Would Cut Freights.

Seattle by Lines.

Business to Foreigners if

America Does Not Act.

ompany, who was in the city last

the question of economic peace or war

The overt act which threatens to

the Japanese lines, and the Blue

Funnel line, operating in the trans-

Offer to Cut Rates Made.

While the conference rate on lumber

ference rate of \$10 a ton on flour.

the Blue Funnel has announced a

rate of \$7, according to the Admiral

also suggested a rate of \$7, he said,

to enable Canadian flour to undersell

the American product in the Orient.

"The question," said Mr. Haines,

"calls for a decision as to whether or not we are able to the up our bests

in that our decision in this matter

will have an American merchant ma

War to Knife Possible.

"Either all competitive lines must

a decision on whether or not w

Mr. Haines said. In face of a

onference.

PORTLAND, OREGON, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1920

PRICE FIVE CENTS

UNCLE SAM MIGHT BE BIT INDULGENT

Income Tax Payment May Be Postponed.

BUSINESS SORELY PRESSED

Several Lines Hard Hit in Readjustment Process.

ACTION THOUGHT LIKELY

Belief Is That Secretary of Treasury Will Officially Recommend Deferment of Payments.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU Washington, Nov. 19 .- Action by conber 15 seems possible. Information to this effect comes from reliable tives, where tax and revenue legisla-

Reports reaching Washington Indithat the present economic readjustment calls for some leniency on

reconvening of congress, will supply All out-going trains left on time. the payments fail due, December 15.

Treasury Status Decides. futile to expect the ways and means would involve the holding of hearturn to develop the facts and prove for such legislation. Moreover, it is pointed out that the eral Felix Agnus, the veteran pub-told how he had hidden the bonds in committee would not feel authorized lisher of the Baltimore American and his mattress in the construction camp ing from the secretary "how the gov- the American tomorrow that on Deernment is fixed financially" and cember 1 the American and the Star whether he will need the income tax will pass under the control of Frank payments to meet obligations of the A Munsey, owner of the Baltimore rovernment falling due in the fu- News, the New York Herald, the New

It is stated in authoritative congressional circles that there is no lack of knowledge among members newspapers in the country. of both parties of the demand for and means with license to proceed to amend the statute without recom-mendation from the officials charged with enforcement of the law.

No Debate Necessary.

This widespread acquaintance by representatives and senators with the state of affairs existing in business and the crisis presented by the maturing taxes is the basis for the confidence expressed in congressional circles that immediate action by congress can be obtained upon the offi- stated that the slide was about 50 cial recommendation of the secretary of the treasury. The subject would need no elucidation in debate, it is said, and even that branch of con- fast. Efforts to loosen it were futile gress charged with propensity to proonged discussion would find little encouragement in this instance. Treasury officials are more keenly Portland on Hamilton avenue.

alive to the predicament of business and heavy taxpayers than even the members of congress. It is said that the "hard luck" stories which over whelm the treasury people would melt heart of stone. The men come in almost with tears in their eyes, to complain that they have not the money to pay the tax, that the banks not lend the needed sums, and that they face being penalized and adding further to their debt to the

New Angle Presented.

There is a new angle to the income tax payment situation. The drygoods time, they said. It was a mistake for people have taken the initiative in an them to be divorced, they concluded, sopeal to congress to extend the proisions of the revenue act which pro- not have to wait six months to marry. vided crediting net losses sustained hastened to have the ceremony per-Omitting technicalities, the point is formed.

The revenue act provided that for the period between October 31, 1918, and January 1, 1920, net losses sustained might be deducted from the net income of the taxpayer for the preceding taxable year.

That provision was adopted to take TICKETS'TO U. S. FORGED

care of possible depreciations follow-ing the ending of the war. It was Emigrants Stranded in France as supposed that if there was a slump it would come within the period stipulated, but in point of fact it did not fall out that way. The high prices ontinued during the time specified bound for the United States are and the losses were incurred later stranded here penniless because the than the taxable year included in the ocean steamship tickets provided them

The drygoods men now want con- left by train for Cherbourg proved gress to extend the limitation beyond to be forgeries. January 1, 1910, so that the provision, The police were asked to arrest a designed for the benefit of business, man entrusted with the task of sebe vittated because the curing the tickets who is charged losses "hung fire" until it was too late with pocketing the money to the to take advantage of the beneficent amount of about 200,000 france and

SUGAR, FLOUR, MEAT SWINDLE OF BANK

DECLINE OF 50 CENTS IS EX-PECTED TO AFFECT BREAD.

Livestock and Other Farm Produc tions Becoming Cheaper on Portland Markets.

Another decline of 50 cents a barrel n bakers' flour, which may eventualy affect the retail price of bread, was change was made in other grades of PRETTY WOMAN IS INVOLVED announced by millers yesterday. No flour, but the market is naturally weak as wheat prices continue to de

Sugar is still on the down grade With the eastern raw and refined sugar markets lower, the California refiners yesterday put into effect a reduction of 50 cents a hundred in cane sugar prices and Portland jobbers immediately gave retailers the benefit of the decline. The new local price of refined sugar is \$10.50 a hundred.

Livestock is becoming cheaper with other farm productions and prices at the Portland Union stockyards are declining in line with markets olsewhere, Hogs have suffered more than other classes of livestock in the slump. During the afternoon trading t the yards, shippers accepted bid of \$12.50 a hundred for the hest grade of hogs after having refused to accept the same offers the day before, gress looking to postponement of the On Friday of last week the same kind of hogs was worth \$15 a hundred.

sources in the house of representa- SCHEDULES ARE RESUMED

Southern Pacific Service Back Normal After Washout.

Southern Pacific passenger trains a \$100 attorney fee. the part of Uncle Sam to tide over are back on practically normal business. To be pressed to pay when schedules, following delays which dangerous role was that of the the next installment of income tax followed a washout on the main line woman, who appeared at the bank was passed to meet this objection, becomes due, in a little less than four at Kennett, Cal., late Thursday after- and obtained a certified check in the but it was lost in the last days of weeks, it is learned, would work a noon. Incoming trains last night name of a prominent Portland man, the session. severe hardship on several lines of were reported four hours late, but it business hard hit in the process of re- was believed at the local offices that worked like this: | much of this lost time would be It is intimated that the secretary made up and that they will not be of the treasury, immediately upon the much behind time in arriving today,

the committee on ways and means Heavy rains released vast amounts with data supporting the demand for of rock and earth above the O.-W. postponement and officially recom- R. & N. main line about 36 miles mend such action. It would be quite east of The Dalles late Thursday within the range of possibilities to night, covering the Columbia river pass a resolution to that effect highway, knocking down wires and through the house and senate before bending the track. Trains were held up until 7 o'clock yesterday morning.

Otherwise, it is said, it would be MUNSEY BUYS 2 PAPERS outside of Vancouver, B. C. He demmittee to initiate action, as it Baltimore American and Star Ac-

quired by Publisher. BALTIMORE, Md., Nov. 19 .- Gen-York Sun, the New York Telegram

and other publications. The American is one of the oldest Publication of the Star will cease postponing payment, but it is ex- with Mr. Munsey's acquisition of the plained that having that information properties and the plants of the News even at first hand from prospective and the American will be consolidated victims of the situation does not nec- in Mr. Munsey's publication plant. essarily arm the committee on ways The American will be continued under the same name

SLIDE BLOCKS BOULEVARD

Auto Bumps Into Earth and Is

Left for Night.

gulch by a slide of earth and rock.

Motorcycle Patrolmen Case and For-

ken who were sent to the blockade

yards long and six or seven feet deep.

the tag end of the blockade and stuck

and the owner left it for the night.

One small automobile bumped into

Motorists are instructed to turn off at the comfort station and come into

tloned at either end to prevent acci-

DIVORCED PAIR REWED

Goettens Conclude Separation Is

Mistake After Little Time Apart.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 19 .-

(Special.) - Walter F. Goetten and

Mrs. Clara M. Goetten, his ex-wife,

who were divorced less than six

months ago, came to Vancouver today

and were remarried, this time for all

The law in this case is that neither

Police Hunt Swindler.

CHERBOURG, France, Nov. 19.

by the supposed agents of a navigation company in Paris before they

Terwilliger boulevard was blocked

READS LIKE NOVEL

Clever Trio Clear \$2932

in Portland Plot.

Certified Check Obtained and Used in Deal.

ACTING IS WELL DONE

Attorney Is Unwittingly Made Party-Settlement of Supposed Theft Is Effected.

A swindle by which one of the leading banks of Portland was victimized out of \$3032 and which rivals een revealed.

The bunko trio, two men and a pretty woman, worked with studied for a budget system as soon as accuracy and carried the plot through congress meets. President Wilson vetoed the bill last session because They obtained \$7#32, after deducting

Chronologically, the swindle was

Visit Made to Attorney. On November 1, an inoffensivelooking young fellow giving the name Frank Ford appeared at the office of W. C. Nicholas in The Oregonian building. Ford asked the lawyer if he would handle a ratherout-of-the-ordinary case, explaining that he had been robbed of some \$3000 worth of liberty bonds, first issue, while he was employed in a railroad construction camp operated by Foley Bros., about 75 miles was in Portland. Mr. Nicholas agreed to act as his attorney on a contigen fee of \$100.

Ford then went fully into his story o take the first step without know- the Baltimore Star, will announce in and found the mattress ripped open one morning and the bonds gone.

Thief Is Declared Trailed. He told the attorney that he had traced the thief from the camp to ing a close watch to prevent his sellland, where Ford had heard the mys-(Continued on Page 2, Column 3.) tonigh

BUDGET PLAN LIKELY

PREPARING TO ACT.

Bodies Handling Expenditures to Be Invited to Give Aid.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 19.—The appro-priations committee of congress is gon's citizens, Mrs. Lucretia Jane Mccommittee in spite of the fact that President Wilson vetoed the bill providing for a budget system at the last session of congress. Chairman Good of the appropriations committee, is preparing a call for his committee to meet in anticipation of the June 26, 1822. Later, the family The chairmen of the various committees that have to deal with appropriations, like the military affairs at many weddings during her life committee, the committee on post- and was the mother of four sons and nvited to meet with the appropriations committee. This system will McKennon of this city, Dr. A. M. Mc center all appropriations in one com-mittee and will bring about the principle of the budget system in the beence of the law providing for it. living grandchildren, 43 great-grand The committee will have to deal at children and one great-great-grandice with a huge deficit in depart- child. mental appropriations. The estimates were vigorously cut in the last session in an effort to bring about four score and ten mark to die dur- of shipping is looming on the Pacific economy, but the various departments ing the last month, Mrs. M. E. Rob- and assuming the proportions of a have spent in advance of these appro- bins passing away October 7 at the the unfolding of a plot evolved by a priations, creating one of the largest age of 97 years. master of modern fiction has just deficits in the history of the government.

It is proposed to introduce a bill AGED PAIR DITCH WRATH night on his way to Seattle. There vetoed the bill last session because hey obtained \$2332, after deducting it provided for a governmental fiscal agent subject to removal by congress. Probably the most important and the regarded this as an invasion of

DRY LAW MAY BE ALTERED Court Decision May

Necessitate Amendment. MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Nov. 19 .-Amendment of the Volstead prohibition enforcement act may be necessary as a result of the recent cecision of the United States supreme court legalizing movement of liquor tended for personal use, Representa-

tive Volstead said here today. "If the situation seems to call for it, we can easily amend the law, he said.

INVITATION NOT OFFICIAL Request That Harding Visit Mexico Not From Obregon.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19 .- The Mexi-

an embassy declared that it had been authorized by General Obregon, president-elect of Mexico, to deny that Vancouver and then to Seattle, keep- Elias L. Torres, who last Tuesday ing a close watch to prevent his sell- extended to Senator Harding an ining the securities and thinking that vitation to visit Mexico, was acting he would eventually proceed to Port- in behalf of the Mexican president-This was announced in a statement

THE MAN WHO SELLS HOME BREW "MAKIN'S" MUST HAVE A COMFORTABLE FEELING

MALT SYRUP

AND HOPS

JERRY

MRS. L. J. McKENNON DESPITE WILSON VETO SUCCUMBS, AGED 98

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE ONE OF OREGON'S OLDEST CITIZENS DIES AT LA GRANDE.

Chairmen of Other Congressional 5 Children, 25 Grandchildren, 42 British and Japanese Great-Grandchildren: 1 Great-Great-Grandchild Survive.

> LA GRANDE, Or., Nov. 19 .- (Spe gon's citizens, Mrs. Lucretla Jane Mc-Kennon, died this morning at 2 o'clock at the age of 98 years. Mrs. McKennon had often said that she really believed that she was 100 years of age, but no record could be found to verify her claim and as near as moved to Arkansas, where her husband, Harvey McKennon, died in 1871

> The aged pioneer has been presen three daughters, five of whom are still living. They are: J. D. and L. L.

Couple Married in 1867, Divorced,

Happily Reunited.

LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 13. - Their faces flushed with the happiness precipitate the rate war is the recent of a reawakened love, Henrietta Schmailzl, 67, and Clemens H. Schmailzl, 74, parents of 17 children, forgot the divorce that separated them Pacific trade under the British flag five years ago and were remarried in 1867. Mrs. Schmallzl was granted a divorce in 1915, having charged her husband with non-support and cru-

When Mr. and Mrs. Schmailzl appeared for the marriage license today they said they were as happy as they were the day they were married, 53 years ago. Mrs. Schmailzi took the initiative in procuring the license. She guided the faltering hand of her husband as he signed the application. Twelve of their 17 children are living.

GRIPS TOWN

SALEM, O., Nov. 19 .- Seven hundred rine. nd eighty-nine persons were today suffering from typhoid fever in this little city of less than 10,000 people Four emergency hospitals established the same rates, or we shall have war within the last few weeks were filled to the knife. We must bring the forwith patients and the situation, ac- eign lines to our terms or must meet cording to R. A. Lamont, chairman of theirs. If the British and Japanese desperate.

"We have not reached the peak of all the business, just as the British Morgan & Co.

the trans-Pacific trade, they will get

from the Columbia river to Europe." Mr. Haines pointed out that in meeting the rates of the British ver the grain movement to Europe, the American vessels would have a decided advantage over the British in the fact that the Britishers degrees, minimum, 51 degrees.

TODAYS—Occasional rain; southwesterly winds.

Was overly anxious to clear up this gang of bootleggers operating with their voyage—from the United Kingdom to the Pacific coast-in ballast. while American vessels, carrying cargoes on their first leg of the voyage Germany protests system of to Europe, have at least a chance of awards used by league. Page obtaining a little cargo there for the return trip. He advocated reduction of shipping board rates to meet forcompetition in all steamship lines, whatever the immediate loss

through the low rate may be. Terminais Are Inspected.

Accompanying Mr. Haines on his trip to Portland was Hugh Gallagher. general eastern agent of the Admiral line, who has charge of the company's office in New York. Mr. Gallagher has also been representing the Admiral line at Washington in confermant line at Washington line at general eastern agent of the Admiral ences with shipping board officials.

While here, Mr. Gallagher made a thorough inspection of the various thorough inspection in conterce change. The many three boys now held for big mail robbery. Page 4.

Harding enjoys day at sea. Page 1. thorough inspection of the various municipal terminals and familiarized himself with the shipping facilities

touch with the principal railroad traffic men of the east and gives it as his fic men of the east and gives it as a subscript opinion that an agreement will soon be reached for the restoration of the company, arrested for forgeries. Page 19.

Sports, rail rates, so that Pacific coast ports can compete with those of the Atlantic for trans-Pacific business originating in the territory east of Chicago.

age charge of 30 cents a ton now made by these ports could be eliminated, because no such charge is paid

wheat market. Page 19.

Stock list suffers severely with heavy selling and pay for the liquor. Instead of paying for the liquor he placed the nated, because no such charge is paid

wheat market. Page 19.

Stock list suffers severely with heavy selling and pay for the liquor he placed the two bootleggers under arrest, calling for Europe. Page 18. by shippers who route their freight through the Atlantic ports. In repeating his advocacy of the

last night that 80 per cent of the trans-Pacific freight now moving out of Vancouver, B. C. originates in the contract of the pacific Ice Cream Manufacturers' association of officers.

Says New York business man. Page 9. the office of Sergeant Ellis, in command of the moral squad, and the trans-Pacific freight now moving out of Vancouver, B. C. originates in the contract of the page 7.

BAD WEATHER JINX SHAKEN BY HARDING

SEA RATES LOOMS KIES ARE BRIGHT AND SEA SMOOTH FOR VOYAGE.

> President-Elect on Way to Panama Passes Most of Day in Game of Shuffleboard.

ABOARD STEAMSHIP PARISMINA Nov. 19 .- (By Wireless to the Associa ed Press.)-President-elect Harding MAY DECIDE ISSUE wrecked his vacation in Texas, sailed toward Panama today under bright skies and over a smooth sea.

Conference to Be Held at left New Orleans late vesterday steered almost due southward and during the first 24 hours had covered ilmost 300 miles of the 1400-mile course to Cristobal. Ship officers TRADE HELD IN DANGER

Mr. Harding slept late this morning and after a brisk walk about the deck settled down in the warm sun A. F. Haines Says Cuts Will Send light to read a book about Panama. Soon, however, he became interested in a game of shuffleboard being played by newspaper men and could not resist the challenge to join the game. He practically spent the rest of the day in playing shuffleboard The fiercest rate war in the history and other deck games. Senator Harding and Mrs. Harding attended a picture show and concert national issue, according to A. F.

given in their honor tonight. Haines, vice-president and general The usual flying fish and porpoises crossing the bow of the little white manager of the Pacific Steamship steamer as she cut through the dark blue waters of the gulf brought to the question of economic peace or war many of the party their first glimpses will be determined at a meeting this of the marine life familiar to those morning of the Pacific west-bound experienced in tropical cruising The president-elect rested after the

strenuous day spent in New Orleans withdrawal from the conference of Mitsui & Co., one of the strongest of "The Press" sheets from the wire less room claimed his early attention today, after which he "took it easy" in the social hall and on deck.

BABE SCALDED TO DEATH from north Pacific ports to the Orient is \$17.50, the Japanese are Child of 2 Walks Backward, Tumoffering to carry the lumber for \$12, bles Into Boiler.

BURNS, Or., Nov. 19 .- (Special.)wo-year-old Ruth Smith died here last night as a result of injuries received from falling into a boiler of hot water which was standing on the floor. The child was walking backwards and, not seeing the boiler, tumbled in.

necessary. She was badly burned about the ack and shoulders. The child lived only a few hours. She is the daughand allow the foreigners to carry all ter of Mr. and Mrs. She is the daugh-our freight. It is a national issue prominent residents of Burns. rominent residents of Burns

4 NATIONS APPROVE LOAN

U. S., England, France and Japan Agree to Chinese Consortium.

be in the conference and must quote NEW YORK, Nov. 19 .- Forma approval of the new Chinese conthe citizens' relief committee, was lines are allowed to underquote us in and Japan, was announced here tonight in a statement issued by J. P merchant fleet is moving all the grain!

The company spoke on behalf of the American banking group.

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Mining congress goes on record in favor of repeal of excess profits taxes. Page 4. Pacific Northwest. provided here during the last six years while he has been on duty in the east.

Mrs. L. J. McKennon dies at La Grande himself in readiness.

Before the liquor was brought from the cast.

Mrs. Gallagher has been in close to the control of the plans, requesting him to hold himself in readiness.

Before the liquor was brought from the cast, seeks wedlock in United States.

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Proposed land bill hits Washington allens. S. A. Adams, insurance manager of Seattle Russell to drive the car to Clinton company, arrested for forgeries. Page 19. street, where it was dark, also telling

Commerce defeated by Lincoln, 7 to 0. tols, which they threatened to use in ck would like fight with O'Dowd. Jaunting cart makes hit at horse show. Page 12.

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Anti-saloon league to stir up drys Page 10. At the police station Russell testi-

of Vancouver, B. C., originates in the Sugar, flour and livestock prices take new one bottle partly filled, was carried United States and that only 1 per decline. Page L.

POLICEMEN ADMIT PAYING IN LIQUOR

Informer-Allowed to Take Part of Booty.

shaking the bad weather "jinx" that MAYOR RESERVES DEGISION

His steamship, the Parlsmina, which Police Confess Bad Judgment, But Cite Record.

predicted perfect weather would con- EYES CLOSED TO THEFT

Opportunity Is Given Stool Pigeon to Spirit Away Liquor as His Share, Says Witness.

Frank admission that Jim Marshall, known bootlegger and stool pigeon of liquor from the police station as leading to the arrest of two bootleygers and the possible breaking up of gang of bootleggers disposing iquor smuggled into Portland from stand yesterday by George W. Russell no Frank W. Huntington, patrolmen These two officers, both veterans n the Portland police force, had a hearing before Mayor Baker vesterday on charges of conduct unbecoming an officer. At the conclusion of the hearing Mayor Baker took the ase under advisement.

Spies Held Necessary.

For two hours Patrolman Russell old the story of his relations with the stool pigeon, interjecting general bservations of police duty from time to time and pleading a defense for his used poor judgment and having failed to inform his superior officers of his plan of handling the case.

The use of stool pigeons in handling iquor cases, according to Patrolman kussell, while an unwise practice, is

"Every stool pigeon must have his pay," testified the police officer. "He must receive it either in money or in the stuff that he is monkeying with. Every officer in every police departnent in the country handling such cases knows this and expects to reward the informer. I know that the naving of a stool pigeon in liquor is bad. He should be paid in money."

Superiors Are Exonerated.

When suggestion was made by Mayor Baker that superior officers in sortium by the governments of the United States, Great Britain, France responsible for a man walking out of the police station with 12 quarts of whisky, the amount Marshall is said to have admitted taking as his porentire responsibility for the deal.

"I don't want to make a grandstand play by assuming the responsibility," said the officer, "but I don't want anyone to suffer for my action. I was overly anxious to clear up this gang of bootleggers operating with from Canada, and I overstepped my

It developed in the case that preparatory to making the arrest Russell had permitted his informer to negotiate for the purchase of three cases of liquor. The patrolman drove the owner of the liquor and his informant from the Union station to East

Twelfth and Division streets. Bootleggers Found Armed.

Here the stool pigeon and William Pavors to British firm by shipping board are charged. Page 5.

L. Gilbert, also known under the name of Hamilton, who is now serving six months with another bootleg-L. Gilbert, also known under the

During the absence of the two men Russell communicated with the uni formed officer on the beat including Division street, and informed him of

automobile, Marshall, the stool pigeon, came out of the house and directed street, where it was dark, also telling the police officer that the two bootleggers had .45 automatic army pisand attack switched by Aggies. Inclies or federal officers developed

Uniformed Help Called In,

Marshall then returned and aided in carrying the liquor from the house He also said that Portland and Seattle would obtain a greater proportion of the business originating in the east and now moving to the orient through Atlantic ports if the wharfon the uniformed officer to ride on Policemen admit paying informer in liquor, the running-board of the machine on Page 1.

enforcement of section 28 of the Jones merchant marine law, Mr. Haines said marine law, Mr. Haines said says New York business man. Page 9.

cent of the freight leaving Pacific coast ports originates in Canada.

Y Moriwaki, manager of Mitsul A. Walters, elayer of Policeman Page 1.

Husted A. Walters, elayer of Policeman fire, did not participate in the arrest, but was in the office of Sergeant cent's hospital. Page 4.

Ellis when the men were brought in Y Moriwaki, manager of Mitsul

& Co.'s Portland office, said last
night that he had received no instructions regarding reduction in
rates on trans-Pacific lumber shipments. All shipments sent out under

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