

THE DAILY... Will be delivered at your residence... 15c A WEEK.

Eastern Oregon Weather... Tonight and Friday fair.

DISASTROUS FIRE

Cincinnati and Wipes... Some of the Old Landmarks of That City.

OLD PIKE OPERA HOUSE IS DESTROYED.

Losses Exceed \$25,000—Loss of Property Destroyed May Exceed \$1,000,000.

The most disastrous fire that has visited this city in a long time was discovered early this morning in the basement of the opera house...

WERE OLD LANDMARKS.

It is not believed that any lives were lost, though there are reports of persons missing.

QUARTER OF A MILLION LOSS.

New York, Feb. 26.—Fire in an eight story building occupied by Carpet & Co., clothiers, and others did a quarter of a million dollar damage this morning.

CARNEGIE TO VISIT TUSKEGEE.

Tuskegee, Ala., Feb. 26.—Arrangements are being made at the Tuskegee Institute for negro youth, located here for the reception of Andrew Carnegie...

THE WESLEY ANNIVERSARY.

New York, Feb. 26.—Much interest manifested in the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the birth of Wesley, which is to be held in Carnegie hall this evening...

BARRETT VS. KELLY.

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 26.—This was date originally fixed for the fight between Jack Lowery and Eddie Lenore before the Savannah Athletic Club...

MRS. FAIRBANKS RE-ELECTED.

Washington, Feb. 26.—Mrs. Cora Fairbanks was unanimously re-elected president-general of the National Association of the American Revolutionaries today.

READY FOR IRRIGATION.

Secretary Moore Sends County Reports to Washington. Portland, Feb. 26.—It is now up to the national government to keep its part of the agreement regarding irrigation matters.

Umatilla county sent its report straight to Washington through a committee appointed by the Umatilla County Irrigation Association.

GRAIN RATE HEARING.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 26.—The interstate commerce commission began a hearing today in the matter of recent advances in freight rates on grain and grain products.

MITCHELL ABANDONS HOPE

STARTS A MOVEMENT TO BOYCOTT "SCAB" COAL. President of the United Mineworkers Says He Cannot Organize the Miners of Maryland and West Virginia Without Outside Assistance.

Chicago, Feb. 26.—John Mitchell, president of the United Mineworkers, has abandoned all hope of organizing the miners of Maryland and West Virginia without outside assistance.

A LEGAL FENCE.

Law Changes Construction of Fence in Eastern Oregon Counties. Salem, Feb. 26.—Wire fences east of the Cascade Mountains must, after the middle of next May, be constructed in the following manner:

IMMENSE COST OF WARS.

Madrid, Feb. 26.—The minister of finance has made a report showing that the cost to Spain of the Cuban and the Philippine war was \$470,500,000.

OREGON'S SENATORS.

List of Statesmen Who Have Served in Upper House. Following is a list of the senators who have served the state of Oregon since her admission into the Union, on February 14, 1859:

CAN CURE LEPROSY

Dr. Adolph Razlog Has Found a Means of Exterminating the Dread Disease.

HAS COMPLETELY CURED THREE CASES AT CANTON.

United States Consul Wade Reports the Matter to the State Department—Urges its Adoption in Hawaii and the Philippine Islands.

Washington, Feb. 26.—According to United States Consul McWade, at Canton, it has remained for an American physician, Dr. Adolph Razlog, to discover a means of curing and exterminating leprosy.

STOCK SHOW.

One to be Held at Fort Worth, Texas, Next Week—A Very Large Entry List.

Fort Worth, Texas, Feb. 26.—The fat stock show to be held in Fort Worth next week promises to eclipse all previous exhibitions of the kind held in the Southwest.

ALEXANDER AT BERMUDA.

New York, Feb. 26.—Advices received today from Bermuda state that the disabled collier Alexander was towed in there today by the duties steamship Beta.

TO RESTORE FORESTS.

Burned Mountain Lands Planted to Incense Cedar and Pines by the Bureau of Forestry—Help from the Inhabitants. Many acres of burned land in the San Gabriel and San Bernardino mountains, Southern California, have been planted to pines and incense cedar this winter by the bureau of forestry.

THE DAY IN SENATE

Charges Against Apostle Reed Smoot Formally Filed With the Senate Committee.

HE BRANDS THEM AS INFAMOUS LIES.

Smoot Cannot Be Prevented From Taking the Oath When the Next Senate Meets, But the Charge Will Have to Be Investigated.

Washington, Feb. 27.—Charges against Smoot, the Utah politician, were today formally filed with the senate committee on privileges and elections and state specifically that Smoot was married to a plural wife after the admission of Utah into the Union.

DEMOCRATS FILLIBUSTER.

A filibuster against the Butler-Wagoner election contest was inaugurated as soon as the house convened. A yea and nay vote was demanded on every motion.

NEW PAPER FOR BEND.

Arrangements Made for Weekly With \$5000 Capital.

The Dailies, Feb. 26.—In view of the prospect of large development in the Upper Deschutes Valley, now that irrigation for that country is assured and its timber resources are becoming known, George Schlecht, of Portland, has arranged for the incorporation of a company to publish a live weekly at Bend, Crook county.

GAME LAWS UNJUST.

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GRAIN MARKETS.

Quotations Furnished by Coe Commission Company, 120 Court Street—B. E. Kennedy, Local Manager.

Table with columns: Wheat (Chicago, May, July), Corn (Chicago, May, July), Minneapolis (Feb. 26), New York (Feb. 26).

INTEREST IN WRESTLING MATCH.

Cleveland, O., Feb. 26.—Tom Jenkins of this city and Frank Gotch, the "Klondike Champion," are matched to meet in a mixed-style wrestling bout tonight at the Grays' armory.

QUESTIONS GIBBONS' ACTION.

Rome, Feb. 26.—The fact of Cardinal Gibbons' not coming to the pope's jubilee is causing considerable comment in the Vatican.

BAKER COUNTY MURDER CASE.

PLES ARMSTRONG MAKES FIGHT FOR HIS LIFE. Great Interest Taken in the Ensminger Case—Gives Promise of Sensational Conditions.

Baker City, Feb. 26.—Attorneys, relatives, friends, witnesses and some money are gathered in this city today in the interest of the Ensminger murder trial which gives promise of disclosing the most sensational and peculiar conditions and facts that the courts of the state of Oregon have been treated to in their history.

WAITSBURG'S FOUNDER DEAD.

J. J. Bruce, Pioneer, Dies at Walla Walla. Walla Walla, Feb. 26.—Yesterday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. Spangle, 916 Carrie avenue, James J. Bruce, one of Walla Walla county's prominent pioneers, died at the age of 74 years.

GRAND JURY IN BAKER COUNTY.

Baker City, Feb. 26.—Upon request of the taxpayers of Baker county, Judge Robert Eaken called a grand jury to sit during the session of the February term of the circuit court.

CAPTURED AT LAST.

A. J. Turpin Landed in Penitentiary—Other Prisoners Received. Walla Walla, Feb. 26.—A. J. Turpin, who was sentenced five years ago for rape committed in Kittitas county, and who successfully broke jail in 1898, was handed over to the warden of the penitentiary yesterday by Sheriff Clark of Kittitas county.

THE VOLCANO OF CALIMA, MEXICO, IS IN VIOLENT ERUPTION.

The volcano of Calima, Mexico, is in violent eruption. Three cities in the vicinity are threatened with destruction.

IS A HUMAN FIEND

Ilber Knapp, Arrested at Hamilton, Ohio, Confesses Having Strangled Five Women.

HAD JUST LATELY MARRIED FOURTH WIFE.

Horrible Story of Human Depravity, Which Compares With the Old Bluebeard Stories—Gloats Over Killing Many Defenseless Women.

Hamilton, O., Feb. 26.—Ilber Knapp, the modern Bluebeard, who confessed last night that he had killed one of his four wives, made a second confession this morning in which he told of five murders, three in Cincinnati, one in Indianapolis and one in Hamilton.

EMMA LIPPLEMAN WITH CHILD WHEN KNAPP ASSAULTED HER.

Emma Lippelman was with child when Knapp assaulted her. He strangled her when she made an outcry. Mary Eckert was also assaulted and strangled with a towel. The sole reason given by Knapp for killing Jennie Connor, was that he was angry. He cannot tell the manner of Ida Gebbards' murder.

MAKES SWORN STATEMENT.

In a signed and sworn statement Knapp says: "I cannot tell what made me kill these people. I couldn't help it. Some kind of a desire to kill took hold of me and I could not resist the temptation. I am sorry for my crimes. But now I hope they'll be easy with me."

FEARS LYNCHING.

After his confession the formal charge of first degree murder was filed. Knapp is afraid of being lynched and does not want to be taken from the county jail.

INDIANAPOLIS, FEB. 26.—THE MURDER OF IDA GEBBARD, CONFESSED BY KNAPP, WAS ONE OF THE MOST HORRIBLE IN THE HISTORY OF THE CITY.

Indianapolis, Feb. 26.—The three murders which Knapp confesses having committed in this city are well remembered by the police. The Eckert murder was an unsolvable mystery that created a great sensation.

QUERY THAT STUNNED TILLMAN.

Senator Tillman was once sent by the democratic congressional committee out to Kentucky to orate for the state ticket. The first speech he made there up to a certain point was a great success. He spoke of the necessity of electing incorruptible men to congress, "such as the democracy of this district has chosen to represent the people at Washington."

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