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EVENTS OF THE DAY

A Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week Presented in a Condensed Form Which is Most Likely to Prove of Interest to Our Many Readers.

Taft says conditions are good for peace in the Philippines.

A Chinese cruiser called at Manila to honor General Chaffee.

Appraiser Wakeman, of New York, has been removed from office.

Fire at Clarksville, Ark., destroyed property valued at \$100,000.

The transport McClellan has sailed from Bermuda for New York.

Fire in Baltimore, Md., caused a loss of \$210,000, fully covered by insurance.

The first ground for the St. Louis exposition was broken with imposing ceremonies.

Engineer who caused the recent California train wreck, says he forgot his orders.

The American Lumber Company, capital \$8,000,000, was incorporated in New Jersey.

Fire at Huntington, Pa., destroyed the opera house block, including several stores. Loss, \$150,000.

The Atlantic Rubber Shoe Co., capital, \$10,000,000, has been incorporated at Trenton, N. J.

The bodies of two shepherds, partly burned, were found at Cabra Springs, N. M. They were murdered and their flocks stolen.

A St. Petersburg capitalist has promised to supply 140,000 roubles for the expense of a north polar exploring party, which will leave next year.

A pro-Boer orator caused a riot at Birmingham, England.

Numerous engagements have occurred recently in Batangas.

German sailors assaulted a United States consul at Hong Kong.

Anti-anarchist bills have been introduced in both branches of congress.

Major Heinz, a medical officer, is recommended for his bravery in Samar.

Andrew Carnegie has offered \$10,000 for a public library at Canyon City, Colo.

The navy department has announced the final acceptance of the battleship Wisconsin.

It is probable that there will be several more changes in President Roosevelt's cabinet in the near future.

The body of Major Hugh R. Belknap, who died in Manila, reached San Francisco on the transport Thomas.

Yuan Shai Kai, the new viceroy of Chi Li, intends to employ British and American officers to reorganize the navy.

Upon the termination of the Boer war, drab will be substituted for khaki for the working costumes of the British soldier.

Within 10 days at Constantinople, 70 Turks have been denounced by spies as hostile to the present regime. All of them were arrested.

Two sentries were frozen to death at Liabon.

Severe earthquakes have occurred in New Zealand.

The debate on the Philippine tariff is on in the house.

Kruger may abandon his demand for Boer independence.

General French has captured Boer Commandant Kirtzinger.

Many Schley resolutions have been introduced in the house and senate.

Oregon and Washington senators did not fare well in committee assignments.

Chicago school children have subscribed \$23,000 to the McKinley memorial fund.

Judge Darling, of Vermont, has formally assumed the duties of assistant secretary of the navy.

Pastmaster General Smith has resigned. He will be succeeded by Henry C. Payne, of Wisconsin.

Fire in Bloomington, Ill., destroyed property valued at \$50,000.

By the explosion of a gasoline stove in St. Louis, two women were fatally burned.

Emperor William has decorated Marquis Ito, of Japan, with the Order of the Red Eagle.

According to a London correspondent, the Northeastern Railway has given an order for 20 American locomotives.

Telegraph company ordered Marconi to cease his experiments in Newfoundland, as they owned exclusive control in that country.

Power for the St. Louis exposition is to be generated by the use of Texas oil as fuel.

The official report of the finances of the Pan-American exposition shows that the exact deficit will be \$3,326,114.

A new office has been created by Governor Yates, of Illinois. Its incumbent is entitled "orderly to the governor," and his general duties are those of a detective and policeman.

TO ASIA VIA ALASKA.

Seattle Chamber of Commerce Takes Up the Pacific Cable Matter.

Seattle, Dec. 21.—The matter of telegraphic communication with Alaska and the Orient has been recently presented by Attorney Joseph Shippen to the Seattle Chamber of Commerce, which unanimously resolved "that the governmental and commercial interests of the United States require submarine electric communication from Puget sound to Alaska, Manila and the centers of Asiatic commerce."

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NEWS OF THE STATE

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS OF OREGON.

Commercial and Financial Happenings of Importance—A Brief Review of the Growth and Improvements of the Many Industries Throughout Our Thriving Commonwealth—Latest Market Report.

Boring for oil has been commenced near Springfield.

Secretary of State Dunbar has returned from a trip East.

Oregon City treasurer has issued a call for warrants up to January 1, 1900.

Salem city council, in order to stop the numerous hold-ups, has increased the police force.

The O. R. & N. steamer Ruth sunk in the Willamette river near Corvallis. The accident was caused by striking a snag.

The industrial building at the state reform school at Salem burned. The cause of the fire is unknown. Loss, \$25,000, with \$8,000 insurance.

Port of Portland commissioners have practically decided that it will be economy to build a wooden dry dock at a cost of \$225,000, and renew it every 15 years, than to spend \$540,000 for a steel structure.

A farmers' institute will be held at Cove, December 30-31.

A new creamery is to be started at Fairview, Tillamook county.

Frank Brehm, a convict in the penitentiary, committed suicide by hanging.

Jack rabbits are so numerous in Eastern Oregon that they becoming a pest.

Hold-up men in Salem are carrying on very extensive operations in Salem at present.

There is about three feet of snow in the Cracker creek district and five in Cable Cove district.

The recent snow, while not very heavy, was very welcome to the loggers of Eastern Oregon.

Another rich strike has been made in the Columbia mine, Cracker creek district, Eastern Oregon.

A syndicate of mining men has purchased mining property on Upper Cow creek. The price paid was \$5,000.

Extensive preparations are being made for the annual Douglas county poultry show to be held in Roseburg December 26-28.

The wholesale slaughter of Mongolian pheasants in Linn county is thinning them out so that it will be necessary to take steps to prevent their killing.

The discovery of three new and rich quartz ledges has been made in Josephine county. One is in Coyote creek district and the other two on Rouge river.

Sheriff Cooke, of Clackamas county, has sold all property on 1900 delinquent tax list. The amount of taxes on the roll amounted to less than \$3,000.

The Braden quartz mines, a few miles from Grants Pass, which have been shut down for some time, will resume operations in a short time, on a much more extensive scale.

Portland Markets.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 59¢@60¢; bluesstem, 60¢@61c; Valley, 59¢.

Flour—Best grades, \$2.65@3.20 per barrel; graham, \$2.50.

Oats—Nominal 95¢@1.00 per cental.

Barley—Feed, \$16@16.50; brewing, \$16@16.50 per ton.

Millstuffs—Bran, \$16.50@17; middling, \$20; shorts, \$17; chop, \$16.50.

Hay—Timothy, \$11@12; clover, \$7@7.50; Oregon wild hay, \$5@6 per ton.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 22¢@25¢; dairy, 18¢@20¢; store, 12¢@14¢ per pound.

Eggs—Storage, 20¢@22¢; fresh, 27¢@28c, Eastern 22¢@25c.

Cheese—Full cream, twins, 13¢@13½¢; Young America, 14¢@15c.

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, \$2.50@3.50; hens, \$4.00; dressed, 9¢@10c per pound; springs, \$2.50@3.00, per dozen; ducks, \$3 for old; \$4.50@5.50 for young; geese, \$6@6.50 per dozen; turkeys, live, 11¢@12c; dressed, 12¢@15c per pound.

Mutton—Lamb, 3½¢ gross; dressed 6½¢ per pound; sheep, \$3.25@3.50 gross; dressed, 6¢@6½¢ per pound.

Hogs—Gross, heavy, \$5.12½; light, \$4.75@5; dressed, 6¢@7c per pound.

Veal—Small, 8¢@8½¢; large, 7¢@7½¢ per pound.

Beef—Gross top steers, \$3.50@4.00; cows and heifers, \$3.50; dressed beef, 3¢@7c per pound.

Hops—8¢@10c per pound.

Wool—Valley, 11¢@14c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 8¢@12½¢; mohair, 21¢@21½¢ per pound.

Potatoes—85¢@95¢ per sack.

Agent Fullerton estimates that 2,000 deer and 200 moose have been killed in Minnesota this season.

A movement has begun in France to put corsets under state control and to forbid women under 30 from wearing them.

In the constitutional convention at Richmond, Va., an amendment was adopted providing for the compulsory education of children between the ages of eight and 13 years.

EXPLOSION AT A FURNACE.

Ten Men Met a Frightful Death at Pittsburg in Sight of Many Spectators.

Pittsburg, Dec. 21.—Ten men were burned to death and four injured by an explosion of gas at the Soho furnace of Jones & Laughlin, Ltd., today. The explosion was caused by a slip in the furnace, and gas and flames belched upward through the bell. The men were on the furnace platform 85 feet above the ground. There were 19 men on the furnace when the explosion occurred. Fifteen of them were caught in the flames, two of them escaping with slight injury. The other four men were the regular men employed as top fillers and escaped without injury. The explosion was caused by the gas becoming enclosed in a crust of cinder formed at the bottom of the furnace. A wheelbarrow containing ore had been sent up to the men and when they went to dump it into the bell of the furnace, they pushed it over too far and it rolled into the hopper. The barrow weighed 900 pounds and was too heavy for the four men to raise. The 15 laborers, all Hungarians, were then sent up to assist them. Had it not been for the barrow accident no one would have been hurt.

FOUR BOILERS BLEW UP.

Another Bad Accident at Pittsburg—Four Men Killed and Twelve Injured.

Pittsburg, Dec. 24.—Three or four men were killed and 12 injured by a terrific boiler explosion at the Black Diamond Steel Works today, and another man is missing. Reuben Miller, Jr., superintendent of the plant, states that the boilers were examined last week and pronounced to be in excellent condition. No known cause can be given for the explosion, but a thorough investigation is now in progress. It was about 4:15 o'clock, as the night crew was about to turn over the mill to the day force, that four boilers in the 10 inch bar mill No. 3 exploded with terrific force. The mill was completely wrecked and the debris piled from 50 to 70 feet high. The boiler works of James McNeill, adjoining the Black Diamond mill, was also destroyed. A force of men went to work as quickly as possible after the explosion, searching in the debris for the bodies. The mill had 60 men on each turn, and it is thought that almost 120 men, both crews, were in the plant at the time of the explosion. The injured and the dead were found underneath the wreckage in the millyard, where they had fallen in their race for life. One of the boilers was blown across the street and wrecked a dwelling house.

GAGE WOULD RESIGN.

Secretary Anxious to Leave Roosevelt's Cabinet at Earliest Possible Day.

Washington, Dec. 24.—It is Secretary Gage's intention to relinquish the treasury portfolio as soon as President Roosevelt can find a suitable successor, and he has so informed the president. Mr. Gage would like to be relieved before spring. The president has done all he could to dissuade Secretary Gage from retiring, and will probably continue to use his efforts in that line. Secretary Gage's determination to retire was made known to the president some little time ago. Just how long it is not known. After the cabinet meeting Secretary Gage declined to say anything about the rumors of his resignation, beyond the simple statement that he had not "formally" resigned. "What I may or may not do eventually I am not prepared to say now," said the secretary. "But I can say that the relations between the president and myself are perfectly cordial. He would do almost anything I would ask, and I would do almost anything he might ask."

Cold Wave in the South.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 24.—The cold wave, which for the last week has covered the south, today equalled all records since 1884 for December, and lowered in some localities all former minimum temperature readings. As far south as Louisiana and the gulf border intense cold prevails, though no serious damage to vegetation has been reported.

Held Up a Bank.

Fayetteville, Ark., Dec. 21.—At noon today the bank of Springvale, 10 miles from here, was robbed by one man. No one was in the bank except the assistant cashier. The robber drove up in a buggy and walked to the cashier's desk. He compelled the assistant cashier to go to the vault and give him all the money, about \$7,000. While this was taking place the cashier walked into the bank. He was at once covered by the robber's revolver and the robber then hurriedly left the bank.

Ordered to Panama.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—The Bulletin says: "Rush orders have been received from Washington, directing that the cruiser Philadelphia sail from here tomorrow with all speed for Panama. Affairs on the isthmus are approaching a crisis; Venezuela and Germany are arguing a point or two of diplomacy, and there are other important matters of international interest on the southern coast at present."

IN REMEMBRANCE