

### POLICE FIND NO TRACE OF MRS. PHILLIPS

Los Angeles, Dec. 6.—(U. N. S.)—Hunted by every officer of the law in Southern California and federal authorities along the Mexican border, Clara Phillips, convicted "hammer murderer" of Alberta Meadows, who escaped from the county jail yesterday by sawing through the bars of her cell, was still the elusive woman today at the end of 24 hours search after her get-away.

Police are working without a single tangible clue. Sheriff I. W. Tracy and his deputies went at their task of finding Mrs. Phillips with renewed vigor today, confident that she would be found before highfall.

Under Sheriff Eugene Blaculan, acting on a tip that Mrs. Phillips may be heard a fast motorboat pending for Eureka, Calif., Phillips was left in charge of the border patrol at Tijuana.

The possibility that Mrs. Phillips' flight from Los Angeles to some point across the border might have been made by airplane was not being overlooked by the authorities.

Armour L. Phillips, for whose love Mrs. Phillips was believed to have been found, failed to throw any light on the sudden disappearance of his wife. After Phillips' explanation of his whereabouts on Monday night and Tuesday he was released, only later to be detained and held incommunicado.

According to Phillips' story he returned to a downtown hotel about 11:30 Monday night and slept soundly until around noon yesterday. After leaving his room, Phillips said he had nothing to remember of his wife's escape, and that was the first he knew of it.

The belief that an abandoned automobile at Long Beach might lead to a clue was exploded when the owner was identified as a bootlegger.

Senator Riley returned here from Salem this morning to preside over the long-delayed meeting of the Eastern Oregon senate delegation which will determine the stand of the "Sagebrush Seven" upon the senate bill to amend the Strayer and Dennis arrived this noon and Senators Ellis and Robertson are expected this evening. Senator Jay Upton, who is the present choice of the Eastern Oregonites for the presidency, has said that he would not attend, leaving his colleagues free to discuss the situation, unhampered by his presence.

### Prohi Chief Heckled by Gallivan

Washington, Dec. 6.—(U. N. S.)—Prohibition Commissioner Roy Haynes was subjected to heckling by members of the house appropriation committee when he appeared before them to ask for an appropriation of \$3,000,000 to carry on enforcement work for the next fiscal year. It was disclosed today when the report of his appearance became public.

Representative Gallivan, Democrat of Massachusetts, a "wet," questioned Haynes closely about the workings of his bureau, paying particular attention to "missionary" work done in advancing prohibition, sentiment.

Haynes told the committee of trips he made about the country for lectures. He said he was usually accompanied by Sherman A. Cuneo, publicity representative, who receives \$2350 a year as a general agent.

Representative Gallivan asked Haynes if he had knowledge that Cuneo had telegraphed at government expense from Miami, Fla., while President Harding was there, directing: "Please send me white pants. I want to make a front in front of the press."

Haynes said he knew Cuneo was in Florida at the time, but he did not know about the telegram.

John Woodley Hill, a former minister, and Miss Georgia Hopley, are carried on the rolls, Haynes testified, not as agents but to give information in public places. He said this was a part of his propaganda work.

Gallivan questioned the prohibition commissioner closely about a statement attributed to him to the effect that \$2,000,000 had gone to buy the water wagon last year. Haynes declined to acknowledge the figures as his own, but stated the number that had been reported to prohibition is large.

Questioned about the working of his detective forces, Haynes said it had been frequently necessary to purchase evidence upon which convictions could be secured and that about \$150,000 had been spent in this phase of the work last year.

### POLICE CHIEF FINGS GRAFT AMONG FORCE

Ten Per Cent of Men Take Hush Money from Malefactors and Others of Criminal Repute, Says Jenkins; Starts Cleanup.

That 10 per cent of Portland's policemen are grafting upon malefactors and are profiting thereby to such an extent that they are able to live in luxury despite the modest salary of patrolmen, was the declaration today of Chief of Police Jenkins, who began his announced campaign of thorough investigation into the personal affairs of his men.

It has been known for months that grafting was being done by the police, but it has been known for months that the chief's declaration today that this number may run as high as 10 per cent, however, the extent of this malfeasance had not been suspected.

The chief's announcement Monday that he proposed to go into this graft question on a systematic basis, detailing two veterans of the service to check up on low salaried men whose living scale is beyond the hopes of those confined strictly to a policeman's salary, has created a furor in the ranks.

The announcement was greeted with indignation. Those policemen who have been guilty of financial misconduct are enraged because of the prospect of losing their jobs and their pay; the honest men, because of the suspicion cast upon them along with the guilty ones.

The expected upheaval has many ramifications and may prove difficult to handle. It is the chief's intention, chiefly because it would bring to light the thing all want to conceal—that there is graft in the department, because of the concern of the public.

How a patrolman, drawing \$155 a month, can own a high priced automobile, live extravagantly and own a fine home is a question which no man can figure out unless he gets money from other sources and in large quantities.

The higher the chief knows how they get it, the more he knows they know it comes from bootleggers.

### Coal Short; Many Are In Distress

Washington, Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—The first cold wave of the winter, extending over the midwest and sweeping eastward to the sea, is bringing acute distress to many households due to the hard coal famine, according to reports today to the federal fuel distributor.

Suffering is confined largely to the Atlantic seaboard and a few interior points. Cold waves and snow was forecast for tonight and tomorrow for the seaboard, with a corresponding increase in suffering. Slightly warmer weather tomorrow will ease the distress in the interior, the bureau stated.

Lack of coal cars is held responsible for the shortage of hard coal. Soft coal is being transported in sufficient quantities to more than meet current demands, the distributor's office stated.

Philadelphia, Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—The weather is slowly turning colder and another cold wave is expected. Poor consumers are buying by the bucket.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—Severely cold weather prevailed here today. There is no supply of fuel ahead.

New York, Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—The temperature dropped eight degrees between midnight and 1 a. m. and was still falling. It was 21 at 10 o'clock. Efforts are being made to rush coal supplies to the city.

BLIZZARD GRIPS CHICAGO; LAKE TRAFFIC TIED UP. Chicago, Dec. 6.—(U. N. S.)—The cold front which has been moving across the lake for nearly a week, shifted to Chicago and the Great Lakes region today. The mercury fell steadily early this morning and by 10 o'clock a blizzard was lashing Lake Superior and had tied up vessel traffic, according to reports here today.

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### 60 U. S. ARMY MEN KILLED IN CRASH

Fokker Plane and Bombing "Ship" Collide Over Langley, Virginia; Major, Captain, Sergeant and 3 Privates Dead.

Langley Field, Va., Dec. 6.—(U. N. S.)—Six army aviators were killed here today when a Martin bombing plane, carrying four enlisted men, and a Fokker plane, which had just taken off from the ground, collided about 200 feet in the air.

The Martin plane was on a practice flight with Captain Doyle and the four enlisted men aboard. It was traveling at high speed when Major Gerhardt crashed from the ground, his Fokker directly in the path of the oncoming bomber.

Private Leon Rolas of Philadelphia, Private Felix Stumka of Chicago, Private Tom Jordan of Deep Sleep, Ga., and the other three were killed when the collision occurred.

The total amount of money provided for financing the work by the commission at its session Tuesday afternoon. At the same meeting the Greasley street extension project was approved and deleted from the budget for the coming year.

Both of these projects have been having fire for two or three years and the action of the commission in approving the Mount Hood loop project was just as drastic as the cutting out of the Greasley street extension project.

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### MORE PAY DENIED CITY HALL STAFF

Mayor Baker's Plea in Behalf of Employees in Auditor's Office; Loop Road Approved.

In spite of an earnest personal appeal from Mayor Baker on behalf of a salary increase for employees in the city auditor's office, the tax conservation and supervision commission today refused to allow an item in a supplementary budget to stand and denied the auditor's assistants' additional money.

Mayor Baker said the employees of the auditor's office were the most deserving in the city service. He said they were breaking under the strain while employed in a work that was the very backbone of the city administration. His plea lasted 15 minutes.

Commissioner R. L. Sabin, in reply to the mayor, said these employees must have patience while this general fund is being worked out. He never been confronted before in this way. He should stay by the post as they did in the war, he said, as the same burdens are borne by taxpayers, who support the city.

Sabin said he believes this lack of advancement is merely temporary.

The total increase asked under this supplementary budget was \$140,000. The commission refused a salary increase from \$2700 to \$3000 for the chief draftsman in the engineering department. The total amount of money provided for financing the work by the commission at its session Tuesday afternoon.

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### OREGON BEHIND IN RAIL COMPETITION

Washington, Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—Oregon stands in greater need of new railroad competition than any other state in the Union. E. Biddle, former president of the St. Louis-San Francisco railroad, said today at Pacific coast caucusing interests before the senate committee on railroads. Biddle asked for the separation of the Southern Pacific-Central Pacific systems.

"Competition of railroads is the vital factor in the development of every community," Biddle said. "The great development in southern California started with the completion of the Santa Fe. The same thing is true of Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas, where there was competition between the Santa Fe and the Rock Island systems."

The area between Eugene, Ore., and Sacramento, Cal., is underdeveloped and railroads which have been built for construction cannot be looked for in the near future, Biddle said. Consequently he believed that development of the area should be based on competition between existing railroad facilities.

Proposed Packers Merger Violation, Says La Follette

Washington, Dec. 6.—(U. N. S.)—Branding the proposed merger of two of the "Big Five" Chicago packers as a violation of the anti-trust law, Senator La Follette, Republican of Wisconsin, today charged in the senate that officials of the Armour and Morris trusts were "frankly bargaining with the government for permission to do an unlawful act."

### PEACE UP TO U. S., 'TIGER' DECLARES

Washington, Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—Peace can be ensured in Europe if America stands by the United States army, declared in a speech before the leading officers of the United States army at the war college here today.

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### WAGONS AT BARRACKS SUICIDE

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 6.—Mike Szablinski, 26, a private in company H, seventh infantry, committed suicide at the barracks here today evening by shooting himself through the heart with a .45 calibre army revolver. Szablinski was in the big squad room with Corporal Feine, he pointed the revolver at his head and pulled the trigger for a last time.

A short time previous he paid homage to America's unknown soldier by placing a wreath on the tomb in front of the great white marble structure at Arlington.

Stating that he was hearing the end of his mission, the Tiger in a fervent manner said: "I shall go back to France with a heart full of hope that America will always be the great ally of France. Peace can be ensured in Europe if these two nations work together."

The war premier paid a high tribute to the United States army in winning the war and the leadership during the conflict of Woodrow Wilson.

A new liberated Europe was made by you, and I must confess it was done mainly by the great courage and strong will of the United States army.

### WINTER WEATHER OF WARET IN CITY

Storm Wraps Battle Coast. The winter weather which has been blowing from the Canadian border to the California line is wrapped in a severe snowstorm and cold wave.

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### Washington Bus Law Held Broad By State Court

Olympia, Wash., Dec. 6.—Affirming the decision of the Coville county superior court convicting H. B. Price, mail carrier between Castle Rock and Tonle, of violation of the state motor vehicle law for operating a bus without a certificate of public convenience from the department of public works and without carrying insurance, the supreme court today held that the law applies to all carriers operating between fixed terminal or on a regular route.

Price contended, although on occasions he did accept passengers and freight for transportation, this did not mean that he came within the operation of the motor vehicle law, as the law applies only to common carriers operating between fixed terminal and he did not maintain regular passenger service between any given points.

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### Storm Conditions Render Travel on Highway Dangerous

Storm conditions in the Columbia river gorge during the last 48 hours have rendered travel on the highway dangerous, according to advice received by the county commissioner's office today from incoming inspectors.

Heavy east winds have piled up drifts raising as deep as five feet along the highway. Although the snowing has stopped, the danger is still present, as the wind has whirled into ravines and road depressions by the wind.

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### Editor Accused of Contempt of Court Denied New Trial

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 6.—(U. P.)—The supreme court today overruled a ruling for a new trial of the trial of the editor of the Indianapolis Times, Kliggallen was fined \$200 and costs and sentenced to serve two 10-day jail sentences. The higher court sustaining the criminal court, held the managing editor and not the editor-in-chief, is responsible for what ever is published in a newspaper.

### Oregon Postmasters Named by President

Washington, Dec. 6.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—The president today nominated the following Oregon postmasters: Irwin D. Pike at Grass Valley, Edw. A. Chiswick at Monroe, Otto W. Schneider at Powers Russell H. Silvers at Prater City.