negroes, Bill Tate, of New York, and "Kid" Norfolk, of Baltimore, from the rival training camps of Dempsey and Brennan, were the principals in the ten round bout, which preceded the main event.

was six inches taller and 42 Tate pounds heavier than his opponent who

weighed 182 pounds. Tate had some difficulty in landing on the smaller man while the little fol-low scored frequent with lefts and rights on stomach and face to the evi-

dent amusement of the spectators who cheered the Norfolk Kid's untiring efforts. A hard left smash drew blood from Tate's nose in the seventh round and the only points. Tate scored were earned by an occasional jab to the aggressor's head.

The judges decided that Kid Norfolk while half a dozen photographers got

while hair a dozen photographers got into the ring to be ready to snap the principals in the big event when they arrived, the moving picture men were on both sides of the garden, busily

grinding out yards of film. Big Fighters Enter Ring. Four powerful lights suspended fro the roof high over the ring made the roped enclosure almost as bright as daylight. Brennan entered the ring at 10:28,

Bronnan entered the ring at 10:28, his green tranks peeping out from un-der a crimson sweater. Dempsoy came through the ropes in Breunan's corner a moment later. The champion stopped for a moment is shake hands with his challenger and then each of them ex-namined the bandages on the others hands. Dempsoy wore white tranks, topped with a red, white and blue belt and only wore a towel over his shoul-ders.

dors. Announcer Humphreys introduced Demptey as the hardest hitting henry-weight champion ever known. Brennan

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promising beginning and doubtful prosects in the spring of 1920, came finally to harvest. Acrease Reduction "In general, it appears that the reduction in crop acreage in 1920 below 1919 is less than was thought and re-

ported at the beginning of the crop eason. Notwithstanding the early un favorable conditions for farm work, the efforts of the farmers to fully seed their fields, assisted by favoring days that came late in the planting period, resulted in plantings greater than anticipated."

Increases In Crops Increases in almost every crop were eported in the revised production the igures, as compared with

igures, as compared with the pre-iminary estimates announced in No-(Continued On Page Four.) TRIAL OF SUIT TESTING SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT

Action Begun In Court of Com. mon Pleas at Baltimore; Points In Petition

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 14 .- Trial of the suit brought by the Maryland State Lesgue of Defense to test the validity of the Federal woman suffrage amend at was begun in the court of com-

mon pleas here today. The action is directed against the board of registers of the seventh preinct of the 11th ward that they be

quired to strike from their ho names of two women, one wh oks the one white, other negro, because the petitioners do not admit the force of the amendment.

Two main points are set forth in the setition of the anti-suffragists; one is petition of the amendment is not such as Congress is authorized by Article Four of the constitution to propose to the legislatures of the various States to be tified by them regulatures of the various States to be ratified by them, and the other that it was apper properly ratified by the leg-islatures of three-fourths of the States. Everet P. Wheeler, of New York, representing the American Constitu-tional Lengue, is associated with the local council of the Defense Lengue,

sometime in Annary.

#### RATIFY NOMINEES TO STATE

"The interests of the public are fully protected in the bill" the senior Sena-CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION New Orleans, La., Dec. 14 .-- Nominces tor asserted today, "by the provisions of the Democratic party to the State it contains for investigation and re-Constitutional Convention of 1921 were straint and even dissolution where any formally ratified in a statewide elec tion today. An exceedingly light vote granted from eriminal prosecution. was east, there being no opposition and balloting being only a necessary legal

formality. GUILFORD COUNTY VOTES **TWO MILLION FOR ROADS** General Apathy Attends High-

way Bond Election But Car. ries By Big Majority

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Greensboro, Dec. 14 .-- Incomplete returns indicate that the \$2,000,000 Guil-ford county road bond issue, passed by Dies After Long and Use. majority, about 5,000 were cast. High Point and Greensboro went strongly for the issue. However, in all county precincts the vote was exceed-

Salisbury, Dec. 14.—Capt. Frank Brown who won his title of captain in the War Between the States, where he ingly light, only about one-fourth as fought valiantly for the Confederacy, many votes being cast as in recent National election. died at his home in Salisbury early **Rural** sections were this morning, death coming as a result of being bitten on the hand by a rut. anknown quantities. On account of the recent split between County Farm

Several weeks ago the small animal bit Captain Brown and blood poison set in, Bureau and the County Commissioner the farmers' vote was feared by leading officials of the movement. The farmers wanted a promise from the later paeumonia appearing and he was desperately ill for days. Captain Brown was 74 years old and stood prominent board of county commissioners that at least half of the \$2,000,000, would be speat on elay roads. This the board refused to do, stating that it was without their jurisdiction. the most highly esteemed and among respected citizens of Rowan in which county he was born and lived most of his life. e oposition in rural see

Surviving are the widow and two tions developed at the last moment. However, officials of the Farm Bureau sons and two daughters; Frank R. Brown, of Salisbury; Hugh T. Brown, came out for the issue and were in part responsible for its success. of Scott, Ark.; Mrs. Hiram Grantha of Rep Springs, and Dr. Isabelle Brown of Lexington.

of Rep Springs, and Dr. Isabelle Brown of Lexington. The women voted poorly, only in isolated instances did they go to the polls in any appreciable numbers. A general apathy attended the voting, as many were under the wrong impre-sion that refusing to vote would defeat the Isaua.

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The letter of the Secretary of the

eity of which you are mayor. This Shipbuilding Corporation, Quincy, Mass., and will probably be completed otherwise Will you please designate some fady time of the launching f "The old RALEIGH was a cruiser and that

was placed in commission April 17, placed out of commission June 1894 10.1899: placed in commission again

July 1, 1911 and placed out of commission March 31, 1919; stricken from the Navy Register July 28,1920. Length 300 ft., Beam 42 ft. displacement 3,183 tons and draft 18 ft. Launched March 31. 1892 at the Navy Yard, Norfolk, Va. Attached to North Atlantic Station, European Station and Asiatic Station, In battle of Manila Bay, May 1, 1899; Received surrender of batteries of Corsegidor, Ek Frails, and Palo Caballo;

association shall abuse the exemption destroyed munitions of war; Paroled "The public has never received much benefit from the Sherman act and if such a measure as that now proposed for the farmers should be passed in general terms for all business it would really be more effectual in curbing re-

"The new Scout Cruiser is 555 ft. 6 nical advisers. inches, length overall; breadth of water line 55 ft. draft 14 ft. 3 inches; dis-placement 7500 tons; battery twelve Prominent Salisbury Citizen guns, two 3-pounder saluting guns, two pedo tubes; shaft horsepower, esti-mated 90,000 (Turbina Reduction gear)

and speed about 33.7 knots. "Sincerely yours, "JOSEPHUS DANIELS, "Secretary of the Navy." Mayor Eldridge Replies.

Mayor Eldridge yesterday repfied the Secretary as follows:

"Confirming my telegram of the 13th instant, I have the honor to inform you that I have designated Miss Jennie Procter as sponsor for the Cruiser Raleigh, now under construction at Quincy, Mass.

"Miss Procter is a young lady of most charming personality, is attractive and accomplished, and is universally esteemed in this city. Her ancestry is fraced from the distinguished Lane family of the Colonial and Revolutionary period, one of whom was Joel Lane, whose memory is perpetuated by a bronze tablet at the entrance of the Municipal Building, and on whose domain this city was founded. "Should this letter come to your per-sonal attention, Mr. Secretary, I feel assured that you will give my choice

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"No one knows future relations of the Navy informing Mayor Eldridge of nations of the world," said Mr. Daniels. the naming of the new vessel fol- "It would be a blunder almost equal to a crime for the United States to enter

"I have assigned the name RALEIGH an alliance with any two or three nato Secut Cruiser No. 7 in honor of the tions, either to suspend or curtail naval building or for any other purpose. It vessel is being built at the Bethlehem would certainly make for suspicion Shipbuilding Corporation, Quincy, among the other nations of the world. I profoundly believe that the United Nov. 1st, 1921, She will, however, be States cannot afford to take a fivelaunched some time before that date. year 'naval holiday' as it has been rumored England and Japan will sugto act as sponsor for this vessel at the gest to this country. I wish that we could have a world agreement that would

settle disputes without recourse to arms, but until that comes and comes surely we ought to carry out our naval build ing program." Mr. Daniels again presented the gen-

eral board's recommendations for a new three-year building program totalling 88 ships and urged taht the 1916 program be expedited. A few additional rounding out" minor vessels ought to be authorized at once while the mittee is considering new building legislation, he said.

Agrees With Harding.

Mr. Daniels quoted a speech of Senator Harding's at Norfolk, Va., recently garrisons: July 7, 1899, took Grande with regard to naval policy, and said Island, August 13th, 1898; capture of that he was in complete agreement on Manila. Captain M. Miller, U. S. N., Captain J. C. Barclay, U. S. N., and Captain J. B. Coghlan, U. S. N., a few of the Commanding Officers of this a close study of world conditions on vessel.

"A chain is only as strong as its weakest link," declared the Naval Secretary. "I have recently returned from 6-inch guns; two 3-inch anti-aircraft a trip to Alaska and to the Pacific. where we have far flung interests, and machine guns; two boat guns; two tor- I believe that the United States should not be dependent on any "nation but should have a navy equal to any in the world."

On suggestion of Secretary Daniels Chairman Butler appointed a sub-committee to make an inspection during the Christmas recess of the naval training stations at Newport, R. L, and Hampton Roads, Va.

## HARDING MADE HONORARY

MEMBER OF TYPO UNION Marion, Ohio, Dec. 14.—President-elect Warren G. Harding now is an honorary life member of the Marion Tppographical Union Number 675. He was voted to memb-hip last night at a meeting of the local when arrange-

Announces Shut Down. Manchester, N. H., Dec. 14.—The Amoskeag Manufacturing Company to-day announced a ten day shut-down commencing December 23 and a wage reduction of 22 1.3 per cent. The mills employ 13000 mercens. employ 13,000 persona.

Don't miss the big Races today, at Pinchurst, Added purses, 2:65, adw