

EVENTS OF THE DAY

Newsy Items Gathered from All Parts of the World.

PREPARED FOR THE BUSY READER

Less Important but Not Less Interesting Happenings from Points Outside the State.

A heavy snow fall is reported throughout Colorado.

The Morse steamship lines on the Atlantic coast have been reorganized.

A severe electrical disturbance paralyzed telegraph lines in Illinois, Iowa and Wisconsin.

Storms have blocked the Great Northern and Northern Pacific lines in Montana and North Dakota.

The Iowa legislature has elected Governor Cummins United States senator to succeed William B. Allison.

The shah of Persia has been frightened by Russia and Great Britain into withdrawing his refusal of a constitution.

A Coeur d'Alene millionaire has announced the purchase of old mines near Barcelona, Spain, which he will operate under modern methods.

A Tennessee mob waited until three negroes had been tried for murder and sentenced to receive the death penalty when it took the three from jail and lynched them.

Lord Roberts' declaration that Great Britain needs 1,000,000 more soldiers to prevent a possible invasion from Germany, has caused a great stir in the German capital.

Latest reports from Governor-elect Cosgrove, of Washington, say he is improving.

In a riot between German and Italian students at Vienna, more than 150 were injured.

In a raid on clubs of St. Louis for dispensing liquor out of hours, 832 men were arrested.

Admirals Dewey, Schley and Evans defend the navy against the critics of battleship construction.

The British government proposes to spend \$500,000,000 on purchases of land from Irish landlords.

About 1,000 delegates are expected to attend the dry farming congress at Cheyenne, Wyoming, in February.

Lord Roberts has called on Great Britain to provide 1,000,000 men to prevent a possible German invasion.

Charles F. Daly, vice president of the New York Central lines, was an ordinary telegraph operator six years ago.

John D. Rockefeller disclaims the glory of organizing the Standard Oil company. Henry M. Flagler and Samuel C. T. Todd conceived the idea, he says.

A New York paper claims to have received advices from Panama that the great Gatun dam has been washed out. Washington officials say they have heard nothing of it.

Honey is now reported out of all danger.

Governor-elect Cosgrove, of Washington, is much worse.

Kaiser Wilhelm's last speech was prepared by his ministers.

A steamer blew up on the lower Mississippi river, killing 10 men.

Six missing Montana miners were crushed to death in a mine near Helena.

Harriman is reported to have secured control of the Wisconsin Central railway.

Wreckage of an unknown vessel is drifting ashore at Vancouver island, B. C.

Moritz Rosenthal, chief counsel for the Standard Oil, gets a salary of \$1,000 a day.

Admiral Sperry has refused to let the crews of the fleet land at Manila because of the recent outbreak of cholera.

At the inquest Mrs. Haas testified that she did not give her husband the revolver with which he committed suicide and knew nothing about it.

Officials of the Mare Island navy yard have received orders to repair the gunboat Bennington. This is the vessel on which the explosion occurred four years ago when 67 men were killed.

A gas explosion at Redding, Cal., injured four persons and caused an earthquake panic.

The official returns have just been compiled in Missouri on the presidential vote. Taft received 346,913 and Bryan 345,889.

Judgment has just been given railroads against Cook county, Illinois, for \$100,000 damages caused by the strike riots of 1894.

Russia will make an attempt to secure rights to make and use the Wright aeroplane.

Railroads are preparing to substitute telephones for telegraph in the dispatching of trains.

Los Angeles business men have petitioned the president to keep the battleship fleet in the Pacific.

The Iowa supreme court has just decided that the football year ends with Thanksgiving. A trainer was suing for salary on a broken contract.

OKLAHOMA HAS REMORSE.

Finds Stringent Laws Prevent Building of Railroads.

Chicago, Nov. 25.—A marked change in public sentiment toward railroads and other public utility corporations is reported in Oklahoma. It has been brought about by a bitter experience, but the lesson learned thereby is all the more likely to be profitable and permanent. For nearly two years there has been an almost entire cessation of railroad building, so far as the trunk line systems are concerned. This condition has hindered general business to such an extent that the Oklahoma Federation of Commercial Clubs has taken up the matter. A circular has been issued by that body setting forth the facts in this regard.

It has been demonstrated clearly to the satisfaction of the federation that new capital cannot be attracted for investment in the state until the laws are settled upon a fair and conservative basis, so that the capital invested may have reason to expect legitimate returns.

PAPERS ARE MISSING.

Standard Oil Documents Stolen From Public Records at Cincinnati.

Cleveland, O., Nov. 25.—County Clerk Charles P. Salen, subpoenaed to appear at the Standard Oil hearing in New York with valuable legal papers wanted by Frank B. Kellogg, found today that the documents had mysteriously disappeared.

Among the missing papers are a dozen affidavits made by Standard Oil chiefs, including one by John D. Rockefeller, president, and others by Oliver H. Payne and the remainder by men who were prominent in Standard Oil in the '80s.

A petition filed here in 1880 by which Standard Oil sought to "eliminate" William Schofield, a Cleveland lawyer, is gone. It is wanted by the prosecution in the government's case.

To remove papers from public record is an indictable offense under Ohio statutes, punishable by heavy penalty.

BLOCKS AUSTRIA'S GAME.

Servian Minister Lining Up Powers in Balkan Muddle.

Rome, Nov. 25.—M. Milovanovich, the Servian minister of foreign affairs, left here today for Belgrade, where he will report to King Peter on the result of his mission to London, Paris and Rome. The foreign minister has now eliminated from the Servian programme every claim that is not in harmony with interests of those powers upon whom Servia chiefly relies, namely, Russia and France. Both of these states are interested in preventing the Austro-German advance in the Balkan peninsula.

Great Britain, it is declared, is determined to prevent Germany from regaining the supremacy she enjoyed at Constantinople before the advent to power of the young Turks. As for Italy, in spite of the fact that she is a member of the triple alliance, she is opposed to the idea of Austrian expansion on the Adriatic.

PLANTED ON MOUNTAIN TOP

Rare Weather Instrument Established on Mount Rose.

Reno, Nev., Nov. 25.—After a week's labor, Professor J. E. Church, of the Nevada University, has just completed the installation of a meteorograph, one of the few weather instruments of the kind in the United States, on Mount Rose, one of the highest peaks in the Sierras. Rugged topography compelled him to carry the delicate instruments to the top of the mountain on pack mules.

Professor Ferguson, of the Washington weather bureau, is expected here December 1 to take charge of the new station. Later, Professor Church, who has secured a two years' absence from the college, will be in control.

Leprosy Grasps Mexican.

Los Angeles, Nov. 25.—Journeying all the way from Mexico to Los Angeles to learn what was the matter with him, Treneda Ortega, a Mexican, is today confined in the county hospital begging to be told what is his ailment, and why the people are shunning him. The physicians declare he is a victim of leprosy. This makes two lepers in the county hospital, Mrs. Elizabeth Wardwell, the other victim, having been brought here from Tombstone, Ariz. The hospital authorities are quoted as saying that both will be deported to Mexico.

Party Reaches Honolulu.

Honolulu, Nov. 25.—Most of the members of the Pacific Coast chambers of commerce who went recently on an excursion to Japan arrived here today on the steamer Tenyo Maru on their way home. They express themselves as being convinced of Japan's sincere desire for peace which they believe will result in allaying all sentiments of antagonism between the people of America and Japan. The commercial men speak of their trip in enthusiastic terms.

Receiver for Coal Company.

Knoxville, Tenn., Nov. 25.—Federal Judge Sanford here today appointed E. H. Benoit, of St. Louis, temporary receiver of the Cumberland Coal & Coke company, which operates in Fentress and Cumberland counties in this state.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

PLAT SMALL FARMS.

Huge Enterprise Launched at Albany by Deal Just Consummated.

Albany.—The largest land sale ever made in Oregon of fruit, dairy and agricultural land has just been closed in the sale of 30,000 acres in Benton and Lincoln counties to Minneapolis people. The sale was made through Fish & Hodges, of this city.

A new company, the Yaquina Valley Fruit & Land company, will, through its western representatives, have these lands platted into 10, 20 and 40-acre tracts and sold for fruit, but and dairy purposes. Literature for extensive advertising of this part of Oregon is being prepared. The head office will be in Minneapolis, with a branch in Portland, but the business will all go through this city.

Those back of the enterprise are J. B. Streeter & Co., George W. Taylor, George E. Adams, of Minneapolis, and several others.

At the present time there are about 300 families around St. Louis preparing to come to Oregon and take hold of some of this land.

Final Survey Resumed.

Klamath Falls—Survey work on the Klamath Falls-Natron line is now going on. Southern Pacific Engineer Rankin, Field Chief Avery and a corps of 14 men have established headquarters in Klamath Falls and will work north on the permanent survey of the Oregon Eastern railway, which will connect with the present main line of the Southern Pacific at Eugene. At the time of the disturbance in the money market last fall Chief D. D. Griffiths and a large corps of men, working on the Oregon Eastern survey, were called in on Mr. Harriman's orders and nothing has been done until the present party was ordered here. It is believed that construction work will start immediately on completion of the permanent survey.

Wheat Acreage Larger.

Wasco—There has been the largest acreage of fall wheat sown in Sherman county during the past few weeks in the history of the county. The weather has been ideal for seeding, and the grain has taken on a wonderful growth. With the good rains of the past few days, and continual warm growing weather, Sherman county will harvest next year a bumper crop of fine fall wheat. Turkey red and 40-fold are the varieties being seeded, with the former in the lead. In the spring farmers will confine themselves to bluestem, and crooked-neck club, both of which yield well for spring wheat, and because of the extra qualities of the soil here for these varieties.

Diversified Farming at Athena.

Athena.—The time of diversified farming is slowly coming in this section of Umatilla county. The increased amount of moisture from year to year is attended by an increased amount of weeds, thus making more extensive cultivation necessary. The farmer who has used 1,000 acres of land a year in the past can not now use so much because of the increased labor. This country next year will have other crops than wheat. The change is gradual, being forced by climatic and economic conditions.

Heavy Carrot Profits.

Waldport.—James Monroe, of Tide water, last spring planted three-quarters of an acre to stock carrots, and is delivering his crop to the Waldport market this week. The present price is \$12 per ton, and there are 14 tons from the patch. The carrots have attained immense growth, and were planted so close to the river bank that they were tossed into a scow as they were pulled, thus saving considerable labor and expense in getting them to market.

Yamhill Sends Turkeys.

McMinnville.—During the few days before Thanksgiving a local firm shipped to Portland and Seattle markets 10,000 pounds, or five tons, of dressed turkeys for Thanksgiving trade. Besides this, they sent to Portland nearly 250 live birds, and reserved enough to supply the local demand. They purchased from the farmers of this section about 1,200 birds, paying approximately an average of \$1.80 a bird.

Natural Gas in Baker.

Baker City.—A report reached here from Durkee of the discovery of natural gas while boring an artesian well for water, a half-mile above Durkee, on Albert Hindman's property. Albert Hindman is now sinking a well on his home place, and is down 300 feet. It is claimed that there are oil indications in a field a quarter of a mile from his place.

O. R. & N. Construction Cost.

Portland.—According to the current issue of the Railroad Age Gazette, the Oregon railroad commission, which has been at work investigating the original cost of the O. R. & N. and the Corvallis & Eastern, has completed its work, and finds that the O. R. & N. cost \$33,297,828, and the Corvallis & Eastern \$4,250,000.

Cannery's Pack 10,000 Cases.

Bandon.—Timmons' salmon cannery has closed for the season, having canned about 10,000 cases this fall. The total output of the plant is nearly twice what it was a year ago, and this is in the face of the fact that there was a strike of the fishermen in the early part of the season.

OREGON SHEEP CLEAN.

Inspectors Fail to Find Any Scabbies or Other Diseases.

Pendleton.—After two weeks' work 11 inspectors under the direction of Dr. S. W. McClure, of the federal bureau of animal industry, report that not one case of scabbies or other disease has been found among Oregon sheep. Though not a single diseased sheep has been found so far, the work of inspection will be continued until every band in the state has been subjected to an examination. It is believed, however, that no scabby sheep will be found, though early in the summer there were a few isolated cases in Lake and Douglas counties. These were treated as soon as discovered.

Though Oregon sheep were probably the worst infested with scabbies of any state in the Union two years ago, Dr. McClure stated at that time that he would clean up the sheep of the state within two years, and this inspection seems to indicate that he has kept his promise.

TALKS ON APPLE CULTURE.

Government Expert Delivers Lecture to Grants Pass Growers.

Grants Pass—Professor P. J. O'Gara, a specialist in plant disease, in the service of the government, who has been looking over Rogue river valley with a view of visiting the principal orchards, lectured in the opera house one day last week to a large gathering of fruit growers. He took for his topic "The Fruit and Its Pests," and presented his subject in a practicable manner.

The meeting closed with questions from various persons upon different diseases of fruit all of which were readily answered. On the stage, back of the speaker, in crescent shape, artistically arranged, were 100 boxes of choice apples, representing 40 varieties grown in this vicinity.

Struck Gas at Ontario.

Ontario.—The oil well being drilled by the Ontario Oil company is now down about 800 feet and prospects look very favorable for finding oil in commercial quantities here. A strong flow of gas has been encountered, which churned the water in the well and caused it to flow in a rush over the mouth of the well. It is believed the gas flow was sufficient to light the town of Ontario, if it were utilized, but as the company is bent on finding oil in quantities, this gas was cased off for the present and drilling operations continued.

New Firm Buys Timber.

Portland.—The Michigan-Oregon Logging company, which has been incorporated with a capital stock of \$300,000, has bought a tract of timber of about 3000 acres in Tillamook county. It is understood, however, that the timber will not be cut for the present, but held as an investment. The incorporators of the company are R. V. Jones, E. B. Clark and Wallace McCamant. The headquarters of the company will be in Portland.

Buys 1,000 Acres.

Philomath.—A Portland firm has purchased 1000 acres of timber on Woods creek and intends to erect a large sawmill and flume to connect with the C. & E. railroad, about one mile west of Philomath.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Bluestem, 95c; club, 90c; 91c; 91c; 91c; red Russian, 87c; 40-fold, 90c; 91c; valley, 91c.

Barley—Feed, \$26.50; brewing, \$27 per ton.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$31@31.05 per ton.

Hay—Timothy, Willamette valley, \$14 per ton; Eastern Oregon timothy, \$16@17.50; clover, \$12; alfalfa, \$12@12.50; grain hay, \$12.50@13.

Fruits—Apples, 75c@82 per box; pears, \$1@1.25 per box; grapes, \$1.40@1.65 per crate; quinces, \$1@1.25 per box; cranberries, \$10.50@12.50 per barrel; casabas, 23c per pound; huckleberries, 10c@11c per pound; persimmons, \$1@1.25.

Potatoes—75@85c per hundred; sweet potatoes, 2c@2.1c per pound.

Onions—\$1@1.25 per cwt.

Vegetables—Turnips, \$1@1.25 per sack; carrots, \$1; parsnips, \$1.25; beets, \$1.25; horseradish, 8c@10c per pound; artichokes, 90c@1 per dozen; beans, 10c@14c per pound; cabbage, 1@1.1c per pound; cauliflower, 75c@81c per dozen; celery, 40c@75c per dozen; cucumbers, \$2@2.50 per box; eggplant, 15c per pound; lettuce, \$1@1.25 per box; parsley, 15c per dozen; peas, 10c per pound; peppers, 10c@14c per pound; pumpkins, 1c@1.1c per pound; radishes, 12c per dozen; spinach, 2c per pound; sprouts, 9c@10c per pound; squash, 1c@1.1c per pound; tomatoes, 50c@51c per crate.

Butter—City creamery, extras, 35c@36c; fancy outside creamery, 32c@35c per pound; store, 17c@20c.

Eggs—Oregon selects, 40c; Eastern, 27c@32c per dozen.

Poultry—Hens, 10c@11c per pound; spring, 10c@11c; ducks, 14c@15c; geese, 10c@11c; turkeys, 17c@18c; dressed turkeys, 20c@22c.

Veal—Extra, 8c@9c per pound; ordinary, 7c@7c; heavy, 5c.

Pork—Fancy, 7c per pound; large, 5c@6c.

Hops—1908, choice, 8c@8.1c; prime, 7c@7.1c; medium, 5c@6c per pound; 1907, 2c@4c; 1906, 1c@1.1c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, average best, 10c@14c per pound, according to shrinkage; valley, 15c@16c; mohair, choice, 18c per pound.

REGENT FEARS REBELLION.

Heavy Guards Placed at All Gates of City of Peking.

Peking, Nov. 24.—While all is quiet in Peking, detachments of troops guard the city gates and gendarmes are on duty at the approaches to the foreign legations. The government has not ceased to take precautionary measures, for revolutionaries are spreading all kinds of reports, which might act like firebrands to the spirit of uneasiness underlying present conditions in China.

There have been rumors of an insurrectionary movement in the South, but this has proved to be only a minor outbreak among the artillery and cavalry stationed at Nankin.

Nevertheless, it has been thought advisable to post a guard at each of the gates of Peking, and half companies of Chinese regulars are now under arms at these points.

It was owing to one of these disturbances that the edict of November 20 was issued, in which it was pointed out that lawless conspirators had tried to invade the interior, and all officials were ordered to arrest and summarily behead them wherever found.

Stringent measures have been taken here to suppress any sign of conspiracy, and the government has ordered an investigation of the governor of Nang Pui province, on account of a slight uprising that took place there.

HOLDS TOWN AT BAY.

Four Men Shot in Effort to Capture Mexican Hold-Up Man.

Reno, Nev., Nov. 24.—Detected as he was holding up the Court saloon in Battle Mountain late last night, a Mexican broke through the door and, running into Night Policeman Coon, shot the officer in the jaw; then held up the gathering crowd as it collected at the scene. Cowboys and miners called for assistance, and rushing the robber, were repulsed by his fire. Deputy Sheriff Titsworth was hit in the groin, and two others were slightly injured.

The Mexican backed down the street, forcing everybody in sight to follow him. When he drew away from the saloons he ducked into the darkness. A suspect, seen by Deputy Sheriff Hasp, was caught when boarding a freight train early this morning. The deputy sheriff called to the man to halt, but getting no response, shot the fellow in the leg. The town, aroused by the outrages, started on a man hunt; and farmers, hearing the shooting, came into town with their lanterns. They carried these lights about with them seeking the robber, and several times shot at each other when they thought they had "flushed" the dare-devil Mexican.

CABLE USED FOR MAN HUNT.

Man Chased Half Around World by Dispatches is Caught.

San Francisco, Nov. 24.—A man hunt, extending half way around the world, which was conducted by cable dispatches, came to an end today when local detectives boarded the steamer Mongolia and arrested L. E. Knollins, whose description is said to tally with that of L. E. Hancock, wanted by the authorities of North Carolina on a charge of embezzlement.

Hancock sailed from here several weeks ago and orders for his arrest were cabled to Nagasaki. He left the ship at Honolulu, however, and returned to this city on the steamer Mongolia, which arrived today.

Knollins denies that he is Hancock, and says he is a member of the brokerage firm of Courtland, Babcock & Co., of 44 Pine street, New York. He was taken to the city prison pending the arrival of an officer from North Carolina.

Will Fortify Honolulu.

Honolulu, Nov. 24.—A detachment of United States engineers, under Major Winslow, which arrived recently on the transport Sheridan, has commenced the work of fortifying the island. The first work to be done is the preparation of military maps. The dredging for the large drydock to be built at Pearl harbor and the deepening of the channel also will begin in the near future. Several local contractors have departed for Washington where the bids for the dredging contracts will be opened in December.

Kills Roosevelt Turkey.

Westerly, R. I., Nov. 24.—The Rhode Island turkey which Horace Voz will send to the president, according to his annual custom, to grace the table of the White House on Thanksgiving day, went to the execution block today and will be shipped to Washington tomorrow. It is the best of a lot of chestnut fed birds, which have been selected and especially reared as candidates for the distinction, and weighs 26 pounds.

Fails in Record Flight.

London, Nov. 24.—Word has been received here that the balloon owned by the Daily Graphic, which ascended from this city Wednesday morning last in an attempt to reach Siberia and break the long-distance record, was compelled to descend in a gale on Thursday night near Novo Alexandrovsk, Russia, after having traveled about 1,350 miles.

Servians Lose Seventeen.

Paris, Nov. 24.—A dispatch from Vienna says that a band of Servians, while crossing the Bosnian frontier, near Sevornik, was repulsed by Austrian troops. The Servians lost 17 men killed and the Austrians three killed.

FEARFUL TORNADES

Thirty Dead and Scores Hurt by Arkansas Storm.

SEVERAL TOWNS ARE DEMOLISHED

Two Twisters Sweep Path Over Four Miles Wide—Both Start at Same Time.

Little Rock, Ark., Nov. 24.—Two tornadoes, one north and the other south bound, swept over West Arkansas yesterday afternoon destroying many lives and much property. All means of communication was cut off and only indefinite reports have been received from the districts visited. From these reports it appears that at least 30 lives were lost. The property loss will reach hundreds of thousands of dollars.

One tornado started in the extreme southwestern part of the state and traveled northward following the second tier of counties from the western boundary line. The other started in the northwestern corner of the state and went southward, to all indications following the second and third tier of counties.

The counties through which the tornado passed are Lafayette, Columbia, Miller, Pike, Howard, Hempstead, Montgomery, Yell, Pope, Johnson, Franklin and Carroll.

According to advices received, the storm was at its height when it swept through Piney, a German settlement on the Iron Mountain railroad, between Knoxville and London. Late reports from Russellville with which communication can be had, are that between 12 and 20 persons were killed.

Five lives are reported to have been lost ten miles from Mulberry.

A report from Fort Smith states that 25 lives were lost in towns outside of Piney and Mulberry. This dispatch declares that the destruction of the town of Cravens was complete. Four persons were killed, two were fatally injured and eight were missing at that place.

The tornado, approaching from the southwest, crossed the Arkansas river several miles south of the settlement of Piney and proceeded in a northeasterly direction. It swept through the towns of London, Wallerville, Jeshro, Lodi, Lewisville, Paterson and Barryville and outlying portions of Mulberry, either completely wrecking or laying waste the larger part of these places and destroying timber and crops throughout the intermediate country.

Advices from Lewisville, in the western portion of Lafayette county, report the destruction of several buildings. Considerable property damage and injury of several persons are reported from Palmos.

In response to an appeal from Piney for aid, a relief party, including three physicians, left Knoxville, Ark., late last night for that place.

JAPAN PREPARED.

Mikado Evidently Resolved to Overlook Nothing in China.

London, Nov. 24.—Japan is watching closely the development of affairs in China and is preparing for whatever emergency the crisis may bring, according to advices received today by the British foreign office.

Despite Japanese denials of interference in Chinese affairs, there is every indication that the mikado is keenly alive to the possibilities of the Oriental situation and will not be found unprepared in any event.

Chinese messages, reaching London by way of Japan, say that Prince Chun is splitting up the Chinese army and appointing division commanders with separate authority, as he fears to trust to a consolidation of power under any one general.

This is taken to mean that serious disaffection exists in the ranks of the army and gives color to the report that a revolution is threatened.

Persia Denied Liberty.

Teheran, Nov. 24.—Street fighting between the liberals and reactionaries is going on today in all parts of the city as the result of the posting in the mosques of the shah's proclamation withdrawing the promise of a constitution for Persia. The clashes are not serious, but it is feared the unruly element in the population will get beyond control before nightfall. Many arrests have already been made. The liberals, on account of the failure of the constitution, are in a belligerent mood.

Framing Traction Merger.

Reno, Nev., Nov. 24.—Prominent capitalists of San Francisco are here for the purpose of completing a merger of the rapid transit holdings involving \$2,000,000. It is expected that an announcement of the plans will be made within the week. The properties have been operated by the Farmers & Merchants National bank and the Fleischackers. They are the Reno Traction company, Interurban Railway company, Reno Development company.

Colonel Zimmerman Dead.

Brazil, Ind., Nov. 24.—Colonel W. H. Zimmerman, aged 72, of this city, died yesterday at Macon, Ga., on a train while en route home from Florida. He was colonel of the regiment in which President McKinley enlisted as a private and issued the commission of lieutenant to the young private.