20,000 ATTENDING ANNAPOLIS EVENT

Secretary Adams and Other Notables at Graduation Week Exercises.

Special Dispatch to The Star.

ANNAPOLIS, June 1 .- June week athletic day and the first of the series of June week hops which will be staged this evening in Dahlgren Hall, at the Naval Academy, brought a crowd of more than 20,000 persons from all parts of the country to Annapolis today.

Secretary of the Navy Charles Francis Adams and Mrs. Adams arrived at the Naval Academy shortly before noon to witness the athletic festival that will be staged this afternoon. The Secre-tary's visit was official and he was received by the Naval Academy Band, a company of Marines and sailors, and was given a salute from the guns of the station ship, Reina Mercedes. Mr. Adams will return to Annapolis this evening and will return on Wednesday evening and will return on wednesday to present the prizes and awards to the midshipmen at the full dress parade at 5 o'clock that afternoon. He will re-main as the guest of Rear Admiral S. S. Robison, superintendent of the Naval Academy, until after the graduation exercises at 10:30 o'clock Thursday ning. Mr. Adams will preside at graduation exercises and present omas to the 242 graduates.

Prizes to Be Awarded.

mong the members of the graduating class who will receive prizes, according to an announcement of Lette. Comdr. Harry Patrick, secretary to the academic board, is Midshipman George Herrick Wales, son of George R. Wales, 3609 Norton place, Washington. He will be given a sword presented by the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, for excelling in

Midshipman John Bartholomew Webster will graduate at the top of the class, it also was announced. Webster will be given three prizes next Wedwill be given three prizes next Wed-nesday. For graduating at the top of his class he will be given a gold watch, known as the Gardner L. Caskey Me-morial Prize; he will receive navigating sextant presented by Col. Robert M. Thompson for being most proficient in practical navigation, and he will receive a wrist watch, presented by the Military Order of Foreign Wars, for standing highest in mathematics.

The sword presented by the class of 1897 to the midshipman who has contributed most by his officerlike and positive character to the development.

Thompson for being most proficient in practical any date with receive a wrist watch, presented by the Military Order of Foreign Wars, for stand and the many of the most by the class of 1897 to the midshipman who has contributed most by his officerike and positive character to the development of naval spirit and loyalty in the regiment was won by Midshipman Catherine E. Weakley of St. Joseph. Mo. The presented to the midshipman may be an away from his home recently, was arrested here yesterday and turned over the first in engineering and are made.

F. L. Flynn of this city, newly elected by the chass of 1924 for the midshipman standing first in engineering and are standing his four years at the academy.

Gets Ordanace Honors.

Midshipman Corben C. Shute of Philadelphia will have his name in scribed on the cup presented by the General Society Sons of Revolution of proficiency in Ordanace and gumery of the Confederacy). Which is a section of Mutual Savings Banks for the Confederacy of New York will get \$100 in cash, offered by the National Association of Mutual Savings Banks for the Solve of Paul, Minn. A wrist watch presented by Mrs. James Edward Palman Rooney of New York will get \$100 in cash, offered by the National Association of Mutual Savings Banks for the Solve of National Rooney of New York will get \$100 in cash, offered by the National Association of Mutual Savings Banks for the Solve of New York will get \$100 in cash, offered by the National Association of Mutual Savings Banks for the Solve of New York will get \$100 in cash, offered by the National Association of Mutual Savings Banks for the Solve of New York will get \$100 in cash, offered by the National Association of Mutual Savings Banks for the Solve of New York will get \$100 in cash, offered by the National Association of Mutual Savings Banks for the Solve of New York will get \$100 in cash, offered by the National Association of Mutual Savings Banks for the Solve of New York will get \$100 in cash, offered by the National Association of Mutual Saving

most thorough understanding of current events. Ralph W. Elden, Portland. Oreg., will get the second price of \$75

and Ira Ellis McMillian, Honey Grove,
Tex., the third prize of \$25.
Commendatory letters will be given
to Manly L. Curry, Mountain City, Ga.;
George Hedwig Deiter, Clintonville,
Wis.; John H. Keatley, Davenport, Iowa;
Leslie E. Richardson, Boulder, Colo.;
Claude V. Ricketts, McCune, Kans., and
Charles E. Trescott, Girard. Ohlo.
The sermon to the graduation class
will be delivered by Capt. Sydney K.
Evans, chaplain of the Naval Academy,
in the chapel at 10:45 o'clock tomorrow
morning.

Gymnasts Give Exhibition.

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Eight members of a model gymnastic team from Czechoslovakia, delegated to attend the second congress of the American Sokol Association in Chicago June 12, gave an exhibition of their skill at the Naval Academy last night.

The performers included two world champions in gymnastics, Ladislav Vacha, parallel bar artist, and Bedrich Supcik, rigid pole expert. Both won their titles at the last Olympics. Other members of the team are Emanuel Loeffler, Josef Effenberger, Vaclav Vescly, Jan Bruckner, Jan Karafiat and Vladimir Pokorny.

The gymnasts were guests of academy officials yesterday afternoon and were escorted on a sightseeing tour of the institution. Three officers of the Czechoslovakian Sokol Association accompanied the group. They were Dr. Rudolf Krovak, Dr. Miroslav Klinger and Vladimir Mueller.

Today the athletes were to give a demonstration in Baltimore as guests of the local branch of the American Sokol Association. Monday they will go to Washington to perform before Govern-

Association. Monday they will go to Washington to perform before Government officials assembled in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium there.

MAN AND WOMAN HURT IN MARYLAND ACCIDENT

F. P. Whiting and Miss Margaret De Groot, Trained Nurse, Injured in Car Wreck.

By a Staff Correspondent of The Star.

BETHESDA, Md., June 1.—An automobile said by police to have been driven by Frank P. Whiting, a guest at the home of Capt. E. S. Kellogg.
U. S. N., went off the Brookeville road near the intersection of Jones Mill road leat night injuring Whiting and Miss

near the intersection of Jones Mill road last night injuring Whiting and Miss Margaret De Groot, a trained nurse in the Kellogg home. Miss De Groot is in the Emergency Hospital in Washington, where it was said today she was suffering from a possible fracture of the skull and body injuries.

The accident is said to have occurred at a dangerous curve, and was alleged to have been caused by another machine forcing it off the road. It overturned, and the victims were taken out by members of the Kensington and Chevy Chase Fire Departments. Whiting is said to be suffering from bruises and shock.

Radical Editor Jailed as Traitor.

LEIPSIG, Germany, June 1 (4) .-Karl Schrader, editor of Rote Fahne (The Red Flag), radical Berlin newspaper, was yesterday sentenced to a year in prison and fined 100 marks tabout \$24) as a traitor. He was convicted of attacking the established form of the German government and of supporting a movement to overthrow the constitution by force. constitution by force.

Honor Man



JOHN B. WEBSTER Of California, midshipman, who is the honor man for the graduation class at the Naval Academy next week. Mid-shipman Webster has led his class every year since entering the Naval Academy.

ALEXANDRIA.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., June 1 (Special) -Three student nurses of the Alexandria Hospital graduated last night at open-air exercises held in the yard of the nurses' home adjoining the hospi-tal. Diplomas were presented to Miss Frances Story Finks, Miss Myrtle Did-lake and Miss Helen Muse Taylor by Dr. S. B. Moore, senior member of the

The program was opened with invo-cation by the Rev. Dr. Samuel A. Wallis, professor at the Episcopal Theological Seminary of Virginia, followed by the Seminary of Virginia, followed by the address to the graduates by Rev. P. L. Vernon, pastor of the First Baptist Church. Dr. Martin D. Delaney of the hospital, staff delivered a short talk welcoming the graduates into the ranks of the profession, and the Florence Nightingaleoath was administered by Dr. H. A. Latane, Dr. Llewellyn Power of the profession of the profession of the profession. or, H. A. Latane, Dr. Liewenyn Pow-ell presented a \$10 gold piece to Miss Didlake for excellence in class standing. Talbott Haslett sang and violin se-lections were rendered by Miss Grace Powell, daughter of Dr. Powell.

The pulpit committee appointed to name a successor to Rev. P. L. Vernon, who preaches his last sermon at the First Baptist Church tomorrow and

FOUR DEAD, 12 HURT IN ELKTON BLAST

Fireworks Plant Explosion Occurs While Chemicals Are Unloaded.

ELKTON, Md., June 1 .- Four men were killed and a dozen other persons slightly hurt yesterday afternoon by an explosion in one of the buildings of the Victory Sparkler Co., fireworks manu-

facturers, near here. The dead are Harry Brown, \$ 58. truck driver; Vernice Jones, 38; John Gilbert, 21, and Allen Dickinson, 24, la-borers. A dozen girls employed at the plant were slightly injured by flying

glass.

Fire which followed the explosion was quckly extinguished after destroying a small building where the blast occurred

small building where the blast occurred and damaging the adjoining one. A fire earlier in the day damaged another of the small buildings, a number of which combrise the factory.

The blast occurred while Brown was unloading chemical materials used in the manufacture of fireworks. Officials did not know whether the blast was in the truck or the building itself.

Midget Beats "Strong Man."

NEW YORK, June 1 (AP),—"The rongest man in the world," so billed t Coney Island, 6 feet tall, weight Coney Island, 6 feet tall, weight bites railroad spikes and the like, has been beaten up by a little fellow Warren Lincoln Travis prosecuted Wil-

Ship Safe Stolen at Sea. SAN PEDRO, Calif.. June 1 (A).— Four passengers and 50 members of the crew of the steamer Dorothy Alex-

ander were detained for investigation the ship docked here yesterday officers of the vessel reported the theft of a safe containing \$4,500 in cash. The officers said the safe was stolen May 28 while the ship was off La Paz, Lower California.

interment will be in the Presbyterian Cemetery. The rites will be conducted by Rev. Edgar Carpenter.
Rev. Homer J. Councilor of the Calvary Baptist Church, Washington, will deliver the address to the graduating class of Alevandria High School Jun 14 at the exercises to be held in Maury School

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Heads Committee



R. E. KENDRICK Of Falls Church, general chairman of the carnival to be held in August for the benefit of the Arlington-Fairfax

ROCKVILLE.

ROCKVILLE, Md., June 1 (Special). The will of Mrs. Effie Mullican Bean, widow of Columbus G. Bean, who died at her home near Lay Hill, this county, last week, leaving a substantial estate, has been admitted to probate in the Orphans' Court at this place. It was executed March 29, 1929, and names Mrs. Theresa B. Ballenger, daughter of the testatrix, executrix, to serve without hond.

The instrument bequeaths to Mrs. Ballenger \$1,000 and directs that the residue be equally divided between her and William Lewis Bean, son of the

Licenses have been issued here for the marriage of Christian B. Hock-man, 23, of Clarendon, Va., and Miss Hazel W. Jamison, 25, of Washington, W. William V. W. Washington, 25, and Miss Virand Walter Y. Muir. 22 and Miss Virginia I. Mitchell, 18, both of Wash

ginia I. Mitchell, 18, both of Washington.

The funeral of Mrs. Ethel L. Walker, wife of Jesse W. Walker of Potomac, who died in a Washington hospital, aged 37 years, took place yesterday afternoon from the Methodist Church at Potomac. The services were conducted by Rev. P. C. Helmintoller, pastor of the church, assisted by Rev. Dr. Brubaker, a former pastor, and burial was in the church cemetery.

Upon being found guilty in the Police Court here on charges of assault and disorderly conduct, Alfred Moore, colored, was fined \$75 and costs by Judge Samuel Riggs. In default of payment he will have to serve 90 days in the

he will have to serve 90 days in the House of Correction.

House of Correction.

For violations of motor vehicle regulations, the following have paid fines or forfeited collaterals in the Police Courthers: John Thurston, \$20; Joseph Erne, \$27.50; John Parker and Jack Davenport, \$12.50 each; James C. Trundle, James Driver, A. J. Kohount, \$7.50 each; William Russell Burroughs, \$27.50; George R. Burns and Ralph R. Staples, \$3.50 each.

Tucker G. Humphries of this county

Tucker G. Humphries of this county was before Judge Samuel Riggs in the Police Court here on complaint of his wife, Mrs. Louise Humphries, charged him with falling to support her and the couple's two children, aged 2½ and 4 years. He was found gullty and was required to post bond in the amount of \$500 to insure his paying \$12.50 a week toward the suport of the children

the Police Court here on charges of dis-orderly conduct: Lloyd Hall, \$12.50; Wesley Warner, \$12: Milford Warren and Almore Berry, \$7.50 each.

Because the evidence did not, in his opinion, sustain the charge of cruelty until June, 1927, so the bill stated.

MOTORIST BEATEN

Struck Over Head by Unidentified Parties Near Rockville.

Special Dispatch to The Star.
ROCKVILLE, Md., June 1.—Carl Cross, young resident of near Sykesville. Md., who claims that he was knocked out and robbed on the Rockville-Norbeck Pike, about a mile and a half from Rockville, late yesterday afternoon, is recuperating at the home of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley D. Gaither, near Gaithersburg, where it was stated this morning he seemed none the worse for his experience aside from

being somewhat sore and short of cash.
That he was sandbagged or struck
with some padded instrument as he with some padded instrument as new was stooping alongside his automobile endeavoring to locate motor or other trouble, is the story the young man told the police. When discovered by Joseph N. Starkey of Rockville, who happened to be a contractive to the starter of the starter to be passing, he was prone on the ground alongside his machine and virtually unconscious. Starkey remained with the injured youth while another passerby hurried to Rockville and noti-

passerby hurried to Rockville and notified the police.

It was some time after being brought to Rockville before Cross regained his senses sufficiently to give intelligent information as to what occurred. He was on his way, he said, from the home of his uncle to Sykesville, and as he was tinkering with his automobile another car, containing, he thought, two men and a woman, drove up behind him. He was immediately struck by one of the men, with whom he grappled. The other man quickly dealt him a blow, he stated, and he remembered nothing more. nothing more.

nothing more.

Cross' empty pocketbook was found in his car and he had in his pockets less than a dollar in change. He was relieved, he thought, of about \$25.

The young man was unable to give the police anything like a description of his assailants or much information. of any kind that might aid in their de

SURVEY FUND OFFERED.

GENEVA, June 1 (A).—The International Labor Office decided yesterday to accept a gift of \$25,000 from E. A. Filene of Boston in belfalf of the Twentieth Century fund of Boston. It would be devoted to an exhaustive inquiry into the comparative cost of living in various countries to determine fair universal wages of all employes, including the salaried employes. the salaried employes. This is an outgrowth of the request of Henry Ford to the labor office to fix

a fair comparative wage scale for all workmen in his European factories. contained in a bill for a limited divorce.

filed in the Circuit Court here several months ago by Mrs. Virginia Perrell of Bethesda, against Leonard Perrell of the same locality, Judge Robert B. Peter yesterday afternoon filed an opinion dismissing the part of the patitive rewho lating to a divorce.

The decree, however, awarded Mrs. Perrell the custody of the couple's two young children and directs the defend-ant to pay her \$40 a month toward reek toward the suport of the chilren.

The following forfeited collaterals to pay her saw a month toward
their support.

"Because of the tender age of the
children, the mother seems the one to
have their care and custody," states

Awakens Town With EXAMINING CAR False Fire Alarm

cial Dispatch to The Star STAUNTON, Va., June 1.—The so-called making of "whoopee" prevalent in larger cities, made its way here last night in strenuous form, when two men lodged in jail for drunkenness gave vent to their woes and tribulations by shouting, "Fire," at the top of their lungs and excited residents turned in an alarm.

What is estimated as three-fourths of the populace here, who confine their whoopee making to be-low the midnight mark, were rudely disturbed from their slumbers by the blaring sirens of the fire ap-

paratus.

It was a big night for the villagers—nearly every one turned out. So with the help of firemen and citizens, a sheriff and his deputies finally persuaded the whoope makers to withhold their nocturnal applications. revelries until they had served their

275-YEAR-OLD COURTESY.

Holland Navy to Pay Official Visit to Danish Port.

COPENHAGEN (AP) .- Holland will make use of a privilege she has enjoyed for 275 years when she sends a squad-ron of warships here on an official visit

this Summer.

Holland is the only nation which can send men-of-war to a Danish port without notifying the local government. In 1659 King Frederick III of Denmark decreed that Dutch warships for all time should have the free use of Danish harbors. harbors. The privilege as in recognition of the Dutch fleet's services in Denmark's war

1928 Tornadoes Killed 1,939. NEW YORK, June 1 (A).-Weather NEW YORK, June 1 (47).—Weather Bureau computations are that 1939 persons were killed by tornadoes and windstorms in the United States in 1928. The Department of Commerce has found that 7.702 persons were killed by automobiles in 78 cities during the year ended May 18 last.

Mrs. Roosevelt to Fly.

ALBANY, N. Y., June 1 (A).—Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, wife of the governor, is to have her first flight Tuesday. Asked to sponsor a new plane, she wrote: "I am inclined to say no flight, no christening." The hint was taken.

Lack of Law Favors Drunken Driver in **Trash Cart Collision**

Special Dispatch to The Star.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., June 1.—Because there is no Virginia statute providing a penalty for a person driving a horse and wagon while under the influence of liquor, Howard Washington, 45, colored, of 815 Queen street, escaped with a fine of \$14 for drunkenness and \$8 for colliding when arraigned in Police Court this morning before Judge William S. Snow.

William S. Snow.

Washington, who drives a city trash cart, was arrested by Pvi Julian Rawlett yesterday when his cart collided with an automobile driven by Frank Sherer of Cameron.

N. V. He was charged with driving N. Y. He was charged with drivin a horse and wagon while intoxicated and colliding, but Judge Snow ruled that there was no law governing the former charge and Washington was fined for drunkenness instead.

The city settled for damages to Sherer's machine

Prisoners' Whoopee LIGHTNING HITS BARN CEMETERY ASSOCIATION **NEAR FALLS CHURCH**

Men Narrowly Escape Death When Second Bolt Barely Misses

Dynamite. pecial Dispatch to The Star.
FALLS CHURCH, Va., June 1.-

Lightning struck the barn of Lawrence Westcott, florist, on the Masonville road near Falls Church, yesterday and burned it to the ground. The Falls Church Fire Department responded and kept the dwelling house and garage

prayed with chemicals.
The lightning also split a large poplar tree on the property. A wire fence was fastened to the poplar tree by nails, and the lightning ran rapidly along this and the lightning ran rapidly along this wire to the garage, coming within three inches of a large keg of dynamite. Touching off the dynamite would have meant instant destruction of the two men working less than 12 feet away, as well as dwelling house, garage and other buildings.

other buildings.

The electrical storm, which was un-accompanied by rain or wind, struck a aree in Mrs. Copelan's yard also, killing

FLAMES SURROUND TOWN.

1,000 Homes Isolated by Spread of Japanese Forest Fires.

TOKIO, June 1 (AP).—The village of Tomiai, on the east coast of the Isle of Saghalien, was surrounded today by the forest fire which has raged for the last week there. Its 1,000 houses were isolated and conditions in the town were

not known here.

Elsowhere the forest fires have died down, and the danger was considered past, with villagers meeting to consider reconstruction. In Esotori alone damage was estimated at 6,000,000 yen (about \$2,750,000).

CHANGES MEETING DATE

Brown's Chapel Body Will Confe Next Year the Third

Special Dispatch to The Star.

COLVIN RUN, Va., June 1.—The fifth annual meeting of the Brown's Chapel Cemetery Association was held in the church on Memorial day, and it was decided to change the date of the andecided to change the date of the ahranual meeting in the future to the third Monday in May at 8 o'clock in the church instead of May 30 in the morning. There will be memorial services in the cemetery on the morning of Memorial day.

Trustees decided to double the price of lots in Section 1 of the cemetery.

of lots in Section 1 of the cemetery They accepted with thanks the twoacre plot on the Leesburg pike offered to the association by Herbert Brown, residing here. This will be known as Plat-No. 2 of Brown's Chapel Cemetery.

J. A. Wheeler, Charles R. Mateer and Howard Cunningham were appointed a committee to have it surgered and discommittee to have the surgered and t committee to have it surveyed and divided into lots. It was formerly the private burying ground of the Brown family. In return, Mr. Brown was made an honorary member of the association and exempted from all dues during his

It was decided to repeat the home coming festival at the church, which has been a popular feature for the past several years, and Herman Walker Williams was appointed chairman of acommittee to arrange date and program.

The annual election of C. R. Mateer of Park Lane as president Herman

of Park Lane as president, Herman Williams of Washington as vice president, Mrs. Alice Smith of Washington as secretary and Joseph Wheeler of Colvin Run as treasurer.

Van Lear Black Continues Flight. SOFIA, Bulgaria, June 1 (A).—Van Lear Black, Baltimore publisher, took off this morning for Aleppo, Syria, in continuation of his flight from Croyden, England, to Tokio and return.

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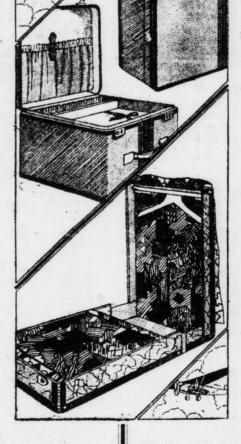
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