ACTION TO RELIEVE FARMERS PROMISED

Joint Congressional Conference to Be Held Today.

EMBARGO TARIFF SOUGHT

Primary Consideration to Be Given Import Duties on Wheat and Wool to Stay Decline.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 .- Members of the senate finance and the house ways and means committee will meet in joint conference tomorrow to formulate an emergency programme of tariff legislation to act as an em-bargo and give relief to the farmers

oargo and give relief to the farmers from the decline in prices.

Decision to hold the conference was reached late today by republican members of the committees, who agreed that speedy action was necessary. They determined also to make the programme non-political if the

ninority members would co-operate. Primary consideration will be given on the programme to import duties on wheat and wool, the producers of which, Chairman Fordney of the ways and means committee said, were now "practically broke" as the result of falling prices. The portion of the programme relating to the tariff was declared, however, to be more com-prehensive and to include considera-tion of protective levies on scores of other commodities.

Free List May Disappear. Fossibility of the conference decid-Ing to wipe out the free list of the Underwood tariff act was declared to be within range of action. Recenactment of portions of the Dingley tariff also were being talked of among the more ardent high tariff supporters. Mr. Fordney, however, said he was in favor of rushing through the emergency protection for wheat and wool and a few other comwheat and wool and a few other com modities and letting other tariff mat-ters go over for hearings and further

nsideration. Clamor for relief legislation of tariff nature with duties so high that they would serve practically as an embargo may be too strong a tide to be halted, conservative supporters of the programme contended. One of the forces in the house seek-

ing relief for the farmers solidified itself today into a compact body, which its leaders declared will be continued as a congressional organi-zation. Republican and democratic members from agricultural districts began consideration of a definite pol-ley for dealing with pending relief legislation and a report will be pre-pared by a special committee for preentation to the full conference next

While these two movements deal Ing with farmer and business relief legislation were in progress, the house banking and currency committee voted to report favorably the sen-ate resolution directing revival of the war finance corporation to assist in financing the exportation of agricul-tural and other products. The house committee struck out the clause de claring it the opinion of congress that the federal reserve board should take action to permit its member banks to grant liberal extensions of

credit to farmers.

The vote in the house committee was seven to six, members from the south and west supporting the res-olution with those from the east and New England opposing it. Chairman McFadden was one of those opposing

the resolution.

Action of the committee followed an all-day session at which Secretary Houston advised against the revival of the war finance corporation on the ground that such a policy would be unsound, while Eugene Meyer, Jr., head of the corporation when it sus-pended activity last May, urged its re-establishment.

FARMERS DISCUSS PROBLEMS

Producers of More Than Dozen

States Meet in St. Louis. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 16,-Farmers from more than a dozen states met here today to decide on action to afford the relief they assert is necessary on account of conditions resulting from the decline in prices of their products. Delegates declared present prices mean bankruptcy and emphasized their belief that they were not due to the law of supply and demand.

The conference was called by the national board of farm organizations.

Potato Embargo Proposed. WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 .- A one-

is proposed in a bill introduced today by Representative Hersey, republican of Maine.

NEGRO DRINKERS CRAZED

Substitutes for Liquor Increase In sanity in Colored Population.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 16 .- (Spe. cial)—There has been more insanity among the negro population here in the last six months than in the previous 12 years because of the use of substitutes for liquor, Dr. William J. Thompkins, superintendent of the city Thompkins, superintendent of the city hospital for negroes, said today. He told members of the hospital and health board that 50 insane patients had been treated at the hospital in the last six months. Virtually all have been of a violent nature.

One day last week 12 insane cases were received in 24 hours. Young negroes predominate among the victims.

Fresh corn whisky is one of the most dangerous of the beverages, said the physician, when drunk after recent distillation. The corn product contains unneutralized fusel oil, which causes violent insanity if taken frequently.

Another popular and dangerous drink is a mixture of grain alcohol, Jamaica ginger, ale sugar and water.

JAPANESE ACCEPT BAN

Teaching of Nipponese Language in Hawaii to Be Stopped.

HONOLULU, T. H., Dec. 16 .- (Spe-HONOLULE, T. H., Dec, 16.—(Special.)—"The foreign language school law passed by the recent session of the territorial legislature represented a fair solution of the problem, provided that it is executed with magnanimity and good will. Should the law, however, be enforced so drastically that it will result in the abolition of the Japanese schools the sould

tion of the Japanese schools, the good relations that exist between the races here will be strained and the islands suffer industrially."

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ng Japanese in local schools of any mas vacation. The committee is now | Washington, Dec. 16.—Second Lieukind. The act will become operative July 1 of next year, but the Japanese educators have already prepared to abide by it and will probably comcarrying out the provision

German Students to Be Fed.

nished a hot midday meal beginning

Wilson's Representative Chosen. SANTIAGO, Chile, Dec. 16. - Announcement of President Wilson's selection of Ambassador Shea as the president's personal representative at BERLIN, Dec. 16.—(By the Associated Press.)—The American friends service committee announced yesterday shat 20.000 hungry German students in 30 universities will be fur-

Army Oficers Are Assigned. THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU,

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