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MERCY FOR ERRING MAN IS IN BALANCE

Judge McGinn Distressed With Youth and ex-Convict Who Seeks Clemency.

BEST COURSE IS PROBLEM

Jurist Would Be Lenient in Cases Where Circumstances Are Mitigating, but Public's Protection Is First Consideration.

When Homer Eaker./ex-convict, in dieted on a charge of assisting in the abbery of the residence of Mrs. E. E Hewett on the sight of December Hewett on the sight of December 8, would have entered a plea of guilty Tuesday Circuit Judge McGinn ad-vised his to take further time to con-sider his plea, intimating strongly that the suspended sentence begged for by Baker's attorney because of his wife and minor children might not be forth-coming. Baker's time to plead was ex-tended to Friday. Ed. Franks, alias Franklin, his companion in the robbery, has already pleaded guilty and has been sent to Salem to serve from one to serven years in the penitentiary.

sent to Salem to serve from one to seven years in the pentientiary. "This thing of, breaking into a house armed with pistols is a terrible thing. It means probably that murder would be committed in case of resistance," said Judge McGinn. "I know that some judges hold that they have the right to suspend sentence in the case of ex-convicts but I always have seriously doubted that right. Even if I were discosed to be lement in this case, and the seath be willing to help more than I. I do not believe I have the right to thwart the operation of the law."

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Exclusive Present Difficult is used in the source and the source of th 7. W. Isherwood one night a few weeks ago and who was induced by the latter to desist and accompany him to his home on promise of a job and a chance to make good, be permitted to plead guility and take a suspended sentence. A business man of the city pleaded ardently for the boy, promising to keep him employed. The judge winced when Deputy District Attorney Miche-let told him that the minimum sentence for assault and r6bbery with a danger-ofic weapon, the charge on which, Kroll is indicted is 10 years in the penitentiary.

been obtained through Wilson's alleged forgeries the last year, Wilson having been with the store for about that REDMOND CERTAIN deen with the store for a start time. As floorwalker Mr. Wilson had au-thority to OK checks brought in and presented by customers. A. C. Gowdy, assistant manager of the store, exer-cises this particular authority the most, however. By imitating Mr., Gowdy's signature and the peculiar protection punch, it is alleged Mr. Wilson success-fully forged checks with spurious names and passed them through the cashier and received the money. The checks were in small denominations at all times. Mr. Wilson is alleged to have commerfected a protection punch

at all times. Mr. Wilson is alleged to have counterfeited a protection punch similar to that used by the store and when the checks came back through the bank the cashier had forgotten who presented the check and no def-inite trace could be followed. It was when Mr. Gowdy changed the foration of the protection punch that Mr. Wilson is alleged to have "fallen down." One of the checks attributed to him was not properly punched and was traced buck to Mr. Wilson defore it went to the bank. Mr. Wilson de-nies all knowledge of the checks and declares he is innocent of the charge. The arrest was made by Detectives Mallet and Hammersly.

AUTO PARTY NEAR DEATH

MACHINE WITH 6 PASSENGERS HANGS IN AIR.

Columbia River Crossway Scene of Miraculous Escape From Dis-

aster as Car Crashes.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 25 .- (Speclai).—In attempting to pass a horse and wagon on the Hayden Island tres-tle over the Oregon Slough, between Vancouver and Portland, a heavily-laden automobile carrying six passen-gers skidded and crashed through the ralling of the viaduct.

gers skilded and crashed through the railing of the viaduct. The fore part of the car started on its downward plunge amid the shricks of the four women passengers, but, as it was only half over the edge, miracu-lously the body of the car caught on the floor of the trestle and remained swinging in the air. Afraid to move, the occupantis awaited until the car settled firmly on the edge of the tres-tle and then they slowly were removed from the car.



Elsewhere, Is Expressed by Political Leader.

FINANCES DECLARED SOUND

No Opposition Is Looked For From Ulster, but Party Chief Declines to Predict Action by House of Lords.

LONDON. Dec. 21.-- (Special.)--The message 1 can give you for the fisite people abroad is one of deep intitude for their unswerving devo-tion to the cause of Ireland and of confidence and hope for the immediate trumph of the Irish cause." As John Redmond, M. F., leader of the Irish party, sometimes called the fictuator of British policy, told me this of victory. The present strenuous struggle in the House of Commons, the waiting and the cares of leadership have only resulted in making this fa-motion in the inter fighting and weary waiting and the cares of leadership have new resulted in making this fa-motion in the House of Commons, the years of bitter fighting and weary waiting and the cares of leadership have new resulted in making this fa-motion in the House of Commons, the years of bitter fighting and wears in appearance he would pass for the heiter in looks. He is 61 years old heiter in house a comparatively unknow and just as approachable as in the days and just as a comparatively unknow influence of the great Parnel. The the politics, John Redmond has proved himself even more able in has proved himself even more able the in the days of party politics is one which is for demond himself would be the first to deery, but nevertheless it represents the candid opinion of the sector ball

settled firmly on the edge of the tres-tile and then they slowly were removed from the car. The women were greatly shocked. but none was hurt.

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ing the Portland Seamen Friends' Home at 229 Everett street, as only those who have long had an intimate acquaintance with seamen know how. All the men will get a good dinner before they come off ship, and so beyond light re-freshments and coffee and tea nothing has to be provided in that line. What a salior likes is good fun and, whose all a piano and some songs and

above all, a piano and some songs and a hornpipe or two. Then he is happy, providing there are plenty of pictures of ships and kings and queens and flags the walls.

All along the walls holly hung festooned around pictures and flags. In great green letters "Welcome" served as a frieze around the walls, a huge Christmas tree was hung with glitter-ing snow and knick-knacks, the billiard tables were being given an extra iron-

POLICE SHAKEUP POSSIBLE C cial.)-The last chapter was writ-Outside Influence Charged in San case today when a map designating the

Outside Influence Charged in San Francisco-Inquiry Ordered.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.-John Mooney, captain of detectives, told the police commission today that members of the department were prevented from doing their duty because of out-side influences. After making the influences. After making the tended to bring about a big shakeup in the detective bureau and Mayor Rolph demanded a general investiga-tion of police conditions.
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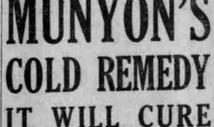
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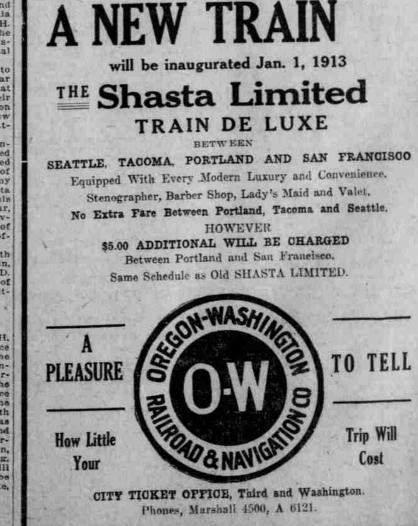
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FIVE cooks and a score of waiters with his wife, although the two have logging operations for the Terry Lum-were working like beavers on board become reconciled and will live together ber Company, who has arrived home again. Another Christmas parole was for the holidays. Cussick declares that agein. Another Christmas parole was for the nonlays. Chaste decision inter-also signed for Frank Nash, serving a term for larceny by bailee. He was convicted in Southern Oregon in 1911. "fired" him forthwith. Harry's wife is believed to be happy, for her husband immediately returned home. the steamer Harvest Queen at the Ash-

To be define the bolidays. Conside declares that many allows are not part of the bolidays. Conside declares that many languages and other dailings the section of the bolidays. Conside declares that the vertice of the daily provide the declared to be bappy, for hier husban. The declares the boliday of the section of the bolidays. Considered the bappy, for hier husban. The declares the boliday of the section of the bolidays. Considered the bappy, for hier husban. The declares the boliday of the section of the bolidays. Considered the bappy, for hier husban. The declares the boliday of the section of the bolidays. Considered the bappy, for hier husban. The bappy declares the ba the steamer Harvest Queen at the Ash-street dock yesterday getting every-thing in readiness for the big Christ-mass dinner to men of the city, which will be given there this afternoon by J. D. Farrell, president of the O.-W. R. & N. Company. The whole boat with the exception of the woman's cabin will be at the disposal of the guests and arrangements have been made to seat 300 persons at a time. The force of waiters and cooks probably will be still larger today. Beginning at 12 o'clock and continuing until 3 o'clock, the men who have received the tickets as a frieze around the walls, a huge Christmas tree was hung with glitter-ing snow and knick-k-knacka, the billiard tables were being given an extra iron-ing, a space had been cleared for danc-ing and everything was in readiness. Friends have promised to come down in force and sing and play, and there will be regular breezy, briny atmos-phere of happy-go-lucky freedom from care, enhanced by the true Christmas spirit.

"HEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 24. - (Speten in the Northern Pacific - Winlock