PORTLAND, OREGON, TUESDAY, PRICE FIVE CENTS.

# NOMEN AND MEN IN DESPERATE BATTLE

One Slain, One Wounded in Klamath Feud.

### CONFESSED SLAYER IS HELD

Wife's Aim Deadly When Husband Is Attacked.

FIGHT IS OVER PROPERTY

Guy Hunter Wounded by Andrew Kuchne While Driving to Water. Guns Are Freely Used Then and Latter's Mother Is Shot.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Dec. 18 .the ownership of a piece of property occupied by contending claimants blazed out into a pitched buttle with rifles, shotguns and platels between two famlites at Dedd Heilew, about 25 miles southeast of this city, this morning. one side Mrs. Alma Kushne is dead. On the other, Guy Hunter is at the Blackburn Hospital here with a bullet wound through his arm. Hunter's wife, A. Ernest Lawrence and Andrew Kuchne, son of the dead

woman, are held here pending investi-Land Causes Fend.

According to the story told here, the trouble originated over a small tract of land, the ownership of which is laimed by both Lawrence and Mrs. Kneline. The affray this morning is said to be the aftermath of Lawrence's trial last week on aroun charges, in which the jury disagreed.

There are two houses on the disputed property, a large one, occupied Lawrence and the Hunter family, and the smell one, into Nuchnes moved last week while Lawwas on trial. The Hunters allego the Kushnes cut off the water supply of the big house, necessitating being hauled from a distance.

Kuchne Opens Fire.

This morning, according to Hunter's story, he started to drive out for wawhen he encountered several "No truspassing" signs, which, he says, been placed about the premises last night by young Kuchne.

As he passed through a gate near the Kushne hours Andrew Kushne opened ing slight wounds upon the horses. Drawn by the firing, Lawrence, it is other vessels of war.

alleged, came to the door of the Hun- It is a \$5,000,000 firm, organized unupon him with a 18-caliber rifle. Mrs. Los Angeles. Alma Kushus, Andrew Kushus's mothcame to her son's assistance with a rifle and fired at Lawrence.

Mrs. Kuchue Is Shot.

Mrs. Hunter then joined in the affray, firing from the window of the bouse and shooting Mrs. Kushne Andrew Kuchne through the abdomen. shot her. Mrs. Hunter, however, ad- man headquarters. mits that she shot Mrs. Kuehne, avthrough the window of the Kuehne being concentrated there. heres when she fired.

When the authorities reached the scene after the shoating, six guns of arious descriptions were taken from the two houses. The Hunters have four small chil-

# DAY'S MAIL TOTALS \$10,500

Receipts Record Broken During Christmas Rush at Postoffice.

The Christman rush has begun at the Portland postoffice. It set in yesterday with a crowd that fammed the tack. corridors, besieged a dozen parcel post and stamp windows, charged the mailing clutes in mass formation and ran up a total day's postal receipts of more Chan \$19,500.

Myers announced that all previous recands for cash receipts had been broken. biggest in the history of the Portland.

On the same, day last year postal

procespts totaled \$8585.

# WORK FOR IDLE PROVIDED

Single Men to Get Keep, Married \$2 troops. Every Other Day.

Portland rock-breaking plant for unemployed single men and the park improvement work for married men is to start next Monday morning, according to announcement yesterday by

At Kelly Butte the men will be renatred to break half a yard of rock for three meals, a bed and tobacco. Park believed to be mortally injured, will start at Laurelburst. Men eight yards of girt.

# PORTLAND DEATH RATE IS LOWEST

CENSUS BUREAU FIGURES PUT

Mortality Percentage of 9.1 in 1914 Shows Decrease of 10.8 From Period 1901 to 1905.

Portland has the lowest death rate among the cities of the United States. This fact is brought out by a prelimmary official statement just issued by the Cunsus Bureau at Washington, C. Portland's death rate for 1914. the period covered in the report, was 9.1 per 1000 or population. St. Paul, Minn., with a death rate of 11.4, came nearest to equalling Portland's show-

Moreover, the report bears the cheer ful information that Portland is getting healthier. In 1913 and 1912 the death rate was \$,5, while for the period from 1966 to 1916 there was an average death rate of 10.2. The decrease for 1914 as compared with the average rate from 1901 to 1905 is 10.8 For Not Aware of Movement

The hureau's report, which makes such a happy showing for Portland, inludes cities of more than 100,000 popu-San Francisco has a death rate of 18.5. Lee Angeles of 12.9 and Oaksays that the statistics for Seattle and Spokane have not been compiled. Both cities have combined with Port-(Special.) -- A feud of long standing over land in past years in proving that the Northwest than in any other sec-

in the United States was 13.6 in 1916 and 14.1 in 1913. This includes rural districts as well as large cities.

the cities 20.7. New Orleans was a close sula were officially reported to have and with a death rate of 20.5.

# COAST HAS 72-MILE GALE

Heavy Rain Falls and Shipping Delayed, but No Damage Reported.

ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 29.- (Special.)-The southerly gale which struck this section tast night and continued, all for this skillfully conducted transfer day was one of the most severe of the of forces to the generals commanding Winter and probably can be considered and the royal navy." the equinoctial storm. A heavy rain fell and the wind at North Head at-

# WARSHIP FIRM ORGANIZES

Incorporates at \$5,000,000.

SACRAMENTO, Cal. Dec. 28.-The end. fire upon hith, wounding Hunter in the California Shipbuilding Company filed made to secure a footnold higher up on The latter whipped up his team articles of incorporation today in the the peninsula, the Turks were fully and fled. Young Kuchne emptied two office of the Secretary of State for prepared to meet it. magazine pistola after, bulleta inflict- building battleships, cruisers, torpedoes and aero craft, submarines and all

ter Hours and fired twice at Kuchus der the laws of Maine, and the articles The story has been revealed by soldiers ances of land previously made by the with a shotgun, and then opened fire of incorporation were sent here from and correspondents returning from the Northern Pacific Rallway of right of

Allied Monitors Driven Off by German Land Batteries.

BERLIN, via London, Dec. 20,-Enseased firing when his mother was tente allied monitors yesterday shelled The dying weman passed the German positions at Westende, on away at Marrill, where she had been the Belgian count, but were finally taken for medical assistance. She made driven away by land batteries, says the a dying statement that Lawrence had efficial statement issued today by Gar-

The statement adds that German aviserting saif-detense. She says Mrs. afters attacked the town of Poperinghe, Suchne had a rifle pointed at her near Ypres, numerous hostile troops

### MILITANTS KEEP UP FIGHT Suffragette Organ, Raided by Police, Appears in Typewritten Form.

LONDON, Dec. 28 .- A single sheet of pelacup, closely typewritten on both sides, takes the place this week of the customary issue of Britannia, the organ of the Wemen's Social and Political Union which was raided by the

Christabel Pankhurst continues in this novel issue the suffragette at-

# PRICES SOAR IN TURKEY

Ottoman Women Organize Meetings of Protest and Are Dispersed.

PARIS. Dec. 20 .- The opening of ". railread communication from Turkey to Austria and Germany has resulted in a considerable increase in the price necessaries of life in Turkey, says

a Hawas dispatch from Athens. Turkish women organized meetings of protest in Constantinople, which, the disputch adds, were dispersed by

# AVIATION TEACHER FALLS

Naturalized American Believed Mortally Injured in Guatemala.

GUATEMALA CITY, Guatemala, Dec. n .- Instructor Jerwan, of the aviation school, fell here during a flight and is He came here from the United States. with families will be allowed to earn going to that country from France. other day by moving and becoming a naturalized American

# RETREAT BY BRITISH

Perilous Position on Gallipoli Vacated.

# OTHER SECTIONS STILL HELD

Anzac and Suvia Zones Evacuated by Master Stroke.

THOUSANDS

Great Army, Despite Proximity. Men. Without Water and Ill, \* Hold as Long as Possible.

'LONDON. Dec. 20 .- Operations other sectors of the front on the Gaillpoli. Peninsula than those from which BLIND longsvity is more prevalent in the Pa- troops were announced today to have been withdrawn are to be continued it Christmas Stories Will Be Read for is intimated in an official statement The country at large is getting lessed tonight. The withdrawal was healthier, too. The average death rate movement on the part of the Turks, it

is declared. The British troops at the Suvis and Memphis, Tenn., has the unenviable. The British troops at the Suvia and record of the highest death rate among Ansac districts of the Gallipoli Penin-

"Further details of the evacuation was 2163. The rate of 2.1 is based on of the Annac and Suvia mones have an estimated population of 250.6)1. been received," says the official statement. "Without the Turks being aware been withdrawn from one of the areas ocupled on the Gallipoli Peninsula, al-though in the closest contact with School the enemy. By this, contraction of the front at other points of the line will be more effectively carried out.

Credit Given Navy. "Sir Charles Monto gives great credit

The withdrawal of the British troops from Suvia Bay and the Ansac sone Thousands of lives were and other thousands in holding them.
The question has been constantly dis-

ussed why the generals commanding the Dardanelles expedition did not try to make a landing near the center of the peninsula in the beginning and cut off the Turkish troops on the lower LAND CONVEYANCE LIMITED When the attempt was finally

Britons Lack Water.

Moreover, the British arrangements lacked several essential features, par- preme Court today decided that the ticularly a supply of drinking water. Federal law of 1904, legalizing convey-Mediterranian only gradually and by way land outside the 100-foot limit, watchers abord the ships were asking The decision reverses that of (Concluded on Page 2, Column 4.) Washington State Supreme Court.

# FERRIS BILL WILL BE PUT THROUGH

COMMITTEE DECIDES TO GIVE NO HEARINGS AT ALL

Measure to Be Called Before House as Soon as Congress Reconvenes-No Time to Be Lost.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash ington, Dec. 29 .- That the Ferris water er bill is to be railroaded through the House of Representatives is indiated by the fact that the public land committee of that body expects to re ort it favorably tomorrow.

The committee discussed the bill at ome length today and decided to give no hearings whatsoever, but it was decided to make several minor changes which will not alter the general char acter of the measure, and if these cal be perfected tomorrow the report will hen be ordered, and it is planned to call up the bill in the House as soot

as Congress reconvenes next month. The bill in its present shape is no at all satisfactory to Representatives Sinnott, Oregon; Smith, Idaho, and La Washington, but Chairman Ferris let it be known he has enoug Democratic votes to report the bill favorably, and, having the votes, he has decided to waste no time in getting the water power bill out of the com-

# TO BE CHEERED

This year the Christmas spirit is # pervade the schoolroom where the Portland blind are daily receiving in-

Sightless and Crippled.

truction in useful arts, Boys from the upper grades of the Ladd and Couch schools will pick out Christmas literature at the Public Library, and while the blind men work

of the movement a great army has maritan Hospital will receive particular sided. attention this week from the girls of the training class at Lincoln High the Library authorities will put us

# EVIDENCE ABROAD GRANTED

Commissions Going to Europe for Testimony for Indicted Germans.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20 .- Authority to England to take testimony on behalf Club lifted the curtain on one of the tained a velocity of 72 miles an hour. ends more successfully than most miliso far as reported no damage has
tary men thought possible, the most Bronkhorst, jointly indicted with Robresulted, although shipping is being unfortunate chapter of the British arias ert Fay on the charge of conspiring to blow up munition ships, was granted acrificed in gaining these positions, today by United States Judge Mayer.

Northern Pacific Can Deed Property Only in Some Cases.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20,-The Su

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# JACKSON CLUB HAS REGULAR OLD ROW

Angry Democrats Make Declaration of Independence Library Hall Ring.

# FACTIONS CLASH REPEATEDLY

Postmaster Myers' Force Routs Hon. Milt Miller.

WOMEN PLEAD FOR QUIET

Charges of Machine Methods, Demands for Suppression of Men Speaking, Motions and Coun ter Motions Mingle

#### "Gentlemen, gentlemen!" The honeyed voice of Dr. Esther Pohl-Lovejoy tinkled above a din of points of order and shouts of "Gas rule!" "Steam roller!" "Make him stt down!" "Machine, machine, machine!"

mogratic political organization, the Central Library last night Robert A. Miller, president of the club. submission to the Reichstag.

The lady has the floor."

Ousting From Library Feared "I wonder if it would not be possible for the club to proceed without quite observed Dr. Pohl-Lovejoy, sweetly, as the turmoil sub-

"Really, to hear it makes one fear out on the supposition that we have been drinking too much.

Mrs. John Nissen added her admon "Can't we quit all this wrangling

and get down to Democratic principles? But when Federal office-holders fall out, of a surety there will be protestations and loud cries unto heaven. commissions to Germany and last night's meeting of the Jackson

ostmaster of Portland, and as stout a At the same time Judge Mayer ruled friend of the public weal as ever admitted it in public, at outs with that Chicago Complaint Alleging Confisions would not act as a stay to the trial of the accused men in January. able Milton A. Miller, Collector of United States Internal Revenue?

and the Honorable Frank and his co-horts put the Honorable Milt and his followers on the blink. William Brown, of Salt Lake City, had operated a confidence game, was with-drawn today in the Municipal Court. of Tacoma, 75,000 feet a day. The max-The voting showed-there were about

a hundred votes in the course of the request of the State Attorney's office. . Timber Company will be 350,000 feet a evening-that Judge Thomas C. Burke, voting on the Milton A. Miller or walloped side, and that John Montag, United States Marshall was voting on the Frank S. Myers, or victorious side. adoption of a successor to the late con-(Concluded on Page 4 Column 1.)

# CHINESE OF FIVE PROVINCES REBEL

REVOLT IS AGAINST RULE OF YUAN SHI KAL

Word Received in America o Against Return to Monarchy.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20 .- Tons King Chong, president of the Chee Kung Tong, or Chinese Republic Asso clation, received a cablegram from Shanghai, China, tonight, which stated that five Chinese provinces had de-clared their independence against the ule of Yuan Shi Kai.

The provinces concerned in the revolution were, according to the cable gram, Kwang-Tung, Kiangsi, Yuanan Sachuen and Kweichau. Mr. Tong, who has presided recently at several mass meetings of Chinese from all parts of California, said tonight he believed the action of the five provinces would be followed by similar declarations from all parts of China.

He said the spirit among Chines in America was strongly against the return of China to the monarchical form of government

Large sums, he said, had been pledged by California Chinese to finance a general revolution.

# HUGE TAXES IN PROSPECT

Germany Expects Great Levy, No Matter How Big Is Indemnity.

BERLIN, via London, Dec. 20 .- Dr. Karl Helfferich, Secretary of the Imperial Treasury, announced in the at a meeting of the Jackson Club, a Reichstag today that the next budget cannot be balanced without additional income, and that proposals for new "Order!" commanded the chivalrous taxation are now being drafted for

The Secretary declared that no matter how large a war indemnity was received the war would impose a colossal

# WHEAT CROP JUMPS HIGHER

Northern Hemisphere Produces Total of 3,590,000,000 Bushels.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 .- The North- for accommodations. ern Hemisphere in 1915 produced 3,590,000,000 bushels of wheat, an in- Mr. Kerry, who had been in the timber crease of 19.4 per cent over 1914, a ca- business on Puget Sound, came to Oreblegram from the International Insti- gon and declared that the Columbia tute of Agriculture at Rome to the River Basin was the most logical place Bureau of Crop Estimates today says. in the Northwest for logging. He built The United States produced two- the logging road, the water terminus sevenths of this amount. No mention was made of the South-

# ern Hemisphere's crop. CASE ON EX-JUDGE FAILS

dence Game Proves Nought. The cat's out of the bag. The Hon-orable Frank and the Honorable Milt picture concern, which led last week mer Logging Company, with 125,000 collided all over the place last night, to the filing of charges that ex-Judge feet a day; Elwood & Snow, 100,000 feet

The Weather. early morning, moders westerly winds. War.

British retire from Gallipoli Peninsula with-out Turks finding it out. Page 1. Allies once nearly force Dardanelles, Page 2. Bulgarians halt on Greek frontier. Page 2. Victory depends on British labor unlons, says Lloyd George. Page 3.

Foreign. Chinese of five provinces rebel, Page L.

Mexico. General Villa is hiding in El Paso. Page 3. National. Ferris bill to be rushed through House, Page 1.

Baltimere vice commission finds amazing traffic in babies. Page 5. Plot inquiry to spread over Nation. Page 5.

Sport. Sportsmen's League begins Rogue River fish-ing feud investigation. Page 14. Option on Bill Rodgers up; McCredie an-nounces near-lineup. Page 14.

Page 1.
Dr. W. B. Morse is elected president of State Sound of Health. Page 6. Atterney-General may conduct Pendleton election riot inquiry. Page 6.
Trains in Union, tied up by snow, are freed and traffic resumes. Page 6.

Pacific Northwest.

Commercial and Marine. Northwestern wheat market strengthened by Eastern advance. Page 19. Wheat at Chicago touches highest point of season. Page 19. Big run and higher prices at Portland stockyards, Page 19, British steamer Ervoll suspends loading sending Cunal advices, Page 18, Portland and Vicinity.

Total tax in city for 1916 to be \$25.40 on each \$1000. Page 18. Chamber plans participation in Oregon-Washington irrigation development Epidemic of grip in Portland is widespread. Page 15.

Hard-surface road from North Yakima to
Portland projected. Page E.
Portland leads cities of Nation with lowest
death rate. Page 1. Road appropriation for 1916 is \$843,500. OHIO PAST FLOOD STAGE Stage moonshipe traditions upset by Federal Court trial, Page 16.

eral Court trial. Page 16.

Associated Charities gets larger cash offerings and is hopeful of remaining four days. Page 8.

Great impetus in lumbering due to new road is roported. Page 1.

Realty men have big, happy time at annual jollification. Page 13.

Jackson Club has received and the control of the c Jackson Club has regular old Democratic stage of 36 feet.

# NEW LOGGING ROAD RUNS TO CAPACITY

30-Mile Line Handles 800,000 Feet Daily.

# SIX COMPANIES OPERATING

Other Concerns Anxious for Traffic Facilities.

### ECONOMIC VALUE IS CITED

A. S. Kerry, Builder of Columbia & Nehalem Railway, Tells of Quick Growth of Business and Vast Timber Area Within Reach.

Improvement in the lumber market and the revival of the industry in Oregon are indicated by recent logging developments along the line of the Co lumbia & Nehalem Railroad Company A. S. Kerry, president of the Kerry Timber Company, builder of the rallrad, is in Portland and yesterday gave an optimistic forecast of the lumber industry, based on experience of his company and the activity he has noted n logging camps throughout the Columbia River Basin,

Mr. Kerry built a logging road in what he declares to be a gold mine of timber and has been logging 270,000 feet of timber a day since the compleburden of taxation on the Germans, tion of the road, five months ago.

Impetus Given Industry. In addition, this road, built entirely with personal capital, has induced five ther companies to begin logging until now the six companies have already attained the maximum capacity of the

logging road and others are clamoring

A little more than three years ago of which is located 30 miles from As toria and 70 miles from Portland through one of the richest timber secions of the Northwest. His company began logging immediately upon the completion of the road. He designed he road for a maximum carrying capacity of 800,000 feet a day, an average of one car dumping every five minutes.

# Dally Haul \$25,000 Feet.

The com sanies now operating are the CHICAGO, Dec. 20 .- Complaint of a Fishhawk, logging for the Westport The charges were dismissed at the imum carrying capacity of the Kerry day, making a grand total of \$25,000

Each of the separate logging companies owns its own rolling stock and nited States Marshal was voting on he Frank S. Myers, or victorious side.

Ostensibly the row centered over the ostensibly the row centered over the early morning, moderate to fresh south panies are carried on as if it were the exclusive used of the tracks.

# Co-operative Plan Developed.

Each of the companies has a membership in an organization that has been formed to take care of the booming of Denmark to forbid Ford peace meeting, the community plan is effective and makes for economy and efficiency. It is the hope of Mr. Kerry to have a community shop, where the rolling stock of the six companies can be kept in condition on the property of the rallroad. As Mr. Kerry retains complete owner-

French stop American ship and remove all shipments. He has supplied a few purser. Page 2. Final word on Ancona is sent to Austria. gasoline cars, allowing no pa-Page 4. Economic Value Cited.

ship of the road he receives tariff for

"One mill, cutting 75,000 feet of timber, is worth more to the City of Portland than the biggest bank in it." said Mr. Kerry last night. "Such a mill produces hundreds of thousands of dollars in actual wealth each year, and Doble, on visit, says if he ever returns to cosching it will be in East. Page 11.

Weeghman confirms rumor that Chicago Cubs are his Page 15.

most of that wealth represents labor. After the price of the stumpage is eliminated more than 50 per cent of the value of the timber is represented most of that wealth represents labor. by labor. Whether there is any profit One woman is dead and another jailed at in the timber industry or not, you are Klamatu Falls over family feed battle. creating absolutely new wealth, new money and are making employment for hundreds of men.

The combined holdings of the six companies now operating and providing employment for approximately 800

#### men, aggregate 2,000,000,000 feet. Immense Stand Available.

"These holdings will keep all the companies operating at their maximum capacity for 10 years. Then there are contisuous to the railroad and acces-stble to it 3,000,000,000 feet more, held by large companies, that will furnish

employment for another 15 years. "By extending the line up and down the Nehalem Valley 15,000,000,000 feet of stumpage can be made available. so it is a pateint fact that the six com-

Farmers Warned to Leave Lowlands as River Continues to Rise. EVANSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 20 .- The

Ohio River today passed the flood With a stage of 10 feet predicted. hundreds of farmers have been warned Weather report, data and forecast. Page 19, to forsake the lowland homes,



detail. One eye-winess declared that applied only to cases where adverse BELGIAN COAST SHELLED after the first battallon landed the men possession had ripened into title under shot down so thickly that the state law prior to 1904. The decision reverses that of the

BRYAN-OH, WELL, GUESS I'LL GO OVER AND SETTLE IT MYSELF.

COME OVER

HERE-THEY AREFIGHTING