

the leader of his part and the spokesman of the progressive elements in mocracy which he feels have dominated for the last eight years.

WILSON VIEWS LEAD Certainly the Wilson forces-namely, combination of Palmer and McAdoo nen-were sufficiently strong to con-

trol the last Democratic election when years, having been employed in railroad the platform was under discussion. And the Démocratic nominee. James M. Cox, promptly went to see Mr. Wilson and won his indorsement. So that the Wilon view may still be said to be predominant in the Democratic party.

Now, here comes the most important question of all-prohibition. The former president knows what a part it plays in American politics, and prob ably agrees with President Harding's recent statement in his address to congress that the matter has by no means been cast out of politics, but is playing a vital part in local elections. Mr. Wilson, it will be recalled, vetoed the hill which would have extended wartime prohibition after the armistice. but the drys were able to pass It in congress over his veto. He was bitterly assailed for this by the dry organizations.

SENT BEER PLANK

His record on the prohibition quesion has not been what the drys would like. He started out in New Jersey by insisting that it was a moral and not a political question, and declared for local option. He agreed to wartime prohibition-or, rather, the making of 2.75 per cent beer-chiefly besause of the need for conserving the ingredients which were used in the manufacture of beer.

And when the San Francisco convention of the Democratic party was that Mr. Wilson sent a beer r'ank to that city, despite Bryan's kin wh attiude on prohibition and despite the COMMITTED TO DRYS

Since those days Mr. Wilson has been silent because of his illness, and such letters as he has written to friends have touched generally on international affairs. But it will be recalled that Mr. Wilson was one of the first to send a message of congratulations to Governor Edwards of New Jersey on his election as United States senator on a wet matform. of the sympathy felt by Portland and the Northwest for Astoria is without the shadow of a challenge. Further-more, the experience of Bobbie Burns is reversed, and Astoria is being given bread while she is living instead of a Mr. Wilson also congratulated Governor Al Smith of New York. Although there is nothing tangible to the belief that Mr. Wilson would comstone after she is dead. mend a plan of light beer and wines in the Democratic plank, it is more than likely he will lean to that side wants. She is not weeping over her own plight and she does not want to be than toward the dry side of the conwept over by the rest of the country. But she does reach out her hand for

roversy. Mr. Harding has committed himself and party to the maintenance of the Volstead law, Mr. Wilson never fais repeal or modification. WITHOUT DEFINITION

Progressiveism and liberalism are alism are without republican ria need? Is there actual suffering mon Tool. now? And what will the situation be mere political phrases today, without concrete definition. The Republican miluded on Page Turn. Colu

time of the quake.

Attempt Made to

FEW TERRIFIC FACTS.

rounded on the east by the rallroad station and a soft drink shop or two; on the south by the city hall. St. Marys

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grasped mentally.

Morrison declared there is no justification for reduction of wages, because government figures show that employes should receive \$1.70 for every \$1 re-

ceived in 1914. Morrison has been secretary of the American Federation of Labor for 26 work prior to that time. With Spencer he expects to remain

the city all week making preparations for the 1923 convention, which will bring upward to 800 delegates of labor to the city. Preceding the federation meeting there will be conventions of the building, metal and labor depart-

nents of the organization. \$25,807,101 Voted Two Departments

Washington, Der. 11.-(U. P.)-The were huddled in the forests and rice ouse appropriations committee today paddles. ported the commerce and labor de- Volcances which had been inactive eported the commerce and labor department appropriation bill, carrying for years burst into eruption at the total of \$35,807,101. The report allows the commerce department \$19.-163,545 and the labor department

\$6,643,556. Young Burglar Shot Tackling First Job

Chicago, Dec. 11.-(I. N. S.)-A 17-year-old burglar, believed to have been

on his first job, was shot and probably mortally wounded while breaking into a northwest side home. early today. ention of the Democratic party was The boy, Joe Comone, fell with a flash-a session there is a well-defined story light i one hand and a jimmy in the to be the son of United States Senator Harry S. New of Indiana. other.

That is what the fighting seaport

support in her hour of dire weakness

-reactives out ner hand as from one strong man to another. But, as said, the readiness of Asto-ris's neighbors to give succor during the oncoming weeks is unquestioned.

is to resolve the confus

JAPANESE CITIES NEW YORK HEARS Special Cable to The Journal and the Chlospo Daily News) (Copyright, 1922).

JOURNAL'S RADIO Shanghai, Dec. 11 .- Private, cables from Japan give more details than the news agency reports of an unprece dentedly severe earthquake on the

Signals from station KGG, official main island, on which Tokio, Yokohama roadcaster of The Journal news buland Osaka are located. The reports letins, are regularly heard by the Exsay that simultaneous quakes occurred perimenters Information service, at 220 on Hakodate, the northern island, and West 42d street, New York city, acthe southern island of Kiushiu, cording to a letter received Saturday doing terrific damage. Four reports came from the Mitsul company, which by Hallock & Watson, owners of the holds the contract for supplying coal station.

The letter says : to the largest Pacific liners at Naga-

saki, telling of the damage to that city. "We receive your station quite regularly at our receiving laboratory, with According to the reports thousands excellent audibility and quality. "For our records will you send de

tailed information about your set?" The letter is signed by C. R. Leutz, director of the laboratory.

New York city is some 3000 miles from Portland.

Station KGG has been selected by the Seattle Post-Intelligencer as the Northwestern station to conduct the New Free Harry S. New Tear's eve broadcast provided for in the National Radio Week program.

The P.-I. wrote to Hallock & Watson. Los Angeles. Dec. 11.—(U. P.)— Commutation of sentence for Harry S. New, convicted three years ago and now serving a long sentence in San Quentin, Cal., penitentiary for the al-ting in the new year at midnight. leged murder of Freda Lesser, his Arrangements are now being made

sweetheart, was asked today by Mrs. for this event to secure Bezanson's Lille M. Burger, his mother, and Miss Melody Phiends, the orchestra that Edna Clancy, his sister. New claims made the big hit in the Sunday broadcast through The Journal studio

station of KGG. The novel feature of the New Year's tude on prohibiliton and despite the feeling of so many Democrats that the issue had better be ignored in the platform altogether. The plank was never offered on Mr. Wilson's behalf. Astoria Needs Aid, Not Tears at 6 and 8 p. m. on week days, and at 10 o'clock Sunday nights, is one of the most popular radio features on the Pacific coast.

Private Secretary By Phil Parrish Journal Staff Correspondent. Astoria. Dec. 11.—The authenticity in another week, when the first burst of spontaneous giving has subsided? These are vital questions.

Before they can be answered, there are a few terrific facts that must be Ward Irvine of Portland has ac

epted the appointment tendered by lovernor-elect. Pierce to become his Between 30 and 34 blocks were abs private secretary. For several years lutely destroyed by the fire Friday morning, To Astoria this was as sweep-Irvine has been a member of the edi-torial staff of The Journal, which place ing as a fire would be to Portland which burned everything between the river and 19th street and from Tambil e will relinquish the first of the yea when he assumes his new duties in Salem

to Glisan. In actual extent it reacher After completing his studies at Jef-ferson high school Irvine pursued upport in her hour of dire weakness about from the river to 12th street -reaches out her hand as from one and from Tamhill to Washington. studies at Oregon Agricultural college and Columbia university. He was a member of The Journal news staff for Outside insurance men and Astoria business men now place the loss at fully \$15,000,000. The entire retail district is gone. The burned area is sur-

a period prior to the war, in which he was chlisted and assigned to the havy intelligence service. Upon his discharge he returned to the editorial sinff of The Journal. He is a sen of B. F. Irvine, editor of The Journal.



Northern California territory as a result of a recent interstate commerce commission decision Just what the ratio will be is to be

determined upon reclassification of rates as ordered by the commission. The rate from San Francisco will be slightly raised and the rate from Portland will be proportionately lowered. For years San Francisco jobbers

have had a decisive advantage in servcase ing Klamath Falls and other Southern Oregon communities. By present routes San Francisco in point of distance is nearer Klamath Falls than is Portland, since shipments from the last named city must go via Weed, Cal Upon the completion of the projected Natron cutoff Portland will have the advantage of distance and it has been assumed the rate from Portland to Klamath Falls would be about the

same as from Portland to Medford. The action which resulted in the interstate commerce commission's decision was brought by the Portland. Traffic and Transportation association. W. C. McCulloch of counsel for the as

sociation said this morning that he had not been officially advised of the declsion, but that it will be of great importance in enabling Portland to do larger business with what is naturally her own tributary territory. For years discriminatory rates from the south have barred this city from its fair

share of Southern Oregon and North-

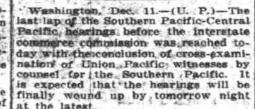
ern California business. Local Legion Post Contributes \$250

To Astoria Fund Portland Post No. 1. American Legion. has donated \$250 toward the relief fund of Astoria, the executive

For New Governor committee in joint session with the newly elected committeemen who will take office January I will take office J expenditure of such an amount Monday noon. At the same meeting held in the American Legion rooms, Fourth and Washington streets, it was voted

to give a percentage of the receipts taken in at the "A Night in Paris" celebration to be held in The Andi-torium December 20, under the auspices

Charles A. Mruhpey, commander of Clatsop Post of the American Legion of Astoria, has been instructed to give all members of the Astoria post who



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something like \$9,000 persons.

great change had taken place.

"Everywhere everything

When Suzuki alighted from his train

Sunday night he noticed a metropoli-tan hum that was not present here on

his former trip. This morning Suzuki had as yet had no opportunity to run

over the city to really see and realize

the changes that have taken place but

his experiences en route from the

changed," Suzuki declared, speaking

through Nishikawa as an interpreter.

'New York and Chicago are different

cities now, with the streets cramme

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**Discuss Widening** 

Of Madison Street

**Property Owners** 

**Escapes** Football

**Pioneer of Early** 

Injuries; Hurt in

at the latest. The Southern Pacific intends to The lace about 20 rebuttal witnesses on the stand today and tomorrow in refu-tation of statements of Union Pacific vitnesses, preparatory to resting its

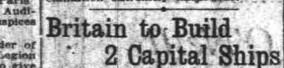
A: H. Wood, Southern Pacific counsel, again made efforts to expedite action on the case. He urged that arguments be started immediately upon conclusion of the hearings, and further suggested that briefs be filed by the two roads, with no answering briefa later. (H. A. Scandrett, Union Pacific counsel, took exception to the proposal, declaring that he desired as nuch time as possible fellowing sub-nission of the Southern Pacific brief to prepare his own arguments.

Commissioner Potter, presiding, adised counsel for the two carriers that he would take the matter of further procedure up with the other commis-stoners and make known their de-cision by tomorrow. He declared that he realized "the extreme importance he realized "the extreme importance of the case," and indicated that the other commissioners had kept close watch on all developments to date. The hearings just closing

the matter of length and detail.» Four ing advanced so that a "settack" line handling of and stood r may be established and and new struc- to that end. tomorrow, it is estimated.

## Will Open Safes in Ruins in Ten Days

Astoria, Dec. 11.-It will be a week or 10 days before the ruins of As-toria's business district will be suffi-ciently cooled to permit of salvaging By United News Beloit, Wis, Dec. 11.-John Mcefforts. Expert este and vault men who are here have advised strictly against any attempt to open the safes and vaults before at least a week. Until that period has elapsed, they contend, the heat will be sufficient to Authrie, Heist Toolaan star, went through the season unscathed. Becently, however, McAuliffe started chasing a butterfly for some work in biology, and had to be taken home. No, McAuliffe is kept from basket-ball practice by a sprained ankle and undergeneratives reputy to the place of endanger the contents and make re-clamation extremely hazardous. undergraduates reply to the plea of nome of the faculty members for abo-lition of football, with a demand for abolition of the biology course.



because of last Friday's conflagration, are coming to Portland to seek employment, special cards of introduction to Glenn Ticer, in charge of the em-ployment bureau of the Legion in Portland, so that extra efforts may be made to get the visitors established over the crisis. Redding, Cal., Dec. 11.-(I. N. S.)-John Craddock, SI, the second oldest pioneer of the country, was dead at his home hare today. He was the last sur-viving stage driver on the old Oregon-California line.

'Dublin, Dec. 11. -- (U. P.) -- Rebelt used the torch today in their campaign of terrorism and reprisal Homes of prominent Free State sup-porters, including that of Mrs. Jeannis W. Power, woman senator, were burned. In one instance, a mother and two children were injured. The dwella glance from his hotel window and ings of J. J. Walsh, postmaster gen-eral, Michael Dunghy, parliamentary secretary, and Sean McGarry, a dep-uty, were rendered inhabitable. depot to his hotel told him that a

> Stoppage of Loss Would Fully Pay Subsidy, Says Jones

Washington, Dec. 11.-(I. N. S.)-Both sides "dug in" today for the bat-tle over the ship subsidy bill, which is expected to develop into one of the biggest struggles ever waged in that body.

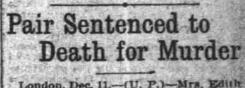
A group of property owners on Mail-son street, between Fifth street and Senator Jones, Republican of Washington, chairman of the senate com-merce committee, warned if the bill failed the American naval defense the Willamette river, met with Com-missioner Barbur in the city council and commerce would alike suffer sorichamber this forenoon and discusse the advisability of taking steps for the ously.

widening of Madison street to 100 feet. Commissioner Barbur pointed out the advantages which would accrue to the property owners, through the creating made for refrigerator and other type of ocean carriers "so essential to the agricultural and business interests of our country.

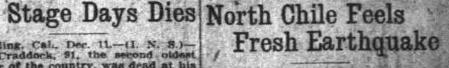
"It is only recently.", he said, "that British interests offered to construct alone, and he urged that it would be a fleet of vessels adaptable to the handling of the California grape crop and stood ready to pay \$200,000,000

"In the state of Washington today there are thousands of carloads of apples spoiling in the warehouses from lack of transportation. Give us prop-er ships and with the short haul to the coast our fruit growers will be saved a loss of millions of dollars

"The people of California alone have suffered a loss equal to what it is **Chasing Butterfly** estimated the proposed subsidy will cost, the entire country during the first three years or so of its opera-



London, Dec. 11.-(U. P.)-Mrs. Edith Thompson and Frederick Biewaters, hes lover, were today found guilty of murder of the former's husband, and sentenced to death.



Santiago, Chile, Dec. 11.--(I. N. 8.) Fresh earthquake disturbances ware felt in North Chile today.

