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NEWS OF THE WEEK

From All Parts of the New World and the Old.

OF INTEREST TO OUR MANY READERS

Comprehensive Review of the Important happenings of the Past Week in a Condensed Form.

Two Chinese officials were publicly beheaded at Pekin.

Civil government was established in Bulacan province.

Thirty-two lives were lost in the Wyoming mine fire.

Gomez says the Cubans are not ready for self-government.

The window block, Minneapolis, was burned. Loss, \$100,000.

The quartermaster steamer Newark was wrecked on Catacaunas island.

The capitalization of the Morgan steel combination will be \$1,100,000,000.

Ward, the Terre Haute murderer, was lynched and his body was cremated.

No decision has been reached respecting the date for King Edward's coronation.

Kitchener and Botha are said to have met to arrange for Boer's surrender.

Consul Wiltman, in a Honolulu interview, said the Philippine rebellion is at an end.

The robbery of \$10,000 worth of jewelry from the Hotel Savoy, New York, was committed by a tall boy.

There have been 800 deaths in Bombay during the past two days. Of this number 400 were due to the plague.

The postoffice department will destroy about 54,000 postal cards which belonged to the republic of Hawaii.

At Cowen, a maniac, was arrested in Denver, on suspicion of being the man who has been terrorizing women there.

The Centennial bank, of Ashley, has closed its doors. No statement is obtainable. The bank carried \$36,000 deposits.

Fire, caused by crossed wires, damaged the Cordova hotel, at Memphis, to the extent of \$10,000. The occupants escaped.

Mrs. Magpie Deiborn threw her two children into the Monongahela river, at Pittsburgh. She had been under religious excitement for several weeks.

One thousand dollars in diamonds, jewelry and watches was wrested from a man within sight of a Chicago police station. The victim of the robbery was Marcus Stroz, a jewelry salesman.

The Morgan steel combination was incorporated.

Fifty men are imprisoned in a burning mine in Wyoming.

A Topeka carpenter was shot during a raid on a wholesale liquor house.

Dewet's retreat from Cape Colony was checked by the Orange river flood.

Insane Uniontown, Wash., mother who threw her six children into a well strangled them first.

Clyde Vaughn, the Jefferson youth who made a murderous assault upon a girl with an ax, was sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary.

Dr. Charles F. Ames, once a colonel in the United States army and a participant in the early campaigns in the West, died at Wanigan, Ill., aged 88 years.

A fire in a residence situated in the poor quarters of Birmingham, England, resulted in six men and women being burned to death and four dangerously injured.

Frank H. Hamilton, convicted at Minneapolis of manslaughter in the first degree, was sentenced to seven years' hard labor at the state penitentiary at Stillwater.

"Hassia is in dire need of money immediately," says the Petersburg correspondent of the London Daily Mail, "and M. de Witte will be compelled to negotiate a loan."

William Ribbet, a miler employed in the Revenue tunnel, near Breckenridge, Colo., was overwhelmed in a landslide in Geneva gash. Searching parties recovered his body. He was from Johnston, Pa.

The importation of a force of Portuguese workmen to take the places of Spanish strikers at Vigo, Spain, led to a disturbance. The foreigners were stoned and shot were fired. General arms were compelled to intervene to restore order.

The manifestations against the clerical of Oporto, Spain, continue. The police are doing everything possible to overcome the disorder. A crowd assembled before the home of the consul of Brazil, who was obliged to appear on the balcony with his wife. They were loudly acclaimed. The police dispersed the manifestations. A few arrests were made.

American machinery is being shipped to every part of the world.

Railway track elevation in Chicago has cost the companies over \$17,000,000.

Foreign diplomats expect the United States to establish a protectorate over Cuba in regard to foreign affairs.

Troops in Pekin looted the roof of a Buddhist temple in the belief that the tiles were of gold, but they were only gold plated.

Austrian manufacturers and merchants are alarmed over the increase in foreign trade of the United States.

Prof. Pickering, of Harvard, was awarded the gold medal of the Royal Astronomical Society of England.

Mrs. Mary Wardell has retired as organist of the Greenwood Baptist church in Brooklyn, N. Y., after serving continuously for 30 years.

Preparations are being made for the erection of a large steel plant at Newark, Ohio, which will cost \$1,000,000. Over 2,500 men will be employed.

RECORDS OF LEGISLATURE

BILLS PASSED BY BOTH HOUSES.

H. B. 1, amending mining laws.

H. B. 5, times and places of court, Second district.

H. B. 19, relating to electric wires on highways.

H. B. 20, validating certain marriages.

H. B. 21, penalties for injuring or destroying records on public lands.

H. B. 24, amending law for relief of indigent soldiers.

H. B. 26, reorganization of Oregon National Guard.

H. B. 27, uniform system of mine bell signals.

H. B. 33, appropriation \$1,000 for Soda Springs.

H. B. 39, relative to taxation of personal property.

H. B. 44, to aid Oregon Historical Society.

H. B. 54, amending bankrupt bonding act.

H. B. 59, punishment for poisoning domestic animals.

H. B. 62, consolidating offices in Multnomah county.

H. B. 63, providing for building bicycle paths.

H. B. 65, providing extra clerical aid for state treasurer.

H. B. 66, fixing witness' fees in Multnomah county—coroner cases.

H. B. 71, regulating surety companies.

H. B. 76, providing for election of road supervisors.

H. B. 88, regulating purchase of public supplies.

H. B. 97, public bidding for county supplies.

H. B. 100, protection of labels and trademarks.

H. B. 102, to prevent coercion and intimidation of voters.

H. B. 108, for collection of road poll tax and manner working roads.

H. B. 110, protection of forests, game and wild life.

H. B. 113, duty of surveyors in establishing boundary lines.

H. B. 121, duties of state superintendent of public instruction.

H. B. 122, amending trespass law.

H. B. 126, amending law in relation to kidnapping.

H. B. 128, amending law authorizing furnishing of public records.

H. B. 144, protecting copyrighted plays.

H. B. 146, relating to mining claim locations.

H. B. 149, providing punishment for desecration of American flag.

H. B. 171, appropriation for general expenses of state.

H. B. 172, providing for domestic irrigation.

H. B. 177, reserving oyster beds in Netarts bay.

H. B. 178, regulating disbursement proceedings.

H. B. 179, regulating fishing on Alsea river and bay.

H. B. 183, regulating recording of chattel mortgages.

H. B. 187, relative to service of citation.

H. B. 188, relating to election law for Multnomah county.

H. B. 189, abolishing separate board of commissioners for Multnomah county.

H. B. 200, increasing salary of deputy clerk of Malheur.

MITCHELL IS ELECTED

Twenty-Fifth Ballot Gave Him the Senatorship.

HE RECEIVED JUST ENOUGH TO ELECT

Republican Minority, the Majority of the Democrats and a Few Corbett Men Were His Supporters.

Salem, Or., Feb. 24.—John H. Mitchell was elected United States senator at 12:30 this morning. It was the 25th ballot of the day and the 63d of the legislative session. The result was reached on the inevitable last ballot, and was attended by scenes of supreme uproar and enthusiasm on the part of the Mitchell push. On the final ballot Mitchell had 46 votes and Corbett 39. The senator received a minority vote of 35, the majority being reached on the 25th ballot. The Corbett forces were sufficient to elect him.

The hands of the clock had already pointed to midnight and the clerks were engaged in checking up the roll call. There was great excitement and loud calls for the name of Mitchell from the lobby. The first deserter from the Corbett ranks was Hemenway, of Lane. On the previous roll call Mitchell had had 34 votes and Corbett 36. When his name was reached Hemenway, in the last roll call, withdrew.

The call proceeded to the end, and Mitchell and Corbett were then exactly tied, having 35 votes each. Then McQueen, of Lane, arose, and with a brief speech changed to Mitchell, putting him in the lead.

McQueen, who had been sitting on the floor, arose and said that Mitchell had made a short address, saying he had come here with a clean conscience, but he thought it his duty to elect a senator, and he changed to Mitchell. Corbett followed him from the Herman ranks, also came Senator.

The crowd in the lobby was so great that he could not be seen. He was accompanied by Mr. Stuy, re-elected the railroad north of Kranskil and south of Orange river station yesterday. The Orange river row five feet last evening. A heavy rain is still falling, and it is believed to be impossible for the Boers to cross the stream. They are being closely followed by Colonel Thornycroft, who left here yesterday by rail. Several other columns are converging on General Dewet.

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WYOMING MINE HORROR

Fifty Men Imprisoned and Probably Dead in a Burning Coal Mine.

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A RAID AT MIDNIGHT

Room Destroyers of Topeka Participate in Riot—One of Their Number Shot.

At midnight a crowd of citizens, heavily armed with revolvers, sledgehammers, crowbars and a battering ram, broke into the wholesale liquor house of "Cash" Curtis, on West Curtis street, and smashed the beer cases found there. Three policemen drove the crowd back. Both the policemen and the citizens fired their revolvers, and J. W. Adams, a carpenter, was shot twice in the breast. He was taken in a hack to Riverside hospital, where he lies in a precarious condition.

Dr. M. R. Mitchell and Rev. F. W. Emerson were arrested. Rev. Mr. Emerson was taken to the police station, where he was booked under the charge of resisting an officer. His left hand was cut and bleeding. He was allowed to go upon his own recognizance. Dr. Mitchell took the injured man to the hospital and was allowed to stay and administer to him without giving bond.

The three policemen, Patrolmen Downey and Boyce and Private Watchman Conner, claim that Adams was shot by his own crowd while he was retreating from the place where the liquors were smashed, and Adams says he was shot by a policeman. Officer Dewey says he did not arrive at the scene of the trouble till it was about over. Officer Boyce, who carries a Colt's 44-caliber revolver, claims that the two shots he fired were in the air, and that he did not aim at anyone. Dr. Mitchell and Dr. Charles W. Hammond, who cared for Adams at the hospital, say that he was shot with a 32 or 38-caliber revolver.

Public indignation was tremendous and passed over at once organized and covered the country. The leaders of the mob were arrested. Early today Ward was arrested on suspicion. At first he denied any knowledge of the crime, but later confessed, saying the girl had taunted him about his color, and had slapped him in the face, and a fit of anger led him to shoot her and then cut her throat.

Ward was placed in jail, and as soon as the fact became known, a crowd began assembling before the structure. By noon hundreds of people surged in the street in front of the jail demanding that Ward be delivered to them. Evidently the crowd in front of the jail door, and in a moment had battered it down. They were driven back, however, by Jailor O'Donnell, who fired a shotgun several times over their heads. Three deputy sheriffs received slight injuries from the charges of shot, but none of the mob was hurt.

Arrangements were at once made to take the prisoner before the court at 3 o'clock to be sentenced. This was announced to the mob, but did not appease it. At 12:30 the mob again rushed at the battered door of the jail and swept all resistance aside. Ward was found crouching in a cell, and was dragged out. A rope was placed around his neck and he was dragged to the wagon bridge across the Wash river three blocks away, and hanged to a brick wall. The body of the victim was beaten with sticks and shot at by members of the mob and he was unconscious when hanged and in all probability dead. When the body was dropped from the bridge one strand of the rope broke and the body of the mob, thinking that their victim might drop into the river, hauled the body up again and it was dragged to the west side of the river and buried.

There was no attempt at disguise on the part of any member of the mob. In all the crowd not a word of sympathy for the wretch was to be heard, though many deprecated the final act of burning.

It is estimated that 2,500 people formed the mob.

A Remarkable Escape.

Butte, Mont., Feb. 28.—John Youcum, Tim Stevens and John Reagan, employed in the Rose mine, had the most remarkable escape from death today in the history of mining accidents in this camp. They entered the bucket to descend the shaft, 450 feet. The bucket was swung clear and the cables on the hoisting apparatus refused to work. The men descended at lightning speed to the bottom. There it struck the bulkhead and crashed through, landing with its human freight in the sump. One of Youcum's legs was broken and the other men were cut and bruised. How they escaped death is a miracle.

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