# THE PEACE HERE

Bar Association Framing Bill to Create District Court and Double Number of Judges -Increase Salary.

There will be no justices of the peace in Portland henceforth, if a bill framed mittee of the Multnomah Bar ciation is passed by the next legis-

Mr. Strahan estimates the work of the "district court" will be doubled, a therefore the plan doubles the number of judges.

population, every additional 50,000 peo-ple giving the city a new judge. It is made to apply only to cities having 160,000 population or over. No other town in the state, therefore, would be deprived of justices of the peace or affected in any way.

Members of the committee explain the change of name by saying that "justice of the peace" has become too much of a synonym for ignorance of the law. The justice of the peace joke is as much of a chestnut among the lawyers as the mother-in-law witticism is among laymen. They want to forget is among laymen. They want to forget the name and dignify the lower court, as the judges are required by the bill to have been either practicing attorneys or holders of judicial office for at least three years prior to their elec-

artments of the court are provided for, on the same plan as the cir-cuit court, and candidates are to be chosen by departments. After election judges are empowered to elect a presiding judge by majority vote. The salary of each judge is fixed at \$3000.

instead of \$2400, the pay now received.
Justices Oison and Bell are to serve Justices Olson and Bell are to serve out their terms, it is provided, but with change of title, and two additional judges appointed by the county court to judges appo antil the next election. The ap-e power in such cases would or-be vested in the governor, but the committee evidently saw complica-tions shead in passing the bill if the additional appointments were put in the hands of a Democratic governor.

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At the end of two years, it is provided, four justices shall be elected for terms of four years. When the population of the city reaches 250,000 another judge would be added, and so on for each additional 50,000 population.

Fees would remain the same as in the old justice court, and the practice and procedure is left unchanged. The judges are given the power to appoint a clerk upon a salary of \$1800, and the clerk authorized to name deputies, the

orized to name deputies, the chief clerk, to be not less than the number of departments. This would employed, but the county is authorized to appoint others whenever it deems additional help necessary.

### **EIGHT CHINESE CAUGHT** IN RAID ON GAMBLERS

gambling raid at 1 o'clock this after-noon, and eight prisoners were made by Patrolmen Burke and John Maloney. away at it, calling to the "burgiar" to Stealthly approaching the door of the surrender. antan resort at \$3 % Second street, Ma-Palmer, and confiscated stakes and apparatus. Sam Ling, owner of the resort, was charged with conducting a gambling room, and the others with visiting it.

All gave bail for their appearance in manufactured court temperature. The owner of the store and the court temperature. icipal court tomorrow.

### ARTIST LA FARGE'S WILL

New York, Dec. 27.—All of John La Farge's paintings and drawings were beeathed to the Metropolitan, the Cargie and the Seattle museums in the will of the famous artist, which was filed here today for probate. La Farge, who became famous chiefly through the mostly of a religious or ecclesiastical

### PULLMAN CO. WOULD HURRY NEW RATES

summission today received notification from the Pullman Car company that new rates would be filed within a few ssion to put them into effect with two days notice, instead of ten as required by the laws of this state, Comssioner Aitcheson belives material re-ctions in Pullman rates are about to be made as the result of the recent federal investigation and permission to file a new tariff will likely be granted.

### **GILLETT PREPARES TO** TURN OVER HIS OFFICE CALIFORNIA RECEIVES

Sacramento, Dec. 27.—Governor Gil-lett settled down to work today in his office to begin a week of hard work be-fore turning over the ship of state to Hiram Johnson, his successor. He was

### Hotel Stands Near Crater's Edge



and from 300 to 1000 feet deep. Its almost

in the passage.

The crater of Kilauea is a great pit the huge black crags, and can scarcely some three or four miles in diameter, persuade himself that they are stone.

Great black caverus yawn in lava cliffs, f judges.

The bill further provides that the umber of judges shall increase with opulation, every additional 50,000 people side of the great cone of Mauna Loa, at dormant on every side.

## **VOLCANO ACTIVE**

Aetna Said to Be in Eruption Land and Bohanon Charged More Violent Than for Many Years Past.

Paris, Dec. 27.—A dispatch from Nales says Mount Aetna is in eruption. Although no details are given in the brief message, the cruption is said to be the worst that has occurred in many

Five police officers are remaining close to home today, and tonight they

close to home today, and tonight they will leave the police station as soon as possible, to avoid being joshed about a "burglar" they captured last night in a grocery at 271 Fifth street.

About 9 o'clock last night F. El Palmer, the proprietor of the place, being ready to retire, recalled to mind that he had not put his bread box out in front of the store. Without the formality of dressing he slipped into his store from the rear room, where he sleeps, and, lighting a match in order that he might avoid a tack or something of like nature, he proceeded to carry the box out. A patrolman, passing on the beat, saw the match flicker and visions of a saw the match flicker and visions of a burgiary. He telephoned to headquarters for assistance, and the sergeant, another policeman and the two detectives, rushed to the scene. The patrolman had been watching carefully and had not seen anyone secans. A council had not seen anyone escape. A council of war was held, and it was finally de-

Palmer, who by this time was in be oney gave utterance to a few Chinese heard the rumpus, and realizing that guttural words, and the "lookout" the door was in dauger, he rushed out, guttural words, and the "lookout" the door was in danger, he rushed out opened the door. The officers rushed in clad only in his nightgown, and opened

he was the owner of the store and the

TIST LA FARGE'S WILL

ADMITTED TO PROBATE

(United Press Leased Wire.)

The crowd that had gathered to withness the attack started to laugh and josh, and the five officers vanished down Fifth street. No report was made at headquarters about the affair.

### PHARMACISTS TO MEET HERE IN CONVENTION

she became famous chiefly through the Western Oregon Drug club will be need cording to the annual report issued by ainting of decorative windows, left a Wednesday evening, January 10, in the cording to the annual report issued by arge collection of mural paintings, convention room of the Commercial club, on the sound, the death rate for 1909 on the sound, the death rate for 1909 The membership of the organization comprises about 100 registered pharmacists actively engaged in the drug business in Portland and vicinity. The

A. W. Allen, at Sixteenth and Marshall streets, president: Ralph Chrysler of the Skidmore Drug company, first vice president; W. S. Love, East Burnside street and Grand avenue, second vio president; J. Bronaugh, with Blumauer-Frank company, treasurer; Arthur ys and permission is asked of the Ore- Thayer, with the Clarke-Woodward com pany, secretary. Successors to these of-ficers are to be elected at the January meeting, as well as four two-year term

One of the main purposes of the or-ganization is to take a hand in framing legislation affecting the pharmacist prosion, as well as an active part in the civic affairs of the community.

(United Press Leased Wire,)
Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 27.—Governor
Gillett today received \$60,752 as California's share of the government timber ed many times during the day sales from forest reserves. The money lers who were obliged to wait a ury. The amount represents 25 percent erable period to catch his attended of the gross, amount of sales in the This is Gillett's first opportunity state during the past year. The money to get down to business since he re-turned from Washington, where he went with the Panama fair boosters

With Violently Ending Christmas Celebration.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 27.—Grover catcher, connected with the Cleveland Americans, and Patrick Bohannon, formerly with the Louisville team of the American association, are being held today in connection with the shooting of Stephen Theophanis, a Greek restaurant keeper. Theophanis It is alleged that the two ball players were members of a party that ended its Christmas celebration by throwing firecrackers through the windows of the

The shooting was the result of the

Census Reports Show Coast City Health Boards Are Wrong in Estimate.

Portland along with Scattle, Spokane, l'acoma and tire large California cities is due to receive a rude shock when the death rate for 1910 is made up in the light of the census figures, as ansounced by Director of the Census Du-

instead of the remarkably low death rates, which hovered around 7 1000 of population, claimed by health departments of Pacific cities, the new census is going to in-directly cause the rate to be increased for 1910 by from 3 to 4 deaths per thousand of population. As an illustration of how Mr. Du

rand's figures have played havoc with Portland's proudest boast, it is only ecessary to point to the fact that the city's death rate for 1910 is going to slightly exceed 11 per thousand; while for 1909 the rate, based upon an estimated population of 265,600, was placed by the health authorities at 7.07. If, however, the 1909 rate had been based upon an estimated population of 200,000 it would have stood at 9.37. Seattle is also due for a shock of was 7.43 based on an estimated population of 300,000. Taking the population of Seattle, as officially announced with the same relative reduction that was made in determining Portland's death rate as a basis, the 1909 death rate is found to have been 9.69. Spokane's health department fixed

the death rate for 1909, on an estimated population of 125,000, at 10.5. By the recent census, Spokane's population is 103,000, and taking these figures as a base it is found that the death rate last in that city was 12.7.

### O.-W. R. & N. FAST MAIL ARRIVES 5 HOURS LATE

O.-W. R. & N. fast mail from the east was nearly five hours late this morning. arriving at 11:55 a. m., instead of 7. Oregon-Washington express, due p. m., and the Soo-Spokane-Portland, due TIMBER PERCENTAGE to arrive at 11:30 a. m., arrived at 1

The first section of the Southern Pa cific California express arrived at 8:15 a. m., and the second section came in at arrived at 7:30 s m. Other trains prac-

Professor William T. Foster, president of the Reed Institute, left this morning for a two days' visit to Seattle, on business connected with the uni-

Ascends in Attempt but Condition of Machine Sends Him Down Again; Hoxsey Gets Up 11,474 Feet.

(United Press Lessed Wire.)
Domingues Field, Cal., Dec. 27.—Bundled in furs and oliskins until he reembled an Eskimo, Phil Parmalee, driving a Wright biplane, ascended shortly after the opening gun today, to try new altitude record.

To win this distinction he must fly higher than 11,474 feet, from which altitude Archie Hoxey yesterday after-noon looked down on half of Los Angeles county and a bit of the Pacific

Hardly had Parmalee left the groun when Radley, the Englishman, mounted in his Bleriot monoplane. After circling about the field at a height of 508 feet, he disappeared to the westward in the direction of Redondo Beach. It was announced that Lincoln Beachey would drive one of the Curtiss biplanes in the derby this afternoon. Beachey arrived at the field carly and wheeled out his machine for a tuning up performance.

steering apparatus was not working well, and he was unwilling to take a chance at a greater height until re-pairs were made. He announced that he would make another attempt to beat Hoxsey's record during the after-

Radley, after flying several miles, returned to the field.

Hoxsey announced this afternoon Hoxsey announced this afternoon that he would not try to beat his height record during this meet.

"Of course," he added, hurriedly, "If any one should better my mark, I'd have to take another crack at it, but if no one does, we'll let this one stand." Hoxsey was in the air yesterday two hours and fifteen minutes. He wins \$3000 by his altitude triumph.

Letham's Machine Wreeked.

The gale, which Hoxsey and his brethren of the Wright camp, Parmalee and Brookins, braved successfully yesterday, wrecked Latham's Antoin-ette machine completely. The Frenchman for 2 hours and 15 minutes fought the wind. Then and adverse current slapped his monoplane downward, hurled it into a fence and under the brow of the hill and threw the aviator into a gully. The Frenchman came out unhurt, but his machine was a tangled mass of wire and silk. The motor was the only part left intact.

## IN BURKE CASE

Prevents Admission of Certain Letters Considered Important by the State.

Santa Rosa, Cal., Dec. 27.—A search-ing cross questioning of Dr. A. W. Hitt and Dr. Deshsau, much dickering of opposing counsel, an attempt to introduce certain letters as evidence and the failure to gain their admission, were the features of the trial of Dr. Willard P. Burke, which was resumed before Judge Seawell today.

Particular attention to the question-ing of Dr. Hitt was given by the attor-neys for the defense. Dr. Hitt has come to be regarded by many as the most important witness for the state, next to Lu Etta Smith, and Attorney Leppo devoted much effort to an attempt to make the witness contradict himself.

The most damaging testimony given by Hitt during the day's hearing was that he knew that Miss Smith received money from Dr. Burke before her tent at the sanitarium was dynamited. Hitt said he had obtained this information by reading the imprint on a pad of note paper on which Dr. Burke had written to Miss Smith, in which Burke men-tioned that he was sending her "a litle present."

The defense scored a signal victory by blocking the admission of letters written to Hitt by attaches of Dr. Burke's sanitarium after the explosion. One of these, which said that the ac cepted theory of accident was an error, and begged Hitt to interest the authorities in an investigation, was the cause of a heated argument, but its admission was finally denied. Dr. Dessau was on the stand during

## ISLAND FORTRESS

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Manila. Dec. 27,—A Japanese spy in
Corregidor, the fortification guarding
the entrance to Manila harbor, was captured by the authorities here today. It is reported that he was caught with valuable sketches of the forts and mili-tary maps in his possession. He is held incommunicado. The military authorities are searching Japanese houses for explosives. General Duvail ordered the search.

BANK CLEARINGS AGAIN SHOW MARKED INCREASE OVER ONE YEAR AGO

A tremondous increase in Portland's banking business during the year is illustrated by today's clearing house report, which shows clearings to be \$2,-036,110.18, with \$115,643.67 balances. The report for the corre-Clearings, \$1,236,977.82; balances.

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-Every garment in this sale is new this Fall. To show our reductions we illustrate by example the thoroughness of our methods in this sale of

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Every Child's Garment in the Store Reduced

-Modeled of lace, net and Chiffon, of Lingerie and fancy patterns, also plain and fancy silk dresses. In light blue, pink, white, lavender and copenhagen shades. Most these gowns are made with silk drop skirts, Either high or low neck styles, either short or long sleeves. Some are trimmed with delicate laces, others have trimmings of the same material Every dress is new this season.