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USES PATRONAGE TO BLOCK "BLOC" IN SENATE FIGHT

Harding and Old Guard Attempt To Discipline The **Progressives**

THEIR APPOINTMENTS FAIL TO GO THROUGH

Senator Simmons Calls On War Department To Clear Up Reports Regarding Fate of Benjamin King, Alleged By Witness To Have Been Hanged

The News and Observer Bureau, 603 District National Bank Bldg., By EDWARD E. BRITTON

(By Special Leased Wire.) Washington, Dec. 22.-Trouble in the postmastership appointment business has taken a new turn in the last few days and this turn is displeasing to President Harding and the Old Guard organization. In this matter President Harding is said to be now attempting to discipline the Senators of that bloe with reprisals in the way of truning down their recommendations for the appointment of postmasters in their respec

tive states. It is said that in several instances that Republican Senators found that for postmasterships -were, not the men whose names were sent in, and that an accounting was asked, the information received being in a diplomatic way that these were the men selected by the organization, and that for the present there would be no need for any recommendations for selections of postmasters by the inquirer of the agricultural bloc. Members of Bloc on Black List

As one after another of the Republican bloc sought information in matters they found that there was a kind of official black list against recommendations for Federal jobs from them and putting two and two together they found that it made four, and that four meant that their wishes as to postmaster appointments were of the persona non grata brand just so long as they were found bucking the administration. This matter, so the report comes, is making the agricultural bloc Senators see red and they are more and more determined not to be driven away from the position they have taken as a matter of principle and the outlook is that with the reconvening of Congress after Christmas and New Year's holiday recess they will be even more united and determined than heretofore.

With the aid of Democratic votes they realize they can rule the Senate and they know also that Democratic Senators are up in arms as to the method being used to camouflage Reablican buncoing of the civil service law as it affects postmasters with and without preference as for-

mer service men. This outrageous sidestepping of civil service by the Postmaster Gen eral under the direction of the Presi dent's executive order, which is more and more recognized as having been framed in order to pretend to ad here to civil service and at the came time give the positions to Republi eans, continues to excite opposition and condemnation among the Democrats. Representative Weaver has the most virulent kind of Republi can partisanship. Examinations were ordered held for the the filling of vacancies at Lake Junaluska and Montreat and both examinations were duly held. At Lake Junalusks the only eligible secured by the ex amination was Miss Emma White who is a Democrat and at Montrea the only eligible was Albert R. Bauman, a Democrat and present post master. Under the plain rule and by simple justice these two had won the appointments, but as they were Democrats they were refused the have been called for by the postoffice department. Similar things have en done in the case of Democrati in other States and there is an up heaval all along the line. Glaring Example of Hypocrisy

A notable case of Republican par tisianship as to the postmastership is at Greenville, S. C. Major W. F Robertson, the present postmaster who is a Democrat with a splendid record for service in France with the American army, stood first or the list with a rating of 84. The third on the list, Charles C. Withing ton, only lately removed to South Carolina from Massachusetts and a ublican, attained a rating of He was nominated for the position but Senator Dial has made the casmethods used by the Posteffice Deportment as being a method of "hypocrisy" that as a result the news is that Withington's name is to be withdrawn and the name of the sec ond man on the list, also a Repub lican, is to be sent to the Senate this man, Robert T. Thorn, to be ed as acting postmaster in a few have the job and the salary till some Republican gets the commission.

The Senate left unacted on a large mber of nominations for post-sters throughout the country when arned for the helidays this afternoon and there are many of these for postmasters in North Chro-line. President Harding added to the list this afternoon by sending

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Present Burley Crop To Be Sold On Cooperative Plan

Dr. J. Y. Joyner Gives Official Denial of Rumors Cir culated In This State That Kentucky Tobacco Growers' Association Will Not Be Able To Function This Year And Says Organization Is Assured For Three Bright Leaf States

definite assurance that this year's tucky: crop of burley tobacco in Kentucky and other States will be marketed on the co-operative plan, Dr. J. Y. Joyner, chairman of the organization committee of the Tobacco Growers' Association of North Carolina, Virginia and South Carolina, yesterday issued a formal statement declaring that the success of the "sign-up" campaign in the three States which will close on January

1, is assured. As a result of widespread rumors in the Eastern part of the State to the effect that the co-operative association organized in Kentucky, Ohio and Indiana will not be able to begin operations in time for this year's burley erop which has not yet been put upon the market, Dr. Joyner addressed an inquiry to of ficials of the association. In reply, the following telegram was yester involved around the activities of the day received from James C. Stone, "agricultural bloe" in doing things president of the association and president of the association and widely known tobacco warehouse-

Simultaneously with receipt of man and grower of Lexington, Ken

"Reports that Burley Association will not handle this year's crop is absolutely false. We are buying our receiving plants this week. Have ou organization for fiscal operation about completed and will begin receiving tobacco within short time. Have over 55,000 signed contracts in association. Conditions could not be better for us.'

"This is the first time that I have made an official statement that we would go over the top; but we now have contracts to support the statement" stated Dr. Joyner yesterday. Virginia is already well past the fifty per cent "sign-up" which makes the contracts valid and encouraging reports from South Carolina are included in Dr. Joyner's statement which follows: Organization Assured.

"From the information at Raleigh headquarters the organization of the

the men whom they had approved Citizens Furnish 220 Times Bond Required of Officer In Kelly Suit

> Surety justified at \$500,00 was yesterday furnished to cover a required bond of \$2,250 by F. C. Handy of the United States Department of Justice, upon whom two orders of bail and arrest were served by Deputy Sheriff J. P. Stell, of Wake

The orders of arrest were issued by the Clerk of the Lee county Superior Court, where C. J. Kelly, last week sentenced to five years in the federal prison at Atlanta for traffic in stolen automobiles and N. C. Kelly, another defendant in the automobile theft cases who has not yet been tried, have instituted civil suits for the recovery of the value of three auto-

Sixteen machines were seized from the Kellys at c: about the time of their arrest last May and all of them have been ordered returned by Judge have been ordered returned by Judge Henry G. Connor. All of the automobiles except three, a Buick, a Riline and a Peerless have been returned and a separate suit has been brought for the value of each of the suit but to say strenously. Some of the freshmen were taken for a "walk" brought for the value of each of

The Kline and the Buick ears are now in the hands of the United States Marshal, ready for delivery to the Kellys who have refused them on the ground that they have depreciated in value and heavy garage bills have accumulated against them. Claim and delivery suits have been instituted against Kelly in Wake County Superior Court for the same two cars and these suits are assigned by government officials as the real reasons for the failure on the part

of the Kellys to claim their prope In addition to Mr. Handy, D. E. Graham, one of his assistants; Jesse Hillard, former deputy United States Marshal, and J. T. Carter, of Atlanta, Ga., representative of the Automo Underwriters' Association, are named as defendants in the actions involving the Buick and Kline cars, while Mr. Carter, the Firemen's Fund Insurance Co., and T. G. Crab-tree, of the Raleigh police force are being sucd for the recovery of the Peerless, which was taken without a search warrant by the insurance company and which has never been in

the possession of the government. upon Handy, Hilliard and Crabtree the other defendants being out of town. Mr. Handy was yesterda deluged with offers to furnish hi bond, receiving three telephone calls before rising. Of a score of volunteers, the following seven gentlemen acted as bondsmen: L. H. Lumsden Sylvester Betts, F. H. Weathers, T. B. Moseley, G. A. Scott, J. A. Briggs and W. F. Upshaw. Bond for Mr Hilliard was given by W. H. Mc-Elwee and J. A. Briggs, while Captain N. Warren, of the Baleigh police force, became surety for his fellow

Irvin B. Tucker, of Whiteville, who will be sworn in today as District Attorney of North Carolina, announce yesterday that he will defend the rovernment officers named in the actions and will ask that they be trans ferred to the federal court for trial as provided in the federal statutes.

LOCOMOTIVE FIREMAN PERFORMS HEROIC ACT

Dives From Engine Into Creek In Effort To Save School Boy

New York, Dec. 22 .- Jerry Driscoll, a locomotive fireman on States Island, was congratulated as a hero today. While Lie train travelled at 25 miles an hour, he jumped from the engine into a creek and saved the life of William Alexander, a school boy, who had been struck by the engine and thrown into fifteen feet of water. The boy died later, however, in a hospital.

The train had gone ahead almost mile before the engineer missed Bris-coll and when he stopped and backed edge of the creek, halding the boy, who was unconscious from a fracture of the skull. Persons who saw the rescue said Driscoll dived four times before he found the boy, who sank

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Twenty - Seven Suspended For Hazing Freshmen After Football Game

Charlotte, Dec. 22 .- Twenty seven students of Davidson College have been suspended until January 15, because of a hazing frolic recently. President W. J Martin, of the college, said today that the faculty knew nothing of the affair until the student council had taken action disapproving of the conduct of the

The hazing episode was the result of a football contest between the freshman and the sophomores in which the first year men played the old timers to a stand still, the score being a tie. This did not suit the sophomores, and they decided to take action relative to keeping the

freshmen 'in their places."

The college authorities are very reticent to state how the sophomores treated the freshmen, but from other sources it is learned that the ancient and supposedly subjected to rough house treatment.

The faculty did not know the

It was not until the reports percolated into Charlotte by the grape vine route that it became generally known that the suspension of the students had taken place. President Martin refused to comment upon the event until after it had been ancounced in the press. Even then he refused to give the names of the suspended students, taking the posi-tion that such disclosures would be unfair to the students involved.

MOTHER IN DOUBT AS TO FATE OF HER SON

Wilmington, Dec. 22,-Al-though Robert A. Harrison, an ex-service man of this city, testicommittee that Bennie F. King. another Wilmingtonian was hung in France because he refused to obey the order of a sergeant to clean-up a stockade with stoothbrush, Mrs. Oscar Edwards, of this city, mother of King, declared today that she is yet doubtful as to the fate of her

Having been informed from official and other sources that France; that he was sentenced to four years in prison for abusing an officer and finally that he was hung, the relatives here of the man are doubtful as to what to believe, Mrs. Edwards stated this afternoon that unitil now she had firmly believed that her son had died a soldier's death

The name of King had been included in the list of those which are to be placed upon the country's memorial to her World War dead, but committee in charge of the memorial announces that it will be removed if he was hung or dishonorably discharged.

CONGRESSMEN TAKE RECESS FOR HOLIDAYS

Washington, Dec. 22.-Coagress re cessed late today until January s and immediately Senators and Representatives began leaving for their homes for the Christmas and New Year holiday period. The House adjourned at 4 o'clock and the Senate at 4:50. All business will be suspended during the recess except for the tariff hearings by the Senate Finance Committee.

ARMED ROBBERS GET \$14,000 FROM HOME

Chicago, Ills., Dec. 22.-Two arm od robbers teday entered the home of Stephen Malato, a former Assistant State's Attorney, bound and gagged Mrs. Malato, who was alone, and robbed the house of jewelry and money estimated at \$14,000.

DAUGHERTY SAYS LEVEL OF RETAIL PRICES TOO HIGH

Attorney General Initiates Country-Wide Investigation of Prices

BURNS INSTRUCTED TO START WORK AT ONCE

Profits of Retailers In Some Instances Are "Unconscionable," Declares The Attorney General; Blames Organizations of Retailers For High Prices

Washington, Dec. 22.-Federal in estigation of retail prices charged in various parts of the country for food, fuel, shees and clothing was initiated today by Attorney General Daugherty. He gave orders to Director Burns, of the Bureau of Investigation of the Justice Department, to assign a force of men at once to the duty of obtaining data on retail prices in different locali-

Mr. Daugherty declared that prices of necessary commodities were too high and that in some instances the profits of retailers were "unconscionable." It would never be possible he asserted, to get prices down to the pre-war level, but with wages lowered and the costs of foodstuffs reduced, he was determined to learn whether the present "hadly proportioned" retail prices should be main

Start Work at Once Mr. Burns was instructed to put his men to work simultaneously, to obtain the variations in various localities in the retail prices of gen eral foodstuffs, such as meats, provisions, beans, bread, and butter, fuel, shoes and clothing and to make schedules of the comparative prices. Reports will, also be gathered on the wholesale prices of wheat, beef and meats of all kinds in order, Mr. Daugherty explained, that comparisons might be made of the costs of these commodities with the prices charged by the butchers and grocers. The department's agents are to be instructed to do their work carefully but as rapidly as possible.

Plan of Action Action to remedy price conditions, Mr. Daugherty declared, would be taken through several channels. In the main, he said, the situation was a local one and the states would be asked to do as much as they could to solve it with federal co-operation. ecretary Hoover, he added, would be invited to join with the Justice Department in its effort to lower publication of the comparative tual conditions.

Organizations of retailers in different parts of the country were blamed by Mr. Daugherty for high prices. These associations, he de clared, were formed "by smart men who sold a scheme to defeat the laws of the country by perfecting an organization for fixing prices which concealed its real purpose under a declaration of a desire to help com-

The department, he stated, intends to "get these smart fellows," while at the same time recognizing that the many innocent merchants had been imposed upon by them. Mr. Daugherty declared himself as unqualifiedly in favor of trade organi nations which confined their operations to improving their services to Trade associations generally, he ties to the lines suggested by the Justice Department, as in conformity with the law, but which the depart ment's advice had been disregarded it had been necessary to institute proceedings under the Sherman anti-

LEON CASH RESIGNS FROM FORSYTH BOARD Prominent Twin City Man Forced To Retire On Ac-

count of Health

Winston-Salem, Dec. 22 .- On ac ount of ill health, Leon Cash, has re signed as a member of the board of eounty commissioners, to which he was elected last year. Mr. Cash was also chairman of the board. He left today for Hot Springs, Ark., to take treatment for rheumatism from which he has been suffering for sev eral months. Mr. Cash is one of the leading members of the Masonic rder in this State.

For operating an automobile while under the influence of whiskey and lestroying a traffic booth on courthouse square shortly after mid-night L. W. Price, was fined \$250 in

the city court today.

Paul Doub and Ray Grubbs, two
white boys, after pleading guilty to the charge of assaulting a female, were given road sentences, Doub getting 14 months and Grbbs 10.

Passengers Removed Safely.

Baltimore, Dec. 22.—The passengers on the steamer Cambridge, which stranded in Eastern Bay in last night's heavy gale while on her way from Baltimore to Claiborne, Maryland, were taken off this morning and landed at Calborne. The steamer was reported still aground but in an easy position, the sea having subsided spaniderably.

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"Marse Henry" Claimed By Death



Col. Henry Watterson Dies In Florida Hotel

Venerable Editor of The Old School Was Internationally PAY TRIBUTE TO Known

JACKSONVILLE TODAY Hundreds of Messages of Condolence Pour In From

All Parts of Nation

SIMPLE SERVICES AT

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 22.-The ody of Colonel Henry Watterson, old school journalist and interactionally known editor, who died in his hotel apartment here early today, will be placed in a vault tomorrow after a simple funeral service, at which only members of his immediate family will be present, there to remain until spring, when it will be taken to Louisville, Ky., for interment in the family plot in Cave Hill

cemetery. This arrangement was determined prices while it was believed that the upon by his son, Henry Watterson, wholesale and retail prices would do of his mother, he deeming it inadvismuch to remedy high prices by con- able for her to go to Louisville durveying to the housewives of the ing the winter. The Rev. Mr. J. T. country accurate knowledge of ac Boone, pastor of the First Christian church f this city, will officiate at the

Brief Ilinean. Colonel Watterson, who with his family came here from Louisville three weeks ago to spend the winter,

ongestion after an illness of only a few hour.s With only their son and daughter and everal grandshildren greent, Col. and Mrs. Watterson elebrated their 56th well, or anni. of himself and wrote this: versary in their apartwent ruesday During the day Col. Watterson contracted a slight cold, which was not regarded seriously, but yesterday aries-and grinning at the boys, but forenoon he suffered an acute bronchial attack and was ordered to bed immediately by his physician. Suffered Very Little.

Col. Watterson suffered very lit tle, but was in a comatose condition the public, but he asserted they the greater part of the time from would not be allowed to fix prices early in the evening until he passed or apportion territory among their away, with brief periods of consciousmembers, thus stifling competition. ness during which his mind was perfeetly clear. At midnight he realized said, were showing a commendable the end was near, but his son, who, willingness to confine their activit with his mother and sister, was at the bedside constantly, said he did not discuss it other than to say he was ready to go. His wife was alone with him during the last few minutes of consciousness a short time before the end and he passed away in her arms.

Hundreds of Messages. Hundreds of messages of condol ence were received today by Mrs. Watterson and newspaper men in all parts of the country who were trained under "Marse Henry." One, pecusiarly touching, was from Arthur Krock, editor of the Louisville Times. "Jim and I are weeping for the death of Old Marster," it read. "Jim" is Jim Wilson, aged negro servant, who has resided at the Watterson home for many years.

Colonel R. W. Bingham, publisher of the Louisville Courier Journal. fearned of Col. Watterson's death when he arrived here late today en route to Havana. He immediately sought Mrs. Watterson to offer his condolences. From Miami came a tribute for the soldier journalist from William Jennings Bryan, alternatively opposed and supported in his Presidential aspirations by the trenchant pen of Cel. Watterson. "The country will learn with deep

regret of the death of Henry Watterson," said Mr. Bryan. "His ability, long of perience, his picturesque style and his impressive and genial personality gave him a cons position among the nation's journal-

Louisville Grieved By News of His Death; Taft Delivers Eulogy

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 22.-Col Henry Watterson, who died in Jacksonville. Florida, early today, left Louisville With few exceptions, so far as could hree weeks ago for his annual pilgrimage to the South, where for years party lines of those favoring or ophe had spent the winter. Apparently posing the treaty. he was in his usual health which. however, for several years had not een good.

News of his death was received with many evidences of grief in vote on the adjournment metions Louisville, where for more than fifty Louisville, where for more than fifty doubt in the minds of these who years he had been a notable figure. have been following the debates Apparently he faced with calmness carefully that this vote roughly apthe end of his span of life. Once, before undergoing an peration, he said to the managing editor of the by some of the opponents of the Courier-Journal:

surrender my life to God who gave both sides, especially the country it. We do not know about these members, voted for adjournment in things and I face the outcome with order that they might get home for serenity, whatever it may be. It is the holidays. a perilous thing for a man 'in his passed away as the result of heart seventy ninth year to submit to the trouble superinduced by bronchial surgeon's knife, but I am ready for treaty, seconded Mr. Collins' proit and all that may follow."

While convalescing from a pre ed to read some advance obituaries

"I am getting a forctaste of my own funeral-sitting up in the grave as it were and reading the obitu very cheerful and grateful. It is 'kind o'nice'-heaps better than being haddled with motives and called ing of the vote to have the question names. Was Fearless Fighter. Col Watterson was known as the

fearless man who, having arrived at a decision on matters of public having the fate of Ireland decide policy, fought brilliantly and with on the question of a technicality.

Much Excitement tenacity for the position he and the Courier-Journal had taken. through the World War every edi torial he had written invariably contained the slogan "To hell with the Hapsburg and Hohenzellerns." Later, after he had retired as editor he occasionally made contributions to the Courier-Journal's editorial page. On the approach of his 78th birthday, under the title "An Autobiographic Foray," among the last of his editorials, he wrote on a va-Watterson from old friends of Col. riety of subjects, including woman suffrage and Woodrow Wilson. A foc of woman suffrage, he said those who favored it regarded it "as an entering wedge-openly to turn loose and proclaim that the Bible is a manmade lie out of the whole cloth de signed for the subjection of wo man," and "that under the Chrestion dispensation, the world is a manmade world of wrong, injustice and false pretense to women

Warning to Wilson He warned Mr. Wilson, then Presi lent, to "hold himself to the constitution and be held by it, not abov

"Whoever wants to consider this disloyal," he wrote, "may accept in advance my scorn as a poor creature whose good opinion, if uttered loud enough, would kill a dog, whoever regards it as the penimism of an old man, has my invitation to try conclusions, Marquis of Queensbury storm has passed me by and that I can no longer keep up with the procession ought to see me swim."

The conclusion of the editorial was

regarded as picturesquely Watter-"On the limb of a tree," it said,

"by the tumbling ocean sat a little tomtit. He was musing upon the the perversity of men and things official. Over the waves came a stentors voice exclaiming: 'Oh for an hour of Conkling and Lamsr!'—and from a crag upon the mountainside,

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REGARD SUBMARINE AS VALUABLE PART OF NAVAL DEFENSE

EAMON DE VALERA'S OWN COUNTY VOTES IN FAVOR OF ANGLO-IRISH TREATY Ennis, Jreland, -Ben 22 - By the Associated Press.) - The Clare

County Council, the constituency of Eamon de Valera, today veted, 17 to 5, in favor of the Irenty between Ireland and Great Britain and requested Mr. De Valera to use his influence for the maintenance of astional unity. The resolution admitted that

there were grave objections to the treaty, but declared that there was no rational alternative to its

"Rejection of the treaty," the resolution added, "would be al-most certain to envolve us in a war of annihilation, because our people will be divided, and because world opinion, instead of being with us, as at present, will be Copies of the resolution were

sent to Mr. De Walers and other Clave representatives,

ADJOURN DEBATE ON IRISH TREAT

Dail Eireann To Take Up Paet Again January 3; Expect Ratification

Dublin, Dec. 22 - (By the Associat ed Press.)-The Dail Eireann, by a vote of 77 to 44, decided late today, on a motion submitted by Michael Collins, to adjourn further debate on the Irish treaty until Tuesday, January third. It was not the motion itself, but an amendment to the motion, on which the vote was actually taken. The amendment introduced and seconded by opcontinuance of sittings day and evening until action was taken on the treaty's ratification or rejection. The defeat of the amendment

automatically decided the motion. be observed, the vote followed the

Shows Treaty Attitude. Nobody tonight, believes, of course, that if a vote had been taken on the treaty itself the majority would have been so great as the gave its supporters, but there is no proximated the sentiments for and against the treaty. This is denied treaty, who assert that it was not a "I am prepared at any time to fair test, as many of the deputies on

In fact, Countess Markingler posal, apparently having in mind as indicated by her satisfical second vious illness, Mr. Watterson consent. ing speech, the possibility of the debate continuing through Christmas Days and night and overlooking the possibility of a party division on the

motion. Mr. Collins showed engerness to rush his motion through to quick decision. He summarily becked Mr. Milroy, who interrupted the takcleared up as to whether deputies representing two constituencies should have two votes, Mr. Collins declaring that he would not hear of having the fate of Ireland decided

Much Excitement When it became apparent that there as to be a party line-up on the vote, the atmosphere became t. se with excitement. Many of the spectators failed to anderstand the significance of the proceedings and the greatest bewilderment was manifested upon the nnouncement of the result of the vote. De Valera's face was stern and grim when the figures were announced. Considerable elation was shown by Collins and his adherents. Desmond Fitzgerald, minister of propaganda, who ports the treaty, said tonight he be leved that not more than ten opponents of the treaty voted for ad journmen, indicating a majority for e treaty of thirteen.

Pierce Beasley, an active Sinn einer, who intended to speak this ternoon for ratification, informed The Associated Press correspondent shortly before the vote was taken that he could not make a guess on the outcome of the traty vote, but red that "the f-te of Ire...id is trembling in the balance.

MILITARY SITUATION IN IRELAND DISCUSSED

Landon, Dec. 22 .- (By the Associated Press.)-A long conference was held at the Colonial Office today, presided over by Winston Churchill, Colonial Secretary, and attended by Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, Secretary for War; Sir Hamar Green wodo, Secretary for Ireland, and General H. M. Tudor, Commander of the Crown Forces In Ireland. It is understood the military

Five Persons Killed.

Rome, Dec. 22.—Five persons were killed and thirty injured in the collision at San Dora yesterday of two railway express trains. occurred on the bridge crossing the Playe river.

British Plea For Abolition of Undersea Craft Receives No Support From Other Powers

AMERICAN DELEGATES SUGGEST REVISION OF METHODS OF WARFARE

Spokesmen of France, Italy and Japan Declare Submarines Legitimate and Valuable Naval Weapons When Properly Used and Are Unprepared To See Them Abolished; Question of Auxiliary Craft To Come Up Next, With Waiting On Presentation of Estimates By The French: Much Significance Attached To Exchanges Between Washington and Paris; Treaty Discussion Continues

Washington, Dec. 22 .- (By the Asociated Press.) - Great Britain's plea that the submarine be banished from the seven seas was presented to the arms conference today, but it received no support from any other power. In turn, the spokesmen of France,

Italy and Japan replied that they regarded submarines, when properly employed, as a legitimate and valuable arm of naval strength, and were unprepared to see them abolished.

The American delegates' took no final stand on the question, but suggested that the conference turn its efforts toward such a revision of international practices as would prevent a repetition of the ruthless submarine methods of the World War. Further Exchange Today

A further exchange of views on the British proposal will take place tomorrow unless France, whose representatives again are awaiting instructions from their premier, is prepared to go ahead with the delayed presentation of estimates for auxiliary craft she desires to keep under the naval reduction program French indicated tonight that the hoped at tomorrow's meeting to at least know their exact requirements

as to submarine tennage. Today's discussions took place be hind the closed doors of the committee room, but the British asked that their indictment of the submarine be made public, and indicated probably would earry their fight later to an open session of the conference. They apparently do not hope to succeed, however, after to-day's expression of views, and are planning to join in the move for an understanding to restrict the oper-

French Cause Surprise Announc went of the French that they were _aprepared to present figures today as to their auxiliary tonnage requirements caused general surprise in conference circles. Before the committee meeting they had indicated that their estimates were ready, but later it became apparent that cable exchanges of an important nature were in progress between Washington and Premier Briand. In these exchanges Secretary Hughes joined as the conference chairman, receiving word of the latest desires of the French Premier in a message from Ambassador Harvey at London.

The nature of the exchanges was not revealed, but considerable significance was attached to a news dispatch from abroad saying that M. Briand felt he must consult with the French cabinet before making a definite answer to the messages from

Washington. That development generally was accepted as greatly diminishing the possibility of an agreement on auxiliary craft for several days, and some of those in conference circles professed to see a chance that some new issue had arisen which might again obscure some of the major plans of the conference.

Treaty Still Holds Sway. While the naval problems were fu the place of prominence during all of the day's negotiations, the delegates found time to give increasing attention to the discussion American official qua ters over interpretation of the new four-power treaty. They weighed the possible effect of the difference of view between President Harding and the American delegates and watched developments in the Senate where a group is organizing to oppose ratiication of the pact.

Meantime, the Japanese announce ed they had prepared to present at the next meeting of the Far Eastern committee, now expected to be held next week, a statement in oprogation of the agreements that re-sulted from the "twenty-one de-mands." No further instructions came from Tokio to permit resumption of the Shantung negotiations and it was indicated that the nava discussions would continue to co cupy the major attention of the deli-

gates until after Christmas.

Illegitimate Weapen.

The case of Great Britain against the submarine was pressured to the committee today by Lord Lee, chief of the British Admiralty, who declared underwater craft not only outraged all considerations of humanity, but by illegitimate methods jeopardized the national life of the

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