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## STEAMER OREGON BURNS

[By Scripps News Association]  
San Francisco, Feb. 28.—A burning steamer which was sighted off Crescent City, Cal., proved to be the "Oregon" of San Francisco Portland steamship company. During the night the vessel crept nearer to the port, and this morning seemed to be in an easy position. The crew is fighting the flames, but at last accounts the fire was continuing to make headway.  
All passengers were transferred to the steamer "Del Norte," which stood by the "Oregon" early last evening and safely landed at Crescent City. The "Oregon" is an old vessel and has been running on the Pacific coast for years, and in addition to a large number of passengers, she carried a valuable cargo of lumber.

### GOOD WORK DONE

The fire was discovered yesterday morning in the after-hold. The vessel at that time was several miles from Crescent City, but the "Del Norte" and a collier were near by. Captain Warner ordered a full head of steam, while the crew passed word among the passengers that there was no danger, at the same time signalling to the "Del Norte" and the collier for their assistance and preparing the launch and the life boats. Great masses of smoke and flames were pouring from the hatches, which were quickly battened down, allaying in a measure the fears of the passengers. The male passengers and the crew acted admirably, and succeeded in preventing a panic among the women. The collier was the first to stand by, and all the passengers were transferred without trouble, while a portion of the crew, in the meantime, were sent to fight the fire and succeeded in containing it to the hold.

### FIGHT ALL NIGHT

When the "Del Norte" came along side, the passengers were transferred to her by the collier and they were brought to Crescent City. The

battle with the flames on the Oregon lasted all night, and early this morning, the vessel, with the fire still raging, came into port, but communications with Crescent City are interrupted. The last report received here at ten o'clock, stated that the vessel was still afloat.

### DOOM SEALED

A dispatch received this afternoon states that the doom of the "Oregon" is sealed. The entire afterpart of the vessel is afloat and the forward part of steamer is flooded.

## APPROPRIATION FOR THE FAIR

[By Scripps News Association]  
Madison Wis Feb 28—A bill appropriating the sum of twenty five thousand dollars for Wisconsin exhibit at the Lewis and Clark Fair passed the Senate today

## Steamer Tacoma Safe

[By Scripps News Association]  
San Francisco Feb 28—A cablegram received this morning states that the steamer "Tacoma" which has been long overdue from Seattle, bound for Vladivostok with a cargo of war, was caught in the ice off Japan. Great anxiety had been felt for the vessel's safety.

## ELEVEN NEGROES BURNED

[By Scripps News Association]  
New York Feb 28—Coroner Flaherty of Brooklyn today began the search of investigation into the collapse of the Fleet Street church last night, in which eleven colored people were crushed to death and over one hundred injured. Coroner Flaherty says that the accident was the result of gross negligence, and that he intends to fix the blame for the disaster. Two of those injured in the hospital are expected to die.

## SENSATIONAL TALK OF SENATOR KERNS

[By Scripps News Association]

Washington Feb 28—Utah secured her statehood by the solemn compact made by the Mormon leaders in behalf of themselves and of their people. The compact has been broken willfully and frequently, and no people in the Mormon church have publicly protested against the violation.

This was the text of the speech on the floor of the Senate today, made by Kearnes, republican, of Utah, in his last utterances before retiring from public life next Saturday. The announced intention of Senator Smoot's colleague to express his views drew a large audience.

**NO QUARREL WITH RELIGION**  
The Senator asserted that he had no

quarrel with the religion, but that "the trouble arose from the way some of the accidental leaders of the Mormon movement sought to make of their religion, not only a system of monopoly, but also a system of social religion, a system of finance, a system of commerce and a system of politics." Senator Kearnes declared that nearly every man of the governing class in the Mormon church is, or has been a polygamist, and that every Apostle of the Church was responsible for part of that evil in the church today, maintaining a practical monopoly in Utah. He said further that it was the duty of the Senate to serve notice that this church monarchy must live with the laws, that the nation is supreme, and that its institutions must be preserved inviolate.

## OLD LAW OFFICE BURNED

Philadelphia, Feb. 28.—The oldest law office of America was partly destroyed Friday, when a fire occurred in the old Orphan's Court Building. The flames reached the second floor, occupied by the law offices of W B Rawle and A T Freedly.

Papers belonging to the William Penn estate and law representatives dating back to the time of George I, were destroyed.

The Rawle law offices are world famous, not alone for their antiquity, but for their library, which is probably the most valuable private collection of legal reference books in America. The offices were established by William Rawle in 1783, and are the oldest in the United States.

## Make Second Cut

[By Scripps News Association]  
San Francisco Feb 28—A second cut in the motive power and car construction force on the Southern Pacific covering the whole Pacific system, is announced for tomorrow. On Feb 1st

ten percent of the employees in these departments were laid off, and it was out that on April 1st, there will be a third ten per cent cut. This affects a total of about fifteen hundred workmen from Los Angeles to Portland

## FELONY TO BET ON RACING

[By Scripps News Association]  
Jefferson City Mo Feb 28—The House today passed a bill making it a felony to engage in bookmaking, pool selling or betting on horse racing and providing penalties of from six months to five years with fines.

## No Constructive Recess

[By Scripps News Association]  
Washington Feb 28—The Senate Judiciary Committee today made a report approved by the democrats of the committee, declaring that there was no such thing as "constructive recess." This report is considered a rebuke to the President for the appointment of General Wood and Collector Crum.

## Pleads Not Guilty

[By Scripps News Association]  
Judge Taylor of the United States court today overruled the motions in the Chadwick case to quash three of the indictments brought against Mrs Chadwick. She was then arraigned and pleaded not guilty.

## Habeas Corpus Continued

[By Scripps News Association]  
New York Feb 28—Justice Gaynor of the Brooklyn Supreme Court today adjourned the habeas corpus proceedings in the case of Nan Patterson until next Wednesday owing to the inability of the assistant district attorney Rad to be present. The young actress was brought over from the tombs in a cab, and was met at the court room by her father who kissed her tenderly on the face. She showed the effect of her long confinement, but seemed delighted to secure a temporary release from her prison quarters.

## Work In Recess

[By Scripps News Association]  
Washington Feb 28—The Senate today referred to the committee on contingent expenses the resolution reported by the committee on interstate commerce, providing for an investigation, during the recess, into freight rates, fares, rebates etc. There was no opposition to the resolution, which undoubtedly passed.

## SCHOONER AND CREW ARE LOST

[By Scripps News Association]

San Francisco, Feb. 27.—A gasoline schooner, supposed to be the "Mary O" San Francisco, it is reported has struck a rock at the entrance of Tomales bay, thirty miles north of here and sunk with all on board. The "Mary O" carried a crew of three men and was making her way to Point Reyes with a cargo of dairy products. The crew consisted of Capt. Beck, Engineer Hocker and deck hand Bill Nelson, all of this city. Searching parties hurried to the scene, but found no sign of either vessel or men.

## Kansas Oil Refinery

[By Scripps News Association]

Kansas City, Feb. 28.—Orders have been placed with the first independent oil refinery built under the protection given by the new Kansas laws, and within sixty days the plant will be constructed at Motato, with a capacity of one thousand barrels per week. The entire output is sold to jobbers under contract, who will compete with the Standard oil in the southwest.

## WILL ATTEND THE EXPOSITION

[By Scripps News Association]

Washington, Feb. 28.—The Senate agreed on a resolution accepting the invitation to Congress to attend the Lewis and Clark Exposition, and providing for the appointment of a joint committee of ten Senators and fifteen representatives to represent the Government.

## STRIKES HIDE REVOLT

[By Scripps News Association]

Moscow, Feb. 28.—Seventeen thousand workmen of the Assaroff factory joined the ranks of the strikers today.

Berlin, Feb. 28.—The newspaper Voerwaerts today asserts that an official report that the strike movement in Russia conceals a grave situation. The paper reports that the rebels in the province of Baku, Elisabethopol, Tiflis, Batals and Daghestan have proclaimed their independence and determined to establish an independent state. Two hundred thousand workmen are now on a strike in the provinces of Kieff, Kherson, Poltava, Hadolla and Karkoff. All the railways and connections in southeastern Russia are interrupted, and a thousand miles of telegraph lines has been destroyed.

### GRANT DEMANDS

Warsaw, Feb 28—The board of directors of the Vistula Railroad today decided to grant the demands of the strikers, and it is hoped that the train service will be resumed immediately.

## WAGE FIERCE FIGHT

[By Scripps News Association]

Tokio Feb 28—It is reported that the Russians numbered twelve thousand in the fight at Tain Khat Chon on Feb 23rd and their losses estimated at two thousand and the Japanese losses reported to be very slight.

### St Petersburg, Feb. 28.—Gen

Kuropatkin reports ten attacks made by the Japanese in two battalions and another part of Ten Ain Toun were repulsed by the Russians. The Japanese renewed the attack on Feb. 27 and were again repulsed and left one hundred corpses. The Russian loss was six.

Tokio Feb 28—General Oyama reports that the Russian batteries at Nampol mountain, Sha Hapao and Su Fag Tai occasionally shell his lines. The infantry attack west of Mukden road Sunday night was repulsed. The Russians have resumed the construction of defense works in the vicinity of Lijian Tun.

### JAPS CLAIM VICTORY

Tokio, Feb. 28.—Official reports of a battle at Tain Kachen state that the first assault began at noon Feb. 23, the Japanese attacking fiercely, and the Russians, strongly fortified, offering stubborn resistance. The fighting was resumed at dawn on the 24th, and by ten in the morning the lines were so close that they exchanged hand grenades. Following the Japanese flank attack the Russians fled, burning the town and leaving one hundred and fifty dead. The Japanese captured many guns and twenty four prisoners.

### MAY WITHDRAW

A dispatch from St Petersburg this evening states that both the Russian centre and right are engaged today while heavy fighting on the left still continues. It is reported on high authority that General Kuropatkin has notified the Emperor of the immediate withdrawal of the army to the Pass as a necessary result of the success of General Kuroki's banking movement on the left.

## Mob Hangs Hold Up

[By Scripps News Association]

Zeno Nev Feb 28—A mob at Kato Churchhill county, hanged a hold up last night. "Red" Wood and his companion robbed two men at a railroad station and the mob quickly gathered and ran the two men into the sage brush where one was overtaken and lynched. The other party escaped.

## For A Laprosarium

[By Scripps News Association]

Washington, Feb 28—The Hepburn bill, providing for the laprosarium on the Hawaiian Islands, under the control of the marine hospital service passed the House today.

## New Spring Goods

*Of all sorts and descriptions are coming in daily and our store is gradually taking on its Spring attire. The new goods are beautiful beyond description, the most beautiful we have ever seen. Taking the entire Spring line, being gradually put in place on our shelves and tables, as a whole, we feel that our*

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