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EVENTS OF THE DAY

Newsy Items Gathered from All Parts of the World.

PREPARED FOR THE BUSY READER

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

Cholera is raging among all classes in Seoul, Korea.

The Santa Fe has obtained track privileges in San Francisco.

A huge boycott against Japan has been unofficially started in China.

Crush to see aviation tests in Paris caused a riot and wreck on railroad.

William Jennings Bryan was greeted by an immense crowd on his arrival in Portland.

It is reported that Miss Gladys Kerens, of St. Louis, will wed Prince Schoenberg, of Saxony.

The Rock Island railroad has been molested of about \$300,000 by overconfidence in one of its big shippers.

Enormously rich deposits of silver and cobalt have been found in Canada, after having been overlooked for 30 years.

The real reason for the recall of Charles R. Crane, minister to China, is said to be indiscreet utterances while in Chicago.

It has been revealed that two Chicago aldermen are heads of one of the most gigantic graft and corruption systems ever known.

Wu Ting Fang visited a spiritualist meeting in Washington and appeared much interested, and intimated that he might attend again.

Hearst has accepted the nomination for mayor of New York.

A trainwreck in Kansas killed 17 laborers and wounded 10 others.

Freight cars are scarce in the East and a serious shortage is predicted before winter.

Prince Ito, president of the privy council of Japan, will make a long tour of Manchuria.

Professor Fryer, of California, says China is preparing to make war on encroaching foreign powers.

Wright made his first flight in a government aeroplane and began the instruction of signal officers.

Congressman Landis says the navy is top-heavy and needs a strong merchant marine to back it up in time of war.

A steamer reports that several thousand natives were drowned on the island of Yucatan by the recent Gulf hurricane.

Captain de Gerlach, who commanded an Antarctic expedition in 1907, has no doubt that both Cook and Peary reached the Pole.

Mix, the American balloonist who won the international balloon race in Switzerland, is about to lose the prize because some peasants dragged him to the ground. You know that you will get the best job that can be done for you positively guarantee satisfaction.

Mr. A. Sward, of Vernonia, was a visitor to the county seat last Monday.

Don't fail to see Wellington's Fall & Winter line of underwear.

Lost—Stick Pin, with map of Australia and Tasmania on it. Finder can obtain reward by returning to Dr. Cliff.

HORSE FOR SALE—Weight about 1250. Will work any place. Price \$60. Geo. Perry, Houlton. 0717

Mr. D. D. Calkins and Mr. Judson, of the Judson Company of Seattle, were inspecting different parts of Columbia County during the past week.

Syrup of White Pine and Tar, the old reliable cough remedy. For sale by A. J. Denning, drugist.

With the close of the active building season near at hand St. Helens can rejoice in the fact that it has made more substantial improvement than any city on the Columbia from the Willamette to Astoria. We predict that next season will show a still greater advance as far as the building of residences is concerned.

READ THIS EVERYBODY—At the prevailing prices of land in Columbia County the following is a chance for some one to get a home or an investment that will not again present itself; 20 acres of the best land in the county, just two miles from the city Clatskanie, with 5 acres under cultivation, 100 young fruit trees and a good two story house, barn, out buildings and other improvements, with a running stream the year round right through the place, all for \$1100. This will bear the closest investigation and is surely a bargain. For particulars see A. T. Laws, St. Helens.

The steamer Yellowstone is loading at the McCormick wharf. She will take 500,000 feet of lumber for San Pedro, California.

Paints, Oils, Varnish, Nails, Shell Hardware, Screws and Bolts—all kinds of builder's material at the store of Jas Muckle & Son, Lowest prices.

Good hard cash is what you will get for goods returned which are not as represented.

M. C. GRAY, St. Helens

CHINA BEGINS BOYCOTT.

Insulting Aggression of Japan Is Given as Reason.

Tokio, Oct. 12.—Copies of circulars issued in North China by a body of Chinese calling itself the Popular Association of the Three Eastern Provinces have been received in Japan after having been spread broadcast among Chinese of the lower classes. The circulars contain inflammatory statements against the Japanese. They bear upon what is called the "weakness of poor China" and the "insulting aggression of Japan."

American are made that Japan has devastated the fertile lands of North China and has enslaved laborers along the line of the Antung-Mukden railroad, that Japanese officials have beaten the men, insulted the women and terrorized the people.

The circulars point out that the weakness of China in a military sense makes it impossible for her to resent the treatment, except by a boycott, and call upon the people of China generally to refuse all dealings with the Japanese. All students and persons who value freedom are called upon to propagate the doctrine and join in adopting the programme of the association. Failing in this, they are threatened with violence and even death.

The document concludes with the request that Chinese vehicles, vessels and railroads refuse to carry Japanese goods. An endless chain is sought on the request that patriotic citizens into whose hands the circulars may fall shall have them reprinted and scattered broadcast, until Japan is completely shut out from all commercial communication with China.

These circulars have created something of a sensation in Japan. Effort is being made to prevent the spreading of their contents among Japanese of the ignorant class because the danger of arousing feeling at this time is recognized.

Meanwhile there is reason to believe that Japan has called, or will immediately call, the attention of the Chinese authorities to the boycott propaganda, demanding that the circulars be outlawed as illegal documents, and that the Popular Association of the Three Eastern Provinces be brought under discipline.

The exact method by which China is able to control her people in this way is not known, but it is believed here that the government of China can suppress promptly any boycott movement.

All merchants of standing in China have official rank and can be disciplined.

ROTTEN WITH GRAFT.

New Chief of Police Exposes Terrible Condition in Chicago.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 12.—Appalling conditions brought to light during the trial of Inspector McGann of vice conditions on the West Side, the immediate formation of Jewish crusaders to drive their people out of the pandering business, the organization of reformers, state, national and international, to check, if possible, the infamous "white slave" traffic, all expose the shameful fact that two men who have grown enormously rich in criminal business still hold important municipal positions here and continue to have a prominent voice in making the city laws.

The drastic order issued last night by Chief of Police Steward to all members of the department to stamp out vice, exposes frightful conditions in the first ward, the very heart of the city, where two politicians who hold office in the city council are collecting annually more than \$117,000, every penny of which is spotted with blood and vice.

FOR SALE—A registered Berkshire Boar, cheap if taken at once. J. W. Van Natta, Warren, Ore.

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Mrs. Martha Richardson, of Portland, is visiting her son, Mr. D. W. Richardson, of this city.

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The W. C. T. U. will meet at the home of Mrs. Wm. Ross Thursday, Oct. 22, at 2 p. m. All that are interested in work are cordially invited. Maude McGonigal, Recording Secretary.

FOR SALE—Twenty head of sheep to a four head of cattle. Inquire of Wm. Elliott Vernonia. 1069.

Two Good Rooms To Rent. A. E. Gray.

Wellington owes his success to the fact that everything he sells is marked in plain figures.

The Vermont House, at Houlton, has been opened by Mrs. Boyd, under whose management we trust it will prove profitable. The patronage of the public is solicited, and every effort will be made to give satisfaction.

The St. Helens Laundry has secured three experienced helpers and is now prepared to do first class work. Rough dress 35c per dozen.

See Dr. Montgomery's new pianos and organs. Organs, \$20, up. Pianos \$25 and over. One term of music lessons free will up. One term of music lessons free will up. One term of music lessons free will up.

Circuit Court met last Friday, Judge Rakin presiding. The grand jury was drawn and the petit jury excused Monday next. The following are members of the grand jury: R. F. O'Ham, foreman; L. L. Decker, Frank Brown, C. H. Mellinger, Gus Hegeler, K. Truman, E. L. Pullen.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

CO-OPERATIVE IRRIGATION.

Baker County Farmers Don't Need Outside Capital.

Baker City—Baker county has more co-operative irrigation projects than any other county in Oregon. There are no large ditch systems, the farmers being banded together in small groups, and co-operating in building of inexpensive ditches and in the division of the water therefrom. Very much the same conditions as to the ease with which water is utilized for irrigation prevail in Eagle and Pine valleys where a superabundance of water flows from the mountain gorges which has in it power enough to run the machinery of a small empire. The Lower Powder has several systems which have been expensive, built by private farmers, and corporations, and which irrigate tracts of alfalfa land. In Burnt River valley are a number of private ditch companies irrigating bottom and foothill land, which produce good results but which are comparatively expensive.

The largest irrigation system in Baker county is that which covers the bench lands on the east side of Baker valley, beginning about eight miles above Baker City and extending in a northerly direction and terminating at present about five miles northeast of the city with the probability of its being extended later and covering the whole east side of the valley. This canal has been built at a large expense, having been cut of solid rock for a considerable distance along the mountain side. In a distance of 28 miles of canal there has been used only about 400 feet of flume, and the work is of a much more substantial nature than is ordinarily used in private irrigation works.

FAIR TO BE BETTER.

Gresham Makes Improvements in Buildings for Coming Display.

Gresham—Multnomah county's fair promises to be the equal this year of the two preceding ones. About \$2,000 worth of the treasury stock has been sold since the last fair, which has created an ample fund for making improvements. The sum of \$500 is available out of the state appropriation for premiums on exhibits this year, which sum will be increased by the gate receipts and the money from sale of concessions.

A large force of men are at work on the new stock buildings and out-of-doors pavilion. It is intended to use the main exhibit building for no other purpose after this than to house the displays of agriculture, horticulture and art, together with exhibits of business houses. The new building will be used as an auditorium and dance hall and other public functions.

The new stock pens will be ample and commodious and permanent, those of last year having been torn down. A new fence will be built around the grounds and suitable booths will be erected for small concessions.

Bank Issues Paper Money.

Engene—The First National bank of Engene will soon put into circulation \$25,000 worth of its bank notes in \$5 denomination. On account of the influx of Eastern people here, who have been in the habit of handling paper money, and who prefer it to the gold, the bank has planned to meet the demand. The exchange requires the signature of T. G. Hendricks, president, and P. E. Snodgrass, cashier of the bank, to each note, and the bankers are now busy with the 6000 signatures that they must make before the notes can be put into circulation.

Squatters Make Filings.

Marshfield—About 40 men have filed homestead claims in townships 24 and 25, range 9. It was understood that the survey of which has been accepted, and those who filed were persons who had squatted on the land some years ago. There was little opportunity for new homesteaders, for the reason that scrip has been placed on all of the land by the Northern Pacific and other large interests. Those who filed for homesteads claim that they have a squatter's right, and some declare they will take the cases to court to defend their claims.

Paper Railroad Is Formed.

Salem—Articles of incorporation were filed today for the Albany, Lebanon & Bend railway company. The incorporators are J. C. Mayer, Ed. Kellenberger and George B. Whitcomb, and the capital stock \$10,000. It is proposed to build a road from Albany to Bend by way of Lebanon. Articles were filed today by the Oregon-Washington Railway and Timber company, capital stock \$1,000,000. Incorporators are T. H. Ward, Ralph E. Moody.

Debate Topic Is Chosen.

University of Oregon, Eugene—With Superintendent A. M. Sanders, of Albany, president, and Professor E. E. Deason, of the mathematical department of the University of Oregon, secretary, the Oregon High School Debating League starts on a prosperous year. The league now contains practically every four-year high school in the state.

Albany—One of the biggest shipments of sheep ever made from the Willamette valley was loaded at the Albany depot. Approximately 2500 sheep were loaded, and the shipment filled 24 single-deck cars. A special train will carry the sheep to Portland. The animals were collected in Linn and Benton counties by W. D. Brown, of Corvallis.

WORK ON CEMENT PLANT.

Big Enterprise at Oswego Will Soon Be Under Way.

Portland—Advices have just reached Portland from S. B. Newberry, the eminent cement expert, that samples of raw material from which the Portland Cement company will manufacture cement at its plant at Oswego have stood a tensile strength of 630 pounds when only seven days old. At the age of 28 days, the same product has tested 780 pounds. An inch cube briquette, consisting of one-fourth cement and three-fourths sand, tested 280 pounds in seven days and 392 pounds in four weeks. These tests are regarded remarkable, from the fact that no cement in the world, not excepting the foreign manufactured product, will excel this record. The same samples also withstood the steam boiling test, which is the most severe test that can be made. The Portland Cement company, which consists of Portland, Salt Lake, Ogden and Los Angeles capitalists, next month will begin the construction of its 1500 barrel plant at Oswego. It is expected that the plant will be completed and in operation in about fifteen months. Its cost, completed, will be approximately \$1,000,000.

Dredge Is to Be Hired.

Marshfield—Mayor Straw, of Marshfield, and some of the business men are carrying out a plan to bring a dredge to Coos Bay to fill in some of the low places in the city. The mayor is negotiating with a dredging company which agrees to send a dredge here provided \$25,000 worth of work is guaranteed. The government dredge Oregon, which was operated here, filled many of the low places in the city but it was taken away and there are yet other districts which the mayor and others are anxious to have filled.

Postal Receipts Gain.

Corvallis—The postal receipts of this city for the quarter ending September 30 shows a gain of 16.2 per cent over the receipts for the corresponding quarter of 1908. The gain for the quarter ending September 30, 1908 over that of the year previous was 23 per cent. The falling off in the percentage of gain this year is attributed to the fact that O. A. C. began its work a little later this fall. The receipts for the quarter just ended were \$3,512.82.

Income Tax Is Fought.

Salem—Arguments were heard before Judge Burnett in Circuit court in the case of the State vs. the Wells-Fargo Express company. The express company is resisting the payments of the income tax, and the defendant's demurrer will be taken under advisement by the court.

Y. M. C. A. Forms in High School.

Eugene—A Young Men's Christian Association has been organized at the Eugene high school. The officers of the new organization are: Francis Moran, president; Harold Young, vice-president; Ernest Scott, secretary; Charles Hard, treasurer; Ernest Armstrong, editor.

Taft in Yosemite.

Greatly Enjoy Stage Ride of 34 Miles Through Nature's Glories.

Wawona, Cal., Oct. 8.—An all-day stage ride over 34 miles of mountain roads brought President Taft tonight to this lovely little Sierra retreat. Mr. Taft and his party reached the Wawona hotel in their stages at 5 p. m., one hour after the scheduled time, due to the lingering in the Grouse creek forest near Chinquapin.

The day ride from El Portal, which began at 7 a. m., included glimpses of Yosemite valley, from Inspiration and Artist's Point, a pursuit of the tumbling waters of the Merced river into the valley floor and a winding, narrow climb to the crest of mountains 7,000 feet high, which shut in the wonders of the Yosemite. The day was bright, the air like crystal and everywhere were the exhilarating scent of the pines. News that the mountain lions were infesting the park held out hope of adventure for a time, but not even the tracks of one were seen on the road.

Mongrel Cur is Hero.

Seattle, Oct. 8.—"Ted," a little black dog belonging to James Rice, at 7211 Eli avenue, is the dog hero in the vicinity of Whittier school, in the north part of Ballard. "Ted" saved the life of little Edith Stewart, who was attacked and almost chewed to pieces by a vicious bulldog. The little black dog rushed across to the rescue. Grabbing the bulldog by the tail, he bit, barked and snarled until the bulldog released his iron hold on the child and turned on his annoying adversary.

Great Prices for Hops.

Utica, N. Y., Oct. 8.—Hopgrowers in Central New York are obtaining unheard of prices for this year's crop. While the hops a year ago at this time were bringing from 9 to 11 cents a pound, the growers are receiving this week from 32 to 33 cents, and some choice lots have brought 35 cents. Dealers say that never in their experience were the hops bought up so close at this time of the season as they are today.

Would Count Out Heney.

San Francisco, Oct. 8.—Charles M. Fickert, Republican nominee for the office of district attorney, who lays claim to the Democratic nomination, alleging that the latter was not properly awarded to Francis J. Heney, was granted today his request for a recount of the Democratic votes cast at the recent primary election.

UNCLE SAM TO PROTEST.

Sharp Practice of Japan Violation of International Law.

Washington, Oct. 8.—Additional facts shedding light on the diplomatic situation which led up to the negotiation of the treaty between China and Japan relating to the reconstruction of the Antung-Mukden railroad were secured today from reliable sources. This information only tends to confirm the impression that the United States may be called upon to protest against a violation of the "open door" agreement in China and discredits the report that Charles R. Crane, of Chicago, the new minister to China, has been recalled from San Francisco by Philander C. Knox, secretary of state, primarily for the purpose of receiving a reprimand for alleged indiscreet remarks in respect to the relations between China and the United States. Such talk at present merely belittles what, in the opinion of those who know, is a serious situation.

As previously indicated, the crisis in the diplomatic situation in China is not the outcome of any one act or circumstance. It is learned that negotiations between China and Japan had proceeded for some time under the watchful eye of the United States and other nations, previous to the signing of the treaty. At the time the pact was signed it is understood to have been the belief of the state department, based on information from Minister Rockhill at Peking and from other sources, that the question at issue between China and Japan would not be definitely concluded for at least two years. It is known that the Chinese foreign office thought it would take three years.

Acting on this belief, Mr. Rockhill called for the United States on June 20, and Thomas J. O'Brien, United States ambassador to Japan, sailed from Yokohama on leave of absence on June 26. To the surprise of the state department, the treaty between Japan and China relating to the reconstruction of and concessions along the South Manchurian and Antung-Mukden railroads was signed early in July over the protest of China.

Had this event been expected, it is not believed here that Mr. Rockhill would have left his post at Peking or that Mr. O'Brien would have returned home at that time, particularly when the agreement between China and Japan was believed even then to contain some provision inimical to the "open door" policy in the Orient.

It is said that diplomatic hints to Japan that a violation of the "open door" policy was contemplated in the proposed treaty were met with denial. It is now understood that this treaty gives an exclusive right to Chinese and Japanese only to exploit the mines on both sides of the South Manchurian and Antung-Mukden railroad. Furthermore, it is said there is no limitation as to how far either side of these railroads these exclusive rights shall obtain. In either case, such an agreement is regarded in Washington as a violation, in spirit at least, of both the Hay "open door" policy and the Portsmouth treaty.

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