# SECURITY LEAGUE FORMED IN TULSA

Branch of National Association Organized Here Yesterday.

ELECT THE OFFICERS

Will Work Toward More Adequate Defenses for United States.

The Tulsa branch of the National Security league was organized in the assembly room of the Chamber of Commerce following a session of address by William H. Hornaday. Fred Kerrigan of the league presided at the session. Although the attendance was not as large as had been anticipated those present were enthusiastic. Enthusiastic on the subject of national preparedness for war and possibly signed the membership blanks and tribulous effort for organization had been completed and officers chosen.

The officers follow: Chairman, C. C. Arnold; vice-chairman, Charles Field; acting secretary, Charles H. Gibson; treasurer, S. G. Graham. These officers are expected to serve in the best future and upon the success which will be the best future work of the league. It is the intention to make the Tulsa branch of the league one of the strongest and to accomplish the best possible work will be necessary and probably nobody will the committee of three who attended Saturday's meeting in Chicago. What the league actually stands for.

**The Explanation**

Mr. Hornaday began his address with an explanation of what the preparedness movement actually is. He declared it was not into a military system of the United States or a federal defensive system, with the brother only two different ideas from the beginning of the European war. The state of unpreparedness revealed in an extensive investigation started by the National Security league and the National Security league was not the most natural of taking the action. The United states, he said, therefore, is to arouse and vitalize the sentiment of the nation in favor of national action in the direction of making this country safe for the best interests of the world.

Many arguments were set forth. On head of the organization such as Joseph H. Choate, ex-ambassador to the court of St. James, president Alton B. Parker, former Democratic candidate for the presidency, Democratic vice-chairman, and S. Stanwood Menken, one of the leading members of the New York stock exchange, president and others.

It further was explained that since the outbreak of the European war the United States has not been prepared to wage war. Lack of military supplies and equipment, ammunition and the organization of the national guard, such forced methods of raising armies, provisions, inefficient methods of the management, maintenance of military camps and provision were possible. The experience of foreign countries shows, it is asserted, the importance of giving attention to military defense and preparedness at common in the progress of the arts and sciences.

**Convincing Argument**

Warned to be natural, Mr. Hornaday cited an argument which remains undefeated after months of those who heard him that he was not for war. The society against our nine million square miles of territory, with a population of 100,000,000 people, is a convincing argument in favor of preparedness. He declared the security of the United states is absolutely nothing. What we need is security against war.

"We and neither make it nor let anyone in our peaceful defense," said he. "If it wasn't for some future war we will not be prepared. If we are not prepared for war we cannot make it all necessary for us to remain neutral. It is our strong point of neutrality. We want our hot diplomatic notes to be backed."

At this juncture Mr. Hornaday pointed out that people of the United states do not deal with abstract ideas of what a nation should be but with men as he is. The Prince of Peace was crucified, and the reason was men that made Christ, instead of being