

THE WEATHER
Generally fair and colder tonight and Friday with temperature falling to about 25 degrees by morning.
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MAYOR PROMISES SPEEDY ACTION IN FIGHT ON COMBINE

Moore intimates Ax may be swung today on deserters to Vane-Brown camp. Swift action in the impending shake-up in City Hall was promised today by Mayor Moore...

Mr. Moore's attention this morning, he reached his office at 10:20 o'clock. As he walked briskly along the second floor corridor to his private office...

Mayor Withholds Details. Mr. Moore, does your statement yesterday mean there will be a cabinet shake-up? "I can't answer that—not now," was the reply.

Reports urge George W. Carnes, of the Fortieth ward, as McLaughlin's successor. Carnes lives at 5640 Malvern street, and during the war was in charge of electrical work at Howland Island.

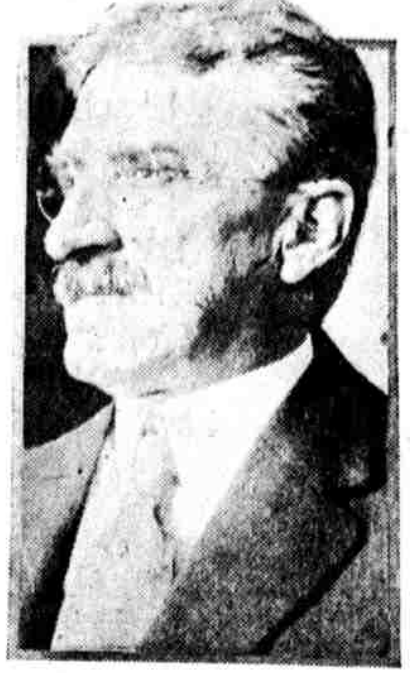
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ALLEGED CHIEF STILL FREE. Three persons of the six arrested last night in a drug raid on an apartment in Poplar street near Fifteenth were held in jail at Central police station today for a further hearing December 30.

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Tioga Man Today's Winning Limericker

INTRODUCING H. G. PRICE 3509 North 22d Street HIS LIMERICK A gob who came out of the yard At League Island said, "Gee, but it's hard To know what to do When your day's work is through; Not the feathers for me, though I'm tar'd."



Limericker Puts Tioga On Hundred-Dollar Map

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TELLS OF ATTACK ON FLAG. American Woman Describes Attempt to Tear It Down. Washington, Dec. 23.—(By A. P.) An attempt by British soldiers to tear down an American flag raised over her home in Queenstown, Ireland, where she was staying last August, was described today by Mrs. Michael Mohan, of Corona, L. I., before the commission to the committee of one hundred investigating conditions in Ireland.

OYSTERS \$4 A DOZEN. Trip to Court Adds to Price of Twelve Bivalves. "Ah, but the next man pay," said Vincent Paski, twenty-three years old, of Cotton street near Cresson, after he had eaten a dozen oysters in a restaurant near his home last night.

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HOOVER HERE, SEES 'MENTAL CURE' FOR UPHEAVAL IN TRADE

Says Proper Psychological Attitude Will Aid Business in Readjustment. COMES TO PLEAD FOR AID FOR STARVING CHILDREN. The industrial and financial condition in the country will be favorably affected by a mental adjustment that will come after the first of the year.

Predicts Change Soon. When Mr. Hoover says anything, it sounds right. He makes remarks with the accuracy of a compass and the understanding of broad vision.

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Limerick Winner Divides With Poor

The following self-explanatory letter has been received from B. B. Charles, the winner of the first limerick. We are sure Mr. and Mrs. Charles will forgive us for not keeping it anonymous, for the suggestion may be taken up by others who are unexpectedly getting a hundred dollars by this contest of wit and good-fellowship.

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Points Revolver While Victim's Pockets Are Searched—Can Do More Than Vote, He Is Told. COLLECTOR, TIED TO POST, IS RELIEVED OF \$467. A woman bandit held a revolver within a few inches of John H. J. Gildea's face, at Third and Millin streets, early today, while her two companions, men, went through Gildea's pockets and obtained \$195.

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Description of Woman Bandit Given by Victim

About thirty years old. Five feet three inches. Pretty face and well-maintained voice. Wore small dark turban, long coat, kid gloves.

HOUSTON FORESEES 2 BILLION DEFICIT

Tells Senators Considering Bonus Bill Treasury Cannot Stand More Burdens. MUST TAP NEW SOURCES. Washington, Dec. 23.—A gross deficit of \$2,100,000,000 for the next year, and \$1,200,000,000 for the next year, was forecast today by Secretary Houston, in testimony before the Senate Finance Commission, which is considering the soldier bonus bill.

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BRITISH EMBASSY'S ACTION ON CABLES STIRS WASHINGTON

State Department Expected to Ask Explanation of Letter to Senator Kellogg. INFORMATION SOUGHT ON ALLEGED CENSORSHIP. Washington, Dec. 23.—The State Department intervened today in what threatened to be a controversy between the British embassy and the Senate committee investigating cable communications over the question of whether there is a British censorship of cables messages to the United States originating in the British Isles.

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Cardinal Gibbons Urges Catholics to Use the MANUAL OF PRAYERS—440.