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## JOHN B. MOISSANT, FAMOUS AVIATOR, FALLS 100 FEET

One of Most Noted of All the World's Flying Men Killed as He Is Setting Out on Flight for Michelin Prize.

WON FAME BY FLIGHT FROM PARIS TO LONDON

Man of Adventurous Career, Having Operated in Central American Revolutions.

Aviator Deaths in December.  
Coed Grace, American, supposed drowned in North Sea, on an attempted return flight across English channel, Calais to Dover.  
Marquis Marie Paulin, passenger, and Alexander Leflon, instructor at Antoinette school of aviation, killed in France when their machine dropped 100 feet as they started on a Paris to Brussels flight.  
John B. Moissant, American, killed in New Orleans.

Expected to Astonish Aviators.  
Special arrangements had been made at Harahan, which is 10 miles from New Orleans, for the assault on the air distance record.  
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Moissant had started on an attempt to lift the Michelin cup, for distance flying.  
He made the ascent in a 50-horse power Blériot. He flew from Orleans to Harahan, where he alighted and put the finishing touches to his machine before ascending for the long flight.

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When he ascended at Harahan he expected to remain aloft until evening, completing his spectacular flight by returning to the aviation grounds in New Orleans.

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Falls First; Plane Falls on Him.  
A few feet ahead of the falling airplane he struck the ground. The wreckage

## TAXPAYERS TAKE DECIDED STEPS TO NULLIFY ACTION OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS WHO IGNORED THEM

In 1900 it cost an average of \$21.58 to send a child to school one year. Last year the cost per pupil was \$74.15. Next year the cost, according to the school board's budget and allowing for an increase of 1500 pupils in the schools, will be \$190 each.

These were a few of the figures presented by County Assessor Stigler at a meeting of the Commercial Club, held last night in the Commercial Club. His table of costs showed that the people paid \$24,210 to support the schools in 1900, \$1,530,134 in 1909, \$7,368,343 in 1910 and that they are now asked to spend \$2,122,100 during 1911. These figures were exclusive of bonded issues. The bonds asked to be issued during 1911 amount to \$150,000 to meet the cost of fireproofing schools. The average number of teachers had increased from 310 in 1900 to 837 in 1910, while at the same time the average of 28 scholars per teacher in 1900 had decreased to 23 scholars per teacher in 1910.

Average Wage Paid.  
The average wages paid teachers in 1900 was \$478, while the average asked for 1911 is approximately \$906 per teacher. The total amount paid for teachers' salaries in 1900 was \$208,348 as compared with the requisition for \$900,000 for 1911.  
Mr. Stigler had gathered the figures which he presented last night by searching through the records. Their reading caused surprise and gave point to his assertion that the school tax levy should be laid by a commission

## OFFICIALS DENY DISCRIMINATION AGAINST OREGON

Apparent Partiality in Apportionment of Reclamation Funds Explained on Behalf of Army Engineers.

OREGON LANDOWNERS, SETTLERS OBSTRUCTIVE

Few Extensions Anywhere—Apportionment Under Original Act Explained.

By John E. Lathrop.  
Washington, Dec. 31.—General Marshall, formerly chief of army engineers, but now consulting engineer for the interior department, in a statement relating to the assignment of the \$20,000,000 in certificates of indebtedness to reclamation projects, said:  
“The board of army engineers made no recommendation for the extension of the Umalla project, but this action was not discrimination against that project, because they made no recommendation for the extension of any other excepting possibly the Yuma project, for which they recommended the inclusion of certain Mesa lands. No extensions were recommended in Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Montana, Colorado, Utah, Nevada, North Dakota or South Dakota. The United States has undertaken all the work it can carry through with the resources at hand.”  
It has also been cited that this \$20,000,000 has been apportioned as follows:

## JAPANESE SPIES MAP ISLANDS, BUT KEEP WITHIN LAW

Military Authorities in Philippines Powerless to Prevent Apparently Unfriendly Acts on Part of Little Brown Men.

Manila, Dec. 31.—Japanese spies in the Philippines are active, not only in Manila bay and on Corregidor island, but, the United Press is informed today, they are engaged in mapping the entire archipelago.  
The military authorities, it is learned, are fully aware of the activity of the little brown men, and have been secretly watching them at their work. They know exactly what maps have been drawn, but they are powerless to stop the work, because there is no law by which spies can be interfered with. The only law under which secret agents can be checked is trespass, and this law, it is learned, they have been careful not to violate.  
The maps that have been made, it is ascertained, are not ordinary maps of the

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## USUAL SCENES ON STREETS MAY NOT GREET NEW YEAR

Ring out of Old and Ring in New Promises to Be Quietest Ever Seen in Portland, if Orders Obeyed.

Decrepit 1910 will pass away in Portland tonight just as the clock strikes his round to usher in youthful 1911. There will not be the accustomed wail of Celtic noise and enthusiasm. The spirit of the departing year probably will pass into the unknown unaccompanied by sobs of grief or the jangling of cow bells. This is because the people are expected to be obedient to police orders and not because they do not want to live up to the revels of last year and the years preceding.  
Youthful 1911 will take up his scepter of sovereignty to the ringing of bells in the churches and the blowing of whistles. This is usual and has not been declared offensive to the police chief.  
Portland, however, will be wakeful to welcome the New Year. The watch night gatherings in the churches will be supplemented by watch night parties in many of the homes. Old-fashioned games will be played as the old year

## ROB TWO BANKS; ESCAPE IN AUTO

Yeggmen Make Too Much Noise and Citizens of Kansas Town Are Roused.

Marysville, Kan., Dec. 31.—Four yeggmen who robbed two banks and escaped in an automobile from a hastily organized posse, are being sought by the sheriff's forces. The robbers first blew open the vaults of the Citizens' State bank at Waterville and took a sack of money. From there they went to the Waterville State bank and dynamited the safe.  
The noise of the explosion attracted the attention of a watchman, who gave the alarm. Seizing what money was in sight, the robbers jumped into a waiting automobile and whizzed out of town. Several shots were fired by citizens at the disappearing automobile.  
The two banks report a total loss of \$6000.

## NOTHING MUCH IN WAY OF LID UPON FRISCO NEW YEAR

Chief of Police Orders Force to Hold Down "Hoodlumism" and "Rough House"—Everything Else Goes.

San Francisco, Dec. 31.—“Freedom for all, but license for none” is the way San Francisco will celebrate the new year, according to instructions issued to his men by Chief of Police Seymour today. Hoodlumism is strictly tabooed, but otherwise “go as far as you like” says the chief. Nearly 800 policemen will be on the streets to see that his orders are enforced.  
Confetti, ticklers, bells and other implements of revelry will be permitted, with certain restrictions the chief has explained in the patrolmen in a lengthy document posted in all the stations. Masking also will be permitted, but any tendency to “rough house” is to be severely dealt with.  
The feature of the merrymaking will be the midnight promenade in Market street, at which time street car traffic will be suspended and the entire

## MARINE DISASTER RECORD FOR YEAR

In Thirteenth District 37 Lives and 9 Vessels Lost; Grand Totals 53 and 74.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Only 53 out of 6661 persons involved in 1464 disasters to vessels of all classes within the scope of the United States life saving service lost their lives, and but 74 vessels were destroyed during the fiscal year ended June 30 last, according to the report of S. L. Kimball, general superintendent of the service.  
The report shows operations in the 13th district, embracing the coasts of Alaska, Washington, Oregon and California, as follows: Vessels involved, 134; vessels lost, 9; persons on board, 670; lives lost, 37; persons rescued at stations, 24; number of days' succor afforded, 23; value of vessels, \$1,301,375; value of cargoes, \$232,690. Total value of property involved, \$1,534,065; value of property saved, \$280,465; value of property lost, \$321,110.

## CANADA WILL TEST ANTI-TRUST LAW ON NEW SUBJECT

Alleged That Ownership of Patents on Machinery Used to Extort Money in Sale of Machine's Products.

RIGHT TO COMPENSATION NOT RIGHT TO FLEECE

Suit Against Shoe Machinery Company Suspended Until Investigation Made.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Toronto, Ont., Dec. 31.—As the first test of the new Canadian anti-trust law whereby patents used to establish restraint of trade may be voided, the suit against the United States Shoe Machinery company, charged with being an illegal combination, is to be pressed in the courts here. The suit was brought at the instance of a number of manufacturers in Quebec, who alleged that the machinery company had combined to boost prices in restraint of trade. If the courts find the charges sustained, the patent rights held by the company may be revoked and the protective duty on the articles it manufactures may be removed.  
Investigation Ordered.  
A preliminary hearing was held before Judge Cannon, who ruled that the manufacturers in their complaint had failed to make out a prima facie case against the combine, and an investigation of (Continued on Page Three.)

## OBSTRUCTIONISTS DEALT STINGING BLOW BY COURT

Highest Tribunal in State Denies Rehearing to Men Who Would Stop Building of the Broadway Bridge.

UPHOLDS RIGHT OF CITY TO CONSTRUCT SPAN

Shows Fallacy of Kiernan's Pleas to Defeat the Will of People.



Justice Will E. King.  
Broadway bridge obstructionists were dealt another blow today when the state supreme court at Salem handed an opinion through Justice Will E. King denying a rehearing of the case in which Frank Kiernan sought to prevent construction of the bridge by the city. The opinion was concurred in by all the members of the court.  
Justice King reviewed the argument made in the brief of R. R. Duniway, attorney for the obstructionists, at length, and reiterated the former opinion of the court, showing the fallacy of the pleas advanced in hope of defeating the bridge. Attack upon the initiative referendum, he replied and the Oregon system of government given a new bit of precedent by the unanimous opinion of the court.  
Touching on the question of the right of the city to build the Broadway bridge through an initiative amendment to the charter, the court says:  
“Our holding is that the state may, by constitutional provisions, directly delegate to municipalities, and powers which it, through the legislature, could formerly have granted indirectly. In Howenstein against McMinnville City Pacific, 513 we held such to be the effect of the charter amendments under consideration.  
“All the prerogatives attempted to be exercised by Portland in the construction of the Broadway bridge were formerly have been granted by the legislature and the power to provide therefor, having been delegated to the city by amendment to our organic laws, is valid, and the right to exercise such powers will continue until such time as changed by general enactments of the legislative department of our state, provision for which may be made by the legislature by general laws, applying alike to all municipalities of that class, or by the people through the initiative, by the enactment of either general or special laws on the subject.”  
Upholds Laws.  
Justice King discusses the attack made on the initiative by Frederick V. Holman, late president of the State Bar association, who complained that disastrous results may follow from the repeal of the people's laws by the legislature. (Continued on Page Three.)

## GREAT GROWTH OF CITY IS SHOWN BY FIGURES FOR YEAR

Show Most Remarkable Gain in Building Activity, Postal Receipts and Bank Clearings and Realty Transfers.

December's figures added to the totals of the first 11 months of the year, which appear in another section of today's Journal, show that in building permits, bank clearings, postal receipts and real estate transfers Portland has made gains that are almost abnormal over the splendid records made in all these lines in 1909.  
The largest increase occurs in the building activity of the city. With the value of today's building permits not included, the total for the year is \$19,390,000, as compared with \$13,579,550 for 1909. A gain is here shown of 45.5 per cent and when the value of the permits issued today is added to the year's total it is altogether probable that the increase for the year will figure about 47.5 per cent.  
In the matter of bank clearings the gain over last year amounts to just 32 per cent. Estimating today's clearing, the total clearing business of Portland's clearing house banks for the year will reach the stupendous total of \$11,000,000, as compared with \$291,000,950 for 1909.  
Postal receipts for the year, which it is claimed more accurately reflects the prosperity of a city than any other commercial line, show an increase of 18.6 per cent over the figures of 1909. The total amount of business trans- (Continued on Page Three.)

## SAN FRANCISCO FEELS SHOCK; NO DAMAGE

San Francisco, Dec. 31.—A sharp earthquake shock was felt in this city at 4:30 o'clock this morning. The vibrations continued several seconds. No damage has been reported.

## THREE VANCOUVER CONCERNS CHANGE HANDS; MERGED

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 31.—A transfer of property valued at \$1,000,000 is being made in Vancouver today. The transfer includes the property of the Vancouver Waterworks company, Vancouver Traction company and the Vancouver Gas company. The three concerns have been bought and are being taken over by the Oregon-Washington corporation formed in Vancouver on December 2, 1910, with a capital stock of \$5,000,000. The exact amount paid by the corporation cannot be ascertained today. However, it will run far into the hundreds of thousands.  
It is generally understood that B. M. Atkins, present manager for the Vancouver traction company, will have general supervision over all of the Vancouver holdings of the corporation. The office of the gas company is being moved today to the office of the waterworks company in the Bank building at Ninth and Washington. Manager

## RICH GIRL ELOPES WITH DRUG CLERK

Soda Fountain Idyl Fetches Up in an Elopement and Much Forgiveness.

Pasadena, Cal., Dec. 31.—Cupid is in disfavor today with a number of local gossips, former suitors for the hand of Miss Louise Betting, heiress to millions, who yesterday eloped with George L. Krueger, employed in a drug store here. They were married at Los Angeles.  
The bride is the daughter of Charles F. Betting, millionaire furniture manufacturer of Grand Rapids, Mich. who has spent several winters here.  
From relatives of the bride the young couple will receive as wedding presents a home richly furnished and a couple of automobiles.  
Krueger first met Miss Betting in the drug store where he was employed.

## THE SUNDAY JOURNAL

Among the Striking Features of the Sunday Journal for Tomorrow Are:  
“WOMAN'S FREEDOM MAY BE CUP WITH BITTER DREGS”—So Mrs. Donald McLean, honorary president of the D. A. R., tells Edward Marshall. Read startling interview in tomorrow's SUNDAY JOURNAL.

PHILANTHROPIES OF THE YEAR—During the twelvemonth, philanthropic men and women have dedicated more than \$150,000,000 to the cause of their fellow men. See story on Page 4 of Magazine Section.

NEWS REVIEW OF 1910—Important events of the year reviewed in concrete form—governmental unrest, election results, doings of congress, activities of famous men and women, disasters of a twelvemonth, achievements of science and aviation, etc.

EDITORIAL PAGE FEATURE—Beginning tomorrow THE JOURNAL'S editorial page will contain daily a special article of general interest. These articles will be run in series of seven, each dealing with varied subjects, such as Seven Famous Beauties, Seven Historical Mysteries, Seven Literary Prisoners, Seven Famous Outlaws, etc.

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