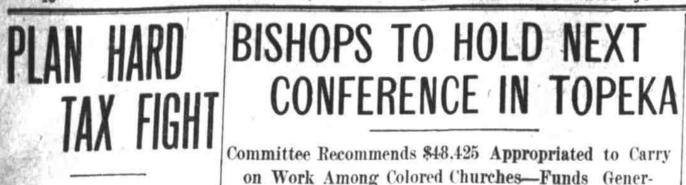
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Railroads Will Pick Up Smallest Technicality to When the general committee of the practically every Methodist Episcopal Avoid Paying Assessment Methodists convened for the afternoon -Telephone Company to session yesterday it was found that but in the neighboring towns. The assign-Slide Out If Possible.

three subcommittees were ready to re-Of these one announced that Topeka, Kansas, had been selected as the next

Tomorrow afternoon, beginning at 2 e'clock, the county board of equaliza-425 be appropriated this year for work among the negroes. This recommenda-tion was accepted, the only change in the apportionments made by the sub-committee being that the amount given the west Texas conference was in-creased, and the amount given northern Louisiana was decreased to make up the deficiency thus caused. The appor-tionments of this fund as finally agreed upon are: tion will give a hearing to complaints of the railroad companies regarding their assessment. The time was fixed at a meeting yesterday, when the Oregon and Columbia insurance companies presented reasons for asking reduction in the assessment of their capital stock.

Atlanta, \$1.100 \$70 less than last year: California, \$400; central Alabama. The best legal talent and tax experts of the railroads will be present tomor-row to units in assau.. upon Assessor Sigler's valuation of their property, While asking reductions of many mil-than last year; east Tennessee, \$2.300, 1 \$200 more than last year; Florida, \$1,200 Lexington, \$2,445; Lincoln, \$2.510;

neeting place. The committee on appropriations for

the colored work recommended that \$48,-425 be appropriated this year for work

ally Increased 10 Per Cent Over Last Year's.

in the neighboring towns. The assign-ments are as follows: Albany-H. C. Jennings. Astoria-Benjamin F. Haywood. Corvallis-No assignment. Eugene-H. G. Jackson. Forest Grove-George Elliott. Hillsboro-S. Earl Taylor. Gresham-T. C. Illiff. Kelso-No assignment. La Grande-Bishop W. F. McDowell. McMinnville-W. S. Matthews. Newberg-Levi Gilbert. Rainier-No assignment. Silverton-D. D. Martin. Portland-Centenary. East Pine and Ninth streets-Bishop Earl Craiston; in the evening Dr. George Elliott of Chicago will lecture on "America for Chicago will lecture on "America for Chicago conter Russell and Kerby streets-C. M. Boswell Chinese mission, 2474 Stark street-

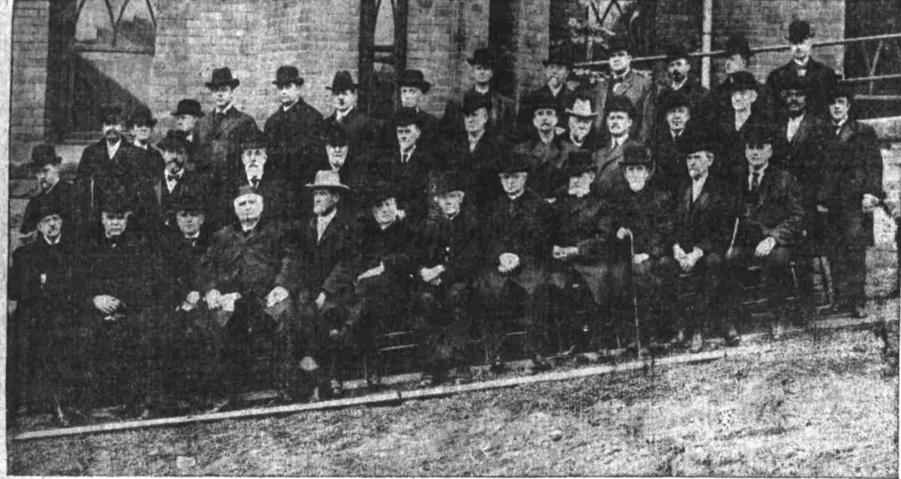
church in Portland and many of those

Chinese mission. 2474 Stark street-Ward Platt, evening. Clinton Kelly Memorial, East Thirty-ninth and Powell streets-Amos John-

Epworth, Oregon building Long Distance Phone From Portland to New York Impracticable, Says Inventor of Switchboard-The Line Would Cost \$3,000,000.

It will probably be a good many years before such a thing as talking from Portland to New York by telephone is made possible. This is because of the fact that in putting a wire in commission for this purpose across the continent would require \$70 pounds of copper to the mile, and would cost something like \$3,000,000. The dividend on the in vestment would not pay. Consequently only some unheard of invention will bring about this accomplishment. Oma-ha to Boston, 1.500 miles, is now the limit of long distance telephoning

This is the opinion of Thomas H. Doo-fair little of the American Telephone & Tele-



Some of the Members of the General Committee of Home Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Episcopal Church

also made it plain that they do not recognize the legality of the board of counsistion and will make a fight on technicalities in the courts. Ask Heavy Reduction. The greatest reduction asked is by the Oregon Railroad & Navigation com-pany, which not only demands a reduc-tion from \$49,000 to \$20,000 per mile on

work

upper Mississippi, \$2,440; Washington, D. C., \$2,000, \$75 less than last year; west Texas, \$3,650, \$350 less than last year.

graph company, who built the first switchboard, the inventor of hard drawn copper, and who has been spending the week in Portland inspecting, the local

fraternity, and is one of the best known

exchange of the Pacific States. Mr. Doolittle hails from Boston. He is known as the dean of the telephone He

essfully solved. It is not so much an invention as the ingenious application of well known principles which he applied to the study, it being generally understood that the process of drawing wire hardens the surface. The statement that Mr. Doolittle has kept pace with the needs of his work is justified in the fact that today there are 1,461,173

nlles of copper wire used in the great national interstate long distance toll In recognition of his important appli-In recognition of his important appli-cation by which the hard drawn copper wire became or use in telephone, trolley lines and other devices, the Franklin in-stitute of Philadelphia voted Mr. Doo-little the Edward Longstreth medal in 1898. As the Franklin institute is one of the highest in standard in the coun-try but few medals come from it. In the switchboard achievement, Mr. Doolittle accomplished scarcely a less important adjunct to the telephone bust-ness of the world, inasmuch as it would

important adjunct to the telephone busi-ness of the world, inasmuch as it would be impossible to conduct the mighty systems of the country today without the marvelous switchboard, the largest of which now carry as high as 10,000

INSIGHTS AND OUTLOOKS

"I see they are going to making paper out of peat," said the dull guy. "Pete who?" interrogated the smart

guy. A certain brand of flobr is being boycotted by the Portland women-it

comes in paper sacks and robs them of tea towels

The bachelor never knows what he misses-the married man does.

"Hands up," said the robber. "I'm a Portland policeman off duty," pleaded the victim. "You mean you simply haven't your uniform on," ejaculated the highway-man, and he was soon on his way, free and hanny.

to the last he was game. Some time ago Mr. Pence had a party of friends out driving on Mount Scott. Suddenly they came to a turn in the road and old Meunt Hood loomed up in the distance. It was too much for Keno. He was stunned, frightened and tried to run away. It took four men to hold him. "Scaring at a mountain 60 miles away. Any horse that would do that isn't worth drinking." Mr. Pence said. So the pension pasture for Keno. The man stood on Morrison street sad and gloomy. "Things ain't going right," he explained to a friend. Then his car came along. Where you going?" asked the friend of the down-hearted cuss. "To Sunnyside," he replied. "Where?" was asked again. To Sunny..." Then he smlled. He had been cured of the blues.

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Street

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out in the pasture on a pension. to the last he was game. Some time

pany, which not only demands a reduc-tion from \$40,000 to \$20,000 per mile on its mileage, but claims that the figures on its bills, notes and accounts are about \$16,000,000 too high. One of the chief points of attack will be the contention that the computation of valuation from the net earnings of the roads is un-just and lilegal. Along with the railroad companies will be heard the complaint of the Pa-cific States Telephone & Telegraph com-pany, which is resisting the assessment o. Its franchise.

os fis franchise. Testerday the equalizers listened to companies, each of which is assessed in full on its capital stock of \$100,000. It is claimed that a portion of this stock is non-assessable, being owned by per-sons cutside the state, and that on the remainder the companies derive only a small income. Besides the insurance companies several minor complaints of individual assessments were heard. Place to Portiff Acta

Plan to Fortify Acts.

Besides hearing the railroads tomor-row, the equalizers will finish up the odds and ends of other assessments that have been objected to. This will put them in position to take action on Tues-day, if the holidays are continued to that time, as that will be the last day of the 30 days in which the law says that the work of the board shall be com-plated

pleted. The holidays have raised doubt as to whether action could be taken while they are in force, but there seems to be even as much doubt concerning the legality of action taken after the 30 days in which the law says the work shall be performed. So to make its ac-tion sure and give no loophole for doubt, the board probably will take a double shot, and act twice on the assessment, the first time on Tuesday and again after the holidays come to an end.

STREETCAR HITS DELIVERY WAGON

An "S" car struck a wagon, belong ing to the Knight Packing company, at North Sixteenth and York streets yesterday afternoon. Hans Larsen was driving, and aside from being badly shaken up was not severely injured. The wagon was smashed, but the horses escaped injury.

SCHOOL TEACHERS. Also Mave Things to Learn.

"For many years I have used coffee and refused to be convinced of its bad

"For many years I have used coffee and refused to be convinced of its bad effect upon the human system," writes a veteran school teacher. "Ten years ago I was obliged to give up my much-loved work in the public schools after years of continuous labor. I had developed a well-defined case of the coffee poisoning. "The troubles were constitution, flut-terings of the heart, a thumping in the top of my head and various parts of my body, twitching of my limbs, shaking of my head and, at times after exer-tion, a general "gone" feeling with a toper's desire for very strong coffee. I was a nervous wreck for year. "A short time ago friends came to risti us and they brought a package of Postum with them and urged me to try it. I was prejudiced because some years as of had drunk a cup of weak, taste-tees stuff called Postum, which I did not like at all. "This time, however, my friend made the Postum according to directions on the package, and it won me. Suddenly I tound myself improving in a most de-cided fashion."

cided fashion. "The odor of boiling coffee no longer tempts me. I am so greatly benefited by Postum that if I continue to improve as I am now, I'll begin to think I have found the Fountain of Ferpetual Youth. This is no fancy letter, but stubborn facts which I am glad to make known." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read the book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a Rea-

Appropriations Increased.

Every bishop present showed a most remarkable knowledge of the entire country, and of each conference district. Kynett. It was a testimonial to the organization of the Methodist church, and the exten-sive knowledge of the whole affairs of the church gained by the Methodist sys-

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same committee also advised closer re-lations with the National City Evan-gelical union in the interests of har-mony and cooperation in the mission The committee on appropriations ad-

The committee on appropriations ad-vised that it was making all appropria-tions on the basis of an increase of 10 per cent over last year. The matter of administering the funds for giving aid to needy pastors, which has caused a good deal of talk during the present convention, came in for a few more raps yesterday afternoon. The bishops deyesterday alternoon. The bishops de-clared somewhat vehemently that there were a good many ministers getting money who shouldn't, and hinted that some of them were living off the mis-

sionary society and doing no work. It was decided to insist on having all ap-peals for aid written out and sent to the conference hoard. The session adjourned at 4 o'clock, to o'clock will be at:

meet again tomorrow morning. Last night many of the visitors at-tended a reception given at the Metho-dist Episcopal Japanese mission at Fif-teenth and Glisan streets.

Fill All Pulpits. Today the visiting Methodist bishops and ministers will fill the pulpits of

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Pendleton, Or., Nov. 16 .- The following municipal ticket has been named for the coming election to be held Monday, December 2: Mayor, E. J. Murphy December 2: Mayor, E. J. Murphy; councilmen, First ward, A. L. Knight, C. W. Brownfield; Second ward, T. G. Montgomery, F. W. Vincent; Third ward, Clarence Penland, V. Stroble; Fourth ward, C. P. Strain, A. J. Gibson; treasurer, Harry C. Thompson, T. J. Tweedy; water commissioners, Will Moore, J. T. Brown, T. C. Taylor, James A. Foe, present mayor, refused to enter his name. Today was the last day for filing petitions.

FIRST DEGREE CHARGE AGAINST BRIDGHAM

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Chehalis, Wash., Nov. 16 .- F. O. Bridgham of Napavine, who killed his wife at that place on October 27, is charged with first degree murder in an information filed today direct in the superior court by U. E. Harmon, pros-ecuting attorney.

the thancait conditions, will resume operations at once. The Eastham & Speer company, which never closed its mills, reports the outlook much better,

ling. Grace, corner Taylor and Twelfth streets-Bishop H. W. Warren, A. G.

Out of Town Assignments.

Japanese mission, Fifteenth and Flanders streets—H. J. Coker. Laurelwood, Clark and S. Walnut streets—H. B. Johnson. Lents—Ward Platt, Robert Jones. Mount Tabor, corner Church and East Stark streets—Bishop H. Spellmeyer, E. M. Jones.

Montavilla, Hibbard street—Bishop J. Walden, J. H. Coleman. N. Danish First church—C. S. Han-

Patton, Carpenter and Michigan ave-nue-S. W. Gehrett. Sellwood, corner Fifteenth and Ta-coma avenue-Bishop D. H. Moore. St. Johns, corner Heyes and West Levit streets-J. F. Crouch, Bishop J. F. Berry

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F. Berry. Sunnyside. East Thirty-fifth and Yamhill streets—Bishop J. F. Berry, I. L. Thomas. Swedish First church, Borthwick and

Swedish First church, Borthwick and Beech streets—W. H. Shaffer. Trihity, corner East Tenth and Grant streets—J. C. Nicholson, M. W. Clair. University Park, corner Fiske and Dawson streets—H. J. Coker. Woodlawn—F. D. Bovard. Woodstock—J. R. Wright.

Woodstock-J. K. Wright. Salem-E. P. Stevens. Sheridan-J. W. Isham. The Dalles-J. H. Fitzwater. Woodburn-J. W. Sayers. Vancouver, Washington-Bishop L. Wilson, J. C. Bickerton. The afternoon mass meetings at 3 clock will be etc.

Centenary-Robert Forbes, Van Orsdell, S. McConnell and James

Taylor Street church-Bishop Moore, presiding; C. M. Boswell and J. G. Wil-



BETTER CONDITIONS AT AUMSVILLE

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Aumsville, Or., Nov. 16.—The Miller Lumber company, which was compelled to close down last week on account of the financial conditions, will resume



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and happy. The law had been upheld.

President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor, in a speech at Norfolk the other day said the James-

Lafe Pence has a horse named Keno. Keno, by-the-way, is an old-timer and years ago was the best-known combina-tion horse in Portland. Keno is now

