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## U. S. REPLY TO PLAN LOOKED FOR TODAY

Answer Likely to Make Clear Opposition to Abolition Proposal.

FRENCH RECEIVE DATA ON AUXILIARY TONNAGE

Figures Not to Be Revealed Until Issue on Undersea Craft Has Been Settled

BY G. GOULD LINCOLN. America's reply to the British proposal that the submarine be abolished was expected to be made at a meeting of the committee on limitation of armament of the Washington conference, which gathered at 11 o'clock

this morning. America's reply, it was believed. would be adverse to the British proposal, although it was expected that the American delegation would make clear to the British their interest in the very able presentation of the case against the submarine by the latter.

France, Italy and Japan have already stated their opposition to the porposal for the abolition of the submarine. It is clear, therefore, that Great Britain's suggestion has been defeated, at least for the time being.

Tonnage to Be Tackled. It was expected that the American

delegation would point out the difficulty of dealing with the abolition of the submarine at this conference, in which many of the nations having submarines, or in a position to obtain them, are not represented.

As soon as the British proposal regarding the abolition of submarines has been disposed of, the question of the amount of auxiliary tonnage, including submarines, which shall be fixed for each of the five nations participating in the conference on limitation of armament, will be tackled, it was said today.

#### Figures Not Made Public.

So far the figures which will 'be the auxiliary tonnage have not been made public. They will be laid before the conference committee, after the question of the abolition of the submarine has been concluded. The French delegation pointed out that it was better to decide the question as to whether there should be any submarines at all, before passing to the question as to have passing to the question as to how marines the

marines the various nations should have.

The only inkling as to the amount of submarine tonnage that France deems necessary, which has so far come out of the conference, is contained in a statement made by Admiral de Bon yesterday afternoon, when he suggested that the minimum submarine tonnage which would be required by a naval power was 30,000 tons. This is the figure set by the original American plan for the United States and Great Britain, with Japan fixed at 54,000 tons of submarines. It is said that this question will be the one the voters of the country will remains to be seen whether the

#### Later Meeting in Doubt.

If the conference committee on limitation of armaments meets this afternoon, it may be that the discus- it contains no provision contravening sion of the auxiliary tonnage allotments will be taken up then. Prior to the meeting this morning, it was said by a spokesman for the American dele-

if the line of haval construction, and if it is found that occasion requires, conferences will be called.

From this it appears that the development or evolution of the suggested association of nations is already on the way. In addition to naval questions, there may be some of the matters, relating to the far

of the matters relating to the far east on the agenda of the present conference that will call for future consideration, and that will bring the nations together again in conference with other nations now on the outside.

High administration circles are said to be agreeable to recoverions.

## IN MURDER OF CHILD

Slaying of Five-Year-Old Tessie Kucharski Arouses Residents of New Brunswick, N. J.

to the hands of his pursuers An autopsy revealed that the child had been strangled with a piece of ed ticking, with which her assailend had tied her head and heels together.

#### DEBS AND 23 OTHERS FREED THROUGH EXECUTIVE CLEMENCY

### TO BAN SUBMARINE Sentences Commuted and Five ex-Soldiers Convicted of Slaying British Officer Are Given Pardon.

gene V. Debs. former socialist candidate for President, all convicted on various charges of violating the espionage act and other charges of hindering the government during the war with Germany, will be freed today from the federal penitentiaries where they are confined. Commutations of their sentence

have been ordered by President Harding, and, as a result, these lucky men will be able to enjoy all that goes with liberty on Christmas day At the same time the President pardoned five former American soldiers

serving life sentences pronounced by a military court for the murder of a British officer while serving with the American Army on the Rhine. This action was a Christmas time completion of the President's step November 7, when he remanded the sentences of the soldiers on the ground of insufficient evidence against them. They are now restored to full citizenship.

#### Follows Study of Cases.

The action was taken after the Department of Justice had studied war. separately the cases of 197 persons serving sentences for violating war-Daugherty had discussed the situation at length with President Harding, who was said to be desirous, if possible. of granting some pardons for Christmas. The commutations, it was explained, do not operate to restore citizenship lost by the felony convictions, but the pardons do. Several of the civilian offenders will be deported to the European countries of their nativity, two are under observation at hospitals for insan and tity for hindering the selective servation at hospitals for insan and deported to the European countries of their nativity, two are under observation at hospitals for insane and others are now out on paroles, which were granted by President Wilson.

Announcement of the action taken was made personally by President Harding late yesterday. The list follows: Orville Anderson, convicted at Deanwood, S. D., October 5, 1918, under the espionage law and sentenced to four years; Giovanna Baldazzi, sentenced to ten years after espionage act conviction at Chicago; David T. Blodgett, convicted at Des Moines, lowa, and serving twenty

Twenty-four persons, including Eu-tene V. Debs, former socialist candi-late for President, all convicted on

or observation. Others given commutation were J. T. Cumbie, convicted at Oklahoma City, and sentenced to six years for violation of the espionage act; Thomas Carey, con-victed at San Francisco, for violation of the espionage act, serving a two-year sentence; Joseph M. Caldwell, convicted at Frovidence, R. I., for violating the espionage act, serving three years; Mojick Fieron, convicted at Detroit under the espionage act, and sentenced for twenty years, but already given a commutation of sentence to five years by President Wilson; Claus Freece, who was sentenced at El Paso, Tex., to five years at Leavenworth, for departing from the United States unlawfully in time of war in an attempt to sell the German consulate in Mexico plans of a new gun similar to those designed for use by the United States Army; Ed Hamilton, convicted at Chicago, August 30, 1918. and sentenced to ten years under the espionage act; William J. Head, sen-tenced at Sioux Falls, N. D., in 1917, for violating the espionage act; Gustave H. Jacobsen, convicted at Chicago and sentenced to three years for attempting to set on foot a military enterprise in In-dia against Great Britain during the

#### Sought Insubordination

Mrs. Idell Kennedy of Los Angeles time laws and after Attorney General Cal., sentenced to ten years for attempt ing to cause insubordination and refusaof duty among selective service men. Jack Law, convicted at Chicago for

## STAR WILL GIVE 88 PRIZES FOR ESSAYS Nephew of Earl of Deven, Victim of Attack in New Jersey, Suffers Plan of Distributing Awards

for Compositions on Arms Conference Described.

Although old Santa Claus will reward the children of Washington toward the children of Washington tonight for their good behavior during
the year, The Evening Star will supplant him after the spirit of Christmas has dissipated and award to
eighty-eight of those, who submit,
compositions of superior merit in the
essay contest on the topic, "The
Arms Conference and Its Signifi-

classes into which the contest probby will be divided that virtually groes-killed, more than a score in- all contestants submitting meritori-

second class-Pupils of the seventh

the most seriously injured were prizes.

The fourth group will consist of five

of \$250.

It is believed that the children's minds today are too filled with the thoughts of Christmas to study the developments of the arms conference, but next week they are expected to devote more time than ever to studying the proceedings of the historical nariev.

## BEATEN, BOUND, ROBBED ADOLPH GUDE DIES

CHRISTMAS EVE PRECAUTION.

By the Associated Press.
NEW YORK, December 24.—Philip Was Grand Commander of

S. Honywood, youngest son of the late Sir John William Honywood and nephew of the Earl of Deven of Pow-derham Castle, Exeter, England, was cruelly beaten and robbed of a large amount of money not far from his home, near Woodcliff Lake, N. J., last night. He had been in Newark on business

# STAND UNCHANGED

stimated at \$200,000 was the known of late of the two probable groups of classes.

Secretary Mellon Still Believes Cost Would Be Serious Injury.

spent its force in the village of high schools and the ninth grade of nounced today that the attitude of Clarkedale, where a brick store build the junior high schools; students in the Treasury toward a soldier bonus the private and parochial schools behad not changed since last July, when had not changed since last July, when he wrote a letter to Senator Freling-huysen of New Jersey, stating that enactment of bonus legislation "would be serious injury and loss to the whole community" and would "vir-tually defeat the administration's program of retrenchment and econ-omy"

the ages of twellers the ages of twellers to the first prize in each of the two classes will be \$100, making a total of \$200 in first prizes.

The second prize in each class will be \$50, making a total of \$100 in second awards.

There will be two prizes of \$25 each in each class for essayists whose work in each class for each class for each class for each class will be \$100 in first prizes.

The proposal to raise funds for payment of a bonus through such a tax has been discussed in many official quarters within the last few omy."
Mr. Mellon also took occasion to

is adjudged third best. Therefore, a total of \$100 will be awarded as third prizes.

The fourth group will consist of five prizes of \$15 each for each class, making a total of ten prizes, or \$150.

There will be twenty prizes of \$10 mately \$500,000,000.

#### OIL LAW CHANGE ASKED.

Amendment Sought for Exploration of Lands in Philippines.

George Ade, the Famous Humorist

Is the Headliner of

Contributors of Fiction ;

The Magazine of

Tomorrow's Star

His story is a special Christmas contribution,

Other interesting features in the Magazine include:

"One Christmas I Remember." By men high in

"Little Tony's Christmas at Gospel Mission."

And many other articles and stories of

special interest in this holiday season.

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#### "LOOK FOR SQUARE DEAL," AMERICAN LEGION XMAS **GREETING TO DISABLED**

By the Associated Press.
CHICAGO, December 24.—The following Christmas message to "the disabled ex-service men of America was issued today by National Commander Hanford MacNider in the name of the American Legion:

"To you men who are fighting the brave fight against the effects of your service of our country, the American Legion of your comrades sends Christmas greetings with every sincere wish for your speedy recovery and future happiness. Every American shall be indebted to you as long as the nation endures and your cause shall always be first on the program of the

dures and your cause shall always be first on the program of the American Legion.

"We intend to see that you get a square deal from the country you to fight our battles were our positions reversed. We assume that responsibility as a privilege and an honor. Today we are asking the United States Veterans' Bureau to adopt a plan which, if accepted, adopt a plan which, if accepted, will finally end your worries over compensation claims. The American Legion reports for a new year's duty. Give us your commands:

# OF BORLAND LAW

#### ciations to Introduce Measure in Congress.

A bill will be introduced in the House and Senate soon at the request sunshine, with much colder by tomorrow of the Federation of Citizens' Asso- night, did not interfere with the moveciations, calling upon Congress to ments of the downtown crowds, nor the repeal or modify the Borland law. city-wide distribution of parcel post which assesses half the cost of street packages by the city post office, which paving against abutting property yesterday distributed 30,000 parcels, a wners. This announcement was made today by William McK. Clayton. chairman of the special committee of the federation on this question, who said he would call a meeting of the committee after the holidays to draft and pass upon the bill.

Until a few days ago Mr. Clayton held the belief that the best way to remove this objectionable legislation was to have it killed the way it was born—as a rider on a District appropriation bill.

Soo Children Made Happy.

#### Opposite View Taken. Commissioner Rudolph, chairman o

the board of Commissioners, has taken the opposite view, that the people of the city would get a more favorable reconsideration of the case by having a separate bill introduced. The federation, therefore, in its decision to introduce a separate bill

will have the support of the Commissioners, who, in their annual report to Congress, urged that some modification be made in the Borland amendment.

If Congress should show a disposition not to reposel the law in its en

tion not to repeal the law in its en-tirety it is possible that the citizen-may seek a compromise under which the original paying of a street would he exempt from assessment, with part of the cost of resurfacing to be as-

This change, it was pointed out. would remove the injustice to suburbanites, whose streets have never been payed, but who contributed through the general tax fund to the that the subcommittee of the Housap-propriations committee now considering District estimates has granted him time in which to present the federation's plea for an increase in the salary schedule of statutory employes of the District government.

# IN CAIRO DISORDER

#### quite young, going to Lynchburg, va., Students Raid Survey Offices. Five Natives Killed and Twenty Wounded.

when a party of students raided the government survey offices. British troops were rushed from Cairo to cope with the disturbance. The students raided the british control of the battlefield." founder of the battlefield." founder of the today in Gizeh, a suburb of Cairo.

Cairo.,
Although much wanton destruction at the Newport rolling mills and occurred during the disturbances, the without a request from local peace

authorities claim that the situation need not be regarded with particular anxiety. The disturbances appear to have been confined to Cairo.

## Train Hits Auto When Engine

Stalls on Crossing.

## STREETS IN FINAL CHRISTMAS RUSH

Crowds, Intent on Last-Minute Preparations, Lend Festive Air to City.

#### BASKETS OF CLOTHING AND FOOD GO TO NEEDY

New Record in Number of Parcel Post Packages-Many Parties Tonight.

Last-minute shoppers thronged the treets today when government departnents gave a half-holiday, lending a festive air to the entire city as the people turned Pennsylvania avenue, F street and other thoroughfares into moving nasses, all intent upon making final preparations for Christmas.

The Salvation Army and other organizations held their annual parties oday, baskets of clothing and food were sent out to the needy, church programs Federation of Citizens' Asso- of Christmas music were put in final preparation today for tomorrow, and everywhere the true spirit of Christmas Rain Predicted Tonight.

#### Prediction of rain for tonight, with

probably clearing weather tomorrow, and record in the history of the office.

Five hundred Christmas baskets were distributed this morning at the recently dedicated home of No. 1 Corps, the Salvation Army, 606 E street, under the direction of Maj. J. G. McGee, commander of the District. The baskets were distributed after irvestigation of the need of those who

This afternoon at 2 o'clock 800 chil iren will be made happy by the Salation Army at the Christmas entertainment for them, when there will be candy, toys, music and other entertainment for the little ones. Monday morning the Salvation Army will give ts annual theater party to children at the Cosmos Theater.

At Mount Alto Hospital tonight the At Mount Alto Hospital tonight the soldier patients will be the guests of Santa Claus through the Women's Overseas Service League of Washington. There will be a big surprise resent for the boys, music by Marine and players and a special series of

Aoleacx.

Monday morning Saks & Co. will make their annual distribution of 100 abid. vercoats at the store to needy chilupon as worthy by the Associated charities, Isaac Gans will preside at the distribution, which is eagerly looked forward to each year.

At Central Union Mission there will

#### Mission Giving Away Shoes.

be a service at noon Monday, and immepaving of downtown streets before diately following the service a Christthe days of the Borland amendment. mas dinner will be served, beginning Mr. Clayton also announced today at 1 o'clock. Monday night, at 7:30 Sclock, there is to be a Christmas ,arty for the children of the neighporhood. Every child with get a bag bearing his name, each bag to contain gifts of clothing, toys, candy, etc. The mission also is giving away shoes, through the generosity of George Horning, a certain number of pairs being fitted each morning at Saks & Co.

At the Gospel Mission Christmas dinner will be served at 2 o'clock Monday following mission. day, following which there will be an entertainment and distribution of gifts to the little ones. The Chinese Sunday school of the mission wil hold an entertainment Monday evening in the

#### Christmas Eve Parties.

The hotels will hold Christmas eve parties tonight and many of the stores will keep open late this evening to accommodate those who put off to the last moment the buying of some gift or necessity. The Center and other markets did a rushing business today.

of the battlefield," founder of the American Red Cross, will be observed here by friends who have not for-gotten. There will no set program. She was born on Christmas day, 1821, in Worcester county, Mass.

## KENTUCKY TROOPS SENT

Governor Orders 160 Men, With Necessary Officers, to Newport

Rolling Mills. FRANKFORT, Ky., December 24 .-Four companies of Kentucky National Guardsmen, totaling 160 men and the necessary officers, last night were ordered to Newport, Ky, by Gov. Morrow. They were sent as a result

of his orders growing out of a strike without a request from local peace officers. The troops are under com-mand of Col. H. H. Denhardt of Bowling Green.
Three other companies have been ordered held in readiness to proceed to the scene, if needed, Gov. Mor-

row said, in announcing the sending of troops. He declined to say what companies were being held ready. The troops were sent to Newport by Gov. Morrow on his own initiative.

## France, it was learned, has received the data which it was expecting from Paris, and is ready to proceed with the matter of the auxiliary tonnage. It will be remembered that France, in accepting the 1.75 ratio of capital ships proposed by the United States, did so with reservations regarding the amount of auxiliary tonnage. Figures Not Made Park! Continued on Page 2, Column 2.) FACE ONF OUFSTION COM ON DAMAGE. presented by France with relation to Will Be Asked if U. S. Is to Many Injured as Regions in Destroy Peace Structure of | Tennessee and Arkansas

Own Building.

BY N. O. MESSENGER.

power Pacific pact hold that when eaty is considered, its opponents

fixed at 54,000 tons of submarines. It remains to be seen whether the French will ask such a large sub ask, being well appraised of its cogency, simplicity and pertinency. The negotiators of the treaty who framed it and the executive who will submit it to the Senate maintain that settled American doctrine nor propos-

#### ing a foreign alliance inimical to the dominant sentiment in this country.

Watch Public Opinion. gation that the committee would meet, if there was any business pending before it. This is a matter which would be settled at the morning meeting, it so Christmas eve finds the confer- sis of the effect and application of the ence hard at work. There is every desire on the part of the delegates to speed up their work, it was said. Whether the conference will decide to take a holiday Monday is also yet to plished for the world's good by its Favor Other Conferences.

The suggestion advanced by Italan delegates that it will be advisable to hold future conferences to deal

expressed provisions and its intended purpose as generally understood by the man who runs and reads.

It is argued that the people in the great mass have faith in the purpose as generally understood by two miles in width and fifteen miles awarded as sixth prizes in each class, making a total in length.

Injured Baby Dies.

The injured Baby Dies.

The injured were brought to Meminds today are too filled with the purpose as generally understood by two miles in width and fifteen miles in length.

It is believed that the children's minds today are too filled with the length.

Attention will constantly be directed to the fact that the abolition of the Anglo-Japanese alliance, of such great importance to the United States, will not be brought about until the four-

summation.

High administration circles are said to be agreeable to reservations intended to clarify the four-power pact, if they are pressed and if their acceptance will dissipate objections, although still holding that they are no

necessary.
This administration, it is said, will

'PEP" PIES WITH LIQUOR. 2,500 Gallons Brandy Are Allowed San Francisco Bakers.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 24.— Christmas pies in San Francisco this year will contain liquor, local pie bakers having availed themselves of bakers having availed themselves of the permission under the law to "pep their pies" with brandy from the government storehouses.

More than 2,500 gallons of brandy were withdrawn the first three days of this week, Tom Brown, assistant federal prohibition director, announced.

Under the law pie makers were allowed 100 gallons, and with one exception every baker took the limit.

Are Swept. Friends in the Senate of the fourestimated at \$200,000 was the known toll today of a windstorm which late yesterday swept through half a dozen farming settlements in Crittendon county, Ark., across the Mississippi river from this city, and apparently spent its force in the village of ing, in which approximately fifty

#### negro farmhands had taken refuge

Caught in Collapse. Payne Harrison, twenty-two, clerk in the store of Banks & Danner, the building demolished at Clarkedale, was the only white person known to have been killed., Mrs. B. B. Booker, whose home, six miles northwest of Clarkedale, was torn from its foundations, was among the injured brought to this city. Her injuries are consid-

Nearly all of the known flead and & Danner store. Only meager reports had been received thus far, however, from several farming settlements in the path of the storm, the

tor trucks as quickly as they were exed store at Clarkedale or reached that point from the surrounding section

Dr. Julio Bianchi, Appointed Representative Under Former Government, Deposed.

Formal notice has been received by

MINISTER ON DUTY HERE

the State Department from the new upon the treaty as drawn wthout the crossing of a "t" or the dotting of Julio Bianchi, minister to Washington under the Herrera government, recently overthrown, no longer represents that country. The notification was contained in a telegram today to the Secretary of State from Rodriguez Castillejo, minister for foreign affairs. The massage did not name a successor for Dr. Bianchi, but stated that Francisco S. Latour had been delegated to take over the ar-

cance," cash prizes ranging from a maximum of \$100 to a minimum o The eighty-eight cash prizes to be TREASURY BONUS awarded the winners of the contest will amount to \$1,000. They will be so scattered over the two distinct

Grouped in Two Classes. As previously announced, the classes probably will be grouped as follows: First class-Students in the senior high schools and the ninth grade of the private and parochial schools between the ages of fifteen and eighteen,

and eighth graces of the junior high schools and similar grades of the eigenentary schools; pupils in the private and parochial schools between the ages of twelve and fourteen, in-

prizes of \$15 each for each class, making a total of ten prizes, or \$150. There will be twenty prizes of \$10 each awarded as fifth prizes, or ten prizes in each class, making a total

parley.
It is emphasized that no essays

the affairs of the nation.

# Secretary Mellon formally an

Adolph Gude, one of the piones florists of this city and grand commander of District of Columbia Knights Templar, died early tothe Emergency Hospital, where he had been confined to bed for the past five weeks. Mr. Gude's illness has extended over a period of about two years, but only recently was it necessary for him to go to a hospital.

Mr. Gude was born at Knoxville, Tenn., April 20, 1863. He was the sor of C. G. Adolphus and Fredericka Gude. He left his birthplace when and later to Prince Georges county, Md. He was but eighteen years of age when he moved into, the District. where he was educated in the public schools and the Spencerian Business

College. He entered business for himself early

of Lands in Philippines.

MANILA, P. I.. November 28 (by mail).—Stating that it is the belief of the government at Washington that the law governing the lease of exploration of oil lands in the Philippines is less liberal to foreigners than it is in America, Governor Gentant Wood, in recommending the amendment of the laws, says he is acting on the suggestion of the Department of State at Washington.

The general's message says:

"The Department of State finds in its efforts to insist on the proper treatment of our nationals by foreign countries in this matter (lease of petroleum lands and other lands to of petroleum lands and other lands to confronted with the statement that the law in the Philippines is less liberal to foreigners than is the law in the United States and the department believes it should be made to conform exactly with the United He always was prominent in civic and point from the surrounding section last night. One, a baby, died early to-day. Several others are reported in a serious condition.

Rescue parties from this city and several Arkansas towns started at daylight today for an exploration of the more isolated sections of the more isolated sections of the more isolated sections of the storm-swept area, where it was feared others were killed or injured.

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and past commander of De Molay Commandery; past master, Anacostia Lodge, No. 21; treasurer and past high priest of Anacostia Royal Arch Chapter, No. 12; past grand high priest of D. C. Royal Arch Masons; a thirty-second degree Mason of Albert Pike Consistory, No. 1; Mithras Lodge of Perfection, No. 1; Evangelist Chapter, Rose Croix; Robert D. Bruce Council, Kadosh; Adoniram Council, No. 2, R and S. M.; past potentate of Almas Temple of the Mystic Shrine; past patron, Electa Chapter, No. 2, Order of the Eastern Star; past grand pa-

OF LONG ILLNESS

District Commandery,

Knights Templar.

ADOLPHUS GUDE.

# ployes of the District government.

CAIRO, Egypt, December 24.-Dis-CAIRO, Egypt. December 24.—Dis-orders in connection with the Egypt-ian nationalist agitation broke out today in Gizeh, a suburb of Cairo.

He always was prominent in civic and fraternal activities. He was one time president of the Anacostia Bank, was vice president of the Anacostia Bank, was vice president of the Good Hope Orphan Home; life member of the Board of Trade, Chamber of Commerce, vice president and life member of the Anacostia Citizens' Association, life member of the Anacostia Citizens' Association, life member of the City Club, member of the Florists' Club of Washington, Washington Lodge, No. 15, B. P. O. E.; Central Lodge, No. 1, Odd Fellows; grand, commander of D. C. Grand Commandery, Knights Templar; treasurer and past commander of De Molay Commandery; past master, Anacostia

FOUR KILLED IN CRASH.

Temple of the Mystic Shrine; past patron, Electa Chapter, No. 2, Order of the Eastern Star; past grand patron, O. E. S. of D. C.; director, Masonic Mutual Relief Association, and a member of Kallipolis Grotto, Veiled Prophets.

He was married to Mary Elizabeth Noll of Germany, in November, 1888, and there were five children, four of whom. Esther C. M., Adolph E. Edwin H. and Edgar R., survive him. His home is at Gudemont, Anacostia, D. C.

Stalle on Crossing.

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., December 24.

—Four men were killed on a grade crossing at Wysox last night when their automobile was struck by a Lehigh Valley locomotive. The victims are Wesley Johnson and Biger low Jennings of Wyalusing, Thomas Stoneham of Frenchtown and John Trimble of Dornell Center. The men were on their way to Towania and the engine of their car stalled on the disgrace of the city of Campbell county had asked for them. Reports from private investigators, the governor said, indicated that conditions were such that the peace officers could not handle the situation.

"Serious danger exists," the governor said, "that at any moment an outbreak may occur, causing the loss of the crossing.

## TO HALT STRIKE TROUBLE

ble to hold future conferences to deal with questions arising on naval armament, has been advanced by other nations also, it was learned to-day. In fact, there seems to be a general opinion that such meetings will be necessary, even before the end of the ten-year naval building holday, which is now proposed. It is to be expected that the five powers engaging in the present plan to limit naval armaments will keep their eyes open to what other nations may do in the line of naval construction, and the found that occasion requires.

## POSSES HUNTING MAN

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Decem er 24.—Aroused by the cruel death of five-year-old Tessie Kucharski, whose mutilated body was found yes-erday packed in a suit case at the lotel Albany, posses of angry men are searching for George Garris, orty-five, a carpenter, with whom he police charged the child was last een alive. The crime has aroused litter feeling and threats of vio-ence were being openly made should he man suspected of the outrage fall