# THE MADRAS PIONEER

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EVENTS OF THE DAY Newsy Items Gathered from All was critical.

Parts of the World.

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

Pinchot's friends are active in the Ballinger investigation.

Taft decides to continue the suit to dissolve the Harriman railroad merger.

Violation of the rules of etiquette may cause the retirement of the Austrian premier.

Transcontinental Passenger association grants convention rates to Portland for Rose Festival.

Both parties admit the British election was fought on the tariff issue, and both claim the victory.

Los Angeles autoists are protesting loudly against the new ordinance providing jail terms for speeders.

Members of house committee on postoffices and postroads hotly resent magazine publishers' charges of graft.

eer of a wrecked train on the New canals. York Central responsible for the death of the victims.

Two robbers in a taxicab robbed the 12-mile house, east of Portland, then proceeded to the 7-mile house and attempted to rob that place, mortally wounding an attache who resisted them. Posses were in pursuit inside of an hour.

A New York newsboy, while defending an aged man against three others here today. who were tormenting him, was stabbed three times. Two wealthy women in their automobile took the wounded being drenched in his life blood while Judge Landis. on the way.

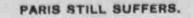
Many women will be employed as census takers.

The Ballinger-Pinchot inquiry has begun in Washington.

Strong opposition to appointive council for Alasa has developed, in the senate.

stations.

companies have been laid before the l grand jury.



Floods Increase and Death and Destruction Spread.

Paris, Jan. 28 .- Waters of the Seine creep slowly higher, each inch widely extending the area of destrudction, desolation and ruin.

Flood conditions had become much worse at 2 o'clock this morning, particularly in the south and east sections. In the old Latin quarter the situation

The sidewalk of the Quai des Gran-Jacob and around the Institute of France.

arrondissement, one of the biggest in to secure the completion of the project merged and has beenplunged into dark- success. ness on account of the breaking of the gas mains.

ing the people.

several feet, while the overflow of the scarcely any water.

INVESTIGATION WAS CORRUPT

Four Chicago Grand Jurors of 1908 Forced New Inquiry.

Chicago, Jan. 28. - Four members of the Federal grand jury which inves- tant. The altitude ranges from 3,100 tigated the so-called beef "trust" in feet to 3,700 feet. 1908 forced the government, through Judge Landis, to start the present inquiry, according to a report current

present action, it is said there would fornia, to be known as Siskiyou, are have been none, had the four dissatis- active with arrangements to call a connewsboy to a hospital, their dresses fied jurymen not sought the aid of vention to devise ways and means.

ment to begin another inquiry.



SPEND \$400,000 ON PROJECT. | DAIRY EXHIBIT AT STOCK SHOW

New Concern Will Build Big Reservoir to Store Flood Waters.

Laidlaw - Oregon's pioneer irrigation project, begun in 1893 just as the des Augustine collapsed and fell into panic swept over the country, stands in the Orleans company's tunnel beneath, a fair way to be completed, and the further extending the flood through the settlers who have been waiting and ancient streets, practically the Rue watching for the water that never came, may have their hopes realized. For the state of Oregon, represented Many sewers burst in the Twelfth by the land board, is making an effort

Paris, the whole of which is now sub- with the most flattering prospects of Laidlaw came into being during the

days when settlers expected water and Official figures of the stage of the as a matter of fact when water was water are difficu't to obtain, and the delivered in the ditches. But the supcity council at a stormy session to- ply was not sufficient for the lands atnight charged M. Lepine, prefect of tempted to be reclaimed, the acreage Paris, with concealing the gravity of reduced and other supplies of water the situation. The prefect defended sought. Financial troubles followed. his attitude by saying he was governed and the company was reorganized. In by the necessity of not unduly alarm- the meantime it was fully demonstrated that a gravity system of irrigation In the meantime terror has been was not feasible and that reservoirs struck in the hearts of all. The crust would have to be built to store the of the city seems ready to sink into flood waters of Tumalo creek during the flood. Every hour drains are the spring and allow water to be carbursting in new localities, causing a ried over the parching land in July and subsidence of the streets, or a bulge of August, when the stream carries The whole surface water from the river is trans- scheme resolved itself into bad enforming the inundated districts into gineering, but the engineer was not A coroner's jury has held the engin- formidable lakes and the streets into the man to suffer for his mistake. Three Sisters Irrigation company to water 27,000 acres of land lying on the west side of the Deschutes river, about six to 15 miles from Bend, taking water from a mountain stream known as Tumolo creek. The nearest railroad point is Shaniko, about 90 miles dis-

Convention to Carve New State, Medford-The Southern leaders in the movement to carve a new state out Concerning the inception of the of Southern Oregon and Northern Cali-

According to present plans the con-

This quartet, it is said, was willing vention will gather in Yreka, Siskiyou to indict the packers in December, county, California, not later than 1908, and finally became so indignant March 15, and remain in session three over the increasing price of meat that days. Prominent men from all over they informed Judge Landis that they the territory affected have signified cently issued by the department of agthought it was time for the govern- their willingness to attend and aid in the movement.

The report of the four jurors alleged As planned, the new state will emthat enough evidence was submitted to brace seven California counties and the work outlined for fall, winter, and the 1908 grand jury to warrant true five Oregon counties. The movement spring terms. The appendix gives ref- sufferers and boats for the rescue of Paris is in darkness, owing to flood- bills, and that, in spite of this, there grew out of widespread dissatisfaction erences to government publications the stricken as well as those impris- ister of public works, whose home a ing of gas works and electric light was a sudden apathy on the part of with the treatment, alleged to have those behind the prosecution. They been accorded the territory by the two and used as text books. Any teacher sides of Paris. Books of nearly all the big packing also said that if the investigation was states. California, it is said by those sending the commission two cents for not renewed immediately they would advocating the formation of the new postage may obtain a copy. make a statement to the public setting state, has long neglected its northern forth their theory of why the prosecu- portion, while Southern Oregon has suffered in a like manner, it is claimed, Following the jurors' complaint at the hands of Portland and the Wilinvestigation that resulted in the pres- new state is popular through the affect- of water increases with depth.

BOARD SEEKS WAY OUT.

Tariff Settlement with Germany Urged By Chamber of Commerce.

Washington, Jan. 26 .- In alarm one, the critical turn in the tariff controversy between the United States and Germany, appeals from chambers of commerce and boards of trade of several cities were made to the national board of trade in session here, urging that body to recommend that the American government recede fron its position that American beef must be Oregon livestock show at the fair admitted to Germany. Resolutions presented to the national body maintain there can be no advantage in insisting on a German market for American beef, because the consumption is farm, near Deer island, has won atten- increasing at such a rate as soon to command all the supply. It is pointed

out that the Agrarian party, in control of the Reichstag, has stood for the principle that farmers of Germany the Fluvial department at midnige must supply the beef, and that the imperial government could not admit the American product, if it would. A commission to settle the dispute is

suggested. Many delegates, bringing model dairy in all its parts ready for from their home cities demands for an investigation into the high cost of livminiature, but effective, nevertheless. ing, have made that subject foremost. The national body today decided to appoint a special committee of five men are hastily constructing temporar to determine the reasons for present prices.

In his opening address to the national board, the president, Frank J. La Lanne, of Philadelphia, suggested the plunged in darkness, possibility that by getting in touch with the leading bodies of Germany the organization could help the United tory has been roped off as unsafe. States department materially. He is said also that the new Equitable also pleaded for the immigration of more laborers and house servants.

# FLOODS IN FRANCE GET WORSE

Rivers Are Still Rising and Damage is incalculable.

Paris, Jan. 26 .- Floods have brought | cue work. disaster to a large part of France. The ordinary modest and peaceable Seine is now a raging torrent and ris- open their buildings and in succorise ing at the rate of more than half an refugees. Several convents and inch an hour.

The general expectation that the equipped with military cots and be maximum of the flood would be reach- ding and transformed into hospitals ed tonight has not been realized. The The Red Cross is performing splendid Seine's tributaries are rising steadily services in distributing food and clothe and the report tonight is that the Seine Ing. Nevertheless, numerous instanwill be at least 15 inches higher to-

morrow afternoon. Victims of the flood number more than 100,000 and the monetary loss is from their windows for bread, incalculable. Thousands of people are

hopelessly ruined. army and navy material to house the from Calais and other afflicted points. oned in houses in flood centers on all the Avenue d'Antun is surrounded. The region of inundation is steadily and in boats.

enlarging, and scores of villages are completely submerged, the people flee- and the municipality is considering the ing for their lives and abandoning advisability of closing all. Practica Dallas-Serious difficulties are be- everything. In many cases soldiers all of the flooded suburban towns about ing encountered at the oil well. The have been obliged to use force in com- Paris tonight are without light and further prosecution will be abandoned. Judge Landis is said to have made the lamette valley. The move to create the formation is very hard and the supply pelling the inhabitants to leave their several are without water. Their in-It is homes. Hundreds refused to go, possible for the drillers to make less clamoring for food and water. In than 10 feet daily. Oil sands are num- Paris the situation is rapidly becom- ting today in the water-beleaguend

FLOOD CONTINUES Destruction of Paris Goes

**Despite all Efforts** 

IS UNDERMINE WHOLE CITY Tributaries of River Above Paris An Now Stationary and Worst is Thought to Be Past.

Paris, Jan. 29 .- After a slow hm could only issue a statement raying that it was possible the crest of flood would be reached tomorrow.

The water has begun to fail in all a the tributaries of the Seine above Paris, but the passage through the city is clogged by bridges and an inmense accumulation of drift continu tonight. Sailors, firemen and polis walls by the light of camphres a torches in an endeavor to keep out the invading floods, while pickets pate those sections of the city that an

The situation in the Place de l'Open tonight is serious. The entire terri-Life Assurance building is in dange of collapse.

President Fallieres and Premise Briand today drove in automobiles to the flooded suburbs, where distress is greatest, speaking words of comfort to the homeless and encouraging soldier and others engaged in salvage and re-

Charitable organizations are co-operating with the authorities in throwing number of public buildings have been ces are cited of women and children who had refused to leave their home in the submerged districts, shricking

The number of refugees arriving here is enormous, Charenton alone The government has requisitioned sending in 38,000, who had got then The family of M. Barthou, ex-miswas taken out on the backs of soldiers

A large number of schools are cloud habitants are leaving. The chamber of deputies held a sitjournment or a transfer of their activities to Versailles, which had been suggested, would only serve to it crease the popular panic. Parliament today voted a bill ext-nding business notes one month. Communication with England, Holland, Denmark, and Austria and many appeared today to add intensity to the cities and towns in France is completealready excited situation over the Alas- ly cut off. The telephone has been ka coal lands, on the eve of thhe begin- practically abandoned in Paris. New districts are being flooded constantly and the people are vacating blocks d Several hospitals where sick refgees were taken are in a dreadful Four hundred patients were hurrier was isolated and a new rush of water would net the government, Mr. Bal- threatened to level it. The tireless prefect of police, M. Lepine, summoned ambulances and boats and additional police and soldiers.

Opportunity Given Model Dairymen to Show Farms in Miniature. A unique exhibition of proper dairy

methods is being arranged by the state board of health in connection with the grounds next fall. One of the leading promoters of the plan is E. L. Thompson, whose model dairy at Clover Hill tion throughout the Northwest. Mr.

Thompson said : "The fair next fall will give us the

biggest educational opportunity we have ever had. We want to show cattle that are best adapted for dairy purposes by reason of breeding, care and the tuberculin test. We will have a operation. This will, of course, be in We will show how feed should be raised and how it should be mixed for the health of cows, the largest production of the best possible milk. "Correct barn construction, the way

the stalls should be arranged, sufficient ventilation, adequate gutter drainage, the proximity of feed, milk rooms and manure heaps, will be gone into thoroughly. We will also show how milkers should be dressed, and how they should be clean in person and in habits, to prevent contamination, and keep dirt from getting into the milk. will all be practically illustrated.

New Brick School for Klamath Falls

Klamath Falls-Plans for the new public school building, which is to be erected on the west side of the river, have been approved by the school board. The building will be two story with basement and large attic, and covers a ground space 82x921/2 feet. It will contain eight class rooms, with two rooms in the basement, and one large room 25x80 feet in the attic, which will be used as an assembly and music room.

The Oregon Library commission has for distribution fifty copies of a circular "Forestry in Nature Study" rericulture. This is a plan for elementary instruction in the subject, arranged by grades, 1st to 8th, and with which can be obtained free of charge

The Panama libel suit against the tion had been dropped. New York World has been quashed and

The death roll by the floods in France reaches thousands, and the damages hour.

Maxazine publishers charge that an error of \$60,000,000 has been made in estimating expenses of Postoffice department.

Floods along the river Seine in France surround the government porcelain works at Sevres and threaten the city of Louvre.

A Southern court while trying a neambulance.

Southern bankers are manipulating the rice market.

Tacoma will adopt the commission plan of city government.

Republican insurgents are returning to the camp of the regulars.

Missouri forestry expert would organize state forestry departments.

Governor Brady, of Idaho, backs move for state control of natural resources.

The United States bank at Mexico City has been suspended by the clearing house.

Pure Food Expert Wiley says that eggs should not be kept in cold storage more than nine months.

Taft issued a statement that no sensational departure from the trust prosecution program will occur.

A woman keeper of a sanatorium confeased to collecting infants to "fake" the birth of quadruplets.

The secretary of the interior has released from temporary withdrawal 38,-759 acres in the Rainier forest reserve.

The snow blockade in central Wyoming has been broken and the first train for eleven days reached Lander.

The motor of Hamilton's aeroplane carry him to the beach.

Hamilton flew from San Diego across the Mexican border and back.

Prices of meat and butter are beginning to drop on account of the boycott in the East.

Speaker Cannon assures his support to the \$30,000,000 bond issue to aid irrigation projects.

account of the high prices.

ent action being started. Judge Lan- ed territroy. are increasing by the million every dis, it is asserted, got in touch with the evidence submitted to the 1908 grand jury, and he is determined that room.

#### INSURANCE FRAUDS.

Policies Written On Many Persons on Verge of Grave.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 28 .- John J. Keane, P. J. Needham and T. T. via Eugene. It has been rumored that gro, discovered that the prisoner was O'Leary, agents representing a number the Southern Pacific company would broken out with smallpox. He was of insurance companies in Indiana, build a line from Eugene to Florence immediately given full possession of Tennessee, Kentucky and other states, to reach Coos Bay, but the citizens the court room until removed in an tonight were arrested on warrants place more faith in the promise of the charging them with conspiracy to de- promoters of the Eugene & Western fraud.

The warrants were sworn to by S. C. Renick, secretary and treasurer of the struction work soon. Indiana National Life Insurance company.

While the amount involved is not tually certain to die within a few in business houses in the city. the purpose. It is believed the alleged conspiracy

is far-reaching and investigation will the number used in towns even larger be made not only here, but in New Albany. Ind., and perhaps in other cities.

Consular Agent Missing.

but Mr. Sabetta said Isnard's accounts work. with his government and with the American Express Co., for whom he is agent, are square.

Trainmen Cannot Agree.

New York, Jan. 28.-Representatives of the Railway trainmen's unions who failed while he was flying over the were to have conferred today with offiocean, but he had momentum enough to cials of 32 controlling railroads east of the Mississippi river, left tonight for the West, and the conference has jected by the railroads, but they are yet uninvested January 1. not agreed.

Latham Falls 150 Feet.

wrecked, but Latham was not injured. next meeting.

Florence Sees Bright Future.

Eugene-Florence, at the mouth of the present action shall not be nullified the Siuslaw river, has been petitioned nearing an immense deposit of the by influence outside the grand jury by T. J. Monroe of Coos Bay for a franchise for an electric light plant. The petition will probabply be submitted to a vote of the people. Florence is growing rapidly as a result of the beginning of jetty work at the mouth of the river. The citizens are working for a railroad to the Willamette valley company, which has made preliminary surveys and expects to begin con-

## Electric Clocks at Klamath Falls

Klamath Falls-O. B. Gates, agent stated, it is understood reach \$200,000 for the Western Union Telegraph comor more in policies alleged to have been pany, has secured 12 contracts for inwritten on the lives of persons vir- stalling clocks with telegraph service months-the fraud consisting of the company only sent Mr. Gates 12 conimpersonation of sick and incurable tracts. This is a most creditable showpersons by healthy ones employed for ing for a city of this size. It was not expected that over three of four clocks could be installed, as that is usually dozen.

than this.

# Clean Up Club at Eugene.

Eugene-A movement has been start-Chicago, Jan. 28 .- Pietro Isnardi, ed in Eugene to form a clean-up club Italian consular agent at Kansas City. among the pupils of the city schools. Mo., has disappeared, according to a The object will be the cleaning up of statement made here doday by Guido the streets, alleys and yards of the Sebetta, the Italian Consul. Mr. Se- city. City Superintendent of Schools betta said he feared Isnardi had be G. S. Stockton and Manager Freeman come mentally unbalanced because of of the commercial club, have agreed to celery, \$3@3.50 per crate; garlic, 12% persecution by a certain element of work together for the organization of the Kansas City Italians. About \$2,- the pupils' club and the commercial 000 is involved in the disappearance, club will give prizes for the best

> Stayton Votes Down Bond Issue. Stayton-The proposition to vote at

> \$10,000 bond issue for the new high school building was defeated at a special school election today by a vote of 76 to 27. Bonds of \$850 were voted for the purchase of six more lots for school purposes.

### Land Board Affirms Loans.

Salem-First mortgage loans from been postponed indefinitely. Original the school fund drawing 6 per cent expectations were that by this time interest were approved by the land the men would have formulated a scale board to the amount of \$59,200. There to replace the proposals recently re- remained \$305,000 of the school fund

\$1,000 for Lane County's Fair.

Eugene-The Lane County Fair as-Caro, Egypt, Jan. 28 .- Hubert Lath- sociation has decided to ask the county am, the French aviator, fell 150 feet court for an appropriation of \$1,000 Hetty Green, richest woman in the while making a flight at Heliopolis annually for the fair and appointed a

#### Slow Progress on Well.

erous and it is still the conviction of ing worse, floods sparing neither rich Palais Bourbon, believing that an so all concerned that the drill is slowly nor poor. precious fluid.

### PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat - Track prices: Bluestem, \$1.16@1.17; club, \$1.06; red Russian, \$1.04; valley, \$1.06; 40-fold, \$1.10.

Barley-Feed and brewing, \$2960 29.50 per ton. Corn-Whole, \$25; cracked, \$36;

per ton. Oats-No.1 white, \$32@32.50 per

ton Hay-Track prices: Timothy: Wil-

lamette valley, \$18@20 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$21@22; alfalfa, \$17@18; clover, \$16.; grain hay, \$16@17.

Butter-City creamery extras, 39c; regular butter prices.

Poultry-Hens, 15%@16%c;springs, The 15%-% 16%c; ducks, 20@23c; geese, 12@14c; turkeys, live, 22@24c; dressed, 25@27 1/c; squabs, \$3 dozen.

Eggs-Fresh Oregon extras, 31@ 32 %c per dozen; Eastern, 23@27c per

Pork-Fancy, 11@111/2 per pound. Veal-Extras, 12@12%c per pound. Fresh Fruits-Apples, \$1@3 box; pears, \$1@1.50 per box; cranberries, \$8@9 per barrel.

Potatoes --- Carload buying prices; Oregon, 70@9nc per sack; sweet potatoer, 21/2021/c per pound.

Vegetables - Artichokes, \$1@1.25 per dozen; cabbage, \$2@2 25 per hundred; cauliflower, \$1.75 per dozen; per pound; horseradish, 9@10c per pound; pumpkins, 134@1%c; sprouts, 7@8c per pound; squash, 2c; tomatoes. per sack; carrots, \$1.25; beets, \$1.50; paranips, \$1.50.

Onions-Oregon, \$1.50 per sack.

to good, \$4.50@4.75; strictly good tions. cows, \$4.25@4.50, ; fair to good cows, \$3.50@4; light calves, \$5@5.50; heavy calves, \$4@4.50; bulls, \$2.50@8.75;

Sheep-Best wethers, \$5.50(a.5.50)4 fair to good, wethers, \$4.50@5; good

Hogs - Top, \$9.10@9.25; fair to

Hops-1909 crop, prime and choice, 20@22%c; 1908s, 17%c; 1907s, 11%c per pound.

Wool - Eastern Oregon, 16@23c pound; mohair, choice, 25c pound.

Hides-Dry hides, 18@18c per pound; dry kip, 180018e pound; dry

green, 1c less.

calfskin, 19@21c pound; salted hides, world, is using fish instead of meat on this afternoon. The monoplane was committee to interview the court at its 10@10c salted calfskin, 15c pound; the 20 states in which soil surveys are installment of the 4 per cent annual monoplane has being made by the bigh prices. being made by the government.

ROYALTY OFFERED FOR COAL

John E. Ballaine, of Seattle, Makes Proposal for Alaska Fuel.

Washington, Jan. 26 .- A new factor ing of the Ballinger-Pinchot investigation.

John E. Ballaine, of Seattle, said to buildings. be the largest property owner in Alaska, made a proposal in writing to the senate committee on territories, of plight, the water having quenched fire which Senator Beveridge, of Indiana, in the furnaces.

is chairman, offering to the government a royalty of 50 cents a ton on ly removed in ambulances from the coal mined for the lease of 5,000 acres Hospital de la Salpetriere and the Hosfancy outside creamery, 34@39c per coal mined for the lease of 5,000 acres Hospital de la Salpetriere and the Hospital coal lands in pital Boucicault. Their rescue was prices average 1 1/2 c per pound under Alaska, in the Katalla and Matanuska dramatic and timely. The hospital districts. Such a tonnage royalty laine says, as high as \$2,000,000 a hundred acres.

This proposal contemplates a radical departure from past practices in the government's disposal of the Alaska coal lands, and it comes avowedly to do battle with another proposal embodied in a bill that has been prepared, but ence with four presidents of life insurnot introduced, designed to permit the sale or lease of such lands at a rate of in the alleged swindling schemes prac-\$10 an acre.

# Coast Committee Gets Busy.

Washington, Jan. 26 .- The Pacific Coast delegation appointed to secure in Kentucky without licenses. They submarine torpedo boats for the Pacific coast had a conference today with the ance company, and the Commercia president and the secretary of the Life Insurance company, both of innavy. While they elicited no definite dianapolis. promises from either, Secretary Meyer indicated the appreciation of the ne-\$1.50@2.25 per box; turnips, \$1.50 cessity for submarines along the Pacific and gave the impression that if congress could be induced to authorize favored by Mayor Robert W. Speer, the building of new submarines the

Cattle-Best steers. \$5@5.50; fair department would interpose no objec-

Girl Slaps Big Officer.

Philadelphia, Jan. 26 .- A six-foot policeman to 'ay told a girl shirt waist striker who was doing picket duty to loon license, advocates a municipal as-"move on," and she surprised him by phalt paving plant. slapping him in the face. This start-

ed a disturbance, and before it was all over six girl strikers were on their way to a police station charged with creating disorder. Miss Mary McMur-

were discharged.

Already more than 700 different The directors will meet in Chicago types of soil have been encountered in Monday and declare the first quarterly

### Insurance Men Attacked.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 29.-Insurance Commissioner Bell today held a conferance companies that have been losers ticed in Louisville by insurance solicitors. As a result, the state of Kentucky may take legal action against the insurance companies for operating are the Indiana National Life Insur-

### Speer Would Buy Water.

Denver, Jan. 29 .- Municipal owner ship of the water system of Denver is his annual budget submitted to the city council tonight. He recommends the purchase of the Denver Union We ter company's plant at an appraised valuation of \$14,400,000. The mayor favors a reduction of the number of saloons in Denver and doubling the sa-

# More Capital Poured In.

New York, Jan. 29 .- The recommendation of directors of the Internet tional Harvester company for an in trie, a society woman, furnished bail crease in the common stock of the for two of the girls, and the others company from \$60,000,000 to \$80,000, 000 was ratified at a special meeting of the stockholders in Hoboken today. dividend.

stags, \$3@4. ewes, \$5@5.50; lambs, \$5@6.50.

good hogs, \$5.60@9.