Nebraska-Probably unsettled Mon-

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY.

# OIL LEASE REPEAL SOUGHT THIS WEEK

# France Has Death Toll Is Now 18 of TNT Explosion New Brunswick, N. J., March 2.— The number of known dead as a result of vesterday's disastrous TNT

So Declares Poincare in Exchange of Notes With English Premier, Noteworthy for Frankness.

### Settlement No Nearer

By Associated Press. London, March 2 .- The new labor prime minister, in his desire to create a more favorable atmosphere for the hopes may result from labor's two expert committees now sitting in Paris, and also probably with the coming French elections in mind, has had a further exchange of letters with the French premier, M. Poincare, the texts of which were issued from the foreign offices at Paris and London

This correspondence is noteworthy on Premier Macdonald's side for his extreme frankness in stating the British viewpoint and his opinions on the policy France had pursued since expressed the British view that the has British suspicion of French action and motives been so candidly stated. And the fact that M. Poincare in his rejoinder takes no umbrage at this diplomacy-is in itself considered a ost favorable sign, although M. Poincare's letter is little more than a repetition of his many speeches on the same subject.

Wants U. S. In.

any attempt to formulate concrete imported into England. proposals until the expert committees have reported. Mr. Macdonald again shows that his main hope is to increase. attain such a state of affairs in struction of Europe.

peaceful and he desires only extend that England should co-operate with except the United States. the same group of countries for the maintaining peace in M. Poincare seems to think that it will be a long time before the committees are able to present their reports. In the meantime, he re-echoes most of the British prime minister's aspirations for co-operation by the two countries in the in terests of a jusht settlement and on the whole, the correspondence, although it does not materially adthe chances of an ultimate settle Platte Flood vance, certainly does not diminish

Seeks Better Understanding.

Premier MacDonald's letter to M. Poincare, which is dated February 21, says that encouraged by the friendly nature of M. Poincare's reply to his former letter, he desires to prepare the way for a more complete mutual understanding by an unre served recital of "the diffivulties with which I am faced and the manner in which I myself invisage the situa-

He does not desire to enter into details or advance specific proposals, platte, south of here, was rising to pose is to make clear to you that to evening was estimated at one foot.

my mind, the difficulties and altercations of the past were in most one and one-half miles north of the cases not wholly unavoidable and to highway bridge to a point south of larger outlines and more essential places.

### Repairs to Alaskan Cable Will Be Started on May 1

Washington, March 2 .- Work e started May 1 on repairs to the Army and navy are co-operating in

Prior to May 1, the destroyers 20 inches thick, is expected to go out. Hull and Corry will take soundings n the lane from Seattle to Seward, Alaska. The soundings are to be taken Daugherty at Miami; at intervals of four miles, and the two ships will be used to widen the

#### Rooster, Bereaved of Mate, Now Mothering Family of Chickens

By Universal Service.

Washington, March 2 .- A parago

Not so this faithful bird, however. The tragedy had orphaned a family Baby Is Hostage of chicks, and it was up to someon in the colony to furnish them bed and board. The rooster has done both since the day of his bereave ment. Not only does he forage for

The owner of the mother-rooster orderly to General Pershing.

sult of yesterday's disastrous TNT explosion and celluloid fire at the on Germany little town of Nixon today was placed at 18. Only one additional body, the torse of a woman, was found today. torso of a woman, was found today. Rescuers who worked in the smoking uins throughout the day said eight persons are missing, six are unaccounted for and 60 are being treated for injuries suffered in the disaster.

### **Germany Makes** Plans to Extend

initiation of negotiations which he Commercial Treaties With Czecho-Slovakia Completed; Agreemnet Is Reached

With England. By Universal Service.

Berlin, March 2.-Important state and private international commercial treaties were concluded the last week An agreement between and Czecho-Slovakia regulates com mercial relations on the basis of the most favored nation clause," with preference duties. Germany chiefly the famous Curzon dispatch, which reduces the duties on automobiles, agricultural machinery, paper, cutupation of the Ruhr was illegal, lery, tiles, phonographic plates, malt and hops, and besides, grants low freight rates from Czech-Slovakia to Hamburg and Bremen.

Forty per cent of the total imorts into Czech-Slovakia came from Germany, this at present amounting to only 14 per cent of the total German exports.

Anglo-German agreement settles the 26 per cent reparations fall attempted to put spirit in Sapolio, duty. On February 26, it was desheep-hearted running horse belong-Neither of the premiers will make duced to 5 per cent for German goods ing to Jack McKenna, by exchanging its glands for those of Glen Shively's

As a result of the reduction in tax, German exports to England should

The Frankfurter Allgemeine Versi Europe as should induce the United cherungsaktiengsellhaft has just con-States to co-operate in the recon-cluded a comprehensive fusion of in-Europe as should induce the United cherungsaktiengsellhaft has just con terest with the commercial union of M. Poincare repudiates any design London. Both companies are among to annex German territory and, con- the largest insurance undertakings cerning British suspicions of French in their respective countries. The notives in giving military assistance two interests will divide among clares that the French aims are ab- insurance business. The agreement Truth "Because I Wouldn't chicken house, to the great damage

> Several German concerns are no gotiating with the soviet govern ment to obtain concessions with Rus sian industrial establishments. Difficulties have arisen, however

over the legal conditions in Russia Germans are required to deposit a financial guarantee. The Rhineland commission has

oncluded approximately 20 new mi cum agreements in industry in occupied territory.

## Waters Rising

Trouble Anticipated by Middle of Week When Ice Expected to Go Out.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Schuyler, Neb., March 2 .- Water which has flooded the lowlands of the but explains that: "My present pur-day. Raise between noon and this assure you of my readiness to re-town, on the north side of the river, examine the whole problem in its and is about a half mile wide at

> The river is higher than at any time since 1912. Although the state aid highway to covered with two feet of water at ome places north of the bridge, traf-

fic has not been halted. The ice in the river still is holding out some blasting was done today antiquated cable system serving to break up thin ice from the flooded Alaska, it was announced today, area which was threatening bridges. No trouble is anticipated before laying new sections bought in Eng- the middle of the week, when the ice on the river, said to be from 12 to

## Statement Refused Golf Makes Headway as

By Universal Service.

Miami, Fla., March 2.—Attorney General Harry M. Daugherty, seem ingly in good spirits, arrived here this morning and at once went to the Lincoln hotel, where Mrs. Daugherty is reaching the United States Golf assoonvalescing.

Because there was no room at the Lincoln, the attorney general had to association has forwarded information at Silver Springs, Md., near this city find quarters at the Nautilus hotel, to aid in the formation of menational Recently his mate met her end where he denied himself to visitors Japanese organization of golf clubs

as well as details for the construc "The attorney general is here to tion of a model links near Tokio to a road. Most gentlemen of the gal- rest and has no statement to make serve as a guide for the development linaceous tribe would promptly have at this time," said his secretary, Miss of other courses. Two Army Flyers Injured

### Moorehead City, N. C., March 2.-Lieut. Com. A. E. Montgomery and for Mother's Bill

the youngsters but takes them under plussed by a unique legal tangle, the 50 feet into shallow water opposite result of a mother's frantic appeal here at 1:25 this afternoon. Lieut, S. for aid in regaining custody of her 3. F. Fick was uninjured. The machine and affiant of this story is James R. year old baby girl, who, the mother was one of three observation planes Ryan, during the world war mounted alleges, is being held lifostage for a which left Hampton Roads, Va., for \$20 board bill.

### Uncle Joe Keeps Abreast of the rimes Substitute Bill



Foreign Trade resentatives, is seen in his home in Danville, Ill.—to which he has retired after his two score years of stormy public life—listening in on the radio set recently presented to him by his admiring fellow townsmen.

"Uncle Joe" used the set to hear the president's Washington's birthday peech, which he declared a wonderful oration.

Note the signs of age and the absence of the black cigar which was nee almost a part of the old statesman.

### "Ain't Nature Wonderful" By Uncle Pete

scientific research has determined more definitely just what charbe transmitted by such transfer.

champion relay nag which was noted

more for its tenacity than speed. By

Stay Out of Missouri."

of Missouri."

n the present campaign.

attacks which he is making upon me

personally that 'McAdoo publicly an-

enter the lists against any home can-

by McAdoo the same courtesy he has

omitted' if I had refused to give the

to the democratic national conven

New York, March 2.-Golf is mak

As a result of recent requests, the

Machinist's Mate Christianson are in

a local hospital suffering from injuries

received when their plane, the 6-I, fell

Miami, Fla., early today.

extended to others.'

unced that he did not intend to

The doctor last

Neb., mistake, he exchanged the race horse son Wilkinson of Bea- outlaw, Rock of Ages, and the exver Flats will change practically ruined each aniperform no more mal for its specialty.

practice, in Judge Kidwin's court, er's risk until the outlaw, which was to participate eign-born

goat which heads the milk herd belonging to Cliff prejudice. operation on Rock

to Reed Attack now butts instead of pitching when he is angry and only the other morn-

These eccentricities, Mr. Shively ex pected to overcome by training, but hopes were abandoned Saturday St. Louis, March 2 .- William G. when Rock of Ages chewed up two paign for the democratic presidential left by the rural mail carrier, and valuable mail order house catalogues comination, tonight replied to at then ate the lid off the tin mail box. The Cheyenne entry has been can tacks by Senator James A. Reed, deceled, the horse has been turned nouncing his Missouri opponent in the presidential race as a man "who and Doc Wilkinsen again is threaten resorts to the most glaring disregard ed with the suit for malpractice. for the truth in his personal attack

#### on me bcause I would not stay out Cortland Wins Gage The statement by Mr. McAdoo is in County Cage Title Volstead act.) the form of a letter to C. C. Oliver. St. Louis, chairman of the McAdoo

campaign in Missouri. The letter "I have made it a rule of my life not land High school basket ball team to enter into -personalities in the duswon from Filley by a 14 to 12 score ussion of public issues. I must, howver, let the American people know the nature of the attempts which are being made to confuse the real issues "Senator Reed of Missourl stated ecently as the reason for the vicious

The game, which was won in the ment. ast few minutes of play, was fraught with thrills and cotly contested. A to pay the soldiers' bonus has been crowd estimated at 350 witnessed the resented by ex-service men and other match.

didate but for reasons which doubtless are satisfactory to himself, he promoted three years ago by the Pil- the brewery interests or the corner has singled me out as an exception grim Congregational church and the salconist to his general rule. He has come business men of Cortland and it in into the state of Missouri and is cludes all of the high school teams receiving some support. These conin Gage county excepting the Beatrice ditions force me to make personal reference which I would have on-Eight teams were represented this tirely omitted had I been extended

year, among them Filley, for two vears champion By winning, the Cortland team re

"Here is a real patriot who resorts ceives the \$250 loving cup on which to the most glaring disregard for the the town name will be engraved and truth in his personal attacks upon which will remain in their possession ma because I would not stay out of until the next contender wins the Missouri. He criticizes me in a way championship. he 'would have entirely

#### men and women of Missouri an op- Aviatrix Is Killed portunity to express their honest con in Fall of 1,200 Feet victions in the selection of delegates

San Antonio, Tex., March 2.-Mrs Bertha Horchem, member of an air ernoon at the municipal flying field which was agreed upon. The asso-here, when the left wing of her plane clation raised its \$6,000. So far, the National Pastime in Japan crumpled as she went into a loop at 1.200 feet. ng rapid headway as a national pastime in Japan, according to word

The plane crashed to the ground 20 Cyle Horchem, her husband and \$50.

owner of the circus, collapsed as the woman's body was removed from the twisted wreckage and was in a seri

#### House to Widen Scope of Congressional Quiz as Ship Falls Into Water

Washington, March 2. cope of congressional investigations will be broadened this week with the adoption of resolutions authorizing inquiry into the ship ping board and the aircraft indus

Both resolutions will come be fore the house Tuesday before the McKenzie proposal to accept Henry Ford's offer for Muscle

## on Immigration to Be Introduced

Only So Many Aliens as Can Be Assimilated Wholesomely to Be Admitted Under Plan of Dr. Gulick.

By Universal Service.

Washington, March 2 .- Opposition o the Johnson selective immigration

Dr. Sydney L. Gulick, secretary of tice and good will of the Federal Council of Churches, presented to Senator Colt. Rhode Island, chairman of the senate committee on immigra tion, a constructive plan approved by his organization.

The fundamental principles of the ew plan as regards admissibility of

1. Only so many aliens coming for permanent residence in the United States should be admitted as there is good reason to believe can be whole somely assimilated by the body poli

should be based upon the number of any given people in the United States Shively's theatened suit for mal who have become American citizens by naturalization, plus the number of on animals, ex- was averted by the doctor's promise American-born children of that peo-3. Utilization of the figures of the

latest census in reckoning quotas, instead of that of 1890 as provided by he the Johnson bill.

mer. These ne ecured from Jack
Demosey most of the national committee for conpugnacious billy structive immigration legislation and would do away with restrictions based upon personal bias or race

a Skull Dr. Gulick reckons on a quota of 2 rancher, per cent as does the Johnson bill, but and the second notes that this is only provisional.

# of Ages was performed several Dry Worker Raps

ing, when Shively went out to feed "Bungstarters" Name Applied motives in giving military assistance two interests will divide among to the little entente countries, de themselves 50 per cent of their whole to the little entente countries, de themselves 50 per cent of their whole climbed up onto the roof of the Legalize Beer Sales.

By Universal Service

Washington, March 2.-Wayne B Wheeler, general counsel for the Antithe 50 members of the house of rep resentatives who have signed to le galize the production and sale of 2.75 per cent beer.

"The 50 bungstarters in congress have confused their dates," declared the spokesman of the league. "The sort of liberty day they want comes on April 1, and not on March 4." (The plan of the 50 was to introduce identical bills on Tuesday liberalizing the "The constitution forbids intoxicat-

ing beverages. Beer with 2.75 per cent alcoholic content is intoxicating. No legislation by congress can legalize it. They dare not try to license it. n the final game of the Gage county method of removing penalties so as to invitation tournament held at Cort- make the constitution impotent. The land, Neb., February 28, 29 and March real purpose of these bills is not to 1, deposing the title-holders for the legalize the beverages named, but to past two years and winning its first place additional difficulties in the way of enforcement of the 18th amend

"The bait of revenue with which patriotic Americans. These men did not fight to make America safe for

### Omaha Asked to Make Good C. of C. Pledge mary ballot in Midate for president.

Omaha is asked to raise \$3,950 to make good the pledge of the agricultural committee of the Omaha Cham of the Central Nebraska Supplementa Water association, operating in Phelps, Kearney and Adams counties. The plan of the association is to assure a continuing crop production in these counties,

Some time ago, representatives of the association met with the Omaha committee and asked that the com mittee match dollars with the asso drcus, was instantly killed this aft. clation in an amount up to \$6,000 Omaha contributions have totaled \$2,050. Contributions were, Omaha Clearing House association, eet in front of the hangar and into Union Stockyards company, \$500; Car the edge of the crowd of 3,000 spec. R. Gray, \$200; John L. Kennedy, \$200; G. W. Holdrege, \$100; and David Cole,

> John L. Kennedy, chairman of the committee, is seeking the remainder of Omaha's \$6,000.

### **Executive Secretary** of Community Chest

of Social Agencies, Fort Wayne, Ind., 1923 and 1922 are as follows: has been selected as executive secre. Illicit distilleries seized and has been gelected as executive secre-tary of the Omaha Welfare Federa: stroyed, 9,867 and 8,619; illicit stills 17 1.6. Precipitation, inches and hundredthat tion and Community Chest, it was an seized and destroyed, 10,649 and 8,191; Total ince January 1, 1.60. ion and Community Chest, it was an seized and destroyed, 10,649 and \$.191unced Saturday

Chest from a long list of applicants. |114 and 119.

## Forgetting Her Marital Cares



Miami, Fla.—The above photo is the largest and most exclusive perturbation of Mrs. Nina Wilcox Putnam, the novelist, who was the central figure in the La Follette's chairman of the Daughert tangle involving her chauffeur-business manager. This photograph erry investigating committee, was was taken recently on the beach here, where the novelist is sojourning.

### Frank Vänderlip Again Forward With "Inside Dope" on Daugherty

Coolidge has asked for the resigna. dent did not "go through" with the but has not received it, Frank A. federal government." Vanderlip, retired banker, declared

Free synagogue. Asked to elaborate on his asser tion, or tell from whom he had obtained the information, Mr. Vanderip was uncommunicative.

"I will stand on that statement, that's all," he told newspaper men. Mr. Vanderlip added in his speech, however, that he had sent word to the tion of a "citizens' federal research president, but did not know whether bureau" to conduct 'investigations. was to be accompanied by a "white it, because they will fear that some-Mr. Vanderlip said a new political been left."

#### Schriebam Stars on Coolidge's Aides Are Attacked by Johnson

Washington, March 2.-President named Hiram Johnston on the pri- league at the Y. M. C. A. mary ballot in Michigan as a candi-"This is simply a trick," said Sen- son why this quintet has not been de-

the meanest kind of petty politics." The California senator, whose name under the coaching of Gene Konetchy. also is on the Michigan presidential star guard for Central High school in ballot, denied that he had abandoned 1922 his campaign for delegates from New In the recent school tournament York state and charged that the "sysparty" is seeking to prevent a fair cival in the scoring column. Schrieexpression on the presidential nomi

"I have not abandoned New York and don't intend to," he said. "I will ginning of the season was unable to have a fair proportion of delegates from that state. Of course, I am devoting my personal effort to states having a presidential preference pri-

nation in the primary states.

### Liquor Seizures Show Big Increase in Year

Washington, March 2 .- Arrests and seizure of property for infractions of the prohibition law increased in 1923, La Boulle, week of July 3; women's according to statistics given out to day by acting Commissioner James E. Jones. In 1923, a total of 64,523 alleged

violators of the law were apprehend-F. D. Preston, formerly executive ed compared to 60,019 in 1922. Other cretary of the Fort Wayne Council figures of comparison for the years

gallons of spirits seized and destroy He will assume his duties here ed, 1,149,155 and 160,759; malt liquors seized and destroyed, 3,874,698 and 3, He was selected by the board of 692.174 gallons; automobiles seized, directors of the Omaha Community 4.193 and 3,573; boats and launches

### Action to Halt Flow to Be Taken

Atlee Pomerene to Have Charge of Civil Proceedings Against California and Wyoming Reserves.

### Inquiry Reopens Tuesday

By Universal Service.

ommittee investigating the naval oil inquire into Attorney General Daugherty's conduct of the Department of

Under the auspices of the tw the government as managed by the Harding-Coolidge cabinet.

The oil committee will renew its efforts to penetrate the haze which surrounds telegraph and telephone messages sent from Washington to Edward B. McLean, Washington publisher, at his Palm Beach winter ome, and to former Secretary of the Interior Albert B. Fall at Palm Beach and New Orleans.

Advisers Are Sought.

The investigators are particularly desirous of knowing who acted as ad visers to McLean and Fall and what advice was given them by interested persons in Washington.

A feature of this portion of the in estigation will be the close examina ion of William J. Burns, chief of the bureau of investigation in the Depart ment of Justice, who, according to information in the hands of the committee, advised McLean in connection with the inquiry. The committee also wants to know how it was that some

fficial codes busy at his office today assembling material for presentation before his ssociates, when they meet ton

"I have received a great material and more is coming in all the time," Brookhart said today. "It comes from all directions, and tends to show neglect, particularly in handling the cases against the big

Hearings to Open Soon. present investigation in Washington wherever it leads, and purify the time tomorrow-possibly to night-to go over this material and determine upon a course of procedure There will be one plank in its today in an address at the Heights platform," he said, "and there will The first session, of course, will be executive in order to formulate plans be two words in that plank-'Be honbut I feel quite sure that open hear

Declaring that "the men in the ings will be in this week. newspaper field have gone soft in The proceedings of the special their capacity for hard investigating Brookhart committee will differ from service, this being especially true of those of the oil committee in that the correspondents at Washington," Attorney General Daugherty will be Mr. Vanderlip suggested the formarepresented by counsel who will seek to protect his interests.

Senator Wheeler of Montana, auhis communication had been re- The data accumulated would be sent thor of the resolution providing for ceived-that Daugherty should not to the newspapers of the country, he the Daugherty inquiry, who also has be allowed to resign if the resignation said. "and most of them will print taken an active part in the oil invesbody will and then they will have cutor for the committee, of which he is a member.

The oil comptittee under Chairman tana as a principal examiner, will continue to delve into the circum Church Cage Team stances surrounding the granting of the leases on the naval reserves Among the witnesses already on the One of the flashiest of diminutive Coolidge's supporters were charged cage stars on the Omaha courts is McAdoo, son of William Gibbs Mc tonight by Senator Hiram Isadore Schriebam, star forward for Adoo, former secretary of the treas-Johnson of California with the rethe Y. M. H. A. Juniors, leaders in ury, and candidate for the democratic sponsibility for the placing of a man the Sunday School Heavyweight presidential nomination. The committee wants to know just what was the Schriebam, who is leading point getrelationship between the McAdoos and ter in this division is the main rea- McLean, the Washington newspaper publisher, who was so desirous of ator Johnson, "which would disgrace feated this season. He received his avoiding being placed on the witness asquired basket ball characteristics stand.

McLean Under Subpoens. McLean, himself, also is under subpoena to appear before the committee and explain what part, if any, staged at Central High school, this he played in the granting of tem now of controlling the republican clashy court demon was second to Per- leases by Former Secretary Fall. Me-Lean's examination has been delayed bam was given a chance to make the while members of the senate committee examine the file of messages sent

cause of unknown reasons, at the be- him during his Palm Beach visit. action by Owen J. Roberts and Atlee Besides playing on the Y. H. A. Besides playing on the Y. H. A. Pomerene, special counsel appointed quintet he is a stellar performer for by President Coolidge to represent the a troupe of other local teams. With government in the oil cases. The spehe right coaching, local fans who cial counsel will file court action to have seen this Hebrew in action, look prevent the Sinclair and Doheny interests from taking oil from the naval reserves pending adjudication of the legality of the leases signed by Fall and Secretary of the Navy Denby.

Johnson Gives Up Race

### been fixed as follows: Open, at La Boulie, July 1 and 2; amateur, at

Central High school team, but be-

forward to a second Sid Correman.

French Golf Dates.

New York, March 2 .- Dates for the

1924 French golf championship have

The Weather

at Le Touquett, week of July 7.

try out.

for New York Delegates New York, March 2 .- Formal anouncement was made by Arthur B. Murtha, New York manager of Sen ator Hiram Johnson, that the Callfornian had abandoned his campaign for delegates from New York state to the republican convention, and will depend upon the force of public opinion to make the party bosses recognize the sentiment of the peo-

Ebbets to Buy Gonzales. Clearwater, Fla., March 2.-Charles H. Ebbets announced yesterday tha so he had agreed to purchase Catcher Gonzales from the St. Paul club. through "Garry" Herrmann of Cincinnatt for \$10,000.

### among roosters has been discovered under an automobile while engaged and newspaper men. in the classic occupation of crossing picked another spouse and continued Carroll, who barred the way to all strutting and crowing.