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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.

Six persons were burned to death in a fire at Johnstown, Pa.

The senate will vote on the oleomargarine bill in a few days.

The Northern Pacific blockade in North Dakota is being raised.

The senate considered the Danish purchase scandal in secret session.

Sixty thousand Chinese are in rebellion in southern China provinces.

The German emperor's American built yacht Meteor III has sailed for Southampton.

Acting President Schalkburger will meet the Boer leaders soon and discuss peace terms.

Republicans and Democrats each gained one alderman in the Chicago city election.

The transport Sheridan has sailed from San Francisco for Manila with 1,285 soldiers of the Twenty-ninth infantry.

Flood situation in Mississippi is again becoming serious.

Twenty-two men were killed in an explosion in a Tennessee coal mine.

A six story building in Philadelphia was entirely destroyed by fire. Loss, \$110,000.

Dr. Thomas Dunn English is alive, but his physicians say he may die at any moment.

Since the outbreak of cholera at Manila there have been 90 cases and 70 deaths reported.

The house committee favorably reported the bill for 20 per cent Cuban tariff reduction.

The plague situation in India is growing worse. Over 70,000 deaths are reported monthly.

The senate will take up the Nicaragua canal bill as soon as it has disposed of the Chinese exclusion measure.

Floods in the South caused immense damage to property.

The loss in Tennessee by the recent flood is estimated at \$4,000,000.

Roosevelt declares himself in favor of a more stringent Chinese exclusion law.

A general uprising is being planned in Macedonia to throw off the Turkish yoke.

Fire partially destroyed a Cincinnati theater, but the audience escaped unharmed.

Pension Commissioner Evans has been given to understand that his resignation was desired.

High wind at Pittsburg resulted in injuries to many persons in churches and a heavy property loss.

James R. Garfield, son of the late President Garfield, has accepted the position of civil service commissioner.

The house has passed the army appropriation bill.

Germany will not oppose Russia's policy in the far East.

The naval appropriation bill carries \$925,000 for the Puget Sound navy yard.

Cecil Rhodes left most of his fortune to the promotion of his educational scheme.

Heavy rains in the South have caused the Mississippi to overflow its banks, flooding many miles of territory.

Resolutions to investigate an alleged bribery scandal in connection with the sale of the Danish islands were adopted by the house.

Senator Mitchell has asked the commerce committee to increase the appropriation for the Columbia river and its tributaries \$1,000,000.

The indications are for an early adjournment of congress.

Cecil Rhodes, "the uncrowned king of South Africa," is dead.

Miss Ellen M. Stone, the American missionary, is on her way home.

There may be some difficulty in the United States getting a coaling station in Cuba.

A passenger train struck a buggy in the suburbs of Pueblo, killing its three occupants.

Another mounted force of 2,000 men is being raised in Canada for service in South Africa.

Two masked men held up an Emporia, Kan., hotel, but were unable to break into the safe.

The president is receiving dozens of applications for the governorship of the Danish West Indies, should those islands be sold to the United States.

Joshua Wilbour, United States consul at Dublin, Ireland, died at Rutherford, N. J.

The postoffice department has stopped the fraudulent scheme of a swindler who advertised a way to open cash registers without keys.

Mrs. Catherine Soffel, wife of the Pittsburg warden, has been indicted on three counts, charged with aiding the Biddles to escape from jail January 30.

SOUTH CHINA REBELLION.

Insurgents Now Number About 60,000 Men—Many Armed with Modern Rifles.

Victoria, B. C., April 3.—With regard to the disturbances in Kwang Si, the North China Daily News, copies of which were received by the steamer Empress of Japan today, says: "The central government in Peking, according to a telegram received by the local mandarins, are in a most perturbed state, owing to the serious news simultaneously received lately from Canton and Kueilin, the capitals of the two Kwang provinces. The high authorities of the two provinces report that the disbanded soldiers of General Feng Tso Tsain, numbering nearly 4,000 men, have joined the insurgents of Kwang Si, which has rendered the situation in the south very precarious and the crisis a dangerous one. These men were all armed with modern firearms in 1900, which they refused to give up when disbanded. The insurgents now number some 60,000 men, and when enough supplies in food have been gathered in by them, we may expect to hear some serious news about them."

The Chinese appear to believe that a Mohammedan rebellion in Kansu, headed by ex-Prince Tuan, is really imminent, as various rumors of that nature have been telegraphed and have created an impression that insurgents are already in the field, but the fact seems to be that preparations alone are being made to be on foot. Tung Fuh shang would be the general in command of the rebels, and by all accounts no movement under his direction is likely to prove very formidable.

GAME WARDENS TO MEET.

Officials of Eight States Likely to Hold a Conference Soon.

Helena, Mont., April 3.—There is an excellent prospect that the game wardens of eight Northwestern states will hold a meeting early in the summer, either in the National Park or at some other convenient place, and exchange views looking to co-operation in the work of protecting the game of the Northwest. The states that are expected to be represented at the meeting are Montana, Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Utah, Wyoming, North Dakota and Minnesota. South Dakota would be included, but there is no game warden in that state. An effort will also be made to have a representative present from the Northwest Territory.

Major John Pitcher, acting superintendent of the Yellowstone National Park, is heartily in favor of the meeting, and he has written to State Game Warden Scott, of Montana, suggesting that the meeting be held in the National Park about June 15.

PERRY EXPLAINS TO LONG.

Did Not Make Indiscreet Remarks in Chile Credited to Him.

Washington, April 3.—Secretary Long has received from Captain Perry, commanding the battleship Iowa, a reply to the department's inquiry regarding certain indiscreet remarks which were said to have been made by that officer at a Chilean banquet. Captain Perry declares that while in Chile he was not at any time present at any dinner or other meal where any toast or speech was made by him or others; nor did he at any time say anything, either in public or in private, that could be construed to mean that he favored either Argentina or Chile in the event of war. Captain Perry says he is also innocent of making the alleged indiscreet remarks of offering to sell the Iowa, which were currently reported in Chilean newspapers. Secretary Long has replied to Captain Perry, informing him that his explanation is perfectly satisfactory.

Fine Monument for Rhodes' Grave.

New York, April 3.—Gardner Williams, manager of the De Beers mines, has left London for South Africa. He says he will arrive in time to attend the last stage of the funeral of Cecil Rhodes. The grave will be marked by a fine monument, to be erected by the dead statesman's personal friends and business colleagues. It is proposed that the gun carriage which bore "Long Cecil" during the siege of Kimberley, and which will convey the body up the steep side of Matoppo, shall be stationed on the summit of the hill as part of the memorial.

Wireless Telegraphy's Latest.

New York, April 3.—Wireless communication was maintained on the ocean between the Umbria, which has just arrived here, and the Campania, outward bound, while the former's apparatus was down. While the operator aboard the Umbria was exchanging dispatches with the Campania, the chief officer informed him that the ragged rigging attached to the mainmast had fallen overboard. The apparatus continued to work, nevertheless, for some time. Signor Marconi, who is in this city, was informed of the occurrence.

The Proposed Surrender.

Heidelberg, Transvaal, April 2.—Commandant Alberts has called a meeting of the Boers in his district to take place 35 miles east of the Spring station, in order to discuss the proposal for a general surrender. It is said that General Hans Botha has summoned a similar meeting at Amsterdam. A party of constabulary and native scouts were ambushed near here. Six of the party were killed. The Boers eluded pursuit. Surrenders are occurring daily.

NEWS OF THE STATE

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS OF OREGON.

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

The supreme lodge of Oregon, A. O. U. W., will meet in Portland June 10 to 20.

Oliver Grace, a pioneer of 1843, died at his home at Silverton last week. He was born in 1829.

The Western Union Telegraph Company has subscribed \$1,000 to the Lewis and Clark exposition.

The prohibitionists of Portland and Multnomah county have nominated a city and county ticket.

About 70 teachers from all parts of Clackamas county attended the teachers' institute in Oregon City last week.

The Tillamook County Bank, of Tillamook, has filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. Capital, \$10,000.

Preparations are being made to increase the water supply of The Dalles. During the summer months the reservoirs reach a very low stage.

The retail clerks of Baker City are trying to secure an agreement among the merchants to close their places of business on Sunday. Most of the merchants are willing to agree to such a proposition, provided it is generally observed.

The creamery plant at Junction City will soon be in operation.

A party of about 20 immigrants arrived in Yamhill county a few days ago from Tennessee.

A commercial club has been organized at Freewater to further the interests of that city.

The Goleconda mine, in the Cracker Creek district, seven miles west of Sumpter, has been sold for \$250,000.

The business men of Salem, now that a tax mill is assured, are working for the establishment of a linen mill.

Preparations are being made to receive a 10 stamp mill and complete equipment at the Maybelle mine, in the Granite district.

The Grant county delegates to the Republican congressional convention are for Williamson. They are not committed for governor.

The noted Roaring Glimlet mine, in the Gold Hill district, has caused another sensation in the nature of a rich strike. The mine was purchased last week by Indiana men for \$100,000, and since its purchase the new owners have struck a big pocket ledge on the main vein, and removed a pan of nearly pure gold, or about \$18,000.

The prohibitionists of Washington county will hold their convention April 5. It is the intention to place a full county ticket in the field. Democratic primaries were held in Umatilla county March 25 and the county convention in Pendleton March 29. The vote at the primaries was very light, there being no contest over the election. A full county ticket was named.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 64c; bluestem, 65c; Valley, 64c@65c.

Barley—Feed, \$20@21; brewing, \$21@21.50 per ton.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$1.15@1.22½; gray, \$1.10@1.20.

Flour—Best grades, \$2.80@3.40 per barrel; Graham, \$2.50@2.80.

Millstuffs—Bran, \$18 per ton; middlings, \$20; shorts, \$20; chop, \$16.50.

Hay—Timothy, \$12@13; clover, \$7.50@8; Oregon wild hay, \$5@6 per ton.

Potatoes—Best Burbanks, \$1.10@1.25 per cental; ordinary, 70c@80c per cental, growers' price; sweet, \$2.25@2.50 per cental.

Butter—Creamery, 22½@25c; dairy, 18@20c; store, 13@15c.

Eggs—14c for Oregon.

Cheese—Full cream, twins, 13@13½c; Young America, 14@15c; factory price, 11@1½c less.

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, \$3.50@4.50; hens, \$4.50@5.50 per dozen, 11@11½c per pound; springs, 11@11½c per pound \$3@4 per dozen; ducks, \$5@6 per dozen; turkeys, live, 12@13c, dressed, 14@16c per pound; geese, \$6½@7 per dozen.

Mutton—Gross, 4c per pound; dressed, 7@7½c per pound.

Hogs—Gross, 5¼c; dressed, 6¼@7c per pound.

Veal—8@8½ for small; 7@7½ for large.

Beef—Gross, cows, 3¼@4c; steers, 4@4¼c; dressed, 6¼@7½c per pound.

Hops—12@13c per pound.

Wool—Valley, 13@15c; Eastern Oregon, 8@12½c; mohair, 21@21½c per pound.

A health resort for invalid soldiers of the regular army is to be established at Fort Niobrara, in Nebraska.

Overland limited trains are to be provided with telephone service while standing in depots at Chicago, Omaha and San Francisco.

The owner of a Chicago tenement has been sued for \$25,000 damages by Mrs. John McGinnis, whose two children were killed by sewer gas and her own health impaired.

OREGON REPUBLICANS.

State Ticket Headed by W. J. Furnish, of Pendleton, for Governor.

Portland, April 3.—The Republican state ticket for Oregon carries these names:

Governor—W. J. Furnish, Umatilla county.

Supreme Judge—R. S. Bean, Lane county.

Secretary of State—F. I. Dunbar, Clatsop county.

State Treasurer—C. S. Moore, Klamath county.

Attorney General—A. M. Crawford, Douglas county.

State Printer—J. R. Whitney, Linn county.

Superintendent of Public Instruction—J. H. Ackerman, Multnomah county.

The Republican platform declares for the following state and national issues: Retention of the Philippines.

Arrangement of the trusts.

Chinese exclusion.

Protection where needed.

Labor's right to organize.

Salaries for state officers.

Government aid and control of irrigation.

Opening of the dalles of the Columbia river.

No lease law for government lands.

Federal conservation of fisheries.

The Grout oleomargarine bill.

The initiative and referendum.

Extension of the primary law over the state.

For Representative, Second District.

Portland, April 2.—The Republican convention of the second congressional district yesterday named for representative J. N. Williamson, of Crook county.

For Representative, First District.

Roseburg, April 2.—The Republican congressional convention for the first district, held here yesterday, nominated Representative Thomas H. Tongue, of Washington county.

G. A. R. ON PENSIONS.

Matters That Were Complained of in Its Report to the President.

Minneapolis, April 2.—Judge Ell Torrence, commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, just back from a conference with the president on pension matters, says the report of the G. A. R. pension committee was submitted to the president over a week ago. At his request, however, it will not be made public for some time, as the president has under consideration the selection of a successor to Pension Commissioner Evans. Judge Torrence, discussing the report said:

"The committee found no fault with the pension laws as they now exist, but rather with the manner in which the laws have been construed and administered by the pension bureau. A desire for a change in the office of commissioner of pensions has been steadily growing for two years past, until now it is almost universal among the veterans. Conservative Grand Army men believe, and with good cause, that great injustice has been done to many deserving and worthy claimants. All the veteran soldier of the union desires is that the laws be justly and fairly administered, and all who are entitled to receive their benefits shall enjoy them without diminution or unreasonable delays, and that every unworthy claim shall be rejected and every fraudulent pensioner stricken from the rolls."

"The atmosphere of the pension bureau has been such as to create an impression that a great many frauds are attempted by the old soldier, but it is worthy of note that according to the last report of the commissioner, out of 159 persons convicted of frauds against the bureau last year but 10 were soldiers of the Civil war, of whom two were deserters. Many convictions were for offenses against the old soldiers, and not by them. The records show that only one old soldier out of 73,000 has been convicted of fraud against the government. Certainly that is a wonderfully good showing."

Incidentally Judge Torrence denied that he was to be made pension commissioner, or that he was a candidate for that or any other office.

Author of "Ben Bolt" Dead.

Newark, N. J., April 2.—Dr. Thomas Dunn English died yesterday. Dr. English, who was a writer of some note, was widely known as the author of "Ben Bolt." He was born in Philadelphia in 1819, and was graduated from the University of Pennsylvania as a doctor of medicine in 1839. Later he studied law and was admitted to the Philadelphia bar. He engaged in journalism in New York from 1844 to 1859, when he came to Newark to practice medicine. He served two terms in congress from New Jersey.

To Take Up Purchase of Friar Lands.

Sioux Falls, S. D., April 3.—Right Rev. Thomas O'Gorman, Catholic bishop of South Dakota, has gone to Washington to hold a conference with President Roosevelt in reference to the proposed purchase by the United States of lands held by the friars in the Philippine islands. During the conference it will be decided whether Bishop O'Gorman shall proceed direct from Washington to Rome to assist in the negotiations with the pope.

Bill Laid Before Senate.

Washington, April 2.—Lodge, chairman of the committee on Philippines, today reported to the senate the bill temporarily to provide for the administration of the affairs of the islands. He said in submitting the report he hoped to call up the measure for consideration at an early date. Rawlins, of the same committee, offered an amendment to the Philippine government bill, in the nature of a substitute for it. It represents the views of the minority.

EXPLOSION IN MINE

TWENTY-TWO MINERS KILLED IN TENNESSEE.

"Fire Men" Shot Blast Before All of the Employees Could Get Out—Coal Dust and Gas Became Ignited, Which Caused the Explosion—Bodies of Victims Torn to Pieces by Force of the Shock.

Chattanooga, Tenn., April 2.—At 4:45 'clock this afternoon an explosion of gas in the Nelson mine of the Dayton Coal & Iron Company, at Dayton, Tenn., ignited the dry coal dust in the mine, and caused a terrific explosion. Twenty-two men are known to be dead. Ten bodies have been recovered. Twelve bodies are still in the mine.

Gas exists in the Nelson mine, and the men are required to use safety lamps. It is a rule of the company for the safety of the miners to place their fuses, ready to be lighted for blasts, just before quitting work each day, and there are workmen known as "fire men" who go through the mine after all the miners are out, and set off these blasts. The miners quit work at 4:30 this afternoon. It takes them about 45 minutes to get out of the mine. The "fire men" today are believed to have caused the explosion. They shot the blasts about 4:45 o'clock, before all the miners could get out of the mine. It is supposed that one of the fuses was defective and resulted in what is known as a "blow blast." The flame shooting out from the blast ignited the gas, which in turn ignited the accumulation of dry coal dust in the mine. The explosion that followed was terrific. The flames shot out of the mouth of the mine, and the shock completely wrecked the shed at the mine entrance. Three men were killed while standing outside of the mine entrance, and two were seriously and one fatally injured.

The mine has been the scene of two serious explosions in the past. In 1889 four men were killed and eight seriously injured by the explosion of gas. December 20, 1895, an explosion of dust occurred in which 28 lives were lost. This was caused by a miner carrying an open lamp, contrary to regulations.

The force of the explosion in the Nelson mine today was terrific. The bodies were torn to pieces. The company states that there were but 75 men at work in the mine today. Most of them were out of the mine when the explosion occurred.

Reports from Dayton at midnight show that 11 bodies have been taken from the Nelson mine. Rescuing parties are at work, but at a late hour tonight struck a heavy fall of slate that will delay them for a day or two.

GENERAL UPRISING PLANNED.

Population of Macedonia Will Endeavor to Throw Off Turkish Yoke.

London, April 2.—In a letter from Athens, published this morning in the Times, the correspondent says there are many indications that grave trouble is coming in Macedonia and Albania. There is no doubt that M. Saraffoff, the chief of the Macedonian committee, has planned a general rising of the Christian population of European Turkey for the coming spring. In spite of his failure to secure any support at Athens or Belgrade for his project, M. Saraffoff is continuing his preparations.

The protests of the powers, writes the correspondent, urged to action by the Greek circular, have resulted in Turkey making energetic military preparations, in the face of which it is possible that M. Saraffoff will not venture to put his plans into execution. Still, owing to Russian machinations and the jealousy of the powers, continues the correspondent, which prevent the execution of the reforms stipulated in the Berlin treaty, the outlook is disquieting.

MAY BECOME AMBASSADOR.

Henry White a Formidable Candidate for the Vacancy in Italy.

Washington, April 2.—Henry White, at present secretary of the embassy at London, is the latest and most formidable candidate for the vacancy in the Italian embassy by the retirement of Ambassador Meyer. Mr. White is strongly urged by Senator Lodge, and has a most enviable record in diplomatic practice. He was secretary of the embassy when Mr. Hay was ambassador, and consequently he has a warm friend in the secretary of state, Bellamy Storer, now ambassador to Madrid, is going to Berlin as ambassador, to succeed Andrew D. White, when that officer retires, which probably will be next fall. The only contingency which may defeat Mr. Storer's aspiration in this direction lies in the attitude of Ohio senators toward his promotion; if they are jointly opposed, they may defeat the proposed appointment.

Sultan's Brother Dead.

London, April 2.—A report has reached here from Constantinople, cables the Vienna correspondent of the Daily Mail, that Mohammed Rachad, the sultan's brother, and his presumptive successor, is dead. The report says foul play is suspected.

Minister Brun Calls on Hay.

Washington, April 2.—Mr. Brun, the Danish minister here, called on Secretary Hay today, with reference to the pending investigation by the house of the charges preferred by Mr. Gron in connection with the acquisition of the Danish West Indies by the United States. There is reason to believe that there has been received from Denmark a sweeping denial by Christmas of any attempt on his part to corrupt American legislatures and newspapers.

STORM IN THE EAST.

Fierce Gale Does Great Damage to Property in Pittsburg and Vicinity.

Pittsburg, March 31.—One of the fiercest wind storms ever known in this section struck the city yesterday just before noon. Almost incalculable damage was done to property, and many people were injured, some of whom may die. Scores of houses were unroofed, many trees were blown down, mill stacks toppled over, and telegraph and telephone wires generally were disabled.

The most serious accident was the unroofing of the Presbyterian church, in Knoxville, occupied by about 600 persons. While the minister was in the midst of his sermon, the wind blew off the large chimney and lifted a portion of the roof. Bricks from the chimney crashed through the roof and carried a large portion of the hardwood ceiling down upon the worshippers. A panic ensued and a frantic rush was made for the doors and windows. At least 40 persons were caught by the wreckage and were more or less hurt. Of this number five may not recover.

As the pastor of the Robinson Run United Presbyterian church, near McDonald, was raising his arms to pronounce the benediction, lightning struck the church spire and it toppled on the church roof, crushing it and injuring a number of worshippers, two of whom will die.

At Jamestown, a tornado tore out one end of the United Presbyterian church while the pastor was preaching. He was buried under a mass of brick and timbers and fatally hurt. The congregation escaped uninjured. The Nobles-ton Presbyterian church was also unroofed.

The Forest Oil Company had between 200 and 300 derricks blown down in its McDonald region, and considerable damage was sustained by its pipeage system.

Reports from nearby towns show that the wind played havoc at every town in its track.

At Mingo Junction, O., two big structural ore bridges of the National Steel Company's plant, valued at \$50,000, were twisted into shapeless masses of iron.

At Belle Vernon, Pa., the American Window Glass Company's plant was unroofed, several blocks of houses were wrecked and other damage was done.

At Greensburg, Pa., nearly 9,000 feet of roof of the Keeley & Jones plant was carried away, and the great cupola of the First Presbyterian church was toppled into the street.

At Washington, Pa., the new bar mill of the Griffith Tinplate Company was completely wrecked, entailing a loss of \$10,000. Five residences were blown down, the Roman Catholic and the Third Presbyterian churches were considerably damaged, and many residences lost roofs and windows. It is expected greater losses will be reported when the country districts can be heard from.

STAND OF ROOSEVELT.

Favors a Stronger Chinese Exclusion Law Than the Present One.

Washington, April 1.—During a conference between the president and Representatives Moody, of Oregon; Metcalf, of California; Reeder, of Kansas, and Senator Hansbrough, of North Dakota, on the irrigation bill, the subject of Chinese exclusion was introduced by Representative Metcalf, who said he had heard the president was opposed to the pending drastic bill.

"On the contrary," said President Roosevelt, "I am anxious to see a law enacted that will effectually bar out Chinese laboring classes—a law far more drastic in this particular than the one now in force. At the same time I believe the Chinese merchant class and the higher classes generally should be liberally dealt with. I heartily endorse the particulars of the bill extending the exclusion laws to our insular possessions, and preventing the immigration of Chinese now in the islands into the United States."

Turkey Mobilizes Troops.

Constantinople, March 31.—The Turkish government has decided to call to the colors 90,000 irregular troops. This mobilization is ostensibly for the annual maneuvers, but, in view of the conditions in Macedonia, considerable significance is attached to the movement.

A Photographic Counterfeit.

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