rain; fresh easterly winds.

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TO SUPERVISE

ent advisory statute and give the

duct of all units of government with-

in the county of Multnomah, in-

The Gordon bill is drafted in the form

of a general statute covering the as-

sessment and levy of taxes in all coun-

100,000 inhabitants or more.

up to \$5000 a year.

THREE MEMBERS PROPOSED

the county in which he is to serve.

The bill makes it the duty of the com-

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Effort to Keep Wheels

In Motion.

By L. C. Martin

United Press Staff Correspondent

on record as favoring a tieup of the

of the beginning of the session. Oppo-

today they will demand a record vote.

recessing over New Year's.

district levies.

CITY EDITION

Man Injured In Fighting Vicious Deer

Dog Chases Animal Away and Saves Life of Its **COUNTY TAXES** Master.

Medford, Dec. 18 .- A crime wave on among the wild animals of Jackson county. Senator Gordon's Measure to Be

This morning an angry four-foot wild Introduced at Coming Legisla- cat faced Lyle R. Hillis in the Devils Garden district five miles from Medford, ture would Create Commission, but one shot killed him before he could Yesterday afternoon while John Ben-

son, veteran placer, miner, was at work Three Members Would Have on his claim in the Applegate district, without warning an infurated big buck Sweeping Authority to Decide deer appeared and attacked viciously, knocking him down and rolling Amount Taxes to Be Collected. and shunting him around with its horns until his cries for help summoned his dog which attacked and drove the deer away A "Tax Supervising and Conserva-Benson will recover. tion Commission" bill with teeth in

it for the supervision and conservation of Multnomah county taxation, has been drafted and will be introduced in the coming legislature by Herbert Gordon. The proposed measure, should it be enacted into law, will take the place of the pres-

new commission absolute power in Assembly Adjourns Initial Meetthe levying of all taxes for the coning and Members Leave Geneva. cluding the county, city and school

> By. Henry Wood United Press Staff Correspondent Geneva, Dec. 18 .-- The League of

ties of the state having a population of Nations assembly adjourned its iniial session this evening. The final meeting was impressive, It provides for a commission of three the delegations bidding each other members, appointed by the governor, for farewell before crowded galleries.

terms of three years each, each commissioner to be a citizen of the United They left Geneva on special trains. States and a resident and taxpayer of Paul Hymans, president of the assembly, in his closing speech declared the Commissioners may be removed "for good and sufficient cause" at any time by the governor. The commission is to demonstrated the complete success of have offices in the courthouse or other the League and that it is "now a living, convenient place, and is to be permitted to employ clerical and other assistance working, practical organization."

> The relations between the assembly established, Hymans said.

"The covenant has been interpreted and the necessary modifications will be ready at the next session of the assem-

"Technical organizations have been sound economic and financial basis. The first steps have been taken toward disarmament. Even if the League has failed to find a mandatory for Armenia, it at least has found a mediator in Today's Sunday Journal Is Complete Small Group Making Determined

President Wilson." M. Motta, president of Switzerland and n delegate to the assembly, in replying paid tribute to Hymans and declared that the September meeting of the as-sembly would take up the real task of League Is Working Section 1, Page 1. reuniting all peoples. The present as- Rapallo Treaty Approved Section 1, Page sembly, he said, demonstrated this spirit by accepting Austria and Bulgaria, former enemy countries, as members. Washington, Dec. 18 .- Plans of

At the request of Herbert Hoover, the assembly voted approval and sympathy senate members to take a two with the international effort on behalf weeks' vacation beginning Monday of Europe's war stricken children. were blocked today by the determ-

ined opposition of a small group who have long fought the congressional custom of holiday recesses. The effort to stop the legislative wheels until January 3 is to be renewed Monday, unless it develops that By Journal This Week By Journal This Week Demestic Army Airmen Lost—Section 1, Page 1, River Boat, Sinks, 13 Lost—Section 1, Page 1, Gloomy Talk Is Handicap—Section 1, Page 1, Journal Wire Flashes—Section 1, Page 4, Page 1, Pag senators do not care to put themselves

The classified advertising department legislating machinery merely to give of The Journal will give away pint themselves a vacation within two weeks bricks of Hazelwood ice cream as premlums for "dime a line" classified adver- Deer Attacks Miner Section 1, Page 1. pents of the long recess served notice tisements received and paid for on Ship in Distress-Section 1, Page 1. Thursday and Friday, December 23 and Man Held for Explosion-Section 1, Page 1. Arrangements had been made to 24, for publication in The Sunday Jour- 25,000 Bushels of Wheat Sold-Section 1 shorten the usual holiday recess by nal of December 26.

recessing from next Thursday, December 23, until December 27, then workments on the dates named will be given The Dalles Has Snow-Section 1, Page 1, ing until Thursday, December 30, and orders for Hazelwood ice cream which Woolgrowers' Convention-Section 1, Page 10 But today Senator Smoot of Utah ling this product. The orders may be Would Recall County Judge-Section 1, Page 14. date for two offices at the same elecisked unanimous consent to a recess used at any time within a week folbeginning Monday and lasting until lowing the date of issue. ecember 27. Senator Thomas of Colo-.

Advertisements may be left at The rado refused to agree to it. Then Journal business office or at any of the Smoot, at the suggestion of Senator following agencies: Owl Drug Store, Robinson of Arkansas, amended it to Broadway and Washington; Fred C. stretch the recess clear over until Forbes Drug company, Grand avenue January 3. Thomas refused to assent and East Morrison; Matthieu Drag to that, whereupon Robinson demanded store, Russell and Williams streets; vote on it. Thomas said he would Killingsworth Drug company, Killingsdemand a rollcall to put the senators worth and Albina avenue; St. John Pharmacy, St. Johns.

Starving Children in Need Oregon Prepared to Help

trai Europe against famine and SPEAKERS ANNOUNCED death. Oregons campaign to buy her quota-25,000 lives at \$10 to relieve the distress in Poland, Lithuapiece-in the national effort inaug- ania, Roumania, Germany and Austria urated today under the leadership have refused to wait. A telegram from of Herbert Hoover, is to be launched Wauna, Or., signed by Mrs. C. H. Who's Who on Broadway—Section 5, Page 3. in 600 churches scattered in every doubled our quota. More coming."

city, town and hamlet. As they have pleaded for souls in the past, ministers without regard for sect, creed or denomination plead for the lives of Europe's helpless baby war vic-

tims today. ORGANIZATION IS READY

The plea of starving children will also Stimulating interest in the campaign, be echoed in house-to-house and person-Oregon's school children have entered an to-person canvass, for out-state Director essay contest under the direction of paign of the week and the campaigners of Schools J. A. Churchill handling the are in absolute readiness. To the force details. The question the little folks of of the eight great organizations—Amer- Oregon are answering is, "How much Mystery of Vanished Bride—Section 7, Page committee (Quakers), Jewish Joint Dis-tubution committee, Federal Council of A. L. Lambert has been appointed Churches of Christ in America, Knights | chairman for Jefferson county.

Oregon today is bidding for the of Columbus, Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. Fraternal—Section 4, Page 7.

Ilves of 25,000 children in East Cenice of former Liberty loan workers.

American Legion News—Section 3, Page

Several communities in their eagerness

The Speakers' bureau announces that News of Nation's Capitol-Section 2, Page Dr. Esther Pohl Lovejoy will speak in Portland Boy in England-Section 6, Page 8. the Orpheum at 2:15 and 8:15, and at Santa's Automotive Christmas (pictorial) - Sec-The Auditorium at 3 o'clock this afternoon. Alfred Aya will address a general Millions for Roads in 1921-Section 6, Page 1. meeting in Baker. A. G. Clark will Man Envise Impounded Dogs Section 2, Page 5. speak to the Federation of Churches at

Cornelius Wednesday evening. E. Smith announces the cam- Fred L. Boalt, with State Superintendent

mission's Request That G. N. and S., P. & S. Use Depot.

End of Month in Accordance With Directors' Original Order.

Orders outsing the Great Northern and S., P. & S., railroads from the Union station December 31 will not be rescinded, according to what may be termed as final action of the Northern Pacific Terminal company, ington is that improvement will be- and 9 o'clock Monday evening. operators of the Union station. From J. P. O'Brien, president of the erminal company, a message was re-

N., and S., P. & S. railroads be allowed ness-situation. continued use of the terminal. The letter says positively that further service after December 31.

DECISION BELIEVED FINAL While it was generally understood that final action on the request of the Public Service commission would be taken by Carl R. Gray, president of the Union Pacific system, and William Sproule, president of the Southern Pacific, this nessage is taken to be final.

Gray and Sproule are members of the beard of directors of the Northern Parific Terminal company and as such affirm their positions through this meetings of the last five weeks have message. O'Brien prepared the communication after telegraphic communication with the individual members of the board of directors.

Therefore the terminal company's refusal to rescind the ouster order is taken as the opinion of Gray and Sproule.

NO PROTEST FROM N. P. Members of the terminal company

board of directors are Gray, O'Brien and (Concluded on Page Twelve, Column Two)

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administration, American we who are well fed should sacrifice for American Friend's Service those who are dying of hunger in Evening Gowns and Chaplets Section 7, Page 8

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Declines to Follow Service Com- Almost Baseless Pessimism of Would-Be Economist One Cause of Depression, Says Lawrence.

Insists Two Roads Must Vacate by Psychological Period to End After Resume, Government Heads Say ing men.

> By David Lawrence Copyright, 1920, by The Journal)

conditions throughout the United States are none too good, but the frank expectation of official Washgin to be, noted about the first of

Not since the depression of Decemceived Saturday afternoon by the public ber, 1914, when the outbreak of the service commission in answer to its let- European war played havoc with American commerce, has attention been so closely fastened upon the national busi-And while officials in the treasury

and the various government bureaus, where contact with business is close, expressed the opinion that there has been some justification for pessimism, the universal judgment seems to be that conditions have been made worse by pessimistic talk as well as by the hastily expressed opinions of would-be econoplaces where commercial men gather. In other words, the governmentmeaning most of the officials of influence in it-have told the writer that the present depression is in large part

psychological. It is stimulated by psyhological factors and is being maintained by psychological influences. And, incidentally, such predictions as Senator Penrose has made from his isolation at Atlantic City concerning the "hard times" ahead do not sit well on either Republicans or Democrats, who believe it is the duty of the members of congress to cease calamity-howling and give attention to the tariff and other conomic measures which may afford quick relief in this period of readjustment.

However, the questions involved are government in its branches is taking toward the business situation is nonpolitical; just as many demands have come from the Democratic South as from the Republican West for relief ductor, (Concluded on Page Fourteen, Column Three)

QUESTION GORDON'S

Ouo Warranto Proceedings State Gordon Was Candidate for Two Offices at Once.

Salem, Or., Dec. 18 .- Quo warthe Marion county circuit court here this afternoon by Leslie W. Murray Guns Bristle in New York Section 1, Page 12. of Portland, through his attorney, balcony. Paul C. Dormitzer, also of Portland, of Herbert Gordon as a member of care of Sherman Clay & Co. the Multnomah county delegation in the house of representatives at the Baker, Stapleton, forthcoming session of the state leg-

The proceedings are based on the contention that Gordon was a candition and therefore disqualified to hold either office.

A similar protest filed by Dormitzer with Governor Olcott, in an effort to prevent the issuance of Gordon's certificate of election, failed of results, governor declaring that the contest must be carried to the legislature. so far as he was concerned, each house Legislators to Hear Pleas-Section 1, Page 13, of which is the sole judge of the qualifications of its respective members. Murray, in whose name the proceed

ings were filed today, was a candidate for the legislature from Multnomah county in the recent election and stood thirteenth in the list in the point of votes, with 12 to be elected. Should Gordon be declared disqualified for the seat, Murray will claim the office as over which the keenest contest was next in line for the position.

"This is the first intimation I have had that legal proceedings would be taken to try to prevent my taking my seat in the legislature," said Herbert of the filing of quo warranto proceedings. Major Pitmann and "I have my certificate of election, issued by the governor, and I knew that before it was issued an attempt was made to persuade him not to issue it. He took the stand that the legislature

itself must be the judge as to my right to a seat in that body. "I was a candidate for mayor of Portland at the same time I was a candidate for election to the legislature, but I had the opinion of Attorney General George W. Brown, now on the supreme bench, that this was legal in all respects, and this opinion has been confirmed since by the present Attorney General Van Winkle. I do not anticipate

Governor Asks Firm Stand on Japanese

any adverse decision.

Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 18 .- (I. N. S.) in an open letter addressed to Pacific to stand as a unit against further en-

Feared Lost Airmen in **Death Fight** Army Men Are Believed to Be Battling Elements in Adiron-FARM MARKE

pletes Emergency Tariff to

By Herbert W. Walker

United Press Staff Correspondent

products were taken in the house to-

day through the combined efforts of

the Western and Southern repre-

sentatives in downing opposition

from the Eastern manufacturing

By a vote of 212 to 61 the house, after

three hours' debate, passed in amended

form the resolution of Senator Gronna,

in the exportation of farm products. The

measure must go back to the senate

board should provide liberal extension

At the same time, the house ways and

means committee completed an erner

gency tariff bill on farm products in the

record time of six hours. The rates

were placed so high they are expected

to act as an embargo against the im

The senate is expected to send the

resolution reviving the war finance cor-

cate that it can be passed over a veto.

the house next week. Many of the prod-

a pound; cattle, 30 per cent ad valorem

wheat flour, 20 per cent ad valorem

(Concluded on Page Ten, Column Two)

Who Had Fallen

commended Hicks for his presence of

knocked down by a machine driven by

Christmas Throngs

Come Too Fast for

packages and did the other business of

though the old building was jammed

The Dalles Has Its

C. J. Peterson, 672 East Twenty-sixth

mind in managing his machine.

Auto Misses Child

traffic department.

struck the girl.

the day.

throughout the day.

portation of the same products.

TARIFF PLAN DRAWN

North Dakota, providing for the revival

Washington, Dec. 18 .- Two defi-

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 18 .- (U. P.)-Somewhere in the fastness of the Adirondacks or Quebec, three members of the navy aviation squad are War Board to Aid in Exportabelieved to be fighting the elements for their lives tonight.

On Westerlo islands, just south of this city, are two wrecked army airplanes which left New York today for the purpose of scrutinizing the mounthe Holidays and Bustling to tains and valleys of the Adirondacks region in an effort to locate the miss-

dacks and Quebec.

PORTLAND, OREGON, SUNDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 19, 1920 - SEVENTY

Leaving the Rockaway field last Monday in a spherical balloon, the aviators-Lieutenant Walter Hinton, who piloted the NC-4 in her flight across the Atlantic, and Lieutenants Steaphen A. Farrell and L. A. Kloor-have not been and check the price decline of farm seen nor heard from since between 8

At that hour they were passing over the village of Wells, in the foothills of the Adirondacks, and about 200 feet above the ground. One of the aviators inquired the name of the village and the distance and direction to Albany. Officials of the conservation commis sion tonight expressed the conviction

that the baloon, being completely at the mercy of the winds, has been blown up into the sparsely settled regions of Quebec, where it has come down and the aviators, fighting their way through snow said to be more than two feet deep, are attempting to reach some settlement or habitation. The airplanes, de Havilands, were of congress that the federal reserve

badly smashed when they landed in mud on the aviation field here today, Both had their propellers broken and of credit to farming sections. one had its wings and radiators broken. The "ships," in charge of Lieutenants L. V. Lucas and F. B. Johnston, were being repaired tonight and it was believed they could be made ready to resume their search by Monday.

Symphony Orchestra Will Give Popular Concerts on Sundays certain that he will veto it.

Portland's first opportunity to hear BILL TO BE PUSHED high grade music by the Portland sym-A. C. Spencer, representing the Union not political, and the attitude which the phony orchestra at popular prices will not political, and the attitude which the phony orchestra at popular prices will not political, and the attitude which the phony orchestra at popular prices will not political, and the attitude which the phony orchestra at popular prices will not political, and the attitude which the phony orchestra at popular prices will not political, and the attitude which the phony orchestra at popular prices will not political, and the attitude which the phony orchestra at popular prices will not political, and the attitude which the phony orchestra at popular prices will not political, and the attitude which the phony orchestra at popular prices will not political, and the attitude which the phony orchestra at popular prices will not political the phony orchestra at popular prices will n held on Sunday afternoon in The Audiunder the direction of Carl Denton, con-

> The first of this series will be held next Sunday afternoon, December 26. In addition to the orchestra a group prominent Portland singers, appearing in vestments, will sing Christmas over one year, \$2; mutton and lamb, 21/2c The remaining concerts of the series

will be given at the rate of one a month during January, February and April. The sale of season tickets offered for \$2.50 each, is brisk. A season ticket entitles the holder to the choice seats in The Auditorium at all of the concerts. The Portland symphony orchestra has long been successful in its symphony work. However, the prices necessary to defray the expenses of the symphonies are out of the reach of many people who enjoy good music. Because of this fact, and with a desire of the directors high grade music to Portland residents at low cost, the popular concerts were ranto proceedings were instituted in arranged. The prices of admission for seats to 15 cents for seats in the upper

Season tickets can be procured at any in an effort to prevent the seating letter to the office of the orchestra in

Grant, Hofmann To Attend Shrine

Al Kader temple, Order of the Mystic Al Kader temple. Order of the Mystic Shrine, elected F. S. Grant potentate at bruised about the head when she was the annual election of the temple Saturday night. The other officers elected were: A. L. Tetu, chief Rabban; H. T. street north, at Seventeenth and Clatsop Hutchison, assistant Rabban; Ivan Hu- streets. She was taken to the Sellwood mason, high priest; George L. Baker, oriental guard; A. M. Brown, treasurer; Hugh J. Boyd, recorder; Phil Metschan, first ceremonial master; J. L. Hammersley, second ceremonial master; Dean Vincent, director; Herman von Borstel, marshal; Harvey Wells, captain of the guard: Walter J. Holman, orator; the Rev. Oswald Taylor, chaplain; P. P. Kilbourne, outer guard. The delegates to the imperial shrine

waged, resulted in the casting of 1228 ballots and resulted in the choice of George L. Baker, Frank S. Grant, G. W.

Family Reported on River Steamer Lost parcels. Postmaster Jones stationed a

(By Universal Service) Cincinnati, Dec. 18.-The government steamboat Marguerite sunk tonight near Augusta, Ky., on the Ohlo river. Of the crew of 21, 13 were drowned, according to a report reaching here. Eight bodies had been recovered up to 10:30 tonight Major Pitmans, U. S. A., in charge of government dam construction, his wife and two children were reported lost.

Women Kidnapers Suspected in Case heavy snow storm of the year descended

on The Dalles Friday night, and con-Paris, Dec. 18.-A band of women kidnapers is believed by the Paris police to snow. The weather is warm and it is Journal, for greater care on the streets, Motor Association - The Journal, nacoast congressmen today. Governor be responsible for the disappearance of rapidly melting. Heavy snows in the warm in the coupled with the efforts of the police devantable partment and the national safety council and traffic buttons as a unit against further enders of Raymond Duncan, brother of Isadora reported. A foot is said to have fallen has unquestionably produced results in the coupled with the efforts of the police design that the efforts of the police design to the council and traffic buttons as a unit against further enders the traffic buttons as Duncan, widely known American dancer, at Maunip

Lumber Ship In Distress

Steam Schooner Svea Loses Deck Load; Heavy Sea Running; Coast Guard to Search.

Marshfield, Dec. 17.-The steam schooner Svea, bound from Coos Gronna's Resolution to Revive Bay to San Francisco, with a crew of 17 men aboard, is believed to be in distress off this port tonight tion Is Passed by 212 to 61. Darkness and a heavy sea prevent the coast guard rendering any aid until daybreak. At Same Time Committee Com-

The ship put out to sea late this afternoon after having loaded a full cargo of lumber at the North Bend Mill & Lumber Co. mill. She was caught in a Protect Most Staple Products. heavy sea and tossed out of the channel, first onto the south spit and then the north spit, losing her deckload. She worked herself off in each instance and when darkness settled down she seemed to be moving with difficulty, leading to the belief that she may have lost her nite steps to stimulate the market rudder.

When last sighted the craft was a mile out to sea, where she may have sought to anchor until daybreak, in which event she is in no serious danger unless the sea is sufficiently heavy to wash Christensen were kiled by an exher ashore. The sea is not running high tonight. The Svea is not equipped with wire-

less and communication with her tonight was impossible. No lights from the craft were visible. A wireless message from the coast guard station brought response from the staum schooner Avalon, bound from San Francisco to Grays Harbor, to of the war finance corporation to aid the effect that she would reach the vicinity of the Svea late in the night. The Svea was built in 1906 at Fairhaven, Cal., and her home port is San Francisco. Her dimensions are 618 tons gross; 370 tons net; length; 174 feet; beam, 38.2 feet; depth, 13.3 feet.

Eastern Washington Farmers Disposing of Portions of Crop; Pools Are Started.

Representative Fordney, chairman of Walla Walla, Wash., Dec. 18 .the ways and means committee, expects The pooling and sale of 25,000 bushels of wheat at \$1.48 at Waitsburg to push the emergency tariff bill through ore than a week ago and the at It established the following tariffs for tempt of a number of wheat growers to repeat this week, but with a Wheat, 30c a bushel; wool in the quantity of 50,000 bushels and a grease, 15c a pound; wool, skirted, 20c demand for a price of \$1.50, are the a pound; sheep, under one year, \$1 each; latest developments in the wheat market situation in Southeastern Siegel Bill Would Not Benefit Washington. Added to this is the corn, 15c a bushel; potatoes, 25c a individual sale to a Portland con cern of 25,000 bushels at \$1.48 per

bushel by Fred Aldrich of Waits-Owing to the drop in the price of wheat during this week, the 50,000-bushel pool INGTON BUREAU OF THE JOUR-In Front of Wheels burg tonight were that the wheat is still Arthur declared today that while of the symphony to cooperate with the city of Portland in its effort to furnish and street, escaped serious injury Fri- among those interested in the pool that apportionment legislation, the action Four-year-old Eva Spady, 891 Cleve- \$1.45 Saturday brought indications night went on record in favor of reday when she stumbled as she was were favorable to selling. These, how- means nothing more than that at running across the street near Union ever, refused to sell at \$1.43 and while present. An increase in the memthe symphony popular concerts will avenue and Failing street, falling di- the price remained at that figure were bership of the house was not disrectly in front of the wheels of a ma- planning on breaking up the pool. It is cussed.

> man street. The driver swerved his price nears \$1.50. machine passed completely over the body of the market, were of the opinion that members, so no state will lose any memof the child. She was not even bruised, it could not be construed as an indica- bers. I am opposed to this and will according to the report made to the tion that the great bulk of the grain of vote against all proposals to increase the Walla Walla is soon to be sold. They house membership. It is already too Because Hicks was driving only 10 thought rather that it was simply the large for efficient work and such an niles an hour he was able to avoid efforts of the farmers to get some money running over the child. Traffic Expert to meet Christmas and the first of the \$1,000,000 annually. A large sum would Freiberg, who investigated the accident, year obligations.

the pooling at Waitsburg may have been Miss Katherine Holden, 9 years old, started by the interest created in the the Siegel bill, but this would be of no recent action of the Alberta wheat grow- advantage to the state, as there would ers to start a pool for marketing pur-poses and stop what the Canadian the country. There is a strong opposiposes and stop what the Canadian farmers termed the juggling of the Win- tion to an increase, among those against nipeg market to enable the speculators it being Speaker Gillett and former

Off Coos Bay FOR EXP

PRICE FIVE CENTS

Coroner's Jury Fixes Blame for Quadruple Dredge Tragedy on J. Fred Welch, Only Survivor.

"Why Did I Do It," He is Said to Have Exclaimed; Girl Who Spurned Him Among Victims.

South Bend, Wash., Dec. 18 .-'Oh, why did I do it?" was the exclamation which three witnesses swore J. Fred Welch made the night of the explosion when his employer, Frank Behnke, daughter, Blanche Behnke, Adolph Jarvi and Eigel plosion of dynamite on board the drege Beaver Thursday night.

Welch was the only survivor and some witnesses said that he was not even wet above his shoe tops, though Welch claimed that he was blown off into North river and had to struggle to save his life. Four witnesses who swore that Christensen, the man who survived the explosion a few hours, pointed out Welch and declared that he was the man who had caused his death, and two witnesses said that when they found Welch he said, "One son of a-tried to get away, but I killed him with a club. On this testimony and more like it, the coroner's jury of prominent citizens of South Bend brought in a verdict directly charging Welch with being the cause of the explosion which killed the four mentioned.

The jurors were: A., McGee, George Devers, Berry Everett, J. W. Masterson, J. Clark and S. M. Palmer.

Welch's motive for the quadruple tragedy is said to have been based on revenge actuated because his attentions to Blanche Behnke, one of the victims and daughter of the owner of the dredge, had not been countenanced by either the young girl or her father.

The explosion took place at the mouth (Concluded on Page Eleven, Column Two)

Oregon Says Representative McArthur.

Washington, Dec. 18 .- (WASHwas not sold, but reports from Walts- NAL.)-Representative C. N. Mcbeing held and that the rise in price to house Republicans in caucus last

chine driven by L. S. Hicks, 915 Thur- thought that the grain will be sold if the "No particular bills were presented." he said, "but it is understood Represenmachine to the left and guided it so Grain men here, when questioned on tative Siegel, chairman of the census that both wheels missed her and the the meaning of the sudden loosening up committee, will propose adding about 50 increase would cost taxpayers over also be required for a new office build-It is thought, however, by some that ing, or to enlarge the present building.

"Oregon would gain one member by

hospital, but later sent home. Miss Holden was crossing the street in the Auto Fatalities Drop in Year niddle of the block at an angle, with her head down and had failed to see Peterson's machine. Peterson swerved to the right, but his left rear fender Safety Campaign Obtains Ends

There is general gratification in traffic campaign are to be congratulated, Portland over the report of the traf- and they should be stimulated by the re-Postoffice Forces fic bureau Friday showing a reduc-All twelve postal windows at the old tion of 33 per cent in the number of postoffice proved inadequate today to fatalities in automobile accidents in Chamber of Commerce-I regard the serve the throngs of Christmas mailers, the fiscal year 1920, in comparison educational campaign carried on the past who jammed the lobby throughout the the fiscal year 1920, in comparison day. To supplement the handling of with the fiscal year ending Decem-

parcels. Postmaster Jones stationed a ber 1, 1919. The decrease in killings was accom- Portland. It has been constructive, has are usually dropped, and through this narrow opening she sold stamps, weighed plished by an accident prevention cam- been intelligent, and the results appear paign in spite of an increase of 35 per cent in the number of machines in the commend Captain Lewis of the traffic city. Had the death rate increased pro-The lobby of the new postoffice was portionately with the increase in motor of Portland. The greater safety on our only comfortably populated by mailers, cars, 56 people would have met death on streets is a splendid adwirtising asset. Portland streets. Instead the death list WORK IS COMMENDED included 28 names. Forty-two people were killed within the city in the fiscal

Expressions yesterday were highly First Heavy Snow commendatory of The Journal, the traf-

The Dalles, Or., Dec. 18 .- The first RESULTS ARE OBTAINED

Franklin T. Griffith, president of the work will go on. There are several inches of slushy pany—The constant agitation, led by The accident prevention. The leaders the (Concluded on Page Fourteen, Column Four)

duction in fatalities to further efforts in conserving human life.

H. B. Van Duzer, president of the year by The Journal in the effort to reduce the number of fatalities in automoblle accidents as a very great service to in the reduced number of deaths. department and congratulate the people

Robert E. Smith, president of the Title & Trust Company-The greatly reduced number of deaths, in spite of a 35 per cent increase in automobiles, resultant from The Journal's publicity and the national safety council. Some of campaign and the work of the traffic them follow: shown how lives can be saved. I commend it all and hope that the good

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