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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.

Rumor has it that the king of Siam has been assassinated.

A cyclone destroyed 42 houses at Pompi, province of Kursk, killing 22 people.

Senor Sagasta, in an interview, announces that he is about to retire from public life.

Rohr, of Munich, Bavaria, beat the world's six-hour bicycle record at Friedland Sunday. He averaged 38 miles an hour.

Commodore Joseph Montgomery, the Confederate naval officer who nearly captured Grant during the Civil war, died at Chicago Sunday.

Dr. William M. Bradshaw, president of the Iowa State college at Ames, and former president of the National Educational association, died Tuesday of nervous prostration.

The circuit court of Cuyahoga county has dissolved an injunction against the Cleveland city council, which prevented that body from transacting business because of alleged illegality and the inauguration of a 3-cent street car fare.

Former President Steyn, of the Orange Free State, is reported to be in very bad health. He has gone to The Hague to meet President Kruger.

An explanatory note issued by the Russian minister of finance states that Russia will regard as a violation of treaty the proposed American countervailing sugar duties.

At Helena, Mont., a lone highwayman held up Samuel Trevis and James Randall, and after he had robbed them, compelled Trevis to stop a street car, tie a handkerchief over his face and go through the car.

Whitehall Reid, special ambassador to Great Britain, has returned.

The Shenandoah collieries may start up under the protection of troops.

A Chicago woman has been arrested for starving nine infants to death.

Striking anthracite coal miners say incompetent men are being sent into the mines.

The Santa Fe railroad has issued a circular granting an increase of wages to the carmen.

There is good reason to believe that the United States will secure a coaling station on the west coast of Africa.

Press censorship in Russia has been vigilant and exacting since the assassination of the minister of the interior.

In a collision between a passenger train and street car at Terre Haute, Ind., three persons were fatally, six seriously and two slightly injured.

There is strong talk in Jamaica of annexation to the United States.

Robbers at Astoria bound and gagged a man on a fishing scow and secured \$100.

The vatican proposes a gradual withdrawal of the friars from the Philippines.

A Salt Lake mining man shot and fatally wounded two persons and then killed himself.

The Seattle steamer Jessie Benning has been sold to the Colombian government for \$68,000.

Troops will remain in Shenandoah, Pa., where the recent riots occurred, until the strike is ended.

A secret organization in Tayabas province, Philippine islands, has been uprooted by the constabulary.

The cruiser Brooklyn, which conveyed the remains of the late Lord Pauncefote to England, has returned.

An explosion in a colliery in New South Wales resulted in the death of at least 100 persons.

The Louisiana Purchase Exposition company has secured an additional 50 acres of land for use in the St. Louis fair.

A tidal wave in Costa Rica, following severe earthquakes, frightened hundreds of residents and caused considerable damage.

\$400 Gift for Children at Portland Carnival Children's Day at the Portland Elks' Carnival will be Sept. 12, the last day but one of the great street fair. On that occasion a pretty Shetland pony with an up-to-date cart and harness will be given to some lucky boy or girl who is present. The pony has been given by Dr. W. A. Wise and the cart is from Studebaker's. Besides this equipment, it is probable that a saddle, together with a handsomely embroidered saddle cloth will be given with the pony. Prize baby day will be Sept. 5.

William C. Whitney, of New York, has given a handsome house and lot to the physician who attended Mrs. Whitney in her long illness.

Turners in convention at Davenport, Ia., defeated a proposition to admit women to membership and urged taxation of church property.

St. Louis and eastern capitalists have organized to build a bridge over the Mississippi at St. Louis and a new depot in the heart of the city.

EARTH IS SHAKEN.

Violent Seismic Shocks in California—People Warned to Move.

Santa Barbara, Cal., Aug. 2.—The inhabitants of the little town of Los Alamos, which has been the center of seismic disturbances during the past four days, are tonight huddled around a huge conflagration, waiting for daylight to come. Many of the residents have left for places outside the tremor belt. Those who have remained could not well abandon their business. The town of Los Alamos is situated on the Pacific Coast railway, midway between Santa Ynez and Santa Maria, in the long, narrow valley of the Los Alamos, 15 miles from the coast. It has about 300 population. The Los Alamos valley is from one-half to one mile wide. Its population is about 800. There are no brick buildings in the little village, and the damage thus far is limited to the ruin of plaster, the collapse of chimneys, the breaking of crockery and glassware, the falling of the walls of the Presbyterian church and two store buildings and the demolishing of an old adobe building which was seriously damaged by the first quake. The damage will not exceed \$10,000 in the opinion of conservative residents of the place. There is not a chimney left standing in the town. One residence was moved four inches and split in opposite corners. Not a building escaped some injury, and it is considered miraculous that no one was hurt. There was a series of light vibrations during the day, which culminated in quite a severe shock at 7:30 P. M. Further shocks are anticipated. The most severe shock of the entire series occurred at 1:20 this morning, when the hills were shaken and twisted to their foundations and the valley trembled and rolled like the surface of the ocean. Great fissures were run in the earth, hills appeared in level valleys, springs of water opened up in places that had been dry, and the general topography of the valley was greatly changed in many respects.

The disturbance had no general direction, but was what is known as a "twister." It was preceded by a rumbling like that of distant thunder, which increased until the earth began to rock and twist and the hills began to tremble. With the first warning of the sound of the approaching disaster the terror-stricken people rushed into the streets and sought places of safety in vacant lots and fields, while many hastened toward the neighboring hills. The first vibrations were similar to the preceding disturbances in direction and effect, but they were immediately followed by the most terrific shock ever experienced in this section of the state. The earth trembled and rolled and twisted until it was impossible to stand erect, and the terror-stricken people crouched together in the darkness, fearful that the earth beneath them might open and swallow them up.

The first car of 1902 wheat has been received in Portland.

The wheat crop of Umatilla county will be 15 per cent less than the usual yield.

Fire at Elgin destroyed \$25,000 worth of property. Eleven houses were burned to death.

The run of fish on the Lower Columbia continues exceptionally heavy and the fish of good size.

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The Southern Pacific will form a fire patrol to protect its large timber holdings in Southern Oregon from fire.

Many small fires have been reported in Eastern Oregon grain fields, but so far no great amount of damage has been done.

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The Crown Paper company, of Oregon City, will in a short time begin the construction of a pulp mill on the east side of the river at that city. This will make the output of the company 20,000 pounds of pulp a day.

Portland Markets.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 62@63c for new crop; 64@65c for old; valley, 65c; bluestem, 65@66c.

Barley—\$17.75 for old, \$16.50 for new crop.

Flour—Best grades, \$3.05@3.60 per barrel; graham, \$2.95@3.20.

Millstuffs—Bran, \$15@16 per ton; middlings, \$21.50; shorts, \$18; cheap, \$16.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$1.05@1.10; gray, \$1.00@1.05.

Hay—Timothy, \$12@15; clover, \$7.50@10; Oregon wild hay, \$5@6 per ton.

Potatoes—Best Burbanks, 75@85c per cental; ordinary, 50c per cental; growers prices; sweets, \$2.25@2.50 per cental; new potatoes, 1c.

Butter—Creamery, 20@21c; dairy 16@18c; store, 15@16c.

Eggs—20@21 1/2c for Oregon.

Cheese—Full cream, twins, 12 1/2@13c; Young America, 13 1/2@14c; factory prices, 1 1/2c less.

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, \$3.50@4.50; hens, \$4.00@5.50 per dozen, 11@11 1/2c per pound; springs, 11@11 1/2c per pound, \$2.50@4.50 per dozen; ducks, \$2.50@3.00 per dozen; turkeys, live, 13@14c, dressed, 15@16c per pound; geese, \$4.00@5.00 per dozen.

Mutton—Gross, 2 1/2@3c per pound; dressed, 6c per pound.

Hogs—Gross, 6 1/2c; dressed, 7@7 1/2c per pound.

Veal—7@8c per pound.

Beef—Gross, cows, 3@3 1/2c; steers, 3 1/2@4 1/2c; dressed, 7@8c per pound.

Wool—16@17c; new crop 17@18c.

Hops—Valley, 12 1/2@15; Eastern Oregon, 8@14 1/2c; mohair, 25@26c per pound.

Russians Hold on to Manchuria.

London, Aug. 2.—In a dispatch from St. Petersburg, the correspondent of the Daily Mail says the order for the withdrawal of Russian troops from Manchuria has been rescinded, as that country is overrun with Chinese robber bands. Quantities of Russian goods in transit have been looted, says the correspondent, and two Russian merchants in Manchuria were recently burned alive.

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.

Circuit court is in session at Oregon City.

An additional free delivery route will be established Sept. 1 at Salem.

Oregon produced, about 19,500,000 pounds of wool this year, and nearly all of it has been disposed of at prices between 12 and 14 cents.

The first wheat of the season was stored at the Albany Farmers Company's warehouse at Albany Monday afternoon. It was of A1 quality.

A contract has been awarded H. C. Perkins of Grants Pass to survey six townships on the line of the Oregon Central Military Wagon road land grant.

About 20 tons of hay recently cured and baled by J. E. Murphy was burned near Salem. The fire caught from a spark from the engine which furnished power for the baler.

Governor Geer has appointed Z. Z. Riggs, of Salem, a member of the state board of pharmacy to succeed G. C. Blakely, of the Dalles, term expired; also A. D. Charlton and A. L. Craig, both of Portland, delegates to the miners' congress at Butte, Mont., Sept. 1 to 5.

State Treasurer Moore has apportioned the proceeds of the irreducible school fund, \$214,639.35, among the counties of the state according to school population. This is the largest sum ever realized in one year upon the irreducible school fund, though the rate of interest is lower now than it was a few years ago.

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Yale university gave degrees to a class of 650. Plans for a Chinese volunteer mission were announced.

A Chicago dispatch says that the fear of a bituminous miners' strike is causing coal dealers and railroads to store thousands of tons as a reserve supply.

The will of very Rev. E. A. Hoffman, dean of the general theological seminary of New York, disposes of an estate estimated at \$12,000,000 to \$15,000,000.

CONTRACT IS LET.

Construction of Snake River Line to Lewiston to Commence at Once.

Portland, Aug. 5.—Contract for building the O. R. & N. railroad on the north bank of the Snake river between Riparia and Lewiston has been awarded to Wren & Greenough, contractors, who had hitherto been identified chiefly with construction work on the Northern Pacific. Work on the new contract is to begin at once and be completed by April 15 of next year. There are 71 miles of railroad to build and this contract covers grading and bridging for the whole line, involving about \$800,000.

The company now has eight crews of engineers on the line ready to direct and supervise the work on the several sections. J. Q. Jamieson is the engineer in charge of the whole work, his headquarters being at Almot, near the middle of the line.

There is not much bridging to be done on the line included in this contract, but at Lewiston it will be necessary to construct a bridge 10,000 feet long across the Clearwater river. This will be made of steel with concrete masonry abutments and piers, and its cost will be about \$350,000. It has not yet been determined whether the company will build this structure itself or let it out by contract.

After the completion of the roadbed next April the company will lay its main track. It has already begun sending ties forward, and the rails are provided for. It will take about three months to put the track in shape for operation after the contractor has finished his work, so it is not expected that regular running of trains will begin much before the first of next August. The Northern Pacific will use the line jointly with the O. R. & N. track to Wallula Junction.

ENGLAND IS WARNED.

Trinidad Asks for Relief Measures—in Favor of American Annexation.

London, Aug. 5.—A striking contrast to Colonial Secretary Chamberlain's optimistic West Indian speech Thursday is furnished by advices from Trinidad to the effect that a deputation is starting from there for London to make a strong presentation to the colonial office on the island's financial condition. The party includes influential members of the legislative council and the president of the island's chamber of commerce, who are charged to point out the inadequacy of the 4,000 pounds refund of the immigration tax which it is proposed to allot the island. The loss on the sugar crop just gathered is estimated at 50,000 pounds, while the planters must continue to lose at the same rate for an indefinite period or be obliged to throw 50,000 laborers on the hands of the government. The deputation was requested to remind the Colonial secretary that if Trinidad was taken under the American flag, like Porto Rico, the sugar estates could be run at a profit.

Washington, Aug. 5.—"Battle" still being fought desperately." These are the words contained in a dispatch received at the Colombian legation from General Salazar, the governor of the department of Panama, and were in answer to a message asking that official for information regarding the contest which has been in progress since Tuesday at Agua Dulce, when the Colombian revolutionists began to attack that place. The officials here are anxiously awaiting additional news of the battle.

The understanding here is that the government's force of 7,000 men is engaged with a large portion of the revolutionists who have in the department of Panama about 4,000 men in all. Agua Dulce, about 70 miles from Panama, is an inaccessible part of the country for ready communication. It requires eight days to make the overland journey, while water communication is very irregular, and is carried on mainly by small boats.

BAD NEWS FROM CUBA.

Natives Are Not Thriving Since Withdrawal of American Troops.

Washington, Aug. 5.—Discouraging reports are received from Cuba. There has been a great falling off in the revenue since the United States withdrew from the island. It is reported that the daily receipts at Havana do not average more than \$5,000. Capital is cautious, and men of means are waiting to see what the government will do before investing. The expenses of the government have been largely reduced, but this has caused dissatisfaction among the Cubans who want fat salaries. There are rumors that many of the officers placed in important positions are incompetent, and some may not be straight. A general feeling of disquiet is apparent, which is not a good indication for the new republic.

Washington, Aug. 5.—The war department has received no confirmation of the information from Rome that the Spanish friars in Manila are to be relieved, but it is stated that such a course would be in furtherance of the plan of Secretary Root, which was presented to the vatican by Governor Taft. It is also stated that if such action was taken it would greatly simplify the negotiations, which will be renewed at Manila.

OUTLAW TRACY DEAD

Spokane, Aug. 6.—Harry Tracy is dead. The notorious criminal, convict, outlaw, desperado and multi-murderer committed suicide last evening, after being shot twice by his pursuers. His body was found at an early hour this morning, cold and dead, lying face upward, and the hands still caressing the famous 30-30 rifle and 45-calibre Colt's revolver. The resting place was in a wheat field near the Eddy home, where Tracy spent the last few days, and whither he had been tracked by his hunters.

The body was taken to Davenport, under care of Sheriff Gardner of Lincoln county. Its disposition will be decided later by the officials in charge.

FIGHT OVER JAPS.

British Columbia and Dominion Governments in Serious Controversy.

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 6.—British Columbia has started on a battle for provincial rights against the Dominion government. The Japanese have caused the conflict. For many sessions past private members of the legislature have introduced bills to prevent the employment of Chinese and Japanese on public works granted franchises by the Assembly. As far as the bills became acts, the federal government disallowed them.

Last session the provincial government took a hand in the game. It passed an act based on the Natal act and perhaps going one better than any measure of a private member. The Ottawa authorities have answered this defiance in the same way as the others. But this is more serious. The Dominion government will not, it is thought, consent to be set upon in this manner; at all events Joseph Martin, the leader of the liberal party, will not. Mr. Martin is demanding that a special session of the legislature be called, to re-enact the anti-Japanese legislation, and he urges that as fast as it is disallowed the members meet again and pass the bill until the federal government is brought to time as it was in Manitoba some years ago. It is very probable that the Dominion government will pay attention to the requests of Mr. Martin, because he holds the balance of power in the local house and can turn Mr. Dunsmuir out of office if he does not do as Mr. Martin wishes. The attitude that the Dominion government takes on this matter is that the British Columbia legislation is unpopular in Great Britain, which country is desirous of keeping on the best of terms with its new ally, Japan, with whom it has so recently made a treaty. The fight, therefore, which British Columbia has started is likely to become famous. How it will end it is not possible to forecast, but Manitoba won its fight for provincial rights against the federal government, and Joseph Martin was the leader.

THREE DECISIONS.

State Supreme Court Makes Some Rulings of Importance.

Salem, Aug. 6.—The state supreme court, in opinions just handed down: When a lessee continues in possession and pays rent after the expiration of a 10-year lease, it is held that this is a continuing tenancy, and that the landlord and tenant from year to year under the original agreement.

Sharing profits and losses is not alone evidence of partnership, but there must be community of interest and control of the property.

The listing of land of the state as swamp land does not convey title, and the secretary of the interior may cancel the list any time before patent issues. The state's grantee must contest the question whether the land was, in fact, swamp land in the land department.

BEEF TRUST FIGHT.

Attorneys for the Barons Have Prepared a Demurrer Against Injunction.

Chicago, Aug. 6.—The attorneys representing the alleged beef trust have prepared a demurrer to the bill by virtue of which the federal court issued an injunction to prevent the packing houses from conspiring to manipulate the market. The insufficiency and unconstitutionality of the anti-trust law and the denial of the right of the courts to compel packers to produce their books for inspection are alleged, in addition to a general denial of the truth of charges made in the bill. The demurrer will be filed as soon as it can be verified by the different defendants.

Great Catch of Salmon.

Astoria, Aug. 6.—The greatest individual catch of salmon made on the Columbia river in many years was reported Saturday at the Elmore cannery, when Julius Erickson, of West Astoria, brought in 3,548 pounds of fish, the result of an hour's work. Erickson's net was in the water less than 20 minutes, and his haul netted him \$141.92.

Timber Deal Closed.

Portland, Aug. 6.—Chief Engineer Kinney of the Great Central Railroad company announces that an important deal has just been closed. Several weeks ago M. J. Kinney took an option on 97,000 acres of timber land in the Coos Bay district, and in the deal is included the major portion of the plat-ted town of Empire City. The land was owned by the Southern Oregon company, represented by Prosper Smith of Boston.

WOULD PAY FULL REWARD.

Warden Jones Thinks the \$1,500 Should be Paid for Return of Merrill's Body.

Salem, Or., August 1.—First Warden J. T. Jones, of the Oregon penitentiary, has created a stir in official circles by giving out an interview in which he differed radically from his superior officer regarding the payment of the reward for the return of Merrill's body. He contends that the whole amount offered for the capture and return of Merrill, \$1,500, should be paid. Superintendent Lee offered Mr. Jones' statement, which is as follows: "Since there is no doubt that the recovered remains are those of Merrill, there should not be the slightest hesitation on the part of the state in the prompt payment to Mrs. Waggoner of the entire amount named in the reward. The state cannot afford to be niggardly in this matter, because of the unpleasant reputation it will receive, in fact, has already received throughout the country in relation to its treatment of the criminal class. The effect on the discipline of the penitentiary that resulted in the return to the institution and the burial of the remains of one of the escaped desperadoes has in itself been worth more than the amount of the reward.

"There is a second, and even greater, reason why the reward should be paid Mrs. Waggoner—the failure of the state of Oregon to promptly and liberally reward the return of Merrill's body has discouraged many who have been pursuing Tracy, and the result is that large numbers have entirely abandoned the search for the remaining bandit, since the hope of adequate reward has been largely removed by the state's tardy action in the consideration of the claim presented for the return of Merrill's body.

"Hence, for two distinct reasons, I think Mrs. Waggoner is entitled to the full reward. First, because she returned Merrill's body, and because of the beneficial effect resulting in the general discipline of the institution; second, for the reason that by its action in the matter the state is retarding the search for Tracy. I do not wish to be understood as particularly criticizing the judgment of my superiors, but at the same time I have my own opinions, and I do not hesitate to express myself in the matter."

MINERS AND POLICE.

One Killed and Many Wounded in a Riot on the Streets of Shenandoah.

Shenandoah, August 1.—In street fighting tonight between a mob of striking miners on one side and deputy sheriffs and police on the other, Joseph Beddall, a leading merchant, was beaten to death, two borough policemen were shot, one fatally, and more than a score of strikers were shot by policemen and deputy sheriffs. Sheriff Beddall arrived at 7:15 P. M. from Pottsville with a posse of deputies. He has taken up his headquarters at the Ferguson hotel. To an Associated Press reporter he said he had asked Governor Stone to send the militia. The governor wired that if the citizens of the town petitioned for troops he would send them.

The trouble started about 6 o'clock tonight, when Deputy Sheriff Thomas Beddall attempted to escort two non-union workers through the strikers' line of pickets. The workmen were dressed in their street clothes, but one of them carried a bundle under his arm and this aroused the suspicions of the strikers. The bundle was torn from him, and when it was found to contain a blouse and overalls, the man was taken from the deputy and beaten almost to death.

In the meantime, Beddall opened fire on the mob which had gathered, and emptied his revolver. Two of the shots took effect, one man being shot in the leg and another in the foot. The deputy and the other strike-breaker were now compelled to fly for their lives, and took refuge in the Philadelphia & Reading railroad station. The station was soon surrounded by an angry mob of 5,000, which was becoming more threatening and demonstrative every moment.

Joseph Beddall, a hardware merchant and brother of the deputy sheriff, was seen making his way through the crowd in an effort to reach his brother, and the mob, divining that he was carrying ammunition to those inside the station, struck and beat him with clubs and blisies into insensibility. He died en route to the Miners' hospital.

Collision in Wisconsin.

Elm Grove, Wis., August 1.—In a collision here today between a passenger train from Waukesha known as the "Scout" and a west-bound freight train, Dennis Connell, the engineer of the passenger train, was killed, and Fireman Chamberlain was badly injured. Several passengers on the Waukesha train were slightly injured. Engineer Connell was powerless to avoid the crash. He died at this post, sacrificing his life to save his train.

Forty Lives Lost.

Singapore, August 1.—In a collision off Malacca,