

MITCHELL TO LEAVE

Congressional Duties Call Him to Washington.

REPORT ON HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

Committee of Which He is Member Will Meet November 12, and Radical Changes in Administration Are to Be Recommended.

"Wish I could remain longer in Portland," said Senator Mitchell yesterday. "But Congressional business calls me to Washington. My stay has been a very pleasant one, and I regret that it has to be so short. But I shall return after the end of the session. That's not very far away. Adjournment will come in March, provided the President shall not call an extra session."

The Senator will leave tonight. His stay has been less than two weeks long. He came to Portland from the Hawaiian Islands, where the committee of the Senate on Porto Rico and Pacific Islands, of which he is chairman, conducted investigations. Mr. Mitchell has been closely pressed by politicians since his return, and it is rumored that his departure has come thus soon in order that he may escape from their solicitations and avoid participating in their squabbles.

"My committee has collected a large supply of information to present to Congress," resumed Mr. Mitchell. "We have now to digest that information and to prepare our report. To do this will take some time. The committee will meet at Washington November 12, and will get down to work about the middle of the month. So you see, we will have only about three weeks for our work before Congress convenes. What form our recommendations will take I am not prepared to say. But our report will be the basis of a number of radical changes in the government of the Hawaiian Islands. The laws there are defective—very defective. We searched the islands in the midst of a number of boodie scandals. Improvements are needed in the organic law of the territory. It is now a highly centralized government, without that closely-connected system of administration which is needed for its good operation. The territory has no departments of government to correspond to those of our counties or cities. Everything is under the Governor and the Secretary of the Territory, who are appointed by the President. But these are only a few of the details of our investigation."

Senator Mitchell has a collection of pictures taken of him when he was in Hawaii. At the reporter's request he brought them forth. One of them showed him attired in the native flower garb, which visitors to the islands frequently don for a novelty before the camera. A glance at the souvenir suggested the question whether Hawaii was a good place in which to live.

"A very beautiful place," responded the Senator. "Looks like Paradise. But I shouldn't wish to live there. The climate is unfavorable to a native of the Northern latitudes. It's in the tropics, you know."

Senator Mitchell would not consent to be drawn out on the special session question. "It is indeed an interesting subject," said he, "but I have been at home so little that I am not closely enough acquainted with the situation to express an opinion."

The Senator tonight will go to Tacoma, where resides his oldest daughter, Mrs. William O. Chapman. He will then visit his son at St. Paul, John H. Mitchell, Jr. There he will go to see his second daughter, Mrs. J. P. Fawcett, at Canton, O. Another daughter, Mrs. Francis Hay Griffin, lives in New York. After a short visit with her he will proceed to Washington.

TWO HOT-AIR RAILROADS

Disastrous End of Lines to Seven Devils and Republic.

"Everybody in Weiser is running for office," was the ready response made by George Fulligan, a stockman, of that place, who is well known throughout the Northwest as the former owner of a brewery at Republic, Wash. He is at the Belvedere, having come here to sell some cattle.

"Why don't you run for office, too?" he was asked.

"I haven't been there long enough," he answered. "I have only been there 14 months, and nobody can get a nomination unless he went to Idaho about 1863."

"How is that railroad into the Seven Devils country getting on?" he was asked.

"It is not getting on at all. They graded about 10 miles and then quit. There was no money to pay the grading contractors, so they mortgaged their plant and settled with the men for as little as they would take. It turned out to be like the 'hot-air' line at Republic, which had a grade five feet wide, but when the snow melted in the Spring was not even that wide. The track was laid and the men were paid, after being kept waiting several months, but the only engine was run into the Kettle River the first trip and has never been raised. The Great Northern branch into Republic is in operation, however."

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To Nellie Stern, a sister-in-law, a diamond saltire ring.

To Lena Kohnman, of San Francisco, a

ASTORIA UNIONS THRIVE

J. F. Welch Addresses Federated Trades Council on Their Strength.

The Federated Trades Council was honored last night by a visit from the first vice-president of the State Federation of Labor, J. F. Welch, of Astoria. In his address to the assembly, he spoke in encouraging terms of the outlook of organized labor, and said that in Astoria the growth had been phenomenal.

"Some of the unions," said he, "are taking in as many as 20 new members at every meeting, and some of them even take in so many that they have to hold extra sessions during the week to initiate all of them. One of the strongest is the Millworkers' Union, and with the exception of five or six, the town is fully

organized. We have not as many or as large unions as there are in Portland, but there is a larger percentage of the working people union men. In Astoria we have 17 different labor organizations, and all of them are in a thriving condition. We have sent in all about \$200 for the relief of the miners, and we always stand ready to help any union cause."

The meeting of the council, aside from the address of Mr. Welch, was taken up entirely with routine work. Five hundred dollars addition to the relief fund for the coalminers was reported.

It was also reported that another address would be given by J. T. Morgan on "Justice." It will be at the Second Baptist Church, and an invitation from Rev. W. E. Randall, pastor, was read, requesting the members of the council to be present.

The Water Front Federation has moved its headquarters to 127 1/2 First street, and will hold its meetings each Monday night.

CAYLEY'S WOUND FATAL

Butte Man Alleged to Have Been Shot by Editor Passes Away.

BUTTE, Mont., Oct. 24.—Dr. H. A. Cayley, who it is alleged was shot by Editor J. W. Kelley, of the Inter-Mountain, on the night of October 11, died today. Kelley has been confined in jail for some time and must now face a charge of murder. His hearing is set for

next week. He still maintains a studied reticence.

Madame Labonte, the woman in the case, has not yet been found, but it is suspected she is somewhere on the Coast. Both Kelley and Cayley were two of Butte's most prominent and respected citizens and were well known in the Northwest.

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MISSING GIRL FOUND

Little Viola Coiteux Located Near Aurora.

WALKED AND RODE 26 MILES

She Tells a Story of Having Been Kidnaped—Indications Are That She Ran Away From School.

Little Viola Coiteux, the missing daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Coiteux, of Mansfield's Addition, was found yesterday morning near Aurora, Marion County, 28 miles south of Portland. She

had walked most of the way, but with an occasional "lift" by a passing farmer she managed to reach the farm house of Henry Scholl Wednesday night. She told Scholl a strange story of having been kidnaped by a woman, and having effected her escape, and although neither Scholl nor his mother credited the tale, they took care of her until yesterday, when they received the newspapers which gave an account of her disappearance.

Scholl then notified her father that she had been found, and Mr. Coiteux started for Aurora on the night train. He will return home with the girl today.

From circumstances it appears that Viola deliberately ran away from home. She did not attend school Monday, and on Tuesday she feared a rebuke from her school teacher. She left her home early in order to be present before the bell was sounded, but about 9 o'clock she was seen on the Section Line road some distance south of South Mount Tabor. Beyond was found the print of a girl's shoe, apparently, so her father says, about the size she wore. Then there were indications that she had concealed herself in a deserted shack, so as to escape the observation of people who were passing by on the road. It was near this shack that the spoon which her mother had placed in her lunch basket was discovered on Wednesday. After leaving the shack it is probable that she followed the old Milwaukee road, which passes Multnomah Hall, and connects with the Oregon City road at Clackamas station. The road is not very heavily traveled, and it would have been easy for her to have escaped observation, for brush

abounds. From Clackamas station the course to the falls city direct, but she only way to cross the Clackamas River would be by the regularly traveled road.

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MEN'S HATS Sole Portland agents for the well-known "Hawes" and "Stetson" brands of men's Hats—New Fall styles—Derbys and Fedoras—\$3.00 and \$4.00.

MEN'S SHOES French, Shriner & Urner's famous make—Finest leathers—Every pair guaranteed to give satisfactory wear—\$5.00 and \$6.00 pair.

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Wise women will give their Shoe-needs first attention today—An important offering of 1000 pairs of ladies' \$3.00 "Vici" Kid Shoes in light and heavy soles—Kid or stock tips—All sizes and widths—Best set to toe—All new desirable goods—Today at the very low price of

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Women's and children's felt House-Shoes in a very large variety of styles and grades—Variety of colors.

Fountain PENS M. & F. Co. special Fountain Pens, fitted with a 14-karat gold pen—The equal of any \$1.00 \$3.50 pen on the market, each

40-cent Flannel Skirt-Patterns for 25c today.

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Saturday Hosiery Values that are worth buying—The best qualities at a reduction of one-third or more.

Ladies' lace-striped Hose in large variety of patterns, Hermsdorf dye, all sizes, today at, pair..... **39c**

Ladies' fleece-lined Hose, Hermsdorf dye, all sizes, the 35c grade for today only, at, per pair..... **27c**

Boys' or girls' heavy ribbed black Hose, extra good quality, fast color, for today only, your choice..... **16c pr**

Picture Framing To your order—Largest line of moldings in the city—Best workmanship—Lowest prices—orders executed promptly.

Veilings



Greatly Reduced Two tempting values in new veilings for today. Very best styles and qualities at very little prices.

2000 yds of chenille dotted veilings in all of the best colors—white, brown, navy and black.

Large or small dots, regular 50c and 60c grades today

38c yard

All our \$1 fancy chiffon veilings in white, neat borders and designs, for today only **69c** your choice, yard.....

Flannel Gowns

Ladies' Outing Flannel Night-ropes in a large variety of patterns and colorings, big full sizes, neatly made and trimmed, the regular \$1.50 value

\$1.22 ea

Fancy lawn Bureau Scarfs, colored linings, ruffled edge and center piece, special **44c** value.....

Men's Clothing Sale



Rare bargains in seasonable Clothing for men and boys—New Fall fashions at a reduction big enough to please the most economical. We expect this to be the busiest clothing store in town today with these values to encourage your coming here.

Men's "Oregon" all-wool gray Oxford chevots suits in single or double-breasted sack styles, well made and trimmed—A great special..... **\$6.65**

Men's all-wool chevot suits in new plaid mixtures (union made) best styles and lining, all sizes, a **\$8.85** \$12.50 suit for.....

Men's all-wool black and dark navy blue chevot suits, good weight, finely made and trimmed, an \$18 suit for the low price of..... **\$13.65**

All our extra fine \$22.50 and \$25 suits in all the newest and best materials and styles—This season's latest fashions—For 3 days only at **\$20.75**

Overcoat Sale

A special purchase from one of New York's leading manufacturers—100 fine overcoats in chevots and Oxfords, in gray and black, medium long styles, handsomely made and lined, would be special value at \$18; sale price..... **\$14.65**

All of our men's fine worsted trousers, \$4.50 value..... **\$3.70**

All of our men's fine worsted trousers, \$5.00 value..... **\$4.15**

Boys' all-wool 2 and 3-piece suits in dark blue serges and chevots, dark gray and brown plaids and mixtures; ages 8 to 16 years..... **\$4.15**

Young men's overcoats in Oxfords and plaids, ages 14 to 20 yrs, special this sale..... **\$8.80** (Second floor.)

Ladies' Neckwe'r



Saturday is bargain day in our neckwear department—New desirable neckwear at a big saving—Today's items are especially interesting.

500 reversible four-in-hands, plain colors, dotted or figured, some with silk embroidered ends—Ping Pong ties, narrow styles, all regular 50c values, each **38c**

Fancy silk stocks in plain black and white, hemstitched effects, very stylish, 65c val. today **48c**

Handsome large black silk neck ruffs, wide ends, big fluffy boa, all the \$3.50 values today..... **\$2.57**

Large line of new hair ornaments.

Ping Pong The most popular indoor game ever invented—Here you'll find sets ranging in price from 50c to \$20.00 per set. (Third floor.)

75c Underwear 43c

A great special purchase of ladies vests and pants enables us to offer 75c garments at 43c—Ladies' ribbed underwear shaped vests, natural color, silk trimmed front and neck, all sizes in vests and pants, regular 75c value at 43c.

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Millinery Specials



"Crowd bringers" in the millinery department for today—An array of offerings that must please every woman in town.

40 black velvet hats in handsome shapes trimmed with jet and 3 ostrich plumes, extraordinary value..... **\$3.98**

20 doz. velvet shapes, new goods, the styles you want most, each **95c**

Fine colored ostrich tips in blue, cardinal, brown, green and black, **39c**

3 in a bunch, today only, bunch **39c**

2000 quilts in black and colors for today only at, each..... **1c**

Pretty new things in children's headgear, hats and bonnets, largest variety in town and all reasonably priced.

Trunks Bags Special values in traveling necessities of every description—Trunks, bags, suit cases, telescopes, etc., at the very lowest prices.

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escaped from her captor and walked all the way to Aurora. She knew nothing whatever of the woman, and she did not say anything about her ride with Smith. She may tell something about her experiences when she returns today.

The story which Viola tells of the kidnaping is not credited by her schoolmates in the South Mount Tabor school, or by the residents of Mansfield Addition. It is the general opinion that she simply ran away because she did not want to attend the school. In Montavilla she had been in the sixth grade, and in the Mount Tabor school she had been reduced a notch. She had told her com-

panions that the studies were but play for her, and as she was of a very sensitive disposition, it is thought that the lower place given her made her dissatisfied and she wished to leave the school. It is also believed that her absence Monday made her fear that she would be rebuked Tuesday, and she determined to run away.

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