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## ROOT SAYS G. O. P. IS SURE TO FIND LEAGUE SOLUTION

Confident Senate Will Reach Workable Plan for Association of Nations.

#### SENATORS UNANIMOUS ARTICLE X IS DEAD

#### Leaders Now Anticipate Peace With Germany Will Be Declared by Brief Resolution.

BY N. O. MESSENGER.

Former Senator Elihu Root, who spent Saturday and Sunday in this city, is confident that out of the discussions in the Senate will come a workable plan for an association of nations. The compromise proposition for an association of nations which will be suggested in the Senate to bring together the extreme antibring together the extreme anti-leaguers and the still hopeful pro-leaguers is now being discussed by some of the leading minds in the republican party. The scope of an association of nations is suggested to em-

brace three main features:
Agreement among the nations for creation of an official body which would institute inquiry and investigation upon the threatened approach of Establishment of a body to which

report could be made upon the merits of the controversy.

Recommendation by that body of action to be taken, without either moral or contractual obligation of the mem-ber nations to carry out the sugges-

#### Article X Believed Dead.

It is believed to be true that there is practical unanimity among the leading republicans of all shades of opinion that it will be impossible to induce two-thirds of this or the next Senate to agree to any covenant which will impose upon the United States the moral obligation, as conleague, to go to war upon the recommendation of any power on earth save the will of the people as expressed by their representatives in Congress on its return. This is the are that the city is in great disorder and that looting and other crimes are rampant. The quays are jammed with the baggage of refugees seeking to escape from the city. All the ships of the allied fleet are in the harbor.

The American Red Cross and Admiral McCully are ready to leave at

Congress.

At the same time it is recognized that conditions might arise, as in the case of the war with Germany, when that expression would be overwhelmingly affirmative, if not unanimously so. But it is thought the Senate will insist that this country be absolved from prior obligation.

Prominent republicans recognizes one main difficulty which will confirm the suggested one main difficulty which will confirm the suggested one main difficulty which will confirm the suggested as a special subcommittee of the District committee that has held extended the last moment.

The remains of Gen. Wrangel's army displayed unexampled heroism before Sebastopol, at the gates of which they fought a bloody battle in order to permit the escape of the terrified population.

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front them in creating the suggested association of nations along the lines thus laid down. It rests in the question whether the new association can be constructed out of the material of the Wilson league, or whether creation of an entirely new association whether the material of the wilson league, or whether creation of an entirely new association must be associated.

Association Plan Very Complex. The embarrassment of proceeding by the process of elimination and interpellation to build on the foundation of the Wilson covenant arises from the fact that President Wilson, carrying out the threat he made at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York, on the eve of departure for his second visit to France, so interwove the league of nations with the treaty of peace that they tions with the treaty of peace that they can hardly be separated. Yet the objection to proceeding anew

negotiation of an association is the fact that the league of nations, set up by the Versailles treaty, is a going con-cern, functioning now in part. Those are the considerations which will render complex the work of President Harding and his associates in trying to launch a world combination in which this coun-

problem is. If it should be determined to go ahead on the basis of the Wilson covenant, should the new structure be by reservations or by amendment? It is argued that adopt-ing a reservation to article X, repudiating obligation under it, the nations which accepted it, would still be bound by it while the United States would not. Proposing an amendment eliminating the article, it is contended, would place all nations in the association on the

Harding's Stand on League. in substantiation of the statements that even the ardent pro-leaguers are convinced of the impossibility of sus-taining the principle involved in article X, incidents in connection with Senator Harding's famous Des Moines speech are related. What he said then was construed by the public to mean that he rejected the league of nations. What he intended understood was that he rejected article X.

The Des Moines utterance was not an impromptu declaration. The speech had been carefully written, and copies were sent to republican headquar-ters in New York. They were shown to Mr. Taft, to Dr. Jacob Gould date's pronouncement. It was to article X, to prevent its association with the theory of a world combination of nations for peace.

Republican leaders are discussing the ways and means of proceeding to declare peace with Germany. The steight of opinion sounded thus far the half of printing and solutions are discussing to be in favor of a brief real.

### Peace Really Exists Now. It is argued that such a declaration

would remove all technical bars. In point of fact, trade is going on with Late reports from Venizelos' defeat. Germany and peace exists between the It is much like the situation when Speaker Reed counted a quorum in the The democrats sat in the ats, refusing to answer a roll call.

The Speaker pointed them out and declared them present with a quorum in the hall. When an indignant demoat protested the Speaker dryly said: "he chair has said the gentleman is esent in the hall'; does he deny it?" After the declaration of peace, legis Atter the declaration of peace, legis-jation will be proposed to return to German citizens property of which they were relieved in the war and a strong sentiment exists favorable to the most generous treatment in this regard. The commandeered German ships will not fall in this cate-gory, and due steps will be taken to reimburse American ship owners for ses inflicted by submarines in vioation of international law and prac-

#### HUNT SEALS WITH BALLOONS.

ST. JOHN'S, Newfoundland, November Two dirigible balloons presented to Newfoundland by the British government are to be used this winter to locate seal herds. They will work a conjunction with sealing steamers.

### EX-CROWNPRINCE ABOUT TO LEAVE HIS ISLAND EXILE

By Cable to The Star and Chicago Daily News. Copyright, 1920. BERLIN, November 15.—Former Crown Prince Frederick William is preparing to leave his exile on Wierengen Island, on the Dutch coast, and rejoin his family, which is now in Silesia. This information was received today from a former staff officer, who has been in close touch with the former crown prince, even during the

in close touch with the former crown prince, even during the exile.

One of Frederick William's adjutants will arrive in Berlin next week to get in touch with the government and learn whether it will interpose any objection to the reunion of the former crown prince and his wife and children. What the attitude of the government on the matter is cannot be learned at the moment, but it is expected that a large majority of the social democratic delegation in the reichstag, as well as the independent socialists and other left wing parties, will fight the project bitterly, especially if there should be any inclination on the part of the government to grant permission to the exiled prince to settle permanently in Germany. The right-wing factions, of course, would greet the former prince's return with joy. The majority of the people in the istreet are probably indifferent. Among the working classes, however, there are some radical elements that might use violence to prevent the return.

# MAY SOON PASS

#### Congress Expected to Consider Pawnbrokers and "Sharks."

Strict legislation regulating 'loan Strict legislation regulating "loan Simpheropol, capital of Taurida, is sharks" and pawnbrokers in the District of Columbia and drawing a advanced rapidly and ordered the sharp line between the two businesses Wrangel forces to surrender. The bolwill probably be the first law affect- shevik forces are overrunning the ing the District to be passed by Congress on its return. This is the are that the city is in great disorder

an early date, Mr. Fooht said today. He believes that the proposed bills have been advanced to a stage where they will require less work in committee than any of the other hangover measures, and so will be the

Street Railway Problem.

Legislation to relieve the street railway troubles in the National Capital will take up most of the time of the District committee during this session. Representative Focht believes. It is a problem that vitally concerns the people of the city, he said, and one which is extremely difficult to settle. The committee as now constituted, he says, has no intention of reaching any decision or putting through any bill until the matter can be settled right. He pointed out that the Public Utilities Commission itself is not well informed on street railway problems, and has had street railway problems, and has had to call in so-called "experts," and after the testimony of these "experts" has been given it is contradicted by other "experts" for the street railway companies. Until the "experts" agree, companies. Until the "experts" agree, he said, it will be impossible for the House District committee to pass any

People's Demand Awaited. The House District committee is anxious to reach a solution which wi do away with the repeated increase o fares and will assure good service at a stable rate to the public. He points out that the problem is of particular interest to Congress because the ma-jority of those who use the street cars are the people on whom Uncle Sam deends to get the government's work

me.
"When the people of the National Capital decide what they want done we will do our best to put through the legislation." said Mr. Focht, not only with reference to the transporta-tion problem, but to all legislation in which the residents of the District may

#### MOBS STOP JUBILEE.

Anti-Christians in Tokio Twice Disturb Salvationists.

TOKIO, November 15 .- Anti-Chriswho raised no objection to the candi-It was only Army jubilee celebrations here yesunfortunate that in the speech—which the unfortunate that in the speech—which was a brief one, occupying only fifteen an open-air gathering, while a mob invaded an indoor meeting, tore down the decorations and silenced the

## peems to be in favor of a brief reso-nation declaring what is already a fact—that peace exists with Ger-

Two actresses found dead in Chicago under circumstances which indicat murder. Page 2 Storm holding up Harding's plans.

Page ! Superintendent of ash collection announces winter schedule. Gen. E. M. Weaver dies. Page 3 Rumor of the withdrawal of U. S. troop from Coblenz fails to halt America S. troops activities there. Freighter wrecked on Pancake shoals during worst storm in Lake Superior's Struck by street car, dies in hospital.

Children's Welfare Society babies at nine centers. Marconi company plans transatlantic School authorities estimate 1,000 pupils American Red Cross workers who will be promoted to high schools in have been engaged behind Gen. promoted to high school

Committee reports to New York meeting Jews in Poland continue in pitiable condition. able condition. Page 23 tonight.

# HEROIC FIGHT FAILS AS WRANGEL ARMY LOSES SEBASTOPOL

Unexampled Courage Shown in Covering Flight of Terrified Population.

#### TROTSKY LEADING REDS. WHO NUMBER 150,000

Bolshevik Forces Control Crimea. Commit Many Crimes-Early

Frost Helps Victors. BY CONSTANTINE BROWN.

By Cable to The Star and Chicago Daily News. Copyright, 1920. CONSTANTINOPLE, Turkey, November 15 .- Sebastopol is in the hands of the bolsheviki, according to advices received here.

Some reports are that there was no panic, but others say there were disurbances and shooting.

The question as to the disposal of the refugees is occupying the attention of the allies. The American relief organization held a meeting to decide what measures should be

The British, on account of the interior labor situation, will not take any other than a neutral attitude. They say they offered to negotiate for an armistice with the bolsheviks months ago, but that Gen. Wrangel refused.

Whether Greece will accept a part of the refugees depends upon the

#### Reds Overrun Crimea.

whole of the Crimea.

The latest reports from Sebastopol

K. Focht of Pennsylvania, ranking rampant. The quays are jammed with republican on the House District committee, who returned to the capital today.

Representative Focht is chairman of a special subcommittee of the District committee that has held evicent at the suggage of refugees seeking to change Telegraph dispatch from Athens, under today's date, says the results of the elections in Greece yesterday, so miral McCully are ready to leave at far as known, point to a defeat for

Bosporus buildings to sheller the arriving refugees, who are bringing riving refugees, who are bringing tales of fearful slaughter on the fields of battle.

Leon Trotzky, they say, is personally leading the reds, who number 150,000.

It is reported that the bolshevist

M. Krashine, Gen. Wrangel's prime minister, has issued a moving appeal. "The continuation of American help," he says, "is a matter of life and death to thousands of wounded, frost-bitten soldiers, and these, with many women and children, must, if not helped, die, even if they are saved from bolshevist atrocities. Help here is not available. We are leaving the Crimea for an unknown destination, hoping that God and the good people will not allow us to perish."

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The tragedy is a great one, for it The tragedy is a great one, for it is impossible to provide for the departure of more than half of the 80,000 people who are trying to leave, with the remnants of a wounded and dying army attempting to cover the embarkation. The cause of the disaster was the early frost, which permitted the reds to bring up their heavy guns heavy guns.
France has not consented to permit the removal of the refugees to

Budenny's cavalry is commanded by German officers, that it is well equipped and that it uses gas in its attacks. The immediate needs of the refugees arriving here have been provided for. The French military are caring for 300 and the Russian embassy for 300 and the Russian embassy for 300 position journals opposition journals badly wounded men. The remainder of the 14,000 refugees are on American and other ships in the harbor, with sufficient food for the present. Admirals McCully and Brousseau car-ried out the embarkment splendidly. Gen. Wrangel made speeches in

It is not known where the refugees will eventually be located. Some hope that colonies will be founded on the shores of the Aegean sea. British Navy Neutral.

LONDON, November 15 (by the Associated Press).—As Great Britain has never recognized the Wrangel govern-Reports from Constantinople that exander's personal property. the British navy would assist in the blockade of Black sea ports were deied by the admiralty.

called upon to transport refugees from the Crimea, and the admiralty said today it had not been decided whether would assist in getting the Refugees at Constantinople.

CONSTANTINOPLE, November 14 (by the Associated Press).-Thirteen thousand refugees have arrived here from Sebastopol, but because of the of accommodations in the city they are still aboard ship moored in Structures Costing \$2,250,000 to Bosphorus. Several thousand more are due here, and it is understood 30,000 have been permitted to take passage from the Crimean city. was found impossible to provide ships for the entire population of 80,000. Two thousand wounded men also sian hospitals.

The United States destroyer Fox ar-

rived here today with a party of fifty have been removed from danger by the sites and the erection of the new membership of the have been removed from danger by the sites and the erection of the new membership of the danger by buildings are said to total \$2,250.090. Emerson, its president, said.



# VENIZELOS DEFEAT **CLAIMED IN GREECE**

#### Premier, However, Declares He Is Victor in Election Held Yesterday.

Venimelos Sees Victory ATHENS, November 15 (by the Asociated Press).-Victory in the Greek early this morning by Premier Veni zelos. Actual returns, however, are as

ret meager. Throughout the campaign, which was conducted with unparalleled bitterness, the premier was the storm center, and his assertion that his followers were successful, if confirmed by the actual count of the votes, means for him a personal as well as political triumph

Prince Paul's Stand. The issue of the campaign was he return of former King Constantine to his throne, from which he was deposed during the world war ing the death of King Alexander, three weeks ago, the throne was offered his younger brother, Prince Paul, who in answer virtually deon the question whether King stantine should come back from exile. Only in the event the people decided against Constantine, he said, would he consider accepting the Greek gov-

Premier Venizelos led the forces opposing the return of Constantine, and if he has succeeded in the elections if he has succeeded in the elections it is conceded he will have a deciding voice in the selection of the next sovereign of this country.

The day was calm throughout Greece, no grave incidents occurring except a few minor clashes between supporters of Premier Venizelos and It is learned here that Batum has dispersed by streams from fire de-ordered the complete mobilization of her forces. It is reported that Gen. Demetric Koungris meetings had been forbidden since Friday, but newspapers carried on the fight till yesterday.

Alleged British Message. Opposition journals printed a dis-King George of England to Queen Sophia, wife of former King Constantine. This purported telegram read: "Dearest Cousin: I am glad you will soon return to Greece.

Gen. Wrangel made speeches in Sebastopol urging the working men not to leave but to aid in loading the ships. Part of the Red Cross stores were destroyed during their distribution owing to a fire caused by the use an interview with Edward Capps, American minister here, denying these statements. He was quoted as say-ing that Americans as well as the allies did not favor Constantine

Late King's Marriage Valid. ATHENS, November 12 .- The late King Alexander's marriage with Asment in South Russia and now is pro-ceeding with negotiations aiming at today by the court, which dismissed the opening of trade relations with soviet Russia, the British navy will stantine and ordered the seals on the continue to observe strict neutrality in the Black sea, it was stated today. broken. Mme. Manos will inherit Al-Mme. Manos' attorney asked the court on November 4 to remove the seals from the apartments of the late British ships have not yet been King Alexander, claiming that she alled upon to transport refugees from legally was entitled to inherit his property. A lawyer acting for former King Constantine asked the court to

suspend action until he had time to

stantine intended to contend that the

### marriage of the late monarch and Mme. Manos was invalid. 2 NEW THEATERS IN N. Y.

Have One Roof Garden. NEW YORK, November 15 .- Construction of two new theaters in the "bright light" district before fall of next year, is announced by Marc Klaw, theatrical magnate, who has purchased the sites from the Astor have arrived, and have been dis-tributed among the French and Rus-purchased the sites from the Astor estate on the south side of 46th street between Broadway and 8th avenue.
The theaters, each of which will seat
1,200, will be side by side and a
single roof garden will cover both.
Thirteen business buildings now on

#### 25 DAYS OF HOLIDAYS.

School Officials Fix Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter Vacations.

School officials today handed 62,000 children their combined Thanksgivng, Christmas and Easter present by granting them a twenty-five-day holiday period.

Thanksgiving the children were given a five-day vacaiton from Wednesday, November 24, to Monday, November 29. The customary ten-day holi-day for the Yuletide and Easter also LONDON, November 15.—An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Athens, under today's date, says the results of day, April 2.

#### Reports Predict Appointment of Will Hays to Fill Va-

cancy in U. S. Senate.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., November 15 Special to The Star.)-Report of a plan for the resignation of Harry S. New as United States senator has become public at French Lick and has been in circulation among Indianapolis politicians for several days

The proposal as it comes from the republican politicians gathered at French Lick is that when Senator rench Lick is that when Senator New resigns National Chairman Will Hays shall be appointed to his place in the Senate. New would take a cabinet job. Hays, of course, would make the race for senator in the next campaign to hold the place to which he had been appointed

to noid the place to which he had been appointed.

It is pointed out that New has been very close to Harding for twenty years. If this plan were carried out in all probability Hays and Albert J. Beveridge would contest for the senatorship in the next campaign. plan presupposes, of course, that Gov-elect McCray would appoint Hays to the senatorship when New resigns for the cabinet job. Senator Watson is very close to McCray.

While there is nothing to indicate that plans will be carried out, it is being much discussed. ment postal matter, an amount which All indications are that Mr. Bey eridge will make the race for the senatorship nomination in the next campaign.

#### SAY DEMOCRATIC DEFEAT HASTENED ADRIATIC PACT

BY PAUL SCOTT MOWRER. By Cable to The Star and Chicago Daily News PARIS, November 15 .- It is believed in diplomatic circles here that it

was the democratic defeat in the presidential election in the United States that enabled the Italians and Jugoslavs to reach an agreement on the Adriatic settlement. This agreement had previously been impossible because, as the Jugoslavs said, they could not be less Jugoslav than President Wilson.

Upon the democratic defeat by ar overwhelming vote the Italians threatened Jugoslavia with a strict application of the treaty of London, which accords to Italy a large part of the Dalmatian coast, and to which both France and Britain are bound by formal signatures.
Under these circumstances the Jugo-Blavs, believing themselves unable longer to count on American sup obliged to accept Italy' program of maximum concessions, and this, moreover, they seem to have done with good grace. Copyright, 1920.

#### **ALL GREEKS ORDERED OUT** institute opposition. He declared Con- Holdings Seized by Nationalists in Asiatic Turkey Area.

CONSTANTINOPLE, November 13 .-The entire Greek population of Samsun, Vilayet of Trebizond, Asiatic Turkey, has been ordered to leave town within a week. The Greeks number 300.

The Turkish nationalists have declared the holdings of the Greeks to be state property. Greek shops have been sealed by the local authorities.

"EQUITY SHOP" FOR ACTORS. NEW YORK, November 15.—Substi-ution of the "equity shop" for the closed shop" in the theatrical casts, meaning that union performers will not play alongside non-union members of the profession, was approved by 1,800 members of the Actors Equity association. A referendum vote will the property will be razed.

Association. A referendum vote will be contracts for the purchase of be taken on the decision by the entire embership of the organization, John took to the woods and captured the fully accelerate the maturity of the

#### Federation Will Be Received as First to Be Shown Postal Activities.

City Postmaster M. O. Chance today nvited the Federation of Citizens' Associations to hold its next meeting at the Washington city post office. the regular session to be followed by a tour of inspection of the post office. This invitation marks the inauguration of a plan to acquaint the people of the city, especially members of civic organizations, with the work of the Washington city post office and its 1,700 employes, who handle millions of letters and parcels every year.

Special Meeting Expected. It was indicated today that the Federation of Citizens' Association will call a special meeting of the organization to accept the hospitality of the various citizens' associations

The Washington Chamber of Com-merce, Board of Trade and other bodies will in turn be asked to hold a meeting at the post office, where a commodious room will be provided. After each meeting, beginning with that of the Federation of Citizens' Associations, the group will be divided into groups of a dozen persons, and each unit will be shown through the

post office under the guidance of of-ficials. Thus citizens will have first-hand opportunity to see the work of the post office at its busiest time, between 6 o'clock p.m. and midnight. It is between these hours that the flow of

heaviest. Great Flow of Mail.

The Washington city post office last year handled 225,000,000 outgoing let-ters and postal cards, a number which was balanced by an approximate number coming into the city. In addition to this great flow of first-class matter there were hundreds of thousands of parcel post packages going both The local post office does a great business in the handling of govern-

Credit is given the office, however

#### recent postal reclassification act. LOOK FOR RAIN OR SNOW.

Which It Will Be Tonight and Tomorrow Cannot Be Forecast.

row is to be the District's portion of the general wintry weather which has practically the entire country in its grip, according to the weather bureau.

"We are just on the ragged edge between rain and snow," declared the local forecaster, who said he would not be surprised if the District has snow, but that he really did not ex-Colder temperature will reign here tomorrow, following freezing tonight.
The record for the season was set
yesterday morning, when the official There is to be no settled weather here before the middle of the week, according to the forecaster.

#### HANG NEGRO TO BRIDGE.

White Woman's Assailant Is Taken From Jail by Wise, Va., Mob. BRISTOL, Va.-Tenn., November 15. -Dave Hunt, negro, aged twenty-five ears, captured after an exciting chase on a passenger train and held for the assault Friday of an aged white woman, was taken from the jail at Wise, Va., by a mob of about seventy-five men and hanged to a bridge near Kent Junction, where the crime is said to have been com-mitted. Entrance was gained to the jail by breaking down the doors. The negro was taken to the scene of the ynching in an automobile. The negro's victim, a woman sixty nome Friday afternoon. Shortly after the crime she flagged the interstate passenger train as it came by and told members of the crew that she had been attacked by a negro, whom they could see walking on the railway right of way some distance ahead. The train started after the negro

when he saw that he was being pur-

sued. The trainmen left their train.

#### OKUMA ATTACKS TREATY PLAN TO BAR JAPANESE

TOKIO, November 15 (by the Associated Press).-Marquis Okuma. former Japanese premier, addressing a meeting today, strongly attacked the plan to exclude Japanese from America by treaty. He pointed out that hitherto immigration was restricted under a voluntary agreement because it was realized that restriction was

was realized that restriction was prejudicial to Japan's prestige. The present effort to make restriction statutory, he said, was an act of infidelity to Japanese-American friendship.

The former premier believed that Washington would be able to stop Californian measures by enlisting public opinion of the whole country. If Japan's appeals to America's sense of international morality failed, the speaker continued, only ica's sense of international morality failed, the speaker continued, only force remained. Japan sincerely desired a solution of the problem, he concluded, fearing that other-wise the question would lead up to an outburst of self-sacrificing patriotism for which the Japanese people are noted.

# **WORK AT LIBRARY**

#### Bowerman Believes House Subcommittee Visit Would Mean Aid.

Dr. George F. Bowerman, librarian of the Public Library, today invited Chairman Charles R. Davis of the subcommittee on the District of the House appropriations committee to bring his subcommittee down to see the work being done by the Public Library and its branches. Dr. Bowerman said he believed that improved service will result when the appropriating committee comes to full appreciation of the scope and class of work that the library is doing. The library is now taking care of the maximum number of patrons to which it can possibly give efficient service, he said.

Dr. Bowerman and the library trustees are anxious to have the central library of the National Capital open all day every day in the week. The regular hours of the library for a number of years have been 9 a.m. until 9 p.m., but all last year and thus far this year the library has had to be closed at 3 p.m. every Wednesday because it has not had a sufficient force to give the full day. It is now deplorably short-handed to meet the demands of its patrons, Dr. Bowerman said.

The most rotable improvement is at the commission on measurement in the demeanor of delegates of forty-one countries when they convened here today for the first session of the assembly of the league. Although differences of opinion have already arisen relative to the Danzig question, the make-up of the commission on measurement. southeast transferred for use as a library substation. Secretary Daniels has agreed that he will not interpose any objection to the transfer of this property from the Navy Department to

the District government for such use The installation of a technical division which would be of especial value to employes of the navy yard and increase their efficiency in their work for Urcle Sam is to be a few or the control of the con work for Uncle Sam is to be a feature of this substation. Secretary Daniels is particularly pleased with this plan. As it is many employes of the navy yard now are using the technical division for research work and study on naval engineering problems, and if the library branch could be estabnearer their homes it would be a big convenience to them and give them more time for study during he limited time the library is open evenings.

There is a special bill already before Congress asking authority for the acceptance of \$50,000 from the Carnegie Foundation for the erecion of a branch library in the so east section on a site to be donated. Chairman Mapes of the House Disrict committee is fostering this bill at the request of the library trustees. receive early consideration when Congress reassembles.

#### WILL AID JEWISH ORPHANS

Campaign Plans for European Work Announced in New York. NEW YORK, November 15.—Plans to support and educate, through American aid, several hundred thousand Jewish war orphans in Europe and Palestine were announced last night by the joint distribution committee of the American fund for Jewish war sufferers. The campaign will be directed by the war orphans' committee under the chairmanship of Maj. Solomon Lowenstein of the Red Cross. NEW YORK, November 15 .- Plans

It is estimated there are not less than 300,000 Jewish orphans, ranging in age from six years upward. There in age from six years upward. There are few orphans surviving under five years of age, both because of the low birth rate during the war and low birth rate during the low birth r

## BRAZIL ASKS FOR JEWS.

Offers Free Homes to 2,500 Families From Ukraine.

VIENNA. November 14 .- The committee caring for Ukrainian Jewish refugees in Bessarabia has received an official offer from the Brazilian government to settle 2,500 Jewish families at government expense, says a report from Kishineff. The coma report from Kishineff. The com-mittee accepted the offer and is send-ing out a commission to investigate condition of the land.

the condition of the land.

The condition of the Jewish refugees in Bessarabia is very serious.

The funds of the relief committee are exhausted, and M. Bernstein-Kahan, the leader of Rumanian Jewry, has been asked to go to America to seek aid from the American Jews their likrainian brethre

#### FIXES INSURANCE STATUS.

Highest Court Rules on Policy on Life of Spicide.

An insurance policy on the life of a person who commits suicide is payable, if all conditions of the policy are complied with, the Supreme Court ruled today in sustaining lower court decrees in a suit brought against the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company by Isabel H. Johnson, bene-ficiary under a policy obtained by her husband. The company withheld payment on the ground that it was contrary to

public policy to pay indemnity on the life of a suicide.

Counsel for the company contended that the courts had held repeatedly that neither the insured nor the bene-ficiary should do anything to "wrong-

# LEAGUE MEETING ON WORLD ISSUES OPENS AT GENEVA

TWO CENTS.

Election of President and Other Officers First Work of Convention.

### 41 NATIONS REPRESENTED **BUT U. S. ONLY OBSERVES**

Disarmament and Economic Blockades Among Baffling Problems Facing Delegates.

#### Belgium Presents League Bill for Cigars It Smoked

PARIS, November 15 .- The Belgian government has just presented to the league of nations a bill for cigars amounting to 80,000 francs. The bill snys: "These cigars were smoked or carried off by members of the various delegations at the Spn conference."

Spn conference."

That conference was held in July, and was attended by members of the supreme council and representatives of the German government.

The secretariat of the league of nations has announced that it is short of money, and, moreover, it refuses to take over the debts of the supreme council.

The Belgian government argues that 'the Spn conference formed part of the "operations" of the league of nations.

The bill remains unpaid.

By the Associated Press. GENEVA, November 15 .- Determi-

nation to meet intricate problems in world affairs and to lay firmly the foundation stones of the league of nations was evident in the demeanor mind, and to endeaver to reach de-cisions which would be acceptable. Men who have been long prominent in the arena of world politics were present when Paul Hymans, tempo-rary president and former Belgian foreign minister, appeared on the platform of the Hall of the Reformation and called the meeting to order. A. J. Balfour, head of the British delegation, was not able to be present, but there were in the hall a number of men whose pages because

of men whose names have become well known to the reading public during Distinguished Men Present. Among them were Tomasso Tittoni of Italy, Leon Bourgeois and Rene Viviani of France, Viscount Kikujiro Ishii and Baron Keishiro Matsui of Japan, and Jose Quinones de Leon of Spain. South Africa was represented by Lord Robert Cecil, former British

assistant secretary of state for foreign affairs.

Lord Robert was one of the leading proponents of the league during the Versailles peace conference, but was not selected by Premier Lloyd George as one of Great Britain's representatives. The action of the Union of South Africa in naming him to act in behalf of that British dominion was one of the most interesting developments of the work preliminary to the affairs. ments of the work preliminary to the meeting of the work preliminary to the meeting of the assembly.

Most of the South and Central Americian republics have full delegations here for the session, among whom the Honorio Pueyrredon of Argen-

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outbreak of the war have succumbed to privations to which they have been making of the send delegates to the meeting of the assembly.

Election of a permanent president and several vice presidents and the appointment of a few committees was the first work to be disposed of by the assembly. It is believed the next ten days will be devoted to discursions on the agenda of the meeting, and during this time commissions will be at work on different questions to be laid before the assembly. It is probable reports from these commissions will not be ready for presentation for a fortnight. The task of framing recommendations will then meeting of the assembly.

framing recommendations will then be taken up, and it is believed ad-journment will not be had for three or four weeks. Principal Objects of Session. A definite system of disarmament and a plan for using the economic blockade against nations that transgress the orders of the league will be among the principal subjects dis-cussed. In addition, the plan for an international court, which was framed at Brussels during last summer, will receive attention. Japan is not expected to bring proposals on racial equality before the meeting, but she is expected to take a prominent part in the deliberations.

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The result of the presidential election in the United States has been a topic of conversation among delegates here, but there has been no indication that any effort has been made to get in touch with either Washington or with Warren G. Harding, the American President-elect.

The Russian situation may be one of the topics brought before the meeting, the defeat of Gen. Baron Wrangel's forces in south Russia having brought about a new phase in the affairs of Russia, and it seems that recognition of the soviet government will be at least informally discussed before the assembly adjourns.

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