

TO REFORM THE FOOTBALL RULES

New York, Dec. 20.—Further reforms in football playing rules will occupy much of the attention of the educators and athletic authorities at the fifth annual session of the Intercollegiate Athletic association of the United States. In addition to the transaction of business and the discussions, many important papers relating to college sport generally will be read, and addresses are on the program from the Rev. Charles Aked, D. D., of New York, Dr. R. Tait McKenzie of the University of Pennsylvania, and Prof. W. L. Dudley of Vanderbilt university, Nashville, Tenn.

While it is conceded that football has been greatly reformed, the members of the association are working for a more perfect code of rules to govern the game, and its adoption will be exhaustively taken up. Allegations that the new rules were not thoroughly enforced this fall, and that the students failed to live up to the letter of the new code, will be thoroughly investigated and vigorously dealt with. The officers appreciate that the new rules have reached a crucial point, and urge that the players abide by them, and insist that the governing bodies of colleges and universities prevent any future evasion of the code.

The material collected by Walter Camp, the Yale athletic advisor, on his trip to California to investigate before the intercollegiate rules committee. Mr. Camp is a warm advocate of the main features of the revision which was tried out this season, but he has suggested some change of a minor nature.

There are some rules which officials at games declare they could not enforce and have regarded as a dead letter all season. These are incident to the 20-yard neutral zone for outside-kicks and forward passes.

Summer Baseball.
Summer baseball and the amateur law have been the subject of investigations by the association, in conjunction with the Amateur Athletic Research society. It is expected that some definite action will be taken to heal this sore spot in intercollegiate athletics.

Alonzo A. Staggs is chairman of a committee which is considering the subject of track athletics, their proper control, uniform rules for participants, methods of preserving records and allied topics.

The report of the committee on basketball rules shows that some valuable work has been accomplished. A considerable improvement has been made in the rules of play.

A change in the constitution of the association has been proposed, so as to give representation on the executive committee to sectional college athletic conferences and leagues, such as the New England States, the Western Pennsylvania, the Missouri Valley, the Ohio Valley and the West Virginia league. It is thought that a greater interest in the work of the national association could thus be fostered.

SOUTH DAKOTA AT A GLANCE.

A \$40,000 hospital will be erected at Sioux Falls.

Mrs. A. B. Hawes died at Elk Point of heart trouble.

Mrs. Susannah Sooper, 19 years old, is dead at Aberdeen.

The Woonsocket opera house at Mitchell has been remodelled.

Fire destroyed the farm house of Bert Clymer, a farmer near Peever.

Indians from the Rosebud reservation have been guilty of depredations near Colome.

The business men of Bryant have subscribed \$3,000 for an electric lighting plant.

Hunters are wrought up over the proposed bill prohibiting hunting with the use of dogs.

Martin Gunderson of Yankton committed suicide at Tripp because he was unable to secure work.

The federation council of the churches of Christ which met at Redfield endorsed statewide prohibition.

Brookings college has withdrawn from the debate with Yankton college and Huron college has been taken on.

Clerks of circuit courts throughout the state will ask for the passage of a new fee bill at the next session of the legislature.

The first county corn growing contest for boys at Yankton was marked by a large attendance. The visitors included Governor Vessey.

New Bank at Lynch.
Lynch Journal: The Bank of Lynch moved across the street Monday and are now occupying the long waited for new building. This bank is as handsome and up-to-date as any bank building that we know of. The fixtures are of the best golden oak finished with marble bases and tiled floor with lobby. Handsome columns each side of the windows and door break the monotony and add greatly to the appearance of the room. The counters and desks in the office are broad and plentiful and Charley Hight has a satisfied smile as he keeps his books and waits on the public. Cashier Harris also has a smile that does not come off when approached at his desk at the front window, where he looks after his part of the business. The double vault is a department that will be greatly appreciated by their customers. A number of steel drawers have been provided and these are placed where one can enter and open their own box without disturbing the bank officials if they are busy. A new Mosher safe of the latest pattern holds the cash in the private vault, making it not only burglar but fire proof. The back room or private office is so located that one transacting business

there is isolated from the public in a manner that is often highly appreciated. Not only the bank officials but Lynch is proud of this new building.

One Child in a School.
Pierce Leader: C. F. W. Filter, director of school district No. 1, was up from his home near Hadar Tuesday afternoon to see County Superintendent Pilger regarding some school matter. Mr. Filter says that nearly all the children in his district are going to the Hadar school, and for that reason he would like the school in district No. 1 to be discontinued and the children transferred to the Hadar school. At present only one child is attending the school in district No. 1, and he does not believe in paying \$45 a month to a person teaching this child.

JOTTINGS OF FASHION.

A Fetching New Tie—The Smart Satin Cloth For Tailor Mades.
A fetching new tie that gives a touch of color to a dark costume is made from bias or velvet formed into larch wide folds. These are ended with bunches of tiny flowers and leaves, while a similar bunch holds the leaves together in front.

There is a new cloth satin or satin cloth already running a feverish heat.



THE NEW TAILORED SHIRT WAIST.
These are a vast improvement on the ordinary silk back wet looking satin which first broke the ground in the tailoring world, and these new ones are called satine feutre, which is a rough finished cloth; satine janus is smoother. This refers to the woolen side.

The shirt waist that is cut in one with the sleeves is a new and smart one that is greatly liked. This model includes tucks over the shoulders that provide becoming fullness. It can be made with or without the patch pocket. As illustrated it is finished with a neckband, but it can be made with a rolled over collar and elbow sleeves.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

This May Manton pattern is cut in sizes from 34 to 44 inches bust measure. Send 10 cents to this office, giving number, 2822 and it will be promptly forwarded to you by mail. If in haste send an additional two cent stamp for letter postage, which insures more prompt delivery.

Three Slot Machines Ordered Out.
Slot machines in a cigar store, restaurant and a grocery store of the city have been ordered out by Chief of Police Marquardt under the direction of Mayor John Friday. All three machines were gum machines, but they are owned by outside parties who, the authorities say, reap a harvest in the profits. It is against the city laws to maintain these machines, even though they are "no blank" machines.

"When the agent of these machines comes to Norfolk," said Chief of Police Marquardt, "I will arrest him for violating the city ordinance."

The machines are run on the plan of those used several years ago called the card machines. These have the same number of reels and pay for pairs and other poker draws. Instead of the faces of cards, pictures of various fruits take the place—a pair of peaches, etc. A stick of gum is given the player, should he lose; should he win he gets a "chip" worth 5 cents in trade. Monday morning when Chief Marquardt went his rounds to see if his orders were obeyed he found that every machine had been taken down and put out of sight.

New Orleans, Dec. 19.—The former United States gunboat Hornet, reported to have been purchased by Honduran revolutionists cleared from this port at 12:30 this afternoon for Cape Gracias with a crew of twenty men, 200 tons of coal and provisions for thirty days. Included among the crew are several men who are said to have been connected with previous filibustering expeditions directed against Central American republics.

MONDAY MENTIONS.
W. H. Law is reported ill.
Miss Helen Bieble of Stanton was here.
Mrs. Henry Sharp of Pilger was in the city.
Florence E. Zink of Stuart was in the city.
Mrs. J. Bieble of Stanton was here calling on friends.
Mrs. A. J. Hargett of Pilger was a visitor in the city.
Dave Hodson of Madison was a Sunday visitor in the city.
Miss Agnes Metz of Warnerville was here visiting with friends.
Mrs. E. J. Brink and daughter of Battle Creek were here.
Mrs. Gadbois and Miss Malone of

Madison were Norfolk visitors.
Mrs. Humman and Miss Ida Benser of Hoskins were visitors in the city.
Mrs. A. T. Kenney and Mrs. F. W. Zanders of Stanton were in the city.
Robert Klug and William Kell returned from a business trip at Battle Creek.

James Thomas of Carter, S. D., is in the city visiting with relatives. Mr. Thomas reports everything prosperous around Carter.

V. E. Labbey, traveling passenger agent of the Illinois Central railroad company of Omaha, was in the city transacting business.

Frank Whitney and his son, George Whitney of Franklin, Neb., who were here visiting with Judge and Mrs. C. F. Eiseley, have gone to Lincoln.

Otto Born, a prominent farmer living west of Norfolk, has just installed a private gas plant at his farm, lighting the house and barn.

There will be a shortage of ice in the Rosebud country this winter owing to the fact that streams are dry, according to a Norfolk man. It is said that Ponca creek is dry north of Anoka.

The Northwestern railroad is building a new ice house adjoining the new one built last year. The old ice house, which was damaged by fire, has been torn down.

Rev. Mr. Brauer of the Hadar Lutheran church held services at the St. Paul's Lutheran church Sunday afternoon, filling the place of Rev. J. Witte, who had gone to Colome, S. D., to preach.

Norfolk is in the grip of a chicken-pox epidemic, according to a Norfolk physician, who declares that there are at least 200 cases now prevailing in the city. The grown people as well as the young are suffering from the attack.

The oldest citizen of Franklin county, Pa., celebrated his ninety-sixth birthday anniversary last week. He is Emmanuel Martin, great grandfather of Ira M. Hamilton of this city. The celebration took place at Mr. Martin's home in Chambersburg, Pa.

Ten thousand pounds of elk meat has been sold at Butte, Mont., says a letter received by a Norfolk man from friends in Montana. The heavy snow in the forests and the recent forest fires has driven the elk out of Yellowstone park into the open, where they have been slaughtered.

John Wheelan of Butte, Neb., paid \$3 in Judge Eiseley's court Monday morning for being drunk. His fine amounted to \$7.50, but the judge let Wheelan go with a reprimand. Before leaving the court room the prisoner declared he had a quart bottle of whiskey before he was locked up, and wanted to know where it was.

Funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Herman Raasch, who died at her home at Stanton last Thursday afternoon, took place at the Stanton home at 2:30 Sunday afternoon. She leaves a husband and three grown daughters. Mrs. Raasch was a sister of W. L. Lehman of this city, who with his family attended the funeral.

The Norfolk Business college basketball team will play the clerks' team in the Taylor building January 6. The line-up of the school team will be: Klug and Grundmann, guards; McCauley, center; Leist and Steffen, forwards. The college team challenges any north Nebraska team. Letters should be written to O. J. Steffen, manager.

Funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Charles Casselman, who died at her home on First street and Madison avenue at 9:30 Sunday morning, took place at 1 o'clock Monday afternoon at the family home, where Rev. Roy J. Lucas held services, after which the remains were taken to Warnerville and interment made in the Aliberry cemetery. Mrs. Casselman had been ailing for five or six years and death was due to liver complications. She was born in Michigan forty-three years ago and when 11 years old came with her parents to Madison county, where she resided on a farm near the town of Madison. Later her parents moved to another farm near Warnerville, where twenty-four years ago she married Charles Casselman.

With the stock season over on the Northwestern road, the working force in several branches of the system has been cut down. In Norfolk a number of dispatchers have been reduced to operators and three platform men and one clerk have been cut from the payroll at the freight office. Three dispatchers now handle the work which recently required the work of six. Three of them formerly handled the east and three the west points from Norfolk. Now the three remaining dispatchers handle the line from Long Pine to Fremont. At Fremont reductions in the working force have also been made.

Harold Davey, formerly of Norfolk but now drummer in the orchestra and band of a theatrical company playing "The Messenger Boy," spent the night in this city with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Davey, 610 South Fourth street. He left the show at St. Joe and joins it near Lincoln for tonight. He says he likes the show business very much.

At the new Emil Koehn residence there is much concern over the settling of the concrete chimney. For some time it was believed the house was settling. Due to expansion, the chimney had grown out of proportion. The contractor says it can be repaired. Charles Belersdorf, M. L. Ogden, C. F. Haase, Julius Fischer, August Koch, J. Dignau and James Keleher returned from a number of weeks' trip in Texas. Dr. and Mrs. Mackay and several other Norfolk citizens are remaining at Francis, where they have put up tents.

Preparations are being made by the Hook and Ladder company of the Norfolk fire department to entertain old members of their company, now exempt, and the new active firemen of the city at the celebration of the or-

ganization of the hook and ladder company which took place twenty-six years ago. The firemen expect every living member of the hook company to be present at the celebration. They expect about 100 men.

When the poultry association hold their annual exhibition next year it is declared there will be twice as many birds exhibited as this year. Before leaving the city Judge Heyl, the poultry judge, visited several Norfolk citizens' homes, where he scored a great number of birds which will be put up for competition next year. Among these were the Buff Orpington pullets of Mrs. George Burton, about six in number. They were all about seven months old and scored from 90 to 91 1/2. Not one of these chickens was shipped in. They were all raised in Norfolk by Mrs. Burton.

The movement to hold farmers' institute sessions in Norfolk is causing much comment among farmers of the surrounding country. G. L. Carlson, who is a leading figure in this work, has offered his services for the work to the Norfolk Commercial club, who are acting favorably in this direction. At Beatrice Mr. Carlson created much comment when he delivered several lectures on the scientific breeding of the horse. Mr. Carlson returned Saturday from Beatrice and several other towns where he delivered many lectures, all before farmers' institutes, which he says are greatly interesting to a large number of people. The farmers, he says, are the most interested in this work and he believes it will be a success in Norfolk.

Hinrichs Will Meet a Friend.
When Gustav Hinrichs, the former grand opera leader who is now director of the big orchestra in "The Prince of Pilsen," comes to Norfolk Friday night, he will be surprised to meet here his old friend and former musical associate, Prof. Otto A. Voget. Mr. Voget was concert master in Madison Square Garden, New York, eight years ago under Mr. Hinrichs' direction.

"Norfolk people will find Gustav Hinrichs a great musician," said Prof. Voget, "and he will give Norfolk a treat. He is a fine man, personally, as well as very talented."

One of the features of "The Prince of Pilsen" show this year is the complete orchestra, under Hinrichs' direction.

New York Bank Falls.
Watkins, N. Y., Dec. 19.—The Farmers and Merchants bank, a private institution, failed to open its doors this morning. A general assignment for the benefit of creditors has been made.

White is Made Chief Justice.
Washington, Dec. 19.—Edward Douglas White, for sixteen years an associate justice of the supreme court of the United States, today became the ninth chief justice of the nation. The simple public ceremonies of installation were held in the presence of the bench and a distinguished gathering that filled the little court room.

Lorimer Report Not Unanimous.
Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 19.—United States Senator James B. Frazier, who is at home for the holidays, said today that the dispatches sent out from Washington that the report of the sub-committee in the Lorimer investigation was unanimous were not correct. Senator Frazier says he had filed with the committee on privileges and election, to which the report of the sub-committee was made, a statement of his conclusions. In this he disagreed with other members, who freed the election of Senator Lorimer from the charges of corruption.

He stated in his report that in his judgment the evidence established the fact that four members of the Illinois legislature who voted for Mr. Lorimer were bribed to do so, they having confessed that fact and further that they were bribed by three other members of the legislature who had voted for Lorimer and that his conclusions as stated in his report were seven votes cast for Lorimer were corrupted or tainted.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The majority and minority reports of the special Ballinger-Pinchot investigating committee will be reported out of the house committee on agriculture without comment. The reports were referred to that committee and members of the committee have been loath to take up the question, figuring that the reports having come from a committee should have been left on the speaker's table instead of going to another committee.

A. O. U. W. Officers.
Norfolk lodge, No. 97, A. O. U. W., elected officers as follows: Master workman, D. F. Masten; foreman, C. W. Blank; overseer, J. H. Lough; recorder, M. Moolick; financier, S. T. Adams; receiver, J. Quick; guide, Charles Wand; inside watch, R. J. Mole; outside watch, E. Dettorf; trustee, James Jensen. Assessments may be paid the financier at his home, 428 South Fourth, or they may be made at the Citizens National bank, if so desired, upon notice to the financier.

UPPER BERTHS TO BE CUT.
Interstate Commission Approves Reduction—Effective June 30.
Washington, Dec. 19.—Tentative approval of the interstate commerce commission has been given to the fixed charge for upper berths in Pullman cars at 80 percent of the charge now paid for lower berths.

The new charge is to become effective throughout the United States on or after June 30, 1911.

Strikebreakers are Banned.
St. Paul, Dec. 19.—After a twenty-four hours' stay here 200 strikebreakers, bound for Winnipeg where a street car strike has been declared, departed for points to the east and west after learning that Canadian im-

migration officials would not allow them to cross the line. It was claimed that such an entrance would be in violation of the Canadian labor laws. It is said the Canadian officials were advised of the contemplated entry by Chicago labor men.

Norfolk Girls Had the Chance.
And wasn't there a single pretty maiden in all that Norfolk audience that looked good to the eyes of handsome Henry Woodruff, America's only bachelor star, when he played "The Genius" here a few nights ago?

That's the answer.
The Chicago Sunday Tribune devotes an entire page, lavishly illustrated in colors with photographs of handsome "Harry" and girls whom he admires. The Tribune says in part: "Harry Woodruff has received a new rating in his art. He is discovered to be the only bachelor star on the stage. He has come into this high position through the marriage of seven of the eight matinee idols, consecrated as the only approved ones of their calling by the New York Review: Walker Whiteside, William Faversham, Robert Edeson, James K. Hackett, Walter Hampden, John Mason and Jack Barrymore. As is so adequately expressed by Mr. Woodruff's press agent, 'this carries with it a certain amount of distinction,' and is a matter on which one is naturally eager to get Mr. Woodruff's view, which is as follows: "As I gaze out over the sea of faces before me, as the curtain rises nightly, I am looking longingly, anxiously, and ardently for my ideal woman."

"I have waited all these years and many have wondered why I had not solved the great matrimonial question. It is not that I oppose the married state, for I could readily love the right girl, but it is that, as yet, she has not come into my life.

"I will continue to wait and watch, and some day she will come to me, of that I am sure. She may not today, but tomorrow—it is always tomorrow I am waiting for."

Degree of Honor Lodges.
The Degree of Honor lodge elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Past chief of honor, Mrs. Emma Keleher; chief of honor, Mrs. Anna Koerber; lady of honor, Mrs. Della Case; chief of ceremonies, Mrs. Jennie Lynde; recording financier, Miss Alice Holt; receiver, Mrs. Lidia Ballyntyne; usher, Mrs. Jennie Larson; inside watch, Mrs. Sophia Bland; outside watch, Miss Alice Barrett.

WOULD ENTER POOR FARM.
Old Man Says He Can't Find Work and Won't Beg.
Refusing to give his name, and declaring that he has become so old and worn out that he is no longer wanted in this world, an aged man claiming Omaha as his home has left Norfolk after a few days' stay and gone to Madison, where he says he will appeal to the board of county commissioners for admittance to the poor farm.

The old man came from Wayne Thursday and has been sleeping in the Miles livery stable with the permission of the proprietor. Mr. Miles and several employees of the stable have been giving him food, and Saturday Constable A. W. Finkhouse added to the donations by giving the old man a good overcoat. He says he has a sister in Omaha, the only living relative, but she is also poor and is unable to keep him.

"I am just like a worn-out horse," he said. "I was all right when I was young and strong. I could obtain plenty of work then, but now no one will give me work. I am too old and the younger men can do it faster. My usefulness is gone and I often wish I were dead. I don't care to beg, therefore I must starve."

What the old man will get at Madison is not known. He declared before leaving his intention was to be admitted to the poor farm.

Gallagher to Plead Insanity.
New York, Dec. 19.—"Senile dementia" will be pleaded in behalf of James J. Gallagher, the assailant of Mayor Gaynor, when he is brought to trial this week on the charge of atrocious assault with intent to kill Street Cleaning Commissioner "Big Bill" Edwards, and carrying concealed weapons. Gallagher will not be tried for his attempt on the life of the mayor until the legal year and a day from the date of the crime have elapsed. Should Mr. Gaynor die before the expiration of this period, Gallagher, under the New Jersey laws, could be charged with murder in the first degree.

Gallagher is represented by Attorneys Jactoff of New York and Alexander Simpson of Jersey City. They have entered for the accused man a plea of "not guilty," with certain reservations in each case. The prisoner has aged rapidly since his confinement in jail awaiting trial, and is now an aged and broken man, who affects great contrition for his crime.

Prosecutor Garven has been informed by physicians that there is no further likelihood of developments from the wound inflicted upon Mayor Gaynor by the bullet of the would-be assassin, but he considers it best to make the assault on Edwards the charge in the present case and to hold up the indictment based on the assault on Gaynor until August 10 next.

Gallagher's attorneys, it is understood, will conduct the defense on the ground that their client was insane at the time of the shooting, and have named "senile dementia" as the variety of mania with which he was afflicted.

Gallagher shot Mayor Gaynor when they were on the deck of a steamer of the North German Lloyd line at Hoboken on August 9 last, as the mayor was about to start for Europe. Street Cleaning Commissioner Edwards was on the steamer at the time and after a fierce battle with Gallagher, in which it is alleged he attempted to use his

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revolver, succeeded in overpowering the man and turning him over to the authorities. Gallagher had been discharged from the dock department and believed the mayor was responsible for his "wrongs," which he sought to redress with a revolver.

"Dummy" West Reaches Town.
"Dummy" West, the Gregory pugilist scheduled to fight "Montana" Jack Sullivan of O'Neill at Norfolk Wednesday night, arrived in the city yesterday with his trainer, B. Barker, and his manager, G. L. Cutler. They are stationed at the Oxnard hotel. West is said to be feeling cheerful and to be in good condition. He did six miles of road work Monday morning.

"Dummy" West is not dumb at all. He is deaf, but he can talk. He weighs 170, stripped; his chest measures 41, height 5 feet 10 1/2 inches; waist 31; expansion 6; reach 75 1/2; neck 18. He is 23 years old.

Sullivan is expected today or tomorrow.

Charlton Will Put up a Fight.
New York, Dec. 19.—Porter Charlton, who is accused of having killed his wife, Mary Scott Castle Charlton, in Italy, will not be turned over to the Italian authorities without a long and hard-fought legal battle, the first gun in which will be fired today when the hearing on the writ of habeas corpus granted to the accused man will be held. The writ was issued by Judge Rellstab, in the United States circuit court at Trenton, N. J., following the decision of the state department at Washington that Italy is entitled to the extradition of the boy. This announcement was made by Secretary Knox ten days ago, and since then preparations have been going forward to take advantage of every legal technicality to prevent the judgment from going into effect.

Insanity is to be the main defense of Charlton's attorneys, who allege that the committing magistrate erred in refusing testimony as to the accused man's mental status. It is clearly intimated in the statement of Secretary Knox that should a higher court decide that testimony as to Charlton's sanity should be admitted, then the state department will again take up the case and consider it from this viewpoint.

Leading attorneys of New York and Washington are of the opinion that an insane man cannot be tried, and hence cannot be legally surrendered for trial. Thus the whole case may come again before Secretary Knox. Edwin Smith, of counsel for Charlton, declares that the case will be carried to the United States supreme court, if necessary.

The father of the prisoner, Judge Charlton of Washington, was a member of the same class at Yale as President Taft and is influential in government circles. Sincerely believing that his son is insane, he will spare no expense to save him from the fate which would await him in Italy.

Should the attempt to prevent Charlton's extradition prove unavailing, there is little doubt that the Italian courts would speedily convict him of the murder of Mary Scott Castle Charlton, the woman of checkered career whom the boy had taken to wife. The strangely-assorted pair were spending their honeymoon near Lake Como, Italy, when both suddenly disappeared. The body of the woman was found in a trunk in the lake, and for a time it was thought that Charlton had also been murdered. A Russian with whom the couple had been familiar was arrested by the Italian authorities, but was released for lack of evidence. Meanwhile the American authorities had been watching all incoming ships, and on one of them Charlton was found. Then came the remarkable confession of the young man, who calmly admitted that he had slayed his wife, but gave no reasonable explanation of his motives and insisted that he continued to love her.

Then the question of extradition Italy came up, and for a time, owing to the nature of the extradition treaties existing between the United States and Italy, it seemed that the confessed murderer might go scott

free. Ten days ago, however, the state department decided that Charlton was extraditable.

If taken to Italy, tried and convicted, Charlton will not be executed, but his fate will be scarcely better than death. Those convicted of first degree murder in Italy are confined during the first year in a dark and rayless cell, deprived of all human companionship, with nothing to read, nothing to do and very little to eat. Under such treatment the majority become insane before the expiration of that year which must seem an eternity to the doomed wretches.

Prize Fighter's Condition Serious.
Philadelphia, Dec. 17.—Edward (Kid) Gardiner, a local lightweight pugilist who was injured in a boxing bout with John Kain at the Nonpareil Athletic club here last night, is still in a critical condition. His skull is fractured and physicians are doubtful of his recovery. Kain was today committed to the county prison without bail.

McFarland to Fight Goodman.
New York, Dec. 19.—What the fight enthusiasts consider will be one of the fastest boxing matches of the new year, was arranged yesterday by the managers of the Fairmont Athletic club. It is to be between Packey McFarland of Chicago and "Jack" Goodman of this city.

The boys will meet for ten rounds at 135 pounds, weight to be made at 6 o'clock the evening of the fight, tentatively set for January 10.

WIFE HELD FOR MURDER.
Detroit Man Found Dead, His Head Split Open With an Axe.
Detroit, Mich., Dec. 19.—Francis Kniffen was found dead in bed early today with his head split open, at his home, 375 Lemay avenue. His widow, Nellie Kniffen, who was taken into custody by the police, gave the neighbors their first report of the tragedy. She said that she was occupying a room in another part of the house when she was awakened by her husband's groans and found him in a dying condition. A bloody axe was found in a woodshed.

\$7,800 for Evangelist.
Waterloo, Ia., Dec. 19.—At the conclusion of six weeks' campaign here Billy Sunday, evangelist, was given \$7,800 by citizens. This is the largest sum presented to him by any Iowa city. It was announced that the meetings had resulted in 3,354 conversions.

One Lost Barge Found.
Highland Light, Mass., Dec. 19.—The barge Binghamton, of the Erie Railroad company, which was lost with two other barges off Nauset in Thursday night's blizzard, was found off Cape Cod by the tug Underwriter of Boston. Captain J. E. Nickerson and his crew of three men who were on the Binghamton are safe. No trace was found of the other barges.

FOR PORTUGUESE ASSEMBLY.
Constituent Assembly to Be Convened. Battleships Needed.
Lisbon, Dec. 19.—It is expected a constituent assembly will be convened in April. The present call is for the creation of a single chamber legislative body of 200 members, which will elect the president of the republic for a five-year term.

The special naval commission appointed under the provisional government recommends the acquisition of three 19,000-ton battleships with a speed of 21 knots each, carrying ten guns; three 3,000-ton, 22 knot cruisers; twelve 30-knot torpedo boat destroyers and six submarines.

American constructors will be invited to bid for the new vessels.

A Kansas City Fight.
Kansas City, Dec. 19.—"Chuck" Larson of Chicago and Johnny McCarthy of San Francisco, lightweights, will meet in a ten-round boxing bout at the Hippodrome here. Tommy Bronnahan of Omaha and Tommy Dixon of Memphis, featherweights, also will box.