

Board of Education Refuses to Drop Proceedings Against Jefferson High Instructor.

## IRVINGTON TO HAVE FRENCH INQUIRY INTO SHIP

Director Drake Expresses Disapproval of Plan, Declaring It Contrary to Trend of Times. 1,344,900 dead weight tons. In addition

Members of the board of education refuse to drop the proceedings against Goethals regime. Samuel C. May, suspended instructor at the Jefferson high school, whose fistic the shipping board has met. Hurley exbattle with William Himple, a student, resulted in charges being filed against yards. the teacher.

Frederick H. Whitfield, appearing for May, met the board in executive session Thursday and it was decided to proceed with the formal hearing which will be given by the commission named under the teachers' tenure law. The members of this commission are Guy C. H. Corliss, Alice Benson Beach and J. C. Wolds.

The accused si allowed 20 days in which to reply to the charges. As result of the fisticuffs the student

involved is also under suspension by Principal Hopkin Jenkins. On the recommendation of Superin-

tendent L. R. Alderman, a course in French will be added to the Irvington school. The proposition brought out discussion between the members of the board, it being held by some that the olicy of introducing foreign languages in the schools is wrong.

## Drake Opposes Course

Director Drake was strongly opposed to adding the new course. He said that thinkers and educators of today are beginning to realize that more attention should be centered on the Americanization idea; that the trouble with the country now is that there are "too many little Italys," here now.

Superintendent Alderman defended the proposition on the ground that now is the time in which to prepare for the events which will follow the war. He to this end.

The board thanked the Portland Grade Teachers' association for offering its cooperation as indicated in the following resolution adopted by the association and presented to the board :

Conduct Standard Urged

Whereas, The Portland Grade Teachers' association desires that a high stan-dard of professional conduct be main-

dard of professional conduct be main-tained by its members; and Whereas, This association also desires to cooperate with the city superintendent of schools and with the board of edu-cation by assisting them in maintaining such a standard in our schools, be it Resolved, That the association call the attention of its members to the power to discipline members guilty of unprofes-sional conduct which is vested in the committee on teachers' affairs as speci-fied in article 14, section 2 of the by-laws

Washington, Dec. 21.--(U. P.)--The total of loan applications received by the 12 federal farm loan banks to De-Aberdeen, Wash., Dec. 20 .--- Conditions here following the storm are greatly improved. In the up country districts the waters are falling and with good weather Thursday and Friday it is thought conditions will be restored to normal in a short time. That Grays cember 1, acco today, is \$219,760,740. Of this sum \$29,924,655 actually has been loaned and \$105,136,529 approved. The interest rate remains at 5 per cent, Harbor did not suffer materially by the but the new authorized rate of 5% per storm is the surprise of everybody. Trains departed from here on time and

cent will apply on the remainder. More than 1830 federal farm loan butrains are arriving in fairly good time, reaus, through which all money is borrowed from these banks, have been or-

> ganized. The Wichita district. No. 9, which includes Kansas, Oklahoma, Colorado and New Mexico, leads in the number of farm loan associations formed to De cember 1, reporting 344-with applications for \$24,891,949-of which \$12,335, 845 has been approved and \$7,390,900 actually has been loaned.

The Spokane district is second in numthere are 58 composite ships of 207,000 ber of bureaus, with 259, but leads in total of applications. In that district Hurley praised the standardized ship program inaugurated under the Denman-\$33,556,053 has been applied for, \$15,-239,120 approved and \$5,366,615 loaned. Springfield, Mass., district No. 1, is Going into the difficulties with which low, with only 55 associations; \$6,080,683 applied for, \$3,012,880 approved and plained how the navy's program prac-

tically had monopolized the facilities of \$708,455 loaned. The authorized capital stock of the Hurley said that contracts have been 12 farm loan banks is \$9,000,000, or \$750,let to 110 shipyards, 74 of which have 000 for each institution. During the been created since January 1. first six months of operation, \$20,000,-

In addition the emergency fleet cor-000 more than the capital stock has poration has requisitioned vessels which actually been paid out by the banks are building in 22 shipyards. The corwithout one cent revenue being received. poration now controls work in 132 ship

vards. Hurley declared that much of the work of his organization had been directed toward the completion of fabricated and other newly organized plants. The money expended for this purpose alone up to December 1 was \$9,651,000.

"I am happy to say that the fir three keels in these plants will be laid this month," he said. "The progress of the work of the yard construction itse is such that we can promise fairly full peration during the spring of 1918. The fact that hulls have actually been completed within 64 days on the Pacific coast gives bright promise of the large capacity which these fabricated yards

Bremer, was torn from the bank on the

South side of the river. The new Pierce-Lewis county bridge at Eibe was washed completely out. The Tacoma Eastern railroad bridge at Lind-

berg is reported out. The entire flat at Randle in the Big Bottom is covered with several feet of

**Conditions on Harbor Improve** 

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## WORK TO BE PLEDGED INOUIRY COMMITTEE

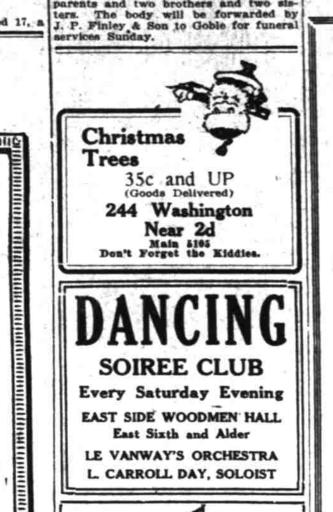
Washington, Dec. 21. - Facing allied demands for between six million and eight million tons of shipping in 1918, said that many other schools of the na- the United States shipping board is tion are shaping their language courses hard pressed to fill the order. This was officially admitted Thursday by members of the shipping board preliminary

to appearing before the senate committee inquiring into ship construction work. Red tape and necessity for frequent

re-organization of the board and its subdivision, the emergency fleet corporation, are responsible for a part of the delay. A "serious condition" in shipbuilding yards also exists. Of the old yards, 70 per cent are now being used by the navy

department. In the new yards estab-lished for emergency building there is the tremendous work of organizing necssary labor. Nevertheless, Hurley is prepared to go on the senate committee grill as the first on Christmas Day. \$1 or More Opens a Savings Account Here Washington at Third Member Federal Reserve System

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