NEWS OF THE WEEK

In a Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

HAPPENINGS OF TWO CONTINENTS

A Resume of the Less Important but Not Less Interesting Events of the Past Week.

The provincial council as warned the ezar to grant freedom or lose his crown.

Russians accuse British of inciting the riots and Great Britain has asked for an explanation.

A canvass of the Denver vote in the Colorado contest shows one-third of the ballots to be fraudulent.

The thermometer in Manchuria shere the fighting is now in progress registers 20 degrees below zero.

The residence of Governor Trepoff, of St. Petersburg, was almost demol-ished by a bomb. The governor was

It is believed that Kuropatkin received orders from St. Petersburg to ashave moved against the Japanese at

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The naval appropriation bill provides over \$100,000,000.

The Russian strike has spread in Pohnd and Baltic cities.

The Prussian government has ap-

Chile has refused to sell war vessels to an American firm, presumably for one of the nations now at war in the

Secretary Taft wants a reduction of tariff on Philippine products and de-clares the islands will ultimately be given their independence.

Sympathizers with the Russian strikers marched through the streets of haton with a red flag, but they were not not allowed to make speeches.

The president has issued an order, effective March 1, taking into the competitive classified service all customs service positions in Alaska, except those restricted to navigation season

setive smuggling of arms and dynamite is going on across the Austrian frontier.

A plot against the life of the czar has

Peabody declares he will conitnue the contest for governor to the end.

The new cruiser Maryland exceeded

speed requirements on her trial trip.

Officials in charge of the canal zone are employing drastic measures to stamp out yellow fever.

The cabinet has discussed the advisa bility of teaching jin-jitsu in the military and naval academies.

Labor Commissioner Wright says he believes both sides were to blame in the Colorado labor trouble.

Workmen in Russia are returning to work, the government forcing concessions from their employers in Petersburg and Moscow

President Roosevelt has signed the bill providing for the construction and maintenance of roads and schools and the care if insane persons in Alaska

Father Gopon, th priest leader of the strikers, is in the hospital recovering from wounds. As soon as well he will be heard by the court. be court martialed and if found guilty will be hanged.

A great battle has begun on the Hun river, Manchuria.

have been reported from the Panama with the appropriation of two years ago, A number of Moscow employers are

saving their factories by paying wages ernor Pardee, who is authorized to act to the strikers.

The Russian strike is extending rapidly, but without disorder, though new trouble is feared.

It is believed that Judge Swayne will not be convicted of the charges now pending against him in the senate.

tain order and make no concessions. Fire in New York among a lot of

desperate battle and destroyed \$100,000 sage from Govenor Deneen. worth of property. The Russian strike has spread to

nearly every town of importance in the

are in a state of revolt.

DOINGS IN CONGRESS.

Wednesday, January 25.

The house today passed the District of Columbia and military academy ap-propriation bills. The proceedings were almost entirely devoid of interest. The house passed the bill extending the presidential succession act so as to include the secretaries of agriculture and commerce and labor in the order named.

The army appropriation bill was the cause of a lengthy discussion in the senate. The assignment of General Miles to service in charge of the Mas-sachusetts state militia being the main point of controversy. A number of cre-dentials of newly elected senators were presented. The hour of meeting to morrow was postpond until I o'clock, to allow many invited senators to at-

Thursday, January 26. The agricultural appropriation bill referred from that branch to the vari-was considered in the house today, but one committees. The senators spent the debate turned principally upon the topic of restricting railroads in the matter of freight rates. The house Judge Swayne.

The senate passed the army appropriation bill after modifying the provision concerning the assignment of retired narrow strip along the eastern side, army officers to active service with militia organizations. This will relieve The intention is to eventually take in General Miles from its application. The bill transferring the control of forest reservations from the interior to some the offensive or else he would not the agricultural department was passed.

Friday, January 27.

The Swayne impeachment case was brought up in the senate today and afshere they will devote two weeks to ter several preliminaries had been arindying the commercial possibilities ranged the time for the real trial was set for February 13. The rest of the day was spent in considering the joint

sion on the free seed distribution was indulged in. The house committee on naval affairs today decided that the bill should provide for two battle ships of 16,000 tons each. Three were asked for. The bill carries approximately \$100,070,000.

Saturday, Jan. 28.

Eulogies upon the departure of the late Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, particularly engrossed the attention of the senate today. There were 16 speeches by as many senators. After

to the dead senator's memory.

In a session of less than two hours today the house passed 373 pension 40 years was favorably reported. bills and received for the calendar the naval and diplomatic appropriation bills. The session was devoted to legislation entirely devoid of discussion.

Monday, January 30.

The senate today agreed to vote on the joint statehood bill before adjournment on Tuesday, February 7, the amendments to be considered on that one committees to which they had been for safety say the present half-calm is larger part of the day was occupied in larger part of the statebased but as follows: To extend time for Cottage that general debate on the statehood bill, as follows: Fo extend time for Cottage mite Fulton offered amendments to the Indian appropriation bill referring to the authorize Clatsop county to erect a lamet Indians; also conveying title to lative appropriations. The senate concourt of claims of Chinook and Cathlands from the Umatilla Indians.

After a protracted debate the house adopted the conference report on the executive, legislatve and jodicial appropriation bill. As agreed to the bill carries \$29,132,242. A bill was passed dividing the state of Washington into two judicial districts, the Eastern and Western. The bill extending to the Philippines the provisions of the revised statutes concerning the extradition of fugitives from justice was passed.

To Check Injunction Evil.

Washington, Jan. 27 .- An important measure, which is the result of conferences held during the past two months among President Roosevelt, Attorney General Moody, Commissioner of Corporations Garfield and representatives of labor organizations and corporate interests, has been introduced in the house of representatives. It provides that in labor disputes an injunction shall not be issued until an opportunity shall have been afforded the adverse party to the proceedings to

Will Now Build. Sacramento, Jan. 27. — The Lewi and Clark appropriation bill, which passed the senate on Monday by a willing to fight and Kuropatkin advises peace. unanimous vote, today passed the assembly. It will be signed by the governor as soon as it can be engrossed Several more cases of yellow fever The money appropriated by this bill, \$90,000 in all, will be immediately available, under the direction of Govin his own discretion.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 27 .- With the sanction and official approval of gov-ernor Deneen, a bill will be introduced in both branches of the general assembly next Monday providing for an ap Governor Trepoff, of St. Petersburg, propriation of \$35,000 for an Illinois says he will curb the agitators, maintennial exposition which will open next June at Portland, Oregon. Along with resolveries caused the fire department a the bill will be presented a special mes-

Burning the Factories.

London, Jan. 27 .- A dispatch from St. Petersburg late tonight to a news mountains to insure a flow of water seency here reports that Pahl's factory through the summer. Usually there agency here reports that Pahl's factory Ladrones ni the province of Cavite and a large cotton mill have been set on is from five to six feet at Kamela, but fire and are burning flerely.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

IN THE LEGISLATURE.

Salem, Jan. 24. - Of the 24 bills passed by the hosue today only one en-countered opposition—that for the cre-ation of a state library commission. The secretary of this commission is to receive \$1,200 a year and traveling expenses. The bill creating the Eighth Baker county) and Tenth (Union and Wallowa) judicial districts were among those passed.

The senate held only a very ession today, adjourning at 11:15 until tomorrow at 10. Resides disposing of all the senate business on hand, the senate received a few house bills and ous committees. The senators spent the afternoon on committee work.

dealing with the salaries of state and forces. county officers have been introduced in the house, and more are to follow. The most important of all is the bill for flat salaries for state officers.

a strip of Paker also.

Speaker Mills was absent today and speaker for the day.

Thirteen bills were passed by the house, of which eight related to charter amendments or incorporation acts. Twenty-eight new measures were pro-

In the senate eighteen bills were

\$45,000 for Indian war veterans Eight new bills where introduced. The house passed a concurrent resolution asking an investigation of the

methods by which the Northern Pacific railway secured 400,000 acres of Oregon timber lands. #
The house will pass a bill to grant

each county a prosecuting attorney and do away with district attorneys. Representative Steiner, of Lake, has

a bill intended to end range wars. It forces the county in which the damage is committed to pay one-half of the value of the stock injured or destroyed. The senate went on record today against making trainrobbery punish-able by death. A bill fixing imprison-

ment at not less than 10 nor more than

Salem, Jan. 26. - That the legislature will not adjourn short of a 40 days session was indicated today when the house voted down the resolution for

final adjournment February 10. A large number of bills were favorably reported to the house by the varicourt house; for deficiency and legispersons who have purchased grazing cured in the adoption of the house conern Pacific land transactions. Fifteen senate bills were passed by the senate, among them being: Increasing the penalty for train robbery to imprisonment for 10 to 40 years; to create juvenile courts and provide for control of neglected children; to apppropriate \$25,000 for the operation of the portage road at Celilo; to appropriate \$45,-

000 for the Indian war veterans. Eleven new bills were introduced in

At the close of today's session 179 bills had been introduced in the senate and 281 in the house. Kay's flat salary bill passed the house today with only two opposing votes. The yearly sal-aries proposed by this measure are: Governor \$5,000; secretary of state \$4. 500; state treasurer \$4,500; supreme judge \$4,500; attorney general \$3,600.

Salem, Jan. 27 .- Nineteen bills were passed by the senate today. Twelve new bills were introduced. The house passed 21 of its measures. A bill has made its appearance in the

senate intended to regulate the fraternal insurance orders in the state. The Coe measure raising the age of consent has been unfavorably reported by the committee and a substitute re-

Will Abandon Contests.

Ajax-Few of the score-odd contests instituted against Gilliam county settlers in the vicinity at the instance of William Twilley, of Devil's butte, will probably be carried to trial, most of the contestors having realized that sentiment in this community and in the county generally is against them. In the past six weeks 22 homesteads in the Ajax section have been contested. Three or four were heard at The Dalles tended to make it weigh more than the and the rest were set for hearing before the Gilliam county clerk at Condon. Feeling isbitter against Twilley.

Not Much Snow in the Hills. Pendleton-The melting snows and stem, 88c; valley, 87c. falling rains of the past few days has filled the streams of the county. Water gray, \$1.35@1.40 per cental. is now plentiful enough to run all Hay—Timothy, \$14@16 per ton; mills that have heretofore suffered by clover, \$11@12; grain, \$11@12; cheat, the dryness of the fall. Irrigationists \$12@13, are fearing that there will not be a sufficient quantity of snow in the now there is but a few inches.

were introduced in the senate today.

One prohibits the sale of cigarettes to

This year, however, he has been One prohibits the sale of cigarettes to minors and makes the use of them by firmer, and has carried his point. He mal schools.

Nine bills were passed by the senate. One of these is the bill raising the salary of the assistant warden of the penitentiary from \$900 to \$1,200 a year.

The creation of a Lewis and Clark tax commission looking to a revision of est integrity. He must be the "watch-county is a new proposal before the tax code was passed. The bill crelegislature. The new county is to be ating Cascade county was passed, man who are desired." He must be a county is a new proposal before the tax code was passed. In the tax code was passed. In the new county is to be ating Cascade county was passed. In the northern half of tirant, except a Hood River is given as the county and hold out against all appropriations withstand the hardships of the awful which are not necessary. He must be Manchurian winter. The result of the new county is created it. Multnomah and joint legislative dis- of members. trict with Wasco. Strong opposition will, develop in the senate, where the

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Th Jayne local option bill will be clause and the reduction of the number prohibition election from 40 to 30 per and harbor bill. cent of the electors of a precinct.

Comparatively few salary bills have been introduced in the senate thus far but it is known that others will be introduced later. As a rule these bills being local, they pass without question The house today passed the agricultural appropriation bill without material amendment. The usual discustory of the delement of

Talk New Railroad. Tillamook-Another railroad proposition has been made to the citizens by Mr. Simmons, who says he is backed by Portland capital, to give Tillamook ounty railroad connections. He made a proposition to build a standard guage railroad from either Forest Grove or North Yambill, and have it constructed ship subsidy, interstate commerce and within one year provided the citizens statehood bills, but the defeat of all within one year, provided the citizens could get a 100-foot right of way, give \$35,000 subsidy and a suitable site for a depot in this city. It is the inten-tion to extend the line, provided it is built to this city, to Netarts bay.

Six Towns Represented.

Marshfield - At a meeting of the loos bay chamber of commerce it was decided to turn over the management of the Coos county exhibit at the Lewis and Clark fair to a central organization omposed of seven members, one to be named by each of the boards of trade of Coquille, Bandon, Myrtle Point, Marshfield, Empire and North Bend and a chairman from the members of the county court. The plans for the pavilion, 50x60 feet, will be turned over

Oregon City-At a conference of Clackamas county fishermen in this city, a resolution addressed to the legislature was adopted asking that the state fishing laws be so amended as to provide for a closed season of five months in the year, June 1 to November 1. This arrangement will do away with the closed season extending from March 1 to April 15, and is in harmony with the position that has been talen by the Multnomah and Clackamas county delegations at Salem.

Church Colony for Oregon Spokane - The People's United church, at the head of which is Bishop David N. McInturff, is to be disrupted in Spokane and a colony formed in Ore gon or the Big Bend. Bishop McInturff has made arrangements to purchase 5,000 acres of land in one of the places named, and every member of the church will move to the new colony after turning over all his worldly possessions to the church. The church has now \$50,000 or \$60,000.

Little Wheat is Left Over.

Pendleton - E. W. McComis, ager t for the Puget Sound Warehouse company in this city, says that there is only between 150,000 and 200,000 bushels of wheat left in the county out of the 5,000,000 grown in Umatilla county last year. Nearly every farmer keeps a supply of seed on hand, even for fall sowing, in case of the grain freezing out. This seed is included in the amount left in the county unsold.

Union County's Hog.

La Grande-The big Union county hog which is being fattened by Kiddle Bros. at Island City for the Lewis and Clark fair, which weighed 900 pounds a few months ago when purchased from Sam Brooks, now weighs 1,000 pounds, and continues to grow fatter. It is inprize St. Louis fair hog.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat - Walla Walla, 83c; blue-Oats-No. 1 white, \$1.32 16@2.35

Potatoes - Oregon fancy, 85@90c; common, 60@75c. Apples-Baldwins, \$1.25; Spitzen

bergs, \$1.75@2 per box. Eggs-Oregon ranch, 27@28c. Butter-Fancy creamery, 25@30c.

Will Probably Be Head of New Ap

propriations Committee. Washington, Jan. 31 .- Never before in all the time he has been chairman of the committee on rivers and harbors ported favorably. It is thought the has Representative Burton held out so new bill will pass.

The bill providing for agricultural strongly against unworthy projects for waterway improvements as he has done institutes and carriyng a \$2,500 approtises. Burton has, from the priation passed the house with votes to first, fought projects which had no spare. Salem, Jan. 30. — Sixteen new bills pelled to consent to the incorporation in river and harbor bills of many items

a person under 16 years a juvenile de-linquency which may be dealt with under the juvenile law. Another is to was of a "log rolling" nature. He conapproppriate \$50,000 annually for nor- sented to no appropriations except for projects that have been indorsed by the war department. There appears to be method in Mr. Burton's course. When the next con-

gress organizes, Speaker Cannon will topic of restricting railroads in the matter of freight rates. The house adopted a joint resolution appropriation and only of the state land board from \$1,800 to mittee on appropriations.

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Salem, Jan. 25.— A score of bills will develop in the senate, where the committee today competent to become will develop in the senate, where the committee today competent to become its chairman. And from the speaker's viewpoint, there is not a member in the house better equipped for that place than Mr. Burton. Perhaps the chairman of the river and harbor comamended by eliminating the emergency mittee had the future in view when be took the radical course he did in dic-Bailey, of Multnomah, was elected of voters required on a petition for a tating the terms of the present river

ALASKA HAS A POOR SHOW.

Senators Pay Little Attention to Interests of Big Territory.

Washington, Jan. 31. - The determination of the senate to dispose of the Swayne impeachment case means, according to senate leaders, that most of the time between now and March 4 will be taken up in court duty, to the exclusion of legislative matters, save only the necessary supply bills. All legislation which encounters objection will have to go over.

This means not only the defeat of the legislation relating to Alaska. It had been hoped that several Alaskan measures might be passed before adjourn-ment, but that hope has been dispelled. Plans had already been laid for bring-ing forward the Alaska delegate bill, passed by the house last session. But Alaska will get no delegate by the grace of the 58th congress. Neither will Alaska get much else, save what is pro-

vided in the regular appropriation bills. Alaska is weak in the senate for two reasons: All Alaskan legislation encounters opposition from a few men, but what is more significant, few sen ators have any real interest in the great district, and not more than half a dozen men make any effort whatever to push through legislation which Alaska seeks. There is more opposition to the delegate bill than to any other Alaska bill now pending, and this opposition will be able to put a quietus on the Cush man bill, in the present session.

FOR BREMERTON NAVY YARD

Provided in Naval Appro priation Bill.

Washington, Jan. 31 .- The naval appropriation bill as reported to the house carries \$233,500 for the Puget sound navy yard. Following are the items: Extension of construction plant, \$20,000; sewer system, \$500; gradning, \$20,000; fire protection system, \$10, 000; electric light plant, \$10,000; telephone system, \$1,500; railroad and equipment, \$6,000; boat shop for construction and repair, \$20,000; water system, \$3,000; heating system, \$3,000; locomotive and crane track about dry dock, \$30,000; dredging, \$10,000; quay wall, \$25,000; roads and walks, \$5,000; joiner shop for construction and repair, \$5,000; machinery for yards and docks, \$2,000; additional piers,

Waved the Red Flag.

\$50,000.

Kansas City, Jan. 31 .- Two hundred men and women members of socialistic societies rose to their feet and cheered a red flag at a mass meeting held here tonight. The meeting was called for the purpose of raising a fund for the aid of the working classes of Russia. The czar and aristocratic class of Russia were condemned in the strongest pared the czar to ex-Governor Peabody, of Colorado. Resolutions were passed expressing smypathy with the oppressed and denouncing the czar.

Vienna, Jan. 31 .- A telegram from Czentschow, Poland, reports that a bomb was thrown in the cavalry barracks there today and that many soldiers were wounded. The act is supposed to have been in revenge for brutality in dispersing a workman's meeting. Other dynamite outrages are reported to have occurred in the neighborhood of Lodz. A gendarme is reported to have been killed and a number wounded.

Arrests by the Hundred.

London, Jan. 31 .- A dispatch to the Daily Graphic from Sevastopol says: 'In consequence of the gravity of the situation here, the government has invested the naval and military commanders with full powers to repress disorders. Over 900 arrests have been

Russian Advance Ends in Disastrous Defeat.

AWFUL SUFFERING OF SOLDIERS

Battle Carried On in Blizzard by Japanese When Forced to Fight to Save Position.

twice captured Port Arthur, once from the Chinese and then again from the General Kuropatkin's army from which it cannot possibly recover during the winter. Field Marshal Oyama has sent a dispatch to the image of the covering a dispatch to the image of the covering a dispatch to the image of the covering a question of the covering a que ters indicating that the conquerors of Port Arthur were sent by him to meet the enemy in the bloody battle just dethe struggle so far has proved the wis-dom of his course.

Every dispatch received from the front tells of winter horrors such as no other battling army ever had to contend with. Many inches of snow cover the country as far as the eye can see. The ridges are snow-capped. Avalanche upon avalanche has tumbled into the trenchs, inflicting untold suffering upon the soldiers therein.

Field Marshal Oyama's dispatches Austro-Hungary, Russia, Switzerland, have convinced the military authori-Field Marshal Oyama's dispatches ties here that he was by no means anx-ious to engage in the battle, and, in fact, permitted the Russians to take several positions in his vicinity to save run. The new tariff, which is not yet several positions in his vicinity to save run. The new tariff, which is not yet the troops from the unspeakable strain in force, will go into effect on the same of fighting in the storm. But the Rus- date as the treaties, in 1906. sian advance was made withh such enthe challenge.

A large portion of General Nogi's army, both his regulars and his reserves, were placed in the vanguard. Among them were thousands of veterans of the Chino-Japanese war, who, haven't to give the United States the beneing done service in Manchuria in the winter, were able to make progress and use their arms where less seasoned troops would have been paralzyed. The victory gained over the Russian right army is considered here even a greater feat than was the capture of Port Arthur, for, while the battle raged, there were no trenches to seek protection in and every shot of the enemy was made more deadly by the indescribable cold. For this the news from the front that Field Marshal Oyama is now following up his advantage with relentless energy has been received with amazement.

CITY OF BLOOD.

Battle Rages in Warsaw Streets with

No Respect to Age or Sex. Warsaw, Jan. 31 .- Another day and half a night of horrors have passed. Among the surveys authorized are the As this dispatch is sent, the city is following: ruled by savage mobs and more savage soldiers. Both are intent upon killing. No official statements are obtainable at this hour, but when the cost in human kanie river, Everett, Olympia and Il-lives comes to be counted there will be waco harbors, inner Grays harbor, found dead by the hundreds-men,

women and children. women and children—was attacked by the soldiers and ruthlessly shot down. Senator Ankeny has prepared and One soldier aimed a sabre blow at a will offer two amendments to the river woman. In self defense she drew a re- and harbor bill, one appropriating volver and fired a shot, which went wild. A second later a volley was di-rected at her, and she fell dead, riddled ogan and Kettle Falls, another approby a score of bullets. This is but one printing \$25,000 for improving Olympia of a hundred instances.

For the most part the soldiers who rode and tramped through the streets during the late afternoon of Monday were drunk. They seemed to take a particular delight in attacking harmless They killed for the mere sake of killing.

Berlin, Jan. 31 .- The Russian gov rnment's reply to China's declaration that she has not infringed neutrality, nor permitted Japan to do so, is a reassertion that she has done so. The Russian note is such that it is inferred that Russia is not likely to carry the discussion much further. It is learned here that Russia found that all the powers, particularly Germany, held views identical with those of the United States on limiting the zone of war and the keeping China out of might have an important influence on

Run Down by Cavalry.

London, Jan. 31 .- The foreign office has received a telegram from Consul Gneral Murray, at Warsaw, reporting that himself and Vice Consul Mucukain were charged by Russianl cavalrymen engaged in clearing the streets of Warsaw. It appears that Mr. Marray is partially deaf, and when he endeav ored to make known his personality, it was without avail. Ambassador Hardinge has been ordered to make urgent

Beef Trust a Monopoly. Washington, Jan. 31.—The supreme

court of the United States today decided the United States vs. Swift & Co., known as the beef trust case, charging conspiracy among the packers to fix prices on fresh meats and like products. The opinion was banded down by Justice Holmes and affirmed the decision of the court below, which was against the packers.

FIRE IN OMAHA.

It Eats Up \$700,000 Worth of Prop

erty in Wholesale Houses. Omaha, Jan. 30 .- A fire which destroyed property estimated at approxi-mately \$700,000 started at 10:30 o'clock last night from what is believed to have been an overheated stove in the great commission house of C. H. Mul-len & Co., at Eleventh and Howard streets. The flames spread so rapidly that Chief Salter, of the fire department, at once turned in a general alarm, which brought the entire department of the city to the scene, not, however, until the flames had gotten

quite beyond control. Five commission houses were located in the building where the flames start-Tokio, Jan. 31. — The troops which size captured Port Arthur, once from above and covering a quarter of a block was located the stock of a wholesale dry goods concern, which furnished the mass of flames. Adjoining buildings occupied by other concerns of consider-able importance were in the path of the fire, and were soon ablaze. the alley to the north a five-story building, occupied by a large manufacturing and jobbing shoe concern, caught in the upper stories, and the fire soon spread to the lower floors and the entire

NEW COMMERCIAL TREATIES

stock was destoryed.

Germany Does Not Give America Ben-

efit, bu' Wants Reciprocity. Berlin, Jan. 30. - The government this evening published an abstract of the new commercial treaties with

The treaties affect the United State ergy and determination by large bodies of troops occupying miles of ground by Germany as not coming under the that Oyama finally decided to accept most favored nation clause. The government is determined not to raise the question of the most favored nation clause until the treaties go into effect, and the correspondent's inference is

fit of these bargains. The German government would gladly negotiate a reciprocal treaty with the United States. Germany has collected expressions of American government officials on the Cuban-American reciprocal treaties that make, the government thinks, a strong argument against admitting the United States to the ben-

RIVER AND HARBOR SURVEYS

efits of the new treaties.

Bill Provides for Work in Northwest-

Ankeny's Amendments. Washington, Jan. 30. - The rivers and harbors committee has adopted an additional section to its bill auchorising surveys of proposed improvements, to determine their merits and estimated cost. Such surveys are always made before appropriations can be allowed.

Columbia river and tributaries above Celilo, Columbia between Wenatchee and Kettle Falls, Astoria harbor, Clats-South Bend to Raymond, Swamish river, Swinomish slough, and Clear-Everybody-young and old, men, water river, with a view to opening

Can't Get Enough Vessels. Washington, Jan. 30 .- The navy de artment is having much trouble in the transportation of coal to the Asiatic station on account of the statute which requires such shipments to be made in American bottoms, Rear Admiral Manney, chief of the bureau of equipment, has again recommended that authority be given for making such shipments in foreign bottoms until the sup-ply of fuel in storage at Cavite shall be sufficient to justify the delay caused by the difficulty in obtaining American

bottoms at reasonable rates. May Cut Off Supplies.

Paris, Jan. 30. - Japanese officials have remarked to members of the diplomatic corps that the Russian strikes the war in interruption of communication over the Siberian railway. It is said, if the strike spreads, it will involve the railroad workers, making the strikers more effective in cutting off General Kuropatkin's communications and supplies than the Chinese bandits

Italians Send Funds to Strikers.

Rome, Jan. 30. - Manifestations of sympathy with the strikers in Russia are going on throughout Italy, and funds are being collected for them. The Roman Socialists have decided to hold a procession, notwithstanding the prohibition of the police, and the gov-ernment has taken extraordinary measures to maintain order. The garrison has been reinforced by 1,200 men.

To Aid Railroad to the Yukon. Washington, Jan. 30 .- Senator Dietrich has introduced a bill providing government aid for the construction of a railway and telegraph line from Val-dez to Eagle City, Alaska.