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EVENTS OF THE DAY

FROM THE FOUR QUARTERS OF THE WORLD.

A Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week Presented in a Condensed Form Which is Most Likely to Prove of Interest to Our Many Readers.

Many Filipinos have applied for civil service positions.

Kruger claims to know nothing of the peace negotiations.

Washington state has repealed the Rands capital punishment law.

A rich ledge of gold has been discovered near La Grande, Oregon.

A small town in Minnesota was almost entirely destroyed by a tornado.

Officers of the Forty-third regiment, in the Philippines, are accused of bribery.

The battle ship Oregon has arrived at Honolulu on her way home from the Orient.

Zurbano has proclaimed himself governor of the Philippines as successor to Aguinaldo.

President McKinley has stated that it is his intention to visit Hawaii in the near future.

Three women were injured in Chicago, two probably fatally, by the collapsing of a stairway.

Owing to fear of fresh trouble in Corea for Americans, the cruiser New Orleans has been ordered there.

McKinley announces that he would refuse to accept the nomination for a third term if it were offered him.

The date of the Rough Riders' Association convention has been changed from August 1 to August 3.

If the striking machinists do not return to work at once the Newport News shipbuilding plant will be compelled to suspend all operations.

Business is improving in the British colonies in South Africa and it is thought that in a short time it will be in as good condition as before the Boer war.

All hope of rescuing the imprisoned men in the Port Royal, Pa., coal mine has been abandoned. It has been ascertained that there are 17 men entombed.

The Chinese cook of a Honolulu-bound steamer killed the mate while out in mid ocean and then held the entire crew at bay for 24 hours, finally killing himself to prevent capture.

Kruger is at The Hague to confer with Boer agents.

King Edward distributed medals to the South African heroes.

Thirty men are entombed in a burning coal mine in Pennsylvania.

The United States will not agree to joint guarantee of Chinese indemnity.

Nonunion strikers will be given aid by International Machinists' Association.

New Orleans ranks next to New York in exports for the fiscal year of 1900.

A convict at Salem, Oregon, is liable to the gallows for assaulting an officer.

English manufacturers are making a bitter fight against American locomotives.

Walter Besant, the English novelist died of influenza after a two weeks' illness, in London.

Steps have been taken to bring the question of ending the Boer war before the arbitration court.

There is no change in the machine strike situation, and the trouble promises to last many months.

Spain has announced that she will issue a loan for territorial defense and reorganization of the army.

A dividend of 40 per cent will be paid within three weeks on claims against the Vancouver, Wash., bank.

Several lives were lost in a tornado in Oklahoma.

A mint is not likely to be established at Manila.

A nugget weighing \$264 has been found in the Klondike.

Secretary Gage favors a "token" dollar for the Philippines.

The weather bureau has sent out warning against rainmakers.

The governor has called an extra session of the Washington legislature.

The explosion of a car of dynamite at Binghamton, N. Y., cost six lives.

Dr. Daly, who started the "embalmed" beef agitation, committed suicide.

The Lake Washington canal project has been referred to the general naval board for final decision.

Action of Canadians in jumping Americans' mining claims causes protest to be made to former government.

There are 14,000 oysters to a ton.

River Jordan water is now exported regularly for baptismal purposes.

In Georgia it is estimated that 30,000 Negroes have been graduated at a cost of \$100,000,000, which colleges are supported by Northern money.

The first mention of stamps is in the letters of the old Bishop Synesius of Cyrene, on the Greek coast of Africa, 400 years after the Christian era.

The Russian government opened 625 new savings banks last year, mostly at railway stations. The total number is now 5,400.

Three sons of former president John Tyler are still alive. One is a member of the Virginia state senate and another is president of William and Mary college.

The present population of Athens, in Greece, is only 80,000. There is no accurate census of the city when in its ancient glory, but it is supposed at one time to have contained 500,000 inhabitants.

CLASH-UP IN FULL SWING.

Klondike Gold Panning Into Down at the Rate of \$40,000 Per Day.

Dawson, May 21, via Seattle, June 8.—The spring clean-up is in full swing in all parts of the Klondike camp. Millions of dollars worth of precious dust has been washed from the mountain-like dumps of pay dirt that were taken out by the army of toiling miners through the long, weary winter months. Within a month \$30,000,000 or \$4,000,000 more will have been taken out and the washing of the winter dumps will be finished. The spring clean-up of the camp is estimated at \$15,000,000, and the summer output at \$10,000,000. The dust is coming into Dawson at the rate of \$30,000 to \$40,000 a day.

After two or three weeks the roads will be drier and it will flow in at a heavier rate. The two banks at Dawson are busier than they have been for months buying or receiving the dust for storage. The big trading companies are receiving a great deal of dust in payment for goods advanced to miners during the winter. The camp is in a flourishing condition, and everywhere good feeling prevails. The first shipments of dust of any consequence to the outside will perhaps not start for a week or two, until the river is at a more steady stage and the boats run more regularly. However, there will be a rush of people out by the first boats, and all will carry more or less of the precious product.

The work of washing up is in progress on all the creeks, and all are sending in dust. Some of the more remote creeks are not sending much yet, because of the muddy condition of the roads or trails. Some of the trails are almost impassable for even the pack animals. What gold is sent from Gold Run, Hunker, Dominion, Sulphur, Eureka, Quartz, Last Chance, Gold Bottom and others of the outside creeks comes by horseback. The stages from Grand Forks frequently bring in as much as \$20,000 at a time, and it is no uncommon sight to see prosperous mine owners carrying into banks grips of the yellow metal that draw them heavily earthward.

CUBANS MAY REPENT.

Administration Hoped That It Will Accept Amendment.

Washington, June 10.—The cabinet was in session over two hours today discussing the Cuban and Philippine situations. A communication has been received from Governor General Wood in regard to the prospect for the unconditional acceptance of the Platt amendment, but its contents are not made public. It can be stated, however, that there is a hopeful feeling in administrative circles that after the first session wears off the convention will see the wisdom of accepting the terms of the amendment. The answer to General Wood to be sent and the language of the communication was under consideration today. Meanwhile the status in Cuba is to be maintained. No action looking to the calling of another convention is contemplated if the present convention should decline to accede to our terms.

The program looking to the establishment of civil government in the Philippines is being formulated in the shape of an order which is to be promulgated shortly. It is said that there is no definite conclusion as to whether the powers of the civil administration will be exercised under the general war powers of the president or the power vested in him by the Spooner amendment. That, however, is considered a matter of detail. The main point is that the civil administration, which will be confined largely to the municipalities, will be vested in the hands of the Taft commission and such other officials as may be designated, and that they will exercise their functions subject to the direct authority of the secretary of war, to whom all reports will be made. Civil administration under military supervision, such as is contemplated, is said not to be anomalous, and the civil government in New Mexico and the Southern states during the early stages of the reconstruction period are pointed to as being substantially analogous to what is proposed in the Philippines.

Sentence Commuted.

Denver, June 10.—The state board of pardons has commuted to 18 years the life sentence of E. O'Kelley, the man who killed Bob Ford, the slayer of Jesse James. The killing occurred at Crede, Col., July 12, 1892.

Telescope Mirror Broken.

Pittsburg, June 8.—A great 35-inch mirror belonging to a New-Yorkian reflecting telescope at Lick observatory was shattered into many fragments while it was being drilled to convert it into a cassagrain glass. As a result it is probable that the long projected exposition of the Lick observatory into the southern hemisphere will have to be postponed. Professor Brashers will make a new glass for the Lick scientists, but the glass cannot be obtained in less than six months. It was valued at \$3,000.

Big Fire at Lexington.

Lexington, Ky., June 10.—The Otto cooper shop burned this afternoon and the fire communicated to other buildings so rapidly that it was feared for some time that the city would be laid in ashes. The fire was beyond control for two hours. Twenty-three houses, mostly tenements, were destroyed, with their contents. Loss, \$80,000.

Overhauling the Oregon.

Washington, June 10.—The battle ship Oregon, which is due before long at the Puget sound naval station, will undergo extensive overhauling. The plan contemplates the removal of the temporary work performed in the Japanese navy yard after the Oregon grounded. The repairs will take about three months.

Northwest Postal Orders.

Washington, June 8.—A postoffice has been established at Dell, King county, Washington, to be supplied by special service from Orilla.

NEWS OF THE STATE

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM ALL OVER OREGON.

Commercial and Financial Happenings of Importance—A Brief Review of the Growth and Improvements of the Many Industries Throughout Our Thriving Commonwealth—Labor Market Report.

Smallpox at Westfall has been eradicated.

Ontario has arranged to observe the Fourth of July.

Athens streets are being improved with crushed rock.

People of Quartzburg have petitioned for a daily mail.

Coquille City is preparing for a Fourth of July celebration.

The treasurer of Marion county had on hand June 1 the sum of \$24,000.25.

The Linn County W. C. T. U. convention will be held the first week in August.

It is reported at Prairie City that "rustlers" are stealing stock in the vicinity of Grub creek range.

The question of bonding school district No. 8, Malheur county, in the sum of \$3,000, to improve the school building, will come before the voters June 18.

J. H. Timon has discovered a 14-foot vein of coal where he has been opening up a mine on Lamprey creek, Coos county. The mine is located within 200 yards of the river.

There is some talk of moving the school house in district 92, Umatilla county, to Missouri gulch or Stage gulch. The district is nine miles long and a number of the children live so far from the school building that they either stay at home or are put to great inconvenience during bad weather. There is also a sentiment for dividing the district.

A nugget, valued at \$38, was found on Pine creek in Eastern Oregon.

Sleet and snow fell at La Grande recently. No damage was done.

Governor Geer will deliver the Fourth of July oration at Baker City.

The Bonanza mine, in Eastern Oregon, yielded nearly \$90,000 for the May cleanup.

Cattlemen in the John Day district have organized for protection against cattle thieves.

The extension of the Sumpter Valley Railroad to Whitney has been opened to traffic.

The Lane County Veterans' Association met in Eugene. Eighty members were present.

There is strong ground for suspicion that John Stanley, who was found dead in Salem a few days ago, was murdered.

An extensive program was rendered at the commencement of the Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis. There were 35 in the graduating class.

Cherries in Marion county are falling off pretty badly and appearances do not indicate as large a yield as expected. The size and quality promise to be good, however.

Portland Markets.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 61@62c; valley, nominal; bluestem, 61@62c; per bushel.

Flour—Best grades, \$2.00@3.40 per barrel; Graham, \$2.60.

Oats—White, \$1.32@1.35 per cental; gray, \$1.30@1.32 per cental.

Barley—Feed, \$1.17@1.50; brewing, \$1.17@1.50 per ton.

Millstuffs—Bran, \$1.17 per ton; middlings, \$2.15; shorts, \$2.00; chop, \$1.6.

Hay—Timothy, \$12.50@14; clover, \$7@9.50; Oregon wild hay, \$6@7 per ton.

Hops—12@14c. per lb.

Wool—Valley, 11@13c; Eastern Oregon, 7@11c; mohair, 20@21c. per pound.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 15@17c; dairy, 13@14c; store, 11@12c. per pound.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, 12@12c. per dozen.

Cheese—Full cream, twins, 12c; Young America, 13@13c. per pound.

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, \$3.00; hens, \$2.30@3.00; dressed, \$6.10c. per pound; springs, \$1.50@3 per dozen; ducks, \$3.30; geese, \$4.25@5; turkeys, live, 8@10c; dressed, 9@10c. per pound.

Potatoes—Old, \$1@1.20 per sack; new, 13@25c. per pound.

Mutton—Lamb, 4c. per pound; gross; best sheep, withers, with wool, \$4.25@4.50; dressed, 6c@7c. per pound.

Hogs—Gross, heavy, \$5.75@6; light, \$4.75@5; dressed, 7c. per pound.

Veal—Large, 6c@7c. per pound; small, 7c@8c. per pound.

Beef—Gross, top steers, \$4.25@4.50; cows and heifers, \$3.75@4.00; dressed beef, 7@7c. per pound.

Since Mexico's mining law of 1892 went into effect, more than 9,000 mining titles have been issued.

In Atchison county, Kansas, a farmer's wife sold \$1,000 worth of butter last year. Another one sold \$564 worth of butter and eggs.

The United States leads all other nations in the matter of fruit growing. Strawberries were valued at \$80,000,000 last year and grapes at \$100,000,000.

London, with 4,600,000 people, spends about \$12,000,000 a year on popular education; New York, with 3,500,000, spends about \$15,000,000.

During his honeymoon the Prince Consort of Holland distinguished himself by personally arresting two poachers, whom he caught trespassing in the forest of Het.

King Alexander of Serbia is the only reigning European monarch without a living heir to the throne. He is the last of the Obrenovitchs, and has not even a distant cousin to succeed him.

SUICIDE OF DR. DALY.

Surgeon on Ship Staff in Porto Rico—In some Affected His Mind.

Pittsburg, June 10.—Major W. H. Daly, surgeon on the staff of General Miles in Porto Rico, committed suicide at his home by shooting himself in the right temple. The body was found in the bathroom lying in a pool of blood, with a .38 calibre revolver lying on the floor. Dr. Daly, who was summoned at once, found the bullet hole in the temple and announced that death had taken place several hours before. No cause is known for Dr. Daly's deed, unless it be that insomnia drove him temporarily insane. For some time he had been unable to sleep regularly. The doctor was a widower and leaves no immediate family. He was 50 years of age and for many years had been prominent in medical circles. He gained international prominence during the Cuban war, as he was, by report to the commanding general of the army that started the "embalmed" beef inquiry.

THE IS GOOD AT REACHING.

The Boston Yacht Independence Takes Another Trial Spin.

Boston, June 11.—The Independence had another short sail in the bay this afternoon, and the breeze being only moderate the yacht spread more canvas than has yet been hoisted. The sea was smooth, and again she proved her wonderful reaching qualities, besides showing considerable ability in windward work. Not only did she hold very well up to the breeze, keeping within an average of three points, but she footed quick last and second, in the neighborhood of 30 seconds. The trial was confined to less than two hours of actual sailing, most of the time being spent on the wind and reaching, and as yet the yacht has not been sent dead to leeward, it being thought well to wait for the spinning and club taut. There was no accident today, barring a slight rent in the mainmast, which rather hindered the setting of the main sail. The yacht may go out again tomorrow afternoon, although there is considerable work to be done upon her.

DYNAMITE IN A CAR.

Collision Causes Two Trains to Be Blown to Atom—Six Lives Lost.

Binghamton, N. Y., June 11.—While a freight train on the Lackawanna was taking water at Vestal, 10 miles west of here, it was run into from behind by a double header wildcat train. In the second car from the caboose of the stationary train was a large quantity of dynamite, which was exploded by the impact. Six men were killed and three fatally injured.

Both trains were blown to atoms, but the remainder of their crews escaped with slight injuries. Much damage was done by the concussion, most of the windows in Vestal and Union, across the river from Vestal, being shattered. Binghamton's plate glass fronts did not escape, many of the largest glooms in the city being broken. The shock was felt at a distance of 30 miles.

REINDEER TRIP ABANDONED.

Officer Who is Now in Siberia to Secure the Animals May Starve to Death.

Seattle, June 11.—The annual voyage of a government ship to Siberia after reindeer, according to Dr. Sheldon Jackson, who left for the north on the transport Warren today, has been abandoned for the season. Lieutenant Berthoff, who crossed Russia and Siberia last year to gather a herd of deer, will be left to get along as best he can until a ship to take him off. He is likely to be left all alone to his own personal efforts for subsistence throughout next winter, as there are few natives where he will be. It will be impossible to attempt to rescue him until after next June, as the ice will permit no approach to the coast.

Prospector's Rich Find.

Davenport, Washington, June 11.—H. D. Winbush, a prospector, arrived yesterday from Stevens county, having in his possession a gold brick valued at \$834. He refused to tell in what manner the specimen was secured, but evidently it was extracted in a crude manner from exceedingly rich ore, as it had been molded in a babbit ladle.

Emperor's Return Postponed.

Shanghai, June 11.—An imperial edict, issued June 6, announces that, owing to the hot weather and the advanced age of the Dowager Empress, the return of the court to Peking has been postponed until September 1, which the astrologers pronounce to be a lucky day on which to commence a journey.

Fell From a Dome.

Buffalo, N. Y., June 11.—Commander J. H. Bull, of the United States navy, in charge of the hydrographic service on the Pan-American cruiser, fell from the dome of the government building. His skull was fractured about the left eye, and one of his legs was broken. The hospital authorities say that, while his injuries are serious, he probably will recover.

Boer Lagers Surprised.

Cape Town, June 11.—The British captured two Boer lagers at different points in Cape Colony and captured 42 prisoners and a quantity of ammunition and supplies. In a railroad wreck near Pretoria, June 7, nine soldiers were killed and many injured.

Mrs. McKinley's Condition.

Washington, June 11.—Dr. Rixey said tonight: "Mrs. McKinley has rested comfortably today. There has been no material change, though possibly there has been a barely perceptible improvement."

ENTOMBED IN MINE.

EXPLOSION CAUGHT SIX MINERS AND SET FIRE TO MINE.

Several Rescued Parties Have Been Taken Into the Mine, but None Have Returned, and It is Feared All Have Been Overcome by Gas—Mina Have to be Flooded to Stop the Fire.

Port Royal, Pa., June 11.—The Pittsburg Coal & Coke company's shaft No. 2, at this place, is again on fire, after running steadily for seven years, and at least 30 men are in the mine, many of whom it is feared, will never be heard from again.

About 6 o'clock smoke was seen to issue from shaft No. 2, which is on the line of the Pittsburg & Lake Erie Railroad. It is thought the fire started from an explosion, and that six men were in the mine at the time. Two of the men, who were not near the point where the explosion occurred, were brought to the surface by a rescue party after being nearly overcome by after damp. They could give no information as to what caused the fire and could not say for sure how many others were in the mine.

After 7 o'clock Superintendent McCune, of West Newton, and several houses with about 20 men went down shaft No. 1, which is just opposite to the Baltimore & Ohio side of the river, and have not been heard from since. About three hours after the rescue party had been in the mine two more explosions were heard. Meantime the crowd around the opening of the shaft had increased, the crowd numbering many mothers, wives and sisters of the men entombed. All sorts of plans have been suggested for the rescue of the men. Some talk of turning the river into the mine, but many are opposed to this for fear of drowning the miners. All that would be necessary to let the deluge of water loose in the mine would be to pull a plug which was placed in the mines after the explosion of seven years ago, and the water would rush into the mines at a rapid rate.

At 11 o'clock last night four men volunteered to go down shaft No. 1 and No. 2 and one down shaft No. 3, but to the present time nothing has been heard of them.

At 3 o'clock this morning heavy volumes of smoke are still issuing from the mine, and hope of saving any of the entombed men, miners or rescuers is fast disappearing.

The Port Royal mines are situated on the Youghiogheny river, 37 miles from Pittsburg. They are owned by the Pittsburg Coal Company.

District Superintendent McCune, who is reported killed at the head of a brave band of volunteers, was one of the most experienced and best known miners in Eastern Pennsylvania.

The Port Royal mines are located in the thick vein coal belt, and are for that reason extremely gas and dangerous. The state mining office has made their management the object of repeated caution.

Seven years ago the mines caught fire from a similar explosion. The mine boss was killed but the others in the pit escaped.

IN NUEVA ECUIA.

Provincial Government Has Been Established at San Pedro.

Manila, June 12.—The Philippine commission returned to Manila today from the province of Nueva Ecija, Luzon, having organized provincial government at San Pedro, capital of the province.

General Taft told the people that if no power were given to levy customs, the expenses of the central government would be paid by additional internal taxes. He pointed out also that if the decision of the authorities at Washington should result in free trade with the United States, opening up such a great market, the increase in land values would enable the people to respond to the increased internal taxes. The northern town has been postponed.

The American astronomical commission has returned from Sumatra, and will sail shortly for home.

Lieutenant Vay's command has had six engagements with the insurgents in the province of Sorsogon, Luzon, killing six. Twenty-three insurgents were captured at Atimon, province of Tabayas. Several minor captures are reported from other parts of Southern Luzon, where the insurgents are still active.

The report circulated in the United States that General Calles has surrendered is unfounded.

Immigration at Manila.

Washington, June 11.—The total number of immigrants arriving at Manila from July to November, 1900, was 6,302, of whom 507 were females. The total number arriving, 5,560 had been in the Philippines before; 3,032 could neither read nor write, and 1,617 brought \$30 or more in money.

Miraculous Escape.

Denver, June 12.—Passengers from the Pacific coast report the miraculous escape from death of Mrs. Phoebe Davis, an aged woman from Los Angeles, Cal., who, while in a state of comatose, walked off the swiftly moving train. She was only slightly injured. She arose after all the passengers in the sleeper had gone to bed and walked to the platform. The porter was the only person who saw her jump.

Boer Losses Heavy.

London June 12.—Lord Kitchener in a dispatch from Pretoria under date of 5 days, says the number of Boers killed, imprisoned or surrendered during the last month totaled 2,940. From June 1 to 8, 20 Boers were killed, four were wounded, 49 men, prisoners and 33 surrendered and 58 rifles, 115,550 rounds of ammunition, 120 wagons and 4,000 horses were captured.

Mrs. McKinley is Gaining Steadily.

Washington, June 11.—Dr. Rixey, when he left the White House at 10:15 last night said: "Everything is encouraging. Mrs. McKinley is doing very nicely. She is gaining steadily. She sat up in a rolling chair several times today, aggregating about an hour. We are very much encouraged by the steady improvements." Surgeon General Sternberg made his usual visit to the White House and on his leaving said that Mrs. McKinley continued to improve and was doing very well.

A POPULAR DELUSION.

Conceding That No Effect On Atmospheric Conditions.

Washington, June 12.—The extensive reports of United States Consul Covert, at Lyons, France, relative to the success of cannon firing in France as a means of protecting orchards and vineyards from hail storms, and also for the purpose of mitigating or nullifying the effects of frost upon vegetation, have prompted numerous inquiries by horticulturists in this country as to when, if at all, our government would adopt similar methods of protection.

Professor Willis L. Moore, the chief of the weather bureau, acting under the direction of Secretary Wilson, therefore, has issued to the press the following statement:

"After an examination of all that has been published during the past two years, my conviction is that we have here to do with a popular delusion as reasonable as the belief in the effect of the moon on the weather. The uneducated peasantry of Europe seem to be looking for something miraculous. They would rather believe in cannonading as a means of protection and spend on it abundance of money, time and labor than, adopt the very simple expedient of mutual insurance against losses that must inevitably occur."

The great processes going on in the atmosphere are conducted on too large a scale to warrant any man of nation attempting to control them. The energy expended by nature in the production of a hail storm, a tornado or a rain storm exceeds the combined energy of all the steam engines and explosives in the world. It is useless for mankind to combat nature on this scale.

After the experience that this country has had during the past few years with rainmakers, I am led to believe that the bombardment of hail storms will ever be practiced or attempted in the United States, much less encouraged by the intelligent portion of the community. Every effort should be made to counteract the spread of the French delusion which, in view of the doubt, to transmit more often.