

STATE LEGISLATURE CONVENED THIS NOON

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 12.—The eighth legislature of Washington organized at noon today with Senator J. J. Smith of King county as president of the senate and Representative W. H. Hare of North Yakima as speaker of the house.

The sessions were devoted to organization, the election of officers and the appointment of the various committees, after which adjournment was taken.

IN THE SENATE.
In the senate, Senator Smith was nominated for president by the republicans and Senator Tolman by the democrats. The poll stood Smith 32, Tolman 9, and Smith was declared elected amid the applause of his associates and the galleries.

Senator Hamilton offered resolutions of regret for the death of the late Governor Rogers, which were unanimously adopted.

Senator T. B. Sumner of Snohomish was chosen president pro tem of the senate. J. Will Lysons of Jefferson county was chosen secretary, Dudley Eshelman of Pierce county, assistant

secretary; F. M. Ross of Pierce, sergeant at arms; W. M. Connors of King, assistant sergeant at arms.

IN THE HOUSE.
In the house, Dr. W. H. Hare of Yakima was chosen speaker by 79 votes against 13 polled for Representative Cameron of Lincoln county. Lindsey of Spokane was elected speaker pro tem; Storey Buck of Spokane, chief clerk; B. F. Huff of Chelan, sergeant at arms.

HOUSE CAUCUS.
OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 12.—The republicans of the house met last night in caucus with Representative Easterday of Pierce as chairman. "Tug" Wilson placed Hare of North Yakima in nomination and the latter was unanimously nominated.

Storey Buck of Spokane was elected choice for chief clerk of the house over A. C. Rundle of King by a vote of 42 to 38.

B. F. Huff, former sheriff of Chelan, was by acclamation chosen sergeant at arms. Tonight the caucus will nominate the other employees.

The selection of Hare was accomplished by a union of the anti-railway commission forces with those of An-

keny, and is regarded as a railway victory.

SENATE CAUCUS.
Republicans of the senate met Sunday evening with Senator Baker of Klickitat presiding and Senator Kinneer of King as secretary. The other nominations were made by acclamation.

This afternoon the caucus meets again to distribute minor patronage.

MEMBER FORCES.
The friends of the railway commission held a caucus last night and organized with Sharp of Kittitas as chairman. Thirty-four were present. A committee of seven was appointed to draft a plan for organization, which will be presented to the caucus Tuesday evening.

CANDIDATES IN FIELD.
All senatorial candidates are here and have opened headquarters. Mayor Gilbert Hunt is in charge of Ankeny's headquarters, assisted by Walter Christian of Tacoma. Assistant Attorney General C. C. Dalton and George U. Piper of Seattle are in charge of Preston's campaign. With Wilson are Colonel F. D. Heustis of Olympia, Colonel P. H. Weston of Spokane and William Jones of Tacoma.

TO ENLARGE.

A movement is on foot to use the space now occupied by the Dodd news and cigar stand in the postoffice building for the enlargement of the box department of the postoffice. All boxes are now rented and a general demand is being made for more.

Assistant General Superintendent Flynn will look the situation over tomorrow.

The proposed change will increase the revenue of the Spokane office \$2000 annually.

PRAIRIE ROAD.

Mark Mendenhall, the head of the proposed Moran prairie electric line, states that matters with the road are progressing favorably. The choice of sites for the city terminal has been reduced to four. The residents of the section along the route are most enthusiastic over the prospects for the road.

DEATH AND SUFFERING FROM COLD IN EAST

CHICAGO, Jan. 12.—A fall of 24 degrees in the temperature in two hours yesterday caused considerable suffering among the poor here. The first heavy snow fall of the season came with the cold and the high wind drifted it badly. Four additional deaths were reported this morning as a result of the coal famine. The temperature is six below and the prospect is that many families will perish with cold.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 12.—The thermometer went down to four degrees above zero yesterday and a sharp wind made it the most uncomfortable day of the winter.

OMAHA, Neb., Jan. 12.—Sunday

NEWMAN DIVORCE.

Judge Kennan has granted a decree of divorce to Lucy A. Newman from her husband, Morris R. Newman, on the grounds of desertion and personal antagonism. He also gives to the divorced wife a portion of the property owned jointly by them.

Cody Wants to Umpire.

John W. Cody, well known to baseball enthusiasts of the northwest, is now living in San Raphael, Cal. has written to President Lucas of the Pacific Northwest league, asking for a position as umpire the coming season. Cody is said to be an all round good fellow, who knows the game in its every detail. He was associated with Lucas and others in founding the Pacific Northwest league.

SUE FOR PROPERTY.

Anna B. Durland and Henry E. Durland have brought suit in the superior court against Lafayette Cardwell to regain possession of certain property now in the possession of defendant and for \$700 damages. T. Waldo Murphy is attorney for the plaintiffs.

COWAN RELEASE.

The petition for a writ of habeas corpus, requiring Chief of Police Reddy to show by what authority he is holding Maynard H. Cowan in jail, will be argued before Judge Richardson in the superior court tomorrow morning.

STOCKHOLM APPLIES FOR NEW LICENSE

Swanson Bros., the new proprietors of the Stockholm, have filed today with the city clerk a petition for a saloon license and accompany it with \$50, the "10 per cent" required.

Along with the petition is the bond, which is signed by Sam and Adolph Galland as sureties for Swanson Bros. in the sum of \$1000, to "conduct a lawful, orderly resort."

Mayor Byrne will probably call a special session of the city council to act upon the license of the new Stockholm proprietors, as they are laboring assiduously to get the required five councilmen to make the request for a special session.

Guest Pearson this morning took out a permit to repair and alter the building which adjoins the Stockholm on Mill st. It is a two-story brick and the top floor is only reached through the Stockholm. The place has been occupied by Pearson's theater and later since the Stockholm saloon license was revoked it has been turned into a dance hall.

Pearson proposes to expend considerable money in remodeling the first floor and will put in stairs leading to the second floor, thus making the theater hall accessible from the Mill st. entrance.

Today witnessed the change of administrations at the courthouse. No excitement attended it.

Zachariah Stewart succeeded H. H. Hubbard as auditor, D. H. Stewart succeeded A. P. Williams as assessor and Joseph M. Shaw succeeded John Wetzel as county surveyor.

CONSPIRED TO CORNER COAL

CHICAGO, Jan. 12.—Four additional deaths today and the prospect of many more within the next few days are the direct results of the coal famine in Chicago, caused by the combination of the railways and wholesalers, who, with yards full of coal, refuse to sell except at exorbitant profit.

This morning the grand jury resumed its examination by demanding an explanation from the large coal dealers for their concealment of from 10,000 to 15,000 cars of coal in the railway yards adjoining Chicago.

Several prominent mine operators were summoned to bring their books before the grand jury room.

It has been discovered that cars of coal up to the time of the investigation bore cards instructing agents to hold until they received orders from men who are believed to be members of the combine.

Proof accumulating shows that a gigantic conspiracy was organized to corner all the fuel in the city.

The ash wagons have all been turned over to the Salvation Army this morning to assist in the charitable work of doing out enough coal to the extremely needy to keep them from freezing to death.

DETOIT, Mich., Jan. 12.—Michigan was visited yesterday by a blizzard and the thermometer fell 20 degrees. Five inches of snow fell in Detroit.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 12.—A high wind with heavy snow flurries and the mercury registering two below zero made yesterday an exceedingly disagreeable day. Fuel is scarce and high.

SYMPATHY AT ST. JOE FOR FATHER WAGNER

J. A. Bennett of St. Joseph, Mo., is in Spokane. Speaking of Father Dominick Wagner, who, as a Miles myth, was recently ordained an Episcopal clergyman, he said:

"I recall the St. Joe end of the story and, while some of the facts in the case are now dim in my mind, I remember that there was an undercurrent of sympathy in St. Joseph for Rev. Wagner."

"Wagner was not the only one that worshipped Miss Steidel in St. Joe. A man can throw out a stern look and remain unmoved by another man and

COLVILLE OPENING TO BE POSTPONED

The opening of the south half of the Colville reservation, around which the interest of hundreds of Spokane citizens and business men centers, will probably be delayed until the next session of congress.

Secretary Monroe of the Chamber of Commerce has received letters from Senator George Turner and Representative G. W. Cushman, which state that they are in receipt of the

BISHOP BRONDEL.

Bishop Brondel of Montana is in the city on his return from Portland, where he went to attend the silver jubilee of Archbishop Christie of the diocese of Oregon. The bishop was accompanied by Father Day of Helena, who was visiting Gonzaga college.

Most Rev. Archbishop Christie, who has just celebrated his silver jubilee, was promoted to the archiepiscopal see of this province on February 12, 1898.

Marriage Licenses.

Herbert A. Burrows of Tekoa to Elizabeth J. Taylor of San Jose, Cal.; Oscar J. Sand to Nellie G. Mason, both of Spokane; George Kamberger to Stella M. Morris, both of Deer Park; John Warren to Mary Francis, both of Spokane; Ernest Chapman of Wisconsin and Sophia Mont of Montana.

COUNTY OFFICERS TAKE THEIR JOBS

New deputies are taking the places of the ones employed by the last administration.

Sheriff Doust has appointed the following deputy sheriffs to serve for two years: W. H. Butler, J. W. Hone, Howard B. Doak and G. A. Doust. J. K. Grover and O. R. McDonald have been appointed special deputies.

COOPERATIVE SOCIETY

The Hilliard Co-operative company has filed articles of incorporation with the county auditor. The capital stock is \$50,000. The object of the company is to carry on a general mercantile business and to act as trustees, agents, administrators, assignees or receivers; to invest in factories, mines, water powers or other co-operative associations.

The incorporators are John L. Adams, Andrew Colville, Robert Russell, A. J. Gerlicher, William Loomis, John Conway, Monroe Denman, D. S. Hunt and John Aldrich.

SOLD LIQUOR.

Deputy United States Marshal Davenport arrived from Tekoa this morning, bringing with him C. C. Estell, charged with selling whisky to the Indians. Estell was taken before Judge Marshall and was held to await the action of the United States authorities.

WANT A THOUSAND FOR 20-MILE WALK

Martin and Katie Thomas, by Lattimer & Barnes, their attorneys, have brought suit in the superior court against the Great Northern Railway company for \$1000 damages. The complaint alleges that the plaintiffs started from Harvey, N. D., March 30, 1902, to go to Portland, Ore. That when they reached Spokane they were to have been transferred to the O. R.

& N., and the Great Northern conductor told them he would tell them where to get off, but that he failed to do so and carried them 20 miles west of Spokane and they were obliged to walk back and carry their heavy baggage, and that as a result of the carelessness of the conductor they were made sick and were confined to their beds for a long time.

SUES FOR \$5,000.

Amos J. Rawles, by his attorneys, Lattimer & Barnes, asks the superior court to compel the Spokane Falls & Northern Railway company to pay him \$5000 on account of injuries received in a collision at Palmer Spur, the collision alleged to have been due to the leaving of a switch open.

PRETENDER AT FEZ.

PARIS, Jan. 12.—A dispatch from Tangier says that the pretender has again taken an aggressive attitude and is now within four miles of Fez. The sultan intends to retire to Rabat. The German consul is preparing to leave Fez.

COAL BARONS ADMIT RULE OR RUIN POLICY

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 12.—The anthracite coal strike commission this morning jested Commissioner Parker, who, unable to get coal at Washington, was compelled to close his residence and move to a family hotel.

General Wilson opened with a number of announcements, the first stating that hereafter there will be no delays due to absence. If counsel or lawyers desired to leave, they must appoint proxies. The second was to Attorney Lenahan, declining to allow certain court records to become part of the commissioners' report. The lawyers are warned not to attack personally any witness.

Comptroller Culver of the Delaware & Hudson was the first witness. He said that the companies were not

ASKS \$2000 DAMAGES

Elmer Switzer, formerly a brakeman on the Northern Pacific railroad, has brought suit against the company for \$2000 damages on account of injuries received by the pulling out of a "hand rung" on the side of a freight car. Lattimer & Barnes are attorneys for the plaintiff.

WANTS \$15,000.

Fred Reason has commenced an action in the superior court against the Spokane Falls & Northern Railway company on account of injuries received while acting as an engineer on August 24, 1902, by the collision of his train with a freight train between Loon Lake and Springdale. He asks for \$15,000 damages. Barnes & Lattimer are attorneys for the plaintiff.

Jasper Henman of Cheney pleaded guilty in the superior court this afternoon to the charge of assault with a dangerous weapon upon the person of W. H. Marche and was fined \$500.

BURGLARS AT COVE ROB POSTOFFICE

The postoffice at Cove, Ore., was broken into last night by unknown parties and about \$200 worth of stamps, all in the office, stolen.

The stamps were kept in a locked drawer, there being no safe in the office. The drawer was broken into, splinters and everything it contained, stamps, registered mail and packages, taken.

The robbery was not discovered until this morning, when the office was

EIGHT-DAY SERVICES.

Rev. H. J. Goller, S. J., prefect of studies at Gonzaga college, has just returned from Unlontown, where he conducted an eight-day mission at the church of St. Boniface.

During the entire mission the edifice was filled to overflowing and many were obliged to stand in the aisles. The exercises of the mission were remarkably well attended, many driving from Lewiston and Colton to be present at the various services.

The subjects selected by Father Goller for the consideration of those who attended the exercises, were: "The End of Man," "Sin and Its Consequences," "Confession," "The Three Roads to Hell—Avarice, Drunkenness and Impurity," "Death, Its Certainty and Uncertainty," "Perseverance and Means of Perseverance," and "The Power of Prayer."

One of the results of the mission was the formation of a men's sodality, in which almost 100 members were enrolled. The exercises were closed last Sunday with a grand benediction and a farewell sermon by the reverend missionary.

SENATE DEBATES ON THE COAL QUESTION

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—In the senate this morning Senator Mitchell of Oregon, chairman of the committee on Pacific Islands and Porto Rico, announced that the committee was unanimous upon all subjects except the admission of Chinese into the islands.

Senator Foraker gave notice that on Wednesday next he would speak on the stevedore bill.

The Vest anthracite coal resolution was then taken up. Senator Vest called attention to the action of the Idaho Island legislature, which urged

the Republic, owned by Patrick Clark of this city, has recently opened up a shaft of exceptionally rich ore. It is located close to the old shaft and was made from a surface cutting a few days ago. After stop-

ping out a carload of ore at the shaft, another opening was made 50 feet to the west, following down two streaks. These were stripped for about 30 feet and were found to unite in one paystreak, four feet wide.

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From the recent successful sales of babies' kid soft sole shoes we still have about 250 pairs in all; the best shades of pink, baby blue, red, white and black; worth 75c—
The Clean-up Sale Price, the pair 48c

LADIES' CUFFS

Fifteen dozen (150 pairs), the Corlis make of maid's white linen cuffs, turn-back, square and round corners, three ply; worth 25c—
Regular price 25c; Clean-up Price, 19c

FUR TRIMMING

The balance of all fur trimming go at these prices:

\$1.75 beaver fur trimming, clean-up price.....	\$1.49
\$2.25 marten fur trimming, clean-up price.....	1.59
\$1.25 marten fur trimming, clean-up price.....	.89
50c electric seal fur trimming, clean-up price.....	.39
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40c lamb fur trimming, clean-up price.....	.24
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The Eagle mine, near Chewelah, in which Samuel Wells of this city is largely interested, reports, through Superintendent Mitchell, that a good strike has just been made. A new tunnel is being run on the property and development is going forward rapidly with a good force of men.

After stop-