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EVENTS OF THE DAY

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Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week, Presented in Condensed Form, Most Likely to Prove Interesting to Our Many Readers.

The Trans-Mississippi congress is in session in Seattle.

Turkey has called for 52,000 men for service in Macedonia.

Pope Pius has given \$20,000 to be distributed among the poor of Rome.

The two Kansas Cities are again suffering from the effects of high water.

The 37th national encampment of the G. A. R. is in session at San Francisco.

By the collapse of the upper deck of a Finnish steamer 40 people were drowned.

The Russian fleet has sailed for Turkey to enforce the demand that slaying of consuls be avenged.

China has agreed with the United States to open two ports, thus maintaining the open door policy.

Roosevelt wants Root to help him defeat his New York enemies and will endorse him for president in 1908.

A wealthy Davenport, Ia., woman was kidnapped and held for \$50,000 ransom, but gave her captors the slip and escaped.

Vesuvius continues active and is sending smoke and flame to a height of 4,000 feet. Lava is flowing toward Ota-jama and Pompeii.

A falling meteor destroyed a bridge at Mendon, Mich.

Cardinal Gibbons has left Rome on his way to the United States.

Fire in the Cincinnati stock yards destroyed \$40,000 worth of property.

English sportsmen are confident Shamrock III will lift the cup this year.

Secretary Hitchcock has ordered an investigation of land frauds in Indian territory.

Joseph Pulitzer has given \$2,000,000 for the establishment of a school of journalism at Columbia university, New York.

The Bulgarian premier believes the Macedonian rebellion will be confined to Monastir.

The salmon pack for this year will be about 300,000 cases. This is nearly 23,000 cases short of last year.

The general staff of the army gave Secretary Root a dinner in honor of his success in securing the new army law.

Wheeling, W. Va., union and non-union men clashed and over 1,000 shots were fired. Only two men were wounded.

The Russians are not likely to interfere with Pius in her move against Turkey as they feel that the sultan needs punishment.

Lord Salisbury, ex-premier of England, is critically ill.

The British parliament has adjourned until November 2.

Eastern capitalists are anxious to secure yellow pine lands of Southeastern Oregon.

The first meeting of the Alaskan boundary commission will be held September 3.

Jeffries has retained his title of champion of the world by again defeating Corbett.

TELL WHO MAY LAND.

New Chinese Regulations Are Made Public.

Washington, Aug. 19.—A new set of Chinese regulations, prepared by Commissioner General of Immigration Sargent and approved by Secretary Cortelyou, of the department of commerce and labor, jurisdiction of the matter of the exclusion of Chinese having been transferred from the treasury to the latter department, were made public today and are now ready for distribution. These rules designate what Chinese persons are permitted to land at ports of the United States under the provisions of the laws and treaties, together with the ports at which Chinese, other than Chinese diplomatic and consular officers, may land and name the officers who have been vested with the power and authority heretofore conferred on collectors of customs, giving their stations and jurisdiction.

Conditions are named to which every Chinese person seeking admission into the United States under the provisions of the act of 1902, for the purpose of taking part in any fair or exhibition authorized by congress, shall conform as a condition precedent to such admission. Regulations governing the arrest and deportation of Chinese unlawfully within the United States are included. All told there are 61 rules embraced in the new regulations. Accompanying the regulations are laws and treaties relating to the exclusion of Chinese.

Provision is made for a Bertillon record of all Chinese laborers arriving and departing at ports of entry, copies of such registry to be transmitted to the commissioner general of immigration.

Conditions are prescribed to which all Chinese persons claiming the right of transit through the United States to foreign territory must conform as a condition precedent to such privilege. Numerous changes have been necessary in the revision of these rules to make them conform to the transfer of jurisdiction over the subject from the treasury department to the department of commerce and labor. Forms of blanks are prescribed and rules made to govern the officers charged with the enforcement of the exclusion law.

LAWS AT FAULT.

Congress May Be Asked to Repeal Present Land Laws.

Washington, Aug. 19.—The 58th congress, when it regularly assembles in December, will be called upon to remove from the statute books three laws under which the government is being systematically robbed each year of hundreds of thousands, if not millions, of dollars' worth of public lands. The robbers are not in all cases violating the letter of the law, and as long as these three laws remain in force they cannot be reached, but they are violating the spirit of the law, and escape only on technicalities. The fight begun in the last days of the 57th congress, to bring about the repeal of the timber and stone act, the desert land act, and the commutation clause of the homestead act, is to be renewed with vigor, and the friends, as well as the enemies of reform, are even now preparing to enter the fray, each side determined to win.

Secretary Hitchcock, after more than four years in the cabinet, during which time he has familiarized himself with the operations of the several land laws, has become convinced that the government is annually losing vast areas of valuable lands under the operations of the laws just specified, the government is, to a great extent, powerless to arrest many forms of speculative entries so long as these laws remain on the statute books.

Italy Expects War.

Rome, Aug. 19.—The memorandum of the Bulgarian government to the powers regarding the situation in Macedonia has produced a great effect here. The general impression is that the Bulgarian government is no longer able to hold back popular feeling, which, unless it is repressed in time, will lead to a war with Turkey. The fate of Bulgaria in that event, it is thought, would probably be the same as that of Greece in the last war with Turkey. The Italian government is exchanging views with Vienna and London.

Nearing the Nevada Line.

Carson, Nev., Aug. 19.—News has been received that a party of convicts who escaped from the prison at Folsom, Cal., visited Glen Alpine, near Tallac. They stopped at the resort at noon, dined, and carried away several days' provisions. Beyond taking food they did not annoy or threaten any one, and openly admitted their identity. The convicts are now nearing the Nevada line, and if they cross an effort will be made to capture them.

Street Cars Collide.

Carthage, Mo., Aug. 19.—A head-on collision took place this afternoon on the Carthage-Joplin electric railway three miles from this place. Motorman Joseph Baker was killed. Motorman Ed Helge fatally hurt and 25 other persons seriously injured.

HAPPENINGS HERE IN OREGON

BIG PROFITS IN FARTING.

Willamette Valley Ranchers Will Do Well This Year.

Willamette valley farmers are rejoicing over the prospect for good profits in almost every thing they have to sell this year. Not only are prices good, but yields are large and as a consequence there will be more money in the valley this year than there has been for more than a decade before.

Wheat at Salem is quoted at 70 cents, with the mills paying a 2-cent premium. In ordinary years all above 50 cents would be clear profit, but because of the high wages paid to farm help this season it will take from 52 to 55 cents to pay the cost of production. The average yield, so far as can be learned, will be about 20 bushels to the acre or more. This means a clear profit of from \$3 to \$3.50 an acre on wheat after allowing for all labor and expenses. Oats have turned out better in proportion than wheat, and the large yield, with a price of about 25 cents per bushel, will leave a good profit on that crop.

The season has been very favorable for hay, and yields have been good. The prices quoted at present are from \$7 to \$8 a ton in the local market for loose hay. Farmers say that about half of this price is profit. Yields run from two to three tons per acre, making this crop a better paying one than wheat.

Hops promise a price ranging from 15 cents upward, and it is generally figured that all above 8 cents is profit though growers who hire all their work done and give their yards a good spraying say that the cost of production is 10 cents a pound. At any rate, there seems to be an excellent profit this year.

The prune crop is large, and though the domestic market has not opened has been making sales at its own price, a 2% cent basis, which price leaves the grower a "better than fair" margin.

All through the year dairy products have brought an extraordinary price, and even country butter has found a ready market at paying figures. Woolgrowers sold their fleeces this year at a high price, and sheep have been in demand all through the year.

CATTLEMEN REFUSE TO SELL.

Despite Scarcity of Feed They Hold for Better Figures.

Never in the history of the country around Dale has the cattle market been as unsettled as it is at the present time. Prices offered by export-buyers are extremely low, and the cattle raisers are refusing to sell. Crowding on top of this, there is a scarcity of hay as compared with last year, and prices are running mountain high. Hay is selling in the field at \$10 per ton, which is \$4 higher than it was last fall. Cattle-raisers who have not a sufficient supply are trying to contract for all they can secure, but the farmer will not sell. Again there are more cattle on the range this year than last, without sufficient feed for them. Notwithstanding the discouraging state of affairs which confront the cattleman, he is willing to wait for further developments.

No Grass to Fight Over.

There is no range war in the Upper Deschutes valley. On the contrary, there is the peace of desolation. The range was overstocked and eaten out and no grass worth making war over remains. Where neat cattle and horses once thrived by the thousands there is now none too much feed for a few hundreds. Twenty years ago there was no finer grazing region in the United States. Men who now ride all day in a cloud of dust tell of the time when the grass was up to their knees as they bestrode their horses, and cattle fairly wallowed in the feed that covered the 20 miles of present desert between Bend and Prineville.

Cowitz Navigation Obstructed.

During the recent freshets a sand bar formed at the mouth of the Cowitz river which greatly hindered the operation of the plant belonging to the Columbia & Cowitz River Boom Company. A dredge will shortly take the work of clearing the channel in hand, after which the company will put in two new piers and rearrange the sheer boom. When finished this boom will be one of the best on the Columbia river and will be of great assistance to the loggers.

To Have Brand New School House.

Canyon City is to have a new and up-to-date school building that will be a credit to the town. The school authorities are advertising for bids for its construction. The building will be two stories high and will have four class and recitation rooms. Its cost will be about \$3000.

President Smith Inspecting Farms.

E. L. Smith, of Hood River, president of the State Board of Horticulture, is in Coos county on a tour of inspection. While there Mr. Smith will visit most of the principal farms in the county.

Planing Mill Burned at Haines.

MAY BE FOREST RESERVE.

Commissioner Richards Gives Reasons for Withholding Large Tract.

Register Dresser, of the Oregon City land office, has received from Commissioner W. A. Richards, of the United States land office, a letter relative to the telegram of recent date withdrawing certain public lands in that district from settlement. The letter directs the withdrawal, temporarily, of all vacant unappropriated lands in townships 5 to 13 south, both inclusive, range 4 east, from settlement, entry, sale or other disposal, under the public land laws, pending the determination as to the advisability of including said area within the Cascade range forest reserve.

Regarding the rights of settlers who have already located on lands included in the specified area, Commissioner Richards says: "Neither this temporary withdrawal, nor the permanent reserve of the lands which may follow, will affect any bona fide settlement or claim properly initiated upon the lands prior to the date hereof, provided the settler or claimant continues to comply with the law under which their settlement or claims were initiated, and place their claims duly on record within the prescribed statutory period. The withdrawal operates to defeat all settlement claims or other claims initiated subsequent to this date, regardless of the date upon which you receive the telegram."

DAILY ATTENDANCE SMALLER.

Though Oregon's School Population Has Greatly Increased.

Superintendent of Public Instruction J. H. Ackerman has just finished compiling the annual school statistics as gathered from the reports recently filed in his office by the several county superintendents. As the reports for last year covered a period of 15 months, there is no basis for comparisons except in a few particulars.

The school census for the year ending in June, 1903, shows that there are in the state 143,757 persons between the ages of 4 and 20 years. At the same time last year the school population was 138,466, so that an increase of 5291 is shown. The average daily attendance in all the public schools of the state during the preceding year has been 64,219, while for the preceding year it was 66,779, or a decrease of 2560. A decrease in the average daily attendance at the same time that there is an increase in the school population is probably due to the scarcity of labor and the high wages, which, together, take many of the older boys out of school during the greater part of the year.

Protest Against Withdrawals.

A special meeting of the Roseburg board of trade and citizens generally has been called to protest against the withdrawal of any more public lands from entry in that portion of the state. Other commercial bodies in the western part of Oregon will be invited to co-operate in protesting to the officials in Washington, D. C., and to our senators and representatives in congress against the further extension of our already immense forest reserves. Such recently proposed extensions will work serious hardships on many bona fide settlers now located on some of these lands.

To Clear Coos Bay Channel.

Replying to an earnest request submitted by Congressman Hermann, based upon a petition of the Coos Bay chamber of commerce, Secretary of War Root wires that he has appropriated \$10,000 as an emergency aid for removing the recent shoal formation in the Coos bay entrance channel, which delays deep-draft vessels. As the shoal is constantly enlarging, commerce there would have materially suffered had it been necessary to await congressional action.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 76@78c; blue-stem, 78@81c; valley, 79@80c.
Flour—Valley, \$3.60@3.85 per barrel; hard wheat straight, \$3.60@3.85; hard wheat, patents, \$1.10@1.50 graham, \$3.37@3.75; whole wheat, \$3.55@4.00; rye wheat, \$4.00.
Barley—Feed, \$2.00 per ton; brewing, \$2.17; rolled, \$2.1@2.15.
Oats—No. 1 white, \$1.07½; gray, \$1.05 per cental.
Millstuffs—Bran, \$23 per ton; middlings, \$27; shorts, \$23; chop, \$18; linned dairy food, \$18.
Hay—Timothy, old, \$20 per ton; new, \$14@15; clover, nominal; grain, \$12; chaff, nominal.
Butter—Fancy creamery, 20@22½¢ per pound; dairy, nominal; store, 16¢ @17¢.
Cheese—Full cream, twins, 14¢; Young America, 14¢; factory prices, 1@1½¢ less.
Poultry—Chickens, mixed, 11¢ @11½¢ per pound; spring, 10@17½¢; hens, 12@12½¢; broilers, \$2@3 per dozen; turkeys, live, 10@12¢ per pound; dressed, 14@15¢; ducks, \$1.00 @1.05 per dozen; geese, \$5@5.50.
Eggs—Oregon ranch, 19@20¢.
Potatoes—Old Burbanks, 70@75¢ per sack; growers' prices; new potatoes, Oregon, 80¢@81¢ per sack; California, 1¢ per pound.
Wheat Sacks—In lots of 100, 5½¢.
Beef—Gross steers, \$3.75@4.25; dressed, 6½@7½¢ per pound.
Veal—8¢ per pound.
Mutton—Gross, \$3; dressed, 5½¢ @6¢; lamb, gross, \$3.50; dressed, 7¢.
Hogs—Gross, \$5.50@5.75; dressed, 7¢.
Hops—1902 crop, 15@16¢ per pound; Tallow—Prims, per pound, 4@5¢; No. 2 and grease, 2½@3¢.
Wool—Valley, 17@18c; Eastern Oregon, 12@15c; mohair, 35@37½¢.

FOR NAVY YARD.

Puget Sound Will Ask for an Appropriation of \$422,300.

Washington, Aug. 18.—The navy department has received the annual recommendations and estimates of the officials of the Puget sound navy yard asking for an appropriation, at the next session of congress, of \$422,300 for the erection of new buildings and the purchase of new tools and machinery.

In addition it is strongly recommended that congress authorize the early construction of a second drydock, "of such dimensions as will accommodate the largest warship likely ever to be stationed on the Pacific coast."

Upon these recommendations Secretary Moody will later base his final estimates that are sent to congress, and while he will no doubt make some alterations, and possibly some reductions, it is believed that in the main he will approve the recommendations of the Puget sound officers.

In pointing out the necessity for a drydock larger than that now in use, Naval Constructor H. D. Wright says the past development of the yards and the increased business that is sure to follow the completion of extensions now in progress is such as to render one dock inadequate. Within two years the amount of repair work to be done at Bremerton will have increased to such proportions that another dock will be necessary to accommodate the ships. No estimate of the cost of such a dock is submitted, although if the department approves the suggestion an estimate will probably be made before congress convenes.

WATER FALLS IN SHEETS.

Cloudburst Does Great Damage in Kansas and Nebraska.

Fairbury, Neb., Aug. 18.—Details have been received here of a cloudburst along the Nebraska-Fansia line for about eight miles. Two clouds apparently met, and for an hour the water fell in sheets. Estimates of the down-pour are all the way from a foot to three feet. The water swept down Dry Branch and Silver creeks, that are usually dry at this season of the year, taking everything before it. More than 1,000 trees were taken out by the roots, and barns, corn cribs, grain and hay stacks, several droves of hogs and many heads of cattle were swept away with the flood.

ONE CHANCE FOR CANAL.

Columbia Is Alarmed Over Probable Success of Nicaragua.

Panama, Aug. 18.—Letters received from Bogota say that up to August 1 the Panama canal commission had held only one meeting on account of the disgust of members with the action of Senator Perez y Soto, who insisted on recalling the treaty at the first meeting. Senator Obaldia, a warm supporter of the treaty, has had several conferences with President Marroquin and United States Minister Beaupre, and notwithstanding their efforts the committee could not be induced to report in favor of ratifications. Amendments have been offered which seem to meet the approval of 20 senators out of 24.

Both the house of representatives and the senate are deeply impressed with the persistent rumors which reach Bogota of the possibility of a movement for the accession of the isthmus if this treaty is not ratified. The fear that such an eventuality might follow failure to ratify the treaty appears to constitute the only chance or favorable action on the treaty.

China Discredits It.

Peking, Aug. 18.—The report that Russia and China will ask the American government to arbitrate all questions arising over the Russian occupation of Manchuria is discredited here. It is believed that both of these powers have already arrived at a mutual understanding on the subject, although upon what terms none of the foreign legations has as yet been able to ascertain. America is generally considered one of the last governments which could possibly be asked to arbitrate in this case.

Fleet to Scene.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 18.—A squadron of the Russian Black sea fleet has been ordered to sail for Turkish waters. Notification of this move has been telegraphed from Sebastopol to the Russian ambassador at Constantinople. The dispatch of the squadron is intended to emphasize Russia's intention of exacting complete compliance with her demands as to satisfaction for the murder by a Turkish gendarme of her consul at Monastir.

Trains Collide in Fog.

Philadelphia, Aug. 18.—Two freight trains on the Pennsylvania railroad crashed together early today between St. David's and Radnor, killing two brakemen and injuring the engineer of the second train. A tramp who had his collar bone broken in the accident says several of his companions were riding on the freight, and it is probable that they are buried beneath the wreckage. The accident was due to the dense fog.