and Nevada.

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have been abandoned.

Ostriches Wet; Cruelty Charged.

Pasadena, Cal., Jan. 4 .- (P. N. 8.)-

ostrict farm here entered two of their

fine birds in the tournament of roses

parade New Year's day and allowed

Ahem to get all wet. The men are un-

der charge today of cruelty to animals.

in a wheel barrow. The entry won

Many British in Persia.

serious for the Turks, the correspond-

Ford Back in Detroit.

Henry Ford, peace expedition promoter,

Dean Marquis, and several secretaries,

That he plans more or less of a fight

against the administration prepared-

Jowish Congress Called.

Chicago, Jan. 4 .- (U. P.)-A call for

January 23 was issued today by the

Zionist convention. The session pro-

posed to arrange for Jews to return

the movement will become interna-

Germany Is Quizzed.

ican Ambassador Gerard has asked

Germany concerning the nationality of

Admiral von Tirpitz conferred

the submarine which attacked the Per-

Bennett Wants Information.

Washington, Jan. 4 .- (U. P.) -- Presi

Leaves Fortune to Charity.

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 4 .- (U. P.) -The

will of Miss Lillian Frances Treble.

who died in November at Santa Bar-

bara, Cal., left 75 per cent of her \$2,

Teutons Are Arrested.

Geelong Not Sunk.

STATE BONDS FOR

Luncheon.

state

IRRIGATION POINTED

OUT AS GREAT NEED

yesterday with the kaiser.

Amsterdam, Jan. 4 .- (U. P.) - Amer

Louis Brandeis of Boston said later

Mich., Jan. 4 .- (U. P.)

C. Hanson and Manager Moon of an

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PORTLAND, OREGON, TUESDAY EVENING, JANUARY 4, 1916.—SIXTEEN PAGES.

PRICE TWO CENTS ON TRAINS AND NEWS

U.S. GIVES PARK ON HIGHWAY TO OREGON PARK FREE FOR

Setting Aside About 14,-Highway Is Announced.

USE OF PEOPLE

IMPROVEMENT OF FINE SCENIC SPOT PLANNED

Roads Will Be Built, Natural Beauty Places Will Be Preserved.

Christmas gift from Uncle Sam

It is a great park lying for 23 miles trality. along the Columbia river highway with Eagle creek as its central point. Secretary of Agriculture David F. Houston on Christmas Eve signed an order which sets aside for the free use of the people 13,873 acres of land a mile and a half wide, which shall be known as the Columbia Gorge park division of the Oregon National forest.

The order of the secretary provides no national park, in the ordinary acceptance of the term "national park," but leaves the great tract still in the national forest. This means that it will be developed at once by the construction of roads and trails, the establishment of free camp sites and unlimited and free use by the people. Local Campaign Wins.

Announcement of the gift was made today at the weekly meeting of the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce. It represents a campaign that has been going on since last April when a group of Portland citizens, strolling along the highway, speculated on the ownership of the adlands so rich in scenery and wag will some day fence all this

grandeur from the people. who the owners were. It was discovered that the land was in the national forest. This simplified the situation and when Chief Forester Henry S. Graves was here last summer he was interested in the project. He became so enthusiastic that he started the machinery of his department in motion. In the meantime, a committee composed of Jacob Kanzler, chairman; Amos S. Benson, Emery Olmstead, T. H. Sherrard and R. S. Shelly, worked all the influence it could. The cul-mination of its efforts is that the people of Oregon and the visitors to the state will for all time enjoy one

of the scenic gems of the world. Development of the park will begin as early as possible next spring. It is intimated that the interest of the department officials is so strong that Columbia Gorge park will be made a "model park" and all the conveniences possible will be provided here as a show place" of the forest service. Secretary Houston's order follows:

Text of the Order. Pursuant to an act of congress directing the secretary of agriculture to select, classify and segregate lands within the boundaries of national forests that may be opened to homestead entry, certain lands aggregating 13.873 acres, within the Oregon national forest, situated adjacent to the Columbia river highway, as indicated upon the diagram hereto attached, have been duly examined and, being found more valuable for their scenic beauty, and duly examined and, being found more valuable for their scenic beauty, and for public recreation and camping grounds, were classified and segregated, on July 27, 1915, as not chiefly valuable for agriculture and therefore nonlistable under the forest homestead act of June 11, 1906.

For Public Use. It appears that these lands are not only of great value for national forest purposes, but should also be permapurposes, but should also be permanently retained in government ownership in order to provide for the enjoyment, use and recreation of the general public, and to prevent monopoly of many of the benefits of this highway, an admirable public enterprise and utility, and can be so administered by the forest service without additional expense to the government.

Now, therefore, I, D. F. Houston, secretary of agriculture, do hereby give public notice that the above mentioned area, adjacent to the Columbia river highway, is hereby designated as the Columbia Gorge park division of the Oregon National forest, and that all national forest lands therein are held for the use and enjoyment of the general public for recreation purposes, coordinately with the purposes for which the Oregon National forest was established. The administration and established. The administration and use of this area shall be governed by the spirit of this order, and no use shall be allowed or permitted that will interfere with the broad public purposes herein set forth.

In testimony whereon I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Washington, D. C., this twenty-fourth day of December, 1915.

(Signed) D. F. HOUSTON, Secretary.

Shevlin Estate Is Worth \$3,500,000 *

Former Tale Player and Coach Leaves It to His Widow and Two Children; Pormer to Get Annuity of \$60,000. Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 4 .- (I. N S.)—In the will of the late Thomas L. Shevlin, former Yale football coach.

filed for probate today, the estate of *
33,500,000 is left entirely to the widow * and two children.

A large part of the estate is placed in trust until the two children reach the age of 30, after which it will be sequally divided between them. Mrs. Shevlin will receive an annual income of \$60.000

Simon Resigns From Cabinet, **Opposes Force**

British Secretary of State for Home Affairs Quits Because of Decision to Enforce Conscription.

London, Jan. 4 .- (U. P.) -- Premier Asquith today confirmed reports that Order of Secretary Houston Sir John Simon had resigned from the English cabinet. His announcement was made in the house of commons 000 Acres on Columbia following a two and a half hour sea-

Despite contrary reports, the Chron-cle today said positively that Ireland will not be included in the scope of the conscription bill the government is introducing this week.

Although reports have been current for several days that other members would quit as a result of forcing conscription on the nation, every other member attended the cabinet session. Simon was a Liberal, who served as attorney general in the previous cabinet, and was given the home affairs post in the coalition cabinet.

There was talk at the first of the war that he planned to quit, because of his opposition to the struggle, but was deterred from this by reason of Germany's violation of Belgium's neu-

AMERICAN DESCRIBES SCENES OF TERROR AS THE PERSIA WAS SUN

Charles H. Grant of Boston, of Sudden Explosion.

London, Jan. 4 .- (U. P.) -- Scenes of horror preceded the plunge of the P. and O. liner Persia, victim of a submarine in the Mediterranean. She turned turtle while lifeboats

waves washed more than a score of passengers from the deck. Then the Steps at once were taken to find out giant ship dipped sharply, sending stricking women and children slipping into the water. Before the eyes of survivors, she rolled over and went down while a score still clung to the decks. From 250 to 300 Dead.

The admiralty today abandoned hope that American Consul McNeely had been saved, although 11 persons, including Lord Montagu, were reported in late advices to have landed at Malta. Officials still estimate from 250 to 300 persons perished. Officials still estimate that At the same time the owners of the torpedoed liner Glengyle said she did and Flood to discuss the situation with not carry over five passengers and them so that he might have their co-

that these were saved. Consul McNeely was in the cabin when the ship was hit, and was one of the last to reach the deck, survivors said. Most of the other passengers the Mediterranean "death zone" were at luncheon, without a thought of danger.

Many Floated for Hours

Those on deck strapped on life belts while the crew worked with the lifeboats. Nearly 70 crowded into one When it struck the water, the boat. waves lapped over it and threatened to sink it. Thereupon some were transferred to another boat.

Many survivors leaped from the caening ship or were washed from the deck before she sank. Several floated (Concluded on Page Five, Column Two.)

Hotel Fire Is Fatal To One; Five Injured task, inasmuch as several there were pany. Ols

Victims Jumped From Windows; Lives of 60 Guests Were Endangered; Hotel in Heart of Business Section.

Waterbury, Conn., Jan. 4 .- (I. N. S.) One man was killed, five others were njured and the lives of 60 guests endangered in a fire that destroyed the Hotel Connecticut early today. The hotel is in the heart of the business

The identity of the dead man has not been established. The police say they believe all guests escaped from the hotel. The dead man and the five who were

hurt received their injuries by fumping from the third and fourth story windows.

Berlin Reports Quiet. Berlin, Jan. 4 .- (I. N. S.) - Today's official bulletin from the German general staff reported all theatres of war

Liquor Shipments Consigned to Two "Preachers" Seized

Two liquor shipments, consigned to "preachers" in Oregon, were seized this morning by Deputy Sheriff Ward on the arrival of the steamship Johan Poulsen from California ports. The shipments consisted of three cases of wine and beer and were sent by the same firm in San Francisco, One was consigned to a "Rev. Bock" of Mo-Minnville, and the other to "Rev. Stock" of Juntura, Malheur county. The sheriff's office and special agents of the district attorney's office believe the names of the consignees are

Gives Out Announcement He Will Act as Soon as All tion Are Ascertained.

LEADERS OF HOUSE AND SENATE ARE CONSULTED

Evidence at Hand Thus Far Is Held Not Conclusive of Torpedoing.

War Bate Takes Jump. London, Jan. 4 .- (I, N. S.)nderwriters who hitherto have quoted 25 per cent as against war between the United States and Austria today advanced their figues to 40 per cent. The prediction was made that any increase of business would result in a further increase of

Washington, Jan. 4 .- (U. P.) - While Vashington was tense, and conditions much like those preceding the Spanish-American war, President Wilson, back before scheduled time from his honeymoon, took prompt, energetic Landed at Alexandria, Tells steps in the new, grave crisis in America's international situation today. Within five hours of his hastened return, he had published a statement showing that the administration con siders the torpedoing of the Persia with the loss of American consul Mc

Neely's life is an extremly grave situation. "The president and secretary of grimly foretold that "some rich scala- were getting away from her side. The state," said the statement given out by the president's secretary "are takfacts in this grave matter and will act just as soon an information is obtained."

Summons Senate Leaders.

The president, too, conferred with congressional leaders, including Chairman Stone of the senate foreign affairs committee and Chairman Flood of the house foreign affairs committee, and he called a meeting of the senate foreign affairs committee for tomorrow.

While he decided not to call a cabinet session today, he summoned Stone operation in case a breach in relations with the central powers becomes necessary as a result of the wholesale slaughter of non-combatants within cently.

Will Await Details.

After these conferences, it was officially stated that no action will be taken until further details of the Persia case are at hand. However, the intensity and delicacy of the situation permeated the White House, the state department, congress and diplomatic circles. On every hand, the talk showed that authorities looked at the recent torpedoings, following so closely on Austria's Ancona note, as presenting an ominous situation. As a result of their conferences

Stone and Flood prepared to prevent discussion of international problems on the floors of congress.

Cooperation Is Assured. The president and the chairmen discussed all eventualities, and the freest consultation and cooperation between

chiefs and the White House was assured if breaking of diplomatic rela-Officials do not regard evidence thus far at hand in the Persia case as conclusive of torpedoing. Navy authorities say that possibly she struck a mine, and in support of this theory they pointed to the fact that the quick plunge she took made the torpedoing theory somewhat doubtful. The presence of guns aboard the Persia complicated future rather than

immediate action. The main fact of no warning remains, Other Cases Pending.

It is improbable that a submarine could see guns on the Persia; nd whether these were for offensive or defensive action is a question for future discussion in the matter of tecunicalities

In addition to the torpedeing of the Persia last week, with loss of at least one American life, the administration was confronted with diplomatic issues arising from the submarining of the Glengyle, the Yasaka Maru, the Clotat, Ancona and Lusitania. The principal point for immediate consideration was whether the administration should protest the recent wholesale submarine slaughter in the Mediterranean withthe circumstances surrounding the sinking of the liner Persia. It was authoritatively intimated that a formal inquiry will be made of the central powers, demanding an explana-

tion of recent attacks,

Mrs. Wilson in Charge. Washington, Jan. 4.—(I. N. S.)— they stepped from the train platform President Woodrow Wilson and his and hurried out of the presidential enride, formerly Mrs. Norman Galt, ar- trance at the station to a waiting auto rived here at 7:55 a. m. today from the Springs, Va., where they have been spending their honeymoon. The couple hurried to the White House. The arduous 11-hour trip made over the mountains by the couple was uneventful Both were in high spirits as during the last fortnight.

Kaiser Losing His Voice, Says Paris Report

German Emperor Menaced With Dumbness by Cancerous Growth in Throat, Says Paris Matin.

Paris, Jan. 4 .- (I. N. S.) - Kaiser Wilhelm is menaced with dumbness. A story to this effect was printed here today by the Matin. It said: "It is I arned that the recent operation on the kaiser consisted of partial Possible Facts in Connecting the cancerous tissues of the laryns. He is unable to speak. If he does not consent to total ablation the larynx will become stifled in a few weeks and his voice will fall entirely.

Blood Poisoning Kaiser's Trouble. Rome, Jan. 4. — (I. N. S.) — The kaiser's illness is now admitted to be due to blood poisoning. The specific cause is being withheld. He has been operated (n twice and his condition has improved. Complications are feared. Long care and absolute rest are indispensable.

It is possible the crown prince will be entruited with the imperial signature unless the kaiser's condition improves.

The kapser's trip to Sofia and Constantinophe, which was scheduled for January 15, has been abandoned. The doctors are convinced that the kaiser

months, a Only the chancellor was allowed to visit the talser on New Years.

WITNESSES TESTIFY COMPANY EMPLOYES

Evidence Is "Somebody" Paid Costs and All But One Got \$100 for Rights.

Testimony that employes of the Oregon Lumber company and the Sumpter Valley railway were induced to make federal could today in the case brought by the government against the lumber empany, asking cancellation of title to 43 timber holdings in Baker county and for an accounting for the value of the finished lumber taken from it.

Assistant United States Attorney Beckman drew from several witnesses the information that they had been approached either by Grant Geddes, now dead, but then general manager of the lumber company, or by the late David Eccles, wit's the suggestion that they had a right to make entry under the act. That the expenses of the filing. the cost of final proof and notices of publication were taken care of in some mysterious way was the gist of the testimony.

In each case save one, the entrymer said they subsequently received \$100 is 345,386 and the married men 487,676 cash when deeds were turned over to the officers of the lumber company. The one exception was H. W. Nibley. who testified that he had sold his claim to his brother, C. W. Nibley, for \$1400. He said his brother was then an officer of the lumber company.

Witnesses who testified this morning were Mrs. May Delameter, John Olson, Mrs. E. M. Ford, Mr. Nibley and Ben H. Lewis. All said they resided at Baker at the time the entries were made, and that they had gone from ly strong.

Baker to the government land office at La Grande, made their filing and subsequently obtained patents. They had he floors of congress. later reitr juished their titles to the Adjournment of the senate eased this lands, they said, to the lumber com-

> Olson said he had gone to Geddes on one occasion to see him about the government land, and on that occasion Geddes had told him the government was trying to kick him out, but had not succeeded. On cross-examination he admitted that he had not told the truth to a federal agent who had in-vestigated the land holdings, giving as his exquse, however, the fact that he thought him merely a meddling stran-

Said It Was All Bight. Mrs. Ford testified that Geddes had told her of her right to a timber claim, explaining that it would cost altogether, \$600. She said she did not know who furnished the money, but had supposed it was the lumber com-(Concluded on Page Fifteen, Column Three)

But Two Men Stand Chance With Wilson Charles Sumner Bird, Massachusetts

Progressive, Tells Perkins It Must Be Moosevelt or Hughes,

New York, Jan. 4 .- (I. N. S.)-Charles Sumner Bird, former Progressive candidate for governor of Massachusetts, in a letter today to George W. Parkins, chairman of the executive committee of the Progressive naslaughter in the Mediterranean with- tional committee, proposed the nomi-out waiting for further information as nation of Colonel-Roosevelt as the Republican candidate for president next year with Elihu Root as his secretary said, the only man who had a chance to defeat. President Wilson is Justice Hughes.

they stepped from the train platform

Lord Derby Reports on His Enlistment Plan to House

of Commons; 651,160 Men Failed to Volunteer. MODIFIED CONSCRIPTION

Net Available Single Men 345.386: Married Men. 487,676, Says Report.

IS DEEMED NECESSARY

lamation calling to the colors the sixth. will be unable to travel for many recruits, enrolled under Lord Derby's plan, was issued by the government today. The recruits will begin reporting arrived home today with his wife, son, February 8. They include single mer between the years of 23 and 26. Lord Derby reported on his enlist nent plan today.

His figures show that 651,160 mer throughout England failed to volunteer while a total of 2,184,979 enlisted. Of the enlisted men, however, only 1,423, 104 are available for active service in the field. Examination howed that 761,875 were defective and not fit for service.

Lord Derby's figures were not as high as had been experted, and, therefore a modified form f onscription has been agreed upon. The Derby recruits he been divided into groups of "stat d" and "unstarred" men. The "s red" ones ars

der arms and will be u i as munition workers or in other fi Grouping of B wuits, The recruits are grou ed as follows: Single 'starred' men 112,067. Married "Starred" Inc , 410,808 Single "unstarred" n in, 527,933,

unfit for active service

At the beginning of Lord Derby's military campaign the number of men dent Wilson was asked in the resoluof military age in England were: Bachelors, 2,179,231 Married men, 2,837,210 At the end of the campaign, 1,150,-900 single men and 1,679,263 married conspiracies.

men who enlisted for immediate service had either been attested or rejected as unfit. 428,853 Were Rejected.

The figures show that 428,853 were rejected for medical reasons and that 2.246,630 men have been attested under | 000,000 estate for religious, charitable the group system.

and educational purposes. Owing to the great rush of recruits 923,445 attested men have not been medically examined. This will be done when they are called to the colors. It is estimated today that the net available single men who have attested Some difficulty has been encountered in "starring" the men. That is, in separating them into proper groups for service in the different branches of

military work, The cabinet met today, and, if possible, it will settle all the final details of a modified conscription bill. Keen andra, both with bows damaged. The opposition is being advanced to the Geelong was previously reported sunk. proposition of excluding Ireland from the terms of the bill and the opposition to excluding Ireland is equal-

Liberals Oppose Compulsion. Premier Asquith is understood to be anxious to introduce the conscription bill in the house of commons tomorrow. It is not believed, however, that full details of the measure can be worked out by that time, Strong feeling against compulsion prevailed among the Liberal element today. The Irish Nationalists and the

Labor party also will fight conscription in any form. Reginald McKenna and Walter Runciman are understood to have vigorously argued before the cabinet meeting in favor of a decision on the size of the British army. They want the army limited to a certain number

Laborites Denounce Government. supported by Radicals, created a scene in the house of commons today by denouncing the government for suppressing Scotch newspapers.

C. Stewart, Grain

Well Known Portle i Business Man Dies Suddenly at its Monie at the Age of 62 Years.

Charles Stewart, a rell known grain merchant, died sudd ily last night at his home in this city 582 Knott street. Mr. Stewart was a native of Scotland aged 62, and had resided in Portland for the past 25 years. He is survived by a widow, Margaret Stewart, and three children, Mrs. Elwood Houston, Charles W. Stewart and Fred Stewart A son, Donald Stewart, was killed Next to Mr. Roosevelt, Mr. Bird about two years ago. Funeral arrangements will be under the direction of Edward Holman. Third and Salmon streets, and have not been announced.

> Would Be \$17 Each if Divided. Los Angeles, Jan. 4.—(U. P.)—Every man, woman and child in Los Angeles the city treasury, "bastian's report of the Portland Lumber company, 1002,04 on hand, 1500,000 population body in town a lut—it won't be lowered and less reluctance on the part of capital to seek investment." has more than \$17 in the city treasury, according to Mayor shastlan's report teday. There is \$8,1 7,902,04 on band.

BULLETINS Old Jack Frost States to Fight Coyotes. Sacramento, Cal., Jan. 4 .- (U. P.)-California state health officials were notified today of a meeting to be held in Salt Lake City January 12 to 15,

at which a comprehensive campaign against rabid coyotes that are causing Hopes of More Coasting and great damage in western states will Sleigh Rides Revived This be mapped out. The states to be represented are California, Washington, Oregon, Arizona, Utah, Wyoming, Idaho

Portland is revelling in the unthe city is sparkling with ice.

The unfamiliar sound of sleigh bells are jingling their merry music on the country roads. Shouts of "gang Answering to a complaint Humane Ofway" may be heard at the foot of ficer Kelly sald one of the ostriches every hill, shrilled out in childish collapsed and had to be carried away voices. Last night the hills of King's Heights, Portland Heights and South Portland were filled with many coasting parties made up of both old and

young.
While the white mantle of snow London, Jan. 4 .- (I. N. S.) - News agencies in Amsterdam quote the Conspreads itself over the city, everystantinople correspondent of the Hambody is having a fine time except burg Fremdenblatt to the effect that perhaps, some of the luckless delivery the concentration of Russo-British horses in the downtown section of forces in Persia is very considerable, the city who slip and stagger about, The situation has become extremely shod for the most part for summer weather.

old draft team that drew the Mallory hotel guests for a merry ride yesterday afternoon to Terwilliger They had as much of a frolic as the people. A big wagon bed was mounted on runners and the guests, 15 at a time, enjoyed a real sleigh ride out over the boulevard They sat huddled together "Turk fashion," on the bed of the wagon wrapped in fur rugs and robes.

STATE GUARANTEE OF an American Congress of Jews here IRRIGATION, DRAINAGE

association Meeting Opens at Corvallis in Connection

tion of Representative Bennett of New York today to furnish the house with all information in the administration's possession in the matter of Teutonic

igation and drainage bonds. Sentiment seems favorable to such action and the conclusions reached will constitute a feature of the farmers' week sessions which began with large

yesterday. Berlin, by Wireless to Sayville, L. I. an, 4 .- (U. P.) -A thousand Teutons, including women, have been arrested at Saloniki. These arrests followed detention of the central powers' diplo-

London, Jan. 4 .- (U. P.) -The liners Geelong and Bonvilston, in collision near Gibraltar, arrived today at Alex-

> The farmers' organizations are also the state grange and farmers' union. name "Farmers' League of Oregon. Twenty conferences of forces for state development are scheduled for (Concluded on Page Four, Column Three)

Educational Expert Coming. Franklin T. Griffith Expresses William T. Bawden, specialist in in-Opinion Before Rotary Club department of the interior, will visit Portland on January 29, according to

Franklin T. Griffith, president of the P. R., L. & P. Co., as chairman of London, Jan. 4.—(U. P.)—Laborites, a Rotary club symposium on the busi- States. ness outlook for 1916, this noon, declared that Portland's and Oregon's prosperity depended upon the people. and the state getting behind the irrigation lands of the eastern part of the

"If we build up the country back Merchant, Is Dead of this city, our city will never have another slump such as we have been having," said he, "and in this connec-tion proposed a board of public works to regulate irrigation and drainage throughout the state with the power to issue and sell state bonds for the promotion of irrigated lands."
Mr. Griffith suggested that the Bancroft bond idea be followed declaring

by careful administration, adequate investigation as to irrigable qualities of lands, and proper steps to secure the security of the bonds, Ore-gon would be able to develop homes and her farming industry. G. W. Hoyt of the Northwestern National bank gave an outline of the banking future for 1916, J. A. Currey of the Trussed Concrete Steel company outlined the building and construction future, O. M. Plummer spoke briefly in place of M. W. Hunt of the Portland Flouring Mills, and papers were read which had been prepared by W. D. Skinner, traffic manager of the

Sends Another Mantle of Snow

Morning.

usual snow sports. Last night it eemed almost gone and many childish hopes of a sleigh ride or a good oast were blighted, but Jack Frost ame to their rescue when the snow was all but slush and again today

But that does not include a

ness program is regarded as certain. Plans for an official reception to Ford

BONDS IS CONSIDERED

With Farmers' Sessions.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Or., Jan. 4.—The Oregon Drainage association took up here today the question of joining the State Irrigation congress in putting on the ballot at the next general election a constitutional amendment providing state guarantee of interest and principal, of ir-

attendance at the Agricultural college

Grange and farmers unton conferences during the week will be concerned with the same subject, as it is conceded that there must now be definite union of forces if the state is to be put substantially back of development by drainage and irrigation. One Point of Difference.

The only point of difference sug gested at this stage of the discussion is as to whether the farmers' organizations will want to link a state rural credit system with the state guarantee amendment. This method of procedure was proposed by the Oregon Irrigation congress last week when it adopted resolutions providing for representative conference to draft the

state guarantee amendment. concerned with the plan to federate A committee representing both will recommend the federation under the

a letter received today by L. R. Alderman, superintendent of schools in this city. Mr. Bawden expressed a desire to meet Portland educators, and to address them on industrial education He is making a tour of the United

Temperature Drops Suddenly and Ice Coats the Streets

After rising rapidly yesterday afternoon, the temperature fell as suddenly again last night and froze the slush and snow, and this morning the streets were like glass.
Acting Forecaster Drake expects clear, cold weather to-

the northeast. Conditions are unsettled all

Noon, yesterday, 41; 1 p. m., Noon, yesterday, 41; 1 p. m., 43; 2 p. m., 38; 4 p. m., 36; 5 p. m., 54; 6 p. m., 32; 7 p. m., 31; 8 p. m., 36; 9 p. m., 28; 10 p. m., 27; 11 p. m., 28; midnight, 29; 1 a. m., 29; 2 a. m., 28; 5 a. m., 28; 4 a. m., 28; 5 a. m., 29; 7 a. m., 29; 8 a. m., 29; 9 a. m., 29; 10 a. m., 28; 11 a. m., 29; noon, today, 21;

OF MUCH STUDY

as Starter Where Needed. to Be Returned as Quickly as Possible.

Government Aid Given Only

PRESIDENT WILSON SAID TO FAVOR MEASURE Farmer May Be Able to Ob-

tain Money at Six Per

Cent Rate.

Washington, Jan. 4 .- (WASHING-TON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL It is said that more than 90 bills on the subject of rural credits have expected to score has been fused out of many elements by the special joint committee appointed at the last ses

sion to frame a workable bill. The result of the labor of the committee was presented to congress today with a favorable report, and the full terms of the proposed law be-came public for the first time. Assurance is said to have been received that the bill as now framed will receive the approval of President Wilson if passed by congress. The rural credits bill worked out at the last session, it will be remembered, was

threatened with veto. Government Aid at Start, The new bill extends no govern-ment aid except as a starter, funds advanced where needed on subscriptions to federal land banks to be returned to the government as soon as possible. The interest rate to the farm borrower is not definitely fixed, but will be determined by the price at which bonds issued by the federal la-banks can be sold.

Representative Hawley of Oregon one of the framers of the measure, points out that while as much as t per cent may be paid on the total amount of the loan, one per cent of this is not interest, but a payment on an amortization fund,

Money at Six Per Cent. "At present the farmer usually has to pay 9 or 10 per cent on a loan." said Mr. Hawley. "But suppose he were able to borrow at 6 per cent.

Huerta Is Dying; Priest at Bedside

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Former President of Mexico Is Sinking Gradually and His Death at Hi Paso Expected Soon.

El Paso, Texas, Jan. 4.-(U. P.)-General Huerts, once Mexico's "Iron man," is gradually sinking, and his death is momentarily expected. A priest and his family prayed be-side his bed this afternoon after a third operation had been performed on him, and a quantity of pus had been removed from his body through an in-cision in his right side. Physicians are in constant attendance. Owing to the patient's weakened con-dition, due to his illness from jaun-dice, it has been necessary to operate

without annesthetics. Huerta Is Released. Washington, Jan. 4 .- (I. N. 8.)-Jeneral Victoriano Huerta, forme Mexican dictator, who is near death in El Paso, has been released from the custody of the United States government on his own recognizance, according to a message received at the department of justice here today, Huerta's condition, it was explained,

warranted such action. Indicted for Selling Liquor. Gus Anderson, a former bartender, was indicted this afternoon by the grand jury on the charge of violating the prohibition law. Anderson was arrested yesterday at a rooming house, accused of having sold liquor to a man who gave his name as Lee. Several bottles of liquor found in his room were confiscated. This is the first indictment returned since Oregon went

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A HALL suitable for dancing parties or weddings, also carpeted hall, well equipped for lodge or club meetings. PIGS for sale, R. F. D., 2 or & miles from Portland on Cornell road.

When Dr. Morse lost his medical case he spent no time hunting for it. He advertised and a Journal Want Ad found it. See pages 18 and 14.

night again, with the wind from

over the west. Snow flurries occurred here this morning at various times and heavy snow fall was reported at various other North Pacific cities. The hourly temperatures