



By Clayton Whitehill-News Staff Correspondent

Washington, Dec. 25 .- Old Guard sening a growing suspicion that the con-gressional farm bloc is "playing possum," and representing the plight of the farmer as worse than it really it Their view has been voiced by Sena-tor Moses, New Hampshire, who de-clared that "Arcadian body" the United States, senate, is ruled by a farm bloc consisting of 18 lawyers, one editor and a well digger.

Secretary of Agriculture Wallace, while declaring there is room for more prosperity, says the farmer has enjoy ed considerable employment and higher prices and lower labor costs are in his favor

EASTERN SENATORS ENVIOUS

Moses and other senators representwhat envious of the effectiveness with which the highly organized farm bloc in congress ministers to the needs of agricultural. While there is no open revolt against the demands of the farm bloc, there is a feeling that the assistance asked is greater than is neede. The war finance corporation, during the last year authorized loans of \$450,-000,000 to farms of which only \$250,-000,000 was called for by the farmers. Farmers claim a \$3,000,000,000 loss due to the transportation difficulty. ving the railroad shopmen's strike and the farm bloc in the house and senate still stands on a six-ply program that contemplates more agricultural aid than is included in one or all five credbill now in process of threshin senate banking and currency con

PROGRAM OUTLINED

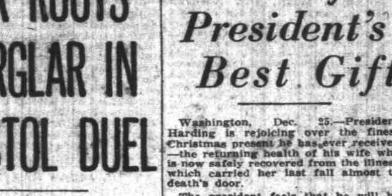
The farm bloc, as a whole, still ad-vocates the following program, as out-lined to United News by Congressman L. V. Dickinson of Iowa, leader of the house agricultural group: I-Inasmuch as available lands and

the fertility of the soil are gradually ing exhausted, promotion of land re-amation, production of fertilizer and e encouragement of its use, conservation of soils by crop rotation, and the

production of legumes are regarded as immediately essential.The transportation problem, as ap-plied to foods, should be solved in the following manner: By the free es-change of perishable crops: by the re-duction of transportation costs of food and the readingtment of the solved food and the readjustment of the costs o other commodities: by the developmen of water routes-for example, the St awrence and Mississippi projects: b a supplanting of steam equipment (in gas equipment for short havis an light loads a re runs counter to she ideas of Presiden Harding, as expressed in his annu-

fast as he could. utes before with two companions. He the stickup man, calmly sticking his

to the door. The bookouts, with un-Christmaslike spirit, deserted the lead-er and ran down the street. Dolloff took the opportanity to grab a pistol kept handly under the counter and opened fire. opened fire. Neither he nor the robber was injured



Other

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"Not on Your Life Will I Give Cash," Says Chef to Would-Be Burglar; Aim of Both Futile: Patrons Dodge Bullets.

The third attempt in three years to hold up the Chief lunch, 11th and Morrison streets, falled early this morning.

The attempt three years ago was flat debacle. A few months ago a lone bandit entered the place and so scared the janitor woman, who was

scrubbing the floor, that she screamed. The bandit fired excitedly. One bullet probably would have struck Charles Ahles, counter man, dif it hadn't glanced off the crust of a ple on the counter and been deflected into the This morning the cook routed wall. the holdup in a wild gun battle. Customers who strolled in at 1:39 had

just time enough to dodge behind chairs and tables before bullets began crash ing around the room. Those who had nerve enough to need the corner of their hiding around

places beheld F. D. Dolloff, cook shooting rapidly at a roughly dressed stranger. But the stranger wasn't in active.' He had a mean-looking pistol in his hand and was emptying it as

Another wild bang and the stranger fied. Dolloff wiped the sweat off his face and called the police. The stranger had entered a few min

pointed a gun at Dolloff while th other two stood watch at the door. "I can't open the cash drawer and wouldn't if I could," Dollott said to

hands in his pockets. Just then a couple of customers came

Best Gift BIG FIGHT FOR IN Harding is rejoicing over the finest Christmas present he basever received —the returning health of his wife who is now safely recovered from the liness which carried her last fall almost to The president feels that he will be Administration Forces Are Lin-

the happiest man in the land Christmas day when he sits down to Yuletide din-ner over which Mrs. Harding will preing Up to Oppose Proposal side for the first time since her long iness began. for International They will have a quiet, old-fashione Christmas observance together. and Disarmament There will be no glittering Christma

tree with its gay tinsel, no festive Yule-tide spirit as the executive mansion has Washington, Dec. 25. - Administraed in past years.

tion fordes in the senate were strength-ening their lines today in preparation Pariners in many experiences, they will spend the day quietly at home. for the fight they will make this week Togther they will look over the hunto prevent adoption of Senator Borah's reds of Christmas messages and gifts esolution requesting President Hardhich have come from all quarters of ing to summon an international ecothe globe-from close personal friends and from rulers and potentates. nomic and disarmament conference. Senator Smoot, Republican of Utah

Messenger boys-arms loaded with member of the American debt funding arcels of all sizes-have trooped to commission, was among the increasing number of administration senat he doors of the White House today. gifts have been brought by here who called during the day. ors who announced his opposition to what Sania Claus has brought him will see such a wide variety of gifts as President and Mrs. Harding will be a biot joined with Senator Canon farm President and Mrs. Harding will have spread before them. The wide range in-cludes books, golf clubs, desk knickthrow the full weight of their

and influence behind the plan of the pipes, cigars, besides flowers Idaho senator. and other costly and appropriate pres- NEED MARKET ents for Mrs. Harding.

The argument to be advanced by senators from agricultural states is that something must be done immediately to restore Europe's purchasing ower and to again make European markets available for American prod ucts.

"If Senator Borah's proposal wer lopted we would only be borrowing trouble," said Senator Smoot in serving notice he was prepared to comba "It is the "bloc's" argument. utterly out of the question for the United States to call such a conference as Oregon City, Dec. 25 .- J. F. Nelson'

was elected commander of Meade post, G. A. R., E. B. Grant, senior vice com-Senator Borah proposes. The first thing we would be asked to do would vice be to forgive the allied debt. mmander ; J. C. Sawyer, adjutant ; L. would be letting down the bars to end-Horton, quartermaster; J. J. Coress discussion and complications. We bitt, surgeon; J. T. Butler, chaplain; crossing the danger line. vould be

Shroupe, officer of the day; H. S WILL MAKE FIGHT Civde, patriotic instructor: P. Meade Borah was expected to make one o his characteristic militant rights to prevent his proposal from being side tracked or emanculated. He planned officer of the guard, and J. B. Carter. quartermaster sergeant. Delegates to the department encampment in Grants Pass in June are: R. Shroups, H. Looney, W. A. McClelland, J. J. Cor-bit and J. B. Carter: alternates, A. to press his motion for a suspen the senate rules to permit the sion of his pian as an amendm Montze, Martin Swartz, Austin Stevthe pending navy supply bill, and pre-

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By Universal Service)

Christmas Party Turned Into Shambles When Demented Man Shoots Down Friend's Economic Family, Then Kills Himself. Meeting.

> Seattle, Dec 25 .-- (U. P.)-Transform ing a happy family Christmas party into a shambles, E. Newrider invaded the home of his old friend, D. C. En-gel, here, this morning and shot three of Engel's children to death. He then turned the weapon upon himself and blew out his brains. The dead are Anna Engel, 17; Hans Engel, 14, and Lilly Engel, 3. The elder Engel, is, and wife, a son and a daughter escaped. No reason was ascribed for the act. The only explanation was that Newhad suddenly lost his mind.

As Newrider entered the house un-announced and started firing, Anna Engle, the 17-year-old daughter, made a heroic but futile effort to stay the madman. "Drop those guns, I'm not afraid

of you," she told him, throwing herself between her"father and Newrider Her head and body were literally riddled with bullets. The wanton killing was witnessed by the girl's father and mother, two broth-ers and a sister who immediately broke

for cover, it being impossible to do anything with the maniac. Newrlder pursued them with fiend-ish determination. Beside the Christmas tree little 3-year-old Lilly sat in a rocking chair coolng over a new doll that Santa had just brought her and unaware of the tragedy. Newrider shot her through the head as she sat Newrider

there. Little Hans was the only other mem ber of the family left in the house. Terrifled he had crawled under his bed and was lying on the floor trying hide when Newrider found and shot him.

edy fou Newrider had three revolvers him. Four motorcycle patrolmen, and detectives were rushed to the a Coroner Corson and a deputy charge of the four hodies

To Journal Subscribers:

The Journal carriers take this occasion to extend to their patrons their hearty greetings and their best wishes for a jolly Christmas and merry New Year. We, who do our best to get The Journal to your door every day of the year, whether it rains, shines, hails or fogs, are grateful for your consideration on the few days of the year when, in spite of ourselves, we fail. May your firesides always be warm, and your hearts warmer.

THE JOURNAL CARRIERS.

OUTH CONFESSES MANY ROBBERIES TO MAKE BARGAIN

Warren, Dec. 25 .-- Walter Erickson ness in the houseboat "murder" mys-tery, asked John Mowry, deputy dis-8, whose father. W. Erickson, resides n Salem, was arrested Saturday night trict attorney. Sunday, what the pen-alty would be if she reversed her story and got Cash Weir out of jail. following an attempt to rob the Erickson & Lund store here, and, according o the authorities, confessed to numer-The question was put after a night of suffering. Her love for Earl Weir. ous burglaries here and in St. Helens son of the accused man, himself held as an accessory after the crime, is ben recent months. He was taken at a shack near St. Helens after his oil-skin coat was found by a window in lieved by detectives to have worked so powerfully, upon her mind that she was ready for any expedient that, the store here through which he had entered.

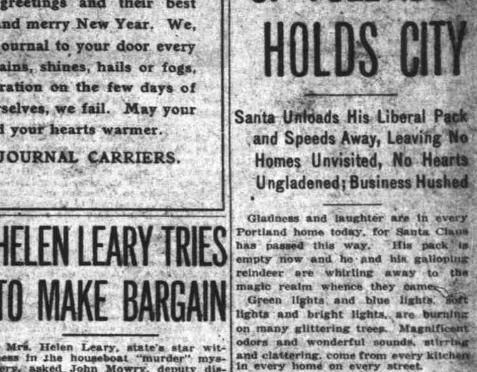
would free the son. Cash Weir is The coat was left when the boy fled harged with first degree murder. t the approach of O. A. Erickson, one "But if Cash Weir committed this of the proprietors of the store and no relation to the prisoner, who was awakened at his home when the youth set off the store burglar alarm conrime, and his son Earl helped him ispose of the body in the river, do you wish to change your story and nected with the Erickson residence. Young Erickson was taken to the county jail at St. Helens. save him?" she was asked. GIBL LOVES EARL WEIR Her black eyes flashed.

MOTHER IS DEAD

"Because I love Earl and do wish to see him hanged." was The boy's mother is dead and he has lived in this section for three answer. Her questioner then recalled several years, working on farms and attending statements which Earl Weir directed One of the robberles confesse at the girl during the progress of his questioning Friday night, at which time he called her a liar. "After all he has said about you was that of the S. P. & S. station

here Tuesday night, when \$100 was taken. With \$90 of this money the boy bought a motorcycle. Both the Erickson & Lund store and your character, how can you say you love him?" asked her questioner, "I am very forgiving," she replied with emphasis. The girl then made it plain that she nd the S. P. & S. station robberies he boy said, we's his second visits to be places. In September, according to is story, he robbed the former of about \$40 and the latter of \$28. This time he secured \$40 at the former place, BOBE GOOD EEPUTATION

Other robheries admitted were: Carl-sos store, goods jaken; Loomis store, \$20, and M. Hazen residence, revolver, watch and jewelry, all on the same night about two weeks ago; Ricen



In every home this morning, before there was light enough to make certain that the old rocking chair by the fireside was not a great, bis, shaggy bear, little feet were eager trip across cold floors and little hands were eager to fumble out the contents of long black stockings and caress blue-eyed dolls or rumble a stirring call to arms upon a shining drum. YULETIDE RULES ALL

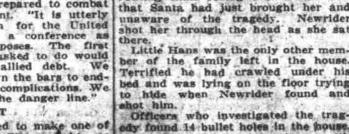
All work that is not compelling has been suspended, shops and public buildings are closed, and everywhere the people of Portland are devoling why themselves to the permeating spirit of he Yuletide.

In many churches midnight services were observed with record attendance Solemn high mass was celebrated Solemn high mass was celebrated at St. Marys pro-cathedral with Arch-bishop Christie as celebrant and Father George Campbell as master of ceremonies. The chimes of Trinity church announced the approach of midnight and the services there con-ducted by Dr. A. A. Morrison. Numerous charitable organizations were basy Sunday through the night and today, just to be sure no one 37 5

and today, just to be sure no one forgotten, searching out homes that might be neglected, and distributing

with emphasis. The girl then made it plain that she did not wish to see Cash Weir go unpunished, but it is for the sake of her lover. Earl, that she offered to brand herself a tiar to seek his free-dom. She said Cash Weir was a mur-derer, but she saw no reason why his son should be held responsible for the tore story came baskets these these

MOTIME OF ALITOC store, St. Helens, Saturday night. The to her during the night, she said, after office at 7 o'clock last night are



restance and the electrification of con gested lines for certain service. WANT COMMODITY EXCHANGE

WANT COMMODITY EXCHANGE 3-The financial problem should be solved by the immediate enactment of commodity credit exchange, permitting banking facilities for loans on commod-ities in storage; by increasing the farm loan limit, permitting amortization of loss over a long period of years; by the appointment of an agriculturist on the federal reserve board, and by the an-actment of legislation prohibiting fur-ther issuance of tax exempt secruities, 4-The marketing problem may be settied by the installation of a system of government warehouses for classifiof government warehouses for classifi cation and storage of grains; by the setting up of cooperative marketing machinery that can assist in the stor-

machinery that can assist in the stor-age and carrying of food commodities to make delivery as demand accrues; by adjustment heneficial to production of food products to be effected by the tariff commission, guided by a study of foreign demands.

of forcign demands. $5 \rightarrow \Lambda$ tax levy on profits to equalize incomes—a tax equitable to ability to pay. An increased inheritance and gift tax is also advocated, and all taxes on necessities, including a general, sales tax are opposed. In place of these last mentioned, a luxury and non-necessaries taxes are recommended.

To prevent further recurrences of the recent agricultural depression, the establishment of an industrial stabilization commission is advocated. This commission would be expected to in-vestigate the cost of production, manu-facture and 'distribution and a fair price for the producer and consumer of food commodities.

Big Rock Crashing Through Village Mistaken for Santa

Nice, Dec. 25.-(U. P.)-On Christvillage of Duranus, near the Cote d'Azur, were teiling their children of the coming of Santa Claus a terrible rumbling and crashing was heard coming nearer and nearer down the moun

Santa Claus." the children "It's By Rev. William S. Abernethy (Copyright, 1922, by the United Press) Washington. Dec. 25.—"The gospel of understanding alone will insure a tranguil world." These words of President Harding is good Many rushed out from a little school

toust where nervices were being held. A huge 10-ton rock came plunging lows the hillside.



REPORTED SINKING

Paris, Dec. 25-(1, N. S.I-Mme. Sarah Bernhardt, famous actress, who is critically ill, was sinking rapidly today. She was bearing up gallantly and her physiolans were hopeful that her vitality and her determination would save her life.

Letter Trots Back, Forth Many Moons; Finds Pasco in End

Praco, Wash., Dec. 25 .- After wandering about the country since July 28, 1921, a letter, mailed and registered at Trockau, Bavaris, Germany, or

that date, has just been received by Andy Beck of this city. Postmarks indicate that the letter arrived in New York on schedule time, but from there it wandered aimlessly about the country, returning to New York twice



was perfectly addressed with the ex-ception of the word Pasco being apsiled "Pascoe." new Wright act. The balance were for too hilarious celebration of the holiday.

Good in All, Says Pastor

Tolerance Is World's Need

Goes Into Eggnog FLOODS PARIS Washington, Dec. 25.-Diplomatic im-munity today kept a venerable head from bowing in sorrow and at the same

time preserved a tradition that has existed since President Grant occupied the White House. It concerns egg-nog and Edward Sa-voy, colored attache, who for nearly 60 Paris, Dec. 25. - A "champagne gusher," which could not be capped. was brought in last night, flooding

mander; G. H. Webster, junior

ans, P. Meade and Jack Confer.

Day Is Saved When

And the ludicrous part of it all that no man cares to admit that

Diplomatic Liquor

years has presided over the calls of foreign diplomats to the secretary of Paris with the most expensive wind m record and ushering in the first all state. Sunday morning Eddie was disconnight fetes in which thousands Americans here will celebrate Christolate. He refused to patronize bootmas and New Years. leggers and almost everyone at the state department knew that the whole For weeks every table at such places is the Cafe de

Paris, Maxim's, the year would be spolled unless he could procure the body for the "nogging." So the word was sent out and late in the Rathmore, Abbe de Theleme, Moulin-Rouge, Bat Taberin, and other famous estaurants and resorts have been afternoon a thoroughly legal package taken at high prices and making it was delivered by the emissary of a for eign envoy and the day was saved. an almost exclusive American celebration at the French dining and

dancing cafes. Many of the restaurants charged \$20 a head for tables, with meals and wine extra. The ordinary price for muddy and the children sought the At San Francisco dinner was \$50, while champagne was sold at a minimum of 125 frances per bottle.

bottle. Among the many brilliant private suppers, Mr. and Mrs. Harold F. Mccormick entertained at their sumptu ous residence in Rue de Lubcck, music being provided by princes, barons, generals and other former members of the imperial court of Rus-

A distinguished crowd began the evening at the Rits, the hostesses in-cluding Mrs. Herman Oelrichs, Mrs. cluding Mrs. Herman Geirichs, Mrs. Perry Belmont, who had the Earl of Ypres as a guest: Mrs. William Lit-tauer of Washington, whose recovery. from her recent illness gratified her many friends, and Mrs. John Black. The gayest party at Circs was that of Fapny Ward, Jack Dean and Wil-liam Elliott, who were rivaled by Henry Letellier, whose table was sur-rounded by a hevy of Hollywood stars.

Intolerance is the curse of the world, the r. William S. Abscrashy, President Hard 's paster, declared in a Christman scraon a, written for the United Press. Among ilona, intolerance breeds suspice, having the crates of war and has been denounced by President arding, he wald, to industry it crates relies attagonism, class distinctions and coclail, differences. It raises a barrier between man and man. Christ scient the guppel of dolerance, the noted stor stated. ounded by a bevy of Hollywood stars. Mr. and Mrs. J. Low Harriman had a party at the Cafe de Paris. Other diners there included Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Belmont, Mr. and Mrs. Lau-rens, Morgan Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Gilroy,



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VICTINS OF AUTOS The sutomobile death toll for the week-end was raised to two at mid-inght last night, when Robert B. Wat-ton, 67, No. 128 Grand avenue, died t Emaune hospital. The other fa-suity was a child. Five other persons The automobile desith toll for the week-end was raised to two at mid-night last night, when Robert B. Wat-son, 67, No. 139 Grand avenue, died at Emaunel hospital. The other fa-tality was a child. Five other persons were more or less hadly injured. Crushed under the heavy wheel of a large tauting car, which ran over here. He said he worked alone, fearing

to irust an accomplice. As the Erickson & Lund store housed the post office. Post Office Inspector a large touring car, which ran over her tiny body Saturday night, Sarah Bockwood, age 9. daughter of Mr. and C. W. Linebaugh is expected from Port land to take part in investigation of the boy's operations. Mrs. J. A. Rockwood, No. 715 East

after the accident from a fractured skull. The driver of the death car speeded from the scene and not the BOY TRAVELER ARRESTED Eugene, Dec. 25 .- Cecil LaRose, 18. charged with burglary of a farm house four miles south of Albany was arslightest clue to his identity was ty, near Goshen on the Pacific high-way Saturday afternoon. He was rid-The little girl, in company with her

s in Herculaneum; Mo. **Cave-in Halts Train** Service to Vernonia

the summit tunnel nine miles beyond

Wilkesboro. Repair crews were busy

today fixing the broken timbers. Oper-ating officials reported that the tun-nel trouble would cause little incon-venience since, all of the lumber camps had closed down because of snow and

By Train at Kelso

Kelso, Wash., Dec. 25.-Bill Gaston

Bill Gaston Killed

'Kid McCoy' Uses

ing a bicycle, also stolen, and was bound for San Francisco. His home

Attorney John Mowry and Detective Schulpius. She asked them if she could speak to Cash Weir and his son. Mowry became suspicious. He accused the girl of offering to take back her charge. She admitted that was her purpose. Mowry then ex-plained to the girl that all he wanted to know was the truth. Lisbon, Dec. 25-(I. N. S.)-Persons antanogistic to the Fasciati threw a "If what you say is true, we want to know it. If you are lying, we want to know that," he explained. bomb at the Italian consulate here to day. None of the attaches was in jured. The bombers escaped. The police later found a note reading : "This is revenge against the Fascisti." She then reiterated her previous

charges of murder against Cash Weir and steadfastly maintained she was telling the truth. Mowry attempted to break down her story, but she stood Water Is Troubling

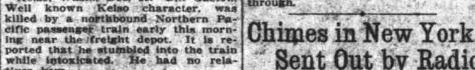
Attorney John Mowry and Detective

Prisoners Present Sheriff With Seven Hacksaws, as Gifts

Chinook winds, which have swept the Cascades for the last two days caused a heavy volume of water to run out of the mountains during the past 24 hours, with the result that the S. P. & S. and O-W. R. & N. lines in the Columbia river sorge were ex-periencing water troubles today. Be-tween Portiand and Pasco water was senerated on the tracks of the Math Los Angeles. Dec. 25.-(I. N. S.)-The Christmas present today of pris-oners in Los Angeles' insecure county jail to Sheriff Traeger was seven hacktween Portland and Pasco water was reported on the tracks of the North Bank line in several places this morn-ing but no trouble was anticipated, as maintenance crews were engaged in keeping tunnels and drain pipes open.

jail to Sheriff Traeger was seven hack-saws which had been been smuggled in to aid their escape. A disturbance created early today brought Night Jailer Patton to tank number one. "Little Mack" handed out a stocking from which protruded a Santa Claus. Inside the stocking were the seven saws and a note reading: "As a true observance of the proper Christmas spirit, we herewith present our compliments, because of the kindour compliments, because of the kind (By Universal Service) Mexico City, Mex., Dec. 25.-An English shipbuilding concern has of-fered Mexico ton destroyers at very

Investigation revealed three bolts of the cell had already been sawed through.



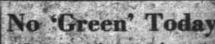
Gifts to Veterans'

Widows Delayed





Doorn, Holland, Dec. 25 .- (I, N. S. A Christmas tree, trimmed by the former kaiser himself, was the chief decoration at the Christmas celebra-tion at house of Doorn today. The main figure was the little 7-year-old Princess Henrietta (Princess Sun-shine), step-daughter of the former haiser by his second marriage is Princess Hermine.



In order that employes of The Journal may celebrate a portion of the Christmas holiday, this is the last after-noon edition of The Journal and there will be no green "final" edition this evening.

Leader Passes Away Chicago, Dec. 25.-(U. P.) - Phillip Stein, former superior court judge, member of the board of education and one of the most prominent Jewish lead-stra in the Middle West, died here shortly after midnight. Chicago, Dec. 25.-(U. P.) - Phillip Stein, former superior court judge, member of the board of education and one of the most prominent Jewish lead-stra in the Middle West, died here

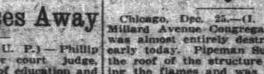
ceived first aid. The other car, which was driven by S. H. Rands, No. 385 East 56th street, Fists on Bandits was only slightly damaged and the was only slightly damaged and the driver was not injured. The two drivers reported the col-lision to the police and each insisted that he was entitled to the right of way. Worthington was going north on Fifligth street and the other car was traveling east on Lincoln street. Both attempted to get to the inter-section first and the collision resulted. Worthington's car struck the other a glancing blow and crashed into a curb, turning completely over. Los Angeles, Dec. 25 .- (1. N. S.) Los Angeles, Dec. 25.--(I. N. S.) Norman Selby, better known as "Kid McCoy," here of a score of ring bat-lles and nearly half as many matri-monial ventures, early today routed with his fists two armed bandits who attempted to hold him up near his home in Hollywood.

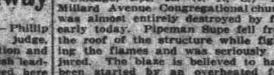
Christmas Fire

Destroys Church







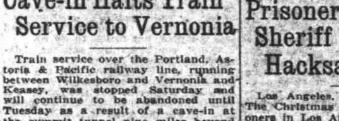


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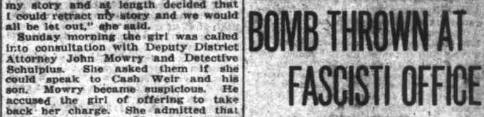
Washington, Dec. 25.-(1. N. 8.)-





vorked out. The postoffice clerks and all of the carriers put in full time Sunday on the hundling of Christmas packages. "I have always thought a great deal of Earl and I am sorry to have caused him all this trouble. I thought over my story and at length decided that I could retract my story and we would

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Railroads in Gorge

Mexico Warships

street to be free from the grime. automobile approached from behind and struck Sarah, throwing her for-

ward on the pavement. Her head struck the asphalt, and one wheel passed over her body. As the driver's name has not been ascertained, no inquest will be held. Watson, janitor at Sellwood Nazarene church, was run down in front of his home by an automobile driven by H. W. Broeder, No. 703 East Powell

A dispute over which automobile had the right of way was, responsible for

an accident at East 50th and, Lincoln

treets Sunday afternoon, in which five persons were slightly injured, an automobile demolished and a telephone

street. Broeder took Watson to his home and then reported the accident to the police. He said he was driving on Grand avenue when Watson stepped from the curb and behind a parked automobile. He did not see him until it was too late. Watson died Sunday night of a fractured skull. He is sur-vived by his wife, Nellie Watson. The ody is at Pearson's parlors. Broeder had not been held this morn

found