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MAY POSTPONE TOKIO EXPOSITION

PRESIDENT OF BIG SHOW UNPOPULAR IN JAPAN.
Financial and Industrial Depression, Coupled With Unpopularity of Man Who is at the Head, May Postpone Japan's World's Fair—Was Set for 1912—People Angry at Management for Lavish Method of Spending Government Money.

Tokio, Aug. 26.—The unpopularity of President Kaneko, of the Tokio World's exposition, has caused difficulties which may result in the postponement of the show which was set for 1912. The people are angry because Kaneko is spending so much government money.

The rumor of the postponement is so strong that the minister of agriculture and commerce today issued formal denials. Many think, owing to the strained financial and industrial situation, the government chose a poor time to spend so much money for the exposition. Already many millions of yen have been expended. Kaneko belongs to the party represented by the deposed cabinet, which is accused of extravagances and waste in handling public funds.

Yesterday's Baseball Scores.
Portland, 9; Oakland, 11.
San Francisco, 9; Los Angeles, 3.

All New Stuff.
The attractions at the scenic theater, which opens tonight, is all new stuff, for it has been released only two weeks. The program is the best comic series the house has yet produced, says the manager.

UNIFORM WAGES AGREED TO.

Section Men's Strike Virtually Over—New Arrangement of Wages.

Tacoma, Aug. 26.—Supt. W. C. Albee, of the western division of the Northern Pacific announced today that the strike of section men is virtually over. It developed today that an agreement has been reached between the Northern Pacific, Great Northern, Union Pacific, Southern Pacific and O. R. & N. roads, whereby the section men on these systems will be paid the same wage, \$1.25 per day. This will prevent men from shifting.

RUFFIANS RULE CALIFORNIA CITY

RUFFIANS AND CITIZENS MAY COME TO BLOWS.

California City Already in Center of Reign of Terror Brought on by a Band of Ruffians—Cripple Fire Department and Many Ignite Buildings—Business Men Receive Threatening Letters—Fear Serious Results Will Follow Soon.

Marysville, Cal., Aug. 26.—Vigilantes are in charge of the town of Quincy, county seat of Plumas county. It is feared serious trouble will result between a band of ruffians and the citizens whom they have been terrorizing for several days. Matters came to a climax last night when the fire apparatus was tampered with. The hose was cut just before an attempt was made to burn the buildings. A number of incendiary attempts have been made. The business men have received numerous unsigned and threatening letters.

MANY KILLED

IMPOSSIBLE TO ASCERTAIN NUMBER OF DEAD, THOUGH DEATHLIST IS PLACED AT FIFTY NOW.

Floods and Rain Doing Enormous Damage to Crops and Railroads—Telegraph Wires in Tangled Mess—Reports From Central Portion of State Confirm Rumors of Death in Many Places—Bridges Washed Out Everywhere—Railroad Business at a Standstill in Many Places—Worst Rain in Years and Still Falling in Some Places—Several Towns in Darkness Already.

Columbia, S. C., Aug. 26.—Reports today indicate that nearly 50 persons were drowned in the floods raging in this state. Property loss runs into millions. The Wateree river is out of its bed at Camden, where 19 lost their lives in a bridge collapse. The reports from Lynch river district say the loss of property and life is heavy. Heavy rains have fallen the past three days. The following official report has been issued by the Southern Railway company:

"Rains are very heavy over our lines between Columbia, Greenville, Spartanburg and Asheville. The Broad river at Alton, S. C., is over its banks, a cave-in has occurred at Herbert's siding and 40 miles of tracks washed out between Palmetto and Piedmont, S. C.
Lives Lost at Salisbury

Salisbury, Aug. 25.—The heaviest rains in many years have prevailed for the past 48 hours in central and western North Carolina. It is feared many lives are lost.

Raleigh, S. C., Aug. 26.—Trains continue today. At Norfolk the Southern Railway suspended operations on account of the washouts.

Communication Cut Off.
Athens, Ga., Aug. 26.—Two bridges are down at Oconee and others are tottering as a result of the floods. The gas and electric supply is shut off. Telephone and telegraph wires are down.

Crops Ruined.
Spartanburg, S. C., Aug. 26.—All bridges in this county are down and the damage is great. The crops are a total loss.

MONSTER MASS OF WATER POURED OVER AUGUSTA, GA.

Augusta, Ga., Aug. 26.—The canal locks, seven miles above this city, burst today under the terrific force of the floods, and the waters have inundated the city, two feet of water covering the streets. Great destruction of property has resulted.

It was reported late this afternoon that 45 were killed when the locks broke. The water is now five feet deep in the telephone exchange building.

The people are greatly excited, and many of them are rushing wildly about carrying personal belongings. All transportation systems are stopped and there is no power for lighting. The break was unexpected. The water rushed seven miles to the city, spreading in all directions. The people had time to escape, however. They are unable to tell at this hour for a certainty whether any lives were lost or not. The destruction is complete in the path of the water.

The canal was nine miles long and brings a great volume of water into the city.

INTRODUCE A NEW INDUSTRY

DRY CHERRIES, LIKE PRUNES, ARE VERY PROFITABLE.

Cove Fruitgrowers Find Ready Market and Paying Prices for a New By-Product of the Cherry Tree—Under-sized and Over-ripe Fruit is Dried in Dryer and Shipped East in Freight Cars—New Here, and May Prove Big Enterprise.

The versatility of the Grande Ronde valley is again exemplified in the announcement of the Stackland Bros. of Cove, who have made and found a market for dried cherries. The process of drying cherries is entirely new and novel in this section of the United States. It has been found successful in eastern sections, where cherries are inferior, but never has it been attempted along modern and improved lines on the Pacific coast. Messrs. Stackland have cherries on hand to produce five tons of dried cherries. (Continued on page 8.)

WALK TO MILL.

Palmer Mill Employees Will Have Better Walks in Near Future.

Employees of the George Palmer Lumber company's mill will soon have sidewalks on which to reach their work. An ordinance was passed some time ago providing for a string of sidewalks that will lead to the mill from the railroad crossing at Second street. The walks will lead from the crossing down the west side of Second to Lake avenue, and from the south side of Lake avenue to Marion avenue.

REFUSE TO LET MORMONS LAND

IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS DEPORT MORMON CONVERTS.

With Orders Issued to Deport Thirteen Mormons, Further Examinations for Twenty-three Others, the Immigration Bureau has Precipitated Strife—Elders Will Appeal Their Case to Roosevelt—Two of Those Turned Back Are Girls.

Boston, Aug. 26.—It was announced today that the board of inquiry appointed by the immigration bureau to investigate the cases of 100 Mormon converts who arrived by the steamer Republic, decided to deport 13.

Twenty-three are held for further examinations, and the rest allowed to land. Immigration officials say a majority of the immigrants were offered inducements to come here.

The Mormon elders are indignant. They declare they will carry their case to President Roosevelt. Two of those ordered deported are young girls.

Tolstoi Dying.
St. Petersburg, Aug. 26.—A message says Count Leo Tolstoi, the philosopher, is critically ill, and is near death's door.

Canadian Exhibition.
Toronto, Ont., Aug. 26.—The Canadian National exhibition is now nearing completion and will be in readiness for the opening on Saturday. Buildings on the grounds represent an investment of \$1,500,000. The fire-proof stand has a seating capacity of 16,400. Eight thousand animals will be on view at one time, and in addition to the livestock exhibits, there will be international cat and dog shows. The grounds cover nearly 200 acres, the exhibition buildings about 30 acres, and the industrial exhibit 10 acres.

TAFT OPENS HIS CAMPAIGN FRIDAY

BRYAN IN HIS PLACE OF BIRTH, SPENDING DAY.

Taft's Fishing Season is Over and a Steerious Trip Starts Friday—Will Open Headquarters at Cincinnati About September 7—Bryan Reaches His Birthplace and is Royally Received—Gets "Chummy" With Old-Time Farmer Friends.

Hot Springs, Aug. 26.—Arrangements for the departure of Taft and party on Friday have been made. The fishing trip was completed today. It is probable they will start September 7 for Cincinnati, where Taft will make his headquarters.

The first stop will be at Gamley, where the car will be sidetracked for three hours. A three-minute stop will be made at Gallopolis, O. At Athens Taft will make a non-political address to the civil war veterans. Toledo will be the next stop at 10 o'clock Saturday.

Bryan at Birthplace.
Salem, Ill., Aug. 26.—With the band playing "Home, Sweet Home," several hundred friends and old neighbors gathered at the depot when W. J. Bryan arrived at his birthplace today. The candidate was escorted about the town and entertained at the home of relatives and at noon enjoyed a luncheon given by the democratic club. He addressed the club informally. Theodore A. Bell of California followed with a short address, in which he said Bryan can carry the Pacific coast.

One old man at the depot told Bryan he knew him when he was in short pants. The two conversed for several minutes.

FLEET SAILS TOMORROW.

Atlantic Fleet Will Next Stop at Melbourne for Short Time.

Sydney, Aug. 26.—Jackies of the Atlantic fleet are cleaning the brass work and scrubbing, preparatory for the departure of the fleet for Melbourne tomorrow morning. No visitors were allowed on board. A demonstration has been prepared for the departure.

The admiral is making liberal allowance for shore leave. Places of amusement continue to be filled with sailors and officers. The jackies and officers are glad the schedule calls for the arrival of the vessels at Melbourne on Sunday. There will be no formal demonstration until Monday, and all will have time to rest. The admiral today arranged for coaling the fleet at Albany, St. George's bay, in West Australia, September 11.

OPENING DISPLAY Of Ladies Fall Suits In New York' Latest Styles

This week we place on display for the first time fifty advance styles of New York's smartest ladies' tailored suits made by the best and most exclusive ladies' suit tailors in America.

Suits of distinguishing style, character and individuality—designed by experts who are in touch with the fashion centers of the world—made from cloths that represent the highest obtainable results of the cloth designers and weaver's art.

Embodied in these suits you will find everything worth while, superb workmanship, exclusive styles and patterns and in attention to all the small details so essential in the making of a really stylish garment.

Our prices, too, will give you a decidedly pleasant sensation:

\$15.00 to \$40.00



You are hereby extended most cordial invitation call and look them over.

Take a Little Soda For Your Stomach's Sake

This Advice Certainly Holds Good with Everyone This Sort of Weather

Soda served at our fountain is more than a tasty thirst-quenching beverage. It is tonic and refreshing and every glass a strengthener for the stomach.

Our Soda is absolutely pure, strengthening, reviving, refreshing and healthful. It "lands direct" on the "dry" spot and quenches thirst as nothing else will, because we serve it at just the right temperature.

HILL'S DRUG STORE LA GRANDE, OREGON