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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.

The Philadelphia coal trust is on trial. Dr. Cook's wife is ill and he says he will probably return to the United States.

Natives in Manila are badly scared at the war maneuvers, and cannot be convinced that it is only for practice.

The Republican club of New York is making preparations to receive Roosevelt on his return to America.

The English government lacks support to carry legislation, and the prospects are for another general election soon.

A St. Louis streetcar ran wild down a steep incline, striking and demolishing two carriages, killing one man and injuring 17.

Washington's Supreme court has given cities power to condemn all property of private corporations engaged in public service.

In about 50 Supreme court decisions the railroads have lost their cases, and will have to pay whatever state taxes are assessed against them.

Senator Aldrich says he can run the government for \$300,000,000 a year less than it costs now, and wants a reform commission of ten appointed.

Clarence O. Pratt, national organizer of the amalgamated association of Street and Electrical railway employees, was arrested at Philadelphia charged with conspiring to incite riot.

A blast was set off by workmen at Spokane just as a street car was passing. The car was showered with broken rock, smashing nearly every window, tearing a big hole in the roof. Ten women and a number of men were on the car, but no one was seriously injured.

The second car strike of the year is on in Philadelphia.

Roosevelt's visits in European cities will be very brief, owing to lack of time.

Mayor McCarthy, of San Francisco, summarily discharged 18 employees of the health department.

It is said the rush of homeseekers to the West will be greater the coming season than ever before.

A rat afflicted with bubonic plague has been killed in Seattle, and a general clean-up is now in order.

Negro deputies in Cairo, Ill., fired into a mob who were trying to lynch a negro prisoner, and feeling is at white heat.

The discovery of a new plot against the government in the interest of Castro has caused a sensation in Venezuela.

James Gibbons, said to be the man who sighted the first gun fired by the Union forces at Fort Sumpter in 1861, is dead.

The San Francisco Labor council has adopted a resolution forbidding any union member working in a place where Asiatics are employed.

It has developed that the coal claims in Alaska for which the Morgan-Guggenheim syndicate expects to pay \$500,000, are worth \$25,000,000.

War against the packing companies is becoming nation-wide. New Jersey has dug up an old law against storing food to influence prices. Missouri courts issued indictments.

The new American play Elektra had its first production in London before an audience which included the king and queen and Prince Henry, of Prussia. It was a great success.

Fire in the basement of a moving picture show in Johnstown, Pa., weakened the floor supports, so that when the audience discovered the fire and made a rush for the doors, the floor gave way, precipitating 500 people into the burning basement. One was trampled to death and scores badly wounded and burned.

The city of Cleveland now has 3 cent car fare, as the result of a 16-year struggle.

A Paris parmesan, jealous of his wife, kept her chained to the wall in their home for two years.

Francis J. Heney declares he will not be a candidate for governor of California, but will again prosecute Hermann.

It is estimated that the city of Khar-toum will contain the greatest crowds in its history when Roosevelt arrives there.

An orchard of 605 acres in Rogue river valley, Oregon, has been sold for \$500,000.

The Roosevelt hunting trip is over and the party is now en route to Khar-toum, Egypt, which place they will reach about March 6.

Hundreds of letters begging financial aid are pouring into Pasadena, Cal., for Mrs. Russell Sage, who arrived there a few days ago for a "rest."

DIET CURES CONSUMPTION.

Get Fat, Build Up, and the Dreaded Disease will Disappear.

No less a medical authority than Dr. Osler says: "The cure of tuberculosis is a question of nutrition; make a patient grow fat and the local disease may be left to take care of itself." Many others who have occupied the highest position in the medical profession have said the same; but none have pointed out a successful way of accomplishing it.

The most certain method ever adopted for the cure of the "Great White Plague" is through the diet used as per directions given below which can be taken at home and comes within reach of the poor as well as the rich.

The motto operandi is to force the body to take on fat, a desideratum long felt by the medical profession but never before attained to.

During the last fifteen years I have prescribed this diet in hundreds of instances and where directions have been followed strictly it has raised the weight and increased the strength and vitality of the patient rapidly up to a normal condition, thus enabling nature to assert her sovereign right to the dominating force in the body and the germs causing consumption have been overcome and the cure accomplished. Some have gained a pound a day and would gradually take on less until they would not increase in weight more.

The all important thing is to drink large quantities of milk strippings (the very last of the milking, which is all cream when a proper cow is selected.)

This seems so simple and easy that many have refused to follow directions and demand medicinal to cure them, but there has not yet been discovered any medicine that is a specific for consumption.

To get best results a healthy cow should be selected, one that does not cough and one that gives very rich milk. A Jersey cow is preferable. The milk should always be tested, to be sure that there is a large percentage of cream in it.

The last quart should be milked into a separate dish which rests in a larger vessel containing warm water just sufficient to prevent the strippings from cooling below blood heat. The cow should be thoroughly cleaned to prevent any dirt getting into the milk, so the patient can blow back the froth and drink at once without straining, as this cools it too much.

Begin by drinking nearly a pint in the morning and the same at night, and increase the quantity gradually so that in 10 or 15 days a full quart will be taken twice a day. It should be taken immediately after milking, before it has had time to cool any. All should be taken that can be without too much discomfort, and then rest 2 or 3 minutes and drink more and rest again, and so on until a full quart has been taken as soon as it can be conveniently. In about fifteen minutes the patient should eat at the table such articles of food as are known to agree with the stomach. At noon eat as usual.

When the strippings are not allowed to cool below heat and taken immediately after it is milked a full quart will be transfused into the circulation in a remarkably short time.

I never have seen a case but could take the strippings without any discomfort worth mentioning when above directions were followed strictly, although some have declared they could not before trying it; but when they delayed taking for half an hour and the milk had cooled ten degrees I have seen half a pint make them very sick. The great secret of success with it is in taking it immediately after milking and not allowing it to cool below blood heat, taking a full quart morning and evening, that is very rich.

Street Car Men Strike Again.

Philadelphia, Feb. 21.—Coming when least expected, a strike was declared against the Philadelphia Rapid Transit company by the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway employees this afternoon, and tonight the police and firemen were busy handling turbulent crowds. Two cars were burned, a score of cars were attacked, forcing their crews to abandon them and numerous arrests were made. Except in the central part of the city, streetcar service was almost at a standstill.

Castro Heads New Plot.

Caracas, Venezuela, Feb. 21.—The discovery of a new plot against the government and in the interest of ex-President Castro has caused a sensation. Many arrests of prominent persons have been made. Disquieting rumors regarding the political intentions of General Jose Hernandez, leader of the Nationalist party, and formerly minister at Washington, who is now in Paris, have alarmed his partisans here.

More Bodies Recovered from Mine.

Cherry, Ill., Feb. 21.—Four more bodies were taken out of the St. Paul coal mine today. This makes a total of 126 bodies recovered since the disaster of November 3. It is estimated that 173 bodies are yet to be found. Charles L. Atherton, known as the "top boss," who was shot while at his post of duty by Metas Maditch yesterday, was reported today to be dying.

China Warned by Powers.

Pekin, Feb. 21.—Great Britain and France have made joint formal and friendly recommendations to China that that government should not proceed with the Chin Choo & Algon railway scheme without taking into consideration the wishes of Russia and Japan.

HAPPENINGS FROM AROUND OREGON

OREGON'S NEW WATER CODE.

Methods of Registering Water Rights Under State Law

Salem.—The following statement was prepared by State Engineer John H. Lewis to refute some of the charges that the new water law passed by the legislature last year is too intricate and cumbersome:

"The assertion has been made that the Oregon water code is so intricate and restrictive in its operation as to prevent or greatly check the use of streams either for power or for irrigation.

"For the purpose of throwing some light on this subject a summary of the filings made under this law in the state engineer's office between February 24 and December 31, 1909, has been made.

"A total of 494 applications for permits to appropriate water have been filed, the estimated cost of the proposed work, as given by the applicants, amounting to \$30,000,000. The magnitude of these figures can be appreciated when it is remembered that \$2,100,000 represented the total cost of all irrigation works prior to 1902, according to the United States census, and it is believed that \$5,000,000 will fully cover all expenditures made since such date, including those of the government.

"The fees paid to the state in connection with these filings amount to \$9,700, a sum which more than covers the cost to the general taxpayer of the state engineer's department. No complaint as to excessive fees or unreasonable regulations or restrictions has been heard. Water right records are necessarily more complicated than land records, and the applicant, or rather those which have appeared at the office, seem to think the cost does not exceed the benefits. Sixty-two of the 494 applications have been canceled from the records and the water is subject to reappropriation.

"The water code makes no annual charge for the use of water for power development, but limits the franchise or right to a period of 40 years, subject to a preference right of renewal under the laws then existing. It should not be confused with a separate law which provides for an annual tax of 25 cents to \$2 upon each horsepower developed. But little complaint as to the excessive amount of these fees has been heard from the small appropriator who intends to apply the power to his own use. It is different, however, with the large appropriator and its retarding influence is reflected in the small number of such filings made under this law. Only a few of the small appropriators have paid the tax in response to notices sent out prior to January 2.

"Forty-nine petitions for the determination of water rights on various streams of the state have been filed with the board of control. This board is composed of the state engineer and the division superintendent of each of the two divisions into which the state is divided. Surveys have been completed and testimony taken on nine of these streams. All irrigated lands, power plants, ditches, etc., along 11 other streams, have been located and mapped during the past season by the state engineer. In all, 27,500 acres of irrigated land have been accurately measured and mapped, at a cost of 7 cents per acre.

"The most important of these streams are the Umatilla river and all its tributaries, Crooked river, Squaw creek and Tamalo creek, in Crook county, Willow creek in Morrow county, and Willow creek in Malheur county, also Little Butte creek in Jackson county. The popularity of the law with respect to the adjudication of old rights has far exceeded the expectation of the legislature, as the appropriation for the state engineer's office is so limited that surveys cannot keep pace with demands.

"No right to the use of water can be acquired except by application to, and the issuance of a permit, by the state engineer. The records as summarized above and the experience of this office during the ten months of 1909 during which the water code has been in effect, leads to the conclusion that this law is entirely satisfactory to the prospective inventor and settler. It has already stimulated the development of the state through irrigation. Power filings and doubtless power development has been somewhat retarded by the annual tax provided for in a separate law. Complaints as to this feature should not be directed against the water code."

Big Baldwin Ranch Sold.

Portland.—One of the largest transactions on record in eastern Oregon ranch lands was consummated last week when the immense Crook county holdings of the Baldwin Sheep and Land company was sold to a syndicate of Portland capitalists for a figure said to be in the neighborhood of \$450,000.

The Baldwin company's holdings comprise 26,600 acres located on Hay creek and Trout creek, and occupying

Accommodations for Passengers.

Salem.—The railroad commission has taken up the matter of providing facilities and conveniences at the point near Derry where the West Side division of the Southern Pacific crosses the line of the Salem, Falls City & Western railroad. Waiting rooms will be built and the schedules arranged so that connections both north and south can be made by the passengers en route from Salem and Dallas to Corvallis and Portland.

the best lands in the district south of

Shaniko and east of Madras. The purchase includes the improvements on the place, including a large general store and bank, the value of which is conservatively estimated at \$100,000.

A large portion of the Baldwin ranch comprises some of the finest alfalfa land in Eastern Oregon to the extent of several thousand acres. It is the intention of the new owners of the property to develop all of the alfalfa lands by conserving the waters in Hay creek and Trout creek for irrigation purposes. Practically all of the water in both those streams for their entire length is controlled by the Baldwin ranch. The Deschutes line of the Harriman system will run through the Baldwin property and arrangements have already been made for establishing one or more shipping points on the company's land.

BIG DEVELOPMENT SCHEME.

Company Applies for Blanket Franchise in Two Counties.

Medford.—It is reported that the American Development company has applied for a blanket franchise for a trolley line over all the roads of Jackson and Josephine counties. A certain degree of mystery surrounds the company in that those whose names appear on the articles of incorporation recently filed, refuse to divulge the identity of their associates who are supposed to be furnishing the financial backing.

As yet the principal work of the corporation, it appears, has been to secure water rights on the Rogue river in the vicinity of Sam's valley, about 15 miles north of Medford, in Jackson county, and to close contracts for 15,000 acres of land to be included in an extensive irrigation project, the water supply for which is to be obtained from Rogue river.

From various sources it has been ascertained that the contracts for lands covering an area of 15,000 acres have been secured quietly during the past several months, and that water rights on the Rogue river have also been obtained to insure a sufficient quantity of water for the irrigation of orchards, it being ostensibly the intention to provide for the irrigation of the land and its promotion on the market in small tracts.

The land in the vicinity of Sam's valley and Eagle Point is a veritable desert, but once irrigated, it is said, it would become most productive, and as the Rogue river has a strong flow of water with a good fall, it is believed by those having observed the contour of the land that irrigation is feasible.

The object of securing franchises to build railroads on county roads, is taken to be part of the scheme for placing the land within easy reach, if placed under water and thrown on the market.

Strike Pure Water at Well.

Vale.—Newbill & Coleman, who have been sinking a test well one half mile southwest of the town, struck an unlimited flow of pure water. A sample has been sent to Portland for analysis. The well was sunk on the Road company's land, and the mayor has written to that company asking for a donation of the land where the well is situated, and for a plat of land on the Vale hill for a reservoir, and also for a park site to be donated to the city.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Track prices—Bluestem, \$1.13@1.13½; club, \$1.08; red Russian, \$1.04; valley, \$1.05; 40-fold, \$1.10.

Corn—Whole, \$5; cracked, \$36 ton. Oats—No. 1 white, \$31.50 per ton. Hay—Track prices—Timothy, Wil-lamette valley, \$20@21 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$22@23; alfalfa, \$17@18; California alfalfa, \$16@17; clover, \$15@16; grain hay, \$16@18.

Fresh Fruits—Apples, \$1.25@83 box; pears, \$1.50@1.75; cranberries, \$8@9 per barrel.

Potatoes—Carload buying prices—Oregon, 70@75c per sack; sweet potatoes, 2½@3c per pound.

Vegetables—Cabbage, \$1.50@2 per hundred; turnips, \$1.25 per sack; rutabagas, \$1@1.25; carrots, \$1; beets, \$1.25; parsnips, \$1.

Butter—City creamery extras, 37@39c; fancy outside creamery, 35@39c; store, 20@23½c per pound. Butter fat prices average 1½c per pound under regular butter prices.

Eggs—Fresh Oregon ranch, 27½@28c per dozen.

Cheese—Full cream twins, 19@20c per pound, young Americans, 20@21c. Pork—Fancy, 12@12½c per pound. Veal—Fancy, 12@12½c per pound.

Poultry—Hens, 17½@18c; springs, 17½@18c; ducks, 20@22c; geese, 13@14c; turkeys, live, 22½@24c; dressed, 25@29c; squabs, \$3 per dozen.

Hope—1909 crop, prime and choice, 20@22c; 1908s, 17½c; 1907s, 11½c per pound.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 16@23c per pound; mohair, choice, 25c.

Cascara bark—4½@5c per pound. Hides—Dry hides, 18@18½c per pound; dry kip, 18@18½c per pound; dry calf skin, 19@21c; salted hides, 10@10½c; salted calf skin, 15c per pound; green, 1c less.

Cattle—Best steers, \$5.50@5.75; fair to good steers, \$4.50@5; strictly good cows, \$4.50@4.75; fair to good cows, \$3.75@4; light calves, \$5.50@6; heavy calves, \$4@5; bulls, \$3.50@3.75; stags, \$3@4.

Hogs—Top, \$9@9.25; fair to good hogs, \$8.50@8.75.

Sheep—Best wethers, \$6@6.25; fair to good wethers, \$5@5.50; good wethers, \$6; lambs, \$6@6.50.

WORST STORM OF WINTER

Rocky Mountain Blizzard Spreads Over East and West

Chicago, Feb. 18.—The blizzard that gripped the Rocky mountains and Missouri valley regions yesterday swept eastward today and tonight the Ohio valley and western Alleghenias are struggling with one of the heaviest snows of the winter.

Extreme cold prevailed in the Western states today, the thermometer at the summit of the Rockies going as low as 60 below zero. It was 17 below at Pueblo.

Temperatures in the middle Missouri valley moderated during the day, but with nightfall the thermometer again began to fall and zero weather is predicted by tomorrow morning.

A severe blizzard is raging over Lake Erie and Ohio is buried under heavy snow. Passenger trains on trunk lines east of Chicago are from one to four hours late.

The temperature at St. Louis tonight is 4 below zero, and temperatures as low as 8 below are reported in Missouri and Southern Illinois.

Cincinnati tonight lies under a blanket of snow which is the heaviest fall recorded there in 25 years. The snow has been falling steadily for 24 hours and at 10 o'clock tonight has reached a depth of 20 inches.

Communication with the Kentucky side of the Ohio river practically severed for several hours this morning. All trains are from one to four hours late. Reports from towns throughout Southern and Western Ohio say 24 inches of snow is general.

A gale ranging in velocity from 40 to 60 miles an hour and bearing with it a heavy snow, has demoralized traffic in Northern Ohio.

Passenger trains on the New York Central and Pennsylvania lines are running 2 to 4 hours late. Practically no freight trains are moving.

In the 36 hours ending at 8 o'clock 14.9 inches of snow fell at Columbus, Ohio. This is the deepest snow on record there.

At 6:30 o'clock this morning the thermometer registered 17 degrees below zero at Pueblo, Colo., the coldest of the winter, and the coldest weather on record in Pueblo so late in the winter. Suffering of cattle on the range is reported.

JAPAN TAKES EXCEPTIONS

Leading Newspaper Says Japanese Should Be Naturalized.

Tokio, Feb. 18.—"We are tired of the anti-Japanism of American politicians," declares the Asahi today in an editorial which is typical of the general comment upon the Hayes bill in the American congress.

"The question of the naturalization of the Japanese in America is one of the most important matters of the present time," continues the Asahi. "The time has ripened for Japan to take a decisive step toward co-operation with the better element of America, such as that represented by former president Roosevelt.

"It is time for this country to begin negotiations with the better class of Americans looking towards the legalizing of Japanese naturalization.

"Naturalization will be the permanent solution of the problem. The Japanese in America should become American citizens.

"Such attacks as that made upon the Japanese in the Hayes bill are becoming wearisome. They are inspired only by the lower element in America. But it is time for Japan to act."

The Asahi is one of the leading papers of Japan.

House Contains Skeptics

Washington, Feb. 18.—Members of the house may demand that Robert E. Peary exhibit his proofs to the world before voting him a gold medal and the thanks of congress. It was learned that the naval committee was not entirely unanimous on the 'proposition of bestowing honors upon the discoverer of the Pole.

One of the leaders of the house, who declined to allow the use of his name, said today that he was opposed to accepting proofs of Mr. Peary that he discovered the Pole merely because the National Geographical society had accepted them.

Direct Primary to Pass.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 18.—Forty-six Republicans and 43 Democrats combined in the Illinois house of representatives today and passed the direct legislative primary bill. This victory for the direct primary was followed immediately by another when the house concurred in the senate amendments to the main direct primary bill. All that is left to put the two direct primary bills up to Governor Deneen for his signature is for the senate to concur in the house amendments. This will be done.

'Oiled' Doughnuts Poison

Laurel, Md., Feb. 18.—A mistake in the delivery of two barrels of oil nearly caused fatal results here when 50 persons were made violently ill by eating doughnuts prepared in machine oil instead of cooking oil. In two instances entire families were on the sick list, and the physicians had hard work saving them. It developed today that the machine oil had been ordered by a hardware dealer, who received instead the barrel intended for a baker.

Germans in Street Riot

Frankfort-on-the-Maine, Feb. 18.—Severest fighting occurred late today between the police and suffrage demonstrators, and many were wounded on both sides. The Socialists had organized five mass meetings which passed off in good order, but crowds gathered later.

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