

OUR LIVES REMAINED IN DIVER WARFARE

Nothing Much Accomplished in Day of Debate.

NAVAL ARGUMENT BEGUN

Sub-Committee on Aircraft Decides Not to Try to Put Limit on Airplane Strength.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—The arms conference naval committee passed all of today's debating proposals to restrict submarine warfare against merchant craft, but got no further than a general understanding to reaffirm existing principles of international law and declare a strict application of these principles in the future to submarine operations.

OUTLAWING OF ALL DIVER OPERATIONS AGAINST MERCHANTMEN IS CONSIDERED

Existing Rules for Naval Warfare of Surface Craft Reaffirmed and Strict Application of Code is Accepted in Principle for Submarines—Long Discussions Are Held.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—A resolution by Elihu Root reaffirming existing rules of naval warfare for surface craft and strict application of this code to submarines operating against merchant craft was accepted in principle today by the naval committee of the arms conference.

Universal Assent Denied.
"Such a declaration... proposed in the first (Root) resolution," he added, "will go to the whole world as an indication that... the committee could not agree on such inhibition, there was no disagreement on the question that submarines should never be used contrary to the principles of the law governing war..."

JOY MAY BE UNCONFINED

San Franciscans Will Celebrate New Year's Eve.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 29.—(Special.)—Joy may be unconfined in San Francisco on New Year's eve so far as the peace... dangerous and any form of rowdiness will not be tolerated..."

WINTER HOLIDAYS

at Clatsop Beach.

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bound by the rules of international law." **Law of Special Nature.**
"But as this law is of a very special nature," Admiral de Bon said, "it seems to us the most practical solution would be to refer the consideration of the text submitted by Mr. Root to a committee of jurists which would advise us as to its opinion in regard to the wording being adequate."

Suggestion Made.
Mr. Balfour suggested at this point that the five powers present could agree between themselves to outlaw submarine warfare against merchant vessels even before world assent to such a proposal was received..."

Reclamation Up Again
Assistant Secretary of Interior Suggests Change in Bill.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 29.—The Oregonian news bureau, Washington, D. C., Dec. 29.—In a letter to Senator McNary today, the assistant secretary of the interior suggested a rearrangement of the combined western and southern reclamation bill, which provides \$350,000,000 for irrigation and swamp land drainage.

Liquor Cases Dropped

Prosecution of 131 Persons in Federal Court Abandoned.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 29.—Prosecutions of 131 persons charged with violation of war-time prohibition and the national prohibition act were abandoned in federal court today.

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THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., Dec. 29.—Senator Borah is to speak to approximately 100,000 persons next Sunday from the pulpit of the Church of the Covenant, Presbyterian, according to plans announced today by Dr. Wood, pastor of the church.

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to know in what way the second resolution tallies with the first." He also suggested that a clear definition of merchant craft might throw light on the question involved. He invited an explanation from Root, Sir Robert Borden for Canada said he understood Mr. Root to have set forth "existing rules which had been, or should have been, the general practice in the past to govern the action of nations in time of war" and had no doubt these rules were correctly stated and should have been followed by belligerent vessels during the recent war, although in fact they had been "wantonly violated."

tion bill, which provides \$350,000,000 for irrigation and swamp land drainage. After examination of a new draft of the bill enclosed with the letter, Senator McNary said the department had suggested practically no change in the substance of the bill. The purpose of the suggested draft, he said, seemed to be merely to clarify the phraseology with a view to making interpretation unmistakable. In the letter the interior department took occasion again to express a keen interest in the bill and to urge that it be passed toward passage with as little delay as possible.

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SOLDIER PLOTS WANTED

WAR SECRETARY ASKS MONEY TO BUY CEMETERIES.

Report to House Declares That Bodies of 32,000 Men Probably Will Stay Overseas.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 29.—Purchase at an estimated cost of \$111,000 of seven tracts of land in Europe for permanent American cemeteries was recommended today by Secretary Weeks, who, in a letter to Speaker Gillett, asked also that congress make an additional \$74,000 available for improvement of the cemeteries.

Secretary Weeks estimated that the bodies of 32,000 Americans who died overseas would not be returned to the United States. He said arrangements were being made to concentrate the bodies in six cemeteries in France, one in Belgium and one in England.

SAWS FOUND IN CELLS

Jailbreak at Eugene Is Believed to Have Been Prevented.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 29.—(Special.)—Three complete hacks and number of pieces of saws, all of hard steel, were found in the cells of the Lane county jail by Sheriff Sticklest today. Two bars of an outer window of the jail were sawed a few days ago and it was believed that a wholesale break for liberty would have been made that day but for the discovery. Today more bars were found to have been sawed partially and a bolt on the cage had been sawed nearly in two.

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