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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.

Secretary Taft has arrived in Japan. Germany's influence in Turkey is growing.

Rudyard Kipling is at Montreal, Canada, and will visit the Pacific coast.

Bryan will announce his candidacy for presidential nomination on the Democratic ticket December 7.

A Seattle man who had been bound by the courts not to beat his wife hired another man to do it for him.

Missoula, Mont., is said to be the only town on the Northern Pacific where the boiler-makers' strike is felt.

One of the dummy locators used in the Idaho land frauds says he fled on the government land just to accommodate a friend.

San Francisco graters kidnaped the managing editor of the Bulletin, who is hostile to them. It was seven hours before he was rescued.

Through the carelessness of an operator to throw a switch a passenger train on the Baltimore & Ohio crashed into a freight train at Bellaire, W. Va. Fifteen men were killed and a score injured, several fatally.

The Asiatic squadron has arrived at San Francisco.

There has been a small outbreak of Boxerism in China.

The strike of railroad boiler makers seems to have been broken.

There have been many deaths and much ruin from floods in Spain.

Judge Wickersham, of Alaska, has resigned and will give up the fight.

The Deep Waterways commission has started down the Mississippi from St. Paul.

About 2,500 coal miners in Montana have received an increase in wages.

An entire town in Japan has been destroyed by the overflowing of a river and 600 lives lost.

Rumors are current in New York that railroad telegraphers may soon join in the strike with the commercial men.

Representative Lormie, of Illinois, may be appointed chairman of the house committee on rivers and harbors in place of Burton, who has resigned to take a place on the waterways commission.

Lipton will send a new challenge for the America's cup.

The Japanese government is settling the Vancouver trouble with Canada direct.

P. H. McCarthy has been nominated for mayor by the San Francisco Labor party.

The Harriman and Fish factions are again fighting over the Illinois Central railway.

A general strike on the railways of Havana has started and may spread throughout the island.

Chicago's new ordinance covering street car lines will add \$1,250,000 a year to the income of that city.

It is estimated that John D. Rockefeller has given to various institutions, principally colleges, \$102,055,000.

The Indiana Pipe line, a subsidiary of the Standard Oil, made a profit of \$4,091,022 in 1903 on a total investment of \$2,228,758.

Railroad Commissioner Wilson tried to convince the jury that Ford had nothing to do with bribing the San Francisco supervisors.

It is reported that the Federal grand jury in San Francisco has found six indictments against the Southern Pacific and Pacific Mail Steamship company for giving rebates.

Hearst says he has no idea of being a candidate for president in 1908.

Daniel A. Ryan has been nominated for mayor of San Francisco by the Republicans.

The government will spend \$42,000 in removing obstructions from the Columbia above Wenatchee.

The influx of Chinese into Jamaica is becoming serious. Some action by the government is likely.

Borah will insist on trial, even if the others implicated in the Idaho land frauds escape on technicalities.

Every Hindu in British Columbia who can raise the cash is going south before the cold weather sets in.

An attempt was made to kidnap ex-Supervisor Loneragan, of San Francisco, star witness in the Ford bribery trial.

Governor Chamberlain suggests that a fuel famine may be averted in Eastern Oregon this winter by the railroads giving a low rate on slabwood.

The American Bankers' association, in session at Atlantic City, N. J., declared against postal savings banks, but favored government supervision of savings banks.

PLAN TO HIT HARD.

Telegraphers Want to Call Out Leased Wire Men.

Chicago, Oct. 1.—More aggressive warfare against the commercial telegraph companies is being planned by the striking operators. At their meeting today Chairman Likes announced that within a few days the companies would realize that they were in a real fight. The suggestion from New York that all operators working leased wires be called out was vigorously applauded.

President Small, who left the city Friday night with a lot of documentary evidence against the telegraph companies, was in Washington today on a secret mission. It leaked out that the visit Small made to St. Louis Thursday was for the purpose of meeting Commissioner of Labor Neill, who was in that city at the time. It is said that Commissioner Neill is reluctant to take up the trouble until it is definitely decided who has power to settle for the operators. So far each city has been looking after its own strike, and no one has been empowered to propose terms of peace.

Commissioner Neill is said to be ready to call on the companies provided he is given assurance that any settlement he may make will be accepted by the men on strike. It is said that within a few days a vote of the various unions will be taken to place the entire question of a settlement in the hands of the national executive board.

WANT HOME RULE.

Vote at Alaska Primaries Was Practically Unanimous.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 1.—Bringing with him defiance of anything Governor Wilford B. Hoggatt said to the contrary, Tom Gale, long-term delegate to the national congress from Alaska, arrived in town today from Nome on board the steamship Northwestern. Gale is emphatic in declaring that 99 per cent of the residents of the northland are anxious for home rule and are standing on their demand for some sort of legislation by the national lawmakers whereby Alaska shall be freed from the chains which now hamper her progress.

Gale has been all over the territory and has kept in touch with the politicians and with the citizens. The primaries were just over when Gale left Nome, and he says that the majority cast for home rule was practically unanimous. He has with him a rough draft of a bill which will be introduced into the next congress by United States Senator Samuel H. Piles and which, it is hoped, will become a law. If it does it is calculated to remove the legislative swaddling from Alaska.

While Delegate Gale does not go into details regarding the claims of Governor Hoggatt, he went so far as to say that the governor's oft repeated assertions regarding the antipathy to home rule in Alaska are creatures of his own desire, and of the desire of the big mining interests, toward whom Governor Hoggatt is declared to be extremely friendly.

BROWN AFTER VENGEANCE.

Calhoun's Attorney Alone Instrumental in Kidnaping of Older.

San Francisco, Oct. 1.—The alleged attempt to kidnap Fremont Older could not truthfully be made to appear to have been under those defending themselves from charges of bribery, according to Patrick Calhoun, of the United Railroads company.

"The facts are," said Mr. Calhoun, "that Mr. Luther Brown, who is a lawyer of Los Angeles, and one of the associate counsel of my defense, was attacked by the Bulletin, which printed an infamous story concerning him in connection with an alleged attempt to kidnap ex-Supervisor Loneragan."

"Mr. Brown swore out a warrant in Los Angeles county and had the warrant approved by Judge Cook, of San Francisco county. Older was then arrested and an attempt was made to take him to Los Angeles. It was but an ordinary arrest."

It is further pointed out by Brown's friends that it is perfectly obvious that it would have been futile to have attempted the arraignment of Older in San Francisco county in view of the close relations existing between Older and the prosecuting officials of San Francisco county.

Company Building Stockade.

Spokane, Oct. 1.—Hillyard, the Great Northern's town just beyond the city limits of Spokane, is agog today over the building of what bears all the earmarks of a stockade in the company's yards, presumably for the housing of strike breakers from the East. Company officials refuse to discuss the high board fence that has arisen in a day and night, but the strikers now claim that the coming of strikebreakers will cause a walkout of the machinists. Already the company has been obliged to lay off 40 of its 70 machinists.

Would Refuse to Go Back.

New York, Oct. 1.—Thomas M. Pierson, Eastern vice president of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, addressed a meeting of commercial telegraph operators today. He said the fight was winning the admiration of the railroad telegraphers everywhere and there need be no apprehension about the aid of the latter. It was declared that in case the strikers were asked to return to work pending arbitration, they would refuse.

Mexico to Great Root.

Mexico City, Mex., Oct. 1.—The official reception committee having completed arrangements for the reception of Mr. Root and party in this city is now considering that portion of their visit that will be spent in the interior.

NEWS ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST FROM THE STATE OF OREGON

EASY TO GET CARS.

Trolley Line Proves Great Aid to Freewater Shippers.

Freewater.—The several packing houses in this city have about completed their season's prune packing and will now begin on the apple crop. Over 100 carloads of fruit, chiefly prunes, peaches, pears and plums, have been shipped from here during the past 20 days over the O. R. & N. and the Walla Walla Valley trolley line via the Northern Pacific.

The shippers say that since the advent of the traction company and their ability to furnish Northern Pacific refrigerator cars, troubles have ended regarding the securing of cars as the O. R. & N. agents have "loosened up" wonderfully, and even take the trouble to call up the growers over the long distance telephone to ask if they can supply them cars. Such a state of affairs has heretofore been unknown in this city, and of course the shippers appreciate it.

The apple crop is a good one and top notch prices have already been offered and accepted. The apple trees have been well sprayed this year and the good derived thereby is already showing itself by the absence of scale. There will be over 100 car loads of apples from this point. Hay shipments are becoming general, the ranchers consigning their hay to points on Puget sound where prices are good.

Harvesting has begun on the third alfalfa crop which promises to be above the average yield.

Money in Clover Seed.

Albany.—Local dealers are building up a lucrative business in handling the clover seed produced by the growers of this section. Carter & Robson, of this city, have made a specialty in supplying aleyke and red clover seed to one of the largest seed concerns in Wisconsin. Should it be possible to obtain the cars, a total of 240,000 pounds will have been sent to Milwaukee by the end of this week. The local firm seeks to purchase sufficient seed to make out a shipment of seven carloads with a total valuation of about \$25,000. This opens up a new market for the clover seed raised in this section and will have a tendency to strengthen the local market and bring the top price to the valley growers. It is said that the supply is not equal to the demand and that a lucrative business awaits growers who will specialize in the growing of clover for seed purposes.

Freighting at Klamath.

Klamath Falls.—An average of 150,000 pounds of freight every five days is being hauled into Klamath Falls by the J. M. McIntyre Transportation company. Other freighters are carrying smaller amounts. The merchants are stocking up for winter trade, as the freight rates are higher during the bad roads season. The McIntyre company is keeping 13 teams on the road, each making a round trip every five days. After October 1 the freight will be unloaded at Keno, 18 miles down the river from Klamath Falls, and brought up on the steamer Klamath. While the haul from the end of the track of the California Northeastern railway to navigable water, and thence by boat to Klamath Falls, would be easier than the present one it is not likely that there will be any change in the present route until spring.

Rich Strike in Quartzville.

Albany.—A rich ledge of quartz has been discovered in the Quartzville mining district by Grant Lindley, a resident of Lebanon. Lindley came out of the mountains this week with samples of some remarkably rich ore, but said little about the mine, as he had not yet filed his notices of location. He has now returned to the site for that purpose. The samples of ore Lindley found have not yet been assayed, but the discoverer expects it to prove richer than anything yet found in the Quartzville country, and says he has plenty of the ore.

Hermiston Wants Experiment Station.

Pendleton.—Whether or not an experimental station will be established at Hermiston under the irrigation project now seems to be in the hands of the board of regents of the Agricultural college and the members will be here in a short time for the purpose of investigating the matter. It will then be up to the people of the irrigation section and of the county to show the necessity for the branch station in order to secure it.

Rush for Lake Lands.

Prineville.—A rush is being made from this part of the state to the northern part of Lake county, where the Fremont forest reserve will be opened for entry October 28. The land office officials are anticipating great crowds of entrymen when the office opens October 28. Many people are going prepared to stay on the land and attempt to get squatters' rights. Every means of conveyance will be pressed into service.

Postoffice Called Harriman.

Prineville.—A postoffice has been established in Harney county near Lowen. The new office is on the proposed Boras-Ontario railway line and has been named Harriman by the Postoffice department.

Sturgeon Weighs 510 Pounds.

Astoria.—One of the largest sturgeons ever caught in the Columbia river was brought to Schmidt's cold storage plant a few days ago. It weighed 510 pounds and was caught in a Baker's bay trap.

SIGN UP FOR ARID LANDS.

Agreement Reached for Closing Up Deal in Crook County.

Salem.—Without yielding a single point in the conditions, the state land board has reached an agreement with J. E. Morrison, president of the Deschutes Land company, and the new contract for the original Oregon Development company's segregation of 31,000 acres of arid land in Crook county has been fully signed and sealed. The new contract, which grants an increase of lien price per acre to \$30, provides that the land shall be reclaimed and the system turned over to the Water Users' association within five years and free from incumbrance. The company entered objections to several of the most material conditions, all of which were overruled, and the contract was accepted practically in toto.

Fine Showing at University.

University of Oregon, Eugene.—The University of Oregon opened its doors Tuesday, September 24. The first and second days' registration has shown an increase of more than 20 per cent over the registration of the same time last year. Almost every high school and academy in the state is represented, and a large number are presenting credentials from Eastern preparatory schools. The year will mark the highest point in enrollment that the university has yet reached. The very serious question that is presenting itself is how to take care of all students. The lack of funds has made it impossible to furnish and heat all of the rooms in the library building, and for the same reason, the new girls' dormitory will have to be idle for the year. Students, however, are adjusting themselves readily to the conditions, and the outlook for the year's work is exceptionally good.

Can't Get Cars at Albany.

Albany.—Though local shippers of perishable goods are successful in getting cars, the car shortage for grain shippers is now worse than ever. Present conditions here are pronounced worse than that which prevailed last year, so far as grain dealers are concerned. Now the condition has reached such a point that exporters of grain cannot even get cars for Oregon shipments. It is only in the past few days that this condition has existed generally, though one shipper has had an order in for 25 days for one car for an Oregon shipment and no car has come. Several orders have been in a week and are not being realized.

Many After Timber Land.

Klamath Falls.—A section of forest reserve land near Klamath Falls is to be opened at an early date and already many locators are ready for the rush to the tall timber. Several parties are expected this week from Michigan and Wisconsin expecting to secure claims, and it is said that nearly every section of the state is already represented here. There is but little interest locally, although it is said the claims are exceptionally good ones.

Hoppers Dig Beets.

La Grande.—A large force of Japanese are now harvesting the beets in Grand Ronde. Most of these are from the hop fields in the Willamette valley. The fields will be dotted with beet diggers. After a week's work the La Grande factory will be started for the fall run.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Club, 82c; bluestem, 85c; valley, 82c; red, 81c.
Oats—No. 1 white, \$25@25.50; gray, \$24.50@25.
Barley—Feed, \$23@24 per ton; brewing, \$26@27; rolled, \$25@26.
Corn—Whole, \$31; cracked, \$32.
Hay—Valley timothy, No. 1, \$17@18 per ton; Eastern Oregon timothy, \$19@20; clover, \$11; cheat, \$11; grain hay, \$11@12 alfalfa, \$12@13.
Fruits—Apples, \$1@1.75 per box; cantaloupes, 75c@1.50 per crate; peaches, 85c@1.10 per crate; pines, 50c@75c per crate; watermelons, 1@1 1/4c per pound; pears, \$1.25@1.50 per box; grapes, 50c@1.50 per crate; casaba, \$2.25 per dozen; quinces, \$1@1.25 per box.
Vegetables—Turnips, \$1.25 per sack; carrots, \$1.25 per sack; beets, \$1.25 per sack; cabbage, 1 1/4@1 3/4c per pound; celery, 75c@1 per dozen; corn, \$1@1.50 per sack; cucumbers, 10@15c per dozen; onions, 15@20c per dozen; parsley, 20c per dozen; peppers, 8@10c per pound; pumpkins, 1 1/4@1 3/4c per pound; radishes, 20c per dozen; spinach, 6c per pound; squash, 50c@1 per box; tomatoes, 40@50c per box; sweet potatoes, 2 1/4c per pound.
Onions—\$1.50 per sack.
Potatoes—75@85c per sack.
Butter—Fancy creamery, 27 1/2@35c per pound.
Veal—75 to 125 pounds, 8@8 1/2c per pound; 125 to 150 pounds, 7 1/2c; 150 to 200 pounds, 6@7c.
Pork—Block, 75 to 150 pounds, 8@8 1/2c; packers, 7 1/2@8c.
Poultry—Average old hens, 13@14c per pound; mixed chickens, 12@13c; spring chickens, 13@14c; old roosters, 8@9c; dressed chickens, 16@17c; turkeys, live, old, 16@17c; young, 18@19c; geese, live, 8@9c; ducks, 15c.
Eggs—Fresh ranch, canned, 31@32 1/2c per dozen.
Hops—1907, 7@9c per pound; old, 4@5c per pound.
Wool—Eastern Oregon, average best, 16@22c per pound, according to shrinkage; valley, 20@22c, according to fineness.
Mohair—Choice, 29@30c per pound.

LINK OF ROCK ISLAND.

Mt. Hood Railroad Headed for Salt Lake City.

Portland, Sept. 30.—There is abundant reason to believe that Portland and Salt Lake are soon to be connected by a new link in a transcontinental railroad chain that is to be forged as fast as labor and sufficient capital can complete the task.

Concealed behind the seemingly local electric line enterprise of the Mount Hood Railway & Power company are said to be the matured plans for the Salt Lake project, backed by the millions of Senator W. A. Clark and his associate interests. E. P. Clark, of Los Angeles, directing genius of the Mount Hood road, who gave his personal attention to the initial work done in Portland, came to the Pacific Northwest as the personal representative of his distinguished namesake.

With the secrecy that smacks of the previous conquests of George Gould, but which, it is believed by persons well advised, is in reality the linking of the Rock Island system and the Moffat railroad between Denver and Salt Lake City, the plans for the new road into Portland have been practically completed. Though it has been denied, and will be denied again, it can be asserted with confidence that the site of the Inman & Poulsen Lumber company yards and docks between East Sherman and East Caruthers streets will be the water front terminal of the new line. Practically all details for the entrance of the road to the city have been concluded and meanwhile engineering parties have completed the location across to the eastern slope of the Cascades, thence southeasterly toward Central Nevada to the eastern terminus at Salt Lake City.

It may surprise some engineers to learn that a route has been found by which the line will make a gradual ascent of Mount Hood, to the southeast of that eminence and through to the upper Deschutes on a compensating grade of less than 1 per cent, but such is a fact and the construction crews already engaged in the vicinity of Bull Run and between that point and Fairview will be rapidly advanced along the route so that considerable of the heavier part of the work will probably be completed during the winter months.

Approaching the Deschutes at a point not far from the mouth of Warm Springs creek, it will follow up the Deschutes, cross the spur of Walkers range and thence proceed in a southerly course to the drainage of Sprague river and thence up that stream to the southeast, through the Klamath Indian reservation and thence in a nearly direct line to Winnemucca.

The main line will be built with regard to the shortest mileage and best route, while branches are projected to tap the irrigated districts of Crook, Klamath and Lake counties, but these are to follow the completion of the through line which is just at present the objective feature of the entire enterprise.

Engineers have been over the route repeatedly, parties having easily maintained the secret of their purpose and work because of the activity of the Harriman system engineers in the same territory.

BORAH JUROR ILL.

Possible That Sickness May Block Idaho Land Fraud Trials.

Boise, Sept. 30.—Peter Neth, one of the jurors empaneled to try United States Senator W. E. Borah, was taken violently ill last night and it is said his indisposition may stop the trial, although this cannot be definitely told until today.

The nature of Neth's illness is being carefully withheld, but one of the government's counsel said last night that he believed Neth to be suffering from temporary mental derangement due to the excitement of the trial.

Many rumors were afloat last night as to Neth's condition but no authoritative statement was given out. The day following his acceptance as a juror Mr. Neth asked many questions of Judge Whitson as to whether buying improved homestead property constituted a crime. He speaks English rather brokenly and but little attention was paid to him.

Challenge Under Old Rules.

London, Sept. 30.—The officers of the Royal Irish Yacht club have decided, instead of sending a reply to the New York Yacht club today, to call a meeting of the Irish club for October 2, at which the answer of the American club to Sir Thomas Lipton's challenge will be fully considered. Sir Thomas is so desirous of arranging for another contest that he said to the correspondent of the Associated Press today that he really believed after all he would challenge under the old rules if he could get a designer of note.

Extend Strike to Railroads.

New York, Sept. 30.—Reports that the commercial telegraphers' strike would extend to the railroad telegraphers were revived here and elsewhere today. Samuel J. Small, national president of the union, is now in St. Louis, and from there it was reported that he was in conference with the national officers of the railroad telegraphers, and that inside of the next fortnight developments might be expected in that direction.

Another Blow to Saloon.

Knoxville, Tenn., Sept. 30.—The state supreme court today held the Pendleton law to be constitutional. This statute abolishes saloons in all cities of 100,000 or less, "hereafter incorporated."

SWEET A READY LETTER WRITER

Correspondence Produced in Borah Land Fraud Case.

Man Who Will Turn States' Evidence Underwent Kaleidoscopic Changes of Mind and Called for Borah's Help—Speculator Did Not Always Trust Steuenberg.

Boise, Sept. 28.—Half a score of letters which the government attorneys in the trial of Senator William E. Borah declare go to show the complicity of ex-Governor Steuenberg in the alleged timber land fraud conspiracy were introduced in evidence late yesterday and read to the jury. The letters were written by William Sweet, one of the indicted men, who, it is reported, will take the stand as a witness for the United States. The documents were produced by J. H. Richards, the local attorney, to whom they were written and who acted as legal adviser to Sweet.

Most of the letters were dated from New York and Boston and several of them were replies to letters or telegrams urging him to return to Idaho. "I can't see why I should come back unless it is in regard to timber, and that is all in the governor's hands," wrote Sweet in one of his notes. Then he proceeded:

"As to the money coming to me, put it in the bank. I have absolute faith in the governor. He came to my assistance and helped me out of a mess I never ought to have got in. I don't know what I would have done if it had not been for the governor."

In another letter Sweet gave the amounts he was "in" on the timber deal. The total amount was about \$29,000, including a \$7,500 note signed by himself and Steuenberg. Shortly after this Sweet wrote to his attorney that he had read in the papers of a timber inspector being sent to Idaho. Borah's name was drawn into the case for the first time just before adjournment, when Henry S. Worthman, another local attorney, took the stand and produced more letters from Sweet. In one letter to Worthman he wrote:

"Richards used his power of attorney to turn all my money, \$10,000, over to Steuenberg, and it is like pulling a cat through a stocking to get it back. I wish you would see W. E. Borah about this and get him to make a little statement of the governor's obligation to me. He is the governor's attorney, but is a first class gentleman and knows a little statement is only fair to me. Tell him I haven't the scratch of a pen from Steuenberg to show that he has \$10,000 of my money. He said the copy of our agreement was lost."

INDICTS HARRIMAN LINES.

Federal Grand Jury at San Francisco Finds 124 Counts.

San Francisco, Sept. 28.—The Federal grand jury yesterday returned five indictments of 124 counts against the Southern Pacific company and the Pacific Mail Steamship company charging violations of the interstate commerce law. These indictments, if followed by convictions, are sufficient to render the corporations liable to fines aggregating from \$124,000 to \$2,480,000, the minimum fine prescribed by law on each count being \$1,000 and the maximum fine \$20,000.

The defendant corporations are accused of secretly cutting to \$1 the published rate of \$1.25 on through shipments of matting from Kobe, Japan, to San Francisco and thence through the United States. Two indictments of eight counts each were returned against the Pacific Mail Steamship company, which transported the cargo from Kobe to San Francisco, and one indictment of eight counts and two indictments of 50 counts each were returned against the Southern Pacific company for forwarding the cargo in broken lot shipments from this city eastward.

Decisive Victory for State.

Omaha, Sept. 28.—Judges T. C. Munger and W. H. Munger, in the United States court tonight denied the injunctions asked for by the railroads operating in Nebraska to prevent the state railroad commission from enforcing the laws reducing grain rates. The restraining order issued some time ago by Judge T. C. Munger was dissolved. This is regarded as a decisive victory for the state, although it is presumed the case will be appealed by the railroad companies to the Supreme court of the United States.

Oppose Breaking Contract.

Chicago, Sept. 28.—Three members of the national executive board of the Telegraphers' union declared today that they would vote against calling a strike of union operators employed in broker and newspaper offices, in which event, being a majority of the board, the request of the striking New York operators will be refused. No official action has been taken, for the reason that no communication has yet been received from the New York local.

Cruiser Colorado Arrives.

San Francisco, Sept. 28.—A wireless message from the armored cruiser Colorado, of Rear Admiral Dayton's squadron, received today at the naval training station in this harbor, reports that all on board were well and that the voyage from Honolulu had been uneventful. The vessel will arrive here tomorrow.