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DISCUSSING THE LEAGUE

What Took Place Between Senators and Congressmen

CONFERENCE QUITE UNSATISFACTORY

Senators and Representatives Asked the President About Various Matters; But the Replies Served to Leave Them Still in the Dark-Enlightening Story of the White House ed by Daniel F. Cohalan, a justice of Dinner.

From the New York Sun.

Washighton, February 27-The revelations of today exhibited in high lights the disappointment, the chagrin and even the sympathetic embarrassments suffered by the members of the foreign relations committee who attended the dinner at the White House on Wednesday night.

At midnight last night and early thi morning senators and representatives who had labored to penetrate Mr. Wilson's mind and to understand his policies, were themselves so weary and mind muddled that they were unable to discuss coherently what had taken place.

This afternoon when they had op portunity to get together to compare notes and to check up one another's recollection they were able to present a clear account of the conversation. the result of this symposium is indeed amazing. - Senator Brandagee (Conn.) expresses it in a phrase:

"I feel as if I had been wandering with Alice in Wonderland and had had tea with the Mad Hatter. When I awakened this morning I expected the White Rabbit waiting to go to break fast with me."

Senators and representatives who went to the dinner and heard Mr. Wilson deliver a prose poem eulogizing the British-Wilson league of nations plan, and who tried by persistent questioning to get detailed information about the plan, declare they marveiled ment

at Mr. Wilson's apparent ignorance of the proposed league of nations constitution. This astonished and embarrassed most of the men, who, pressing question after question upon the president, finally became aware of his lack of his precise knowledge concerning all of the 26 articles.

Felt Blushing Embarrassment. One senator said to the Sun corre-

spondent: "Believe me, I felt the same blush-ing embarrassment that used to come over me as a small boy when some boy friend with a bally work on some boy friend with a balky memory forgot the piece he was bidden to recite and broke down in the middle of it."

Touching on this matter the impressions of several senators may be found

Senator Brandegee admits he started Portugal happens to be a monarchy, as cause in the peace conference discus her ruler; would the United States as sion whenever there was a possibility a member of the league of nations still that such conflict might result every But no one of his admissions has retain her right to interfere with this care was taken to see that likelihood produced sharper anger than his state- arrangement? Apply that argument of conflict was eliminated. The president made it known that to any other Latin American country ment in reply to a question by Reprewhich in times past.was under Spanish he believes it is very necessary for him sentative Ragsdale, (South Carolina), that Ireland and the Irish question was domination and which might through to return to Paris at once so as to take to be left by the league solely to the a peculiar turn of circumstances be led part in the settlement of pressing terwisdom and judgment of England, to resume the ancient arrangement, ritorial questions. He said he did not

Hearing that the president had made Would the United States still have the know when he could return, but he this statement a committee of Irish auchority to prevent an extension of hoped it would be before August or Americans, all eager advocates of the European authority in this hemi- September. AMERICANS MARRY FRENCH. "That is inconceivable," said the

ing Sun:

Subject is Interestingly Discussed by 'It might happen," persisted Branan Army Nurse. An American navy nurse, who admits

"Well, then, it would be very dis tressing," declared the president. "Most distressing," said Brandegee, dryly. Could Withdraw From League,

This discovery made the Irish white The conversation shifted and twist with anger. The description is exact ed in accordance with the questions and literal. As Justice Cohalan discussed the matter he was at times that occurred to various senators. It hardly able to speak coherently. One was Brandegee again who requested the president to make clear whether put most American girls completely

was based upon mutual understand

ing and good will; that it was in the

of his companions said: "Wilson is not now for Ireland and the United States was privileged to he has never been for Ireland. He has withdraw from the league if it saw fit. been hypocritical all along the line, The president said that was his interbut we have caught him in the act. pretation-

degee.

"You will recall," said the senator His championship of small nations is a sickening farce. Wait till the Irish "that a similar proposition arose in this country some years ago after the in America get the news of this." Making all allowances it may not be states had entered a league without

walk with Alice

Irish Leaders White With Anger.

Irish republic and of Irish independ- sphere?"

exact facts. This committee was head-president.

ence, hurried to Washington to get the

Justice Cohalan promptly satisfied

himself that the president had aban-

doned Ireland, or rather that the Brit-

ish-Wilson league had abandoned her.

the supreme court of New York.

specifying the right of any to withdifficult to understand the mood these draw and that it took four years of men are in. The fact that Frank P. bitter warfare to settle the point that Walsh, recently chairman of the war abor board and an ardent Wilno state could withdraw?" sonian, has talked to Cohalan, and is The president replies that the case now said to be against the league of were not the same at all; that this arrangement was wholly voluntary; that

nations plan, has its own meaning. Pacific Coast Much Concerned. Western senators declare that Mr.

interests of humanity; that in all prob-Wilson's admission that the league of nations will take out of the hands of ability it would hold together indefinthe United States the right to say itely. He would not deny, however that the possibility of the United States whether there shall be restricted Chidesiring to withdraw might arise. In nese and Japanese immigration is

the president waved him aside with

general statements in which the words

vice" filled the ears of his hearers.

that case he was sure the United States enough to damn the project on the Pacould exercise that right. cific coast. It is said that several sen-"But," said Brandegee, "we would ators could hardly believe their ears go into this league as the sponsor and when the president voiced this stateguarantors and protectors of Poland,

Armenia and perhaps other small, and It was hard to get him in a corner as regards the Monroe doctrine. He met helpless nations. Could we then withdraw and leave them helpless and unall questions relative to the probability defended, deserted by the very nation that the league would abrogate this that had promised to defend them?" distinctly American policy and safe-Mr. Wilson's reply was so generally guard by replies which stated that couched that not all of the senators there would be no abrogation, but that who sought to recall it this evening the Monroe doctrine actually would be could agree on its phraseology. He reextended to the whole world. When peated, though, that such an event Senator Brandegee sought to argue the would be very distressing, and again point by offering theoretical problems

Brandegee agreed that it would be most interesting. League Ignores Irish Question.

and phrases "good of humanity," Representative Ragsdale, (S. C.), "America's duty to mankind," "ideal fired the Irish shot. ism," "service" and "disinterested ser-"Mr. President," he inquired, "what does the league of nations purpose to

The president admitted, it was said that the proposed constitution of the do as regards Ireland ?" eague is British made, saying

can feed the souls of men, and if it Spirit of the American Soldiers Did breaks the bread of life before them, they will come and eat. They are hunthe Trick gry. EXPERIENCES OF PASTOR MCMILLAN Bennettsville Preacher Who Resigned

WINNERS OF THE WAR

Tells of the Things He Saw at the Front-Says the Fighting Spirit Did More Than Generalship. Pee-Dee Advocate. Rev. J. A. McMillan, of McColl, made

she's slightly jealous, furnishes peran interesting talk in the crowded haps the first really thoroughgoing and there. Sunday school room of the Thomas expert opinion on the Franco-Ameri-

Memorial Baptist church last Wedcan marriage situation in France nesday night. He has recently re-After a year and a half in France this turned from France where he was en-American girl finds French femininity gaged in Y. M. C. A. work among the 'delightful," with a knowledge of cap-American soldiers. He said that there tivating masculine hearts that would had been in the papers a great deal of criticism of the Y. M. C. A. work. out of the running. She suggests the There were Y. M. C. A. secretaries. advisability of presenting President among the many sent, who were not Wilson with a petition to send all tory. what they should be, but the great ma-American troops home at once, "in

jority were good and true men, and DISPOSITION OF GERMAN FLEET. the name of American debutantes." your money was well spent. There Her letter written to a relative in New is a definite movement to discredit the York, appears in the New York Even-

Y. M. C. A. because it is a protestant Sides to It. organization.

You seem rather incredulous about The Y. M. C. A. has done a great so many of our American boys having work, but nothing can take the place married Frenchwomen. Why, I wonof the church as a teacher of the gosder? I don't see any reason why they pel of Jesus Christ. should not. The Frenchwoman is a The boys over there are the same delightful creature. Even we Amerithat they are over here, deep down it

can and English nurses can see that, much as we should like at times to see the influence of mother and sister and otherwise, for we're still human and home and church. I did not see but still feminine, and it goes rather hard one white man from Marlboro in with us to see some of the finest of our soldier lads marrying pretty little Alines, Maries, and Ninettes. We think we could find better mates is at home.

for them, and some of us think that a few could be found without even going ing captivated-we call it "captured of those from around here were in to sink the fleet "would be the easiest outside of France. But still they are be-

when we talk among ourselves-by the service, for the 30th division was in way of settling the matter." the thick of it. Frenchwomen. Louise told me last Did you know, said Mr. McMillian, that night that she had it on positive authe Thirtieth had 110 per cent casual- yet been actually reached, but the thority that in the neighborhood of ties? Out of every hundred there were 100,000 American soldiers and sailors ten more killed or wounded than they have reported in favor of the "destruchad married Frenchwomen over here! had in the division.

No wonder we are jealous-only don't Mr. McMillan explained this paratell anybody that we are, for maybe doxical statement by saying that it touch with the situation, that the the state. I'm the only one of us who is ready to was on account of men-being replacadmit it even to herself. ed. The division was made over as Many considerations, some of them the following classification shall be Still as I've just said, I don't blame they were wounded and killed. the boys. These girls are really almost The most disappointed of all were irresistible, and they understand the those who were almost at the front art of flirtation better when they are when the war stopped. Mr. McMillan

born than the average American wowas with one such crowd, who were man understands if after her fourth in sight of the battle when the arm- long before that time the world's supdivorce. They know how to dress, too, istice was signed; and they did not ply of raw material would be so adeto bring out the very littlest as well as the greatest of their charms. And restrain their profanity.

they know how to talk to our soldiers our people. They do not like us, ex- tance. Then it is pointed out that if with their eyes and hands and shouldcept in a general way, and we don't the ships were divided between the "It was decided." said th ers better than we Americans can talk The British and Ameri- Allies on the basis of lo "to leave the case of Ireland to Great to them in their own United States. like them. an soldiers can't get along togeth- or on any other basis, they might prove Britain as a domestic matter outside ak a universai without fighting with their fists. themselves an expensive and, ultimatethe province of the league of nations language of appeal-and they never It is because they both brag so much. ly indeed a valueless acquisition. The fail to make themselves understood. question of spare parts alone presents The Americans make fun of little Representative Temple (Penn.), re-Besides this more or less superfialmost insuperable difficulties. Many England, and say they can walk across turned to the topic of how and why cial charm, the Frenchwoman is truly it in half a day. When the British of the ships, moreover, are really obthe British draft for a constitution of They make wonderful wives a woman. show them the River Thames the solete as war vessels, whilst their a league of nations was adopted. Here and mothers. I've been here long Americans says, "Why we call that a enormous coal consumption and the as reported by various senators the enough to see that. They make even president became elusive, though very creek." When shown their biggest difficulty of adapting them for carrybetter wives and mothers than they do buildings, five stories high, the Ameri-ling cargo, makes it almost impossible uave. All they extracted from him sweethearts. They're wonderful housecan makes fun of it, and tells about to use them as merchant vessels. in the renewal of the topic was that keepers, although, except among the the skyscrapers at home. Then the Even the possibility of sinking them and the bag limit shall be 15 per day the British made draft was virtually upper classes, they do run to too British soldier says something not for breakwater purposes has been dethe idea put forward by Gen. Smuts of much furniture in their parlors and finitely proved impracticable by exnice about America, and the American too much garlic in their kitchen, to Senator Knox pressed home the periments at Scapa Flow. hits him in the face. suit my plain tastes. But how they In the light of these facts, the sugquestion of probable surrender of The American and French get along co understand food-conservation and gestion that the vessels shall be taken fine. Although the Americans make American sovereignty. The president economy. Mr. Hoover could learn quite out of the high seas and there "infun of the little Seine and other things agreed that surrender on some points a few lessons from them if he cared continently sunk," does not appear so French the Frenchman does not re-(he did not specify them) was to be to study them. extravagant as it did at one time, when expected, asserting that no gain could sent. He just lets the American go on And on top of all this femininity they the German high seas fleet was be had unless something was given up. brazging, and they lock arms and have are fighters. They are the bravest wothought to be, what it had often been Mr. Knox, one of the great constitugood time together. men as a class, I believe I have ever described as being, namely, "the last Mr. McMillan said he thought Gen. tional lawyers of America, wanted to known, and the most consistently paword in invention and efficiency." Such Foch's ability as a strategist had been know what would happen if the constitriotic. Their patriotism is so deep, so overestimated. They say Hindenburg a solution, moreover, has one other thing much a part of them, that they never made powerful massed drives, but had to be said in its favor. The German fleet at some vital point with the constituthink of saying anything about it. If to stop; that when Foch started, he in a peculiar way, typified the German tion of the league of nations. It was ou separate a Frenchwoman from her determination to dominate the world. then that the president made the posikept hitting one lick after another, and love of France and her desire to serve "Our future," declared the former never stopped. This was not French tively startling rejoinder that the France, you would have to tear her Kaiser, on a memorable occasion, "is strategy. He had to keep on to keep American constitution would override imb from limb and pick her to pieces. up with the American soldiers. When on the sea." The last four and a half it goes all through her, and enters years, if they have demonstrated anythey started, they couldn't be stopped. whe subconsciously into everything she has They disobeyed all orders to halt or thing, have demonstrated that the had remained silent, glanced at each done since she has been a Frenchwoworld was saved by the Allied control retreat or dig in. Foch had to move other doubtfully or perhaps amazedly. man. You know something of what of the seas, and that nowhere was this Here was the president saying with one the rest of the army up to keep in to they've done since the summer of 1914 more certainly dreaded before the war, with them. It was the hardheaued voice that the constitution of the sufrom your reading of the papers and and more clearly understood during the dare-devil foolhardiness of the Amerperstate must be final and in the next magazines, but that full history can war than in Germany. Germany's breath asserting that whenever a pinch ican soldiers that drove the Germans never be written. future, as William Hohenzollern uncame an article which conflicted with hack. So, why shouldn't our boys love derstood it, was on the sea, because a the constitution of the United States Mr. McMillan discussed camouflage them, and marry them? Anyway, an art with which women were familiar, control of the seas by a German fleet could be disregarded. Senator Branwhether they should or should not, meant the German domination of the but which men just got into in this degee was reminded of that saying of they're doing it. Can't you do somevorld. To take, therefore, this sorry war. The ships and trucks were paint-Macaulay's about John Stewart Mill, thing to persuade the government to ed so as to fool the enemy. Great canthat often he essayed to prove a thing have them all brought home? We're non were hidden by bushes. You could typical of the whole German idea, out was because the facts were against it. thinking about presenting a petition stop in the midst of a great army and to sea, and there sink it in a conven-The foregoing embodies the princito Mr. Wilson while in France, begging ient place, would be a valuable obthink you were alone in a forest. The pal facts of the celebrated dinner. They him, in the name of American debutanject lesson. It would be the curtest soldiers were hid. tes, to send our boys home. and most forcible intimation possible Bennettsville Negro Got Two. In Paris, said Mr McMillan, I met that the world had done with such meth-THE LAW OF CONTRACTS. ods .- Christian Science Monitor. John Cook, a colored brick mason from Bennettsville, and we had a glorious time. "John, what are you

loing here?"

called Christian.

shoulder.

NEW STATE GAME LAWS give that which the church alone can give. The church does not have to go into the entertaining business. It of Hunting Regulations

cribed by the law.

I can't blame men for staying on the outside when we are only play-LICENSES ARE NOW REQUIRED ing at what ought to be serious. If we had been no more loyal to our

Germans would be in Paris tonight. Suppose, when the roll was called at the front, a soldier had sent word to Gen. Pershing, "the weather is too inclement for me to be there this morn-

ecent session of the general assem-

there and over here, and win the vic-

mportant Question that has Severa

Some months ago, when the ques-

tion as to the final disposal of the surrendered German fleet was much under discussion, and the wildest guesses were everywhere being put forward as "inside information," this paper was that the British ministry had not even considered the matter, and that, as a France saw service, though they all ever, that certain British admiralty ofwere eager to get into the fight. Most ficials undoubtedly held the view that eral assembly is due largely to the un-

Now the position of the question to- new act, which has not yet been signday is greatly altered. No decision has ed by Governor Cooper, reads: British and American naval authorities tion of the larger German warships," and it is quite evident, to those in "sinking situation" is gaining ground. the result of information not available two months, tend to favor such a settlement. In the first place, it is estimated that it would take nearly three years to break up the ships, and that quate as to render the supply obtained The people over there are not like from this source of no special impor- skinned hawks.

acid, or other injurious substance, shall be discharged into any of the streams of the state where fish breed

or abound. It shall be unlawful to There Has Been a Complete Revision throw, place or put any dynamite or any other explosive in any lake. stream or water in the state for the purpose of taking fish. For the violation of this section, the person or persons so violating shall be fined \$55 or imprisoned one year.

Open Season for Partidge Shooting Sec. 5. It shall be unlawful for any from November 15 to February 15 of transportation company to receive for shipment of the game birds or animals Each Hunting Season, and No Indiof the state, except in season, and unvidual is Allowed to Kill More Than less the package containing them shall Fifteen Patridges in a Day. Among the statewide laws ' of far- or consignee, and the number and kind

be so labeled as to show the consignor eaching consequences passed at the of birds and animals. Sec. 6. There shall be no night

bly is that for the protection of game hunting in this state except for racand fish and to fix hunters' license fee. coons and opossums and foxes, and the A county resident's license fee is \$1.10. penalty for hunting deer with torches which allows residents of the state to or artificial lights of any kind shall be hunt in any county on his own land. \$100 fine or 30 days' imprisonment. Non-residents pay a county fee of . Sec. 7. When not otherwise speci-\$3.10. A non-resident's state hunting fied, the penalty for violation of any license is \$15.25. Non-residents must part of the game, bird or fish laws of pay a fee of \$3.25 to fish in the state. this state shall be a misdemeanor, and The law fixes the open season for upon conviction thereof, the offender partridge hunting from November 15 shall suffer penalty of fine of not less

to February 15, and the bag limit to than \$10 nor more than \$25 or imprisonment of not less than 10 or 15 a day. The open season for turkeys is from more than 30 days.

Sec. 8. It shall be the positive duty November 15 to April 1. The bag limit day is two, and for the season 20. of all sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, constables, rural policemen and special offi-The open season for doves is from cers to actively co-operate with the August 15 to December 31. A five yearclosed season for pheasants is pres- game department and game wardens in the enforcement of the same and Violations of the act shall be a mis- fish laws of the state-

demeanor and will be punishable by Sec. 9. The destruction of birds able to give the facts of the case as it a fine of not less than \$10 nor more nests shall be punishable in the same their hearts, although removed from then stood. Briefly, those facts were than \$25, or imprisonment not less way as the destruction of the birds. Sec. 10. It shall be unlawful for than 10 days nor more than 30 days. The game laws on the statute books anyone to hunt within this state withconsequence, it was impossible for have been declared to be unconstitu- out first procuring a license to do so France-young Stanton from Wesley. President Wilson to have supported tional by Claude N. Sapp, former as. from the clerk of the court in the He was clean and manly there, as he as was confidently asserted he had sistant attorney general. This opinion county in which he may propose to done, "the British view that they ought was also concurred in by S. M. Wolfe hunt or an adjoining county or state. Only one man in five who went to to be sunk." It was pointed out, how- the present attorney general. The bill A resident of any county shall pay for which has just been passed by the gen- a county license, a license fee of \$1.10. A non-resident shall pay a license fee tiring energy of H. L. Oliver, represen- to hunt in any county of \$3.10 except tative from Greorgetown county. The land owners and lease holders and

> members of their families hunting or fishing on their own lands or in water Sec. 1. That all wild birds, wild on their lands, leased by them. Every game and fish (except fish in strictly non-resident of the state shall pay a ponds and lakes entirely segregated hunter's license fee of \$15.25 during from other waters)' shall be, and are any one season. That the clerk of the hereby declared to be, the property of court of each county may place 11censes in the hands of responsible par-

Sec. 2. For the purpose of this act ties for sale at convenient places in the county and account for the same as if handled by him directly; and: Providrecognized: ed, further, That no game warden, (a). Domestic game birds: Black

birds, pheasants, doves, partridges, sheriff, constable, policeman or other officer except as herein provided shall (quail) and wild turkeys. be allowed to sell or handle any hunt-(b). Destructive birds: Eagles, buzzards, crows, cooper's hawk, duck ers' licenses or receive any funds haw, English sparrows, great horned therefor or in connection therewith. Sec. 11. All non-residents of this owl, jay birds, loggerheads and sharp state, before fishing for game or other

fish in any manner in the inland (c). Game animals: Bear, deer, fox, streams or waters of this state, shall ink, musk rats, opossum, otter, rab first procure a non-resident fishing li bits, raccoons, skunk and squirrels, cense, the fee for which shall be \$3.25. (d). Game fish: Jackfish or picker-Sec. 12. Provided, That the provisel, pike, black bass or pond trout, striion of this act shall not prevent resiped bass or rock fish, warmouth, red belly, bream, copper face or ball faced dents of this state from hunting without license on their own lands in any bream, banded bream, yellow belly, county in the state. perch, sunperch, red fin, trout, speckl-Sec. 13. That the Federal Migrato ed trout, flyer, crappie, rock bagg gogry Bird Treaty regulations, being the gle eye and white perch. supreme law of the land under Arti-(e). The open session for quail or partridges shall be from November 15 cle VI of the constitution of the United to February 15 of each hunting season States, are hereby declared to be the law of this state, and the penalty for their violation shall be punishment of to the hunter, and trapping or snaring of quail is absolutely prohibited not less than \$10 nor more than \$25, except as provided for scientific or or 30 days' imprisonment.

country than we were to our God, the His Place and Went to the War.

ing!" Yet we send word to our Lord on Sundays and Wednesdays that the weather is not suitable for us to be

I have seen a truck train a mile long moving to the front on a rainy, pitchdark night, withou! lights. Men lay on the front fenders for hours so as to spy a few feet ahead of the wheels and direct the drivers. When we have that kind of devotion in the church we can bring in the men from over

Senator Knox, (Pa), remarked to group of friends: "The president displayed an azing tack of familiarity with the proposed

league constitution. Senator Lodge, (Mass.), putting the

thought another way, said: "The president seemed actually be about many most important fuddled

points." Senator William Alden Smith

(Mich), confided: "The president's ignorance of the

terms of the covenant was amazing." Senator Brandegee, (Conn.), said: "With the wide open eyes of an in-

genue the president met every legal constitutional or common sense question with glittering generalities." Even more interesting were totally

unexpected admissions the president was induced to make. It is the opinion of a number of senators that unwittingly perhaps he has slain the infant of his dreams by these confessions.

Scraps of Information.

Pressed by men eager for scraps of information, prominent among whom were Senator Brandegee and Representative Henry W. Temple, (Pa.), and covenant. of Willard Ragsdale, (S. C.), the presi-

dent stated with finality that-1. The league of nations will not

2. The United States must surrender vital points of sovereignty.

Ireland is to be left to the mer cies of England.

4. Chinese and Japanese exclusion go out of American control into the hands of the league council.

around if the league falls. That Monroe doctrine will be extended to the whole world. 6. The present constitution is Brit-

ish made, the French, American and Italian drafts having been rejected.

American troops could be com pelled at need to participate in purely European wars.

United States could with draw from the league at any time.

Every senator-Knox, Lodge, Brandegee, McCumber, Hitchcock, to name a few who discussed the dinner today mittee -agreed that the president actually made these statements or admissions. The Republicans naturally were elated. charge of the inquisition, other sena-The Democrats . were correspondingly the senate corridors this afternoon,

muttering "He made a great mistake; oh, dear, I fear heh as made af earful error."

Senators that know their constituents predicted today that just as soon as the force and significance of Mr. Italy.

Wilson's admission that the league will not stop war sinks into the comprehension of the plain people there will be a revulsion of feeling even among the most sentimental of Mr. Wilson's followers.

Senator New, (Ind.), who is rated as one of the most level headed men in the United States senate, keeping always in closest touch with the feeling be able to examine those other draftsin his home state, said to the Sun correspondent this evening:

"Out in Indiana and throughout the west and middle west there are hundreds of thousands of people who have not had time or could not take the trouble to analyze this league of nations project, but in their hearts they knew they would be for anythink that would wipe out war. For that reason many of them have leaned to the president's ideas. Now he comes along president's ideas.

and says blandly that the league won't stop war. This alone is enough to kill the crazy project. Mr. Wilson's dinner guests scarcely

believed that he would admit the nes of nations would not destroy the Moncessity for surrendering vital points of roe doctrine. American nationality, yet he admitted

it instantly and lightly, as if, senators league would extend the Monroe docsaid, it was of no particular conse- trine to the entire world." His only extenuation was that be given," and to this conclusion he at- examine that proposition. Suppose ambiguity in the league constitution

tached the theory which the constitu- this case: Suppose that Brazil should existed only in the minds of people tional lawyer present declared amaz- at some time in the future desire to that have discussed it. He could not ment is not frittered away by such le-

had been four drafts offered at the conference, and that after all of them had been examined the British propos-The topic was not pressed. al seemed best to cover the ground. The point as to whether American

soldiers could be compelled to fight in European quarrels or Asiatic quarrels if the United States joined the league was settled by him squarely in the af-

firmative. The senators and representatives pressed this question home until Mr. Wilson could no longer indulge in generalites.

Finally he said membership in the South Africa. league need not necessarily be perma-

nent; that the United States could withdraw at any time it saw fit." Discussion in the East Room.

The whole discussion took place in the East room of the White House and covered nearly two hours. It would have lasted longer except that some of the guests say they felt embarrassed

because of the president's apparent unfamiliarity with the language and tution of the United States conflicted meaning of a number of articles of the

The discussion began with a short address by the president, in which he renewed the appeals and the threats

that were contained in his Boston the league constitution. speech-the sentimental duty of the Even some of the Democrats United States, the worthlessness of a peace treaty without a league of nations, the fear of European governments that there may be a crash all

Then he asked his guests if they had questions to ask him. The response was immediate and pointed. Questions were asked by Senators Knox, Brandegee, Hitchcock, McCumber, Lodge, Pittman and others of the senate foreign committee and by Repre sentatives Ragsdale, Temple and others of the house foreign relations com-

are offered directly from the fresh rec-Gradually Senator Brandegee, an ex ceptionally able cross-examiner, took ollection of half a dozen most eminent senators, all of whom agree on the estors finding their queries expressed in sentials. It may be guesses, therefore downcast. Senator Lewis, (Ill.), paced Brandegee's phrases. He asked the what a turmoil of opinion Washington is now in.

president how many drafts of a proposed constitution for the league had been made and by whom. The president replied that there had been four, one by Great Britain, one by France, one by the United States and one by

"Which was accepted?" Senator Brandegee. "The British," replied the president "What was done with the rejecte

irafts?" Brandegee asked. "They were put aside," Mr. Wilso explained.

"Well, Mr. President," said Senato Brandegee slowly, "we would like to to compare them with the accepted draft so as to familiarize ourselves with the differences."

"I see no objection to that," said the president.

have those rejected drafts printed for our information?" "I should think," agreed the presi dent, "that that would be possible."

Representative Ragsdale then aske Mr. Wilson if in his opinion the league

"Not at all," said the president "The doctrine.

"With your permission, Mr. Presi-

McLaurin Says New York Exchange

Not Acting Fairly. Wilson Opposes Amendments. At the request of J. Skattowe Wan-This afternoon when he visited the namaker, ex-Senator John L. McLaupresident's room in the senate wing of the Capitol Mr. Wilson was at pains rin has made a statement relative to

the amendment preventing the deliv-I asked, "John, have you killed a further to expound certain ideas conery of low grade cotton on contracts German?" erning the league. One of his most upon the New York exchange. Mr.

He said. "Yes, I killed two, I was mphatic conclusions was that no Wannamaker told Senator McLaurin out in the Argonne with my lieutenmendments should be made. It was his idea that after one had spent nights that he understood Mr. Brand had said ant and a bullet came out of a bunch that all outstanding contracts must be of bushes and killed the lieutenant. and days with the representatives of 14 closed by May 1. Senator McLaurin jumped behind a tree and commenced governments it would not be easy to thinks there must be some mistake shootin' at them bushes. The man in start the machinery up again, and about that, as neither congress nor the bushes, he soon quit shootin' but that it would be very difficult to ob-Mr. Brand can pass any law or make kep' on and shot a hundred times. tain amendments unless they dealt any ruling impairing the obligation of Then we went up to the bushes, and it a contract. with matters of the utmost import-

"This is the situation," said Senator look like every one of them bullets had McLaurin, "as I understand it: There hit him. He sho wuz dead. Delegates with different points is a lot of low grade cotton in New "And then one day, I was walking view, he said, had already agreed on York warehouses that is undesirable. among the bushes in the Argonne, It has been used for 30 years for de-livery on contract. That is all that it conflicting matters and to open the and me and a great big German met case for amendments would be to in-When the amendment pass up right face to face. I sho wuz is fit forvite further complications. He thought ed the exchange closed and they made

"Then," pursued the senator from that only one amendment was feasible a new contract and are now trying to a new contract and are now trying to a new contracts pay make those holding old contracts pay throw up his hands and holler "Kama premium to get a new contract. As erad." Then I joog him with my bayphraseology of one of the clauses. This matter of fact it has always been a onet." was a clause Mr. Wilson's hearers violation of law to deliver this unmer-

cotton on contracts and The boys over there have learned to chantable were aware of which not even the Britthink it is Mr. Brand's duty to consider despise camouflage, said Mr. McMillan, ish authors knew the meaning. The the Smith amendment as a legislative and to tear it away and seek the truth. interpretation act and not allow any president again asserted to a company They will be the same way when they difference whatever between the old which did not expect the honor of an audience that the constitution of the and the new contracts. "The only legitimate function of league does not violate the Monroe cotton exchange is to enable actua consumers of cotton to purchase their help but tear the false face from a so-

uture supply against sales of goods. It was his belief that the supercon it degenerates into using low stitution strengthened the Monroe doc-When grade cotton to depress prices the time

trine to the extent of applying it to the has come for an investigation of both "to gain something something had to dent," said Senator Brandegee, "let us whole world. He thought that any Washington and New York methods used to depress the price of cotton. is true. hope Senator Hoke Smith will see to

it that effect of his valuable amendcontracts tional lawyer present declared analy at some time in the future with Por-ing: that wherever the constitution of resume her former relations with Por-the United States would override the tugal; suppose that she agreed to ac-

More Dangerous Than Them All .--I have destroyed more lives than all He said, "I'm wounded," and told of the wars of the world.

with great glee about the bullet in his "I destroy more than six hundred housand lives in the United States each year.

"I steal in the United States alone state. more than a billion dollars each year. "I am cruel. I snatch babes from mother's breasts.

"I am more powerful than the comined navies of the world. "I have burdened mankind since

dawn of history. "I spread misery and desolation. Innocent children are my special prey. "I bring pain and death; yet few

seek to escape me. "I am relentless; the rich and poor alike I seek. Weak and strong, old

and young are my victims. "I cause commerce to stand still; I depopulate cities and destroy nations. "I am preventable disease."

- Removal of pork and pork pro- den. ducts from the export conservation list was announced Wednesday night sions of this act shall be a misdemean by the war trade board, effective to- or, and, upon conviction thereof, the get home. They will have no patience morrow. At the same time the board offender shall suffer penalty of fine of with hypocrisy. They are trained to rescinded the regulation by which all not less than \$10 nor more than \$25, commodities to European destinations nor more than 30 days. were required to bear a certificate from They are coming back searching for truth. The church will get them if it price. The food administration, in an manner whatsoever for the purpose of said this action would destroy its abil-

Sec. 14. This act shall take effect propagating purposes. immediately upon its approval by the The open season for wild turkeys shall be from November 15 to April 1 governor.

BUSINESS OF THE FARMER.

per season, but wild turkey hen must not at any time be shot from any Cannot Pay Good Wages Because It natural or artificial bind or hiding Does Not Control Product Prices. "An employment agency in one of place whether lured by call or bait on the largest cities in Texas states that otherwise. out of 1,000 applicants for employ-The provision against snaring quail or partridges shall apply to wild turment, not one asked to be sent to work

of each hunting season with a bag lim

it of two per day and a total of 20

on a farm," B. Harris, commissioner kevs. The open season for doves shall be of agriculture says in an interview from August 15 to December 31 of just given out. What does that mean?

Merely that farm life is not remuneraeach year. tive enough and not attractive enough The open season for blackbirds shall for the young men of our country. be from October 1 to March 15 of each Why should not our young men on

season. There shall be a closed season for the farm be paid as much as cotton pheasants for five years after the pass- mill operatives or the man at the forge? The only answer that I can see is that age of this act. the man on the farm is not allowed to (f). Destructive animals, foxes and

wild cats may be killed by owners and fix the price of what he produces. officers of the law upon their holdings "We are now engaged in a fight to the finish, a fight which means that and without license, at any time. (g). All domestic birds not named the south must forever submit to acabove are non-game birds, and shall cept with the submission of beggars collection of "fallen greatness" so not be destroyed in any way at any the price that mi, be fixed by individuals that have never worked, or time.

(h). The open season for hunting the south will now emerge master of game animals shall be from October 1 the situation and able to place upon to March 15, of each year, except its own commodity the price which that deer may be hunted from Sep- the south sees fit. The coal miners of England and the diamond mines of tember 1 to December 31 only. The bag limit for squirrels shall be Africa do not say that they will accept any price that may be offered 15 per day.

them-they tell the world what it must Provided, That the open season for hunting foxes shall be from September give. "Now, with regard to the cotton, I

to February 15 of each year. wish to call attention to some singular (i). The catching of game fish shall be with hook and line only in all the facts. The largest cotton crop ever grown in the United States yielded clear water streams and waters of the less to the producer than one of the

smallest. That doesn't appear reason-(j). Gill nets (not to extend mor able, but it is a fact. The great crop of 1912 which was 16,184,920 bales than half way across a stream, lake or pond, traps, seines, trot lines or other brought in cash to the producers but device which does not block the pass- \$810,000,000, while the small crop of age of fish in streams, may be used in two years ago, 11,302,375 bales brought in cash to the producer \$1,667,00,00 the muddy streams of the state: Pro-In other words we grew in 1912 for nothing 4,832,555 bales. vided, They be not used within 100

"This should be the very strongest yards of the mouth of clear water evidence possible to convince the farmstreams emptying into the same. Seines er that the right thing and the best may be used between the 1st day of thing for him to do is to take warn. September and the 1st day of May. ing and to do what the best informed No traps, nets or other devices shall people are urging him to dobe used at the mouth of or inside of the acreage and the fertilizer 28 1-8 per cent.

"The farmer should not raise a large any rice field ditches. crop this year and thereby should sell it for a profit and not merely for that (b). The tickling, pegging or catching of game fish by any means except cost of production or less. It is much rod and line or hand line, or single set better to raise five bales to the horse line, outside of beds, is strictly forbid-to raise ten bales at a loss to the farm-

er. As surely as the cotton farmers Sec. 3. Any violation of the provigrow a big crop this year, just that surely they will grow it at a loss. "What will the farmers gain growing a 14,000,000 bale crop this year that will cost them at least 25 cents per pound with high priced ferexpose camouflage, and they can't applications for licenses to export these or imprisonment of not less than 10 tilizer tilizer and high priced labor? Now, just stop and think and remember that you farmers can make the croj Sec. 4. It is unlawful to poison the

administration had approved the sale streams or water of the state in any it be?" Commissioner Harris is no conver

e. The food administration, in all mainter unactive whether the muddying of streams to the new idea of mixed farming, for ouncement issued simultaneously, taking fish. The muddying of streams to the new idea of mixed farming, for this action would destroy its abilthis action would destroy its abil-to further stabilize the price of or ponds or the introduction of any first year that he began to criticise picture shows and Sunday live hogs, and that it would probably substance which results in making the failed because he planted all cotton. criticise picture shows and standay ive hogs, and that it would protably the sense of this act. No sawdust or inter a local sense of this act. No sawdust or inter a local sense of this act. No sawdust or the sense of this act. No sawdust or ample that it pays.

