

Pier and Mann Clash, and Ordinances Are Held Back; Delegation Urges New Playground.

Commissioners Mann and Pler engaged in a lively verbal cross-fire this morning in the city council over park purchases which resulted in the holding over of both Pier's ordinances to start condemnation proceedings on the Buckman tract, back of Benson Polytechnic school, and the property bounded by East Seventeenth, Twentleth, Taylor and Belmont, until the entire program

of park acquisitions is presented to Feb. 11 .- W. J. Kooker, a 1918 graduate the council.

acquiring park sites. Let's place all extension department of the Iowa State park purchases before the entire council college, assisting in horticultural demonand apportion the money that should strations. Since graduation, Kooker has go to each tract," said Mann in opposing proceedings on the central east side culture, having had charge of the college tract.

### STATEMENTS AT VARIANCE

"Every time a tract has been con-idered you knew about it," fired Pier. council some time ago."

Mann asserted that Mayor Baker was Fier retorted that the mayor had ex- caton, with headquarters at Seattle. pressed an entirely different opinion to some time ago.

Before we go any further we should decide on a definite program of purchase," said Commissioner Bigelow. want to know the assessed valuation of these tracts," interrupted Mann. "I want to know what we are doing."

Fier said he would gladly submit the list to Mann to clear the matter and set some action on park sites that are being considered.

## DELEGATION MAKES PLEA

Twenty-five delegates appeared before the city council this morning urging the city to purchase a 10-acre tract adjoining the Franklin high school as a future playground and park site for the district

E. E. Gilmer, representing the South Mount Tabor Community club, said that the club was heartily in accord with the petition presented to the council signed by over 250 residents of the district asking the purchase if a reasonable price could be secured.

Assurance was given by Pier that the council would view the tract in body within the next 10 days with the idea of including it in the program of Archie Low, a returned soldier, were purchases if a satisfactory price could held here. He spent 18 months overseas be agreed upon.

## Saucy to Divorced Wife

George Bauer doesn't believe in re celving birthday tokens from his divorced wife. He sent her a caustic note recently for acknowledgement. It fell to the hands of postoffice inspectors. He pleaded guilty today in the federal and is now receding all over the coun-

Medford, Feb. 11 .- Will G. Steel, secretary of the Medford Chamber of Commerce for the past year, has announced his resignation to accept the position as secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Eugene. He was just ecently reelected secretary of the Medford chamber. Steel will retain his po-

Medford Position

For Eugene Post

sition as superintendent of Crater National park. While the Eugene secretaryship pays him more money than the one here, he

makes the change solely because his daughter, Miss Jean, will attend the The chamber directors here volunteered to meet whatever salary was offered him by the Eugene cham-

ber, but he declined to remain here. Kooker Leaves 0. A. C. For Extension Work With College in Iowa

this jury. Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis One would think they would be grave body. and silent with the responsibility in pomology, has left for Ames, Iowa, men's lives on their hands, but if the thought is there, it is put away in the "I object to this piecemeal method of where he has accepted a position in the

hours when the defendants do across the courtroom, facing them in constant reminder. CONFESSION WILL BE been connected with the division of hortiorchard and having served as instructor

in the pomology department. Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis,

Feb. 1k-W. Homer Maris, who took his of the prosecution will be turned "I presented my whole program to the M. S. in agriculture at O. A. C. in 1918 full force upon the 11 men accused and who has been in the service since of murder in the Centralia shooting, that time, has been appointed training Wednesday, when the alleged conin favor of placing the entire matter of assistant with the rehabilitation divison fessions of Loren Roberts will be park purchases before the council, while of the federal board for vocational eduintroduced in evidence.

## Planes Crash Over Kelly Field; Both Aviators Are Killed

San Antonio, Texas, Feb. 11 .- (I. N. S.)-Lieutenants Harry W. Brokaw and Harry D. Smith, army aviators, were killed Tuesday when their planes crashed to the ground after colliding 2000 feet in the air at Kelly field, Lieutenant Smith, whose home is in San Francisco, was flying a German Fokker and Lieutenant Brokaw was flying BOTH KINDS OF BULLETS

## British pursuit plane. Both aviators served overseas, Lleutenant Brokaw's home was in Barberton, Ohio. **Returned Soldier**

## Buried at Union Union Feb. 11 -- Funeral services for

and was in five different engagements. He lost his life as a result of being gassed while in action, having never re

covered from the effects of the gas. Flu Epidemic on Wane

The credibility of these statements will had registered for three weeks and Tatcourt and paid a \$100 fine for sending try, according to reports to the public be established later, as a new allenist lock was a friend visiting him. Inderesting him are all Democrats, no Republican can-obscene matter through the mails. health service this afternoon. to delve into the question of Roberts' opening address Monday Vanderveer

dancing a hornpipe.

By Fred H. McNeil

link the defendants with the actual kill-

ing of Warren O. Grimm, one of the four

victims of the quadruple tragedy of

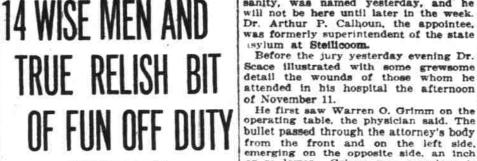
Bit by bit the prosecution yesterday

built up its foundation. Guns said to

Armistic day.

survived.

one most



bullet passed through the attorney's body from the front and on the left side, emerging on the opposite side, an inch or so lower. Grimm was conscious to the last moment that life remained, he Jurors in Centralia Murder Case testified.

Make Merry in Their Own 'Cell' DENIES DEATHBED CONFESSION

Later, on crosse-examination, Attorney After Spending Day in Court. George F. Vanderveer, for the defense asked the physician if he had not told Vanderveer a short time ago, when the

latter was in Centralia, that Grimm, in (Continued From Page One) ousting with boxing gloves and that the agile ones are not averse in all his own fault."

This the physician denied. He had few days symptoms of the type experi-A blue haze drifts down through the only heard Grimm say to "hurry up," while the instruments were being ster marbled halls from the perpetual smoker, and all the subjects that ever con- ilized, Dr. Scace testified. The witness identified the bullet causing Grimm's cerned Grays Harbor county, save this important of all topics, are death and the copper jacket, both of discussed in booming voices of the which remained in the clothing after thumping, big, deep chested woodsmen passing through the body. He told of and ranchers and laborers who make up the autopsy made afterwards, which revealed terrible destruction inside the

## of 11 FOUND M'ELFRESH DEAD

"In what condition did you find Arthur McElfrish?" asked Assistant Prosecutor the examination.

"Dead," was the repty McElfresh was shot in the left ear.

READ TO JURYMEN (Over The Journal's Special Leased Wire.)

and the small callbre missle was offered Montesano, Wash., Feb. 11.-Guns in evidence. The bullet killing Ben Casagranda firmed.

### This much was admitted last night by the witness said. W. H. Abel, special prosecutor, who said

### that the decks are new clear for the di- HOTEL OWNER TESTIFIES rect introduction of evidence tending to

The total number of empty shells ad-mitted, indicating the shots fired from Seminary ridge, was 19. One loaded shell was also entered by the prosecution. Testimony in regard to all of these only came up yesterday. held. Dr. Scace was the seventeenth wit-

have been used were identified and ness so far testifying in the case. placed in evidence, gunfire marks were Preceding the physician on the witness again described, and shells, empty and stand was Fred Hanson, owner and oploaded, were shown. Description of the erator of the Avalon hotel, from which, gun pits on Seminary ridge, whence the prosecution charges, the shots were many shots are said to have been fired. fired that cs 1 the death of Grimm. were given. The hotel resulter was identified and

ntroduced as evidence. Late vesterday afternoon Dr. D. A. Scace of Centralia hospital described the wounds that caused the deaths of War-

ren O. Grimm. Ben Casagranda and bring up the subject of the shooting, ob-Arthur McElfresh, as well as the in- jections of the state were sustained on juries of some of the other victims, who the ground that on direct examination he had been asked only with regard to

gave mortal injury to Casagranda made Archia Low, a returned soldier, were a clean wound, the physician testified. During the afternoon there was a long recess of court while attorneys battled before Judge Wilson in chambers on the witness to hold himself in readiness

the admissability of the Roberts' con- for another call. fessions. Some sort of an agreement was The register showed that Bert Bland reached, the nature of which has not been occupied room 10 of the Avalon from revealed, but it resulted in Abel afterwards making the statement that the Inerney had occupied room 14. James

Hanson said Bert Bland had resided in

the Avalon off and on for a year or more. When Vanderveer attempted to

## Grimm and McElfresh were shot by the exhibit. soft nosed bullets, while the bullet that HEARD NO SHOOTING

Counsel for the defense then asked that Hanson be held as a witness for the defense, and Judge Wilson directed

testify

11.

November 6 to 11, and that James Mcwashington, Feb. 11.-(I. N. S.)-The confession will be given consideration Fox and William Tatlock had occupied avowed candidates for the job and will influenza epidemic has reached its peak before the jury Wednesday.

sanity, was named yesterday, and he Student Smokers LAWRENCE W. TUCKER Don't Make Grade, IS PUT ON TRIAL FOR Declares Principal Walla Waila, Wash., Feb. 11 .- Prin-

> cipal H. W. Jones of the Walla Walla high school announced following the awarding of medals to eight students for high scholarship last semester that the average grade of all of the boys in high school who smoke cigarettes was 72.7 per cent, on the basis of a 75 per cent passing grade. As against this

he pointed to an average grade of 83.3 per cent for all of the boys in the high school who do not smoke.

Four deaths have occurred here either directly or indirectly as a result talking of the tragedy, while on his of the influenza epidemic, which has deathbed, had murmured that it "was been raging in this city for two weeks. The disease has developed in the past

enced last year.

HANDS OFF IN MYERS

(Continued From Page One. C. D. Cunningham, who was conducting afresh not only in the status of the controversy but in the possible successor o the office

fictitious person or firm. These, it is said, he would use as references when Inspector Robert H. Barclay, in charge he desired to cash a check just above the external opening, the of the office, says that so far as he is On the other hand, Dr. Waldo thinks physician said, the bullet ranging slight- informed, "Myers is out forever." Other that the boy may be the victim of unly downward. In an autopsy this was than that he knows nothing definite of removed from just behind the right ear. the situation, since the next move is fortunate circumstances. Letters from his home town in Louisiana speak very entirely up to the Washington end of highly of him, and it is said he had never even been in trouble before.

the postoffice machinery. In the meantime the situation is logpassed through the stomach and emerged ging along as it has since Myers went DIVORCE MILL KEPT BUSY NOW on the lower left side, Dr. Scace af- out and Barclay assumed charge. He also described injuries of will continue so to jog until Postmaster John Watt, Eugene Phitzer, Bernard General Burleson makes the next move. **Circuit Judge Morrow Grants Decrees** Eubanks and others who survived. Watt, Under the president's executive order of the most seriously wounded of those March 31, 1917, the next step in filling Rose E. Rankin from David Rankin surviving, was in the hospital two weeks, the local office will be a notice from

Mae Perry from W. W. Perry, Emma the Postmaster General stating that a Bunnell from Samuel Bunnell, Hazel vacancy exists and directing the civil Thomas from LeRoy E. Thomas, Ada service officials in charge of this dis-Bristom from S. Bristom, Charles Dawtrict to set a date for a competitive exell from Gerieva Dawell, Emma E. amination. When this order has been received and the date set, applications T. Johns from Lorain Johns, T. S. Hodges from C. K. Hodges, and May Marks from Henry Marks. William T. for the position will be received and, on the date set, the examinations will be

Woerner was also granted a decree of The applicant can secure a rating of divorce. 20 per cent from his written examination The remaining 80 per cent will come

Thomas Invited to Talk from "confidential investigation" by pos-School Clerk R. H. Thomas has been tal inspectors as to the business and nvited by President Henry Rose to give executive experience and general fitness an address before the National Associof the applicant. This information will ation of School Accountants and Busibe secured by the inspectors from perness Officials which meets in Minneap-

sonal interviews with prominent business olls in May. Thomas has been given and professional men of the city. his choice of two subjects-cafeterias Friday night about 19 o'clock. There is The reports of the inspectors and of the civil service officials will then be studenes sent to the Board of Civil Service Com-

missioners at Washington, which will Estate Valued at \$95,000 The estate of Harriet M. Reisman is

## ion for probate of the will, filed this morning in the county clerk's office, re-

Susle R. Kane, daughters of the detime, so it is apparent that Portland ceased, be appointed executrixes. All MYSTERIOUS AUTO PARTY the property is left to the two

Actions of Regular Church

Attendant.

addressed to general delivery, containing

statements of his accounts from some

in a Number of Cases.

jury in Judge Gatens' court this morn- and W. H. Maguire.

the habit of writing letters to himself to supplementary articles.

Stites Wins Damage Suit States marshal, G. Y. Harry, George H. Watson and A. W. Cauthorn are all

\$2750 damages for personal injury to the bearer of the packages would have John Stites. He sued the P. R., L. & had to walk at least 15 feet from the workmen to be at his ranch Thursday P. Co. for injuries sustained at Grand street in order to place them in the un- afternoon to do some wood cutting. avenue and East Clay street on August derbrush, which was thick.

New Shipbuilding Co. day was that two street cleaners had seen an automobile bearing no lights Formed in Portland or licenses stop on the Grand avenue viaduct, where the first remains were Files Incorporation found, nearly every night of the past week. As this happened before the supposed murder, however, the police do not Salem, Feb. 11. - The Supple-Martin connect the fact with the killing.

**10 ALLEGED FORGERIES** Shipbuilders company of Portland, organized for the purpose of carrying on about 11 o'clock yesterday morning by general shipbuilding business, filed Charles Moxley and Frank Love, residents of the neighborhood. They were articles of incorporation with the cor-Friends Mystified by Reputed poration department here Tuesday. The passing through the vacant lot when they noticed two neatly bundled packcompany is capitalized at \$50,000 with the following incorporators: Joseph Sup- ages lying in the center of one of the ple. Dan Martin and L. E. Crouch. thickets. Other corporations filing articles

HASTENED

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wered

household.

this supposition.

FIND NEW CLUE

FLESH FRESHLY CUT

Moxley told W. A. Hall, who owns the Andresen Company, Portland: \$5000: E. L. Cromblitt, W. H. Masters and John Kenton blacksmith shop at 121 Willis Lawrence W. Cucker, indicted on a Guy Wilson. Charge of forgery, went on trial before \$50,000; Robert F. Maguire, J. P. Winter houlevard Hall immediately suspected something and phoned to the corner and the police

The remains in Kenton were found at

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Very little blood was found in any of Tucker, who was arrested on December 18 State of the police that Tucker, who was arrested on December 19 State of the police that Tucker, who was arrested on December 10 State of the police that Tucker, who was arrested on December 10 State of the police that 10 State of the police the police that 10 State of the police the packages. As a whole except fo the skin, the flesh resembled very much that hanging in any butcher shop. The Tucker, who was arrested on December 18, formerly resided with Rev. William A. Waldo, pastor of the White Temple Baptist church. He was active in reli-glous work, seldom missing a service at the church. His former home was in Louisiana and he came to the Pacific Louisiana t

coast to see service with the spruce divi-sion at Vancouver. According to the police, Tucker was to supplementary arthles

CLUE

The disappearance of Ernest Des camps still remains unexplained. HOME IS UNTIDY

A visit to his ranch house was made Tuesday by a representative of The Journal. It is a small, unpainted, four room house. His bedroom was in a dishevelled condition, apparently as he had left it Wednesday, when he went into Portland. Several boxes of cartridges for .22 and .30 caliber guns, besides shot gun shells, were found in his dresser but

o guns were in evidence. Descamps was evidently an amateur astronomer. A large telescope of foreign

it still deeper. Nothing about the grisly make was situated in the front room portions gave away the identity of the of the house, while several large volvictim or the murderer. The incisions umes on astronomy, written in French, were undoubtedly made with a fairly were found in different parts of the house large sharp knife, such as may be in any An expensive phonograph with a variety of records was also situated in the front A deep incision in about the middle om. Many letters written in French portion of the stomach may have been and sent mostly from Grand Rapids the first wound, which caused death. Mich., and France ware scattered about on the table. A weather report for Wed It was in a part of the body where a deep wound could have been fatal, and nesday, February 4, was lying unopened

from George C. Cooper, Frank the clear-cut deepness of it gave rise to on a bed in a rear room. In the kitchen, food, apparently a week old, was scattered about on the kitchen

table. What may be a new clue was given by Various business papers and stock ex-Mrs. John Crawford of 150 McClellan change reports were lying around street, a short distance from the place various parts of the house. In the attic where the torso parts were found. She many papers of other American cities said that a few nights ago an automowere found. Descamps was evidently bile which had been going at a high an omnivorous reader of the Portland speed stopped suddenly with a screech- newspapers, taking three of the local ing of the wheels, and remained in the dailies. Although neighbors said that

of woods. He had only two close neigh-

hors. Paul Leopold,

dark on the corner for about 30 min- he was seldom sick many bottles of mediutes. This occurred, she thought, on cine were on his bureau. The little ranch house is located at the commercialization of products of no light on the corner and it did not foot of a steep hill in a deep stretch

**ON MEN'S SHOES** 

occur to her to investigate. Acting upon this theory, police made rather cursory search of the neigh- top of the mountain about two miles

there and thrown into the water.

As further proof that Descamps really intended to return to his ranch Thursostensibly to adjust some of his finapcial where they were found. An automobile affairs and purchase supplies, it was discovered by the deputy sheriffs' who went to Beaverton, that he had engaged When the missing man falled to appear

borhood, but no more remains could be away, reported to the sheriff's office that he had seen a light in Descamp's found. However, the spot is only about house Saturday night. Investigation. five blocks from the slough, and police however, showed that this light was consider it very possible that some of probably carried by Griffith, who was in the packages might have been carried Descamp's barn on that night tending

to his stock. It would have been impossible for

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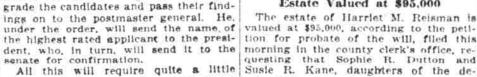
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anyone in a passing automobile to have day afternoon after visiting Portland.



## the highest rated applicant to the president, who, in turn, will send it to the

have no postmaster for several months to come. In the meantime, however, George Alexander, present United

A jury verdict returned this morning

thrown the packages into the thicket in Judge Kayanaugh's court awarded would have been compelled to stop and

A further clue given the police Tues- the workmen went to another job.

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day holiday. Attorney W. H. Abel ex-pressed the opinion that the state's case might be concluded within two weeks. SEARCH FOR OWNER "The trial is really going much faster than we anticipated," he said. Vanderveer also said satisfactory progress was being made.

Leading Astorians Attend Reception in Ilwaco's New Bank

South Bend, Feb. 11 .- In honor of its ew building the Southwestern Washington bank of Ilwaco held a reception in the new quarters Saturday afternoon and evening. Prominent cltizens of As-toria, headed by Secretary Barr of the Astoria Chamber of Commerce, as well as citizens from all parts of Pacific county, attended. The new bank building is the first modern business structure to be built in Ilwaco. Several more buildings are contemplated for the present year.

Senate Passes Pay Bill Washington, Feb. 11 .- (U. P.) - The senate today passed the Wadsworth bill, increasing the pay of the army, navy, narine corps, coast guard and the public health service. It now goes to

said the occupants of this room would ance. they heard no shooting from Just where Myers can his demanded hearing before the senroom 10 on the afternoon of November ate committee on postoffices and post roads is shrouded in mystery.

will

senate for confirmation.

examinations when the time comes. They

## FOUND SHELLS ON RIDGE John Dikworth, Centralia ex-soldier,

Senator Bankhead, chairman of the was the first witness of the afternoon. He identified a rifle as having been found in the rear room of the Centralia W. W. hall.

committee, is quoted as having taken the position that there is nothing be-fore the senate that could be considered, and it is difficult for local observ-Loaded and empty shells were found ers to see how the Myers case will get on Seminary ridge, not far from the water tank east of the Northern Painto the senate until the name of his

NOTHING TO CONSIDER

successor is sent in by the president cific tracks, W. L. Patton of Centralia, for confirmation, if then. the next witness, said. Patton investi-The president is, under the law, given gated on November 12 or 13, he said. The the power to appoint postmasters, sub-ject to confirmation by the senate. It six empty shells were introduced in evidence. They were of .31-20 callber, is contended by Myers that, conversely, 250-3000 caliber and of .22 high power. a postmaster may not be removed ex-Under cross examination, Patton said cept upon direct order of the president. he was a special deputy sheriff. Vanwhich order, to be effective, must be derveer asked him if he did not assist confirmed by the senate. But the thing that puzzles local observers is that Myn the "kidnaping" of "One Eyed Tom" assiter, Seattle Union Record agent. ers is out so far as the postmaster and rom Centralia on June 13, 1919. The the postoffice department is concerned. court did not permit the witness to When the president sends in the name answer.

### DISCOVERED OVERCOAT Benjamin F. Lowden of Centralia also

witnesses.

of the new postmaster the question then before the senate will be the confirma-tion or rejection of the appointment.

isited Seminary ridge on November 12, MAY OBTAIN HEARING Myers, if he can get his case before he testified, in company with Olin Lash, the senate at all, will be there for a also of Centralia, and found a black suitcase, an overcoat and a box of shells, hearing on his dismissal by the presi-These articles were identified by the dent and the postmaster general, backed by and ordered because of the adverse witness and admitted in evidence. Lowden testified to finding several findings of at least two investigations empty shells, which he had given to made by the postal inspector's depart-

Patton, the previous witness. Around ment. the place where the sultcase was found In the face of these circumstances it were numerous cigarette stubs and would seem difficult for the senate com mittee to refuse to sustain the presitracks leading down the hill to where dent in the dismissal or to refuse to confirm the new appointment. If the the empty shells were located. With a man named Billy Ryan, Byron Epperson of Centralia, the next witness, senate did the unusual thing, however, visited the ridge on November 11 and and refused to confirm the findings of found 12 shells. They were of the cali-ber above mentioned. Ryan also was an interesting situation would arise. the inspectors, and the dismissal, then called and corroborated Epperson's tes-Myers would be out so far as the

timony. J. Chester Dolphin of Centralia also testified. force the president to reappoint and re-ATTORNEYS CLOSETED instate him in office.

There was an hour's delay in pro-BECESS SELECTION POSSIBLE ceedings during the afternoon while at-He could leave the office vacant until torneys and the judge threshed out some congress adjourned, and make a recess point of law in chambers. The prosecu-

appointment, thus turning the office into tion also was awaiting the arrival of the control of the new appointee recommended as a result of the civil service There will be no session of the court commission. Thursday because of the Lincoln birth-Anyway you look at it, there seems no conclusion but that Myers is down

"Laxative

Bromo

Quinine

Tablets"

6. M. Gron

and out, so far as the postmastership is concerned. It is a pretty difficult thing to sue the government, or the president, or the postmaster general. It may be this thought that has fathered the petition which Myers is now circulating among the business men of Portland.

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