

## The Estacada News

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### NEWS OF THE WEEK

In a Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

A Resume of the Less Important but Not Less Interesting Events of the Past Week.

Russia is buying supplies heavily in America.

Russia may propose a joint government of the island of Sakhalin.

Oyama is ready to fight at once should peace negotiations be broken off.

Yellow fever in New Orleans is on the decrease, but is increasing on plantations near the city.

Graft in the army has been found in connection with contracts for supplying clothing and other supplies.

President Roosevelt is said to have selected a Federal judge for the district of Oregon, but will not make the announcement for some time.

The contract for a new custom house at San Francisco has been let. The building is to be finished by March 1, 1908, and will cost \$1,194,000.

Chairman Shonts, of the Canal commission, says one of the first considerations must be the proper housing of employes, and buildings will have to be erected for them.

The Interstate Commerce commission will shortly increase the minimum percentage of air brakes used on freight trains engaged in interstate commerce to lessen the danger of accident.

There are now 340 cases of yellow fever under treatment in New Orleans.

It is believed Judge R. S. Bean will be the next Federal judge for Oregon.

France fears her Indo-China colonies are in danger of Japanese domination.

The Russian cruiser Pallada, which was sunk at Port Arthur, has been refloated.

Eleven boys from the Oregon state reform school made a successful break for liberty.

The Peary expedition has left Labrador for the Greenland coast, and reports all well.

Russia is angry at the peace terms offered by Japan. The whole nation denounces them.

Work has been suspended on the Culebra division of the Panama canal on account of a shortage of funds.

A petition signed by 100,000 French people urges the establishment of an armistice and the conclusion of peace.

City oil inspectors of Kansas City have found 20 out of 35 measures used by the Standard Oil company at that place to be short.

Excavations for the new newspaper building of M. H. DeYoung in San Francisco have seriously endangered the Chronicle building.

An automobile occupied by four prominent men of Pueblo, Colo., was struck by lightning near that town and one of the men instantly killed.

Charles M. Schwab will spend three months in Europe studying the latest shipbuilding plants, and then erect plants at all Atlantic coast ports.

It is now generally believed that agents of Japan are behind the Chinese boycott movement, as American goods in China are being replaced by goods of Japanese manufacture.

A heavy vote is expected on the referendum in Norway.

Roosevelt tells China boycott is in violation of the Chinese treaty.

Many firemen were terribly burned in a New York soap factory fire.

President Roosevelt makes vigorous speech on Monroe doctrine and trusts.

Japanese delegate says Japan will not yield a point from terms offered.

Forest fires near Mullan, Idaho, nearly smothered a number of miners in a tunnel.

Governor Folk, of Missouri, wants to attend the Lewis and Clark fair, but fears to leave his state for fear gambling will be revived.

Witte positively rejects two of Japanese conditions. Russian opinion is united against terms offered by Japan.

A woman was entombed for two hours in a crevasse in a Montana glacier for two hours. She was finally rescued without serious injury.

Russia thinks the peace terms beyond reason.

Russia is about to remove the duty on American machinery and tools.

About 550 deaths from smallpox have occurred in Valparaiso, Chile, during the last week.

President Roosevelt addressed the coal miners at Wilkesbarre, and was enthusiastically received.

Nearly 2,000,000 immigrants have arrived in the United States from Europe in the past three years.

French and British sailors parade the streets of Portsmouth, England, arm-in-arm, while admirals dine together.

Japan's terms of peace include reimbursement for the entire cost of the war, and ceding of the island of Sakhalin.

James H. Lewis says he was offered bribe of \$100,000 if he would not prosecute Chicago saloons for keeping open after hours.

Farmers in the vicinity of Seville, Spain, are forced to eat roots of wild plants to avoid starvation, and bread riots are frequent.

Dakota wheat was damaged \$1,000,000 by a hail storm.

A genuine yellow fever case has developed at Callao, Peru.

An extensive bomb factory has been discovered at Gomel, Russia.

#### REVENUE MEN SHAKEN UP.

Four Agents Have Been Requested to Hand in Resignations.

Washington, Aug. 15.—The Star tonight says: There has been a big shake-up among the agents of the internal revenue service, but just how far it has gone is a matter of speculation. It is stated, however, that four well known revenue agents have been asked for their resignations and that at least two of the four have come here for a conference with Commissioner Yerkes, of the Internal Revenue bureau.

These are Captain Charles H. Ingram, in charge of New England work, stationed at Boston, and C. H. Burg, who has had a section of the Southwest under his charge and has been located in Texas. The names of the other two agents could not be learned today.

#### Volcano in Nevada.

Reno, Nev., Aug. 15.—A volcano, throwing off molten lava and in active operation, has been discovered in Nevada by cattlemen of Lovelock. The volcano is located in Rye Patch, Humboldt county. Although that section has been traversed for years, the crater has just been found for the first time. The men were in search of cattle when they came upon the stream of lava, and tracing it to its source, located the volcano.

#### Inquiry by Six States.

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 15.—Insurance Auditor Pierce announced today that the insurance department of Nebraska, working with Wisconsin, Minnesota, Louisiana, Kentucky and Tennessee, would on October 1 begin an investigation of the affairs of the Equitable, New York Life and Mutual insurance companies in the states named.

## MAKING PROGRESS

### Peace Conference Agrees Upon Terms on Three Points.

### HARD NUTS ARE YET TO CRACK

Both Russia and Japan to Evacuate Manchuria and Respect Territorial Integrity of China.

Portsmouth, Aug. 15.—Although very rapid progress was made with the peace negotiations yesterday, three of the 12 articles which constitute the Japanese conditions of peace having been agreed to by Mr. Witte and Baron Rosen on behalf of Russia, neither of the two articles to which Mr. Witte in his reply returned an absolute negative was reached. The crisis, therefore, is still to come. It may be reached today, as the cession of Sakhalin comes fifth in the list. The three "articles found," as they are officially designated in the brief communications authorized to be given to the press, which were disposed of yesterday, are in substance as follows:

First—Russia's recognition of Japan's "preponderating influence" and special position in Korea, which Russia henceforth agrees is outside of her sphere of influence, Japan binding herself to recognize the suzerainty of the reigning family, but with the right to give advice and assistance to improve the civil administration of the empire.

Second—Mutual obligation to evacuate Manchuria, each to surrender all special privileges in that province, mutual obligation to respect the "territorial integrity" of China and to maintain the principle of equal rights of all nations to that province (the open door).

Third—The cession to China of the Chinese Eastern railway from Harbin southward.

There was never any question about the acceptance on the part of Mr. Witte of these articles, the first two covering in more emphatic form the contentment of Japan in the diplomatic struggle which preceded hostilities.

#### Car Builders Combine.

Philadelphia, Aug. 15.—Eight hundred of the heads of the largest firms in the country have engaged rooms in a local hotel for the second week in September for a convention that is looked forward to with hope by the business men as being the possible forerunner of one of the greatest consolidations of recent years. It is an open secret that numerous conferences have been held during the last six months and that by absorbing works at St. Louis and Elizabethport, a beginning has been made toward a general consolidation.

#### Taft Would Be President.

Washington, Aug. 15.—Men very close to Secretary Taft declare that the secretary of war has turned his eyes away from the supreme bench and now has them riveted on the presidential chair. They say he has been listening attentively to the buzz of the presidential bee until he has lost all interest in his prospect of becoming chief justice. They further declare that the secretary has now reached the stage where he would decline an offer of the chief justiceship, fearing it would injure his chances for the presidency.

#### Typhoon Drowns Hundreds.

Victoria, B. C., Aug. 10.—News is received here by steamer of the loss of over 100 small vessels of the Japanese pearling fleet off Goto island, 545 of over 600 men on board being missing and believed to be drowned. Fifteen boats with 74 men survived the typhoon and about 100 men reached Mejima island.

## VOTES TO FORSAKE SWEDEN

Citizens of Principal Cities Turn Out En Masse with National Colors.

Christiana, Norway, Aug. 15.—The Norwegian people, in a referendum vote, have pronounced in favor of the dissolution of the union with Sweden with remarkable, though not unexpected, unanimity. Of 450,000 voters, 320,000 cast ballots. While the full result will not be known for some time, up to midnight returns show that about one person in 3,000 voted against dissolution. The difference between the total number of voters and the number of votes cast is attributable to absentees, such as sailors abroad and others who are out of the country at present.

There were scenes of the greatest enthusiasm everywhere. Thousands of women who did not have the right of franchise signed petitions in the streets indorsing the dissolution. In Christiania and other towns, the entire population turned out, every one wearing long streamers of the national colors and pictures of Premier Michelsen.

One of the members of the cabinet said to the Associated Press:

"The result surpasses the most sanguine expectations. The next official steps will be taken after the storthing meets, August 21, when the result of the vote will be communicated to the Swedish government. The storthing will repeat the request that the riksdag declare the riksakt in operation and the union dissolved.

"The storthing will also express a willingness to negotiate concerning the details of the dissolution.

"It is the earnest desire of Norway to conclude the dissolution amicably. Norway will never retract, but everything will be done to meet the wishes of Sweden in other directions.

"If peace depends upon abolishing the forts they will be abolished. Norway must remain a monarchy. The people do not desire a republic."

#### TYPHOID IN WASHINGTON.

Many New Cases and Rapid Spread Due to Bad Water.

Washington, Aug. 15.—Twenty-nine new cases of typhoid fever and two deaths from the disease were reported to the health officers today. The outbreak has passed in severity that of 1903, when the greatest number of persons under treatment for the disease at any one time was 224, and it had spread rapidly. Health officials are bending every effort to fight the disease, including a house-to-house inspection of back yards and cellars with a view to remedying unsanitary conditions.

One bed of the new filtration plant will be opened probably tomorrow, thus reducing to that extent the danger from typhoid fever and other disease germs which, it is believed, comes from drinking unfiltered water.

#### Killed by Lightning.

Pueblo, Colo., Aug. 15.—While going to Beulah, a summer resort 30 miles west of this city, early this afternoon, George E. Bragdon, one of the most prominent business men of Pueblo, was instantly killed by lightning. Mr. Bragdon and a party of three other well-known men were making the trip in an automobile, intending to spend the day with their families. About half way between the two places a severe electrical storm was encountered and during the storm the machine was struck and Mr. Bragdon was killed.

#### Oil Measures Are Short.

Kansas City, Aug. 15.—Information has been field against George W. Mayer, manager, and William Shaw, local superintendent, of the Standard Oil company, charged with selling coal oil and gasoline from short measures. Twenty out of 35 tank wagons' measures tested were found short by the city inspector. C. F. Wilson, president of the company which makes the five-gallon measures used by the Standard Oil company, is on his way to Kansas City, having been summoned here by Mr. Mayer.