5000 CHEER AS TAFT **URGES PEACE LEAGUE**

(Continued From First Page.) "Labor's ing service on the theme, "Labor's bemand for a League of Nations." Other speakers were William Short, president of the Washington State Federation of Labor, and E. J. Stack, secretary of the Oregon Federation of Ing session on the thome,

Ex-President Arouses Much

Enthusiasm in Portland.

RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED

Northwestern Conference Unanimously in Favor of Having

League of Nations.

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The full text of Mr. Taft's address the morning session follows: "Ladies and Gentlemen: "The League to Enforce Peace, of the sepective countries, and a sun-dering of all diplomatic and consular the set of the respective countries and consular dering of all diplomatic and consular the set of the respective countries and a sun-

The full text of arr fails which this is a congress called for Ore-which this is a congress called for Orewhich this is a congress called for Ore-gen, Washington and Idaho, is a volum-tary association of men and women of the United States organized carly in 2915 to spread propaganda in favor of a plan for world co-operation to main-tain peace, by enforced settlement of principles of justice and fairness. Its promotors had long been interested in premoting arbitration between nations. promotors had long been interested in promoting arbitration between nations. They thought that the end of this world destructive war would find the peoples of the various countries in a frame of mind in which they would gladly accept any reasonable interna-tional co-operation to prevent war. Ac-conductive the league of the output of the force of any members and 'not on others, and mu-tually to support one another in resist-ing any special measure of hostility brought by the outlaw state against through their territory for the force of any members or members who are co-constitution to prevent war. Acaccept any reasonable interna-through their territory for the force of any members are bound to alrora passage through their territory for the force of any member or members who are co-operating to protect the covenants of the league. The participation in the States enter a league of mations, between them of a justicipation between them of a justicipation. ordingly the league adopted a plat-United States enter a league of millons, in which the members of the league should stipulate that all differences arising between them of a justiciable ber of the league should agree to re-frain from going to war until after judgment by the council of concilitation, and that any member who violated this ob-ber should be overwhelmed be that any member who violated this op-ligation by attacking any other mem-ber should be overwheimed by the eco-nomic pressure of all the members of the league and the joint military forces of the league, if need be. Similar as-sociations were formed in England and France, with similar platforms, except that they provided for a forcible execu-ion of the judgments and a dealing with the recommendations of the councils of conciliation by the league.

Hasis Here on Which to Work.

There has been until now no means of knowing exactly what is meant by a league of nations except by reference to the platforms of these voluniary as-sociations. The governments of Engsociations. The governments of long-land and France created commissions for the special purpose of studying the proper framework of a league of na-tions, but the result of their studies was not given to the public. Our gov-ernment had declined to create such a commission. On Friday last, however, mmission. On Friday last, however the committee to whom the great Paris ongress had delegated the work of preparing a plan for a league of na-tions, of which President Wilson was the chairman, made a report which was oncurred in by the representatives of s 14 nations at the Now therefore we have an the the authoritative statement of the constitu-tion of a league of nations and an of-

ficial hasis for its discussion. "This constitution is indeed wider in of its purpose than was the

The sixth congress will be convened on Wednesday. institutions. Out of a clear sky in nor-mal times it would be a matter of the utmost difficulty to form such a League of Nations. Here the condition which

confronts the world and those responsible for its welfare calls for immediate action. Out of that immediate action comes this league, adapted to present uses and admirably available as a foun-dation for a world league.

Scope of Peace Treaty Volced.

colonies. The plan is to create ten or a dozen new states, more than half of them independent republics and the rethem independent republics and the re-mainter under some sort of suzerainty of the league. These new states are to be founded not only in the interest of the peoples who form them, but also to constitute bulwarks against a revival of German power. Finland, the Baltic provinces, Foland, the Czecho-Slovak state Ukraine the Ukraine the State state extension of Germany's influence in Russia, where her commercial schemes have had in the past a controlling in-fluence. These new nations must be rendered stable and must be kept at peace with each other and at peace with

been carved. Their peoples have never been used to self-government and we must expect internal disorders, due to that lack of self-restraint that practice ion-member and a member or between two non-members, they are to be invited to accept temporary membership of the league for the purpose of settling the dispute in accordance with the pro-cedure just described. If the non-member refuses to accept the obligations of her returns to accept the originations of the league, it is to be treated as a mem-her of the league would be treated which violated its covenant. This at-titude toward non-members is in pur-suance of a declaration of the constitu-

The League of a declaration of the constitu-tion that the league is interested in the maintenance of universal peace and holds any threatened breach of it as a matter of its concern as to which it may take action. "Three classes of countries with peoples not ready for self government are committed to the trustewship of the league, which administers them through competent governments an mandatories of the league. "A permanent mandatory commis-sion is established, which is to require annual reports of the mandatories and to see that the restrictions contained in the constitution or in the special charters which are issued by the ex-ecutive council to mandatories have

to see that the restrictions contained in the constitution or in the special charters which are issued by the ex-ecutive council to mandatories have been observed. "Armaments are to be reduced to the lowest point consistent with national safety and league obligations and the executive council is directed to deter-mine for the consideration and action the stillements was an absolute require-mine for the consideration and action the constinuation of a continual further to restrict that sovereignly but only through the joint compulsion of all nations to keep a would-be outbid integration within the proper and existing limitation. League Not Super-Sovereign. "The league is not a super-sov-ereign. It is only a partnership. Its power is in joint agreement—not in the mine for the consideration and action of the several governments what mili-tary equipment and armament is fair and in reasonable proportion to the cale of forces contemplated in the pro- they may conclude that the provisions doctrine that belongs to the Germa scale of forces contemplated in the pro-gramme of disarmament. The limits adopted are not to be exceeded without permission of the executive council. This leaves it to each government to determine upon the recommendation of the council what it will do, and then to adhere to that limit. The executive constitution new means will be devel-to the the provisions of this to adhere to that limit. The executive constitution new means will be devel-to the provisions of this to adhere to that limit. The executive constitution new means will be develthe council what it will do, and then constitution new means will be developed to help the effectiveness of the proper regard for those countries not able themselves to manufacture the suppression of war and the promotion munitions and implements necessary for their safety. Full disclosure of armament means will be developed to help the effectiveness of the suppression of war and the promotion munitions and implements necessary to the control of the test through the scale of armament mathement manifers in which the control of the scale of armament with the countries in which the control of the treaty upon which the countries in which the control of the treaty two-thirds vote the scale of the common of the state, was in the treate in arms and munitions with the countries in which the control of the scale of the necessary to the common of the state trough the regenstrative to the common of the state, was in the treate in arms and munitions with the countries in which the control of the scale of the necessary two-thirds vote the power. this traffic is necessary to the common

"The most extrame position of Senator Poindexter is that the United States cannot consent to arbitration of issues between it and other countries because it might affect the vital interests of rendered

It might affect the vital interests of the nation. There have been one hun-dred arbitrations between the United States and other countries, many of them of very great concern. The ques-tion of the payment of the Alabama claims related to a principle of inter-

Scope of Peace Treaty Voiced. "The treaty of peace to be framed is to deal with Middle and Eastern Eu-rope, the near orient and the German colonies. The plan is to create ten or a dozen new states, more than half of uary was mother. The arbitration of our rights in the Bering sea and in the seal herd of the Pribyioff islands was mother. On this arbitration we sub-mitted to the decision of an impartial tribunal the question whether we had the rights or not which we claimed. Ufficient for the the to the seasumption that other we had

the rights or not which we claimed. The assumption that either the court of arbitration or the executive council of the league by uanimous judgment would seek to take away the sover-eignty or the liberty or the independ-ence of the United States, is utterly gratuitous. It is so extreme a view that it ought not to be given any weight as an objection to machinery for the peaceful adjustment of differ-ences by decision of interactional ports are reached by railroads of heavy provinces, the Ukraine, the Jugo-Slav state ence of the United States, is utterly are all to be republics to curb and make impossible a revival of Germany's dream of middle Europe and of an em-pire reaching from Hamburg to the Persian guif. They are to prevent the ences by decision of international courts. ports are reached by railroads of heavy gradients and sharp curves over the

"To recur again to the objects which run as a thread through all of Senator Poindexter's attacks upon the consti-tution of the league, namely, that the league minimizes the sovereignty of the Testas Sciences of of every methods United States and of every nation which joins it, there is a misconception

been usived to self-government and we which joins it, there is a misconception in self-government gives. They are to be six or seven Cubas and must remain under the kindly assistance of the na-tions who dictate this peace until their stability is secured. The League of Nations which ex-isted during the war, by which the war was won, continues in the conference at Paris and must be continued after the signing of the treaty with machinery to secure the exactly analogous to the liberty that between the new countries and the old in the ultimate establishment of their

the same illucity. It is an exercise of rights on my part consistent with the exercise of the same rights on the part of every other man. It is not complete liberty of action. Proper national sov-ersignty is similarly restricted. New the league does not proceed in any way it illustrates. Fixing of the date further to restrict that sovereignty but the hearing is anticipated very soor



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the scope of its purpose than was the platform of our league to enforce peace. The platform of our league was a mere skeleteon. It had prepared a tentative draft of a freaty to give it body and constructive details, but that tentative draft was never given to the public, be-cause it was thought where by govern-mental authority to withhold it. The sole object of the League to Enforce Peace platform was to promote peace and avoid war by instrumentalities for and action way by instrumentatives for administering justice between nations. It did not even contain a provision with respect to the limitation of arminient. The purpose of the constitution report-ed at Paris, which we may properly call the great covenant of Paris, is much wider. It is to coven a covening a real can the great covenant of farm, in much wider. It is to organize a real and permanent league, whose first ob-ject is to provide for the just settle-ment of differences between nations and the preventing of war, and for this moment of history approximate the second purpose to limit armament. Its second object is to exercise executive functions in the administration of international trusts like the government of backward peoples whom this war has released from the sovereignty of the Germans and the other central powers. Its third interest.

Monroe Doctrine Extended. object is to promote co-operation be-tween the sations, with a view to the betterment of the condition of labor in all the nations and for joint action i respect to other useful matters which directly affect international bureaus, like the postal union, quarantine agree The the postal info, quarantino agree-ments, commercial relations, etc. The league consists new of the 14 mattens distating peace to Germany, of whom the responsible and influential members are the five great powers, Great Briann, the responsible and the second the frequency of the second secon gation shall be fulfilled.

"This covers all of the Monroe Dee-trine except the part of it forbidding a nation in the western hemisphere to France, Italy, Japan and the United States.

Constitution Is Outlined.

The league is to be formed by a covenant which recites in its preamble its general purpose, and then states in 26 different articles the agreements included in the covenant.

"The present membership of the league is to consist of the 14 nations who are to be signatories to the cove-mant and to sign the treaty of peace. "Treatles of members which are invisiatent with the league are abrogat-The most numerous acting governmen the most numerous acting government tal branch of the league is a body of delegates to meet once a year or of-tener II necessary, to consist of at least one representative and not more than three from each nation, with but one vote for each state. This body of dele-nates it to mass ment the quartes of

gates is to pass upon the question of sembership of other nations applying to be admitted. Before a nation shall be admitted it must show itself able be admitten if must show itself able suid willing to conform to the coverant, and must receive the vote of two-thirds of the members of the league. This is reaws to keep Germany out until she is it. The body of delegates also hus the function of taking the place of the excould control as a tribuint of conclution and compromise when either party to the controversy also demands it. The most important agency of the league is the executive council, which consists of representatives of the five great powers and of four other mem-bers to be selected by the body of dele-cates. This council has summerane ex-

Monroe Detribe Extended. "Article ten of the constitution ex-tends our Monroe Detrine to the world by making it an obligation of the league members to respect and preserve. against external aggression, the prominent a part.

"This covers all of the Monroe Dec-trine except the part of it forbidding a nation in the western hemisphere to sell to a foreign country its territory or any part thereof without consent of

or any part thereof without consent of the United States. If this is deemed Laportant, though there is very little likelihood of danger from it, the presi-dent can doubtless secure a specific provision of this sort in the treaty. They were choed in all the appeals to the American people and they found ready response among them and no the American people and they found ready response among them and no protest. The nation is thus pledged to the idea of a League of Nations to rening his opinions concerning the war Nearing had done so for the purpose of obstructing the orderly process of law, merely because he did not agree

Treatles of members which are in-consistent with the league are to be regis-tered in the secretariat of the league and are not binding until registered "Amendments to the league are to be made only upon a unanimous vote of the executive council and a two-fhirds. "This extended summary of the con-stitution of the league above very clearly that the mathers of the league are power. This power rests on the cover the interned to give the league and on their agreed co-operation in the uni-versal boycott and in their voluntary force to punish any covanant-breaking members of the league of the league and on their agreed to juris the voluntary force to punish any covanant-breaking members of the league of the league of the world, but for our own selfish pur-cott, to which all the members of guines. "The punishment of a universal boy-cott, to which all the members of func-league are pledged, is a very formid-

"The punishment of a universal boy-coit, to which all the members of the league are piedged, is a very formid-able instrument of repression, and as this is very likely to be supported by the voluntary military action of some members of the league, especially in-terested, the outlaw nation will find useff in various singles of war with the

bers to be selected by the body of dela parts. This council has numerous exi-centrise duties for the league, and if per-forms an important function in media to be established at the matrix commission is to ad-vise the council on questions of the reginance and out of them will grow co-to a guestions of the league it body and import-ation of the matrix is prospect will min-to be established at the secretariat of the reginance and out of them will grow co-to be established at the secretariat of the reginance and out of them will grow co-to be established at the secretariat of the reginance and out of them will grow co-to be set and out of them will grow co-to be set and out of them will grow co-to be set and out of them will grow co-to be set and out of them will grow co-to be set and out of them will grow co-to be set and out of them will grow co-to be set and out of them will grow co-to be set and out of them will grow co-to be set and out of them will grow co-to be set and be defined at the form the secretariat of the the matrix stationed the the secretariat of the secretariat of the secretariat of the reginance and out of them will grow co-to be set and built of them will grow co-to be set and built set the defined at the the secretariat of the secre

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Order to Avoid Trouble and Notoriety of Trial.

posal that 'might makes right.' It is based on a doctrine of supreme national selfishness. It is the pessimistic and despairing view of any possibility of

of God has become the world's greatest power. "Will the American people acquiesce in such a small view of our responsi-bilities for markind and of our gov-ernmental capacity for international benefit? We may be confident they will not." Creamery company. He states that after he made a thorough investigation of the case, he felt that a technical viola-tion of the law had been made by the order to save trouble and avoid the notoriety of a trial it was decided to enter a plea of guilty. Negotiations were thereupon taken up with the lack of the necessary two-thirds vote in our senate? I cannot think so. When President Wilson returns to pre-sent the result of his visit to Europe it must be that the American people will welcome him with approval and con-

President's Work Lauded. "In the president's addresses and messages during the war and since he has promised to the long-harassed peoples of the allied nations that the United States would press for a League NEARING TRIAL NEAR END to Jury Today. NEARING TRIAL NEAR END to Jury Today. Near and States would press for a League NEARING TRIAL NEAR END to Jury Today. Near and States would press for a League NEARING TRIAL NEAR END to Jury Today. Near and States would press for a League Oregon, Utah, Montana and Colorado

Dutch Ship to Carry Soldiers.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Both sides summed up today in the case of Scott Nearing, former college professor, on trial in federal court for alleged sedi-tious writing during the war and Judge Mayer will charge the jury tomorrow. Earl Barnes, assistant federal district attorney, reviewing the case for the government, declared that in express-ing his oninfora concerning the war bring home American WASHINGTON, Feb. 17 .-- Negotia tions have been completed, it was an-nounced today at the war department, press- for having Holland-American liners e war bring home American troops from troops france of their westward voyages be-ess of tween the United States and Dutch ports.



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BLOCK .- February 17, 1918. at the resi-dence of her daughter, 512 Horthwick, Mrs. Julia Block, are 82 years, helovel mother of Mrs. Tena Buhler, Mrs. Carrie Hocker, Mrs. Julia Klebahman and Adolph, Edward, Julius, Rheinhold Block, Bermains at Pearson undertaking parlors, Russell street at Union avenue. EGWE-At Scattlo Wash. Ech. 16 Arms.

BOWE-At Scattle, Wash, Feb. 16, Agnes H. Rowet beloved mother of Harry and Donald H. Rowe, widow of the late Heiry P. Rowe Funeral will be held in this city. Announcement later.

HILL-In this city, Feb. IT, Sarah E, Hill aged SI, beloved mother of Mrs. G. J. Schwab, of San Francisco: S. C. McCamey, of Amily, Or, and Mrs. O. D. Thornton, of Portland, Romains are at Holman's fu-neral parlors. Funeral notice later.

HILL-At the residence, 781 Hawthorne avenue, February 17, 1019, Sarah E. Hill, aged SJ years 5 months 20 days. Romains at Holman's funeral parlors. Funeral notice later.

HOLBROOK-In this city, Feb. 17, James Holbrook. Funeral notics later. Remains are at the residential parlors of Miller & Tracey.

FUNERAL NOTICES.

FUNERAL NOTICES. MURCHISON—The funeral services of the late Anna B. Mirchison, who passed away in this city Feb. 16, 1019, will be veld Feb. 18 at 2 P. M. from the charged of the Skewes Undertaking Co., cor. Bd and Clay under the auspices of Kirkpatrick Council No. 2227, Knights and Ladies of Security. Friends and members of above order in vited to attend. At the conclusion of the services the body will be taken to Somer-ville, Or., ever the O. W. R. & J. R. R., accompanied by members of the family, where interment will take place. SEEMENZA—In this city, February 15, 1919.

where interment will take place, SEMENZA-In this city, February 15, 1819, William Sementa, accol 17 years 4 months 20, days, baloved sen of Loranzo and Russ Semenas of 1414 Division street. Frienda invited to attend the funeral services, which will be held at St. Michael's Church, Fourth and Mill streets, at 9:30 Å. M. to day (Thesday), February 18, 1919, Inter-ment Multionach counciry, Remains at Houman's funeral parlors.

Hoiman's functal parlors.
FISCHER.—At the family residence, 114 East Third street North, Fabruary 16, Carolinu Fischer, aged 10 years, mother of Mirs. Charles Michael of this city. The functai services will be conducted today (Tues-day), February 18, at 2 F. M., at the above residence. Friends invited to attend. In-terment Greenwood cometery, Dumling & McEntee directors.
ROWE.—At East Bourden T, February 16, 1019. Mirs, H. S. Rowe, belowed mother of Hurry and Captulu Donald H. Rowe, aged 60 Years. A mismber of Eastern Star. Mes-city Chapter. Portland, Or. Funcea-ing parlors, February 19, at 10:30 A. M. McCARLe-In this city, Feb. 16, 1019.

ing partors, residurities at a series of a liceARL-In this city, Feb. 16, 1910, Hichard S, beloved infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew S McCarl, aged 10 days, Acretics were held yesterday at 3:50 P. M. from the Skewes chapel, with informent at Riverview molety.

at Riverview metery. KIRSCHBAUM-The funeral services of the late Wm. Kirschbaum will be held Thes-day, Feb. 18, at 2 P. M. at the chapel of Miller & Tracey. Retrices private. Intur-ment at Multionnal Park constery. STOKER-The remains of the late J. N. Stoker will be forwarded Theaday, Feb. 18, under direction of Miller & Tracey, to Saginaw, Mich., where services will be held and interment take place. FOWER-The remains of the late Mary F

OWERS-The remains of the late Mary E. Bowers will be forwarded to Brownswille, Or, today (Tuesday), by Dunning & Mr-Entes.

Radio Student Returns. SHERIDAN, Or., Feb. 17.-(Special) -Ralph R. Leonard, who has been in the navy since the beginning of the



