

HEAR BOTH SIDES OF NAVAL DISPUTE

Colonel McClure Suggests Witnesses to Be Called Before Senate Committee.

CAPPS CONCLUDES REPLY

All Officers Named in Recent Criticism of Battleship Construction Will Be Given Opportunity to Testify.

Expert on Armor Plate.

Chairman Hale read a letter received from Colonel S. L. McClure, suggesting that Lieutenant-Commander Vogelsang, whom he designated as an expert in regard to armor plate, and Lieutenant-Commander Hill, whom he designated as an expert in the distribution of armor plate, be called as witnesses.

American Ships Equal Any.

Admiral Capps asserted that the American ship at the trial of ships of any navy of the world. The most serious charges made, he said, were of insufficient free board, meaning height from water line to deck; insufficient gun height and improper location of main line armor belts, and all these, he explained, have been the subject of the most careful study and experiment for many years by naval designers of every country.

HOOD RIVER PLANS FLOAT

Hood River has sent two of its representative business men, C. T. Early and D. McDonald, members of the Commercial Club, to Portland to arrange for an electrical float which will represent the great apple country in one of the street parades of the Rose Festival.

CHINA WILL JOIN UNION

MOSCOW, Feb. 26.—Chow Wan pang will be Chinese delegate to the International Telegraphic Union, which is to be held at Lisbon next April. The Chinese nation has consistently refused to join the union during the 25 years she has had telegraphic communication with the outside world, and even now it is explained that her present representation is to be unofficial.

ROSE SOCIETY LAYS PLANS

A well attended meeting of the Rose Society was held last night at the Chamber of Commerce rooms, when the annual Rose Festival was discussed and a list read of the cash prizes and trophies to be awarded. The Agricultural Building at the Lewis and Clarke Fair Grounds has been chosen for the Rose Show.

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READER'S RELIEF

Information Filed Against Murderer of Priest.

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Italian Declares He Mistook Victim for Clergyman Who Had Taken an Active Part in Fighting the Revolutionists in Sicily.

MURDERED PRIEST IS BURIED

Solemn Ceremonies at Denver—The Preacher Tells Ailo's Motive.

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Father Leo's Murderer Will Make No Legal Fight.

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Henry Lehr, Newspaper Carrier, Sues John B. Matthews.

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