CONGRESS MAY TAKE COAL MINES

Resolutions Introduced Providing for Preliminary Steps Toward Government Ownership.

(Journal Special Service.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—The power of the allied coal barons and transportation companies was sharply threatened today when a resolution was introduced in the House as the preliminary step in an attempt to place the mines and railroads under government control.

Actual confiscation is threatened.

This blow at the men who are responsible for the suffering and inconvenience due to the shortage of fuel came from Representative Jenkins, of Wisconsin, who is chairman of the House judiciary committee.

The Jenkins resolution is decidedly sweeping in its scope. It directs the judiciary committee to investigate the power of Congress to take possession of all coal mines and lines for the transportation of coal. The resolution recities that the necessity for such action on the part of the government has arisen.

Weak Position of Operators.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 14.—The coal mine operators lost an inning today before the Anthracite Coal Strike Commission. Wilson again presided when the commission resumed its session this morning.

Superintendent May, of the Hillside Coal Company was the first witness. The line of questioning was largely confined to trying to ascertain the witness' antipathy to the Coal Miners' Union.

"It makes the men too independent," May declared.

Spaulding, who was conducting the examination, asked many questions and succeeded in getting the witness badly mixed. May at first stated that the companies could have operated the mines had there been no violence on the part of the strikers. When closely pressed by Spaulding, the witness admitted that he had only 300 out of 9,000 men at work on September 30, when the first violence was reported.

In regard to docking, May testified that he had a system in two collieries whereby men were credited with excess docking when it was shown that good coal had been taken off the miners' cars. This amount was paid them weekly.

Prompt Action by House.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—The House this morning adopted a rule providing for immediate consideration of the bill of the ways and means committee granting a rebate on coal. Debate was limited to one hour.

Still Short of Coal.

CHICAGO, Jan. 14.—That there is still a great dearth of coal in this city is proven by the declaration made today that unless the coal supply was at once increased there would be necessity for the majority of the big skyscraper buildings to close, as it would be impossible to heat them so they could be rendered tenantable. This action would throw thousands out of employment as it would necessitate the suspension of whatever business was carried on in each of the buildings. One of the buildings thus affected has more than 5,000 regular tenants. There is only enough coal to last another day. These statements were made before the grand jury which is investigating the cause of the coal famine.

Tillman Does Some Talking.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—The Senate was well filled this morning in anticipation of a fiery speech from Tillman. Before the Senate convened Tillman kept a prominent place in the halls, telling other Senators what a large number of live wires he had in reserve and how he proposed to arraign the President on the coal situation.

At 1:30 he began speaking. He attacked Aldrich, declaring that if any action was taken in the Senate it would be because the Republicans had been goaded by the Vest resolution. He said that the Senate would be taught a severe lesson if coal riots took place and it would be shown that men will not starve or freeze, but would, if necessary, throttle the law.

He said the policy of this government was made up mostly of hot air. "The Attorney-General sits supinely by, although having ample power under the Sherman act and possessing abundant evidence of conspiracy, and demands more power," said Tillman. "Why want another Anthracite Commission," asked the speaker. "The commission we have now is dawdling away time, taking irrelevant testimony, when it could easily get evidence against the Anthracite monopoly."

As the speaker continued, the attendance on the floor of the House gradually grew less while the galleries filled. Recognizing the departure of the Democrats Tillman shouted at the top of his voice, "I know I'm in the minority, but I'm from a section of the country that has always been pillaged and I suppose we must continue to be robbed and ignored by inferior courts, always ready to stand in with monopolies. The Attorney-General should have got an injunction against the coal companies. I wish to God I could believe that man sincere. I would have got an injunction, in his place, if I could have found an honest judge anywhere!"

Tillman was interrupted by Dietrich who asked him regarding the Cleveland administration. The speaker angrily shouted that God Almighty had a grudge against the South and paid it off in Grover Cleveland. He said Morgan, like Rockefeller, was trying to bribe his way into the temple of fame by giving a million dollars, then forcing ten millions from the people in payment.

The House at 3 o'clock passed the coal rebate bill, putting it on the free list.

The vote was 258 to 6.

PORTLAND IS IN THE LEAD

Stands Chance for Next Livestock Convention.

Oregon Delegates Working Hard and With Every Prospect of Success.

(Journal Special Service.)

By J. B. Longan.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 14.—Portland, Oregon, in all probability, will be the meeting place of the National Live Stock Association in 1904. The contest for the location of next year's meeting began in earnest yesterday.

Delegations from Portland, Oregon, and Sioux City, Iowa, arrived and each at once established headquarters. The workers for both began the distribution of badges. The Oregonians gave out long yellow ribbons, and also treated their visitors to Oregon apples, several car loads of which had been brought to Kansas City. The Sioux City party distributed souvenirs in the form of watch fobs, while commercial bodies of Cleveland and Cincinnati and Detroit sent written invitations to the association; they apparently had no workers upon the ground. The Portland people say that at the Chicago convention of last year Portland was practically promised the 1904 meeting.

The Oregon city came within three votes of the prize when it was landed by Kansas City, and her supporters now assert that there was a tacit understanding regarding 1904 when the selection of this city was made unanimous.

PORTLAND DELEGATES CONFIDENT

The Portland people are more aggressive and confident than the Sioux City delegation. The thirty delegates on the ground represent a voting strength of 100. So sure are they of success that F. E. Beach, the leader of the delegation, yesterday predicted that they would be selected by a unanimous vote.

While the Sioux City delegation of five men is openly conceding little to its chief opponent in the race, one of the leading workers told your correspondent today that an active campaign for the 1904 meeting would not be undertaken.

"We have invited the convention to meet with us, and hope our invitation will be accepted, but we shall enter into no wrangle for the prize."

He said the delegation in the South Omaha Stockyards Companies' headquarters, meanwhile, is hinting that Omaha would like to entertain the cattlemen in 1905.

HANDSOME BADGE.

The Oregon badge is one of the most elaborate and artistic of the convention, the yellow silk ribbon bears the words, "Oregon" and "Portland next." It is suspended from a handsome bronzed design, representing a cowboy on a bucking broncho, with the inscription: "If he don't go to Oregon he don't go at all." The Oregon and Washington delegations came to Kansas City in a special Pullman car.

Among the leading stockmen and business men in the party are F. E. Beach, Douglas Belts, J. W. Bailey, Richard Scott, A. B. Manley, A. J. Johnson, S. B. Barker, Amos Wilkins, Jasper Wilkins, H. E. Nelson, A. N. Gilbert, C. L. Hartshorn, John Fleming, H. A. Hattel, H. C. Burns, Tom Chandler, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Waterman, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Keefer.

MORNING SESSION.

The feature of this morning's session of the convention was the address of Dr. Bailey, of California, on the Angora goat industry in the United States. The remainder of the forenoon was devoted to the introduction and discussion of resolutions and the transaction of other routine business.

At 1 o'clock this afternoon the delegates assembled at the Century Theatre and then visited the stockyards and packing houses. Tonight the visitors will be entertained with a reception and ball at Convention Hall.

The National Association of Railway Live Stock Agents, which was organized at Fort Worth two years ago, began its annual convention in Kansas City today in conjunction with the meeting of the National Live Stock Association.

The association aims chiefly to widen the scope of authority of general live stock agents in connection with the railroads, so as to materially strengthen their usefulness to their employers. The president of the association is W. V. Galbraith of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas, and the secretary, J. I. Conway of the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Company.

'FRISCO WANTS THE WAR GAME

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 14.—San Francisco is after the army and navy manoeuvers for next year. With the aid of the officers stationed here this city will make a strong effort to have the mimic game of war played in this vicinity. It is claimed that the locality near the Golden Gate is superior to any Atlantic point for the manoeuvers. If San Francisco is successful in this application the naval fleet will probably attempt to reduce San Diego and also enter the Columbia River, compelling the army to heavily guard these strategic points.

NO ABATEMENT!

Money-Saving Opportunities at Eilers Piano House Seized By Many.

A good way to begin the week, both for us and for the prudent people, who are wise enough to see the advantage which our low-price cash sale offers is to get a fine piano at once. Nine of the fourteen pianos sold Monday were delivered in Portland, the first one being a handsome Hobart M. Cable, for Mr. A. D. Keenan, 721 Ash street; a beautiful Weber upright went to William Prehn, 613 East Twenty-sixth street; a Wesor, in handsome quartered oak case, was purchased by Mr. Hector Noumal of North Fourth street; Mrs. Anna A. Albee, 373 Thirteenth street, chose a fine-toned Lester, and Mrs. H. W. Scherr, 59 East Third street, took a beautiful Schumann; Miss Mary Anderson, 945 Borthwick street, took a superb Kimball, and so did one of Portland's most prominent school teachers. Mr. J. O. Routledge, 240 Belmont street, purchased a Chickering, as did also H. J. Kelly. A fine lot of high-grade pianos for a one day's sale. In addition five more instruments were sold out of town, one going as far east as Green River, Wyo.

While in this sale our efforts are mainly for the purpose of selling for spot cash, we are glad to give a little time where a purchaser is unable to make full payment immediately, and our prices for pianos purchased on installments are also greatly reduced. Come in and see us about these prices. Or, if you cannot come, write or phone. Long-distance telephone messages of inquiry will be paid for by us during this sale, and every pains taken to have purchasers fully understand the exact value of the bargains they receive. Money will be cheerfully refunded, and instrument taken back if by any chance it fails to give perfect satisfaction.

You had better join the procession. The piano you can afford now you may not be able to secure when this sale closes. Eilers Piano House, 351 Washington street, Portland, Or. Other large, flourishing houses at San Francisco, Spokane and Sacramento.

COFEEN JURY IS DISCHARGED

Stood Six to Six in Diamond Robbery Case---Court Notes.

The jury in the case of the state against Melrose Cofeen, alias Frank Carter, disagreed, and was discharged this morning by Judge George of the Circuit Court. The jury stood six to six. The defendant was charged with grand larceny. He will be retried within a very few days.

Cofeen was placed on trial in Judge George's department of the Circuit Court yesterday morning before a jury, and the trial was closed before the evening adjournment. S. P. Hanawalt, the prosecuting witness; Joe Day, a local detective, and John P. Cofeen, the defendant's father, were examined. Hanawalt identified the defendant as having been on the car the night of the theft of the diamond; Day testified that the defendant's reputation was that of a thief, and the father admitted his son had been in similar trouble before.

The jury retired about 5 o'clock last night, and when court convened this morning, and the 12 men filed into court, the foreman stated that the jury had disagreed. Judge George thereupon discharged the jury.

William Eastman filed a somewhat sensational suit in the Circuit Court today against the Blumauer & Hoch Company, a well-known firm of Portland, and Peter Eales and E. M. Jeffery. The plaintiff filed a lengthy complaint, the gist of which is that he gave a promissory note for $815 to Peter Eales about one year ago, and that since then he has paid the whole sum. He alleges that notwithstanding the fact that he owes Eales nothing, he has never received the note back which he gave him, and states that it has been turned over to the Blumauer & Hoch Company, who are trying to collect it. He wants a restraining order issued against them.

HE ANNOYED WOMEN.

Joe Mitchell, a stranger, who has been annoying East Side women for quite a while, was arrested by the police yesterday, and later in the day was turned over to the custody of the authorities. Last night he was examined as to his sanity, and it was found that, while he was not exactly insane, still he is laboring under some peculiar fancies, and it was thought best that he should not be at large for a while. Therefore, Judge Webster of the County Court ordered him sent to the county jail for a few days.

STRANGE DISAPPEARANCE

(Journal Special Service.)

M'MINNVILLE, Jan. 14.—Yesterday a report was brought to this city by a man by the name of Drake who has been cutting cordwood with Arthur Snow, near St. Joe, two and one half miles north of this place, that his partner Snow had disappeared, and that everything pointed to a case of suicide. They were living in a small cabin and Mr. Drake had occasion to be away on Saturday, and on his return found a note from Snow as follows: "Arthur, you may have my watch and other things belonging to me. Goodbye all." It is the opinion of Mr. Drake that his partner has committed suicide, and that his body is in the brush somewhere, or at the bottom of the river.

QUEER LAWS IN MANHATTAN

NEW YORK, Jan. 14.—Wholesale and retail dealers, manufacturers and others interested in the match trade called upon Mayor Low today and expressed their views in regard to the proposed ordinances restricting the sale of matches in New York City. Those engaged in the trade view the measures as a hardship on themselves and at the same time obnoxious to the general public because of the petty restrictions and annoyances involved. For instance, the ordinances provide that no person shall store or sell matches without a municipal license, which shall cost $50, that none but so-called safety matches shall be stored or sold, that not more than 500 matches shall come in one box, and that householders shall keep a match safe in every room of their dwelling, the same to be placed in a conspicuous position on the wall four feet from the floor.

GERMANY STANDS IN.

(Journal Special Service.)

BERLIN, Jan. 14.—Prussia will be a large exhibitor at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition at St. Louis. The budget announced today carries an appropriation of $75,000 for a Prussian display. German manufacturers have generally signified a disposition to take an active interest in the St. Louis World's Fair.

Terrible plagues, those itching, pestering diseases of the skin. Put an end to misery. Doan's Ointment cures. At any drug store.

TO FIGHT THE TOBACCO TRUST

Unions Organizing for That Purpose.

H. A. Duke Has Returned From Seattle and Gives Plan of Campaign.

The cigarmakers of the Pacific Coast are formulating plans to begin a systematic warfare against the tobacco trust. H. A. Duke, a member of the local union and an energetic worker in the ranks of organized labor, has returned from Seattle, where he participated in the organization of a Blue Label League, which is comprised of representatives from the various Cigarmakers' Unions on the Pacific slope. Similar local organizations have been in existence for some time past, but this is the first attempt that has been made to work the scheme out on an extensive scale and establish a central body. J. Rammelsperg of Tacoma was elected president, and Mr. Duke, vice-president. A constitution and by-laws were adopted and a policy was outlined for carrying on an active campaign.

AIMS OF UNIONS.

One of the principal objects to be attained by the formation of a central organization is the creation of a common fund, which will be utilized in waging the necessary warfare against the opposition to prevent any further encroachments and discriminations. The membership of each union identified with the new organization will contribute a per capita tax toward its maintenance, and as the officers serve without remuneration, it will not require a great length of time to get a good, substantial treasury on hand. It is believed that a large sum will be realized within the next six months.

TO USE FUNDS.

With this money it is the intention to employ the best speakers procurable and send them to various towns in the Inland Empire for the purpose of endeavoring to persuade dealers not to handle the trust-made goods, but the union brand of cigars altogether instead. Mr. Duke is enthusiastic over the plan, and is confident that it will prove an entire success. He believes that it is the only logical method to pursue to supplant the trust. At many points in Eastern Oregon and Washington, he says, the dealers will be perfectly willing to handle union-made cigars after the matter is thoroughly explained to them by a competent person.

JOIN FORCES.

It is said that the several tobacco manufacturers' associations on the Coast are desirous of seeing the trust put out of business, and would ally forces with the unions to bring about this result were it not for the fact that such a course would prevent them from handling cheap goods in the future. A few of the managers contend that this would prove fatal to their business, as some of their best profits are made by selling cheap grades of cigars. They are certain, however, that by joining forces with the unions they would soon be in a position where they could dictate the terms of peace soon after the inauguration of the war.

WILL DEMAND HIGHER WAGES

Street Railway Union Is Preparing New Agreement.

The Amalgamated Street Railway Employes' Union is preparing a new agreement which will soon be presented to the managers of the various lines for signing. Embodied in it is a clause fixing 25 cents an hour as the rate of wages, instead of 22 1-2 cents, as is paid at present. There is no reduction made in the number of hours, the wage question being about the only material difference between the old and new agreements. The increased pay will be asked to begin by April 1.

This has no particular connection with the action of the City & Suburban employes, who are asking for similar concessions. But very few of the employes of this line belong to the union, and they are acting independently of that organization.

STRENGTH OF UNION.

The union has a membership of almost 200, and is made up of the conductors and motormen from every street car railway in Portland, if the few men from the City & Suburban can be counted. Secretary Wilson says that no trouble is anticipated, as it is believed the companies will grant the small raise in wages asked, without making any serious opposition. If there should be an objection, however, the men are sufficiently well enough organized to make a good showing if matters are permitted to develop into a contest of strength.

A FIGHT EXPECTED.

Relative to the trouble between the Linemen's Union and the Seattle Electric Company, says the Labor News, the public has as yet not heard much. It must not be inferred from that fact that organized labor is not taking a deep interest in the dispute. It has been the hope that an amicable arrangement could be arrived at. This hope has now almost been dispelled. It looks as though the company is looking for a fight. If this be conclusively shown, the company will be gratified in its desire.

UNION OFFICERS.

Nearly all the unions of the city have been busy for the past month electing and installing new officers, and but very little other business of importance has been transacted. Many of the old officers were re-elected, and it is the general opinion that, taken as a whole, the men presiding over the destinies of organized labor in Portland are of the right stamp and caliber.

MINING COMPANY MEETS.

At a meeting of the directors of the American Almaden Quicksilver & Gold Mining Company, the following officers were elected for the year: C. A. Patterson, president; A. Fields, vice-president; E. J. McKetrick, secretary; and Mr. Silcox, treasurer.

SENTIMENT ON THE FRANCHISE

Board of Public Works May Approve.

General Agreement on the Matter ---Final Action Will Be Unanimous.

From what could be learned this morning, there did not seem to be any likelihood but that the sentiments of the members of the Board of Public Works are in entire accord on the street railway franchise matter. The report that there was a division of sentiment, seems to have been erroneous.

The board met according to schedule yesterday at 4 p. m., with all members present. For the reason that a number of the members had not read the franchise of the City & Suburban Railway Company through, adjournment was taken to 4 p. m. today.

MAYOR HAS APPROVED.

As was announced by The Journal last night, Mayor Williams has affixed his signature to the City & Suburban franchise in approval. The Common Council passed favorably upon it last week, the company has accepted it, and now all that remains to make it operative is the affixing of the signatures of the members of the Board of Public Works. That these will be given there seemed today to be no doubt.

PORTLAND FRANCHISE UNSIGNED.

Mayor Williams stated yesterday that he had not signed the Portland Railway Company's 25-year franchise. That will also come up today. If the Board of Public Works approves the other franchise, it will not withhold its approval of that of the Portland Railway Company. In the matter of municipal legislative action, the latter only requires two more formalities to make it operative. These are the approval of the board and the Mayor's signature. The latter will be present at today's meeting and may possibly sign the ordinance in the presence of the board.

All indications this morning seemed to point to a short session of the board, not extending over 20 minutes, and that the ordinances for both franchises would be signed unanimously and speedily.

HUNGER DROVE HIM TO STEAL

Pitiable Plight of Starving Boy in This City of Plenty.

At 6:10 this morning John Hansen was arrested by Officer Hogebloom for stealing a loaf of bread from a grocery at 148 Third street. When taken to the station he told a story to Chief MacLauchlan that quickly led to his release.

Bread has been missing from the grocery store several mornings, sometimes as many as two or three loaves being taken at a time. This morning the boy Hansen, who gives his residence as Sixth and Carruthers, stopped at the grocery and under the eyes of Officer Hogebloom, who was across the street, snatched a loaf and walked away till he reached an entrance a few yards further on where he stuffed the bread under his jacket.

It appears that his mother is a widow and the boy is her only support. He works in a mill in North Portland and earns very little. In order that his mother might have enough, the boy did not get anything to eat and finally hunger overcame him and he stole the loaf that he might have something to keep up his strength while he worked.

The chief heard him out and then said, "Well, my boy, it's bad business. Next time you are so hungry come and tell me. I won't let you starve."

The lad left with his loaf of bread which Captain Holman returned to him. Hansen was dumb with gratitude.

FAMILY IN A PITIFUL PLIGHT

ASTORIA, Jan. 14.—Abject poverty has come to the wife and children of the late J. P. Johnson in the East End. Some eight or ten days ago the mother and three children were taken down with scarlet fever. The father worked in a saw mill, and a scratch on the hand resulted in septicaemia. The limb was soon in bad shape, and when City Physician Cordiner was finally called, the sufferer was beyond relief. The arm was cut down, but the flesh was dead, and the unfortunate man died the following morning. While ill with the poisoned arm, he had been taken with scarlet fever, which hastened his death.

The mother and her three children were down with fever at the same time, and last night one of the little girls passed away. The body will be buried by Coroner Pohl in a private manner.

The family is said to be in destitute circumstances, and has been cared for thus far by some of the civic societies. Its plight is a sorry one, as the father left the mother absolutely penniless.

TAKEN BEFORE LUNCH.

S. J. Kafuria, who is wanted in Salt Lake City for embezzlement, was arrested by Detective Joe Day on the corner of Third and Ash streets at noon. The arrest was made on request of Sheriff George H. Naylor of Salt Lake. Kafuria simply walked into Mr. Day's arms and was quickly taken to the city jail and given lodgings. The prisoner was extremely indignant because he had had no lunch, and informed the officers that they were no gentlemen for depriving him of a chance to fill up with good things. He was assured that the jail fare was above reproach and plenty would be supplied. Detective Day says Kafuria used to be well known here and has a record.

HORTICULTURAL OFFICERS.

At the annual meeting of the State Horticultural Association today the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: J. R. Cardwell, president; L. M. Gilbert, first vice-president; J. D. Aldwell, second vice-president; E. R. Lake, secretary and president.

President Cardwell has held his office for 14 years, and Mr. Lake, of the Horticultural College at Corvallis, has held his office 10 years. Mr. Gilbert is a resident of Salem, and Mr. Aldwell resides at Central Point.

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NEWS

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LOST MONEY BY EARLY SALE

Peter Hennigren Did Not Hold His Prunes Long Enough.

Peter Hennigren, a prune grower of Mosier, Ore., is in this city today sorrowing over the adverse fate which prompted him to sell 1,000 tons of dried fruit before the market advanced sufficiently to warrant such action.

Sitting in the lobby of the Hotel Imperial, Hennigren figured a loss of many thousands of dollars in the last few days. This was the method of his reasoning:

"One thousand tons of prunes at 2,000 pounds to the ton totals 2,000,000 pounds. An advance of 1 cent per pound would mean the sum of $20,000. I sold two weeks ago. Inside of the past week the market has advanced 1 cent. What an idiot I was to sell!"

The reasons given by Mr. Hennigren for his rash act are that he was laboring under the conviction that the price of prunes would remain low. The crop last season was excessive and he did not dream quotations would advance this time of year. He did not lose on his actual business, but it is the possibility that he takes into account which hurts.

"Fruit trees are in no danger in Eastern Oregon and Washington," said Mr. Hennigren, "at this time of year. I hear remarks regarding fear for the Willamette Valley fruit trees and crop. The balmy weather of the past few days, it was feared, would start the sap running and cause the trees to bud. Cold weather then would kill them.

"But in the higher sections of the Northwest there is never any danger until February. It is too early as yet to offer a prediction on fruit for the coming season."

OLD BOARD IS RE-ELECTED

The stockholders of the United States National Bank held their annual meeting yesterday afternoon and re-elected the old board of directors. This consists of I. W. Hellman, president of the Nevada National Bank of San Francisco; Percy T. Morgan, president of the California Wine Association; W. B. Ayer, president of the Eastern and Western Lumber Company; Rufus Mallory, of the firm of Dolph, Mallory & Simon; D. W. Wakefield of the real estate firm of Wakefield, Fries & Co.; Governor-elect George E. Chamberlain; R. L. Macleay, president of the Macleay Real Estate Company; J. C. Ainsworth, president of the Fidelity Trust Company of Tacoma, Wash.

The matter of selecting a successor to take the place of F. C. Miller, who left recently to take the vice-presidency of a Kansas City bank, was considered. The two present assistant cashiers, R. W. Schmeer and A. W. Wright, will continue to act in that capacity. The officers elected are: J. C. Ainsworth, president; W. B. Ayer, vice-president, and the already named assistant cashiers.

TEACHERS' MEETING SATURDAY

Announcement was made today for the next meeting of the teachers' class, which will be held at County Superintendent of Schools Robinson's office, Saturday, January 17. The teachers will have a "round table discussion," based on Chapters II. and III. of "White's Art of Teaching."

Outside of the city there are two other classes. One of these meets at the Mt. Tabor School weekly, and is in charge of Principal J. O. Hall of the Mt. Tabor schools. The other meets weekly at Montavilla, and is in charge of Principal N. W. Boland, principal of the schools of that suburb.

The teachers who meet at Mr. Robinson's office are from the several districts in the county not included in the other gatherings.

ROOSEVELT UNDECIDED.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—President Roosevelt this morning told Senator Foraker that he had not as yet offered to appoint Day on the retirement of Shiras, but admitted he had this matter under consideration and might decide upon following such course.

WIND STORM ON THE RIVER

Stopped Traffic Until the Gale Subsided.

The Columbia River Valley was swept by one of the strongest winds yesterday that has visited this section for many a month. As a consequence the steamer Metkalo, of the White Collar Line's fleet, which was on her way to The Dalles, was forced to tie up at Washougal nearly all day, waiting for the gale to subside. The Albany was also unable to make progress against the wind, which was described as a howling hurricane, and she dropped anchor in the stream above Vancouver.

River men say that the wind must have been blowing at the highest rate ever attained by that element. At times it would whirl and twist around on the same principle as the proverbial Kansas cyclone. It would catch the water at certain points and sweep it up into the shape of perfect pyramids, and shortly another wild-eyed blast would come along and send the recent formation speeding through the air. Many times the water, as it was being blown, would form an arch, and as the sun was shining brightly, it looked very much like a rainbow, the sun's rays giving it all the variegated colorings. Sand was also distributed on the decks of the steamers in such quantities as to make the writing of one's name in the accumulation comparatively easy.

VANCOUVER NEWS.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 14.—A pleasant entertainment was given last night at Odd Fellows' Hall, by the members of Vancouver Assembly, No. 178, United Artisans. The entertainment consisted of a well-selected program, followed by a delicious supper. There was a large attendance and all testified to a most enjoyable time.

The County Commissioners yesterday made a trip to Isaac Gratton's place, 11 miles east of the city, for the purpose of effecting a compromise with Mr. Gratton in regard to the county road.

VANCOUVER PERSONALS.

J. A. Burger is registered at the Columbia from Portland.

Clarence Farnsworth is registered at the Baltimore from Portland.

N. A. Coblentz is a visitor in the city from Battle Ground.

E. M. Bells of Portland is a visitor in the city today.

FLOATER SEEN NEAR ASTORIA

(Journal Special Service.)

ASTORIA, Jan. 14.—A bridge tender on Young's Bay reports that he saw a corpse floating in the water Monday afternoon. The corpse was face downward and it was impossible to identify it. From the thin growth of hair, however, it is believed to have been that of G. L. Stinson, a well-known blacksmith, who mysteriously disappeared three weeks ago, and who has not since been seen. He is believed to have fallen off a pier.

JUDGE DUNBAR ILL.

Judge W. R. Dunbar, receiver of the United States Land Office at Vancouver, Wash., is very ill at the Good Samaritan Hospital and the chances for his recovery are thought to be very slight. His complaint is said to be diabetes. Judge Dunbar has long been in the employ of the Interior Department and stands very highly with the Government.

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MARRIAGE LICENSES.

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