### SCHOOL GIRL THEFTS CHARGED TO WOMEN

Mrs. Hazel Wright and Mother Are Under Arrest.

STOLEN GOODS RECOVERED

Fourteen-Year-Old Girl Confesses to Having Sold Loot to the

two women on a charge of receiving per cent. stelen goods from high school girl shoplifters, police believe they have broken up a ring which was rapidly undermining the morals of Portland bales, while that of 1818 will amount to only about 90,000 bales. This fall-

broken up a ring which was rapidly undermining the morals of Portland students. Police say the girls had been faught to steal expensive garments in downtown department stores, and were selling them for one-fifth of the retail price.

The women arrested were: Mrs. Hansel Wright, 27, landlady of the lodging at 222 West Park street and her mother, Mrs. Hannak Wright. Police took up the trail of the alleged archeriminals after a schoolgirl had told of selling them her loot.

The authorities refuse to divulge the names of the schoolgirls implicated, but say that at least four, all students at the same high school, and none of them more than 14 years old, have been stealing either directly or indirectly through the influence of the women ander arrest. The prisoners stoutly deny the charges, however, and say that the only property they took from any of the girls was given them as a Christmas present, and that they had eo knowledge that it had been stolen. The police first learned of the case through the detention of a schoolgirl several days ago on a charge of shop-lifting. The child said she had been stough the detention of a schoolgirl several days ago on a charge of shop-lifting. The child said she had been stolen. The police first learned of the case through the detention of a schoolgirl several days ago on a charge of shop-lifting. The child said she had been stolen. The police first learned it from another. Yesterday the women police found the one who was said to have eriginated the idea, and she in turn is alleged to have confessed that she had sold the property to the two Mrs. Wrights.

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Among the articles seized by the police were a \$5 sweater, alleged to have been sold them for 50 cents; \$5 earrings, said to have sold for 50 cents; a silk com-bination undergarment, hand embroid-ered, alleged to have been sold them for \$1, and a silk vest said to have brought 25 cents.

The girl who is alleged to have con-fessed said also that she had given the women a purse and a bracelet as presnts, and that she had sold a \$9.50 ur brella for \$2. The bracelet and purse were recovered, but the umbrella could out be found. The tables in the women's protective division are covered with articles which the girls are said to have

Police doubt their ability to prov that the women really taught the girls to steal, although the informant is al-leged to have charged Mrs. Hazel

AGGREGATE OF DEPOSITS RE-PORTED \$226,381,703.

Bank Class in State.

Oregon banks, according to a statement fro mithe superintendent of banks at Salem, hold aggregate deposits of 3224,381,702. Banks in 29 cities and towns hold \$192,218,562, or \$5 per cent of the total. There are 262 banking institutions in the state. Salem holds second place, with Pendleton third and Astoria fourth, both close to their nearest ranking financial leader. Since August 21 Burns and Condon have en-August 31 Burns and Condon have en-tered the list of Oregon towns having William Hohenzollern, the former bank deposits in excess of \$1,990,000.

The National Bank of Commerce, New situation with a German automobile Ferk, has issued a book of 150 pages firm, according to a Berlin dispatch.

entitled "Commercial Banking Prac-tices Under the Federal Reserve Act." Compiled to meet the needs of practical business men and bankers, it is of great value in an educational way with refer-ence to new methods developed in com-mercial banking. Bank acceptances are defined according to the rulings of the Federal Reserve Board, and the manner in which they may be employed. The

Federal Reserve Board, and the manner in which they may be employed. The general statutory provisions are also included. Rediscounts with reserve banks is another subject considered. "Advances by Federal Reserve Banks" constitutes a third division and "Open Market Transactions" the fourth. Army subscriptions to liberty bonds totaled \$76,000,000 was subscribed on the monthly allotment plan. Discharged soldiers wishing to discontinue payments may have the amounts paid returned and bonds canceled.

Interest rates continue firm at 6 per cent in industrial and 7 per cent in ag-ricultural centers, says the Federal Re-

o ricultural centers, says the Federal Re-serve Bullein of January 1.

November bank clearings for 18 prin-cipal cities of this district totaled \$1,-177,567,000, an increase of 13 per cent over the corresponding month a year ago. Seattle showing the greatest gain with 47 per cent, followed by Fortland with 40 per cent and Tacoma with 36 per cent.

M. A. KIGER, OF KOOTENAL COUNTY, TO RECEIVE HONOR.

W. L. Cuddy, of Boise, Mentioned as Next Warden of State. Penitentiary.

BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 5 .- (Special.) -The Speaker of the next House of Representatives in the 15th Idaho Legisla-ture, which convenes Monday at high on, will be Representative-elect M. A. Kiger, of Harrison, Kootenai County. This was conceded here tonight prior to the Republican members-elect going to a caucus that will last for several

Kiger gained strength after his ar rival from the north and his election tonight is but a matter of form. David Burrell, of American Falls, will be the chief clerk of the House. Kiger's main pponent was Charles D. Storey, of Ada

The Senate organized when the Re-publican majority decided upon Sena-tor E. W. Whitcomb, of Lembi County

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This service is of course free and entails no obligation of any kind. It is another instance of MEIER & FRANK'S service and accommodation and we count ourselves fortunate in being able to help in this way.

Mrs. Alice Benson Beach, chairman of the National League for Woman's Service, will leave Friday evening for New York City and will personally supervise, in conjunction with our New York organization, the carrying out of all commissions entrusted to her by relatives or friends of the boys belonging to Northwest units expected back soon. Office hours from 10 to 4 Tuesday to Friday, both days inclusive.-Sixth Floor.

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