San Francisco, Dec. 19. - On this day-named by Professor Albert Porta as the one on which the Pacific coast would experience the worst storms in history—the sun was shining, with one exception, from Van-

couver, B. C., to San Diego.

The following weather reports were received by the United Press: Vancouver—No indications of un-usual weather.

Seattle-Ditto.

Portland-Usual Oregon "mist." Los Angeles-Sun shining; fine Los Angeles-Sun

San Diego-Sun shining; colder The sun was in full glory here.

Porta, the Italian scientist, raised a furore recently when he asserted that the alignment of six planets with that the alignment of six planets with the earth on the "near side" of the sun would cause the worst storms in history which would start on this coast today and gradually extend east ward until the United States would experience the "disaster" in full meas ore. He predicted earthquakes in earthquake zones and storms for storm zones. No earthquakes were storm zones. No earthquakes were registering today. Porta himself of-

fered no statement. Reports of "the worst storm in his-tory" raging at Ketchikan, Alaska. offered some hope to the morbid that Forta's prediction would come true.

#### 'MAKE KETTLES BOIL,' IS PLEA OF ENSIGN OF SALVATION ARMY

Ensign William Hunter of the Salvation Army delivered another thrust at the high cost of living Friday by an-nouncing that the Salvation Army will not conduct a house-to-house solicita-tion of funds for the needy this year. tion of funds for the needy this year. Sasign Hunter requests that all who desire to give for this cause will find the kettle fund receptacles located at different parts of the business district. Those having larger donations are asked to phone 1820.

It is pointed out by the ensign that the funds being raised by the Christmas kettles will toward providing dinners for poor families and for general relief work.

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Salvation Army workers here have ascertained that the recent severe weather and the winter closing of some of the mills and canneries has placed quite a number of Salem families in puor circumstances and it is for this season that the public is requested to be as charitable as possible in keeping the good cheer kettles "boiling." This week the Salvation Army is pre-

ring Christmas boxes for peniten-

tiary inmates. Efforts for the new Salvation Army building have been postponed until after the holiday season. Adjutant J. W. Baldwin, who came to Salem to in-augurate the work, has been called to Scattle to take charge of Christmas acts to return to Salem, u ary 1, and launch the work for the erection of a modern welfare home.

# WIFE PLAYED 'JAZZ'

San Francisco, Dec. 19 .- The attitude of Mrs. Alice Harris Woodcock formerly of Tacoma, towards her husband was uppermost in the murder trial today of Edgar Woodcock for the killing of Edward Kelly, local news-

The prosecution backed its claim of heartlessness upon the assertion that Mrs. Woodcock was found playing "jazz" music when a policeman went

to arrest her.

The defense desperately fought admission of this evidence and finally

mission of this evidence and finally won, in a measure, while standing firmly on Mrs. Woodcock's statement:

"I would have sold my immortal soul to see my husband."

Time and again Detective Kennedy, who arrested Mrs. Woodcock began a statement with "we were coming down the hall and heard a plano playing—"

At this point the defense always interposed an objection.

Finally Kennedy was allowed to say:

"I heard a plano playing as we came down the hall. It ceased when Mrs. Woodcock entered the hall, The music came from her apartment."

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that the music was "Jazz." The Theoma woman was brought for ward in "ebuttal testimony of the pres-ecution today as "the woman in white" she was referred to in that way re-

eatedly.
Frank Keating, salesman of Texas ii lands restified that three nights bepre Kelly was killed he was standing t 9 p. m. at a cigar counter in Mariet street when he saw a "woman in hite" at the curb. He identified Mrs. Two men—one of them Woodcock



her," said Keating. "She strolled along Career Of New Oregon Life. and entered the Crockett apartments,"

#### Woman Accused Of Death Of Son Is Sent To Asylum

Atlantic City, N. J., Dec. 19.-Mrs. Esther Blake, charged with the murder of her five year old son "Buddy" was sent to the county insane asylum today by Robert Ingersoll, county

Mrs. Blake will be held in the asylum pending examination by a com-mittee of alienists appointed by the state authorities.

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The career of P. J. Clibborn, new district manager of the Oregon Life Insurance company, in Salem, is as interesting as it is exceptional. He was born in Ireland, and with the exception of two years spent in study in Switzerland, lived on the Emerald Isle for the first twenty years of his life. He has crossed the Atlantic 17 times, and the American continent notable characters as Cecil Rhodes, of

European countries, and passed a Manager Here Interesting number of years in South Africa. among the places of the latter continent visited being Cape Colony, Natal,

times, and the American continent notable characters as Cecil Rhodes, of 35 times. He has lived in Mexico, Ar-Rhodes scholarship fame; William T. gentina and Uruguay, visited in most of the Central and South American views; Robert Ingersoll, Henry George republics, in all of the states of the union, and a number of the Canadian provinces. He speaks the French, German, Spanish and Italian lan-Hur" and "The Prince of India."

### BELLANS 6 BELLANS Hot water Sure Relief

John Murphy, aged 56, found in pital at Pendleton with both feet froz-

#### Gents, Beware! Welsh Maidens May Entrap You

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 19 .- Welsh firls are 'crazy to get a Yank," but don't care how they get him. That's what Ernest Motschman told Judge Whester here, when he applied for annulment of his wedding to Millie Rose

Cardiff, Wales.

Motschman averred he married th girl while on a drunken spree. He never knew her, he said, the first intieserted shack near Echo, is in a hos- mation of the ceremony being when

The marriage was annulled.



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