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BRIEF NEWS OF THE PAST WEEK

Interesting Events from Outside the State Presented in a Manner to Catch the Eye of the Busy Reader—Matters of National, Historical and Commercial Importance.

The government has been asked to create a leper reservation.

Senator Heyburn was renominated by the Idaho State Republican convention.

A severe gale on the English channel wrecked a number of small boats and cost a score of lives.

Only because he was a good runner a Chicago negro escaped lynching for assaulting a young white girl.

Rear Admiral Henry Glass, retired, is dead. He was commander of the Pacific squadron for some time.

At the Wisconsin primaries the Republicans cast the popular vote for Isaac Stephenson to succeed himself in the United States senate.

Unknown persons piled ties on the tracks of the New York Central near Poughkeepsie, but they were discovered in time to prevent a wreck.

In a speech at Leavenworth, Kan., Secretary of War Wright said we should be prepared for war and our army and navy brought up to a higher standard.

Representatives of all branches of railway men in Louisiana have petitioned the state commission to allow the roads to increase freight rates, fearing a cut in wages if the old rates stand.

Tacoma wants the next national encampment of Spanish war veterans.

Detroit city officials have decided to have no more Sunday ball games. The home of Postmaster General Meyer was entered by burglars and all the family jewelry taken.

The election in Panama last January has just been finally settled by Obaldia being declared president.

It is reported that Wu Ting Fang, Chinese minister to the United States, will be recalled by his government.

Germany aims to steal a march on the other powers by being the first to recognize Mulai Hafid as sultan of Morocco.

It is estimated that there are 30,000 visitors in Toledo, Ohio, on account of the 42d encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic.

A Chicago woman who hoarded her money in her baby's buggy has lost all. The baby and buggy have been found, but not \$2,460.

Eugene W. Chapin, Prohibition candidate for president, says that if elected the first thing he would do would be to clean up the District of Columbia of its vile resorts.

There is a wave of cholera at Lodz, Russian Poland.

Castro has left the capital for a month's vacation.

Atlantic City, N. J., will keep all liquor shops closed on Sundays.

The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul is seeking an entrance into Winnipeg.

Business conditions in the East in all lines indicate a return of prosperity.

Oklahoma banks are releasing their National charters in order to get state charters.

The reception to the American fleet at Melbourne was fully as great as that at Sydney.

England will not aid, but would be pleased to see Holland give Castro a sound thrashing.

J. C. Gleason, head counsel for Thaw during the trial, has sued for \$60,000 balance of fees.

The steamer Asia has just arrived at San Francisco with a cargo of raw silk, valued at \$2,000,000.

The Schmitz cases, in which he is charged with bribery by allowing prize fights, will be called soon.

Eugene Semple, once territorial governor of Washington, is dead.

The Springfield grand jury has indicted 78 so far for taking part in the race war.

Three thousand people are homeless at Fayetteville, N. C., as a result of the floods.

T. P. Shonts says if the railroads are not left alone there will be further depression.

The British tramp steamer Duncan was sunk in Oriental waters by a typhoon. Fifty-one of the crew were drowned.

Movement of crops all over the country has greatly lessened the number of idle freight cars, and there may be a shortage.

A fast passenger collided with a work train near Hardin, Okla. Both engines were overturned. Two trainmen were killed.

The interstate commerce commission has outlined a form of annual report to be made by railroads, and says the companies must tell the amount of business transacted.

The Imperial Japanese bank, at San Francisco, has been closed by the bank commissioners. The officers made loans to themselves until only \$400 in cash and a number of notes were left.

Ex-Senator William F. Vilas, of Wisconsin, is dead.

PLURALITY IS LESS.

Republicans Carry Vermont by a Majority of 28,000.

White River Junction, Vt., Sept. 2.—The Republicans won the election in Vermont yesterday by carrying the state for Lieutenant Governor George H. Prouty, of Newport, for governor, by about 28,000 votes over James E. Burke, of Burlington, his Democratic opponent. The plurality was the smallest in a presidential year since 1892, when it was only 18,596, and was followed by a Democratic national victory; but it was larger than in 1888, and only slightly less than in 1900. There was a falling off in four years of about 8 per cent in the Republican vote, while the Democratic vote fell off about 2 per cent.

The Independence League appeared for the first time, and polled about 1000 votes, while the Prohibition and Socialist vote remained about the same. An unusually large number of local candidates for the legislature, although bringing out a heavy vote and resulting in Democratic gains in the lower branch of the legislature, apparently had no bearing on the gubernatorial fight.

As Vermont is the first state to vote during the presidential campaign, there was much interest throughout the country in the size of the Republican plurality.

THREATEN RIVAL FAIR.

Japanese Business Men are Disgusted With Government.

Tokio, Sept. 2.—The dissatisfaction of the Japanese commercial bodies over the postponement of the Tokyo world's exposition from 1912 to 1917 has become so marked that there is danger that the scheme will have to be abandoned altogether.

At a mass meeting of the Tokio Business Men's association yesterday afternoon the action of the cabinet in postponing the exposition was condemned in unmeasured terms, and a formal protest against the action was framed and sent to the minister of commerce and agriculture, under whose supervision the fair is to be given.

The meeting of the business men was exciting. Charges that graft had crept into the management of the proposed fair were freely made. It was stated that the fair could be given for less money than was proposed, if the management was economical. They said the exposition would be a big factor in the ending of hard times. As an alternative, they threatened to have an industrial fair of their own in 1912 under the auspices of the various commercial bodies of Japan, if the cabinet does not restore the original date of the proposed world's fair.

The matter is to be discussed at a special cabinet meeting.

TRAINS ARE BLOCKADED.

Canadian Pacific Line Cut to Pieces in Manitoba.

Winnipeg, Man., Sept. 2.—Thousands of passengers on transcontinental trains of the Canadian Pacific are blocked today between Winnipeg and Thunder Bay. Over 20 heavily laden passenger trains have been stalled by vast washouts, which have swept miles of track from the mountain grades into the valleys.

Several cloudbursts last night and this morning did more damage, and it is feared it will be days before even temporary tracks can be built around the dangerous places.

The railroad company is feeding and caring for the marooned passengers. Most of them are bound for New York, Boston, Chicago and Montreal from the west and east.

It is impossible to learn the exact extent of the damage done by the floods, because the telegraph and telephone wires are down in the storm-swept district.

The governor general is on one of the delayed trains. Many week-end holiday travelers from Winnipeg are tied up at Kenora.

Want Diaz Again.

City of Mexico, Sept. 2.—Citizens of the state of San Luis Potosi, according to advices received here, have begun the first boom in the campaign for the re-election of President Diaz. News of the movement reached here in the form of a proclamation issued by the people of that province calling on the other states of Mexico to appoint delegates to a national convention for the purpose of pressing upon Diaz the necessity for his serving another term as head of the Mexican republic. If he accepts, it will be his sixth term in office.

In Memory of Fire Victims.

Hinckley, Minn., Sept. 2.—In accordance with a custom that has been followed for 14 years, the citizens of Hinckley and vicinity yesterday paid honor to the memory of the 418 men, women and children who perished in the great forest fire that devastated Pine county on September 1, 1894. Flags were displayed at half-mast, and yesterday afternoon memorial exercises were held in the little park where the unidentified dead of the disaster were buried.

Jap Maneuvers in November.

Tokio, Sept. 2.—It was announced yesterday at the ministry of war that the special grand military maneuvers of the Japanese army will begin November 10.

NEWS NOTES GATHERED FROM VARIOUS PARTS OF OREGON

MUST DIP SHEEP.

Secretary Smythe, of Oregon Commission, Will Seize Offenders.

Pendleton—Despite their efforts to evade the Oregon quarantine law, Washington sheepmen who grazed their flocks in Oregon this year will be forced to dip before moving out of the reserves. Secretary Dan P. Smythe, of the Oregon Sheep commission, and State Sheep Inspector W. H. Lytle are on the alert for movements of Washington sheep in this state and are prepared to seize any herd which may be moving through Oregon territory.

Washington sheepmen recently secured an injunction from County Judge Gilliland, of Umatilla county, restraining Oregon officials from enforcing the dipping law, but this injunction does not prevent criminal prosecutions of Washington sheepmen violating the Oregon law, and there promises to be something doing in the way of sheep dipping when the Washington herds are started out of the Blue mountain reserves across Oregon territory.

HOPS LIGHT IN CLACKAMAS

Crop Not Expected to Average Over 500 Pounds to Acre.

Oregon City.—The rains of the last few days have been generally beneficial to the hops of this section, though the crops are not so far along as it was last year, at this time.

A large amount of hop acreage has been plowed up, and in the yards that remain the cultivation has been noticeably insufficient, and it is expected that the crop will be very short, not averaging more than 500 pounds to the acre. In most of the yards picking will not commence until the early part of next week, and even later in some instances.

The pickers will work on a strictly weight basis this season, and in most cases the growers will pay \$1 a hundred, but it is reported that some of the growers in the Butteville district will pay only 70 cents a hundred.

The low market price of hops has discouraged hopmen, so that in many sections very little care has been given the yards.

May Build Albany Plant.

Albany.—A report, said to be well founded, is current here that O'Shea Bros., of Portland, are planning to erect a \$20,000 packing plant in Albany. Banned from the Portland field by the terms of the sale of the Union Meat company's plant, they have selected Albany as a desirable site because of its railroad facilities. According to reported plans, they have a site of 25 acres in view and will soon commence work on the plant. The foundation for this rumor lies in the fact that John O'Shea spent several days in this city last week. But real estate men, with whom he consulted, assert that he was merely looking for a residence.

Packing Plant for Albany.

Albany.—The largest independent meat packing plant on the Pacific coast, to cost a quarter of a million dollars, will be built in Albany, and work will commence within the next 90 days. O'Shea Bros., formerly owners of the Union Meat company in Portland, are behind the undertaking. In conversation with one of Albany's business men Mr. O'Shea said: "We will build a large independent meat packing plant in Albany, and it will cost at least \$250,000. I have looked over the situation here thoroughly, and am convinced that this city is the ideal point for establishing our plant."

Writes History of Columbia.

Pendleton—Professor W. D. Lyman, who is writing a complete history of the Columbia river and Columbia river navigation, has secured a dozen photographs from Major Lee Moorhouse, the photographer of this city, to use as illustrations. The work being prepared by Professor Lyman will be complete in every detail, giving the exact history of the development of navigation on the Columbia from the earliest times to the present. It will be published in New York within the next few months.

Harvest is About Over.

Pendleton—Harvest is now over and several hundred idle men through the streets of Umatilla county towns. Many of these will go to Grand Ronde to work in the beet fields, many to the saw mills of the coast and others to the large cities to spend the winter. Local merchants report a much heavier cash trade this fall than ever before during the prevalence of the saloon. A different class of harvest hands came to the county this season.

Better Rules for Shippers.

Portland—After a conference between the members of the railroad commission, agents of the express companies and representatives of the Portland commission merchants, it was agreed by the express companies to use more discretion in handling shipments of perishable products. Representatives of the express companies will cause at an early date their instructions to agents to be reissued and brought sharply to their attention.

Alfalfa Hay Brings \$6.50 a Ton

Prineville—Hay is selling in Crook county at \$6.50 a ton for fresh alfalfa, 600 tons at this price being disposed of by Thomas Stapp, of Crooked river, to the Baldwin Sheep and Land company, of Hay creek. With hay about gathered except for the second crop, most farmers have commenced threshing their wheat, rye and other grain, all of which are an average yield.

FIGHT PRUNE COMBINE.

Albany Plant Being Prepared for Big Season's Run.

Albany—The Northwest Fruit association, the new organization of fruit growers, began its fight against the prune packers' association when the work was begun at the big packing plant in this city preparatory to operation during the coming prune packing season. A force of men under Manager S. A. LaSelle is now putting the plant in shape for the season's run. The Albany plant has a capacity of about 175 car loads of dried prunes, but will not handle nearly as many this fall. Owing to the fact that the prune crop is light this year, and that many growers are already under contract to the packers' association for this season's crop, the new association does not expect to pack more than 60 car loads. Enough growers are in the organization now to assure about 40 car loads.

FRUIT PRICES WILL BE HIGH

Growers Expect Quotations to Soon Advance in East.

Medford.—Fruitgrowers have reason to feel hopeful as to prices to be realized for pears and apples this fall, according to L. D. Harris, ex-manager of the C. H. Lewis orchard here, who has just returned from a visit through the East, where he has been carefully studying Eastern market conditions. He says the East and Middle West have not yet fully recovered from the effects of the heavy late November, and as a consequence there has not been the call for large shipments, as heretofore. Bartlett pears, he believes, will net the growers about \$1.50 per box, and as local pears are about three weeks later than those grown in California, thinks the growers here will realize better prices than California fruitmen.

Hoppickers' Wages Fixed.

Eugene.—The hopgrowers of Lane county met here last week to consider the hop situation. It was decided to pay only 75 cents a hundred for picking this year. Growers from all parts of the country were in attendance. Some of the yards that have been cultivated may not be picked if the hop market does not look better when the crops are ready. A number of growers have begun picking, but most of the yards will not be ready until about September 10.

Line Through Maddock Canyon.

Condon—Surveying on the new electric line which is to invade interior Oregon, running south from this city, is going on at full blast. O. Denny, of San Francisco, with a gang of surveyors, reports that the third survey out of the city, through the Maddock canyon, will be the route of the new railroad. R. A. Hollenbeck, a Spokane engineer, with a number of men, arrived last week to survey in the interior.

Preparing for Apple Fair.

Albany.—President E. W. Langdon, of the Albany Commercial club, has appointed the following committee to work in conjunction with a committee named by the Linn County Horticultural society to manage the Albany apple fair this fall: Owen Beam, chairman; E. H. McCune, H. Bryant and J. A. Howard.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Club, 88c bushel; forty-fold, 90c; Turkey red, 90c; five, 88c; blue-stem, 92c; valley, 88c. Barley—Feed, \$24.50 ton; rolled, \$27@28; brewing, \$26. Oats—No. 1 white, \$27@27.50 ton; gray, \$26@26.50. Hay—Timothy, Willamette valley, \$14 ton; Willamette valley, ordinary, \$11; Eastern Oregon, \$16.50; mixed, \$13; clover, \$9; alfalfa, \$11; alfalfa meal, \$20.

Fruits—Peaches, 60@90c per box; pears, 75c@1.50 per box; plums, 75c per box; grapes, 80c@1.25 per crate. Potatoes—\$1@1.10 per hundred; sweet potatoes, 33c@4c per pound.

Melons—Cantaloupes, \$1.50@2 per crate; watermelons, \$1.50 per 100 loose; crated, 1c per pound additional; casabas, \$2.25@2.50 per dozen.

Vegetables—Turnips, \$1.75 per sack; carrots, 1.75; parsnips, \$1.75; beets, \$1.50; beans, 5c per pound; cabbage, 1 1/2c per pound; corn, 25@30c per dozen; cucumbers, 30@40c per box; egg plant, \$1.75 per dozen; lettuce, head, 15c per dozen; parsley, 15c per dozen; peas, 6c per pound; peppers, 8@10c per pound; radishes, 12c per dozen; spinach, 2c per pound; squash, 40c per dozen; tomatoes, 60@90c per crate; celery, 5c@90c per dozen; artichokes, 75c per dozen.

Butter—Extras, 31c per pound; fancy, 27c; choice, 25c; store, 18c. Eggs—Oregon extras, 26@27c; first, 24@25c; seconds, 22@23c; thirds, 15@20c; Eastern, 24@25c per dozen. Poultry—Mixed chickens, 13@13 1/2c per pound; fancy hens, 14@14 1/2c; roosters, 10c; spring, 16c; ducks, old, 12c; spring, 13@15c; geese, old, 8c; young, 10c; turkeys, old, 17@18c; young, 20c.

Veal—Extra, 8c per pound; ordinary, 7@7 1/2c; heavy, 5c. Pork—Fancy, 7c per pound; ordinary, 6c; large, 5c.

Mutton—Fancy, 8@9c. Hops—1907, prime and choice, 4 1/2c per pound; olds, 1-1 1/2c; contracts, 7@8c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon average best, 10@16 1/2c per pound, according to shrinkage; valley, 15@15 1/2c; mohair, choice, 18@18 1/2c.

LOSS EXCEEDS MILLION.

Big Fire at New Orleans Wipes Out Three Blocks.

New Orleans, Sept. 1.—Fire which broke out in the center of the commercial district Sunday afternoon swept over portions of three blocks, destroying a large number of wholesale houses, manufacturing houses and stores. Originating at Brinnville and Chartres streets, the flames worked their way north as far as Conti street and west to Royal, with a loss of between one and two millions of dollars before the flames were finally subdued.

At the time the alarm was turned in, shortly before 3 o'clock, the New Orleans firemen were in the midst of their annual picnic at a suburban park, and the engines and patrols responded with a mere handful of men. It was fully an hour before the department was in position to make anything like a successful fight against the fire, and even then the handicap against it was added to by an inadequate supply of water.

The fire was one of the most spectacular that has occurred in New Orleans during recent years.

Two warehouses filled with wines and liquors were among the buildings destroyed. Barrels of whisky and brandy exploded with thunderous roars, which could be heard for blocks, which shook the walls of adjoining buildings and endangered the lives of firemen engaged in fighting the flames.

It was not until several hours had elapsed that the fire was gotten under control, and even then it continued to burn well into the night.

Among the establishments burned are: Central Glass Company, George D. Scott Lighting and Electrical Instrument Company, Heidenheim, Levy & Weiss, shirt manufacturers; Noon & Dietz, wholesale millinery; Kost & Sons, wholesale liquor dealers; New Orleans Junk Company, Isador Keiffer & Co., boots and shoes, and Thos. Harris & Co., wholesale liquor dealers.

MAKE PAPER FROM CANE.

New Industry on Point of Arising in Trinidad.

London, Sept. 1.—A new industry, that of paper making, seems to be on the point of arising in Trinidad. A local manufacturer has produced paper from the fiber of cane megass and bamboo, and, according to Professor Carmody, who presented some specimens of the paper to the Trinidad board of agriculture, the future of the new industry is assured, as the demand for fiber is great, and Trinidad, according to the professor's calculation, ought to produce about 10,000 tons of fiber from the canes ground annually.

Paper made from bamboo fiber is said to retain its whiteness and to escape attack on the part of insects. Professor Carmody produced a copy of a paper-makers' journal, printed on paper made in 1879, from fiber of bamboo, which showed no signs of yellowing, and was otherwise in a perfect state.

CONSTITUTION FOR CHINA.

Will Be Granted Nine Years Hence, According to Edict.

Pekin, Sept. 1.—An edict was issued today setting forth in detail the stages that will be reached each year in the conversion of the form of government in China to the foreign system and assuring the people in the name of the emperor that a constitution will be granted nine years hence. An edict issued last year produced a constitution within a decade.

Recently there has been a formidable movement in the provinces looking to the securing of a constitution and provincial delegations which have come to Peking to inquire into the matter have been treated with great respect by the members of the grand council.

Recent affairs in Persia and Turkey have been cited by the members of the delegations, who declare that China should in no way be behind the other countries.

Settlers Ready for Rush.

Winnipeg, Man., Sept. 1.—In the provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan there will be a great rush for land today. All the Dookhobor land on which these foreigners refused to perform homestead duties, thousands of acres in extent, will be thrown open to settlement besides which the new pre-emption law passed at the last session of parliament goes into effect. This gives the privilege to all settlers to enter for a second homestead. Barricades and chutes have been erected around the land offices to prevent a rush.

Accused of Park Holdup.

Helena, Mont., Sept. 1.—A special to the Independent from Livingston says that advices received at the sheriff's office there state that soldiers in the Yellowstone National park had captured a suspicious looking character in the Fire Hole basin, whom they had arrested on suspicion of being connected with the holdup in the park. The man had considerable money on his person, but his name or any other facts could not be learned.

Japs Quit Plantations.

Rio Janeiro, Sept. 1.—The Japanese immigrants who were sent to the state of Sao Paulo by the Imperial Immigration Company of Tokio are leaving that section in large numbers. They have been at work on the coffee plantations, but apparently were not satisfied with the employment. Many of them have arrived at Rio Janeiro for the purpose of securing employment as domestic servants.

GREAT WHEAT SHIPPING PORT

Portland Now Leads Every City in United States.

Over Eight Million Bushels Received in One Day—Chicago, Always Considered Largest Receiving Port, Left Far Behind by Oregon Metropolis.

Portland, Sept. 1.—Portland today is the greatest wheat shipping port in the country. Over transportation lines coming into the city more wheat was sent in than to any other shipping port in the United States. The shipping records for Portland show that 219 cars of export wheat were received in the city. This is nearly double the record of 113 cars established Saturday last, when the wheat shipping records of the port were shattered.

On several different occasions recently Portland shipments have topped those of Chicago, which is the record wheat shipping port of the world. The Saturday shipment of 113 cars went ahead of the Chicago receipts and established Portland as a record holder. Today's record, however, puts Portland far in the lead, even over Chicago, and establishes the pre-eminence of the port as a wheat shipping center of world-wide importance. The rapid climb in the size of the shipments is shown by the record of 65 cars for Friday last, not a small shipment by any means.

Figuring from a basis of 210 cars shipment, it is seen that approximately 79,800 sacks of wheat reached Portland, since there are on an average of 380 sacks to the car. The sacks as they are shipped from the field weigh from 100 to 110 pounds to the sack. Estimating the average weight to be 105 pounds to the sack, it will be seen that a great flood of 8,379,000 pounds, or 144,465 bushels of grain, reached the city. The average price of the wheat is 92 cents a bushel, making the aggregate value of the shipment alone reach the enormous sum of \$1,888,980. To put the vast shipment in a shape where its size can be readily grasped, it might be noted that the 219 cars which reached the city, if put together in one train, would reach in a solid line for 13-5 miles.

ULTIMATUM IN STRIKE.

Canadian Pacific Employees Threaten General Walk Out.

Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 1.—A special from Winnipeg says the crisis is approaching in the mechanics' strike on the Canadian Pacific railway. The committee now in session in Montreal, representing all the orders and unions to which employees belong, have given the company this week to decide whether it will meet this committee in conference with the object of settling the strike or have the entire system tied up. The committee in Montreal represents not only the machinists, boilermakers and carmen on strike, but also the engineers, firemen, conductors and trainmen. It seems to be a fight between the unions and the Canadian Pacific railway, the company having made up its mind to test their strength.

Former Master Mechanic Cross, of Winnipeg, is now in England, having been sent there by the country to hire mechanics.

JAP FAIR POSTPONED.

Economical Ministry Wins Controversy With Commercial Interests.

Tokio, Sept. 1.—The Tokio exposition has been postponed until 1917, according to the official statement issued today by the minister of agriculture and commerce. The action is taken over the protests of all the chambers of commerce, and is indicative of the determination of the new cabinet to carry out its policy of retrenchment.

The officials of the exposition were called together and the decision of the government was announced to them. It is expected that the postponement will result in a great benefit to the exposition.

Break Ground for Institute.

New York, Sept. 1.—John D. Rockefeller, Jr., will officiate tomorrow in the ceremony of breaking ground for the main hospital building and isolation annex of the Rockefeller institute for medical research. Plans for the new hospital were filed last week, and work will be begun on it immediately. It is to cost about \$400,000. The building will have seven stories, with a brick and Indiana limestone front. The isolation wards will be in a two-story building connected with the main building by steel bridges.

Traffic is Delayed.

Winnipeg, Man., Sept. 1.—Trains are delayed throughout the west on the Canadian Pacific lines as the result of the strike of the machinists, and the general demand for action looking toward a settlement is increasing. The railway commission will meet here September 10, and it is said the unions will bring before that body strong representations showing a violation of the alien labor law by the railroad company.

Washout on Canadian Road.

Winnipeg, Sept. 1.—The worst washout in the history of the Canadian Pacific road on this division occurred yesterday. Rain fell in torrents, and is still falling. Hundreds of yards of track between here and Kenora have been washed away, and dozens of trains have been held up.