Hopeful Atmosphere Prevails. but Ruler Is Still in Danger.

By the Associated Press. LONDON, December 19.-The des perate battle which King George has been waging for his life continued mewhat in his favor today

This morning's medical bulletin like the two of yesterday, recorded improve ment, even though slight. Despite the fact that his majesty's gain has been slight, it has been definite and a more hopeful atmosphere prevailed among palace officials.

This morning's bulletin, which was signed by Sir Stanley Hewett, Sir Hugh Rigby and Lord Dawson of Penn, was as follows:

"The King has had a restful night The slight improvement noted yester day continues.

Anxiety Continues

the whole the situation was regarded as favorable and satisfactory. it was emphasized that anxiety continues and must continue for some time. Uninterrupted progress or some time. Uninterrupted progress or several days, it was said, would be eccessary before real confidence in the steome can be felt. for several days, it was said, would be

The developments of the immediate future are awaited anxiously, the possibility always being present of his majesty suffering a setback and losing some of the ground so painfully won during the past two or three days. There was no disposition to minimize the fact that the royal patient's condition still was critical.

It was a month ago today that the public was first informed that the King was ill. It has been a month of deepest anxiety for the nation, as what was first announced to be a feverish cold turned out to be serious conges-tion of the lung and pleurisy.

Prince Appears Cheerful,

The critical phase of the illness which was poisoning the patient's system apparently was reached on December 2, when the official bulletins report-

Club to watch the final in the squash | committee,

racquets championship.

Queen Mary and the royal family were understood to have been considerably heartened by the recent medical bulletins and the fact that the majority them told of progress, however slight.

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Of the last six official bulletins, up till today four have given reports of improvement. These terse official announcements are costing the physicians an amount of thought which might seem out of all proportion to their length. The doctors must avoid giving the public a false impression by emphasizing one feature or another in their dai' diagnosis. The task of drawing a nice balance between hopeful and discouraging signs entails the expenditure of much time.

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of much time.

After each examination of the King the doctors confer and compare notes. They spend considerable time in editing the first draft of the bulletin before issuing it in its final form.

With no announcement as to the prospects of the King's recovery. Queen

Queen Mary took her usual after-noon outing today. Accompanied by Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles, her majesty visited the Zoo. To this cheerful sign was added the fact that Lord Dawson of Penn did not

visit his royal patient at the usual hour this afternoon and no interim report regarding the King was issued. In palace circles this combination of facts was interpreted as an indication that the improvement noted in the morning ncement had continued.

CONTRACT IS SIGNED BY GARLAND BRAXTON

Substantial Increase in Salary Given League's Leading Hurler, Griffith Says.

Garland Braxton became the first member of the Washington Base Ball Club to sign a contract for the 1929 season this morning when, after a short conference with President Clark Griffith at the club offices, he accepted terms. President Griffith announced that Braxton, who was the American League's leading pitcher the past season, is signed at a substantial increase in salary.

Braxton, a slender, left-handed pitch-

er, led the moundsmen of his league this year in point of effectiveness, al-lowing but 2.52 earned runs per nine innings. He pitched a total of 218 innings, won 13 games and lost 11.

The pitcher came to the Nationals from the New York Yankees after the season of 1926. He was used as a relief pitcher in his first season with the Washington club, but in the past season took his regular turn in the box. His home is in Saxapahaw, N. C.

BAND CONCERT.

By the United States Marine Band Orchestra at the Marine Barracks tonight at 8 o'clock. March, "Zacatecas"..... Overture, "Orpheus in Hades,

Intermezzo, "Bayardage"...

When the discussion approached at times the limits of debate fixed by the House rules Speaker Longworth admonished the members to watch 'The Halls of Montezuma'

"The Star Spangled Banner"

Will Rogers Says:

NEW YORK CITY .- I saw the picture of the Paraguayan and Bolivian army. Tex Rickard used to be down in those two countries. Why don't they let him put on that fight for them. I saw a hockey game he put on here Sunday night, and war is kinder effeminate after it. He would build a grandstand charge admission, and the peanut and hot dog and movie privileges would put even the losers on velvet. Let the winner meet Peru in the Berni-finals, and that winner meet Dempsey in the finals. SILENT TRIBUTE TO VICTIMS OF S-4 DISASTER



Members of the submarine tender Chewink in one-minute silent prayer respectfully honor the 40 men who lost their lives when the submarine S-4 sank one year ago. The Chewink's crew, experimenting with the rebuilt S-4 at New London, Conn., deliberately sent to the bottom of Great Salt Pond to test various modern safety devices.

TO BE FIXED TODAY

Parade and Other Details to Be Discussed at General Committee Meeting.

The scope of the inaugural celebra-tion, March 4, will be definitely es-tablished when the general inaugural committee meets this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Willard Hotel.

ber 2, when the official bulletins reported heart weakness, and this period of most anxious suspense continued almost a fortnight, until after December 12, when an operation was performed for chest drainage, which seemed to have marked the end of the downward trend. The physicians' consultation at Buckingham Palace this morning lasted about an hour. The Prince of Wales was in the palace while the consultation was being held. He drove away shortly after the doctors' visit. He seemed to be in a cheerful mood and motored to the Bath Club to watch the final in the squash

committee, has drafted a plan to be read this afternoon and offered for adoption. Col. Grant also planned to announce the appointment of additional committee chairmen and committee members during the course of the meeting

The several committee chairmen were ready to make reports regarding the progress they have made relative to arranging for the delebration. Robert I. Fleming, chairman of the finance committee, planned a report on the work being done by his committee in the matter of soliciting guarantees for the \$100,000 fund which the committee has set out to raise to defray the expenses of the celebration. Upon his recommendation, Col. Grant today appointed the following to be vice chairmen of the finance committee: Wilmer G. Waller, vice president of the District Bankers' Association; Daniel G. Callaban Mark Lenchurgh and Mrs. Frank lahan, Mark Lansburgh and Mrs. Frank W. Mondell. I. J. Roberts has been appointed secretary to this important

With no announcement as to the prospects of the King's recovery, Queen Maud of Norway, who has been in England since September, decided to stay over Christmas and New Year. She will remain longer if the King's condition shows no decided improvement. There is a very strong bond of affection between the King and his younger sister, whose anxiety during the past month over her brother's illness has been acute. Her husband, King Haakon, is coming to spend Christmas in London.

Secretary to this important committee.

With the appointment yesterday afternoon of Samuel J. Prescott, chairman of the Republican State committee afternoon of Samuel J. Prescott, chairman of the Republican State committee. With the appointment of Columbia, and his brother, Bernard Walker, 26, warned Kreitzer not to repeat it. Ryon is reported to have then said to Kreitzer, "Let's see how much ferederic A. Delano, and the appointment very soul have." With the shot the others ran from the house. The Walker brothers and Lisle Simmons, 22, of Mitchellville, the fourth witness to the shooting, ran to Nichols was out, but pleted the more important committee. specific duties except as general aides, but thy will receive individual assign-ments within the next few days.

Additional appointments today were those of Charles F. Crane as chairman of the committee on printing, and the following members added to the general inaugural committee:

Right Rev. William F. McDowell of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Right Rev. James E. Freeman, Episcopal Bishop of Washington; Mgr. James H. Ryan, president of Cathollc University; Dr. Abram Simon, president of the

Prant Simon, president of the Washington Hebrew Congregation; John C. Letts, chairman of the board of trustees of American University; Charles Moore, chairman of the Fine Arts Commission; Horace W. Peaslee and Frank C. Baldwin, executive secretary of the American Institute of tary of the American Institute of

Two other prominent Washingtonians today were invited to join the general inaugural committee. They are James G. Yaden and Thomas W. Sidwell.

\$1,000,000,000 BILL **WORK ENDS IN HOUSE**

Treasury-Post Office Conference Report's Approval Comes Without Formality of Record Vote.

By the Associated Press.

Congressional action on the billion dollar Treasury-Post Office supply bill was completed in the House yesterday after the Senate proposal to increase by \$257,000,000 the prohibition enforcement fund had been finally cast into the discard. This action came with approval of the conference report on the measure which now goes to the President.

President.

The most heated debate of the House The most heated debate of the House this session was precipitated by the discussion, but the conference report's approval came without the formality of a record vote. It served only to get the views of a dozen members into the Congressional Record.

The debate, however, brought from the wets the challenge that the drys did not dare to enforce prohibition upon their constituents and revived.

their utterances.

This came during a speech of Chairman Wood of the House appropriations subcommittee in charge of the measure when in defending the action of the conferees he declared that the voters in the last election had registered their approval of the prohibition laws.

MAJESTIC, DELAYED, SAILS

SOUTHAMPTON, England, Decem-SOUTHAMPTON, England, December 19 (P).—The liner Majestic sailed at noon today after being held up by fog. Company officials said that the boat would not reach New York until Christmas day, so her thousand American passengers and many more to be taken aboard at Cherbourg have the prospect of eating their Christmas dinner at sea.

The Majestic carries a large amount of Christmas and the sea. Shot to Death



BOWIE MAN, HELD IN FRIEND'S DEATH,

a few minutes. Then Kreitzer arose and went to a cupboard to get the records of the sale of the automobile. There he found a .45-caliber automatic pistel, but not the papers. He took the gun out and started flourishing it.

Four Flee After Shooting.

The four young men told Nichols that Kreitzer jokingly pointed the pistol at PROPOSED AIRPORT the feet of the youngest of the party, Robert Walker, 14. The action fright-

nome in Bowle. Nichols was out, but returned a few minutes after the youths arrived. Together they went to Kreitzer's home, where they found Mrs. Elsie Kreitzer, the man's wife. According to Nichols, she denied any one had been shot in the house and said her husband was in form. The Kreitzer home is on

looking for you to give myself up."

In response to questions, he told Nichols that immediately after the shooting, he placed the body in the dead man's automobile and drove to a point about a mile away, where he turned off the road about 75 yards and left the car, with the body sprawled across the front seat, hidden by the

who turned his prisoner over to Con-stable Robert Showalter and found the is was. Kreitzer, taken to the jail at Marlboro, has not been charged.

J. W. Ryon, father of the dead man, said today his son and Kreitzer were close friends and believes the shooting



MELVIN RYON.

CLAIMS ACCIDENT

Kreitzer described the spot to Nichols machine just where the man had said Father Believes Death Accidental.

TWO AFGHAN FORTS REPORTED SEIZED

British Plane Shot Down. Two Occupants Report "Safe and Well."

By the Associated Press. NEW DELHI, India, December 19. capital of Afghanistan. They were awaiting re-enforcements to press their

A British aeroplane was shot through the radiator and made a forced landing near Kabul. The plane had been at tempting to establish communication with the British legation with a view to the evacuation of British and Indian women and children if necessary. The two British airmen, who were forced down and about whom there had been concern, sent a telegram stating that they were "safe and well."

communication with Kabul by way of Quetta was improved today and belated messages for India were arriving.

Large quantities of arms and ammunition were understood to be in the two forts reported seized.

The question of the safety of the British legation was having the closest personal attention of the viceroy, who was in constant touch with develop Another aeroplane which flew ove

Kabul this morning returned this after-noon with the news that all was well at the British legation in the Afghan

NEAR ALEXANDRIA DRAWS CRITICISM

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make a convenient municipal airport It was only the realization that the Gravelly Point airport would only meet part of the Capital's needs that led him and others to take steps to estab-

returned a few minutes after the youths arrived. Together they went to Kreitzer's home, where they found Mrs. Elsie Kreitzer, the man's wife. According to Nichols, she denied any one had been shot in the house and said her husband was in town. The Kreitzer home is on the outskirts of Bowie.

Nichols went to the town and found Jones at a church rehearsing a play. As he was talking with Jones, Kreitzer drove up and halted when the policeman signaled him. When told he was under arrest, Kreitzer said, "I've been looking for you to give myself up."

him and others to take steps to establish the George Washington air junction on 2,000 acres just below Alexandiria, he told the committee.

"We felt that we would meet the deficiency," he added. "The big air liners will land at the air junction, and the passengers who go to the District will fly to Gravelly Point smaller planes. Thus Gravelly Point will become the air shuttle of the District and for travel South."

Offers Free Use for While.

Woodhouse told the committee that use the land temporarily free of cost until Gravelly Point was developed, which would be about three years, according to estimates. On the other hand, he offered acreage at cost for a 600-acre airport which would provide 9,000-foot runways.

Representative Bowles of Massachuatts who is developing an airport of

setts, who is developing an airport of his own, made arrangements to inspect the site below Alexandria this afternoon. Other members of the committee may accompany him.

Mr. Woodhouse said that the Virginia site was free from the fog and flood menace that made flying and conditions hazardous at Gravelly Point said today his son and Kreitzer were close friends and believes the shooting was accidental.

Ryon is survived by his parents, two brothers, J. Wilson Ryon and Frederick E. Ryon, a teller in the Merchants Bank & Trust Co. of Washington, and two sisters, Miss Edna and Miss Hilda Ryon.

Ten years ago another brother, Morgan Ryon, was fatally shot while duck hunting.

hunting.

The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock at the Methodist Church at Bowie. Burial will be in Fort Lincoln Cemetery.

Had hade the same which he has made to Washington and that Richmond had bought from him at cost 100 acres of land for an airport and has acquired an option on 200 more acres.



We Want You to Meet

Grantland Rice

The highest paid sports writer in the world—

Because his record of 26 years of writing sport comment has made him the dean of the profession. His long association with the men who win fame on the gridiron and the diamond, in the ring and on the track, has given him a background that few other sports writers possess. He sees with the eye of an expert-and writes with

"The only man I know who has made literature of the sporting department of a daily newspaper," says Irvin S. Cobb of his

Rice has had four books of prose and verse published. He has he!ped produce 75 one-reel motion picture sport films and in the last three years he has traveled 40,000 miles, covering various championship matches and other competitions. If you are not yet a confirmed addict to his column begin now to give yourself the pleasure of reading "The Sportlight," which will appear every day on the sports pages of

The Evening Star

SOLID ICE LOCKS BYRD POLAR SHIP

Day and Night Are Spent by Antarctic Voyagers in

Gray Silence.

BY RUSSELL OWEN. By Wireless to The Star and New York Times ON BOARD THE BARK CITY OF NEW YORK, AT SEA, December 19.— We are lying in a world of drifting white. For hours the ship has not moved, shut in by solid ice that stretches for many miles. It is snow-ing hard, so one cannot see more than 50 yards, and the wind sifts past us in a curtain that opens and closes, giving swift glimpses of the tortured surface which are quickly hidden. Overhead is a pale glow where the sun is trying to break through, but only succeeds in making a diffused light that hurts the eyes as they strain to pierce

he obscuring drift.

There is the fascination of the mysterious in this eerie concealment. It is not a haze or a mist but an enshrouding, impalpable light that closes about When it opens for a moment we realize that our microcosm is not the limit of this frozen sea, but almost instantly that quick stabbing rift is blotted out and we are alone. is ahead between us and the forbidden land we are approaching?

Voices Lost in Emptiness.

A day and a night now we have been living in this gray silence, broken only by the whistle of the wind in the rigging and the whine of the dogs. Voices are lost in this vast emptiness.

Every hour the light and colors have changed pointing scane of the colors. changed, painting scenes which can never be forgotten.

Before the snow there was a wind and other fenders of the public. which lifted clouds of scurrying drift from the surface of the ice and conhave been discarded wherev which lifted clouds of scurrying drift from the surface of the ice and concealed the horizon. It changed its density constantly and uplifted cakes and hummocks, which pushed out of the gloom and then were swiftly hidden as if an opaque but invisible hand had swept down over them.

A shining line would appear far away beyond the point where objects could be

beyond the point where objects could be distinguished in the dull light, a line where the sun broke through between two clouds and advanced quickly toward us, picking out white monuments one of the smallest, but one of the most one of the smallest, but one of the most one of the smallest, but one of the most one of the smallest, but one of the most one of the smallest, but one of the most one of the smallest, but one of the most one of the smallest, but one of the most one of the smallest, but one of the most one of the smallest, but one of the most one of the smallest, but one of the most one of the smallest, but one of the most one of the smallest, but one of the most one of the smallest, but one of the most one of the smallest, but one of the most one of the smallest, but one of the smallest, but one of the most one of the smallest, but one of the most one of the smallest, but one of the smallest, but one of the most one of the smallest, but one of the smallest one of Rebels were reported today to have seized two forts overlooking Kabul, beacons an instant and then disappeared.

White Bird Appears.

A white bird appeared, a solitary thing moving silently and swiftly, all but unseen against the colorless background of the snow. Like a strange and lonely spirit, it moved among the obelisks and pyramids of ice.

It touched some primitive chord of superstition in those who watched it, so serge white that it seemed to belong to anmuch that it seemed to belong to another world, and one followed it intently until it flew into that misty curtain and vanished.

Toward midnight the clouds broke and for two hours the sun shone above the horizon, coloring the snow and sky with delicate pastel tints. From the ship stretched a path of rose colored light, making beautiful the grotesque forms sculptured in the ice by the wind and the sea and the sea.

S-4 BROUGHT TO SURFACE AFTER NAVAL MEN ENTER SUNKEN SUBMERSIBLE

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two huge pontoons, the engine room and the ballast tanks was given at 7:45 o'clock last night. Thirty-five minutes later, after a series of turbulent eruptions of the water over the sunken craft, the pontoons and the great gray bow of the ship loomed into the brilliancy of flood lights on nearby Navy ships and the experiment seemed over. But something had gone wrong. Despite efforts to drain every available floating chamber, the ship would not budge its stern from the bottom.

The fight to bring the submarine, of a negative buoyancy of less than 100 tons, to the surface with the pontoons of combined lifting power of 160 tons, took place while a wind of near-gale force lashed the water and falling temperature drove every one free from salvage detail to skelter.

perature drove every one free from salvage detail to shelter.

To most of these men of the sub-

marine rescue ship Falcon, from which the work was carried on, this salvage assignment was only another job. Their view of the task seemed to be indicated in the casual observation of one of the sailors, "It's a beautiful night for this

Up on the bridge the procedure appeared calm and casual, but behind the seemingly matter-of-fact orders was an intensity of purpose that seemed to match the anxiety of those aboard the Falcon those long months when they labored to bring the S-4 up from a depth of 102 feet off Provincetown, Mass. where it was sunk in a collision wit the Coast Guard destroyer Paulding.

New Problems Must Be Met.

Lieut. Norman Ives, now in command of the S-4, stood with Lieut. Carlton Shugg, salvaging technician, who had his hands on valves controlling the flow of water out of the vessel below. "Give her a shot in the engine room,"
Ives would command. "Give 'em a little
toot on the after end only," Shugg
ordered. Ives again speaking, "Are you
still blowing the aft end of the pon-So it went for about four hours last

cue and salvaging methods were complete.

\$25,000 GEMS SEIZED.

Man Guarding Jewels Abducted in

HOOVER DISCARDS FORMALITY DURING TOUR OF GOOD-WILL

Comfortable Summer Attire Is Usual Costume, Top Hat and Frock Coat Being Worn Only Once.

BY REX COLLIER,

ABOARD GOOD WILL BATTLE-SHIP IN SOUTH AMERICAN WATERS, December 10 .- "I came here to learn-

President-elect Herbert Hoover has repeated that phrase again and again during his visit to the small but proud republics of Latin America. He has demonstrated by his actions that he meant what he said. And Latin America forthwith has cast off its reserve and welcomed him with wholehearted If there had lingered in the mind

of, our neighbors to the South that America's next President was embarked upon a voyage the purpose of which was to make a show of Uncle Sam's dignity and power, that suspicion has been dissipated completely.

Mr. Hoover's attitude has been one of profound, respect for the

profound respect for the smallest of the nations he has had the opportunity what tude for the favors accorded him; of bidden eagerness to get acquainted with the people and their customs.

Has Friendly Personality.

Moreover, Latin America has found that Mr. Hoover has a friendly, grip-She had expected ping personality. perhaps a visit marked by severe formality and awesome austerity. She feared she might not get a close-up glimpse of her distinguished guest—what with bodyguards and police lines

one of the smallest, but one of the most densely populated countries in the world. There, however, formal attire world. was limited to Mr. Hoover and Ambass ador Fletcher. For the rest of the party, from George Akerson to the coridents, comfortable Summer attire was the rule.

Variety of Costumes.

At his first port of call, Amapala, Honduras, Mr. Hoover wore a dark blue coat, white flannel trousers and serge coat, white fiannel trousers and white shoes, topped with a gray felt hat. The clothing of the members of his party was a veritable riot of diversification. Few had been afforded sufficent time to stock themselves with tropical wear, and what they lacked they had pieced out from the ship's stores and elsewhere. Some of the clothes had been purchased on the run in San Francisco, and received their clothes had been purchased on the run in San Francisco, and received their initial try-on aboard the Maryland. Consequently, there were white ducks with the bottoms rolled up to keep the cuffs from dragging in the dust, tennis shoes as a makeshift substitute for correct white footgear, sweaters coats.

Now we are in this gray world of shadows again, the wind driving the shadows again, the wind driving the snow against our faces and holding us bound. Leads may be ahead, but we cannot see them and so we wait until the storm blows by and we can push forward.

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The newspaper men landed ahead of the official contingent at Amapala and the detachment of soldiers to escort the good-will mission in San Jose, but there were a contract which was waiting on the pier. Dr. Colindres does not speak English, but he had with him a young Costa Rican engineer who had been educated at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and who spoke English perfectly. Dr. Colindres, except for his darker complexion, looked like any prosperous American business man. He prosperous American business man. He the countries of the Massachusets in the remainder of soldiers to escort the good-will mission in San Jose, but there were at once taken in tow by the Honduran President-elect, Dr. Colindres, the prosperous and the statement of soldiers to escort the good-will mission in San Jose, but there were at once taken in tow by the Honduran President-elect, Dr. Colindres, the prosperous and the statement of soldiers to escort the good-will mission in San Jose, but there were at once taken in two by the Honduran President-elect, Dr. Colindres, who was waiting on the president-elect learned that Costa Rican depends on the justice and fair-play of policemen and firemen.

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general. The toasts went over in great style. They were drunk in a rather unsightly barroom and restaurant on the main pier. A phonograph played American jazz during the courtesies.

Band Plays Anthem. as the toasts were being com Just as the toasts were being completed the motor barge bearing Mr. Hoover tied up at the dock. The President-elect climbed up a slippery stairway to the floor of the pier and a gayly uniformed band struck up "The Star Spangled Banner." Then began a round of activities that were climaxed by the serving of champagne to Mr. and Mrs. Hoover and all members of the party and the proposal of toasts

Here was one of those diplomatic problems that required quick and effective solution on the part of the next President of the United States. If he refused the glass, it would be tantamount to refusing to stand at attention during the playing of the Honduran pational anthem, or offering some other national anthem, or offering some other grave insult to the people of Honduras.

If he drank the champagne he would be accused of violating the spirit of American prohibition. He raised the glass to his lips in unison with those of his hosts, but it still was full when he lowered it again. The same was true of Mrs. Hoover. Proving once more than Mr. Hoover is a master of

emergencies.

The stage was all set for a somewhat more formal reception at Cutuco, port of L'Union, El Salvador, but the hand of L'Union, El Salvador, but the hand of nature intervened. A stiff wind and a rough sea almost prevented a landing and nearly precipitated the President-elect into the water as he jumped from the side of the launch to the wet gangway of the pier. It was a dignity-ruf-ling experience for guests and hosts the side of the launch to the wet gang-way of the pier. It was a dignity-ruf-fling experience for guests and hosts to meet increase in compensation re-sulting from reallocation of positions by the Personnel Classification Board. alike.

away until nearly midnight.

There had been some tension in some

quarters over the trip to Nicaragua, but the Corinto reception turned out to be a delightful experience, unmarred by any untoward demonstration. Toasts were proposed in both champagne and water during this visit, the champagne being served by Nicaraguan

World of Subtle Color.

The snow and the sky came together so that one could not tell where they joined, and the bands of rose and orange and pale green mounted to the golden-edged clouds.

Midnight and a world of subtle color that would have been the despair of a painter.

The capricious and threatening Anthart is a Panama, one iron derby and even a painter.

The capricious and threatening Anthart is possession of William Philip Sims, a special correspondent.

No wonder men come back to it.

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is a physician by calling. He lost no time in proposing several toasts in champagne—to the newspaper men in particular and the American press in tuture of pan-America.

FILMS' PORTRAYAL **GRANT CITES PARK** SAVINGS METHODS OF U. S. CRITICIZED

South Americans Visualize Nation Seeping in Crime and Scandal, Uruguayan Says.

BY WILL IRWIN. By Wireless to The Star and the North American Newspaper Alliance. ABOARD U. S. S. UTAH, EN ROUTE TO RIO JANEIRO, December 19.—I may be talking shop, but the remarks of Dr. Gaglieni, the eminent Uruguayan editor, at the banquet given on Monday night by the press of Montevideo to the correspondents accompanying President-elect Hoover seem worthy of a wider audience.

wider audience.
"One main obstacle to the proper understanding and esteem between the understanding and esteem between the United States and South American countries," the doctor said in effect, "is the picture of your country our people are drawing from the movies and from the kind of news we get from North America. The movies are all cabaret life, the sins of society and crime. The news is filled with bank robberies, Hollywood divorces, gunmen and lynchings.

lynchings.

"I have studied your country and admire it greatly," Dr. Gaglieni continued, "but in that respect I am not the average man. The average man this side of the Equator has a wrong and hectic picture of the United States. It does not answer the question to say such matter sells on this side of the Equator because people want it. We journalists know it is possible to lead public taste in news upward or downward. Nor will I presume to say who is responsible. I only know it is creating an unfortunate only know it is creating an unfortunate

So it went for about four hours last night, but still the stern stayed down, and Lieut. Comdr. Palmer Dunbar ordered the submarine tender alongside to tie a line to the submersible to keep it from crashing against the Falcon.

The bow of the submarine was carried against the Falcon by a strong wind soon after the forward part of the vessel was raised, but no damage resulted.

The commander said the test of the lifting hooks was designed to determine their accessibility to divers, and the unexpected delay in the raising would point out new problems which would have to be solved before submarine rescue and salvaging methods were com-

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that Mr. Coolidge had adopted his at-titude solely on account of the circum-stances involved. Mr. Hoover did not reply when President Yrigoyen express-ed this belief. His Own Auto.

PHILADELPHIA, December 19.—Two robbers attacked a man guarding \$25,-000 in jewels outside a store last night, abducted him in his own automobile, abducted him

Provision of Lump Sum for Land Purchase Held Mat-

ter of Economy.

Provision of a lump sum to be used in the acquisition of land for park purposes would result in a saving to the Government of about 4 per cent in the increases in values of properties which would be expected if the purchases are made piecemeal, according to the annual report today of the National Capital Park and Planning Commission, made by Lieut. Col. U. S. Grant, 3d, executive officer.

Col. Grant points out that real estate

Grant, 3d, executive officer.

Col. Grant points out that real estate values throughout the District have been increasing annually at an average rate of more than 8.86 per cent during the last eight years. He cites that an advance from the Federal Treasury to be amortized by annual payments from the combined revenues of the District of Columbia would save both money and park values for the people of Washington and of the United States. This savings, he continues, is represented by a difference between a rate of 4 per cent of the money advanced by the Treasury and the percentage of inthe Treasury and the percentage of in-crease of land values, to which should be added the value of natural scenery which could thereby be preserved in-stead of creating later and larger ex-

pense.

Col. Grant says that a program for the immediate acquisition of park lands within the District at an average rate of almost \$3,000,000 a year for five years seems to be about the least that would reasonably meet the needs of a stillareasonably meet the needs of a situa-tion that has been allowed to get greatly in arrears.

To finance any such program on a 30-year amortization basis, which seems entirely reasonable when dealing with so permanent an investment as land purchases, would be to assume an obli-gation of annual appropriations for 30 years at the rate of \$56 per \$1,000 of land purchases.

He adds that such a plan would have the advantage that the local taypayers

the advantage that the local taxpayers of the District would not be obligated to a greater burden for park acquisition than the share which they pay under the present arrangement, which is an annual disbursement of not less than \$600,000

Endurance Plane in Alabama. MONTGOMERY, Ala., December 19 (A).—The Army monoplane Question Mark, en route to San Diego to begin an endurance flight, landed at Maxwell Field at 10:20 o'clock this morning. The plane was scheduled to pick up refueling plane No. 1 here and take off for Shreveport, La., in refueling formation.

18th Child Born to Couple. BERWICK, Pa., December 19 (AP).— The eighteenth child of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Titel, of this city, a son, was born today in the local hospital.

JOINT MONEY BILL REPORTED TO HOUSE

Carries \$111,874,347.43 for State, Justice, Commerce and Labor Departments.

Carrying a total of \$111,874,347.43 he appropriation bill for the fou Federal Departments of State, Justice Commerce and Labor for the fiscal year beginning June 1 next was reported to the House today. This is a gress increase of \$21,205,951.54 over the current year and a decrease of \$94,460

under the budget estimates. This is the fourth of the 11 big appropriation bills to reach the House and Mrs. Hoover and all members of the House program to pass to both countries.

These figures are exclusive of permanent and indefinite appropriations which, divided among the departments are: State, 141,233; Commerce, \$3,000; Labor, \$9,000.

Increases Due to Welch Bill Cited Due to the enactment of the Welch act pay increases in the four depart-ments amount to \$2,754,374. Increases on account of the pay of immigration inspectors is \$244,620, making a total pay increase as authorized at the last session of \$2,998,994.

Another important increase is to allow for the fifteenth census, which

amounts to \$16,951,800. The appropriations committee recommends a paragraph similar to that in-cluded in the Interior Department ap-propriation bill, which was approved by the House, to take care of the tion of positions. This permits transfers between bureau or office appropriations

Shreve Explains Conditions.

More Informal Speeches.

All of the Salvadorean officials were in formal morning clothes, but Mr. Hoover still wore his white flannels, having come direct by motor boat from Amapala, 10 miles away. Here again there were champagne toasts and informal speeches and handshaking. The party was to have left immediately after supper, but the sea remained so rough that it was impossible to get away until nearly midnight.

Shreve Explains Conditions.

Representative Shreve of Pennsylvania, in presenting the bill, said that it frequently happens that after the annual appropriations have been made, adding burdens to the departmental appropriations that could not be foreseen to the department and in Congress. This paragraph is to enable the departments to meet such contingencies without under the conditions. meet such contingencies

setting the allocations of funds made prior to such reallocation of employes to higher paid grades.

Under the Department of Justice section of this bill there is an appropriation of \$208,000 for the National Training School for Boys in Weshing Training School for Boys in Washington, which is a decrease of \$44,710. In the Department of State the increase salaries resulting from the Welch act amounts to \$108,220.

Estimated Salary Increases. Estimates submitted for increases in alaries for the Undersecretary of salaries for the Undersecretary of State from \$8,000 to \$12,000, to corre-spond with increases for the Undersecretary of the Treasury, the solicitor general, the director of the budget and the controller general each from \$10,000 to \$12,000, were rejected. The appropriations committee, however, recommends that the Undersecretary of State be increased from \$8,000 to \$10,000, to be comparable with the present salary of these other officials. The present salary of the Undersecretary of State

is \$1,000 more than that of the other assistant secretaries, whom he out-For the Pan-American Union, an appropriation of \$147,219.60 is recommended, an increase over the current year of approximately \$15,000. This amount is proportionate, based on repulation.

opulation.
For the Department of Justice the increases under the Welch act account for \$771,774. There is also an in-crease of \$65,500 for salaries of judges. For the Department of Commerce the ncrease resulting from the Welch act is \$1,343,760. The increase of hearing \$2,250,000 for other activities of the department is largely accounted for by additions under the aeronautics branch, the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic

Commerce and the Bureau of Fisheries

Bureau Allowances Outlined. For the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce the committee has increased certain figures over the budget estimates, brniging the total up to \$4,-891,323, which is an increase of \$282,-966 over the current year and \$88,500 over the budget recommendation. The fund for promoting commerce in South and Central America was increased \$25,000 to be used for probably two new offices in those countries. Thirty thousand dollars was added to the estimate for the district and co-operative service, for establishment of two new offices, the location to be determined by the bureau.

For the Bureau of Standards, the budget estimate of \$2,506,746 was approved. This is an increase of \$128,690, of which \$116,814 is for increases under the Welch act. For the Bureau of Foreign and Do-

Other Pay Raises Granted. In the Coast and Geodetic Survey, an increase of \$53,329 is for salary increases under the Welch act.

In the Patent Office, an increase of \$242,385 is absorbed by adjustments under the amended classification act.

A net increase of \$195,290 is shown for the Department of the processors.

for the Department of Labor. Increase due to the Welch act and the immigra tion inspectors' pay act amount \$767,800. The committee recommended \$217,000 for continuation of the employment service, which is an increase of \$12,000 over the current year and \$5,000 over the estimate. This increase is due to provisions of the amended classifica-tion act.

F. S. PAGE EXPIRES.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., December 19 (AP).—Frank G. Page, 64, president of the National Equipment Co., manufacturers of candy machinery, died today. He formerly was connected with the Northwestern Knitting Co. and other concerns in Minneapolis, Minn.

In 1891 he came to this city and organized the Confectioners' Machinery & Manufacturing Co. In 1909 several nationally known candy manufacturers became financially associated with him and the company was reorganized and the name changed to the National Equipment Co.



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