Naval Cadets Testify that it is Indirectly Encouraged by Officials.

CLASSMATES DEFEND THE MAN ON TRIAL

statement Made that He Would Have Forfeited Respect of Pupils

Had He Not Accepted Challenge.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Nov. 25.-Today's seaons of the court-martial which is trying James R. Branch, it., were very largely ccupied with the testimony of classmates of the Naval academy. The evidence Branch harbored animosity against Meriwether and persecuted him and also that was known to and in a manner connived at by high officials of the Naval academy. nent officers of the navy mentioned in this connection were Admiral Willard H. Brownson, now commanding the cruiser division of the North Atlantic fleet, and who was the predecessor of James H. was succeeded as commardant of midshipmen by the present commandant, Captain G. P. Colvocoresses and Commander testified that Admiral Brownson, while superintendent of the academy, had promised that in consideration of the abolition of ezing there would be no investigation of fights sunctioned by the first class. One of the important developments of the day was the ordering by the secretary of the navy of the disinterment of Branch's body for the purpose of holding an autopsy The body will be exhumed tomorrow morn-

The judge advocate announced that Surgeon Charles H. Stokes had been detailed by the Navy department to assist in the

Grudge Between the Two Middies. Midshipman T. C. Corstein of the first class for the defense testified that at th end of last term, while on duty, he had reported Meriwether for a breach of reguations: Branch had manifested great interest in seeing that the report was made He had asked the witness to be sure to forward the report and, the sheet having stolen, reminded him of the report against Meriwether. He seemed to have leep-seated grudge against Meriwether. Lieutenant Commander H. J. Seigemie testified that as executive officer of the Hartford he had received a report from Midshipman Branch against Midshipman Meriwether "for general disorder, insubbeing ordered by Branch," who was on duty. The witness found that the charge , not turning in promptly was the only e sustained. He considered that there

was personal feeling between the two. Midshipman William T. Page, a classmate of Meriwether, testified in regard to the report that Branch had made against Meriwether on the Hartford. He said that a store boat had come alongside of the Hartford and that Muriwether, the witness and others went out of the port and took

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down and charged Meriwether with having told him to "go to heil." Meriwether was AUSH WORK ON STATE HOUSE OFFICERS WINK AT FIGHTS down and charged Meriwether with having told him to "go to hell." Meriwether was the only one reported by Branch

Meriwether found a spirited champion i the next witness, his classmate, Midshipman William H. Pashley. Pashley said that he himself would have fought under the circumstances and that Meriwether would have been an "outcast in his class" If he had not fought, and "worse than an outcast" if he had refused Branch's challenge. Fights, he said, have been going on for a long time and he had never known any one to be reported or punished for it. Meriwether had at least one other fight during the last term.

Ten Demerits for Fighting Midshipman H. L. Chapin, a first class man, testified that having been caught Midshipman Meriwether in connection with fighting twenty-five demerits were given fought, he said, because a lower class man been imposed for fighting and the rethe existence of the practice of fighting mainder for breaking into the room, adding, the witness stated, that he (Colahan) would be the last man to stop a fight that cause existed for the fight in question.

panying to the hospital a midshibman who C. E. Colahan, deceased, who preceded was found to be so badly cut that ten lature convened and hence would be. The Caplain Badger in the same office. It was stitches were required to close the wound.

> Brownson Sanctions Fights. L. M. Atkinson, another first class man, estified that Admiral Brownson, while but little of it has been completed. superintendent of the Naval academy, had said in his presence and that of the other nembers of his class that there would be no investigation of any fight sanctioned by the first class. This promise was made. away with hazing and indicated to them that the rules imposed by the midshipmen's code of ethics were to be enforced by fightng instead. Midshipman Harvey Delano of the same class substantiated this testimony. The court adjourned until Monday.

RATIFICATIONS ARE EXCHANGED Final Formalities in Relation to Treaty of Portsmouth Take Place in Washington.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.-Without fornality the final chapter in the bloody war between Russia and Japan was enacted in the diplomatic room of the State department this afternoon, when at 4:05 o'clock ters to Congressman Smith of Council Baron Rosen, the Russian ambassador, and Bluffs, and also against Hudson Criss of Mr. Takahira, the Japanese minister, on rdination and not turning in promptly on behalf of their respective sovereigns, exhanged ratifications of the treaty of Portsmouth, which was signed September 5 last. The only witnesses were Prince Kudacheff, the secretary of the Russian ambassador, who was with him at Tokio when the war began and again served as ne of the official secretaries throughout be peace conference at Portsmouth, and Hioki, counsellor and first secretary of the Japanese legation. Sidney Smith, chief of the diplomatic bureau of the State department, and Eddic Savoy, the personal messenger of the secretary of state, were also present when the exchange occurred. Five minutes before 4 o'clock Baron

Rosen reached the department, accompanied by Prince Kudacheff, bearing the lington hotel Tuesday evening and lay ratification of Emperor Nicholas. Three plans for the annual session of the naminutes later Mr. Takahira arrived with tional society, which will be held here next nteroom of the diplomatic reception of the Eleventh cavalry at Fort Des oom, where they shook hands cordially Moines. and then passed into the office of the secand assistant secretary of state, Mr. Adee, to whom they paid their respects, going today for attempting to defraud the penthence into the diplomatic room. Seated sion department. He asked for leniency, about the long table where for years the claiming that his family was starving and American secretaries of state have distant he had need of the money. He will cussed matters of state with foreign diplo- be put in jail for a month and on a showmats, Baren Rosen and Mr. Takahira at ing that he cannot pay the fine of \$500 once fell to work signing the protocol of will be released. the ratifications in duplicate. While Baron Rosen was signing the Russian and French translations of the Russian ratification Mr. Takahira was affixing his signature to the Japanese and English copies.

Their work done, Baron Rosen and Mr. Takahira again shook hands and left the department, Baron Rosen going first and

Mr. Takahira following a few minutes The exchanges of ratifications was a formality, the treaty having become effective

and Japanese emperors. LETTERS FROM AN EXPLORER Norwegian Consul at San Francisco

Receives Word from the Amundsen Expedition.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 35 .- Henry Lund, the Norwegian consul at this port, is in receipt of information relative to the Amundsen Arctic expedition, which convinces him that the report from Dundee, Scotland, that the expedition ship Gjoa has been crushed in the ice at Boothia Felix is erroneous. The Dundee report was received from Esquimaux. Connl Lund has information directly from Captain Amundsen. in the form of letters, passed Boothia Felix, where the disaster is reported to have taken place, some months ago in safety. These letters contain much information of interest with regard to the expedition. It appears from they would have no use for a stomach them that the expedition expected to get through the Northwest passage this year and to have cleared the ice and sailed for San Francisco during the present fall. The letters were received by Alexander Nansen of Christiania, brother of Dr. Frithjof Nansen, three weeks ago, and The letters were sent by Esquimaux from the Jgoa magnetic station, 22, 1966, the latter date being about twentypreviously had from Captain Amundsen.

CARTER CASE IS RESUMED Accountant Who Has Examined Books

Placed on Stand for the Defense.

CHICAGO, Nov. E.-After a protracted adjournment the case of Oberlin M. Carter. the ex-army officer who is endeavoring to prove his legal title to funds which he is stomach is in, they go right ahead of their declared by the United States to have own accord and do their work. They know embezzied, was resumed this morning. An accountant who has gone over the books of Carter was placed on the stand thus relieve the weak stomach of all its as the first withess for Carter. It is ex- burdens and give it its much needed reat nected that the evidence to be submitted by Carter will consume several weeks.

Johnson Brothers Bankrupt.

Bankrupts.

Earlier in the afternoon the firm went into the hands of a receiver. J. I. Baker being appointed as receiver of the concern. Mr. Baker will continue the business of the concern in the interest of the creditors without interruption so far as its seneral business affairs is concerned.

Senate and House Chambers Not Anywhere Near Ready for Session.

COMMITTEE ROOMS ALMOST UNTOUCHED

President Roosevelt to Be Invited to Address Presbyterian Assembly Which Meets in Des Moines in May.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) DES MOINES, Nov. 25 .- (Special.) -- Only he most energetic efforts will complete he death, after a fight, of Midshipman him by the late Commander C. E. Colahan, the work on the senate and house chamthen commandant of midshipmen. He had bers at the state house for the legislative of the accused members of the first class had run into him, and the two broke into house chamber the new carpet is half replied to the request for hands up with a an unused room to find a quiet place for down. The new carpet for the senate has was intended by the defense to show that the fight. Commander Colahan had told been purchased, but is not in the city fired one shot, but it went wild. The robber him, he said, that ten of the demerits had yet. There are only six weeks remaining ture of both house and senate is being revarnished and reupholstered. The committee rooms back of the house chamber are was for proper cause, but that no proper just as they were two years ago after the big fire. In two of them the scaffolding Midshipman H. H. Porter of the first is up preparatory to revarnishing the class testified that while he was accom- woodwork and decorating the ceiling and walls. In the others the woodwork is in ant, who noticed the condition of the mid- with all possible speed. It was stated toshipman and remarked upon it to another day at the senate house that the work officer. At the hospital the sufferer's eye had to be completed by the time the legisonly furniture that has been completed is There was no investigation of the case, the the new dasks for the speaker, clerk and reporters in the house. All the other furniture is being scraped, sandpapered and varnished and upholstered, and thus far

> Invite President Roosevelt. The committee in charge of the arrangenents for the Presbyterian General Assembly, which will meet in Des Moines might accept such an invitation and is therefore hopeful that he will attend.

> To Settle Old Cases. In the federal court today Judge Mc-Pherson announced that before adjourning court for the term, which will be some time next week, he will take up a number of old cases on the docket and dispose of them. Among these will be those against Max Keouskopf, formerly assistant our years ago for embezzling the funds behavior. Another is that against Thomas Winterset, all old cases that attracted attention at one time.

> Old Soldier Wants Job. Melvin Stone has employed Major Charles Mackengle and will ask for a writ of man damus to compel the Board of Publi Works of this city to give him the post tion of street commissioner, now held by John Stewart. Stone is an old soldier and Stewart is not. The decision of the supreme court sustaining the old soldiers' preference law, it is believed, will be the cause of any number of proceedings

Philippine Soldiers Banquet. Those living in this city who saw service in the Philippines will banquet at the Wel-Hicki, who carried the ratification of year. It is expected that about 100 will operor Mutsuhito. They met in the be present including officers and soldiers

Otis Meliza of Red Oak was fined \$500

M'WILLIAMS IS UNDER ARREST Iowa Man Accused of Killing His Fam-

ily May Be Found Insane. DES MOINES, Ia., Nov. 20.-William S. McWilliams, aged 20 years is under arrest. accused of killing his wife, four sons and one daughter, near Independence, Ia., Friday. Additional evidence has been secured against him since the crime was discovered. and the coroner's jury which convened today is expected to return a verdict naming on the day it was ratified by the Russian McWilliams as the alleged murderer. Mc-Williams maintained his innocence. His neighbors say that he has acted pe-

LET YOUR STOMACH HAVE ITS OWN WAY.

Do Not Try to Drive and Force it to Work When it is Not Able or You Will Suffer All the More.

You cannot treat your stomach as some men treat a balky horse; force, drive or even starve it into doing work at which it it rebels. The stomaca is a patient and faithful servant and will stand much abuse and ill-treatment before it "balks," but when it does you had better go slow with . which go to show that the expedition it and not attempt to make it work. Some people have the mistaken idea that they people have the mistaken idea that they Benos can make their stomachs work by starving Black Kats. themselves. They might cure the stomach that way, but it would take so long that when they got through. The sensible way out of the difficulty is to let the stomach rest if it wants to and employ a substitute to do its work.

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you were a healthy boy or girl. Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets act in a natural way because they contain only the natural elements of the gastric juices and other digestive fluids of the stomach. it makes no difference what condition the their business and surrounding conditions do not influence them in the least. They and permit it to become strong and

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are for sale by all druggists at 50 cents a box. They Late Saturday evening a petition was filed are so well known and their popularity is reditors of the Johnson Bros. Transfer so great that a druggist would as soon ompany, asking that the firm be declared think of being out of alcohol or quining as of them. In fact, physicians are prescribing them all over the land, and if your own doctor is real honest with you, he will tell you frankly that there is nothing on earth wo good for dyspepsia as Stuart's Dyspopsia Tablets.

culturity since suffering sunstroke two years igo, and declares that he has been examined for insanity. McWilliams it is alleged, beat his wife and childrens' heads into a pulp with a hammer, backed their bodies with a meat knife, and left them on the kitchen floor.

BOBBERS AT CHARLES CITY Milwaukee Agent Knocks Down Man Who Has Revolver.

CHARLES CITY, Ia., Nov. 25 - (Special.) -An attempt was made to hold up and rob Chris Johnson, night operator at the Milwaukee depot, at midnight. Just after the accommodation train had left for Mason City Operator Johnson stepped out of the depot with a coal bucket in his hand to go to the coal house for some coal. As be opened the door he was confronted with a revolver in the hands of a man who demanded that he throw up his hands. John session which converes January 8. In the ron is a big six-footer and an athlete, He blow. The robber in the meantime had fell to the platform as soon as struck by to complete all the work, and the furni- Johnson. Two of the robber's pals then rushed up and attacked Johnson, but he fought them off and managed to get inside the door of the depot. He then turned off the lights and telephoned up town for the marshal. It was some little time before the marshal arrived and during the interim the robbers went into the waiting room and attempted to effect an entrance to the Sands as superintendent of the Naval had been badly used up in a fight he shape, but the walls and ceiling have not office part where Johnson was looked in, academy; Captain Charles J. Badger, who passed Charles J. Badger, then command-been touched. The work is being crowded ried their pal away and concealed him somewhere and later he is supposed to have come to, as a diligent search of att the boxears and various hiding pinces about the depot failed to reveal the robbers. Johnson had about \$60 in the till, the prooceds of ticket sales for the Chicago Limited train that goes east about 9 o'clock.

> Farmers End Meeting. ONAWA, In., Nov. E .- (Special.)-Onawa's Farmers' institute closed yesterday with an address on "Good Roads," delivered by J. S. Trigg, editor of the Des Moines Register-Leader, who paid special the witness said, to induce them to do next May, has issued an invitation to attention to the use of the King drag on President Roosevelt to be present and ad- gumbo roads for good results. George dress the assembly. The committee was Rawlings of Maple Valley won sweepstakes given an intimation that the president on best ten cars of corn over the Whitney Exhibit company by one-quarter of a point, accorded by Prof. Holden and students. George, Fisher won a Duroc-Jersey pig for the best one ear of corn. The institute was

Keokuk Bank Run Stops. KEOKUK, Ia., Nov. 15.-The run which began yesterday on the State Savings bank stopped this morning almost entirely after the arrival of four wagonloads of silver postmaster at Marshalltown, and indicted dollars from Chicago and St. Louis. The wagons backed up to the door of the bank. of the office. He was released on good A half-million dollars was carried into the bank and piled up in sight of the people. Clark, accused of writing threatening let- The run was probably caused by a statement that the president's health was failing, the word "failing" being repeated to

EVENTS ON THE RUNNING TRACKS Long-Priced Horses Take the Money

at Benning. BENNING, D. C., Nov. 25.—Not a favorite won at Benning today and a number of ong priced horses got in the money. The attendance was the largest of the meeting. the attraction being the Benning specia and the seventh Hunters Champion steeple Results: Schodale second, Sun Ray third. Time

1:28%
Second race, five and a half furlongs:
Fancy Bird won, Nellie Burn second, Royal
China third. Time: 1:28%
Third race, the Seventh Hunters' Champion steeplechase, about three miles: Pure
Peoper wos, Knight of Edway second,
Palmroom third. Time: 6:15.
Fourth race, sixth Benning special, one
mile and a half: Banker won, Louis H.
second, Jocund third? Time: 2:394%
Fifth race, one mile and seventy yards:
Ormondes Right won, Bad News second,
The Clown third. Time: 1:45%. Ormondes Right won, Bad News second, The Clown third. Time: 1:45%. Sixth race, one mile and a sixteenth: Jane Holly won, Northville second, Gambler

Jane Holly won, Northville second, Gambler third. Time: 1:50.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 25.—Results:
First race, one mile: Jackfull won, Eleven Beils second, Ed Sheridan third. Time: 1:42.

Second race, futurity course: Fireball won, Conreid second, Princess Wheeler third, Time: 1:10%.

Third race, one mile and an eighth: Ikki won, Blussful second, Invictus third. Time: Blissful second, Invictus third. Time: Fourth race, the Morrello handicap, one ille and an eighth: Bearcatcher won, San Nicholas second, Lady Goodrich third. Ime: 1:82. Time: 1:52.
Fifth race, the Albert handicap, six fur-longs: I'm Joe won. Retropaw second. Tenordale third. Time: 1:14%. Sixth race, one mile: Briarthorpe won. Gateway second. Angleta third. Time: 40%. NASHVILLE, Nov. 5.—Cumberland park results: First race, six furlongs: Magistrate won, John H. Kirby second. Peggy third. Time:

John H. Kirby second. Peggy third. Time: 1:14%.

Second race, five and a half furlongs: Deuxtemps won, Lieber second, Grove Center third. Time: 1:08%.

Third race, one mile and seventy yards, gentlemen's race: Mallory won, Clausus second, Handalice third. Time: 1:51.

Fourth race, short course steeplechase, handleap: Lights Out won, Potash second, Laura K. third. Time: 3:05%.

Fifth race, one mile and three-quarters; Little Ellein were Double second, Steeltrap third. Time: 3:04.

Sixth race, one mile and a sixteenth: Nine won, Sincerity Belle second, Sam Craig third. Time: 1:45%.

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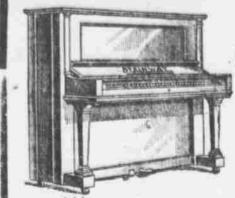
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Griffiths PLAN FOR STATE BALL LEAGUE Grand Island Appoints Committee to Arrange Details.

GRAND ISLAND. Neb., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—Grand Island has taken hold of the State Base Ball league project in a way hat promises to produce early results. At a largely attended meeting of devotees and supporters of the game last evening it was decided to invite representatives of five other interior cities of Nebraska to attend a meeting to be held here for the purpose of discussing the advisability of organizing a state league. A committee was appointed to take the matter in hand, correspond with base ball representatives in other cities





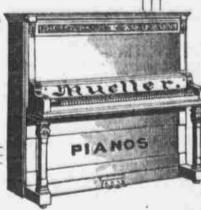
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and arrange for the meeting. The committee consists of Henry Slevers, manager, and Richard Buenz, secretary, of this year's Grand Island team; C. R. Heusinger, James Rourke and A. Uiry of the "Maxie Cobb" team, It was the general sentiment that, provided a league could be arranged upon the basis of each team being guaranteed its expenses while visiting other cities, the nei proceeds of each game going to the salaries at about \$1,000 per month, six cities of the state could see a team through the season. The committee, it was the sense of the meeting, was to discuss the matter and report back before final action was taken, the meeting adjourning to meet at the meeting adjourning to meet at

Sporting Brevitles. One more big foot ball day and then the base ball fans can have the floor, or rather the cracker boxes for next season's pros-

College foot ball players will soon have o hustle for vacant lots on which to oractice in Omaha if the present building

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organized in the United States under the

Assistant United States Treasurer at Philadelphia Leaves Reply with President.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25,-The president SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. S .- Three sisters. | today gave a hearing to W. S. Lieb, assistmembers of a Catholic religious community ant United States treasurer at Philadelphia on charges of pernicious political activity sanction of Cardinal Gibbons, will sail on Mr. Lieb presented to the president a typethe Logan today for the Philippines to join written answer to the charges made against There is plenty of speculation in base ball at the present and the principal topic of conversation is concerning the formation of the leagues. Of course Comiskey sought to put speculation to rest by his

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