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NATION'S BIG MEN TO PLAN DEFENSE

Invite Governors and Congressmen From Every State.

INCREASE FIGHTING FORCE.

Aerial Torpedo Boat Now Under Discussion—Idea Patented by Rear Admiral Fiske Twenty Years Ago—Believed Device Can Be Perfected For Use in Landlocked Harbors.

Washington.—The first great gathering in the United States to consider the national defense question will be held in Washington from Oct. 4 to 7. It will take place immediately following the Grand Army of the Republic encampment here and will be under the auspices of the National Defense league.

It is planned that the gathering shall be one of representative citizens from every state of the Union, who will consider what measures must be taken by congress to increase the fighting arms of the country.

The conference will be presided over by Representative Kahn of California, chairman, and Senator Robert F. Broussard of Louisiana, vice chairman of the National Defense league.

An invention which was perfected by Rear Admiral Fiske almost twenty years ago, when he was a lieutenant commander in the navy, is being considered by naval designers as a possible basis for the construction of aerial torpedo boats which might inflict tremendous damage on an enemy's battleships.

The Fiske invention provides for the construction of a flying vessel which would carry a torpedo weighing one ton. One of the principal values of

sequent developments of radio controlled devices.

"My invention," says the application filed by Lieutenant Commander Fiske, "is especially applicable to automobile torpedoes and makes it possible to control the movements of a torpedo with great certainty from a shore, from the deck of a ship or a lake."

Since the aerial torpedo plan was advanced reports have come that German engineers were at work on a similar scheme. It is planned to drop from aeroplanes a torpedo that can be guided by radio impulses during its fall and send it with absolute certainty to its mark.

Further tests of the Isham high explosive fuse for use in navy shells will be made soon by the naval board appointed eight months ago to determine the value of this device submitted by Willard S. Isham. The fuse was a subject of controversy during the last congress, and the special board, headed by Rear Admiral Fiske, was appointed to conduct the tests. Admiral Fiske's recommendation that several fuses be made with improvements suggested by the board since previous experiments showed no very satisfactory result.

MICHIGAN PLANS FINE CLUBHOUSE

Will Be Meeting Place of All Men in University.

ENTIRE COST \$1,000,000.

Dr. James B. Angell, Venerable Educator, in Eighty-seventh Year, Seeing Dream Come True—Campaign to Raise \$1,000,000 Starts in October. Army of Graduates to Enroll.

Ann Arbor, Mich.—During the forty-four years that Dr. James B. Angell has been president or president emeritus of the University of Michigan he has preached the doctrine of true democracy among college men. And now the venerable educator in his eighty-seventh year is seeing a dream come true. Michigan is to have a student clubhouse, cosmopolitan in character, which will be the common meeting ground of practically all of the men in the university. It is to be known as the Michigan Union building, the un-

has 6,800 students, coming from every part of the globe, and the exchange of ideas among cosmopolitans is considered by Dr. Angell one of the greatest needs at all the large universities.

It is claimed that the University of Michigan that a great student body such as the Michigan union has the power to democratize undergraduates by eliminating artificial barriers between Greek letter fraternity men and independents, between rich and poor. In fact, the Michigan union has already done much along that line, but its real opportunity will come, according to President Emeritus Angell, with the completion of the union building.

The alumni of Michigan—35,000 in number—are to present the building, equipped and endowed, to the union. The entire cost will be \$1,000,000. Of that sum \$250,000 is for an endowment to insure dues so low that the advantages of the union will be within the reach of every student. The building will contain many of the features found today in the fine clubhouses of large cities—swimming pool, meeting rooms, billiards and bowling alleys, banquet halls and dormitories for returning alumni.

The campaign to raise the \$1,000,000 will be started in October. A Michigan union committee is to be found in each of the leading cities of America—183 in all. When the campaign begins an army of 2,000 Michigan graduates will be enrolled in the work.

NO WHITE TUTORS FOR BLACK

Georgia Senate Passes Measure—Rockefeller School Affected.

Atlanta, Ga.—The Georgia senate passed a measure prohibiting whites from teaching in negro schools of the state. It carries a provision that makes it effective at once if it passes the house.

The measure will affect numerous negro schools in Georgia endowed by northern philanthropists. In many cases the faculty and in nearly every instance the president of the school are white persons sent to Georgia by the society or person controlling the school. One of these schools is Spellman seminary, in Atlanta, which is supported by John D. Rockefeller.

The Georgia measure is a copy of the Kentucky law which has been upheld by the United States supreme court.

ENJOINS COUNTY COURT

Objections Raised To Payment of Engineering Warrant

FOLK COUNTY OBSERVER

"What appears on the surface to be an outgrowth of the personal fight against the county court, in which the recall petition is at present the 'big stick,' crept to the fore on Friday, when the county clerk and county treasurer were enjoined from payment of a warrant issued in favor of the Himes Engineering company for services rendered the county court by order of the county court. Henry Voth, a farmer, appears in the plea for the restraining order, bond being furnished by Joe Brown of Salt Creek country. Oscar Hatyr represents the petitioners and District Attorney Sibley will have charge of the case for the defendants. The hearing will come before Judge Belt upon his return from the coast.

The petition is brief, merely reciting that the county court exceeded its authority in employing the Himes company to make plats and survey the county roads.

The contest will perhaps settle a question that has long vexed the county courts of the state and involves the privileges of the county court to employ other than regular employes or officers for special work or when failure to perform work or inability to do the same are in question."

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FALLS CITY DEPARTMENT STORE

MERMAIDS CAUSE RIOT

Girls Chase Men Who Steal Clothes While Bathers are in the Water

Huntington, W. Va.—Costumed only in the sun rays, two pretty young women caused something akin to a riot when they left the Ohio River recently and gave chase after several men who had stolen the clothing of the girls, hung in a boathouse moored alongside the wharf.

The girls had not run a block before a great crowd was at their heels. Policeman Frank Simpson was standing on Main street, three blocks from the river, when the mermaids overwhelmed him with demands that he 'get their clothes.'

"I will," said Simpson, "but come with me into this feed store." There they were draped with gunny sacks and sent to the police station.

YAMHILL WHEAT IS HEAVY

First Threshing Report of Season Gives 57 Bushels Per Acre

Sheridan, Oregon.—The first threshing report of the season for Yamhill County set the standard of 57 to 60 bushels per acre. This

yield was recorded on the J. H. Stupfel ranch near Bellevue, three miles east of this place. By measure the wheat yielded 1576 sacks, or 52½ bushels per acre. This same wheat when weighed over-run this yield from six to seven bushels.

Another report of a large yield comes from the Adam Guthrod ranch south of this place, where 25 acres of wheat yielded 35 bushels to the acre. In samples of the big wheat yield before it was threshed, the longest head measured seven and a quarter inches in length. Grains of a sample head when shelled numbered 135.

PESTS ATTACK HOPYARDS

C. A. Benson Discovers Danger of Heavy Loss at Silverton

Insect pests are making serious inroads on the hop yield in the Silverton district, according to C. A. Benson, a grower of that district. A sample from one of the best yards near Silverton shows vermin-eaten tendrils from which the leaves have been stripped or killed.

"This field has been sprayed thoroughly," said Mr. Benson. "Three and in some places five applications of spray have been used, but the vermin is persistent and a good percentage of the vines are stripped bare, a condition that will cause nearly all of the burr to fall off or produce small cones of small value commercially."



Photo by American Press Association.
REAR ADMIRAL FISKE.

such a flying machine, in the opinion of naval experts, would be its ability to attack landlocked fleets.

Swooping down at a distance of five sea miles from the object of attack, the air craft would drop its deadly passenger into the water just as it would have been launched from a destroyer. The impact sets the torpedo's machinery in motion, and it is off at a speed of more than forty knots an hour toward the enemy ship.

Aeroplanes to carry a ton of dead weight have been perfected by several countries. Russia is said to have several that will carry twenty men, and the new British air craft probably will have similar capacity.

It is said to be possible that a type of radio controlled torpedo might be employed, one aeroplane carrying a torpedo and another the wireless machinery to control the missile's flight through the water. It is pointed out that Admiral Fiske obtained patents on such a method of control in 1900, when he was a lieutenant commander in the navy. They are said to be so broad and far-reaching as to underlie all sub-



DR. JAMES B. ANGELL AND PROPOSED \$1,000,000 CLUBHOUSE.

tion being the student body that acts as a clearing house for all student activities, thoughts and tendencies.

Dr. Angell several years ago made the statement that the minds and character of young men receive as deep and abiding impressions from mixing with one another as they do from contact with their professors. That sounded a new note in education and gave an indication of what might be expected in modern university development.

The Michigan union aims to give students that broader education that comes from knowing men. Michigan