

NEWS OF THE WEEK

In a Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

A Resume of the Less Important but Not Less Interesting Events of the Past Week.

Rumor again says Abruzzi will wed Miss Elkins.

M. N. Johnson was re-elected senator from North Dakota.

The Missouri legislature has re-elected Senator Stone.

The Utah legislature has re-elected Reed Smoot to the senate.

Thomas P. Gore has been returned to the senate from Oklahoma.

James P. Clarke will succeed himself as senator from Arkansas.

Frank B. Brandegee has been re-elected senator from Connecticut.

Hemmenway will be succeeded as Senator from Indiana by Shively.

Roosevelt says Japanese are leaving United States without legislation.

Charles J. Hughes has been elected senator from Colorado to succeed Teller.

The North Carolina legislature elected Lee H. Overman United States senator.

The New Hampshire legislature re-elected Jacob H. Gallinger United States senator.

Senator Penrose was re-elected senator for the third time by the Pennsylvania legislature.

Coe I. Crawford was the choice of the South Dakota legislature for United States senator.

The father of Mrs. Corey died in poverty, ignored by his daughter.

The lid has been put on in the famous mining town of Deadwood, S. D.

The Nevada legislature has broken its rule and will allow female clerks.

It is understood that Taft has not yet selected his secretary of treasury.

Emma Goldman has been bailed out of the San Francisco city jail by Eastern friends.

Another blizzard is raging in the East and all railroads are tied up in the Dakotas.

The government arsenal near Philadelphia is running day and night making cartridges.

The American Red Cross fund for Italian earthquake sufferers has reached nearly \$1,000,000.

Igorrotes of the head hunting tribes raided a village and succeeded in getting three heads before driven off.

The Federal Supreme court upholds Governor Peabody's act in arresting Moyer during the famous Colorado mine war.

Roosevelt has asked Governor Gillett, of California, to hold up anti-Japanese bills, lest national interests be injured.

The American consul estimates the dead at Messina at 90,000.

Harriman says college graduates as a rule make good railroad men.

An anti-gambling law is expected to be enacted by the California legislature.

President-elect Taft will install automobiles instead of horses and carriages.

The house proposes to investigate Roosevelt's barber drawing government pay.

Bonaparte has been summoned before a senate committee to tell what he knows of the steel merger.

The storm in California has abated. With the exception of the Sacramento, which is still rising, all rivers are falling.

Governor Stubbs, of Kansas, refuses to live in the executive mansion. Simple life on a farm appeals more to him.

Railroad officials place the blame for the wreck at Dotsero, Col., with the engineer, as the train was nine minutes ahead of time.

Three bankers and a business man of Pittsburg have received penitentiary sentences for wrecking a bank. Each will have to serve five years.

Separate statehood for New Mexico and Arizona seems assured.

The Hughes direct primary bill in New York will probably fail.

Three jurors have been provisionally accepted in the Calhoun case.

A fire at Fort Omaha destroyed all supplies, the wireless apparatus and two balloons.

Thornton Hains has been acquitted of complicity in the Annis murder.

The United States and Great Britain have entered formal protest against the dismissal of Yuan Shi Kai.

W. I. Buchanan, special agent of the United States, will soon have terms of settlement arranged with Venezuela.

Harriman has issued orders for the building of a road which will parallel the Colorado & Southern, the new Hill line.

CARS JUMP TRACK.

Eighteen injured on a Portland Suburban Street Car Line.

Portland, Jan. 20.—Eighteen persons were injured, one fatally, in an accident at Williams avenue and Cherry street at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon when the trailer of car No. 353, of the St. John line, jumped the track in whirling around a curve, hurling both the motor car and trailer a distance of 100 feet.

There were 66 passengers on the cars. A few jumped as the cars leaped from the tracks in the wild flight; others were hurled through windows and still others were pinioned on the sidewalk and in the street beneath the mass of debris. Both motorman and conductor stayed with the cars. They were uninjured.

Accidental breaking of the air pipes is said to have been the cause of the disaster. The break occurred several blocks from the scene and was discovered by the motorman, R. Gove, two blocks away, as the cars approached the down grade leading to the sharp curve at Williams avenue and Cherry street.

A telegraph pole and maple tree were snapped by the impact. Fortunately there is a wide space of street at the intersection through which the cars swept.

As the cars left the tracks some of the passengers began to jump. How so many of the 66 passengers escaped with their lives is remarkable.

Most of the passengers were women, few children being aboard.

EXCUSES ARE MANY.

New Panel for Calhoun Jury Melts Away Very Fast.

San Francisco, Jan. 20.—Yesterday's proceedings, opening the second week of the trial of Patrick Calhoun upon an indictment charging the offer of a bribe to a San Francisco supervisor, resulted in no addition to the three men who were temporarily passed last week and it was evident that many days would elapse before the taking of testimony was begun. Out of 150 citizens summoned all but 6 escaped service before the opposing attorneys were given an opportunity to test them for bias and prejudice.

The preliminary examination by Judge William P. Lawlor was prolonged until within an hour of adjournment, and of the men whose names were actually placed in the box, but three were questioned. Two of these admitted bias, and the third, a former streetcar conductor, who was discharged by the United Railroads company prior to the first strike, had not been passed by the defense and was under interrogation by Assistant District Attorney Heney when the day's proceedings ended.

Every variety of excuse covered by the statutes was employed by citizens who escaped service. Many depended upon the representation that their business affairs would suffer irreparable injury. Others presented physician's certificates and half a dozen claimed exemption because of previous service in the National Guard. One talemán created some amusement by unfolding his certificate of service in the militia, and he promptly availed himself of the privilege it carried.

The police guard at the courtroom was increased and few spectators gained admittance.

ROCKEFELLER GIVES.

Adds \$1,000,000 to Chicago University Endowment Fund.

Chicago, Jan. 20.—John D. Rockefeller today added \$1,000,000 to the endowment fund of the University of Chicago. The university founder's latest benefaction was announced tonight by Registrar Thomas W. Goodspeed after the receipt of a telegram from John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

The gift, which comes in the form of the transfer of securities yielding an annual income of \$40,000, raises the total amount of the oil king's donations to the university to \$24,869,666.98, of which \$15,000,000 is for endowment purposes. Of this amount more than \$8,000,000 have been given during the past three years.

For the first time on the occasion of a large gift to the university, Mr. Rockefeller did not add a sum for the payment of an expected deficit. The budget for the coming fiscal year beginning July, 1909, amounting to \$1,350,000, will be covered by the university income. For the first time in the history of the Midway school the institution is practically self supporting.

Asia Minor Feels Shock.

Smyrna, Jan. 20.—So far as can be ascertained, eight persons were killed today by an earthquake at Phocaea, 25 miles, northwest of this city, and at other neighboring towns. Considerable damage was done to buildings at Phocaea. The population at Chil became panic stricken, though no serious damage resulted. The earthquake was felt here, but there was no loss of life. The American battleships Louisiana and Virginia are here.

Mexican Volcano Active.

Mexico City, Jan. 20.—The volcano near the city of Colima is in eruption. It is throwing out a great quantity of ashes and stones. No lava is flowing and the people are not alarmed. Several slight earthquake shocks have been reported, but there has been no damage.

Iowa Chooses A. B. Cummins.

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 20.—Albert B. Cummins was yesterday elected to a six-year term in the United States senate. The two houses in joint session will today make formal announcement of the election.

PROCEEDINGS OF OREGON LEGISLATURE

Tuesday, January 19.

Salem, Jan. 19.—When President Bowerman at noon announced that the time had arrived to ballot for United States senator every inch of standing room in the chamber was taken. Prominent citizens from all over the state were seated by the side of members or sandwiched in the crowd outside the railing. There was a tense stillness when the voting began, broken by applause when Senator Abraham, first on the roll, cast his vote for Chamberlain.

There was also scattering applause when the first vote was cast for Fulton, by Beach. But the greatest enthusiasm was reached when Senators Kay and Selling closed vigorous remarks with votes for Chamberlain.

His seating in the United States senate will be contested on the ground that he received but 29 free votes in the house, or two short of a majority. His five additional votes in the house were cast for him by Republicans under protest, who declared that they were constrained to do so by their Statement No. 1 pledge, and that they were not exercising their constitutional free choice.

Those who voted for Chamberlain and placed their protests in the journal are: Senate—Schofield of Clatsop and Johnson of Benton; Barrett of Washington did the same, but his protest by some oversight is omitted. House—Brady, Davis and Mahone of Multnomah, Richardson of Union and Muncy of Curry.

Tomorrow noon, the two houses will meet in joint assembly and President Bowerman will declare Chamberlain elected.

The detailed vote in the house was: For Chamberlain—Abbott, Altman, Barrett, Reddillon, Brady, Brandon, Bryant, Campbell, Clemens, Corrigan, Couch, Davis, Dimick, Dodds, Eaton, Hatteberg, Jackson, Jaeger, Jones (Lincoln), Jones (Douglas), Jones (Clackamas), Libby, Mahone, Mariner, McDonald, Miller, Muncy, Munkers, Orton, Patton, Philpott, Purdin, Richardson, Rusk, Totol, 34.

For Calkins—Applegate, Beals, Bonebrake, Buchanan, Carter, Farrell, Greer, Hires, Hughes, Mahoney, Mann, McKinney, Reynolds, Mr. Speaker, Total, 14.

For Fulton—Beal, Belknap, Bones, Brattain, Brooks, Calkins, Conyers, Hawley, Leinenweber, McCue, Meek, Smith, Total, 12.

In the senate the vote in detail was as follows: Chamberlain—Abraham, Albee, Bailey, Barrett, Bingham, Caldwell, Hedges, Johnson, Kay, Kellaher, Miller (Linn), Mult, Norton, Nottingham, Oliver, Selling, Schofield, Sinnott, Smith, Total, 19.

Fulton—Beach, Chase, Hart, Merryman, Parrish, Smith, Wood, Total, 7. Calkins—Coffey, Cole, Mr. President, Total, 3.

R. S. Bean—Miller (Linn), Total 1. President Bowerman announced the senate committees today and every member, except one, gets a chairmanship. This one was overlooked by an error. In the senate bills were introduced.

To amend stray law by providing for sale of strays after two months; to provide that corporations may act as executor or administrator; requiring that title guarantee corporations have a paid up capital of \$100,000, of which \$50,000 be deposited with the state treasurer.

The house adopted a resolution intended to do away with present "investigations" of state institutions and providing a permanent audit plan. Among the new bills introduced are: Creating board of control; death punishment for highway robbery; regulating sale of small firearms; repealing "instruction" amendment relating to election of United States senator; limiting passenger fares on railroads to 2 1/2 cents a mile.

Monday, January 18.

Salem, Jan. 18.—Speaker McArthur announced committee appointments today, and although Statement No. 1 men got the better places, all seem to think he was very fair in the distribution. Among the measures appearing today are:

To turn \$50,000 per year from corporation fees into the interest account of the common school fund.

The senate adopted a memorial to the mayor of Philadelphia imploring them to send the Liberty bell to Portland for the rose carnival in June.

Senator Parrish introduced a bill providing for a fine of \$10 to \$100 for swearing in the presence of women. He has another providing fines for saloon and pool hall men who permit minors to play games of chance.

Senator Turner Oliver this morning introduced a bill carrying \$15,000 for the Eastern Oregon Experiment station at Union.

A joint resolution has appeared in the senate asking congress to call a constitutional convention to provide for popular election of United States senators.

Senate bill 357 makes all able-bodied men between 18 and 40 years members of the militia.

Rival Boards in Wrangle.

Pendleton—Following a turbulent, double meeting of the Umatilla Water Users' association at Hermiston, the organization is in danger of being permanently disrupted and disbanded by the government. Two rival boards of directors are claiming to be on the legal board and the matter will probably be carried into the courts for final settlement. The trouble was caused by the attempt of one faction trying to oust the other.

Six months of school for every district in the state is provided for in a bill introduced in the house today.

Both houses took up the bills vetoed by the governor at the 1907 session. The senate deferred action until Thursday. In the house the measure appropriating \$750 per annum for the First Central Oregon Agricultural fair, Crook county, and the one extending the closed season for elk to 1917 were passed over the veto. Consideration of the others was postponed indefinitely.

Wednesday, January 13.

Salem, Jan. 13.—Memorials to congress adopted by the legislatures of other states caused quite a tangle in the senate. They dealt with almost every subject and were finally referred to a committee.

A resolution providing for a committee to prepare for a celebration of Oregon's admission day was passed by the senate.

Abraham, of Douglas county, objected to the word "graft" in senate documents and it was changed to "waste." For the first time this session the senate today opened with a prayer.

Senator Abraham introduced a bill that will do away with directed verdicts if it becomes a law.

Any county or city having over 10,000 population is to be given power to establish a free sanitarium for the treatment of tuberculosis by the provisions of a senate bill.

Those measures of the last session which received the governor's veto after the legislature adjourned will be taken up next Monday by both houses.

A house bill provides for the codification of the laws of Oregon.

Representative Dimick has a bill which makes highway robbery punishable by life imprisonment.

A joint resolution was introduced in the house this morning protesting against the removal of tariff of timber supplies.

Although the house adjourned until 2 o'clock Monday afternoon, the senate was more saving of time and will meet at 11 o'clock on that day. President Bowerman will then be ready with his committee appointments.

Changes in School Law.

Salem—Superintendent Ackerman's bill to require six months' school in every district in the state is meeting much favorable comment. It is thought the measure will be satisfactory to all, as it is one that will increase the educational standards of the state. It will affect the districts in the remoter parts of the state, and those who live in those districts are to be most benefited by it. It requires that there must be six months school in every district, and if the district is not able to meet the expense the school board may call upon the county school fund, or a special tax may be levied on the county to meet the expenses in the district requiring help to the extent of \$300 for each district.

Rainbow to Change Hands.

Baker City—It is generally believed here that the Rainbow mine, owned by Portland capitalists, and located in the Mormon Basin, Baker City, is about to be sold to the Newhouse mining interests, of Salt Lake City. According to the best information obtainable the Salt Lake people are taking over the property at \$700,000. Ten per cent of this amount is to be paid in at once, and the remainder is to be paid in installments, according to the mine's production. This is the property that is said to have produced a thousand dollars a day during the greater part of last summer.

Laborers Hard to Find.

Baker City—There should no longer be any idle men in the Northwest, according to General Manager O'Dell, of the Oxbow power project on Snake river. He stated recently that he was putting every man to work who came to his camp and has plenty of work for many more. Besides the Oxbow project, which is being built to harness the Snake river for the purpose of generating electricity, the Northwestern railroad is building rapidly down the river, and the Utah Construction company, which has the contracts, reports lack of help.

Grand Jury at Pendleton.

Pendleton—Though there are few criminal cases on the docket for the January term of the Circuit court, the proceedings will be watched with more than the usual amount of interest, due to the fact that the new law makes the polling of a grand jury on the opening day of the term compulsory and it is the action of the grand jury on violations of the liquor law which is expected to furnish the excitement to those interested.

Good Prune Season.

Albany—The Northwestern Fruit association, of this city, which has had a very successful season, has about completed the packing of its prunes for the present year. Seventy carloads of commercially packed fruit has been handled, shipped for the most part to Eastern states. About \$10,000 in wages have been paid out this season. The local business has been under the management of S. A. Luella.

High Bounties for Varmints.

Astoria—The county court announces that it will pay a bounty of \$20 each for cougar, \$5 each for bear and \$1 each for wildcat scalps. These are the highest bounties ever offered here, and are thought to be the largest in the state.

OPIUM CAUSES SUICIDE.

Poppy Drug Responsible for 500,000 Cases Yearly.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 19.—"Opium causes half a million suicides a year," declared Rev. A. S. Gregg, of the International Reform bureau today, with reference to the opium conference called by President Roosevelt, which begins its session at Shanghai February 1. The statement is based on letters and reports from Dr. E. W. Thwing, special secretary of the reform bureau who has been sent to Shanghai by the bureau to attend the opium conference.

Dr. Thwing will ask the conference to take action that will hasten the destruction of the opium traffic throughout the world. Dr. Thwing says he has obtained statistics from four Chinese provinces with a population of 580,000 in which he says the proportion of the population using opium is from 20 to 80 per cent, and the amount of money spent for the drug is \$200,000,000 a year.

President Roosevelt called the opium conference at the suggestion of Bishop Brent, of Manila, and delegates have been appointed by China, Japan, Siam, Persia, Russia, Germany, Great Britain, France, Italy, Holland and the United States.

AFFAIRS SET RIGHT.

Gomez to Be Inaugurated President of Cuba January 28.

Havana, Jan. 19.—On January 28 at noon the Cuban people will come into their own for the second time at the hands of the American government. It was on May 20, 1902, that the American flag, hoisted after the war with Spain, was hauled down in favor of the blue-striped, single-starred ensign of Cuba.

Then, in September, 1906, a company of marines landed at the palace from the United States cruiser Denver, and halted a victorious revolutionary army on the outskirts of Havana, and American intervention, which first came against a foreign power, was once more a reality, this time to set things right among the Cubans themselves.

The members of the Cuban congress had become indifferent and for months prior to the revolution it had been impossible to secure the attendance of a quorum. This necessitated government by presidential decree, and it was quickly followed by the cry that President Palma was assuming the role of dictator. The American provisional governor, Charles E. Magoon, has done all that it was possible for him to do to prevent a recurrence of this state of affairs by decreeing that congressmen who do not attend the sessions shall not receive pay. These rules, however, have already been declared dictatorial by the congressmen, and an attempt undoubtedly soon will be made to repeal or amend them.

NEW RECORD SET.

Number of Mine Accidents Increased During Past Year.

Pittsburg, Jan. 19.—The year 1908 was marked by more mine horrors and by more loss of life underground than any other year in history. And the year 1909 apparently is going after 1908's record. Only last Tuesday 100 lives were lost in an explosion in a model mine near Bluefield, W. Va., and on the Sunday before death exacted another heavy toll in the Leiter mines at Zeigler, Ill.

"Science," said a mining engineer today, "has not yet solved the problem of preventing the formation of gas. We recognize three kinds of mine gases—the fire damp, after damp and white damp."

"Fire damp is the only one of the trio that is explosive. It is a gas given off by coal under the influence of the heat of the earth. When Davy invented the mine's safety lamp it was thought that all danger of mine explosions was over. The lamp has the flame surrounded with a metallic screen which does not permit the passage of the flame. But the screens burn out after long usage and the miners grow careless."

348 Autos Are Burned.

Boston, Jan. 19.—The most extensive automobile storage and repair plant in the city burned today, destroying 348 automobiles, valued at \$750,000. The fire spread to the old trackage of the Park Square railroad station, formerly used as the terminal of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, and destroyed the bicycle track and a large pavilion used for exhibition purposes. The damage to the building will bring the total to \$800,000. There were six garages in the storage station.

Trains Collide Head-On.

Coffeyville, Kan., Jan. 19.—A south bound passenger train on the Missouri Pacific railroad, from Kansas City, collided head on with a north bound freight train, two miles west of this city this morning. Twenty-four passengers were hurt, but only two, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Powell, of Mowata, Okla., are in a serious condition. The members of the engine crews jumped and saved themselves. The engines were demolished.

Iroquois Claims Settled.

Chicago, Jan. 19.—It was made public today that after five years of litigation settlements had been made in the cases of 30 of the deaths caused by the Iroquois theater fire. It is stated that \$750 a case is to be paid.

OREGON STATE NEWS

A union of fruitmen is to be organized in Linn county.

The inheritance tax law is likely to be revised so as to provide more revenue.

A new move is on foot to have the government take up the Malheur irrigation project.

The Fairview Creamery company, of Tillamook, reports a very successful business for 1908.

Plans are being arranged for greatly extending Albany's street railway system the coming summer.

Hood river apple men are preparing to fight the proposed law by congress increasing the size of apple boxes.

It is proposed to take water from the Santiam river near Albany for additional power for the Lebanon paper mills.

The new city hall at The Dalles is finished and is one of the finest municipal buildings in the state. It cost \$40,000.

Officers of the Albany Commercial club says great benefit has been derived from the publicity work carried on the past year.

Robbers broke into a Klamath Falls bank and secured \$3,000. They were arrested within two hours and all the cash recovered.

Some of the members are much dissatisfied with the new chairs in the senate chamber and Abraham has put his old one back.

Logging camps are resuming in various parts of the state.

There were 198 marriage licenses issued in Union county during 1908.

The Pacific Express company has filed its report for 1908 with the secretary of state.

Four thousand acres of timber land in the Silette river country has just been sold for \$250,000.

Wisconsin lumbermen have purchased a heavily timbered tract in Tillamook county. The consideration is said to have been almost \$1,000,000. The transfer involves 14,000 acres.

Timbermen are of the opinion that Oregon timber will change hands with more activity the coming summer than ever before, and at steadily advancing prices.

The Tillamook county tax levy has been fixed at 15 mills.

The Josephine county court has fixed the tax levy at 23 mills.

Irrigation ditches around Milton and Freewater are badly choked with ice.

The Roseburg Commercial club has moved into new and more commodious quarters.

A man has been shot near Cottage Grove who was mistaken for a deer.

Athens farmers are agreed that the deep snow assures a good wheat crop next year.

The Gerking wheat ranch west of Athena has been sold for \$24,000, or \$100 an acre.

An old water suit, which has been pending in Baker county courts for two years, has been settled.

Flour is 25 cents per barrel higher in Portland.

Chinese at Astoria are shipping salted shad to China.

The Coos county tax levy has been fixed at 15 mills.

Weston plans to lay crushed rock on the principal streets.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Barley—Feed, \$27@27.50 per ton; brewing, \$28.
Wheat—Bluestem, \$1.05; club, 92c; 85c, 92c; red Russian, 90c; 40-fold, 95c; valley, 95c.
Oats—No. 1 white, \$33.50 per ton.
Hay—Timothy, Willamette valley, \$16 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$17@18; clover, \$12@13; alfalfa, \$14; grain hay, \$12@13.
Fruits—Apples, 75c@83c per box; pears, \$1@1.75 per box; quinces, \$1@1.25 per box; cranberries, \$14.50@15 per barrel; persimmons, \$1@12.5.
Potatoes—\$1.25@1.50 per hundred; sweet potatoes, 2 1/2c per pound.
Onions—Oregon, \$1.75@2.25 per hundred.
Vegetables—Turnips, \$1.50 @ 1.75 per sack; carrots, \$1.25@1.50; parsnips, \$1.50@1.75; beets, \$1.50@1.75; horseradish, 80c@10c per pound; artichokes, \$1.40 per dozen; beans, 2 1/2c per pound; cabbage, 2 1/2c per pound; cauliflower, \$2 per crate; eggplant, 11c per pound; parsley, 30c per dozen; peas, 20c per pound; peppers, 15c@20c per pound; pumpkins, 16c@18c per pound; sprouts, 10c per pound; squash, 16c@18c per pound.
Butter—City creamery, extras, 37c; fancy outside creamery, 35@36c; store, 18c@20c per pound.
Eggs—Oregon ranch, 40@42 1/2c per dozen; Eastern, 30@35c.
Poultry—Hens, 12 1/2@13c per pound; spring, large, 11 1/2@12c; small, 18@20c; mixed, 12@13c; ducks, 19@20c; geese, 16@18c; turkeys, 18@20c.
Veal—Extra, 10@10 1/2c per pound; ordinary, 7@8c; heavy, 6c.
Pork—Fancy, 8@8 1/2c per pound; large, 8@8 1/2c.
Hops—1908, choice, 7 1/2c per pound; good prime, 6 1/2@7c; medium, 5 1/2@6c; 1907, 2@2 1/2c; 1906, 1@1