### U. S. CAPITAL ISSUES COMMITTEE TO OUIT

Activities to Be Suspended on December 31.

WARNING GIVEN TO PUBLIC

Chairman Announces Legislation to Be Asked to Curb Worthless Securities; Peace Economy Urged.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—The capital issues committee of the Treasury, the Government's war agency for the suppression of unessential security issues, announced tonight that it would sus-pend activities on December 31, and remain inactive until dissolved, unless called back into service by develop-

Accompanying the announcement were warnings to the public, both from the committee and Secretary Glass, of the necessity for continued strict economy and against worthless securities. The committee stated its intention of The committee stated its intention of making a supplementary report to Congress recommending a law to prevent impositions upon the investing public and Secretary Glass said he would ask the present Congress to enact such legislation immediately. To illustrate the extent of the menace, the committee says schools were being established to drill salesmen in the art of fraudulent promotion.

Charles S. Hamlin, chairman, made this statement for the committee:

Economy Held Imperative.

"Although the war emergency which "Although the war emergency which gave rise to the creation of the committee has passed, it is nevertheless imperative that capital should be saved and not wasted, and the removal of the restraining influence exerted by the committee during its existence should not be construed as approval of the financing of unnecessary public projects or private enterprises of doubtful merit. On the contrary, the financial needs of the Government and the large capital requirements of the railroads and for the readjustment of American industries to a peace basis American industries to a peace basis compel strict economy in the use of new capital.

"While legitimate business may be left safely to work out its own probcoms, the capital issues committee feels that it would be unfaithful to its responsibility if it failed to warn the public respecting the enormous losses sustained by the Nation through the sale of worthless and fraudulent securities. In the opinion of the committee, the sale of such securities should be restrained in times of peace as well as in war, and strongly urges that Congress establish adequate machinery to

gress establish adequate machinery to put a stop to this traffic.

"The capital issues committee warms the public and earnestly directs the attention of Congress to the problem.

The committee will maintain its oflices in Washington until further no-

Legislation to Be Asked. Secretary Glass' statement in part

follows:
"My chief r.isgiving in accepting the action of the committee arises out of the need the committee has frequently expressed and the importance of which as become increasingly obvious, of rotecting the public investor against he flood of worthless or doubtful securities which threaten the market when the restrictions are removed. Present conditions emphasize the importance of obtaining emergency legis-lation as speedily as possible, so as to be able to cope offectively with this evil. The Government not only should rotect itself as to future bond issues. out as well owes a duty to the millions

but as well owes a duty to the millions of liberty bond buyers to restrain reckless and fraudulent promoters, particularly at this time.

"I intend to ask Congress immediately for legislation that will check the traffic in worthless securities, while imposing no undue restrictions upon the financing of legitimate business, and shall urge that it be made effective before the close of the present session. Meantime, it may become necessary before such legislation is passed to reassemble the committee for the purpose of resuming its funcfor the surpose of resuming its func-

## POSSES PURSUE CONVICTS

MEN FLEE WITH DAUGHTER OF WEALTHY CATTLEMAN.

Note Dropped by Girl Indicates That Escapes Are En Route to Mexican Border.

TUCSON, Ariz., Dec. 25,-Posses from four counties today are searching the mountains of Southern Arizona along the border in an effort to capture two convicts who escaped from the State Penitentiary at Florence Monday night, kidnaped the 17-year-old daugh-ter of a Pinal County cattleman and are making their way to Mexico in a stolen automobile.

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The kidnaped girl is Laura Foreman, and a note which she dropped addressed to John Buck, of Greaterville, asking for help, furnished the first clew to the whereabouts of the party.

The convicts, J. C. Wunder, alias Frank Warden, convicted of burglary in Maricopa County, and Emmett McDaniels, a convicted horse thief from Douglas, had been "honor men" for some weeks, but fled Monday night in a motor car taken from the Penitentiary garage. Going to the Foreman home, they abducted the girl and are said to have picked up a woman from Phoenix at a rendezvous agreed upon. The note dropped by the girl said they were making their way to Nogales, on the border.

#### MILL HAS HUGE CAPACITY

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