LEGISLATORS WILL ATTEND MEETING

Solons Invited to Southwestern Washington Development Convention.

VANCOUVER IS PREPARING

Feature of Association Gathering to Be Demonstration of Clearing Burned - Over Lands. Programme Complete.

VANCOUVER. Wash, Feb. 14.—(Special). Vancouver's volcome to the 500 delegates and visitors of the Southwestern Washington Development Association convention, the session of which begins temorrow and will continue for three days, will be hearty and enthusiastic. The freedom of the city will be tendered them and good-fellowship will be the siyle. A large key, symbolizing this the style. A large sey, symbolizing this freedom, has been made and will be presented by the Mayor of Vancouver to Premiest Gingrich, of the association, with proper coremony.

with proper exemony.

The delegates will begin to arrive tomerrow morning. As the hotel accommodations will be taxed to the limit, a
list of 40 rooms has been secured in
private homes, and besides this many of
the visitous will be entertained by

Legislature Invited to Banquet.

The entire Legislature has been invited to visit Vancouver and attend the banquet to be given in Columbia ball, Friday evening. It is expected that not less than 60 members will be present, arriving on a special train from Olympia at about 7 P. M. Saturday morning the Legislators will be invited to visit the State Schools for the Deaf and Blind, that they may know better the requirements of these institutions. A bill providing for an appropriation from the Legislature to build a building for the School for the Blind is to be introduced. The present building is wholly inade-School for the Bland is to be introduced.
The present building is wholly inadequate, and can accommodate but 29 papils, while there are 25 more on the waiting list not able to enter the school as the appropriation for Ha maintenance has been exhausted.

One of the interesting features of the convention of the Southwestern Wash.

convention of the Southwestern Washington Development Association will be the demonstration of Professor H. W. Sparks in the charpetting of stumps, thus clearing the land for settlers so thay may farm it and make the sell productive. A field of stumps at Thirtythird and Franklin streets has been selected and a number of the big stumps were lighted by the char pit method last Saturday. By Thursday afternoon they will be in fine condition to show to the delegates and those interested in the workings of this method.

Corporations to Be Organized.

In connection with this will be be the organization of a corporation with a capitalization of \$10,000,000, with which to handle the thousands of seres of to handle the thousands of acres of longed-off lands in Southwestern Washington. By controlling the lands and burning off the stumps cheaply by the charpit method, the lands can be sold at a low prior to the Eastern home-scatters, who are being attracted to this section of the West by judicious and vigorous advertising. The convention will have speeches favoring cutting up large tracts of land into smaller farms and thus make more room for the farms and thus make more room for the homeseekers, so much desired by this growing state. J. E. Barnes, secretary of the South-

western Washington Development Association, today was appointed by Goy-ernor Hay as representative from the State of Washington to the Northwestern Development Association, compris-ing ten states, Washington, Oregon, Nebruska, Montana, Colorado, Utab, Cal-Hornis, Idaho, Iowa and Nevada. Governor James Brady, of Idaho, is president of the association, which is rgunized along times similar to that of the Southwestern Washington Develop-ment Association, and for a similar purposs, but on a gigantic scale. Harnes accepted the appointment.

Programme Is Interesting.

J. H. Elwell, for the Vancouver Com mercial Cish, will deliver an address of welcome. The Mayor will welcome the delegates for the city. F. C. Ward, of Goldendale, will make the response and N. H. Coffman, of Chehalls, will speak of "The Work at Hand," followed by a general discussion. Music throughout the evening will be furnished by the orchestra from the First Infantry hand, Vancouver Barracks. On Thursday, in the Grand Theater,

President Gingries will call the meet-ing to order and Secretary Barnes will make his first annual report. Officers will be slected, committees will be appointed and routine business will take the time until 11 o'clock, when all will witness the guard mount and dress parade of the troops at the barracks un-der Colonel George K. McGunnegle, commanding officer.

The newspapermen's session will be held in the aftersoon, when many edi-tors and writers in fils section will speak and read papers, beginning with Aftert Johnson. Among those to speak will be Dan Bush, of the Chehalis Rec-Nugget: W. A. Rupp, of the Abordeen World, and short talks by 20 others. A. C. Little, of Raymond, will talk in the evening on "How to Get the Man on the Land."

The "Good Reads" session will be held Eviday morning with addresses.

Friday morning with addresses by Santuel Hill and A. W. Perley, State Hallroad Commissioner, and R. H. Thumson, City Engineer of Seattle. In the afterneon the commercial organi-enties of Tacoma, Scattle, Albany, Or., Portland, and several others, will have

representatives speak.

A banquet to the victors will be held in Columbia Hell in the evening under the auspices of the Vancouver Commercial Club, when many speeches will

HANDSOME BOOKLET OUT Portland Y. M. C. A. Publication

Tells of Its Work.

By far the most handsome and com catalogus ever issued by the Portland Young Men's Christian Asso-clation was published yesterday and will be distributed among the friends and supporters of the Institution. Every department is described in de-

Every department is described in detail and much is said of the practical results that are being attained.

One of the most interesting features of the publication is an article teiling what the Y. M. C. A is doing to make young men creators of wealth. Under this head attention is called to the various public lecture courses that are being conducted in apple-growing, poultry-raising, gardening and similar subjects. Reference is also made to the potato-growing contest that was the potato-growing contest that was

held last Summer and the gardening contest that is just beling taken up.

There is also an interesting article on the work for hoys, emphasizing the good that has been accomplished by the boys' home, which was recently founded, and by the Big Brothers' movement. There is important information about the various boys' clubs, under the expressive litis. "The Club Displacing the Gang."

There is a complete summary of activities in the educational department, with many pictures of the various classes. The Summer camp maintained for boys is touched on, as well as the numerous 'hikes' that are conducted. Statistical tables show that the religious work has grown immensely.

The booklet is a work of art, both as to illustrations and arrangement of text. Among the prominent features are editorials and news items about the Y. M. C. A. reproduced from Portland daily supers. the Y. M. C. A. reproduced from Port-land daily papers.

SUITOR TOO PERSISTENT

Man Arrested Third Time for Annoying Girl Who Rejects Him.

Though twice arrested and once examined as to his sanity because he pur sisted in hanging about the corner where once upon a time his fair inamorata lived, William Garbenkamp, an ploye of the Portland Lumber Mill. was again arrested yesterday afternoon by Patrolman VanOvern, his first captor,



J. E. Burnes, Washington's Representative to Northwestern Development Association.

and is now in the City Jail, awaiting another appearance before County Judge Cleeton.

Complain was made recently by Captain Monicie, of the Shaver Transportation Company, that for a year his family, living at 226 East Twenty-fourth street, had been annoyed every Sunday afternoon without failure, by Garbenkamp, standing in front of the premises, all bedecked in his Sunday finery, waving his handkerchief and blowing kisses at an upper window. When VanOvern ar-rested him, he was given a lecture and a good scare by Captain Bailey, and week later he was at his post and Pa-trelman Lyon again arrested him. Ha-trelman Lyon again arrested him. Ha-amined as to his sanity, he was re-leased and for several weeks did not appear. Yesterday he attempted another meeting. meeting.

Carbencamp told the officer that the girl had favored him with her company once two years ago and that he had been seeking another recontre ever

OREGON IS REPRESENTED

Hood River Men to Present Apple Claims at Sacramento.

Oregon apple industry will be repesented at the Western Fruitgrower's Association convention at Sacramento, Cal., by E. H. Shepard, of Hood River, editor of Better Fruit, and C. H. Sproat, also of that city, and manager of the Hood River Applegrowers Association.
Mr. Shepard left last night for Sacramento, where he will join Mr. Sproat, who is already there. The convention date is February 15 to 18.
Mr. Shepard will give as his lecture, Fruit Industry of the Northwest, the

"Fruit Industry of the Northwest, the Desier and Grower." Mr. Sproat has loosened, flapped upand down with a selected as his topic, "Marketing hideons clutter, looking and sounding in Fruit." These men, two of the most the moonlight like a gigantic witch huriwidely versed in fruitgrowing and the ing her sharp imprecations at the roar fruit industry in the Northwest, are ing and insatiable monster about to de-expected to bring much good to Oregon stroy her. by their speeches before the many marketmen who will attend this convention.

EARL GEER IS MURDERED

Body of Oregon Man Found Mutilated in Philippines.

According to advices received in Portland yesterday, Earl Geer, a son of J. P. Geer, an ex-member of the Oregon Legislature, who now lives in Scattle, was murdered at Mindanao, Philippine Islands.

Philippine Islands.

Earl Geer was a cousin of ex-Governor Geer. News of his death was received in a communication to Mrs. L. McManus, of Portland, from Mrs. Beatrice Lewis, who is now in Mindanao. She wrote that Geer's body was found horribly mutilated on the west coast of the island. When the letter was written scouts were searching for the murderers. Suspects had ing for the murderers. Suspects had

been caught.

The exact manner of the Oregon man's death was not known. Mrs.
Lawis says that Geer is survived by a

YOUR VALENTINE.

Your valentine not half so funny and interesting as cartoons being drawn daily by the Nyes In Kohler & Chase Were you among the hundreds to see the expulsite work being done by the artists in windows at 375 Washington

Are you a good guesser? An oppor-tunity of winning a valuable prize awalts you—bring in your guesses who the cartisons represent—we will gladly give you information as to prizes. Private sittings in your home given for free offer of a valuable photo in oil of yourself or friends.

specially-this town novel display will greatly interest you."

ANGRY SEAS WASH TOWN OF MOCLIPS

Schoolhouse, Hotel, Cottages and Even Lots Swept Away When Wall Breaks.

BELL RINGS OUT REQUIEM

Little Burg on Washington Coast Mects \$40,000 Loss-Populace Fights Vainly to Save Property From Fury of Storm.

HOQUIAM, Wash, Feb. 14 .- (Special) -Moclips is today at the mercy of the after six weeks of Winter storms, which have pounded in from the sea one after another, culminating Sunday night in one of the heaviest

Sunday night in one of the heaviest gales ever known along the coast.

That night was one of terror for the people of the little city by the sea and the next morning found them worn and tired but fighting bravely to save their possessions, while all about them was the roar of an angry sea and the crash of failing timbers, while the school bell toiled dismally as the building rocked and swaved and while the school bell toiled dismally as the building rocked and swayed and pitched into the ocean. The school-house floated out with the bell still ringing, and 10 minutes later was caught by a monster 40-foot wave, dashed in against the piling and smashed like a house of cards.

The Moclips Beach Hotel was at noon today one-third gone, with a large part of the south wing dangling over the water and ready to fall at the next high tide. The entire hotel, according to Dr. Edward Lycan, the owner, is doomed.

Windows and doors have been taken willows and doors have bree taken from a large part of the building, and the remaining part of the structure stands hollow and wrecked, looking like the deserted castle of some old feudal chief in the Scottish Highlands.

Seawall Breaks to Pieces.

For a week Dr. Lycan and the citizens had labored with might and main to stop the break in the seawell. Nearly 20,000 feet of heavy timbers were driven ten feet into the sand by hydraulic pressure. Still the wall would ot hold and when the final break cam these very timbers acted as battering rams and came pounding in on every wave to do further destruction.

To say that Moclips has been destroyed, or half destroyed, or nearly wiped out is wrong. The disaster is fearful, the scene awe-inspiring and fearful.

The property loss in Mocilps in the past few days in estimated \$25,000, and will reach the \$10,000 mark before the

sea has finished its work.

In addition to the building losses, 28 lots, valued at \$200 each, have been cut away. There is not a citizen of the town who has escaped loss. The stores on the main street south of the hotel are standing and much land must fail are standing and much land must fall before they are in danger.

Cottages Swept Away.

but the wind increased in fury at sundown, sweeping across the sens at a velocity estimated at from 60 to 65 miles an hour and soon one of the cottages tumbled into the sen.

The whole populace remained awake and the stableaut of the Harriman bridge, the company has virtually a clear field and the gangs and the stableaut clima builded by the forcement of the Broadway work.

The whole populace remained awake and in frightened slience huddled in the lee of the buildings, watching the waves. At midnight it was seen that the wing of the hotel was doomed. It swayed in the wind like a drunken man and at 2:15, with a crash that could be heard for blocks, it toppled into the unconquere

The picture was one never to be for gotten. In the moonlight the great green waves thundered in, every sixth or seventh one appearing 50 feet high, tumbling and breaking and sucking up piles as if they had been but straws. The three floors of the hotel fell out one by one and the third floor remained by one and the third floor remained

Faster work in the waves and then one by one, a half dozen buildings slipped off the bank and were caught up and forn to pieces. When the tide went out all that could be found was the big school bell, lying in the sand.

Monday the people, who had not slept, egan to move their effects. Main street at times ran a foot deep with waves but horses ploughed through them with loads of household goods, while women and children scudded in the lee of the buildings, still saving the lighter and more portable articles. It was a miniature reproduction of the scenes after the San Fran-

cisco earthquake.

One woman was seen carrying a canary bird in one hand and a cake of soap in the other. Another hurried away with two tin pots, worth 15 cents apiece. At every step the wind blew off the cheap light covers and her progress was marked by frequent halts and desperate endeavors to recover her covers which were the sport of the

All Monday afternoon the storm con-tinued. At 6 o'clock the Forewood store tipped on end, there to lie un-til caught by yesterday's tide. At dark the winds weakened and the waves fell. although blowing very cold. This morning's tide was lighter, and cut but six or eight feet off of the bank. Where was once the hetel lawn with a basin for a fountain, is now the

SLOOP ADRIFT: FOUR PERISH

Boat Bottom Up Caught in Purious Storm of Sunday.

SEATTLE, Feb. 14 .- The power sloop W-1833, which is the number of the fishing license issued to the boat by the State of Washington, was found teday bottom up in Admiralty Inlet, on the west coat of Whidby Island, and the four persons who were in the sloop when it was struck by last Sunday's furious storm must have per-

The craft belonged to James Blair and Charles Drake, of Le Conner, Skagit County, and with them in the heat were a third man and a woman. The sloop left La Conner last Thursday to cruise for fish in the Strait of Fues. She was about 40 feet long and not built to weather such colors. and not built to weather such gales.

Morris Bros. Buy Bonds. ASHLAND, Or., Feb. 14 -- (Special)-

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Morris Bros., of Portland, were the successful bidders for the \$75,000 5 per cent school bonds to be issued by the Ashland school district. Morris Bros. agree to pay a premium of \$1550 with accrued interest to date of delivery. The bonds have been issued for the purpose of erecting a new high school building. Contracts will be called for at an early date.

BRIDGE WORK TO BEGIN

GANGS WILL START TODAY ON BROADWAY STRUCTURE.

First Calsson Will Be Sunk at Albers Dock No. 2-Irving Dock Site Leased by Company.

Obstructionists of the Broadway bridge will have nothing to gloat over today, for by daylight a crew from the Union Bridge & Construction Company's headquariers will be engaged in tearing out piling in front of Albers docks No. 2, recently condemned by the city, preparatory to clearing away a place for the first calmon, while on the rear of the dock the company will have a force to con-struct an office.

Across the harbor another gang will be gin driving pilling for a temporary wharf Negotiations were concluded yesterday between the company and Captain E Sunday morning the sea, like a ravenous monsier, began sucking away the land in great gulps. The bathhouses and cottages just north of the hotel disappeared. The sea after tearing away the shore under the north wing of the hotel, retreated in the afternoon.

A respite was expected Sunday night but the wind increased in fury at the sunday night was voted to award the work to the but the wind increased in fury at the sunday night was voted to award the work to the

will be increased on the Broadway work as fast as possible, so that when the calssons are in place the "sand hogs," the men who labor below water, can

PAY INCREASE GRANTED

Mayor Announces Higher Salaries in Water Department.

Mayor Simon announced a general in crease in the pay of employes of the water department at a session of the Water Board yesterday afternoon, when verbal application was made by a repre sentative of the men in the labor branch. It will date from January 1 of this year and will amount to about 10 per cent. About 100 men will be effected now, but a good many more will benefit by the crease when water main laying starts | tive in earnest 'n the Spring.
"We have had under consideration the subject of an increase in pay for laborers, clerks and others in the department" said Mayor Simon, "and have decided to grant a general increase, dating from January I. A committee has the scale

SLAYER PROTECTS WOMAN

be made public later.

Denver Man Says He Went to Cafe Not to Rob but to Meet Affinity.

DENVER, Feb. 14.-Louis Wechter, who fatally wounded W. Clifford Burrows. Saturday night, in the White House cafe and was then disarmed by two women and held for the police, pleaded not guilty today to the charge of murder when arraigned in the crim inal court. On a plea of poverty, the court appointed an attorney to defend Wechter and the case was set for

Wechter asserted that he did not go to the cafe to rob the cash register, but to meet a woman with whom he was infatuated, but rather than disclose her name, he said, he would suffer a penitentiary sentence, or even death on the gallows.

BIG FRUIT TRACT BOUGHT

Orchard Aggregating 1500 Acres to Be Planted in Klickitat.

Dr. J. M. Hansimair and Mrs. B. McN. Moore, of Portland, have bought 1500 acres of fruit land a few miles east of Maryhill, near the line of the North Bank Railroad, Kilckitat County, Washington. They are now preparing the ground and will plant 1000 acres with peaches, pears, grapes and Eng-lish walnuts.

The tract is to be laid out into 20 and 40-acre parcels. The

and 40-acre parcels. The Northern Trust Company of Portland will act as the selling agent. The land has an ideal situation, heing only a few miles from the Columbia River, giving ship-pers access to the great waterway and six transcontinental railroads.

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ing tomorrow. It is the intention of the company to erect a new depot to accommodate the suburban travel about

BABY IS BORN ON TRAIN

Stork Welcomed Near Baker; Con-

ductor Gets Added Title.

BAKER, Or., Feb. 14 .- (Special.)-

Mrs. R. Kirkland, of Austin, last night

gave birth to a baby girl on the Sump

ter Valley Rallway train. When it be-

same known that the stork was about

to alight, the car was vacated and given

over to the woman and the little babe

first saw the light just before the train

reached Baker. A telephone message was sent to the hospital in this city and an ambulance was in waiting at

the depot and the mother and child were taken to the hospital, where both are doing nicely.

the 13th day of the month and in car number 23, so it seems hardly possible

A strange coincidence in connection with the birth was that it occurred or

RICHARDSON POINTS WAY FOR BUYING PARK BLOCKS.

City Could Hold 15 Years, He Says, and by Then Rents Would Pay for Ground and Buildings.

To carry out the scheme of Architect E. H. Bennett for a "City Beautiful." Tom Richardson proposes that the Park blocks which are now built up with

susiness buildings be condemned and purchased by the city.
"We could acquire this property in this way without it costing the taxpayers a

way without it costing the taxpayers a cent." said Mr. Richardson yesterday. "After the ground was condemned and taken over the city could hold it for 15 years without touching it, and it would pay for itself in that time.
"Objections to Mr. Bennett's plan have been based solely on the ground that it would cost too much. Purchase of these blocks between Park, West Park, Salmon and Ankeny streets is admitted to be the most costly part of the plan. If this most costly part of the plan. If this were accomplished in the way suggested, we would have taken a long step toward carrying out the general plan, because the remainder could follow in due course and the expense would not be prohibi-

"If these blocks are to be acquired it should be done this year. They are be-coming more and more valuable, and in a few more years the cost would be staggering. Taken as they stand, the income would pay off every cent of the bonds in li years.

 A committee has the scale ensideration and the details will MAJOR KENNEDY TO RUN

Man Appointed in Tazwell's Place Will Seek Election.

Major J. P. Kennedy, whose appointment as Municipal Judge to succeed Judge Taxwell is now a matter of litigation, announced yesterday his intention of making the race for election to the place in the coming primary campaign. Mr. Kennedy has taken up the practice of law in partnership with John C. Shii-

His petitions will be in circulation dur-ing this week and formal declaration of will shortly be filed with the

ASHLAND, Or., Feb. 14.—(Special.)— The Southern Pacific Company has completed the work of building a spur track, which extends to the uptown

Motor Line Branch Completed.

The Wretchedness of Constipation



Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price. Genuine matter Signature

that ill luck can follow the life of the district and a waiting-room and ticket office has been established at the junclittle one. Friends of Conductor Dave Baird have added "M. D." to his title, and he will hereafter be known as "Conductor Dave Baird, M. D." tion of Main street and the Plaza. Motor car service to and from Med-ford and Grants Pass will now be operated on the new branch commend

Physical Valuation Bill Loses.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14 .- No action will be taken at this session of Con-gress upon the bill introduced by Mad-den of Illinois, directing the Interstate Commerce Commission to make a phys. ical valuation of the railroads of the United States.

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