

# COAL LAND CASE HEARING CLOSES

## Government Practically Concludes Inquiry at Seattle.

# GLAVIS WON'T BE CALLED

## Former Chief of Field Division of General Land Office Still on Hand, but Prosecution Needs Him Not.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 23.—The government practically concluded the examination of its witnesses in the Alaska coal land investigation today, and it is probable that the Seattle sitting will be concluded tomorrow when the special commissioner will adjourn the hearing to Spokane.

It now seems certain that L. R. Glavis, former chief of the field division of the general land office here, will not be called as a witness by the government.

## Glavis Still on Hand.

Although he has been a constant attendant at the hearing, Mr. Glavis was called on by the government only to identify a letter written by him to J. M. Sheridan, the government attorney.

Today's session was taken up with the examination of William Langille, of the forestry service. Mr. Langille made a close inspection of the Cunningham group of Alaska coal claims for the purpose of ascertaining the amount of timber on them.

He also aided A. L. Kennedy, the mining engineer employed by the general land office in investigating the work done by the claimants toward developing the claims.

The last witness for the government to be called today was S. N. Stoner, special agent and mapmaker in the general land office. Mr. Stoner was sent to Alaska to prepare maps showing the locations upon the Cunningham claims.

His testimony dealt entirely with the method employed by him in compiling the maps used by the government in the present inquiry.

## Portland Man in Case.

A letter from George H. Cecil, acting district forester at Portland, Or., to F. E. Ames, a forestry bureau agent in Alaska, was introduced in evidence this morning. The letter, which attorneys for the defendants say shows improper interference by the forestry bureau with land office business, follows:

"Dear Ames—There is considerable evidence that the claimants in the above cases (Cunningham claims) are not only trying to get valuable coal lands fraudulently, but are attempting to secure in addition to the coal claims timber lands for the purpose of supplying timber to work their mines. Clarence Cunningham in one of his reports to the forestry bureau admits that some of the claims are more valuable for timber than for coal, so the department has secured a continuance of the cases in order to investigate this thoroughly.

## Case Would Be Hurried.

"Special agents Stoner and Kennedy are now on the ground and will be instructed by Mr. Glavis to co-operate with you fully. They, of course, are in charge of the investigation, and so far as possible their suggestions should be followed. It will be necessary to have an estimate of all the timber upon all the claims. For this purpose, Mr. Langille has been authorized to employ temporary assistants in making the estimates. The general land office has requested that this examination be expedited as much as possible.

The forester has authorized the appointment of Gabriel Wingate as a local agent to examine the claims in order to ascertain which claims contain workable coal and which are valuable for timber only."

# SEVEN ASPIRE TO CONGRESS

## Many to Take Poindexter's Place if He Succeeds Piles.

SPOKANE, Wash., Nov. 23.—(Special.)—Seven men are after Congressman Miller Poindexter's job. As soon as he is announced his intention of making the race for senatorial honors held by S. H. Piles a half dozen friends prepared to receive his cloak.

Those avowed or receptive candidates include Seabury Merritt, Harry Rosenhaupt, William H. Ludden and F. D. Rockwell, of Spokane; Lee Johnson, of Sunnyside; L. O. Meigs, of North Yakima, and J. D. Bassett, of Ritzville.

Mr. Merritt is a leading lawyer, a member of Merritt, Dawson & Merritt. He is a close friend of Governor Hay and has acted as his private counsel since the latter became governor.

Harry Rosenhaupt, who is in the race, said:

"I have nothing to say at this time. I may make a statement later."

W. H. Ludden said:

"I have not yet fully determined whether I shall be a candidate. I shall consult with leading Republicans and party workers and later may have something to say."

# MAN IN AIR-TIGHT VAULT

## V. Galloway Saved From Suffocation by Clerk's Oversight.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 23.—(Special.)—State tax commissioner Charles V. Galloway had a narrow escape from being suffocated in the vault of the state land office recently. He went down to the land office to look up some records and became so engrossed in his work that he did not notice the approach of the closing hour. At 5 o'clock George G. Brown, clerk of the land board, shut the vault and walked out.

Galloway shouted, but no sound penetrated the walls. Half a minute later the outer door of the office was closed and locked. There was air enough in the vault to sustain life four or five hours.

But Brown forgot to turn off the light. Half an hour later he remembered the oversight and returned. Galloway pounded on the door with a heavy seal. A faint sound reached Brown, who opened the door and released the prisoner.

# DEEP WATERWAYS URGED

## Rivers and Harbors Congress to Re- new Demand for Appropriation.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.—The sixth annual convention of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress will be held in this

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# STATE MERCHANTS MEET

## OREGON RETAILERS CONVENE AT EUGENE IN JANUARY.

## One of Most Important Sessions of Association to Be Held Early in Year.

EUGENE, Or., Nov. 23.—(Special.)—The next annual convention of the Oregon Retail Merchants' Association will convene in this city January 26 and 27, promises to be the largest and most important session the association has yet held, and, although two months intervene between now and the convention dates, the local Merchants' Protective Association has already appointed a committee preparatory to making arrangements for the entertainment of the convention.

President W. M. Green, of the local association, is expecting an attendance of between 200 and 300 delegates from various parts of the state. The entertainment of guests during the convention will include an elaborate banquet on the last day. Besides this, there will be automobile rides about the city, and other features are in contemplation.

At a meeting of the Commercial Club tonight committees were appointed to work in conjunction with the local Merchants' Association in making preparations for the convention.

An extensive programme is now being prepared by Charles B. Merrick, of Portland, secretary of the state association, which will include papers and the discussion of various topics of mutual interest to members.

# ITS ELDEST WOMAN DIES

## Clark County Mourns Death of Mrs. C. Russell, 93.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 23.—(Special.)—In the death of Mrs. Charlotte Russell, whose funeral was held Saturday afternoon, Clark County lost its oldest woman resident. At the time of her death Mrs. Russell was 93 years 2 months and 26 days old. She retained exceptional mental vigor up to the very last.

Mrs. Russell was born in Laurel, Franklin County, Ind. Her father, James Brice, served in the War of 1812. In 1830 Mrs. Russell came to Clark County. She lived at Orchards with her daughter, Mrs. M. W. Thompson, at whose home she died.

Mrs. Russell was the mother of nine children, five of whom are living: Mrs. G. Schoonover, of Vancouver; Mrs. M. W. Thompson, of Orchards, and Mrs. Joseph Bennett, of Woodland, are her only children in the West.

# SALOON SAFE IS ROBBED

## White Bartender Taps Keg, Man Gets In Work.

THE DALLES, Or., Nov. 23.—(Special.)—F. W. Mansfield, a recent guest of the Umatilla House, is in jail charged with robbing the safe in the railroad saloon. Mansfield, it is alleged, entered the saloon about noon yesterday, while the bartender was in the basement tapping a keg of beer and lifted the money box from the safe in the private office.

Accused made his escape to the Washington side, but was arrested by Marshal Harper four miles below this city a short time later and returned to the Oregon side. The money box was found in Mansfield's room today and nearly all the contents, about \$150, recovered. He will be given a preliminary hearing Saturday.

# WIFE'S CHARGES RESENTED

## Keef's Appeal From Assault Conviction Promises Divorce Contest.

ALBANY, Or., Nov. 23.—(Special.)—Michael Keef, who was convicted last week in a local justice court of assault and battery on a charge preferred by his wife, today appealed the case to the State Circuit Court.

Keef was sued yesterday for divorce by his wife, Stella M. Keef, in one of the most sensational complaints ever filed in the local courts, and his action today indicates that he will fight the divorce charges as well as the charge of beating his wife. Property which Mrs. Keef says is worth \$12,000 is involved in the divorce suit.

# RIFLE BLOWS OFF THUMB

## Proebstel Man Sets Weapon in Corner With Hand on Muzzle.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 12.—(Special.)—By the accidental discharge of a rifle this morning, Clark Wehrum, of Proebstel, had the first joint of his right thumb blown off, the bullet exploding, he was hit in the jaw and in several places on his face by flying pieces of steel.

After he had cleaned the rifle, Wehrum stood it up in the corner of his home and had his right thumb still across the top of the muzzle when the gun went off.

# RETAIL MEN OF EUGENE PLAN TO ENTERTAIN STATE MERCHANTS IN JANUARY



W. M. GREEN, PRESIDENT, AND C. F. LITTLEFIELD, SECRETARY OF OREGON RETAIL MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION, WHO WILL BE HOSTS TO OREGON MERCHANTS EARLY IN YEAR.

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Local "boosters" were kept busy answering questions concerning the valley.

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# Many Firms Incorporate.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 23.—(Special.)—

Articles of incorporation were filed in the office of the Secretary of State today:

Globe Mercantile Agency—Principal office, Portland; capital stock, \$500; incorporators, T. D. Reed, C. T. Travis and H. B. Churchill. Herald Bros., Inc.—Principal office, Portland; capital stock, \$25,000; incorporators, C. M. Herald, K. B. Herald and C. W. Herald.

Redmond Bank of Commerce—Principal office, Redmond; capital stock, \$10,000; incorporators, G. E. Dobson, Harold M. Sawyer and G. M. Slocum. Summit Lumber Company—Principal office, Baker City; capital stock, \$20,000; incorporators, J. L. Wade, James F. Hurley and Frank Gardiner. Tonseth-Boye Grocery Company—Principal office, Portland; capital stock, \$500; incorporators, Cornelius Tonseth, Birger Tonseth and Hans J. Boye.

The Twenty-Five Hundred Club, No. 2, of Portland, Or.—Incorporators, W. E. Mallory, Vista L. Hayes, H. F. Fieckstein and W. F. LaRoche. Jensen Creamery Company—Principal office, Pendleton; incorporators, W. F. Jensen, J. Jensen and W. L. Thompson; capital stock, \$25,000. Tell Dutch Company—Principal office, Echo; incorporators, O. D. Teel, J. T. Stinkie and Walter B. Hinkle; capital stock, \$10,000.

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