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BACK UNDER GUARD

Whether Guilty or Not, Wife Asserts Loyalty.

BOND HOUSE ROBBER FOILED

Prowler Is Put to Flight by Patrolman on Guard.

PROPERTY TURNED OVER

Realty and Bonds With Total Value of \$75,000 Put in Hands of Receiver by Morris,

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 31.-(Special.)-John L. Etheridge, exsheriffs of Multnomah county who eridge left on the same train, and re terated her intention of sticking by

her husband, guilty or not guilty. police officer to accompany him also to Portland was not granted.

A daring attempt to break into the bolted doors of the Morris Brothers. Inc., bond house shortly after 2 o'clock yesterday morning by an un dentified burglar was frustrated when Patrolman Wagy, night guard at the building, under orders of Chief of Police Jenkins, sprang to the door with leveled revolver to find the intruder running down Stark street,

where he turned north on Fifth. Patrolman Wagy sald that he was sitting in a chair in the front of the gin organization work. main office when he heard somelock on the steel-barred entrance to the front door.

By the time the policeman had might arise. made his way through the revolving

way under cover of darkness. Fleeting Glance Obtained,

Wagy was able to get only a fleeting glimpse of his early-morning visftor, who, he said, wore a dark suit and a black hat. He could not leave the building unprotected to give

Officials were at a loss to under stand the purpose of the visit of the owler, and there were no clews as

to the man's identity. the afternoon, had turned over to him the president's signature. transferred to him by John L. Ethe- ident's intention to sign the bill. leave-taking on Thursday of last gressional clerks for a duplicate copy week.

Property Valued at \$75,000.

This property, it was estimated will realize the creditors an additiona \$75,000 in assets. It included \$25,000 in bonds which, until yesterday, Morris retained in a safety deposit box in the bond house, stocks and bonds of an undetermined value in several tocal corporations, the Etheridge country home on the Clackamas river, a ton to \$19 a ton. and an equity in the Etheridge home and above this amount. ridge for a sum reported to have buying for 75 cents a barrel. been \$40,000, thus leaving \$25,000 for The Clackamas county country home was said to be worth approximately

Mr. Whitcomb yesterday denied reports circulated during the afternoon New York Exchanges Reach Total that evidence has been uncovered to show that something like \$570,000 in bonds which had been held by Etheridge in trust for his clients had been used as collateral in procuring loans from two Portland banks and a bank at San Francisco. So far city, reported record operations for as he has yet learned, all bonds the calendar year. which banks hold as security were property of the firm of Morris Bros.,

Grand jury investigation of the in 1918. bond house fallure was under way all day yesterday at the courthous Henrietta A. Murris, a sister of Fred S. Morris, was among the witnesses ualled before the state probing body to explain any connection she might have with Etheridge and the bond Aircraft Hop Off on Second Lap house business. When Etheridge left Portland he deeded his Clackamas county home to Miss Morris.

Grand Jury May Report Soon. It was said at the courthofise that an initial report from the grand jury might be expected some time Monday, or shortly after Etheridge is due to arrive in Portland in custody of Dep-

my Sheriffs Schirmer and Scott. Important steps in the adjustment of the affairs of the bankrupt bond house will be taken in federal court Monday when Judge Welverton will be called upon to determine the tem port at daybreak tomorrow to make purary disposition of \$1,760,000 of the a non-stop flight to Magdalena bay. city of Edmonton bonds pending a completion of the audit of the firm's books during the course of the bankruptcy proceedings.

Upon application of Griffith, Leiter mb, temporary receiver, Judge Wolverton yesterday issued an order cit-ing F. Barnhouse, city treasurer of Edmonton, to appear before him at imonton, to appear before him at (Concluded on Page 13, Column 1.)

LEGION'S OPPOSITION IGNORED BY TOWNLEY

NON-PARTISAN ORGANIZER RE-FUSES TO QUIT SALINA.

Ex-Service Men Plan to Carry Or Counter-Campaign in Districts of Kansas.

SALINA, Kan., Dec. 31.-That he vill not leave this county and that he proposes to continue work of organisation here was the assertion made by . C. Townley, non-partisan league head, today when he received a re-quest from the local American Legion

oost calling upon him to depart. The request was left at his headquarters last night, but was not reeived by Townley until today, when he returned from a trip to the country. Townley and a number of associates came here several days ago for the announced purpose of organizing

league branches.
"I am not worried about the attiude of the American Legion here in Salina," said Townley. "I have met American Legion posts before. I shall not comply with the request to leave. Indeed, I shall not be deterred one lots from my work of organization here. I am gaining members in Salina county every day in a peace-able, law-abiding manner. I am gure the legion men are fine young fellows who are simply misled. They don't understand, that's all."

Portland tonight in company with L. by A. O. Ketterman, commander of were canvassed by President-elect ordered the general to produce was L. Scott and A. C. Schirmer, deputy the local fegion post, that a meeting Harding today in conference with Announcement was made tonight the local fegion post, that a meeting Harding today in conference with an affidavit made by Mary H. Walsh of the post had been called for Tues-congressional leaders and officials of in behalf of her husband, Harry H. were sent here to get him. Mrs. Eth- day to decide what further action the federal reserve board. would be taken.

The announcement followed conferences between Ketterman, Town-Etheridge's desire for a Minneapolis ley and several others at which the present session of congress, and he davit in connection with these prolegion commander stated that no violence was contemplated should the Representative Mondell of Wyoming. stated that the legion would attempt Representative Anthony of Kansas, to offset the league's efforts by what he termed "a campaign of education," in which he asserted especial attention would be made to the "war record" of the organization.

These developments were preceded priations subcommittee on naval exby an announcement from the Salina central labor union and the Farmers Salina County league that they had invited Townley to come here and be

In a statement to local newspapers body tampering with the chains and during the day Sheriff Swanson de- about general financial conditions clared that prompt steps would be with the president-elect, and gave taken to deal with any situation that him their advice on a governmental

door and opened the outer door the unidentified intruder had scurried LOST BILL BECOMES LAW

Measure Calling for Committee to

Investigate Changes Passes. WASHINGTON, Dec. 31 .- A "lost" il today became a law

The Smoot-Reavis bill, providing for the appointment of a congresamittee to study reorganization of government departments the man's identity.

day ago and sent to the White Announcement was made last night House, where all trace of it was lost. Whitcomb, temperary re- The ten days' period having expired salver, that Fred S. Morris, during the bill became a law today without White all property which Morris said was House officials said it was the presfor to the latter's hurried Request was made today of con- ficiency, for filing purposes.

PRICE OF BRIQUETS RISES Gas Company Announces Advance

From \$14 to \$19.

The Portland Gas & Coke company announced yesterday that the price of briquets had been raised from \$14

The company gave the advance in in Irvington. Morris claims an equity the price of fuel oli from which briof \$15,000 in the Irvington home, but quets is made as the reason for the announced his willingness to turn rise in price. It was declared that over to the creditors everything over with the coming of the first of the was purchased from Morris by Ethe-

It is said that the increased cost creditors providing it can be sold of oil is to be divided between the or that amount at the present time gas-producing and briquet manufacturing divisions of the company.

OPERATIONS TOP RECORD

of \$243,135,013,364. NEW YORK, Dec. 31,-The New York Clearing House association, which comprises 53 of the largest banks and trust companies of this

Exchanges amounted to the color otal of \$243,135,013,364, against \$235,-802,634,887 in 1919 and \$178,533,248,783

Balanges totaled \$25,075,220,338, as and \$18,257,013,610 in 1918.

PLANES RESUME FLIGHT

of Trip to Panama Canal. SAN DIEGO, Cal., Dec. 31 .- Twelve of the 13 seaplanes which left San Diego yesterday on a flight to the Panama canal and reached San Barrolome bay, Lower California, made the second "hop" of the journey to Magdalens bay today, according to radio messages received here shortly after

The 13th machine, the NC-6, remained at San Bartolome bay for the NC-5, which will set out from this

OFFICIAL SAVES CHILDREN Governor-Elect of Massachusetts

Stops Runaway Horses.

BOSTON, Dec. 11 .- Lieutenant Govwho stood terror-stricken in their

FINANCIAL ISSUES

Problem of Government Economy Is Considered.

EXPERTS SUGGEST REMEDIES

Will Be Curtailed.

RELIEF OF FARMER VITAL

President-Elect Lets It Be Known That He Will Favor Voluntary Military Training of Youth,

MARION, O., Dec. 31 .- The country's financial problems and the problem of cutting down government expenses, congressional leaders and officials of

Particular concern was shown by Mr. Harding in the curtailment went over that subject in detail with | ceedings. workers remain here. He republican leader of the house, and which frames army appropriations measures. Recently he had a similar

Finances Are Considered.

the Cleveland reserve bank talked North Pacific Coast States Will Be policy during the next few months. Farmers' relief is understood to have cussed with the board officials adprotection for any particular group.

Mr. Mondell told the president-elect States weather bureau. that the government's greatest saving during the present session could be accomplished by holding down the army and navy budgets, and predicted that by careful economy annual appropriations for all departments coulbe held to approximately \$2,000,000,- SENATOR HAS OPERATION

Armament Reduction Opposed, He recommended against any reduction in armament until there had been an international disarmament, but said millions could be saved in Washington, Dec. 31. Senator Cham-

Legislation fixing the enlisted comfortably. strength of the army at 150,000 or 75,688 in place of the present author-

GENERAL SENTENCED TO 10 DAYS IN JAIL

IN CONTEMPT OF COURT,

ords Pertaining to War Draft Brings Vengeance of Law.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21,-A con-

ceedings. court that such records should be 1919. The gain in imports for 1920 produced was noted by counsel for is approximately 150 per cent General Harris and the contempt sen-tence automatically was suspended disposition of the appeal General Harris said he had his "field equipment" ready and was prepared o serve out the sentence if necessary, but added that he did not ex-

pect to have to go to jaila Justice Siddons, in entering the order adjudging the general in contempt, directed that should be decide to produce the records sought before to be released. The war department. however, is to make a test of the status of draft records.

behalf of her husband, Harry H. Walsh, before Walsh's local board four for Atlantic coast ports, two for Walsh is now suing his wife for a the orient and two for Australia. divorce and his counsel obtained an army and navy appropriations at the order for the production of the affi-

General Harris contended, that President Wilson, in the order pro- measure. mulgating the selective service act. chairman of the house subcommittee, promised that certain information never would be made public, and that conference with Representative Kelly among this information was the physof Michigan, chairman of the appro- ical condition of the men examined, of the vessels clearing from Portland indication that it will continue to

Drenched by Rain. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31 .- Wash-

ington and Oregon tomorrow will be ern one of the specific problems dis-ussed with the board officials and is rushing storm that resulted in storm line to the west coast of South Amer-cent over 1917 and 1657 per vising against special government these two states, according to the

Strong gales are expected as a re-

Chamberlain's Attendants Hopfor Complete Recovery.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, military and naval expenditures with- berlain underwent the second operatonight was reported to be resting

His attendants were optimistic as to the outcome, expressing the belief

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

PORTLAND'S FOREIGN TRADE SETS RECORD

ADJUTANT-GENERAL OF ARMY YEAR OF 1920 BETER THAN

Refusal to Produce Certain Rec- Total Value Is \$61,413,272, While Imports for 11 Months Amount to \$7,873,482.

Foreign commerce of Portland fo empt sentence of 10 days in juli was the year 1920 has far surpassed that imposed upon Major-General Peter C. of any previous year in history. The Harris, adjutant-general of the army. total valuation of exports from Portby Justice Siddons of the district suland for the year is \$51,413,272, as preme court, for his refusal to pro-duce certain records in connection of 20 per cent. Imports received a Imports received at with the selective service act, which Portland for the 11 months of 1920 Army and Navy Expenditures were sought in Ohlo divorce pro- for which official figures are available amounted to \$7.873,482, as against An appeal from the ruling of the \$3,151,964 for the full calendar year

Exports from Portland for the year just ended show an increase of 300 per cent over 1918, of 770 per cent FIGURES ARE SIGNIFICANT over 1917 and of 1657 per cent ove 1916.

The total declared valuation of ex ports from Portland for the ending last night was \$5,663,140. Of for \$3,964,153, lumber for \$925,954, flour for \$275,290 and miscellaneous general freight for \$497,743.

Twenty-six vessels cleared from the expiration of the 10 days he was Portland in the off-shore and non-con tiguous coastwise trades during De ember, 1920. Twenty-three of the fleet /were steamships, two sailing om, five for continental Europe, five for the west coast of South America.

Quantities of the principal commodities exported from Portland dur-ing the past month were as follows: less affected by these conditions than Wheat, 1,892,085 bushels; flour, 38,253 any other city of its size in the coun-Brown. Both were Portland residents. barrels; lumber, 25,578,983 feet board try. Bank clearings for the year end

matters relating to dependents and in December were classed as tramps, increase. additional matters or affidavits that taking full cargoes under charter, might be filed. while 16 vessels left here during the W. P. G. Harding, governor of the ceserve board; Edmund Platt, the BIG STORM IS COMING classification fall the steamers Quill's ceserve board; Edmund Platt, the BIG STORM IS COMING wark, Haxtum, West Kedron, Eelbeck and Eastern Sallor of the European-Pacific line; Moerdyk of the Holland-Brush of the North Atlantic & West- about 150 per cent. ern (Nawsco) line, Oregonian of the

RAINY WEEK PREDICTED

Weather Bureau Forecasts Normal Temperature on Coast.

out seriously crippling their ef- tion at Emergency hospital today and Monday are: Rocky mountain and the 1919 totals. December fell applateau regions—Generally fair and proximately \$1,000,000 below December, 1919. moderately cold.

Pacific satates - Normal tempera ture Generally fair in southern Cali-terry and complete.

FOR ITS OPTIMISM

Portland, Confident, Welcomes New Year.

CONTINUED GROWTH ASSURED

Past Season One of Prosperity in All Lines.

City and State Have Made Good i Every Way and Outlook Was Never Better.

With a record year just past, Port land looks into the future with the utmost confidence in the soundness of vessels and one motorship. Eight its financial fabric and the certainty vessels cleared for the United King- of tremendous industrial and com-

mercial expansion in 1921.

Though local business conditions reflect the entry of the United States the office when the last two couples public buildings closed, and with into a readjustment period as a nat- entered. ural sequence to the inflation of war ed yesterday continue to show th Twenty vessels of the December off- ratio of increase over previous years shore fleet were under the American that has been maintained steadily for in connection with the questionnaires fing, three were British and three the past five years. Foreign com Dutch. Significant of the trend merce handled by this port showed an of commerce is the fact that only 10 unparalleled gain in 1920, with every

> Heavy gains in postal receipts and building permits also reflect the healthy condition of this community.

Trade Figures Significant. More significant of the commercial expansion of Portland than anything America line, Steel Voyager of the ports and exports of the city. Ex-Isthmian line, Bearport of the North ports reached a total valuation of China line, Abercos of the Admiral \$61,413 272, a gain of 20 per cent over line, Lake Filbert and Silverado of 1919, of 300 per cent over 1918, of warnings along the coast lines of the west coast of this comthese two states, according to the predictions tonight of the United States weather bureau.

Strong gales are expected as a reStrong gales are expected as a re-

Bank clearings of Portland Increased approximately 15% per cent over 1919, final figures approaching lose to the \$2,000,000,000 mark. Clear ngs for 1920 were \$1,906,796,901.66, compared with \$1,652,950,830.27 for 1919. Month by month, Portland's bank clearings in 1921 topped those of 1919 until October was reached. when the total was approximately WASHINGTON, Dec. \$1.—Weather in 1919. In November there was a

Years' Totals Compared Bank clearings for the past onths during 1919 and 1920 fol

180,838,789,20 152,476,406,83 150,603,544,27

151,642,264,47

Totals \$1,652,950,830.27 \$1,006,796,991.00 Building permits issued in Portland in 1920 reached the number of 10,180, with a valuation of \$12,081,655, com-pared with 8,922 permits valued at \$9,840,725 in 1919. Yesterday's per-mits were included in this figure as far as could be checked, but the will probably show about \$20,000 more when finally computed Monday. Records of local building permits by months and years follow:

Building permits in 1920-

Postal receipts of Portland during 1920 exceed those of any year of the past and show an increase of more than a quarter of a million dollars over 1919. The total reached yester-

Two-cent postage since July 1, 1919. The 1929 census snowed a sub-(Concluded on Page 6, Column 3.)

LOCAL GRETNA GREEN **BREAKS 1919 RECORD**

2788 COUPLES GET LICENSES

Previous High Mark Was 2787, and That Number Will Still Be Officially Top Figure.

VANCOUVER, Wash, Dec. 31-Special.)-Vancouver's record for the umber of marriage licenses issued a one year was broken today just few minutes before 5 P. M., when Elbert McKean of Oswego, Or., and Miss Mina Secor of Kerso, Wash., obtained license No. 2788. The previous high mark was made last year, when New Chapter in Community 2787 obtained licenses.

The official record was not broken, lowever, because the last two couples procured permits to wed after the losing hour at the auditor's office and the licenses will be entered as having been obtained in 1921.

Employes in the auditor's office and newspaper men around the courtlouse had been excited all day about the license records. Several wagers were reported to have been made as to whether or not the record would be broken. When the office opened this morning J. L. Garrett, county announced that 17 less auditor, licenses had been issued than last

Couples kept dropping in for censes at intervals during the day, holiday season with her go and when the office closed for the year 1920 the number had crept up to ter to find them when they are to be within one of tying the record. There broken. This day finds the city celewas quite a crowd of spectators in brating decorously, with banks and

TRADITION TO BE BROKEN

Inaugural Parade.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.-Tradition will give way to progress next March were numerous prowlers reported, in 4, when Warren G. Harding as the cluding a holdup or two. new president of the United States heads the inaugural parade up Penn nade today that Senator Harding had ride from the capitol to the White House instead of a carriage, the type dent with the exception of Andrew Jackson since the inauguration of Thomas Jefferson.

President Jackson rode horseback. The Cleveland Grays, a nationa guard company, will constitute President Harding's personal guard.

Troop A, 1st Ohio cavairy, also of Cleveland, was designated several days ago as the personal cavalry

YEAR 1920 WARM ONE

Temperature Average High.

The year 1920 was a warm one, According to the records of the weather bureau, the average temperature at Portland for the year was one-half East Side Baptist church, at 11 of a degree higher than the average c'clock, when Dr. Hinson will preach for all the years for which records on the topic "A New Trail," and an have been kept. Also the year was a evening service, when the sermon dry one. From January 1, 1920, to topic will be "A Good Resolve." Pray-January 1, 1921, about 41 inches of er services at the First Presbyterian rain fell here, instead of the 45.13 church, at 2:30 o'clock this morning, inches to which Portland is entitled Celebration of the Lord's supper at

by the law of averages. during the year, a maximum temthe highest temperature ev - recorded

The Weather. TESTERDAY'S—Maximum temperature, 47 degrees; minimum, 40 degrees.
TODAY'S — Rain; increasing southerly Foreign,

War refugee problem proving serious one for cities of central Burope. Section 6, page 12, travite. Finne and Italy sign peace protocol. Section 6, page 2. National. American trade with Germany Improving, according to government report. Sec-tion 6, page 3.

swarm in capital lobbies, Section 6, page 5 Domestic.

Major-General Feter C. Harris, adjutant general of army, sentenced to jail. Section 6, page 1.

"President of Irish Republic" reported safety in Ireland. Section 6, page 2. President-elect Harding confers regarding financial problems and government scenemy. Section 6, page 1. 1,035,785
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Undefeated teams await grid clash. Section 6, page 10.
Arlota quintet to play five games next week. Section 5, page 10.
New Year's card at Milwaukie arena will start 1921 boxing era in northwest. Section 6, page 10. Commercial and Marine.

Low point in hide and wool markets be-lieved passed. Section 6, page 21.

Wheat advances at Chicago with stronger milling demand. Section 6, page 22.

Stock market closes with substantial ad-vances. Section 6, page 23.

Portland and Oregon view in confidence streams that are the re-coming of new year. Section 6, page 1. mon trout and steelhead.

NO. 18,754

Supper and Watch Parties Form Welcome.

CHURCH SERVICES ARRANGED

Development at Hand.

ALL OFFICES ARE CLOSED

Downtown Hotels Thronged While Festive Crowds Sup Late to Greet New Year.

Portland entered the new year and he second festival of the mid-winter lutions neatly card-indexed, the belmore than a trace of resolve that Next to the last license issued wat 1921, however superficially it may resemble other years, shall mark a new

"The quietest New Year's eve I ave seen in 16 years on the Portland police force," was the state-ment of Captain Inskeep of the first tight relief last night. He was re President-Elect to Ride in Auto in ferring to the downtown business section, however, as there was plenty of work for the officers in the residence portions of the city.

Ardor Dampened by Rain

Rain dampened the arder of these who stayed downtown to see the old to the wet blanketing which had been creeing that merriment must be confined, else the merrymaker would be confined.

Last night in all downtown hotels gay throngs supped late, as they walted the entrance of the youthful calendar hero, and danced away the hours. In thousands of homes and in several churches there were apwhere advent of the 12-month was celebrated in the custom of old. Watch services were held, with large congregations present, at the emple, Centenary-Wilbur Methodist Episcopal church, the First Methodist church, St. Paul's Lutheran church, the East Side Baptist church, and al

Sellwood Methodist church

Services to Be Held. Among the New Year's services announced for today are the following: One temperature record was broken o'clock. The Arieta Men's club entertained at Arleta Baptist church. perature of 98 degrees August 12 and and an inspirational service, together with a literary and musical entertainment, was given at the First Con-

gregational church. The Association of Mechanical En-INDEX OF TODAY'S NEWS gineers of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company gave a watch party last night in their clubrooms, when L. P. Morrow, as chairman of the committee on entertainment, presenied various members in an interesting programme.

Watch Services Held.

Four Sellwood churches joined in vatch services at Sellwood Methodist church, where a social was given by the young people, followed by religious services. Trinity Lutheran church worshiped at 7:45 last night and will hold services again this morning. Watch services were held from 8:30 to midnight at Central Fros Mothodist church, while similar serv ices were held at the First Nazarene church. Banquets were served at Clinton Kelly and Lincoln Methodist churches, with the indies' aid societies acting as hosterses of the occa-

At 2 o'clock this afternoon the women's auxiliary of the Piedmont Presbyterian church will surve dinner at the church, continuing through-

out the afternoon. At the Men's Resort, 8 o'clock todisbursement totals 27 millions. night, a special musical programme

en of the First Methodist church. Open House to Be Held.

Rose City Park Methodist church and Sunday school will keep open house throughout the day, and the primary department of Sunday school will effertain from 2 to 3 o'clock this afternoon, From 3 to 4 o'clock the funior department will be hosts, while their elders will celebrate at evening

Downtown business streets were

past and show an invalid of dollars than a quarter of a million dollars over 1919. The total reached yesterday was \$1,958,356.96, compared with \$1,767,470.25 for 1919, a gain of approximately 14½ per/cent. Receipts for the past 16 years have been as follows:

| Portland and Vicinity. | On by the necessity of sample on by the necessity of sample on the New Year table and the comforthe past 16 years have been as follows:

| Portland milk is declared purest. Section for the New Year table and the comfounty commissioners adopt budget for ling week—inasmuch as the holiday follows:

| Portland and Vicinity. | On by the necessity of sample on by the necessity of sample on the New Year table and the comfounty commissioners. Section 6 page 11.

| Portland and Vicinity. | On by the necessity of sample on by the nec Teachers to present five proposed bills to or chicken to dock the festival table. City state and non-tenant railroads join and a phenomenal "run" on salmon forces to fight union station custer eggs indicated, with the market uted resolutions again great New Year. terly exhausted, that many a Portland Section & page 1. streams that are the routes of sal-

Decidedly all was quiet along the (Concluded on Page 2, Column 1.)



YOURE CRAZY!