

PORTLAND, OREGON, FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 1, 1909.

MOTHER CARRIES PARDON FOR SON

Convicted Murderer Freed on Promise to Work for Parents.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Olympia, Wash., Jan. 1.—Oscar Bradshaw, who, after being sentenced to hang for murder, was lost and forgotten in the county jail at Walla Walla for years, has again played in luck for today Governor Mead granted him a conditional pardon. In 1902 Bradshaw was convicted of murder at Pasco. Appeal was taken to the supreme court, and while this was pending Bradshaw was placed in the Walla Walla county jail for safekeeping, there being no jail at Pasco. The appeal was taken to the supreme court, and while this was pending Bradshaw was placed in the Walla Walla county jail for safekeeping, there being no jail at Pasco. The appeal was taken to the supreme court, and while this was pending Bradshaw was placed in the Walla Walla county jail for safekeeping, there being no jail at Pasco.

The doubt that the killing was a premeditated act was so strong that the trial judge, Frank H. Rudkin, the special prosecutor employed to conduct the case, Henry J. Sweeney, 11 of the trial jurors and a large number of the leading citizens of the city of Pasco, recommended the sentence be commuted from hanging to life imprisonment.

Bradshaw was but 18 when he committed the crime and he was undoubtedly led into the act by an older companion, who escaped with a light sentence and is now at liberty. The fact that the father of the young man was recently injured for life and the boy's assistance is needed for the support of his family and the further fact that he has been a model prisoner since his confinement in the penitentiary, weighed in his favor.

The terms of the conditional pardon granted expressly provide that Bradshaw shall apply himself to earning a livelihood for his parents and that he shall at all times conduct himself in a proper manner, and in accepting the conditions he agrees to be bound by the same. The pardon can be revoked at any time by any governor of the state if the provisions are not complied with.

The pardon was given to the mother of Bradshaw, who left last night for Walla Walla to secure the release of her son and accompany him back to their home at Pasco.

New Name for a Monitor.
San Francisco, Jan. 1.—The United States monitor Wyoming, lying in the bay here, changed its name last night to Cheyenne, just as the new year was coming. On the stroke of 12 the crew was called on deck and the order making the change was read to the men by Commander Knapp. The change was pursuant to orders recently issued at Washington. The Cheyenne will leave here Monday for the Santa Barbara channel, where she will undergo some speed tests, going thence to San Pedro.

WALLA WALLANS APPEAL TO T. R.

Site Chosen for New Federal Building Causes Factional Fight.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Walla Walla, Wash., Jan. 1.—One of the most bitter factional fights that this city has ever known is promised over the federal building site. Great dissatisfaction has been expressed over the choice made by Special Agent McDowell and ratified by the government, and the matter is being taken up with the authorities at the nation's capital. When the special agent from the treasury department was here last summer, it was almost impossible to reach him. Few of the property owners saw him. After he had returned to Washington it was rumored that the site would be chosen at Tuling and Sumach streets. As the location is two blocks from any streetcar line and in a direction directly opposite that of the city's growth, the rumor was not credited.

It was announced from Washington recently, however, that the choice had been made, and that it was at Sumach and Third. This is two blocks to the north of Main street and is some four blocks from the business center of the city. There is no pavement within two blocks, and no trunk sewer.

Business men of the north side, where the postoffice is at present located, are circulating petitions among the citizens asking that the site be changed. They point out that a desirable site could be obtained as cheaply on a paved street, where it would be on the carline.

It is stated that Special Agent McDowell is a cousin of R. E. Allen, who owns the site chosen, and which was purchased at a remarkably good figure. An appeal has been made to President Roosevelt to intercede.

PLANT OF SYRUP COMPANY BURNED

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Los Angeles, Jan. 1.—Fire Wednesday night destroyed the plant of the Pacific Coast Syrup company. The loss is estimated at \$100,000, but \$60,000 insurance was carried.

E. A. Garrison, manager of the factory, said he believed the plant would be rebuilt.

The Pacific Coast Syrup company is one of the oldest concerns in Los Angeles. The company which controls it, of which E. E. Berger is president, E. F. Baxter vice president and E. R. Myrick secretary, has plants at San Francisco, Portland, Tacoma and Seattle.

PINIONED UNDER BED BABY BURNS TO DEATH

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Kent, Wash., Jan. 1.—Crawling under a bed, the springs of which fell upon him, the 4-year-old son of Michael

ITTER, ALLEGED BRIBER, CLEARED

It Makes No Difference Now Whether Indictment Good or Bad.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, Jan. 1.—The possibility of releasing Carl E. Ritter, a saloonman, tried on a charge of bribing police Commissioner Cutler on the Schmitz election in the state supreme court, was prevented late last night by the acquittal of Ritter. Had there been a conviction Judge Cook would have been called upon to decide whether the indictment against Ritter was defective in that it did not assert that Cutler was a city official. It was upon a similar technicality that the conviction of former Mayor Schmitz was reversed by the supreme court last week.

The Ritter jury was out five hours.

VAGABOND HEIR TO FORTUNE IS SENTENCED TO WORKHOUSE

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Los Angeles, Jan. 1.—Heir to half a million dollars and entitled to a position in Baltimore society, William Jefferson Powell has been sentenced to serve 180 days in the workhouse in this city, on a vagrancy charge.

He says he will come into possession of his fortune at the age of 25 years, three months after he is released from the workhouse. He ran away from his guardian in 1902 and enlisted in the Eighteenth battery, field artillery, and was stationed at Jolo, Philippine islands. Later he was sent to Vancouver barracks, Washington.

Dolan, living near here, was found yesterday afternoon in the ruins of a fire which took the life of the little fellow and left Dolan and his wife and two other children without a home.

At an early hour yesterday morning, Mrs. Dolan went to visit a neighbor. While she was gone her youngest child set fire to the house in an upper story. Two children aged 6 and 8 years, were downstairs and heard the screams of the little fellow upstairs.

The children fled for help, and when Mr. and Mrs. Dolan reached their home it was a mass of flames. Dolan attempted to get in the building and was overcome.

The baby's body was found later, pinned under the springs of the bed, where it was evident he had crawled in his flight.

Playing with matches is believed to be the cause of the tragedy.

Preparing for the N. E. A.
Chicago, Jan. 1.—The heads of the various departments of the National Educational association met in conference here today to formulate a pro-

LIGHT TURNED ON INSURANCE DEAL

Absorption of Washington Life by Pittsburg Life Investigated.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
New York, Jan. 1.—State Insurance Superintendent Kelsey has begun an investigation to ascertain why the Washington Life Insurance company went out of business Wednesday, secretly transferring its books and records to the Pittsburg Life & Trust company. Superintendent Kelsey has taken action simply to safeguard the interests of policyholders. The Washington Life was sold last September to a syndicate headed by William G. Baldwin, president of the Pittsburg Life. It has now reinsured all its policies in the Pittsburg concern.

The law, in effect, provides that beginning with this date every person in Great Britain over 70 years of age who is not a lunatic, and has not been convicted of crime, and whose income does not exceed a sum amounting to \$130 a year, is entitled to a pension of five shillings a week from the public treasury. In cases where husband and wife or several other members of the same family living together apply the pro rata is slightly reduced. Nobody is to be allowed a pension who has "habitually refused to work" and "all who have been brought into a position to apply for a pension through his or her willful acts of misbehavior" are debarred.

Mr. Asquith, the author of the bill, has estimated that in the United Kingdom there are 1,246,000 persons of 70 years of age and over and that out of this total there are 72,000 people eligible for pensions. The cost to the country, it is estimated, will be not less than \$30,000,000 this year.

The pensions are inalienable and are to be paid weekly. The machinery for the distribution of the pension provides a local committee for every county, borough and urban district with a population of over 20,000. The central pension authority is the local government board.

MAN DIGS UP HIS OWN POLICE RECORD
(United Press Leased Wire.)
Los Angeles, Jan. 1.—Evidence that he spent nine days in the city jail here, was accused of embezzlement of \$30,000 and was branded as a murderer by a detective is being sought by Frank Whiting of Peoria, Ill., who is in Los Angeles on his strange quest.

Whiting wishes to bare the exciting episodes of his life for the purpose of proving his case in a damage suit for \$25,000 he has instituted at Peoria against a bonding company.

To win his case he must show that the company caused his arrest and imprisonment here July 20, 1907, after accusing him of embezzling \$40,000 from his sister's estate, and that a detective said he had come west in an effort to escape the authorities after having committed a murder.

PENSIONS FOR AGED BRITONS

Over Half a Million People Benefited—Cost \$30,000,000 a Year.

London, Jan. 1.—Old age pensions, which, for a quarter of a century has been a subject of lively debate in the British parliament and heated discussions in the public press, became an accomplished fact today with the coming into effect of the measure forced through the last session of parliament by the liberal government. With the exception of the Irish home rule bill no measure that has been in parliament in recent years has attracted more attention than has the old age pension bill.

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FRUITFUL WORK OF PARLIAMENT

Old Age Pension and Juvenile Court Acts Among Things Accomplished.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
London, Jan. 1.—English lawmakers are taking six weeks' rest after one of the busiest sessions the parliament has ever held. Except for a short summer recess, they have slaved unceasingly since January 29, 1908. For their labors, however, the legislators have considerable to show.

Perhaps their most important enactment was the old age pensions law, under which 600,000 men and women of more than 70 years of age begin receiving allowances of \$1.25 weekly with the first of the year.

The children's act is also of far reaching effect. It establishes special courts for minors that they may be kept from contact with adult evil doers, forbids admission of boys or girls of less than 16 to barrooms and prohibits smoking under the same age.

The crimes act, a third law, makes the "indeterminate sentence" a feature of English criminal court procedure. The port of London act appropriates \$115,000,000 for government acquisition of all London's privately owned docks and creates a board to improve and so manage them as to build up the metropolis' decaying shipping business.

By establishing a university of Belfast for Protestant patronage and another at Dublin for Catholics, a long standing Irish grievance is removed.

Other measures limit the working day in English mines to eight hours, prohibit the use of white phosphorus in match manufacture, as a means of protecting match girls from necrosis, grant \$500,000 to aid the involuntary idle and impose heavy penalties for attempts to break up public meetings, a direct thrust at the suffragettes.

MEXICAN MURDERER OF WOMAN TO HANG

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Los Angeles, Jan. 1.—Fabronio Machuca, convicted of the murder of Mrs. Refugia Yorba, is in the shadow of death today. Judge Jamison late yesterday pronounced sentence on Machuca, decreeing that he should hang at San Quentin not later than March 19.

Machuca was convicted of killing Mrs. Yorba at her home in Wilmington, August 18. Jealousy was shown to have caused the crime.

The convicted man's attorney announced after his motion for a new trial was overruled, that he would appeal from the verdict of the superior court.

Swiss President Installed.
Berne, Jan. 1.—With the simple ceremonies customary to the occasion, Adolphe Deucher was today installed as president of the Swiss republic in succession to Dr. F. C. Brenner.

Newton to Defend Jones.
Port Townsend, Wash., Jan. 1.—Captain Harry Newton, commanding the 12th company of coast artillery, has accepted a request received by Port Worden to act as counsel in the defense of Lieutenant A. C. Jones, who will be tried at the Presidio, San Francisco, commencing January 6. Captain Newton leaves today for California.

\$400,000 DEAL PENDS IN GRANT

Placers That Once Yielded \$15,000,000 May Again Be Worked.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Canyon City, Or., Jan. 1.—The placer ground that made Canyon City the famous El Dorado of the west has been bonded by a syndicate, with a view of dredging the gravel that yielded in early days nearly \$15,000,000 to the miner. The options were taken some weeks ago through W. King of Prairie City, acting for William Muth of Butte, Mont., for a Montana syndicate with reputed strong financial backing. The deal if consummated will involve something like \$400,000, exclusive of the amount which will be spent in the necessary equipment for extensive dredging.

About 800 acres of the Marysville placer are included in the deal and some properties along Canyon creek are also the holders of the Humboldt Mining company, including its eight miles of ditch and water rights. The Oliver ranch, which holds the key to some valuable water rights in the Marysville district, is also under bond by the syndicate.

Mr. Muth is at present in Washington, D. C., and is expected to return the first of the month, when prospecting and the estimating of the value in the gravel will start. The work will be carried on by the most modern dredging methods, the Humboldt ditch developing the electric power to be used in operating the dredge.

In the excitement of the early days the ground was worked hurriedly and in the most crude manner, so that prospects to bedrock show it still rich, even now yielding pay to the wheelbarrow method. It is estimated that it will require about four years to work the ground between Canyon City and John Day, a distance of two miles. This will be but a small part of the ground which the company proposes to dredge.

Operation on Former Governor.
Oakland, Cal., Jan. 1.—Caleb W. West, former governor of Utah, is resting easily following an operation for appendicitis performed yesterday at the Providence hospital. His physicians say his chance of recovery is good. West was taken to the hospital last Tuesday afternoon but did not realize that his condition was serious. He opposed the operation until his physicians assured him that it was the only chance of saving his life. West is 65 years old. He is resident deputy treasurer of the United States at San Francisco and has spent his later years in California.

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\$20.00 SUITS AND OVERCOATS FOR.....	\$10.00
\$25.00 SUITS AND OVERCOATS FOR.....	\$14.85
\$30.00 SUITS AND OVERCOATS FOR.....	\$19.45
\$35.00 SUITS AND OVERCOATS FOR.....	\$23.10
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\$2.00 Shirts.....**\$1.35**
\$2.50 Shirts.....**\$1.65**

UNDERWEAR

\$1.00 Values.....**59c**
\$1.50 Values.....**89c**
\$1.75 Values.....**\$1.09**
\$2.00 Values.....**\$1.35**
\$2.50 Values.....**\$1.65**
\$3.00 Values.....**\$1.89**
\$3.50 Values.....**\$2.15**

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\$2.50 Values.....**\$1.85**
\$3.00 Values.....**\$2.30**
\$3.50 Values.....**\$2.70**
\$4.00 Values.....**\$3.10**
\$5.00 Values.....**\$3.55**
\$6.00 Values.....**\$4.35**
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