

lated the petition, but would not say

what the purpose of the meeting is.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.-

Replying to the opponents of the

publication of facts in the confiden-

Unprepared.

ment follows:

in the matter, and his explanation drove up with a load of wood. The being unsatisfactory, he was kindly women warned him back and he returned to his home, and James, his invited to leave the room, the chairman stating that business would be son, accompanied by three others, a) brought before the meeting which members of the Sutton family, arrivthey did not wish the public to know, ed shortly afterward and started to

Mr. Kiser and others left the room cut the wires. According to the testimony at the and the assembly proceeded to butt Ira Shoudy from the ticket and unit- trials of the two women, Mrs. Beebe ed upon R. P. Neil to defeat Mayor warned young Sutton to desist and pointed to a trespass sign. Sutton Snell.

selection of Mr. Neil. On Thursday that. Mrs. Beebe thereupon called of "royal standpatters" and that he morning the Shoudy men who were her daughter. Mrs. Totten, who like- is the logical republican candidate not permitted to sit in the assembly wise warned him, and as he would and who refuse to support Neil, lay not desist, she shot him. The women asserted that Suffor in wait for their discarded candi-

date, and when he showed up tried to first threatened with a hammer he force him back into the race, but as carried. he had sworn that he would with-

draw from the race, the eloquence of his friends was of no avail, and the Shoudy men were left without a candidate.

Now there is dissatisfaction and FOR JAPAN'S NAVY contention in the ranks of the assembly. A number left the room in. disgust, while others were so warm under the collar that speech was not possible, and the situation today is Very Prosperous Year, Despite Flood a political pandemonium among the anti-progress element of Ashland, and the fore that all the good work accompliancy Mayor Snell and his loyal councar to be thrown to the winds, and Ashland, on the verge of a progressive upbuilding unprecedented in its history, is to slide back to the foot of the hill.

The work and worry of the assemhly, however, wils "love's labor lost," a: Mayor Seel, ucclared long before the water main bond election that if the budget stipulated. The amount for the presidency in 1912, because the measure was defeated he would is to be used in "supplementing and he stands unflinchingly by the pres decline to run for re-election; that improving" the navy, so that it will ent-day Hamiltonianism." he was proud of the record made by correspond with the navies of other his administration during the past countries. The balance of the budget two years; that he had fought every is to be spent in the next six years. According to the hudget, Japan step in his march of progress; that the mossbacks had opposed and has just completed a very prosperous blocked him in every possible way, year, despite the heavy inroads on hut by the aid of his loyal council her treasury by the annexation of and the people of Ashland he had Korea and the disastrous floods. won his point, and that he did not propose to grease the skids to slide lows; hli rown backwards.

"I have defeated this bunch in a recall election, defeated them in the courts, defeated them in asking a city to pay eight per cent interest trough to the injunction proceedings, working.

and when the turning down of the (Continued on Page 4.)

Bryan Declares President the Logical Candidate for Presidency **Reactionary Forces in Next Na**

tional Campaign.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 16 .- That President .Taft is entitled to a seat The trouble did not end with the replied that he cared nothing about at the head table of any gathering for the presidency in 1912 are the

conclusions * of William Jeanings Bryan's Commoner, after a study of the annual message. "The president's annual message."

says the Commoner, "is notable for its length. If Taft's sympathies for the special interests were not already mown, the message would be notable or its distinct leanings toward the system which the people are seeking to regulate. It declares there should

be no more legislation respecting the regulation of corporations, giving the laws already on the statute books a chance to demonstrate their usefulness. If the president put the and Korean Annexation-Twenty- prestige of his high office and his gation that an attempt is being made power behind the criminal clause m six .Millions to Be Spent on Railthe Sherman anti-trust law, enforcroads-Official Budget Announced ing it against the chiefs of the great

trusts, the people would experience immediate relief. TOKIO, Dec. 16 .- Forty-one mil-"The message shows that at any

lion dollars for a navy is the sum ggthering of royal standpatters Tail appropriations for military purpose called for by Japan's newest budget, is entitled to a seat at the head of made public today. Fifteen million the table. It proves that he is the of this will be spent in the next year. logical candidate of the republicans

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MOTHER BADLY CRIPPLED IN SUCCORING CHILDREN he would have us trust the national

SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., Dec. 16.

000; extraordinary, \$24,398,486.50, she can survive her injuries, which there have been other Tawneys in the views, had little difficulty in dispos-Expenditures-Ordinarily \$202, she received while trying to save her councils of the nation before. Aliez- ing of Edward Williams. 556,637; extraordinary, \$66,910,849, two little ones, who had ventured ed pairiots have kept the nation is Marquis Katsūra, premier and min- too near an open weli.

every turn of the road from the 'hoss' Japan's present system of finances is pit, into which they were staring, the field to uphold the national houser Bryant,

in Japan aggregate \$26,000,000.

SQUARE DEAL IS CAUSE TROUBLE ASKED FOR ARMY Man Named Owens Accused of Having Signed Employer's Name to Congressman McLachlan Replies to **Bogus Checks, Which Were Cashed** Attack Made by Tawney-Says at Saleons-Is Missing Now. War Has Always Found the Nation

There is serious trouble on the tapis regarding two or three \$30 heeks which were supposedly forg- Congressman Humphreys Declares ed by a man named Owens and eashed at different saloons. The check were drawn on the First National tial report of the secretary of war to bank and signed, "R. J. Earl, mansider Fortifying Pacific Coast.

FORGED CHECKS

state of the defenses of the United by the man to whom they were made States, Congressman James McLachin favor of, Frank Owens. The bank WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16. lan of California this afternoon refused to eash the checks when Congressman Humphries of Washingfrote for the United Press an expresented, on the ground that th ton emphatically disagreed with Tawclusive statement refuting the alleignature was not that of Mr. Earl ney's view that the effort to get bet-The checks were eashed by the sato stampede congress into greater loons on Tuesday night and Wednes military appropriations. The state day morning, when Mr. Earl was no-

"Representative Tawney's charge sented they were pronounced forgerthat there is a conspiracy to stamies and it is understood a warrant pede congress into adopting larger has been issued for Owens, Mrs. Owens is still at the ranch is too childish to be taken seriously. where she is cooking, but Owens has yet it carries too dangerous an im disappeared, and it is likely will not pression to be overlooked.

"Tawney says it is cowardly to

make known the admitted national IN FARAWAY AUSTRALIA weakness either to our own people of

alive unarmed can be killed by the tro mthe next." weakest if the latter is armed. "Modern warfare is a contest of

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ests."

That is the real secret, according to Tawney, of the fuss that has been preparedness, not of resources. The created by the report which was man who would leave his country's handed to the house and then withwelfare thus unprotected is either drawn when Speaker Cannon refussuperficial in knowledge or his pated to accept a "confidential" comriotism is blinded by personal inter-

munication. There are no real facts to warrant any alarm, as Tawney sees it. He thinks the American people are the equals of everybody else and have no need to shiver over a peril of any hue.

"No one but a coward will admit inferiority," he said, "and what is SEIZE SOUND true for an individual is true for a ation. Advocates of militarism ignore entirely our chief weapons of defense-our great national resources and the spontaniety with which the people's patriotism would That Northwest Is at Power of Enbe aroused in the event of an assault by a foreign foe. They also ignore emies-Delegation Called to Conour geographical isolation."

> PANAMA FAIR **BILL IN HOUSE**

Resolution Providing for Holding Exposition at San Francisco Before Committee - Raises Guarantee Fund to Fifteen Millions.

WASHINGTON, D. C. Dec. 16 .-he question of the Panama International exposition situation became VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 16 .- Spe- coast have been crying for defense before the house committee on raleing on the resolution introduced by tle and its fortifications from the bat no action was taken.

The resolution names San Francisco as the place for heiding the could devastate the northwest at leis- tained it with the proviso that an ure. It would take an enormous amendment changing the pame to expenditure and months to dislodge that of some other city would be in order at any time.

- The resolution raises the limit oa meeting of the Pacific coast delega- the exposition fund to be guarant teed by the successful city to \$15;means for impressing on congress the 000,000.

Kahn made the opening speech in favor of the erescintion. Governor Gillett of California, Theodore A. The Mail Tribune want ads bring Bell and Joseph Scott of California also addressed the committee.

atter ignorance of our helpless con- champion, is said to be the greatest when the law reads six per cent and ister of finance, said that he and his Seeing the children standing by the dition until war was declared; then fighter that America has sent to An no more. I have, with the assistance colleagues were particularly well open shaft, Mrs. Koehly rushed upon they placed untrained, untutored stralia for many years, and had no of my loyal council, defeated them in pleased with the manner in which them and threw them away from the men, armed with ob-olete weapons, in trouble in disposing of "Bobby"

> The loose earth around the well gave oThe most wicked national cow-"Cyclone" Thompson does not ap-Next year's estimates for railroads way under her, and she fell into the ardice I can picture is to demand pear to have made as favorable and (Continued on Page 5.) impression in the commonwealth.

his resolution inquiring about the ager," and were indorsed on the back

tified. When the checks were pre

ie apprehended for some time.

FIGHT TRUST FLOURISHES

to the world. He admits that we are like fatted capon and would have a pose as gamecocks. In other words, cial cables just received from Au. and the cry has been absolutely un- today. The committee held a hear stralia say the "fight trust" which beeded. Once landed along Puget

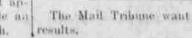
security to 'bluff.' We have bluffed Promoter Melatosh has organized in sound, invaders could capture Seat-Representative Kalm of California, since the beginning of our national Australia, is flourishing. Three of -With both legs broken and suffer- existence and at regular intervals the American pugilists who were sent land side and tie up the whole terriing from internal injuries, Mrs. Rob- have been tealled, by war. The an- to the antibodes have had matches tory, cutting off communication with The budget was announced as fol- ert Koehly, wife of a rancher living palling pension rolls and the great and in all three they carried the the outside world. Then the enemy exposition, but the committee ent --

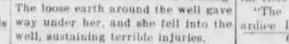
near Victorville, lies today in a local heart-sears of thousands of our peo- Stars and Stripes to victory.

Receipts-Ordinarily \$246,069, hospital. The surgeons do not believe ple hear witness to the fact that Billy Papke, according to the ad-

Humphries called this afternoon a Jimmy Clabby, the welterweight tion in congress to devise ways and

> necessity of strengthening the coast derenses.





ter coast defenses and an increased army is "jingoism." "A foreign foe, for instance Japan, could land an invading force at Bellingham, on Puget sound, without coming within 15 miles of a gun, said Humphries. "They could estab-

lish an impregnable position there and have that whole section of the country at their mercy.

"The secretary of war expresses an opinion of a condition which has been known to every man on the Pacific coast for years. The people of the

thom."