THE WEATHER

Fair tonight and Wednesday; slightly warmer tonight with lowest temperature about 40 degrees; gentle southely winds.

TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR

Cuening Public Cedger

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spite Warning of Accountability to People.

Meanwhile More Taxation Considered

By GEORGE NOX McCAIN

BABES IN SQUALOR, FIGHTS SHIP RATS

MAN ALSO IS UNDER BAIL KILLS TWENTY WITH HANDS

ering on the streets late yesterday, led this city today in the hold of the

itical axes to grind.

And it will cost \$120,000

party to heavy accountability.

A few days ago Senator Penrose is-sued the warning that the people of

Last night in his speech of thanks Speaker Spangler voiced the same warn-

ing regarding the people of this state. He said:

"The Republican party of Pennsylvania, by an overwhelming vote, was

commissioned by the people to continue in the administration of the state gov-

ernment. This commission carries with

it a heavy responsibility for which members of this Legislature must an-

the members take the matter to heart.

It has been pointed out that one of the least objectionable ways for increas-

ing the revenue is by doubling the tax on inheritances. Five per cent is the

present rate, and it is proposed to make it 10. Nearly \$7,000,000 was realized

ast year from this source alone. It is

Governor Sproul's idea.

"Who'll kick on an increase of inheritance tax," said a member from a
central county this morning.

"The fellow that's dead won't bother

Representative Phillips, of Clear-

in Hold When Rodents

Attacked Pets

Two thousand canary birds, bull-

finches and goldfishes were prought to

aries imported into this country since before the war.

The Kerlew carried a cargo of grain

on the voyage over and brought back

general merchandise. For this reason

the rats which had been drawn to the

The capary birds were procured by

Mr. Vable, who owns an animal and

that some of the canaries are worth as

much as \$50. They are raised by the German peasants and taught to sing

before being sold to dealers from all countries of the world who visit the

Santa Isabel Driven on Rocks In

Storm as Passengers Sleep

hundred and fourteen persons lost their

lives when the Spanish steamer Santa

Isabel was wrecked off the coast, Sat-

he will recover. Many bodies have been

Among the saved was an infant three

years old whose parents are believed

The majority of those rescued from

the steamer were unable to speak on being landed, owing to their frightful

experiences during the hours of cling-

ing to the wreckage in the terrific storn

Meager details indicate that the dis-

aster occurred at 1:45 o'clock Sunday

morning when virtually every one or

Latest dispatches from Cadiz state

the ship was driven on the rocks during

a tremendous storm. The large num-ber of deaths is attributed to the fact

that the passengers had been confined

of the tempest, many of them being

OFFERS PLAN FOR WILSON

Lloyd George Suggests Course to

League on Armenian Arbitration

Geneva, Jan. 4 .- (By A. P.) -- Paul

be taken by President Wilson on the question of mediation between the

Turkish nationalists and the Ar-

The British premier suggested Pres-

ident Witson cable his instructions direct to the American high commissioner

Constantinople.

their cabins because of the violence

whole families were drowned.

to be dead.

board was in bed.

Madrid, Jan. 4 .- (By A. P.) -Two

IN SPANISH SHIPWRECK

home of the best-known kind of canary

which is near Wehrstadt, Germany,

Vahle on Hartz Mountain, the

This adjournment scheme shows how

ssue before the Legislature is-reve-

It is the question that overshadow

very other. Millions beyond all previ-

ous demands are required for schools, charities, soldiers' bounties, depart-mental development and needs.

The legislative appropriation alone must be increased \$1000 for every mem-

Nearly every state institution is in

The board of charities has been

The board of charities has been wrestling with its budget for weeks. It is trying to keep its requirements to the lowest point. The budget will not be ready for presentation to the Legislature until February.

And this is not a reform Legislature. If it were, it would start reformation of itself immediately.

Instead, almost its first official act will be to souander about \$120,000 of

will be to squander about \$120,000 of the people's money and give no return for it. Today it will adjourn for two weeks till January 17.

The alleged object is to give the speaker of the House time to appoint

MOTHER ARRESTED

Leads to Disclosure of Plight

of Boy and Girl

Instead of \$1500 they now receive

Money, and more money

\$2500 salary.

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CENTRALIZED BANK

SYSTEM SAID TO BE

TATE ASSEMBLY PENS AS FLOWERS AND HARMONY VIE

islature Chooses Spangler

CRAMBLE FOR COMMITTEE PLUMS GETS QUICK START

ennsylvania convened at Harrisurg today in biennial session. After organization adjournment ill be made until January 17 to smit appointment of committees. Senate and House held short cau-

Spangler is unanimous choice for Sproul forces refuse to be bound

s proposed by Penrose. Vare-Brown-Cunningham ine circulate about Harrisburg in orce in determination to block legslation sought for Philadelphia by Mayor Moore.

Pennsylvania General Assembly was pened at noon today. Senate and House chambers were bowers of beauty", for the occasion. tands of blooms stood upon almost umbers and women from all section I the state added brilliance to the set

een so lavishly adorned with baskets and stands of flowers. It was interesthere of the "hard-boiled"

gislature which pulls of the rear, Bo it was also in the house. Breaker Spangler of the House and entenant Governor Beidleman, preding in the Senate, said that "beauty of harmony, was the watchword of th Both officials wondered what he chambers would look like when the

Democrats Set Record Two years ago

but eulogistic effort in behalf of Spangnaded the nomination. Flynn announced the minority had no candidate and be-

leved in "majority rule."

It was the first time in years the Democrats have not named a speaker hip candidate to oppose the Republi n nominee. The unanimous rollcall on Spangler

ollowed the seconding speech.

The monotony of the cut and dried rocedure was varied a little when the nembers were sworn in by Judge Frank B. Wickersham, of Dauphin county ew Bibles were distributed among the bers to take the oath and be reed as souvenirs.

It was the first bit of "loot" disthis session and there was scramble among the new members not e overlooked. Prayer for the guidance of the as

mblymen was offered by Rev. W. H. eldman, of York, the home of Speaker pangler. There was a pause for a sinute while the Assembly was photoraphed. Deputy Secretary of the Comonwealth Frederick A. nen presented the returns of the hen presented the returns of the legis-tive election in November and these fere read. After this the roll was rere read. After this the roll was alled. The oath was administered by udge Frank B. Wickersham, of the Dauphin County Court, the members of the bar of the senting themselves at the bar of the

In contrast to former years not one nember of the house affirmed on taking flice, and only one, Samuel McCurdy, f Blair, took office by raising the took office by raising the up-

Of the 207 members of the House only ne was absent, Representative J. T. Foster, of Venango.

The session, with a guise of har-nony, proceeded with the naming of eaders in line with the course adopted ders in line with the course adopted the Republican caucus last night. Robert S. Spangler, York, was nanimously elected speaker

Frank E. Baldwin, Potter county

Adjournment Date Open

The Sproul administration was unampered by a definite adjournment ate and the Penrose-Grundy men deared themselves in advance against Continued on Page Four. Column One

ROB CHESTNUT HILL HOMES

louse of J. R. Montgomery Entered and \$125 in Silverware Stolen Three robberies netted burglars perating in Chestnut Hill silver, jew-ty and clothing totaling \$225 in value. During the temporary absence of the imily of J. R. Montgomery, burging amily of J. R. Montgomery, burglars attend Mr. Montgomery's home at 125 pringifield avenue, and stole forty-five deces of that silver valued at \$125. The obbery was discovered today.

The Home of Mrs. Robert Cross, at all years a genue, was entered last

valued at \$80 taken. Burglars entered the home of Mrs omas Reath, at 8015 Navahoe ave-

PRICE TWO CENTS

\$120,000 Vacation First Act of Legislators De-

24th Biennial Session of Legand Baldwin

High Lights of Assembly Gathering at Harrisburg

The 124th General Assembly of uses last night to carry out cutad-dried program in selecting lead-

definite date for ending session

It is two valuable weeks thrown away.

The only excuse is that it has legislaive precedent. All other Legislature have done it, why not this one? Not only is it unnecessary, but is an indefensible waste of public funds.

All that is to be done could be finished

Harrisburg. Pa., Jan. 4.—With flowers and flowery speeches as the keytotes, the 124th blennial session of the Pennsylvania General Assembly was bened at noon today.

Stands of blooms stood upon very desk and many members received presents. Friends and relatives of numbers were in attendance in large numbers were in attendance in large Never before has the Senate chamber

ng to observers to see the rarest prodects of the conservatories, refining the enate, the select body of the state egislature which "pulls off" the real

men begin to take their places as

to the discovery of her baby brother, steamship Kerlew after their owner battled night and day with great hordes of rats to saye his valuable and strange consignment. It is the first lot of canthan his sister. Just to show that the harmony was and Christian streets police station. A description of the ught to say, the canaries was given by Frank Vahls, the are man from Philadelphia, placed the ame of Robert S. Spangler in nominaquestioned Hilds, the girl, and she bird fancier, who brought them over

Two years ago Walker and his Vare found the baby, lying naked on the floor lleagues opposed the rule of Spangler, of a practically unfurnished room at presided during the stirring days lich preceded the adoption of Phila-18 Catharine street. or more with poison. They killed in Comedico waited for the return of all between 150 and 160 of the birds." elphia's new charter.
As soon as Walker closed his brief the mother and upon her arrival placed her under arrest, charged with neglect of Hilda and Johnaic, the infant. She oldest member of the House, secis Mrs. Anna Kruchief. A boarder, from Hamburg.

Walter Cahill, also was taken in custody. The Department of Public Welfare was notified of the plight of the chil- vessel because of the grain were dam dren and one of the women workers ished during the return trip. of the bureau took them in charge. They Mr. were sent to St. Vincent's Home in

West Philadelphia. Physicians who examined them at this institution said their priful plight could bird store at 319 Market street, be partly accounted for by their being afflicted with whooping cough, and ordered them to the Medico-Chirurgical Hospital. When cured they will be returned to the West Philadelphia home. At a hearing this morning at the Fourth and De Lancey streets station before Magistrate Harrigan, the mother and the man were held under \$800 bail further hearing next week Mrs. Kruchief said her husband had

deserted her a year ago. WHOLE FAMILY WIPED OUT

Father, Mother and Two Children Frenchtown, N. J., Jan. 4.—By A. P.)—An entire family, consisting of father, mother, son and daughter, met death yesterday at Uhierton, Pa., across the Delaware river from here, when they were aspeciated by sag from a war across the property of the prope Asphyxiated by Gas

the Delaware river from here, when Muni Ricueldi, captain of the vessel, they were asphyxiated by gas from a was severely hurt and it is not expected The dear are William C. Weaver and washed ashore, and in several cases his wife, aged twenty-eight and twenty-seven, respectively; Mabel, age six, and Floyd, age three.

The Weavers conducted a farm out-

side of Uhlertown and their bodies were discovered by Charles Weaver, a brother, living nearby.

As "Loyalists," Campbell and Connolly Are Vague

"Mere scrap of conversation" might be the appellation applied by Magistrate William F. Campbell or 'ongressman-elect James J. Connolly to verbal announcements as to whom they will support politically. Campbell and Connolly recently let it be understood that they were supporters of Mayor Moore in his fight against the Vare-Brown-Cun-

ningham combination. Last night after they had been hobnobbing with Judge Brown, Cunningham and their 'Tom' friends at Harrisburg Campbell and

Connolly were asked about their 'loyalty" to the Mayor. "Nice room, this Senate room, replied Campbell.

"Fine steak we had at dinner. said a proxy forestalling Connolly' reply to a question as to how he liked his combine friends. "Very," he replied. Then the proxy got busy.

"Revenue," Assembly's Cry MAN ACCUSED BY as Squandering Is Started BY WOMEN JURORS

New "Talesmen" Prove Impar-Harrisburg, Jan. 4.—The paramount pose is to give political leaders a chance to "fix things" as to committees.

There are special interests to be consulted, log-rolling to be done and potial to Both Sexes-Convict Despite Sympathy Plea

> ACQUITTAL VERDICT BRINGS SCORING BY PROSECUTOR the nation would hold the Republican

Woman Juror Brings Her Sewing to Court

The second day in the life of the Philadelphia jurywoman found her making herself at home in the City

Miss Elsie Kyle, 5825 Willows avenue, brought her sewing to room 285, Common Pleas Court, No. 3, this morning. It was a dainty handkerchief and did not interfere with the grinding out of justice.

Another fair Portia was seen pol-Court Crier Levi Hart, room 453. criminal branch of the Municipal Court, said he did not have to admonish any of the women this morning for being late, while he had other things to say of the men

about the money, and the chap that in-herits it will be too eager to get his fingers on it to raise any fuss.
"It's a dandy scheme all around, for everybody's satisfied." Three women called to sit on a jury n the criminal branch of the Municipal Court, before Judge Gorman, were eremptorily challenged by the attorney for the defense today, because interests of a prisoner whom a pretty. golden-haired girl accused.

In another court, however, the so called "prison court," before Judge Mcullon, a woman serving on a jury with eleven men made it plain that sympathy for women and children would not in fluence her in passing judgment.

Child, Wandering in Street, Man Tells of 21 Days' Struggle She helped find two young men guilty of bringing a stolen motor into the state, though their attorney laid stress on the fact that they both had young wives and each an infant child.

In still another division, the

court." before Judge Horace Stern in Room 296, City Hall, a jury with two women members, after deliberation, acquitted two young women who were charged with having received stolen

In all the courts where women sat spectators than usual, and attorneys were greatly in evidence, seeking as Yard today for the winter maneuvers yesterday to learn something of the of the Atlantic fleet, and four left to be psychology of the woman juror.

in these courts where women helped try the cases, it was the expedition with which judgments were reached.

Municipal Court

676, criminal branch of the Municipal Court today. It was fear of woman' newly acquired power to deal with the ouble-standard of morals for men and

Three women sat in the jury box with the nine men jurors when a frail girl with a great deal of golden hair, made her way towards the witness stand. In her arms this unmarried mother car ried a very young baby. buzz of comment through the crowded chamber of justice, but in a second it dwindled into perfect silence. Some hing was happening.

Harry Berkowitz, counsel for the father of the child, challenged the feminine part of the jury. One by one the names were called out—"Vera Ottinger," "Anna Fleming," "Mary countries of the world who visit the Hartz Mountain to procure the birds, McCarthy," and the women were asked

to retire from the box. Then a peculiar thing happened. The name of another juror of the waiting panel in the courtroom was called. The "juryman" turned out to be a "jury roman" and she was told that she night retire. With dispatch three men

were then called to take the place of th Just previous to the retiring of the women jurymen the three who had helped to bring in a swift verdict of

guilty with reference to a similar case a colored girl. It was the first case actually heard with witnesses in Room 676 this morn ing although several having to do with

orals were settled informally before Judge Gorman. Out in the corridor Miss Ottinger, who was Philadelphia' stirst jury fore

man, yesterday, but who was merely one of the jury today, discussed the re-

hadn't been that another Russia voman was called up by mistake after

JAIL EX-PATROLMAN

Former Haverford Township Policeman Convicted of Larceny

Continued on Page Two. Column Three

A former Haverford township patrolman, George McGinley, member of Chief Hallissey's department at the time of his arrest in November, was convicted of larceny before Judge Ferruson, at City Hall, today, and sent to prison to serve a sentence of

was shown in court that in 1915 It was shown in court that in 1915 McGinley served three months for soliciting money on the streets; six months in 1917 for larceny, and three months the latter part of the same year for another charge of larceny. He was arrested while setting suspiciously in this city a month after he had been appointed a patrolman in the suburban township. Silverware Hymans, president of the assembly of the League of Nations, received a tele-gram today from David Lloyd George, British prime minister, embodying a suggestion as to the further course to in the suburban township. Silverware found in his rooms in this city was found to have been stolen from a otel where he had been employed for a time, and he admitted that he had sold a bicycle which he had recovered, after it had been reported to him as

Hey! Limerickers; Don't Be Rash With Promises Here's a feller sat down one

night and said he was going to win a limpin' lim'rick. Family laughed at him, of

and they're in)

So he said he'd divide the prize mong 'em if he won. And he won. So now he's out

ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS Name o' this lim'ricker is:-BART E. GRADY 1336 South Ruby Street Clerk, Federal Reserve Bank His limpin' lim'rick, completed, is:

NO. 14 The Abington motor police Are Compelling the bandits to

And they mighty soon teach When they cop 'em it's cell-dem re(a)l-ease.

ONE-ARMED MAN ROUTS TWO WOULD-BE BANDITS

Peter Smith Saves His \$40, but Has

Bangaged Face Peter Smith is a one-armed man, but little haudicap like that did not mean that any two highwaymen who Peter's money away from him and spend it for him could get away with asleep in a room with John Dick, and the "stunt."

Smith lives at 150 North Twelfth sent John down to investigate. He said street. He was in the neighborhood of the boy returned and said his step Second and Garrett streets last night, mother had been shot when the highwaymen tried to hold him up. Smith had \$40 in his pocket, and he could not see the idea of being compelled to wait until next pay day to

met them with a Joyous smile. He kicked one thug in the stomach, and while the man was lying on the pavement groaning with pain Smith kicked him again for good measure.

The other thug clinched with Smith and pummeled him on the face and head pretty thoroughly—so thoroughly that Smith found it necessary after the battle to go to a hospital to have his wounds treated. But Smith fought and yelled for help with such offset that the thug dropped from the clinch and ran down Second street, followed by his companion in crime, who had struggled to his feet and was holding his hands tenderly at the vit of his stomach, where Smith's No. Ss had landed three minutes before.

To search for his stepmother, and as he reached the bottom of the stairs he heard a shot in the yard.

He said he hurried out and discovered the body of Mrs. Dick. He then rushed upstairs and told his father, he said.

The boy also told the police his father had been intoxicated when he came home yesterday afternoon. According to the Baldwin Locomotive Works. The son work at 5 o'clock, but he was so intoxicated yesterday afternoon he retired 'to sleen it off.''

John Dick went to a nearby carbarn and asked Edward Young, a foreman, to call an ambulance. Young notified Chief Police McCiowan, and he, with

SHIPS GO TO MANEUVERS

nate at Guantanamo

Five ships left the Philadelphia Navy laid up for the winter at the Charles-town Navy Yard.

The five going for maneuvers were the armored cruiser Columbia and the Bernadou, Barney, Blakely and Crowning-shield, of the Nineteenth Destroyer f the Nineteenth Destroyer They will meet the fleet off the Cheseneake capes, then proceed to the Chesepeake capes, then proceed to Panama and Guantanamo. Cuba. The Columbia is the flagship of Rear Admiral Edward Simpson, commander of the supply ships of the fleet. The ships going into winter quarters

ory and Stringham. 200 HURT IN BELGRADE RIOT Communist Mob Stones Police, but

are the destroyers Shaw, Little, Greg-

Yields to Bayonets Belgared, Jan. 4.—(By A. P.) — In a clash between Communists and

the police nearly 200 Communists and of the police were wounded Many Russiaus were among the de monstrants. The mob stoned the police force,

which was trying to suppress demon-strations in front of the Communists meeting hall. The police drew their bayonets in suppressing the disturb-

Jugo-Slavia has been affected for several days past by Communist activi which were followed by numerous arrests, occupation of the leadquarters and suppression of the ommunist newspaper organs.

SOVIET PLANS TO SPREAD TERROR IN OTHER NATIONS

Lenine Directs Starting of Strikes Throughout World

Washington, Jan. 4.—(By A. P.)—A new policy of terror abroad, especially in nearby countries, has been decided upon by the Russian Soviet, ac-cording to official advices from Mos-cow. Nikolai Lenine is quoted as say-ing in a proclamation to the commune committee of Europ lutely indispensable of Europe that "it is abso "I don't like to say it was done on lutely indispensable to keep the bour urpose," she said, 'but it did look geois enemy with internal trouble is unnyff I wouldn't havethought it so order that they cannot injure Sovie

> throughout the world," this version the proclamation says, "and agitation for the establishment of commercial re-lations with Russia should be increased In order to fight famine and attack verse these things should be done. Lenine is quoted further as saying that other nations plan to fight Soviet Russia by the use of spies seeking to enter Russia with the apparent purpose

"Great strikes should be organized

Today's Developments in National Capital

of organizing revolts against the Soviet.

cided to hold hearings on the emer-gency tariff bill, beginning Thursday, and agreed to reopen hearings on the

bonus bill on January 13. Opposition to legislation restricting immigration was presented to the Senate immigration committee by Louis Marshall, representing the American Jewish committee.

The Senate elections committee. behind barred doors, began a recount of the ballots in the Newberry-Ford

FIND WIFE KILLED:

Suicide Story Told by Man and Sons After Tragic Domestic Quarrel

WOMAN'S STEPSON HELD WITH BOARDER FOR INQUIRY

Mrs. Rose Dick, forty-two years old. was found dead in the yard at the rear of her home, Jackson street and Broadway, Clifton Heights, shortly after 11 o'clock last night. A .32-caliber bullet had pierced her heart. Although her husband, Paul Dick, asserted she had committed suicide.

asserted she had committed suicide. Chief of Police McGowan, at first unable to find a revolver near the body and learning that Dick and his wife had quarreled violently last evening, arrested the husband John Dick, a sixteen year old step-son of the woman, and John Heryn, thirty years old, a bourder at the Dick

home, were arrested also. A .38-caliber revolver was found this morning about twenty feet from the spo where Mrs. Dick's body was discovered. One shell had been fired. The police also appounced that an examination showed powder burns around the bullet

wound. mean that any two highwaymen who just happened to be in the mood to take signs of a struggle. Her arms and legs were bruised.

Heryn told the authorities be

Summoned Neighbors The boarder, according to his story In a later story told the police, Paul get a supply of money.

So, when the thugs tackled him, Pete met them with a Joyous smile. He to search for his stepmother, and as he

and asked Edward Young, a foreman, to call an ambulance. Young notified Chief of Police McGowan, and he, with Dr. John M. Hutchings, went to the

From neighbors Chief of Police Mc-

Had Saved \$4000 She had worked all her life in the clear he was opposed to affirmative ills at Clifton Heights, and at the action by the Senate on the tariff measmills at Clifton Heights, and at the time of her marriage possessed \$4000. According to the police, Dick had tried to gain possession of this money and

there had been several quarrels between the two. Last summer Dick was arrested after he had quarreled with his wife and thrown stones at her. He was released when he promised to behave.

Last evening, the police say, Dick went home under the influence of liquor. They say neighbors heard Dick

and his wife quarrel and he finally drove her from the house. The quarrel is said to have occurred between 9 and 10 o'clock.
Earlier in the evening Dick had gone to the home of a neighbor. The police say his wife followed him there, im-

plored him to come home, and demanded money which she accused him of having taken from her.

A bank book showing a balance of \$3700 in Mrs. Dick's favor at a Clifton Heights bank was found among her

possessions by the police. Beside John and Paul, Jr., there are Beside John and l'aul, Jr., there are two children at home, Mary, eleven years old, and Anna six years old. 'Osu squom 14310 syn31911 noilli,') in opi ans poidmoilu ous pius other of Dick's daughters, lives in De-troit, dustice of the Pence Morgan

Nellie Dick, twenty years old, an



MISS VIOLETTE G. SELFRIDGE Daughter of H. Gordon Selfridge, the London merchant, who is to marry Viscount di Sibour, a mem-ber of an old French family. ber of an old French family. Shortly after meeting his flancee on an ocean trip, the Viscount applied at the Selfridge store for work. He apparently made good, as the en-gagement was announced by Mr. Selfridge

Overrides President Wilson's Veto, 250 to 66, and Resolu-

tion Becomes Law

HEARINGS ON TARIFF ISSUE

By the Associated Press

Washington, Jan. 4 .- The resolution eviving the War Finance Corporation ecame a law today with its readoption by the House over President Wilson' veto. The Senate overrode the veto yes-

with three voting present, or thirty-seven more than the required two-thirds najority.

Hearings on the House emergency tariff bill were decided upon today by the Senate finance committee. They

The vote in the House was 250 to 66

will begin Thursday and end next Tuesday. The committee also agreed to reopen hearings on the soldier bonus bill on January 13.
Chairman Penrose, presiding for the first time in thirteen months, explained that his office had received many re-Gowan learned that Dick, a widower with five children, had been married to the victim of the shooting two years. hearings. Members of the committee said, however, that he had made it

> After the meeting Senator Penros dictated a statement saving that "undoubtedly both measures would be re-ported to the Senate. However, he ventured no opinion as to the probable

Sharp Talk in Committee

Although members of the committee declined to discuss in detail what had the committee, the impression went out that the session had developed something bordering on a row. tor said "there was some sharp talk Mr. Penrose indicated there had been record vote on the proposition holding hearings on the tariff measure and Senator Smoot said there had been little talk on the merits of the bill. It was indicated that some of the souther

senators had attempted to throttle the munications from interests seeking to be heard on the tariff proposal. They heard on the tariff proposal. included the Merchants' Association New York, the California Citrus League, the National Board of Farm National Association

Wool Manufacturers, Foreign Trade

VIEWS VARE'S STREET WORK

IDAHO'S NEW CAPITAL OCCUPIED FOR FIRST TIME BOISI, Idaho, Jan. 4.—Idahols new pre-smillion dollar capital building today was being used by state; officers after six thousand persons attended a house warming hast night, when the building was thrown open to the people of the state for the first time. Governor D. W. Davis and his staff reviewed troops of the state cavalry, officers' reserve training corps, and El Korah Shrine patrol, from the steps of the capital. Afreception, with present and former state officials in the receiving line, followed the review.

INTER-ALLIED FINANCE CONFERENCE TO ADJOURN

PARIS, Jan. 4 .- Contrary to announcements made recently, the Inter-Allied Finance Conference at Brussels will probably defer is sittings temporarily, says the Eclair, which declares it has received this information from an authoritative source.

WARM ENOUGH FOR FURS

Continued Balmy Weather Is Promi

ised by Forecaster Springlike weather will reign all day and help to put another dent in the ambition of the coal profiteer. The weather man asserts that a normal temperature of 50 degrees will prevail, which means

it will be 18 above normal. The district covers all territory south Indications that the forecaster's claims will be correct were shown by the thermometer at 10 o'clock, when the of South street to the city limits, and east of Broad street. Director of Health Furbush has received many complaints mercury had already climbed to 43. To-night will not be much cooler, says Mr. of filthy streets in that section. Director Caven is pleased by the re-sults shown from South street to Co-Bliss, whose weather data indicates that the mercury will be hovering lumbia avenue and from river to river

around 40.
Mild spring weather is also promised tomorrow.

BACKED BY HARDING Senator Curtis Seeks to Abolish Federal Reserve Board and Regional Banks

ANNOUNCEMENT FOLLOWS CONFERENCE AT MARION

By CLINTON W. GILBERT Staff Correspondent Evening Public Ledger

Marion. O., Jan. 4 .- Will it be the policy of the next administration to replace the Federal Reserve system with a central banking system? Senator Curtis' announcement that se would shortly move to amend the Federal Reserve act so as to substitute for the existing Federal Reserve Board with regional reserve banks a single bank with branches, made after a long

conference with the President-elect. suggests that Mr. Harding approves the plan: The central bank is Republican doc trine and Mr. Harding in the case of the Panama Canal tells and in various other matters shows a determination to go back to the party's position. The Aldrich commission, which was inves-tigating the question of currency at the end of the Taft administration, was disposed toward a central bank, though doubtful whether the country would accept such a centralization of control over credit as the creation of a single bank would imply. The Democratic party had been opposed to a central bank ever since President Jackson abolished the United States Bank. When President Wilson entered office the President Wilson entered office the Democrats took up the work the Aldrich commission had done and directed it toward the establishment of regional reserve centers under the supervision

of a single reserve board in Washing-

The Federal Reserve system operated with very little criticism until the existing credit stringency began to affect the farmers. Since then there has been a definite drive from the West to modify the Federal Reserve act so as to increase exellit for agriculture and for in-

The aims of Senator Curtis' posal are to get rid of the Federal Reserve Board and reposal are to get rid of the present Federal Reserve Board and relax the law then to create a central bank. A return to Republican party is the pretext, but the real

less strict control of credit.

It is the o'd issue of inflation and ound finances. So long as credit was sound finances. So long as credit was expanding the Federal Reserve system was popular in the West. When the limit was reached the West blamed all its troubles upon deflation and began to demand more credit. First it demanded the rediscounting of paper which, in the opinion of bankers, was of too long a term and not sufficiently liquid. Now, under co'or of improving the banking system of the country, it is demanding the heads of the Federal Reserve Board.

This was a danger that inevitably threatened any centralized banking sys-tem, whether of the present regional variety or formed of a single bank with branches. Until the country bearned the principles of sound banking and began to have thorough confidence in the wisdom of its credit authorities, every period of financial stringency was bound

to bring proposals in legislative forms to relax the safeguards against infla-

inflations.

For the creation of a central bank much may doubtless be said, if that bank is not put into inflationist hands and if the law regarding the kind of paper which the bank may rediscount is not relaxed to the point where wise bankers feel that the way is opened to

The present Federal Reserve system was only a makeshift and a compromise. It was adopted because the politicions felt it went as far as the country could go at that time toward the centralization of control over credit. It was generally predicted by those inter ested in giving this country a sound currency system that if it succeeded it would be followed by the definite adopt ing of a single central bank with Contrary to the predictions made

when the present system was adopted, the regional banks have not been popu-Senutor Cuctis' state of Kansas bank at Kansas City has taken from the industries of that section. Profits were reported to amount to about This money, it is said, instead of being available for leans to the section. where it was earned, was taken to

national banking system which was created in Civil War times for the pursose of floating government loans,

securities. This use of the banking sys

for government bonds is a defect of the present system, derived from the old

an of the country to provide a market

East Opposes Relaxation Senator Curtis also objects to the regional banks competing with each other to make profits and thus making

munities they serve Against any relaxation of the contest over credit there will develop a strong sentiment among the bigger banker. and business interests of the Ea-t. Some of Mr. Harding's ablest financial advisers believe that the Federal Reserve Board has met the financial situation of the last year wisely and that any relaxation of the law which would DADIE.

Financiers of this opinion probable

Caven Inspects Cleaning in First would not oppose an amendment of the District—Has Received Complaints law creating a central bank, provided Director of Public Works Caven, substantially the same views us the 'acting Mayor' in Mayor Moore's ab- chairman of the Federal Reserve Board sence, inspected the first street cleaning and provided it was not opened to the district today where Senator Vare holds negotiation of paper not sufficiently liquid in character.

Judge Grosscup Visits Harding Marion, O., Jan. 4.—(By A. P.).—Judge Peter Grosscop, of Chicago, headed the list of President elect Harding's callers for today. It was understood the conference related not only to the plan for an association of where the city is cleaning the streets nations, but to economic problems, which Judge Grosscup long has be