



PRICE FIVE CENTS.



Howard, of West Virginia. The Brailey-Brown interests made n denial of this and a statement by Mr.

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records. As a result a shortage was College President. reported to the members of the firm. WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 .- (Special.) -Referring to a report that he fered to pay this sum into the treasury was to become president of the Univer- of the United States." sity of Michigan, Gifford Pinchot says he is not going to give up a steady methods job to undergo the vicissitudes of a fected. university presidency He explained today that he knew his the grand jury," is the only reply Mr. name had been under consideration in Stimson would vouchsafe. Michigan, but that if an offer were Jury May Get Case communicated to him he would decline "I don't wish to leave the Forest Service and I don't expect to do so," said the Chief Forester. "I don't know how I would like to be a college presi Here in this position I dent. have work that I like and the precarious ness of a university position does not appeal to me at all.'

the rampage of criminals, especially the efforts of hold-ups, which has aggravated the department for several

months. The situation has become acute, and every night save a few during the past three weeks, from one to three hold-ups, many of them of a most brazen character, have been perpetrated with little interference. Several suspicious characters were picked up. The order will prevail until further

ried to question her concerning the case but she quickly replied: cial Conditions "Barbaric.",

"I will not talk about this until I had the

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NEW YORK, Dec. 15 .- The National League of Professional Baseball Clubs is

Brailey today declared that the Contin ental Company and its promoters, not minority stockholders of independent properties, had instigated the suits against the United States and Cuyahoga companies in good faith.

Smaller Plants Autonomous.

Information was given out tonight that the new owners plan that independent companies in smaller counties shall solve ir own problems, consolidating, if they desire, with the Bell where opposition plants are not profitable. Otherwise, the Brailey-Brown interests declare, the interests of all other companies will be protected.

C. A. Seiders, counsel for H. C. Stifel, said tonight: The official information does not say

that the Bell interests are not the eventual purchasers. It is not uncommon for such deals to be made through banks which hold the property until the organization to which the property is to be turned over is perfected.

Amplifying the official announcement Mr. Bralley said tonight:

"Messrs. Morgan & Co. bought the property for themselves as a permanent investment. This confirms the original statement that no Bell money was conerned in the purchase

The United States Company covers Ohio and a part of Michigan with long-distance connections in Buffalo, Pittsburg, Indianapolis and Detroit. Its exchanges have 29,000 telephones."

The Cuyahoga Company operates 25,000 telephones in Cleveland.

INDIANA COMPANY NOT IN DEAL

New Long Distance Company Not Involved, Says President.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 15 .- Charles S. Norton, secretary-treasurer of the New Long Distance Telephone Company of Indiana, said:

change in the ownership of the New Canada, Distance Telephone Company 20 Telephone Company. erties will be consolidated with the maimed for life. Bell or other properties, we have no rea son to believe that we shall not continue to operate independently."

/LARGEST MAIL ON RECORD Christmas Letters and Packages

From Europe Take 5156 Sacks.

Atlantic arrived here today in the White | was paid in full. Star liner Oceanic. It was contained in 5156 sacks,

ELIJAH II'S STUNT FAILS Pretended Reincarnated Prophet

Not Strong as Miracle-Worker.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 15 .- (Special.) -A traveling preacher, claiming to be "Elljah the Second," spoke to a large rowd at Rockford, Wash., last night and attempted to do a stunt like the prophets

In dramatic fashion he announced he would load a sack full of red hot stones without burning the sack. It was "on your way" for the 20th century prophet. for the sack burned instantly,

HUNTING COSTS 34 LIVES

Sport in Season Just Closed Fatal

in Results.

BOSTON, Dec. 15 .- At the close of the big game season tonight it was found that the cost of the chase had been 34 So far as we know, there has been no lives in New England and Eastern

Among the score or more known to Indiana or the Indianapolis have been seriously injured, five are not Notwithstand- expected to recover, two will lose their ing recent reports that these prop- sight and half a dozen more will be

OKLAHOMA BANK LAW WINS

Depositors of Defunct Institution Paid in Full.

KEIFER, Okla., Dec. 15 .- Every depositor of the First State Bank of Kelfer, which closed yesterday as a result of the NEW YORK, Dec. 15.-The largest failure of the Farmers' National Bank of Christmas mail ever brought across the Tulsa who demanded his money today The bank is protected by the state guar-

anty fund.

As soon as they had verified the Gov ernment's figures they voluntarily of-The statement omits reference to methods by which the frauds were ef-

"The matter' is now pending before notice. Jury May Get Case Friday.

In the trial of James A. Bendernagle

Thomas Kehoe and four other employes of the company for alleged similar frauds, both sides rested their cases today, and summing up will begin to morrow. The case probably will go to the jury Friday. Richard Whalley, formerly an em-

ploye on the sugar company's docks, (Concluded on Page 4.)

Y. M. C. A. IS GIVEN \$100.000

Victor F. Lawson, Chicago Pub lisher Gives Small Fortune.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15 .- Victor F. Law-on, proprietor of the Chicago Daily News, has given \$100,000 to the \$1,000. 000 anniversary fund being raised by he Chicago branch of the Young Men's Christian Association.

at the hotel were found three undated notes written in a girlish hand identical with the handwriting of the note found. in the East Orange bathroom pinned to a ittle heap of clothes near the body of Ocey Snead. The notes vary slightly in phraseology but are substantially as fol-

"Last year my little daughter died. Others near and dear, kindred, too, have gone to Heaven. I long to go there too

I have been very weak and ill for a long time. Death will be a blessed relief to my sufferings. When you read this I will have committed suicide. My sorrow and pain in this world are greater than

can endure. "OCEY W. M. SNEAD." (Signed) This wording is substantially the same (Concluded on Page Four.)

SANTA'S RIGHT-HAND MAN.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15 .- W. J. Gaynor, In the bathroom of Mrs. Martin's Mayor-elect, speaking tonight at a din ner of 300 Tammany Hall spellbinders who took part in the recent municipal campalgn, said that the condition of financial affairs of the city was "barbaric" and 'a reproach to everyone who has been responsible for it."

Millions, he said had been extracted yearly from the City Treasury to enrich individuals, corporations and pollticians.

PEARY GETS HIGH HONOR

National Geographic Society Acclaims Him Pole Discoverer.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 .- The National Geographic Society tonight pub-licly acclaimed Commander Robert E. Peary the discoverer of the North Pole and presented to him a gold medal. No reference to claims of Dr. Freder

ick A. Cook was made, and only a slight one to the polar controversy. Captain Robert A. Bartlett, master of the Roosevelt, also received a medal.

BURBANK'S MOTHER DIES

Parent of Noted Horticulturist Suc-

cumbs, Aged'96.

SANTA ROSA, Cal., Dec. 15 .- Mrs. Olive. Burbank, mother of Luther Burbank, the horticulturist, whose fame has spread to Europe and earned recognition from the learned societies at Berlin and Paris, died here tonight, aged 96 years. Mrs. Burbank was a native of Massa chusetts, but for 32 years had made her

home with her son.

FRESNO COUNTY TO BE DRY

Supervisors Order Drafting of Or-

dinance to Close Saloons.

FRESNO, Cal., Dec. 15 .- After January 1 all of Fresno County will be "dry" on Sunday.

on Sunday. The Board of Supervisors today ordered the District Attorney to prepare an ordinance calling for Sunday closing of saloons throughout the county.

GOVERNOR'S FATHER DEAD Rev. David C. Hughes Succumbs to

Stroke of Apoplexy.

NEW YORK, Doc. 15 -- The Rev. David C. Hughes, father of Governor Hughes, dled at the executive manisten tonight. following a recent stroke of aporter-He was 77 years old.

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