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## BUILDING PERMITS

### TOTAL \$3,667,000

## DURING DECEMBER

Activity in Construction Line Breaks All Records in Portland; \$4,000,000 Mark May Be Reached by Jan. 1.

INCREASE OF 178 PER CENT OVER DEC., 1909

Totals for Year Will Exceed \$20,000,000 as Against \$7,000,000 Last Year.

All Portland seems to have gone building mad. The rush of the past few weeks to get building permits has resulted in the establishment of a record such as no other city in the United States can boast.

Every available clerk and deputy in the city building inspection department has been pressed into service to check over plans and issue permits, all other duties having been cast aside for the time being, and, up to noon today, permits to the value of \$3,667,000 had been issued during the present month. With still another day to go, City Building Inspector H. E. Plummer is confident that the total for the month will pass the \$4,000,000 mark. This will be an increase of 178 per cent over December of last year.

This wonderful building activity is (Continued on Page Four.)

## BATTLESHIP FLEET

### PLAYS WAR GAME

#### WITH SCOUT SHIPS

Hide and Seek Tactics Called for; Requirement Simple but All Manner of Strategy Possible; Fight by Wireless.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Washington, Dec. 30.—Sixteen battleships of the Atlantic fleet passed out of Hampton Roads today and became the "enemy" in the most extensive war game ever played by the United States navy. Simultaneously a scout fleet of seven vessels took up the defense of the nation against the "invaders."

As soon as the battleships passed from sight they severed all connection with the shore and from now until the time they are due to report at Guantanamo for winter target practice they will endeavor to keep their whereabouts a secret. All communication with the navy department was severed and commanders of the different ships have carte blanche to go wherever they please.

**Grand Game of Hide and Seek.**  
The purpose of the game as outlined by the department is for the "attacking" fleet to appear within range of some part of the coast without its presence having been reported by the scout fleet.

The game resembles hide and seek more than a series of naval engagements. Wireless flashes take the place of shot and shell.

Rear Admiral Schroeder is in command of the "enemy," the home fleet being under Rear Admiral Stanton.

Elaborate plans for testing during the game the adaptability of the wireless in time of war have been made. The ships in Admiral Schroeder's fleet are expected to use a code of their own in communication with each other, thus necessitating the actual sighting of them by the defenders before their whereabouts will be known.

What advantage the "attacking" fleet (Continued on Page Four.)

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## CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

### TO BE RENT WITH SCHISM

## STETSON FACTION PREDICTS

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
New York, Dec. 30.—That Mrs. Augusta Stetson's statements that Mrs. Eddy will rise from the dead will seriously affect the Christian Science church is the belief of many ecclesiastical workers and others here. A schism that will divide the church evenly is predicted by friends of Mrs. Stetson, who see in the question of resurrection, brought to the fore through Mrs. Eddy's death, a signal victory for the excommunicated rival of the dead leader. Mrs. Stetson is reported as saying: "I believe that Mrs. Eddy will make a manifestation, that she will reveal herself to me and others—to the outside world.

"The same situation exists today as when Jesus of Nazareth was buried. After three days he manifested himself to prove that there is life after death. Mrs. Eddy will do the same, for she occupies in the world of today precisely the same position that Jesus occupied in his day.

"It may take longer for Mrs. Eddy to pass through the experience of material death to a demonstration of everlasting life; it may not occur for years, or it may occur tomorrow; but she will manifest herself, and all men shall know it."

**Resurrectionists Criticize Directors.**  
The action of the directors of the church in accepting Mrs. Eddy's death as a fact is being freely criticized by followers of Mrs. Stetson, who think the directors should have waited for a "manifestation." Members of the church who believe that Mrs. Eddy will eventually return to life will soon be numbered among followers of Mrs. Stetson, friends of the latter say.

Mrs. Stetson's statements regarding the resurrection of Mrs. Eddy are believed by many to have been made with the object of preventing the church di-

**Revolutionists**  
Lose Mal Paso

Rebels in Flight to Mountains  
Report of Gen. Gurzman's  
Death Confirmed.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Gavelston, Texas, Dec. 30.—That Mal Paso, a stronghold of the revolutionists, has been taken in a battle in which 14 federal soldiers were killed, is confirmed in private dispatches received here today from Chihuahua.

The report that Colonel Gusman was killed is confirmed. The federal soldiers who stormed Mal Paso, were led by General Escudero. A number of the rebels were wounded, but most of the injured were taken away by the flying soldiers. The revolutionist forces retreated to the mountains, where it is reported the federals are pursuing them.

## PROTEST BECAUSE

### UMATILLA PROJECT

## WITHOUT MONEY

Commercial Organizations Declare Oregon Entitled to a Larger Share of Funds to Extend Irrigation Work.

WILL CALL ATTENTION OF PRESIDENT TO SITUATION  
Await Word From Washington to Learn Why Umatilla Cut Off List.

Vigorous protest by commercial organizations and others interested in the promotion of Oregon's growth may bring about action by President Taft to give Oregon a larger share of the funds set aside under the national reclamation bonding act, with which the extension of the Umatilla irrigation project may be cared for.

This is the belief of the Live Wire organization and others who are working to increase Oregon's share of the appropriation by showing that the Umatilla extension is more justly entitled to aid at this time than some of the projects in other states for which millions are to be spent. Approved by experts of the reclamation service, it is declared to be second to none in importance.

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## MAYOR IGNORES

### ADVICE; RESULT IS

## \$254,000 DEFICIT

By Carrying Out Own Idea Regarding Tax Levy Was Compelled to Take \$100,000 From General Fund.

If Mayor Simon and the ways and means committee of the city council had followed the advice of Councilman Rushlight and other members of the committee, it is pointed out, the city would not now face the problem of how to make up a deficit of \$254,000 in the general fund.

When the ways and means committee was considering the annual budget of the mayor and fixing the tax levies for the various municipal departments supported by direct taxation, an attempt was made to fix the levy for the bonded indebtedness interest fund high enough to take care of all the indebtedness.

But Mayor Simon wished to make a showing to the taxpayers of the city and he told the committee that it was his desire that the levy should not be fixed higher than 4 mills. In order to

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## HELD FOR THEFT;

### CASH AND JEWELS

A. Blackwolds and His Wife of Seattle, Under Arrest at Ogden, Utah.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Seattle, Dec. 30.—Mr. and Mrs. A. Blackwolds are under arrest at Ogden, Utah, charged with the theft of jewelry and furs worth \$4600 from the home of W. E. Gerber, president of the California National bank of Sacramento. The Blackwolds belong in Seattle and the local police were today notified of their arrest.

## TOMORROW

Year's End Edition of The Journal published tomorrow, complete in five sections, mailed to any address in the United States or Canada (postage included) at 10 cents per copy. Extra copies at Journal office or from Newsboys at 5 cents.

**YEAR'S END EDITION**

## COMBINATION TO

### KEEP ALL OF ASIA

## FOR ORIENTALS

Big Business Men of Japan Promote Organization Ostensibly Merely Fraternal but in Reality Exclusive.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Tokyo, Dec. 30.—An organization formed ostensibly to promote a better understanding between corporations of far eastern nations, but said in reality to be a combination to fight off occidental encroachment on the trade of the orient, has been completed by a coterie of Japanese politicians, it was announced today.

The new organization, which is to be known as the Pan-Asiatic association, is composed of members representing large financial enterprises in China, Japan, Siam, Afghanistan, Turkey, India, Persia and other oriental countries.

Preparations for the launching of the scheme have been quietly going on for several months, but not until the completion of the details was the general public aware of it. Agents of the concern have been dispatched to all parts of Asia.

The names of Imukai, Kono, Toyama and other prominent Japanese are mentioned as the promoters of the scheme.

"Big Dan" Dead in Honduras.  
(United Press Leased Wire.)  
New Orleans, Dec. 30.—"Big Dan" Coughlan, for whose arrest the state of Illinois had offered a reward, is dead at San Pedro, Honduras, according to dispatches received here today.

Coughlan's name was connected with a jury scandal in Illinois several years ago and he fled to Central America.



## CANDIDATES FOR

### CHIEF OF SENATE

## SAY BALANCE ALL

Bowerman and Selling Fighting Hard for Presidency—Portland Man Looks Winner With Votes to Spare.

With the opening of the legislative session little more than one week away, the friends of Ben Selling and Jay Bowerman are claiming with equal confidence that they will win the fight for organization of the state senate. The number of pledged votes for each is

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## TRAINS COLLIDE;

### BRAKEMAN KILLED

S. M. Hanley of Tacoma Victim of Wreck Near Chehalis, Wash.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Tacoma, Dec. 30.—S. M. Hanley of Tacoma, a brakeman, was killed, and J. B. McMillan, another brakeman, was injured in a wreck a mile and a half west of Chehalis on the Northern Pacific railroad when two freight trains collided today. The cause of the wreck has not been ascertained. Hanley was knocked from the top of a freight car when the crash came and ground to death under the wheels.

**Army Medical Officer to Retire.**  
Washington, Dec. 30.—After more than 30 years' service in the medical department of the army, Colonel John M. Banister will be placed on the retired list tomorrow on his own application. Colonel Banister is from Alabama and was appointed an assistant surgeon in 1876. Recently he has been stationed in Omaha, Neb.

## Aviator Who Lost

### Life in the Sea



Cecil S. Grace and map of route he attempted to take.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
London, Dec. 30.—Despite all efforts made, no trace has been found of Cecil S. Grace, the American aviator who was lost in the North sea. While endeavoring to win the prize of Baron de Forest of \$20,000 to the aviator who went the greatest distance, crossing the English channel, Grace successfully flew over the channel to Calais, France, from Dover, England, and had turned around to complete the second and last lap of his winning journey. After sailing some distance from the French shore the daring aviator was last seen to disappear in the fog with his aeroplane headed toward the North sea.

Grace was a nephew of the late Mayor W. R. Grace of New York. He had lived in England for some years with his mother and had attended Oxford university.

## ELIS PROVINCE

### SCENE OF RUIN

Reports Indicate Many Lives Lost and Great Destruction of Property.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Athens, Dec. 30.—That whole villages in Elis province have been leveled by the earthquake that occurred there yesterday, and that many persons were killed, is the report that has reached Athens today. Although it has been 24 hours since the shock occurred, details of the disaster have not yet been received, and the only reports have come by roundabout channels and in many instances from points remote from the scene of the quake. Telegraph lines throughout Elis province are prostrated. Many of the reports today are of an alarming nature. Rumors that hundreds have been killed are received and other reports indicate that the greater part of the province is a scene of ruin. Other reports are more reassuring, and say that the greatest havoc in respect of property was confined to some of the smaller villages, though a large number of persons met death.

## STANDARD OIL IN

### ENGLAND ACCUSED

## OF DODGING TAXES

London Truth Charges Trust With Handling Products in Such a Way as to Show Business With No Profit.

## SUBSIDIARIES BUY AND

### SELL AT SAME PRICE

Journal Urges Suit to Compel Octopus to Make Show-down of Money Made.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
London, Dec. 30.—Agitation to start a suit against the Standard Oil company in England has been urged by the London Truth. The paper charges that the company, through its subsidiaries, the Anglo-American Oil company and the Vacuum Oil company, has been evading the income tax.

The Truth urges that suit be commenced to compel the companies to divulge their earnings, so that the income tax may be collected.

It is alleged that the two subsidiaries buy their oil from the Standard in America, paying the Standard exactly the same price as is charged consumers in England. The profits, on paper, are therefore nothing, being by this method transferred to the balance sheets of the Standard.

## NATIONAL ROAD ON

### MT. HOOD IS NEW

## PLAN NOW URGED

Believing Park Would Be Difficult to Obtain, Promoters Will Ask Congress for a Smaller Appropriation.

Plans to make Mount Hood a national park have been given up. Henry Wetmore and W. C. Bristol, local promoters of the project, believe that the same result will be obtained by obtaining a congressional appropriation for the construction of a good road through the forest service already created around Mount Hood. The support of Senators Bourne and Chamberlain has been secured. A message from Washington this morning stated that maps and plans had been received by Senator Bourne, and that the Oregon representatives in congress had joined in determination to secure the appropriation of \$100,000 for the road this winter.

**Red Tape in Way.**  
The original plan for making Mount Hood a national park in the same way that Mount Rainier has been set aside, included a contemplated appropriation of from \$1,000,000 to \$3,000,000. Study into the situation made by Mr. Wetmore and Mr. Bristol brought the conclusion that to secure improvements under the forest service would be cheaper and more effective. They also decided that if they adhered to the original ambition for a national park it would take perhaps 10 years to complete. This appropriation and get all the red tape tied around

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## YOAKUM CUTOFF

### TO BE COMPLETED

## SOON AS POSSIBLE

Work of O. R. & N. Road in Umatilla County to Be Begun; North Coast Trains to Run After First of Year.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Pendleton, Or., Dec. 30.—The beginning of the New Year will see the commencement of the last part of the \$1,250,000 improvement work which the O. R. & N. is doing between this city and Yoakum, which work will eliminate several curves, reduce several grades and shorten the distance between this city and Portland by two miles. According to a statement made by Local Agent E. F. O'Brien this morning, the grade is all completed, the rails are all delivered and the work of laying them will begin immediately.

Mr. O'Brien also states that trains on the new North Coast road will commence to run between North Falstaff and Astoria immediately after the first of the year, which will mark the completion of one of the most important pieces of railroad development work which the Harriman system has undertaken in recent years in the northwest.