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THE NEWS OF THE WEEK

Contributive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week

There seems to be an idea in Paris that Japan will make possible for the United States by exceptionally selling the Philippines.

Many of the recently returned California politicians are exhibiting in the regular way, being desirous of going to the Philippines.

The committee of the treasury has issued a call for reports of the condition of all national banks at the close of business February 4.

It is reported that the executive committee of the Cuban assembly will call for a vote for accepting the proposition from this government relative to defending the Cuban army.

A freight train on the G. R. & N. was wrecked near Corbett, Or., by running into a landslide. The train and a team were injured. Fifteen cars were piled up in a heap.

Duke d'Anno, formerly Spanish minister to Mexico is likely to be legislated by the Madrid government as its minister to Washington to exchange the negotiations of the treaty of peace.

Wolf & Zwickler, the Portland shipbuilders, propose to build a floating dry-dock capable of raising a 5,000-ton vessel, providing the state of Oregon or the city of Portland will guarantee bonds to the amount of \$250,000.

It is reported from Washington that the war investigating committee will severely criticize General Miles on his conduct during the late war with Spain. The committee will report that Miles' statement about chemically prepared lead is not sustained by any evidence before the committee.

Four happy Dawsonites passed through Skagway recently with a canvas sack of Yukon gold that weighed 150 pounds dead weight, and which came from French gulch diggings on Elbow creek. They are all Canadian citizens and first came to Alaska during the popular Klondike rush of December, 1897.

The steamer Manna Loa, which has arrived at San Francisco, brings information from Honolulu that it has been definitely determined that the wreck on the Kahala coast was the four-masted steamer Etna, Captain McAllep, which sailed from Shanghai for Puget sound in ballast 19 months ago. The vessel was a new one, and belonged to Hall Bros., of San Francisco. Captain McAllep was accompanied on the trip by his wife, daughter and three sons. All are undoubtedly lost.

The battleship Iowa has arrived at San Francisco. It is expected she will be sent to Manila with supplies for Dewey.

The American losses in killed and wounded in the recent battle at Manila, is officially given at 250, and the losses of the insurgents at 4,500.

Gen. Gomez will arrive in Havana in a few days, where he will meet Senator Proctor, and aid in carrying out his promise to disband the Cuban army.

In the New York assembly a resolution urging the unseating of Congressman-elect Roberts, because of his identification with polygamy, was adopted by a viva voce vote.

The government forces defeated and captured the Colorado, who recently revolted against Senor Guester, the provisional president of Uruguay. Tranquility is now restored.

Agoncillo, the representative of the so-called Filipino government, and who left this country for Canada, upon hearing of the outbreak at Manila is being closely watched by secret service detectives. Agoncillo was in Montreal at last reports.

Mrs. Botkin's attorneys have given notice of an appeal from the conviction and sentence of life imprisonment recently passed upon her. Judge Carroll Cook allowed 10 days' stay of execution, and 30 days in which to prepare a bill of exceptions.

President McKinley has pronounced sentence on Gen. Egan, recently tried by court-martial. The sentence was dismissal from the army, but the president commuted this to suspension for six years, which covers the time prior to Egan's retirement in 1905.

The steamers Justin and Celtic, now at Mare Island, are being overhauled, and in a few days will be ready to sail for the Philippines, following the supply vessel Centennial, which left on the 6th. The Justin will carry coal for the fleet and the Celtic frozen meat.

Rear Admiral Dewey has captured another schooner from Hong Kong loaded with arms and ammunition intended for the insurgents in the Philippines. It is reported that the German consul at Hong Kong was concerned in the procuring and dispatch of the arms to the islands.

LATER NEWS.

Gen. Brooks called from Havana announcing the death of Captain Oliver Perry Smith, missionary, from acute dysentery.

Sen. Graves, Alexander Clark and Will Johnson, Callifornia county lawyers, were taken to death Saturday night near Dallas Tex.

The senate has passed a bill creating the office of admiral of the coast. Rear Admiral Dewey, it is understood, will be named for the position.

On Monday an ocean liner in distress was sighted off Bevels ledge, in Fremont bay, Wash. The life-saving crew could not reach her on account of the ice.

The outbreak at Manila has embroiled business at the United States recruiting office in Portland. Fifteen more men were ordered out of the Eighth California were enlisted last week.

The senate has confirmed the nomination of G. J. Bell, assistant secretary of the treasury, and that of Lieutenant-Colonel F. M. Cole, to be assistant paymaster-general of the army.

The army and navy captured the U.S. the second city of importance in the Philippines Saturday, without the loss of an American soldier. The French and Baltimore studied the city, which forced the insurgents to evacuate.

One wine the war department a list of deaths in the command since February 4, not including those of men killed in action. They number nine. Among the names appear those of Private Daniel Eger and W. Choywood, First Washington, and Michael P. Crowley, Second Oregon.

Speaker Reed was not at the capital Monday, and sent word he thought it advisable to adjourn on account of the storm. Less than a hundred members were present, and those who braved the storm refused to adjourn, and went on with consideration of the study civil appropriation bill.

There is reported a serious hitch in the work of the Anglo-American commission. The obstacle is said to be a demand made by the Canadian commission for the cession of the town of Skagway, Alaska. The American commissioners have definitely refused to cede that gateway to the Yukon.

Terrible blizzards swept over the South, East and Middle West Sunday and Monday. The winds went so high on the Atlantic seaboard that ocean steamships were storm-bound in the harbors. None big Atlantic liners due at New York Saturday had not put in their appearance Monday. Intense cold accompanied the storm and much suffering is reported. The cold wave extends from the Atlantic to Western Texas.

The Spanish government has decided not to sell the Caroline islands.

The secretary of war has given orders for the mustering out of the Third regiment of immunes, now stationed at Santiago and vicinity.

The fortifications appropriation bill, as it will be recommended by the committee, carries \$4,744,798, as against estimates of \$12,151,198.

It is said the administration will uphold Chief Justice Chambers, at Apia, in his selection of Malietoa Tanoua as king of the Samoan islands.

The secretary of war reports that sickness in some of the American regiments in the Philippines is high as 17 per cent, but the average is about 10 per cent.

The report of the war investigating commission is in the hands of the president, and the commission is dissolved. During the investigation 500 witnesses were examined.

Many accounts of deaths from freezing are reported from the East. At Bloomington, Ind., J. W. Hinkle, who has served several terms as sheriff, was frozen to death while going to his home. Near Dayton, O., Martin Duffinger suffered a like fate while feeding his hogs.

The Filipino junta at Hong Kong has issued a statement in which it is claimed that the American soldiers precipitated the recent battle at Manila, and that the bombardment of the towns of Malate, Paco, Santa Ana and Malabon caused the slaughter of 4,000 women and children.

A contract has been let for two 12,000-ton steamships for the Pacific Mail steamship Co. They will be the largest so far built at an American shipyard, their dimensions being greater than those of the American liners St. Louis and St. Paul. They are to ply between San Francisco and China.

The supreme military court, of Spain, which has had under consideration the loss of the Spanish squadron at Santiago de Cuba on July 3 last, has decided to prosecute, in connection with the disaster, Admiral Cervera and Commandant Emilio Diaz de Moren, ex-captain of the destroyed cruiser Cristobal Colon.

Chinese rebels are raiding Christian churches and driving out missionaries. At Chang Yang and Liechuan the Roman Catholic chapels have been burned and the houses of the native church members have been destroyed. Several hundred children under the care of the Roman Catholics, are said to have been drowned by the raiders near Kueifu.

SALEN LEGISLATURE.

The Bill to Fix Interest on Loans From School Fund Reconsidered—The State Fair Appropriation.

In the Oregon senate Wednesday the vote was reconsidered by which the bill to reduce interest on loans from the state school fund was passed Tuesday in order that the vote might be fixed absolutely at 4 per cent, the bill as passed authorizing 2 per cent if it could be obtained. It was deemed an objection to leave the matter open to possible linkage arrangements. The bill was reconsidered for amendment.

Duffin's bill to extend the privilege of the holder's home in the state and widows of old soldiers was not, clearing only six votes.

The following bills were passed: To reduce the salary of the Wasco county judge to \$200 and that of the treasurer to \$300; to do away with the necessity of personal service or posting notice in case of attachment of real property; to create the office of recorder of supervisors for Polk county at a salary of \$1,000 per year; to provide the manner of releasing sureties who may become delinquent with their clerk; to provide that surety companies may sign bonds in case of delinquency in certain cases and judicial sales; to amend the law so as to restrict claims to the sheriff on the tax list charged against him.

State Fair Appropriation Knocked Out. The Wednesday forenoon session of the house was devoted largely to reports of committees and first reading of bills. Twenty-seven committees made reports and 25 bills were reported on.

The principal business to occupy the time of the house in the afternoon was the consideration of the general appropriation bill. The house went into committee of the whole and the various items were taken up one at a time. The most important item knocked out was the state fair appropriation, by a vote of 19 to 20.

Other bills passed were: To prohibit the manufacture and sale of adulterated commercial fertilizers; to authorize county courts to levy special tax of 10 mills and a road poll tax of \$2 for the road fund; to prohibit the sale of deer and deer hides from August 1 to December 1; to give laborers in mines and supply agents furnishing supplies a lien on mining property for claims; to change the time of court terms in the second district; to fix salaries of county judges and to place the clerk of the supreme court upon a salary of \$2,000 and give him two deputies at \$75 and \$50 per month respectively.

In the Oregon senate Thursday, Harmon's registration bill was passed by unanimous vote. The merits of the bill were discussed at length on Mitchell's motion to recommit which finally received only his own vote. In debate the expressions were generally unfavorable to the Hill bill, which passed the house a few days ago by a decisive vote.

The pure food bill passed the senate by a unanimous vote. There was no objection to the main feature of the bill, but a slight amendment was made so as to exempt from making annual reports persons selling less than 25 pounds of butter weekly; specifying the number and the pay of employes of the legislature, including committee clerks, was passed without discussion, only six voting against it.

Other bills passed were to incorporate Eugene, Carleton, Burns, Prineville and Canby, the two last named being house bills.

Daily School Law.

Two important measures came before the Oregon senate Friday, and neither reached a vote. Amendments to the Daily school law were discussed for half an hour, and the matter being difficult to understand, in its present form, the entire bill was ordered printed again with amendments.

The bill to encourage the use of wide-track wagons on public roads was passed. The bill to repeal the section appropriating \$5,000 for the state fair was discussed half an hour and then made a special order for Wednesday morning. The pure linseed-oil bill was lost, 13 to 11; the bill providing for the Torrens system of registering land titles passed with only three negative votes; the bill for an irreducible school fund in Douglas county passed without question; the bill to reduce the salaries of the county clerk, clerk of the circuit court and recorder in Multnomah county from \$3,500 to \$2,500 each was passed.

New bills were introduced as follows: To authorize the state school land board to contract loans now out at 6 per cent interest for the future; to provide for the appointment of three supreme court commissioners.

The vote by which Stanley's bill to regulate the practice of dentistry in Oregon was defeated Thursday, was reconsidered in the house Friday, and the bill passed by a vote of 34.

Two other important bills were passed. One is an amendment to the mining laws to facilitate the building of ditches and canals, of special interest to mining sections, and the other is a bill to withdraw certain school lands from public sale and reduce the interest on loans of school funds in conformity with recommendations of the governor in a recent message to both houses of the legislature.

THE DAILY TEXT-BOOK BILL.

It Was Temporarily Deferred in the House.

In the Oregon house Monday the Daily bill for a text-book commission failed by three votes to pass, but a motion for reconsideration was carried by a decisive majority.

The greater part of the day was taken up in discussion of the bill.

The anti-trusting bill, which was referred to the Multnomah delegation last week, was reported back to the house and referred to the committee on commerce.

The afternoon session was given up to the consideration of charter bills, the following being passed: Mitchell, Dallas City and Home; Kelly, Brownsville and Lebanon; Smith, Burns; Howe, Carlton; Probstel, Washou; Duffer, Duffer; Parkway, Enterprise.

Gray secured the passage of a resolution authorizing the secretary of state to give each member and officer of the house a copy of the session laws of 1897, and a history of the early Indian wars.

The following bills were passed: To protect salmon in Alsea bay and its tributaries; to create the office of clerk of the justice court in cities of 10,000 population or over; to authorize Multnomah county to lease the upper dock of the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company's bridge to provide for the sale of sidebars; revision of the laws relating to negotiable instruments; to protect salmon in Rogue river; to reorganize the state board of horticulture; to protect salmon in Curry county; to provide for the creation of park commissions in cities of 1,000 population or over; to require county clerks to administer oaths without charge in pension matters.

Krykendall's bills to provide for county elections and upon the running at large of stock, and Cameron's bill to prohibit the running at large of certain animals, were defeated.

The house concurred in the senate amendments to the Curtis fish hatchery bill, reducing the amount of the appropriation from \$25,000 to \$15,000.

In the Senate.

In the Oregon senate Monday the bill to provide for the reclamation of arid lands under the Carey act of congress was passed by a vote of 21 to 8, after being amended so as to prohibit any one party from taking more than 150,000 acres.

The senate committee reported a substitute for Haxson's house bill for artesian wells, the substitute appropriating \$2,000 for an experiment in the county which will offer the greatest money inducement, instead of \$43,000, as provided in the original bill.

Stillman's bill to withdraw school lands from sale and place interest on school-fund loans at 6 per cent, passed with only two opposing votes.

The sugar-beet bounty bill was re-committed to the judiciary committee for amendments, and the bill to regulate building and loan associations was indefinitely postponed, because another bill covered the same ground.

The bill to appropriate \$25,000 for salmon hatcheries passed by a vote of 17 to 11.

THE CAPITAL BILL DOOMED.

Not Enough Votes to Pass It Over the Governor's Veto.

In the Washington legislature Monday it developed that it would be impossible to muster enough votes to pass the capitol building bill over the governor's veto.

The senate was in session but 15 minutes in the morning and adjourned. A resolution was adopted, expressing sympathy for the parents of Sergeant Miles E. Kyger and Daniel T. Kyger, jr., of Walla Walla, members of company I, Washington volunteers, who died recently at Manila.

Bills introduced were: Creating a state board of tax commissioners, consisting of the auditor, secretary of state and land commissioner, to assess railroad property for taxation; providing that \$3 worth of poison be furnished by the county to each farmer to kill ground squirrels.

In the House.

The Washington house held sessions both morning and afternoon. At the morning session bills introduced were: Releasing personal property from custody, pending appeal; prohibiting the taxing of attorney fees as costs; providing for the county licensing of peddlers; providing for the appointment of a hop inspector; relating to state school taxes; exempting from taxation property of religious, charitable and educational institutions; prescribing the powers and duties of wreckmasters; relating to the disqualification of judges; providing for the foreclosure of chattel mortgages without suit; providing for the appointment of an ex-officio surveyor-general and deputies; relating to assessments for local improvements.

The bill empowering colleges to issue normal diplomas was indefinitely postponed after a long debate.

At the afternoon session nine laid over, nine read a second time, and four sent back to committees.

Bills introduced were: Regulating fishing industry; making state fish commissioner ex-officio game warden.

Bills passed were: Giving justices power to define and punish vagrancy; relating to the method of decreasing the capital stock of corporations; compelling railroads to fence rights of way,

BANQUET STOPS BUSINESS.

The Olympia Salmon Association With Senator Elbert Faxon.

Both houses of the Washington legislature adjourned from Tuesday until 2 P. M. Wednesday, to give ample time to legislators members of the press to participate in an informal banquet luncheon given by Senator-elect Faxon.

In the senate Tuesday the consideration of the treasury of the state troops at Manila were adjourned.

The Gray-Meitzler election, taken out of the hands of the legislature which had been appointed to consider the matter to be reported to the senate as a whole.

The permanent school fund bill was amended to provide for payment in government bonds at par, 2 per cent interest county, city and school districts at 4 per cent. The bill was deferred engrossed.

Bills introduced were: G. M. Hadden \$100,000 for the plans for the waterworks for the sewer school for defective pupils; to provide for the setting of notices within 30 days after the filing of complaints. All present a complaint to be filed and while not being any accounts involved do not appropriate \$70,000 for the location of the state road established from Wenatchee via the river to the mouth of the Tygh allowing cities to advance to class to another at a special called for that purpose.

House Session.

At the opening of the session of the Washington house Monday the speaker presented another instance from the citizens of the county against the creation of a city of Ferry.

Bills introduced were: To provide for the removal of improvements on mortgaged property, without consent of the mortgagee; prohibiting sale of personal property, title to be retained by a conditional mortgagee; prescribing rates to be charged on the cars; for the protection of farm lands, in the purchase of fertilizers; provide for the extension of broken by county auditors; (two bills) amend the law relating to the sale of land and incorporation of water corporations; appropriating \$100,000 for the relief of Captain Harrison George; prescribing the manner of using the label of the typhoid bacillus; appropriating \$400 for the way on the Skykomish river; for the payment of delinquent school taxes; relating to the removal of timber; relating to placing post the destruction of wild animals; relating to the bonds of prosecuting attorneys.

The house went into committee on the whole on house bill 157, relating a constitutional amendment admitting alien ownership of lands, Judge Mount in the chair.

When the committee arose it recommended that the bill be referred to the judiciary committee.

The committee on public lands recommended the indefinite postponement of the senate capitol bill, the passage of a substitute bill that recognize the award of a contract by the old commission to F. R. The house indefinitely postponed the senate bill, and ordered that the substitute bill be printed.

REAPPORTIONMENT BILL.

It Is Now a Law Without the Signature of Oregon's Governor.

Governor Geer Tuesday filed the reapportionment bill with the secretary of state, letting it become law without his signature.

Probstel's bill to suppress nickel-the-slot machines passed the house Tuesday, after a short debate. There was some objection to the bill on the ground that it would not be enforced but even these objectors admitted that the machines and driving them would have the effect of decreasing the services of the jury; to commission the governor, secretary of state treasurer a state board of equalization to authorize boards of park commissioners in cities of 3,000 or more population; to make state road tax law against specific property and collect as other taxes.

The memorial to congress favoring the passage of the pure-food bill was favorably reported, and adopted by Joseph's bill to tax bicycles was committed.

Mortgage Bill Passed.

The debate upon the mortgage bill of Whitney, passed in the Oregon house Tuesday, was at times electric as well as stormy, and although the bill passed by a decisive majority, the support of some of the members was a surprise.

The vote was 39 to 16, a absent 5.