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ELECTION TO BE HELD BY MAY

Says Kellum; Bellamy Reported as Balking

Both Legislators From New Hanover County Make Statements as to the Commission Bill—Measure Introduced For Train Between Wilmington and Goldsboro—Other Business of the General Assembly Today.

(By Liewxam.)
Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 13, 1911.—Asked if in the commission bill the first commissioners will be appointed or elected and when, or about when, the first election be held, Representative Kellum said to your correspondent: "Until this time, I have expressed no opinion relative to the Wilmington municipal commission bill, but am of the opinion that the voters should pass on the bill at an election called for that purpose, and if the people adopt the commission form of government, then they should nominate and elect the officers provided for in the bill. As to whether the vote is cast by wards or in city, as a whole, my preference would be one commissioner from each ward to be nominated and elected by the vote of the entire city. As to time for adopting the bill, after it passes the Legislature, I think it should be at an election held not later than May 1st. The officers, if the bill is adopted, should then be nominated and elected not later than May 6th. I have expressed no opinion before, because, I realize I am only the servant of the people and am anxious to have my official acts as a legislator comport with the views and desires of a majority of the people of Wilmington in this matter."

Will Fight Something.

Senator Bellamy was interviewed by the Dispatch's representative on the municipal bill subject. He replied in the affirmative when asked if he agreed with Representative Kellum, as to having the commissioners nominated and elected by vote of city, as a whole, but providing a commissioner for each ward.

"What bill is to be introduced to accomplish these results? Is it or is it not the bill, the text of which was printed in the Dispatch a few days ago? (the proposed Kellum bill) I asked the Senator.

"Yes," said he, "that's it, but I'll tell you now, I am going to fight it with all the force I can command."

Today's Work.

The week-end exodus began today and scores of legislators secured leave of absence.

Among the new bills in the House today were:

By Kerr, of Duplin, looking to running additional trains between Wilmington and Goldsboro.

By Carr, of Durham, enabling the counties to create the office of County Auditor and providing a salary basis for the county officers.

Invitations were extended the United States directors of Public Roads to address the Legislature on the subject of roads January 26th.

A new bill by Connor, of Wilson, was introduced and referred, to amend the charter of the City of Wilson, and bill to enable the city of Wilson to issue bonds for the purpose of funding a part of its indebtedness.

By Ewart, to regulate charges for berths on sleeping cars, fixing rates at \$1.25 and \$1.00.

The speaker announced several additional standing committees, among most important being: Insurance, Loss, of Harnett, chairman; Regulation of Liquor Traffic, Hoffman; Penal Institutions, Cox, of Anson; Insane Asylums, Kent, chairman; Corporation Commission, Masette, chairman; International Improvements, Witherspoon, chairman; Printing, McNeill, chairman.

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At the Byou.

The feature film at the popular Bijou Theatre today is called "The Test of Friendship." This is a most interesting picture and it will please the patrons of the theatre.

Shot Niece Who Would Not Marry Him

Boston, Mass., Jan. 13.—Angered because his 14-year-old niece, Fetimida Viana, refused to marry him, Sandido Viana, aged 45 years, shot and dangerously wounded the girl. Then he attempted to kill himself.

KILLED TODAY ON THE RAILS

Trains Crash On The New York Central

Engineer's Disregard of Orders Caused a Disaster—Number of Passengers Killed—Six Bodies Taken From the Wreckage—Many Injured.

Batavia, N. Y., Jan. 13.—While train No. 49 of the New York Central, westbound, was standing at the station here this morning train No. 23 also westbound, ran into the rear of it, telescoping the rear car and crashing into the end of the coach ahead of it. Three passengers were killed and many injured. The bodies of two of the dead are under the engine of train No. 23.

Six bodies were taken from the wreckage. The injured will number eighteen.

Superintendent Everett, of the Western Division of the New York Central has made the following statement: "Preliminary investigation shows J. B. Lydell, of Buffalo, engineer of train No. 23, was responsible for the accident, in that he disregarded signals. Lydell has been in the employ of the company for forty years and has been engineering since 1888, with a perfect record."

FARMERS EVERYWHERE ARE PROTESTING TO UNCLE SAM

Washington, Jan. 13.—The State Department is being flooded with letters from farmers all over the United States protesting against the action of the German Government in levying a tax on potash, which is largely consumed as fertilizer in America.

Notes Eye Specialist Dead.

Newark, N. J., Jan. 13.—Dr. Charles J. Kipp, one of the most celebrated eye and ear specialists in America, died at his home today of pneumonia at the age of seventy-two years.

COTTON MEN CONSIDER DRASTIC CURTAILMENT

Boston, Jan. 13.—The cotton manufacturers of the country are considering the advisability of adopting a drastic curtailment policy, which many maintain is necessary, because of the expensive raw material and indifferent goods on the market. During the next ten days the question will be settled at meetings of the manufacturers in Boston, Fall River and several Southern States.

The Fall River Cotton Manufacturers' Association had a curtailment problem under consideration this afternoon and the situation will be discussed in Boston next week. The executive committee of the South Carolina Cotton Manufacturers' Association has called a meeting in Spartanburg Jan. 17th, to consider the question of restricting the output.

Carrie Nation Has Nervous Collapse.

Eureka Springs, Ark., Jan. 13.—Carrie Nation, the saloon smasher, has suffered a nervous collapse. Mrs. Nation has expressed the fear that her career as an active enemy of intoxicants is ended.

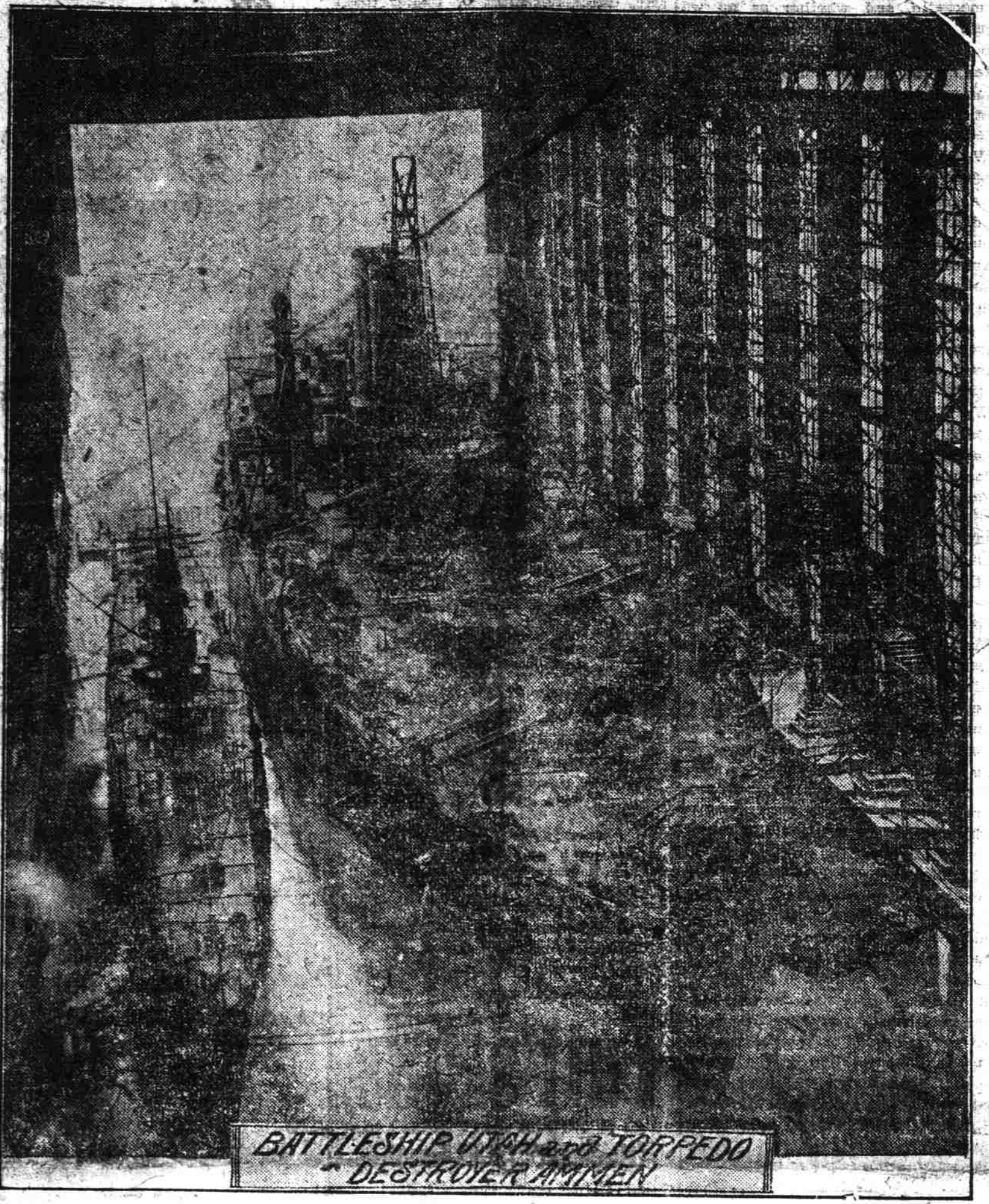
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Battleship Utah Is Nearly Ready to Make Her Trial Speed Trips.



A swarm of workmen are adding the finishing touches to the battleship Utah, Uncle Sam's latest giant of the sea, and within the next two weeks her speed trials will be under way. The torpedo destroyer Ammen will be completed about the same time. Both ships are being built at the yards of the New York Shipbuilding company Camden, N. J. Before the Utah gets started on her trial trip the launching of the battleship Arkansas, a sister ship will keep the navy officials busy for a time.

TO HONOR PEARY

House Committee Reports Favorably Bill for Congress to Give Explorer Thanks, and Retire Him With Pay and a Big Rank.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 13.—Capt. Robert E. Peary will receive the thanks of Congress for his Arctic discoveries and be retired with rank and retired pay of Rear Admiral of United States Navy, according to a bill, which the Naval Affairs Committee today ordered reported favorably. Captain Peary's retirement will date from April 6, 1909, when the naval officer claims he discovered the North Pole. The House bill differs from the Senate bill in that the Senate bill gave him the rank of Rear Admiral of line and carried no thanks of Congress. The vote in committee was unanimous, except for Representative Roberts, of Massachusetts, who will file a minority report.

PRESIDENT SENDS IN MORE NOMINATIONS

Washington, Jan. 13.—President Taft has sent the Senate the following nominations: United States Judge of Eastern District of New York, Van Vechten Veeder, of New York; United States Attorney, same district, Wm. J. Youngs; Collector of Customs of Portland, Oregon, Phillip S. Malcolm; Surveyor of Customs of Atlanta, Ga., Marcellus O. Markham, of Georgia.

Stocks Today.

New York, Jan. 13.—Wall Street—There were some fairly wide openings in the initial trading on the stock market today. Although the general advance halted when dullness intervened, the market did not relapse more than a trivial fraction and a few stocks continued to go up.

CHAIRMAN ELECTED

Head of Interstate Commerce Commission Chosen at a Special Conference Held Today.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Judson C. Clements, of Georgia, was elected chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission at a special conference of the commission today. Clements is the senior member of the commission and is a Democrat. While the commission is composed of three Democrats and four Republicans at present, it has been the uniform policy of the commission, since its creation, to elect its senior member chairman, irrespective of political affiliations. The chairman's election is highly important to the transportation companies, shippers and the public generally. He exerts a powerful influence upon the operations of the commission and is ex-officio one of the mediators under the Erdman act, which provides an adjustment of the controversies arising between the common carriers and their employees. Judson Clements is a native of Georgia, both in 1846. As a member of the Georgia legislature he was instrumental in creating the Georgia railroad commission. From 1880 he served ten years as a member of the National House of Representatives. He was appointed to the commission by President Cleveland March, 1892.

OTHER PORTUGAL SOLDIERS MUTINY FOR MORE PAY

Paris, Jan. 13.—A Madrid dispatch says that a traveler from Badajoz, five miles from the Portuguese frontier, declares that the soldiers in the fortress at Elvas, Portugal, have mutinied, demanding increased pay.

The Grand Theatre is the place to meet your friends. It

LAD MURDERED

Body Found in Swamp and Evidence Points to Murder—Was Lickly Forced to Drink Carboic Acid.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 13.—The body of a five year old boy found dead in a swamp on the Schneckstadt road Tuesday is believed to have been murdered by the forcible administration of carboic acid. He was identified by relatives as George Melber, of Schneckstadt.

NEW HOTEL FOR WASHINGTON

One of Finest in South to be Erected On Site of Old Arlington.

Washington, Jan. 13.—The historic Arlington Hotel here, across Lafayette Square from the White House, will be purchased by a syndicate of Washington and New York capitalists. Six million dollars is involved in the project of demolishing the structure and building upon the site one of the finest hotels in the South.

WARSHIP FOR CHINA TO BE BUILT IN UNITED STATES

New York, Jan. 13.—The Shipbuilding Company, of Camden, N. J., has confirmed the reports that it has received a contract for building a cruiser for the Chinese Government. The vessel will be of twenty six hundred tons and will cost one million dollars. The guns will be supplied by the Bethlehem Steel Company.

Noted "Affidavit King" Dead.

New York, Jan. 13.—Robert Caldwell, the "Great American Affidavit Maker," who figured as the principal witness in the famous Druce will case in England, is dead, after two years illness.

Good pictures, fine music, and a sanitary, comfortable place, you will find at the Grand. It

IS AFTER BIG NAVAL MEET

Virginia Wants Foreign Fleets Anyhow

Wants Vessels to Rendezvous in Hampton Roads in 1915 Regardless of Where the Panama Exposition is Held—Senator Swanson Introduces an Amendment in Behalf of Such.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 13.—The Virginian delegation in Congress plans having the naval fleets of the world rendezvous at Hampton Roads, in 1915, whether the Panama Canal exposition is held in New Orleans, San Francisco or some other city. Senator Swanson has introduced an amendment to any canal exposition bill that may be passed with a provision directing the President to invite the foreign governments to make such rendezvous a part of their participation in such celebration as may be had in connection with the opening of the Atlantic-Pacific water highway. Representative Kahn, of California, introduced a joint resolution authorizing the President to hold the naval reviews in both San Francisco Bay and Hampton Roads. Senator Swanson's amendment contemplates having the President welcome the representative foreign fleets in Washington and then review the fleets in Hampton Roads, before they start on their voyage to the exposition city.

EIGHTEEN PEOPLE KILLED IN RIOTS YESTERDAY

Bombay, Jan. 13.—Eighteen persons were killed and twenty four others injured in yesterday's rioting. The Muharran festival brought about a clash between the Sunnites and Shiites. Troops, called out to restore order, fired into the mobs.

VALUABLE DOCUMENTS BURNED.

Disastrous Fire in Government Pension Office in Washington.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Thousands of valuable documents in pensions cases were destroyed this morning in a fire in the United States pension office. The origin of the fire is unknown. The damage done was mostly by smoke and water.

Loses Job Through Drunkenness.

Washington, Jan. 13.—President Taft has dismissed from the Naval Service, Boatswain B. Hosgner, who was tried by court-martial at Annapolis Naval Academy on the charge of drunkenness and neglect of duty.

DENSE FOG HANGS OVER THE CAROLINA COAST

Norfolk, Jan. 13.—A dense fog envelops the Virginia, Carolina and Maryland coasts, with the observation of vessels entering the Chesapeake Capes almost completely cut off since last midnight.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

Process to Make Beer Non Intoxicating Has Been Discovered.

New York, Jan. 13.—Deacoholized beer is the latest production of inventive genius. An English chemist is responsible for the latest discovery, which prevents beer being intoxicating. The process is applicable to beers. It will henceforth be possible for teetotalers to drink beer and ale without breaking the temperance pledge.

GARDNER ALIEN BILL

Was Today Ordered Favorably Reported to the House.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 13.—The Gardner bill, which prohibits the admission into the United States of any illiterate alien over 16 years old, was ordered favorably reported to the House by the committee on Immigration today.

To see pictures in a new and up-to-date theatre, come to the Grand. It

WEAVING WEB AROUND HER

Prosecutor Expects to Present Vital Witness

Evidence Today in the Schenk Trial Showing That Only Mrs. Schenk Could Have Administered the Poison to Her Husband—State Yet Has Big Card to Play.

Wheeling, W. Va., Jan. 13.—The Schenk case today was largely a continuation of yesterday's presentations. Prosecutor Handlan seemingly to offset the defense's expectations asserted that within the next few days a witness would be called by the State to show that Mrs. Schenk purchased quantities of arsenic and sugar of lead shortly after her husband's return from Europe. It is expected the trial will be concluded this week.

Dr. J. W. Mallett, Emeritus Professor of the University of West Virginia, was the next witness. He stated that his tests of water used by Schenk contained eight-tenths grains of white arsenic to the pint, or eighty grains of Fowler's solution. Cross-examination developed nothing. Florence Coleman, the maid, who formerly worked in the Schenk family, testified that the Friday preceding Mrs. Schenk's arrest she was told by Mrs. Schenk to clean John's room, ready for his occupancy. She denied ever putting anything or seeing anything put in the water. Edward McAllister, the druggist from whom the water and medicine came, said no lead was used in the quinine compound.

STOCKDALE TO MANAGE

Lynchburg Ball Team Gets a Southern League Pitcher.

Lynchburg, Va., Jan. 13.—Odis Stockdale, for many years a pitcher in the Southern Association, has signed a contract to manage the local Virginia League team next season. He was released to this team without price.

WILL NOT RESULT IN POLITICAL RING CONTROL

Washington, Jan. 13.—The increase of the House membership to 433 will not result in the domination of that body by parliamentary or political rings, in the opinion of the House Census Committee. Chairman Crumpacker made the report favoring reappointment today. The report directs attention to the fact that the plan of naming the committees by the House will be tried; and the House itself holds the power to break up rings, or machines by changing the rules. The existing basis of the representation is the one Congressman to 194,000 people. Under the Crumpacker bill it will be one to every 211,877 people.

Well Known Publisher Dead.

New York, Jan. 13.—Henry Burr Barnes, the well known publisher, died today, aged sixty six years. He was a director of the American Boo Company.

TWO YEARS GIVEN MAINE BANK SWINDLER

Saco, Maine, Jan. 13.—Richmond H. Ingersoll, former treasurer of the Savings Bank of Biddeford, which closed August 12th, was sentenced by Judge Peabody today to serve two years in the county jail. The closing of the bank followed the discovery that Ingersoll, during his forty years connection with the institution, was guilty of numerous irregularities.

WANTS LARGER NAVY

Japs Clamoring For Bigger Expenditure Than Forty Millions.

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 13.—Arrangements for expending only forty million dollars for Naval increases in Japan during the next six years has created vigorous opposition to Count Yamamoto, according to advices received by the steamer Panama. It