ficials three or four times a day, "to keep them posted, I suppose, on the course of the market."

Private Telephone Admitted.

At this point there was another long wrangle between counsel about this telephone, and Attorney Hogan for the defense said again that the defense concedes, in accordance with the opening statement of Mr. Stanchfield for the defense, that there was such a private telephone.

To the surprise of many in the courtroom the defense did not enter upon an extensive cross-examination of Mr. Mearns. Mr. Stanchfield asked but one question on cross-examination:

"Did the firm of Lewis Johnson & Co. pay for this telephone service with the bank?"

Mearns testified that the expense was borne by the brokerage firm, and left the stand.

George E. Gregory, cashier of the National City Bank of New York, appeared on the stand for a few minutes, to testify that he had made a search for papers in a deal between his bank, the Crocker National Bank of San Francisco and the Riggs, involving a sale of United States bonds, on which the Riggs Bank had made some money and that he had been unable to find the papers.

When W. Morris Lammond was put on the witness stand again a tedious identification of papers ensued.

Witnesses Not in Court.

Yesterday afternoon's session of the trial ended with an unsuccessful effort of the government to put on the stand William A. Mearns, once connected with the defunct brokerage firm of Lewis Johnson & Co., and H. Rozier Dulany. Subpoenas had been issued for both, but they were not in court.

The principal witness yesterday afternoon was Benjamin W. Woodruff, who, at the time of the failure of the Johnson firm, was a partner in it. Mr. Woodruff testified that there had been an extension of the Johnson telephone switchboard on the desk in the Riggs Bank of Henry H. Flather. He identified order slips made out by him pursuant to orders received over this telephone. One bore the name of William J. Flather, and the other bore no name except the word "Riggs." Mr. Woodruff explained that Mr. Flather's name, which was in Mr. Woodruff's handwriting, indicated that Mr. Flather had telephoned the order, and that the word "Riggs" indicated that the order had come over the Riggs telephone, he did not know from whom.

Accounts With Other Banks.

What the defense regarded as an important statement was made by W. Morris Lammond, formerly bookkeeper for the Johnson firm, he having been recalled to the stand in the afternoon. He testified that Lewis Johnson & Co. had had accounts with other national banks in Washington for the purchase and sale of stocks. No attempt was made to bring out the names of other banks that had accounts on the Lewis Johnson & Co. books.

Joshua Evans, jr., cashier of the Riggs Bank, was subpoenaed yesterday by the court, with instructions to produce in court considerable additional correspondence between the Riggs and the National City Bank of New York bearing on a deal with the Crocker National Bank of San Francisco by which the Riggs Bank made a profit in United States bonds.

OCCUPATION OF FORT BY FRENCH PROTESTED

BERLIN, May 18, by wireless to Sayville, N. Y.—The Overseas News Agency today gave out the following: "It is reported from Athens that French troops have occupied Fore Dowa Tete by force and that the Greek government has delivered an emphatic protest to the ministers at Athens of the entente powers. Greece points out that the occupation of the fort is contrary to promises which had been given."

HINDU TROOP MUTINY IN EGYPT IS REPORTED

BERLIN, May 18.—A mutiny of Hindu troops in Egypt is reported by the Neue Zuricher Zeitung, as quoted by the Overseas News Agency. It is said that during the recent fighting near the Suez canal the Hindus in many cases refused to obey orders, and that fighting took place between the soldiers and Australian officers, causing a large number of casualties.

VATICAN WANTS GERMANS TO END U-BOAT WARFARE

LONDON, May 18.—Sir Edward Grey, the foreign secretary, announced in the house of commons today that the government had been informed by Sir Henry Howard, British minister at the Vatican, that representations have been made to Germany by the Vatican with a view to inducing Germany to abandon submarine warfare.

OFFICERS FOR PLATTSBURG

Have Been Assigned From Panama Canal Zone Garrison.

NEW YORK, May 18.—Seven officers attached to the garrisons in the Panama Canal Zone will have charge of the business men's training camps at Plattsburg this year, it was announced here today. They will be headed by Maj. Peter Murray of the 29th Infantry, who will be camp commandant.

The assignment of officers from the Canal Zone is due to the dearth of available men in the Eastern Department owing to the numerous transfers to Mexico and the border. The officers ordered to the camps in addition to Maj. Murray are:

Capts. B. H. Wells, M. B. Stewart, C. D. Roberts and H. Clay Supplee, with Lieuts. A. G. Goodwin and Edward Gunner.

FOUR ORPET JURORS CHOSEN.

May Take Ten Days to Get the Other Eight.

WAUKEGAN, Ill., May 18.—With four men tentatively accepted by both the prosecution and defense, the examination of prospective jurors in the trial of W. H. Orpet, former University of Wisconsin student charged with the murder of Marion Lambert, was continued today. More than 130 men were examined yesterday with the result of but one being passed. Judge Charles H. Donnelly stated that it would surprise him if the jury were completed within ten days.

DAY IN CONGRESS.

Senate:

Met at noon.

Considered Kenyon resolution for open sessions on nominations.

Resumed debate on rivers and harbors appropriation bill.

House:

Met at 11 a.m.

Resumed general debate on the shipping bill.

George W. Bowers, republican, sworn in for the second West Virginia district, succeeding Representative Brown, democrat, deceased.

PROBE OF REBELLION IN IRELAND STARTS

Witness Declares Government Was Previously Informed of Plot to Revolt.

OUTBREAK OCCURS AS ARRESTS ARE PLANNED

Premier Asquith Convinced New Regime Is Essential for Governing Emerald Isle.

LONDON, May 18.—From testimony developed today at the hearing opened by the royal commission to inquire into the Irish rebellion it appeared that the government had received advance information of preparations for an uprising with help from German sources.

The testimony was given by Sir Matthew Nathan, who resigned as undersecretary for Ireland after the rebellion broke out. The government had received advices, said Sir Matthew, that an attempt would be made to land arms in Ireland from German submarines; also that rifles had been purchased from Irish soldiers home on leave, while others had been taken into the country in passengers' baggage.

But Few Show Disloyalty.

The former undersecretary gave this testimony in the course of a long statement outlining the formation of the National Volunteers, of which, he declared, a small section only had shown themselves disloyal, the leaders of this section having issued a manifesto declaring that Ireland should provide for its own defense and indicating an intention to establish a free national government of Ireland.

The leaders of the movement, he said, directed their efforts to securing more rifles and ammunition and to storing as large an amount of material as possible. This was where the real danger came from, he added, as it was felt that an attempt at disarmament might lead to bloodshed.

Arrests Are Considered.

The executives in Ireland, being in possession of sufficient evidence of the association of the movement's leaders with a foreign enemy, continued Sir Matthew, had decided upon their arrest and were discussing the matter on April 24, when the rebellion broke out. He defended the failure of the government to disarm the volunteers on the ground that such action might have alienated the sympathies of many loyal volunteers and added:

"There are 25,000 Irish Catholics enlisted in the army."

The royal Irish constabulary was considered strong enough to cope with disorders, the witness continued. A mobile force of 500 mounted men and 2,000 others, with three machine guns, was always in readiness, and these, with 2,500 men from the Curragh, were thought capable of dealing with the outbreak in Dublin, but contrary to expectations they were insufficient.

New Government Likely.

DUBLIN, May 18.—Premier Asquith has reached the conclusion from impressions gathered during his Irish visit that the old form of government in Ireland has had its day. The Associated Press learns from sources in the closest touch with the Premier that Mr. Asquith's conversations and conferences have convinced him that the future government must be conducted on an entirely different system. The prime minister has taken care to learn the ideas and views of many persons other than those in purely official circles, and these persons have offered greatly varied suggestions. None of these, it is believed, could be adopted in its entirety, but it is thought they might be welded together to form a proposal to lay before the cabinet. The premier himself does not know what form his proposal will eventually take and, in fact, it will probably be fully developed only at the cabinet meeting.

Vacancies to Be Filled.

Steps toward filling the vacancies in the Irish administration are being taken, and it is supposed that the main reason for the premier's being sworn in as a member of the Irish privy council is that he may become the responsible minister in parliament for Irish affairs temporarily.

The nationalist members attach the greatest significance to this step because it will give the premier an actual voice in shaping the administration of Ireland.

The London papers teem with suggestions of a possible settlement of the Irish problem. They favor for the most part the idea of granting executive government to south and west Ireland, leaving Ulster under the imperial government. They point out that should experience show successful results in the south and west under the Dublin parliament, Ulster might eventually be inclined to come in under that parliament.

NEW WEST POINT STATUE.

One to Gen. Washington to Be Unveiled Tomorrow.

WEST POINT, N. Y., May 18.—An equestrian statue of George Washington, the gift of an anonymous "patriotic citizen and veteran of the civil war," will be unveiled tomorrow on the West Point plain.

Statues of many of the great sons of West Point adorn the government reservation here, but until now there has been no memorial to the man who more than any other was responsible for the establishment of the academy.

All that is known of the donor is that he is a New Englander and well known nationally.

MISS GERTRUDE TOWER DEAD.

Daughter of Former American Ambassador Victim of Automobile Crash

PHILADELPHIA, May 18.—Miss Gertrude Tower, daughter of Charlemagne Tower, former American ambassador to Germany, who was injured in an automobile accident in Fairmount Park last Saturday night, died as a result of her injuries in a hospital here yesterday.

Thomas H. Dougherty, jr., the polo player, who was also injured, is in a critical condition. He suffered concussion of the brain.

MISSING MEN ARE FOUND.

Members of San Francisco's Crew Located at Lightship.

BOSTON, May 18.—The eight men who were missing from the mine-laying ship San Francisco, after being lost in the fog when she ran aground, were located late yesterday on the Great Round shoal lightship. The men had rowed there in a whaleboat, having left the San Francisco to put out a kedge anchor.

CLEANING UP PRINCES STREET, DUBLIN, AFTER REBELLION.

INSPECTORS CONSIDERING HOW TO ATTACK THE TASK OF CLEARING AWAY THE MOUNTAIN OF DEBRIS THAT BLOCKS PRINCES STREET, DUBLIN.

HONORARY PALLBEARERS FOR B. H. WARNER RITES

Funeral Services Are to Be Held Saturday at Noon at Church of the Covenant.

Honorary pallbearers for the funeral of Brainard H. Warner, prominent in the business and civic life of Washington for many years, who died Tuesday night, were named today. They are Justice Thomas H. Anderson, Supreme Court of the District of Columbia; Frank G. Carpenter, J. J. Darlington, Judge Alston G. Dayton of West Virginia, James T. Du Bois, Albert F. Fox, Charles B. Hanford, John B. Larner, Theodore W. Noyes, C. P. Pearson, Justice Stanton J. Peelle, former chief justice of the United States Court of Claims; George A. Post of New York, Cuno H. Rudolph, H. L. Snyder of Shepherdstown, W. Va.; Louis P. Shoemaker, William M. Terrell, Col. George Truesdell, and the following committee representing the Association of the Oldest Inhabitants: Theodore W. Noyes, Albion K. Parris, Washington Topham and Benjamin W. Summy. There are to be no active pallbearers.

The Board of Trade today named the following committee to represent it at the services: Theodore W. Noyes, Henry B. F. Macfarland, Col. George Truesdell, William H. Saunders, Albert F. Fox, John B. Larner, Thomas W. Sidwell, W. V. Cox, Thomas W. Smith and Charles S. Bundy.

Interment at Oak Hill.

The funeral services are to be held Saturday at noon at the Church of the Covenant, Rev. Dr. Charles Wood officiating. Interment is to be in the family lot at Oak Hill and is to be private. Services are to be conducted at the grave by Kensington Lodge, F. A. A. M., of which he was a member.

Resolutions of regret for the death of Mr. Warner have been adopted by the board of directors of the Columbia National Bank, the Washington Loan and Trust Company and the Gospel Mission.

RYE FOR GOVERNOR AGAIN.

Democrats of Tennessee Indorse President Wilson and Prohibition.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., May 18.—The democratic state convention adjourned at 2:36 o'clock this morning after renominating Tom C. Rye for governor and D. A. Enloe for railroad commissioner from west Tennessee, and indorsing Woodrow Wilson for a second presidential term.

The platform declared against the repeal of the prohibition laws or the laws passed to insure their enforcement.

CHEAT U. S. OUT OF $300,000.

Revenue Collectors' Fraud in Tobacco Business Unearthed in New York.

NEW YORK, May 18.—Christopher J. Fortman, for more than ten years a deputy internal revenue collector, was arrested by the federal authorities today on a warrant charging him with demanding and accepting bribes from tobacco dealers in return for making false reports to the government.

His arrest will be followed by that of several other collectors, it was announced by Assistant United States District Attorney McDonald, in an effort to break up a system of alleged grafting which, he said, has cost the government more than $300,000 within the last ten years.

LIMITS PASSENGERS' LIQUOR.

Steubenville Railway Will Only Take Two Quarts Into West Virginia

STEUBENVILLE, Ohio, May 18.—Officials of the Steubenville, Wellsburg and Weirton Railway Company have announced that, beginning today, passengers from Steubenville bound for West Virginia destinations will not be permitted to carry a package containing more than one-half a gallon of intoxicating liquor. They said this action was necessary because passengers have been carrying so many packages of wet goods that regular patrons of the line have been greatly inconvenienced.

Unions Oppose Preparedness Parade.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 18.—A resolution opposing the preparedness parade to be held here June 10, and urging all members of organized labor not to participate in the demonstration, was made public here today by the Central Labor Council. The question provoked considerable discussion at a meeting last night, but the resolution was adopted without a dissenting vote. The council voted to participate in an anti-military parade to be given soon.

JOIN THE CRUSADE AGAINST THE FLY

The Star has provided FLY SWATTERS for its readers, which may be had, without cost, by applying at the business office until the supply is exhausted.

DO NOT MARRY, ADVICE GIVEN YOUNG ARTISTS

President of St. Paul Institute Predicts Great Art Building in Capital.

"To those about to marry—don't," was the first rule laid down for young and aspiring artists by Charles W. Ames, president of the St. Paul Institute of St. Paul, Minn., who presided at this morning's session of the seventh annual convention of the American Federation of Arts, which tomorrow is to close its three-day session at the New Willard Hotel. A dinner will be given at Rauscher's tomorrow night.

Dr. Ames predicted that the federation is about to follow in the footsteps of "the great National Geographic Society," and acquire in this city a national building of its own.

Topics at Morning Session.

People's institutions formed the topic for this morning's consideration. Samuella Crosby gave an illustrated lecture on "The Work of the Chicago Public School Art Society," and this paper was followed by one on "The Art Department of the Public Library," by Mary Powell of the St. Louis Public Library.

The relation of the art department of a university to the needs of the people was discussed by Prof. Pickard of the State University of Missouri.

"Monumental and Decorative Sculpture in Washington" formed the theme of an address at this afternoon's session by Paul W. Bartlett. Other speakers were Grosvenor Atterbury and George E. Kessler.

Following this afternoon's session, devoted to a consideration of civic art and city planning in relation to the people, with Charles Moore, chairman of the federal commission of fine arts, presiding, the delegates are being entertained at the Octagon House, 18th street and New York avenue, with a garden card party.

Memorial Meeting Tonight.

Tonight there is to be a memorial meeting in the Corcoran Gallery of Art, in appreciation of the life and services of John White Alexander. Robert W. De Forest is to preside, and short addresses will be made by Dr. John H. Finley, president of the University of the State of New York; Edwin H. Blashfield, president of the National Institute of Arts and Letters, and Mrs. Edward MacDowell. The memorial exhibition of paintings by Mr. Alexander will be open in the special exhibition gallery above the auditorium from 8 to 11 p.m.

An exhibition of American industrial art was opened at the New National Museum last night under tse auspices of the federation.

The banquet tomorrow night, which will conclude the seventh annual convention, will have as speakers and their topics the following: Cass Gilbert, "Architecture"; Herbert Adams, "Sculpture"; Alfred Noyes, "Poetry"; Horatio Parker, "Music," and William M. Chase, "Painting."

HEADS PARENTS' LEAGUE.

Mrs. Ida E. Kebler Unanimously Re-Elected President at Annual Meeting

Mrs. Ida E. Kebler was unanimously re-elected president of the Parents' League of the Public Schools at its third annual meeting, held last evening at the Wilson Normal School. Other officers elected were Dr. F. I. Bartlett, first vice president; Mrs. H. C. Workman, second vice president; Mrs. Edwin Ellet, third vice president; Mrs. G. P. Merrill, fourth vice president; Mrs. M. H. Farmer, recording secretary; Mrs. O. G. Hall, assistant secretary; Mrs. J. G. Thomas, corresponding secretary, and Mrs. M. R. Schmidt, treasurer.

Reports of officers, committees and delegates was another feature of the meeting. Dr. Kebler of the public health committee told of the visits of the committee to the various public schools and cited several instances where improvements were badly needed. The various committees have met with success during the past year according to their reports submitted last evening. Especially successful was the entertainment committee and the league extended a vote of thanks to it. Delegates told of the various activities which were meeting with success in their respective schools. Vocal selections were sung by Miss Ruth Ayler and piano solos were given by Miss Louise McFarland and Miss Berda S. Wilson.

Carvajal Made President.

SANTO DOMINGO, May 18.—The chamber of deputies yesterday elected Federico Henriquez Carvajal provisional president of the republic. It is expected that the senate will confirm the appointment. The city is quiet.

Young Women Appear in Masque.

Pupils of the Florence Fleming Noyes School of Rhythmic Expression last night staged a pretty masque on the lawn of the estate of Col. Henry F. Blount. The audience manifested its delight throughout.

Among those who took part were Misses Frances Fuller, Mildred Anderson, Elizabeth Kingsbury, Mary Howry, Louise Morris, Elizabeth Burt, Gladys Pattee, Dorothy Keen, Felipa and Ruth McKey, Reine Serrin, Gladys Crump, Francis Calloway, Florence Louise Lyon and Roberta Tull. Miss Mary Lord Andrews wrote and recited the prologue of the masque.

DECLINES IN U. S. EXPORTS ARE CHARGED TO BRITISH

Federal Figures Show Sharp Fall Due to Restrictions on American Commerce.

Sharp declines during the past year in American exports to the northern European countries are blamed on restrictions on commerce by the British orders in council. Figures just assembled in the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce show that Norway alone of the countries in the north had increased purchases in the United States. Spain and Switzerland, however, are buying in America in increasingly large amounts.

Shipments to the entente allies continue to grow. During the nine months ending with March, Great Britain took slightly more than $1,000,000,000 worth of American goods, against $630,000,000 in the corresponding period of the previous year.

France's purchases grew from $224,000,000 to $442,000,000, Russia's from $12,000,000 to $128,000,000, Italy's from $138,000,000 to $200,000,000, Greece's American takings increased from $19,000,000 to $22,000,000.

South America's Record.

Exports to South America more than doubled, increasing from $62,000,000 to $129,000,000. Shipments to the Asiatic countries increased from $76,000,000 to $156,000,000.

An increase of about $300,000,000 in imports came chiefly from South America. Imports from Asiatic countries also increased, as did those from Oceania and Africa. Those from Europe declined.

MRS. EDWIN P. JONES DEAD.

Wife of Real Estate Man Succumbs Following Operation for Appendicitis

Mrs. Edwin P. Jones, wife of a real estate operator, died last night at Garfield Hospital, following an operation for appendicitis. Funeral services are to be conducted at St. Matthew's Church Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. Interment is to be at Oak Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Jones was the daughter of the late Richard Lee of Norfolk, Va. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Besides her husband, three sons are living—Edwin P. Jones, jr., Milton Jones and Corridan Jones.

TO WIDEN MUSEUM FIELD.

Association Pledges Support to Increase Number and Efficiency.

Resolutions pledging the American Association of Museums to united and sustained support of a national movement for the increase of the number and efficiency of museums as public servants were passed at the final session of the annual convention of that organization, held this morning at the National Museum.

The resolutions further bound the association to work for the education of public opinion to a fuller appreciation of the practical value of museums, providing for the publication of a museum journal and the preparation of special articles toward this end. The council of the association was authorized to solicit funds in the name of the association for the prosecution of these plans.

The question as to where the next meeting of the association shall be held was referred to the council to be determined upon at some future date.

WILL NOT REVIEW CADETS.

Secretary Baker Designates Brig. Gen. Macomb to Act for Him.

Having been called out of the city on business, Secretary Baker of the War Department will be unable to review the high school cadet regiments this afternoon at their annual exhibition drill and review. He has designated Brig. Gen. M. M. Macomb, president of the Army War College, to take his place as reviewing officer.

The drill is to take place on the White House ellipse, beginning at 4 o'clock. A company from the 1st Regiment is to give an exhibition in close order drilling, while a company from the 2d Regiment is to drill in open order. At 5 o'clock the review proper is to take place.

Mexican Customs Men Shoot U. S. Soldier

EL PASO, Tex., May 18.—An American soldier who crossed the international boundary a mile and a half east of Juarez early today was shot and killed by Mexican customs guards.

Gen. Gavira, Carranza commander in Juarez, advised Gen. Bell that the American was intoxicated and fired on the Mexicans before they shot him.

OLD DOMINION TRAINS RUNNING ON SCHEDULE

Rumors Current That Strike May Be Ended Within the Next Few Days.

Cars on the Washington and Old Dominion railway line were running today on practically schedule time, according to officials of the company. That the strike may end within the next few days was rumored today. A bulletin has been posted by the railway company to the effect that applications for employment will be received and will be given consideration.

That no conference is being held or is to be held with a committee representing the strikers was the statement today of Colon H. Livingstone, president of the railway company. Mr. Livingstone declared that the statement that a conference had been held yesterday afternoon by a committee of the strikers and General Manager Emmert was false. "No officials of the company had conferred with the strikers or their committee, no conference is to be held with them, and, further, the officials of the company do not recognize the men as a union," said Mr. Livingstone. He said that if any of the men desire to return to work their application will be considered by the officials.

Answer Is Filed.

Answer was filed this afternoon by the striking employes of the Washington and Old Dominion railway to the suit for injunction recently instituted against them by the company, on which Justice McCoy has enjoined the strikers from interfering with the operations of the companys cars. The answer, signed by eight of the 150 defendants, denies that any intimidation, threats of violence or acts of violence were ever directed by them against the company or its property.

Attorney Crandall Mackey for the strikers has served notice on Attorneys Wilton J. Lambert and R. H. Yeatman for the company that he will ask Justice McCoy next Monday to dissolve the restraining order.

The defendants say they never blocked the tracks of the company nor interfered with its trolley wires, motive power, tracks, roadbed or any of its equipment. The charges made by the company, and which formed the basis for the injunction, are characterized by the respondents as "false and without any basis in fact."

The strikers today stood in groups in the vicinity of 36th and M streets, but made no demonstration. Capt. Falvey, in command of the seventh police precinct, was early on the scene this morning, and had a number of policemen detailed to keep the groups of strikers from congregating on the sidewalks. "The men have acted in a quiet, peaceful manner," said Capt. Falvey, "and, in fact, I have not looked for any trouble from them."

SOUTH'S VETERANS MEET HERE IN 1917

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president of the Washington Chamber of Commerce.

"A warm welcome will be extended to the visitors. We should make an effort to repeat the entertainment accorded the veterans of the G. A. R. We should show the people of the nation that Washington is the logical convention city of the land and that no matter if a man is from the north or south, east or west, he is welcome here.

"If we organize a citizens' committee such as that which provided the G. A. R. entertainment I believe it should have an independent headquarters and not be housed with the Chamber of Commerce or with some other organization. Providing entertainment for such a gathering is a big task and should be handled by an independent force of workers."

E. C. Brandenburg, president of the Washington Board of Trade, said that the holding of the United Confederate Veteran convention here will be a great factor in uniting the north and the south more strongly than ever.

Will Extend Hearty Welcome.

"I am exceedingly glad that Washington has been named as the convention city," said Mr. Brandenburg, "and feel certain that its citizens will see to it that the sojourn of the veterans here will be a happy one. In some respects caring for the gathering will not be as hard a task as that which confronted us in arranging for the G. A. R. encampment, for we will have had the experience gained on that occasion and will know exactly how to proceed.

"I favor the creation of a citizens' committee to arrange for the entertainment which Washington is to extend to the visitors and hope that it will receive the same loyal support as that accorded the citizens' G. A. R. committee."

Robert N. Harper, vice chairman of the citizens' committee which arranged for the entertainment of the G. A. R. visitors and who was chairman of the committee which raised the funds expended at that time, said he felt sure the reception which Washington will accord the Confederate veterans will be second to none that they have ever received.

"I look for a crowd of visitors in the National Capital that will be almost as large as an inaugural gathering. There is great interest in the Confederates' organization throughout the entire south and in other sections of the country and we may look for a large attendance. There is no doubt but what the railroads will extend every privilege possible and that Washington will witness another great gathering like the recent G. A. R. encampment."

W. F. Gude, chairman of the citizens' committee which arranged for the entertainment of the G. A. R. visitors, said he was greatly pleased at the selection of Washington by the Confederate veterans for their meeting place. He made the prediction that adequate entertainment would be provided for the soldiers who fought for the south, and that Washington would witness a gathering equally as great as the G. A. R. encampment.

GERMANY VOICES REGRET AT LOSS OF SWISS LIVES

BERN, Switzerland, May 18.—The federal department announced today that the German government has expressed its regret through the Swiss minister at Berlin that two Swiss citizens lost their lives when the British steamer Sussex was torpedoed by a German submarine. The German government has promised to indemnify the families of the victims.

On May 8 the Swiss government filed a protest at Berlin against the sinking of the Sussex and demanded an indemnity for the two Swiss citizens who perished.

DANIELS PLAN FORSAKEN.

House Naval Committee Has New Building Scheme for 1917.

In deciding upon the increase of the navy, the House naval committee today voted to abandon the five-year building program recommended by Secretary Daniels and to recommend that five battle cruisers, to cost $20,433,531 each; four scout cruisers, ten torpedo boat destroyers, twenty submarines, one hospital ship, one oil supply ship and one ammunition supply ship, be built during the 1917 fiscal year. The committee voted 13 to 8 on battle cruisers and submarines.

NEW FLEET COMMANDER

Vice Admiral Mayo Is Selected to Succeed Admiral Fletcher.

Admiral Frank F. Fletcher, who has been in command of the Atlantic fleet for one year and nine months, will be succeeded in that command June 19 by Vice Admiral H. T. Mayo in the advanced rank of admiral, and Rear Admiral De Witt Coffman, commanding the third division of the fleet, will be advanced to the grade of vice admiral. Admiral Fletcher will resume his former status as a rear admiral and will be given an important shore assignment, not yet made public.

Secretary Daniels announced these changes this morning after consultation with the President at the White House. Admirals Fletcher and Mayo are in this city.

FLAG DAY RITES PLANNED.

All Executive Departments of Government Will Unite in Festivities.

Announcement has been made by Secretary Daniels that all the executive departments this year will hold joint exercises in celebration of Flag day, June 14, in the grounds south of the White House. The program will include an address by President Wilson and a patriotic pageant typifying the signing of the Declaration of Independence and other events in the history of the United States.

The matter was discussed at the meeting of the cabinet yesterday, and it was decided to constitute the chief clerks of the ten executive departments a committee to make suitable arrangements for the celebration.

Last year a joint Flag day celebration was held at the south front of the Treasury Department, and in previous years similar celebrations were held at the Interior Department and at the Navy Department. The Post Office Department and the government printing office usually hold independent celebrations. It is pointed out as a singular coincidence that the democratic national convention will begin its sessions on Flag day this year.

PRESIDENT TO PARTICIPATE.

Will Go to Kentucky for Exercises at Abraham Lincoln's Birthplace.

President Wilson has accepted an invitation to go to Hodgensville, Ky., September 4, to take part in exercises marking the formal presentation to the federal government of the farm on which Abraham Lincoln was born.

The property, which was bought with money raised by popular subscription, has already been offered to the government and accepted by Congress.

Secretary Baker and Senator Williams of Mississippi also will deliver addresses.

WILL NOT PROTECT SCHWARZ.

Secretary Lansing Says He Has Forfeited His Citizenship.

Secretary Lansing has written Chairman Flood of the House foreign affairs committee in response to Representative Bennet's resolution asking the status of Samuel Schwarz, a naturalized American, held in an English prison, that Schwarz is not entitled to the protection of this government because of his record in relation to obtaining his naturalization papers and various affairs abroad which have resulted in charges of swindling and bigamy being made against him. Secretary Lansing's letter cited a long list of charges.

A naturalized citizen who returns to his native country within five years of the time he takes out his papers in this country is considered as having expatriated himself, and Schwarz is declared by the State Department "not to have overcome presumption of his expatriation."

SPANISH ADMIRAL ARRIVES.

NEW YORK, May 18.—Vice Admiral Concas y Palau, appointed by King Alfonso of Spain to act as umpire between the United States government and Panama land owners, in connection with the expropriation by the United States of lands adjoining the Panama Canal Zone, arrived yesterday from Cristobal, on board the steamship Allianca. The admiral will proceed to Washington, where he will confer with Secretary of State Lansing on various claims he has adjudicated.

Shipping Bill Debate Limited.

The administration shipping bill passed out of the stage of general debate in the House today and was taken up under the five-minute rule. All debate ends by agreement at 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon and voting begins. Democratic Leader Kitchin today again urged the democrats to waste no time.

Qualify as Marksmen.

Out of seventeen members of local rifle clubs who fired yesterday on the Winthrop, Md., range of the United States Marine Corps, seven qualified in the marksman course. Their names follow: F. Skinner, Post Office, 179; L. Welden, Department of Labor, 167; S. Donaldson, Navy Club, 158; R. L. Duck, Post Office, 157; Traver, Agra B. P. I., 154; E. S. Fakes, internal revenue, 154; J. F. Delaney, War Department, 152.

GERMANS ARE ADVISED TO OBSERVE U. S. LAWS

Berlin Directs Ambassador So to Instruct Its Consuls in This Country.

Germany, through Count von Bernstorff, has instructed all German consuls in the United States to admonish German citizens in their districts scrupulously to observe American laws. This was done in an effort to end various alleged violations of American neutrality.

The ambassador acted on instructions from the Berlin foreign office. The action was announced today in this official statement from the German embassy:

"In consequence of cases which have occurred of late the German ambassador has sent instructions to all German consuls in the United States strongly to impress upon German citizens living in their districts that it is their duty scrupulously to obey the laws of the state in which they reside."

Aimed to Prevent Lawlessness.

It was said at the German embassy that the instructions were designed to prevent plots or lawlessness on the part of German citizens who might be disposed to engage in such. The German government, it was said, looks with great disfavor upon any such conduct and desires that they shall not engage in any undertaking in any way outside the law.

It was not disclosed whether specific cases have been brought to the attention of the German government, but it was made clear that Berlin officials want the United States and its people to understand that they have not countenanced any illegal affairs with which German citizens or sympathizers in this country have been connected.

Count von Bernstorff's instructions were received last night and were forwarded to German consuls immediately.

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