Berlin Would Have Body Ap-

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Washington, Dec. 20 .- (U. P.)-Ger-

many has proposed to the United

States and the allies the appointment

of an expert commission to fixea just

reparations figure within her capacity

France, through Premier Poincare,

has just summarily rejected the Ger-

man proposal, according to informa-tion reaching highly authoritative

velopments are clearly indicative of

the difficult task confronting this gov-

ernment in its efforts to find a prac-

tical way to solve the critical European

Following is a complete outline

he German proposal, which has been

communicated to Secretary of State

erman envoy here, and to the capitals

Hughes by Ambassador Wiedfeldt, the

I-Germany suggests a commission of financial and economic experts to

study and determine a just reparations

sum for the war which is within Ger-

many's capacity to pay. The present

reparations figure is more than \$30,-

mmission be made up entirely of ap-

ould constitute American mediation,

out understands that the allied powers

concerned with the reparations prob-

lem would not agree to this. She,

therefore, proposes that the commission

be participated in by the United States

3-Germany is prepared to offer fa cility to this commission in arriving at its decision as to what Germany should

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Hood River, Dec. 26.-The Columbia

west this morning are that great care

nust be exercised by motorists if they

wish to avoid trouble. Special care

should be observed on the curves as

once the wheels get out of the ruts

the car is out of control to the danger

of both driver and other cars on the

While the thermometer is still near

the freezing point, the thaw continues

and the snow blanket has already

shrunk from two feet to less than 10

ever, bad and only those who are

forced to be on the roads are taking

their cars out of the garages. If the

thaw continues for 24 hours road con-

It was intended to be a protest meet-

in the face of the freezing storm be-

Therefore the meeting of the Port-

report on highway clearance. Fred

Young, as member of the club's com-

mittee, reported that the storm, more

than inefficient methods, accounted

for delay in clearing the highway in

H. E. Thomas advocated the yearound use of the highway at whatever cost might be necessary and private contributions could be counted on if

the county fund proved insufficient.

Roadmaster Eatchel averred that the

appropriation for the maintenance of

he highway this year was \$10,000 and

that more than \$56,000 has actually

A "Duo-Art" concert prepared by Sherman Clay & Co., with Miss An-

drews as soloist, won the club's ap-

Daugherty to Sue

preciation as the musical part of the

For \$3,601,015 on

Washington, Dec. 20 .- (U. P.)-The

counsel for Attorney General Daugh-

hearing before the house judiciary

Attorney Seymour, special assistant

in an effort to knock down the charges

of Representative Woodruff, Republi-

erty declared, at the impeachmen

committee today.

ditions will greatly improve.

AD CLUB HEARS REPORT

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ON CLUMBIA HIGHWAY

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2-Germany would prefer that

of the principal allied powers:

These important international

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Beloved Teacher IS AGAIN

Verdicts of Guilty Brought on Two Conspiracy Indictments; Eight Years at Federal Prison and \$35,000 Fine Possible.

Two more convictions, were returned against Dave Lightner, narcotic dealer and smuggler, this morning, by a jury in Federal Judge Frank S. Dietrich's court. As a result of today's judgments and the two verdicts returned about a month ago, Lightner is liable to a sen tence of eight years in McNeils island federal penitentiary and a \$35,000 fine. One of today's verdicts was for conspiracy to violate the Volstead act and the other for conspiracy to violate the narcotic laws, both charges growing

out of the "highjacking" of a Japanese crew of 18 cases of liquor, 32 ounces of cocoaine and 91/2 pounds of opium on March 28. The previous convictions grew out of an attempt in November, 1921, to smuggle \$100,000 worth of narcotics ashore through the aid of Parolman Persinger. WILLIAMSON ACQUITTED

The jury acquitted D. M. Williamson and falled to agree on a verdict for the trial to violating the Volstead act. land. In passing sentence upon Williamson and Claeys the court said 'I am going to distinguish between you two then in the degree of punish ment to be imposed. There is no question but that you men who went on that boat are guilty of not only violat-

GOVERNOR-ELECT

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secretary, Ward Irvine of Portland, arrived in the capital city this morning to give the state departments and state institutions the "once over" and familiarize themselves with the du-

The governor elect plans to spend to-day and Thursday in Salem, going to Lebaton, Friday, and then Lebation, Friday, and then returning to his home at La Grande to close up his private affairs there preparatory to moving to the capital shortly after the first of the year.

Definite announcement by Pierce this morning that no consideration rould be given to appointments at least until after the legislative session will no doubt serve to ease the tension under which some of the appointive officials have been laboring since the election returns became known.

"Of course should a vacancy occur I would have to fill it! I suppose," the governor-elect said. 'but I do not propose to give the matter of appoint consideration until after have had time to familiarize myself with the situation and become stitled in my office." More than 200 office seekers have already made formal application for the

six or eight positions which he will have to fill. Pierce explained this morning. More than 50 applicants are out for a position on the industrial accident commission alone, with only three positions thereon available. The insurance commissionership seems to Princess Anastasia Pierce said. While in Portland he said he was continuously besieged by job hunters

and half a dozen or more applicants for

a place on the state payroll met him at the station khen his train arrived Irvine, a member of the editorial staff of The Oregon Journal, plans to spend two or three days in Salem at this time getting acquainted with his new duties and will come to Salem again about the first of the year to spend the week in the office with Don H. Upjohn, private secretary to Gov-

of families and young people who are just entering the responsibilities of life will pause in their hurried affairs today to pay silent tribute to a beloved teacher who has passed. Miss Christina MacConnell, for 42 years a teacher in the Portland public schools, died at the home of her grandniece, Mrs. Ed-ward J. Failing. No. 616 East 21st street north, this morning at 1:45 after a courageous fight against pneumonia. Miss MacConnell would have celebrated her 8rd birthday next May. Born in Edinburgh and coming to America with her parents as a child, Miss MacConnell made hre home in Newport, Ky., and was educated in the University of Cincinnati, where she specalized in medicine and surgery. She came to Portland in 1879 after experience as a teacher for 17 years and began her work in this city in the old Portland high school in the Central school building, located where the hotel stands today. specailized in the teaching of science and chemistry and in dramatic work in the school and coached the students plays with unusual success. When Miss MacConnell celebrated her 50th anniversary as a teacher, it was a community event. Some years ago the question of her retirement came before the school hoard but her former students so insistent objected that the matter was dropped and she resigned from the Lincoln high school faculty only a year ago.

LIVED WITH HER NIECE Miss MacConnell had made he home with her grandniece, Mrs. Fail-Ivan E. Claeys, ex-patrolman, who were jointly indicted with Lightner on the narcotic charge. Williamson and Failing, and a niece, Mrs. C. R. Hol-Claeys pleaded guilty at theoutset of comb, are her only relatives in Port-

> Funeral services will be private and will be held Thursday morning at the Portland Crematorium. Miss MacConnell's oft-expressed amthe grandchildren of her ifrst pupils had passed through her class.

Miss MacConnell's modest and re-Miss MacConneil's modest and re-tiring nature was never better il-lustrated than by her abhorrence of even the suggestion of newspaper pub-licity or the publishing of her pic-ture. To those of her pupils who are engaged in the newspaper business who suggested that there were thou-sands of people in Portland who would appreciate seeing her face in print appreciate seeing her face in print, she would smile, shake her head negatively and express grave doubts as to the veracity of the assertion.

Salem, Dec. 20.—Governor-elect Wal-ter M. Pierce, accompanied by his priing able to impart her learning to those who studied under her, so that they left her with a clear understanding of the subjects. Pupils who were partial to the studies she taught were welcome to stay after school and come Seturdays for instruction beyond that Saturdays for instruction beyond that

While she taught chemistry, Miss an annual trip to some Eastern university to brighten up on this sub-ject, and because of this she kept pace with the amazingly rapid evolution of this science up to the time that she decided that her advanced years and they rowing classes made the work arduous and so she elected to teach, when the high school was moved rom the old building to Lincoln, her

Miss MacConnell was serious in all her work, but her keen appreciation f humor every now and then would nspire an expression of her own quaint humor which she would deliver without a smile nor permit any mark of enjoyment on the part of her

wo pet hobbies, deportment and dra-

Miss MacConnell never away, using it, it is said, for the pur-pose of educating her relatives, a num-ber of whom owe a college education to the generosity of this grand little woman.

Arrives in New York

New York, Dec. 20 .- (U. P.)-Wearing a king's ransom in jewels, Princess Anastasia of Greece, formerly Mrs William B. Leeds of New York, Newport, Palm Beach and Bar Harbor arrived here today on the White Star liner Olympic. Incidentally Prince Christopher, brother of the deposed King Constantine, arrived, Princess Anastasia's husband. Both ernor Olcott, getting a line on the of them denied that they had any de-work to which he will fall heir.

Detroit Judge To Be Strict Big Ocean Craft By Judge Charles L. Bartlett (be revised and that these men, in stead of scoffing at the law and show

(Copyright 1922, by the United Press) Detroit, Mich., Dec. 20.—The lives of innocent children and pedestrians tinually coming back and securing protected at whatever cost. No penalty can be too severe in the protection of human life and property. With this in mind hereafter I shall order a phychopathic examination of all violators of speeding and reckless driving laws to determine their mental fitness to handle automobiles. These examinations will be conducted by Dr. A. L. Jacoby, who is in charge of the city's psychophateic depart-I believe I am justified in taking

this step because the time has arrived when human life must be saved from the reckless automobile speeder. He

that men who were brought before me for reckless driving were what are along slowly, whereas the speeder is to discharge cargo from Japan. The Tamon Maru is owned by the who were being brought back time and again for the same offense. I therefore concluded that the system which had been in use in the courts should killing him,

ing disregard of the procedure by contheir release by paying a small fine, should be properly punished, so I commenced sending them to jail. As to the effectiveness of this method, I can state that I believe that there have been only two "repeaters" out of the hundreds of men the heavy fog rose to find a great ves-who have been sent to jail, which sel firmly planted in their front yard. illustrates the effectiveness of the system and that it does absolutely, in the stranded ship, plowed through a nearly every case, stop the speeder or wharf connecting wharves at the coast reckless driver; whereas under the guard station and Fort Stevens, and old system, repeated warnings and fines had no effect whatever upon 30 feet, all at 2 o'clock this morning, Besides the mental test for speeders,

the reckless automobile speeder. He is the greatest menace in the country today, in my opinion.

Early last January I commenced sending speeders and reckless drivers to fail, and along this like I beg to state that I consider the speeder far more dangerous than the drunken driver. This is said admired about the drunken driver the speeder far many cases, because of the figure of the speeder far more dangerous than the drunken driver. This is said admired to a speeders and efforts to get off were futile until the time of the speeders and reckless drivers to fail, and along the tug Oneonia was summenced about this like I beg to state that I consider the speeder far more dangerous than the drunken driver. This is said admired the figure of the tug pulled the big ship free and she proceeded to Astoria without that men who were brought before me knows his condition and will creep. knows his condition and will creep damaged and will proceed to Portland

PORTLAND, OREGON, WEDNESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER Is Dead AS GOVERNOR U. S. EXPERT

Right of State Senator to Perform Executive's Duties Held Doubtful Under Constitution; Functions May Not Be Legal.

Much discussion is going the rounds of attorneys and state officials as to the right of State Senator Roy W. Ritner to sit as governor, acting in the bsence of Governor Ben W. Olcott, now on an Eastern junket. As a matter of fact, under two sections of the Oregon constitution neither Ritner nor anyone else is qualified to act as governor, and, therefore, in the opinion of ome attorneys consulted and one judge who informally expressed a belief, all the gubernatorial acts recently per-formed by Ritner may prove invalid. A new act ratified at the last session of the legislature makes the president of the senate acting governor during inability of the governor to serve. But section 4 of article IV of the constitution expressly fixes the term of situation and in some measure ex-state senators and representatives as plain why the United States is guard-dating from the day after the general ing its moves with secrecy and acting

This means that Roy Ritner, who was president of the 1921 senate, automatically ceased to be such after the last election, although he is still a nember of the senate, because the new senate has not organized and will not until the formal re-assembly. Section I of Article XV provides that all officers of the state except legislators shall oition was to continue teaching until hold office until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

This situation, according to students of the question, may mean that Governor Olcott's absence from the state may endanger the validity of every administrative act performed by Ritner. Ritner has been more or less active in his temporary office, his doings including the pardon of several criminal besides the daily routine.

Hayre, France, Dec. 20.—(I. N. S.).—
The "Tiger" returned to France today
a a sullen mood.
Newspaper men, crowding about in a sullen mood.

Newspaper men, crowding about former Premier Georges Clemenceau, when he walked down the gangplank from the steamer Paris here today were met with almost snarling state

Asked the precise results of his trip to America, former Premier Clemen ceau said: "It is not convenient to answer that Furthermore, it wouldn't be very friendly towards America."

"The interview was false," he napped, when asked about the famous interview that appeared in the Petit Parisien, in which he was quoted as favoring President Harding's intervention in the reparations program, and also quoted him as declaring France should immediately ratify the ashington treaties. CALLS IT FALSE

"Does' that mean you are opposed President Harding's intervention? "The interview was false. I have nothing to say," the ex-premier snapped as he walked away. About a hundred of his country men turned out to greet the "Tiger."

They raised a cheer as the squat figthe gangplank. He acknowledged the cheers with a wave of his hand. Clemenceau's ren and daughter Andre Tadrieu, long one of the "Tiger's" strongest supporters; Georges Mandel, formerly chamber of depu-ties reporter on the Washington naval treaty, and several deputies who have Clemenceau, were out to meet the Paris. INTEREST SHOWN

As he got into his automobile he

again uttered a denial, adding: "It was pure imagination, purely land Ad club at the Benson hotel this fantastic. I said only that fear of afternoon was deveted to a progress another World war will come if the Ruhr is occupied.' Asked if America showed interest in his visit, the "Tiger" nodded a vig-orous reply in the affirmative. It was learned after the Paris Brain Tests For Speeders | It was learned after the Faris docked, that at a charity auction, Clemenceau's autographed photograph sold for 650 francs, while one of Mile. Serel, French actress, brought

Makes Dive Into Coast Guard Yard

Astoria, Dec. 20.—Members of the Point Adams coast guard crew, ever on the lookout for ships in distress, had one put over on them this morning and woke up after daybreak when Although the Tamon Maru No. 18 rammed her nose into the bank for not a member of the coast guard crew was awakened.

up suit against the corporation for more than a year after the govern-ment's case was completed.

Bigelow and Lewis Have Row

"I'm not going to say that my friend, Commissioner Bigelow, picked off one of these apples and ate it," declared D. C. Lewis, state legislator, who appeared before the city council today to protest against certain alleged unsanitary conditions at the fruit stands of

"You never did, you big stiff. And if you instnuate it I'll throw you out of the window," declared Bigelow in a strident voice as he got to his fee and advanced toward Lewis. Lewis tions Figure Which Could Be had been describing intimate details Paid; France Blocks Proposal. of apple polishing methods of some

Mayor Baker poured oll on the trou bled waters, and Lewis declared "It was all a joke."

But during the following discussions there were various personal thrusts be-tween Lewis and the members of the council. Mayor Baker advised other members of the committee representing the Fraternal Federation of Oregon to "appoint a sane committee" and the council would work with it. He then specified that his objection was directed to Lewis as a committee mem-

The committee was composed ewis, M. F. Wright and Mrs. E. W. Kimball. They urged that the coun-cil order the alien-conducted fruit stands to keep their goods back of the sidewalk line and not conduct their sales on the sidewalk.

This also led to a discussion of eneral conditions at the public market and the charge was made by Lewis that two thirds of the space was blocked by aliens, and that allens are on the public market selling stuff sim- daughter and took them to Los Angeles ply purchased for speculation and no raised by them.

The discussion veered off to the cliens who are conducting rooming houses and hotels in Portland and the representatives of the organization de clared that they were against holding out inducements to foreigners to do business in Portland in competition with Americans. Getting back to the Yamhill stree

situation again, Mayor Baker stated that an order would be issued to the police to require the store men to move their goods back within the property lines. Members of the committee declared hey could produce witnesses to show

that unsanitary methods were used in polishing fruit by the alien fruit-seller and that in some instances the sellers' handkerchiefs of doubtful cleanliness were used for polishing apples.
"We hold no brief for perfect on "We hold no brief for perfect condi-tions on the public market," declared Mayor Baker, "and I am for giving the Americans the less of it all the time. But we, as a city, are governed by federal and state regulations and cannot go beyond these. I hope the next legislature will recognize a condi-tion confronting Oregon and that the increachments of the Japaneses espe cially will be curtailed by state law."

BUT HELD UNSAFE \$500,000 LIQUOR River highway is again open and traffic is resumed. Reports from those coming over the highway from the

New York, Dec. 20.—(U. P.)-Desperate attempts of the rum running fleet off the three-mile limit to land carrying \$500,000 worth of whiskey during the night, it was announced by Prohibition Director Appleby today. The ship, making a desperate dash for land with 4000 cases aboard, was aught off Sandy Hook by the Hanson, flagship of the dry navy. . It was declared to have been one of several that left the Bahamas few days ago with cargoes of "Christmas cheer" for New York. The skipper, however, insisted to Captain Dysart of the Hanson that he was en route to Canada but started to put in here when his engines broke down

Storm Warning Is ing against ice blockade of the Col-umbia river highway. But there was a ten degree lift in the temperature. What snow plows and crews of moun-Ordered Up; Higher taineers had been unable to accomplish Temperature Due came victorious progress with streams Development of a storm in the ex

treme Northwest caused the district office of the weather bureau to order outlying sections had treacherous coatings of ice.
Temperatures again were several degrees below the freezing mark east of the Cascade mountains today.

Ferry Disabled In Fog Collision

San Francisco, Dec. 20 .- (U. P.)-Bay

ferry traffic was hampered throughout the night and during the early morning by tule fog coming down the Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers, which united with an ocean fog here. Bay mariners pronounced it the heaviest fog in months. One accident was re-ported, the ferry steamer Thoroughfare War Time Contract hitting a pier at the ferry, disabling her engines. She drifted far down the bay department of justice is preparing to file suit immediately for recovery of \$2,601,015 paid to the Wright-Martin Aircraft corporation on war contracts, and was picked up by tugs.

War Vets Granted Land Preferences Washington, Dec. 20.-(I. N. S.)-The senate today extended the right of World war veterans to a 60 day

of Representative Woodruff, Hepublican, of Michigan, who appeared declaring he could submit evidence showing Attorney General Daugherty held up suit against the corporation for more than a year, after the government's case was completed,

Make-Believe Turns to Reality When Two From Movie Colony Join Three Others and Rob Bank; Confessions Alleged.

Los Angeles, Dec. 20 .- (U. P.) -- Accused of turning from make-believe banditry of the movies to whelesale banditry in real life, two motion pic ture actors and three other men wer inder arrest here today.

They are accused of having staged the recent sensational robbery of the Fill-more State bank at Piru, Cal. The robbery was characterized by all the dramatics of the movies. The men arrested are:

"Jinx" Harris, who played cow F. H. Gillett, who specialized in licemen and daredevell chauffeur parts. Henry Loggins, a motorman; G. H. Pruitt and Virgil Moore, the latter an aviator

After \$6000 ldot had been obtained from the Fillmore State bank the five bandits kidnaped President C. E. Spencer of the bank, and his 6-year-old where they were set free with a warn ing to "keep quiet."

Harris, Pruitt and Loggins, police said, have confessed, sprinkling the confessions with plenty of good movie naterial. Harris was quoted as saying he oined in the robbery in order to pay the mortgage on his parents' homestead at Blanchard, Okla. Seven hun

dred dollars of the loot now is alleged en route to Blanchard. The arrests were brought abou when detectives, after marning a sus-pect had worked on a movie being "shot" near Piru, secured the film and in it, Spencer, president of the bank, identified one of the actors as a member of the bandit purty. The arrests followed immediately.

Spencer declared that while the robbery was in progress one of the gang "This is no movie stunt."

Willamette's Fund Drive Expected to Reach Goal Tonight North

Willamette university's drive for

\$1,250,000 endowment fund which by contract must close at midnight to night, appeared to be a success at noor today, according to reports given a a luncheon at the Seward hotel. At noon \$1,199,000 was reported sub-with a few upstate points to be heard from. The balance of \$51,000 must be raised by midnight tonight. If it is, the university will receive a \$350,000 endowment gift from the general aducational board of the Methodist church Portland won out over Salem today in the contest to see which city could liquor in New York for the Christmas raise \$300,000 first, raising \$9000 extra. trade resulted in the capture of a ship Portland solicitors gathered \$29,999 since Tuesday noon. Among the gifts announced today were: Meier & Frank, \$6000; Olds, Wortman & King, \$2000; Powers Furniture company, \$1000; Imperial hotel, \$1000; Benson \$2500; "A Friend," \$10,000, and Mrs. Frederick Eggert, \$5000.

Ritner's California Trip Is Canceled Tiernan and Wife

Salem, Dec. 20. — Budget making. which has proved to be slow work, has

made impossible a trip to California

planned for the holidays by Acting Governor Ritner. Instead of seeking warmer elime, Ritner will go to his me in Pendleton for Christmas, returning by motor later unless Governor Olcott returns from his extended Eastern trip, h

He's Pardoned WILL HAYS, by par-doning "Fatty" Ar-

buckle, snatches the comedian from the necessity of running that Tokio bar he was said to be planning to



Salem, Dec. 20.—K. C. Amann, former bookkeeper of the Umatilla county roadmaster's office, was pardoned Saturday by Acting Governor Ritner of Pendleton, on cendition that he pay back to Umatilla county approximately \$7500 which he embezzled. Ritner and other state officials kept the pardon a secret, they said, in the hope that a secret, they said, in the hope that Amann might be sided in securing work.

Amann had served 14 months of his five-year sentence and prison officials say his record was splendid. The state parole board recommended his pardon.

'Incompatibility' Caused Parting, Says Pauline Frederick

Philadelphia, Dec. 20.—(I. N. S.)— "No misunderstanding at all, just a omplete act of understanding-incom patibility," is the way Pauline Frederick, actress, playing here, analyzed the third phase of her matrimonia troubles, in verifying reports from the Pacific coast that she has separated from her husband, Dr. Charles Ruther-

ford of Scattle. " "Dr. Rutherford and I were married last February, but we have not lived together since last May," Miss Frederick said. "I do not know where Dr Rutherford is at the present time, and to tell the truth, I do not care.

Use Assumed Name New York, Dec. 20 .- (I. N. 8.)-

Professor and Mrs. John P. Tiernan, and the year-old boy over whose paternity the pair fought in the courts of South Bend, Ind., moved today from heir relatives to a Greenwich village hetel. They registered under the nam

office of the weather bureau to order southeast storm warnings for the mouth of the Columbia river and the mouth of the Columbia river and the results of Iven de Fuce early today. straits of Juan de Fuca early today. The new storm will break up the slight relapse of the weather to lower temperatures and bring occasional rains. An official temperature of 35 rains. An official temperature of 35 rains. on hand should keep a part of it care-

were hiking around the downtown sec-tion today, going from shop to shop no holdup man would look for it. I telling the business men how to keep from being robbed. "Lock your doors when you leave and keep your gun handy the rest of

Detectives from police headquarters

the time," was the gist of the advice. This was the beginning of a campaign of "crime prevention" started by the police department. The detectives worked under instructions from John T. Moore, chief of inspectors. The intention is to try to minimize the usual winter crime wave. Some of the detectives smiled a sheepishly as they gave directions to the business men, but most of them

voiced the profound advice, "Put extra locks on your doors," without a found to claim a cureall, but "vigil-ance would help a lot," they all de-MANY HOLDUPS

Successful holdups have occurred have been some in the residential dis tricts. Burglaries have been unusu ally frequent of late and considerable loot has been taken from homes. All the known loafing places of yeggs,

will give personal advice to anyon who will but call on me. HOUSEWIVES WARNED "Housewives and husbands will do well to keep their valuables well con-cealed at home. There are places

around any home where jewels and money can be placed where prowlers cannot find them. "It will also be well for people to take special care to lock their windows and doors at night or before leaving

A large percentage of holdups re ported to the police prove to be fakes People who are financially distressed often seek relief from their creditors by reporting they have been robbed of a considerable sum of money. SATS IT WAS PAKED Leonard A. Pitzgerald, an employed of the Portland Gas & Cold company

confessed to police detectives in a signed statement today that like re-puted holdup of December 18 was not bons fide. Pitzgeraid said two men rebbed him of a suit of clothes and \$35 in cash at 45th street and Woodstock avenue. In his statement to the po-lice he said he was in debt to his landlady and thought the fake holdup idea would be a good "stall." A com-plaint charging disorderly conduct was placed against him, with ball placed at \$200.

Christmas Spirit Moves "Czar" Will Hays to Grant "Pardon" to Fat Comedian; Films Will Not Be Shown Until Fall

Los Angeles, Dec. 20.—(U. P.)—Ros-coe "Fatty" Arbuckle today was given a Christmas "pardon" by Will H. Hays, movie mentor, who banished him from filmdom almost a year ago.

In announcing the "pardon," Hays declared that he believed the spirit of Christmas and of Christ's teachings would serve as a guide, both for Ar-buckle in his future conduct and for the public in its attitude toward him. No attempt will be made, however. to release Arbuckle's films for a ni ber of months, and although the "fat man" may go back to work on the Hollywood "lots," none of his new pictures, if he makes any, will be released before the fall of 1923. ISSUES STATEMENT

Hays gave out the statement on the eve of his departure to spend the holi-days at his home at Sullivan, Ind. The

statement said: "Every man in the right way and at the proper time is entitled to his chance to make good. It is apparent that Ros-coe Arbuckle's conduct since his trou-ble merits that chance. So far as I am concerned, there will be no sugger tion that he should not have an oppor tunity to go to work in his profession. In our effort to develop a complete co-operation and confidence within the ndustry, I hope we can start the new year with no yesterdays. 'Live and let live' is not enough; we will try to live and help live.

"I believe Arbuckle has learned his than that of a man who has made "Live and help live is my rule of life. Every man, I believe, has a right

to a chance to come back after he has taken to heart the lessons of his folly EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1 "I will play the game square with Mr. Hays and with the public, if it is (Concluded on Page Twenty-one, Column Six)

Liquor Personal Property: To Steal It Is Punishable

Olympia, Wash., Dec. 20.-Act of taking personal property of another, notwithstanding it may be unlawful to have it in his possession, is lar-ceny and is punishable under the state law, according to a decision of the su-preme court today upholding the con-viction of D. N. Schoonover on grand larceny charges involving 165 bottles

of intoxicating liquor and \$100 Schoonover and Owen Baker were charged in the Pierce county court by Peter Marinoff of taking from him iquor and money. In the lower court both men were convicted of grand larceny and Schoonover appealed on the ground that the court erred in subnitting-to the jury the question of larceny of liquor gcause, since intexi-cating liquor is contraband under both the state law and the national problition act, it has no value and is no

ubject to larceny.

Woman Falls on Ice; Ankle Is Fractured

The ice which covered the sidewalks and pavements in portions of the cast side this morning claimed at least one victim. Miss Rona Barrett, No. 461 East 41st street north, slipped on the steps in front of her home fered a fracture of the right ankle. She was taken to Good Samaritan hospital.

New President Is Elected in Poland

Warsaw, Dec. 20.—(I. N. S.)—Stanislav Wojciechowski today was elected president of Poland to succeed President Narutowicz, who was assaudnated Saturday.

Christmas

An illustrated poem by

MARY CAROLYN DAVIES

will appear on the front cover of The

Gregon Journal

NEXT SUNDAY