

## 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.

West Indian volcanoes show signs of renewed activity.

The president has signed the Indian appropriation and the omnibus claims bill.

An extradition treaty has been signed between the United States and Chile.

One man was killed and 100 hurt by the collapse of a temporary sidewalk at New York.

A suitable landing place at Honolulu

## THE SIDEWALK GAVE WAY.

One Man Killed, One Hundred Hurt at New York.

New York, May 29.—One man was instantly killed and about 100 others injured this evening by the breaking down of a temporary sidewalk at Fifth avenue and Eighteenth street. Some of those injured may die.

Those who fell were part of the crowd gathered to watch the parade of militia in honor of the visit of the French Rochambeau commission to this city. Two thousand persons were on the sidewalk when it gave way. They were precipitated 20 feet into an excavation for a new building, and fell on piles of building material. Considering the nature of the accident, and the number of persons in it, the hospital surgeons express surprise at the few who received serious hurts. Many were able to go directly home after having their injuries treated by the ambulance surgeons.

Early in the afternoon the police became suspicious of the strength of the sidewalk, and a detail for hours kept the people from crowding on it. When

## The Elephant Takes a Turn.



The G. O. P. Elephant.—“Heads I win and tail you lose” does not always work. “Come on, boys.”  
The Scandal Monger.—“Gee! I didn’t know there were any volcanoes in Washington County. ‘Spoted they were all down in the Danish West Indies. Prettiest stars that I have ever seen.”  
The Leader.—“Just wait until I get my cable into that brute again, and I’ll have my turn. Am I ‘It?’”  
The Cleveland Mule.—“Glad I’m fighting on something easy.”

## 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.

Ex-Senator George W. McBride was married a few days ago.

Ten horses were burned in a lively stable fire at Oakland. Loss, \$5,000; insurance, \$1,500.

Professor L. R. Trayer, of Roseburg, has been elected city superintendent of Salem’s public schools.

The postoffice at Ale, Marion county, was entered and burglarized of the entire stock of stamps and stamped envelopes.

Arthur McEwen, who represents a wealthy English syndicate, is in Baker City looking for paying mines that can be bought.

Harry Granelli, a young man who attempted to wreck the Harriman special train near Roseburg last week, has been sent to the penitentiary for three years.

The strike of the Cooks and Waiters’ union of Baker City, against the employment of Chinese help, has been called off, a compromise having been effected. The union guaranteed to secure white cooks as good as the Chinese.

In the shaft of the Golden Wizard mine, of the Minersville district, near Sumpter, a most remarkable ore body is being developed. It was struck at a distance of 70 feet from the collar, and for 50 feet has continued high grade, with no immediate prospect of going out.

The I. O. O. F. grand lodge at their session held in Newport last week, elected Robert Andrews, of Portland, grand master. The Rebekah assembly elected Mrs. Florence Atwood, of Baker City, grand president. The grand sessions will be held in Portland for the next four years.

About 60 teachers attended the Clatsop county teachers’ institute in Astoria last week. An interesting meeting was held.

The registration in Clackamas county has reached almost the figures of two years ago and it is expected before the rolls close it will be greater.

Arrangements have been made for the commencement exercises of the Eastern Oregon State Normal School, at Weston, which will be held June 8 to 12. Governor Geer and State Superintendent Ackerman are expected to be present on June 12.

A burglar entered a Junction City saloon and secured \$275. While he was at work, the bartender, who was in the back locking up, came to the front of the building and tried to stop the thief. The latter shot and killed the bartender and then escaped.

The new rural free delivery mail routes to be established from Troutdale and Cleone have both been approved by the special agent and will be in operation in a few weeks. They will join the two routes from Gresham, and will practically cover all the territory from the nine mile posts eastward to Orient lying in Multnomah county. The four routes will comprise about 40 square miles.

## PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 65½¢@66¢; bluestem, 67¢; valley, 65¢.  
Barley—Feed, \$22@22.50; brewing, \$23 per ton.  
Oats—No. 1 white, \$1.25@1.30; gray, \$1.15@1.25.  
Flour—Best grades, \$2.85@3.40 per barrel; Graham, \$2.50@2.80.  
Millstuffs—Bran, \$1.15 per ton; middlings, \$19@20; shorts, \$17@18; chop, \$16.  
Hay—Timothy, \$12@15; clover, \$7.50@10; Oregon wild hay, \$5@6 per ton.  
Potatoes—Best Burbanks, 1¢@1.40 per cental; ordinary, 1¢ per cental; growers prices; sweets, \$2.25@2.50 per cental; new potatoes, 3¢@3½¢.  
Butter—Creamery, 16¢@17½¢; dairy, 12¢@15¢; store, 10¢@12½¢.  
Eggs—15¢@15½¢ for Oregon.  
Cheese—Full cream, twins, 12½¢@13¢; Young America, 13½¢@14¢; factory prices, 1¢@1½¢ less.  
Poultry—Chickens, mixed, \$4.50@5.00; hens, \$5.00@5.50 per dozen, 11½¢@12¢ per pound; springs, 11¢@11½¢ per pound, \$3.00@5.00 per dozen; ducks, \$5.00@6.00 per dozen; turkeys, live, 13¢@14¢, dressed, 15¢@16¢ per pound; geese, \$6.50@7.50 per dozen.  
Mutton—Gross, 4½¢ per pound; sheared, 3½¢; dressed, 7½¢ per pound.  
Hogs—Gross, 6½¢; dressed, 7½¢@8¢ per pound.  
Veal—6½¢@8¢ for small; 6½¢@7¢ for large.  
Beef—Gross, cows, 4½¢; steers, 5½¢; dressed, 8¢@8½¢ per pound.  
Hops—12½¢@15¢ cents per pound.  
Wool—Valley, 12¢@14¢; Eastern Oregon, 8¢@12¢; mohair, 25¢ per pound.

Jules Verne, the novelist, though now in his 86th year, still works at his desk for four hours a day.

An American syndicate is planning a steamship line that will have a boat start every day for Europe, thus establishing the first daily service.

Henry O. Havemeyer has just given 2,000 volumes to the library of the public school at Greenwich, Conn., erected by himself and his wife as a memorial.



SENATOR C. D. CLARK OF WYOMING.

Senator Clark is one of the champions of the policy of national irrigation. He is a native of New York. His parents moved West at an early day and he got his higher education in the University of Iowa. He was admitted to the bar and in 1881 located at Evanston, Wyoming. He declined appointment as associate justice of the state supreme court, served two terms in congress, was elected to the senate in 1895 and re-elected in 1899. He is a strong advocate of Western development.

for the San Francisco-Hawaiian cable is difficult to find.

The boiler of a freight locomotive on a Virginia road exploded, killing the engineer and fatally injuring five trainmen.

The majority of the senate committee on privileges and elections is opposed to the house resolution providing for the election of senators by the people.

The senate committee on naval affairs has agreed to report favorably the bill providing for the retirement of Naval Constructor Richmond P. Hobson.

## KEEP TELLING ABOUT IT.

The public has come to regard an article that is advertised persistently as possessed of real merit. The advertiser therefore is wise who remembers this fact, and, having a good thing, keeps on telling the public he has it.—Pittsburg Ink.

Bubonic plague has broken out at Majunga, Island of Madagascar.

Fire practically wiped out the business portion of Ravenna, Minn. Loss, \$100,000.

Sixteen students of Northwestern university, at Evanston, Ill., have been arrested for hazing.

An entire battalion of Turkish troops has been annihilated by rebels in the southwestern part of Arabia.

The Boer peace conference at Vreeding is still deadlocked, but may be broken at any time, either peace being secured or fighting resumed.

A bill has been introduced into the senate providing for the promotion of Major General Brooke, the senior major general of the army, to the rank of lieutenant general, and for his retirement with that rank.

Police-men’s jobs will be offered to the highest bidders at Hazleton, Pa.

A committee of the Massachusetts house reported adversely on an appropriation of \$25,000 for a military statue to the late Benjamin F. Butler.

Mrs. McKinley’s condition remains about the same. She goes out driving frequently and visits the cemetery every day that the weather will permit.

the time for the procession drew near, the crowds became unmanageable, and in spite of the force of police, crowded onto the forbidden sidewalk, and there stayed until the breaking of the supports landed them in the excavation.

## Army Transport Statistics.

Washington, May 29.—Secretary Root today, agreeable to his promise, sent to the senate a further mass of information respecting the army transport service, based on mail reports of officials stationed outside of Washington. Because of the magnitude of the task, the secretary finds himself unable to submit itemized vouchers for each expenditure, but the figures produced show that the total cost of the transport service repair to date is \$9,938,001.

## Invited by the Kaiser.

Berlin, May 29.—Emperor William has directed that Adjutant General Corbin, General S. M. B. Young and General Leonard Wood shall be his guests at the German military maneuvers next fall. More than this, the foreign office has informed the representative of the Associated Press here that the emperor is very glad the American generals are coming to Germany.

## Forest Fires in Colorado.

Salida, Col., May 29.—The worst forest fires in the history of the mountains of the continental divide are raging in the Collegiate range, and the Sangre de Cristo. More than a dozen fires can be seen from this city. The water supply and grazing grounds will be materially injured, and the loss of timber will aggregate a vast sum. The origin of the fires is unknown, but it is suspected that some of them were started by men who wanted to avoid paying stumpage to the government.

## Result of Belgian Elections.

Brussels, May 29.—The final election returns show that the chamber of representatives will be composed of 98 Catholics, 34 Liberals, 34 Socialists and two Christian Democrats. The government thus has a majority of 20, as compared with a majority of 20 before the elections. The new Belgian senate will contain 62 Catholics, 41 Liberals and six socialists, thus increasing the government’s majority in this body one.

## RIVERS FARE WELL

CONFERENCE BILL LIBERAL TO OREGON AND WASHINGTON.

Hart’s Dalles-Celilo Canal Project Adopted, but Board of Engineers Will Modify Plans if Cost of Improvement Can Be Reduced—Amounts Carried for Each State.

Washington, May 29.—Oregon and Washington fare remarkably well in the river and harbor bill as reported by the conference committee. Oregon, including the Columbia river, gets \$2,359,000.

The bill as agreed to carries the following appropriations:

Month of the Columbia, \$500,000 cash, and contracts for \$1,000,000 additional; Willamette and Columbia, from Portland to the sea, \$225,000, of which \$175,000 is for the construction of a dredge for use in the river.

Hart’s project for a canal between the Dalles and Celilo is adopted, and a balance of \$214,000, with an appropriation of \$100,000 additional, is made available for commencing work. The house conferees, however, secured a proviso that before entering on this work an examination shall be made by a board of engineers with a view of modifying the Hart plan in such a way as to diminish the cost. If it is found that the project cannot be improved and the cost reduced, the work will proceed without further delay, according to the pending plans.

The Columbia, between Vancouver and the month of the Willamette, gets \$2,000 instead of \$1,800,000 as per the senate amendment. For the Willamette above Portland, and the Yamhill, is appropriated \$68,000. A portion of this amount is to be expended in re-vesting the banks of the Willamette near Independence, and above Corvallis, and for improving the Long Tom river. Other items are:

Coquille, from Coquille City to the month of the river, \$30,000; Coos river, \$2,000; gauging Columbia, \$1,000; Columbia at Cascades, \$30,000; Upper Columbia and Snake, \$40,250, together with the balance unexpended on the Clearwater. Twenty-eight thousand of this amount is to be spent in completing the improvement between Riparian and Lewiston, and \$25,000 above Lewiston. The month of the Siuslaw gets \$35,000, with a survey at the month, and near Florence, with a view of future improvement of the river; Coos bay, \$75,000, as per the senate amendment; Tillamook Bay, \$27,000, with an estimate for procuring a 15 to 20-foot channel.

The amounts carried for Washington follow: Olympia harbor, \$25,000; Tacoma harbor, \$75,000 cash and a contract for \$100,000 additional; Gray’s harbor, below Aberdeen, and Chehalis river, \$15,000; Whatcom, \$25,000; Cowitz and Lewis rivers, \$8,500; Willapa river, balance to be expended on North and Nasal rivers; Puget sound and tributaries, \$35,000, of which \$15,000 is for removing a log jam in the Nook-sack river, and \$15,000 for cutting a channel through the jam to Bellingham bay; Swinomish slough, \$30,000; Okanogan and Pend d’Oreille, \$22,500. One hundred and sixty thousand is appropriated for continuing dredging a 10-foot channel from Shillshole bay through Salmon bay to Ballard.

## CLOUDBURST IN COLORADO.

Flood in Fountain River Does Great Damage at Pueblo.

Pueblo, Colo., May 29.—Scores of people living along the Fountain river, in this city, have moved to higher grounds in anticipation of the high water. About 3 o’clock this afternoon the first news of the heavy rains about 30 miles north reached this city. It is reported at Kellor a cloudburst covered the prairie with from two to four inches of water. Three hundred feet of track of the Denver & Rio Grande was washed out near Fountain and Pinon. The Santa Fe track is also reported damaged. All the telegraph wires were down, but linemen sent from Colorado Springs and Pueblo got the wires to working about 7 o’clock.

The flood, which reached here shortly after 8 o’clock, came down in a great roaring breast of water, tearing loose everything in its way. At Butte’s station, on the Rio Grande, the section house and other property was destroyed. From there to this city not much of value could be reached by the wave, and ample warning had been sent ahead. But a number of tent dwellers disregarded it and had a narrow escape. Two women were compelled to cling to a tree several hours amid the noisy waves. Several small houses and tents were carried off. The three large steel railroad bridges of the Santa Fe, Missouri Pacific and Colorado Southern railroads, all within a quarter of a mile above the month of the Fountain, were torn out and no trains will be able to cross for sometime. The approaches to the two city bridges on Fourth and Eighth streets and those of the county bridge, north of the city, were undermined and then torn out.

## Will Aid Cuba’s Commerce.

Washington, May 29.—At the request of President Palma, Secretary Hay has requested all the United States consular officers to charge themselves with any business that may arise at their posts appertaining to Cuban commerce. This is a temporary arrangement, and will last only until the Cuban government can appoint its own consular officers.

## Slept His Handcuffs.

Chicago, May 29.—Handcuffed to two other prisoners and to a deputy United States marshal, Fred Littleton, an alleged counterfeiter being taken to the federal prison at Milwaukee, succeeded in removing his handcuffs in the union passenger station and escaping. Several shots were fired at him but he was not hit. Littleton was considered a valuable prisoner and had been long sought by the secret service officers. When arrested by the Chicago police he had in his possession, it is said, many bogus 50-cent pieces.

## A Grant to Palma.

Havana, May 29.—Both the senate and the house have passed a bill granting President Palma \$300,000 for current expenses in connection with insular affairs.

## Investigating the Chicago’s Officers.

Naples, May 28.—The court of inquiry being held on board the United States ship Chicago, to investigate the arrest of certain officers of that cruiser at Venice, April 25, continues its sessions, but the strictest secrecy regarding the proceedings is maintained. Orders have been received from Washington that the findings are not to be divulged until they are passed upon by the United States government.

## SUM IS CUT DOWN

APPROPRIATION FOR PORTLAND POSTOFFICE REDUCED.

Amendments Increasing Appropriations for Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane Were Accepted—Portland Custom House Gets \$10,000 Additional—House to Consider Government Cable Bill.

Washington, May 28.—The omnibus public building bill, as agreed to by the conference committee, appropriates \$200,000 for enlarging and remodeling the Portland postoffice and court rooms, and \$10,000 for the Portland custom house. The senate conference endeavored to hold the senate amendment providing \$260,000 for the postoffice, but failed, as the house would concede only \$50,000 in addition to the amount originally allowed by the house. The fact that the supervising architect recommended \$150,000, was instrumental in cutting down the allowance for Portland. The committee accepted the senate amendment appropriating \$200,000 additional for Seattle, making the total cost \$950,000. Senate amendments increasing the appropriation for sites in Tacoma and Spokane from \$60,000 to \$100,000 were also accepted.

The house has determined to consider the Corlies bill for a government cable to the Philippine islands, but it will be practically a dead card, as the senate committee on naval affairs has abandoned a similar bill at the request of its author, Senator Perkins. The fact that the Commercial Cable Company, with John W. Mackay at its head, has undertaken to construct a private cable line which the government can use, and which will greatly reduce the tolls on cable messages from the far East, means that the senate will not go into the business of building a government cable. The opinion of most senators is that as long as independent concerns will construct telegraph lines which the government can use when it needs them, there is no necessity for government construction.

## SWEPT BY FLAMES.

Mills and Factories Valued at \$100,000 Destroyed by Fire at Grants Pass.

Grants Pass, May 28.—The most severe fire in the history of Grants Pass occurred here yesterday afternoon, resulting in the loss of \$100,000 worth of property. The saw and door factory of the Sugar Pine Door & Lumber Company, with its lumber yards, and all the machinery; the lumber factory and planing mills of Williams Bros. and six dwelling houses and other buildings were all destroyed within two hours’ time. The fire started about 5 o’clock in the afternoon, originating from a pile of sawdust near the yards of the Sugar Pine mills. A fierce wind was blowing, and before the employees of the mill were aware of it a pile of lumber was ablaze, and the flames swept from pile to pile. The fire company responded promptly, and all hands at the mill fought heroically, but to no purpose. To make matters

worse, the water supply in the city reservoir was low at the time, and with the high wind the mills and factories were soon at the mercy of the flames. There was 1,000,000 feet of lumber in the yards of the Sugar Pine Company, every foot of which was burned. Nothing was saved from the factory save a few of the lighter machines that could be quickly removed. The loss of the factory and lumber is estimated by H. C. Kinney, president of the company, at about \$75,000, with \$30,000 insurance.

From the Sugar Pine factory the flames swept to the mills of Williams Bros. This institution is a complete loss. There was no insurance. It was valued at \$10,000. Surrounding the mills were a number of residences, the houses of the employees of the mills. Six of these were burned.

One man, J. A. Turner, was severely hurt while fighting the fire in the mill. He received internal injuries besides many severe burns. He may die. A number of others were burned more or less by the flames.

## NEW FLOUR COMBINE.

Organized in Kansas and Farmers Take Part in It.

Kansas City, Mo., May 28.—Walter Vrooman, of the Western Co-operative movement, has closed contracts for the purchase of six of the largest wheat elevators in the Kansas wheat belt, and two of the largest flouring mills. The price paid is said to have been \$750,000, and Mr. Vrooman, who has left for New York, to complete the financial end of the plan, says the present purchase is but the beginning of a movement to center farmers of Kansas in a branch of the Vrooman Co-operative Company. The farmers are to be taken into the scheme upon the payment of \$100 each, for which they are to receive the market value of their wheat sold to the company, and in addition will receive one-half of the profits derived, the other half going to the co-operative stores, through which the wheat and flour will be hand ed.

“The plan,” said Mr. Vrooman, “is to eliminate wheat speculators and the middle men. The farmers are in earnest sympathy with the movement. It is the only way to head off the talked-of flour trust that is forming in New York.”

It is intended to ship to Great Britain to be sold among the co-operative members there the surplus product of Kansas and Missouri.

## Funnel-Shaped Clouds.

Fremont, Neb., May 27.—A series of funnel-shaped clouds swept around this town this afternoon and moved toward Hooper, 12 miles west, giving the people a bad scare. The storm which followed their appearance was terrific and blew down several barns and small buildings, but so far as learned no lives were lost. Communication with outside towns was cut off for some time by lightning interfering with the wires, and led to alarming but untrue reports being sent out from the railroad offices.

## Germans Want Opium Monopoly.

Pekin May 27.—A German firm has offered to the Chinese government \$15,000,000 annually for the exclusive rights of selling opium throughout the entire empire. The officials are disposed to regard the offer favorably, as it is an easy method of raising revenue. The promoters have sounded several of the ministers concerning the attitude of the powers. Outsiders consider the project impracticable, as the monopoly is impossible of enforcement.