# HARDING IS SILENT

President-Elect Listens but Keeps Own Counsel.

## CABINET REMAINS VEILED

Conferences With Senators, Other Republican Leaders, Fail to Disclose Future Action.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, He gave the impression of wanting Washington, Dec. 7 .- President-elect Harding's two days' visit to Washington has revealed nothing of his policies, except that he is still de-termined to call congress into extra session soon after the inauguration. He did nothing to satisfy the curi-

first of the year.

The conferences here included all the republican leaders of the senate of every shade of opinion, but one of the most important interviews is yet to come. This will be with Herbert Hoover at Marion, sometime around January 1.

Hoover Has Economic Programme. Although it is only eight years since Woodrow Wilson instituted the policy of appearing before congress personally with his messages, the statesmen on the hill appeared to have become so accustomed to that practice that there was a lack of ap-

practice that there was a lack of appreciation of the written message when it came in today.

And so accustomed had the door-keeper of the house been to announcing on such occasions, "Mr. Speaker, the president of the United States," that he stumbled and had to be cortained.

Party Leadership Pressed.

say something that would give com-fort and assurance to those who have been harassed by the fall in prices and the slow-up in business. He was urged to say that all this is merely a normal episode of after-war condi-tions, and to try to focus the minds of business men of the country on the hopeful signs in the situation, and to say we have every reason for hopefulness and every reason for knowing that the depression is merely temporary. Particularly he was urged to say that the new adminis-tration would be sympathetic and would set about doing everything sible to stimulate national prosperity.

Senator Would Be Sure, All these things were urged upon Senator Harding, and as to practically

Whether any of Senator Harding's callers brought up the subject of cabinet appointments, or whether Senator Harding's friends brought up the subject, the present writer has no knowledge, but he is strongly inclined to the belief that, while Senator Harding's friends brought up the subject, the present writer has no knowledge, but he is strongly inclined to the belief that, while Senator for the senate agriculture compliance of the senator agriculture compliance. to be very surefooted.

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the "best mides," it is learned, were
mot in reality conferences at all.
Mr. Wilson's successor ventured no
my proved a good listener. He apparently came here to close up his work
in the senate and to get the ideas
of party advisors.

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"If one could always direct his own political fortunes to his liking I should have preferred my membership here to any office a citizen may hold in this republic." Those of us who have followed the intimate politics of the last year know that this is exactly correct as a matter of history, and that the sentiment came from the heart and reflected the feeling of the mext president of the Mr. Hoover is not interested in the last year know that this least in the politics of the Harding administration, but he has numerous suggestions to make with regard to the economic conditions in this country and of the rest of the world, insofar as the affairs of other nations influence America's well-being. Although it is only eight years since Woodrow Wilson instituted the policy of appearing before congress the interest of the finding declared it was impossible for any banking system to provide for any banking all staple crops entirely from the market for any banking system to provide for any banking system nited States is not a glory that you enjoy but a duty that you live up to. He gave the impression of a man who is rather regretfully giving up a career that had become familiar and easy and taking one which he sees is composed more largely of self-sacri-

authorizing payment of \$450,000, according to the witness. Bight cases involving the return of transports to the owners have been disposed of, Lieutenant Runde said, and 30 more, involving claims of approximately \$12,000,000, are awaiting settlement.

Senator Harding was urged to assert leadership of the republicans in the present congress, without waiting until March 4. He was urged to act as if he were the party leader and to put his shoulder behind a programme of legislation for the present session. To this urging, apparently, Senator Harding showed rather marked dissent.

He was urged to make some public utterance in the shape of indorsement of the budget bill and do what sation.

# through the present session of congress. Except to express the hope that the budget bill would pass in the present session, Senator Harding was urged to seize the first occasion possible to make a speech, or some other public utterance, concerning the troubled state of business. He was urged to say something that would give com-

Renewal of Efforts Results From Senate Delay.

Resolution Can Be Called Up at Any Time by Unanimous Consent to Majority Vote.

In the senate today on farmer relief legislation, proponents of the legislation, proponents of the legislation. tion announced tonight the intention tion.

Much Information Acquired.

He showed very much deeper concern over economic questions than about the disposition of the patrons age which, to some individual same and approval and he put one age which, to some individual same and approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same and approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same and approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same and approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same and approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same and approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same and approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same and approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same and approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same approval and he put of the patrons age which, to some individual same approval and he put of the patrons age which he presents age which he presents age of the same to close many places of chance in the close ma

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He suggested that the federation consider co-operative marketing, greater diversification of crops and the maturing of farmers' obligations over periods extending from October to March as a means of preventing a repetition of present conditions. Discussing apprehension of farmers as to their current indebtedness Governor Harding said that in his opinion if the farmer would go to his banker and make a frank statement of his condition agreeing to make orderly sales of his products as the market develops, he would be able to make arrangements for present pressing needs and for the requirements of another season.



ing districts of the northwest were discussed by nine officials of western railroad companies who accepted an invitation of Frederick A. Wallis commissioner of immigration, to visit Ellis island today.

## LIQUOR INQUIRY ORDERED

Astoria Police Department Under Fire in Hart Whisky Case.

ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 7 .- (Special.)-Did the Astoria police department fail NEEDED VOTES ASSURED

Needed to have seized when they arrested Henry Hill of Aberdeen and searched his boat? That is a question which the municipal council has ordered investigated

Hill pleaded guilty in the federal court at Portland a few days ago to a charge of violating the national

a charge of violating the national prohibition laws. At the same time he said Astoria police took 22 cases of whisky from him, but the records show only 53 bottles, or slightly more than four cases, were turned over to the federal authorities.

Chief of Police Carison claims that

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Undaunted by failure to obtain immediate action by failure to obtain immediate action

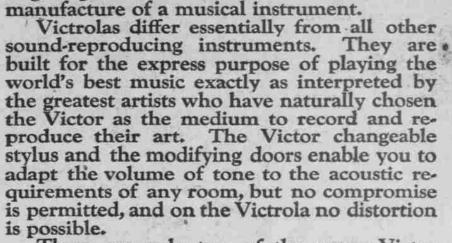
## ALLEGED THIEF SET FREE

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> by the county council, in addition to matters immediately affecting coeration between the schools of the

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