

Chancellor MacCracken does to be pect the University of Chicago to be represented. In addition to the 12 col-represented. The inviting body, 52 leges forming the inviting body, 52 colleges have accepted the invitation and a majority have named their dele-

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INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS

London, Dec. 26 .- Sir Edwin Corn-wall, chairman of the London county council, today issued to the press a pro-posal for an international congress of representatives of capitals having over 500,000 population, to meet annually for the discussion of municipal methods. Sir Edwin says he is encouraged to make this suggestion by the good resuits following the recent exchange of amenties between the London county council and the Paris municipal council. In conjunction with this congress he also proposes an exchange of pupils hetween the schools controlled by the municipalities holding membership in the congress.

MIDSHIPMAN'S COURT-MARTIAL.

Annapolis, Md., Dec. 26.—From the staff of the naval academy, Prof. Phil-ip R. Alger and Lleut.-Commander I. M. Nulton have been detailed as mem-bers of the court-martial that will try Midshipman Trenmer Coffin, Jr., on the charge of hazing Midshipman J. P. Kimbrough. Lieut.-Commander W. J. Harrison has been designated as judge advocate

The charges and specifications have been prepared by the naval accdemy authorities and will be served upon the accused tomorrow.

MURDERED HIS SWEETHEART.

Bakersfield, Cal., Dec. 26 .-- News reached here today that while in a fit of jealousy Ralph Higgins shot and killed his sweetheart Midget Dickey and ended his own life in a roadhouse near Tehacapa.

SHIP HAS A NARROW ESCAPE.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 26 .- British ship Rrodick Castle, which arrived tonight 47 days from Salinas Cruse had a narrow escape from disaster on the rocks of Vancouver island near Carmanah last night. She arrived off the straits during the fierce Christmas gale, which blew over 60 miles an hour from the southwest. She entered the straits uner bare poles and was then driven by the gale toward Vancouver Island const with tremendous seas breaking over her. Life belts were brought on deck



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