

1926 AUTO TAG NOW REQUIRED

State Officers Ordered to
Demand License or Ap-
plication Proof

ARREST TARDY DRIVERS

Congestion Over, Plates Now Be-
ing Issued Daily Application Is
Received; Law to Dis-
regard Excuses

If you haven't your 1926 auto-
mobile license clamped on tight to
your car, better leave it home this
morning unless you carry in your
pocket proof that your applica-
tion has been made.

State traffic officers were in-
structed yesterday afternoon to
start work on Friday, February 5,
and to take court action against
all motorists found operating
their cars without license for the
current year, or who are without
conclusive evidence in their pos-
session indicating that application
has been forwarded to the secre-
tary of state for license.

Official notice was mailed yes-
terday to all sheriffs, chiefs of po-
lice and marshals, constables,
magistrates and district attorneys
to the effect that 1926 licenses
were being issued in all cases, ex-
cept where returned on account of
detention on the day of receipt of
the application for the license, and
to govern themselves accordingly
in the enforcement of the provi-
sions of the motor vehicle laws.

From now on, no excuses will
prevail. Show your 1926
tag, or proof of application if you
meet state officers. Close of the
period of grace, granted by the
state, is being followed by city
police officers.

Right clamping of teeth follows
the statement, published yes-
terday, that the period of grace
would again be lengthened by
Portland police officials, bringing
from the State Traffic Department
the following statement:

"It has always been the custom
of the state to grant a period of
grace to the motorists to co-
operate with the police depart-
ments of the numerous cities and
towns, including the Portland po-
lice department, in the enforce-
ment of all state laws relative to
the operation of motor vehicles
and upon the streets of the
city of the state, assuming, of
course, that if in need of assistance
in the city of Portland, the
chief or the captain of the city
traffic division would advise the
chief of the state traffic division
of their wishes in the matter."

It appears, however, that this
policy of cooperation is not
evidence as in other years, and,
as a result, there are numerous
recidents of the city of Portland
privileged to operate their motor
vehicles without having made any
effort to work through the
thereof. The reason for this con-
dition is without doubt caused by
the announced intention of the
Portland Police department from
time to time to set the time for
the enforcement several days ahead.
At this time, the same situa-
tion in the department is well
cleared up; therefore, the state
traffic force deems it necessary to
proceed with the work within the
city of Portland as well as con-
tinue its work throughout the
state generally without waiting
for further action by the Portland
city police officials with reference
to that city.

WALL CRASHES, 7 DEAD

WEIGHT OF SNOW CAUSES
FACTORY TO COLLAPSE

NEW BRITAIN, Conn., Feb. 4.
—(By A.P.)—The collapse of a
brick wall at the foundry of the
Rich & Judd Manufacturing com-
pany in East Main street today
brought death to at least seven
workmen. Eleven others are in
the New Britain general hospital,
some in a serious condition. Six
men are unaccounted for. The
accident was a direct result of the
blizzard which swept this section
last night and today, snow gath-
ering on the roof of the one-story
building causing the wall to
buckle. It fell in the street and
the roof of the structure dropped
on the workers below, leaving a
pile of twisted steel and mangled
bricks. It was under this mass
of debris that the bodies of the
workers were brought.

DIES AT AGE OF 138

RUSSIAN PEASANT'S ELDEST
DAUGHTER NOW 101

MOSTOV, Russia, Feb. 3.
—(Associated Press.)—Ivan
Mostov, reputed to be the oldest
peasant in Russia, died here
today at the age of 138.
He was married three
times, taking his third wife in
his 100th year. He had 24
children, the eldest of whom, a
daughter, is now 101.
He never left the soil, was
never ill and retained his hair
and teeth to the end. He
claimed to have fought in every
war in which Russia engaged
for the last 118 years.

Statesman Prize Awards Attracting Contestants

Candidates Should Be as Numerous as List of Gifts Which
Will Be Given to Those Who See the Opportunity.
Get in, and Stay Till Victory Comes
By Auto Contest Editor

When the management determined to give away over
\$3,000 in automobiles and prizes in The Statesman's big con-
test, it was thought that the prize list was so liberal that
scores of candidates would get in and carry on. The fact that
one stands to win \$1115 and that "Everybody Wins Some-
thing" ought to have been enough to "knock everyone cold."
Really, that may be the case. Maybe you are "knocked so
cold" you haven't yet fully recovered.

You expected everyone in Salem and vicinity to get into
this contest and everyone in Salem and vicinity expected you to
get in. The result is but a few
are in—so few in fact that The
Statesman is not satisfied as yet.
More nominations are needed.

PROHIBITION QUESTION IS DEBATED OVER RADIO

SENATORS DISCUSS PROPOSAL
TO MODIFY STATUTES

Edge and Dill Address Nation-
Wide Audience on Liquor
Law Question

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—(By
Associated Press.)—Coincident
with interest aroused by the an-
nouncement in favor of light
wines and beers by the Episcopal
church temperance society, the
prohibition question was debated
tonight on the air by two members
of the senate.

Speaking from the studio of
WABC, the station here of Radio
Corporation of America, Senator
Edge, republican, New Jersey,
took the side of those advocating
modification of the Volstead act,
while Senator Dill, democrat of
Washington, made the rejoinder
in behalf of those opposing any
change in that law.

The addresses reached an audi-
ence over the country through a
series of linked up stations.

The speakers agreed that cor-
ruption of public officials and a
widespread illicit traffic in liquors
had followed enactment of the
Volstead law, but they were far
apart as to the means of correct-
ing these conditions.

Senator Edge contended that
modification of the Volstead act
"within the clear terms of the
constitution would partly subvert
the spirit of protest and challenge
now so apparent."

"Would it not be better to let
them drink and let them be
temperate condition," he asked,
"than to have prohibition that
does not prohibit, but rather
breeds defiance and in addition
leaves in its wake a rapidly
broadening trail of misery and
disgrace."

Senator Dill said that "the bootleggers
and the extreme drys are together
resisting all efforts for modifica-
tion." Senator Edge said:

"Public opinion, as now daily
expressed from the pulpit and the
press, is demanding action and
freely admitting the error we have
made."

Senator Dill told his audience
that to legalize the sale of beer
and light wines would be to re-
turn to conditions in pre-prohibi-
tion days, which he contended
were far worse than those exist-
ing after six years of legal pro-
hibition.

"There is only one course to
follow if we are to remedy the
evils that confront us," he said.
"The course is to have a honest
course of obeying and enforcing
the law."

"How shall we do this? First,
there should be a nation-wide edu-
cational campaign against the
use of alcohol and in favor of law
enforcement and obedience to the
law."

"We have never had real law
enforcement since the 18th cen-
tury was adopted, but poor as
enforcement has been, the bene-
fits are greater than the evils
flowed from any reform in the
United States unless it be the
abolition of slavery."

Although the radio debate was
arranged before the announce-
ment of the Episcopal church tem-
perance society, Senator Edge re-
ferred to that announcement as
another announcement that the
friends of temperance favor a
change in the dry law so as to
make it workable.

GAS TAX RECEIPTS UP

INCREASE OF 17 PER CENT
OVER PREVIOUS YEAR

The state license on gasoline
and distillate used in Oregon dur-
ing 1925 aggregated \$2,127,
184.27, a gain of 17 per cent over
the revenue from the same source
in 1924, according to a statement
prepared by Secretary of State
Kozier. Collections of state taxes
on motor fuel oils for 1924 are
shown in the statement as \$2,
672,481.98.

The 1925 taxes were paid on
a total of 101,202,762 gallons of
gasoline and 3,877,358 gallons of
distillate. To date the state has
collected a total of \$10,452,380.44
as a result of the operation of the
motor fuel oil tax law, all of which
except for rebates and administra-
tive expenses, is credited to the
state's road fund.

THE DALLAS MAN CHOSEN
LONGVIEW, Wash. Feb. 4.
—(By Associated Press.)—Roy W.
Buck of The Dalles, was elected
secretary of the Pacific coast of the
Lutheran church at the an-
nual convention in session here
today. Rev. Luther S. Beck of
Yanovover was elected treasurer.

RURAL SECTION TALKS BERRIES

Prof. C. E. Schuster Ad-
dresses Enthusiastic Meet-
ing of Growers

CULTIVATION DISCUSSED

W. G. Allen, of Hunt Brothers,
Predicts Unprecedented Straw-
berry Pack Totalling 1,000,
000 Cases

At a meeting held last evening
of the rural department of the
Chamber of Commerce, called to
discuss the interests of strawberry
growers, two important facts were
brought out.

The first was the statement of
Prof. C. E. Schuster, assistant pro-
fessor of pomology, OAC, that
challow cultivation of strawber-
ries is more beneficial than deep
cultivation.

Of equal importance to the
growers, was the statements of
sanning and barreling interests of
Salem that the strawberries that
will find a constant and assured
market are the Ellettsburg 121,
the Oregon and the Marshall.

In referring to cultivation, Prof.
Schuster said that deep cultivation
cut the roots of the berry and
thereby lessened the strength of
the plant and its production. He
recommended cultivation to a
depth of only one and one-half to
two and one-half inches.

Referring to topping of plants,
Prof. Schuster said that this was
practiced by 90 per cent of the
growers, but he was not quite
sure whether this was the right
practice. In some districts adapt-
ed to strawberry growing where
the crops had been small, Prof.
Schuster attributed it to too deep
cultivation, thereby cutting roots
of the plant.

W. G. Allen, manager of Hunt
Brothers Packing company, said
that the Ellettsburg 121 was pre-
ferred by canning interests and
that during the past season fully
75 per cent of strawberries can-
ned in Salem were the Ellettsburg.

Mr. Allen referred to the won-
derful growth of the canning in-
dustry in Salem. He said that in
1911, there was only one canning
plant in Salem, with an output of

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JUDGE KANZLER RESIGNS

PORTLAND JURIST ELECTED
TO BANKING POSITION

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 4.
—(By Associated Press.)—Judge
Jacob Kanzler for the last seven
years in charge of the court of
domestic relations of Multnomah
county, today submitted his resig-
nation by letter to Governor
Pierce. Closely following this
word from the Multnomah county
courthouse, came an announce-
ment from Emory Olmstead, pres-
ident, that Judge Kanzler had
been elected assistant vice pres-
ident of the Northwestern National
bank, to assume his duties April 1.

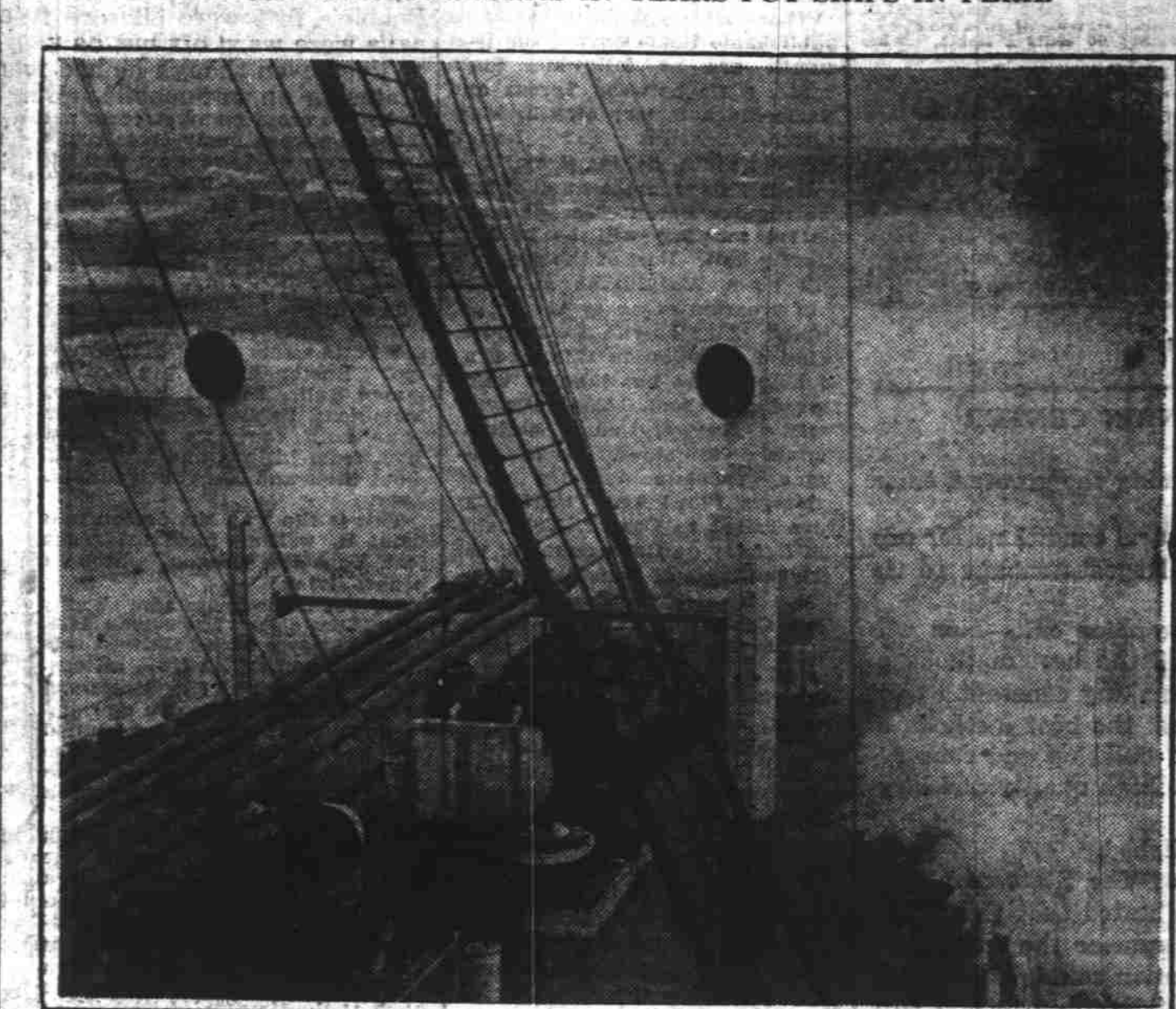
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PRIDE GOETH BEFORE A FALL

SOFT COAL PRICE BOOST
INCREASED CONSUMPTION OF SOFT COAL
THE HARD COAL STRIKE
I DON'T CARE IF THEY NEVER SETTLE IT! I USE SOFT COAL!
INCREASED HARD COAL PRODUCTION



WORST PACIFIC STORMS IN YEARS PUT SHIPS IN PERIL



The worst storm in years is raking the Pacific ocean from California to Bering sea. The
Atlantic ocean, too, is in the grip of terrific gales. Liners, including the largest, are being
tossed about like toys and several vessels are reported in distress.

TRAFFIC STOP PENALTY NETS \$85 OPENING DAY

"WILL SOON PAY COST OF
SIGNS," SAYS VICTIM

Enforcement to Continue, De-
fendants Have Only Praise
for Ordinance

Like sparrows gathered in a
hedge, the first violators of the
new stop street ordinance gath-
ered in the office of City Judge
Poulsen yesterday. There were
ten of them in all at one time.

As the first man paid his \$5
fine for failing to stop before en-
tering a through street, nine others
grinned sheepishly, and a gen-
eral movement of hands was made
toward the right pants pocket.
Most men who appear before
Judge Poulsen carry their money
in their right pants pockets.

As one man aptly put it, as he
amitantly handed the five to the
judge.

"Well, the city ought to have
the posts and signs paid for in
short order at this rate."

Another suggested that perhaps
the city zoning and planning com-
mission was to receive its \$200
emergency fund from this so re-
cited.

"Don't you feel conscience-
stricken, plucking these fives so
ruthlessly?" an onlooker asked
Judge Poulsen.

"I leave my conscience at home,"
was the laconic reply. "I was
afraid some of the men would
leave their fives at home, too."

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DOWNPOUR SWEEPS OVER COAST STATES

Bridges Washed Out and
Roads Damaged; Willa-
mette River Rising

Accompanied by high winds, a
heavy rainstorm hit the Salem
district yesterday, flooding ditches
and in the farming sections and
swelling the several streams in
the city. During the 24-hour
hour period 1.03 inches of rain
fell, according to the weather
department here. The Willamette
river started to rise yesterday, due
to the heavy rains south of here.
More rain is forecast for today
with diminishing south and south-
west winds.

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 4.—(By
Associated Press.)—Warm rain
poured down over the entire Pa-
cific coast today as one result of
a storm centered off British Co-
lumbia. From San Francisco to
Prince Rupert the deluge was gen-
eral. At least one bridge was
washed out, several landslides oc-
curred, trains were delayed and
streets were flooded, streams over-
flowed and roads were damaged.

In Portland and the neighbor-
ing cities of Longview and Kelso,
Wash., a brilliant electrical storm
occurred. Damage was negligible.
Astoria was cut off entirely
from communication. For the
benefit of Astoria newspapers, The
Associated Press arranged to
broadcast news from the Oregonian
radio for 15 minutes.

More than two inches of rain

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CLARK ESTATE CLAIMED

WOMEN SAY SENATOR'S FIRST
WIFE UNRECOGNIZED

DENVER, Colo., Feb. 4.—(By
Associated Press.)—Beyond the
assertion that she and her sisters,
who are suing for a portion of the
\$50,000,000 estate of the late
Senator W. A. Clark of Montana
will get "our rightful share," Mrs.
Addie Clark Miller who was dis-
covered living in a humble subur-
ban residence today, retained
silent tonight on the suit filed in
Butte, Mont., several days ago.
The women say they are Clark's
legitimate daughters.

Earlier in the day, however, she
admitted her identity to reporters
and said her mother, whose
maiden name was Kate Brooks,
and Clark were married in St.
Joseph, Mo., about 1869. Later
he married Kate L. Stauffer, lat-
est in Who's Who in America as
his first wife. Mrs. Miller declared
and added that Clark had refused
to recognize his first wife and
three daughters after he became
wealthy.

Her statements, however, con-
flict also with those of the late
copper king's Montana associates
who say he was a resident of Mon-
tana in 1869 and in that year
married Miss Stauffer.

HALL IS NOT ENTRANT

SENATOR IS NOT TO ENTER
RACE FOR GOVERNOR

MARSHFIELD, Or., Feb. 4.
—(By Associated Press.)—State
Senator Charles Hall said today
he had decided not to enter the
race for the republican nomi-
nation for governor. He declared
he felt it his duty to devote his
time to the enterprises in south-
western Oregon in which many
persons had invested.

SIX SOLDIERS DIE AFTER DRINKING POISON LIQUOR

SIX OTHERS IN HOSPITAL IN
HONOLULU BARRACKS

Three in Critical Condition, Two
Stone Blind; Bay Rum
Said Cause

HONOLULU, Feb. 4.—(By As-
sociated Press.)—Six soldiers are
dead, three are in a critical con-
dition and three are recovering
from alcoholic poisoning result-
ing from the reported drinking of
bay rum at Scottfield Barracks. All
are privates. The army officials
declined to give the names of the
six in hospital.

The deaths of the six victims oc-
curred within a few hours during
last night and this morning. The
men were taken to the hospital
yesterday afternoon and evening
suffering terribly and in such a
condition that the physicians were
unable to obtain statements from
them. The physicians are of the
opinion the men drank wood al-
cohol. The bay rum was obtained
at the post exchange store, where
it was offered as a hair tonic.

Some of the men are also sup-
posed to have drunk okolehao, a
native whiskey.

Two of the soldiers turned stone
blind before dying. Company
commanders have advised all men
to report to the hospital "without
fear of consequences if they have
been drinking anything."

All forms of hair tonic and
other liquids containing alcohol
have been confiscated and steps
taken to prevent their sale within
the post.

DEATH IS YET UNSOLVED

BODY OF AGED RECLUSE IS
FOUND IN FIRE RUINS

YAKIMA, Feb. 4.—(By As-
sociated Press.)—Death of O. W.
Anderson, 80, a recluse living
near Kennewick, was due to a
fractured skull received in an un-
detected manner. This was the
verdict of a coroner's jury in Ken-
newick today, according to tele-
phone advice received here to-
night. Anderson's body was
found, badly burned and mutilated
in his home last Friday. One
leg had been consumed by the fire
and other parts of the body had
been seared and were still smoul-
dering when the body was found.

The coroner's jury today de-
clined to believe that Anderson
had upset a lamp or in any way
intentionally set fire to his cloth-
ing. None of the jurors, however,
was of the opinion that he had
been murdered, it was said.

It was said that he had amassed
considerable wealth and was pos-
sessed of unusual business ac-
umen.

FATHER SLAYS FAMILY

FOUR KILLED AND OWN LIFE
IS TAKEN IN TRAGEDY

DOWAGIAC, Mich., Feb. 4.
—(By Associated Press.)—A mental
breakdown caused by worry of a
father over the birth of a child
to his unwed daughter is believed
by county officers here to have re-
sulted in the deaths of William
Wilkinson, his wife, 4 sons, the
daughter and the latter's three-
day old child. The bodies of the
victims were found early today in
the ruins of the Wilkinson home
in Silver Creek township near here.

Investigators said that marks
on the bodies indicated the father
had slain the four, set fire to the
house and then perished in the
flames.

FURY OF GALE FELT IN EAST

Nearly Score of Deaths Are
Claimed by Storm; North-
east Snow Blanketed

HEAVY SEAS TAKE TOLL

Nine Die When Barge Sinks; Two
Ships in Distress; Six Killed
When Roof Collapses
in Storm

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—(By As-
sociated Press.)—The northeast-
ern section of the United States
tonight was digging itself out
from under the heaviest snowfall
experienced this winter.

The storm after weakening its
fury for 15 hours, upon the At-
lantic seaboard from Georgia to
Maine lifted this afternoon and
went whirling its way along the
ship lanes toward Newfoundland.
In its wake it left a snow blanket
varying in depth from a few
inches in the south to two feet in
the Allegheny mountains.

Nearly a score of deaths, some
property damage and partial dis-
ruption of transportation were
recorded.

Shipping, harried by more than
a week of severe storms, suffered
new disasters. Thousands of pas-
sengers on coastwise liners were
snowbound in Long Island sound
where the steamers anchored to
await clearing weather.

Two ships were reported in dis-
tress, and a third, the Dutch
freighter Stad Zalt-Bommel, wire-
lessed that she was burning coal
from her cargo to reach port at
Providence, R. I., after her hold-
ers had been trapped by her own
battle with the storm. The Far-
ness freighter, Manchester Pro-
ducer, bound from Halifax to
Manchester, was drifting with a
broken rudder about 360 miles
from Halifax. The German steam-
ship Hanover has gone to her aid.
The collier Selwyn Eddy was re-
ported standing by and a coast
guard cutter was proceeding to
the collier's aid from Cape May.

N. J. Seven lives were saved to-
night when the German steam-
ship Hanover was rescued from
grounding of three barges off the
New Jersey coast. Three men
were rescued from the barge
Metropolitan No. 21, which had
grounded off Asbury Park. Two
of the rescued men died from ex-
posure, but the others were brought
ashore. Six other barges broke
loose from their tugs and were
left to the mercy of the storm.
Some of these were believed to
have crews aboard.

At least six persons were killed
at New Britain, Conn., when the
wall of a brick foundry building
collapsed under the weight of tons
of snow on the roof.

Other fatalities were reported
from scattered points in the storm
region.

In the larger cities armies of
workmen and hundreds of trucks
and motor cars were sent out
to work to keep the main
thoroughfares open. In New York
this force numbered more than
19,000 men and it was estimated
the cost of clearing the streets
would total \$1,000,000.

REPORT ON ARMY BILL

APPROPRIATION MEASURE IN
EXCESS OF BUDGET PASSES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—(By
Associated Press.)—Maintenance
of the army and the various re-
serve organizations at their peak
strength for the next fiscal year
was provided for in the an-
nual war department appropri-
ation bill reported today to the
house.

Carrying a total of \$939,591,
000, the measure would authorize
an increase in expenditures of \$4-
\$48,000 over funds now available.
This was an increase of \$1,987,
000 above budget estimates and
was the first time in the present
congress that budget recommen-
dations have been exceeded.

TICKLE TOE, RIDDLE

AND HE SURE WILL TO-
NIGHT AT THE CONTEST

Capacity attendance at the
Armory tonight, when fiddlers,
past four score years and ten,
will bring back the story of the
"good old days when" is in-
dicated by advance sale of
tickets for the Lulu Bennett
party and dance.

Picturesque in the possibili-
ties, the project has received
the hearty support of all Salem
service clubs. Fully a score of
municipals whose memory runs
back into the days before the
dance regulated the daily com-
munity life, are expected to be
present for a long list of
entertainment.

Following the contest, an
orchestra will play, and
will be removed and the dance
brought back to the
venue, the two-step and the
measure that went with the
hoop skirt.