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EVENTS OF THE DAY

Newsy Items Gathered from All Parts of the World.

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Less Important but Not Less Interesting Happenings from Points Outside the State.

Four cattlemen were lynched in Oklahoma for murder.

Roosevelt will make Mombasa his headquarters for ten days.

Massacres were stopped in Asia Minor after 400 were killed.

Calhoun lawyers charge Heney with coercion of witnesses, but this is denied. The property of the Waters-Pierce Oil company in Texas is to be sold by the state.

The merger of Southern Pacific and Union Pacific lines is to have a hearing in Portland May 3.

Chief Justice Beatty, of the California Supreme court, subdued a bully by calling a bluff to fight.

The Japanese government is investigating the grafting by members of the diet and more arrests are expected.

The Great Northern and St. Paul are both struggling for the best route through a narrow canyon in Montana. President Taft has completed all ar-

BREAD PRICES UP.

Bakers of Chicago Will Add Two Cents to Price of Loaves.

Chicago, April 20.—Following in the wake of the action of Jewish bakers of Chicago in increasing the price of bread and biscuits, definite announcement came today from President Matthias Schmidinger of the Master Bakers' association that 1 cent and possibly 2 cents will be tacked onto the price of bread before May 1.

After a thorough canvass of the situation, Mr. Schmidinger declared that bakers throughout the city face the alternative of charging more for their product or going into bankruptcy. The Master Bakers' association, which represents nearly all of the bread bakers throughout the city, will meet next Saturday, and it is said to be certain that at that time a decision will be reached to give bread prices a substantial boost.

The high cost of flour is not the only problem confronting the bakers of Chicago. Their employees, including the bakery wagon drivers, are demanding more wages.

More than 50 bakers in this city have been driven out of business within a comparatively short time, on account of the high price of materials and the enforcement of the ordinance pertaining to sanitation.

MARS MAY BE HAILED.

Professor Pickering Says it Would Cost Only \$10,000,000.

Boston, Mass., April 20.—"If mankind cares enough about it to put up about \$10,000,000, there is no very good reason why the human race should not be able to talk with Mars, and that so soon as next July."

This is according to Professor William Henry Pickering, Harvard university's celebrated astronomer.

Communication with Mars will be made possible, Professor Pickering declares, by adopting his method of flashing messages when Mars approaches the earth to within 35,000,000 miles, or about 5,000,000 miles nearer than ever before. Ten millions of dollars is a large amount, he admits, but he predicts that once this means of celestial communication is established, messages will be easily recognized and undoubtedly answered, if there is intelligent life on Mars; and that in such case, hitherto hidden mysteries concerning Mars will become an open book to the people of the earth.

More Than 1,000 Are Killed.

Beirut, Syria, April 20.—A terrible uprising has occurred in Adana. Street fighting has been going on for three days and at least 1,000 persons have been killed. The city has been destroyed by fire. American missionaries named Rogers and Maurer are dead. All the other Americans are safe. The British vice consul, Major Daugherty-Wylie, is among the wounded. At Tarsus there was less loss of life. The Armenian quarter, however, was destroyed. Four thousand refugees are housed in the American mission.

Alaska Miners Are Starving.

Nome, Alaska, April 20.—News from the Kukovim, derived from late arrivals at Kaltag and the Russian mission, is that there is much suffering in that country from lack of provisions. Beans and flour now constitute the bulk of all available supplies of food, and these are held at high prices. Relief expeditions are being formed and food supplies will be sent with all possible haste to relieve the prospectors.

Funds Saved to Salonica.

Salonica, April 20.—The director general of the Ottoman bank, having ordered the Salonica branch to send all its cash to the capital, a measure designed to embarrass the organization of the forces there, the commandant of the Third army corps placed an embargo on \$300,000 which constituted the funds of the three vilayets.

Flour Advances in France.

Paris, April 20.—France is beginning to feel the effects of the prevailing high price of wheat in the United States. The price of flour has increased three francs per 100 kilos in the last fortnight and the bakers' association is considering the raising of the price of bread.

Hailstones Are Heavy.

Des Moines, Iowa, April 20.—A terrific hail and wind storm struck Des Moines and Central Iowa today. Plate glass windows in downtown stores were blown in and cellars were flooded. At Stuart, hailstones weighing half a pound fell, doing much damage to peach buds.

Massacre of 2,000 Reported.

St. Petersburg, April 20.—Advices to the Russ from Teheran report a massacre of 2,000 persons, including women and children, by Turcoman tribesmen at Astrabad. The Russian government is sending troops thither.

Sultan's Brother Succeeds.

Paris, April 20.—A special dispatch from Constantinople says that it is reported that Rehad Effendi, brother of the sultan, and heir apparent to the throne, has left to join the Young Turks.

Sultan Planning Abdication.

Vienna, April 20.—The Neues Tagblatt's Monastir correspondent says it is reported that the sultan is negotiating with the committee of union and progress with regard to his abdication.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

PIONEERS WILL CELEBRATE.

Provisional Government Day to Be Observed at Champoug May 1.

F. X. Matthieu Cabin No. 12, Native Sons of Oregon, of Butteville, has issued the program and invitations for the annual celebration at Champoug, for Saturday, May 1, in commemoration of the first provisional government meeting, held at Champoug, May 2, 1843. This will be the 66th anniversary of that event, and the ninth anniversary of the dedication of the monument erected to its memory. Joseph Buchtel, of Portland, will act as chairman, and Hon. P. H. D'Arcy, of Salem, will deliver the annual address. Parrott's band will furnish good music for the day. All who attend are requested to bring their lunch baskets well filled for the day.

Mr. Buchtel, who will preside, desires to form an organization to handle future celebrations, as the expense is burdensome on Matthieu cabin. He will propose at the conclusion of the program at the celebration that a society be formed, with a president and secretary and executive committee. An effort will be made to change the place for holding future celebrations from Champoug to Wilsonville, because of the greater conveniences at the latter place. Mr. Buchtel has looked up a ten-acre tract at Wilsonville, on the river and electric car line, which he proposes should be purchased and made a permanent state park in memory of the first meeting of the provisional government, May 2, 1843, which he says is the right place. He would not remove the monument already erected at Champoug, but erect another on the Wilsonville state park, and there hold all future celebrations. The organization which he will undertake to form at the celebration will be authorized to adopt plans to finance the movement.

NO MONEY YET.

Increase in Agricultural College Funds Not Available Till 1910.

Salem—It has developed here that the increase in the annual appropriation for the Oregon Agricultural college does not take effect until January, 1910, and that the supposed appropriation for the institution is diminished to the amount of \$30,000. The legislature amended the annual appropriation, increasing it from \$50,000 to \$80,000 a year, and it has been supposed all along that it would be effective for the current year. President Weatherford and Regents W. W. Cotton and J. H. Ackerman have had an interview with the attorney general, and that official has held that no funds provided for in the increase can be drawn until 1910. It is stated by the regent's committee that the discovery is a disappointment to the institution, where, on account of the great increase in the number of students, the funds are badly needed.

Water Board Gets Pointers.

Salem—That the state of Oregon will be enabled to save thousands of dollars on surveys and other reclamation work by taking advantage of the experience of others is the opinion of State Engineer John H. Lewis, who, with F. M. Saxton, of Baker City, has just returned from a tour of Idaho, Wyoming, Colorado and Utah. The Oregon men made a special study of the administration of the water laws and the methods of keeping the office records pertaining to this work. Mr. Lewis states that Wyoming has the best irrigation system in the country.

Big Money in Potatoes.

Klamath Falls—That Klamath county is the "place where things grow" is particularly emphasized in the potato line. Elmer Applegate has a 17-acre tract south of the city, a large portion of which will be planted to potatoes this year. Last year Mr. Applegate made on an average of \$400 an acre on his potato crop. This was after deducting all expenses and allowing for labor. His entire acreage averaged over 300 bushels to the acre.

Medford Schools at A.-Y.-P.

Medford—A. B. Robinson, superintendent of Multnomah county schools, who has been touring the state in an effort to arrange a school exhibit for the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition, met with the faculties of the different Medford schools and as a result the local schools will prepare an exhibit for the fair. Superintendent Robinson reports that he is meeting with the best of success in his efforts throughout the state.

First Gray Wolf Skin Taken.

Albany—The first gray wolf skin which has been brought to the county clerk's office since Linn county offered a bounty on these animals was presented a few days ago by John F. Short, who resides between Foster and Cascadia. The wolf was an unusually large one and was trapped by Short, who also presented the skins of eight wildcats which he had captured in traps.

Swift Plant at Medford.

Medford—Swift & Co. are to establish a warehouse in Medford, and the actual work of construction will begin within the next three weeks. The company has leased railroad land, and it is on this they will place the building, which is to be 100x180 feet in size. Medford will be the distributing point for all Southern Oregon of the Swift wares.

FOWLS ARE STRICKEN.

Epidemic of Tuberculosis Reported in Oregon Poultry.

Portland—According to reports received by Dr. R. C. Yenny, secretary of the state board of health, there threatens to be a serious spread of tuberculosis among poultry flocks of the state.

Dr. S. W. McClure, chief of the state bureau of animal industry, advises Dr. Yenny that a flock of 59 chickens bought at Eugene and taken to Forest Grove was found to be afflicted with the disease and that 16 died at last report. He estimates that 80 per cent of the flock was affected. Dr. McClure reported in addition that a large flock of chickens at Pendleton was found to be affected with tuberculosis, but no connection had been established between the two districts affected. At Pendleton it was found that the disease had attacked turkeys in an adjoining field and also pigs had been seized with the disease after eating dead chickens and turkeys.

Dr. Yenny said that the fact of the disease being communicable to human beings from affected fowls had not been fully established, but the pigs taking the disease from having eaten the affected fowls was significant.

Ready to Bore for Oil.

Astoria—A scow load of machinery has been taken to the Hess ranch on the south shore of Youngs bay, where Harrison, Brenner & Palmberg, of this city, will bore for gas and oil. Boring will be commenced as soon as the machinery can be set up. The firm has secured leases on a large tract of land in this vicinity and arrangements have been made to sink several wells at various places in case the first one does not prove successful.

New Depot for Baker.

Baker City—The O. R. & N. company has just purchased additional grounds for the erection of a depot. The consideration was \$16,000. The new depot will cost approximately \$30,000. The present depot will be remodeled and used for a freight depot and warehouse. Baker is the second city in Oregon in volume of freight business. The building of the new passenger depot and freight warehouses calls for a rearrangement of sidetracks.

Elgin Loses Wool Sales.

Pendleton—Elgin will have no wool sales this season, the date set for that city having been cancelled by the executive committee of the State Woolgrowers' association and the date of July 6 given to Enterprise. The building of the Wallowa railroad, making unnecessary the freighting of wool to Elgin, is responsible for the change.

Baker Horse Show May 1.

Baker City—Baker county's annual horse show will take place in Baker City May 1. The Baker City Concert band will furnish music. Prizes will be offered for the best single and double teams, and there will be parades and other features.

Wool Sells for 14 Cents.

Pendleton—A phenomenal wool sale is reported from Arlington, Pat Farley having sold for 14 cents 18,000 pounds, for which last year for a like amount he was paid only 5 1/2 cents. Difference in quality due to climatic conditions is largely responsible.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Bluestm milling, \$1.27 1/2 @ 1.20; club, \$1.20 @ 1.22 1/2.
Oats—No. 1 white, \$40 @ 41 per ton.
Barley—Feed, \$34 @ 35 per ton.
Hay—Timothy, Willamette valley, \$14 @ 16 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$17 @ 19; clover, \$11 @ 12; alfalfa, \$14 @ 14.50; grain hay, \$13 @ 14; cheat, \$14 @ 14.50; vetch, \$13.50 @ 14.
Apples—65 @ \$2.50 box.
Potatoes—\$1.40 @ 1.50 per hundred; sweets, 2 1/2 @ 3c pound.
Vegetables—Turnips, \$1.25 per sack; carrots, \$1.25; parsnips, \$1.50 per pound; 1 1/2 @ 1c; horseradish, 10c per pound; artichokes, 65 @ 85c dozen; asparagus, Oregon, 75 @ 80c per dozen; cabbage, 40 @ 4 1/2c pound; lettuce, head, 85c dozen; onions 40 @ 50c dozen; parsley, 35c dozen; radishes, 35c dozen; rhubarb, 2 1/2 @ 4c pound; spinach, 6c.
Butter—City creamery, extras, 27 1/2 @ 29c; fancy outside creamery, 25 @ 27c; store, 8 @ 20c. Butter fat prices average 1 1/2 cents per pound under regular butter prices.
Eggs—Oregon ranch, 22 1/2c dozen.
Poultry—Hens, 16 1/2 @ 17c; broilers, 25c; fryers, 18 @ 22 1/2c; roosters, old, 1 1/2 @ 11c; young, 14 @ 15c; ducks, 20 @ 22 1/2c; geese, 10 @ 11c; turkeys, 20c; squabs, \$2.50 @ 3c dozen.
Veal—Extras 10c; ordinary, 8 1/2 @ 9c; heavy, 7 @ 8c.
Pork—Fancy, 9 1/2 @ 10c; large, 8 @ 9c. Hops—1909 contract, 9c; 1908 crop, 6 @ 6 1/2c; 1907 crop, 8c; 1906 crop, 1 1/2c.
Wool—Eastern Oregon, 13 @ 18c; valley, fine, 19 1/2c; medium, 18 1/2c; coarse, 17c; mohair, choice, 23 1/2 @ 24c.
Cattle—Top steers, \$5.25 @ 5.50; fair to good, \$4.75 @ 5; common to medium, \$3.25 @ 4.50; cows, top, \$4.25; fair to good, \$2.50 @ 4; common to medium, \$2.50 @ 3.50; calves, top, \$5 @ 5.50; heavy, \$3.50 @ 4; bulls and stags, fat, \$3 @ 3.50; common, \$2 @ 2.75.
Hogs—Best, \$7.25 @ 7.50; fair to good, \$6.75 @ 7; stockers, \$5.50 @ 6.50; China fats, \$6.75.
Sheep—Top wethers, \$5 @ 5.75; fair to good, \$4.50 @ 4.75; ewes, 1/2c less on all grades; yearlings, top, \$6.50 @ 7; fair to good, \$6 @ 6.25; spring lambs, \$7 @ 7.50.

ABDICATION OF SULTAN.

Tottering Throne of Turkey Seems About to Fall.

Constantinople, April 19.—The most serious crisis in the history of the Turkish empire is thought to be at hand. It is persistently rumored that Abdul Hamid, forced by the uprising against the tyranny of the party in power, will abdicate the throne.

The committee of union and progress, representing the party of the Young Turks, with whom are allied the revolting Salonica soldiers, are endeavoring to regain the power obtained by the revolution of last July, which has been gradually undermined by the cleverness of the sultan in getting rid of or winning over by bribes the leaders.

The Salonica soldiers are at the gates of the city and threaten to enter. The military in the capital is in a state of fear and no resistance is looked for.

To complicate the situation, an uprising is in progress in Asia Minor in which more than 1,000 people have been slain, among them two missionaries, and untold property damage has been done.

Foreigners and many Christians have taken refuge in the consulates. The local troops and the governor are doing their best to protect the town, but there is great fear that it cannot hold out much longer against the invasion of the Moslems, who are sweeping down in large numbers. The American vice consul at Mersina, John Debas, has been unable to proceed to Adana, owing to the interruption of communication.

A British warship is proceeding to Alogandretta, which is threatened by the Moslems. Several American farms in that neighborhood have been destroyed.

Alarm is felt at Kharput because of serious depredations by the Kurds in the surrounding villages, although the town itself has not been the scene of any particular disorders.

The tension in Turkey over the situation is very great. The people of the capital are more concerned with the advance of the Salonica troops than they are with the massacres reported from various quarters.

MUSIC FOR THE FAIR.

Management Has Provided Well Along This Line.

Music will be a big feature of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition, and during the exposition season the finest musical organizations of the United States will be heard. Liberati's, Innes' and Ellery's bands will divide the season and these will be heard daily.

The temple of music is centrally located, and in this beautiful building, continuous concerts will be given free from the first day of June until the closing day on the sixteenth of October. A number of handsome band stands have been erected at various points, and these are so dispersed that music will be heard in every part of the grounds.

Shorter concert seasons have been arranged for orchestras and bands from foreign countries, and among these will be heard the Philippine Constabulary band and the national band of Mexico. Vocal and solo instrument concerts will as a rule be heard in the auditorium, and this new permanent building represents one of the very finest halls for such purposes that is to be found in the United States. Of great importance and assistance to concerts held in the auditorium will be the new organ which has been installed for the exposition. This instrument is one of the largest pipe organs yet built, and in tone and possibilities is not surpassed.

Interesting novelties in music will be heard, and among these will be noted a native Philippine band whose instruments are entirely composed of bamboo. The range and class of music produced by these rudely constructed instruments is remarkable, and the extremely crude appearance presented is in strong contrast to the equipment of other organizations.

Cuban Police Arrested.

Havana, April 19.—Ricardo Amuto, the secret police agent of the palace, and his brother, Jose, substitute inspector of the detective squad, were found tonight hiding in the house of a friend, and were taken to the city prison. They are charged with the abstraction of correspondence from the baggage of Jose Cisneros, who attempted to kill ex-Governor Nunez a short time ago. Both men deny the charge. The criminal branch of the Audencia, before which the prisoners will soon come for trial, refused bail.

Disturbance is Subsiding.

London, April 19.—The Foreign office has received a telegram from Major Daugherty-Wylie, the British vice consul at Mersina, who went to Adana at the outbreak of the trouble. In substance the vice consul says that the situation is improving. He mentions incidentally that his arm was broken while he was attempting to check the disorders. The Foreign office has asked the admiralty to send warships to the disturbed area.

Many Cities Are Burned.

Paris, April 19.—Dispatches received from Constantinople say the situation in Adana has become very much worse; that a number of cities have been burned, and that Tarsus has been almost blotted out. The dispatches further state that a French factory had been sacked, and that the peasants were coming down from the mountains and massacring the Armenians.

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