

# WHEAT AND COTTON CROPS GREATER THAN 1924 TOTAL

PORTLAND, Dec. 22.—The cotton crops remain practically the only major farm products exceeded in size this year over production of 1924, according to the final crop report of the department.

The wheat crop is now estimated to be about 25 per cent larger than that of last year, 1,000 bushels as compared with 794,000 bushels.

The cotton crop has been estimated at 15,602,000 bales, the production at 13,627,936 bales.

## Queen Pays Fine \$500 for Liquor

McQueen of this city not only with a fine of \$500 was arraigned in justice yesterday afternoon, but he was arraigned on a charge of liquor, which, at current prices, would bring that sum were it sold to local officers.

His home decorated for the occasion, was visited by State Officers McBride and yesterday.

It was explained, apparently, that he will testify, and entered a plea of guilty.

There was alleged to be some Scotch whisky and a pint of moonshine.

## Religious Society Claims New Saviour

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Claiming that the present civilization has reached one of its natural turning points in the divine plan of God for mankind, leaders of the world-wide society, the "Order of the Star in the East," have boldly proclaimed the immediate manifestation of a "great teacher," similar to that of Jesus.

The New York World, in a colorful two-page story, gives in full the announcement of Dr. Annie Besant, representing the Theosophical Society, of which she is a world president, at the recent international conference of occultists at Ommen, Holland.

Dr. Besant definitely stated that J. Krishnamurti, head of the Star Order, is already "overshadowed" by the "world teacher," and explained the workings of what she terms



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the spiritual hierarchy, or divine government of the earth.

Unlike other cults, who look to the coming of Christ, this order does not anticipate world destruction, but views the epoch from an educational standpoint, having, in honor of the event, established world universities in Holland, India, Australia and California, with others to follow elsewhere. Their assertion is that mankind is assisted in his progress from time to time, by supreme beings, who have through countless life experiences in ages gone, perfected the human state of existence.

## LOCAL MAN SUED FOR \$45,000 COMMISSION

PORTLAND, Dec. 22.—Suit has been filed in circuit court here to recover a commission of \$45,000 from J. O. Goldthwaite, the Modoc Lumber company and the Williamson River Logging company by John McGowan. McGowan alleges that on January 19, 1922, Paul C. Bates made an agreement with Goldthwaite to obtain a loan of \$150,000 and that the property owned by Goldthwaite was subsequently sold at a profit in excess of \$200,000. Bates, in the complaint, states, has assigned his claim for commission to McGowan.

## TRANSFER CLUB

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 22.—With the return of attorneys Oscar Smith and John McMahon from New York city today, it was understood that a deal for the transfer of the Toledo baseball franchise in the American association to a group of local capitalists had virtually been completed.

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## RAILROADS CLOSE SEASON OF GREAT CAPITAL OUTLAY

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—(United News)—During the year 1925 the railroads of the United States have either spent or authorized to be spent approximately \$200,000,000 in capital improvement in plants.

The expenditure climaxes a four-year period in which more than three billion dollars have been thus expended.

These facts were revealed when 43 railroad executives from all sections of the nation gathered here in the meeting of the American Railway association Monday. They were the outstanding features of discussions in which the transportation men stressed the prosperity keynote set in the past twelve months and exchanged ideas for the expansion

which 1926 is expected to bring.

And while present progress was debated, the executives were looking toward the future of America's transportation. Passenger trains running at airplane speed over concrete roadbeds were predicted by Frank H. Alfred, president of the Pere Marquette railway, who himself has worked out the new transportation method. Alfred, assisted by Paul Chipman an engineer in his Detroit laboratories, devised the concrete roadway system. The trains would run on roller bearings, he said, and give airplane speed plus railroad safety.

"We will just be doing for the railways what others have done already for the highways," Alfred said. "When the good roads movement started lots of us thought gravel would be enough. But the states went farther and made the very safest and fastest roads possible. That is what I believe we will do with rails."

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Bee Begin's Dress Shop open evenings this week. D22-24

## EIGHT CREWS TO CLEAR HIGHWAYS

All roads leading to Klamath Falls are to be kept open, so far as human endeavor may accomplish that goal, as long as the local county unit of the state highway department remains in existence.

So promised local highway officials yesterday.

"At the present time, all of the roads are in very good shape," it was explained.

It was added that eight crews of maintenance workers, comprising approximately 25 men, are kept continually on the job.

## Sheriff Slayer to Pay Supreme Price

SALEM, Dec. 22.—(United News)—Archie Cody, slayer of Austin Goodman, sheriff of Harney county,

must pay the supreme penalty for the crime.

The Oregon supreme court today sustained the decree of Judge Dalton Biggs of the Malheur county circuit court sentencing Cody to hang. Cody shot Goodman August 27, 1924, when the latter attempted to arrest him for alleged horse rustling at the Folly farm on the border between Malheur and Harney counties.

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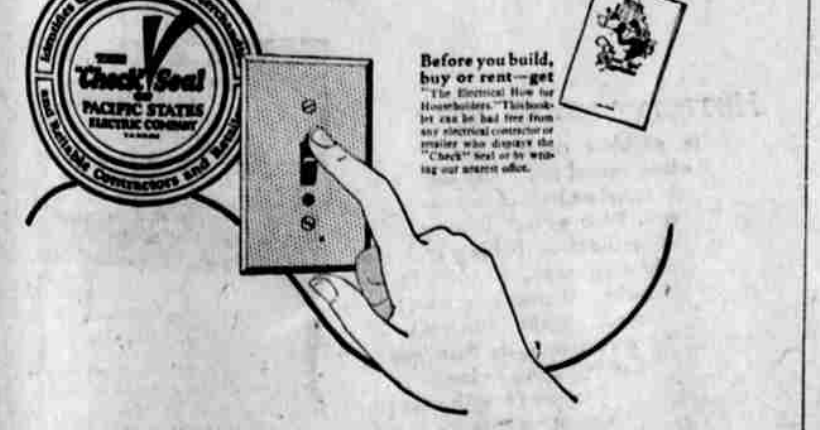
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"Pure Gold" Broom, \$1.40 value .... <b>\$1.17</b>	Stuffed Olives, large bottle ..... <b>34c</b>
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