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TOLEDO OREGON

THE NEWS OF THE WEEK

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week Cull'd From the Telegraph Columns.

Malloh Rezza, who assassinated the shah of Persia in May last, was hanged at Teheran in the presence of an immense concourse.

Ben Noyar, who was arrested upon suspicion of having robbed the Wilhoit stage, has been released from jail without having been given an examination upon the charge.

In a fight at Vodeza, Macedonia, between 150 insurgents and 500 Turkish troops, the former were reinforced after four hours and routed the Turks, fifty of whom were killed.

Frank Farnsworth Barnard, aged 42, a tenor singer well known in theatrical circles, committed suicide in New York by shooting himself in the right temple with a revolver.

The cyclists of Olympia, Wash., have formed a club, with a membership of 150, for the vigorous prosecution of a good roads crusade. They propose to immediately begin the improvement of the various roads leading out of the city.

The four-story mill of the Sperry Flour Company, at Paso Robles, Cal., was burned together with three adjacent cabins and a blacksmith shop. The mill was valued at \$35,000, and the stock of wheat and flour on hand was worth \$12,000, and it was a total loss. There was \$20,000 insurance on the building.

A dispatch from Egypt says: "To show the futility of any hope of arresting the course of cholera at present, during the week before last fresh outbreaks occurred in sixty-nine different places and last week in eighty-seven. During the seven days to August 1, 1,200 deaths were reported, and in the following six days 1,700 deaths."

Judge Noble denied the application of the Brown Hoisting Company's locked-out employes for an injunction to restrain Mayor McKisson, of Cleveland, from calling additional militia into service; to restrain the Brown company from arming its employes and to compel the company to carry out the agreement made with the locked-out men on July 27.

The cannery and machinery of the Anderson (Cal.) Canning & Packing Company, owned by Dan Grover and B. T. Ryan, burned. The cannery was worth \$8,000. A stock of dried fruit worth \$700, 300 sacks of wheat and a large quantity of tin was also destroyed. There is no insurance. Two adjacent cottages owned by Dan Grover and J. T. Ryan, valued at \$700, were also burned.

At San Antonio de los Baños, a proprietor named Domingo Hernandez, who was 70 years old, has been hanged by the insurgents.

At the Novelty theater, London, in a stabbing scene, the spring dagger made for stage use failed to act and an actor was stabbed to the heart so that he died in a few minutes.

Senor Marcel de Azacarra, Spanish minister of war, is considering a scheme to introduce conscription in order to facilitate the recruiting of forces for the Spanish army service in Cuba.

Miss Clara Barton, president of the American branch of the Red Cross Society, has started on her return to the United States, her mission of distributing relief to the Armenians having been ended.

A. W. Fawcett, the recently deposed mayor of Tacoma, announces that the fight for occupancy of the office is not yet ended by any means, and that he will immediately carry the contest to the supreme court for settlement.

John Thompson and Jay Leonard were killed by lightning in a violent storm at Sandusky, O. They were working on the new government pier at Cedar Point, with augers in their hands, which attracted the lightning.

The body of a newly born male infant was discovered floating in the Willamette river near New Era one day last week. A coroner's inquest was held over the remains, but nothing was developed which would tend to throw any light upon the mystery, as to why the body of the babe was thrown into the river.

The steam schooner Point Arena, bound from San Francisco to Mendocino, went on the rocks near Point Reyes. Captain Johnson, her master, was on the bridge when she grounded. He at once began to back her, and within ten minutes she was free of the rocks. As soon as the vessel was loosened the water began to rush in through a hole in her port bow, just forward of the forward hold. Captain Johnson headed for San Francisco, and came up under a full head of steam, the pumps being kept in action all the while. By the time she reached the Mission slip, where she was docked, there was four feet of water in her forward hold.

Ice Famine Threatened.
St. Louis is seriously threatened with an ice famine. Prices have been steadily advancing since the opening of the season until now they are up to the highest point reached in this city for several years. This week there was an additional increase of \$1.25 per ton to the trade and another increase may be expected soon. The price to the trade is now \$5, or more than double what it was at any time last year. Ice is being shipped in from remote northern points, but the demand cannot be supplied.

An American Citizen Shot.
A young man named James F. Howard is now in the hospital in Juarez, Mexico, with two bullet holes in his body. He became involved in a quarrel with Mexicans and shot three of them dead. They had attempted to assault him. He was seriously wounded in the fight, but managed to escape.

A Demand by Terrell.
United States Minister Terrell has demanded the immediate release of six Armenians (naturalized Americans) imprisoned at Aleppo. Terrell has notified the Turkish authorities that the further imprisonment of Americans would not be tolerated.

Trans-Oceanic Record Broken.
The steamship St. Paul, from Southampton, crossed Sandy Hook in six days and fifty seven minutes, beating the new record made last week by her sister ship, the St. Louis, of six days, two hours and twenty-four minutes.

Drowned in the Columbia.
Mark Van Bibber, a son of W. H. Van Bibber, of The Dalles, was drowned in the Columbia river near that city, where he was swimming in company with several companions. The body has not been recovered.

Fifteen Horses Poisoned.
Twelve of the fifteen horses belonging to Charles A. Worth, of San Francisco, are dead and three more are under treatment for arsenical poisoning. The poison was administered by an enemy unknown.

Daniel Pullen Missing.
Daniel Pullen, a prominent farmer of Lapush, Wash., suddenly became insane last Sunday and left his home and has not since been seen or heard of. It is believed he has committed suicide.

Floods in India.
A London dispatch from Bombay says heavy floods have been caused by the rising of the river Kistnah. Immense damage was done, and thousands rendered homeless. A river boat was capsized and 200 persons drowned.

Regulators Sadly Needed.
The violent demonstrations by the turbulent elements of Belleville, Ill., against the Salvation Army which have occurred at frequent intervals on the public square for a year past, at last culminated in a riot. For over two hours the mob surged around the little band of Christians, cursing, pushing, striking and creating a perfect bedlam of discordant noises. One of the army flags, on which was the stars and stripes, was torn from its staff and trampled upon. One of the women, who was struck on the head by a missile, was about the only one seriously injured.

They Saw a Large Meteor.
E. Simmons, wife and two daughters were sitting in the yard at their home in Chicago when they saw a meteor descending and aiming directly toward them. Terror overpowered them, bound them to their seats and prevented their fleeing. But fortunately while the mass of molten metal was 100 feet from them it burst, and the fragments scattered with a report like a cannon, the hissing sound which had been growing in intensity culminating in a last dying gasp. No fragments could be found.

Death in the Flood.
A great rain storm burst over Pittsburg and vicinity, deluging a territory several miles in extent, swelling the streams into torrents, sweeping away bridges and sending a score of human beings into eternity. The storm is attributed to the approach of a cool wave from the Northwest. Great damage was done by water in various parts of the city. The streets were covered by debris, car lines tied up and tracks blocked. At Dehaven, a small town near the Wildwood oil well, six people were drowned.

A Boiler Exploded.
A hundred and fifty horse-power boiler at the Lockville Brick & Tile works, near Maximo, O., exploded with terrific force, completely wrecking the building. Isaiah Johnson, an engineer, had his back broken. He will die. Samuel Snider was badly injured about the head and had his breast crushed. He cannot recover.

Train Ran Into a Washout.
An eastbound mail train from Chicago on the Lake Shore road, ran into a washout seventy feet long and thirty feet deep near Otis, Ind., and the entire train, except the day coach, plunged into the big hole. The engineer, James Griffin, and the fireman, Michael Roache, were almost instantly killed. No one else was injured.

Florence, Kan., is proud of being the residence of a humane lady, who bought an ear trumpet for her pet dog.

UNION PACIFIC RAILWAY SUED

Telegraph Operators Have a Grievance.

SUBMITTED IN A PETITION

Interesting Outgrowth of Judge Caldwell's Famous Order of March, 1894, Regarding the Wage Schedules.

Omaha, Aug. 18.—A suit has been filed in the United States circuit court, which is likely to demonstrate just how great permanent benefits the men on the Union Pacific are to reap from the famous wage schedule conference held before Judge Caldwell on March 18, 1894. Among the other results of this famous conference, in fact, the result it was called to accomplish, was the adoption of a wage schedule and code of rules which was to govern the relations of the men and the receivers. Among the rules was one which provided that no man should be discharged without just cause, and another was that the schedule of the pay fixed upon at that time was not to be altered, except by order of the court. The men in the telegraph branch of the service allege that both of these provisions have been violated, and on this the issue will be joined in a case which was filed yesterday in the United States court.

In this case J. T. Weybright, L. M. Tuder, L. Rosenbaum and N. A. Smith, representing the Order of Railway Telegraphers, members of the joint protective board of the employes of the Union Pacific system, appear as plaintiffs. The petition reiterates the order as entered by Judge Caldwell, at the conclusion of that hearing in March, 1894, and the conference leading up to it. Then they proceed to state that the following rates of pay for telegraphers were fixed by that order: Rogers, \$62 per month; Benton, \$67; Aldas, \$62; Boone, \$45; Rockville, \$45. Without notice to the men or to the court, and in violation of that order, the petition states the wages at these stations have been reduced as follows: Rogers to \$35 per month; Benton, \$25; Aldas, \$35; Boone, \$25; Rockville, \$25. They petition the court that the wages of the men be restored to the amount named in the schedule, and that the difference between the amount they have received since the reduction be paid to them.

By far the most important portion of the petition is contained in the next paragraph. In it the petitioners allege that the managing officials of the company are hostile to organized labor, and particularly to the Order of Railway Telegraphers, and that a systematic effort has been made to weed out the leaders in the order by summarily discharging them without cause. Among these are cited F. E. Gilliland and F. R. Dresbach.

The telegraphers have another grievance which will be brought to the attention of the court in a petition which will be filed soon. It has been the custom of the Union Pacific for a long time to deduct from the pay of each man on the system the sum of 40 cents per month for the maintenance of hospitals on this system. The telegraphers alleged that they receive no benefit from the hospitals, except in case of the very few who reside at the places where they are maintained. They complain they are not given an accounting of the expenditure of the money collected for this purpose from the men, which they allege amounts to \$100,000 a year, and that if they must pay, they are entitled to know what becomes of the money. They will also allege in the petition that the at present time the Union Pacific does not maintain any hospitals, simply having the use of a small number of cots in hospitals conducted by private parties or associations, and the expense attached thereto is not sufficient to warrant the collection of the amount of money that is at present taken from the employes.

ENGLISH THIEF CAPTURED.

Robbed the London Postoffice of \$2,000 and Fled.

Boston, Aug. 18.—Henry Borfield, of London, England, was arrested today as he landed from the Cunard steamer Pavonia, on a complaint of British Vice-Consul Keating, charging him with the embezzlement of \$415 from the London postoffice. Borfield was a postoffice employe in London, and is charged with taking the money from two packets. His wife, who is a bride of only a month, is detained by the immigration officers as an undesirable person, while Borfield is in jail awaiting extradition. Borfield made a confession and turned over \$1,600 of the stolen money. He will be arraigned before United States Commissioner Fiske.

Baltic Canal Satisfactory.

Berlin, Aug. 18.—The Zietung records Emperor William's pleasure at the success of the passage of the thirty-nine men-of-war through the Baltic canal last Thursday. These men of war moved at a rate of speed essential for naval maneuvers, and their successful passage through the canal under force draught, is regarded as an indication that the new canal will be perfectly accessible in case of emergency for the largest iron-clads.

LAURADA SCARE OVER.

Facts Satisfactorily Explained to the Spanish Secretary of War.

Madrid, Aug. 18.—The Duke of Tetuan, Spanish minister of foreign affairs, has received from Washington a dispatch giving satisfactory assurances regarding the alleged filibustering expedition of the Laurada.

History of the Case.

Washington, Aug. 18.—The steamer Laurada, referred to in the Madrid dispatch, has figured frequently in the claims made by Spanish authorities that American merchants were engaged in filibustering operations. In January last the then captain of the vessel was indicted in the federal courts of South Carolina, but was acquitted after a jury trial. Frequent reference has been made to the experience of the Laurada at many ports in May last. The captain on that occasion failed to take out health papers required by the law, and this led to the surveillance of the Laurada by the Spanish war vessels. It is claimed that ten Cubans were thrown into the water after the Spanish war vessel put in an appearance. It was also represented at the time of the appearance of the Spanish cruiser that thirty men were drowned, owing to the precipitated haste in getting ashore to avoid apprehension. The Spanish authorities claimed that the United States had taken no proceedings toward apprehending the vessel or arms in accordance with the neutrality law.

CORNWELL'S THREE WIVES.

Dead Engineer's Widows Surprise Each Other at the Funeral.

San Francisco, Aug. 18.—George W. Cornwell, the oldest locomotive engineer on the coast division of the Southern Pacific, died recently, and at his funeral three women appeared, each claiming to be his widow. Two used the name of Mrs. Cornwell, but the third said she had been married to the deceased under the name of George Parker. The one of the three who has known Cornwell longest is known as the San Jose widow, because she resides in that city. She declares the dead engineer is the father of her son, aged 35. Cornwell lived with her from 1860 to 1872. Then he met and married the woman who is known as Mrs. Cornwell, at 1802 Howard street. In 1888 Cornwell met Mrs. Parker, and, telling her his name was the same as that of her former husband, George Parker, married her. He installed her in a house a block from that of Mrs. Cornwell No. 2. Mrs. Parker knew nothing of the other two wives, and No. 2 was not aware of the existence of No. 3, in whose house he died. The engineer was 59 years old, and had been on the Pacific coast thirty-six years, all of the time in the employ of the Central and Southern Pacific railroads. He leaves only about \$3,000, his earnings having all gone to support his numerous wives.

BOY'S TRAGIC DEATH.

He Falls Under the Wheels of a Salem Electric Car.

Salem, Or., Aug. 18.—Willie McDonough, a 14-year-old boy, was run over and killed by a car of the Salem Motor Railway Company, in North Salem, this afternoon. The accident occurred in front of the residence of Harvey Massey, at 5:15, as the car was coming from the fair grounds toward the city. The unfortunate boy, in company with two other boys, was passing the Massey residence just as a horse was being led through the gate into the street. At this juncture the street car came along and was on the down grade. The horse frightened, and in the attempt to get out of its way, Willie McDonough started to cross the track and was struck by the car. The car passed entirely over his body, mangling the head terribly. Traces of blood were left for fifteen to twenty feet along the track. The body was picked up fifty feet or more from where the boy's companions stood, leaving it uncertain as to how far the car may have dragged it. The boy's father, Harris McDonough, met with a similar fate just four years ago, in being run over and killed by a railroad train near Cincinnati. Joseph Wilson, now in Portland, is the boy's step-father.

NOTED CAROLINIAN KILLED.

By a Negro Boy After Both Had Exchanged Shots.

Spartanburg, S. C., Aug. 18.—Captain John H. Blassingam, one of the oldest and most respected citizens of this city and state, was shot and killed this afternoon by Chris Cannon, a negro boy. Captain Blassingam was alone in his sister's house, and Cannon entered the house for the purpose of robbing it. Pistol shots were heard, and the negro was seen running from the house. Captain Blassingam was found dead, shot twice through the head. The negro was tracked to a house half a mile distant, where he was found shot through the chest. Two empty pistols found in the house indicate that both parties engaged in the shooting. The negro was taken to jail. His wound is not thought to be fatal. There is some talk of lynching, but the law will take its course.

Captain Blassingam was a member of one of the most prominent families in the state, and a man respected and honored by all.

BRIEF PACIFIC COAST NEWS

A Resume of Events in the Northwest.

EVIDENCE OF STEADY GROWTH

News Gathered in All the Towns of Our Neighboring States—Improvement Noted in All Industries—Oregon.

The amount collected for school taxes in Coos county during the year ending April 6, 1896, was \$11,587.69.

The organization of the labor exchange has been effected at Coquille and an application for a charter has been made.

Ground squirrels are becoming so numerous in Curry county that in several places the gardens are being badly damaged.

Harney county is said to have invested \$25,000 in bicycles this year—\$5,000 in cash and the balance on the installment plan.

Jacob Greenburg, the 9-year-old son of Isaac Greenburg, was drowned in the Willamette river at the foot of Davis street, Portland.

Company C, of Pendleton, has sent to A. R. Holmes, at Portland, a gold pin and pendant, in appreciation of his services while captain of the company.

W. S. Byers, of Pendleton, is making up a shipment of three carloads of flour for Africa. It is put up in 12½, 24½ and 49-pound sacks of the ordinary kind, and these sacks in turn are packed in coffee sacks.

A band of bunch-grass horses were driven in and sold at public auction in Silverton the other day. The horses were unbroken and were sold at very low prices. Good horses were sold for \$6, and good teams were sold for \$10 to \$23.

Day Bros. will resume dredging at the upper end of the locks as soon as the water falls two feet more. The date when they will begin building the walls of the inner part of the canal has not been decided upon, as no orders have been received from the war department authorizing them to renew constructions.

A trip through the hop-growing districts around Brownsville shows that the acreage will not be quite as large as last year, but the quality has every indication of being first-class. The yards which have been cultivated show an abundance of young hops on the vines, and as yet they are free from pests of all kinds.

A black bear, that had killed sheep in King valley, was killed last week by George Neithamer. Bruin weighed 400 pounds. The neighbors of Mr. Neithamer were so elated over the destruction of the bear that they each presented the hunter with a sheep's piece, and he is now possessed of about fourteen head.

A departure from the old custom of threshing machine men boarding with the farmer has been made in Lake county. There the threshing men have a kitchen on wheels, which can be hauled around with the machine, and it costs the farmer only for the threshing. It is a novel idea and one which will undoubtedly become popular among the women on the ranches.

Washington.

The attempt at Kennewick to assess the district for irrigation purposes was voted down at the recent special election.

Henry Seiffert, who shot and killed L. H. Platter in the courthouse in Spokane on the first of this month, has been denied bail, and committed to jail to await trial.

Assessor Carpenter, of Yakima, pounced upon a band of 3,400 migratory sheep belonging to A. Andrews & Sons, of Oregon. Mr. Andrews cheerfully paid the tax.

The Methodist Episcopal Columbia River conference, which embraces Eastern Oregon, Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho, will convene at North Yakima August 26.

The aggregate value of all assessable property in Yakima county as equalized by the county commissioners is \$4,120,882. The total tax levied for 1895 was \$106,759.21.

W. A. Mears, of Portland, who has business connections in Japan, has given the Bell Lumber Company, of Everett, an order for 1,000,000 feet of lumber to be shipped to Japan.

The Fairhaven National bank closed its business as a banking institution on Friday, and is paying off its depositors in full. It is voluntarily liquidating the indebtedness, which is said to be small.

The Bank of Auburn has suspended payment, and its affairs will be immediately wound up by A. H. Boyd, receiver. The deposits amount to about \$16,000, while the total asset will reach \$50,000.

The statement of the treasurer of Skaigt county for the year ending June 30, 1896, shows that receipts have amounted to \$148,050.78, and disbursements to \$95,489.06, leaving a cash balance of \$52,561.69.