ILL AS RESULT OF CARBON MONOXIDE

Mrs. Nora M. Slabaugh Dies Co-Holder of Endurance While Husband and Son

BLAMED FOR TRAGEDY

of Dead Woman Narrowly Escape Death.

Takoma (D. C.) family and almost killed, two others before aid arrived. Mrs. Nora M. Slabaugh, 48, of 6902 hand and son by a previous marriage were in search of assistance for her 14-month-old grandson, the first

Johnston, sr., 29, were slightly affected by the fumes, but recovered

A check-up of heating apparatus in Slabaugh's combination home and barber shop revealed that a faulty water heater was emitting the fumes. Grief-stricken, Slabaugh told last night how the Christmas week tragedy occurred. He said he had arisen about 7:10 and, as was his custom, went immediately into the barber shop to straighten up preparatory to opening

Wife Lighted Water Heater.

during the repast. The first thing he noticed, he said,

was when the baby, James Johnston, jr., began vomiting. When he went to see what was wrong, he found

father decided to take the child to a doctor. They left in the family au-

the time that perhaps they didn't realize who was calling and didn't care to be disturbed.

Baby Taken to Hospital.

was no answer. Then I told my stepson we had better hurry home, per-

Mrs. Slabaugh, who was left a be buried at Lee Chapel, Va., tomor-522 H street southeast.

per, Detroit; Mrs. Estelle Uebele, Mrs. Isabel Russell, Mrs. Ida Haggard, Mrs. of Washington.

Merchant's Wife Captures Suspect In Store Robbery

Armed With Crank Handle, Woman Seizes Man

Armed with an awning crank handle, the wife of a Seventh street storeeeper last night chased down and captured a colored man, who is being held in connection with the robbery of her husband's place of business a

few minutes before the man's capture. The colored man, police were told, entered the clothing store of Morris Newman, at 1830 Seventh street, and apparently holding a gun in a coat pocket, robbed the proprietor of \$60. Then Newman's wife, Mrs. Sabina

Newman, went into action. She picked up the awning crank and waved it at the intruder, who dashed from the store and down Seventh street. Mrs. Newman, still waving the crank, gave chase. A colored pedestrian stopped the fugitive for only a moment, but the storekeeper's wife caught up. Then she

ONE KILLED, TWO First Woman Mail Pilot Ready for Inaugural Hop

Helen Ritchie Will Fly Between Detroit and Washington.

Record With Late Francis Marsalis.

The first woman to win the right to pin Uncle Sam's airmail wings over her left coat pocket has no time for vanity.

Mail Pilot Helen Richey, as she ex-

plained last night, will be too busy living up to the wings to pause and consider their effect on other feminine aspirants. At 10:40 a.m. tomorrow she will be

at Washington Airport, ready to hop off for Detroit as a co-pilot on the first scheduled mail and passenger flight ever shared by a woman in the United States

Is Miss Richey thrilled? Well, mildly anyhow. But she is too much of a of the airline, pointed out that Miss veteran to get excited over a spin across a familiar route. In her 25 years the first woman mail pilot has Fourth street, died while her hus- gotten in 1,000 flying hours under all

Holds Endurance Record.

Frances Marsalis of the woman's endurance flight record, a matter of 11 duty to which copilots are regularly days above Miami in 1932. Prior to and since that time Miss Richey has Johnston, 23, were overcome and flown almost daily in this country and in South America.

Her application for a co-pilot's job under consideration for some time. Her qualifications were weighed against those of eight other licensed transport pilots after the berth. Miss Richey got the job not be- the trail.

MISS HELEN RICHEY.

cause of her sex, but because of her experience. J. D. Condon, president Richey's past performance on crosscountry and endurance flights was her best recommendation.

Has Double Duty.

In addition to relieving the pilot at the controls, Miss Richey will spend She is the co-holder with the late considerable time in the cabin as an attendant to the passengers, an extra assigned.

Richey will make one Copilot round trip daily between Washington and Detroit with every other day off.

Monoxide Victim



MRS. NORA M. SLABAUGH.

Police Vice Squad Visits Six Places in Last Three Days.

The arrest of two colored men late yesterday in the sixth gambling raid in three days brought to nine the the vice squad's latest drive against numbers operators and bookmakers. John Kelly, 26, of 3625 Sixteenth street, and John Howard, 26, of 933

were charged with operating a lot-

Eleventh street. Their bond was Members of the vice squad said Kelly and Howard were part of a ring operating a variation of the numbers game here. A quantity of numbers slips were seized in the raid. gency Hospital, where she remained The cases of six of the seven persons arrested in three raids late Friwidow by her first two marriages, will day are scheduled to be taken before the grand jury, possibly next week on charges of operating a lottery in connection with the numbers game. The seventh is accused of making a

NEW, BROAD PACT ON AUSTRIA SOUGHT

Rome Would Bring Central Europe Into Treaty Guarantee-

ing Independence.

ROME. December 29.—A new treaty uaranteeing Austria's independence hat would broaden the agreement signed by England, France, Italy and echoslovakia in 1922 is under sideration, it was announced today. A government spokesman said the roposed pact would embrace Yugolavia, Hungary and Germany in ad-

1922 document. The visit Foreign Minister Pierre Laval of France will make to Premier Benito Mussolini of Italy in January probably will be the occasion for ormal announcement of the proposed

dition to the four signatories of the

treaty, it was stated. Negotiations are being carried on principally between Paris and Rome, ments, the spokesman said. The onl difficulty in the way, he added, is that France wants the little entente to sign as such, while Italy desires Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia to sign merely as Austria's neighbors.

Libraries to Close.

The central building of the Public Library, Eighth and K streets, and all branches and subbranches will marched him back to the store and close at 1 p.m. tomorrow and remain look up at a well-lighted likeness of closed throughout New Year day. The country at large makes of the opportance of the consumer country at large make

"Right in Principle" by Senate Chairman.

VETO AUTHORITY HELD MOST IMPORTANT PART

Greater Control Over School System Is Favored by Senator.

Chairman King of the Senate District Committee, who has long been an advocate of broader powers for the Commissioners, said yesterday he regards the bill now being drafted by Corporation Counsel Prettyman as "right in principle," although he has not studied its detailed provisions. The Senator said he will confer with the Commissioners on the sub-

The most important new feature of would give the Commissioners to direct or prohibit action by any board or agency financed in whole or in part by District funds, which provision would take in the Board of Education. Senator King indicated yesterday he is in favor of giving the

oners greater authority over

ject as soon as the measure is in final

the school system Discussion Is Independent.

The renewed discussion of increased power for the Commissioners is going forward independently of the proposed study of District reorganization, for which a special Senate subcommittee was appointed last Summer. Senator Gore, Democrat, of Oklahoma, chairman of the subcommittee, said yesterday no time has been fixed for a meeting of his group. The proposal will be supported in rinciple, at least, by People's Counsel William A. Roberts, it was an-

nounced yesterday. Roberts said he plans to submit a commendation to this general effect The accident last Thursday which to members of the Senate District caused the death of Motor Cycle Po- Committee in connection with his report on proposals for reorganization of the District Government.

While he has not studied details of he bill drafted for the Commissioners by Corporation Counsel E. Barrett Prettyman, nor committed himself to them, he said he was convinced greater authority and responsibility should be centralized in the Board of Commissioners as the real heads of the nunicipal government.

Roberts is serving with Maj. Daniel Donovan, District auditor, and F. Bailey of the Budget Bureau of he committee named to make a study f reorganization of the District gov ernment for the Senate District Committee. He plans to submit his recmmendations in this regard to Sen full District Committee, if the chairman of the Subcommittee on Reorganization, Senator Gore of Oklahoma, ecides not to hold public hearings on the subject.

Sees Recreation Needs. The people's counsel declared yes

terday control of the recreational facilities of the District should be placed under the District government rather than some commission controlled by Federal officers. He would make an exception in the case of play areas distinctly Pederal in character, such as the Monument Grounds and Columbia Island, where there is not the need in his opinion of the close contact with the public as would be the case in other play areas. Roberts, however, would not class the Zoo in this category, because of its character as a place for education and entertainment of masses of people Roberts believes there is a "danger

n having Federal agencies controlling areas paid for by local taxpayers, be-cause of what he regards as a tendency on the part of such officials to give too much attention to the Federal character of developments. He will support the plan for a director of education named by the District Commissioners, with an advisory committee, also selected by the District heads. He believes the plan should carefully provide for co-ordination of Federal District and school authorities and their powers under he new set-up.

While the bill to expand the pow

ers of the Commissioners presumably would involve an ultima over all playground facilities on which District funds are expended, it is said the Commissioners expect that subject will be covered in a separate measure to be offered as a result of the conference on co-ordination of

BLAISDELL URGES MORE Ammon and who testified at the inquest were Malcolm P. Hanson, CONSUMER RECOGNITION

Acting Head of N. R. A. Board Offers Means of Saving Codes

By the Associated Press. CHICAGO, December 29.-More ecognition for consumers' interest and less emphasis on price fixing were recommended today by Thomas C. Blaisdell, jr., acting executive onels, headed by Col. Claudius director of the N. R. A. Consumers' Murchison, director of the Bureau Advisory Board, as means of prevent ing industrial codes from becoming

Blaisdell addressed the American Statistical Association at a concluding ession of its annual convention. "The scope of the consumer attitude within the New Deal is still narrow. The opposition to its growth is apparent on every hand. Vested interests in the agricultural, industrial, commercial and financial fields have not become enlightened

"self defeating" agencies.

over night," he said. "Whether governmental action the interest of the consumer will be developed will be determined to some extent by what the present represen-Guests shown in to wait for dinner tatives of the consumers in Washing- day night at Windsor Arms. Music or luncheon to be announced now ton do. To a far greater extent it will be furnished by the Northrup

BACKED BY KING GARAGES PLANNED

Bill Being Drafted Seen Project, Revealed by Ihlder, **Rests Upon Satisfactory** Purchase Price.

STAFF OF AUTHORITY SOON TO BE ENLARGED

Accountant and Superintendent of Construction to Be Appointed by Board.

The Alley Dwelling Authority took steps yesterday to develop a series of garages in one of the inhabited alley dwelling areas of the District

John Ihlder, director of the agency, which has a fund of \$500,000 for rebuilding alley housing deemed unfit for human habitation, was authorized to negotiate the purchase of a number of buildings on one section and to plan their conversion into garages The location of the property involved in the project was not revealed because of negotiations for purchase If prices regarded as reasonable are the bill is the broad veto power it not obtained, the agency plans to

> Many Projects Approved. This is one of about 15 project tentatively approved about two weeks ago by the board, which consists of District Commissioner Melvin C. Hazen as chairman, Col. H. B. Hackett, head of the housing division of the Public Works Administration, and Arno B.

Cammerer, executive officer of the National Capital Park and Planning Commission The board vesterday also authorized the employment of the allied architects of this city to draft construction plans for a development being conalley areas. The architects are to be into Canada. But the British governpaid on a percentage basis. The figures were not announced yesterday. The staff of the agency is to be enarged to handle forthcoming activities. Ihlder was given power to ap-

in charge of the razing of buildings in connection with rebuilding programs. Salary to be \$2,600.

point an accountant and a construc-

ion field superintendent who will be

Each of the two new officials is to be paid \$2,600 a year. The staff recently was enlarged by the employment of Maurice Brooks of Abilene, Tex., as counsel to the alley board. His appointment was sponsored by Representative Blanton of Texas. Other members of the staff are a secretary and James Ring, assistant director. In the selection of the accountant. Ihlder will consult with Maj. Daniel Donovan, District auditor, and as to the field superintendent with Col. John W. Oehmann, District building inspector.

ROBERTS OFFERS AID TO CITIZENS' GROUPS

Will Present Proposals to Committees of Congress for Local Units.

All citizens' associations and civic clubs of the District were invited yesterday by People's Counsel William A. Roberts to call upon him for any needed aid in presenting proposals to committees of Congress.

taining to the organization or operation of the District government or related organizations. Another offer of assistance was the preparation of copies of resolutions adopted by civic groups for presenta-

He volunteered also to give personal

attention to requests on matters per-

tion to proper officials. He said he would check for appropriate action in such matters. "Since my work requires frequent appearances before congressional committees, I will be glad to appear for

your organization and present your views on any pending matter at your request," Roberts said in letters to the bodies. "It should be understood that I have no desire or intention to diminsh your direct contact with any District or congressional body. Quite the contrary, I hope such personal

appearances will increase. However, my long experience in civic work has taught me that it is frequently difficult to get any one to take the time for such matters and I merely desire to be as helpful as possible."

'COL." PAUL J. CROGHAN NOW IS COL. CROGHAN

Long-Held Title Is Made Official in Case of Commerce Department Press Head.

Paul J. (Pete) Croghan, veteran

public relations man for the Comnerce Department, who has been called colonel for years by his friends, has at last officially attained that rank. Friday he received his commis-Gov. Ruby Laffoon of Kentucky. Croghan, who is convalescing Emergency Hospital after a serious illness, was presented his commission by a group of fellow Kentucky col Murchison, director of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce. An artist's conception of a Kentucky colonel in colors was pre to Col. Croghan by Col. A. B. Sowell editor of Home and Abroad, a Department of Commerce put

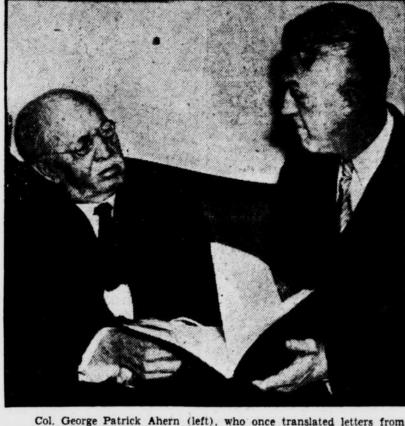
DEMOCRATS TO DANCE

Col. Croghan resides at 5101 Eighth

Special Dispatch to The Star.

CLARENDON, Va., December 29. The Arlington County Democratic Executive Committee will sponsor a dance to be given by the various Democratic Clubs of the county Fri- and "Forest Bankruptcy in America." by what the Church's Orkney Springs Orchestra. American War, winning a citation for

Autograph Hunters Stalked



Col. George Patrick Ahern (left), who once translated letters from autograph seekers for Sitting Bull, receives a book of good-will messages from friends on his 75th birthday. F. A. Silcox, chief of the forest service, is making the presentation.

OW Sitting Bull was stalked | busy life he was graduated in law a by autograph hunters and Yale. had to have help with his fan mail was recalled yesterday by Lieut. Col. George Patrick at their apartment, 1760 Euclid street. Ahern, U. S. A., retired, as he celebrat- The prized memento was a book of good ed his 75th birthday anniversary and reminisced over a long Army career in which his association with the famed chief of the Forest Service.

Sioux was one of the high lights. Fifty-two years ago, that was-a long, long time, Col. Ahern says, in retrospect. It was subsequent to the Custer massacre, and Ahern, a stripling second lieutenant, was just out of West Point. Following the Little Big Horn battle, Sitting Bull and 154 sidered for another of the inhabited of his companions, in flight, headed ment had enough trouble of its own, without taking on the Sioux, and mounted police eventually round ed up the fugitives, and deposited them very carefully on the American side of the border. The leader was taken to Fort Randall, in what was then Dakota Territory, and now South

Dakota, and there he was interned.

Ahern Acted as Secretary. Sitting Bull had come into wide prominence and the public then was request for an autograph. In view of the fact Sitting Bull knew no language, but that of the Sioux, his correspondents had a good chance to be entirely out of luck, but Col. George Andrews, commandant at Fort Randall, had an idea, and that was where Lieut. Ahern came in.

Under what probably was the oddest detail ever given in the Army, the young officer, mastering knowledge of the Sioux tongue, was assigned to act n sort of secretarial capacity to the

Indian leader. Col. Ahern chuckles: "I was tickled to death. There was, raised in New York, and with my previous knowledge of Indians confined to those in front of cigar stores, coming right up against the

real thing. Asked for Money.

Bull, whose invariable and first question, was always whether there was any money with the communication. Generally there was-a dollar or wo. If not, Sitting Bull would say sichi'-meaning 'no good'-and there

But when there was money inclosed Sitting Bull would scrawl his name—two dots over the "i" and a long dash over the two "t's"-and eack it would go. With this attended to, his first port of call would be the post exchange, with generally a purchase of paint to decorate his features, the principal item on his shopping list.

For several months Ahern acted as ried out the District Committee Sitting Bull's personal companion, and out of this grew a warm friendhave some bills ready to report within a week after the session opens. ship. Historians picturing Sitting Bull in an unenviable light, have not been fair to him, Col. Ahern insists. Was Real Leader.

"Sitting Bull was a real leader," he

emphasizes. "He had to be to reach his position in the tribe. Politics and family connections meant nothing to the Sioux. They demanded leadership Man Dies in Plunge From Third and Sitting Bull had demonstrated his fitness from the time he was a boy of 16." As the result of his friendship with

the Indian, young Ahern came to be highly regarded by the tribesmen, and in this he takes great pride.

"I was Irish-and friendly," h "They sense sincerity. I found the same thing among the wild people of the Philippines years later. That's the reason John Collier (Commissioner of Indian affairs) is successful. The Indians at once realize his sincerity. The same thing applies to Robert Marshall of the Indian for-estry service. The soft talk of politicans never went with Sitting Bull." Col. Ahern, perhaps because he is from a race that has known travail, has a warm spot in his heart for the Indians generally.

"They never had a square deal, but were kicked around from place to

Felt Sorry for Indians, And though he led troops against oth Sioux and Blackfeet, the paigning always was distasteful to

"I felt sorry for them every time went into a campaign," he says. Forestry was another passion, and at Montana Agricultural College where Ahern was professor of military tactics, he established the course in forestry ever taught in this

"I took that place under just one consideration," he recalls. "I told them I wouldn't be called 'professor.' It's not that I have anything against that title, but I didn't feel that I knew enough." Col. Ahern later was head of th

Philippine forest service, and also has

written on this subject, well known

works being "Deforested America" Between times the veteran served with distinction in the Spanish-

Sitting Bull, Says Col. Ahern



The birthday celebration kept Mrs Ahern busy receiving guests and ushering them into her husband's study will messages from Newton D. Baker, Gifford Pinchot, Gen. James G. Harbord, Indian Commissioner Collier and many others. The presentation was made by F. A. Silcon

Anti-Gambling and Motorist Safety Measures on Preferred List.

no different than now, for once in cus-tody, he began to receive letters from Committee to call that group together that firemen and police charged except for the feeling all quarters, generally containing a as soon as possible to act on several treated alike. important measures which failed to become law at the last session. While no day has been agreed upon,

Senator King said yesterday he would have the first committee meeting as soon as it can be arranged, so some District bills will be on the Senate calendar before that body becomes busy with national legislation. Anti-Gaming Bill Ready.

Among the measures scheduled to be given prompt attention by the committee are the anti-gambling bill and the motorists' safety responsibility measure, both of which were transby Corporation Counsel E. Barrett Prettyman, along with a dozen other

proposed changes in District laws. Since the Senate passed the bill to strengthen the gambling laws at the Asked for Money.

last session, no delay is expected in having it considered early in this session. It failed to reach a vote in the ing at night are permitted to sleep House before adjournment last June

and has to be reintroduced. Measure Passed House. The motorists' safety responsibility bill passed the House at the last ses-

sion, but died on the Senate calendar It seeks to protect the public by requiring drivers convicted of major traffic offenses, or who have unpaid accident judgments pending against them, to show financial responsibility before being permitted to drive again It will take the Senate several days to dispose of the preliminary procedur of getting organized, but it is possible that if Senator King's plans are car-

INQUEST ORDERED FOR VICTIM OF FALL

Floor of H Street House.

An inquest was ordered late yeserday into the death of George Washington Hume, 34, of 44 I street who plunged to his death from the third floor of the house at 428 H street. According to police, Hume was the essee of the H street property, the

third floor of which was unoccupied Shortly after 2 o'clock he visited the building and a few minutes later fell from a window, almost 50 feet above ground, to the basement steps He was taken to Casualty Hospital, where he died about an hour later of a fractured skull and other injuries.

CAMP OUSTS TRANSIENT FOR CURSING ROOSEVELT

His widow, Mrs. Lula Hume, told police he had threatened to kill himself.

Costa Rican, Also Accused of Slur on Flag, Reported Wanted by U. S. Agents,

By the Associated Press. COLUMBIA, S. C., December 29 .-Maj. J. C. Steadman, commander of said today Rafael Congo, a Costa Rican, had been expelled from the camp as a "trouble maker," after being reported for cursing President Roosevelt and the American flag. Columbia city police, meanwhile, noted on their record book that Congo was "wanted by Department of Jus-tice agents." Grounds for the Department of Justice request for him

Other transients at the camp were

were unknown here.

RULES BE STUDIED

Members of Force Win Point in Campaign for Re-

visions.

THREE MAJOR CHANGES SOUGHT BY EMPLOYES

Eight-Hour Day, 30-Year Retirement and No Ban on Restdence Asked by Body.

Proposed revision of the personnel egulations of the District Fire Department will be studied by a committee of officials named by the Comnissioners as a result of a long debate over rules affecting members of

Members of the City Fire Fighters' Association have been campaigning for months for several major changes

in rules. · According to information at the District Building yesterday, leaders of this body are suggesting adoption of an eight-hour day and an order for compulsory retirement of firemen who have served 30 years. Another objective of the association is a change to permit firemen to live outside the boundaries of the District.

Four to Be on Committee.

It is expected the committee created by the Commissioners will consider these and other suggestions. The committee is to consist of Edward W. Thomas, assistant corporation counsel; an official of the Fire Department to be designated by Charles E. Schrom, chief engineer; a representative of the City Fire Fighters' Associ-ation, to be selected by its president, and a representative of the Fire Department Officers' Association, to be named by its president.

Heretofore the Commissioners have resisted efforts of the City Fire Fighters' Association to bring about some of the changes. A request for permission to live outside the District was rejected last year. Chief Schrom and his predecessor both opposed it. claiming that it is essential that firemen live within easy communication to guard against an emergency. District legislation will get off to an Members of the Police Department early start in the Senate at the session also must live in the District, but some which begins Thursday, under the plan officials say this probably would have

Probe Once Demanded.

At the request of the City Fire Fighters' Association, Representative Virginia E. Jenckes of Indiana in the last session demanded an investigation of the administration of the department based on claims by the firemen's organization that the Fire Trial Board was assessing too harsh penalties for infractions of department rules. The investigation was not

ordered. The committee is directed to formulate its recommendations and to submit them to the Commissioners for mitted to Senator King a few days ago action. Legislation would be required for a 30-year mandatory retirement rule. Many additional firemen would have to be employed to permit establishment of an eight-hour day, officials say. The men now work in two shifts, 10 hours a day one week and 14 hours a day the next. Those serv-

DISTRICT WILL ASK FOR BIDS ON ROADS

except when there is a call.

Early Construction of Highway Between P and K Streets Is Planned.

The District government will advertise early next month for bids for construction of the highway between P and K streets, in the Rock Creek and Potomac Parkway.

Capt. H. C. Whitehurst, director of highways, said a reasonable time will be permitted for the bidders to study the specifications and plans. Grading is expected to be well under way by February 1, however, and with good weather, it is hoped the highway will be finished by August 1.

The job presents unusual features, for this is the first time in recent years at least that the District government has constructed a highway here on Federal park property. The District has allocated \$100,000 out of its \$900,000 Federal road grant fund for the work. Ordinarily, the National Park Service, which now has jurisdiction over Washington's park system, utilizes the services of the Bureau of Public Roads to do its road building

Out of a \$5,000,000 emergency appropriation for the construction of roads and trails in national parks, the Interior Department has allocated \$161,000 for improvements in the Rock Creek and Potomac Parkway between P and K streets. This will be expended in constructing a lowlevel bridge at P street, across Rock Creek Park, for a wall and for land-scaping, under the Bureau of Public Roads.

FIRE REFLARES ON SITE OF BEFORE-YULE BLAZE

Temporary Lighting System in Jewelry Store Is Blamed for New Flames.

Smoldering fire in the R. Harris & Co. jewelry store, Eleventh and F streets, brought out Engine Company No. 2 and Truck Company No. 3 last night. No damage was done. Just before the Christmas holidays this store was the scene of a fivealarm blaze. Last night, expecting

to see a repetition of the former ca-

tastrophe, theater crowds gathered to

watch the firemen at work. A number of police went into action keeping back the curious. Paper smoldering near an electric light caused the store watchman to

Aid Infant.

FAULTY WATER HEATER

Daughter and Daughter-in-Law

Carbon monoxide poisoning proved fatal yesterday to one member of a

member of the family to be stricken. Her daughter, Virginia Perry, 17, and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Helen were near death when the husband and son returned from Sibley Hospital where they had taken the infant F. L. Slabaugh, the dead woman's husband, and his stepson, James

fully after treatment by a physician. Mystery Surrounds Death. Considerable mystery was thrown about Mrs. Slabaugh's death when her husband reported to police that she had died shortly after eating breakfast. It was first feared the whole family was suffering from food poisoning, but an autopsy by Coroner A. Magruder MacDonald showed carbon monoxide poisoning was the cause of

Mrs. Slabaugh got up at the same time, lighted the water heater and prepared to cook breakfast. Slabaugh himself never eats the morning meal and he was not in the living quarters,

the child's mother acting peculiarly, but said he thought she merely was distraught over the infant's condi-Alarmed when the baby steadily became worse, he and the youngster's

tomobile and rushed to the home of Dr. L. J. Clements, 512 B street north-"From there I called back to the house to see how the others were getting along," Slabaugh said, "but there was no answer. I thought at

"The doctor told us we had better take the baby to Sibley Hospital for observation; that he did not think his condition was serious, but that it probably would better if he was looked over thoroughly. When I got to the hospital I called the house again, but still there

O street, the two arrested yesterday, haps the rest of the family was ill." Arriving home, the two men found tery following their arrest in a raid Mrs. Slabaugh breathing her last and on the Variety Shop, 1400 block of the two younger women unconscious and apparently suffering great pain. Dr. Charles T. Carroll, 6801 Sixth street, was summoned and he administered first aid to Miss Perry and Mrs. Johnston, who was sent to Emer-

row after services at 1:30 o'clock at the funeral home of William J. Nally, Survivors, in addition to her husband, son, daughter, daughter-in-law and grandson, include another son a brother, Stanley Beach, of Washington, and six sisters, Mrs. Katie Har-

Jane Abel and Mrs. Anna Green, all

Who Held Up Husband

DKIVEK IS CLEAKED

Policeman Blamed by Jury.

Motorist Held in Von Ammon Crash. liceman Raymond V. Sinclair of the

Traffic Bureau was the result of his cided yesterday The verdict held the death accidental, due to "carelessness of the deceased." It exonerated George A. Nolte, 30, of 54 Quincy place northeast, driver of the automobile involved, with which Sinclair collided as Nolte was making a left turn from

Bladensburg road into Queens Chapel Earlier a coroner's jury held D. W Johnson, 35, 1016 D street northeast, for action of the grand jury in the death Friday of Siegfried von Ammon, 58. Bureau of Standards engineer, fatally injured early Christmas morning. Johnson was driver of the automobile which crashed with the engineer's automobile at Connecticut and Nebraska avenues. Several experts from the Bureau of Standards gave information on a scientific in-

two automobiles at the time of impact and the points at which they

vestigation made by them, calculated

to show the approximate speed of the

Eyewitnesses Testify. A number of eyewitnesses to the accidents testified at the inquests. In the Sinclair inquest, A. W. Devier, truck driver of Branchville, Md., and W. E. Henning, motorist, 1713 number of persons apprehended in Otis street northeast, said the policeman was traveling about 40 miles an hour when he crashed into the automobile. Zeno R. Wright, policeman of No. 11 precinct, who automobile. was driving nearby in an automobile. testified the window of Nolte's automobile was open only about four inches from the top, and expressed the opinion it would have een difficult for the driver to have given a proper arm signal before making the turn. Nolte, on the stand, told the jury he had given an arm signal before making the turn and said the glass in the window was

down to approximately six or seven inches from the bottom. Speeds Held Moderate. Testifying in the Von Ammon death was Dr. H. C. Dickinson, chief of the automotive section of the Bureau of

Standards, who said that measure-

ments and examinations of the automobiles indicated both were travel-ing at a "moderate speed" at the time of the collision. Dr. Dickinson said a part from the Johnson car was still embedded in the Von Ammon machine. Dr. J. L. Endicott, mechanical engineer of the Bureau of Standards, told of brake

Among those riding with Von

radio engineer, who accompanied Ad-

miral Byrd on a Polar expedition, Miss

Hertis Hanson and Mrs. Von Ammon

tests he had made.

Mrs. Leda Hanson, who was also in the machine, was injured in the collision but is reported recovering in the hospital.
Witnesses told of the Von Ammor nachine turning over after the collision. At the time the occupants were returning home after attending Christmas carol service at church With Johnson, the man held, were his wife and John J. Fenton, all of

"T. R." PICTURE MOVED Gets More Prominent Place

White House Red Room.

Now that the red room of the White

House has been done over, with a gold divan and a gold screen as con-

1016 D street northeast.

trasting notes, the portrait of President Theodore Roosevelt has been given a more honored spot. It hangs over the red room fireplace, across from the portrait of Democrat Grover Cleveland. The Theodore Roosevelt portrait formerly hung in one of the hallways.

She will live in Washington and fly with the Central Airline, Inc., has day and night schedules alternately Miss Richey hopes to prove that feminine mail pilots have a great future in the air. Tomorrow she will have her first opportunity to blaze