

# Heppner Gazette

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## BRIEF NEWS OF THE PAST WEEK

Interesting Events from Outside the State Presented in a Manner to Catch the Eye of the Busy Reader—Matters of National, Historical and Commercial Importance.

Bryan counts on carrying New York. The big theater hat has been abolished in Paris play houses.

The grand jury at Springfield, Ill., has returned 20 more indictments.

Taft says that, if elected, he will call a special session of congress to revise the tariff.

The sultan is recalling his ministers and ambassadors and replacing them with new men.

Serious trouble is feared in the Alabama coal district where the white miners have ordered the blacks to leave.

During a storm near Pottsville, Pa., lightning set off a charge of dynamite 1,300 feet under ground, killing two men.

A Southern Indiana coal mine has been foreclosed by a Chicago bank which held paper to the amount of \$3,000,000.

The trial of Theodore W. Halsey, the San Francisco telephone magnate, has been postponed until September 26, on account of illness.

Mayor Taylor, of San Francisco, has received notice that the government has made an additional appropriation of \$3,300 a month with which to fight the plague.

A non-union negro miner was shot from ambush near Birmingham, Ala.

Six indictments have been returned at Springfield, Illinois, against rioters.

Holland awaits the report of M. De Reus before deciding on final action against Castro.

The National Editorial association is working for a new libel law, seeing defects in the present statutes.

New York firms have secured contracts amounting to \$16,000,000 for paving and sewer work in Havana.

The Congo Reform association has protested to Secretary Root against the annexation of Free State by Belgium.

A Connecticut farmer emulated Darius Green by attempting to fly with a pair of paper wings he had constructed.

The repeal of the Fourteen's amendment was predicted at the National association of attorney generals held in Denver.

Harriman has promised to extend the Columbia Southern railway into Central Oregon and says work will begin at once.

A row is on in the British cabinet. This will end King Leopold's bloody reign in Africa.

Turkish women are to be emancipated under the new regime.

The Belgian chamber of deputies has adopted the Congo annexation treaty.

The pope, who has been suffering from a cold, has almost entirely recovered.

The Pacific Telephone & Telegraph officials have issued a general order to hereafter accept no whiskey ads for directories.

Springfield was inflamed by the accidental shooting of a grand jury witness and for a time it looked as if another riot would break out.

The Wells-Fargo Express company has lost all Rock Island business, amounting to \$4,700,000 a year, because a \$2,000,000 loan was refused.

Attorney General Hadley, of Missouri, says there is something wrong with a judge who will render a decision like the Federal court gave in the Standard Oil appeal.

A meteorograph is being set up on Mount Rose, Nevada. This machine registers automatically for 40 days at a time, the temperature, atmospheric pressure, humidity and other data of importance in determining weather conditions.

Castro continues to refuse Dutch vessels to call.

The Young Turk party is perfecting a plan to depose the sultan.

The Oregon Supreme court has just decided a case started 18 years ago.

The Russian government continues to execute alleged revolutionists by the score.

The Rock Island railroad is said to be seeking control of the Moffat road now building from Denver to Salt Lake City.

Great preparations will be made to welcome Roosevelt in Egypt when he visits there on his trip around the world.

In his speech of acceptance, Chafin, Prohibition candidate for president, accused the old parties of suppressing the liquor issue.

A Canadian pressman at Chicago has appealed to the British consul for protection against the labor union, fearing his life is in danger.

## TRAIN IS WRECKED.

Cottage Grove Local Goes Into Ditch Near Eugene.

Eugene, Or., Aug. 25.—Fireman Frank Boulter and three unknown tramps were killed, Engineer Jack Nichols was fatally injured, and six passengers were badly hurt in a wreck of the southbound Cottage Grove local shortly after 9 o'clock Sunday night.

When two miles north of Irving, the engine, going at schedule speed, struck a cow, which was on the track, and turned turtle, landing in the ditch. The baggage cars and passenger coaches, pushing the tender ahead of them, continued on the ties for 75 feet until the baggage car climbed on top of the tender and stood on end. The impact hurled three of the passenger coaches from the track, only the last two remaining on the rails.

The wreck, from the standpoint of destruction to rolling stock, is one of the worst in recent years in the Southern Pacific in Oregon. The engine and tender are a pile of scrap iron. The rails and ties are torn up for a distance of 75 feet, while the passenger coaches and baggage car lie on their sides in the ditch. The cow which tried to cross the track and caused the wreck was cut completely in two.

## ARE READY FOR HOME RULE.

Cubans Capable of Self-Government, According to Magoon.

Hot Springs, Va., Aug. 25.—Charles E. Magoon, provisional governor of Cuba, talked with Mr. Taft today regarding conditions in Cuba.

That the people of Cuba are qualified for self government is the positive assertion of Governor Magoon. The Cuban people, he indicated, are heartily in favor of government ownership of public utilities. They now own the telegraph lines and the test of the popular will, which has just been made on the question of private concessions for telephone lines, he believes has demonstrated their desire for government ownership. The test referred to was made at the suggestion of President Roosevelt, and consisted in the submission to the 82 provinces of the draft of a law which, if approved and enacted, would have resulted, according to Governor Magoon, in the telephone business of the island going into the hands of the present Havana Telephone company. The concession of this company expires in 1910, whereupon the telephone lines and plant of the company in that city will revert to the Cuban government.

## FOURTY PERISH WITH SHIP.

Norwegian Steamer Goes Down Off Coast of Norway.

Bergen, Norway, Aug. 25.—The Norwegian steamer Folgen Fonden, from Bergen to Haugesund, on the west coast of Norway, was wrecked last night near Skoneviks and sank in three minutes.

The steamer carried 70 passengers and it is believed 40 of them were drowned. Fifteen bodies have been recovered. The captain of the steamer was among those saved.

The Folgen Fonden carried on only a local traffic and it is believed that no foreigners were aboard.

It is reported that a terrible panic occurred when the steamer struck; that fearful scenes were witnessed as the vessel sank. Boats were hurriedly manned by those who had witnessed the catastrophe and they hurried to where the steamer had gone down, but most of them arrived too late to rescue the passengers.

## Bring Gold From Alaska.

Seattle, Aug. 25.—The steamship Hyades arrived at midnight from Nome with \$300,000 in gold dust and a small consignment of freight. Her arrival caused considerable surprise, for being a freighter and starting from Nome just an hour after the steamship Northwestern, a passenger ship, it was thought the Hyades would not show up for at least two days yet. The steamship Northwestern arrived at 4 o'clock this afternoon from Nome, bringing 330 passengers, \$20,000 worth of fur and \$150,000 in gold dust.

## Miners Burn Nevada Town.

Reno, Nev., Aug. 25.—Hazen, the junction point of three railroads into the mining camps was destroyed by fire, when miners celebrating the second stampede to Rawhide, overturned a gasoline generator in their room. A loss of nearly \$100,000 was caused, every building in the town being burned excepting the Southern Pacific depot and freight sheds. The fire burned from the eastern end of the town to the extreme western end.

## Alaska Town Wiped Out.

Seattle, Aug. 25.—Moore City, Alaska, in the Innoko district, was burned on July 3, according to passengers who arrived on the Northwestern today from Nome and St. Michaels. The United States commissioner's office, the jail and a few cabins were left standing.

## Turkish Capital Aflame.

Constantinople, Aug. 25.—Fire broke out this afternoon in the Stamboul quarter and within a very brief period a terrible conflagration was raging. A strong wind carried the flames along at great speed and for six hours they swept over the section, destroying 1,500 houses and shops.

## Von Sternberg is Dead.

Heidelberg, Germany, Aug. 25.—Speck Von Sternberg, former German ambassador to the United States, died here yesterday morning.

# NEWS NOTES GATHERED FROM VARIOUS PARTS OF OREGON

## FIELD FOR SILK CULTURE.

Oregon Climate Appeals to Caucasian Expert.

Portland—Datika Kaukasieji, of Kuties, Caucasia, of the well known family of noblemen of Kaukasieji, is here in the interest of silk culture. Mr. Kaukasieji says this is a very fine climate for the production of silk, and that the establishment of silk culture means much for the Pacific coast. He says it would do more for this coast than any other industry, and would mean employment for thousands and may result in the building of factories when the culture is well established.

"Silk culture is one of the greatest productions commercially and has made nations and established commerce, and is the means of great wealth," said he. Mr. Kaukasieji has invented a device by which silk can be produced at prices which makes the industry profitable, even at the high price for labor in America. He is very enthusiastic regarding it, and says he will establish the silk industry in the United States.

## Turpentine From Stumps.

La Grande—That an excellent grade of commercial turpentine can be made from old pine stumps which literally cover the Blue mountains, is the remarkable discovery of W. E. Powell, a painter of this city, who is now perfecting a process of extracting the fluid from the stumps. Mr. Powell has been offered large sums for his discovery, but so far has declined to sell and will develop the industry himself. He declares that an excellent grade of turpentine can be secured from the pine stumps of the logged-off lands, thousands of acres of which lie accessible to the railroad in all parts of Eastern Oregon, and he believes that he has a discovery which can be built into a handsome enterprise.

## Seeking Route for Line.

Eugene—Reports from the country lying west of Eugene say that men representing the Carver railroad are at work choosing a route for the road that will bring it to Eugene before going to the coast. It is known that Mr. Carver's first plan was to build out into the timber belts and thus work toward the coast, but since the project was started the lumber business has fallen off so that it will be necessary for the road to depend on something else for its freight. Thus it is considered probable that the growing portion of Western Lane will be tapped and the road extended from Eugene through the Siuslaw country to the coast.

## Suffers Butter Famine.

Tillamook—Despite the fact that Tillamook is the main source of supply for dairy products for all parts of the Northwest, locally it is now suffering from an acute famine. For the past few weeks it has been impossible for the housewife to secure a roll of butter for culinary purposes. This extraordinary phenomenon is accounted for by the fact that Tillamook butter brings fancy prices outside, and the manufacturer either finds it more profitable to ship his goods, or else has his output contracted for in advance, and the home merchant must rely upon that of domestic manufacture for his supply.

## Gold Near La Grande.

La Grande—The city of La Grande is considerably stirred up over the appearance on the streets recently of a man carrying a sack of gold ore which he asserts he found on Mt. Emily, less than 10 miles from the city, a peak which overlooks the entire valley. The ore exhibited gave every evidence of being first class and of paying grade. During the past 20 days he has been prospecting on the mountain, and his sack brought here is only a part of his findings. Local men who own claims in the vicinity of the hill will take active steps to look into the rumor.

## Buy Provisions at Portland.

Portland—Local merchants will not lose the trade of the commissary department of the Northern Pacific because of the transfer of this department to the Spokane, Portland & Seattle road. F. H. Fogarty, assistant general passenger agent of the Northern Pacific, has written Mr. Mosses, acting secretary of the chamber of commerce, that the new service will result in the dining cars of both roads securing all their produce in Portland.

## Hop Crop Light in Marion.

Hubbard—Hops and hop picking are uncertainties at the present time. Not all the hops in this part of Marion county were cultivated or cared for this year, and now, owing to the extremely weak market, it is highly probable that many yards that have been cultivated will not be picked. The crop is not a heavy one, as many of the long arms on the lower part of the vines have no hops on at all. Picking will be later than usual.

## New Road Projected.

Albany—An electric line from Albany to Brownsville, a distance of 22 miles, is being projected by E. H. Rhodes, a local capitalist. He also plans to build a street railway system in this city, and if franchises are secured he will begin work immediately. Local capital is behind both enterprises, and other local men, whose names have not yet been made public, are associated in the project with Rhodes.

## FIX PICKING PRICE.

Hop Growers at Salem Decide Upon Eighty Cents a Hundred.

Salem—About 40 hopgrowers of this vicinity met at the city hall and adopted a resolution fixing 80 cents a hundred pounds as the price to be paid for hop picking this season. This is 20 cents a hundred less than last year.

The opinion was unanimous that growers cannot pay over 80 cents a hundred and can scarcely afford to pay that much in view of the present price of hops. Eighty cents a hundred is practically the same as 40 cents a box. Joseph Harris, agent for Benjamin Schwarz & Sons, has received word from London that the Kentish Observer in its last issue estimates the English hop crop for 1908 at 540,000 hundred weight, against 275,000 hundred weight last year.

## Boost Good Roads.

Corvallis—The launching of a great campaign for legislation and state aid for public roads, the enactment of legislation to obtain legal title and for the protection by the state of that title for users of water for irrigation and power, the inauguration of a movement for cutting up big tracts of land for division among small holders, and the further prosecution of the claims of the Willamette valley and Oregon for the government purchase and control of the Willamette locks and the improvement of the Willamette river, were primal objectives of the meeting held here last week, at which an enthusiastic body of Corvallis business men was present.

## Vale Wants Irrigation.

Vale—A Commercial club meeting was held here last week and a committee was appointed to take up the matter of government irrigation in this county. It was the opinion of the club that favorable consideration will be given the matter at this time. The project was known as the Malheur and covered all the different streams in the north half of this county. H. L. Wallace, who has returned from New York, stated that the Federation bonds will be signed within a week. He has contracts with an Eastern construction company.

## Yamhill Wheat of Fine Quality.

McMinnville—Wheat, once Yamhill's main crop, but now only a side issue with the farmers, is coming to the warehouses quite lively this week. So far 27½ bushels to the acre, machine measure, is about the best yield reported, although the grain is generally very plump and heavy and overruns in weight. One farmer's load of 25 sacks gained six bushels when weighed at the warehouse. There are a number of crops not yet threshed where the estimated yield has been placed much higher than the average.

## Railroad Rates Bar Stockmen.

Klamath Falls—Unless the stockmen of this section secure a better rate they will be forced to drive to Shasta valley, California, before loading stock on the cars. Some of the stockmen made a shipment from Mount Hebron, a station on the California Northwestern, but the rate was so high that they can afford to drive to Montague, a distance of about 15 miles, and load at that place. Another effort is being made to secure better rates.

## PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Club, 88c per bushel; forty-fold, 90c; Turkey red, 90c; life, 88c; bluestem, 92c; valley, 88c.

Barley—Feed, \$24.50 per ton; rolled, \$27.25; brewing, \$25.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$26.50 per ton; gray, \$24.

Hay—T mothy, Willamette Valley, \$14 per ton; Willamette valley ordinary, \$11; Eastern Oregon, \$16.50; mixed, \$13; clover, \$9; alfalfa, \$11.

Fruits—Peaches, 400¢ per box; Bartlett pears, \$150 per box; plums, 75¢ per box; grapes, 85¢ per box; blackberries, \$1.10 per crate; Potatoes—\$1.12 1/2 per hundred; sweet potatoes, 37¢ per pound.

Melons—Cantaloupes, \$1.25 @ 1.75 per crate; watermelons, \$1.50 per 100 loose; c. a. d. 1¢ additional; casabas, \$2.25 per dozen.

Vegetables—Turnips, \$1.50 per sack; carrots, \$1.75 per sack; parsnips, \$1.75 per sack; beets, \$1.50 per sack; beans, 5¢ per pound; cabbage, 1 1/4¢ per pound; corn, 25¢ per bushel; cucumbers, 3¢ per dozen; egg plant, \$1.75 per crate; lettuce, head, 15¢ per dozen; parsley, 15¢ per dozen; peas, 6¢ per pound; peppers, 8¢ per pound; radishes, 12 1/2¢ per dozen; spinach, 2¢ per pound; tomatoes, 75¢ @ \$1.25 per crate; celery, 90¢ @ \$1 per dozen; artichokes, 75¢ per dozen.

Butter—Extras, 30¢ per pound; fancy, 27 1/2¢; choice, 25¢; store, 18¢.

Eggs—Oregon extras, 26¢ @ 27¢ per dozen; firsts, 24¢ @ 25¢; seconds, 22¢ @ 23¢; thirds, 15¢ @ 20¢; Eastern, 24¢ @ 27¢.

Poultry—Mixed chickens, 13¢ @ 12 1/2¢ per pound; fancy hens, 14¢; roosters, 10¢; spring, 16¢; ducks, old, 12¢; spring, 13¢ @ 15¢; geese, old, 8¢; young, 10¢; turkeys, old, 17¢ @ 18¢; young, 20¢.

Veal—Extra, 8¢ per pound; ordinary, 7¢ @ 7 1/2¢; heavy, 5¢.

Pork—Fancy, 7¢ per pound; ordinary, 6¢; large, 5¢.

Mutton—Fancy, 8¢ @ 9¢ per pound.

Hops—1907, prime and choice, 43¢ @ 5¢ per pound; olds, 16¢ @ 1 1/2¢; contracts, nominal.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, average best, 10¢ @ 16 1/2¢ per pound, according to shrinkage; valley, 15¢ @ 15 1/2¢; mohair, choice, 18¢ @ 18 1/2¢.

## FEAR STRIKE RIOT.

Conditions Growing Serious in Alabama Coal District.

Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 24.—The nerve tension in the Alabama strike zone is exceedingly taut. The attempt at assassination of a nonunion miner at Pratt City last night is a theme of general discussion. Deputies attempted to make an arrest for trespass at mine No. 5 of the Tennessee company near Pratt City today and met resistance on the part of white women. Two women were arrested.

A big barbecue was held at Fulton Springs several miles north of this city today. Several thousand miners, union men, were present, and W. R. Fairley, Alabama member of the national board of miners, was among the principal speakers.

A number of evictions from company houses has been accomplished at the Sayre mines. Big bodies of men are meeting all trains along the north end of the mineral railroad.

Reports come that threatening letters are being dropped on the porches of homes of men remaining at work, and as a result many men are leaving.

## AVERT CLASH ON BORDER.

French and German Officers Cooled in Emergency.

Paris, Aug. 24.—War between Germany and France was averted by the cool headedness of French and German army officers in a dramatic frontier episode which is reported from Lunenburg. Two German army corps are engaged in maneuvers near the border, and yesterday morning a battalion of French rifles, marching out from Rambersvillers, approached within 50 yards of the frontier and suddenly found itself face to face with a German regiment which was drawn up at an equal distance on the other side.

The troops stood looking at each other for a moment without uttering a word or giving vent to an explanation, and then their respective commanders simultaneously ordered them to face about, and they were soon at a prudent distance from each other.

A fine illustration of military discipline was given on both sides, as a cry might have been the signal for serious trouble.

## BUILD MANY SHIPS.

Japs Will Have Large Fleet of Auxiliary Cruisers.

New York, Aug. 24.—According to Kashiwa Shiba, one of the managers of the Mitsubishi dockyard at Nagasaki, Japan, the Japanese government is making earnest efforts to increase its fleet of auxiliary cruisers. Mr. Shiba, who arrived at the Hotel Astor tonight, declared that while the Japanese navy is highly efficient, there is need of a fleet of steamships which could, in time of war, be converted into cruisers.

"Our dockyard," said he, "is working at its fullest capacity. We are at present turning out three 14,000 ton turbine steamships, which will do 21 knots, and which will ply between San Francisco and Hongkong via Japan. The boats will use oil for fuel. In addition to these boats, we are building four large steamships, which will run from Japan to England via the Suez canal. All these vessels will be at the service of Japan in case of war. Our dockyard, of course, is not the only one that is active in producing this big order for auxiliaries. The dockyards at Kobe and other places are all running at their full capacity."

## Strikers Cry Conspiracy.

Montreal, Aug. 24.—A formal statement issued today by Bell Hardy, chairman of the federated trades of the Canadian Pacific railway system, charges that the strike of the past three weeks, in which 8,000 workmen have been engaged, is due to a conspiracy on the part of some of the officials of the company to disrupt the unions and drive the union men from the company's employ. This conspiracy, Hardy alleges, had its inception in conferences held by the railway superintendents and master mechanics early in the present year.

## Cloudbursts in Colorado.

Pueblo, Colo., Aug. 24.—Cloudbursts in the vicinity of Florence tonight transformed Oak, Chandler and Sand creeks into raging torrents, which are sweeping through Florence and vicinity leaving ruin in their wake. The damage is expected to aggregate \$150,000. The Florence Fuel company alone has been damaged to the extent of \$2,000. Water covered the Santa Fe tracks to a depth of several feet, and the Rio Grande's are in danger.

## Derelect in Mid-Pacific.

Honolulu, Aug. 24.—The steamship Asia which arrived here today from Hongkong and Yokohama encountered a derelect schooner in latitude 33° 25' north, longitude 163° 25' east. It is thought that the derailed vessel was the Japanese schooner Kinomoto Maru. The Asia carries a cargo of silk valued at two and one half million dollars, to be landed at San Francisco. The steamer Aorangi en route from Vancouver to Australia arrived here today.

## Meteor Falls in Kansas.

Salina, Kan., Aug. 24.—A large meteor fell three miles north of Ellsworth last night, lighting up the country for miles around, and burning brightly 20 minutes after it struck the ground. The meteor exploded when it struck the ground, and shook the town of Ellsworth.

# ASKS REHEARING OF REBATE CASE

Government Presents Petition to Circuit Court of Appeals.

Should Decision Stand, Prosecution of Future Cases of Like Nature Would Come to Naught, Argues Attorney General—Would Nullify Elkins Law.

Chicago, Aug. 22.—Petitions for a rehearing in the Standard Oil case were presented by the Federal government in the Circuit Court of Appeals here today. It is authoritatively stated that this is the administration's attempt to save the Elkins act and the interstate commerce law from becoming futile.

The filing of the petition marked the appearance of Attorney General Bonaparte in the case as well as that of Frank B. Kellogg, who is a special assistant to the attorney general. Besides these two names the petition is signed by Edwin W. Sims, United States district attorney at Chicago, and Special Assistant James H. Wilkerson, both of whom presented the government's side of the case in the original hearing before Judge Landis, who administered the famous fine of \$29,240,000 against the defendant.

Although it is not specifically stated in the petition, it was agreed by counsel for the government in their conference at Lenox, Mass., following the reversal by the Appellate court of Judge Landis' decision, that if the interpretation of the law given by Judges Grosscup, Seaman and Baker was allowed to stand, successful prosecution of rebate cases against corporations would be impossible in the future. The lawyers at the conference, over which the attorney general of the United States presided, were a unit in expressing the opinion that the reforms in rebate matters brought about by the Roosevelt administration would represent so much loss of time unless the higher court can be convinced that it is in error in the construction of the law.

## BOYCOTT IS EFFECTIVE.

Japanese Liner Forced to Cross Pacific Without Cargo.

San Francisco, Aug. 22.—Proof of the effectiveness of the Chinese boycott on Japanese goods was furnished today when the Japanese liner Hongkong Maru arrived with no cargo.

Of Chinese passengers the Hongkong Maru had only two. Eight took passage at Shanghai, but the boycott authorities heard about it and six were persuaded to go ashore and wait for an American liner. The other two were allowed to remain on the vessel for the reason that if they had awaited another vessel their registration tickets would have expired before they arrived here.

According to passengers on the Hongkong Maru there is a great business depression in Japan, and a number of steamship companies are on the verge of bankruptcy.

## BUSINESS WILL INCREASE.

Railroad Officials Much Encouraged by Outlook.

Chicago, Aug. 22.—Traffic officials generally are predicting a large increase in the movement of general merchandise within the next few weeks. From investigations made by them of the conditions of stocks now in the hands of country merchants, they have found that these are run down to an extent that it will be absolutely necessary to have them renewed if the holders are to continue in business at all.

In a week or two agricultural communities will begin making their fall purchases. With the present crop prices they are certain to be in funds, and they are expected to be liberal buyers.

## Urges War on Rats.

Tacoma, Wash., Aug. 22.—Health Commissioner Dr. Spiro Sargentich will soon issue invitations to the health officers of all coast cities to attend a conference in Tacoma, when the subject of fighting bubonic plague and other diseases will be discussed. Dr. Sargentich has already conferred with numerous health officers in Washington, Oregon and California, and his idea has met with the approval of all. A number of leading physicians of the coast cities, as well health officers, have signified their willingness to attend.

## Treasure Room Looted.

New York, Aug. 22.—It became known tonight that jewels valued at more than \$60,000 had been taken from a secret treasure room in the mansion of Frederick G. Bourne, at Oakdale, L. I. The treasure room was built when the mansion was erected and its existence was known only to the family. The jewels were those worn by Commodore Bourne's three daughters, Marion, Marjorie and Florence, at brilliant society functions.

## Roosevelt Books Passage.

New York, Aug. 22.—It is reported here today that President Roosevelt has engaged passage on the liner Celtic, which will sail March 7, 1909, for Europe. If this report is true, he will remain in the country less than three days after his successor is inaugurated, and will lose no time in starting for the hunting trip in Africa that he has planned.