sonal Note

PRESIDENT IS READY

TO TAKE ANY ACTION

But Full Inquiry to Be

Completed First

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25. -

Simultaneously with the disclosure

today in the senate oil inquiry of

another unpaid loan to Former In-

terior Secretary Fall, the White

House made known that President

Coolidge was preparing to take

every action to protect the public

Before the same committee be-

fore which E. L. Doheny, Califor-

ely, council to Harry F. Sinclair,

testified today that Mr. Sinclaire

had loaned Mr. Fall \$25,000 in

liberty bonds on a personal note

three months after he retired from

Loan Year Old

the Doheny loan was made more

than a year before the Doheny in-

terests obtained the lease of the

Elk Hills, Cal., naval reserve,

while Sinclair's loan was made

Developments in the senate in-

In the president's view, two

the bringing to justice any one

who has dealt with the situation in

any way that is in violation of the

criminal laws; the other is to see

whether the government has suf-

fered any inquiries by reason of

If the leases do not seem prop

With respect to possible crim-

where any criminal action would

lie. It was pointed out that crim-

final action could not be stated on

rumors; that substantial evidence

which could be presented to a

grand jury and at a trial would

Roosevelt Recalled

loans to Fall, the senate commit-

tee will turn its attention next to

a further effort to clear up testi-

of the Hyva corporation-a Sin-

clair concern-for \$68,000 and al-

But the committee will be di

\$100,000 and \$25,000 loans. Mr.

While Mr. Zevely was telling of

the former secretary was secluded

care of a physician. He declined

Mr. Zevely testified tht the Sin-

just before the former secretary

sent to Russia to inquire into con-

peninsula, in which Mr. Sinclair

had negotiated-with the Chita

whether it had been so used.

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to make any statement; and de-

Having received evidence of two

er, action looking to their annul

the oil reserve leases.

ment will be taken.

be required.

As the testimony now stands,

of any wrongdoing.

the cabinet.

SEVENTY-THIRD YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 26, 1924

McNary-Haugen Bill En-Economic Conference at Corvallis-500 Attend

MESSAGE IS FORWARDED TO PRESIDENT COOLIDGE

Bankers, Business Men and Farmers Adopt Community Reports as Made

CORVALLIS, Or., Jan. 25 .--Unanimous indorsement of the Mc-Nary-Haugen wheat export corporation bill was one of the features of the assembly of the agricultural economic conference here today.

A telegram to President Cool-McNary and Representative Haugen was sent urging the adoption of the plan under conditions that will permit the corporation to be in the market at all times necessary to keep the domestic price level up to the fair price determined by the corporation.

"Extension of credit for cooperative marketing and aid for diversification will not give quick enough relief to meet the situation," the telegram concluded.

More than 500 bankers, business men and farmers were present for the meetings today. The reports of the various commodity groups which have been working since Wednesday noon were adopted by the general assembly.

itors Leading Throughout-Fallin High

ASHLAND, Or., Jan. 25 .- (Special to The Statesman.)-The Salem high school basketball team defeated the team of the Ashland first half Salem was leading by a score of 14 to 8. Fallin of the Salem team was high score man with 15 to his credit.

Saturday night in Ashland.

#### **Eight Boys Taken Home** When Out After Curfew \$1,200,000.

age have been taken to their probably be reduced some \$16,- at 2:40 p. m., this afternoon, as is shown by the fact that not a for being on the streets after cur- It is expected that income taxes few, according to the police department. Five were taken home last night including one who claimed to be 18 years old "all but an hour or two."

Officer Olsen took the boy home nevertheless and verified the lad's claim that he would be 18 years old today. No second offender has been found out after hours, according to police officers. The first time the offender is taken home and the parents warned.

The boys brought in last night were asked if they had any cigarets and all denied possession. It was found later that a package of "fags" had been gotten rid of by Teapot Dome committee. one of the boys while in the police station car on the way to the sta-

The boys taken up range in age from eight to 17 years. No girls clair loaned Albert B. Fall \$25,have been picked up yet.

### WARRANT ISSUED

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 25 .-Dr. Kenn Uhls was arrested here late today on a murder warrant in connection with the killing of W. E. Gibbs.

### THE WEATHER

OREGON: Rain Saturday; strong easterly winds.

> LOCAL WEATHER (Friday)

Maximum temperature, 46. Minimum temperature, 34. River, 3.9. Rainfall, trace. Atmosphere, cloudy, Wind, southwest.

# **EXPLOSION KILLS 37** AND INJURES 14 IN ILLINOIS COAL MINE

dorsed By Agricultural Johnson City Miners Entombed For Hours- financial disaster, has arisen again are that the stickers shall be in Many Dead When Help Reaches Interior of Shaft—Ambulance Rushed in From Herrin sey-Gibbons tend. to Assist With Rescue Work.

> JOHNSTON CITY, Ills., Jan. 25 .- Thirty-seven men are Shelby chamber of commerce for Anyone in Salem or on the Tural dead, six seriously injured and badly burned, while eight a bout there next July 4. The routes is free to enter a design others suffered burns about the head and body in the mine promoter hastened to add, how- As there are many students in Sa- Criminal Action Is Hinted at disaster occurring here today.

Waiting in the cold outside the mine shaft, relatives and by the offer which is \$200,000 in university studying art it is antiworkers were enveloped by the dense, black smoke which turned their faces black as night.

Ambulances from Herrin and Johnston City were lined up as each figure borne on a stretcher was brought out of the smoky shaft by means of an elevator. The waiting crowds it involved. pushed forward fearful that some relative might be borne out to them.

The silence of the night was broken by the wild shriek of wives and mothers of the dead men. Organizations rushed idge, Secretary Wallace, Senator hundreds of sandwiches and gallons of hot coffee to the mine and distributed it freely among the women and children who had stood vigil since the explosion occurred.

One man was brought to the

ed it was impossible to identify

Throngs of frenzied men, wo-

men and children are gathered at

mine were carried out by rescuers

with barely a stitch of clothing

actual explosion took place, were

JOHNSTON CITY, Ills., Jan. 25.

30 men are entombed.

the entrance to the mine.

were 375 men in the mine.

terror of the terrific blast.

the gas filled passages.

450 Men Employed

explosion. At the time of the ex-

Five of these were brought to the

surface, three of whom were sev-

JOHNSON CITY, Ill., Jan. 25 .-

miners were reported as "coming

injured, according to telephone

communication which had been

At the time of the explosion

erely burned.

low the ground.

head and body.

## surface by the rescue teams. His face and head were so badly burnhim. Three injured men taken

Ways and Means Committee to Cut Excises Over \$103,000,000

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 .- (Special to The Statesman.)-Reduction of excise taxes by the ways and means committee is under way.

The committee has decided to eliminate or reduce excise taxes caped easily but entries number in an amount of over \$103,000,-000. It has eliminated \$30,000,-000 on telegraph and telephone farthest from a means of escape Score Is 34 to 11 With Vis- messages, \$10,000,000 on beverages, including fruit uices, \$11,-000,000 on candy and \$20,000,000 on retail sales of jewelry, but a manufacturers' tax will be substituted on lewelry composed of precious metals and precious stones.

Retail sales taxes on hunting high school here tonight by a score garments, carpets and rugs, of 34 to 11. At the end of the trunks, valises, purses and pocketbooks and other articles have been eliminated. The committee has eliminated taxes on movies, etc., The two teams will clash again on admissions under 50 cents and on seating capacity in theaters totaling \$35,000,000. It has reduced taxes on produce sales \$3,500,-000 and on bowling and billiards

> It is believed the above action is will be reduced \$200,000,000.

#### FRIDAY IN WASHINGTON

The White house announced that President Coolidge regarded phone communication was estabpointing toward criminal action.

Albert B. Fall remained in seclusion awaiting his turn on the free the entombed men were rewitness stand Monday before the ported by mine officials.

J. W. Zevely, attorney for Harry F. Sinclair, testified before the Teapot Dome committee that Sin-000 in liberty bonds after Fall had left the cabinet.

The house ways and means committee agreed upon reductions in several miscellaneous taxes.

Secretary Weeks received the latest Muscle Shoals offer of southern power interests while the house military committee was up to the surface." They were unholding hearings on the question.

established between the mine's of-The Lehigh valley railroad fice and the working level where committee before the mixed the miners were trapped. claims, asserted it had obtained evidence that the Black Tom explosion was brought about on order of the German government.

Arrangements were completed plosion. for the immediate calling in The 35 men who were still trap- recluse. Washington by the president of a ped in the level at the time the McClintock said it had been ar- not the slightest sign tonight of conference of representatives of detachment of 20 was making ranged for Uhls to appear in any cessation of the strike of the interests affected by the acute their way to the surface, telephon- Hutchinson, Kansas, Wednesday, members of the Associated Soci- Mr. Zevely who said Mr. Wahleconomic condition in the north- ed that none of their number had to answer a murder charge filed ety of Locomotive Engineers and west to discuss relief action, sustained any injuries,

#### SHELBY WANTS 1924 VERSION OF JULY BOUT

Stage Dempsey-Gibbons Feud in Montana Town

NEW YORK, Jan. 25,-Shelby,

tage the return title fight here February 15. eclipsed in tensity the ring battle tal on its windshield.

"Shelby," commented Rickard, is game anyway."

# LENINE'S FUNERAL IS BEING PLANNED Date Set for "Circuit Rider"

Body Will Be Placed in Temfrom the mine earlier in the day were taken to the Johnston City porary Resting Place at hospital and will recover it is Red Square Sunday thought. Fire is known to be raging in the entries where the

(By The Associated Press) begun with the aid of dynamite to Fifteen men who were trapped break the frozen ground, for a with the dead and injured in the temporary mausoleum in Red and slight burns about their bodies the funeral ceremonies Sunday.

but excepting for their terrible experience, not otherwise hurt. When the explosion occurred there serve a uniform temperature, will ler and Amedee M. Smith. be lighted by electricity, and by 9, 10, 11 and 12 locked in the depths of the colliery where the

the house of unions to visit the the dedicatory exercises. body of the soviet premier. Up and the men there suffered full was placed at almost half a million. Peasants and workers con--Rescue crews were searching the shaft of the McClintock Coal mine of the Orerar Clinch Coal lines awaiting entrance to the mine company late tonight, folhouse of unions.

lowing a terrific explosion which took place at 2:40 o'clock this afappeared concerning the ultimate ternoon in frantic efforts to lodisposition of the body of Lenine. cate 40 miners entombed in the The workmen in several factories mine. The crews had succeeded have sent a petition to the gov- sculptor. in bratticing the mine, allowing ernment asking that the body be fresh air to reach the entombed placed beneath the ground and men who are reported still alive suggesting some arrangement after hours of imprisonment in whereby it always would be visible. Health Commissary Semashko is advocating temporary pre-WEST FRANKFORT, Ills., Jan. servation having in view crema-25.-A terrific explosion occurred tion later when a special cremain the McClintock mine operated tory is constructed in Moscow, as by the Crerar Clinch Coal com- an hygienic example to the people. pany at Johnston City, Ills., in Cremation is treated by the Rus-Eight boys under 18 years of final, but other excise taxes will which 450 miners were employed, sian people generally as heretical, homes during the last few nights 000,000 in addition to the above. Three hundred and ninety of the cremation has taken place in miners were operating on 250 foot level were not affected by the

#### plosion 60 men were entombed. Bible to Be Quoted on The Subject of Tobacco

At 6:30 this afternoon 20 men tonight Envoy Inman will quote were reported brought to the surand give the chapter and verse of face safely without injury. Telewhat is said to be the only verse the Teapot Dome evidence as lished wit hthe 30 men left en- in the Bible where God approves tombed in the mine and they re- of tobacco. He will also tell of bor party's platform during its ported that there was no cause some interesting things that have for worry. Frenzied efforts to transpired in his life.

tention and the attendance is on the increase. Night after night there are results and the different had not yet taken any formal desubjects that he takes are word Sixty of 450 miners at work in pictures from the battle field of the McClintock mine at the Crear Clinch coal company of this city life. It is proving the exception were entombed at 2:40 o'clock to see the number of young men this afternoon when a mysterious who are coming to hear this old explosion took place on the mine's Indian fighter preach the gospel. main working level, 250 feet be- His very appearance seems to make his hearers doubt that he is At 6:30 o'clock tonight, five past 75 years of age.

The meetings will continue men had reached the surface, sufevery night excepting Monday. A fering from severe burns on the cordial invitation is extended to At the same time, 20 of the

#### Attorney Denies Physician Was Arrested for Murder

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 25. W. S. McClintock of Kansas City, attorney for Dr. Ken B. Uhls, de-390 of the miners were engaged nied late tonight that his client No Hope of Cessation in work in a section of the level had been arrested in connection which was not affected by the ex- with the murder of William E. Gibbs, wealthy Hutchinson, Kan.,

against him at Hutchinson today. Firemen,

#### STICKERS FOR **AUTOS WILL BE SALEM AD**

Promoter Offered \$500,000 to Cash Prizes Offered by Chamber of Commerce for Best Designs Offered

Prizes aggregating \$30 are ofhe little Montana boom town, fered by the Chamber of Comwhere the Dempsey-Gibbons heavy merce for the best design for a weight championship fight was windshield sticker best advertisheld last July, and left a train of ing Salom. The only provisions Zeverly Testifies That Sinfrom obscarity to offer \$500,000 two colors and follow the average for the 1924 version of the Demp- size, five inches by three and onehalf inches, either square, oblong, Tex Rickard, who plans to oval or round. The contest closes

during the first week in June, an- Prizes are divided into three nounced today he had received classes, \$15 for the first, \$10 for such an offer on behalf of the the second and \$5 for the third. ever, that he did not view serious- lem high school and Willamette excess of the guarantee made cipated that every automobile Dempsey a year ago and which that stops in the auto camp overthe Montana men failed to meet night will proceed on its way after a financial struggle that with an emblem of the state chpi-

# **DEDICATION OF** STATUE APRIL 19

Ceremony — Numerous Poems Submitted

Date for the unveiling of the statue, "The Circuit Rider," on the capitol grounds has been definitely fixed for Saturday, April MOSCOW, Jan. 25 .- Work was 19, at 11 a. m., according to Dr. W. W. Youngson of Portland. chairman of the general commit-

The committee on program for square in which the body of the dedication met Wednesday in Nicolai Lenine will be placed after Portland and arranged tentative plans. The committee is com-The mansoleum will be deep posed of Dr. Youngson, W. B. cellared especially built to pre- Ayer, Leslie Butler, Frank J. Mil-

The statue, which is means of a mirrored ceiling the Portland after the voyage by ship casket will be visible at all times. through the Panama canal, will quiry were discussed today by the Again today there was a con- be moved to Salem the first of cabinet. Afterwards the president tinuous march of people through next week and kept veiled until was represented officially as re-

Poets who intend to enter the to tonight the number of those \$100 prize contest for the best executive is reluctant to believe who passed through the chamber poem on the circuit rider, will that any one has been guilty of have until February 15 instead of any criminal intent, but he feels February 1 in which to submit that the evidence already adduced tinue to arrive in the capital from their contributions. Already 140 requires legislation and investigadistant points to swell the long poems have been submitted. A tion. committee of musicians has been named to select the best music to questions already are indicated. Two diverging viewpoints have go with the poem.

R. A. Booth had the statue made and is donating it to the state. A. Phimster Proctor is the

Workmen are getting the large marble and granite pieces for the foundation in place. On the south side the stone bears this inscrip-

"Presented to the state of Oregon in reverent and grateful remembrance of Robert Booth, pioneer minister of the Oregon country, by his son, Robert A. Booth." position to jump at conclusions; On the north side is this inthat investigations must be made scription: by the proper authorities to see

"Commemorating the labors and achievements of the ministers of the gospel who as circuit riders became the friends, counsellors and evangels of the pioneers on every American frontier."

#### At the "free for all" meeting British Labor Leaders Deny Immediate Action

(By The Associated Press) LONDON, Jan. 23 .- Although one of the main planks in the larapid rise to power in recent years has been full recognition of of Thomas Johnson, foreman of the Russian sovjet government, it Mr. Fall's New Mexico ranch. was made clear in ministerial circles today that the labor cabinet berg, Sinclair's secretary will be cision for an immediate exchange of the inquiry.

of ambassadors. As far as the officials at the foreign office would go today was to say it was the government's in. Fall will be asked next Monday to tention to reestablish diplomatic explain these and other of his relations with Moscow as early financial transactions. as was practicable, and that the machinery to accomplish that end the \$25,000 loan in June, 1923, would soon be set in motion.

Political observers expressed in the Zevely home here under the the opinion that the British government, unlike the Washington government, will NOT demand in clared he had made none regardadvance from Russia guarantees ing the Doheny testimony. regarding international debts, the cessation of propaganda, the restor ation of property and the like.

## In London Rail Strike government. The money was to

LONDON, Jan. 25.- There wa

### MOONSHINE **FUMES PROVE** MAN'S DEATH

Still Located in Concrete Well Proves Fatal to Ice Cutter at Yakima

YAKIMA, Jan. 25 .- Apparently vercome by fumes from his still located in a concrete well, E. G. Devall, 35, an ice cutter, was found dead on a pile of corn clair Loaned Fall \$25,000 mash at the bottom of the well in Liberty Bonds on Pernear White Bluffs yesterday after being missing since Sunday.

A gas stove and still were found in the well which was located on a soldier settlement tract near the C. A. Whitney ranch. Devall has a sister living at White Bluffs and had been there a short time, coming from Montana.

## SECRET DIPLOMACY BANNED BY LABOR

Ramsay Macdonald Plans to ever before, according to reports Give News of Government to Newspapers

interest and to punish those guilty LONDON, Jan. 25 .- (By the ings of Great Britain's new pre- zek of Wauna, Or., vice president; nia oil magnate told yesterday he mier, Ramsay Macdonald, with James H. Prentice, Bellingham, had loaned Mr. Fall \$100,000 on foreign countries. his personal note while Fall was secretary of the interior J. W. Zev-

Mr. Macdonald intends that the public shall be informed of foreign negotiations whenever the circumstances warrant. He also has decided that the newspapers shall be given a communique after each cabinet session, summarizing the subjects discussed or decisions taken. In conversation with the news-

papermen today, Mr. Macdonald demanded or time permitted.

more than a year after the Sinclair interests received the lease of the Teapot Dome, Wyoming rethis afternoon held an official re- 6 per cent on its invested Kellogg, the American representa- the mill men. tive never had met the new pregarding some of the testimony as One of the first acts of the

pointing to criminal action. The rier serected to protect Downing the premier is situated, during the steamship President Grant. demonstrations unemployment tion government. One, and the most important, is

Viscount Cecil of Chelwood.

### **GOVERNOR PIERCE** inal phases of the matter, it was made clear that there was no dis-

hibition Officers

has modified the old adage that gon homes must be kept in such Pacific coast lumber, in our opincondition that a visit from one of ion." the inspectors of the state prohibition forces will be welcomed at of the modern industrial arch, esmony regarding cancelled checks any time, Governor Pierce declar- pecially on the Pacific coast deed in effect tonight at the annual clared John W. Gorby, assistant banquet of the District Attorneys' leged to have been drawn in favor association of Oregon.

"The laws and customs have changed vastly since first was an- banquet tonight. Archie Roosevelt and G. D. Wahl- nounced the right and doctrine that every man's home was his nor stated. "The law clearly form of transportation," said Mr. makes it your duty as district atverted only temporarily from the tornys to cooperate with the prohibition commissioner. As a matter of necessity it is a secret service and must and will so remain. We claim the right to go into any place in the state at any time as secret agents and discover, if nossible, violations of the law.

"Then we will present our evidence to you and it is your oathbound duty to vigorously prosecute. The prohibition agents are not going over this state ringing a school bell and announcing they clair loan to Mr. Fall was made are after bootleggers. Keep your houses in such order that you will be glad to welcome inspectors at cessions in the lower Sakhalin any time."

### MEETING DEFERRED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 .- The be used, he said, in purchasing executive session of the house milfurther additions to the Fall ranch itary committee at which the property, but he was unable to say question of summoning Henry Ford as a witness in connection The loan negotiated through will be determined was deferred until later tomorrow.

PRICE FIVE CENTS

West Coast Association Says Last 12 Months Business Better Than Ever Before in History

JAPANESE REPORT IS MADE TO CONVENTION

Sentiment Said to Favor Construction of New Tokio Savs Committee

SEATTLE, Jan. 25 .- During the last 12 months business was better and more prosperous than made today by members of the West Coast Lumbermen's association who attended the annual meeting here today.

Ernest Dolge of Tacoma was elected president of the associa-Associated Press) - Secret diplom- tion. Ed Verd of Seattle, Washacy will have no place in the deal- ington vice president; C. H. Wattreasurer and Robert B. Allen, secretary-manager.

In addition to the officers the new trustees named today include: George Hackett, Vancouver, B. C.; E. A. Poyneer, Everett; P. F. Knight, Centralia; Torpe Babcock, Hoquiam; Fred A. Hart, Raymond; W. W. Clark, Linnton and

A. C. Dixon, Eugene. "Final production figures of 1923 will show that Western Oresaid he always would be glad to gon and western Washington esreceive them when public interests tablished a new manufacturing record with a cut of more than To get better acquainted with 925,000,000,000 feet; shipped its foreign representatives accredited cut, furnished steady and remunto Great Britain Mr. Macdonald erative employment, made abo t ception at the foreign office for and went into the new year with the diplomatic corps. Most of the unsold stocks 73 per cent of norambassadors, including Frank B. mal," Secretary Allen reported to

The lumber industry may look orward with confidence to increased business this year, Colonel Macdonald government has been E. G. Griggs of Tacoma and O. M. the decision to remove the bar- Clark of Portland informed the members. Both of the men restreet, where the official home of turned from Japan today on the

"The Japanese we saw were opwhich occurred under the coali- timistic and light-hearted," declared Colonel Griggs. Premier Macdonald has decided were hustling. The impression we that Lord Parmoor, lord president gained was that though governof the council, shall be the British mental action has been against delegate on the council of the the granting of a large budget proleague of nations in succession to posed for the rebuilding of Tokio, sentiment among the people in favor of this project remains strong. I believe that a start will be made on the creation of a new Tokio and that the project will eventually be carried out.

"We found that there were imnense quantities of lumber in Yokohama, much of it had been there before the earthquake. This quantity was put at 200,000,000 Tells District Attorney's to feet with 100,000,000 feet more Keep House Clean for Pro- on the water, bound for Japan. System Disorganized

"At present the transportation PORTLAND, Jan. 25. - Time system around Tokio and Yokohama is disorganized. every man's home is his castle and these difficulties are cleared, Jasanctuary, and in the future Ore- pan will absorb large quantities of

Transportation is the keystone to the president of the National Transportation Institute in his address before the lumbermen at a

"One person in every eight in this country derives his living directly or indirectly, from some Gorby.

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### TOO BAD

It is impudence for the Capital Journal to shed crocodile tears because the Oregon Statesman will not permit it to run our business.

Too bad but it will have to go that way. The Oregon Statesman

has the largest paid circulation any paper in Salem ever had. So is willing to have any fair investigation made to prove. Our offer to our evening contemporary still stands.

In the mean time we are getting along very well without the guiding hand of the evening editor.