BANDIT ADMITS TAKING PART IN HEILIG ROBBERY

One of Gang Arrested in Chicago for Alleged Participation in $580,000 Robbery at St. Paul Confesses.

Chicago, Feb. 12.—(I. N. S.)—That he was a member of an organized gang of Chicagoans which blew open the vault of the United States collector at St. Paul and escaped with $5000 in money and revenue stamps valued at $577,357, and participated in the robbery of the Heilig theatre at Portland and the robbery of the New Westminster, B. C., branch of the Bank of Montreal, was the confession made here today by John J. Zack, according to the police. Other arrests, including a number on the Pacific coast, are to be made as a result of Zack's confession, the police say.

Later in the day Captain Porter, a secret service operator, arrested George and Frank Bissitt. They are believed to have planned the St. Paul robbery.

George Bissitt is a notorious character. In 1909 he killed Policeman Edward Russell while the latter was attempting to arrest him on a charge of slaying James Wilmer Allaway, a Los Angeles packer, here in 1907. He was given life imprisonment at Joliet, but after spending a year there was granted a new trial and was acquitted.

The Heilig theatre safe was blown on the night of December 25, 1910, following a record attendance at the Christmas Eve performance of The Burgomaster. The thieves secured $12,000 in cash for their trouble. Manager William T. Pangle and his wife occupied rooms on the top floor, but so expertly was the job done that not even Pangle knew of it until the office was opened at 9 o'clock Christmas morning. The thieves escaped without leaving a clew and no police record had been made of the crime up to the confession of Zack in Chicago this morning.

NAVAL BASE AT ASTORIA IS NOW MADE POSSIBLE

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holds good, and Mr. Hawley feels in position to urge, from other portions of the old report, that the time has come to place a complete supply and repair station for the navy at the mouth of the Columbia.

The experts pointed out that from San Francisco to Portland the distance by sea is approximately 550 miles, and that this is a long distance between harbors of safe refuge. To reach Puget sound other hundreds of miles are added, and in addition to that, the approach to inside waters of the sound is through a passage that runs by foreign shores, and is to that extent inferior in expert opinion.

The naval base committee of Astoria has supplied much information of value, and with the data now at hand, Representative Hawley says he thinks progress may be made at this session with the bill.

CAN FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD LOWER AMOUNT OF CAPITAL STOCK?

Washington, Feb. 12.—Has the federal reserve board power to change the location of an existing reserve bank, and has it authority to reduce the amount of capital stock?

These questions have been presented to the attorney general by the board. The answer may some day become important to Portland, should the question arise of dividing the San Francisco reserve district and establishing a new reserve bank in the northwest.

It will be remembered that the claims of the northwestern states to a reserve bank were disallowed because it was found that the required capital stock of $5,000,000 could not be secured in that section. The act names $5,000,000 as the minimum capital for a federal reserve bank in beginning business. The board now wants to know if it may reduce the amount through a rearrangement of the district.

Baltimore is asking for the reserve bank now located at Richmond and Pittsburg seeks to displace Cleveland as one of the reserve cities. The board is in doubt as to its authority to order a change of location. It does, however, have express authority to create four more reserve districts than it has so far thought advisable to establish.

EFFORTS TO INCLUDE RECLAMATION SETTLERS IN RURAL CREDITS BILL

Washington, Feb. 12.—Possibility of including settlers on government reclamation projects in the benefits of proposed rural credits legislation is to be taken up by a special committee of the irrigation committee of the house, upon motion of Representative Sinnott.

Five members of the irrigation committee, Sinnott, Kinkaid of Nebraska, Taylor of Colorado, Smith of Texas and Hayden of Arizona, have been appointed to confer with the secretary of the interior and the banking and currency committee to see what can be done. The banking and currency committee has had the bill since the special rural credits committee made its report early in January.

As then reported, the bill shut out reclamation project settlers as beneficiaries because of the provision that loans may only be made upon first mortgages.

FLAX EXPERTS ASKED TO DEVELOP THIS INDUSTRY IN STATE

Washington, Feb. 12.—Representative Hawley is endeavoring to interest the departments of agriculture and commerce still further in the development of the flax industry in Oregon. He has asked for experts from each to be sent to Oregon this year.

From the department of agriculture an expert is asked on the cultural side, to advise with growers as to planting, growing and harvesting. The man from the commerce department would follow up with advice as to manufacture and marketing.

Relief of Sherman Settlers.

Washington, Feb. 12.—The bill for relief of Sherman county, Oregon, settlers, introduced by Representative Sinnott, has been favorably reported to the house by the committee on claims. It carries an appropriation of approximately $95,000 to satisfy the numerous approved claims. The bill is practically the same as when reported at the last session.

The object of this legislation is to reimburse settlers on certain wagon grant lands for the value of their improvements and labor, settlement having been made in good faith. The proposed beneficiaries were dispossessed and in some cases were heavy losers.

Government Sheep Station.

Washington, Feb. 12.—Representative Smith of Idaho has introduced a bill appropriating $30,000 for equipment and maintenance of the government sheep experiment station in Fremont county, Idaho, including repairs and erection of buildings, and authorizing the use of not to exceed $20,000 of this sum for buying land.

Representative McCracken of Idaho has a bill directing a survey to determine the cost and feasibility of construction of the Black canyon irrigation project in southern Idaho.

Pool Rooms Must Not Remain Open Overtime at Night

One dollar a minute for each minute that the pool room remains overtime was the rule set by Municipal Judge Langguth this morning in fining proprietors of pool halls for keeping open after 1 a. m. Sam Pulos, proprietor of a hall at Fifth and Burnside streets, was fined $3 this morning. Patrolman Heitkemper, who arrested him, said that Pulos kept open 10 minutes overtime. Pulos protested it was open but three minutes, so Judge Langguth gave him the benefit of the doubt and imposed the $3 fine.

SEATTLE NURSE SAYS SHE NEVER SAW BOY WHO WAS KIDNAPED

Miss Jack Held on Warrant Sworn to by Dr. Storch, Father of Lad.

"I never saw Mrs. Storch or her 8-year-old son. I know nothing of where the boy is at present, and I did not kidnap him."

This was the statement today of Miss Frances Jack, a trained nurse, who was taken from the bedside of Mrs. W. T. Branch, at 446 East Twenty-second street north, last night, by Detectives Coleman and Snow to answer to a charge of kidnaping preferred by Dr. Bernard M. Storch of Seattle.

Miss Jack, who is 40 years old, had been employed in the last two weeks to care for Mrs. Branch, wife of the ex-city auditor. Mrs. Branch is an invalid. The arrest last night was made on telegraphic request from the Seattle police.

Denying the kidnaping of the child, at the same time Miss Jack did admit acquaintance with Dr. Storch and that she had had some business dealings with him in respect to watching his wife, from whom he is estranged. She is said to have assisted the physician on an occasion or two in recovering the 8-year-old boy when he had been taken by the mother.

Child Object of Dispute.

"I first met Dr. Storch in Pasadena several years ago," said Miss Jack. At that time, she said, he was visiting the relatives of a woman with whom he had been living.

"Later, in Seattle, I met him again and learned something of his family troubles. I knew, of course, that the possession of the boy had been an object of dispute between the parents, but I had nothing to do with the case either way."

Miss Jack is an English subject and asked to see the English consul this morning.

"I am supporting my mother, and this trouble will lose for me the standing I had started to build up in Portland," she said.

Detectives Coming Today.

With the request last night from Seattle for her arrest, the police of that city asked that the boy be taken in custody if found. The detectives accordingly went to Miss Jack's former residence, but were unable to find the child.

Detectives from Seattle will call to return the prisoner to that city tonight.

Child Disappeared December 7.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 12.—(P. N. S.)—Bernard Storch Jr., the 8-year-old boy, for whose alleged kidnaping Miss Frances Jack is under arrest at Portland, disappeared on December 7, while on his way to school. At the time of his disappearance the boy was being cared for by Mrs. A. H. Baumbach, pending the settlement of a divorce suit in which his parents were principals.

Miss Jack was arrested on a warrant obtained by Bernard M. Storch, the father of the missing boy. Companions of the boy stated that he was accosted by a woman with whom he went away. The boy has not been located.

Meeting of Claim Agents Being Held

The executive committee of both the Pacific Claim Agents' association and the Pacific Claim Agents' Index bureau is meeting today in the offices of B. F. Boynton, claim agent of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Co.

Program and other arrangements for the annual convention of the association in Tacoma next May are being made. In attendance, in addition to Mr. Boynton, are H. G. Winsor of Tacoma, Thomas G. Aston of Spokane, A. W. Lee of Seattle, H. K. Relf of the S., P. & S., Portland, and L. Frank Gordon, O.-W. R. & N., Portland.

PARLIAMENT BUILDING FIRE IS LAID AT DOOR OF EX-CONSUL BOPP

Member of Parliament Points Out German's Familiarity With Damaged Building.

ACCUSER FORMER FRIEND

Announcement Made American Government Will Not Permit United States Used as Attack Base.

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 12.—(I. N. S.)—The destruction of the Canadian parliament buildings was laid at the doors of Franz Bopp, former German consul at Montreal, last night by Charles Marcel, M. P. Bopp is under indictment at San Francisco on a charge of entering into a conspiracy against Canada in violation of the United States neutrality law.

Bopp's familiarity with Ottawa and the parliament buildings was pointed to by Mr. Marcel. He asserted that Bopp had been present at the opening of parliament and was well acquainted with conditions in the Canadian capital, having been a frequent visitor to the city and a close student of Canadian conditions.

Marcel Was Bopp's Friend.

Mr. Marcel was formerly speaker of the house of commons and an intimate friend of Bopp. He is one of the most prominent citizens of Montreal.

In response to questions in parliament, J. D. Hazen, minister of marine and naval service, last night announced to the members that assurances had been obtained from the United States government that it would not allow American soil to be used as a base for hostile attacks against the dominion.

Fear had been expressed by F. F. Pardee, member for Lambton, that recent events, including the threat of Germany to torpedo without warning armed merchant vessels, would so arouse Germans in the United States that great precautions would be necessary in Canada to prevent hostile operations from across the border.

Fears an Invasion.

Pardee said he feared invasion or property damage. He pointed to dispatches from San Francisco telling of 61 indictments there in connection with plots against Canada, including a conspiracy to wreck the Sarnia tunnel. He pointed out that merely an imaginary line separated the two countries and declared that if a serious effort to injure Canada were made, the chances for its success were excellent.

Mr. Hazen, in replying, declared that every precaution was being taken and that the United States had given assurances it would prevent its soil from being used as a base of operations.

Border Guard Increased.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Feb. 12.—(U. P.)—Toronto and Thorold troop detachments with machine guns today strengthened the garrison across the boundary here to 2700 men and 15 machine guns, following a rumor that German-Americans were planning some inimical move.

Guards at powerhouses, bridges and factories were doubled and equipped with machine guns and artillery placed in advantageous positions.

Shortly before midnight an explosion damaged a building under construction for the Castner Electrolytic Chemical company, and police found three sticks of unexploded dynamite there. They doubted a German plot, however, and suggested the blast might be due to trouble between the Buffalo constructors and employes.

Service Practically Completed.

San Francisco, Feb. 12.—(U. P.)—With German Consul Bopp and many others already listed as accepting service in bomb and neutrality conspiracy indictments, federal authorities predicted today virtually all would be rounded up before night.

In the alleged Chinese smuggling cases, immigration men at Angel island have voted a resolution of confidence in officials there charged with smuggling conspiracy.

Incendiary Blaze Occurs.

Montreal, Feb. 12.—(U. P.)—Fire early today damaged the Canadian Car & Foundry company works, which had been engaged in production of munitions. Preliminary investigation led to the belief that it resulted from German incendiarism. The loss was small and delay in getting back to work will be short.

Preston's Life Threatened.

San Francisco, Feb. 12.—(U. P.)—With United States District Attorney Preston in St. Luke's hospital to "recuperate" from the strain of recent work in connection with neutrality cases, it became known today that his life had been threatened and that he is under constant guard.

Newspapers to Be Censored.

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 12.—(I. N. S.)—Buffalo newspapers were today notified from Ottawa, that the Canadian militia had been ordered to examine all newspapers mailed to Canadian points and deny entrance to those carrying stories "detrimental to the welfare of Canada."

Thomas J. Hall Dies At Home in Gervais

Was Native of Missouri, but Came to Oregon Across the Plains in Early Days; Leaves Family.

Gervais, Or., Feb. 12.—Thomas J. Hall died Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock at his home in this city, aged 72 years. Mr. Hall was a pioneer of Oregon. He was born in Missouri and crossed the plains with an ox team with his parents when he was a small boy. He is survived by his widow and four children: Mrs. Lucy Dejardin and Mrs. Mamie Cutsforth of Gervais, Ralph of Falls City and Dave of Fresno, Cal., and five sisters and two brothers: Mrs. Rebecca Johnson of Centralia, Wash., Mrs. Abe Blackburn of North Yamhill; Mrs. Mary Cox and Mrs. Douglas Dimick of Canby; Mrs. Nettie Engle, and Henry and George of of Woodburn.

Mr. Hall was a civil war veteran and a member of the G. A. R. post of Woodburn.

The funeral will be held Monday at 10:30 from the Catholic church in Gervais.

New Bear Offered As Playmate to Park Zoo Bruins

The animals in the Washington Park zoo are to have a new playmate.

A sloth bear or better known as a honey bear is offered to the city and today Park Superintendent Convill is writing that the bear be sent to Portland for inspection and approval.

While the animal is not of an uncommon kind there are very few in the zoos throughout the country. It is very small and more the shape of a monkey than a bear. It lives largely on honey and sweets.

YOUTHFUL DEFENDANT DENIES HIS GUILT IN BOOTH MURDER TRIAL

Walter Branson Explains the Statements Made by Some Witnesses; Called Liars.

McMinnville, Or., Feb. 12.—Judge Belt held a night session of court last night to finish the taking of evidence in the trial of William Branson, charged jointly with Mrs. Anna Booth with murdering the latter's husband, near Willamina on the eighth of last October.

The evening was spent in taking rebuttal evidence, which was all in by 9 o'clock, and in order to avoid the possibility of any error on account of this being Lincoln's birthday, Judge Belt adjourned court until Monday morning, when the attorneys will begin their arguments to the jury.

With two bailiffs as chaperons, the jury is out on parade today, enjoying the sunshine.

With a smile on his face, youthful William Branson, who has just passed his twenty-third birthday, walked to the stand with a quick elastic step, late Friday afternoon, to testify in his own defense.

All during the trial, he has worn a more serious expression than in the former trial, in which he was tried jointly with Mrs. Anna Booth, wife of the deceased, and has often leaned forward to counsel with his attorneys.

Details His Movements.

As he proceeded to give in detail an account of his acts and whereabouts on the day of the tragedy, the smile left his face and a slight show of color appeared on his cheeks. He explained some of the damaging statements made by witnesses for the state, while he flatly and vigorously accused others of wilful lying.

On cross examination he answered questions promptly, and often with considerable heat, but was not tangled on his story.

Mrs. Booth was called to the stand, following Branson, but the attorneys for the prosecution objected to her testimony as that of an accomplice and she was not allowed to testify.

Defense Has Finished.

The defense then rested its case and the state immediately began the introduction of its evidence in rebuttal.

The state closed its case against Branson by placing on the stand Deputy Sheriff Duncan, who claimed to have heard conversations between the co-defendants in the county jail, in which Branson cautioned Mrs. Booth to be careful because guards might be listening.

The defense went directly to the question of alibi, calling a number of witnesses to trace the whereabouts of Branson in the town of Willamina, and show that he could not have been in the vicinity of the tragedy at the time the shot was alleged to have been fired.

Mother Defends Son.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Branson, parents of the defendant, were both on the stand during the forenoon. As she wiped tears from her cheeks, Mrs. Branson told of the friendly relations always existing between their family and that of Booth. She described her son's room at home, which she always cared for, declaring that the 38 caliber revolver had not been in it since before hop picking time last summer. She told of her son's presence at home and in town on the fatal day.

Airship Mystery Is To Be Investigated

Coast Guard Cutter Ellington to Cruise About Santa Barbara in Effort to Locate Strange Craft.

Santa Barbara, Cal., Feb. 12.—(P. N. S.)—The government today took a hand in the solving of the puzzle of the mysterious airship which residents of this county have seen repeatedly off Fish Rocks, 10 miles north of Santa Barbara.

The Ellington, one of the speediest coast guard cutters on the coast, came into the harbor today, after a couple of weeks' cruising in the islands, learned from a Pacific News Service correspondent today of the mysterious airships which had been seen on the north, and left at once in that direction, members of the crew saying that close watch would be kept for the airships.

Although it will labor under the disadvantage of a heavy fog, the Ellington ought to be able to solve the airship mystery, if it can be done; for it has every facility for doing that kind of work.

If anything is discovered that will warrant action, the government officials will act; but if the airship is operated by a private individual testing out improvements of his own invention, the officials cannot interfere, although they promised to make a report upon their return visit here.

Daughters of Isabella.

A council of the Daughters of Isabella will be instituted in W. O. W. Temple tomorrow afternoon, at 1 o'clock. The work will be in charge of Miss McGee of Astoria, Miss Dunn and Miss Rowe of Portland. It will be the first council to be established in Portland. The order is the largest Catholic woman's fraternity in the United States with 250,000 member.

Gin in the Gutter.

Salem, Or., Feb. 12.—Seventeen packages of confiscated liquor, including 12 jugs of Chinese gin, several gallons of whisky and several gallons of hard cider, were poured in the gutter by the Salem police.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE HEALING CAUSED BY PRAYER, SAYS LECTURE

Lecture Delivered in First Church of Christ, Scientist, by W. R. Rathvon, C. S. B.

MUST BELIEVE IN BIBLE

Extracts From Text Book, Science and Health, Quoted; Lecture to Be Repeated Tonight.

The free public lecture on Christian Science, delivered in the edifice of First Church of Christ, Scientist, Nineteenth and Everett streets, last evening by William R. Rathvon, C. S. B., member of the Christian Science board of lectureship, was largely attended. The lecture will be repeated this evening at 8 o'clock and tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, at the same place. The public is cordially invited.

Mr. Rathvon said in part:

Founded Upon the Bible.

To be healed in Christian Science, one does not have to understand it. Infidels frequently have been healed by it, but if one would understand it or apply it for himself, he must believe in the Bible, for from first to last, from beginning to end, Christian Science is founded upon the Bible of our forefathers.

Besides the Bible there is but one other text book of Christian Science, the book "Science and Health, with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, and this book I would commend to every one who would learn for himself at first hand the teachings and practices of Christian Science. A copy may be obtained through any Christian Scientist. How comprehensive and inclusive is that book may be seen when I name to you the headings of some of its chapters, as follows: Prayer, atonement and eucharist, marriage, Christian Science versus spiritualism; animal magnetism unmasked, science, theology, medicine, physiology, footsteps of truth, creation, science of being, some objections answered, Christian Science practice, teaching Christian Science, recapitulation.

Prayer Is Considered.

Briefly to consider what constitutes prayer in Christian Science, let us take a few extracts from its text book, Science and Health. On the fourth page of the remarkable chapter on "Prayer," Mrs. Eddy uses these words:

"The habitual struggle to be always good is unceasing prayer."

"What we most need is the prayer of fervent desire for growth in grace, expressed in patience, meekness, love, and good deeds."

And again on page 15:

"Self-forgetfulness, purity, and affection are constant prayers."

The Lord's prayer is repeated in unison at all Christian Science services, and it is invariably preceded by a few moments of silent prayer by the congregation. Besides this, there is one short prayer recommended for daily use. So simple is it, yet so reverent in its phraseology, so direct, yet universal in its inclusions, so free from every suggestion of sect or doctrine is it, that it can be used unreservedly by any sincere man or woman of any church or of no church. Here it is as Mrs. Eddy has given it to us:

"Thy Kingdom come;' let the reign of divine Truth, Life, and Love be established in me, and rule out of me all sin; and may Thy Word enrich the affections of all mankind and govern them!"

(Manual Art. VIII Sec. 4)

Healing By Prayer.

Healing in Christian Science is always by means of prayer. The word generally used is "treatment" but it is always to be understood that a Christian Science treatment is a prayer, and just in the proportion that it is a righteous prayer, does it heal the sick and reform the sinner.

When the despondent invalid recognizes that God never made a man sick nor a sick man; that on the contrary he has given to man unbroken health; that sickness is an imposition of mortal mind and is illegitimate, abnormal, unrighteous, without divine law, recognition, or sanction, he is then ready to turn to divine mind, God himself. "Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases." (Psalms 103:3.)

A man's highest ideas of God can be no higher than his highest conceptions of good, but they should always be that high, for God is infinite, unchanging good.

Vista House Fund Amounts to $2921

Auto Owners All Told Have Given $1649 Cash and $1082 Pledgecers Give $179.60.

The Vista house fund has grown to a total of $2921.10. Automobile owners of Multnomah county, pioneers of Oregon and the Portland Woman's Union are included in contributors today, acknowledged as follows:

Auto owners' cash.

Previously acknowledged, $157.50; E. C. Johnson, $5; L. P. Hosford, $5; Francis Sealy, $5; E. C. Sheville, $5; James C. Roberts, $5; Mrs. F. Bo[illegible], $5; Abe Tichner, $2; Will A. Kn[illegible], $5; Robert Lutke, $5; B. C. Ball, $5; C. G. Wilson, $5; Mrs. Jennie Nic[illegible], $5; E. C. Jorgensen, $5; Osman B. Stubbs, $5; William Brown, Salem, Jr., $5; total, $1649.25.

Auto owners' pledges:

Previously acknowledged, $105.[illegible]; E. D. Allen, $5; Mrs. M. P. Cooke, $5; Dr. S. C. Slocum, $5; Theodore S. [illegible]llam, $5; Arthur Dawsett, Gresham, Or., $5; Rolla Waterhouse, Falls City, Or., $5; total, $1082.25. Total auto owners, $2731.50.

Pioneers—Contributions are acknowledged from James C. McKay, Mrs. Mary Parlow Wilkins, Daniel L. Rigks, Mrs. Sarah W. Riggs, Tertus Himes, Mrs. Emiline Himes, J. O. Stearns, Mrs. Kate Slocum, including above, total Pioneers to date, $179.60; Portland Women's Union, $10; grand total to date, $2921.10.

Argentina-Bolivia Reported at Outs

Rumor, Denied by Countries, Says Boundary Dispute and Failure to Complete Railway Are Causes.

Rio de Janeiro, Feb. 12.—(U. P.)—Relations between Argentina and Bolivia are badly strained, it is rumored, as a result of an old boundary dispute. Both nations officially deny the report, however.

Argentina is reported impatient at Bolivia's failure to complete her part of the international railway.

Doctor Heard Lincoln and Douglas Lad Slept Then, But He Wouldn't Now

If you had opportunity to hear a Lincoln-Douglas debate, wouldn't your interest vie with your excitement? Wouldn't you listen with straining attention to the matchless passes between "Honest Abe" and the "Little Giant"? Wouldn't you treasure the memory of every word and every gesture?

Dr. John F. Beaumont, well known Portland physician, heard Lincoln and Douglas debate at Freeport, Ill. It was nearly 60 years ago.

That is to say, he heard part of the debate. While the periods of Douglas and the points of Lincoln were attaining, respectively, their most exalted flights and profound effects, Dr. Beaumont went to sleep. He did not hear the end of the debate. So soundly did he slumber that it was necessary to carry him home. Not until morning did he regain consciousness. He was but a little boy, 3 years old.

"I remember the occasion dimly, but recall very vividly looking upon the dead face of Lincoln as he lay in his coffin in Chicago," said Dr. Beaumont this morning.

"And on the spot where Lincoln and Douglas debated in Freeport a ponderous boulder has been placed and inscribed.

"'If I could go back to the old home and hear that debate again, you can be sure I would remain wide awake.'"

ARMED SHIPS WILL BE GIVEN NO WARNING IS GERMAN NOTE'S TEXT

Contents Not Made Public but Accurately Forecasted; Another Crisis Possible.

Washington, Feb. 12—(U. P.)—The state department today received from Ambassador Gerard the official text of the German notification that Germany intends to torpedo armed belligerent merchantmen without warning. It contained about 1000 words, and though it was not made public, it was said press dispatches had accurately forecasted it.

With the arrival of the German notice, the American government faced one of the most serious and intricate diplomatic questions since the war started. Indications are that Secretary of State Lansing will admit the soundness of the foundation on which the Teutons have built their contention that arming merchantmen make the usual visit and search impossible before attack by submarines. Such agreement with the Teuton notes would be followed by a warning to Americans not to travel on armed allied merchant ships.

Meanwhile allied diplomats are beginning to feel that if the United States acquiesces in a change of rules concerning armament, while the war is in progress, it would be only a short step to a change of view that would result in placing an embargo on munitions traffic. The United States has held such trade legal and neutral, but the allies suggest that a modification of the submarine policy may forecast a modification of the munitions policy, too.

A government official admitted today he is considering the possibility that the allies' ship lines would boycott American goods billed for other ports than their own, but he believes that such a boycott could be fought successfully.

Ambassador Gerard at Berlin has already forwarded a summary of the German notice, while Ambassador Penfield cabled that he had received Austria's and was forwarding it.

England Resents U. S. Attitude.

London, Feb. 12.—(I. N. S.)—Announcement of the German intention to treat armed merchantmen as warships has not caused any surprise here. The authorities here have been expecting some sort of declaration to that effect for some time. The chief concern is the American government's acquiescence in the German contention, which, if persisted in, will undoubtedly result in a most acute crisis between England and the United States.

There is evidence that Ambassador Page has been unofficially informed that the British government considered the move distinctly unfriendly. The suggestion that the United States will also warn American citizens against traveling on armed ships created astonishment here and, in fact, is generally considered a complete about-face on the part of the United States.

The gravity of the situation is increased by the belief that Germany is planning a great offensive in the spring.

French Ambassador Jusserand today called on Secretary Lansing and gave views coinciding with those of the British envoy, opposing the justice and legality of the Teuton proposals.

Press Threatens Wilson.

London, Feb. 12.—(U. P.)—The allies will protest to America if Secretary of State Lansing accepts the new German policy of attacked armed merchantmen without warning, it was learned on good authority today. Their objection will be based on the fact that after the outbreak of the war America announced she would permit merchantmen armed for defensive purposes, to enter American ports. A change in this policy in the midst of the war is regarded by the allies as unneutral.

"There may be a landslide in November that will sweep away President Wilson with his trimming policies," said the Globe editorially today, in discussing the situation.

Lawmakers Beat Dry Amendment

Physical Combats and Caustic Words Feature the Debate on Hamilton's Statewide Prohibition Measure.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 12.—(I. N. S.)—Blows and caustic words featured the debate on Hamilton's state wide prohibition amendment on the floor of the assembly here yesterday. The measure was defeated decisively.

Autoists Are Given Notice They Must Obey Ordinances

"I want the jitney drivers and automobilists to know that I am going to enforce these ordinances and that they will be heavily fined if they persist in coming in here again and again," said Municipal Judge Langguth this morning, when he was confronted with a docket filled with automobile violators.

Small fines were imposed today. There were 25 cases of automobile traffic violators.

MEAT ORDINANCE TO BE CONSIDERED BY COUNCIL WEDNESDAY

Changes Have Been Made Conforming With Ruling of State Supreme Court.

APPEAL IS PROVIDED FOR

Exceptions to Findings of Meat Inspector May Be Taken If New Draft Becomes a Law.

The revised meat ordinance, regulating the slaughtering of animals for food purposes, is to be given preliminary consideration by the city council next Wednesday. Changes have been made in the measure to conform with the ruling of the supreme court wherein it held that some of the provisions of the ordinance passed by the council were discriminatory.

One of the principal changes in the ordinance is that it allows an appeal to be taken from the decision of the inspector. An appeal may be made to the chief meat inspector, and then to the city council, the ruling of the council to be final.

It also provides that slaughterhouses within a mile of the city limits slaughtering less than five animals a week shall have the carcasses inspected at a central inspection point, to be established within the city.

Along with this ordinance is a measure creating the positions of meat inspectors in the health bureau and appropriating $3850 for salaries the remainder of the year.

Electric Signs Damaged.

At least 25 per cent of the electric and overhead signs have been damaged as a result of the recent storm, according to Building Inspector Plummer, following investigation by men from his bureau. Orders have been given owners to make repairs and place their signs in a condition to prevent falling.

HOLDUP WALKS INTO JAIL AND GIVES SELF UP

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accompanied by his nephew, who lives at Lents, rode on the car to Gresham and then began to walk toward Linneman station. They met the Japanese and held him up. Berry took the money and Ferguson took the watch. Then they continued walking.

The Japanese hastened to telephone and in what seemed but a short time the deputies came up to them. Berry and Ferguson were still wearing masks.

It, however, was M. M. Squire, a deputy constable from Gresham, whom Berry mistook for Portland officers.

Squire caught Ferguson before the local deputies reached Linneman station.

When Ferguson was arrested, Berry fled and was pursued by Deputy Marshal McKinney. The officer was outdistanced, and stopped when Berry turned and opened fire.

Deputy Sheriffs Phillips, Christofferson, Beckman, Ward, Fischner, Stevens and Culvert scoured the district for several hours but failed to find a trace of Berry, who had fired one shot when he escaped from Squire.

Berry Becomes Disgusted.

"I became disgusted with the job," explained Berry, "and threw the money and the gun into Johnson creek. Then I concluded to walk to the city and give myself up to the police. It was dark and somehow I missed the right road and got lost. Not until daylight this morning could I get my bearings and then I came in as rapidly as I could."

Berry says this was his first holdup attempt, but he and Ferguson are under parole, having been convicted last August of stealing a motorcycle from C. O. Windle of East Powell and Eighty-second streets. After this theft the pair fled to California, were arrested at Chico, and were brought back to stand trial.

Several Japanese have been held up in the eastern part of the county recently, but Berry denies that he or his nephew had anything to do with these robberies.

This led to the capture of Ferguson, however, because the authorities were determined to lose no time getting to the scene when the next report came in.

The men are in custody of Sheriff Hupriburt.

German Prisoners On Appam to Go Free

Thirteen Men Which Were on British Liner When German Raider Captured Her Are Ordered Released.

Washington, Feb. 12.—(I. N. S.)—The state department today ordered the release of 13 German prisoners on the prize steamer Appam.

The prisoners were being transported to England when the vessel fell into the hands of the German commerce raider Moewe or Roon. Lieutenant Berg, commanding the German prize crew, which brought the Appam into Norfolk, had put disposal of the German prisoners up to the United States authorities and the state department's decision today followed.

Roofs Are Injured.

Experts adverise in today's classified section that they will repair storm damage to homes and offices at reasonable cost.

MACNAUGHTON AND MRS. BLUMAUER MAY RUN FOR DIRECTOR

Architect's Friends Urging Him to Enter Race; Club Woman Strongly Indorsed.

ELECTION HELD IN JUNE

Unusual Interest Is Manifested in Contest for Place Upon School Board.

E. B. MacNaughton is being urged by his friends to become a candidate for school director. He is a member of the firm of MacNaughton & Raymond, architects. As indicating his interest in public affairs, his friends point to the fact that he has served on the advisory budget committee for the county for the last two years, and last year was also on the city advisory budget committee.

Interest in the school election, which will be held in June, is being manifested early this year. A. H. Averill and Dr. J. Francis Drake have already announced their candidacy for school director. I. N. Fleischner is considering entering the field, while the Portland Woman's club yesterday launched the candidacy of Mrs. S. M. Blumauer.

Members of the Portland Woman's club are insistent that Mrs. Blumauer become a candidate. When her name was proposed yesterday afternoon by Mrs. John M. Scott for the club's indorsement, many of the club women heartily seconded the motion, and after the indorsement was voted without a dissenting voice a committee was appointed to further her candidacy. On this committee were appointed Mrs. Scott, Mrs. J. D. Spencer, Mrs. William Fear, Mrs. E. F. Riley, Mrs. Russell Dorr, Mrs. D. M. Watson, Mrs. F. H. Whitfield and Mrs. A. King Wilson. Others also will take an active part in the campaign in her behalf.

Sellwood Republicans to Meet.

For the purpose of forming a Republican club, a mass meeting of Republicans has been called for February 21, in Sellwood, the meeting place to be announced later.

Vancouver Avenue Approach Is Urged

Albina Business Men's Club Champions Plan in Connection With the New Interstate Bridge.

The Albina Business Men's club at its regular weekly luncheon yesterday, decided to do everything in its power to make Vancouver avenue a permanent approach to the Interstate bridge. For this approach, a solid fill of 2100 feet will have to be made and the Columbia Slough will have to be spanned with a steel bridge. Commissioner Dieck by communication informed the Club that it would cost $5000 to extend Williams avenue from Williams avenue and Lombard street to Vancouver avenue and Baldwin street.

PORTLAND FIRE RECORD

Friday.

2:52 p. m.—35 East Seventh street north, burning brush, no damage.

Saturday.

No fires.

AMUSEMENTS

COLUMBIA
Sixth at Washington
Last Time
Bessie Barriscale
and All-Star Cast in the Feature de Luxe
The Green Swamp
Also the Keystone Hit
"A Movie Star"
COMING SUNDAY
the Super-Feature
"Acquitted"

Orpheum
The Best of Vaudeville
Broadway and Yamhill
GERTRUDE HOFFMAN
In Her Great Sensation
"SUMURUN"
50—PEOPLE—50
The Langdons; Grace De Mar; Paul, Levan & Dobbs; Moore, O'Brien & Jerome; Orpheum Travel Weekly
Matinee 15c to 50c. Nights, 10c to 75c

BAKER THEATRE Main 6. A-1563
Last time tonight, Baker Players in Paul Armstrong's vivid drama of the tenements,
THE ESCAPE
First time here. Original and startling plot. By the author of "Alias Jimmy Valentine," "The Deep Purple," etc. Evenings, 25c, 50c. Mat. 25c only. Next week, commencing tomorrow matinee, "The Melting Pot."

PANTAGES
MATINEE DAILY 2:30
Optimistic Musical Comedy
"FROM COHEN ISLAND TO THE NORTH POLE"
8—OTHER BIG ACTS—8
Boxes, first row, loge seats reserved by phone. Curtain 2:30, 7 and 9.