Case of Contestants Against Es tate is Hopeless, Declares Trustee-Believes No Appeal Will Be Taken by Them to California Court.

"There is absolutely no possibility of the Reed Institute being lost to Port-land," said Martin Winch, a trustee of the Reed estate, today. "With the de-cision against the contestants in Ore-gon, their case in California becomes hopeless. Portland will have the Reed Institute."

Institute."

Mr. Winch explained that even if the contestants had won their fight in Orego, and if their victory here should be followed by a victory in California, the legacy would not be heavily reduced. "The suits," said he, 'involved only about \$600,000 worth of personal property of Mrs. Reed, and had all the claims of the contestants been granted, it would have meant a loss of only about two-thirds of that amount."

Strong doubts are expressed as to any further action being taken by the contestants in California. Mr. Winch pointed out the fact that every decision has been against the contestants. In

pointed out the fact that every decision has been against the contestants. In Oregon, the judgment of the county judge was affirmed by the four circuit judges and their judgment in turn was affirmed by the three supreme judges sitting en banc. In California, the same points were threshed out and the decision was rendered in the superior court of Los Angeles in favor of the estate.

A stimulation allows the contestants

A stipulation allows the contestants
15 days from the Oregon supreme
court's decision in which to appeal to
the supreme court of California. It is
believed, however, that the 15 days will
go by without any action being taken.
Mr. Winch sees no possible chance for
the contestants gaining their contenstipulation allows the contestants

THIEF STEALS DEED TO HOUSE THAT HE ROBS AND RANSACKS

G. Bykowsky Visited by Unique Burglar Who Takes Legal Paper and Insurance Policy.

G. Bykowsky of 787 Macadam street is not so much worried over the visit of a burglar to his home yesterday as the character of certain plunder carried away by the intruder. The thief in addition to stealing a suit of clothes and a hat, also purloined the deed to the home to which he effected an entrance and an insurance policy on Bykowsky's life. The crime was committed some-lime between 5 and 10 p. m. during the

time between 5 and 10 p. m. during the absence of the family.

The questions passed up to the police for decision by Bykowsky is whether he still owns his own residence, and in the event of his demise, would the burgiar be the beneficiary of the insurance policy. Detective John F. Price has been detailed to locate the house-breaker, while Inspector Bruin's clerk, C. T. Alden, is delving into musty legal tomes to find a solution of a problem tomes to find a solution of a problem that is infinitely more perplexing than

GILLETTE TO THE CHAIR **ABOUT FEBRUARY 1**

In Auburn Prison He Will Suffer for His Sweetheart's Murder.

Herkimer, N. Y., Dec. 10.—Chester Gillette was sentenced today to be electrocuted in Auburn prison in the beginning January 28. He will be taken to Auburn within the next 10 days. A motion for a new trial was denied. Chester Gillette was found guilty a week ago of murder in the first degree. His crime was the murder of his sweetheart, Grace Brown. It was charged that he clubbed her to death and threw her body into a lake.

Gillette's defense was that the girl, frantic with shame for the consequences

of misconduct, threw herself into the lake from a boat in which they were rowing from point to point along its shores. He claimed that he attempted to save her, but she never came to the surface after the first plunge.

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Postoffice Department's Receipts Are Far Behind Expenditures for Year.

MONEY USED FOR THE GOOD OF THE SERVICE

Many Recommendations Made, Including Increased Pay for Employes, and Mr. Cortelyou Says the Railroads Charge Too Much.

(Journal Special Service.)
Washington, Dec. 10.—The postal de partment for the past year cost \$178,-449,778.89; receipts, \$167,932,782.95—deficit, \$10,516,985.94.

But the deficit does not worry the por master general; it stands to the credit of betterment and increased efficiency. In the registry department the greatest fficiency has been shown; in the past 50 years from all causes—burgiary, theft and fire—there has been a loss of but one per cent. It is recommended that a one per cent. It is recommended that a deputy postmaster general be appointed, who shall not be disturbed by politics, and who shall act as general manager, with full power over the department and its 220,000 employes. Increases are asked for in salaries, especially for rural and city carriers, and office and mail clerks. Accidents to mail cars have steadily decreased since 1902, but 16 cierks and one mail weigher were killed last year. It is stated that the government pays the railways too much for transporting mail cars.

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Many frauds have been suppressed, and 630 firms or individuals have been barred from using the mails.

June 35, 1995, marked the close of 10 years' experience in the free delivery and collection of mails to and from residents of rural districts of the United States. The service was an experiment until 1902, when it was formally adopted as an established part of the postal system. Appropriations made for the maintenance of rural delivery increased from \$40,000 in 1897 to \$25,828,300 in 1906. A considerable saving has been effected in the siderable saving has been effected in the discortinuance of fourth-class postoffices and star routes that should have consid-

and star routes that should have consideration in connection with the estimated aggregate net cost of rural delivery. The recommendation is made that small parcels may be carried by rural carriers, the privilege to be restricted in each case to the limits of the particular route on which the parce' originates, or, if found feasible, to all the routes emanating from a single postorfice.

The postmaster general recommends that business principles, instead of political deals, guide the choice of postmasters.

MELTING BENEATH LIFE SAVING STATION

Fifty Feet of Water Where Land Once Rose Three Feet.

Morehend City. N. C., Dec. 10.—Cap-tain Pough of the Port Macon life sav-ing station was startled Saturday night to discover that the embankments, breakwater and pier were settling. The breakwater in front of the main building has entirely disappeared and more than 50 feet of water flow where be-fore the giving way of the rocks the land was three feet above high water. wharf in front of the building settled until it was affoat.

Pough says there is now 50 feet of water where generally there was only 10 feet at high tide.

There was no shock nor slip to attract attention. The only thing he observed was a steady settling of the earth. Some who have observed the phenomenon think the sinking due to a heavy current along that part of the beach, that has cut a channel under the break-water. The beach is still gradually sinking, having dropped 10 feet within

Dinner to Perry Belmont.
(Journal Special Service.)
New York, Dec. 10.—The publicity
Law organization of the state of New
York will give a dinner tonight in honor
of its president. Perry Belmont, in approcession of his services in securing the passage of the bill providing for the publication of contributions to and ex-penditures by campaign committees, which had its first trial at the recent election, and in recognition of his ef-forts to impress congress with the im-portance and necessity of passing a portance and necessity of passing a into state laws."
similar bill affecting national and congressional campaign committees. The had heard of any move to relieve him dinner is to be a non-partisan affair.

Idaho's Land Fraud Prosecutor Declares That Investigation Will Reveal Additional Crimes, but That No Officials Will Be

N. M. Ruick, United States district attorney for Idaho, who is prosecuting the land fraud cases of his state, is at the Portland hotel and said today that further investigation will reveal land fraud in Idaho as extensive as those already unearthed and that further in-dictments will follow. Mr. Ruick is of the opinion that no officials, either state of federal, will be indicted for stealing

public lands in his state.

Mr. Ruick is in Portland on business and pleasure. Part of his business is connected with the United States mar connected with the United States mar-shal's office, but the nature of his visits to the postoffice building was not dis-closed by the prosecutor.

Confident of Convicting. Mr. Ruick feels confident of convict-ing the men who have been indicted for stealing public lands, and said that the cases of Robnett and Dwyer, conthe cases of Robnett and Dwyer, convicted recently for subcreation of perjury, were in a sense preliminary to the cases against the men indicted for conspiracy. It was Mr. Ruick's intention to prosecute at least one or two more of the perjury cases before the court adjourned, but was unable to do so. In speaking of the work in the cases, Mr. Ruick said:

Ruick said:

"The evidence in the conspiracy cases is fully as strong as in the perjury cases, and I expect little difficulty in securing convictions. Robnett and Dwyer have three more indictments hanging over their heads, and sentence in their cases has been postponed for the present that they may be able to testify in future cases. testify in future cases

Teney Blased Trail.

"The work that Mr. Heney has done in Oregon has helped a great deal in securing convictions in Idaho and neighboring states. I did not find the opposition that he experienced when he prosecuted his first cases. He blazed the trail, and I found the people educated in regard to convicting the most prominent business men of the state. I expected to find great opposition in securing a jury in my first cases, but there was no difficulty whatever.

"Altogether, there are between 12,000 and 15,000 acres of land involved in the cases from north Idaho, and about 22,000 acres in the south Idaho cases."

Idaho has its Horace McKinley in land fraud cases in B. S. White of Meadows, who was indicted and left for parts unknown just before a special inspector could arrest him. White is supposed to be out of the United States, but his present abode is not known to

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the authorities.

Mr. Ruick, who was married recently, is accompanied by Mrs. Ruick, and they will remain in Portland several days. Mr. Ruick said that he did not think that a special term of court would be called to hear the land fraud cases, but that they would be resumed at the next May term of court.

BRISTOL'S NOMINATION GOES TO SUB-COMMITTEE

Senators Kittridge, Foraker and Culbertson Will Report Soon, Adversely, It Is Believed.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Washington, Dec. 10.—The senate committee on judiciary today took up the nomination of W. C. Bristol as United States district attorney for Oregon and after a brief discussion re-ferred it to Senators Foraker, Kittridge and Culberson as a sub-committee, with the request that an early report be

The sub-committee has all the papers which were submitted to it at the last session and it is believed it will report adversely at an early date.

OFFICE OF BAILEY

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veterinarian and one of the best-posted men on such matters in the state, de-clares that is the only way to get ef-fective work done. To do any resi good the board must have more authority. For instance, the attorney-general has held that its regulations cannot be enforced, and we will ask the legislature to make the guarantine and other rules

of his work.
"Not a word," said he. "I've been so busy I haven't heard anything."

To accomplish the wighes of the board the state isw creating the office of the state dairy and food commissioner would have to be repealed. Then an-other law would be passed which would transfer his duties to the board of

At present there is no cooperation At present there is no cooperation whatever between the board of health and the food commissioner's office. Connected with the board is a bacteriological labaratory, while the commissioner has a fairly well equipped chemical labaratory with a chemist constantly employed. No one in either office knows what is going on in the other place, though both are often pursuing similar lines of work.

PERSONAL

Judge T. A. McBride of Oregon City is at the Imperial hotel. R. H. Whitehead, a well-known capi-talist of Medford, is at the Imperial

C. Edward Hogue, formerly of The

Oregon Journal, but now managing edi-tor of the Baker City Herald, is in Port-land on a business trip.

Maude Fealcy, the actress, who ap-peared at the Heilig theatre last week, registered at the Portland hotel yester-day. Sh left this morning for eastern Operon.

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