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Ex-Secretary of the Treasury Charles Foster is dangerously ill at his home in Springfield, Ohio. [22000000000022]

the past year.

A bill is before the house providing for the consolidation of third and fourth class mail matter to be admit- the claims of either side in the way of

Brigadier General Randall is likely o be promoted to major general. Great military activity prevails at Cartagene and Savanilla, Colombia.

Ex-Congressman Driggs, of New York, has been convicted of accepting a

life-saving station.

Creek who will not work.

The senate committee on expositions, after hearing Oregon men, unanimously decided in favor of the 1905 fair bill,

of the United States will be one of for New York at 1:30 tonight. He will friendly neutrality.

ter cold.

The Ontario, Oregon, fish hatchery paris, Jan. 13.—A special dispatch may be taken in charge by the governto to the Patric from Harbin, a town on

Two-thirds of the Chicago theaters now closed will probably never be able to reopen,

given a coat of tar and feathers by citi- days zens of Corvallis.

#### WAR AGAIN SPEMS SURE.

Japan Receives Second Reply of Russia. Which is Unsatisfactory.

London, Jan. 13 .- The Times' Pekin correspondent, cabling under yester-day's date, says the Chinese minister at Tokio, at the request fo the Japanese oreign office, telegraphed the following mmunication to Prince Ching:

'The second Russian reply to the Japanese proposals has been received at Tokio, but it is unfavorable and cannot be accepted by Japan, who will, unless Rusias recedes, be compelled to promptly resort to arms.

"In view of such an eventuality, Japan urges and expects China to main-

tain the strictest neutrality, to preserve lest foreign powers might seize the pre-text of disorder and make aggressive novements therein."

Senator Scott made a warm attack on patch has deeply impressed the Chinese lengral Wood in the senate. He to be a senate when the correspondent says that the dispersion of the correspondent says the corresp General Wood in the senate. He terms who now believe war to be inevitable.

Wild Rumors of War. ent in the Russian capital, and that

many wild rumors are in circulation. clares that actual hostilities have already broken out. None of these reports can be confirmed, however, and captain was largely responsible for the great loss of life, showing very poor judgment at the critical time.

in that until the last day or two every-thing in St. Petersburg has pointed to-mext ward an amicable settlement of the dis-next

IN NATIONAL CONVENTION.

#### Woolgrowers and Livestock Association .Meet in Portland.

Portland, Jan. 12 .- The great has tional conventions which are in Portland for their annual meetings com hicago theater fire.

Ex-Mayor Walbridge, of St. Louis, is orable circumstances. The sessions of being boomed as a Republican candi- the Woolgrowers' association were notable in the high tone of the addresses delivered and the earnestness with which the voting delegates approached the great questions to be considered. The Livestock convention will not get down to business until this morning, attle put on the list of cities where but the machinery was set in motion civil service examinations are held. yesterday which assures profitable results from the meetings which are to

occupy the remaining days of the week. The visitors continued to pour in all day long, and, by a conservative esti-mate, they will number 1,500 when President Springer's gavel falls on the first session of the Livestock convention today. An official welcome to the state and city will be extended to the berlain, and Mayor George H. Williams. There will be responses on the part of the visitors and with the annual address of President John W. per cent of errors in the forecasts of Springer the great national gathreing will be fairly under way.

STRIKE AT COAL MINE ENDS

## Make Agreement.

Ex-Secretary of the Treasury Charles Kramer, vice president of the Utah \$148. This the officials consider is a feel company, and Attorney S. A., good gain, since Pendleton has a free King, representing the strikers. By delivery. For a while when the free the terms of an agreement satisfactory delivery was established the receipts General Chaffee has been nominated to succeed General Young as chief of the staff of the army.

Mayor Harrison, of Chicago, is being guarded for fear of assassination on account to the theater horror.

Warships are assembling at Colon, presumably for the purpose of making a hostile demonstration against Colombia.

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A bill is before the house providing the terms of an agreement satisfactory delivery. For a while when the free the terms of an agreement satisfactory delivery was established the receipts from box rent fell off, but the demand at the present time for boxes seems to have outgrown the office, and 60 more on the company's property, paying fattened in this valley for the propagation of salmon. The constitution of the spring market. They are mostly 3, the propagation of salmon. The constitution of the propagation of salmon. The constitution of 600.

Stockmen Feel Better.

Pendleton—The cattlemen and sheepmen of the Blue mountain district are the house providing and at Christmas time they jumped to fasheries and marine for the Dominion of Canada.

become the property of the company.

While the agreement does not affect possibility of serious trouble arising from the eviction of miners from their

#### Removing Duty on Coal. Washington, Jan. 13 .- Congressman

lones, of Washington, has been assured by leading representatives of the house Miss Ruth Cleveland, eldest daughter that the emergency bill approved by of ex-President Cleveland, is dead from the president on January 15 last, removing for one year the duty on coal, The senate committee has favorably will not be continued in effect after next Friday. On that date the former reported the bill giving Tillamook a duty will be restored, and it is the intention of the house leaders to grant no drive out all striking miners at Cripple other commodities, until the time comes the tariff necessary.

## General Reves Makes Bold.

Secretary Hitchcock has requested ed Press has been informed that Generthe Oregon senators to name a man to al Reyes, in his last note to the state succeed Asa B. Thompson as receiver at department, threatened to publish the department, threatened to publish the correspondence between himself and sail from New York next Saturday di-The enitre East is experiencing bit-

## Russian War Preparations.

Paris, Jan. 13.—A special dispatch to the Patric from Harbin, a town on the Manchurian railroad, describes the Russian war preparations. The Russian war preparations. The Russian officials declare war is inevitable, but add that they are ready. Port

# HAPPENINGS HERE IN OREGON

IDLE MONEY AT WORK.

School Fund Surplus Is Being Put Out at interest.

Salem-The semi-annual report of State Treasurer C. S. Moore shows a heavy decrease in the surplus of money lying idle in the common school fund. A year ago, the balance in that fund

order throughout the empire, to guard foreigners resident in the interior, and to take special care to preserve order in land School District honds.

Since January 1, about \$10,000 has tract for the rectamation to the contract price is \$10 per acre.

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offer to those who wish to borrow upon gilt-edged real estate security at 6 per cent interest. If the present demand for loans from the school fund contin-London, Jan. 13.—The St. Peters: nes, the balance will be out at interest burg correspondent of the London Daily within a year. The loaning of this Mail wires that there is great excite- fund, and consequent decrease in the amount of the idle surplus, means an increase in the revenues for school pur-One reports that the exar has drafted a poses. The interest on this fund is apdeclaration of war. Still another de- portioned among the counties annually

according to school population.

The report also shows a balance of \$85,640.50 in the general fund, from while not generally credited, the feeling is increased that war cannot much state are paid. State Treasurer Moore longer be averted. This is significant says that a large portion of this amount in that until the last day or two every-thing in St. Petersburg has pointed to-ward an amicable settlement of the dis-pute. • will be used in paying the claims for the last quarter of 1903. During the next three months, however, nearly \$40,000,000 will be received from inurance companies under the law requiring them to pay a 2 per cent tax on their net receipts, and this sum will be sufficient to pay the ordinary expenses of the state until state taxes begin to come in, about April 1.

HEAR RAILROAD'S PLEA.

#### Timberland Assessment in Land Reduc to \$2 50 Per Acre.

Eugene-The county board has deided to reduce the assessment on the imber lands of the Southern Pacific ompany in this county from \$3 to \$2.50 per acre, after considering the argument of the attorney of that com-

The lands of the railroad company were assessed the same as all timber lands, but the argument was made that these lands were less valuable than the lands held by other corporations, for the reason that the railroad grant convisiting stockmen this afternoon by his sists of certain sections by numbers, reexcellency, Governor George E. Cham-berlain, and Mayor George H. Wil-or not, while the lands of other corlected and it is reasonable to suppose valueless claims would not be acquired.

Makes a Good Showing.

Pendleton-The aumpal report of Assistant Postmaster French shows that Pendleton has one of the few self sustaining offices in the state. The total revenue of the year was \$13,687.43,

traordinary open season. Up to the present spring like weather has pre-vailed, and only in a few sections has ted at the ract of one cent for each two adjustment of grievances, it destroys the temperature been but little below any apparent reason for the strikers to the freezing point. So far, the sheep remain in the district and avoids the to be held over the winter have not required feeding, remaining on the pastures, the grass of which is holding out remarkably well. Considerable rain has fallen during the fall, and so far grass has been growing.

Dividend by Prune Association.

Salem-The Willamette valley prune association has declared a dividend on the Petite prune crop handled by the association in the Salem and Roseburg districts this season. The total amount handled of this variety was 635,000 pounds. Net prices to the grower, 40s, further concessions on coal, or any other commodities, until the time romes when they deem a general revision of \$0.0155; 100s. and over, \$0.0099. These like: parsley per dozen 25c. prices gave the growers a net basis price of a little less than 23 cents.

## Good Winter for Farmers.

Salem-Captain Hunt, a prominent farmer of the Waldo hills, says that the season thus far has been a very favorable one for farmers and winter wheat is in excellent condition. Farm-Governor Taft, of the Philippines, has assured the mikado that the policy or make it public. General Reyes left a measure of grain this winter, and a measure of grain this winter, and probably will not do so. Pasturage has been good and cattle do well with 12%@14c.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 27%@30c per pound; dairy, 20@22%c; store, 12%@14c. the grass they can get, and the straw that is stacked for them in the fields.

reinforcements of 100,000 can velopment is being awaited with keen interest throughout the county.

# APPLIES FOR APPORTIONMENT.

Pilot Butte Company Wants to Begin

Salem-A. M. Drake, president of the Pilot Butte Development company. has applied to the state land board for an apportionment of the lien upon some 10,000 acres of the land for the was \$724,772.25. On January 1, 1904, reclamation of which his company has the balance was but \$562,177.53. a contract. The company has a consince January 1, about \$10,000 has tract for the reclamation of \$6,000 acres

The reclamation company holds a lien upon the land for the cost of con-Applications have been approved to loans to the amount of over \$60,000 not uniform, however, but is to be approved to the amount of over \$60,000 not uniform, however, but is to be approved to the amount of over \$60,000 portioned upon each 40-acre tract according to the relative value of the cording to the relative value of the cording to the relative value of the cordinate tract may bear land. Thus one 40-acre tract may bear a lien of \$15 an acre, while another, not so valuable, will bear a lien of but An intending settler is required to pay to the company the amount of the lien, whereupon he receives a deed from

PLANT EXHIBIT AT EXPOSITION.

#### Regents of the Agricultural College Much Taken With the ides.

Corvallis-At a recent board meetng, the plan for the agricultural college plant and maintain a growing exhibit on the exposition grounds at the Lewis and Clark fair was discussed and lost when the boat turned over and gave referred to the executive committee for up the struggle. Others stronger and direction. The committee is: Weatherford, chairman; Apperson, Daly, Keady, and Leedy.

sentiment of the board was un The iversally favorable to the plan, and the expression general that the occasion offered the college opportunity to do all the people of the state great and en-during benefit. The growth of forage grasses and plants, the cultivation of vegetables of all kinds, the production of small fruits and many other features were mentioned as among the possibili-ties for converting the tract into a com-pact and valuable display of Oregon productions and resources.

Salem-Negotiations are pending b tween the state board of fish commispany. The reduction, however, was sioners and the United States fish com-not made until the company should missioner with a view to a lease of the agree that there would be no contest on new state salmon hatchery at Ontario to the government. If the lease can be effected as desired, the expense of operating the hatchery will be borne by the federal government, the result to the fishing industry will be the same and the state will save some \$6,000 a year, which can be devoted to the develop-ment of the fishing industry elsewhere in the state.

hog in the county. Dexter Eaton has always held the championship, the largest being 760 pounds. His neigh-bors, John McAllister and J. W. Spencer entered into the hog raising business also and the two latter gentlemen brought two monster bogs in from their Salt Lake, Jan. 13. - The labor while the total epxense was \$5,867.77. ranches near Island City a few days ago en cleared of the charge of selling an county have been practically settled as 539.07. The net increase of the office weighed 775 pounds and Spencers' 870, a result of a conference between G. W. for 1903 over the previous year was which breaks all former records in the weight of Grand Ronde valley hogs.

to the present price of 35 cents.

# PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat-Walla Walla, 73c; bluestem, 79@80c; valley, 78c. Barley—Feed, \$20 per ton; brewing, \$20@20.50; rolled, \$21.

Flour-Valley, \$3.75@3.85; hard wheat straights, \$3.90@4.10; clears, \$3.55@3.75; hard wheat patents, \$4.20 \$4.50; graham, \$3.75; whole wheat, \$4; rye flour, \$4.50@4.75.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$1.07%@1.10; gray, \$1.05 \$1.07% per cental. Millstuffs—Bran, \$17.50@18 per ton; middlings, \$26; shorts, \$19@19.50; chop, \$18 linseed dairy food, \$19. Hay-Timothy, \$16 per ton: clover,

\$12; grain, \$12; cheat, \$12. carrots, 75c; beets, 90c; parsnips, 85c 15c; parsley, per dozen, 25c; to-matoes, \$1.50@2 per crate; cauliflower, 75c@\$1 per dozen; beans, 12c; celery, per dozen; pumpkins, 1c per

pound. Potatoes-Fancy, 70@80c per sack: nmon, 50@60; sweets, 21/c in sacks 236c crated:

Fruits-Apples, fancy Baldwins and

Cheese-Full cream, twins, 14@15c;

Young America, 15 a 16c. Poultry-Chickens, mixed, 12 @13c;

Wool-Valley, 17@18c; Eastern Ore gon, 12@15c; mohair, 32@35c.

NO. 5.

LOST IN STRAITS. Fifty-Four Lives Sacrificed to Storm Be-

tween Seattle and Victoria, Seattle, Jan. 12.-The Scattle-Vistoria steamer Clallam was lost early this morning midway between Smith island and Dungeness spit, at least 54 persons losing their lives in the disas-ter. Every person who put off in the lifeboats, lowered when it was apparent the steamer could not live out the

rific gale that was blowing, drowned, Only those who stayed by the vessel, fighting against the sea for posses-sion of the craft, were saved. These persons were compelled to fight desperately for their lives, rushing forward when the vessel turned on her beam ends, clinging frantically to the rails and finally slipping into the water onto a life raft that had been lowered. Subsequently they were picked up by the tugs Sea Lion and Holyoke.

It was not the fault of the commandng officers nor the men in charge of the life boats that the passengers who took to the boats were lost. When the life boats were lowered land was within sight, yet the impotent Ciallam was unable even to make headway against the gale. Prudence dictated that the passengers and such of the crew needed to navigate the boats be given the opportunity of saving their lives by the life boats. That they failed to reach shore was due entirely to the fact that human strength was but a feeble protest against the fury of

the elements. Had all the passengers and crew remained on board, it is undoubtedly true that most of them would have been drowned with the relief tugs standing by waiting to take them aboard.

CAN'T STIR AMERICA.

#### General Reyes Realizes His Mission Is a Failure and Will Soon Leave.

Washington, Jan. 12 .- Convinced of not to retrace a step on the isthmus, and of the consequent failure of his mission, General Rafael Reyes, Colombian special envoy, is ready to leave Washington. Indeed, he informed the Associaed Press at noon today that he would leave for Baltimore at 4 o'clock to consult a specialist, and that his return was uncertain. He did not take that train, however, and at a late hour

tonight was at his hotel. General Reyes said tonight he was yet hoping for an answer to his last request that the correspondence be sent to the senate, and he coud not say definitey when he would leave Washington. He added that when the time came for going he would officially take leave of the president and other officials

with whom he had come in contact. In a long cablegram which General Reyes dispatched to General Marroquin he has reviewed the negotiations at La Grande—J. W. Spencer now holds government that after doing everything the honor of having raised the largest in his power to save something from the wreck he has failed. General the wreck he has failed. ing prevailing in Colombia, that it will be very difficult to restrain his people

CANADA ASKED TO JOIN.

Hatchery on Fraser.

Washington, Jan. 12.—Secretary of State Hay has determined to ask the Canadian government to join in a con-

for more than a year by Senator Foster, of Washington, who has called the attention of the state department to the fact that, unless some heroic course is taken, the salmon supply will be exhausted. Millions of dollars are vested in salmon canning establish-ments in the United States and Canada, which are supplied almost entirely by the spawn from the Fraser river. The methods employed by both the United States and Canadian canning companies have been the subjects of disputes between the two governments.

Constantinople, Jan. 12.-Advices from Erzeroum say the people of Sonson are in a state of sentipanic, fearing a repition of the events of 1894. The local governor and other officials have fled. Tewfik Pasha, with several battalions of troops and six guns, has ar-rived at Mush, where the feeling of anxiety is intense. Detachments of Kurdish cavalry have been stationed at all of the villages along the Russian frontier to prevent the passage of Armenian bands. A thousand armed Armenians are in the district of Souson.

Ex-Secretary Foster Dead.

Springfield, O., Jan. 2 .- Ex-Governor Charles Foster, who was secretary of the treasury under President Harrison, died at the residence of General Keifer here today from the effects of cerebral hemorrhages. He was 73 years old and is survived by his wife and a daughter. He was attacked last

China Ratifics the Treaty.

Pekin, Jan. 12 .- The Chinese emperor has ratified the American and Japanese treaties of commerce with

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# EVENTS OF THE DAY

GATHERED FROM ALL PARTS OF THE TWO HEMISPHERES.

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

The Iowa legislature is in session. A new cabinet has been formed in Chile.

Three more war vessels are on th way to Panama. Ex-Governor John Young Brown, of

Kentucky, is dead. The senate upholds President Roose velt in his Panama policy,

him a "bloodless soldier." Premier Balfour has made a statement which shows Great Britain to be with Japan in case of war.

Secretary of State Hay is again at tending to the duties of his department after several weeks of illness. Chicago councilmen, who have been nvestigating the theater horror, have

turned their attention to the condition of the city's hotels. Developments in the wreck of the teamer Clallam seem to show that the

W. J. Bryan has returned from his tour of Europe.

Iron gates across the exits are discovered to have played a deadly part in the Chicago theater fire.

General John B. Gordon, the last of

the famous Confederate generals, is

date for vice president. An order placed in California for \$250,000 worth of food stuffs is believed to be for RRussia.

Senator Smoot denies that he is a polygamist and has answered other charges on file with the senate commit-

Japan has sent another note to Rus-

Representative Humphrey wants Se

ia, which is practically an ultimatum. She will not wait long on the czar for Professor Willis Moore, chief of the nited States weather bureau, in his annual report, says there was but 17

China is sure to assist Japan in the vent of war. Corea may appeal to the United

States in the event of an invasion. The house has voted \$250,000 for Union Leader and Utah Mincowner eradication of insects affecting cotton. Senator Dietrich, of Nebraksa, has

The Colorado militia proposes to

but add that they are ready. Port the layer of coal has not been ascer-Arthur, it is further asserted, will be tained. Work will be immediately re-Two "Holy Roller" apostles were occupied by 100,000 men, and in ten reach Manchuria.