ARMY BILL

Appropriation Carries \$329,000,000 and Provides for Force of 150,000 · Men

Washington, Feb. 8 .- The army apriation bill carrying approximatece only 150,000 men in 1921 was torney general. amed today by the house and sent. te foreign relations committee district court room. oday directed Chairman Lodge to between Ambassadors Morris and field. hadelmra regarding the new treaty from the adoption of the Calfornia anti-alien land law.

NAVY CHALLENGES WAR DEPARTMENT

Daniels Invites Baker to Join in Tests

Washington, Feb. 7 .- Participation alreraft against major naval ves- against Harvey. was invited by Secretary Daniels

ed within the next 90 days, Mr. niels said, and conditions approxinating as closely as possible those of battle will be simulated. The capfured German battleship Osfriesland 6,300 tons probably will be used for the first experiment.

imiral R. E. Coontz, chief naval perations, prior to the making pubof Secretary Daniels' letter had old the house naval committee that within the next three months the n effort to test the theory adod by Brigadier General Mitchell army air service that airplanes made capital naval vessels use-

Representative Mondell of Wyom-Republican floor leader, who led Admiral Coontz on the and, warned the committee that unr nations of the world would trial court, driven into bankruptcy. He chareterized the navy department's esnates under Secretary Daniels as a police to the world from peace lov-America as the official announcement of the American administration scepted abroad as a mandate to, if thousand laymen from the Presby-American people.

The United States should take the d in disarmament, declared Mr. Mondell, adding:

If an agreement is not reached for he limitation of armament and warlike expenditures in the near future the fault will be that of America as former days the fault was that of Mrmany."

Discussing the question of disarmaent Admiral Coontz declared that dharmament talk had appeared after we have waited all our lives for a navy of importance and equality" and "now when realization seems

He advised against stoping any part of the 1916 building program so far as big ships were concerned.

PLANTER KILLS **NEGRO IN DUEL**

Automobile and Truck Collide and Shooting Then Follows

Hartsville, Feb. 6-Friday night just after dark Mr. Thomas Woodham, of the Philadelphia section of Darlington county, was on his way to Hartsville in his automobile when he was shot by a negro named Grover Martin. Mr. Woodham returned the are and killed the negro.

Mr. Woodham was on his way in his automobile to Hartsville when, about five miles from Hartsville, near Lee's Cross Roads, in a sand bed, a collision occurred between his car and a truck driven by Grover Martin. The truck was headed for Hartsville. There was another negro man in the truck with Martin. It appears that when the cars had come together Mr. Woodran alighted and walking up to the truck questioned Martin as to why he had his hand in his pocket. Thereupon Martin produced a revolver and commenced firing at him, striking him in the face. Mr. Woodman returned the fire, killing the negro.

Coroner's inquest was held here yesterday and the finding was that Mr. Woodham was fully justified in com- sons shows another example of the mitting the act as the negro was holding Mr. Woodman's life in jeop- ed precautions in handling explosive

Mr. Woodham was shot at five times, three balls taking effect. He tank car of gasoline without relievwas rushed to an infirmary in Flor- ing pressure in the tank, the stateence. One ball has not yet been lo- ment said. The gas and liquid gascated but he is doing as well as oline boiled out of the car and mixcould be expected. It appears that ed with air to form an explosive gas Mr. Woodham is highly thought of and in a few moments later it was in his community. He is a trustee ignited by early open fires. of Philadelphia High school and is

Washington, Feb. 8.-Representations have been made to the state de- circo, in connection with Preparedpantment by the Hungarian government concerning the deportation of day telegraphed San Francisco auundesirable allens from the United thorities apprising them of the alleged States. Hungary says the deported confession by one witness in the case aliens have been at such liberty that he had perjured testimony at aboard vessels as to permit them to trial. Special grand jury now invesorganize propaganda against Euro- tigating alleged conspiracy to convict pean governments, and asks that Mooney. Witness name was John allens deported be separated aboard McDonald, now resident of Trenton,

Mobile, Feb. 8.-Fred L. Blackmon, of Anniston, representative in con-

UNION OFFICIALS BROUGHT TO BOOK

PASSED TODAY Howat and Executive Board State Highway Commission Mak- President Elect Finds Mass of Planting Seed Must Be Disease- Measure Providing For Traffic Members Arrested

Pittsburg, Kan., Feb., 7 .- District Judge A. J. Curran late today issued attachments for the immediate arrest of Alexander Howat, president of the Kansas Coal Miners' union, and for all of the members of the district executive board of the union.

The order for the arrest of the union officials were made on applica-\$329,000,000 and providing for a tion of Richard J. Hopkins, state at-

Howat was arrested about 4.30 p.

When the Kansas miners' president Secretary Colby if not incom- was arraigned before Judge Curran to the committee a copy of agreements in the two mines of the Pittsburg

> "Whether it is a violation of the court order is for the court to say," Howat added.

> count with Howat, simply said: "I am

also was haled before the judge.

When Thomas Harvey, secretary and treasurer of the district miners' union, was brought before Judge Curran he estified that he did not vote for the order calling the strike, and on concrete work. that he opposed it in the discussion the war department in a series at the meeting. On motion of the experiments to determine the value state the court dismissed the action

Howat, Dorehy and Titus were then ay in a letter to Secretary Baker, released on their own recognizance The first of the tests will be con- and ordered to appear in court tomorrow afternoon. Howat informed the court that Amos Standerling of Rich Hill, Mo., and John Billings of Osange county, Kansas, board members, were not at the meeting of the board and the court dismissed attachments for them.

Judge Curran set 1:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon as the hour for the three to file a written answer, if they desired. The court action is the outgrowth of a strike in two mines of at that time were rejected. department would bomb a large the Pittsburg field, which result d trable from the air in the open sea from a controversy of the miners' union with the mine owners over the age of a miner.

The attorney general contended that the strike was in violation of the injunction issued last summer by Judge Curran, and that, therefore, the miners' officials were in contempt of court. It was asserted that the calling of the strike was in the nature expenditures for military estab- of a test of strength between the aments were cut down some of the Howat forces and the Kansas indus-

Presbyterians Will Meet at Greenville

Greenville, Feb. 8 .-- More than one terian churches of Georgia, Florida, North Carolina and South Carolina are expected here March 8th and 9 to attend the convention of the Laymen's Missionary Movement of the Presbyterian church in the United States, according to announcement made today by the general committee on arrangements. Instead of selecting one central city, on account of the high cost of travel this year, the movement has decided upon five regional convention cities in order that the cost to the delegates may be reduced to a minimum and at the same time enable the convention to touch the entire church. The Seventh General Convention will be held in he cities of Meridian, Miss., February 17-18; Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 21-2; Staunton, Va., February 24-25 and BOOM FOR will close at Greenville, March 8-9.

Five Presbyterian, churches here with a combined membership of 1,700 will unite in the entertainment of this convention ,and as the sessions are to be open to all denominations, arcangements have been made to hold Under a laboratory process worked the meetings in the magnificent Textile Hall, which will seat 4,000. The H. C. Gore, bureau of chemistry, the Woman's Auxiliary of the move- commercial possibilities in manufacthe laymen.

The Laymen's movement is composed almost entirely of business men, to announcement tonight by the agand the convention here will be de- riculture department. voted to the relation of the church to industrial, commercial, and international problems. "There never was a time when a convention is more urgently needed," says a statement issued relative to the meeting. "Men are saying on every side, 'What is the matter with business?" There are leaders in the world who frankly admit today that the sore distress is because Christ and, His principles are not permitted to govern and direct business as they should."

The list of speakers includes some of the most important men and women in the United States.

Washington, Feb. 8.—The federal investigation of the gasoline vapor explosion at Memphis on January 24th which cost the lives of eleven perfailure of workmen to heed prescribmatter, the bureau of mines announced. A negro workman opened the

New York, Feb. 8 .- Frank P. Walsh, of counsel for Thomas Moonev convicted of murder in San Fran ness Day bomb explosion in 1916, to-N. J., with whom Walsh had a long conference last night,

Berlin, Feb. 8.—The German gov- 296 per cent. gress, recently re-elected for the sev- ernment has accepted the invitation to enth term, died at midnight last participate in the allied conference on reparations in London on March 1st. Neural

RESUMPTION OF ROAD BUILDING

ing Contracts as Result of Decline in Prices

Columbia, Feb. 8.—That conditions are excellent for "speeding up" in highway building and other public Harding today waded into a vast ac- Conradi, entomologist for the South construction, is the opinion held by cumulation of correspondence and Carolina Crop Pest commission, to through state highway commission. South Carolina highway officials, and other miscelleaneous business that the regulations of the commission J. Chas. H. Moorefield, chief engineer of the state highway department, stated today that the highway commission was finding it advantageous to place contracts now, Buildthe senate at Washington. The m. and immediately brought into the ing costs are lower than they were some months ago, and in an effort to help steady economic conditions and also to get advantage of lower costs, palable with public interest to submit he admitted he had called the strike the department is letting contracts for road work as fast as approved.

The highway department has had inquiries from many other states regarding building situation. Mr. Moorefield states that the department Vice President Dorchy, brought into finds that labor costs are considerably lower than a year ago. Prices for steel are also far below prices a year William Titus, a board member, ago, and as a result the highway commission is finding it advantageous to let bridge contracts at present, Prices on cement have not come down as much as other prices, and so the highway authorities are holding off

> There is a considerable amount of building under way now throughout the country and it is expected to increase. Contractors and engineers expect to see a large amount of construction this spring.

> The highway department has opened bids for the construction of the road from Walterboro to Jacksonboro, in Colleton county, a distance of about 19 miles. The lowest bid was submitted by J. C. Fairey, of Orangeburg, \$16,000 for the bridges and \$80,000 for road work. This was about fifteen thousand dollars lower han the lowest bid received on the ame job January 26th, all of which

> Contract will be let for the construction of 9 miles of road from Camden to the Lee county line, the bridges to Austin Brothers' Bridge Co., for \$4,247, the road work to Stewart Jones Co., for \$45,000.

> The highway department will advertise this week for bids on the construction of the bridge ove, the Wateree River, between Sumter and Richland counties. The span will cost approximately \$150,000. The approaches to the bridge are to be built by public subscriptions.

On the 18th of February the highway department will open bids for the construction of the Sand Bar Ferry bridge between Aiken county and Augusta, Ga., this span to cost a quarter of a million.

The department will also advertise during the coming week for bids for the sand clay construction of the road from Ballentine, in Richland county, to Chapin, on the road to Newbery, and also for the construction of a section of highway near the cludes the building of a new road to Broad river bridge. This project include sthe building of a new road to the top of the hill on the west side of the river, and also a road "fill" on the Columbia side of the river, leading to the railroad crossing.

The highway department is advertising for the construction of 15 miles of road in Berkeley county, from Monck's Corner to Goose Creek, to cost approximately \$110,000.

SWEET POTATOES

Washington, Feb. 8 .- A sweet potato syrup plant is to be established by the government at Fitzgerald, Ga out and planted for the public by Dr. ment will convene simultaneously with ture of a fine, brown "highly palatable" syrup from a heretofore waste product are to be explored, according

> "Many persons think it equal to first-class cane syrup," the statement said of the sweet potato product. Fitzgerald was selected because a building was available and also because it has already a sweet potato curing and storing establishment. Equipment will be shipped from Washington for the syrup plant and the department says it can make no recommendations for commercial manufacture without comparative cost data to be obtained from the experimented mill. The chance for developing a new industry is held to be good, however, as much of the sweet potato erop of the south has

been wasted in the past. The project is the first to be undertaken in the way of semi-commercial planes by the new bureau of development in the department of ag-

GEN. SMUTS WINS ELECTION

Pretoria, South Africa, Feb. 9 .-Gen. Smuts, prime minister of the standing against the negro commuted 315 was not changed. A provision for good. The Palmetto bank charged union of South Africa, was elected to life imprisonment to the house assembly yesterday. The returns received thus far indicate Gen. Smuts' jeadership has won a vic-

Lachute, Quebec, Feb. 9 .- Three children and a housemaid lost their lives in a fire which destroyed the residence of Leo Carrier at Pinehill

remedy we know.--Advt.

Washington, Feb. 9.-The negro population of Tulsa, Okla., is \$,442. an increase of \$30 per cent. The rhites number 63,430, an increase of

HARDING BACK AT WORK

Accumulated Mail at St. Augustine

S'. Augustine, Feb. 10.-Back at should be cleared away before he can give serious thought to final decisions ton seed for planting, on the personnel of his cabinet and | Cotton seed for planting transportduring the remainder of the week.

Cabinet appointments, which Mr. Harding's close friends believe to have been definitely determined are affidavit has been made by the shipstate; Harry M. Daughtery, attorney general; Will Hayes, postmaster gen- and in case of short staple cotton less ary of \$3,000, was killed. eral, and Henry Wallace, Iowa, sec- than one per cent of the bolls in the retary of agriculture. It is still real- field of cotton from which the seed Representative Toole, of Aiken, to reized, however, that there may be a were taken showed evidence of anslip between the first of February and thracnose, and also that the seed are the first of March.

JUDGE REFUSES GRAND JURY ACT

Anderson, Feb. 8 .- Judge Thomas S. Sease this morning made the court see that his spring charge to the grand jury when court opened here Monday morning was not mere words, but that he was going to carry it out to the letter. The grand jury brought in "no biil" in the case of J. S. Fowler, Jr., and Rupert Miles, charged with transporting whiskey.

Judge Sease told the court that he was going to see for himself what there was in the case and hear the witnesses in open court, Judge Sease said to the grand jury: "How can I sentence these poor devils when you refuse to bring a true bill in cases in which there is clear cut evidence?"

The judge then swore the foreman again and each one of the grand Jury, and asked: "Are you so constituted in your mind, by prejudice or otherwise, that you can not bring in â true finding in this case?" The foreman answered "No, sir."

The two policemen, as witnesses, were sworn, each testifying to finding a gallon of whiskey in two half gallon fruit jars in the back of the ar which had been wrecked by Fowler and Miles driving into a freight are only painfully hurt.

The judge then addressed the foreman, telling him that he would erase he finding on the back of the indictment was true that these men had in their possession a gallon of whiskey then the grand jury must find a "true It was in this explosion that the loss posed as riders on the river and harbill." He charged them to remember heir oath, and that without fear or larger than the fire afterward the flares exploded, the fire lay sena or Bell, of Delaware, who is when the testimony warrants it.

At the last term of court here the grand jury brought in "no bill" on this case. Solicitor Harris presented t again this term, as he thought there was enough evidence for the case to be heard. In the first law and order meeting that was held here Solicitor Harris spoke on the application of the law, saying that a rich man's son should be made to suffer for breaking the law just as much as a poor fellow from the mills. It EXPLOSION IS was generally understood that the allusion was to this case.

J. S. Fowler, Jr., is a son of the

LOUISIANA NEGRO

Orleans, Feb. 9 .- Lonnie Ea on, the negro whose date of execution was forgotten by the sheriff of Ouachita parish, will not regain ais freedom because of the oversight, according to an opinion handed down to the rendering of the opinion many leading attorneys of the state conthat the regro's life had once been ling. placed in jeopardy when the governor fixed the date of his execution, and that date arrived without a reprieve being granted, he could not now be legally hanged, but that on the other hand, he was legally dead and must be granted his freedom.

This view was not sustained by the attorney general, however, who said that he could find nothing in the text- held in order that the bill might get books, ancient or modern, or in juris- its second and third reading. One prudence which was the least basis for such an idea.

that it would be legal for the gov- ing and passed. ernor to again fix a date for the execution of the negro, who was convicted of the murder of Charles M. house took up the appropriation bill Quillar, a white planter, in 1917, as recommended by the ways and spondent for the Palmetto bank. The Will Flournoy, another negro, con- means committee. The house made treasurer of Greenwood sent to the victed of complicity in the crime, is no material changes in the first now serving a life sentence for his twenty-four sections of the bill. Fights \$12,000 drawn on the Peoples Bank

number of interested people in the tion's office failed,

Conway, Feb. 8.—George F. Prince \$300,000. that the South African party, under was shot and killed by Morgan Todd at Red Bluff, this county, last night, it is alleged. News received here was to the effect that Todd and several others were at the home of H. J. knocked him down on the floor, it is of the American Federation of Railalleged, and then George F. Prince, 666 breaks a cold quicker than any difficulty, taking the part of his with brotherhoods and establishment

Influenza in Clinton.

Rub-My-Tism relieves Rheumatism, that disease, had been reported to will be in operation. It is only a expressed on every him from Clinton. matter of days now.

ON TRANSPORTING

Free, Says Crop Pest Commis-

Clemson College, Feb. 10.-Attenwork after three weeks' vacation, Mr. tion is called again, says Prof. A. F. governing the transportation of cot-

other major problems. The big stack ed or sold within this state shall of telegrams and letters will prob- have attached to every consignment, the morning session killed two measably occupy all of his working time a permit by the South Carolina State Crop Pest commission, Clemson College, S. C.

Charles E. Hughes, secretary of per and filed stating that in case of staple cotton less than five per cent, of a traffic commissioner at a salfree from wilt. Application blanks day, and full information are furnished upon request. Permit tags are secured from the South Carolina State Crop Pest commission, Clemson College, S. C., at cost.

It is necessary, says Prof. Conradi. that these regulations be observed in order to prevent the spread of anthracnose, wilt and other diseases into and within this state. Under the Crop Pest act of 1921, it is the duty of all citizens to report any violations of these regulations.

BIG EXPLOSION SPREADS DEATH

War Material En Route to Charleston Blows Up.

Augusta, Ga., Feb. 9 .-- An unexplained explosion occurred at the freight depot of the Southern Railway here at 5 o'clock today, killing four men, injuring four and causing a property damage estimated at \$150,- SNELL HELPING

The men killed were negro freight handlers. But one of them, Ed, Davenport, has been identified. The other Middle West Coming to the Asbodies are burned to a crips. Among the injured are two firemen. They

The Augusta arsenal was shipping 7,500 pounds of flares to Charleston and they were being removed from the depot to cars when an explosion ton devoting his entire time to assistment and return it, and if the indict- occurred which shook the building and started a blaze. Just what exploded at this time is not definitely known. Calder bills, which have been profavor "you leave no one unpresented having reached them, and it was in leading the attack on the improve this explosion that the firemen were

> One theory advanced was that the first explosion was of gasoline, but senators in the office of Senator railroad agents said that they had no information of any high explosive having been stored in the building. The property loss, in addition to the destruction of a portion of the building and its contents, included twelve freight cars, which were loaded.

stepdaughter of J. S. Fowler, Sr., who the Southern railway who are investi- dle western section. The Mississippi s conceded by many as the political gating the explosion and fire which Valley association is being interested boss of Anderson county. Some years late yesterday partially wrecked the in the defense of Charleston against ago J. S. Fowler, Sr., had the young freight depot, today announced that the sectional and partisan attack now man's name changed so that he could all employes had been accounted for. The charred bodies of three negroes found in the ruins were identified. The three firemen who were injured will recover. It is not clear what the same association, and also of the CAN NOT ESCAPE caused the explosion preceding the

Appropriation Bill Adopted by House

Columbia, Feb. 10.-At 12.30 o'colck oday by Attorney General Coco. Prior this morning the house passed the appropriation bill and it is now against his own bill when the showready for the senate. The measure down comes, ended that by reason of the fact was given its second and third read-

> amounts recommended by the ways now rather than have it go over to and means committee for the various the next congress, departments.

The action of the house is considered very unusual and proves that the members are determined to adjourn as soon as possible.

Two sessions of the house were session was adjourned and a new legislative day began after midnight and The attorney general then ruled the bill was accorded its third read-

Columbia, Feb. 9.—Tonight the part in the killing of the white man, on items for the University of South of Greenwood, for state taxes collectwhich occurred in a drunken brawl. Carolina faculty and for certain items ed in Greenwood county. The state A movement has been started by a in the state superintendent of educa- treasurer deposited the checks in the

No changes were made in the

a son of H. J. Prince, came into the gation of the national wage agreement father and young Prince was shot by of new basic rate for unskilled labor predicated on local conditions. The board will continue hearings on the question.

Columbia, Feb. 10.-Dr. J. A. Smoke is still occasionally coming It was quite an agreeable Hayne said yesterday that five cases out of the big stack at the power to his friends to hear the of influenza, diagnosed officially as station and before long the new plant that he was alive, and

COMMISSION WILL COTTON SEED GIVE OUT LICENSES

Commissioner Killed

Columbia. Feb. 8 .- The house tonight, after a long debate, killed the bill by Mr. Owens to provide for automobile licenses to be issued through the clerk of court's office instead of The house passed to third reading

bacco warehouses handling or selling tobacco ungraded or untied. ures of statewide importance.

the bill to provide licenses on to-

The bill by Representative Mc-David, of Greenville, which would Permits are issued only after an have provided a system of regulations governing traffic on the highways of the state, including the appointment

> quire textile plants to allow their employes a full hour for dinner each

> The house set as a special order for tomorrow morning, Representative Sapp's resolution to provide for referendum on the question of a constitutional convention and also the sta ewide stock law.

> Representative O'Rourke, of Charleston, introduced in the house of representatives a bill to repeal the act of 1920 which created a board of appeals for municipal elections, the board consisting of seven members. one from each congressional district, to hear appeals from decisions by local committees in municipal election contests. The repeal measure is of special interest to Charleston. Mr. Rourke stated that he thought the xistence of the board of appeals was reflection on the Charleston board end he was in favor of its repeal.

Speaker Atkinson has fixed next Tuesday as the day for election in Greenville of a successor to T. P. Cothran, recently elected to the supreme court.

BOTH SENATORS

sistance of Charleston

Washington, Feb. 9 .- A. V. Snell, representing the Chamber of Commerce of Charleston, is in Washinging Senators Smith and Dial in their propositions to fight the Kenyon and ment of Charleston's harbor.

Mr. Snell had an extended conference today with the South Carolina Smith and laid before them valuable additional data showing the importance and growth of the harbor's business. Replies have already been received by Mr. Snell from a number of cities in the middle west informing him that telegrams have been sent, at his suggestion, urging the senators representing those states not to oppose the improvement of Charleston's NOT EXPLAINED pose the improvement of Charleston's harbor, which is of great importance Augusta, Ga., Feb. 10 .- Officials of as an outlet to the trade of the mid-

> being made. President Hale, of the South Atlantic States association, is actively assisting Mr. Snell, who is secretary of South Atlantic Ports association, in efforts to mobilize the defense and some senators who have hitherto been prominent in the anti-Charleston movement are showing signs of weakening on representations from their home communities that the fight against Charles on is injurious to the free flow of western commerce. It is possible Senator Kenyon may vote

Sena or Smith said tonight that he is ready for the contest and would There were few changes in the prefer to have it out on its merits

COLUMBIA BANK

Columbia, Feb. 10-Suit was today filed by Attorney General Wolfe against the Palmetto National Bank, of Columbia for the collection of \$12,000 charged against the state trasurer in connection with the recent failure of the Peoples Bank of

Greenwood The Greenwood bank was corre-Columbia bank but the Greenwood state to have the death sentence. The Citadel appropriation of \$452,- bank failed and the checks were not new buildings was added, provided the amount back to the state, but the one-half mill covers the amount of attorney general takes the position that the state is not liable for this The appropriation of \$100,117 was loss, but that the bank is. The suit is

Prof. Browne Alive

Feb. 8.-Prof. E. J. Browne, who reported as dead yesterday afternoon, still lives, and while still critically ill, hopes are enter-

AbAout 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, while in extremis, he was reported dead, it being about fo hours before the report was rected.