

WORLD'S NEWS IN BRIEF

Victoria, B. C., March 29.—The Queen City returned from the west coast of Vancouver Island this morning, bringing the news that the name of a vessel was picked up near Kyout. The last letters of the ship's name, "co," were on it, with "Portland, Ore.," following.

Chicago, March 29.—The court today heard the second Monday in September hearing the cases of the packers' corporation. The government motion for a new trial for individuals was overruled, as was also the packers' motion for a new trial for corporations.

Oakland, March 29.—By an almost unanimous vote the Oakland carmen's union at their midnight meeting decided to strike unless the Oakland Packer Corporation accedes to all their demands, the principal of which is recognition of the union. Ratification of the vote by the international union is necessary before the men go out. Nearly 1000 men will strike and go up Oakland, Berkeley and Alameda.

Seattle, March 29.—Four prisoners serving from fifteen to sixty days each escaped from the city jail at an early hour this morning by pulling down the bars in the roof and climbing to liberty through a skylight. Fifty escapees have been made in the last two years from the working cell.

Washington, March 29.—The Chinese boycott was considered by the House committee on foreign affairs today in connection with a bill amending the exclusion act to exclude only those of Shanghai, said that business had increased to September, 1905, and dropped to practically nothing. The Standard Oil report showed that exportations to China had dropped from two million to a quarter million tons of oil.

Columbia, S. C., March 29.—It is stated that the Bank of Victor was entered by thieves, who escaped with \$100,000 in new currency. The bank flatly deny the statement.

Washington, March 29.—The inter-commerce commission this morning heard the argument of the Pennsylvania Railroad against the roads dealing in coal. Clarence J. Shearn, Hearst's representative, argued that in accordance with a decision of the supreme court in the case of the Chesapeake & Ohio, it was contrary to public policy for any common carrier to be a dealer in the commodities it transports.

Washington, March 29.—The president has nominated William G. Bristol to be U. S. district attorney for Oregon, and Rear Admiral Endicott to be chief of the bureau of yards and docks.

Duluth, Minn., March 29.—Eleven Bulgarians were arrested at Duluth this morning on suspicion of being connected with the Minneapolis murders. Muzman Skuloff, the leader of the gang, admitted renting the house where the crimes were committed, but he left there Monday afternoon, leaving the six victims alive and well. Says all the dead men were friends of each other.

London, France, March 29.—Fourteen bodies entombed in the Courriers mine at the time of the disaster March 10, were taken out alive this morning. The searching party was exploring the workings. They lived on empty days with no light and but little air. With one exception all were well but could not have lived much longer. When cut off by the explosion they took refuge in a stable where the mules were kept and subsisted for days on the lanches of dead mules taken down the day of the disaster, then on grain and water kept in the stock.

Moscow, Idaho, March 30.—The main building of the Idaho State University was destroyed by fire early this morning. The fire was discovered by a night watchman at two o'clock. It started in the girls' rest room, following the intercollegiate debate held the night before. The loss is \$300,000, with \$100,000 insurance.

Stockton, March 30.—Albert N. McNear came to his death from morphine and chloral poisoning. The coroner has received the following from a chemist at San Francisco: "The examination of the stomach, pancreas and liver discloses a small quantity

of chloral, and a large quantity of morphine. Persistent efforts to find cyanide of potassium result in positive proof of its absence." No morphine or chloral was found in McVicar's or Mrs. Ledoux's effects. The inquest will be held this afternoon. The defense will probably be that Mrs. Ledoux did not administer the poison, but it probably will be admitted that she did put the body in the trunk.

Lodi, Cal., March 30.—The Mokeum ne levee near Sacramento, on the San Joaquin border, broke during the night and thousands of acres of wheat and pasture land are flooded. The cut is a quarter of a mile long. Much stock is threatened.

New York, March 31.—Justice Dowling, of the supreme court, ordered a special grand jury this morning to investigate the insurance matter.

Portland, March 30.—The sixth annual convention of the Oregon, Washington and Idaho Y. M. C. A. opened here this afternoon with 200 delegates present.

Marshfield, March 30.—Robert Francis, manager of the Marshfield Commission Co. and Agent Kilburn left here last week, ostensibly for Coquille. Yesterday the Flanagan and Bennett Bank received a \$400 check from Seattle for collection, forged on the Pioneer Grocery Co., of Marshfield. Francis was formerly accountant of the Pioneer.

Sacramento, Cal., March 31.—The greatest storm of the year occurred last night. The total rainfall in 24 hours was 2.42 inches. A large part of the south end of the city is under water. All the levees are safe, but thousands of acres of low grain land is flooded. It is thought the damage to the peach and cherry crop is irreparable and there will be no apricot, peach or cherry crop in the lower valley this year.

Portland, March 31.—Memorial services for Susan B. Anthony will be held in the White Temple tomorrow afternoon, at which the memorial resolutions prepared by Oregon women will be read.

Stockton, March 31.—The opinion of the lawyers for the defense in the Ledoux case is that the woman who is held for murder by the coroner's jury will not get worse than a manslaughter verdict. There will probably be no dispute that the woman put McVicar in the trunk. The defense will claim no motive in the poisoning, and that the cause was either accidental or suicide. The fear of prosecution caused the attempt to dispose of the body. Ledoux is confident of acquittal. It is known positively that the woman has made no damaging admissions.

Portland, March 31.—The trial of George Blodgett for the murder of his sweetheart, Alice Gordon, has been set for Friday, April 13.

Cleveland, March 31.—Anton Butzkiewicz, an employe of the Standard Oil plant in this city, has named a baby after John D. Rockefeller. He thinks the magnate ought to be pleased.

Portland, March 31.—The Federal grand jury, under the direction of U. S. District Attorney Bristol today began extensive probing into the land frauds of Oregon. Two indictments were returned, but the names have not been made public. They are supposed to be wealthy Eastern lumbermen who have large holdings in Southern Oregon.

Portland, March 31.—By unanimous vote the delegates of the Oregon and Idaho Y. M. C. A. convention this afternoon agreed to raise \$5000 for an interstate executive committee to use in furthering association work in the two states. Eleven hundred dollars were raised in cash on the spot. There was a large attendance at the convention.

San Francisco, March 31.—The supreme court today declared the anti-scalping law enacted by the last legislature void. The law prescribes the selling of tickets to a place of amusement at a price in advance of regular rates, was a misdemeanor, and punishable.

Appointed Administrator

H. F. Hartwig, a son of Louis Hartwig, the McKenzie citizen who died Thursday at the Eugene hospital, has been appointed administrator of the estate. His bonds were placed at \$500. They were furnished by Margaret Bilyen.

MINERS AND OPERATORS CANNOT AGREE

Indianapolis, March 29.—The miners in separate session this morning considered the proposition of Robbins to pay the 1903 scale if allowed to operate the Western Pennsylvania mines of the Pittsburg Coal Company. Robbins is the only big operator who agreed to the advance.

The joint conference met this afternoon, both sides being defiant, and adjournment without an agreement is expected. Many outsiders, including women, filled the galleries.

The miners' convention adjourned sine die this afternoon. It will meet tomorrow morning to decide the question of a strike and to consider the Robbins proposition, which Mitchell will put to them.

Indianapolis, March 30.—A communication from the operators regarding an appeal to the president was considered at the miners' conference this morning and filed for future reference. The question of signing a scale in individual districts, asked by Operator F. L. Robbins, who offers to restore the 1903 scale, was taken up. Mitchell is definitely recorded as favoring emphatically the Robbins plan of work in the mines if the operators are willing to re-establish the 1903 scale. He substantiated the statement sent to Roosevelt that fifty per cent of the coal tonnage in the country favors this plan.

Indianapolis, March 31.—The convention this afternoon adopted resolutions under which there will be no strike anywhere except where local mine operators refuse to sign the 1903 scale.

New York, March 30.—The anthracite operators are in constant communication with Baer, anxiously awaiting a reply from Mitchell to Baer's telegram asking if it is so that he has ordered the anthracite miners to stop Monday. The retail dealers today ordered an advance of one dollar per ton on anthracite.

Des Moines, March 31.—The miners and operators appointed committees this morning to consider a new wage scale. The miners agreed to furnish men to protect and preserve all properties during the suspension. Fourteen thousand miners will quit in this state tonight.

Wicklesbarre, Pa., March 31.—Some of the anthracite companies are preparing to work Monday, despite the suspension order, and have posted notices declaring that all who report will be given work under the present agreement and will be furnished ample protection.

Indianapolis, March 31.—A number of individual offers by operators to sign the 1903 scale were received today. The indications are that many will arrive shortly. Most of the have miners returned home to attend the beginning of the strike. Mother Jones was here this morning and said she would go into the fields if needed. Mitchell this afternoon announced that he had received no reply from Baer to the offer of the anthracite operators. The national executive board of mine workers went into secret session this afternoon, going over the details of the strike. Mitchell is badly in need of rest.

Bouvier, Mo., March 31.—Two thousand employes in the mines here have stopped work, pending a new wage scale.

CHINAMAN SEEKS CITIZENSHIP

Albany, Or., March 29.—Possibly the only instance on record in the state where a Chinaman, a native of the Celestial empire, was permitted to make his first declaration and renounce his allegiance to the dragon, is the "declaration of intention" of Jim Westfall, an Albany Chinaman, to become a citizen of the United States. This declaration was made and sworn to before D. Andrews, county clerk, January 3, 1896. Jim cannot be permitted to take out final papers, as the law specifically states that no Asiatic can become a citizen except by birth. Jim wears no queue and dresses like an American.

Another Earthquake

Palermo, March 29.—Another severe earthquake occurred here today. Many families are leaving the island.

NEWS FROM NATIONAL CAPITAL

Washington, March 29.—Mrs. Roosevelt, accompanied by Ethel, Quentin, Archie and the servants, left this morning for Florida, where they will board the Mayflower for a cruise in Cuban waters.

The senate today passed a bill appropriating \$60,000 to establish three life saving stations, and build a telephone line from Gray's Harbor to Cape Plattery. Also to require white lights on towers in navigable streams and on the great lakes.

Details of gubernatorial elections in the Philippines show the party favoring immediate independence has made several gains. Those closely allied elected several governors, while those favoring to await the judgment of the United States won but few victories.

Washington, March 30.—President Roosevelt received a telegram from Mitchell and Robbins today, declaring that at least 50 per cent of the operators are willing to sign the scale demanded by the miners. This is taken to mean that the miners believe there is no cause for the president's interference.

The cabinet this afternoon adjourned after two hours and a half's discussion on the coal situation. Loeb announced the president has not answered the operators' telegram, and probably no step will be taken in the matter today.

If the president follows the cabinet's advice he won't interfere in the coal situation. It is understood he has been counseled that it would be inadvisable to appoint a commission now. It is pointed out that the miners and operators have not exhausted all means to avert a strike.

Washington, March 31.—The president is determined to take no hand in the coal strike until every possible means for settlement is exhausted. This meets with the approbation of even the administration's sharpest critics.

Senator Gorman is so ill that he is not expected to appear in the senate again this session.

The president has appointed Frederick Whitebridge, of New York, special ambassador to represent the United States at the wedding of the king of Spain.

RESPONSIBLE FOR 800 LIVES

Lena, March 31.—The mining commission this morning placed the responsibility for the great loss of life in the mines upon the engineers whose duty it is to oversee the rescue work, the commission declaring that at least 800 lives could have been saved.

Paris, March 31.—The ministry has decided to decorate with the Legion of Honor Henri Nemy, the miner who assumed the leadership of the thirteen men entombed for 29 days, and kept up their courage through great suffering.

JIMMY MYERS GETS HIS SALOON LICENSE

Ashland, Or., March 29.—The city council has granted James L. Myers, formerly of Eugene, a license to conduct a saloon at the corner of Main street and the Plaza, the most prominent corner in the city.

This is the fifth saloon licensed since the town went "wet." The prohibitionists in the council make no objection to licensing all corners irrespective of the location of the saloon.

Card of Thanks

Leasburg, Or., March 30.—We wish to extend our sincere thanks to the neighbors and friends who so kindly assisted us in our great bereavement.

MRS. M. A. GODARD AND FAMILY.

The firm of Wilcox & Bell, employment agents, has been dissolved by mutual consent. Wilcox will continue the business at the old stand.

INSPECTION INTERESTING EVENT

The quarterly inspection of Companies A and C and the presentation of emblems for proficiency in target practice at the armory last night was witnessed by a large crowd of spectators. Major Geo. O. Yoran was the inspecting officer and Adjutant-General Wm. E. Finzer presented the decorations. He made a pleasing little speech in which he took occasion to compliment the local companies upon their splendid appearance at inspection and upon their good records at the target range.

The following members of the companies, with the rank attained in target practice, were decorated:

FROM COMPANY A.

Sergeant Raymond L. Ferdeu, Sergeant Robert E. Morris, Corporal James L. Furnish and Private Edward A. Rohne, experts.

Private Henry C. Maxwell, Private Edward R. Davis, Private James B. Lombard, sharpshooters.

Private Walter W. Purdy, Private James A. Russell, Sergeant Chas. H. Watts, Private S. F. Barringer, Corporal V. D. Callison, Private Walter W. McCormack, Private Cecil Henderson and Sergeant W. L. Copperton, marksmen.

FROM COMPANY C.

Sergeant Wm. A. Gilbert, expert. Private Enoch H. Fisher, sharpshooter.

Captain J. M. Williams, First Lieutenant Geo. Willoughby, Corporal Lawrence Jensen, Musician Wm. G. Williams, Private John L. Morgensen, Private Joseph W. Milby, Private George E. Wood, Private Ray H. Wood, Private John Scoggin, marksmen.

From the non-commissioned staff, Sergeant-Major R. Claude Gray, marksman.

BASKETBALL GAME.

In the basketball game after the inspection between teams from the two companies, Company A won by the score of 21 to 20. The game was fast and furious, and at times became a little rough, but good feeling prevailed and every one was satisfied with the outcome.

The following was the lineup of the two teams:

Co. C	Co. A	
Newell	forward	Faust
Gilbert	forward	Branstetter
Harris	center	Gaby
Stevenson	center	Gaby
Farrington	guard	McCormack
Hurd	guard	Hulston

DR DRIVER REPLIES TO MILLER

Eugene, Or., March 29, 1906. To the Editor:—I see in your issue of March 28 an article from my old friend George Melvin Miller, paying me the high compliment of a logical thinker, etc., and yet assails my conclusion, which, to say the least, is not the cause he attempts to advocate. If I dared to think loud enough to make my thoughts public, George would be advised to return to his old avocation of making "Flying Machines" and "Issuing Bonds," which got him the unenviable position of being in "Bondage."

I. D. DRIVER.

COTTAGE GROVE HAS A THIRD TICKET

Cottage Grove Western Oregon: At a personally called convention held on Tuesday evening last the third municipal ticket was nominated for the city election which will be held next Tuesday, April 3. The candidates on this ballot are:

Mayor—F. B. Phillips.
Recorder—W. C. Conner.
Treasurer—Herbert Eakin.
Councilmen—First ward, W. L. Hubbell; Second ward, W. F. Hart; Third ward, George Comer.

Died

Louis Hartwig, a McKenzie resident, died at the Eugene hospital this forenoon of Bright's disease, aged 69 years. The burial will take place at the Eugene Masonic cemetery tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

He was born in Germany in 1837 and came to the United States when 23 years old, locating on the McKenzie above Gate creek. Was married in 1855, his wife surviving him at Walterville. Nine children were born to them, all surviving. L. E. Mrs. Sherman Hickson, Mrs. Ernestine Sturtevant, L. M., Pleas, Herman F., Charles, Mrs. Emma Sturtevant and Miss Katie.

DON'T WANT RESERVE OPENED

Cottage Grove, March 29.—In view of the general resentment of the people of this section regarding the circular letter recently received from Senator C. W. Fulton relative to the throwing out of 50,000 acres now in the reserve and advocated by Judge G. R. Christian in a letter of recent date to the senator, a mass meeting was held in this city on Monday evening. The meeting was well attended, and a number of short addresses antagonistic to such a procedure were made by prominent citizens, after which by unanimous consent of those present a committee on remonstrance was appointed to draft a letter denouncing any attempt to molest the present boundaries of the forest reserves of Lane county. The following is the text of the letter drafted and forwarded to Senator Fulton:

Cottage Grove, Or., March 29, 1906.

Senator C. W. Fulton, Washington, D. C.

Honorable Sir:—Relative to your letter of March 13, in which you call attention to the advisability of releasing possibly 50,000 acres from the forest reserves in Lane county, and in which you invite the expression of the public, taking the affirmative that said area is more valuable for "other than forestry purposes," we, a committee on remonstrance appointed in mass meeting assembled on the evening of March 26, 1906, beg leave to say:

We are opposed, positively opposed, to any act that treats upon any attempt, in whatsoever manner, to open any part of the government reserve in Lane county, Oregon, to settlement.

We hold that there is not in the reserve above mentioned 500 acres that, in the true meaning of the law, is fit for settlement for agricultural purposes.

We advocate the purchase of matured timber on the reserves, by mill operators, at reasonable prices, in reasonable quantities, with reasonable limitation of time as the essence of the contract, without discrimination, always bearing in mind that the small operator is entitled to the same protection and consideration as the large one, but we do not believe that it is sound policy on the part of the government to throw a single acre out of the protection of the government reserve.

We believe, in opening this land to settlement at this time, the government would invite another land fraud scandal as in our judgment, in nearly every instance a man to lay title to said land, from an agricultural viewpoint, would be obliged to perjure himself in the strict meaning of the term.

We beg of you to use every energy in your power to discourage every movement pointing to the molestation of the present boundaries of the forest reserves in Lane county, Oregon.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed by Committee.)

FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

James Handsaker, a brother of "Uncle Sam," with his wife, is spending the winter in Southern California. He is now at Long Beach and writes under recent date: "We have had rather cold, stormy weather, but like midsummer now. Strawberries are ripe, humming birds in abundance. Real estate very high and 800 agents here. Everything moving. Climate fine—never take cold—such quantities of fish. A shark weighing five tons and 36 feet long was just brought in. Have been to San Pedro on a small steamer, seven miles away. Fine harbor and great shipping point for lumber. Sixty chances to go and return every day to Los Angeles."

ODD FELLOWS WILL CELEBRATE

Thursday, April 26th, will be the annual anniversary celebration of the Odd Fellows' lodges. Springfield has been chosen for the place to celebrate this year, and a royal good time is expected. Springfield lodge will be joined on that day by Spencer Butte, West Point, Irving and Crow. The committee are arranging a very interesting program.—Springfield News.

The new management of the Cottage Grove Light Company has also bought the large smoke stack, a heater and other pieces of machinery from the old light company. There is very little remaining now of this once excellently equipped station.