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## EVENTS OF THE DAY

GATHERED FROM ALL PARTS OF THE TWO HEMISPHERES.

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

Admiral Cotton reports all quiet at Beirut.

England is preparing to send a fleet to Salonica.

The British cabinet crisis has been temporarily stayed off.

Macedonian rebels have decided to adopt a guerrilla warfare.

The physician to the Turkish embassy at Vienna thrashed the ambassador.

The national irrigation congress opened at Ogden with the largest attendance in its history.

Secretary Shaw has deposited \$4,000,000 in national banks in the cotton and grain growing districts.

France has sent a cruiser to Beirut.

Socialists of Rome threaten to bias the czar when he visits that city.

Turks did not spare a single Christian in their massacres at Monastir.

It is feared a crisis is at hand in the British cabinet and that the entire body will resign.

The situation at Beirut is improving. The new veil is working hard to restore general confidence.

Russia has asked China to grant it more time for the evacuation of a frontier province in Manchuria.

The Portland ministerial association announces its intention of closing gambling and side entrances to saloons.

It is said the American trip of the Prince of Wales is all talk and that he is not planning to visit the St. Louis fair.

An excursion train went into a ditch near Kempton, Wis. Three passengers were killed and a number of others hurt.

The agent appointed by the Cuban government to float a loan of \$35,000,000 hopes to be able to secure the money in the United States.

An explosion of a barrel of liquor stolen by sailors and placed on the cruiser Olympia when discovered, cost two lives, injured seven and set the ship on fire.

Turkey shows a disposition to settle promptly the claims of America.

The czar has abandoned his visit to Romania, fearing that country cannot guarantee safe trip.

Russia has made new demands on China which have stirred up fresh ire of the Japanese.

Lord Rosebury condemns the British cabinet as being largely responsible for the length of the Boer war.

Fire in the Southern Pacific's freight warehouse at San Francisco destroyed \$115,000 worth of property.

Two Oregon students at Harvard university must answer to the charge of burglary of the school's store.

Secretary Hitchcock has dismissed the townsie inspector of Indian Territory for irregularities in office.

The military at Cripple Creek have the situation well in hand and the trouble is likely to be over soon.

The Pacific packing and navigation company a combine of Alaska and Puget sound salmon canneries, is expected to go to pieces at an early date. Too great a capitalization on overvalued properties is given as the reason.

The United States gunboat Machias has not yet arrived at Beirut.

The 1905 International Christian Endeavor convention will be held at Baltimore.

The Arizona surveyor general has been removed from office for taking illegal fees.

Fourth-class postmasters may be ousted for "political reasons" after serving four years.

The American mining congress, in session at Deadwood, S. D., selected Portland for the 1905 meeting place.

John Bartlett has taken the oath of office as United States minister to Argentina and will leave for his post September 2.

The premier of Bulgaria has unofficially informed the powers that his people cannot be held in check if massacres continue.

The work of changing the transport Grant to a dredge is progressing rapidly and it should be at its mouth of the Columbia by October 1.

United States Minister Leishman, at Constantinople, has insisted on the removal of the veil of Beirut and the appointment of one better able to handle the people.

Massacres and outrages continue in Macedonia.

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The federal grand jury has found seven more indictments in the postal cases.

It is now known positively that Colombia defeated the canal treaty because the boodle fund was too small.

Philadelphia builders will begin a systematic war on unions January 1, 1904.

## NAMES NEW TERMS.

Russia Adds to Conditions of Evacuation of Manchuria.

Peking, Sept. 16.—Russia has presented to the Chinese government a new scheme for evacuation, originally fixed for October 8, and proposed certain new conditions in addition to most of the conditions concluded in the last scheme.

Russia now proposes to evacuate Niu Chiwang and Moukden province October 8, Kirin province four months later, and the third province a year later. Among the new conditions Russia stipulates that she shall maintain military posts on the road from Tselihar, capital of Heilungkiang, to Blagovokchensk and on the Sungari river. The reason Russia gives for maintaining these posts is that they are necessary to protect the commerce of the railroad.

There is a vaguely worded clause prohibiting heavy duties on goods transported by the railway which the diplomats construe as exempting Russian goods transported on the railway from the surtax which the Japanese and American treaties substitute for the likin duties.

The scheme also contains a provision that Chinese troops shall protect the branches of the Russo-Chinese bank when necessary.

Prince Ching, president of the foreign board, has informed the ministers that he considers the Russian conditions to be very reasonable.

## CONVICTS MAKE COIN.

Added Scandal in Pennsylvania Penitentiary—Investigation Going On.

Philadelphia, Sept. 16.—Following closely upon the exposure of gross irregularities in the cigar department of the Eastern State Penitentiary came the announcement tonight that illegal coinage of minor silver pieces has been carried on by convicts in the big institution. No details of the counterfeiting scheme can be learned from any of the officials connected with the prison, or from the government officers that have been assigned to the case. The fact that such a daring scheme has been carried out in the penitentiary was made public by George Vanx, Jr., one of the prison inspectors, who summoned newspaper men to his home and voluntarily made the disclosure. He gave out a brief statement, which is as follows:

"Dr. W. D. Robinson and Mr. Vaux, Jr., who are at present the visiting inspectors on duty at the Eastern State Penitentiary, made the statement that it has come to their official knowledge that within a short time an attempt has been made by certain convicts to manufacture counterfeit silver coins. But a few pieces were made, and a number of these have come into the possession of the inspectors, together with the metals and chemicals used, the attempt thus being nipped in the bud. The evidence in the case is not yet complete, but all that has been secured has been submitted to the United States authorities."

## STIRS UP DYNAMITE.

Switch Engine at Bay City, Mich., Causes a Terrific Explosion.

Bay City, Mich., Sept. 16.—Clarence D. Hopper and Roy Butcher, switchmen of the Michigan Central railway, were instantly killed by an explosion of dynamite in a car in the yards at West Bay City today. Robert Roblin, engineer; William Noble, fireman, and John Cradle, conductor, were injured, the latter so severely that he may die. All of the trainmen were residents of this city.

The explosion occurred as a switch engine was making up a train. The engine backed down upon several cars, the first containing 1,000 pounds of dynamite, a consignment of Lee-Metford rifles and a quantity of reduced charged shells for indoor practice, and it is said that the force with which it struck the explosive-laden car exploded the dynamite. Hopper's body was badly mangled.

A big hole was torn in the ground by the explosion, a score of freight cars demolished and nearly 300 houses in the vicinity suffered broken windows. The shock was felt three miles from the scene.

## Large Canadian Deal.

Montreal, Sept. 16.—Among the conditions upon which the Dominion Iron & Steel company has agreed to surrender the lease of the Dominion Coal company is an agreement that the coal company shall pay to the steel company \$2,635,000 and assume the current liabilities for wages, supplies, etc., of the coal department of the steel company's business, receiving the current cash assets of the business. These should net about \$1,500,000. The coal company therefore pays about \$1,135,000 for the surrender of the lease.

## Irish Party Will be Powerful.

London, Sept. 16.—John Redmond, M. P., speaking at Anghem, Wicklow county, Ireland, said the Irish party would find an entirely new situation when parliament next met. The English parties would be broken up, and the Irish party would wield a power such as it never before possessed. He counseled a continuance of the policy which had resulted in securing the Irish land bill, which he valued above all.

## Afraid to Work in Tunnel.

Pittsburg, Sept. 16.—All but one of the missing men supposed to have been buried under the debris of the cave-in at the Green Tree tunnel of the Wabash railroad have been accounted for. Most of the Austrian laborers have refused to return to work, fearing another fall, and their places have been filled by colored men.

## HAPPENINGS HERE IN OREGON

### STATE FAIR PROSPECTS.

Fine Exhibits and Fast Racing Will Draw Large Attendance.

Prospects for the coming Oregon state fair, to be held in September 14 to 19, are most flattering. The fair will excel in the line of exhibits and attendance any state fair held heretofore in Oregon. The abundant crops insure a splendid showing of grains, and the fact that the commissioners to the St. Louis exposition are co-operating to secure the best that is shown here for use next year means that the exhibits, especially in the agricultural line, will be of the very best. The live stock department, too, promises better this year than any preceding year. Breeders are preparing large exhibits in this department, which has caused the association to build a large number of new stalls. Governor Sparks of Reno, Nev., is showing a very fine herd of Hereford cattle from the Alamo stock farm, which will meet competition in herds shown by C. B. Wade of Pendleton, A. J. Splawn of North Yakima, George Chandler of Baker City, Gilbert & Patterson of Salem. In the show building will be made by Charles E. Ladd, C. B. Wade, W. O. Minor, Mettsler & Klemgard and others.

The racing will be made a feature of this year's fair. A large number of high class horses have already made their entries, coming from California, Montana, Colorado, Utah, Washington and British Columbia. The two big stakes of \$2000 will arouse keen competition. These are the largest stakes ever raced for in the northwest and the best horses will compete for them that have ever been seen on the circuit. The grounds are in splendid condition and the beautiful oak grove will furnish plenty of shade and comfort for a week's outing. The buildings are all in splendid condition, and the new show building will furnish comfort to hundreds of spectators who wish to see the judging of live stock.

The officers of this District fair are making arrangements for the fair to be held at Bangs' park, near Eugene, for four days, commencing September 28. The five-eighths-mile race track in the park has been put in first class condition. There is not a better track in the state.

Premiums to the amount of \$1500 are offered for the various exhibits, while additional special premiums are offered by citizens of Eugene. The people of Eugene have subscribed nearly \$1500 to aid the enterprise. The large pavilion on the grounds is being enlarged to make room for exhibits and stock sheds, horse stalls and a grand stand are being erected.

The park is in an excellent place for camping and a number of wells are being driven in different parts of the park for the benefit of those who wish to camp during the fair.

### Well Preserved Baldwin Apples.

T. B. Killin, county commissioner for Clackamas county, brought to Oregon City samples of the Baldwin variety of the apple family that were picked from the tree in September 23 last. The fruit is in a fair state of preservation at this time, with no evidence of decay. Commissioner Killin says he does nothing to prolong the natural state of the apple, which is kept in the cellar throughout the winter. Mr. Killin reports that there will not be to exceed half a crop of apples this year.

### Remarkable Grain Stalks.

In the Miller office window, Prairie City, is a bundle of oats, in the stalk, on exhibition, which measures 6 1/2 feet, raised on the farm and stock ranch of J. P. Finlan, situated on the Middle Fork of John Day river, near Austin station. Stalks of wheat are being raised five feet, raised without irrigation on Leo Hoffstetter's farm, situated three miles above Prairie City, are also shown. Neither the oats nor the wheat is fully matured, and has not got its full growth.

### Hatchery on Elk River.

The salmon hatchery on Elk river, three miles above the Elk City, in Lincoln county, is to be made permanent. Lumber and building material is now arriving at the site for rebuilding. Hatching operations were conducted at the spot for the first time last season, when a temporary plant was put in and conducted as an experiment. The season resulted in hatching about 600,000 little salmon.

### Rainier Mills Destroyed.

The shingle mill, saw mill and dry kilns of Olson & Nordby were destroyed by fire that broke out a little after 10 o'clock last night. The insurance is said to be about half on a \$40,000 loss. Forty men are thrown out of employment. The shingle mill had a capacity of about 120,000 per diem. In the destroyed dry kilns were 1,200,000 shingles.

### Franchise for Bluff Elevator.

An ordinance has been passed by the Oregon City council granting to County Judge T. F. Ryan a franchise for the building and maintaining of an electric elevator system over the bluff. The same ordinance grants to Mr. Ryan the right to construct and operate a street railway system on certain of the streets of Oregon City.

### School Delayed a Week.

The Jacksonville public schools will commence Monday, September 14. The delay of a week from the usual date of commencement was occasioned by the necessary finishing touches on the new schoolhouse before the furniture and fixtures could be placed in position.

### Hop Drier Destroyed by Fire.

The Knox hop drier, near Cottage Grove, caught fire and was totally destroyed. The loss was about \$2000. Half of the loss was in hops. The house and contents were fully covered by insurance.

### WATER WORKS WONDERS.

Kalamath Desert Changed to Smiling Grain Fields.

State Treasurer C. S. Moore, who has just returned from a month's outing in Klamath county, reports that all industrial affairs in that section of the state are prosperous and that the country surrounding Klamath Lake is steadily developing. Irrigation ditches are being enlarged and extended and the producing area gradually enlarged. The hay crop of that region is enormous and since prices are up the farmers are making money.

"The productiveness of that sage-brush land when water is put on it is amazing," said Mr. Moore. "There is a large tract of land out south of Lower Klamath lake that I used to drive over frequently a few years ago. I would not give ten cents an acre for it without water on it. A man could not live on it. This summer I drove through that same country and instead of a dry, sage-brush plain, I saw fields covered with an immense crop of wheat and land that has already yielded one crop of alfalfa and has another crop almost ready for cutting. One tract of 1900 acres of that apparently worthless land produced 25,000 bushels of wheat 1200 tons of alfalfa already this season. I am told that the owners of that tract of land, which was covered with sage-brush three years ago, will clear up from \$15,000 to \$20,000 this year."

The land is owned by Henry E. Ankeny and Roscoe Cantrell, and is irrigated from their ditch. "I do not know what they paid for the land, but it is quite certain that they have already realized all they ever put into it, and could now sell it for at least one-third more than it has cost them, counting all improvements. This simply illustrates the wonderful productiveness of that soil if you can only get water on it."

### EUGENE PEOPLE TAKE HOLD.

Are Determined to Make the District Fair a Success.

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### CALL FOR CONGRESS.

Roosevelt Abandons Idea of October Session—November 9 Will Be Date.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., Sept. 15.—After mature consideration, and consultation in person and by mail with members of both the senate and the house of representatives, President Roosevelt has abandoned the suggestion that congress be called in extra session in October. The extraordinary session, which he announced many months ago would be held this fall will be called, according to present plans, to meet on November 9.

Notwithstanding the fact that the suggestion of an October session of congress came from parties who advocated its adoption, the suggestion was not received with favor by members of congress generally. The idea of an October session was opposed because it would oblige senators and representatives to leave their states and districts in the midst of a campaign which, to many of them and to their party, was of vital importance. No agreement has yet been reached as to the character of the financial legislation which will be enacted at the next session. It is not certain that an agreement can be reached between the two branches of congress whereby any special legislation can be enacted.

### THE LAST STRAW.