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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.

Russia will build four new battle-ships.

Weakness of the government hampers the relief work at Adana.

Ten Austrians have chartered a 2,400-ton steamer for an Arctic hunting expedition.

A canoe and the bodies of two young men were found on the beach near Vancouver, B. C.

A Peruvian mummy at least 1,000 years old has been found wearing a gold-embroidered Masonic apron.

The Peruvian government has cancelled the exequatur of the Swedish consul for giving shelter to revolutionists.

Boxes containing 144 pints of whiskey and labeled "Gloss Starch," and "Tomatoes," have been seized at El Reno, Oklahoma.

Eight American cruisers are now in the Great Lakes, and Canada considers it a violation of an alleged international agreement.

A butcher at Somerville, Mass., went suddenly insane and slashed five men with his killing knife. Three of them are not expected to live.

The departure of Rear Admiral Harbin's squadron from Honolulu for Manila has been delayed by the discovery that about \$1,000 worth of brass and engine room fittings have been stolen.

Rockefeller says golf beats finance. An immense stock boom is on in Wall street.

Roosevelt made a speech to American missionaries in Africa.

The first of this season's wheat has been sold in Texas at \$1.35.

Senator Aldrich will kill the income tax amendment at his hazards.

A San Diego, Cal., woman, her daughter and two sons will be married at the same time.

Leaders of the alleged Mexican National lottery have been arrested in New York and a gigantic fraud broken up.

The fire department of Victoria, B. C., is using its chemical engines to exterminate the caterpillar put on the trees of the city.

Secretary Ballinger has approved the regulations for opening the surplus lands of the Coeur d'Alene, Spokane and Flathead reservations.

Encarnacion Diaz, leader in the conspiracy to invade Mexico and overthrow President Diaz, who was pardoned by President Taft, left the federal prison at Leavenworth, Kan., Friday.

So-Wah-Ta, a full-blooded Oneida Indian, stalked into the license bureau of the police department in Chicago, and made formal application in excellent English for a state permit to run an automobile.

By holding a piece of downtown Chicago property 24 years, William K. Lobenstein, of New York city, has made a clear profit of more than \$750,000. This is at the rate of more than \$30,000 a year.

Bryan is out with his 1912 slogan, "Be Up and Doing."

Northwest rivers are rising rapidly and high water is looked for.

For the first time in history wheat is being shipped west from New York.

It is reported that oil has been found in Arizona, and great excitement prevails.

An auto jumped a bridge in Seattle, killing the driver and injuring his two passengers.

Martial law is in force at McClelland, Cal., and the soldiers have scattered the strikers.

The Omaha train robbers have been fully identified and their headquarters shown to be in Spokane.

Many inhabitants of Molokai are found to be free of leprosy, but do not wish to leave their friends on the island.

J. J. Hill was subpoenaed to appear before the grand jury in an embezzlement case. He accepted the service of the paper and agreed to appear.

A-Y-P. exposition opens with attendance of 89,286 on first day.

The prosecution has almost completed its case against Patrick Calhoun.

The Portland water board will immediately lay a third pipe line from Bull Run.

Four Methodist ministers at Elgin, Ill., are praying for the recovery of a horse dying of lockjaw.

Rockefeller says he is satisfied with the increase made in the assessed valuation of his country residence.

Heavy rains and a cloudburst near The Dalles did some slight damage, but did an immense amount of good.

DROWNS IN NIAGARA.

Man All But Dies in Effort to Save Suicide Wife.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., June 8.—Aaron Cohen, of Buffalo, N. Y., saw his young wife leap into the swirling river between Second and Third Sisters islands today, only 150 feet above the brink of the cataract.

Without a moment's hesitation, he followed her, caught her hand, and struggled desperately to save her. Mrs. Cohen probably died in her husband's arms.

Before it was possible to bring efficient help an hour had passed. All this time Cohen was making frantic attempts to reach the shore. But the struggle against the current—at this point it is about 20 miles an hour—was beyond his power.

Fortune aided him, however. With his wife tightly clasped to him, he bumped into a tree stump, and on this he got a grip with his one free hand. There he stayed and shouted for help.

Finally word was carried to the reservation police, and Policeman James Martin and three other men with ropes hurried to the scene. Three times they threw a rope before it fell within Cohen's grasp. When he did catch it, he was too weak to tie it about his own or his wife's waist.

The two were 20 feet away from shore, and it was extremely difficult, owing to the precarious nature of the footing, to make a good cast. Pinned against the tree by the terrific rush of water, all the strength had gone out of Cohen, and he had been unable to keep his wife's face above water.

Once Cohen had hold of the rope, the men ashore began to pull. Martin, who was in front, slipped and fell into the stream, but quickly regained his footing. When within 15 feet of the shore, Cohen lost his grip on his wife's body, and it was carried down stream and was lost to view.

BIG ARCTIC HUNT PLANNED.

Ten Austrians Charter a 2400-Ton Steamer for Expedition.

Seattle, June 8.—Dr. Hans von Kadic and Leo Mahler, of Vienna, left here tonight for Vancouver to prepare the steamer Transit, which has been chartered by Rudolph R. von Guttman, a wealthy coal operator of Vienna, for a four-month hunting expedition to Alaska and Siberia. The party will leave for the North July 1. The other members of the party, which will contain ten people, are still in Vienna.

The purpose of the expedition is to secure new specimens for Herr von Guttman's trophy room. Whenever duplicates are secured they will be given to the Smithsonian Institute, and if a third specimen is secured it will be given to the New York Zoological society. The Transit is a 2400-ton steamer.

BRUTES TORTURE WOMEN.

Put Lighted Candles on Soles of Feet in Effort to Get Money.

Pittsburg, June 8.—The work of robbers today at Belmont, Pa., near this city, has so aroused the community that a lynching is threatened if the men are captured.

Five men, all masked, broke into the home of Mrs. Minnie Ashe, 90 years old, and ransacked the place. With the aged woman were her daughter, Mrs. Mary Ober, 60 years old, and her granddaughter, Miss Minnie Ober, 23 years of age.

The men found only \$3.50 in the house, and, believing there was more, bound the three women and tortured them. They used picture wire in fastening the women to chairs. Then they held lighted candles to their bare feet.

Ancient Apron Is Found.

Seattle, June 8.—A valuable gold-embroidered Mason's apron, at least 1,000 years old, was found on a mummy which Captain E. W. Sprague, of the American schooner Columbia, picked up on his last trip to Calloa, for a few dollars. The apron is hand-embroidered in real gold thread. Captain Sprague bought the apron from a contractor who had unwittingly purchased a mummy, and was anxious to get rid of the thing. Many high Masons have attempted to decipher the symbols, but no one has yet been able to read them.

Two Drown From Canoes.

Vancouver, B. C., June 8.—The bodies of two young men, aged about 18 and 25, and a canoe were found about 11 o'clock today washed up on the shore half a mile west of the Point Gray wireless station. An invoice, rendered to Frank Stendth, was found in the pocket of the eldest victim. There was also a watch, which had stopped at 8:30. It is believed, judging from the condition of the bodies, that the accident occurred today.

Defends American Colleges.

Ithaca, N. Y., June 8.—Warmly defending American colleges and universities from the severe criticisms of President Woodrow Wilson and other New England university presidents, who charge that the intellectual life of American universities is decaying, President J. G. Schurman, of Cornell, poured a broadside into the system of education at the older universities in his farewell address to the senior class today.

Whiskey in Tomato Boxes.

El Reno, Okla., June 8.—Boxes labelled "tomatoes" and "gloss starch," but containing instead old bourbon whiskey, were seized here today at the direction of the United States district attorney, John Embry, because of false labels. There were 144 pints of whiskey in the consignment, which was shipped from Kansas City.

NEWS ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST FROM THE STATE OF OREGON

COST PROBLEM IS SOLVED.

Young Men at University Buy Lot, Build House and Bath.

University of Oregon, Eugene—Plans are under way at the university for erection of a number of small cottages in which students can bach. A very small rent will be charged, just large enough to cover the interest on the money invested. It has become the custom for several boys from the same town to live together while attending the university. These new cottages will furnish a mode of living at Eugene so cheap as to make it possible for many small groups of self-supporting students to obtain a college education who could not otherwise afford it.

Four Hood River boys—Cash, Pattee, Lucky and Garrabrant, are the demonstrators of this new scheme. Last September they began monthly payments on a \$125 lot. On this land they erected a little two-story house at the expense of \$92. Their living expenses per man per month since then have varied between \$5 and \$8. February, with its 28 days, cost them \$5.15, while one other month their expenses ran as low as \$5.55.

The culinary pursuits of these boys in no wise interfere with their high scholarship nor are they prevented from taking part in the different student enterprises.

Commencement June 24.

University of Oregon, Eugene—The program for commencement week at the university is now complete and is as follows:

June 20, Sunday—Baccalaureate sermon by the Right Reverend Charles W. Scadding, bishop of Oregon.

June 21—President's reception at Collier hall, 3 p. m.; graduation exercises of the school of music, Villard hall, 8 p. m.

June 22, Tuesday—Alumni reunion and business meeting, Villard hall, 9 a. m.; university dinner to the alumni on the campus, 1 p. m.; flower and fern procession and concert on the campus, 7 p. m.; Failing Beekman oratorical contest, Villard hall, 8 p. m.

June 24, Wednesday—Commencement day. Alumni-senior baseball game on Kincaid field, 9:30 a. m.; dinner to visitors on campus, 12 m.; commencement exercises, address before the class and presentation of diplomas, Villard hall, 2 p. m.; class reunion and supper, 5 to 7 p. m.; alumni and senior ball, Armory, 8 p. m.

Oregon Board Files Suit.

Salem—The state railroad commission today filed a complaint with the interstate commerce commission against the O. R. & N., the Oregon Short Line and 50 or more connecting Eastern lines, charging that wool rates are "unreasonable and unjust, both generally and relatively in consideration of the transportation services performed, and are discriminatory and unduly prejudicial to the said dealers and shippers in that they are higher than the rates now in force and charged by the said defendants for the transportation over their lines of wool of all kinds from Portland, Oregon, to Atlantic coast and other Eastern points."

May Sets New Record.

Eugene—The month of May has been the best month of the year for building permits. The amount issued was \$135,000. The office of building inspector was created a year ago in April. The report for May of this year is better than for both April and May of 1908. Among the more expensive buildings for which permits have been granted during the past 30 days are two school houses for \$18,000 each to be located in Fairmount and West Eugene, and the Sanford brick, on Willamette, which will cost \$16,000. The list includes 23 residences, costing from \$1,000 to \$5,000 each.

Douglas Cherries on Market

Roseburg—Douglas county cherries are now in the market, the first of the season being brought in on May 29. The quality will be extra fine this year, to some extent owing to the late frosts which thinned them to a small extent. Owing to the fact that the cherry crop of the Willamette will fall below half of the usual amount, the growers of this county expect to secure fancy prices for all their fruit this season.

Central Point to Sell Water Bonds.

Central Point—The city council at its next regular meeting will take the initial step for the issuance of waterworks bonds in the sum of \$25,000. The city now has \$350,000 worth of taxable property and no indebtedness and it is believed but little difficulty will be experienced in floating the bonds.

Carpenters Are All Busy.

Hillsboro—Hillsboro is enjoying another building boom that bids fair to eclipse the progress of last year, when 100 new homes were built. Nearly all of the homes now under construction are of the better order, and carpenters are all employed. Small piece work has to wait its turn.

Oregon Fruit for East.

Hood River—One thousand crates of the finest strawberries shipped this season went out one day this week, with the price running from \$3.25 to \$4. To provide better service for express shipments going East, empty cars were dropped here, which will be put on passenger trains. Carload shipments are expected to commence immediately.

FRESHIES TO BE GUESTS.

Oregon May Adopt New Plan in Student Body.

University of Oregon, Eugene—President Campbell called a meeting of the freshman class of the university and discussed with them the inauguration of the Oxford system of taking care of the incoming freshmen. The president asked the class to appoint committees to meet the freshmen on their arrival in September, aid them in registering, finding rooms and in becoming familiar with different branches of student enterprise. He asked that one committee be selected to pick out those interested in debate and see that they were given opportunity to take part in debate work at the university.

"According to the custom in vogue at Oxford," President Campbell said, "the freshmen are the guests of the older students for the first week of college and a great deal of time is devoted to entertaining them and making them feel at home. Some of the Eastern colleges have adopted this English method and the installment of the custom at the University of Oregon will bring happy results."

Senator Miller, a member of the board of regents, then addressed the freshmen, speaking in a general way of hazing and its evil results.

Lower Rate Is Requested.

Salem—The state railroad commission has taken up with the Southern Pacific the matter of rates on lumber. Box shooks, poles and piling take a higher freight rate than lumber. Other roads make the same rates, but the Southern Pacific charges \$1 more. The commission has requested that the rate be made the same as on lumber, and if this is not done the matter will be laid before the interstate commerce commission.

To Survey Coos Bay Line.

Marshfield—Sufficient stock for the Coos Bay, Roseburg and Boise railroad has been subscribed to warrant sending out F. A. Haines, chief engineer, and his corps of surveyors. The business men have been solicited and many stock subscriptions received. The engineer has everything in readiness to start on the work of surveying for a line from Coos Bay to Roseburg.

600 Crates Per Day.

Hood River—The daily strawberry shipment has jumped up to over 600 crates and is expected nearly to double from now on. Berries went out at \$3.25 to \$3.50, with a big demand for them at Seattle for fair visitors. Big shipments are now going to Spokane and orders from Montana and Idaho cannot, at present, be supplied.

Marshfield Gets Paint Factory.

Marshfield—The Bayside Paint Company, formerly of North Bend, has moved to Marshfield and will engage in the manufacture of paint on an extensive scale and will conduct a wholesale business. F. J. Monroe, of the firm, has gone to San Francisco to purchase machinery.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Track prices: Bluestem milling, \$1.30@1.35; club, \$1.20@1.22½; valley, \$1.17.

Corn—Whole, \$35 per ton; cracked, \$36 per ton.

Barley—Feed, \$35 per ton.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$40.50@41 per ton.

Hay—Timothy, Willamette valley, \$14@18 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$18@21; clover, \$11@12; alfalfa, \$13@14; cheat, \$14@14.50; vetch, \$14@14.50.

Fresh Fruits—Apples, \$1@2.50 per box. Strawberries, Oregon, \$2@4 per crate; cherries, \$1@1.25 per box.

Potatoes—Buying price, \$1.75@1.90 per hundred; new California, 4½@5c per lb.; sweet potatoes, 4½c per lb.

Vegetables—Turnips, \$1.25 per sack; carrots, \$1.25; parsnips, \$1.50; beets, \$1.75; horseradish, 10c per lb.; artichokes, 50¢@60c doz.; asparagus, 7½@12c per lb.; beans, 10@12½c; cabbage, 2c per lb.; cauliflower \$3 per crate; cucumbers, 50¢@1.25 per doz.; lettuce, hothouse, \$1@1.50 per box; lettuce, head, 25c per doz.; onions, 12½¢@15c per doz.; parsley, 35c per doz.; peas, 7c per lb.; radishes, 15c.

Butter—City creamery, extras, 26½c; outside creamery, 25¢@26½c per lb.; store, 18c. Butter fat prices average 1½c per pound less.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, 23¢@24c per doz.

Poultry—Hens, 12¢@15c; springs, 22½¢@25c; roosters, 10c; ducks, 14¢@15c; geese, 10¢@11c; turkeys, 20c; squabs, \$2.50@3 per doz.

Pork—Fancy, 10c per lb.

Veal—Extras, 8¢@8½c per lb.; ordinary, 7c; heavy, 6c.

Cattle—Steers, top, \$5@5.25; fair to good, \$4.50@4.75; common to good, \$4@4.50; cows, top, \$4@4.25; fair to good, \$3.75@4; common to medium, \$2.50@3.50; calves, top, \$5@5.50; heavy \$3.50@4; bulls and stags, \$3@3.50; common, \$2@2.75.

Hogs—Best, \$7.75@8; fair to good, \$7.25@7.50; stockers, \$6@6.50; China fats, \$6.75@7.

Sheep—Top wethers, \$4@4.25; fair to good, \$3.50@4; ewes, ½c less on all grades; yearlings, best, \$4.25; fair to good, \$4; spring lambs, 15c.

Hops—1909 contracts, 12c per lb.; 1908 crop, 9¢@10c; 1907 crop, 4¢@5c; 1906 crop, 1½¢@2c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 17¢@22½c; per lb. valley, fine, 25¢@5½c; medium, 23c; coarse, 21c; mohair, choice, 24¢@25c per lb.

AIRSHIP RUNS AWAY.

Inventor Drives Damaged Craft to Earth and Slides Down Rope.

East St. Louis, Ill., June 7.—A castaway in the skies: through the breaking of his guide rope, which formed his only connection with the earth, and later an aeronaut on the ground, with his ship floating away through space, pursued on the ground by an automobile, Claude M. Zellers, a one-legged inventor, tonight contributed new pages to the history of aeronautics.

In a machine of no type known to aeronautics, invented by William Smith, a cattle-dealer, and described as the largest aeroplane in the world, Zellers flew from East St. Louis this afternoon at 5:30 o'clock. When 100 feet up the guide rope became entangled in an apple tree and snapped, leaving the aviator a castaway. He sailed 40 miles in a zigzag course and succeeded in making a hazardous landing at Belleville, 20 miles from where he started.

Zellers was unable to stop his machinery, but pointed the nose of his craft toward the ground and allowed it to shoot down like a meteor until the end of the broken rope trailed on the ground. Just as Zellers slid down the rope, a distance of 70 feet, it broke and the dirigible, its engines going full speed, soared into the sky without a pilot.

Zellers pursued the bag for a time in an automobile, but could not keep up with it.

TRAIN GOES THROUGH TRESTLE.

Plucky Engineer and Firemen Minimize Disaster.

Cottage Grove, Or., June 6.—When on the middle of Kern bridge, spanning Row river, on the Oregon & Southeastern, a mixed train crashed through and fell, all but the engine, 40 feet into the stream below at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Seventeen passengers were hurt, all of them more or less seriously. All the available surgeons from Cottage Grove were rushed to the scene of the accident by special train and the report from the wreck is that, while all the passengers are still alive, it is believed several are fatally hurt.

John Coates, the fireman, went down with the train, fell in the river, swam out, hurried to the nearest telephone and phoned for assistance and all the available doctors. The work train had just arrived and having steam up, a relief train was hurried to the scene.

The wrecked train was due here at 5 o'clock, and the engine had just cleared the bridge when the center span gave way. The activity of Engineer William Ostrander saved the engine from piling on top of the other cars in the ravine. Ostrander set the brakes and the train parted at the tender, twisting the rods and the engineer was seriously injured by the reversing lever. The tender now rests on top of the coach, 12 feet of which is under water.

\$100,000,000 FOR SUBWAYS.

That's What Complete System for Chicago Will Cost.

Chicago, June 7.—A complete system of subways for Chicago will cost from \$100,000,000 to \$112,000,000, and be able to transport from 509,960 to 529,120 passengers hourly, with seats for all; and with the present surface and elevated lines will supply adequate transportation until 1931 or 1950, according to plans adopted. These are the conclusions of City Engineer Ericson and Subway Engineer R. C. St. John, submitted today to Commissioner of Public Works Hanberg, in a supplemental report on subways.

The report has four distinct plans for construction, with two variations of each, and with the exception of colating engineering details practically completes the city's report on tunnels for passenger traffic in downtown Chicago.

Power Plant Wrecked.

Trinidad, Col., June 7.—Virtually every branch of industry in this city and neighboring towns is at a standstill, as a result of the destruction of the new powerhouse of the Southern Colorado Power company. An explosion in the transformer started a fire which wiped out the plant, causing a loss on building and machinery of more than \$300,000. The fire is nothing short of a calamity, as it cuts off the power which operates the local and interurban electric lines, lighting plant, newspaper plants, foundries, etc.

Blast Away Huge Hill.

Aberdeen, Wash., June 7.—Everything is in readiness for the firing of the big blast that is expected to blow away a hill a mile long on the Satsop river, near Elma, on the grade of the Gray Harbor branch of the Union Pacific. The dynamite and powder will all be placed in caches that have been made in a tunnel in the hill. All farmers have been warned, and all roads near the scene are guarded. About 100,000 yards of earth will be loosened.

Demand Freeman Resign.

Orange, N. J., June 7.—Because he invited Emma Goldman and Alexander Berkman, anarchists, to a luncheon recently given by the exclusive Mayflower Descendants' Society, Alden Freeman, of this place, has been asked to resign from the Orange chapter, Sons of the American Revolution.

Peru Sends Swede Home.

Lima, Peru, June 7.—The Peruvian government has canceled the exequatur of the Swedish consul-general, Luis Lemboke, in whose house on May 1 Carlos Pierloa and others implicated in the rising against the government took refuge.

BIG STREET CAR STRIKE ENDED

Concessions From Both Sides Finally Bring Settlement.

Politicians Act as Mediators—Mayor Suggests an Agreement and Both Sides Accept—Men Get 22 Cents an Hour, Ten-Hour Day, and Buy Uniforms in Open Market.

Philadelphia, June 5.—"The strike has been settled. The men will receive 22 cents an hour beginning tomorrow morning, and 10 hours will constitute a day's work."

This statement tonight from C. O. Pratt, chairman of the executive committee of the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employees, followed by the deportation of the 450 non-union workmen, marked the end of the strike of employes of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit company. The trouble began last Saturday.

The settlement was brought about primarily by State Senator James P. McNichol, republican leader of this city, at conferences yesterday with the traction officials and labor representatives. These conferences were followed by others today.

After being in session nearly all day the men agreed to accept 22 cents an hour. The old "swing system" has been abolished, 10 hours will constitute a day's work, all employes will be permitted to purchase their uniforms in the open market, all future difficulties are to be adjusted between the company and a grievance committee chosen by the employes.

After a conference in City hall which lasted until early today, Mayor Reyrburn made public a letter addressed to John B. Parsons, president of the transit company, in which he offered the terms for a settlement of the strike. He suggested among other things the following:

"All former employes will be restored to their former positions.

"Your employes to form a representative body which shall from time to time be accorded full opportunity to take up with the proper officers of the company any and all questions affecting the rights of employes.

"The rate of wages beginning July 1, 1909, to be 22 cents an hour.

"These conditions to continue for one, two or three years, as may be agreed upon."

President Parsons made an immediate reply accepting the suggestions. Some dissatisfaction is expressed by the strikers, who do not regard the rate of wages named as a concession. However, the agreement gives them shorter hours and concedes them the right to purchase their uniforms from whom they please.

PORK PRICE GOES SOARING.

Almost Highest Price Since Civil War Is Recorded in Chicago.

Chicago, June 5.—Pork for September delivery sold today at \$20.07½. With the exception of a brief period in 1906, when cash pork sold for one day at \$20 per barrel, this figure has not been seen in this market since the Cudahy corner in 1893, when it sold at \$23. It sold during the Armour corner in 1887, at \$24; and the highest price on record in this market was during the civil war, when it sold at \$43 per barrel.

With the exception of the manipulated markets of 1893 and 1887, therefore, the price reached today was practically the highest since the civil war. No manipulation of the provision markets is now charged, but the high prices are due to the disappointing receipts of hogs during the month of May, and do not far during the present month.

Record Made at Lewiston.

Lewiston, Idaho, June 5.—The Snake river recorded a rise of nearly a foot today, the mark at 5 o'clock this evening being 18.9 feet. The Clearwater came up about one and one-half feet. Both streams are falling tonight, but wind is prevailing and a further rise is expected tomorrow. Last night the gauge stood at 17.8 feet, the highest known for 15 years. Tonight that mark is passed. The railroad dykes are holding and the city is thought not to be in danger from flood, for the present, at least.

Columbia Still Rises.

The Dalles, Or., June 5.—The Columbia river rose more than seven feet at this point during the past 30 hours and continues gradually to rise. The beach is flooded up to the Umatilla House and the Chinese truck gardens are under water. The Open River and Regulator lines wharf boats have been moved on account of the high water and the ferryboat now lands at the foot of Washington street, two blocks from its regular landing.

Taft Not to Visit West.

Grand Junction, Col., June 5.—President Taft will not attend the exercises incident to the opening of the Gunnison irrigation tunnel early in August, and probably will not make his contemplated trip to the West this summer, according to a