MORMON OFFICIAL ACCUSES ECCLES

Plural Marriage to Mrs. Geddes Admitted in Effort to Mitigate Punishment.

HEAD OF CHURCH IS FIRM

Failure to Go to Mexico Called to Attention of Millionaire, Who Retorts That This Country Is Not Overcrowded.

OGDEN, Utah, July 2.—George Gibbs, secretary to the presidency of the Mormon Church since 1868, on the witness stand today in the legal battle over the millions of the late David Eccles, asserted that in the Spring of 1900 Eccles admitted to him that Mrs. Margaret Geddes was his plural wife and that he was the father of her son, Albert, now claiming heirship to the vast estate.

Mr. Gibbs said Eccles informed him Mrs. Geddes had been tried in a bishop's court at Plain City and was about to be excommunicated for not divuiging the name of the child's father. Eccles, according to Gibbs, wanted Gibbs to intercede with the president of the church to set aside the order of excommunication.

Letter to Bishop Has Effect. The subject was taken up with the church presidency and a letter sent to the Plain City bishop which caused the dropping of the proceedings against the woman, Gibbs testified.

Attorney for the defendants objected to Mr. Gibbs' testifying on the grounds of his incompetency under the statute which provides that a clergyman, priest or other church official of confidential and extraordinary powers in respect to confessions and other church. affairs cannot be examined as to con-fessions. The court held that Mr. Gibbs should be permitted to relate his con-

wersation with Mr. Eccles.

Mr. Eccles, at the Gibbs interview, according to the witness, said Margaret Geddes was a good, pure girl. "She belongs to me," Gibbs quoted Eccles as saying. "I am the father of her child and I am going to care for her. I want to know if you can do anything to release her from her awkward position. I should like to have word sent to Bishop Bramwell to leave the sent to Bishop Bramwell to leave the girl alone and regard her as other plural wives are regarded."

Mormon President Firm. "I told Mr. Eccles." Mr. Gibbs testi-fied, "that I could do nothing for him, as President Snow was firm in the en-forcement of the rule that no plural marriages should be celebrated. Mr. Eccles was disappointed, but I called his attention to the declaration that President Snow had made against polygamous marriages and informed him there was no one in the church with authority to perform such mar-

Gibbs said he informed Mr. Eccles that a non-Mormon had talked with President Snow and told him that it President Snow and told him that it was well known among Gentiles that plural marriages were still being performed; that Mormons were going to Mexico to marry plural wives, returning to Utah to live, and that it was this practice to which the Gentiles were objecting, and that the practice was causing trouble in Utah.

The witness said he called Mr. Fo.

MUNITION FACTORY HIT BY GER MANS IN ZEPPELINS.

Details of Raid, Kept Secret by Officials, Protection Proposed for West Ap-Are Brought to New York by Ship Passengers.

NEW YORK, July 2 .- A description of the bombardment of the northeast coast of England by Zeppelins on the night of June 15, details of which have ot been permitted by the British cenors to become public, was brought to New York by passengers aboard the steamship Lapland, arriving today from

According to accounts of the air raid given by the Lapland's passengers, the Zeppelins which raided the northeast coast of England were more successful from a military standpoint than any of from a military standpoint than any of the previous aerial war craft which have flown over England, as they did considerable damage to Palmer's foun-dry, a large machine shop in Newcastle now used for a munitions factory. The official reports, according to the Lap-land's passengers, said a majority of the deaths caused by the explosive bombs dropped by the raiders took place in the munitions factory, which also suffered grave material damage. The raid began at Grimsby, where it

The raid began at Grimsby, where it was said the highly important and valuable docks at Immingham narrowly escaped bombs which were dropped by the Zennelins. From Grimsby a course the Zennelins. the Zeppelins. From Grimsby a course was steered for Hull, but when Hull was reached, little attention apparently was paid to the city, which had suffered neavily from the previous visit of German aircraft. The pilot, who evidently knew the country well let the

dently knew the country well, led the
Zeppelin squadron then to Newcastle.
Running with double shifts day and
night, the munitions factory at Newcastle was well lighted and offered a
fair target to the aircraft. One of the
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The Govern Zeppelins seemed to hover almost stationary over the munitions works and rained down on the factory a quantity of explosives and incendiary bombs. How great the damage was, it was said, has been withheld from the public. Only officials have been allowed near the bomb factory since then, but it is generally known it suffered considerable injury from the attack.

| The Governor also said that any names of persons "higher up" that may have mentioned as having been involved in graft connections, must come from Manton.

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line and reaching Verdun. The French admit the success of a German move ment in the Vosges to gain a foothold in their works in Hilgenfirst, but assert that through a counter-attack all the positions were recaptured. The Germans are continuing to shell these

Germans are continuing to shell these positions violently.

A Berlin statement says that northwest of Le Foru de Paris the Germans advanced by storm over a front three miles iong and between 200 and 200 yards wide. This statement is:

"In the western portion of the Argonne a part of the army under the Crown Prince stormed a point of support. Northwest of Le Four de Paris we advanced by storm over a front five kilometers (three miles) iong and from 200 to 200 meters wide. This was carried out by the Wuertembergian troops.

troops.

"Twenty-five officers and 1710 men were made prisoners. Eighteen machine guns, 40 mine-throwers and one revolver cannon were captured. The French losses were important."

The Paris report tells of an attack by German grenadlers at 2 o'clock in the morning north of Bethune, which it declares resulted in failurs. It says that fighting in the Argonne was violent all night. One attack, the Paris report adds, was supported by the use of asphyxiating bombs as well as large hand bombs.

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There was spirited artillery firing at many points. Colonel Rousset, military critic of the Petit Parisien, predicts that the German attacks in the Argonne will be repeated. He believes, voluntary retirement of 20 Commanders

STOPPED BY WILSON

Need of Experienced Officers in Service Given as Reason for Refusal.

SELF-ALLEGED THIRD PLURAL WIFE OF LATE DAVID ECCLES.



MRS. MARGARET GEDDES AND SON, ALBERT, ON WAY TO COURT AT OGDEN.

GOVERNMENT FINDS CLEVELAND CONCERN MADE MACHINES ONLY.

Advertisement That Led to Investigation Not Inspired by Representatives of Foreign Nation.

WASHINGTON, July 2 .- Investigation by the Department of Commerce of an

causing trouble in Utah.

The witness said he called Mr. Eccles' attention to the fact that if he went to the president he would be required to explain why he had violated the terms of the manifesto and why he had not gone to Mexico with his new wife, to which he said Mr. Eccles replied that he did not care so much for the breaking of the law of the land as the law of the church, and that he did not see fit to go to Mexico, this country being large enough for him, as it ry being large enough for him, as it was not overpopulated.

RRITISH DAMAGE HEAW

the war, to European countries generally for use in the drilling of metals.

Mr. Sweet said the report showed that the advertisement was furnished a trade paper for publication by the regular advertising agent of the company, and that the evidence was strong that no one interested in any foreign that no one interested in any foreign country had instigated the statements

BRIDGE FIRE WALL IS PLAN

proach of Broadway Span.

The fire-stops amendment adopted by the voters at the recent city elec-tion may be used first in forcing the construction of fire walls to protect the west approach to the Broadway bridge. At a meeting of the City Council yesterday the question of starting proceedings for construction of the wall under this act was conof the wall under this act was con-sidered.

The Council had virtually decided to

erect a wall and other fire protections at the bridge af a cost of \$6000. It is thought now that the owners of property adjacent to the bridge aproach can be required to meet this spense. The law as adopted by the xpense. voters provides that fire stops may be constructed on the assessment plan, the assessments to be levied against the property benefited,

WEBBER CLEARS BECKER

(Continued From First Page.) to prevent others from falling into a

Governor Will Hear Any Evidence

That Is Presented Properly. ALBANY, N. Y., July 2.—Governor Whitman declined to comment on the assertion of Sam Schepps that he knew the "secret in the Becker case," other than to say that he would consider any evidence that was placed before him grosserly.

Whole Story Declared to Have Been

however, that the French will retain and Lieutenant-Commanders of the Navy who sought to leave the active list under the law which permits such retirements June 30, when promotions from the grade of junior Lieutenants have been fewer than 40 during the preceding year.

In appropriate the President's action

in announcing the President's action today Rear-Admiral Benson, Acting Secretary of the Navy, said the depart-ment had recommended the course be-cause experienced officers were urgently needed in active service, and promo-ions already were being made in ranks below Captain at the ages deemed most onsistent.

Department officials said so far as they knew none of the 20 applicants had received offers from the private munitions establishments which have been seeking to employ Army and Navy officers. It was disclosed, however, that some other officers have sought retirement to accept such positions, and that their requests have been promptly refused on the ground that to permit naval officers on the retired list to engage in the manufacture of ordnance for a foreign belligerent would be a breach of neutrality.

"The National Negro Exposition is designed to demonstrate his progress in the last 50 years and to exphasize this opportunities. As President of the United States I bespeak the active interest of the Nation in the exposition is opportunities. As president of the united States I bespeak the active interest of the Nation in the exposition is opportunities.

When attention was called to the fact that retired officers of the Army now are in the service of ammunition con cials pointed out, too, that the Army officers in question had established their connections long before the out-break of the European war.

EDIBLE EXPORTS CHIEF FACTOR IN BIG TRADE BALANCE,

Wheat Shipments Show Increase in Value of \$239,138,000-Other Foodstuffs Gain Largely.

WASHINGTON, July 2.—The share of the United States in feeding the world, a task vastly increased by the European war, was disclosed today in statistics of the Department of Commerce. Foodstuffs valued at \$724,900,

000 were exported during the 11 months ended June 1. This was the principal factor in the Nation's billionollar foreign trade balance.

The effect of the war is seen in the normous increase in the value of foed-

stuff compared with the figures for

stuff compared with the figures for the same 11 months a year ago, when the total was \$443,000,000.

Wheat formed the biggest item in foodstuffs sent abroad. In all 249,576,000 bushels were exported, an increase of 164,000,000 bushels. It was valued at \$319,961,000, showing an increase over the previous year of \$235,138,000. Oats valued at \$51,669,000 were shipped, an increase of \$51,028,000. There were \$6,428,000 bushels, an increase of almost \$5,000,000 bushels. Flour showed the next largest increase, with a value of \$87,650,000, or \$27,638,000 more than the previous period. Almost 5,000,000 more barrels were sent this year, the total being were sent this year, the total being

Corn exports were valued at \$34,-542,000, an increase of \$28,551,000. There were 43,718,000 bushels exported, an increase of more than 35,000,000. Almost 305,000,000 pounds of bacon were shipped, an increase of 122,000,000 pounds. It was valued at \$41,294,000, or an increase of \$17,025,000.

GREAT RESOURCE NOTED

GOVERNOR IMPRESSED WITH POS-SIBILITIES OF SOUTHERN OREGON.

While Railroad Building Is Recognized at Low Ebb, Wonderful Opportunity Thought to Exist.

CROWN PRINCE ATTACKS

Germans Make Determined Assault in Argonne.

LONDON, July 2.—Official reports form both Berlin and Paris tell of important dighting in the Argonne region in France. A strong force under the German Crown Prince made a determined attack, with the apparent purined attack attack. Whole story Declared to Have Been attack at the other members of the fish and game commission, Governor of the fish and game resources. Withycombe expresses bimself as being the other the other members of the purined attack. Whole story Declared to Germans Alexander and the other members of the other members of the Washington, Governor with the other members of the other organics of the destroyer flottilla of the distroyer flottilla of the destroyer flottilla of the date of which has not been attack at the per

with them. As things now are, practically all the trade from this country goes south to California. If the railroad should be continued south from Bend it would open up a big field for Portland, and one now seemingly practically ignored."

In talking of the country and its possibilities, Governor Withycombe said he realized that this is distinctly an "off year" for railroad development. "Also, I understand the present Central Oregon lines are not doing a very saisfactory business," he added, "but even at that it seems to me from an agricultural and comercial standpoint a wonderfully rich country waits to be tapped to the south and southeast of Bend. The time is coming, and not far distant, when someone will take the step and reap the profits.

"On our trip, for instance, speakers pointed out that Robert E. Strahorn, president of the Portland, Eugene & Eastern, seems on the lookout for some big new Oregon enterprise. Should Central Oregon be able to win his interest, it would be a godsend, not only in that section, but for the whole state, as his record shows him a man able to put through enterprises from which others hold back. But that whoever builds will win out in the end, is my belief."

ATTENTION IS CALLED TO LAW AGAINST SHORT WEIGHTS.

Chief Deputy Notifies Four District Deputies to Check Deliveries for Possible Frauds.

SALEM, Or., July 2 .- (Special) -- Chief Deputy State Scaler of Weights and Measures Buchtel has written to the dealers in ice of the state calling their attention to the laws relating to giving full weight. He also has notified the four district deputies to check weights of ice as far as possible to determine whether frauds are being committed. In cases where the amounts ordered are not delivered the deputies are authorized to start prosecutions under the law.

under the law.
"The warm weather has caused the almost universal use of ice," said Mr. Buchtel, "and we intend to see that the people get what they order. While I do not believe the dealers willfully give short weight, numerous scales are apt to be defective, and it is our intention to have these discarded or retion to have these discarded or re-paired. The demand for ice will con-tinue large for several months, and the scales must be correct.

"The deputies have the authority to file complaints against violators of the law, but I hardly think any prosecutions will be necessary."

INTEREST IN NEGRO ASKED

President Requests Recognition of Exposition of Race's Progress.

WASHINGTON, July 2 .- President Wilson's proclamation on the opening of the National Negro Exposition to ommemorate 50 years of achievement by the colored race, to start at Richby the colored race, to start at Richmond, Va., next week, was issued from the White House today. In it he said:

"The occasion has been recognized as of National importance by Congress through an appropriation of \$55,600 to aid in its premotion and consummation. The action of Congress in this matter indicates very happily the desire of the Nation, as well as the people of Virginia, to encourage the negro in his efforts to solve his industrial problem.

"The National Negro Exposition is designed to demonstrate his progress in the last 50 years and to esphasize his opportunities. As President of the

LIQUOR CONSPIRACY FOUND

Arrests Made for Attempts to Ship Forbidden Goods Into Arizona.

LOS ANGELES, July 2 .- Alleged atempts to ship liquer into prohibition Arizona as baggage resulted in the arrest today of three men on charges conspiracy to violate the Webb-

Kenyon law. Fred Lavorin's effort to secure re-Fred Lavorin's effort to secure refund on a ticket to Tucson brought
about his arrest here. A few hours
later Leonardo Carrillo and Henry
Mayer, hotel keepers of Tucson, were
taken into custody in that city.
Federal officials said the practice
of checking trunks filled with liquor
and then turning in the ticket for refund had been carried on extensively
the last few months. Lavorin was
also charged with shipping improperly
labeled goods, and Carrillo and Mayer
with receiving such shipments. with receiving such shipments.

HOTEL MOORE PLAN NEW

European System to Be Inacgurated at Seaside Resort.

SEASIDE, Or., July 2.—(Special.)— The Hotel Moore. Seaside's famous beach hotel, which was opened to guests May 10, 1904, on Saturday will change from an American plan hote and adopt the European plan. Dan J Moore, proprietor of the hotel, an

nounced the change in the dining-room service last night and says that the change was made to suit a great many of the Summer guests who came to the beach to rest and objected to early ris served in the two large dining-rooms of the hotel from 6 o'clock in the morning until 8 in the evening.

ALLEGED SPEEDER FREED Jitney Persecution by Motorcycle Policeman Is Charged

In the trial before jury of Jake Neurer, charged with speeding, yester-day afternoon, R. L. Merrick, repre-senting the defendant, charged that

senting the defendant, charged that Motorcycle Patrolman Ervin accepted favors from the Portland Railway. Light & Power Company for persecution of litneys. Deputy District Attorney Ryan immediately challenged this atatement, and demanded that the attorney prove it. Merrick said that he could but the court would not allow the digression. ence Is Better Than College. The jury found for the defendant.

DESTROYERS GO TO ALASKA

July Clearance Sales of Men's Summer Furnishings

We Will Prove to Skeptics the Force of This Men's Store

By Self-Evident Substantial Economies

\$2.00 and \$1.50 Shirts, Clearance 89c The Best Shirts Ever Sold at This Price at Any Time.

-Just at the time when men need them most we offer these fine shirts of madras and percale, in the greatest variety of Summer colorings, in new stripes and figures. These shirts are tailored in plain and pleated bosom styles, that men are wearing. Remarkable shirts in every way, not one that has not sold for \$1.50 and \$2



EXTRA-\$4 and \$3.50 Exclusive Shirts, Clearance \$1.95



Bath Robes For Seaside, Mountain and Club Use

\$4.00 Styles at \$2.95 -Just the thing for camping or outings. Made especially for Summer wear, in a good practical weight. In dark and medium colors, in all sizes.



50c Neckwear 17c A Clearance

Smart four-in-hand, flowingend ties, of handsome crepe cloth, in all the latest colors. Al ways sold for 50c. Now 17e.

-Think of buying \$3.50 and \$4 shirts now at \$1.95! That is what you will find in this sale—beautiful shirts of finest madras, silk mixtures, flannels, Russian cords, Oxfords and mercerized fabrics, in the smartest Summer patterns and colorings. Perfectly tailored shirts in soft, Summer style, with French turned cuffs. These shirts are taken from our regular stock-not one worth less than \$3.50 and many regularly \$4.

Mountain and Fishing Negligee Shirts Clearance \$1.39

-Here is the shirt for that vacation and outing trip. Made in a popular outing style, with long, attached collar that buttons down so it will stay in shape. Made of a fine quality of Oxford cloth in white or practical tan color, in all sizes.

White Sports Shirts \$1.50 and \$2.00

The very latest large, square, low-cut collar shirts that all the men and boys are wearing in New York. Surely the most comfortable style ever brought out. At \$1.50, shirts of soft-finished soisette, and at \$2, shirts of white mesh cloth. Shown in all sizes.

Athletic Underwear 50c Shirts and Drawers, each 39 c

-Made of fine checked nainsook, in comfortable athletic B. V. D. style, sleeveless shirts and knee-length drawers.

Union Suits 75 c -Summer weight suits, with long or short sleeves, ankle-length. A few sizes missing in

\$1.25 Balbriggan

50c Poros Mesh

Shirts and Drawers Clearance, each ... 29 c -The most comfortable Summer underwear for men. Shirts with short sleeves, ankle-length



The Best 50c Sox That We Know of Clearance 35c

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\$1.50, \$2 Pajamas \$1.15

-New pajamas, made from fine soisette and madras, attractively trimmed with frogs and pearl buttons. Also with fancy silk edge trimming. Extra well made and finished. All sizes.



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ance, 89c.

showing-nowhere can you match the prices. Every kind of suit a man wears is here—all the latest colors—the newest knit stripe and Roman stripe trimmings. -One-piece suits in every size made, for every man, whether

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COURT COMPLIMENTS JURY PHYSICIAN IS ARRESTED

OREGON CITY. July 2.—(Special.)—
Three weeks on a jury is better than a full year at college, declared Circuit Judge Campbell to a jury in the Circuit Court at the close of a series of Important cases. "Here everything is practical. You see things in life as they actually exist," he told the jurymen.

Judge Campbell paid a compliment to the jury when he said that many attorneys had complimented the court on the character of the men empan-eled. Lawyers who had just

Court at Oregon City Says Experi- Immorality Charge Lodged Against Dr. C. H. M. Childs.

> Dr. C. H. M. Childs, with offices a 243 Stark street and home at 262 Park street, was arrested Thursday on street, was arrested Thursday on a charge of immorality. Nellie Frohman, aged 25, with whom Dr. Childs is alleged to have been associating, was also taken into custody.
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> According to City Detective John Price and Deputy District Attorney Ryan, who are handling the case, Dr. Childs is not a licensed practitioner in Oregon, and has been using his office.

Oregon, and has been using his office as a blind. Police attention to Dr. Childs was first brought by the complaint of Stan-ley Eoff, of 167 Eleventh street, who answered an advertisement requiring a man to act as a bookkeeper and timea man to act as a coonserver and time-keeper, with money that could be given as bond. Dr. Childs claimed to be rep-resenting a patient medicine company. Dr. Childs later admitted that he did not represent the drug people.

Portland Speech Artist Elected. SAN FRANCISCO, July 1 - The Na-

a naval base in Alaska, it was suggested today, probably would be revived
as construction work on the Government's railway to tap the coal fields in
the territory progressed.

manager of the Chicago Herald, and tional Speech Arts Association brought
Mrs. Katherine Grey Sunderland, of
to a close today its five-day convention
with the election of officers. Philadelphia was selected as the scene of next
year's convention. Mrs. G. J. Frankel,
of Portland, Or., was elected among the
new directors.

A horse in a wild state lives to be from to 40 years shill when domesticated he is sails played out at the age of 25.

Fourth of July **EXCURSION** to BONNEVILLE

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