SHOP EARLY-Only 13 shopping days remain before Christmas. Do your shopping early and avoid the rush. You will find a new delight in this early shopping and also you'll bring happiness to the merchants and the post office clerks.

EVENTY-SIXTH YEAR

SALEM, OREGON, FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 10, 1926

INDUST BLAS

Explosion Occurs Shortly After Men Lowered in Shaft for Work

MANY SERIOUSLY BURNED

Emergency Hospital Established in Washroom and Physicians and Nurses Summoned From City

PRINCETON, Ind., Dec. 9 .-(AP)-Rescue workers, refreshed by a three hour respite from their explorations in the subterranean passages of the Francisco Coal company's No. 2 mine in which 21 men were killed by an explosion today, re-entered the shaft shortly before midnight to carry on further rescue work.

The men came from the mine shortly after the discovery of fire in one of the south entries from which seven of the men entombed by the explosion escaped after having been given up as lost throughout the day. One of them died before reaching the hospital. Five men remained in the underground passages tonight.

Federal and state officers held out no hope that the five had survived the explosion and the fire might have taken refuge. The mine, one of the largest in

the state, employed 300 miners. The explosion occurred in the day's work.

An emergency hospital was esand physicians and nurses summoned from Princeton. After first patment was given, the more Ewing. ambulances to the Methodist hossuffered severe burns about the time the company was at Camp face and chest. In their efforts to Withycombe: care for the injured, rescue workdeath toll was available

As the victims were brought from the mine mouth, veteran workmen stood at the top of the shaft, warning the trapped men to cover their faces to escape pneumonia through exposure.

Rescue workers experienced great difficulty in reaching those men known to be trapped in the 200-foot shaft, although the mine fans were constantly pumping air into this part of the wrecked area.

Rescue teams had to be changed every 15 minutes. This afternoon MORLEY HEIRS it was necessary to call for volunteers, and some of the workers were exhausted.

Work of the rescuers proceeded slowly this afternoon on account of gas formations. It was necessary to block off sections of the mine which was emitting foul air. Today was damp and dismal, with a cold wind chilling the hundreds of relatives and onlookers who pressed close to the roped-off area around the mine mouth.

The Francisco mine No. 2 is about three years old and this was one at the time of its signing. its first accident. The mine is apped with modern safety deices and apparently the explosion s not due to neglect.

WAR DENOUNCED BY CHURCH MAN

DECLARES SPEAKER

System of Government Sales of Liquor in Canada Held

Evil Practice

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 9. (AP). - Caustic denunciation of war, a plea for the enforcement his own defense at the oil conof the prohibition laws, a challenge to "make religion a thing of action," and a call for ministers and laymen to "renew their faith in evangelism" marked the opening here today of the men's counof the Methodist Episcopal The meeting, similar to the e held in Seattle and Spokane. Bored by the Portland area the church, was attended by Oregon, Washington and Idaho. The meetings are a part of a gen-eral campaign to enlist, according to the church leaders, "a million men making the mind of the Master their main motive and

A stirring denunciation of the war system, "legalized and al-lowed to flourish in every nation of the world," was made by Raymond Robins, international social reformer. "The last war left the world bankdupt and the next war will destroy civilization, if it comes," Dr. Robins declared. pinting out that the only way in (Continued on page 2.)

Father Spoils Party

STAYTON BOYS HALTED IN MIDNIGHT ESCAPE

STAYTON, Or., Dec. 9 .-

(Special to The Statesman.)-Armed with two gunnysacks of "grubstake," a roll of bedding, two flashlights and a spotted cayuse, Delmer Gehlen and Olin Davie, two 14-yearold school boys, made an attempt to run away from their homes last night, but were intercepted by the father of one of them, who was awakened by the disturbance caused when his son attempted to climb out an upstairs window at 2 o'clock in the morning.

Loan to Fall Held "Friendly

Act to Help an Old Pros-

pector Friend"

CORRUPT INTENT DENIED

Elk Hills Naval Oil Reserve

Should Yield Profit of One

Hundred Million, Says

Multi-Millionaire

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 .- (AP)

The defense played its trumps

and aces today in the Fall-Doheny

the record one of the most color-

Edward L. Doheny, 70-year-old

multi-millionaire oil man, in a

he was a "shave-tail mule driver"

His story was an unqualified de-

nial of all charges of wrong-doing,

unpatriotic intent, or corrupt pur-

ate oil committee three years ago

concerning his \$100,000 loan to

Albert B. Fall, then secretary of

were on the fire in the navy and

personal transaction with an old

His personal interest in the

Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, oil storage

of the Elk Hills, Cal., reserves,

Sitting with his bandaged in-

tures, Doheny told his story in

J. K. Robison regarding the

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portance, he told the jury.

prospector friend."

pay interest.

erican criminal proceeding.

When questioned as to their plans, the boys said they intended-to go to Canada.

ANNUAL REUNION OF COMPANY M

MEET THIS YEAR AT COUNTRY CLUB TONIGHT

One of Most Efficient Units of Old Third Oregon, Composed of 150 Boys

Old Company M is to have its annual reunion tonight at the Country club. Ever since the war this famous old company has each the story of his life from the time | militarists replaced last April. year held a big get-together meeting in honor of the departure for in the old west until he found him-France in 1917-December 11.

The famous company was of \$100,000,000. considered the most efficient company in the old Third Oregon infantry-and the Third Oregon infantry was one of the best units pose in the leasing negotiations. which was believed to be penetrat- in the entire United States, not He repeated what he told the sening remote passages in which they excepting the celebrated Rainbow division.

The Honor Roll The honor roll of members of the interior in November, 1921, the company who were killed in when the oil reserve policies still southeastern part of the shaft, action or died, follows: Francis shortly after five cage loads of Banta, Aubrey Jones, Jack Kirch- interior departments-"It was a miners had been lowered for the ner, Maurice Lawson, Geo. Raredon, Paul Rich, Welcome Putnam, Oscar Otto, Leo Sturdevant, Percy tablished at the mine washroom Streyfeller, Hayward A. Fowle, Kenneth Aspinwall, Lawrence Hoppe, Wm. M. Smith and James.

Complete Roster Following is Company M's rosital here. Most of those rescued ter (from official records) at the

Captain James R. Neer, First ers did not stop to record the dead Lieutenant Dana H. Allen, Second and it was several hours before Lieutenant. Francis N. Banta, even an approximation of the First Sergeant Herman McInturff, Supply Sergeant, Paul B. Wallace, Mess Sergeant, Victor Taylor, Sergeant Elmer Blunk, Sergeant Francis W. Mason, Sergeant Verne F. Williams, Sergeant Robert A. Fraser, Sergeant Arvid V. frequently using it in forceful ges-Peterson, Sergeant Paul C. Maurer, Sergeant, Richard Q. Han- tones of dignified calm and poise. sen, Corporal Malcolm L. Gilbert, Only twice did his gestures and Corporal Samuel V. Stanley, Cor- speech reveal emotion-once when ford W. Cordier, Corporal Harry

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SCORE HANDWRITING EXPERT SAYS SIGNATURE ASSISTED

The heirs of Jerome Morley scored yesterday afternoon in county court when Marritt Davis handwriting expert of the commercial department of the Salem high school testified that he believed that the signature on the will whereby Morley left \$22,000 to the Silverton hospital showed that it had been assisted by some-

Mr. Davis testified that the last name of the signer was not natural and showed that some assistance had been given, according to his

Other witnesses during the day testified that they did not believe that Morley was able to transact such business, due to his mental condition. He was stricken by a CONFLICT WHA RUIN WORLD cerebral hemorrhage which caused partial paralysis.

YESTERDAY IN WASHINGTON

Edward L. Doheny testified in spiracy trial after his wife and

Pennsylvania and Illinois senatorial primary expenditures came under attack in the senate.

eral judiciary were voted by the

Republicans were accused in the house of playing politics on tax reduction.

tion began in the house with dry appropriations the basis of the argument.

committees refused chairmanship to Representative Nelson, Wisconsin insurgent leader, and asked for more information as to insur-

Coast guard commandant re

SIEGE OF SIANFU KILLS HUNDREDS

HUMAN FLESH SOLD TO WARD PARTY FOUND IN SALEM RESI-OFF STARVATION

Stricken City; Only Two Americans Listed

lated despatch received here tohave eaten all the dogs and horses. alive the miserable inhabitants.

Nineteen foreigners in Sianfu was received from them.

Reports that the beleaguering for the six persons arrested when forces of General Liu Chen-Hua the raid was made. The owner have raised the siege and retreat- was absent, and his whereabouts neth G. Ormiston star witness in oil conspiracy trial, weaving into ed into Honan province, thus far are unknown, according to police. have not been confirmed. They His name was not given. ful and dramatic stories which has are allies of Marshal Chang Tsoever gone before a jury in an Am-Lin, who controls the Peking government. The Kuominchun de- containing a pint and a half of fenders of Sianfu are a portion of the armies of the government were found when the raid was four-hour direct examination told which Chang Tso-Lin and other made. No evidence of drunken-

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ELECTION FUNDS AIRED IN SENATE

OVER CAMPAIGN MONEY

Convention System of Nomination Also Target of Pointed Remarks

project, which led to the leasing WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 .- (AP) The inevitable battle over sensgrew out of the conversations with torial campaign expenditures be- swords, the patriots of Lexington a naval officer which convinced gan today in the senate. him the "menace of Japan" in the

Pacific was, in 1921, of vital im- ocrat, Washington, opened the fight over the outlays in the Hii-It was revealed for the first nois and Pennsylvania republican time today that Fall had tendered primaries by offering resolutions, stocks valued at \$200,000 to Do- on which action was deferred, deheny in March, 1925, as security claring William S. Vare and Frank for the loan, on which he had L. Smith disqualified as senatorsbeen unable, up to that time, to elect from those two states.

field for investigation was profected arm toward the jury, and posed by John R. Neal, attorney of Knoxville, Tenn., who charged in a letter to the senate elections committee that Senator Tyson, democrat, Tennessee, had spent \$1,600,000 in his primary camporal Anton O'Neil, Corporal Clif- he told of his agitation over what paign two years ago. Neal rehe had learned from Rear Admiral quested an investigation, Before the senate met, the spe-

cial senate campaign expenditures trees, table legs, or kindling and strategic situation in the Pacific, and again when he described the committee discussed future acti- was breathing a sigh of relief "water hole economics" of New vities behind closed doors for an when he received a telegram from

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POLICE GET SIX IN LIQUOR RAIDS

ficers, are out on \$10 bail apiece

The house in which the party

occurred was unoccupied except

A flask containing a half pint

of alleged moonshine, another

wine, and several empty ones

The party was dancing, shout-

ing, and having a hilarious time,

police further allege, and two of

the men were giving one of the

girls a drink when the raid was

PLAGUE OF BLUDGEONS

Influence With Big

Sticks

CHICAGO, Dec. 9. - (AP) .-

their trusty muskets - and the

fascisti of Italy

baseball bats.

clared today.

accumulated in Europe.

ands of baseball bats.

This, material included thous-

Shillinglaw had just finished

disposing of several thousand

baseball bats to trusting natives

of France for use as "whiffle-

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made, police stated

DENCE BY OFFICERS

Nineteen Foreigners Remaining in Owner of House Absent When Raid Occurs and Whereabouts Unknown

PEKING, Dec. 9 .- (A.P.)-One man in jail on a posses-Hundreds were dying daily in sion charge and two other men Sianfu a fortnight ago, said a beand three girls, all charged with disorderly conduct, is the result day, which told of starvation in of a police raid on an alleged the capital of Shensi province due "wild party" in a house on Knapp to the siege by provincial forces street last night at about 10 which has lasted since April. The o'clock. Kuominchun (people's army) de-Will Purdy is in jail because he fenders and the Chinese populace failed to furnish \$100 bail asked of the city of more than 700,000 of him on a charge of possession intoxicating liquor. Emil It is asserted that flesh of the Wickizer and L. S. Miller and the human dead has been sold to keep were not given out by police of-

were in a desperate condition on on charges of disorderly conduct. November 19, when the last word

ness was found on any of the The appalling conditions in Sian party, police allege. Fu were described in a letter writself defendant involving naval oil ten Nov. 19 by Dr. C. J. Stockley Company M was composed of reserve leases in which he had of the English Baptist mission 150 men, who were all Salem estimated there might be a profit from inside the city, and forwarded by an English missionary cor-

FASCISTI WIELD BASEBALL BATS

PARIS JUST GETTING OVER SENATOR DILL OPENS FIGHT

Unexpectedly Senator Dill,

Earlier the opening of a new

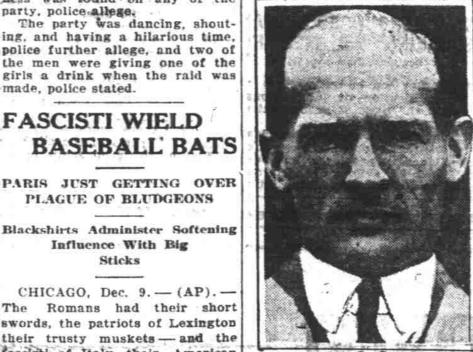
Father of Star Witness in McPherson Case to Put Up Battle

CHARGES TO BE FILED CHRISTMAS FUND

three girls involved, whose names | Long Missing Fugitive from Justice Captured by Chicago Detectives After They Traced Letters

> NEW YORK, Dec. 9.- (AP)-The New York American says Kenthe McPherson case, will fight extradition to California.

Ormiston tonight was en route to Chicago, the American says, but on arriving there, will at once take legal steps to prevent his removal to Los Angeles.



Kenneth G. Ormiston

Big sticks like Babe Ruth uses SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 9. -(AP)-W. C. Ormiston, father were the weapons with which the blackshirts administered a soften- of Kenneth G. Ormiston, declared ing influence on communist skulls, here tonight that he had taken David A. Shillinglaw, past comup the gauge of battle in behalf mander of the Advertising Men's of his son.

"I've stayed out of this case post of the American Legion, defor six months, but now I'm in it," he asserted. "I'm going to put up After the armistice, Shillinglaw a battle, I don't want them had the job of salvaging the leftplanting any more evidence on over material that Uncle Sam had Kenneth

> "Why yesterday, when they opened up the rear compartment

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REPORT SHOWS \$1,000 SHORT

OF CAMPAIGN GOAL

Total membership in the YMCA or its subsidiary organizations in Salem and Marion county is now 2136, according to the monthly report submitted at a meeting of the board of directors at noon yesterday. The other activities of the association and its present fin- have been received from the Port-

in the report. reach the goal of \$20,000 set in the membership campaign, the re- gang will begin drilling the holes resentative Byrns of Tennesse port shows. Three chief events this morning, according to Walter ranking minority member on the in the coming program are open house on New Year's day, Thrift week, and the visit of George Irving, national religious secretary, are painted a bright yellow with on February 7-11.

WEEK COMING ORGANIZATIONS TO DECIDE

ON WORK THIS AFTERNOON

Salem's participation in this year's annual Thrift week, from February 17 to 24, will be decided at a meeting this afternoon in the YMCA, to which delegates from all the city's civic organizations are invited, Last year over 20 of these groups took part in the observation.

Thrift week is a national move ment, originated in 1910 by the YMCA, cooperating with 48 other national organizations. John A. Goodell of New York, a former Oregon resident, is national secre-

JUDGES' PAY PAST HOUSE HIGHER SALARIES FOR JU-DICIARY UP TO COOLIDGE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 .- (AP) The bill providing substantial salary increases for federal judges. hanging fire since last session, was

about farm relief.

The Statesman's Christmas Cheer Fund

The Christmas Cheer Fund is beginning to grow as people become imbued with the spirit of an unselfish Christmas. Santa Claus needs help to bring joy and gladness to lots of worthy kiddies. He wants your name on the list of his good and true helpers. CHRISTMAS CHEER FUND: The Statesman\$25.00 Check No. 386 2.50

STARTS TO GROW

Maurice White 1.00

SANTA CLAUS NEEDS ASSIST-ANCE IN HIS WORK

Oregon's Merriest Yuletide Possible by all Showing Unselfish Spirit

grows as the donations for the begin to come in. So far only the | 000,000 for enforcement by the start has been made, and the idea prohibition unit. The measure aling rapidly. There has been talk for the coast guard to combat of making this Oregon's merriest rum running. Christmas, but that can be done only by showing an unselfish spirit. The Cheer people are awake to dais, and between them they inthat fact and so are giving in or- voked virtually all popular arguder to bring joy to others.

And how happy they are making themselves. It does one's heart good to see how cheerfully and gladly the contributions are made. They have caught the real spirit of Christmas. They know that Santa Claus' list of needy and worthy people is growing by leaps and bounds, so they gladly volunteer to be his assistant. Santa needs help, too. He recognizes that fact and so has asked the people, through the columns of himself." Representative Luce. The Statesman to cooperate with republican, Masachusetts, also up-

Santa Claus knows that with his are going to join the Christmas enforcement. eer crowd and help make others

Old Santa does not care how tion is. He just wants it, for no matter the size, he knows that the giver is his ally in the work of making this Oregon's merriest Christmas.

Now is the time to bring in or send in the contributions. If you want to say how the money is to be spent, that is perfectly all right. Incidentally we have a number of worthy children on the list here at the office of the Christmas Cheer editor. If you want to take some of them and see that they are made happy this Christmas

PARKING SIGNS ARRIVE

RESTRICTED DISTRICT TO

HAVE THREE MARKERS

Salem's one and two-hour parking districts will go unmarked but little lenger, for 144 new signs anefal standing are also included land factory and will be installed crats in congress for tax reduction as soon as the posts are ready and at this session was taken to the Nearly \$1800 is still needed to holes drilled in the sidewalks to receive them. The city paving party's financial spokesmen, Rep-

Low, city street commissioner. The signs are circular, about a foot and a half in diameter, and playing politics" on tax reduction, black letters large enough to be plain. Three signs will be put on eve of the 1928 presidential eleceach side of each block in the re- tion, and indorsed the \$335,000,stricted districts.

POTATOES MIS-LABELED

SEIZED IN SOUTH

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 9. of potatoes from Portland which must be regraded and re-labeled

STAMP TREASURES BURN EXPLOSION DESTROYS COL-

LECTION WORTH \$5000

them unfit to conform to the high

which they were marked.

'U. S. Grade No. 1" label with

ILWACO, Wash., Dec. 9,-(AP)-A stamp collection worth approved today by the house, 295 about \$5000 was destroyed by in the one single year and fiscal ot 39. It now goes to President fire here today when a can of gascoolidge, who has advocated a oline exploded and burned the imhigher pay schedule for the ju- terior of the tailor shop of L. A. The measure, passed by the sen-oline to clean clothes and had ate before the recent recess, drew placed it too near the heating the fire in the house of a number stove. He was badly burned about of farm bloc members, who ex-pressed opposition to salary in-considerable clothing and maes until something is done terials were damaged. No insur- here late today to spend the win ance was carried on the property.

PRICE FIVE CENTS

Flood of Oratory Almost Submerges Treasury Appropriation Bill

GALLIVAN GETS BITTER

Representative Blanton Defends Prihibition Amendment and Actions of Wayne Wheeler, Dry Leader

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9,-(AP) -A prohibition storm broke in the house today, the flood of wet and dry oratory unloosed almost The Christmas cheer crowd submerging the measure that caus ed it, the treasury appropriation Statesman Christmas Cheer fund bill carrying approximately \$13. of an unselfish Yuletide is spread- so carries more than \$15,000,000

Wets outnumbered the drys four to two before the speaker's ments for and against the enforcement act.

The attack began with a scathing denunciation of prohibition in all its phases by Representative Gallivan, democrat, Massachusetts who was particularly vehement when he assailed Wayne B. Wheeler and the Anti-Saloon league. Representative Blanton, demo-

crat, Texas, rose to the defense of prohibition and Wheeler, although he said, "Wheeler needs no defense by me-he can defend held the dry side.

Declaring he owed it to his con present limited supply of essen- stituency, his conscience and his tials he will never be able to get manhood to vote against the prodown every chimney in the com- hibition appropriation, Mr. Gallimunity. Yet he is not discourag- van said he was opposed to gived, because he knows the people ing "one single thin dime" for

Because happy by giving to the Christmas money in feeding the jackals and turkey buzzards of prohibition. he said he would vote against any large or how small the contribu- appropriation "designed to continue this futile farce of enforcing a non-enforceable law and taxing my fellow citizens to swell the volume of lawlessness, depravity, corruption and dishonesty now befouling and debouching the Amer-

ican republic." To get the "prohibition alley cat off the backs of so-called Ameri-can statesmen," Gallivan said ha was willing to compromise "and vote a liberal pension to Wheeler, provided he was sent to Mexico

or Russia." YMCA MEMBERSHIP 2136 you certainly will be helping Santa DEMOCRATS BACK REVENUE RELIEF

BYRNE DECLARES DEPART-MENTAL COSTS LARGER

Republicans Accused of "Playing Politics" on Tax Reduction Legislation

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 .- (AP)

-The concerted move by demo-

house floor today by one of the appropriations committee. He accused republicans "with

charged them with attempting to postpone a revenue cut until the 000 democratic tax measure introduced yesterday by Representa-

tive Garner of Texas.

Byrns said tax rates "easily" could be raised or lowered by the 3 CARLOADS FROM PORTLAND that it was "ridiculous to say that it cannot be done at this session.

"The widespread impression that national expenditures have -(AP)-G. J. Morton, head of decreased to "alleged economy of the federal food inspection bureau the present administration," was here, said that the three carloads declared faulty by Byrns, who asserted all governmental departwere seized at Stockton today, ments except the interior had increased expenditures since Presbefore they can be placed on the ident Coolidge took office. Remarket. The potatoes are market- ductions by the interior departable in every respect except that ment were due, he said, to de-

they have blemishes which make creases in Civil war pensions. Mr. Byrns asserted that while President Coolidge "is persistently pictured as the greatest economis who ever sat in the White House he nevertheless "has spent me of the people's money for officie household expenses, care, upkeep, and policing of the White House and under the head of traveling expenses, than any of his prede

> "No president," he added, "ha ever spent quite so much, excep of peace.'

ROCKEFELLER ARRIVES

ORMOND, Fla., Dec. 9 .- (AP)

son had occupied the stand.

Increased salaries for the fed-

The promised debate on prohibi-

House republican committee on

ANOTHER CHRISTMAS CAROL

BUY AND B-BUY !!!

GREATEST CHRISTMAS THE NATIONAL CASH REGISTER