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HEPPNER OREGON

RESUME OF THE WEEK'S DOINGS

General Review of Important Happenings Presented in a Brief and Comprehensive Manner for Busy Readers—National, Political, Historical and Commercial.

Mexico has just sent a representative to the Jamestown fair.

Chicago streetcar employees have demanded an advance in wages.

Paris has just had a fire the property loss of which amounted to \$2,000,000.

Major Edwards has been forced to resign as agent of the Umatilla Indian reservation.

Berlin has automobile hearses, authorized and licensed by the city and they seem very popular.

The Russian czar is in contempt of a French court because he does not trim the trees of a villa he owns at Nice.

William A. Pinkerton, of the Chicago detective agency, says President Moyer, of the miners, is the Chicago burglar.

New York police are being held in readiness to prevent expected riots growing out of the longshoremen's strike.

Statistics show that during April 322 people were killed and 303 wounded in Russia by robbers, police and in various street riots.

The temperature in Pittsburg has suddenly dropped from 65 degrees to 32 degrees, making the coldest May weather on record.

Mexico has withdrawn her demands on Guatemala.

The Harriman lines have orders for 110,000 tons of steel rails for delivery in 1908.

Armed bandits are reported to be committing depredations in several sections of Cuba.

The shipping trust declares it will never give in to the striking New York longshoremen.

An heir to the throne has been born in Spain and there is great rejoicing throughout the land.

An enraged mob at Butte made an unsuccessful attempt to lynch an officer who shot an escaping prisoner.

A Chicago paper claims that Charles H. Moyer, implicated in the Steunenberg murder, is an ex-convict, having served a term in Joliet for burglary.

The Court of Appeals of New York has granted the attorney general the right to contest Mayor McClellan's seat. The recount of the ballots is now expected to commence soon.

E. H. Gary, chairman of the United States Steel corporation, says if railroads would use heavier rails there would be fewer accidents. The heavy cars now used by the roads cause frequent breakage of rails.

The death list in the steamer Poitou wreck is placed at 48.

From an unknown source Princeton university has received a gift of \$1,200,000.

There is some suspicion that an expert jury fixer is at work on the Haywood jury at Boise.

Two volcanoes in Sicily, Stromboli and Etna, are in active eruption, causing terror on all sides.

One of Germany's leading papers editorially predicts war between Japan and the United States.

An excursion of Omaha business men will make a tour of the Northwest. There will be 125 in the party, which will start June 2.

A suburban passenger train on the Burlington road was wrecked six miles out of Chicago. One passenger was killed and a number injured.

Colorado men are endeavoring to have patents to several thousand acres of land set aside because it is claimed the lumber companies obtained possession fraudulently.

Passengers at New York wishing to cross the ocean are carrying their own baggage on board vessels on account of the longshoremen's strike. Freight is piling up on the docks and thousands of boxes of citrus fruit has been ruined.

Russian Socialists are to hold a convention in England.

Union teamsters of Los Angeles are on strike and all other organizations of the city may join them.

The Imperial council of Mystic Shriners is in session at Los Angeles. Seattle is working for the next convocation.

A new Irish home rule bill has been introduced in parliament. Absolute control of eight departments is granted by the bill.

A San Francisco maniac killed six people with a shotgun. He declares they were trying to poison him for his insurance.

In a collision between a freight and passenger train on the Mobile & Ohio railroad at Percy, Ill., eight persons were injured.

Butte Chinese charge the police with burglary. The Orientals say officers are in the habit of visiting their stores frequently and helping themselves at the point of a gun.

THOUSANDS POURING IN.

No Check to Steady Stream of Immigration to United States.

New York, May 14.—The flooding tide of immigration to American shores runs ceaselessly on, and new high water marks for the influx of Europe's migratory hordes are being recorded every month in the port of New York.

Already May bids fair to outstrip the April record, when 133,452 immigrants poured through the gateway of New York into the country. Five trans-Atlantic liners brought in over 5,000 yesterday and officials at Ellis island say that there are no signs of cessation of this European invasion.

The well spring of this human stream lies principally in Southern and Middle Europe, while another but lesser current has its source in the Scandinavian and German states. Italy, Austria-Hungary and the Lower Russians now supply more than one half of all the immigrants seeking homes in this country. Every fourth alien examined at Ellis island is Italian, while every fifth newcomer is from the Austrias.

A score of years ago the headwaters of foreign immigration were in Ireland and Germany. But now the source has entirely changed. The industrial fields of the United States still absorb the greater part of the foreign output, and several states—Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois and Ohio—find homes for 70 per cent of the total number.

NINETY DIE IN MINE.

Cigarette Smoker Starts Blaze in Vacent Mexican Shaft.

City of Mexico, May 14.—Ninety men are supposed to have lost their lives in a fire which started in the Tenares copper mine at Veladero, in the state of Durango, last Friday night. The fire is still raging, and is said to be beyond control.

Thirty-five bodies have been recovered up to this time. Seventeen miners are known to have escaped. This information has been conveyed in a dispatch to the Associated Press offices in Mexico City. The burning mine belongs to the Guggenheims.

The origin of the fire is supposed to have been due to the carelessness of a miner, who was smoking a cigarette in an abandoned shaft. The fire had gained great headway before it was discovered by the men in the near vicinity. They found that all avenues of escape to the surface had been cut off. Seventeen, however, were in a good position, and made a dash and reached the outer air.

Rescuing parties have been working heroically, but only charred and unrecognizable remains have thus far rewarded their efforts.

EXPLODE SUNKEN MINE.

Japanese Steamer Brings News of Bad Disaster.

Victoria, B. C., May 14.—Advices were received by the steamer Riojun Maru from Yokohama that as a result of the recent increases in duty on matting entering the United States, the guild which controlled the bulk of exports of Japanese matting has been broken up.

News of the destruction of a Japanese boat with the loss of 13 lives as a result of the explosion of a derelict mine off Toyama was brought by the Riojun Maru. The fishermen mistook the mine for an oil drum and were trying to pick it up when it exploded.

The Riojun Maru reports that tea shipments to the United States to commence on the next inward steamer will be larger this year than during any previous season.

Big Legal Fight Is On.

Denver, Colo., May 14.—Last week the attorneys for the defendants in the case of officers of the Lost Bullion Spanish Mine company, charged by the Postoffice department with using the mails to defraud, entered a demurrer to the indictment before United States District Judge R. E. Lewis. Arguments were made by the attorneys of both sides and Judge Lewis is expected to give his decision early this week on the demurrer. This is the first gun in what promises to be a hard fought legal battle to show whether or not the defendants told the truth in the glowing prospectus which they sent broadcast through the mails.

May Spread to Other Cities.

New York, May 14.—President Patrick Connors, of the Longshoremen's union, expressed the opinion tonight that the strike against the trans-Atlantic companies would be extended to Boston and Philadelphia if the companies sent their vessels to discharge and load at those ports. This the steamship officials here said they would do if sufficient help could not be secured here. Mr. Connors' statement followed a meeting of the strikers at which he said it had been shown that not a man had deserted the ranks.

Hope to Avoid Strike.

Denver, May 14.—It is stated authoritatively that the failure of Interstate Commissioner Knapp and United States Labor Commissioner Neill to settle the differences existing between the Denver & Rio Grande railroad and its trainmen, and their departure for Washington yesterday, will not result in an immediate strike of the trainmen. They are expected to have another conference with the railroad officials tomorrow.

Five Killed by Blast.

Ruston, La., May 14.—Some unknown persons set off a charge of some high explosive here under the house of Samuel Cook, a negro, early today, blowing the house to pieces and killing Cook and four other negroes sleeping in a front room.

NEWS ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST FROM THE STATE OF OREGON

CROP OUTLOOK GOOD.

Fall and Spring Wheat in Harney Are in Excellent Condition.

Burns—Prospects are good for the largest crop of grain, grass and fruit produced since cultivation began in Harney county. There is more acreage in grain than ever before. Both fall and spring wheat are receiving attention from the farmers, who desire to see which is the most productive, some of the farmers contending fall grain does not do well here. So far, however, it has been a success.

The sagebrush land cultivated for the first time last year will produce good crops if farmers will cultivate the soil as they do in other successful agricultural countries.

The native grass is better than for several years, and there will be plenty of feed for the stock this summer. The hay crop will be larger than last year, and with the fodder left over from last winter insures plenty of feed for the coming winter.

Fruit trees are in a healthy condition, and at present there is good prospect for a large crop of fruit. Last fall several collections of fruit were sent out of this county to show what could be produced here, and all was pronounced of first class quality.

Baker Wants Better Rates.

Salem—Baker City is preparing to make an effort to secure through the Oregon Railroad commission to secure changes in railroad rates which will make Baker the distributing center for a large section of Eastern Oregon. Definite plans have not been made and the Baker City commercial interests have not determined just what they want, but W. F. Butcher, a prominent attorney, was in Salem a few days ago conferring with the commission and ascertaining the procedure it will be necessary to follow. As soon as Baker City gets ready to present its case it will begin a movement of some kind for favorable rates.

Teach Raising of Fruit.

Salem—The rudiments of horticulture in the rural school, to be taught as a branch or side line from the regular studies, and to occupy the same importance to the country school as manual training does to the city schools, is the innovation that President W. K. Newell, of the state board of horticulture, is striving to introduce into the public school system of the state. At every opportunity he is acquainting the patrons of the different districts with the practicability of and advantages to be gained from his theory. Teachers' institutes in the valley give him special opportunity.

Scouring Mills Start Up.

Pendleton—With an increased force of workmen and new and added machinery the Pendleton scouring mills has begun the 1907 season's run of eight months' duration. Manager Judd, who recently arrived here from his home in Boston, predicts a hard run this year and an increase in the manufacture of woolen goods at this place to supply the eastern demand for western made stock. An extra night shift will start to work in about a week.

Many to Have Stock Now.

Albany—Plans are on foot for the holding of a stock and horse show in Albany the coming summer. There is an abundance of good stock in Linn county, and since the location of the S. S. Bailey training stables at the Albany track, this city has become quite a horse center. Hence it is believed such an exhibition could be successfully held here. Committees will probably be named soon to take charge of the arrangements.

Big Cheese Factory for Lorane.

Lorane—The cheese factory to be started during May by E. H. Crow will be an important industry to this community and county. The milk of about 200 cows will be used at once, which will bring a return of from \$1,200 to \$2,000 a month to the owners. For the present, the products of the factory will be handled through the local merchants.

New Hospital for Eugene.

Eugene—Eugene is to have a new hospital on College hill to cost approximately \$20,000. The building will be of wood, and bids will be received at once for construction. It will be known as the Eugene General hospital. The corporation consists of about 15 doctors of Lane county and a few Eugene citizens.

Gold Strike at Rooster Rock.

Albany—A gold strike is reported near Rooster Rock, a well known landmark on the Willamette Valley & Cascade Mountain wagon road, near the Upper Soda resort, which is 57 miles east of Albany. Some very rich ore is said to have been found, but the extent of the discovery has not been learned.

Close Bridge for Repairs.

Oregon City—The Circuit court has closed the high suspension bridge that spans the Willamette river at Oregon City to teams and wagons, allowing pedestrians to pass over. Extensive repairs will be commenced at once and rushed as fast as possible.

Baker Wins for Inspector.

Salem—Labor Commissioner O. P. Hoff has appointed Edward Trumbull, of Salisbury, Baker county, a factory inspector. He is a foreman in a planing mill and is familiar with machinery.

WATER IN PLENTY.

Large Irrigated Tract in Baker County Thrown Open.

Baker City—The placing upon the market of a large tract of land lying northeast of this city and owned by the Baker Irrigation company, marks one of the greatest steps in the progress of the metropolis of Eastern Oregon. The opening of this body of land to purchasers is an event that has been awaited with interest by a large number of homeseekers of Baker City and vicinity, who have been watching the progress of the irrigation ditch since work commenced on it about 18 months ago.

The canal heads in the Powder river about eight miles south of Baker City, and after following the tortuous contour of the valley and the hillside for a distance of 12 miles, reaches the reservoir site, one mile east of this city. Along a good portion of the mountain side above South Bapeer the canal has, at great expense, been cut into the solid rock, thus obviating the use of the cheaper but temporary wooden flume. The company has not spared any expense to provide against any accident that would deprive it of the water at the critical period of irrigation work, and at one point near Sutton creek a long line of flume has been dispensed with by making an immense fill of earth.

State to Make Own Light.

Salem—The board of capitol building commissioners has called for proposals for supplying the state institutions at Salem with electric light after March 1908, when the present contract with the Portland General Electric company will expire. Proposals must be submitted by June 4. In case the state cannot secure satisfactory terms a plant will be installed at the capitol, and the state will make its own electricity for the capitol, prison, asylum, blind school, mute school, reform school and asylum farm.

Artesian Well at La Grande.

La Grande—Miller & West, who have been digging for an artesian well in the O. R. & N. roundhouse yards for the past six months, have been rewarded by a flow of cool, sparkling water to the extent of 100 gallons per minute. The water carries so far a slight taste of sulphur, but otherwise is excellent. Additional digging, it is thought, will cause a spouting stream of 20 feet. The well is now 850 feet deep. The water will be piped and used to fill tanks.

Donates Books to State Library.

Salem—Mrs. Cleveland Rockwell, of Portland, has donated to the state library a set of 36 volumes of Reports of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, showing the sweep of the coast of Oregon and Washington and the Columbia river. The books were a part of the library of the late Cleveland Rockwell who took a deep interest in the coast survey work.

Meeting Demand for Brick.

Albany—With a view to avoiding the brick famine, which prevailed in this city last summer, J. S. Morgan, of Albany, is burning two kilns of 300,000 brick each. Of this amount he has orders for 40,000 brick for building in Albany and surrounding towns, and is planning to burn another kiln of equal size.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Club, 78c; bluestem, 80c; valley, 77c; red, 76c.
Oats—No. 1 white, \$29; gray \$28@29.
Rye—\$1.45@1.50 per cwt.
Barley—Feed, \$22.50 per ton; brewing, \$23; rolled, \$23.50@24.50.
Corn—Whole, \$25; cracked, \$26 per ton.
Hay—Valley timothy, No. 1, \$15@16 per ton; Eastern Oregon timothy, \$18@19; clover, \$9; cheat, \$8; grain hay, \$9@10.
Fruits—Strawberries, Oregon, 12½ 15c per box; apples, \$1@2.50 per box.
Vegetables—Turnips, \$1@1.25 per sack; carrots, \$1@1.25 per sack; beets, \$1.25@1.50 per sack; cauliflower, \$1@1.25 per dozen; lettuce, head, 35@45c per dozen; radishes, 20c per dozen; asparagus, 10c per pound; rhubarb, 4c per pound.
Onions—Oregon, \$2.50@3 per hundred.
Potatoes—Oregon, \$1.85@2 per sack; new potatoes, 8c per pound; sweet potatoes, 6c per pound.
Butter—Fancy creamery, 20@22½c per pound.
Butter Fat—First grade cream, 21c per pound; second grade cream, 2c less per pound.
Poultry—Average old hens, 15c per pound; mixed chickens, 15@15½c; spring fryers and broilers, 22½@25c; old roosters, 9@10c; dressed chickens, 16@17c; turkeys, live, 13@15c; turkeys, dressed, choice, 18½@20c; geese, live, 8c; young ducks nominal, old ducks, 16@18c.
Eggs—18c per dozen.
Veal—Dressed, 5½@8c per pound.
Beef—Dressed bulls, 4@4½c per pound; cows, 6@7c; country steers, 7@8c.
Mutton—Dressed, fancy, 10@10½c per pound; ordinary, 6@9c; spring lambs, with pelts, 9@10c.
Pork—Dressed, 6@9c per pound.
Hops—6@9c per pound, according to quality.
Wool—Eastern Oregon average best, 15@19c per pound, according to shrinkage; valley, 20@21c, according to fineness; mohair, choice, 29@30c per pound.

SIFTING OUT PANEL OF JURY.

Many Talesmen Deny Prejudice or Knowledge of the Case.

Boise, Idaho, May 10.—William D. Haywood, first of the alleged participants in the avenging conspiracy by which it is averred the assassination of Frank Steunenberg was plotted and executed, was placed upon trial for his life yesterday. Counsel for state and prisoner entered at once, in business-like way, upon the examination of prospective jurors, and kept steadily at the task for five hours. No juror was finally accepted, but substantial progress was made, and the indications at the close of the session were that a jury could be obtained by the end of next week.

The opening day of the trial went through to its conclusion in quiet harmony, unmarked by unusual incident. It was earnest and business-like. Its striking feature was the entire absence of crowds or demonstration in any form. At no time, morning or afternoon, was the court room more than half filled, and the streets forming the court house square contained not a single loiterer. The case was halted shortly before 5 o'clock by the exhaustion of the jury panel, and an adjournment was taken until Monday morning. Meantime, the sheriff will summon a special venire of 100 men. The 11 men under examination but not yet finally accepted or rejected, were locked up under close guard.

WILL SPEND BILLION.

Railroads to Make Great Effort to Catch Up With Traffic.

Chicago, May 10.—American railroads will spend during the present year nearly \$1,000,000,000 in an extraordinary effort to secure sufficient equipment in which to transport the traffic of the country, sufficient power to keep that equipment moving, and sufficient rails for both the equipment and the power to run on.

It is estimated that, if the manufacturers are equal to the test, between 340,000 and 350,000 freight cars will be added to the total equipment of the railroads of the United States, fully 5,000 passenger coaches will be built and over 6,000 locomotives will be added to the railroads. These figures mean that every shop and every plant where these utensils of commerce are manufactured must run day and night in the United States, in Canada and in Mexico, and that some of the steel mills in other lands will get a substantial reflex of this prosperity.

No Peace From Strikes.

San Francisco, May 10.—There is no peace in sight for strike-harassed San Francisco. Despite the vigorous and unremitting efforts of the peace-makers, comprising citizens' committees appointed to bring employers and employes together on some middle ground, no conclusion or decision has been arrived at and no concessions have been intimated out of which compromising might grow or settlements be made.

The executive committee of the committee of 50 appointed by Mayor Schmitz held a secret meeting yesterday afternoon and at its conclusion refused to make any statement. It is understood, however, that a plan for submission to the whole committee was partially formulated.

Robbers Trailed Into Butte.

Butte, Mont., May 10.—Two men who are believed to be the North Coast train robbers have been trailed from the summit of the continental divide to a point on the flats below Butte, where the trail was lost. Their description corresponds so much with that of the two bandits, even to the footprints found in the snow, that the officers are almost positive they are the fugitives. It was announced at the Northern Pacific office tonight that the reward offered for the capture of the two men has been raised to \$5,300.

Enjoins New Alabama Rates.

Montgomery, Ala., May 10.—Preliminary injunctions were granted in the United States court today on petition of ten railroads in Alabama restraining the state from putting into operation certain new rate laws. A continuance for 30 days was taken in the petitions of the Louisville & Nashville and the South & North roads, because of their having made rates in violation of the law, which provides for maximum charges.

Undesirables Will Parade.

Chicago, May 10.—The Chicago sympathizers of Moyer and Haywood, the accused officials of the Western Federation of Miners, decided tonight to hold a parade Sunday, May 18, as a protest against President Roosevelt's utterances regarding the union officials. Every man who participates in the parade will wear a button bearing the words "undesirable citizen."

Relations to Continue.

Guatemala, May 10.—The president of Guatemala, when questioned today by a representative of the Associated Press concerning the report that diplomatic relations between Guatemala and Mexico had been terminated, said the report was unfounded.

British Aid to Jamaica.

London May 9.—The British government has decided to make Jamaica a gift of \$750,000 to assist the inhabitants of Kingston to recover from the effects of the recent earthquake.

Will Entertain Peace Conference.

The Hague, May 10.—The lower house of parliament yesterday voted \$40,000 for the reception of the delegates to the second peace conference.

POLICE FORCE IS INADEQUATE

Experimental Running of Car Shows Larger Force Needed.

Mayor Schmitz, However, Declares Department is Competent to Cope With Situation—Meanwhile Police Are Entirely Deprived of Streetcar Service.

San Francisco, May 11.—The streetcar strike has developed into a fight to a finish. Neither side is willing to accept arbitration and the citizens' committees appointed to secure industrial peace have been unable to find any basis of settlement. It has been demonstrated that the present police force is inadequate and that stronger measures will be necessary to insure a general resumption of service, if the struggle is conducted on present lines.

The wish yesterday of the United Railways officials was to run a string of cars from the barn at Oak and Broderick through the burned district and north on Market street to the ferry building, but the consent of the police department could not be obtained. As a compromise two cars were run as far into the burned district as Larkin street, being operated on Oak, Stanyan, Page, Devisadero and Sutter streets. This route was covered twice. On the first trip mounted police acted as outriders, and more than a score of patrolmen rode in automobiles, but no violence was offered by the crowds.

On the second trip the mounted officers were withdrawn as an experiment to determine the temper of the crowds. Missiles were hurled from buildings and several persons were injured.

An assistant to President Mullanly said today he had several hundred strikebreakers, motormen and conductors, quartered in the company's barns, and that they are competent to operate practically the entire streetcar system. Mayor Schmitz said the police department "is competent to cope with the situation." Chief of Police Dinan said his men will preserve order. Meantime the population of San Francisco is deprived of a streetcar service, and subjected to the alternative of walking or paying five prices for a wagon service.

Reduced to an arithmetical aspect, the problem is simply this: If 50 police are required to afford safe conduct to two streetcars daily over six miles of track when no passengers are carried, how shall 200 cars be operated in passenger traffic over 250 miles of tracks with a total force of only 700 police, not more than half of whom can be on duty continually? That the running of two or three cars a day may constitute the entire streetcar service for a city of 300,000 people for an indefinite time is perfectly apparent unless an adequate protective force is supplied.

Stung to Death by Ants.

Puerto Cortez, Honduras, May 11.—Americans arriving here report that the Guatemalan government is committing unspeakable outrages and atrocities. Even women and children are not being spared. A family of 10 was massacred by Guatemalan soldiers near Guatemala City by order of the government, when Jose Olevora incurred its hostility through political activity. Abitz Creccare, one of Cabrera's political opponents, near Livingston, was tied to a stake in the middle of a hill of poisonous ants, which stung him to death.

Queer Place for Strike.

San Francisco, May 11.—The plant of the Hercules Powder company at Pinole was tied up today through the refusal of the union men to work at the side of 11 non-union machinists who had been imported by the company to take the places of the machinists who struck for an eight-hour day. Nearly 1,000 men are affected by the strike. The boiler makers' helpers, electricians, lead burners, steam fitters and other unions called out their members.

Deep Snow in Wyoming.

Laramie, Wyo., May 11.—For two days a snow has raged in the Southern Wyoming mountains, and snow is even feet deep on a level. Since April 15 the sun has not shone, and the storm has not ceased a moment. The temperature has been between zero and 10 degrees below during that time. It is the most remarkable storm that ever visited the Wyoming mountains.

Unrest in India Is Growing.

Lahore, India, May 11.—The political unrest here is assuming graver proportions. The authorities are drafting troops of all arms, and have issued a proclamation prohibiting meetings of every kind. A sensation was caused today by the arrest of a prominent lawyer in the Punjab. He was immediately deported to another province.

Fire Loss of Half a Million.

New York, May 11.—Fire caused a loss estimated at \$500,000 tonight in the building at Sixth avenue and Thirtieth street occupied by Sheppard, Knapp & Co., dealers in furniture and carpets. Many oriental rugs were destroyed.

More Strikebreakers on Way.

Denver, May 11.—Six carloads of strikebreakers on their way to San Francisco passed through Denver over the Union Pacific railroad this afternoon. They were joined here by a number of men recruited by labor agents in this city.