## **President Makes Public** His Legislative Program

In Message to Congress President Coolidge Expressed Favor for World Court Plan and Lower Taxes.

AGAINST THE BONUS FOR EX-SOLDIERS

He Outlines His Policies for First Time, But in This Instance He Did Not Make His Reasons Known.

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, Dec. 6.—President Coolidge addressed Congress today for the first time since he became Chief Executive. Appearing before a joint session of the House and Senate, he presented recommendations touching all the major problems confronting the nation.

The Mellon tax reduction program was given unqualified eddorsement but the soldiers bonus was disapproved. Entire reorganization of the freight rate structure was recommended.

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Mr. Coolidge's address broke the stud-ied silence he has maintained on public questions since he entered the White House. The message had been awaited not only because it definitely outlined the legislative policy of the administration but because of the political effect it may have both upon his own fortunes and that of his party.

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In addressing Congress in person Mr

ess, endorsed President Harding's pro-He endorsed President Harding's pro-posal for American membership with res-ervations in the world court; unquali-fiedly approved Secretary Mellon's tax re-duction plan, and announced his opposi-tion to enactment of soldier bonus legis-

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He also went on record as fayoring stimulated consolidation of railroads, recorganization of the railroad freight structure as applied to farm products; and government assistance in the disposition of exportable wheat. He declared against price fixing for farm products; against price fixing for farm products; against revision of the tariff law.

Making his first pronouncement of the tariff law.

Making his first pronouncement of many public questions, the President presented a series of succinet recommendations without attempt at argument, He used exactly nine words in disposing of the bonus question. After urging adequate care for disabled former servicemen and generosity, in providing succare, he said: "I do not favor the granting of a bonus."

The treatment of the world court and the Mellon tax plan was almost as hiref, In approaching the court problem he noted that American foreign policy always had been guided by the principles of avoidance of premanent political illiances sacrificing independence and benefits and ded that the proposed world court was added that the proposed world court was and add that the proposed world court was and and ded that the proposed world court was and and added that the proposed world court was and and dot not a partisan question," he added. "It should not assume an artificial importance. As I wish to see

"This is not a partising queetion," he added. "It should not assume an artificial importance. As I wish to see a court established, and as the proposal presents the only practical plan on which many nations have ever agreed, though it may not met every desire, I therefore commend it to the favorable consideration of the Sente, with the proposal results of the senter with the proposal results of the senter with the proposal results of the sentence in all today, and it among the sentence in all today, and it doubt and the sentence of the

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PRESIDENT COOLIDGE



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THE COTTON MARKET

(By the Associated Press.)

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New York, Dec. 6.—Yesterday's big break was followed by moderate rallies during today's early trading in the cotton market. Liverpool showed continued weakness but the opening here was steady at an advance of 19 points to a decline of 15 points, and active positions soon showed net advances of 15 to 30 points on covering. Some trade buying was also reported, but the bulge to 35.25 for December and 35.03 for March met further scattered liquidation and the tone of the market was still nervous and unsettled. that of his party.

In addressing Congress in person Mr. Coolidge readopted a policy established by Wilson and followed by Harding. He spoke in the House chamber, standing at the clerk's desk in front of the speaker's dar's where he had sat as vice president on the occasions that his last Chief addressed Congress.

There was an unusual demand for tickets to the House galleries to hear the first speech of the new President, and even standing room was at a premium long before he began to speak. Outside, on the capitol plaza, another large crowd heard the address through an amplifying device, and at the same time it was carried throughout the country by radio.

On the floor of the House itself the crush was so great that members complained they were unable to get to the seats to which they were entitled.

Mrs. Coolidge stat in the Executive Gallery. She had arrived before the House assembled at noon and received an ovation from the floor and gallierles. The Chief Executive spoke slowly and deliberately without efforts at ceratory. The first applause came when he declared the United States stay no reason to limit its own freedom and independence of action by joining the league of nations.

Washington, Dec. 6.—A legislative program touching almost every aspect of mational life was presented by President Coolidge today in his first message to Congress.

He endorsed President Harding's pro-

COURT BARS LIE DETECTOR.

"Sphygmomnometre" Too Little
Known, It Rules, Denying Appeal.
Washington, Dec. 6.—The Court of
Appeals of the District of Columbia has
held that the "sphygmomnometre," or
lie detector, is too littlle known to be of
any practical use in a murder trial as
a means of determining whether a per-



he President prefaced his message east and south tonight, rising temperature in west on Friday.

Study Conditions

ASSOCIATED THE CONCORD DAILY TRIBUNE



The "eyes and ears" of 1,500,000 American farmers' families visited Germany to study conditions. The committee is shown coming from Ambassador Houghton's office. Houghton is in center with white flower. The woman is Mrs. Fritz Kreisler, wife of the violinist, now in Berlin tiding sufferers. The man in front is Grav Silver, head of the committee.

BURIED AT WAYNESVILLE
Services Wiff Be Held There Saturday
Morning, His Son Announces.

(By the Associated Press.)
Asheville, Dec.6.—The body of Bishop James Atkins who died at Little Rock, Ark, last night will be taken to Waynesville, N. C., on Friday for burial, according to an announcement this morning of James Atkins, Jr., son of the deceased. The body is expected to reach Waynesville Friday afternoon, and funeral services will be held at Waynesville Baptist Church Saturday morning at 11 oclock. Burial will take place at Green Hill cemetery in Waynesville, Rev. J. T. Mangum, pastor of the Methodist Church at Waynesville, will be held in the Baptist Church because the Methodist Church at Waynesville, will be held in the Baptist Church because the Methodist church at Waynesville, will be held in the Baptist Church because the Methodist church at Waynesville, will be held in the Baptist Church because the Methodist church at Waynesville, will be held in the Baptist Church because the Methodist church at Waynesville, will be held in the Baptist Church because the Methodist church at Waynesville, will be held in the Baptist Church because the Methodist church at Waynesville, will be held in the Baptist Church because the Methodist church at Waynesville, will be held in the Baptist Church because the Methodist church at Waynesville, will be held in the Baptist Church because the Methodist church at Waynesville, will be held in the Baptist Church because the Methodist church at Waynesville, will be held in the Baptist Church because the Methodist church at Waynesville, will be held in the Baptist Church because the Methodist church at Waynesville, will be held in the Baptist Church because the Methodist church at Waynesville, will be held in the Baptist Church because the Methodist church at Waynesville, will be held in the Baptist Church because the Methodist church at Waynesville, will be held in the Baptist Church because the Methodist church at Waynesville, will be held in the Baptist Church because the Method

Edward J. Sailstad Arrested in Wiscon-sin Tarce Years After He Disappear ede.

(By the Associated Freeze,
Napa, Cal., Dec. 6.—Three years after
a burned skeleton was found in his
summer cottage at Lake Nebagammon,
Wisconsin, identified and buried as his,
Edward J. Sailstad, former head of a
Eau Claire Wisconsin phonograph manupan crare wisconsin phonograph manufacturing company, was arrested near here yesterday at the request of Wisconsin authorities on a charge of arson. With him was Dorothy Anderson, of Chicago, his stenographer, who was held for further questioning.

Salistad confessed, according to Dis

smisial concessed according to Dis-trict Attorney Anglin, that he robbed the grave of Allen McFee, placed the body in the cottage, fired the structure and fled with Miss Anderson, It was to solve financial diffificulties of the phonograph company as well as to cove his flight with the stenographer, accord

ing to Mr. Anglin.

He expected his wife to collect \$62,000 cm his life, use the money to straighten out the phonograph company's affairs, the district attorney is quoted as saying. Mrs. Sailstad, convinced that her husband was alead, began legal action to collect the insurance, and later reasonable. lect the insurance, and later married Ross Richardson, of Eau Claire.

Fifteen Vessels in Fleet Said tot Be Ready for Christmas Trade.
Highlands, N. J., Dec, G.—(By the Associated Press).—New Jersey's far famed rum fleet, fifteen strong, today had massed outside the 12-mile limit, ready for the Christmas trade. Two steamers and thirteen sailing craft could be observed from the shore. The vessels were at anchor about seven miles south of the Ambrose Channel light, ship and were at anchor about seven miles source of the Ambrose Channel light ship and as far as 15 miles at sea.

MYSTERY IS HEARD

Prisoner Said to Have Intimated That Greensboro Man Was Murdered, (By the Associated Press.) Orlando, Fla., Dec. 6.—County Sheriff Karel today made public a statement

He thinks old papers and books on the upper floor may be causing it to sag. He has been informed that in President Cleveland's administration piles of documents in the garrett cuased a distinct sagging.

Plot to Interfere With Voting.

(By the Associated Press).

London, Dec. 6.—The Evening News says that a red. plot to interfere with the voting in London today has been discovered, and that the police are taking steps to prevent its accomplished. Plotters, the paper says, are apparently laying great attention to women votaged 56, retired insurance man, died at the home of his dauchter, Mrs. N. E. Hood, here last night. Burial will be at Rock Hill, S. C. on Friday, it was stated today. He had been ill for some

Jackson Will Surrender

(By the Associated Press.)
New York, Dec. 6.—William J. Jackwho was indicted last Tuesday on a charge of stealing stock certificates with a fact value of \$175,000 has returned,

Vexenat Gets Life Sentence.
(By the Associated Press.)
Houston, Texas, Dec. 6.—George Vexenant, former French aviator, was sentenced to life imprisonment late yesterday for the murder of his sweetheart, Louise Floquet, and was displeased with the verdict, expressing a desire to pay the extreme penalty.

Democrats May Support Measure.
Washington, Dec. 6.—President Coolidge's recommendations for tax reduction and reorganization of rate structure for freight irvites sympathetic consideration of the democrats, Senator Robinson of Arkansas, democratic senate leader said today.

If we would look back with pleasur on the past, let it be our endeavor to make good use of the present, Such Is Love!



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Leading Figure in Methodist Episcopa Century.
Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 5.—Bishop

Atkins, for more than a quarter of century a leading figure in the Meth-dist Episcopal Church, South, died her

tonight.

No appreciable change had been noted today in the condition of Bishop Atkins, who was stricken with paralysis here Monday.

The prelated had been unconscious since late yesterday. His wife and their three children were at his bed-Monday.

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Fresh vegetables and mountain buck-wheeat at Dove-Bost Co.'s.

See list of new Victor records in the ad. of Bell & Harris Music Department. Good values in Gordon and Phoenix silk hosiery and silk underwear at Scar-bornia.

Praise makes a wise man cautious and

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## CUSTOMS HOUSE AT CANTON TAKEN BY FOREIGN MARINES

Announcement of Seizure Made in Message From Hong Kong-Nothing Unlawful in the Seizure.

CHINESE WANTED TO SECURE AID

And Government is Said to Have Asked Marines to Take Over the Building For Present Time.

(By the Associated Press.)

Hong Kong, Dec. 6.—Parties of marines from the foreign gunboats anchored off Canton are reported to have taken possession of the customs house there. The troops are said to be equipped with machine guns.

Six foreign gunboats are known to be anchored off Shameen. They include the two American vessels, the Asheville and the Pampanga, the British ships Cilala, Moorhen and the French gunboats Maliciense and Craonne.

The British flotilla has been strengthened by the arrival of the gunboat Magnolia, with Admiral Leveson aboard and the Tarantula, according to later advices received here. The Japanese gunboat Matsu and the destroyer Sugi also are reported to have arrived. Admiral Frochat, of the French navy, is aboard the Craonne.

Nothing Unlawful in Seizure.

London, Dec. 6.—A news agency dispatch from Hong Kong today says the action of the powers in sending marines ashore there was to prevent Sun Yat Sen from seizing the customs house as he had threatened. When visited by the British commander-in-hief and French admiral, Sun Yat Sen is quoted as promising not to interfere "if the measures you take are sufficient to prevent me." Nothing Unlawful in Seizure.

COLLEGE BOYS INVADE HOUSE WHERE GIRL STUDENTS SLEI Celebrate Football Victory by Smashing Dormitory Windows and Parading Its

Washington, Pa., Dec. 5.—More than Washington, Pa., Dec. 5.—More than 100 Washington and Jefferson College freelmen, who last night too ardently celebrated the Thanksgiving day football victory over West Virginia, face the probability of expulsion and almost certain accounting to the police. Invasion of the sacred precincts of the Washington Seminary, a fashionable girls school, is the reason for the fear and quaking

among the first-year college men.
Following a big mass meeting, parade and bonfire, the freshmen separated them and bonfire, the freshmen separated themselves from the other celebrants and marched to the seminary. When they found the doors securely locked they ran upon the verandas, forced the windows and then proceeded to march up and down the halls of the dormitory. Frightened students and teachers ran to their rooms and locked the doors, the college boys contenting themselves with giving their yells from the basement to the third floor. The only damage done was the breaking of some windows.

The affair was reported to the college authorities and President Baker said today that a searching investigation would

authorities and President Baker said to-day that a searching investigation would be made. The seminary authorities also announced tonight that they would place the "outrage" before the proper county authorities tomorrow.

Will Honor Page's Memory,

(By the Associated Press.)

Raleigh, Dec. 6.—The North Carolina
State Historical Association will honor
the memory of Walter Hines Page, late
small the memory of Great Britain, and J.
Bryan Grimes, for twenty-two years
Secretary of State of North Carolina,
during its two-day session which opens
here tonight. A portrait of Mr. Grimes
will be placed in the North Carolina
Hall of Fame at tonight's session and
tomorrow night a portrait of Mr. Page
will be presented.

Appalachian Railway Loses Request.

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, Dec. 6.—The Appalachian
Railway Company was refused authority
by the Interstate Commerce Commission
today to open up and operate an eightmile railroad between Rayensford and
Parsons, both points in North Carolina,
Construction would cart \$112,000 accord. Construction would cost \$112,000 accord ing to estimates to the commission which concluded there was little possibility of profit from the road.

President to Speeak by Radio

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, Dec, 6.—The air will be cleared for fifteen minutes next Monday night when President Coolidge speaker charge of stealing stock certificates with a fact value of \$175,000 has returned, and will surrender this afternoon to Distand will surrender this afternoon to District Attorney Banton, according to his many bargains for the week-end, Friday of Warren G. Harding.

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