LYNCH TRIMS SMITH BY CLOSE DECISION

Bantam Title Holder Has Hard Time to Win.

CROWD HOOTS VERDICT

Midget Hammers Champion All Over Ring and Joe Comes Back With Same Stuff.

(By Chicago Tribune Leased Wire.)

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, New York, Dec. 22.—Joe Lynch retained his bantamweight championship by receiving the decision over Midget Smith at the end of 15 rounds here tonight. The decision was received with hoots and booes which continued for several minutes after the verdict.

Smith had all the better of the early rounds, in the opinion of ringside sharps, and held his own in a furious finish. Newspaper critics gave Lynch but one round and five were about even. The rest were easily Smith's. The champion did most of the leading after the ninth round, but Midget's hitting was much the more effective.

However, the majority of the fans present evidently did not concur in the opinion of the judges.

Although Lynch carried the fight to the tiny Harlem battler, he received many a hard blow while tearing in. In our opinion Smith was entitled to the decision. At the least a draw verdict was due. It would not have injured either man, and, as it happened, the decision announced sent 12,000 boxing fans home very much dissatisfied.

When Lynch left the ring there was not a semblance of a cheer to follow him into his dressing room, but the crowd stood up and cheered the challenger.

The last round was one of the fiercest scrimmages ever seen in the local ring. The two little Irishmen stood toe to toe whaling away in a desperate effort to connect for a knockout. In that frame Smith had Lynch dazed several times, but the wonderful fighting instinct of the west sider kept him fighting back like a real champion.

Round 1.

Lynch sent a left into midget's face and the midget crossed him with a right to the ear. The midget sent a hard right back of Lynch's ear. They clinched. Smith sent another right back of Lynch's ear and rushed the champion to the ropes. Lynch missed a terrific right try to the chin and then got very wild. Midget missed with a hard left to the face and then plastered Joe with two rights to the mouth.

Round 2.

Midget tore in hooking his left to Joe's wind. In a clinch Smith had the better of the going at close range. Smith rapped the champion hard with a right over-hand smash to the chin. The champion landed a light left to midget's face but the tiny fellow came back with two to Joe's mouth. Lynch forced Smith into Smith's corner and rapped him several times with straight rights to the mouth. Smith hooked a left to Lynch's jaw just at the bell.

Round 3.

They clinched, both getting in some good body blows. Joe missed several lefts for the head and another clinch followed. Lynch sent two lefts to Smith's face and they exchanged rights to the head. Smith landed a hard right swing to Joe's head, forcing Joe to clinch, and sent another right to Joe's head and followed it up with another shot on the same spot, staggering the champion.

Round 4.

Right off the reel they clashed into a clinch, both pounding at the body. Lynch sent two lefts to Smith's face without a return, but Smith swiped him a moment later with a right to the face. Smith drove three lefts to Joe's mouth and Smith sent another left to Joe's mouth. Joe jabbed Smith with left to mouth. Midget sent a hard right to Joe's head, sending Joe back on his heels. Lynch was very wild.

Round 5.

They clinched. Lynch missed several left leads for the face. They exchanged right-hand punches to head. Lynch missed several more left leads for the head. Lynch missed with a right for the head and Smith rapped him with a blow to the ear. Joe landed a stiff left to Smith's mouth, which was bleeding profusely.

Round 6.

Joe was missing continually with his left trys for the face. Smith snapped two lefts to Joe's mouth and escaped without a return. Smith shook Joe with a snappy right-hand punch to the jaw. They exchanged rights. Smith again sent Lynch back on his heels with another right-hand smash to the chin. The champion was very wild trying to nail the tiny fellow. The midget drove another left to the mouth and Lynch nailed Smith with a hard left to the mouth.

Round 7.

After considerable feinting Lynch landed a left to Smith's mouth and the latter countered with a right to the ear. Smith sent a left to Joe's mouth and then brought his right over to Lynch's head forcing the champion to break ground. Smith sent an awful blow with his right under Lynch's heart. Smith missed a right try for head while Joe landed a short right-hand drive to the midget's ribs.

Round 8.

The midget rapped Lynch three times with rights back of the ear and a clinch followed with both men on ropes pounding away for dear life. Lynch sent several lefts to Smith's mouth and forced him into a corner. Lynch sent another left to midget's mouth. A clinch followed and Joe had better of exchanges. Lynch sent another left to midget's mouth just at the bell.

Round 9.

Smith clipped a looping right-hand smash to Joe's ear, nearly upsetting the champion. Smitty then hooked a left to Joe's wind. The midget missed a hard right-hand try for the button. Smith rapped Joe with three hard rights to the chin and the champion threw all caution to the wind. A fierce clinch followed. Lynch was desperate and kept missing left-hand trys for the head.

Round 10.

Smith rapped Joe with three rights to the head. Once more the midget stepped in with a right to the head and two lefts to the body. Lynch's aim was still bad and he missed several to the face. Midget sent a hard right under Joe's heart. Smith sent a hard right to Joe's face just as the bell rang.

Round 11.

Smith sent a left hook to Lynch's mouth. The latter leaped around like a wild man. Joe sent a stiff left to the midget's bleeding mouth. They exchanged rights to the head. They both got in some good body blows in a series of clinches that followed. Smith missed a right for the head and a fierce scrimmage followed with honors about even.

Round 12.

Smith threw a left to Joe's mouth and a furious clinch followed, the pair stood in the center of the ring exchanging smashes to the head. Clinch after clinch followed. With the boys pounding away at the body Smith's face was smeared with claret which flowed freely from his mouth, but he was strong and sent a hard right to Joe's ear. Lynch hooked over a left to the mouth. Lynch did the forcing at this stage but took many a crack while tearing in.

Round 13.

Lynch missed with left to the face and midget drove a straight right to Joe's chin. They clinched. The midget continued trying for a haymaker at every shift while Lynch locked like a tired old man. He was plainly worried with the way the title seemed to be slipping from him. Lynch missed repeatedly with lefts to the face while the midget played to Joe's body. Smith nearly knocked Lynch's head off with a right smash back of the ear. Joe sent a crashing blow to midget's head but the latter responded with a right to the mouth at the bell.

Round 14.

They tore into a clinch. Lynch was cautioned for holding. Lynch drove a left to midget's mouth and the usual clinch followed. Smith crashed a right to the champion's ear and followed it with a left to the mouth. Lynch sent through a stiff left to Smith's face. In a fierce mix-up Smith slipped to the floor. Lynch desperately tried to land a blow that would efface the lead piled up by the challenger and a fierce exchange of right-hand punches to the head resulted. It was the best round of the bout. Both men were trying hard for a knockout.

Round 15.

Both men tore in swinging desperately and throwing all caution to the wind. They whaled away, each seeking to land a knockout punch. Midget connected with Joe's chin, but the latter refused to back up, and they pitched into it with renewed fury. The action was so rapid it was impossible to record the blows. The midget cracked Joe again with a hard right to the chin but Lynch was back with two terrific rights to the mouth. The referee had great difficulty in separating them. They fought all over the ring exchanging rights and lefts to the chin. Lynch was reeling, but desperate and trying to get home a decisive punch. It was one of the greatest fights ever seen in a New York ring.

OLYMPIA QUINTET IS NAMED

Coach Skadan Picks High School Basketball Team.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Coach Skadan of Olympia high school today announced his squad for the basketball season. Members of the squad, many of whom played last year, are Ole Berlin, captain; Joe Koenig, Anderson, Mills, McGuire, McKinney, Van Vlack, Ernenwein, Palmer, Richardson, White, Lamgum, Munro, Saeger, A. Ditmars, F. Ditmars, Chambers, Ralston, Winters, Foster, Deming, Kelley, Taylor, Henry, Hinkle and Gallagher.

The team has scheduled its first game of the season with the 6th engineers of Camp Lewis. The game will be played on the American Legion floor here.

STAR END CHOSEN CAPTAIN

Warren Lassiter to Pilot 1923 Washington High Eleven.

Warren Lassiter, star end of the Washington high football team, was yesterday elected to captain the 1923 eleven. Lassiter is the lightest player on the 1922 Washington team. Although this was his first year as a regular, he held down one of the wing positions as a veteran.

Harry Lady at the same time was elected captain of the 1922-23 basketball team. Lady also is a star football player and is the president of the June, '22, class. Dr. W. A. Fenstermacher will coach the basketball five.

COACH WELCH RESIGNS JOB

Connection With State College Football Team Ended.

PULLMAN, Wash., Dec. 23.—Gustavius A. Welch, since 1919 coach of the Washington State college football team, resigned today and his resignation has been accepted, according to announcement by the college athletic council.

It was stated that Welch's agreement with the institution under which he received a salary of $4500 a year provided that it was to be terminated upon his request.

Albany Juniors Win Honors.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—The Albany high school junior basketball quintet yesterday won the right to wear numerals by defeating the senior class team in the second hoop tournament of the local institution. The score was 24 to 14. This gives the juniors both the class numerals and the silver trophy cup awarded for the class championship. In the first two games of the series played Wednesday the juniors won from the sophomores, 23 to 10, and the seniors won from the freshmen, 19 to 11.

Albany Grappler Victor.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Charles Olson, local middleweight wrestler, won from Earl Forster, Lebanon 160-pounder, in two straight falls here last night. Olson took the first fall with a toe hold after 48 minutes of mat work. The second fall was secured by the local grappler with a wristlock and body scissors after 25 minutes. Vic Nygren, local amateur, won two straight falls from Richards of Scio in a preliminary match.

Swimming Splashes.

J. Von Schelle of Belgium won the 100-yard swimming championship of Britain at Belton recently, covering the distance in 56 2-5 seconds in the deciding heat. C. K. Baille, champion of Scotland, rated favorite by many, suffered a slump on reaching England and swam unplaced, but proved shortly that the claims made for him were well founded, for he did the century in 56 1-5 at Liverpool a couple of days later.

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The classic British sprint, which settled the question of European leadership, again called attention to the runner-up, Baille, who is regarded in his country as a swimmer of international possibilities. A boy of 18, Baille captured the Scottish title in 56 2-5 seconds and this in spite of a poor stroke. He swims awkwardly, with muscles tense. But after the British championship test one of England's foremost experts expressed the belief that the highland youth soon will do the hundred in 54 seconds or better, if he learns to relax. At Baille's age it is not difficult to overcome faults.

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Says one of the New York dailies in regard to competitive swimming for school girls: "Water sports are growing increasingly popular with the student lassies, and it seems a pity that the local public school athletic league, whose aquatic activities for boys have been so wonderfully successful, does not encourage girls with similar events. Actually swimming is a branch of athletics in a class by itself, not only because ability in natation is the means of protecting and saving life, but there is no more beneficial form of exercise. There is particular reason, therefore, for offering young girls an incentive to practice and develop the proficiency necessary to meet emergencies adequately. The greatest of incentives is afforded by competition."

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That applies not only to New York, but to every city and town in the country. While many schools for girls teach swimming, experience has demonstrated that mere instruction does not attain the aim in view. A large percentage of the students learn to paddle a few strokes and go no further. This does not help them in case of danger. To make them persevere until they gain real skill some inducement is imperative. Competition is the logical solution, for school girls are keenly interested in sports nowadays. If all schools for girls were to foster competitive aquatics loss of life by drowning would be reduced astonishingly.

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The recent offer of the Illinois Athletic club to guarantee $2000 for the trip of the Olympic club water polo team to the 1923 national amateur athletic union championship tournament in Chicago has been declined by the San Francisco organization. The reason assigned is that some star members of the team, including Gardner, Netherington, Carson and Hewell, are either at college or in business and cannot spare time for the expedition.

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Meanwhile Stanford university has requested permission to stage the junior national water polo title tourney for 1922, relinquished by the Pacific Northwest association owing to insufficient entries. If the request is granted the championship fixture will be held in the college pool shortly and the teams of California, Olympic club, Neptune Beach, Pacific City Swimming club and Stanford have promised to take part.

FOURNIER IS IN LINE TO HEAD BALL UNION

Cardinal Player Now Likely to Become President.

SOME SIDESTEP HONOR

Suggestion of General Strike to Force Minimum Wage Scoffed at by Owner of Giants.

(By Chicago Tribune Leased Wire.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—It begins to look as if Jack Fournier, the first baseman of the St. Louis Cardinals, will be forced to accept the presidency of the players' union by default. Frank Frisch of the Giants has already declined to be a nominee for the office, and today it was learned that George Burns of the Reds, the leading candidate, has also notified the union that he would not consent to holding the chief office.

Two Refuse Honor.

According to John J. McGraw, Burns made this statement to Hans Lobert, ex-third baseman of the Giants, and George is now said to have withdrawn from the race. This puts the issue squarely up to Fournier. The odd part of this development is that the Cardinals asked waivers on the Frenchman three times last season and recently tried to trade him to Brooklyn or Boston. There is a probability that Fournier will be sent to a minor league team, which would be a queer fate for the prospective president of the major league players' union.

Nominee Withdraws Name.

Arthur Fletcher, one of the three nominees for vice-president, also has withdrawn gracefully from the race. Fletcher is now manager of the Phillies, and he considers that it would be a quaint performance to be an officer of the union and head of the Phils at the same time. President Baker is understood to have the same ideas on the subject. McGraw scoffed at the suggestion that the union might call a general strike or demand a minimum wage of $5000. He gave it as his opinion that the players could never hold out against the magnates if the latter should threaten to cut the athletes off from their bread and butter.

FEEDING PLACES NEEDED

WESTERN WATER FOWL INCREASE RAPIDLY.

Oregon Wild Ducks Said to Have Died of Starvation; Biological Report Is Issued.

Western water fowl have increased to such an extent through the enforcement of the migratory bird treaty and Lacey acts that the maintaining of adequate breeding, resting and feeding places is becoming a serious problem for the government. This is the statement made in the annual report of the chief of the bureau of the biological survey at Washington, D. C., just issued to United States Game Warden Steele, whose headquarters is in Portland.

"Cordial co-operation extended by state game officials and sportsmen from practically every state has contributed in a large measure to the results achieved, not only in the enforcement of the law, but in creating favorable opinion toward its observance," the report reads. "Without this co-operation the bureau, with its slender force of wardens, would have been desperately handicapped.

"The great increase in ducks has brought about actual embarrassment for accommodation in natural feeding in some instances. Reliable information is at hand from Oregon, for instance, that large numbers of wild ducks died of starvation and others were in an emaciated condition after having eaten all the vegetation from the ponds in the locality in which they were found."

Violations of the acts, however, have been numerous, the report states. Georgia leads the list in the number of convictions of violators, with 59. A great many infringements also were recorded in Tennessee, Massachusetts, Virginia, Arkansas and Missouri. Oregon reported only eight, Washington 18 and California two.

KRAMER TO BOX GORMAN

TEN-ROUND BATTLE CLOSED FOR NEW YEAR'S DAY.

Pacific Coast Featherweight Title Will Be Decided in Clash at Armory.

Danny Kramer and Joe Gorman will battle ten rounds or less in the armory ring New Year's afternoon for the Pacific coast featherweight title. This match, the final tilt in the tournament which has been running several months, was closed yesterday by Matchmaker Harry Hansen.

Kramer by his decisive victory over Weldon Wing Thursday night won the right to fight Gorman on the New Year's card. Gorman has won two bouts in the tournament, beating George Burns and King Leopold. Gorman has been training at his home in Grants Pass for the last two weeks. He will come to Portland Sunday to finish training for the Kramer bout.

With the main event all set Matchmaker Hansen is lining up his preliminary card. Hansen will attempt to bring Roughhouse George Burns of Portland and Roughhouse Charley Burns of Vancouver, B. C., together in the semi-windup. This will be for the roughhouse championship of the northwest.

ULTIMATUM SENT CRIQUI

Bout With O'Rourke to Be Called Off Unless $25,000 Is Taken.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Tom O'Rourke, New York boxing promoter, today cabled Eugene Criqui, European featherweight champion, that plans to match him with Johnny Kilbane of Cleveland, world's title holder, next Decoration day at the Polo grounds, would be canceled unless Criqui agreed to accept a guarantee of $25,000 or 20 per cent of the gate receipts. O'Rourke's cablegram was in answer to one from Robert Eudeline, Criqui's manager, demanding 22½ per cent of the gate receipts as the Frenchman's share.

"I also informed Criqui's manager," O'Rourke declared, "that if he fails to accept my offer I will match Johnny Dundee of New York for a title contest with Kilbane. I have Kilbane's agreement to fight on that date with any opponent I may select."

Dundee is recognized as the featherweight champion by the New York state athletic commission, which ruled Kilbane had vacated his title for failure to accept Dundee's challenge.

O'Rourke also announced he was angling for a championship heavyweight contest at the Polo grounds next July 4 and had communicated with Tom Gibbons, Jess Willard and Joe Beckett, the Englishman, in an effort to match one of them with Jack Dempsey.

GRID CAPTAIN ELECTED

JERRY RANSAVAGE HEADS COLUMBIA SQUAD.

Letters Are Presented to 16 Players; Only Three Letter Men Back for Hoop Practice.

At a meeting of the Columbia football lettermen Thursday night at the school, Jerry Ransavage, two-year letterman, was elected captain of the 1923 team. Letters were presented to 16 players—Joe Doherty, John Curran, Frank Haner, Jerry Ransavage, Van Orden, Cooley, Homer Hicks, Roland McElhany, Cornelius Haggerty, Norbert Kavanaugh, Raymond Cudahy, Wesley Schulmerich, Fred Collins, Jack Johnson, Geenty and John Logan.

Captain-elect Ransavage is from Wilkes-Barre, Pa. He is a junior at the Peninsula institution and has two years more of football there. Wesley Schulmerich, 1922 captain, graduates in the spring. Schulmerich and a couple of other Columbia graduates plan to go to Notre Dame in the fall.

Basketball practice at Columbia started this week under the direction of Maurice Clipper Smith, coach, who formerly played on the Notre Dame quintet. Only three lettermen are back. Coach Smith has decided to do away with a permanent basketball captain and will appoint a captain for each game.

Cudahy, center, and Schulmerich and Logan, guards, are the men around whom Columbia hopes to build a winner. Murphy and Geenty look best at forwards. They played on the second team last year. Cudahy will have competitors in McClellan and Sweeney. Best and McDonald may make the team.

Columbia's regular schedule does not begin until the latter part of January. The school is after practice games with the Portland high schools. Last year Columbia played Jefferson, losing to that school by a small score.

$100,000 TAKEN ON GENE

Professional to Be Insured by Club He Will Represent.

(By Chicago Tribune Leased Wire.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—In addition to his many "firsts" in golf affairs during the past season, Gene Sarazen, national open and professional golf association champion, doubtless soon will be the first of the golf profession to be insured for $100,000 against accident or death. As soon as Chauncey Depew Steele, manager of the new Briar Cliff lodge at Briar Cliff manor on the Hudson, got Gene's signature attached to a two-year contract to represent the club as its professional, he summoned a life insurance agent and applied for a $100,000 policy on the life of his "star."

"Sarazen is going away on a long trip," said Mr. Steele today, "and we want to make provision against any emergency that might arise. It seems to have become the practice of baseball clubs to insure their star players and I believe it to be only good business."

GONZAGA COACH TO STAY

Dorais Declines Offer to Go to University of Detroit.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 22.—Coach Dorais has declined an offer from the University of Detroit to become athletic director and football coach at that institution, it became known here today following the departure of the Gonzaga mentor for San Diego, Cal., where his football team will meet the University of West Virginia on Christmas day.

Dorais has decided to remain at Gonzaga.

Rogue River Hoopers Beaten.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—The scrappy Rogue River high school basketball team which is making a barnstorming tour of the Willamette valley was defeated here last night by the much heavier and more experienced Albany college freshmen. The score was 29 to 27. Three lucky field goals from midfloor by Steincipher turned defeat for the freshmen into victory during the last few minutes of play. The boys from Jackson county outplayed the local quintet and was ahead at the end of the first half, 17 to 10. Law, diminutive forward for the visitors, was star.

Girl Hoopers Selected.

HOQUIAM, Wash., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Lillian Anderson, coach of the high school, announced today the girls she had selected for the basketball team and substitutes. The selections were made after she had witnessed play by nearly all of them in interclass games, which the freshmen finally won from the juniors, 23 to 14. The team is June Stevens and Addid McKash, forwards; Edna Jolly and Georgia Antrim, guards; Evelyn Wilson and Dora Convis, centers, and Ruth Franklin, Marian Iverson and Ruth Levi, substitutes. The first game will be January 15.

McGraw to Have Operation.

(By Chicago Tribune Leased Wire.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—John J. McGraw is going to have a section of cartilage removed from his nose next week. He has been suffering from a chronic cold and the surgeons have told him that the nasal passage is blocked, preventing full breathing. The trouble comes from an accident 15 years ago when Dummy Taylor, the Giants' mute pitcher, threw a ball which hit McGraw on the side of the nose. The bone was broken and an artery in the throat also burst.

Stanford ex-Coach Ill.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—Gene Van Gent, former head coach of the Stanford university football and basketball teams, is seriously ill here with sleeping sickness, it was announced today by his physician. Van Gent is a former University of Wisconsin football star and twice won a place on the mythical All-Western eleven.

BRIEF FOR LIQUORS ON U. S. SHIPS FILED

Case Appealed by International Mercantile Marine.

INTENT OF LAW CITED

Plea Declares Congress Would Not Mean to Hamper Vessels Flying American Flag.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—A plea that American ships cannot justly be prevented from serving liquor on the high seas, under the prohibition laws, was set forth in a brief filed in the supreme court today by the International Mercantile Marine in support of its appeal from the interpretation given the Daugherty bone-dry ruling by Federal Judge Hand at New York.

The brief also declared it is not unlawful for vessels to bring their ship stores of liquor into American territorial waters. In this respect the position taken by the International Mercantile Marine is similar to that set forth by the foreign shipping concerns in a brief filed recently with the court.

Declaring that should the decision of Judge Hand be sustained, "it will be impossible commercially to operate American flag steamers in the passenger trade of the world," the brief set out that the great foreign trans-Atlantic liners will always be able to sell liquor on their westbound voyages and against such competition the American lines will be seriously handicapped because, it says, Europeans will not travel by American steamers when they can come by foreign ships and enjoy their usual wine.

Conditions Are Similar.

Similar conditions, it adds, will prevail in the South American trade on the northbound voyages, while vessels southbound in that trade can stock up with liquors at Bermuda or Havana. The most serious competition will come, it asserts, on the Pacific, where in the far eastern trade ships sailing from Canadian ports would have diverted to them practically all the passenger business.

"It seems inconceivable that congress would have intended to extend prohibition to ships," the brief asserted, "when the result of doing so would be to nullify the national policy of the United States with respect to shipping so far as passenger traffic is concerned."

Whatever one's personal views may be on the subject of prohibition, "it must be admitted that it is not possible for American passenger vessels which are dry," the brief continued, "to seek in foreign ports the patronage of subjects of those foreign nations whose customs and diet prescribe wines and other liquors."

Liquor of Foreign Make.

The liquor which it is proposed to exclude from American ships was not manufactured, sold or transported within the territorial limits of the United States, the brief declared, and none of it is imported into or exported from the United States. The liquor, embodied in the ship as part of its sea stores, never leaves the ship, the brief states, but is consumed wholly upon the high seas or in foreign ports.

Unless the supreme court reverses the action of Judge Hand, steamship owners believe, the brief declared, "that a majority of the stewards and other minor employes of American vessels will become bootleggers."

"It is lawful," it added, "to purchase liquor in foreign ports. To smuggle on board and hide it there would be easy and practically impossible of detection. Stewards and other minor employes of American ships, tempted by large gains, would undoubtedly have available a plentiful supply of liquor for any of the passengers who might wish it. In any event, the crews of American vessels, so soon as a ship touched a foreign port, can reasonably be expected to stock up with whatever they may wish, at least for their own consumption."

Menace to Flag Cited.

Should Judge Hand's decision be sustained by the supreme court there would be a "gradual elimination of the American flag from passenger trade on the high seas," the brief said. Congress did not state in the constitutional amendment or in the prohibition enforcement act that either was to apply to American vessels on the high seas or in foreign ports, it declares, and prohibition, it adds, should not be extended by implication when congress has the power to legislate expressly on the subject, "but has not done so."

LIQUOR AUTO REGAINED

Owner Protests He Didn't Know Borrower's Purpose.

By a narrow margin, which included the benefit of the doubt, F. M. Larson regained his auto-truck yesterday through a plea to Federal Judge Wolverton. The court's warning was that hereafter he must be very careful of the company kept by the vehicle.

The truck was seized recently by federal officers and held for libel proceedings, in the arrest of H. McCabe, who employed it for the delivery of 60 gallons of moonshine. Larson, as owner of the truck, protested that he did not know the purpose for which it was borrowed.

A fine of $200 was levied upon A. Weinstein, in federal court, for a violation of the prohibition law. Additional convictions for the same offense were those of P. T. Depper and S. L. Solomon, who were each fined $250.

BILL WOULD BAR ALIENS

Amendment to Constitution Is Planned to Restrict Japanese.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 22.—United States Senator Jones announces in a letter received here by Captain Ewing D. Colvin of the American Legion that he will propose in congress that the constitution of the United States be amended to end automatic bestowal of citizenship on children of aliens.

Captain Colvin said that the amendment would be aimed at the children of alien Japanese. The amendment would include a provision that none could be naturalized if his parents were ineligible to naturalization, he added.

Japanese Smugglers Sentenced.

K. Takira and Jutara Kajino, Japanese sailors, who pleaded guilty to the charge of smuggling five Japanese into the United States, were given federal penitentiary sentences yesterday by Federal Judge Wolverton. As leader of the smuggling operation, Kajino was fined $500 and sent to McNeil's island for two years for smuggling. On a second charge of helping to conceal the men in a Portland hotel he was fined $250 and 13 months was added to his sentence at McNeil's. Takira received a sentence of 13 months to McNeil's and was fined $250. Yoshitsuga Nimura, third member of the gang, pleaded not guilty and will be tried January 22.

BUSINESS MEN ALARMED

CHANGE IN FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM FEARED.

New York Banker in Message to President Calls Attention to Danger He Discovers.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Lewis E. Pierson, president of the Merchants' association and chairman of the board of the Irving National bank, wrote President Harding that there is a "feeling of profound alarm among merchants of the United States lest changes in the federal reserve system may work harm to the country."

He said that unless a determined effort was made at once "to arrest present efforts to bias the minds of a large portion of our people," the federal reserve system might become so disorganized that "a repetition of the disastrous history of the first and second banks of the United States" might occur.

The reserve system can survive, the banker declared, only if its management is continued in the hands of men of courage, expert training and moral independence.

"The Merchants' association realizes the great difficulties that confront you at this time in protecting the federal reserve system," the letter concluded. "But it hopes that you may succeed in training or securing for the system men of the best training and outstanding ability necessary to discharge the duties of their offices."

PROSPERITY IS IN SIGHT

Boom in Building Predicted for Spring of 1923.

NEW YORK.—Confidence in the outlook for an unprecedented building boom in the spring of 1923, based on an exhaustive trade survey conducted through 55 branch offices in the United States and Canada, has led executives of Johns-Manville, Inc., producers of building material, to order substantial increases in the output of the company's existing factories and to rush to early completion two new plants, one at Asbestos, P. Q., Canada, and the other at Waukegan, Ill.

The working forces at the company's various factories are to be increased shortly by 15 per cent, and in order to create reserves for next year the production of insulating and roofing material is to be increased by 26 per cent.

Fish Dealers With Liquor Fined.

Upon their confession that they had virtually made a liquor market of their place of business, P. T. Deper and S. L. Solomon, fish merchants at 149 First street, were fined $250 apiece by Federal Judge Wolverton yesterday. Their arrests were the result of the finding by federal agents of six pints of moonshine on their premises. Mrs. A. Weinstein, who last week was arrested following her selling the agents several bottles of whisky, pleaded guilty yesterday and was fined $250.

Lumber Plant Will Resume.

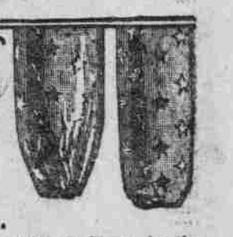
CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—After a shutdown since October 1, the Snow Lumber & Shingle company's plant will resume operations January 2, at Littell. Both the mill and logging camps will be put to work. Manager Dunlop reports the car situation as somewhat more promising and hopes to be able to get sufficient transportation to enable the plant to run steadily.

Election Fraud Charged.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 22.—Petition for a new election to choose a mayor for this city was filed in supreme court today on behalf of L. D. Taylor. Mayor Tisdall was declared elected in the voting December 13. Mr. Taylor, former mayor, asserts that some citizens voted twice, and that other irregularities occurred.

Blue Point
Whitaker's
HAVANA CIGAR

for Christmas



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MEMPHIS BANTAM WINS IN FAST CHICAGO FIGHT.

Veteran General of Ring Stages Remarkable Comeback After Defeat by Lynch.

(By Chicago Tribune Leased Wire.)

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Pal Moore of Memphis showed some of the form that made him famous as conqueror of bantam titleholders by whipping Bud Taylor, budding champion, in ten rounds of the fastest milling ever seen aboard the Commodore, or anywhere else, for that matter.

The veteran, who has made so many classy boxers look like selling platers, demonstrated to the crowd that packed the good ship to the rub rails that he is right back where he was before his disastrous meeting with Joe Lynch at Michigan City.

Pal outboxed, outgeneraled and in many of the too-numerous-to-mention slugging bees gave as good as was sent, and was right on the job for more. In praising the exhibition of Moore, Taylor's work should not be overlooked. With probably any other real 117-pounder now sporting gloves he would have been returned the winner, and had Pal been less smart he might have been turned over. Taylor tried every minute from the tap of the gong, but, try as he could to reach a vulnerable spot on the Memphis boy, he was outmaneuvered and his blows, which carried knockout drops in them, either landed on Moore's arms or gloves or in thin air.

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National Guard Officers Must Refund to Government.

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Uncle Sam became the antithesis of Santa Claus today in the minds of 400 officers of the Massachusetts national guard, when they received notice to turn back to the federal government sums from $20 to $60, paid them in error.

In Massachusetts it was learned, $11,000 must be returned to the federal quartermaster on account of misinterpretation of the national defense act, when the national guard officers were in camp last summer.

Best Film to Win Medal.

PARIS, Dec. 22.—An association bearing the name "Friends of the Cinema" has decided to award a gold medal each year to the film, French or foreign, which it judges has best contributed to the progress of the motion picture art. The French newspapers welcome the idea as supplying to the cinema what the Goncourt prize is to the novel.

Four Ask Divorce.

Divorce suits filed yesterday in circuit court bore the following titles: Vida against Nathan A. Gage, Thomas J. against Lola A. Stamp, Virginia against Riley Augustus Bruner and Charlotte M. against Ernest Parker Smith.

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