

Bohemia Nugget

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EVENTS OF THE DAY

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week, Presented in Condensed Form, Most Likely to Prove Interesting.

Wheat has reached the highest point at San Francisco since 1898.

Great Britain and Germany are co-operating in serious measures to bring Venezuela to time.

The American Federation of Labor re-elected all its officers, and voted to meet in Boston next November.

Herr Krupp, the great German gun maker, and the wealthiest man in Germany, is dead from apoplexy.

Oil is to be used as fuel on the steamers of the Furness line, one of the largest English steamship companies.

The robbers who held up the Rock Island express near Davenport, Iowa, secured in the neighborhood of \$20,000.

The report of Consul General McNally on the Hunter-Fitzgerald affair in Guatemala puts it in the aspect of a cold blooded murder.

Matters are proceeding favorably for an agreement between the coal miners and operators. An increase of 10 per cent in wages is assured.

The body of J. W. Fuller, who disappeared from his home in Portland October 27, has been found. There was a bullet hole in his right temple and a revolver with one empty chamber lay alongside the body.

Thirty people were drowned by the sinking of a steamer in the Danube river.

Reports from the district in Guatemala devasted by the volcano place the loss of life at 10,000.

The famous eating house at Moeham, on the O. R. & N., which burned a few days ago, will be rebuilt.

Prominent citizens of Denver have started a movement for the establishment of a sanitarium for actors.

Augustin Chacon, one of the most desperate outlaws in Arizona, has been hanged. During his career he had taken at least a score of lives.

A serious financial problem is confronting Germany. The government expense deficit is larger than ever before and the people can hardly afford to pay more taxes.

Advises from South China state that the Boxer movement is spreading. Large bands of rebels are marching through the country devastating everything that they go.

Secretary Moody has announced that employes of government navy yards are to be allowed to present in person to the board of wages any question affecting the rate of pay.

Venezuela complains of European governments aiding her revolutionists.

The sultan of Morocco has given \$5,000 to the widow of an English missionary who was killed by natives.

Three Chicago saloons were dynamited by unknown persons, breaking windows and doors and causing other damage.

Prominent physicians testified before the coal strike commission that coal mining is an unhealthy occupation and greatly shortens life.

Friends of the Nicaragua route for an isthmian canal are picking up courage from the check to the negotiations with Colombia relative to the Panama canal.

A well dressed individual accosted the entry on Grand at the German emperors palace and said he was his majesty's son. He was arrested and searched and a loaded revolver found. The man has been placed in the insane asylum.

A large Minneapolis flouring mill has agreed to grind nothing but Canadian wheat. It will be shipped to the mill in bond, ground and the flour shipped to the Atlantic coast in bond and sent to Liverpool. Heretofore the wheat has been sent to England and ground.

Extreme cold weather prevails all over Europe.

Two more forest reserves are to be created in Northeastern Oregon.

The president did not get a shot at a band during the four days he was out hunting.

R. E. Clark, son of the general traffic manager of the Great Northern, committed suicide on account of ill health.

A trust has been formed at Stockton, Cal., by Chinese whereby two-thirds of the potato crop of the San Joaquin valley has been cornered.

Stephen Deatur, Jr., great grandson of the famous American commodore of that name, has been admitted to the Annapolis naval academy.

A New York woman, who claims to belong to a band of anarchists, has reported to the police an alleged plot on the life of the president.

Uribu-Uribu has advised his fellow revolutionists to make terms with the Colombian government, saying United States intervention has killed the Liberal cause.

Government officials look upon Oregon with mistrust because of timber frauds and conflicting representations regarding forest reserves and irrigation.

Two distinct shocks of earthquake in Utah demolished chimneys and crockery and stopped clocks.

Four soldiers at Fort Stevens have been arrested for attempting to burn the fortifications. It is believed that they are guilty of starting all of the recent numerous fires.

The coal strike commission has reached the fourth demand of the miners' union, which calls for a yearly trade agreement, and which means a straight out recognition of the union.

All hope of finding E. F. Egan, superintendent of the Great Northern, who was lost in the mountains of Montana, has been given up and the search for him abandoned.

FATAL WISCONSIN FIRE.

Several Persons Dead and Property Loss Amounting to \$25,000.

Ashland, Wis., Nov. 25.—The Wisconsin Central ore dock was destroyed by fire this afternoon, the loss involved being about \$25,000. In falling the dock carried with it a number of firemen and dockmen and a number of lives were lost, just how many will probably not be known for several days. A number of badly injured firemen were rescued from the burning ruins.

The fire caught about 5 o'clock, presumably from a boat unloading lumber across the slip, and before the firemen arrived the entire ore dock, half a mile long, was in flames. An engine was run on the tramway as near to the fire as possible, and a half a hundred men began tearing apart the timbers constituting the tramway and dock to keep it from falling with the dock. Suddenly the dock gave way, falling with a crash and carrying with it 200 feet of the tramway, the engine just barely escaping the fall into the bay. Several hundred people were under the tramway, but most of them escaped with slight injuries. As the broken tramway and the burning dock fell, fully a dozen men were seen to go down in the ruins. The wreck fell into 20 feet of water. The fire is still raging and Murray's sawmill is in danger. The dock was valued at \$500,000 and the ore at \$25,000.

POSTOFFICE ROBBED.

Probably \$10,000 Taken and Daring Thief Got Safety Away.

Chicago, Nov. 25.—The Chicago post-office was robbed of probably \$10,000 today in a most daring manner. The robber made his escape without leaving any clue to his identity. Two registered mail sacks containing money, which had just been picked up from two of the down town substations, were left in an unprotected wagon in front of the Masonic Temple, while the mail carrier went into the building to gather mail that had accumulated there. The carrier was gone only a moment, but when he returned his horse and wagon had disappeared. While the carrier had been in the building the robber, who had evidently been waiting his opportunity, jumped into the rig and drove away. The rifled sacks and the horse and rig were afterward found where the thief had abandoned them. The street was full of people at the time of the robbery, but not one seems to have noticed the thief.

STRIKES IN HAVANA.

General Suspension of Business Threatened by the Labor Unions.

Havana, Nov. 25.—The coachmen of the city struck today, and the street car men say they will go out this afternoon, thus tying up traffic generally. Typewriters have struck also. The street car conductors and motor-men refused to go out this afternoon, in spite of the notice previously given of their intention to strike, and several clashes occurred between them and the strikers. Traffic was not suspended. The manager of the street railway notified the mayor that the company's employes were willing to work, and demanded that they be protected by the police. The company being an American organization, the manager intends to appeal to Minister Squiers, if the city authorities fail to grant protection to the men.

No newspapers were published today, and it is announced that the cooks and waiters will strike tomorrow.

TWO DEAD IN MINE FIRE.

Were Overcome by Gas While Battling with the Flames.

Trinidad, Colo., Nov. 24.—Two miners have lost their lives in a fire which started in the Colorado fuel and iron company's mine at Eggleville. Last night a severe explosion of gas occurred, which spread the fire over a considerable area. No one was in the workings at the time. This morning a gang of 15 or 20 men were put to work some distance from the fire, but the foul gas drove them out. Four men were overcome, one being brought out dead, and one being carried 200 feet and left behind dead. Two who were taken out unconscious have since recovered. Every available man is fighting the fire, but it is probable the mine will have to be closed indefinitely until the flames are smothered.

After Train Robbers.

Trinidad, Colo., Nov. 25.—Word reached this city tonight that Guy Lacroix, the man who the officers believed led the gang that attempted to hold up the Colorado & Southern train near here, had been seen in the vicinity of Clayton, N. M., and at 3:30 this evening a posse left on the Colorado & Southern train for the same locality. Special Agent Reno and Division Superintendent Rainey were in charge of the posse. Efforts were made to keep the departure of the officers a secret.

Mine Fire Still Raging.

Trinidad, Colo., Nov. 25.—The Eggleville coal mine fire is still raging, and all efforts to get it under control are apparently fruitless. A small army of men have been engaged in waling up the entries all day, but the smoke is still pouring out of the mountain side in large volumes. A reward has been offered for the recovery of the body of the Austrian that still remains in the mine, and an unsuccessful attempt, which proved almost fatal to the rescuers, was made to recover it.

United States Transport Arrived.

Manila, Nov. 25.—The United States transport Ingalis, with General Miles on board, crossed on a reef while entering the harbor of Legaspi, Albay, Southern Luzon, today and is still aground. She is not in any danger, however. The weather is calm and it is expected the steamer will float at the next high tide. Communication with the shore is maintained. If the Ingalis does not float at high tide, relief will be dispatched to her from this city.

French Banks Losing Deposits.

New York, Nov. 25.—The quiet run on French ordinary savings banks continues, says a Paris dispatch to the Times by way of London. Withdrawals since the beginning of the year amount to \$21,000,000.

NEWS OF OREGON

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS OF THE STATE.

Commercial and Financial Happenings of the Past Week—Brief Review of the Growth and Development of Various Industries Throughout Our Commonwealth—Latest Market Report.

A light snow has fallen in parts of Southern Oregon.

Albany will hold its regular city election Monday, December 1. Considerable local interest is manifested.

The Methodist church in Oregon City is being raised high enough to permit it of a store room being built on the ground floor. This arrangement will bring the church people about \$150 per month.

The heavy rains have washed out a large portion of the dam of the Condor water and power company, at Yolo. Eighty men of the crew have been laid off and work is practically abandoned for the winter.

The farmers of Linn county will hold a farmers' institute November 28 and 29, under the auspices of the experimental department of the Oregon agricultural college. The meeting will be held at Grange Hall No. 10, near Albany.

The titles of the past few days have done many thousands dollars' worth of damage to the diked lands on Young's river and the Lewis and Clark. How much cannot yet be estimated, but it is believed that it will reach at least \$10,000.

Three weeks ago J. J. Jackson, a Negro charged with breaking open a freight car at Huntington in August, saved through the bars in the county jail and escaped. The fact was only made public a few days ago. Jackson's trial was scheduled for next week.

The best sale of apples in the Rogue river valley during the present season was made by W. H. Norcross, a well known orchardist of Central Point, who disposed of 10 carloads at the fancy price of \$1.50 per box, L. O. B. at Central Point. The apples go to New York City.

If the government finally decides to create a forest reserve in Northeastern Oregon, as indicated by the withdrawal from entry, Oregon will be the gainer by over \$100,000. The tracts mentioned contain at least 20,000 acres of unreserved school land, and these are practically valueless at present.

The board of directors of the Willamette Valley Chautauqua association, at a meeting held in Oregon City last week, decided to take some steps toward reorganization and appointed a committee for that purpose.

Operations at the Tillamook fish hatchery have been suspended on account of the recent heavy rains.

Two different companies are endeavoring to secure franchises for operating street car systems in the city of Roseburg. One company is composed largely of local capitalists and the other is made up of Eastern men.

It is expected that the lumbermen on the lower Columbia will advance the price of yellow fir logs from \$7.50 to \$8 per thousand. Yellow fir logs bring a much higher price than ordinary fir, and are in great demand.

The freight on the Simla river caused by the recent heavy rains did considerable damage to the fish hatchery on that river.

A postoffice has been established at Inglis, Columbia county. An office has also been established at Tiller, Douglas county.

The safe in the depot at Newberg was opened Friday night and \$1,180 secured by a burglar. The crook evidently knew his business, as he worked the combination of the lock.

There were 360 bales of hops sold at Dallas last Saturday for 27 cents f. o. b. No sales have heretofore been made above 20 cents, though offers of 26 1/2 cents were out.

During the first two years of his term Governor Geer granted 15 pardons and 20 commutations, and during his last two years 10 pardons and 16 commutations. Of the 10 men pardoned in the last two years two were guilty of murder, two of manslaughter, four of larceny, one of assault with a dangerous weapon and one of obtaining money under false pretenses.

Portland Markets.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 77 1/2c; bio-eston 74 1/2c; valley, 72 1/2c. Barley—Food, \$23.00 per ton; brewing, \$23.50. Floor—Best grade, 3.50@3.70; Graham, \$3.00@3.50. Millstuffs—Bran, \$19.00 per ton; middlings, \$23.50; shorts, \$19.50; chop, \$17. Oats—No. 1 white, \$1.12 1/2@1.15; gray, \$1.10 1/2@1.12 1/2 per cental. Hay—Timothy, \$13.00@11; clover, \$9.00; chaff, \$8.00 per ton. Potatoes—Best Burbanks, 60c@20c per sack; ordinary, 50c@55c per cental; growers' price; Merced sweets, \$1.75@2 per cental. Poultry—Chickens, mixed, \$2.50@4.25; per pound, 10c; hens, \$4.40 per dozen; per pound, 11c; springs, \$3.00@3.50 per dozen; fryers, \$2.50@3.00; broilers, \$2.00@2.50; ducks, \$4.50@5.00 per dozen; turkeys, young, 12c@13c; geese, \$6.00@6.50 per dozen. Cheese—Full cream, twins, 15c@16c; Young America, 15c@16c; factory price, 16 1/2c. Butter—Fancy creamery, 30c@32 1/2c per pound; extra, 30c; dairy, 20c@22 1/2c; store, 15c@18. Eggs—25c@30c per dozen. Hops—New crop, 22c@25c per pound. Wool—Valley, 12 1/2c@15c; Eastern Oregon, 8c@14 1/2c; mohair, 26c@28c. Beef—Gross, cows, 36c@38c per pound; steers, 4c; dressed, 64c. Veal—7c@8c. Mutton—Gross, 3c per pound; dressed, 6c. Lambs—Gross, 3c per pound; dressed, 6 1/2c. Hogs—Gross, 6 1/2c@6 5/8c per pound; dressed, 7 1/2c.

SEPTEMBER FOREST FIRES.

Total Losses in Oregon and Washington Amounted to \$12,767,100.

Washington, Nov. 22.—The bureau of forestry, after careful examination by a field agent, estimates that September forest fires in Oregon and Washington caused a total loss of \$12,767,100, of which \$9,910,000 fell in Oregon. This includes the value of timber, farm property and sawmills and their products which were destroyed. Owing to the proximity to market, however, much of the burned timber in Oregon will be saved, reducing the total loss as above set forth. It was found that 80 Oregon families were rendered homeless, while 200 others suffered partial losses. In that state farm property worth \$315,000 was burned, and sawmills suffered losses aggregating \$149,000. It is estimated that 2,124,000 feet of standing timber went up in smoke in Oregon, largely Douglas fir, spruce, cedar and hemlock. The total loss in timber alone was over \$3,000,000. In all, 170,000 acres were burned over, all of which, save 50,000, were well timbered.

In Washington 434,000 acres were burned over. The timber was as heavy as the Oregon timber, and of better quality. It is estimated that 5,020,800,000 feet of Douglas spruce alone were killed, representing a value of \$5,020,800. Other timber to the value of \$725,000 was destroyed. The value of loss in Coos, Clack and Skamania counties where the fires were the most disastrous, was \$5,600,800, and in the other burned areas, \$2,256,300.

A singular chain of circumstances combined to make the fire so destructive. Not only was the summer very dry, but the two preceding summers were wet in May and June, thus interfering with the burning of slashings, and allowing an unusual amount of debris to accumulate. The most direct cause was gravel sags. This is shown distinctly by the fact that practically no damage was done in the Cascade forest reserve, which is patrolled by forest rangers.

In many instances the fire smoldered for considerable periods without attracting attention, and this in the face of the fact that the past season was one particularly favorable for forest fires. Many blazes started from the neglected camp fires of berry pickers or hunters, others resulted from careless burning of slashings, and one was known to have started from locomotive sparks. With the exception of this case, reasonable precaution on the part of individuals would have prevented the loss of millions of dollars.

It is the opinion of the bureau, after tracing many of the fires to their unreserved school lands, and these are practically valueless at present.

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Two Men Held Up the Town.

Denver, Nov. 22.—A special to the Republican from Rifle, Colo., says Charles Dykes and a man named Murphy terrorized that place for some time this afternoon, "shooting up the town," holding up saloons, capturing and disarming two deputy sheriffs, and shooting a young ranchman named David Morford in the leg. They then rode out of town. The sheriff and a posse is in search of them, and a lively time is expected when they meet.

New Monitor Nearly Done.

Boston, Nov. 22.—The single-turreted monitor Nevada which has just been completed by the Bath Iron works for the United States navy and is to have her second trial the second week in December, arrived at the Boston navy yard today from Bath.

MAY COMPROMISE

MINERS AND OPERATORS TO SETTLE WITHOUT COMMISSION.

Negotiations Will Be on a Basis of 10 per Cent Increase in Wages, a Nine-Hour Day, and Trade Agreements Between the Miners and Company by Which They Are Employed.

Scranton, Pa., Nov. 24.—The miners, through their representatives, have agreed with the mineowners to attempt to adjust the differences existing between them outside the anthracite coal strike commission. The proposition was made on a compromise basis, and negotiations, it is expected, will at once be entered upon, with a reasonable hope of settlement, with the proposition, which is to form the basis of negotiations, is a 10 per cent increase in wages, a nine-hour day, and trade agreements between the miners and the company by which they are employed. The only one of the four demands not touched upon is that of the weighting of coal by the legal ton.

While both sides have expressed a willingness to settle their differences among themselves, it is not to be construed that it carries with it the acceptance of the terms proposed. They are mentioned only as a basis, it is understood, from which a settlement is to be effected. It is possible that the foundations already laid can be weakened by either party holding out too strongly against some question, and thus leave the whole matter in the hands of the commission, which in the meantime will act as a sort of board of conciliation rather than as a board of arbitration.

It cannot be officially stated which party made the proposal first. The attorneys for both sides are averse to talking, but those who were inclined to say something differ in their statements. An attorney for one of the railroads said it came from the miners' side, while one lawyer for the miners said it came from the operators. Another representative for the miners said it was an "spontaneous" proposition. It is generally believed that the operators were the first to make the proposal. Wayne MacVeagh, who carried on such a brilliant cross examination of President Mitchell, is given credit for bringing about the present situation.

It is probable a week or 10 days' adjournment will be taken by the strike commission in order to give all parties an opportunity to confer on the state of affairs.

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LAND IS WASTED.

Refugees Bringing in Reports of Work of Guatemalan Volcano.

San Francisco, Nov. 21.—The first of the refugees from the devastated lands of Guatemala arrived today on the Pacific Mail steamer City of Paris. They came from the districts far inland from the sea, and traveled over a country laid waste by sand, ashes and pumice before reaching a railway station. From there they made their way by rail to Champerico, and there took the steamer to San Francisco. They sailed on November 7, and the volcano was still smoking, and rumblings like thunder and flashes of lightning gave evidence that more eruptions were yet to come. These people fled from their plantations in fear for their lives. They escaped to the sea with little more than the clothing they wore, transportation being so difficult as to preclude the carrying of baggage.

The refugees confirm stories of loss of life. They say that the victims are not heard of any white people being lost. Thousands of Indians were suffocated or buried in the mud. Most of plantations are under ashes, and absolute ruin is the lot of many planters whose all was invested in the fumes. One refugee comes from within half an hour's ride of General Barrios, and brings information that the general and family are safe. A cablegram received here when the first eruption occurred stated that General Barrios had been applying to the United States.

The refugees state that it is not the crater of Santa Maria that is in action, but a smaller mountain rising from one of the western slopes of Santa Maria, called El Rosario.

Bandits of Mexican robbers are now swarming over the desolated regions, robbing and murdering refugees on the road and looting the abandoned and desolate plantations. The people left behind on the plantations, it is said, are in danger of starvation, for the food supplies have been cut off and there is no way to send in supplies to the afflicted districts.

CONVENTION ADJOURNS.

Irrigation Congress Will Meet Next Year in Baker City.

Portland, Nov. 20.—The Oregon irrigation convention yesterday adjourned after adopting by-laws and electing additional officers. Resolutions were adopted commending all irrigation projects and endorsing the proposed immigration bureau at Portland. During the day addresses were delivered by A. P. Davis, principal engineer of the reclamation service; Governor Geer, Major Alfred F. Nees, W. R. Chace, and H. E. Maxson, secretary of the National Irrigation congress.

The next session will be held at Baker City the first Monday of June, 1903, and the next annual meeting at Pendleton the second Monday of November, 1903.

STOLE BAND OF 1,400 SHEEP.

Blew Up Herder's Cabin—Abandoned Flock and Fled from Pursuers.

Flower, Colo., Nov. 21.—Five men drove off 1,400 head of sheep from the flock of James Brown, 15 miles of northwest this place, after dynamiting the hut in which the herder was sleeping. The explosion blew the cabin to pieces and threw the herder into the air. Mr. Brown was aroused by the noise of the explosion and found the herder lying unconscious upon the ground. He was not seriously hurt. A posse overtook the man with the sheep after a chase of several miles. They abandoned the flock and fled northward. Sheriff Adams started out with a posse later, determined to apprehend the would-be rustlers.

Germany After English China.

Victoria, Nov. 21.—Mail advices from the Orient include a story of complications in the Yangtze valley. The A-chi Shimon, of Japan, says that Germany has taken advantage of the naval demonstration made by Great Britain with regard to the evacuation of Shing hai, conditions which would completely obliterate all traces of England's sphere of influence in the Yangtze valley. The Tokio papers say Germany has induced France to join her in this maneuver.

Gamblers Held Up.

Minneapolis, Nov. 21.—Two bandits held up a gambling den at Columbia Heights to-night and secured \$19,423 from the proprietors and score or more of players. Harvey Howard, a Negro porter, was shot by the robbers. The gambling house, which is operated by a syndicate of sporting men, is at the end of a trolley line leading from Minneapolis. Each robber used a dark underwearchief to shield the lower part of his countenance. There are two entrances to the place, and the bandits appeared simultaneously at either door.

Prisoners Escape Mob.

Cincinnati, O., Nov. 21.—After being pursued by mobs in Fleming and Mason counties, Kentucky, two men charged with murder were located and lodged in jail at Covington, Kentucky, today. They are Alvin Burgess, of Fleineburg, and George Bents, of Mayvick. They had been taken to the Brookfield jail, and when it was learned that mobs were coming, the sheriff, by detour routes, reached Covington.