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RESUME OF THE WEEK'S DOINGS

General Review of Important Happenings Presented in a Brief and Comprehensive Manner for Busy Readers—National, Political, Historical and Commercial.

Prince Ito says Japan will help China to become a modern nation.

Mexico is preparing for an outbreak that is expected in the south.

More earthquakes have occurred in Greece and the people are panic stricken.

Despite the assertion of officials, the streetcar strike at Pittsburg, is far from settled.

Professor Matteucci, director of the observatory on Mount Vesuvius, died while at his work.

An Italian laborer on a railroad in Colorado became enraged and fatally shot three of his countrymen.

James J. Hill says if the people would pay less attention to the new tariff the country would be better off.

Count Boni says he is to marry Marjorie Gould, daughter of George Gould and niece of the count's former wife.

British Columbia officials are charged with discriminating against American halibut fishermen and favoring the Japanese.

The government is to issue bonds for the entire cost of the Panama canal.

A slight earthquake was felt at Sanat Barbara, Cal., but no damage done.

An American is sure he recognized Leon Ling, murderer of Elsie Sigel, in London.

A strike may be declared by all employees of the American Smelting & Refining company.

Mrs. Eddy, founder and leader of the Christian Science denomination, has just passed her 88th birthday.

All miners in England may go on a strike in support of the Scotch miners who are fighting a reduction in wages.

Eight anarchists arrested at Stockholm on the charge of having conspired to assassinate the czar of Russia, have been exiled.

The Japanese government has not yet decided whether or not Ambassador Takahira will be continued as ambassador to the United States.

The Union Pacific railroad has claimed a 200 foot strip of land through the town of Brighton, Col., which is now covered with store buildings.

A son has been born to the Princess de Sagan.

The shah of Persia has fled to Russia for protection.

Over 14,000 coal miners are on strike at Pittsburg, Kan.

Hanover, Germany, police have started a war on long hats.

Anarchy rules in Morocco and Spain will send 8,000 more troops in an effort to restore peace.

The Interstate Commerce commission has ruled that express rates in the West are exorbitant and has ordered sweeping reductions.

Unless rains come soon farmers of the New England states will face disaster. There has not been enough water for the crops and they are said to be burning up.

Immense quantities of asphaltum have been found on the Shoshone Indian reservation in Colorado and a stamped to stake out claims and secure land is taking place.

In the hearing for the release of Thaw from the insane asylum on the ground that he is now sane, Mrs. Thaw testified that he threatened to kill her and fears his deadly enmity.

A California couple was married in an automobile in an effort to find some novel way.

The English house of lords does not favor the conscription plan of increasing the army.

Nationalists are in full control of Teheran and have summoned the Persian parliament.

Following Roosevelt's policy, Taft has withdrawn a number of water sites on public domain in the West.

Secretary Ballinger denies that he was quarreled with Secretary Wilson and says their relations are the best.

The commanders of Adana are to be court martialled for alleged complicity in the Armenian massacres of last April.

Two trunks, said to contain the books of Heinze and the United Copper company, have been seized by government officials.

Heat in the East is again claiming children as its victims.

A man has been sentenced to serve seven years at San Quentin for his many marriages. He admits having been united to about 20 women during the past three years.

Floods around Kansas City have delayed mails.

Taft and congress leaders have agreed to reduce the corporation tax from 2 per cent to 1 per cent.

KEPT BLOODY OATH.

Moro Bandit, Jikiri, Had Sworn to Kill 100 Men.

Manila, July 19.—When Jikiri, the Moro bandit chief who was killed with all his followers in a desperate battle with troops and constabulary near Patian, on Jolo island, July 5, began his career as an outlaw, he swore he would kill 100 men before he died.

The record of the murders he committed is not complete, but it is stated in a dispatch received today from Zamboanga that the bandit probably made good his oath, as the partial record at hand shows he took the lives of nearly a hundred persons.

From the latest reports of the fight, all but one of the several women in the cave where the outlaws made their last stand were wives of Jikiri.

But one of the women escaped. She was the wife of one of the Jikiri followers and accepted the safe conduct offered by the Americans before the assault on the cave began.

Lieutenant Joseph A. Baer, of the Sixth cavalry, is agreed by all who saw the fight to have been the hero of the battle. He was armed with a Winchester pumpgun with which he did great execution. His timely rescue of Lieutenant Arthur H. Wilson, who was struggling with Jikiri and already desperately wounded, when Baer shot and killed the bandit, and his certain aim, which brought down three other outlaws, are the talk of army circles.

Baer killed four of the eight bandits slain.

TAX ALL INCOMES IS PLAN.

National Manufacturers Association Issues Statement.

New York, July 20.—The board of directors of the National Association of Manufacturers today issued the following statement addressed "To the Congress of the United States":

"The National Association of Manufacturers indorses any reasonable measure to secure by tax the requisite money which, together with the tariff duties, shall be sufficient to support this government.

"We deplore the effort of demagogues to segregate American citizens and make government supporters of one class and charity recipients of another; well knowing the character of our best-grade workmen, we understand that they do not relish attempts to make of them recipients of any other man's contributions.

"We therefore recommend if necessary for income purposes, the enactment of measures providing a just and equitable tax upon all citizens. As an illustration, we suggest one-eighth of 1 per cent on all incomes; this would require 75 cents from the man who receives \$600 a year and \$1,250 from the man who receives \$1,000,000 a year.

TURKISH POLICE CENSURED.

Report of Court Martial on Adana Massacres Made Public.

Constantinople, July 20.—The report of the court martial on the Adana massacres, made public today, is a strong denunciation of the incapacity and apathy of the police and other local authorities. It says:

"Fifteen persons already have been hanged; 800 deserve death; 15,000 deserve hard labor for life; 80,000 deserve minor sentences.

"If it is decided to proceed with the punishment, we will cordon the town and deal expeditiously with the matter."

In view, however, of the general reconciliation between the opposing elements, the report recommends that general amnesty be made the occasion of a national fete.

Don Carlos is Dead.

Rome, July 20.—Don Carlos, of Bourbon, pretender to the Spanish throne, died today at Varese, in Lombardy. Don Carlos, Duke of Madrid, who claimed under the special law of succession established by Philip V to be the legitimate king of Spain, under the title of Charles VII, was born at Laybach, Austria, March 30, 1848. His father, Don Juan, was the brother of Don Carlos, Charles VI, known as the Count de Montemolin, in support of whose claims the Carlist risings of 1848, 1855 and 1860 were organized.

Strange Sea Beast Seen.

San Francisco, July 20.—Captain Ross, of the Standard Oil steamer Dakotah, which arrived here yesterday from Manila, entered in his log, in latitude 45:30 north, longitude 152:22 west, the steamer's meeting with a strange denizen of the deep, which the log describes as 40 feet long and 10 feet wide, with a cavernous mouth, and eyes as big as a locomotive headlight. At a distance it was thought to be a whale.

Naval Pageant Success.

London, July 20.—London's naval pageant, in which 150 warships are taking part, was favored today by glorious weather, and is pronounced an enormous success. It has been asserted that the reason such a large fleet never before was gathered in the Thames was the fear of the possibility of its being bottled in by an enemy.

Crane Pivoting to China.

Pekin, July 20.—Charles R. Crane, of Chicago, whose selection as minister to China by President Taft was announced recently, is persona grata to the Chinese government. The grand council has authorized the foreign board to inform the United States government that China will gladly receive Mr. Crane.

NEWS ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST FROM THE STATE OF OREGON

NORMAL FURNITURE SOLD.

State Building at Weston Dismantled to Pay Claims.

Weston—The dormitory furniture of the Weston normal, including furniture of several rented cottages used by students who could not be accommodated at the dormitories, is being shipped to Walla Walla, where nearly all of it was purchased by one firm of dealers. The shipments will aggregate two carloads or more, and include a number of pianos.

The chemical and physics apparatus was also sold, and only the desks are left in the main building. With this exception the state's large school plant at Weston, valued at \$75,000 or more, has been practically gutted and the windows of the deserted buildings stare stonily upon a disheartened populace.

Last fall the Weston normal had an enrollment of 240 in the normal department and of over 100 in the training school. At the January session the legislature abandoned it in the middle of the school year, without a dollar to carry out the contracts with the teachers. Over 60 per cent of the teachers' salaries were then paid by local subscription and the senior class was graduated.

The state board controlling all three of the Oregon normals has since found it necessary to dispose of as much of the furniture and equipment as possible in order to meet certain claims for fuel and supplies which the legislature also left unpaid.

School Population 6,972.

Albany—There are 6,972 children of school age in Linn county, according to the annual report of County School Superintendent Jackson. Of this number, 3,524 are boys and 3,448 girls. The total enumeration is a gain of 404 over the total number of school children in the county in 1908. The report also shows that there are 230 teachers employed in the county, of whom 57 are men and 173 are women. There are 124 school districts in the county and 128 school buildings, five of which were erected during the past year.

School Heads to Meet June 28.

Salem—The annual convention of county school superintendents has been called by J. H. Ackerman, superintendent of public instruction, to meet in his office Monday, June 28. Among the topics to be considered are school supervision, how it may be made more effective; school libraries, how to use them; annual institutes, most important subject to emphasize for all institutes this year; school sanitation, what has been done, what should be done; school board convention, value of, how to conduct.

Railroad Man in Southern Oregon.

Lebanon—John F. Stevens, formerly chief engineer of the Panama canal, visited this city last week under the assumed name of Sampson. In company with Dr. J. F. Reddy, vice president of the Pacific & Eastern railroad, and J. G. Rogers, a former railroad contractor, Stevens was taken over the lines of the Pacific & Eastern and then on through the Cascades by way of Crater lake and through Central Oregon up the Deschutes to Bend.

Delegates to Irrigation Congress.

Salem—J. N. Teal, president of the state conservative commission, has appointed five delegates to the National Irrigation congress. They are Frank J. Miller, of Albany; Principal J. R. Wilson, of Portland academy; Portland; Professor F. G. Young, University of Oregon, Eugene; State Senator J. N. Hart, of Baker City, and J. C. Stevens, of the United States geological survey, Portland.

Brick Plant Machinery Arrives.

Rainier—The task of unloading the machinery for the big brick plant of the Rainier Face Brick & Clay company has begun and the work of getting out the clay for the manufacture of white pressed brick will begin at once. The company will employ 25 men at first, but will steadily increase the force as the large plant is put into operation, until ultimately a force of 150 men will be employed.

Clatskanie Sawmill Burns.

Clatskanie—The Kratz & Anderson shingle mill at Hazel Grove, one and a half miles from here, was burned to the ground while the manager and crew were attending the Clatskanie celebration. A spark from the sawdust pile, which was supposed to be safely out, is thought to have caused the damage. The mill was constructed only last winter and gave employment to a crew of ten men.

To Locate Halibut Banks.

Newport—The gasoline fishing ship Gazelle has left for Marshfield to secure the exact location of the halibut banks, situated midway between Yaquina and Coos bays. E. Mitchell, of Portland, of the Oregon Deep Sea Fishing company, was on board to witness the results of the investigation, which is being carried on by the master, Clifford Baker.

Lumber Company Complains.

Salem—The Bridal Veil Lumber company has complained to the state railroad commission that the rates on lumber on the Mount Hood railroad are too high. The Bridal Veil Lumber company also claims that the Oregon Lumber company is owned by the railroad and that this company gets a much lower rate than other shippers.

DATES FOR OXFORD TESTS.

Applicants for Examination Must Be Present October 19 and 20.

University of Oregon, Eugene—The next qualifying examination for Rhodes scholarships for Oregon will be held Tuesday and Wednesday, October 19 and 20, 1909. The place for holding the examinations has not yet been definitely determined, but heretofore they have been held at the University of Oregon. The university will have several candidates for the examinations and it is probable there will be a number from other parts of the state. Owing to the fact that no other means are provided for meeting the expenses of the examination a fee of \$5 will be charged each applicant.

The rules governing the examinations provide that all applicants must have reached, before going into residence at Oxford, at least the end of their sophomore or second year work at some recognized degree granting university or college. The scholarships are of the value of 300 pounds a year, and are tenable for three years. Each candidate must be unmarried, must be a citizen of the United States and be not less than 19 or more than 25 years of age on October 1 of the year for which he is elected. One student only will be chosen from this state.

Oregon now has two students at Oxford, Edward J. Winans, from Willamette university, and Wistar W. Johnson, from the University of Oregon. Johnson is taking mining engineering and Winand a literary course.

Vale Raises Seed Alfalfa.

Vale—Owing to the backwardness of the spring, the alfalfa crop will be comparatively light this year in Malheur county. However, the seed crop bids fair to be exceedingly good. This is a new feature that has been introduced into farming within the last two years, and one that is gaining ground every year. Heretofore the alfalfa hay crop has been the major crop in this part of Oregon, but it has been found that the soil is better adapted to the raising of the seed, and that it is more profitable to cut only one early crop and then allow the alfalfa to seed.

Delegates to Irrigation Congress.

Salem—C. N. McArthur, speaker of the last house, appointed five delegates to the National Irrigation congress, which is to be held at Spokane, August 9 to 14. The members of the house committee on irrigation at the last session received the appointment. They are W. H. Brooke, of Harney and Malheur; John P. Rusk, of Wallowa; Henry M. McKinney, of Baker county, and J. C. Bryant, of Multnomah county.

Auto Line Albany to Cascadia.

Lebanon—An auto stage line has begun operations between Albany and Cascadia. This well known summer resort has become quite popular within the last few years, and this year notes many improvements for the accommodation of the increasing crowds of pleasure seekers. The auto spends about one hour and a half in Lebanon each day. It is thought this convenient method of transportation will draw many people to the fishing and hunting grounds of Cascadia.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Bluestem nominal; club, \$1.17; valley, \$1.17.
Corn—Whole, \$37 per ton; cracked, \$38.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$40@42 per ton. Hay—Timothy, Willamette valley, \$20@22 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$21@23; mixed, \$16@20; alfalfa, \$14.

Grain Bags—5¢ each.
Fruits—Strawberries, \$2.50 per crate; cherries, 60¢@70¢ per pound; gooseberries, 40¢@50¢; apricots, \$1.40@1.50 per box; currants, 8¢ per pound; logberries, \$1.25 per crate; raspberries, \$1.25@1.40; black caps, \$2; blackberries, \$2.

Potatoes—\$1@1.75 per hundred; new, 2½¢@2½¢ per pound.

Vegetables—Beans, 6¢; lettuce, head, 25¢ per dozen; onions, 12½¢@15¢; parsley, 35¢; peas, 50¢@70¢ per pound; radishes, 15¢ per dozen; spinach, 5¢ per pound.

Butter—City creamery, extras, 28¢; fancy outside creamery, 26½¢@27½¢; store, 18¢. Butter fat prices average 1½¢ per pound under regular butter prices.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, candled, 28¢ per dozen.

Poultry—Hens, 14¢@15¢; springs, 19¢; roosters, 8¢@9¢; ducks, young, 12¢@13¢; geese, young, 9¢@10¢; turkeys, 18¢; squabs, \$2@2.25 per dozen.

Pork—Fancy, 17½¢@18¢ per pound. Veal—Extras, 9½¢@10¢; ordinary, 7¢@8¢; heavy, 7¢.

Hops—1909 contracts, 16¢ per pound; 1908 crop, 11¢@12¢; 1907 crop, 7¢; 1906 crop, 4¢.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 16¢@23¢ per pound; valley, 23¢@25¢; mohair, choice, 24¢@25¢.

Cattle—Top steers, \$4.50; fair to good, \$4@4.25; common, \$3.75@4; cows, top, \$3.50; fair to good, \$3@3.25; common to medium, \$2.50@2.75; calves, top, \$5@5.50; heavy, \$3.50@4; bulls and stags, \$2.75@3.25; common, \$2@2.50.

Hogs—Best, \$8.25@8.50; fair to good, \$7.75@8; stockers, \$6@6.50; China fats, \$6.75@7.

Sheep—Top wethers, \$4.50; fair to good, \$3.50@3.75; ewes, ½¢ less on all grades; yearlings, best, \$4; fair to good, \$3.50@3.75; spring lambs, \$5@5.25.

EXILES GET FREE.

Siberian Convicts Land in Alaska but Are Not Wanted.

Cordova, Alaska, July 19.—The St. Croix has brought here 100 Russians, part of the 300 landed at Nome by the Russian steamer Vaarg and held up as the result of a Nome mass meeting, but finally landed when it was found they had the necessary amount of money. Cordova objects to their landing and they may be taken to Seattle.

Among the party are several who are believed to be members of the band of political convicts who escaped from a penal colony in the interior of Siberia several months ago and who on June 20, were reported to be working their way toward East cape, on the extreme Eastern coast of Siberia in an effort to cross the Behring straits and reach America.

The men believed to be the escaped convicts are wearing old Cossack uniforms. These men have been keeping their own counsel, refusing to communicate even with the other Russians who came down from the North with them.

The party reached Nome from Siberia on the Russian steamer Vaarg. After arriving in Nome the men returned to this port, where they asked for work in the construction camps of the Copper River & Northwestern railroad.

The uniforms worn by the men supposed to be the escaped political exiles show very hard usage. It is believed the clothes were taken from the guards killed in the battle at Chupotok, near the Arctic circle last March, when the convicts defeated a company of pursuing Cossacks.

The Russians who came from Nome on the same vessel with the suspected men profess to know nothing of their identity, and share the belief that they are the survivors of the band of exiles who were fighting their way across 1,500 miles of Siberian waste.

50,000 WANT LAND.

Rush of Applicants for Indian Lands Beginning to Slacken.

Spokane, Wash., July 19.—The number of applications for reservation lands Saturday was somewhat smaller than on the preceding days, not only here, but in Coeur d'Alene, Missoula and Kalispell. In Spokane, about 5,500 applications were filed; in Coeur d'Alene, 5,500; in Missoula, 2,300, and Kalispell, 1,500.

The total for three days in Spokane and Coeur d'Alene is a little over 23,000 each. The crowds at the hotels are easing off and it appears that many who have come West to file are passing through to Seattle to see the exposition first and are planning to apply on their way back.

At Coeur d'Alene, where serious trouble among the notaries was threatening, an agreement has been reached whereby all will get together, banish competition and pool receipts.

Notaries here say that about one out of every 10 applicants is a woman, in almost all cases from the East seeking a home in the West. Many of the men who apply look upon it as a huge gamble. The women, however, are in earnest. Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois and Iowa are the outside states most largely represented.

The grand total for three days of registration is about 56,000.

CHINA MAKING PROGRESS.

Rockhill Says Boycott on American Products Has Ceased.

San Francisco, July 19.—William W. Rockhill, recently American minister to China, who has been promoted to the position of ambassador to Russia, arrived here today on the steamer Tenyo Maru, accompanied by Mrs. Rockhill. After a short stay in Washington he will proceed to his new post of duty at St. Petersburg.

Referring to present conditions in the Orient, Mr. Rockhill said that China was making great progress in every direction. Political quiet prevailed, and the industries of the country were flourishing. There was no longer any boycott or prejudice against American products, and trade relations with this country were of the most satisfactory character.

Two Banks Are Closed.

San Francisco, July 19.—Pending an investigation of their affairs, the doors of the Union State bank and the State Saving & Commercial bank, of this city, two small institutions which have been doing business together for some time, though not legally merged, were ordered closed by State Superintendent of Banks Alden Anderson today. Coincident with the making of this order word was received from Larkspur that William von Meyerlinck, acting paying teller of the combined banks, had committed suicide.

Radium \$570,000 an Ounce.

London, July 19.—An ascertained commercial value of \$20 per milligramme (equivalent to \$570,000 an ounce) has been placed upon radium by a contract just entered into between the British Metalliferous mines and Viscount Iveagh and Sir Ernest Cassel for the supply of seven and a half grammes of pure radium bromide. This is the largest order ever given for radium, and it will come from the Cornish pitch blende mine.

110,000 Barrels of Oil Burn.

Bartlettville, Okla., July 19.—A serious oil fire raged here today. After two tanks each containing 55,000 barrels of crude oil belonging to the Prairie Oil & Gas company, had been destroyed, cannon was used all day in an endeavor to check the flames.

GREGIAN QUAKE COST 300 SOULS

Property Damage Great, Though Estimate Cannot Yet Be Made.

Earthquake Seems of Volcanic Nature and Upheavals Are Reported Near the Little Village of Ponihioti—Water in Many Springs Turns Hot—Streams Discolored.

London, July 17.—Special dispatches received here from Athens say that 300 persons were killed or injured by the earthquake that occurred yesterday in the province of Elis, in Southern Greece. The damage to property also was very great. Hot water is flowing today from many of the springs in the stricken district, while the water in the rivers and brooks has turned a reddish color.

The earthquake demolished 400 houses in the village of Havari, in Elis province. Thirty persons lost their lives at that point and a number were injured. Neighboring villages suffered greatly. All the houses of Amalaiva were rendered uninhabitable. The shocks were felt at Patras, Pyrgos, Malamas and Tripoli, but outside of Havari only a few deaths or injured have been reported. A volcanic upheaval is said to have occurred at the village of Ponihioti.

WARSHIPS ON THAMES.

British Admiralty Attempts to Allay Fears of People.

London, July 17.—One hundred and forty-eight British warships dropped anchor in the Thames tonight, the array extending from the estuary at the south end of the river to Westminster bridge, in the heart of London. The object of this extended and superb display of Britain's fighting power is an anti-panic show. Uneasiness prevails in every quarter of Britain. Anxiety in higher circles as to the condition of the country's defenses has caused apprehension and pessimism throughout the body politic.

Lord Roberts says the army is a tragic joke. Admiral Beresford says the navy is not what it has been considered. And Germany is accused of having aggressive designs against the peace and liberty of the Britons. The result of all this ferment is that the country is in danger of "going off its head." The mighty armada on the Thames is the admiralty's heroic sedative.

RICH WOMAN SMUGGLED.

Carried \$50,000 Worth of Goods Under False Bottom of Trunk.

New York, July 17.—An indictment for smuggling was handed down today by the Federal grand jury against Mrs. Fremont Chesbro, owner of the Chesbro Coastwise line of steamers running out of Boston.

The case was placed in the hands of the United States district attorney for the district of New Jersey after the discovery of a double bottom in one of the trunks which Mrs. Chesbro brought to this country with her on the Kaiser Wilhelm II last May.

Wearing apparel appraised at \$50,000 was found in this hidden compartment, together with bills and invoices indicating the purchase abroad of a pearl necklace valued at \$23,000. The necklace was not found among Mrs. Chesbro's effects, but was yesterday turned over to the customs officials by Mrs. Chesbro's attorney.

Big Muddy Rises Again.

St. Louis, July 17.—The Missouri river last night rose so that the gauge today registers 35.3 feet. Manufacturing concerns across the river in Illinois are moving their stocks to higher ground, fearing a storm will wash the waves over the levees which the citizens are counting on to protect them. Citizens of Cahokia, Ill., worked last night strengthening the levees, which will stand but a slight rise. Five thousand acres of farm land were flooded early today by the Missouri, Kansas & Texas embankment breaking.

Island Defenses Tested.

Honolulu, July 17.—Under the direction of Captain Platt, of the ordnance department, the eight great mortars of the Fort Ruger defenses, on Diamond Head point, were fired for the first time today. The guns command the only approach to Honolulu harbor and are the first of the coast defenses to be installed. The test was thoroughly satisfactory. Captain Platt arrived yesterday on the transport Thomas to supervise the placing of other guns.

New Shah Rules Persia.

Teheran, July 17.—Mohammed Ali, shah of Persia, was dethroned today and the crown prince, Sultan Ahmed Mirza, was proclaimed shah by the national assembly, composed of the chief Mujtehidis and the leaders of the Nationalist forces, in the presence of an immense crowd in Parliament square. Mohammed Ali has taken refuge in the Russian summer legation at Zerzende.

Kaiser Favors Football.

Bealin, July 17.—The emperor has directed that football be included in the military exercises. His majesty is reported as saying that football as played in the United States and England is fine training in temper, as well as for the body.