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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 Interest Our Many Readers.

Cholera is raging in Upper Egypt. At least half of the cases are fatal.

The widow of Lord Pauncefote will be granted a much larger pension than is ordinarily given.

A steamship sunk on the Elbe river, Germany, and only 30 of the 185 passengers were saved.

Chas Stahl, a former Portland carpenter, was carried out to sea and drowned while bathing at Seaside.

The war department has allotted

GUNBOATS IN ACTION.

Naval Engagement Takes Place Off Panama Between Government and Rebel Boats.

Panama, Colombia, July 22.—The insurgent gunboats Padilla and Darien appeared last night between Flenonico and Otique islands. Governor Salazar thereupon ordered the government gunboats Chuchinito and Clapet to pat to sea and meet them. Heavy cannonading was heard at 10 A. M. and continued until 4 o'clock this afternoon. It was heaviest at 10 this morning. At 2 o'clock the Darien was seen in tow of the Padilla, and it is believed that she had been hit. The government fleet was handicapped by the absence of the gunboat Boyaca, the keel of which is being repaired, and it is thought probable that this fact was known by the insurgent General Herrera, who decided to attack Panama in order to prevent the government from helping General Borja's troops at Agua Dulce. The United States steamer Ranger, which arrived here from Chiriqui, came within the line of fire. During a part of the heavy firing she was back of Flenonico island.

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.

A street fair will be held at La Grande this fall.

Clackamas county hop growers have sold 32,000 pounds of the 1901 crop at 20 cents per pound.

Marion county farmers anticipate much trouble in getting hands to work in the harvest fields this year.

The committees are active in the preparations for the street fair to be held in Baker City in September.

Timber lands in Klamath county are going fast. In the neighborhood of 300 filings have been made already this season.

The first free rural mail delivery route in Southern Oregon will be established out of Ashland about the first of September.

A violent wind storm did serious damage in Umatilla county last week. Much fruit was knocked off the trees and some grain blown down.

Two howitzers, shells and other relics of the historic Fort Sumner, in Charleston bay, have been secured for the soldiers' monument in Portland.

Real estate valuations are rising rapidly around La Grande. A five-acre fruit farm which was purchased three years ago for \$1,100, has been sold for \$3,250.

The Eastern Oregon Medical Association held a meeting at Hot Lake last week. There were 48 of the 65 members present. The next session will be held at La Grande in January, 1903.

The Salem cannery has closed down. Operations may be resumed if the pears and apples are of a good canning quality. The pack this year has been 4,000 cases as against 91,000 last year.

Warrants have been issued in payment for the services of members of the Oregon City, Woodburn and Salem militia companies while hunting Merrill and Tracy, the total expense for this purpose being \$700.

A large box and basket factory is to be established at Eugene.

Salem hop buyers are closing contracts for the 1902 crops at 20 cents per pound.

Two Oregon postoffices were discontinued July 15—Irma, Curry county, and Waldron, Wheeler county.

A blaze at Sheep Creek nine, four miles from Sanger, Eastern Oregon, destroyed the stamp mill, hoist and other buildings.

Citizens of Crook county are considering numerous plans of ridding the county of rabbits, which are the worst pest in Eastern Oregon.

Mountain climbers have started on their annual pilgrimage to the top of Hood. One party has already made the ascent. They report much snow and ice still on the side of the peak.

The county bridge over Hubbard creek, at Millwood, Douglas county, collapsed while a team with a load of lumber was crossing. The driver was fatally injured and both horses killed.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 64 1/2 @ 65 1/2; valley, 66; bluestem, 66c. Barley—\$17.50 for old, \$16.50 for new crop.

Flour—Best grades, \$3.05 @ 3.60 per barrel; Graham, \$2.95 @ 3.20. Middlings, \$21.50; shorts, \$18; chop, \$16.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$1.15 @ 1.20; gray, \$1.05 @ 1.10. Hay—Timothy, \$12 @ 15; clover, \$7.50 @ 10; Oregon wild hay, \$5 @ 6 per ton.

Potatoes—Best Burbanks, 75 @ 85c per cental; ordinary, 50c per cental. Growers prices; sweets, \$2.25 @ 2.50 per cental; new potatoes, 1c.

Butter—Creamery, 20 @ 21c; dairy 16 @ 18c; store, 15 @ 16c. Eggs—30 @ 22 1/2 for Oregon.

Cheese—Full cream, twins, 12 1/2 @ 13c; Young America, 13 1/2 @ 14 1/2c; factory prices, 10 @ 11c less.

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, \$3.50 @ 4.50; hens, \$4.00 @ 5.50 per dozen, 11 @ 11 1/2c per pound; springs, 11 @ 11 1/2c per pound, \$2.50 @ 4.50 per dozen; ducks, \$2.50 @ 3.00 per dozen; turkeys, live, 13 @ 14c, dressed, 15 @ 16c per pound; geese, \$4.00 @ 5.00 per dozen.

Mutton—Gross, 2 1/2 @ 3c per pound; dressed, 6c per pound. Hogs—Gross, 6 1/2c; dressed, 7 @ 7 1/2c per pound. Veal—7 @ 8c per pound.

Beef—Gross, cows, 3 @ 3 1/2c; steers, 3 1/2 @ 4 1/2c; dressed, 7 @ 8c per pound. Hops—16 @ 17c; new crop 17 @ 18c. Wool—Valley, 12 1/2 @ 15; Eastern Oregon, 8 @ 14 1/2c; mohair, 25 @ 28c per pound.

The insurance of the lives of children is forbidden in Montreal.

William McGovern made the eighth outside in Meriden, Conn., in two months. A suicide club is believed to exist.

The congregation of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, unanimously adopted a pledge to contribute any part of \$2,000,000 that may be necessary to build an immense auditorium at Boston.

In a suit filed at Marquette, Mo., it is alleged that one dog killed \$800 worth of sheep.

Dr. Gatling, who invented the gun known by his name, has invented a plow operated by gasoline which will do the work of 30 men and eight horses at an expense of a little more than \$2 a day.

Mrs. Urquhart Lee, of Chicago, has the distinction of being the only woman in the country who teaches parliamentary law. She is the new appointee to the chair of parliamentary law in the University of California.

PAGE IS TOO RAPID.

Count Matsunata, of Japan, Looks For Crash in This Country.

Vienna, July 21.—Count Matsunata, ex-minister of finance of Japan, who recently returned from a month's visit to the United States, said to the correspondent of the Associated Press:

"While I was greatly impressed with the tremendous energy of the Americans and their wonderful commercial development, I fear that the too rapid progress of the United States is likely to experience a serious setback in the near future. The commercial energy of the Americans incomparably surpasses anything in Europe. This is undoubtedly one of the principal causes of the economic progress of the United States. I perceive in many directions where European countries are already affected by American expansion and I think it likely that they will be still more affected in the future. But America's progress has been so exceedingly rapid that I fear some sudden disaster, as, in my opinion, too much business has been done on borrowed capital. This, coupled with the magnitude of the commercial operations common in the United States, will probably lead to a panic at the first untoward circumstance, such as a bad harvest or similar misfortunes. While there are many strong banks in the United States, there are also many weak ones, whose failure will render a crash inevitable. I fear that some of these banks are lending too much money to aid business enterprises."

NAMES ARE ANNOUNCED.

Two New Battleships and Two Cruisers for the United States Navy.

Washington, July 21.—The navy department has announced that the two battleships to be built under the authority of the last naval appropriation bill are to be named the Louisiana and the Connecticut and the two cruisers the Tennessee and the Washington. The battleship to be built at the New York navy yard will be the Connecticut. The battleships will cost \$4,412,000 and the cruisers \$4,639,000 each. The two tugs authorized by the act are to be built one at the Mare Island yard and the other at Boston.

Admiral Bowles has prepared an elaborate plan for keeping the accounts in connection with the cost of the Connecticut, in order that when she is finished comparisons may be made between the respective cost of building ships in government and private yards.

Five Million Dollar Fire.

Guayaquil, Ecuador, July 19.—The fire which has been raging here for the past two days has been extinguished, after having destroyed 90 blocks on some of the principal streets of the city. The loss on merchandise and buildings is estimated at \$5,000,000. The burned buildings include the custom house and railroad station. The city is without gas, and the only water to be had is that taken from the river.

CHICAGO MYSTERY.

Masonic Temple Safety Deposit Vaults Were Robbed of \$35,000.

Chicago, July 22.—Mystery surrounds the reported disappearance of \$35,000 in cash and two certified checks of \$800 belonging to three prominent bookmakers at the Washington park racetrack from the night vaults of the Masonic Temple Safety Deposit Company.

Last night after the end of the racing at Washington park, the three bookmakers, in company, deposited their money in the vaults. Today they found the boxes empty. The vaults were scratched from the boxes in places as if they had been tampered with. The men all had separate keys, as did the watchman. Other losses have been reported, but the management of the deposit company believes no robbery has taken place. The police are working on the case.

Later in the day, heavy losses were reported by other persons which made the deposits that have disappeared aggregate nearly \$35,000.

Typhoon Kills Twenty.

Hong Kong, July 22.—A typhoon of unusual severity has caused considerable damage here and in this vicinity. It is estimated there is 20 fatalities.

China Accepts Conditions.

Pekin, July 22.—The Chinese officials have formally notified the ministers of the powers of their acceptance of conditions of the restoration of Tien Tsin to China.

Gift for Mrs. Steyn.

Cape Town, July 19.—The women of Cape Town yesterday presented Mrs. Steyn, wife of the ex-president of the former Orange River colony, with a purse of \$1,000 before she sailed for Europe with her husband. Mr. Steyn was in a pitiable condition from enteric fever. His arms and legs were partially paralyzed, and he was unable to open his eyelids. The censorship over telegrams has been abolished, except in the case of press dispatches.

Animosity Among Boers.

New York, July 19.—Some uneasiness is felt in official circles with regard to the situation in South Africa, cables the London correspondent of the Tribune. It is evident the day of complete racial reconciliation in the Transvaal is still far distant. The smoldering animosity between the Boers who joined the Natal scouts toward the end of the year and other burghers is reported to be burning into flame.

Reounding Up Ladrones.

Manila, July 19.—An extensive drive, with the object of capturing the ladrones chiefs, Montalon and Felizardo, and 50 of their followers, is progressing in Cavite province. Twelve hundred constabulary, commanded by Captain Baker, moved today at daylight, forming a complete angle shaped cordon, covering 60 square miles. Patrol launches are guarding the rivers. The entire male population of the towns and farms will be included in the concentration movement.

WATERS ARE RISING

ANOTHER FLOOD THREATENS FARMERS OF MISSOURI.

Rivers of Iowa Rising Rapidly—Losses Now Certain to Reach Up into the Millions—Entire Corn and Wheat Crop Will Be a Total Loss—District Between Keokuk and Hannibal Will Suffer Most.

Keokuk, Ia., July 21.—The high water here touched the danger line the first of the week, and began to recede, when heavy floods started again in the Des Moines, Skunk and Iowa rivers. With a stage in the Des Moines river only three feet below the tops of the great levees, the river began to rise today, continuing until the factor of safety was wiped out this evening. A rise of one and a half feet in a short time this morning at Ottumwa, and a further rise throughout its length below the capital city was prevented from running out freely by a rise of a foot and a half at Des Moines last night, increasing and coming down rapidly. This afternoon the observer of the weather bureau at Keokuk sent telegraphic warning to all points south to prepare for danger. The Egyptian levee, which stood the flood just receding after strenuous efforts to hold it, including the destruction of farmhouses to use lumber for strengthening the dike, is only slightly above the water now, and the coming flood in the Des Moines will top it certainly. This will let the water into hundreds of square miles, including the town of Alexandria, Mo. The inhabitants there are preparing for an overflow of the entire town to a depth of several feet. The corn crop in the flooded district is all made, and wheat is in the shock, and as a result the farmers will lose all their year's work. Grain men put the figures of the loss from the overflow at about \$4,000,000 between Keokuk and Hannibal.

NEW ARMY UNIFORM.

Board's Report Approved by the President—Some of the Changes.

Washington, July 19.—While Secretary Root was at Oyster Bay, the president considered and approved the report of the army uniform board. The order for the new uniform will go into effect on January 1, when officers of the army are to be equipped according to the new regulations. Officers serving in the Philippines will be allowed to wear the old uniforms during their service there.

Among other changes are the following: The full dress coat is about the same as at present, save that the buttons are more spreading, with ornamentations on the sleeve, and with the rank designated on the sleeve instead of the shoulder knot. The dress coat will be what is called the dress blouse. A new dress uniform is provided, consisting of a sack coat of woolen or cotton material of an olive drab color, with trousers to match. It is intended to provide suit which can be worn in cold weather that are almost a duplicate of the present khaki uniforms worn in warm weather and in the tropics.

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STRIKE CALLED OFF.

Chicago Freighthandlers Go Back to Work—Cost of the Strike.

Chicago, July 19.—Renewed activity on the part of Chicago business men followed the settlement of the freight-handlers' and teamsters' strike today, and at the close of business hours tonight thousands of tons of freight had been sent to and from the various freight depots. Every one of the 24,000 strikers who could obtain employment had returned to work by 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The strike, it is estimated, cost the business men of Chicago \$10,000,000, and in order to guard against such a contingency in the future they are prepared to begin an educational campaign in opposition to the sympathetic strike. The labor unions will be asked to forego the use of this potent weapon. The business interests which suffered through the strike will join in pledging themselves, it is said, not to sign union agreements, which do not guard them against these strikes.

On the other hand, the labor unions are fighting to secure the right to arbitrate agreements for the purpose of ordering sympathetic strikes. The freight-handlers blame the national officers of the teamsters for the loss of the strike. They declare that the strike shows the necessity for incorporating in all agreements a reservation which will permit strikes. Credit for the settlement rests with the state board of arbitration. It was the adoption of the suggestion of that board which led to the action of the freight-handlers' union in declaring the struggle with the railroads at an end.

At the same time it is probable that even had the state board not made its suggestions, the fight would have been practically over, as the majority of the freight-handlers had returned to their work before the mass meeting at which the strike was called off officially had convened. It was a knowledge of this fact that had much to do with the action of the union. However, the proposition made by the state board of arbitration enabled the freight-handlers to retire gracefully from the field.

SPAIN AND AMERICA.

Minister de Ojeda Wants Better Understanding Between the Peoples.

New York, July 19.—Enliloro Ojeda, the Spanish minister to this country, is in the city and will remain here for a short time before going to New York for the remainder of the summer. Discussing the conditions of trade in Spain, and the proposed reciprocity treaty with the United States, the minister is quoted by the Journal of Commerce as saying:

"Spain having lost her colonies fully recognizes the importance of increasing her commercial relations in order to adjust her affairs to the new conditions. But what is needed as a preparation for increased commercial intercourse is a better understanding and more general intercourse between the two peoples. I find there is almost total ignorance, in a popular sense, in the United States as to what Spain is, and there is even greater ignorance, if possible, in Spain in regard to the United States. As a beginning, therefore, I favor increased intercourse between the two nations. When the people of Spain and the United States get to know each other better, the commercial opportunities will follow."

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BATTLE SHIP AGROUND.

Illinois Strikes an Obstruction in the Harbor of Christiana, Norway.

Christiania, Norway, July 17.—The United States battleship Illinois, flagship of Rear Admiral Crowninshield, and the United States cruiser Chicago, have arrived here. While the Illinois was standing in the harbor, leading the squadron, her steering gear failed, and her helm jammed hard to starboard, with the ship headed straight for the shore. Both anchors were let go and her engines were backed promptly, but the port anchor chain parted.

The ship struck an obstruction and a hole was punctured in her bottom. Two small compartments filled with water. The crew were piped into quarters and the water tight doors were closed. The rest of the squadron stood in the inner harbor. The Illinois was eventually backed off and anchored safely.

Rear Admiral Crowninshield will probably shift his flag to the Chicago.

Tornado in North Dakota.

St. Paul, July 17.—Tremendous damage, and it is thought, great loss of life, were caused by a terrible wind storm which early tonight swept in a southerly direction from the international boundary across the north-eastern portion of North Dakota.

Three towns, according to the meager reports which are obtainable, were totally wiped out. Telegraph lines are wrecked and there is no communication with the section where the most serious devastation is thought to have been worked by the tornado.

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Body Found at Napavine, Near Chehalis—Brother of the Outlaw Identifies the Remains—Discovery Was Made by Woman and Her Son While Out Picking Berries—Will Not Get Full Reward.

Chehalis, July 16.—All doubt of Convict Harry Tracy's story that he had slain his pal, David Merrill, has been removed by the news that Merrill's dead body had been found, four miles southeast of here, partially concealed by two logs, between which the murderer had thrown it. Although partially decomposed, two bullet wounds were plainly discernible in the body, one in the wrist and another in the back, and it is believed that a third bullet found lodged in the neck of the victim of a fellow criminal's treachery. The discovery was made by Mrs. Mary Wagoner, of Napavine, and her 12-year-old son George, who were picking blackberries in the woods near the Northern Pacific railroad track, and were attracted to the body by the odor. Thinking at once of the story of Tracy, which, with the many tales of his adventures, is known to everyone in this vicinity, they at once made an investigation.

The body was lying between two logs, face down and with the legs and one hand up. The spot where it lay is about 200 feet from the Northern Pacific track, on an unfrequented road, and so distant from any dwelling that the crack of Tracy's murderous rifle might have sounded without attracting any attention. The surroundings and the location of the bullet holes indicate that the story Tracy told to the crew of the launch which carried him down Puget sound from near Olympia, July 2, may be true, although there is reason to believe that the convict, fearing that Merrill would reveal the whereabouts of the fugitive by his citizenship, killed him in cold blood.

Three 20-30 caliber, found a little distance from the spot where the body was found, destroyed whatever doubts remained in the minds of those who answered Mrs. Wagoner's summons, and subsequent developments have demonstrated conclusively that Tracy not only is the slayer of six men who were obstacles in his path to liberty, but also shot down his own companion and fellow fugitive. The face was unrecognizable, and the body in a bad state, but a comparison of the description of scars on Merrill's hands, his foot and knee, and the color of his hair, tallied with those on the body. Warden J. T. James, of the Salem penitentiary, did not swear that the body was that of Merrill, but expressed an opinion to the effect. J. W. Studabaker, of Castle Rock, who had known Merrill many years, said the body was that of the outlaw. Ben Merrill, his brother, who has been working in a Chehalis livery stable the past two weeks, expressed the same opinion.

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Cloudburst in Nebraska.

Much Damage Done in Town of Plattsmouth—Railroads Blockaded.

Omaha, July 19.—A general rain struck the eastern half of Nebraska and Western Iowa this morning, and continued until a late hour tonight. There was a steady downpour all evening, and at Plattsmouth a cloudburst did much damage. A river of water four feet deep rushed down the main street of the town, taking with it everything movable. Half a dozen frame buildings collapsed, the electric light plant was rendered useless, and every cellar in the place was filled. Several stacks of merchandise were seriously damaged. The total damage is now estimated at \$200,000. The Burlington tracks became soft, and trains were compelled to make a detour by another route. A serious landslide occurred east of town, completely blocking the Burlington tracks.

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\$450,000 for the establishment of a great military post at Chickamauga.

The transport Sheridan has arrived at San Francisco from Manila with parts of the Thirteenth Infantry and Third Cavalry.

The coalminers' convention at Indianapolis voted against a general strike, but adopted the assessment plan for helping those already out.

Leaves along the Mississippi river near Keokuk, Ia., gave way, flooding many acres in Missouri, Iowa and Illinois. The damage will reach at least \$6,000,000.

Three people were killed by lightning in St. Clair county, Illinois.

The coronation of King Edward has been definitely fixed for August 9.

The Chicago freighthandlers are dissatisfied and may go on strike again at any time.

Immigration for the fiscal year of 1902 shows an increase of 160,825 over 1901.

Fire at Block Island, R. I., destroyed three hotels and several other small buildings.

In a head end collision on a Wisconsin road between two freight trains, both engineers and one fireman were killed.

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