Navy Department Charges Exaggeration in Reply to Representative Gardner.

LONG RANGE NOT DESIRED

Only Vessel Now Under Construct tion Will Be Prepared to Use Greater Destroying Agencies. Others Provided For.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.-What offi

out that long-range torpedoes are neither required nor desired for sub-marines. He recalled that the British armored cruisers Aboukir, Cressy and Horne were torpedoed and destroyed a German submarine at a range of

Long-Range Torpedoes Not Needed. "This attement standing by itself is calculated to leave a false impression," said Mr. Daniels, "In view of repeated statements that the Navy has only 58 long-runge torpedoes, the chief of the Bureau of Ordnance has been asked to sh a statement concerning the

"The 88 long-range torpedoes so often referred to as the only ones the Navy possess are of the 21-inch, 21-foot type and there is no ship in the United States Navy yet in commission that is being prepared to take them. They were manufactured for new construcbeginning with the Nevada and the Oklahoma, and these two ships will not go into commission until about the end of next year. Their long range is obtained by an increase in length over existing types, and no ship prior to the Nevada and Oklahoma is con-structed for torpedoes of this length. So far as the bureau of ordnance can ascertain, these torpedoes have as high a range or higher than any torpedoes manufactured abroad.

"Beginning with the Virginia class which went into commission principal-ly in 1906, and up to and including the Texas, which went into commission this year, all the battleships are pro-vided with 21-inch, 17-foot tubes Within the last two years it was found possible so to improve the 21-inch, 17-foot torpedo as practically to double its range and steps were taken at once to construct new torpedoes having the increased range. We already have a sufficient number of these longer range torpedoes to outfit the eight most redreadnoughts in commission, and is the equipment that they will on board.

the cruisers and all of the destroyers subsequent to destroyer No. 28 are pro-vided with torpedoes that were up-to-inte in range and speed one year ago. Since that time a scheme has been developed for increasing the range of the 18-inch torpedo and there are now in progress of construction 18-inch tor-pedoes of the newer type, which will outfit all destroyers from No. 28 with

the long-range weapon.

"Long-range torpedoes are neither required nor desired for submarines submarine warfare is of such character as to make it advisable to use shortrange high-speed torpedoes, and that mithe class that submarines are being furnished with. The Aboukir, Creasy and Hogue were torpedoed recently, it will be recalled, at a range of 500

BRITISH POSITION STRONG

(Continued From First Page.) blows delivered by the Germans at Nieuport, Dixmude and Ypres, where Nicoport, Dixmude and Ypres, where—
'at first ailies were greatly outnumbered." For a whole month the British
army around Ypres succeeded in holding its ground against repeated onslaughts made by vastly superior forces.
The narrator goes into details of the
German attacks and describes how they
were frustrated by the ailies.

Help of French Welcome.

The British force, says Colonel Swin ton, which consisted all along of the same units, had "to withstand an almost continuous bombardment and to one desperate assault after another, each carried out by freeh units from the large numbers which the Ger-mans were devoting to the operation." Finally, the French came to their as-sistance and "never was help more wel-come, for by then our small reserves had again and again been thrown into the fight in the expectation of counter the fight in the expectation of counter attacks and our men were exhausted by the incessant fighting."

The British front now has been

considerably rested and, in addition, has been reinforced, while a luil in the activity has enabled the commanders to readjust their forces, strengthen their positions and bring

which they belonged. Our casualties have been severe, but we have been fighting a battle and a battle implies casualties, and, heavy as they have been, it must be remembered that they have not been suffered in waln.

Efficiency Not Impaired.

"The duty of the French, Belgians and British in the western theater of operations has been to act as a containing force, in other words, to held on to and to keep occupied as many of the enemy as possible while the Russians were attacking in the east. In this we have succeeded in playing our part and by our resistance have contributed materially towards the success of the campaign. Moreover, our losses have not impaired our fighting efficiency. The troops have required only a slight respite in order to be able to continue the action with as much determination as ever. They are physically fit and well fed and have suffered merely from the fatigue which is inseparable from a protracted struggle such as they have been through.

"The severest handling by the enemy has never had more than a temporary effect on their spirits, which have soon recovered, owing to the years of discipling and training to which the efficers and men have been accustomed.

Value of Preparation Shown.

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Value of Preparation Shown.

"The value of such preparation is as noticeable on the side of the enemy as on our own. The phenomenal losses suffered by the Germans' new forma-tions have been remarkable and they were in part due to their lack of training. Moreover, though at the first WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—What officials regard as popular exaggeration of admitted defects in the American Navy's torpedo equipment was the subject of a statement issued tonight by Secretary Daniels embodying a special report from Rear-Admiral Strauss, chief of the Bureau of Ordnance.

Specifically the statement was prepared to prove misleading a declaration that "of long torpedoes there are only 58 in the Navy," quoted from a speech by Representative Gardner of Massachusetts, who is urging the Administration to support his resolution for an investigation of the Nation's military preparedness.

While the recent discussion of the subject has dealt only with the equipment of battleships and cruisers, Admiral Strauss took occasion to point out that long-range torpedoes are called a property of the complete of the November 11 as bravely as they form to the industry are uniform that long-range torpedoes are called a property of the November 11 as bravely as they form to the industry of the November 11 as bravely as they did not the subject has dealt only with the equipment of battleships and cruisers, Admiral Strauss took occasion to point out that long-range torpedoes are called a property of the November 11 as bravely as they form to training. Moreover, though at the first to make the first onset these formations advanced to the intack as bravely as their active corps, they have not by any means shown the same recuperative powers. The corps, for instance, which is a new throw only 7 to 12 weeks' training, with the same recuperative powers. The corps, for instance, which is a new throw only 7 to 12 weeks' training, with the same recuperative powers. The corps, for instance, which is a new to sum the same recuperative powers. The strack as bravely as their active corps, the state on the same recuperative powers. The corps, for instance, which is a new to sum the same recuperative powers. The strack as bravely as their active corps, the strack as bravely as their active corps, the strack as bravely as their active corps, November 11 as bravely as they did on August 20."

The allies, continues Colonel Swinton have undergone great sacrifices to de-fend against tremendous odds a line that could be maintained only by making these sacrifices, but the fact that the situation has been relieved is no reason for assuming that the enemy has abandoned his intention of pressing through to the sea. The writer points out that the Germans continue to at tack with great courage, but little abated by failure, and while they have not succeeded in gaining the Straits of Dover, they have been enabled to consolidate their position on the western frontier and retain all but a small portion of Belgium.

"As well as they have fought how-ever," continues the marrative, "it is doubtful if their achievements are com-mensurate with their losses, which recently have been largely due to a lack of training and a comparative lack of discipline of the units they put in the field."

Colonel Swinton concludes with the statement that as the war is going to be one of exhaustion after the regular armies of the belligerents have their work, it will be on the ray terial of the countries concerned

EUGENE JAILBREAKERS GET FOOD AND CLOTHING WHILE PURSUED.

ames Clergy and Forest Daugherty Said to Have Selected Spot for Hiding Hard to Penetrate.

that is the equipment that they will have on board.

"In addition to the foregoing, there are being manufactured at the Government works at Newport and the Bliss works at Brooklyn a sufficient number to provide all of the battleships of the United States Navy, beginning with the Virginia class, with the long-range torpedoes. The Onio class, which was first commissioned about 194, is fitted with 18-inch tubes and torpedoes of the highest range cannot be substituted for the equipment now furnished without serious alterations.

Equipment Almost Up to Date.

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POLK STOCK TO BE JUDGED Jersey Island Breeder Will Select Exhibit for 1915 Fair.

MONMOUTH, Or., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—Clark P. Hembree, a prominent breeder of Jersey Island cows in the Luckiamute Valley, south of this city, has been chosen to pick the stock for the 1915 cxhibit to be made from Polk County at the San Francisco Exposition. Breeders in all districts have been urged to get their stock into good condition for the fair. During the past four years this county has imported

AFTER POLICE BRIBE

"Clairvoyant" Ringleader Accuses Chicago Officers in His Confessions.

\$400 PAID EACH MONTH

Chicago until recently, received from' \$2300 to \$6000 a month as his share of the swindling operations, he told Maclay Hoyne, state's attorney, in a written confession made public tenight.

In addition to the regularly monthly police payments, Ryan said he paid an average of \$25 to \$100 weekly to help buy flowers for some patrolman who had lost a member of his family. He also said it took a neat sum properly to entertain the out-of-town policemen who frequently came with warrants for members of the clairvoyants.

Confessor Is Gravely III.

Ryan was captured in Detroit a few weeks ago. He is gravely ill of tuber-culosis and his confession was made. Hoyne said, on the promise that it would keep him from dying in the penitentiary. It was partly on the stength of Ryan's confession, according to the state's attempts that it ing to the state's attorney, that Hoyne offered Captain Halpin, ex-chief of detectives, and a score of his men, a

offered Captain Halpin, ex-chief of detectives, and a score of his men, a chance to resign.

Ryan paid his protection money, he said, through Barney Bertsche, a ward politician, recently shot in a downtown revolver fight with two detectives. "When I first came to Chicago in 1911, I paid \$300 a month for police protection," he said. "For my end I usually got from \$3000 to \$6000 monthly. Once I cleaked up \$36000 to these ly. Once I cleaned up \$36,000 in three

"Detectives came here from New "Detectives came nere from New York that year and showed me a "phoney" warrant on which they said they were going to take me back un-less I settled on a \$2500 bond I had jumped. That was from a job I did in

New York Officers Accused "When the detectives from Bosto came for me in New York I fixed it so that I was arrested by the New York police on a phoney charge, so that I would not have to go back to Boston and probable go to the penitentiary, I was released on \$2500 bond and skipped

umped a bond and knew it would be asy to hold me up. Well, I guess it "When I refused to pay up they threatened to tell the state's attorney so that in the end I gave them \$2500, the \$2500 they asked, and \$400 for expenses. That bond hasn't been settled

yet.
"I can't kick on the police not giving me the protection I paid for, though. During the year and a half I was in business I never had to go to a police station. Whenever there was a complaint against me the police always telephoned they were coming over with the complainant and I would take the

city was destroyed accidentally by the state. Through the men could move almost without fear of detection.

The Sheriff returned to Eugene today and the posse gave up the search which continued all last night. The residence burned—I mean suffocated. They were burned—I mean suffocat

"I learned afterward that a part of the opposition to the amendment came from the labor leaders themselves. I uppose the miners argued that the suppose the miners argued that they had the power to force their demands and it would be unwise to trust to the uncertainty of a compulsory arbitration board or jury. I think the great majority of employers would be pleased with compulsory arbitration, but the great corporations represented here by Osgood—the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company and the Rocky Mountain Coal Company—I believe, think they could defeat attempts to secure increases of

torted Patterson, "but this seems to me within reach of the state."

"You believe compulsory arbitration would be less likely to break down than the mediation board created by the Newlands act now at work upon the Western railroad situation?"

"With any ordinary body of men, said Mr. Patterson, "or any ordinary corporation, I care not of what wealth the views of the President of the United States or his suggestion or that of a board of citizens would have a wonderful effect, but I can clearly see that such a body of men as are represented by the operators here would be absolutely impervious to what such a board would do."

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"You believe the Newlands act would fall here?"
"Certaintly. It is not compulsory. These operators believe in the divine right of legal rights. They are not going to be swayed from their asservation of their legal rights."
"You think a strike is a mstake?"

From \$3000 to \$6000 Netted, Says

Frank Ryan, Who Gives Details
of Alleged Protection to

Escape Death in Prison.

CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—In spite of the \$400 monthly payment for police protection, Frank Ryan, alleged head of a "clairvoyant ring" that operated in the use of the militia. I think the President saw the point in refusing to permit the Federal troops to take sides and refusing to permit them to escort in Chicago until recently, received from"

"You think a strike is a mstake?" he was saked.

"No, I believe it is the only means labor has to get improved conditions.

"The mistake of the operators was in refusing to confer with the men selected by their employes to represent them. Osgood puts labor on a par with dead goods, a matter of purchase in the use of the militia. I think the President saw the point in refusing to permit the Federal troops to take sides and refusing to permit them to escort in the refusing to permit the point in refusing to permit the Federal troops to take sides and refusing to permit them to escort in the refusing to permit the point in refusing to permit the point in refusing to permit the Federal troops to take sides and refusing to compensation Mr. Patter.

Workmen's compensation Mr. Patter-son believed to be an economy, besides an act of justice.

SCHOOL CHANGES ASKED

TAX EQUALITY AND LONGER TERMS URGED BY SUPERINTENDENT.

of Education, Especially in Rural Districts, Reviewed in Biennial Report.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 3 .- (Special.) -- In his biennial report to the Legislature, made public today, State Superintend-ent of Public Instruction Churchill recommends that the minimum length of the school term be increased from six to eight months and that the plan of raising the common school fund be changed so as to equalize the burden of taxation.

"Too great a proportion of this fund is now raised by the special district tax," says the superintendent. "This means that a district with a low valuation must often levy from eight to 12 mills tax, while a more fortunate school district may not have to levy more than a one-mill tax. A slight increase in the county levy will correct this inequality without increasing the burden of taxation.

"In conformity with this change I would recommend that the money be distributed according to the number of teachers employed and the average daily attendance."

Superintendent Churchill calls atten Superintendent Churchill calls attention to the general progress in the public school system during the past two years. There has been an increase of more than half a month in the school terms and the average length now is nearer eight months. Mr. Churchill reports that the minimum length of term is changing from six months to eight months. There has been an increase in the number of high schools throughout the state. out the state. A recreation manual has resulted in

the addition of playground apparatus to the equipment of most of the school grounds in Oregon.

Superintendent Churchill also has

encouraged the organization of parent-teacher associations. More than 300 were organized in school districts during the past year.

The forming of boys' and girls' industrial charts.

The forming of boys' and girls' industrial clubs, the establishing of a standard for the rural schools by the county school superintendents, the closer supervision of the rural schools, the holding of school board conventions show the great interst that has been taken throughout the state in improving and bettering the conditions of rural schools.

The last Legislature made it possible for the State Superintendent to place in the field two agricultural as-

Both Sides in Frenzy.

That afternoon I was called to the headquarters of the State Federation of Labor. I found at the headquarters of the State Federation of Labor. I found at the headquarters of the State Federation of Labor. I found at the headquarters of the State Federation of Labor. I found at the headquarters of the State Federation of Labor. I found at the headquarters of the State Federation of Labor. I found at the headquarters of the State Federation of Labor. I found at the headquarters of the unions of the beautiful of the specific that showed a fermion of Labor. I found at the headquarters of the unions of the beautiful of the second of the headquarters of the unions of the specific that showed a fermion of Labor. I found at the headquarters of the unions of the headquarters of the unions of Demission of Commerce I found those sedate members equally excited, but on the other side. It was prohibited the hauling of heavy loads on rock roads, either by automobile trucks or wagons. The order followed the discovery of damage from the strike districts.

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KEEP WHAT YOU GAIN

Most people who have but a small reserve of strength feel better in Summer than in Winter. The vitality gained during the ut-of-door season carries them through the trying weather of Winter and early Spring until there comes a time when the stored-up reserve strength is not sufficient.
How, then, shall we keep and add a

has been reinforced, while a luil in the activity has enabled the commanders to readjust their forces, strengthen their positions and bring up reserves.

Conditions Much Improved.

There has, therefore, been "a great general improvement in the conditions hinder which we are carrying on the right." Of the fighting which preceded this reorganization, the writer says this resorganization. The writer says this reorganization was an officers and men that success the head of the regit." Of the fighting which preceded this reorganization, the writer says this reorganization, the writer says this resorganization, the writer says the sent of the regit. The possibility of the resource, inhis hald with the British. He continued

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appointed to confer with the standing committee on uniform legislation, which will make its report tomorrow morning. Today's session closed with a novel feature, when more than 200 delegates watched an open-air tree-pruning demonstration by Frofessor Gardner, of Oregon Agricultural College, at the Gottlieb orchard south of the city, which was preceded by a luncheon served by Medford women and followed by an automobile tour of the encity walked by-products of the business, just as the by-products of a manufacturing business are utilized A warming was given against expecting too high prices for by-products and against starting factories until an adequate supply was assured.

Oregon City Maccabees Elect.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—F. H. McAnuity was elected commander of the Oregon City lodge of Maccabees elect.

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50c Elcaya Cold Cream.....39e 50c El Perfecto Veda Rose

Pair, 65¢

Value of Wasted By-Products.

MEDFORD, Or., Dec. 3.—(Special.)—
An effort will be made by the members of the State Horticultural Society, now in session here, to secure uniform horticultural laws for every state west of the Rocky Mountains.

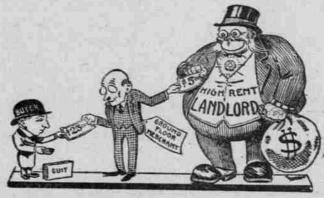
This was announced tonight at the completion of the day's programme. These laws will refer to spraying, shipping quality of nursery stock and other limportant subjects. A committee was supportant subjects and supportant subjects and supportant subjects. A committee was supportant subjects and supportant subjects are supportant subjects. Support supportant subjects and supportant subjects are supportant subjects. Supportant subjects are supportant subjects and supportant subjects are supportant subjects. Supportant subjects are subjects as the semi-annual election that the best subject subjects at the semi-annual election that the best subjects at the semi-annual election that the best subjects at the semi-annual election that the best subjects and support subjects are subjects as the semi-annual election that the subjects are subjects and subjec commander of the Oregon City lodge of Maccabees at the semi-annual elec-

SALES! SALES!! SALES!!!

The ground floor clothiers are now holding their January clearance sales in December. THE SALE BANNER IS LURING YOU to help pay for high ground floor rent, huge electric signs and the big overhead expenses.

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SALE OR NO S.

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I Save You That \$5 To meet the present competition I am going to sell every garment in my

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