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WEEK'S DOINGS

General Review of Important Happenings of the Past Week in Brief and Comprehensive Form.

David Uln commits suicide at Albany.

Cuban reciprocity treaty sure to be ratified.

Oklahoma statehood bill in danger of defeat.

Democrat says women dictate army appointments.

Senate discusses bill to relieve shortage of fuel.

Signor Sagasta, ex-Premier of Spain, dies suddenly.

Pretender of Morocco retreats and Sultan is out of danger.

Federal Supreme Court declares California margin law valid.

Railroad trainmen of the West confer on advance in wages.

Governors inaugurated and legislatures convene in many states.

Governor Taft will succeed Judge Shiras on Federal Supreme bench.

Crown Prince of Saxony is sued for separation, but will sue for divorce.

Senators Depew and McComas have declared themselves for an anti-trust bill.

Postmistress of Indianola leaves Mississippi denying she yielded to threats.

The supreme court has declared valid the Federal license system in Alaska.

Floods in White River Valley have done \$100,000 damage in King County, Washington.

Financial panic in Venezuela ended; Castro defeats rebels; Germany wants more vigorous war.

The Secretary of War has asked for an appropriation for the construction of a cable from Fort Lawton to Alaska.

Alaska delegates condemn the policy of the Lighthouse Board in erecting expensive lighthouses on the Alaskan coast.

Opposition to the confirmation of Armstrong's appointment as Assistant Secretary of the Treasury has developed. It is alleged that he is too young.

Democrats in the House are growing restive under the leadership of Richardson, who is said to be unequal to the occasion. He will be displaced in the next congress.

Plans are being formed to defeat the Oklahoma-Indian Territory statehood bill, to which the President is said to be opposed. He favors admitting Oklahoma alone.

Castro laughs at the idea of his abdication.

No direct bag ships from Calcutta this year.

Oriental liner Indrapura arrives with a big cargo.

Puget Sound country has greatest flood in 25 years.

German papers speak lightly of the Monroe Doctrine.

Colorado legislature promises a hot time over election of senator.

Plea Armstrong says he did not intend to shoot Miss Ensminger.

Albany Methodists celebrate the 50th anniversary of their church.

French senatorial elections resulted in gain for the present ministry.

Irish land report is made that both Ireland and England appear to favor.

Loaded ship has narrow escape from Clatsop beach during thick fog.

Spokane legislative delegation splits wide open on senatorial question.

Report of Governor Taft speaks of difficulties and encouragements in the Philippines.

Congress reassembled after holiday recess and senate takes up omnibus statehood bill.

Washington County farmers at Gaston endorse \$500,000 appropriation for Lewis and Clark Fair.

Sultan of Morocco has discredited the pretender by effecting a reconciliation with his brother.

Torpedo-boat destroyer MacDonough, on trial exceeded her contract requirement of 23 knots.

Castro sends an army to fight the rebels.

New diamond field discovered in the Transvaal.

Washington legislature has no capitol for its meeting.

Pension Bureau hurries action on Indian War pensions.

A new anti-trust bill to be introduced by Senator Hoar.

Sultan of Morocco sends his brother to fight the pretender.

The local marine engineers' strike on ocean steamers is ended.

CRISIS IS PAST.

Washington Floods Have Ceased to Rise, but Recede Very Slowly.

Seattle, Jan. 7.—The flood situation south of Seattle does not seem to be greatly improved. Only the most meager particulars from the various points have been received. The first casualties as a result of the rising of the water are reported from O'Brien, on the Northern Pacific between Seattle and Tacoma. There the water is six or eight feet high, and last night it was rushing past the houses with the swiftness of a mountain current. Two men, Martin Cummings and F. Shaughnessy, were in a boat rescuing people from second-story windows, and on one of the trips the boat capsized and Cummings and Shaughnessy were both drowned.

From Orillia comes the news that the water has receded about six inches, but that half of the town is still indoors or compelled to go about in boats. Many head of cattle are imprisoned in barns standing in two and three feet of water.

No trains are running through the flooded districts, the Northern Pacific making no effort to resume operations between this city and Tacoma.

The wagon and railroad bridge across Nesqually River were in dangerous condition, but it is thought they will be saved, as the flood is subsiding. No train has reached Olympia from Portland since Friday.

Deschutes River is raging and the highest volume of water is pouring over the falls known in years.

The greatest loss by the flood has been the bottling works belonging to the Olympia Brewing Company, wrecked Friday night, and damaged to the extent of \$20,000. Fine weather today will probably avert any further calamities.

A lake of water 20 miles long, and from one to five miles wide, and varying in depth from three to 20 feet, covers the entire White River Valley between Seattle and Kent. The lake was never known before in all the history of King County. W. H. Alvord, a farmer living near Kent, who settled here over 40 years ago, said tonight that never in his experience was there such a flood as prevails today.

The damage done by the waters in King County alone will reach at least \$100,000, and in all likelihood when all the facts are known it will reach double this sum. At least 300 families in the valley have been rendered practically homeless by the floods, and their household goods have been well-nigh destroyed. Hundreds of head of sheep and hogs have been drowned, while other livestock has suffered.

CASTRO'S ARMY DEFEATED.

Rebels Won a Decisive Victory Only Eight Miles from the Capital.

New York, Jan. 7.—According to the Herald's correspondent in Willemstad, the revolutionists are advancing in three columns on General Castro's army. A desperate fight occurred within eight miles of the City of Caracas, resulting favorably to the revolutionists. They are cutting all the telegraph lines, tearing up the railroad tracks and are hourly expected in the immediate neighborhood of the city. A condition of extreme panic prevails among those who have heretofore believed that Castro was invincible.

A committee of the most prominent citizens has gone to President Castro and made representations of how hopelessly untenable is his position. But he insists on holding on until his forces are defeated in a decisive battle. It seems that this cannot be far distant. President Castro is already planning what he shall do when the inevitable comes, but he will make a desperate fight before quitting, as he has no chance to escape. The only alternate is imprisonment.

The correspondent add that no attempt is now being made by the allies to conceal the fact that they are affording assistance to the revolutionists.

Washington, Jan. 7.—The response of the allied powers to Castro's last proposition to submit Venezuela's case to the arbitration of The Hague tribunal have not yet been received, but it is believed that the answers will not be much longer delayed, as a continuance of the present state of affairs on the Venezuela case is not viewed with satisfaction. The blockade is believed to be working injury to American interests, therefore the desire is strong to see the protocol, which will include a provision for the termination of the blockade, speedily agreed upon.

Mr. Bowen's advices from Caracas show that conditions there are very much disturbed; that internal revolutionary troubles have intensified and that President Castro is sorely beset.

Blockade Still in Force.

Berlin, Jan. 7.—Great Britain and Germany came to an understanding four days ago to enforce the blockade of the Venezuelan coast precisely as though the negotiations for arbitration were not going on. It was doubtless in consequence of this understanding that the vessels at Porto Cabello were taken, though both the foreign office and the navy department are yet without advices showing that vessels were taken or marines landed.

Commodore Scheder telegraphs that the Germans on Saturday seized a number of large Venezuelan sailing vessels at Porto Cabello. The prizes were towed to Los Reques, where they remain under guard. Otherwise, there have been no developments at Porto Cabello.

NEWS OF OREGON

Items of General Interest Gathered From A Over the State.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL DOINGS

Grant County citizens Will Fight Forest Reserve—Rise of Wages—Horse-Thieves: Work—Close Call.

The First E. church of Albany celebrated its 50th anniversary.

The Marion County Bar Association has prepared a bill for the coming legislative session taxing telephone, telegraph, express and oil companies, and other corporations holding valuable franchises.

George McKimmen, the 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George McKimmen, who reside just north of Grant's Pass, died as a result of the severe burns he received by falling into a tub of boiling water.

The Brownville-Sweet Home stage met with a mishap recently after leaving Crawfordsville for Brownsville. It was very dark and the driver ran into a stump which upset the hack throwing the occupants out in the mud. There were several passengers, but all escaped with nothing more than a few scratches and a shaking up.

R. W. Hatlaway, a creamery man from Corning Ia., has located at Medford and has as the result of a conference with a number of dairymen of this section, decided to put in a creamery, and expects to have it in operation by March 1. No difficulty is expected in securing sufficient cream, as there are now 22 dairymen shipping cream from this place to the Roseburg creamery.

A bill has been prepared and will be submitted to the Marion County Bar Association, the purpose of which is to reorganize the State Land Board and define the manner in which it shall conduct the work of selecting lieu lands. The bill proposes to continue the power of the Governor to appoint a state land agent, so that the democratic governor will not be deprived of this patronage, but the state land agent is made subject to the orders of the whole board. The two land departments are to work in harmony, and, in fact, to constitute but one department, so that henceforth, if this bill should become a law, there could not recur any such conflicts as have recently caused so much trouble.

Creamerymen don't like the law which prohibits them from remodeling "tub butter" into squares and selling it as "creamery butter." Much tub butter they say is just as good as the standard creamery, and some of it is better—in fact, butter stored in tubs keeps better than in squares. Food and Dairy Commissioner Bailey says that he does not care how much tub butter is remolded but he insists that the butter shall be sold for just what it is and nothing else. "If tub butter is just as good as creamery in squares," said Mr. Bailey yesterday, "the people will soon find it out. All I insist upon is that things shall be as they are represented when sold. The creamerymen say that the brand 'tub butter' condemns their product. But why does it? If tub butter is just as good as the regular product in squares, I ask why the brand condemns it? I do not doubt that some tub butter is just as good as any. All I contend is that whatever a man sells, he sells for just what it is, whether it be a threshing machine, a steam engine, a paper of tacks or a roll of butter."

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 70c; blue-stem 78c; valley, 75c.

Barley—Feed, \$23.50 per ton; brewing, \$24.00.

Flour—Best grade, 3.90@4.40; Graham, \$3.20@3.60.

Millstuffs—Bran, \$19.00 per ton; middlings, \$23.50; shorts, \$19.50; chop, \$18.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$1.15@1.17½; gray, \$1.12½@1.15 per cental.

Hay—Timothy, \$11@12; clover, \$8@9.00; cheat, \$8@9 per ton.

Potatoes—Best Burbanks, 50@60c per sack; ordinary, 40@50c per cental, growers' prices; Mercad sweets, \$2.00@ \$2.25 per cental.

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, 10@11c; young, 10c; hens, 11@11½c; turkeys, live, 15@16c; dressed, 18@20; ducks, \$7@7.50 per dozen; geese, \$8@8.50.

Cheese—Full cream, twins, 16½@17½c; Young America, 17½@18½c; factory prices, 1@1½c less.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 27½@30c per pound; extras, 30c; dairy, 20@22½c; store, 15@18.

Eggs—25@35c per dozen.

Hops—New crop, 23@26c per pound.

Wool—Valley, 12½@15c; Eastern Oregon, 8@14½c; mohair, 26@28c.

Beef—Gross, cows, 3@3½c per pound; steers, 4c; dressed, 6@7c.

Veal—7½@8½c.

Mutton—Gross, 3c per pound; dressed, 6c.

Lambs—Gross, 3½c per pound; dressed, 6½c.

Hogs—Gross, 6½@6¾c per pound; dressed, 7@7½c.

FLOODS IN WASHINGTON.

Miles of Railroads Washed Out or Buried—Immense Property Loss.

Seattle, Jan. 5.—White River overflowed its banks near O'Brien Station, four miles below Seattle, at 3 o'clock this morning. The people of the town, not fearing disaster, had retired last night, but were awakened by the water, in many cases creeping into their beds. Orillia, a town on the White River, two miles above O'Brien, was also flooded, but the people were warned and many of them left their homes and secured places of safety before the rushing waters had surrounded their homes. At O'Brien, however, little children, women and men were imprisoned in their houses with eight and 10 feet of water about them.

A relief train was ordered from Seattle, and on arriving with boats, the rescuing party found several families of safety before the rushing waters had surrounded their homes. At O'Brien, however, little children, women and men were imprisoned in their houses with eight and 10 feet of water about them.

Tacoma, Jan. 5.—There was nothing doing on the Northern Pacific today, not a train leaving the city, and the railroad officials are unable to make any definite statement as to the future. The chinook still prevails, and water is pouring down the Cascades in torrents. At Martin, on the east side of the tunnel, there is a washout of nearly 300 feet, while several places between the tunnel and Ellensburg are under water, or the tracks are covered deep in mud.

Castle Rock, Wash., Jan. 5.—The situation here is somewhat improved. The flood reached its highest point at 11 p. m. Saturday, and has since receded about 20 inches. The rain has ceased. It is estimated that about 12,000 cords of shingle bolts have gone down the river. The center span of the Toledo wagon bridge is gone and many smaller bridges also, but communication with the country districts is almost impossible, and full details cannot be learned. The Wright mill boom gave way today, letting out several hundred cords of bolts. All the piling recently driven for a bridge across the Cowlitz at this point is also gone.

Everett, Wash., Jan. 5.—Traffic conditions on the Great Northern and Northern Pacific are worse than yesterday. Bridges No. 95, 97 and 99, on the Great Northern, near Madison, are out, owing to slides. No trains have come from the East since Friday, but the Great Northern expects to bring a train in Tuesday. The Stillaguamish River is covering the town of Silvana, and is higher than for 25 years. Plank and skid roads are washed out. The Great Northern Coast trains from that point come over the Northern Pacific tracks. The Snohomish River is still booming. Great Northern bridges at Sultan and Lowell are washed somewhat out of line.

CASTRO WON'T ABDICATE.

Says Revolution Would Soon End Without Aid of Foreign Powers.

Caracas, Jan. 6.—The report that President Castro proposes to abdicate or resign the Presidency is untrue. The correspondent of the Associated Press saw the President with regard to this matter today. The President laughed when questioned and then said thoughtfully:

"You are at liberty to say that I have fought during two years to retain the supreme power which was invested in me by the people of Venezuela. I will no more abdicate than I will resign. The Matos revolution without assistance from foreign powers will soon be past history." The course pursued by the allied powers in maintaining the blockade of La Guayra has caused astonishment among the foreign residents of this city. When the Dutch steamer Prinz Wilhelm I arrived off La Guayra to take on board the European mails the authorities at La Guayra sent the mail out in a small boat. This boat was stopped by the British cruiser on blockade and the mail bags were taken on board the warship. The postal clerks who were in the small boats, say the mail bags, notwithstanding their protests, were opened on board the cruiser.

Drink Made a Murderer.

Missoula, Mont., Jan. 6.—Crazed with liquor and opiates, Louis H. Mott emptied the contents of a revolver into his wife this afternoon. She died at the hospital five hours later. Mott was arrested. Mott's laundry was sold some week's ago because of his drunken habits. Since then Mott has been drinking heavily and abusing his wife. The couple had words in the parlor. Mrs. Mott, fearing violence, went to the kitchen and then outside. He followed and shot her.

Mexican Smelter Strike.

Laredo, Tex., Jan. 6.—At Monterrey, Mexico, 250 of the employees of the large Guggenheim smelter have gone out on strike because of dissatisfaction with a new system of pay. About 600 others are affected.

NO NEW STATE

Plans Now Forming in Senate Result That Way.

ROOSEVELT OPPOSES PRESENT

Would Admit Oklahoma Only—Senate Will Probably Sidetrack Question by Talking on Trust Bill.

Washington, Jan. 7.—The result of the debate on the statehood bill yesterday gives rise to a number of rumors as to methods which are being about its defeat. It is reported that President Roosevelt would veto the one-state bill which the majority of the committee favor, coupling Oklahoma and Indian Territory together, and that the President favors a state out of Oklahoma alone, with either New Mexico or Arizona being admitted with it, or Indian Territory made part of it.

If such a bill had passed the House the last session, it would no doubt have become a law, as it is recognized that Oklahoma is entitled to statehood. Another suggestion made that the statehood bill will be sidetracked by bringing forward trust legislation, the Hoar anti-trust bill or some similar measure to be reported to the Senate, when it will be taken up for discussion, but with any idea of passing it.

It is believed that a motion to take up an anti-trust bill would command democratic votes, even against omnibus statehood measure, and the omnibus bill, which holds its place because a majority seems to favor would be pushed aside.

FAVOR A TRUST BILL.

Senators Depew and McComas Declare Themselves on This Question.

Washington, Jan. 7.—Two senators on the republican side, who are expected to be very friendly toward trust legislation, have declared themselves in favor of any measure which seems practicable. They are Senators Depew and McComas. The senator from Maryland has no doubt had a deal to do with influencing McComas for there is a great demand that something shall be done to the trusts.

Senator Depew announces that he is in favor of publicity as a means of reaching the trusts and says the example of the soundness and benefit of publicity in the affairs of great corporations is found in insurance companies, which are under the supervision of state authorities.

Senator McComas says that he believes in Government supervision, that no corporation should be at Government supervision.

Both of the Senators are members of the judiciary committee and vote to report a bill, if a satisfactory measure can be prepared in time.

NEW ELECTRIC LINE.

Extensive Road to Be Built in the Wheat Country.

Spokane, Jan. 7.—Surveyors are expected to begin work this week on a route for an electric rail to run from Washueca, on the O. & N., through Ritzville, on the Northern Pacific and Odessa on the Northern. The proposed line will be about 45 miles long, passing through a fine wheat country and reaching three railways.

The enterprise is backed by James E. Bailey, a coachman, died mysteriously circumstances last night, and indications are that he was poisoned from drinking from a glass of whiskey which contained white sediment. On the bottle was label completely hiding the contents and bearing the inscription, "Ha New Year. Have a drink with me." According to Mrs. Bailey, her husband came home at 11 o'clock and after bathing remarked that he guessed he would take a drink from his New Year's gift. He drank about half an ounce and shortly after retiring complained of cramps and remarked that he believed he had been poisoned. Mrs. Bailey aroused the neighbors, but by the time assistance arrived her husband was dead.

Mrs. Bailey states that when her husband returned home from a place where he was employed he brought the bottle with him, but did not tell her where he got it.

POISONED NEW YEAR GIFT.

A Colorado Coachman and His Wife Drank Strychnine in Whiskey.

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Suspected of Robbery.

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 7.—A man gives his name as Jim Borden and has been arrested at Eddyville, suspected of being one of the men who robbed P. Sullivan of \$1800 near Hinton, Friday night. The robber, was wounded by Sullivan, is alive but his condition is critical.