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TO SOLDIER

Walter Husted May Be Hanged for Killing Jailer Palmer; John Tillman, His Pal, Is Held as Highwayman; Confesses Holdup

Deputy District Attorney Deich said this afternoon it would not be possible to hold the charge of first degree murder against John Tillman, who was with Walter Husted when the latter shot and killed Patrolman Jerome Palmer Wednesday The charge of first degree murder will be pressed against Husted. Deich said, and that against Tillman changed to highway robbery, the extreme penalty for which is life imprisonment.

According to statements made by Patrolman Thorpe and other police officers who were in the vicinity of Sixth and Glisan streets when the shooting occurred. Tillman made no effort to escape when ordered to halt by Palmer. Fillman was unarmed when placed un-

TILLMAN GIVES DETAILS

When questioned by the district at torney, Tillman said he left Camp Lewis with Husted Friday afternoon and went to Olympia. From there they went to Centralia, Wash., where they remained two days, arriving here at 3 p. m.

When they reached Portland both men were armed with army automatics. Husted's gun was sold at the Pacific Loan agency, Third and Ash streets, according to Tillman's statement, and the remaining weapon was afterward carried by Husted.

In describing the three holdups which preceded the murder of Palmer, Tillman said that Husted covered the victims with his pistol while he went through their pockets. In the case of Byron Riffe, the last man robbed. Husted held the gun in one hand and searched the victim's outside pockets with the other. He then ordered Tillman to go through the inside coat pockets.

RIFFE'S WALLET RETURNED

Tillman says he found a wallet in Riffe's pocket, which he removed and afterward placed in Riffe's overcoat pocket. threatening remark to Husted, and was struck on the temple with the pistol, the force of the blow discharging the

Investigations made by the police verified Tillman's statement regarding the sale of the automatic at the Pacific Loan Agency and the return of the wallet to Riffe.

Tillman is 17 years old. His mother and other relatives live at Sandpoint, Idaho. Husted is 24 and says that his people live at Denison, Texas, District Attorney Deich said that he had received a report from Seattle that Walter Husted and a soldier named Henry had pulled off two highway robberies at Seattle, and that Henry is now under arrest at Camp Lewis.

Palmer was shot by Husted at Sixth and Glisan streets at 10:30, when the ports early next spring is being arpatrolman and his partner, Patrolman (Concluded on Page Seventeen, Column One)

Steamship company, according to ad-**RAW DEAL ALLEGED**

By Floyd MacGriff

New York, Nov. 18 .- (I, N. S.)-Thirteen hundred government built ships are today worth less than one senger liners constructed by the ship- and particularly the League of Nations, half of what the United States gov- ping board and will have accommoda- The president-elect has also asked ernment spent to build them.

produce these vessels, and their value is ship sailing from Portland to the Orient today \$1,800,000,000, "or less." This revelation was made today by port. It will mark a new epoch in the Martin J. Gillen, former shipping board rapidly developing commerce of the port. official, when he resumed his testimony before the congressional investigating take aboard passengers at Puget Sound committee here today.

It cost the government \$3,800,000,000 to

Gillen, who yesterday gave much testimony concerning waste, corruption and the free this morning by J. Fred that he does not want the Republican campaign committee to accept contributional details. He told of the "cost plus" system of shipbuilding contracts, PASSENGERS SOUGHT involving immense "padding" of costs and revealed glaring flaws in the oil

tanker program. Until liquidation of the shipping board's war effort is completed, a new balance sheet struck and new principles is one of the most important develop- Republican party concerning the manestablished, the government-built merments in shipping in Portland's history, chant marine will be hopelessly handisaid Larson. capped," said the witness.

Builders of wooden ships got a "raw deal" from the government, Gillen asserted on the stand. The government," he said, "induced

contractors to put their money into plants for building wooden chips and then called off the program without pro viding for amortization of these special plants, which were useless after such work was stopped. wooden shipbuilders were left

high and dry with their loss." The witness had high praise for Admiral Benson, whom he called "one of the cleanest, strongest, most courageous men I have ever met."

Paymaster Wounded And Robbed of \$8000 one half cent per pound on she shipments of daily newspapers.

Patchogue, L. I., Nov. 18.—(I. N. S.) rate is 1 cent per pound, where the first she was riding collided with a streetcar -Fifteen minutes after the Citizens' class rate does not exceed \$4.50 per 160 Trust company opened for business here pounds. today, two armed bandits shot William This increased rate does not apply Brophy, an assistant paymaster of the where wagon delivery and special news-Patchogue-Plymouth Sales corporation, paper trains are used. robbed him of \$8000 and escaped. Brophy

HOLDUP MEN AND VICTIM OLDIERS absent without leave from Camp Lewis who fig-Sured in Wednesday night's shooting of Patrolman Jerome Palmer. Above, Husted A. Walters, accused of doing the killing, photographed as he lay on cot in emergency hospital this morning. Below, at left-Patrolman Palmer (photo by Angelus studio); at right, John R. Tillman, second robber, who

HARDING INVITES

By David Lawrence

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Washington, Nov. 18 .- President-

elect Harding may be far away from

the politicians and the factions in-

side the Republican party geograph-

ically speaking, but there are some

things going on nevertheless dur-

ing his absence which indicate clear-

other distinguished Republicans to con-

fer with him at Marion, but the signif-

icance of the Root visit is that it re-

veals Mr. Harding as anxious to obtain

In the second place Senator Harding

has let it be known through his friends

that he does not want the Republican

tions of extraordinary size in making up

the deficit of \$1,600,000 incurred during

He wants to be absolutely free from

been the object of considerable criticism

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Hurt When Street

O-W. R. & N. company, suffered a

morning when the automobile in which

at Fifteenth and Weidler streets. Chester Vester Hopkins, the driver,

cut above the eye and about the face.

Mrs. V. G. Smith, another passenger,

Car and Auto Meet

Two Women, Man

URGES SMALL CONTRIBUTIONS

secretary of state.

the last campaign.

"Portland has been ad- ticularly with regard to its financing.

It is probable that the vessel will make by the original Harding men, who seem

Manila and a few other Oriental ports, by the original Harding men, who seem to bear a grudge against him for his

the determination of Warren

Sailing of a 12,000-ton passenger

liner from Portland to Oriental

ranged by officers of the Pacific

vice received this morning by H. L.

Hudson, traffic manager of the port

Arrangements have been made by the

the new shipping board 535's, construct-

ed on the Atlantic coast, in service be-

to give Portland a trial in maintaining

The vessel is one of the largest pas-

tions for 250 first-class passengers. The

It is probable that the steamer will also

Announcement of the proposed sailing

Larson plans, in cooperation with the

To my mind the sailing of this vessel

for Portlanders to make a tour of the thereby hangs a tale.

This will be the first passenger steam-

sailing is scheduled for March 1.

passenger sailings.

merce club.

this opportunity.

Express Rate on

Newspapers Raised

Washington, Nov. 18 .- (U. P.)-The

interstate commerce commission today approved an express rate increase of

one half cent per pound on short haul

The former rate was one half cent

pound on daily newspapers. The new

Half Cent a Pound

TO SAIL MARCH 1

company to place the Wenatchee, one of ly

Orient and the plan of the company is paign funds.

Fight for Wilson's Point Re-

By A. E. Johnson

(United News Staff Correspondent) Geneva, Nov. 18.—The principle "open covenants openly arrived at" vanquished the secrecy of old style European diplomacy in a last minute struggle just before the assembly of the League of Nations began the session that named presidents and vice presidents of the six commissions.

THOSE WHO WERE ELECTED The following statesmen were elected

Ishii of Japan, Dr. Pueyrredon, foreign a loan of \$25000 made of Samuel McClain, & nephew of Samuel McClain, Holland and Sir J. E. Foster of Canada. of the fact that McClain had never said All were elected on the first ballot. The Japanese statesman received the largest number of yotes.

Dr. Octavia of Brazil was elected a vice president on the second ballot. In those appointments, by the way,

was seen evidence of a very strong Latin bloc in the League of Nations, for nine being from South America and one from

It was Lord Robert Cecil, represent-But his renewed opposition to secrecy finally prevailed and Rene Viviani, forner premier of France, withdrew his NO TINGE OF SECRECY"

Viviani is now willing to permit minutes of the meetings to be taken and their full publication immediately after session. I was privileged to listen to Lord Robert's argument as he hammered home to Viviant the necessity for open dealing. The best evidence as to This is of importance to dealing. The best evidence as to This is of importance to the who

was held by the committee on mandates. grantor and the question of laches. The old lines are again being drawn

Robert Cecil, now representing South (Concluded on Page Two, Column Fire)

Harding to keep the party harmonious and to keep himself free from tween a Pacific coast port and the entanglement in the matter of cam-Franklin B. Humiston, a retired Methodist minister found dead in a In the first place it became known local lodging house Monday, died of here today that Elihu Root had been innatural causes, according to a corovited to come to Marion on December 10 ner's jury, the police were requested to discuss questions of foreign policy to investigate the robbery of the The president-elect has also asked body.

The clothes and other possessions of Humiston had been taken from the the rumor. He said Governor Olcott The body was found practically nude. in the history of shipping through this the advice and counsel of the former Humiston was said to have had a considerable sum of money when last seen an alive. Friends say that over \$100 is

Humiston had been in ill health. evidence of foul play was presented to the coroner's jury. He was never an ordained minister, but had charge of small churches in a preaching capacity. In later years he had been doing outdoors work for his health.

State Chamber of Commerce, to arrange obligations implicit or explicit. And Local Food Prices It is, no secret that there has been a serious difference of opinion inside the Show 5 Per Cent agement of the last campaign and par-Decline in Month vertising heavily in the Orient and should follow up this advertising by a personal visit. I already know of several men who will take advantage of side world may have supposed. He has

Washington, Nov. 18 .- (U. P.)-Retail ood prices decreased three per cent between September 15 and October 15. the department of labor announced to-

Wholesale food prices during October dropped 81/2 per cent and the prices received by farmers dropped by a still sharp decline struck the stock market to the fact that it will become an initial cent, onions 11 per cent, rice 9 per cent, ternational declined 11 to 381/4. steak and meats 4 per cent, and miscel-Mrs. A. C. Jackson, wife of the head of the advertising department of the

Price increases were: Eggs 14 per cent, lard 5 perscent, bacon, butter and other articles less than per cent.

The greatest decrease in living costs was shown at Omaha and St. Paul, which Or., Seattle, Milwaukee and Minneapolis. the bank when attacked. Brophy was short had minimum rate on newspapers vincents hospital. The police are in- land, Me., St. Louis, San Francisco and of former Admiral Crabbe of the United hazing until the practice is thoroughly stamped out.

Philomath Must LAKE YIE Pay Old Note of \$2,000,0000F MADE PUBLIC Titles Involved

the loot in the lake near Council Bluffs,

One of the confessions was made by

Orville Phillips, 17 years old, who gave

almself up Wednesday night. He de-

figure in the robbery, but confessed to

young man named Roberts, 21 years

shield him. The other prisoner is a

Poffenbarger has given the police

letailed account of how he looted the

Then I stuck my hand in and turned

The youth, who says he came from

lincinnati, is younger than Merle Phil-

lips, who is said to have told authorities

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the locks open. Two men worked on

sacks which were dropped off."

board when organized.

PACIFIC COAST WILL NOT

tion 28 of the shipping act.

nents of section 28.

also control the freight."

DROP FIGHT AGAINST SECTION

There is every present indication that

Pacific coast pressure will continue to be

exerted for indefinite suspension of sec-

If its force is to be applied as an in

pointed out that such rates would apply

"We are having trouble in our

traffic manager of the Port of Portland.

Second Middy Hazer

Washington, Nov. 18 .- (U. P.)-With

the dismissal of a second midshipman

only to shipping on the Pacific coast

SAYS BROTHER INNOCENT

decision of the supreme court handed down Monday a suit that has been Lord Robert Cecil Wins in His pending for 10 years and affecting Youths Confess Part They Played title to several tracts of land near in \$3,500,000 Robbery of Mail this city and also the endowment garding Publicity; Latins Are funds of Philomath college is ended. The decision reverses the decision Recognized in 4 Appointments. made several years ago by Judge Was Planned at San Francisco. Skipworth of the circuit court and affirms a judgment obtained by J. Omaha, Nov. 18 .- Recovery of W. Ingle of Corvallis against the estate of Samuel McClain, a pioneer in a lake and confession by three of this community and a lifelong

> friend of Philomath college. McClain in 1899 and 1900 deeded tw tracts of land to Philomath college but owing to his wishes the deeds were not recorded until 1906. In 1907 McClain at Council Bluffs last Saturday. deeded all his remaining land to the college, consisting of 40 acres near this city and 40 acres in Lincoln county that has practically no value. He died in

Dr. Benes, foreign minister in the gov- the land on a note purported to have rnment of Czecho-Slovakia; Viscount been given by McClain in 1904 to secure a loan of \$2500 made by Ingle to James his part of the agreement, but that the minister of Argentina; Dr. Karnebeck of This was contested in the courts because bandits failed to pay him the paltry \$10. anything about such a note and because of the proverbial honesty of James Mcthe police started a systematic drag in Clain, but the court held that the claim the water in the hope that the youths was vand as against the estate and gave had thrown all the bags taken from the judgment. car into the lake.

ADMINISTRATOR SUED

In 1914 the administrator of the Mc Clain estate sued to set aside the deeds of McClain to the college, on the ground of 12 vice presidents are Latins, three that these deeds constituted a fraud against the creditors. The college contested the suit on the grounds that the first two deeds were made and delivered ing South Africa, who finally caused before the note was signed; that the President Wilson's famous "point" to third deed was for good and valuable be adopted by the assembly. Lord Rob- consideration and was made in good ert had put up what seemed to be a los- faith owing to having no knowledge of ing resistance in Tuesday's conference, the existence of any note; that Ingle slept on his rights in that he did not attempt to collect the note during the life time of Mr. McClain and not until after resolution which would have kept dark the will had been admitted for probate the proceedings in the committees and and more than three years after the prevented the keeping of a formal deed had been recorded. The lower court gave the decision to the college but the new decision reverses that and holds that the estate of McClain is liable for the debt and that in case the judgment is satisfied in six months the title will be confirmed in Philomath college as per the terms of the McClain will.

that he convinced the Frenchman that divided up and sold and many beautiful homes erected on it. It is also of in terest because of the legal points in-The committee on world disarmament wolved such as the delivery and recordbegan its sessions behind closed doors ing of the deeds, the liability of a landthis afternoon. A separate secret session holder to subsequent creditors of the President L. L. Epley of the college

as between those who advocate im- said: "You may rest assured the Philonediate admission of Germany to the math college will protect all purchasers League of Nations and those who would of the land involved against loss and exclude the defeated nations. As in the that while the decision is a great dissharp struggle on the matter of "open appointment to us owing to the fact that diplomacy," which marked Tuesday's we have acted in good faith throughout ession of the league assembly, Lord and the manifest purpose of Mr. McClain in endowing Philomath coilege is in a large measure defeated, yet we shall carry out the findings of the court in the matter and no innocent purchaser

ported here this afternoon that Eric to succeed S. Benson on the state highway commission, had declined to accept the apointment. Hauser is in St. Paul. Minn.

room when the body was discovered, had left for Portland and would have an announcement to make later in the

Hauser's appointment was given out Wednesday afternoon by Governor Oicott with the announcement that he had not yet heard from him. Governor Olcott said:

"Hauser is a man of big and broad where the Japanese carriers are domideas, ideally equipped to be one of inant. The Japanese readily, it is said, the men to shape the destines of our im- will clear their ships for ports not afmense highway program. For many fected by the preferential, and the Pa-years he was a railroad contractor and cific coast ports will be deprived of imas had vast experience in handling of portant business. A subsidy should be large and important work along con- general in its application, declare oppostructive lines. He has a genius for organization and his experiences and abilities will fit him splendidly in con-

with our road development

Another Sharp Drop Feature of Market

New York, Nov. 18.-(U. P.)-Another first items of business is important, due greater percentage, according to figures given out by the labor and agricultural departments. This showed that the full effect of price drops is slow in reaching effect of price drops is slow in reaching at the closing today. Shipping shares subject presented for the consideration of La France white part at the closing today. Shipping shares subject presented for the consideration of Joseph N. Teal, recently appointed by the president to one of the two commissionerships allotted the Pacific coast on the presented for his personal insurthe consumer. Prices declined for 30 to 44. Steel common was hammered to the shipping board, which is composed of ance, which she subsequently received, out of 43 food articles listed. Sugar a new low at 80%. Other steels held seven members. decreased 24 per cent, potatoes 15 per above the morning's low. American In-

of San Francisco and Los Angeles, fracture of the left wrist and numerous cent, lard 5 perscent, bacon, butter and bruises on her arms at 11 o'clock this other articles less than one-half of 1 Descendant to Wed Daniels Dismisses

New York; Nov. 18 .- Mary Washingrecorded drops of 6 per cent. Decrease ton Bond Morosini, great-great-grandwho lives at 37 West Church street, was of 5 per cent was shown at Portland, niece of George Washington, is to be married January 19 to Captain William Decreases of 4 per cent were shown at Lafayette Crabbe of the United States Approval also was given for an in- 655 Weidler street, was cut over the Chicago, Cincinnati, Denver, Detroit, marine corps, it was announced here was just emerging with the money from crease from 1 cent to 1½ cents in the right eye. The three were taken to St. Indianapolis, Memphis, Pittsburg, Port- today. Captain Crabbe is the grandson

Minister Hurls Threat; Guilty Ease Minds by Coin Offerings

Washington, Nov. 18 .- Wives in Washington are watching their husbands as never before and the hus bands are watching themselves more closely as the result of a revival here. Rev. B. F. McLendon, the Car at Council Bluffs; Crime evangelist, has 85 ten dollar bills instead of 10 dimes in addition to the 'moral victory.'

At the closing meeting of the revival series McLendon leaned over the approximately \$2,000,000 of the loot pulpit and said he had an important announcement to make.

"It has come to my knowledge that crime were the two outstanding de- who has not been true to his family or his religion and who has not been leadvelopments today in the investigaing an upright life," McLendon said. tion of the \$3,500,000 robbery com"This man is in the congregation tomitted on a Burlington mail train night. If he will deposit a \$10 bill in the collection plate it will be taken as a token of his repentance and nothing Fred Poffenbarger, 18 years old, one further will be said. If he fails to do cate decision. Senator Harding of the four accused boys under arrest, this I warn him that I will announce his made no statement regarding the told the police he was promised \$10 by name. When an inventory of the collection

the bandits for breaking the seal of the mail car and throwing the sacks containing the valuable bonds to the ground. to "keep quiet, for God's sake." and He said in his confession he carried out promising to pay the \$10 in the morning.

Following the discovery of a part of

clared his brother, Merle Phillips, 20 sale of prize stock at the Pacific In- After declaring there has been a years old, previously arrested, did not ternational Livestock Exposition did "wild contemplation of earnings, whethnot come up to expectations in the er in wages or dividends," Senator auction this morning. The tendency Harding made an appeal for the "ideal on the part of the purchasers seemed relationship where men may labor with mals than for ordinary stock from I used my gun to break the glass of the stock yards. This is probably he door close to the lock," he said. due, the stockmen believe, to lowerthe train and two others followed the not wanting to stock up with high hemisphere is our special field of in-train in an auto and picked up the mall priced animals. train in an auto and picked up the mail priced animals.

U. C. Jock, an Aberdeen-Angus, winner of the grand championship for fat steers over all breeds, sold for 50 cents a pound. The animal was owned by the a pound. The animal was owned by the niversity of California and was purchased by the Sterrett Packing company

STEERS AT 12 CENTS

feeder stock went to the Sterrett Pack- nation. ing company for 91/2 cents a pound.

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Washington, Nov. 18 .- (WASH NGTON BUREAU OF THE JOUR-Banker's Appeal NAL.) - Admiral W. H. Benson, chairman of the shipping board In Million-Dollar tates that the question of further suspension of section 28 of the shipping act will be one of the first matters to be brought before the new

Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 18 .- (L. N. S.)-The state supreme court today will hear The board never desired to use this power as a club, he says, and there is the appeal of C. Hunter Raine, former every indication that future steps will Memphis bank president, convicted of be cautiously taken with a view to pre- larceny, embezzlement and breach of venting any disturbance which might re- trust and sentenced to a term of from sult from an application of this provision one to five years in the penitentiary. at ports where American ships are Raine is accused of having stolen \$1. clearly inadequate. There is the possi- 1000,000 in cash. It was charged that he oility that the law will be ordered en- had used the Mercantile bank's money forced at certain ports where no such to gamble in cotton futures and had lost. He has already served nearly five years in the federal prison at Atlanta. Upon his release, new proceedings against him were started in the state

most wealthy men in Memphis.

Vessel's Inability to Make Call Relieves President-Elect of Embarrassing Situation; New Orleans Host to Harding Party.

By David M. Church New Orleans, La., Nov. 18 .- (I. N.

S.)-President-elect Harding will youths that they participated in the there is a certain man in Washington not stop at Vera Cruz, it was officially announced today. The steamship company was unable to make arrangements to stop the boat at that port and thus relieved the senator of the burden of making a deli-

"Neither our own nor the world's salvation is to be worked out through any patent nostrum, President-elect Warren G. Harding declared in a speech before the Chambers of Commerce here this afternoon in which he discussed the industrial and economic situation,

"One hundred per cent production, minimized waste," and "rational readjustment" offer the remedy for the industrial and economic ills of the United States, the president-elect said.

Sensational prices expected at the IDEAL RELATIONSHIP DESIRED

soul in their tasks," and for a realization of "the dignity of productive labor. "Concord among Americans, South Central and North," was urged by the president-elect on the eve of his sailing "Somehow I feel that the Western

said. "Our trade routes by the sea to the South ought to be as dependable as ASSURANCE IN PEOPLE

"Our great assurance at home lies, a virile, intelligent, resolute people," the president-elect said. "In a land un-A carload of Hereford steers, winners ravaged by war, at enmity with no peoof the second prize, was sold to the ple, envying none, coveting nothing territory, striving bound. The grand champion carload of glories which do not become a righteous

"This republic cannot, will not, fail, The grand champion pen of barrows if each of us but does his part. If we rought the price of 21 cents from the but work, and use thriftily and seek the

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Mexican Government Invites Gov. Olcott Robbery Case Set To Attend Ceremonies

Salem, Or., Nov. 18 .- Governor Olcott is today in receipt of an invitation from the Mexican secretary of foreign relations to be the guest of the Republic of Mexico at the inauguration of General Atvaro Obregon as president in the city of Mexico on November 30. The gov ernor is also urged to take his family with him on the trip.

Special trains will be provided to carry the guests to the Mexican capital, these trains leaving from Laredo on November 27 and from El Paso November 26. All expenses incident to the trip will be borne by the Mexican govcourts resulting in another conviction, ernment, the invitation states, adding Raine is over 60 years of age. At that every effort will be made for the one time he was considered one of the comfort of the republic's guests on this occasion

tended indirect subsidy of the American merchant marine, it is said that demand will be made for a change in the law that will permit enforcement of its provisions \$15,000 Swindle Explained ended indirect subsidy of the American will permit enforcement of its provisions on the Atlantic gulf coast as well as the Pacific coast. Under section 28 it is pro-Dead Man's Body Purchased vided that a preferential rate may be granted export goods handled from transcontinental points in American bottoms. The fact of the matter is, it is

ance swindle involving \$15,000, which trunk and suitcase from the baggage created interest all along the Pacific room of the Southern Pacific company coast in 1913, is said to have been clari- Monday, fied in a confession of J. C. "Harry" La France, held at the police station on a charge of forgery, to Police Inspector Swennes Wednesday.

La France told Inspector Swennes that paign to increase the commerce of this the body of a dead man that he used port because of the impending enforcein putting across his daring swindle ment of section 28." said H. L. Hudson, insurance companies was purchased frem a small undertaking establishment for \$500. He said that he also paid It should not be forgotten that the Japanese interests, which control the ships, two undertakers \$1000 each for agsisting him in taking the body to a lonely The announcement that the new shipspot on the bank of the Clackamas river ping board will be asked to take up the enforcement of section 28 as one of the above Estacada.

CHANGED HIS CLOTHES

In 1913 the mysterious disappearance amounting to \$15,000.

About a year later the appearance of Mr. Teal expects to leave Saturday Mr. Teal expects to leave Saturday afternoon for Washington, D. C., to asafternoon for Washington, D. C., to assume his new duties. He will go by way
by the police. He was arrested and
two men several months later, on their
of San Francisco and Los Angeles.

convicted for his unusual swindle and
last visit to Aurora. This was after served a term in the state penitentiary, but the mystery as to who the dead from insurance companies. man was remained unsolved.

La France told Detective Swennes that he didn't know who the dead man was. He dressed the body in his own clothes, leaving various items in the clothing that would indicate it to be that of La France.

PREYED ON HIM

from the Annapolis naval academy, Secretary Daniels today declared his intention of continuing the war against Swennes for forgeries which La France baggage from the Southern Pacific comis said to have admitted. He is said pany

Mystery of a dead man and an insur- to have also admitted the theft of a

He told Inspector Swennes that the thought of his swindle and the part that the unknown dead man played in it has preyed upon his mind so much during the past seven years that it has alm driven him to desperation. He talked freely of the affair. Inspector Swennes will make a further investigation of the case in an effort to determine the truth or faisity of the charges made by La

France. For several months following the discovery of the body supposed to be La France, he stayed at a private home in Aurora, La France told Swennes. WIFE VISITS JAIL

Frequently during his stay at Aurora the two men who aided him in taking the body of the dead man to the woods called on him for the \$1000 each that

he had promised them, La France said. He had paid the undertaker \$500 within a month after his wife had collected the first insurance, which amounthis wife had collected the other \$10,000

Thomas G. Ryan, former deputy district attorney, whose prosecution resulted in La France's conviction on the swindle affair, was Wednesday retained by La France for his defending council against the forgery charges he now

Mrs. La France visited her husband REYED ON HIM

In the city jail Wednesday. She said
La France was arrested Tuesday by that she knew nothing about his for-Inspectors Ackerman, Schulpius and geries or the charges of theft of the