

PRESIDENT'S ALASKA COAL LANDS LEASING BILL IS REPORTED FAVORABLY BY COMMITTEE

Washington, Jan. 28.—The senate committee on public lands today authorized its chairman, Senator Nelson, of Minnesota, to report favorably the administration bill providing for leasing the coal lands of Alaska.

The interstate commerce commission is delegated to fix the price at which coal mined on leased lands may be sold or transported. The area of land which may be leased to any person or corporation is limited to 2560 acres, and both a rental on the land and royalty on the coal will be exacted.

WORK OF SOLONS STEAMER AGROUND AT CAPITAL YESTERDAY OFF COAST OF CALIFORNIA

Asylum Investigation Is the Cause of Much Discussion Boat Built on Coos Bay Grounds on Bar During Dense Fog

Portland, Or., Jan. 27.—Representative Reynolds offered a resolution this afternoon proposing that in the interest of fair play and for the information of the general public, Superintendent Steiner be asked to appear before the members of the two houses at ten o'clock Tuesday morning and answer the accusations that have been made against him and his administration of affairs at the asylum.

The resolution further proposed that the head of the asylum should submit to all interrogations that might be addressed to him by the members of the house and senate touching on the affairs of the institution and its management.

This course was suggested by Reynolds in his resolution, which, it is understood, was prepared at Steiner's request, that the controversy might receive the fullest possible publicity.

Committee to Oppose Plan The resolutions committee to which the Reynolds' resolution was referred tonight decided not to report the resolution to the house in the morning. If a report is demanded, the committee will submit a report against the adoption of the resolution.

Goods Roads Bills Pass Senator C. A. Barrett's good road association bill was the third of the measures proposed by that association to pass the senate. This bill is drafted with the idea of carrying out and making operative the provisions of the constitutional amendment passed at the last general election and permitting counties to bond for the construction of good roads.

Barrett's attempts to amend the bill to take within its provisions abutting property owners failed after much discussion. Barrett's original amendment in this connection came in the shape of an added section requiring that abutting property owners pay ten per cent of the cost of the road. Joseph would amend this still further and compel property owners to pay 33 1-3 per cent of the cost.

Assistant Secretary Bowerman's bill providing for the office of assistant secretary of the state came into the senate from the judiciary committee this morning with a favorable report and an amendment in the shape of an emergency clause being tacked on.

Albee's bill providing that wife desertion shall be a felony, was reported unfavorably. Carson's bill providing for annual payment of license by water power was referred to the irrigation committee after being passed on by the committee on revision of laws. Abraham's bill to protect workmen on railroads by the

Victors in Contests For Senatorial Toga In Rhode Island and West Virginia Legislatures.



Two recently elected senators will attract considerable curiosity when they take their seats by reason of their predecessors, if nothing else. Henry F. Lippitt of Providence succeeds to the seat occupied for so many years by Nelson W. Aldrich of Rhode Island, Republican leader, who retired because of ill health and to devote himself to the evolution of a new monetary system for the United States.

NAVAL BILL CARRIES PRACTICAL GARDEN BOARD ASK FOR VAST SUM FOR NEXT YEAR MAKING IS TO BE TAUGHT

However, It Is Less Than Current Year—Reciprocity Measure Next Semester at High School Circus Here That Week—Superintendents Named

Washington, Jan. 28.—Carrying a total of \$125,421,538, the naval appropriation bill was reported to the house today by Chairman Foss, of the naval affairs committee. The bill carries \$5,929,316 less than the current appropriation, and \$2,041,621 less than the estimates submitted by the navy department.

Reciprocity Bill Representative McCall, of Massachusetts, a member of the ways and means committee, today introduced in the house the administration bill for carrying out the reciprocity agreement with Canada. The bill was referred at once to the ways and means committee.

President Taft today indicated he is not worrying about the fate of the agreement. In his opinion it is now up to the people of the United States to decide whether they want it or not. He is anxiously watching the press of the country to ascertain the sentiment for or against the proposed reciprocity agreement.

papers has aroused the wrath of Senator Albee, and he has introduced a bill in the senate compelling their publication in all towns where a station and permanent agents are maintained.

Recently the senator, when preparing to leave Portland, had looked in his daily paper in vain for the time of departure of trains. Why it was there he does not know, but he says he is tired of the nuisance of numbers and then being told several times that the line is busy before he is able to reach the ticket office and learn when the train departs. The bill was read the first time yesterday.

VOLCANO ACTIVE IN PHILIPPINES

Manila, Jan. 28.—After being dormant for many years, the volcano Taal, in Batangas province, is again active. Eruptions early today were preceded by three heavy and ninety lesser earthquakes.

JURY BRIBERS GET SEVERE PRISON SENTENCE FROM FEDERAL JUDGE DONWORTH

Seattle, Jan. 28.—United States District Judge Donworth today adjudged D. Kirk, head of the Kirk Detective Agency, and W. J. Webb, an employe of Kirk, guilty of contempt of court in attempting to influence jurors called to try Clarence D. Hillman, the millionaire real estate dealer accused of using the mails to defraud and fixed prison sentence at six years and four months respectively.

Two jurors testified they were approached by agents of Hillman. The latter went on the stand and denied he had instructed his detectives to corrupt jurors. He said they were employed to obtain evidence to connect George W. Dilling, public welfare candidate for mayor, and other real estate dealers with the prosecution.

FIRE DEPARTMENT WANTS CITY TO PAY 5 MEN SUCCESSFUL 8TH GRADE PUPILS ANNOUNCED

Chief W. T. Campbell Presents Superintendent Dillard Finishes Work of Examining Ordinance for Passage by Common Council Papers

W. T. Campbell, chief of the Eugene fire department last night handed to City Recorder Bryson to submit to the city council an ordinance placing the department on a strictly paid basis, desiring that three firemen and the driver and assistant driver receive a regular salary. This is apparently necessary on account of the very few volunteer firemen who respond to alarms. It used to be that the volunteers were very active and turned out in large numbers to fires, but it seems that there is not the interest formerly taken in the several companies by the members, and the brunt of the work at the fires falls only upon a faithful few.

The proposed ordinance is as follows: "An ordinance regulating the fire department of the City of Eugene: "Section 1. That the paid department of the city of Eugene shall consist of three firemen and the driver and the assistant driver of the hose wagon, and the pay of the firemen and the driver of the hose wagon shall be \$60 per month for the first year of service, \$70 per month for the second year of service, and \$80 per month thereafter, and the assistant driver shall be paid \$50 per month for the first year of service, and for subsequent years of service \$60 per month, and the selection of the firemen and drivers shall be made by the chief engineer of the department, subject to the approval of the board of fire delegates, and no fireman or driver shall be discharged by the chief engineer without cause, and any fireman or driver discharged or dismissed by the chief engineer shall have the right of appeal to the board of fire delegates.

"Section 2. The chief engineer of the fire department shall have control of all fire apparatus, including street hydrants, at all times, shall locate all fire escapes and superintend the building of all fire escapes, and shall purchase all supplies for the fire department, subject to the approval of the fire and water committee of the common council of the city of Eugene, and shall certify all bills and accounts to the common council for payment, and shall have control of all buildings liable being moved through the streets, and may prescribe the mode and route of such removal, and compel such removal to be continuous day by day, and it shall be the duty of the chief engineer to prosecute all violations of the fire ordinances of the city of Eugene, and he shall have the right to enter upon any premises at all reasonable hours for the purpose of inspecting the same.

"Section 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed."

PORTUGAL WILL SEPARATE STATE AND CHURCH SOON

Lisbon, Jan. 28.—Foreign Minister Micaelo announced today that the government's decree separating the church and state would be promulgated within a month. Nevertheless, he added, the government had expressed regret to the vatican that the pope had no representative in Portugal, where "the faithful are so numerous."

CHICAGO WHEAT MARKET

Chicago, Jan. 28.—May, 97 1-8; July, 94 1-8; September, 92; exhibits: J. Beebe, horticulture; H. F. Hollenbeck, races; C. J. Hurd, oranges; E. M. Warren, agriculture; M. Svarverud, manufactures and machinery; Mrs. Emmons, art; F. J. Hard, mining; B. F. Keeney, poultry; J. E. Martin, gate keeper.

ONLY TWO DAYS MORE OF GUARD'S BARGAIN MONTH

The Daily Guard is being offered during the month of January for the following prices: Delivered by carrier, \$2 for six months; \$4 for one year. Daily Guard by mail, \$2.50 per year. This special offer will close next Tuesday night, January 31, leaving only Monday and Tuesday of next week in which to take advantage of it. You can save money by paying your subscription now.

RETAIL MERCHANTS TO PROTEST AGAINST PARCELS POST BILL

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 28.—Retail merchants of most of the southern states will meet here on February 28 and March 1, 2 and 3 to protest against the enactment of a parcels post bill.

That the year 1911 will witness the harvesting of the greatest fruit crop—apples and pears—Rogue River valley has ever seen, is the prediction of P. J. O'Garra, pathologist, who bases his statement upon conditions now existing.