

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.

M. Lorraine, a French aviator, fell 30 feet in a Blériot machine and was badly injured.

A Colorado woman stopped a runaway horse which she had been driving and then died from the shock.

San Francisco and central California had a sharp earthquake, the strongest since the great disaster of 1906.

Six persons were injured, two seriously, by a collision between a freight and passenger train on a Seattle suburban road.

The mayor of Trenton, New Jersey, orders the street car company to run cars even if it has to give in to its striking employees.

The United States circuit court of New York, has ruled that stock speculation is no legitimate part of the business of a bank.

Citrus shipments from California are 1,700 carloads behind last season, and it is estimated there are 17,000 cars of the crop yet to be shipped.

Three paymasters of coal companies in different parts of Pennsylvania were held up and robbed about the same time of sums aggregating \$5,000.

The Northwest Corporation, owning the gas, electric and water plants of Oregon and Washington towns, has been taken over by an Eastern syndicate.

It is reported that Peary is taking the proofs of his North Pole discovery to London and will make them public at a meeting of the Royal Geographical Society.

A colony of 100 families of Mennonites sold their farms in the East and bought a large tract in California and now find their deeds worthless. The promoter made about \$500,000 on the deal and is now being sued by the victims.

A car of 100 non-union paper mill workers was blown up at Corinth, New York.

The Standard Oil company denies the accusations of combine, conspiracy and blocked competition.

The Southern Pacific agrees to furnish the rock if California towns will entice the rock pile to the rock pile.

An Ohio farmer, angered by the low price offered for a carload of turnips, gave away the whole load to consumers.

Since the death of ex-Senator Platt, United States Express stock, in which he was heavily interested, has advanced.

A rich Arkansas man, 80 years old, who figured in several breach of promise suits within the past year, has been assassinated.

Many briefs assail corporation tax law as unconstitutional, ex-Senator Foraker, of Ohio, attacking the law from all sides.

No parental blessing is forthcoming for Philander C. Knox, Jr., and his young bride, and they will proceed to hustle for a living.

"If Charles W. Morse would tell what he knows of the connection of financiers in New York with the panic of 1907 about a dozen men who stand high in the business world would be buying tickets for Europe and other places for trips of indefinite length," said W. P. Reid, of Boston, after a conference with the former "ice king."

Two women and a child were frozen to death in a sleigh in a Dakota blizzard.

Farmers along the Rio Grand are at war over the changing of the channel of that stream.

A 20-year-old son of Secretary Knox was secretly married to a girl aged 21, who worked in a department store.

The secretary of the Ohio miners' says that unless the operators yield to new demands of the union there will be a strike.

J. P. Morgan, on account of his vast wealth, has not a friend whom he can trust, and finds his greatest comfort in the companionship of his pet Pekin dog.

Eight persons were poisoned at Farmington, N. D., by eating hot cakes made with arsenic instead of baking powder. Two children are not expected to recover.

Two bombs were hurled into a room where a party of clerical candidates in Lisbon were dining, and the explosions killed two of the diners and wounded seven others, including the priest who was presiding.

Jacob Schiff, a banker who loaned much money to Japan, says the United States must fight Japan soon.

King Edward is visiting in Paris. He attended a performance of the new play, "The Chanticleer," and applauded it freely.

The National Convention of Milliners, in session in Chicago, announces that women's hats will be larger than ever this season, and the strictly up-to-date woman must have at least six for different occasions.

BOAT CREW IS FOUND; MISSING NINE WEEKS

Men Who Left Wrecked Steamer Farallon in Row Boat Picked Up by Revenue Cutter.

Seward, Alaska, March 12.—A wireless message here from the United States revenue cutter Tahoma tells of the rescue of the boat crew that set out nine weeks ago to seek aid for the survivors of the wrecked steamer Farallon.

The Alaska Steamship company's wooden steamer Farallon was wrecked in Iliaami bay on Cooks Inlet, January 5. Two days later Second Mate Gus Swanson and five men, three of whom were passengers, set out in an open boat to row to Kodiak for assistance.

The men who went with Mate Swanson were Seamen Charles Peterson and Otto Nelson and Captain Wedding and Engineer Albert Bailey, of the launch Seawolf, on their way to Kodiak to join their craft, and Charles Bourne, a resident of Afognak.

February 2 the survivors who remained on the shore near the scene of the wreck were rescued by the steamship Victoria. No word was received from the boat crew, which had been missing nearly a month when the Farallon survivors were rescued, and after two steamers cruised about Kodiak Island and without finding them they were given up for lost.

As a last resort the government was asked to send the revenue cutter Tahoma on a cruise around the island. It was thought possible that the men might have sought shelter in some inlet and be waiting the arrival of a steamer to take them off.

The Tahoma sailed from Seward two weeks ago and no word was received from her until tonight, when a wireless message was relayed by the steamship Olympia stating that the Tahoma had been successful in her search. No details concerning the rescue of Mate Swanson and his men have been received here and efforts to get into direct communication with the Tahoma have been unsuccessful. The revenue cutter is expected to arrive at Seward tomorrow.

CITY CRIES FOR RELIEF.

Philadelphia Urges Arbitration Between Warring Interests.

Philadelphia, March 12.—The call for arbitration between the Philadelphia Rapid Transit company and its 4,000 or more striking employees became insistent today.

From all quarters of Philadelphia the demand for mediatory measures was voiced. Everywhere it was recognized that failure to arrive at any arbitral agreement was the only thing that prevented a speedy ending of the general sympathetic strike, which has paralyzed the industrial life of Philadelphia and which, the labor leaders say, will spread if the deadlock continues.

These threats, perhaps, were the very things which stood in the way of an amicable adjustment. "The vested interests," as they are sometimes called, resent the hint of coercion. After discussion of the strike question, a large gathering representing more than 30 business organizations of the city, adopted a resolution in which three separate influences are invoked to end the industrial war.

DUDLEY PEARL IN AMERICA.

Famous Gem Worth \$165,000 Is Purchased by New York Woman.

New York, March 11.—It became known today that the \$165,000 pearl received at the custom house yesterday is the famous "Dudley pearl," once the property of Lady Dudley, whose collection of pearls was reputed to be one of the most remarkable in the world. The "Dudley pearl" is said to have been a jewel in the coronet of a member of the Spanish royal family.

It was supposed to have been stolen with other jewelry belonging to the Dowager Countess of Dudley in 1877 and returned when Lord Dudley paid a large reward. The collection was sold at auction in London in 1902 and brought \$447,650. The name of the New York woman who is said to have bought the pearl for a pendant was withheld.

To Get Drunk Man's Right.

New York, March 12.—"Three times a year is not too often for a gentleman to get drunk," said Surrogate Daniel Noble, at Jamaica today in deciding a will contest, where two brothers of the testator sought to have the will declared void on the ground that their brother was an "habitual drunkard." Surrogate Noble promptly decided the will was valid. The will was that of William Trester, of Evergreen, who left an estate of \$4,000,000. To one brother he left \$5 and to another the same amount.

Wire Will Unite Tafta.

Pittsburg, March 12.—A private telephone wire from the house of Charles P. Taft in Cincinnati to the White House is being arranged with the American Telephone & Telegraph company, it was learned tonight. The 725 miles of wire will be at the service of Charles P. Taft from 6 p. m. to 6 a. m. No outside hands will manipulate the switch board plugs and no outside ear will hear the personal conversations of the brothers. It will cost \$24,000 a year.

New York Central Gains.

New York, March 12.—Indicative of the business revival during 1909, the annual statement of the Vanderbilt lines, issued today, shows that the revenues of the New York Central increased from \$83,297,354 in 1908 to \$93,171,864. The cost of operation shows an increase of only \$3,304,522.

HAPPENINGS FROM AROUND OREGON

FREE SEEDS FOR FARMERS.

O. R. & N. Demonstration Train to Distribute Seeds on Trip.

Free seed will be distributed by the O. R. & N. demonstration train, which is to tour Eastern Oregon this month. The varieties will be Canadian field peas, Montana grown alfalfa and Minnesota corn. The seed will be given to farmers selected at the various places to be visited by the commercial clubs or the Farmers' union.

This system, it is believed, will bring better results than if the seeds were given out promiscuously, as the farmers will be selected upon promise to carry out experiments with every possible care and attention. In this way it will be possible to ascertain exactly what results may be obtained.

The demonstration train will leave Portland Sunday evening, March 20, in time to arrive at Heppner the following morning. The first lecture will be delivered there between the hours of 8:45 and 10:45 a. m. Then the itinerary as heretofore printed will be followed until on March 31, when the last lecture will be delivered at Hood River between the hours of 1:45 and 3:45 p. m.

Colonel A. A. Morse, of the O. R. & N. company, will have charge of the train and the following experts will lecture:

Dr. James Withycombe, director Oregon experiment station, Corvallis; Professor H. D. Scudder, agronomist, Oregon experiment station, Corvallis; Professor F. L. Dent, dairy husbandman, Oregon experiment station, Corvallis; Professor James Dryden, poultry husbandman, Oregon experiment station, Corvallis; H. Umberger, superintendent Moro experiment station, Moro; R. W. Allen, superintendent Umatilla experiment station, Hermiston; A. L. Applewhite, foreman Oregon agricultural college farm, Corvallis; E. H. Spillman, assistant horticulturist, Eastern Oregon experiment station, Union; A. G. Lunn, assistant poultry husbandman, Oregon experiment station, Corvallis; Robert J. Dryden, assistant poultry husbandman, Oregon experiment station, Corvallis.

"Resolved, That the chair appoint a committee of three members who shall make a list of all mineral properties being promoted in the state of Oregon, with all possible information concerning them. This information to be a record for public information."

All owners of mineral property are asked to co-operate with the organization by furnishing the desired information and by giving it their active support as members. It is believed that full and accurate knowledge of our mineral resources will bring an era of development that will benefit all and make Oregon, as it should be, one of the foremost of the mining states.

Address the secretary, Frederick Powell, 605 McKay Building.

AID OREGON MINING INDUSTRY

Branch of American Mining Congress is Organized.

The Oregon branch of the American Mining Congress has been organized, with headquarters in Portland. With a view to making their organization include all parts of the state, the board of directors will consist of nine members, not more than five of whom may be residents of Portland. There are three places in the board still to be filled by election of representative men identified with the mining industry in Eastern and Southern Oregon.

There are at present fifty-five names on the roll. All interested in promoting the development of the mineral resources of the state should join this organization and send their names at once to the secretary. Members of the Oregon branch must be members of the national body and the proper application blanks will be forwarded on request.

One of the purposes of the state organization is the establishment of a bureau of information concerning the mines, quarries and mineral deposits of all kinds in the state of Oregon, and the names of the companies or individuals owning or operating them with the amount of capitalization, number of shares, treasury stock and full description of the properties, with the amount of development work done, the past and present production, representative samples of ores, building stone, limestone, gypsum, coal, or other mineral products of commercial value. With this object in view the following resolution was passed at the last meeting, March 2, held in the rooms of the Commercial club.

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With grateful acknowledgment and unfeigned thanks for the personal respect and evidences of condolence expressed by congress and yourself. I remain very respectfully yours,

MARTHA WASHINGTON.

Mount Vernon, Va., 1779."

The letter from Mrs. Lincoln is as follows:

"To the Honorable Speaker of the House, Sir: While I feel the keenest anguish over the late dispensation of divine providence, I cannot be insensible of the mournful tributes, respect and veneration which are paid the memory of my dear deceased husband. And as his best services and most anxious wishes were always devoted to the welfare and happiness of the country, to know that they were truly appreciated and gratefully remembered affords me no inconsiderable consolation.

Taught by the greatest example, which I had so long before me, never to oppose my private wishes to the public will, I must consent to the request made by congress which you have the good wishes to transmit to me, and in doing this I need not—can not—say what a sacrifice of individual feeling I make to a sense of public duty."

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MRS. A. LINCOLN.

Frankfort, Germany."

Mrs. Lincoln was granted a pension of \$5,000 a year.

New Minster to China in Training.

Chicago, March 7.—Forty Chinese students entertained William J. Calhoun, the newly appointed minister to China, at luncheon today at the King Joy Lo restaurant. The new minister listened gravely to many suave expressions of Oriental good will and as gravely consumed a dinner of infinite variety, served in mandarin style. Although the luncheon lasted two hours and a half, it was said to be more of an afternoon tea as compared with the real state dinner which Mr. Calhoun will be expected to grace beyond the Pacific.

Portland Markets.

Wheat—Track prices: Bluestem, \$1.12@1.13c; club, \$1.04; red Russian, \$1.06; valley, \$1.04; 40-fold, \$1.06.

Barley—Feed and brewing, \$28@28.50 ton.

Corn—Whole, \$35; cracked, \$36 ton.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$1.31.50 ton.

Hay—Track prices: Timothy, Wilamette valley, \$20@21 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$22@23; alfalfa, \$17@18;

California alfalfa, \$16@17; clover, \$15@16; grain hay, \$16@18.

Fresh Fruits—Apples, \$1.25@3 per box; pears, \$1.50@1.75 per box; berries, \$8@9 per barrel.

Potatoes—Carload buying prices: Oregon 60@70c per hundred; sweet potatoes, 8c per pound.

Onions—Oregon, \$1.50@1.75 per hundred.

Vegetables—Turnips, nominal; rutabagas, \$1@1.25; carrots, \$1; beets, \$1.25; parsnips, \$1.

Butter—City creamery, extra, 39c;

fancy outside creamery, 35@39c; store, 20@23c.

Butter fat prices average 1.12c per pound under regular butter prices.

Eggs—Fresh Oregon ranch, 22@23c per dozen.

Pork—Fancy, 12@13c.

Veal—Fancy, 12@13c.

Poultry—Hens, 19c; broilers, 25@27c;

ducks, 22@25c; dressed, 25@29c;

squabs, \$8 per dozen.

Cattle—Best steers, \$5.75@6.10;

fair to good, \$6@5.50; strictly good cows, \$5.50@4.75; fair to good, \$4.60;

light calves, \$5.50@6; heavy calves, \$4@5; bulls, \$3.75@4.25;

stags, \$3@4.50.

Hogs—Top, \$10@10.50; fair to good, \$9@9.75.

Sheep—Best wethers, \$6@6.50; fair to good, \$5.50@5.75; good ewes, \$6; lambs, \$7.75.

Hops