

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.

ARMED FORCES FOR CUBA.

All Elements Oppose Plan for Large Standing Army.

Havana, April 30.—The plan of a standing Cuban army of 12,000 men, as suggested by the general staff of the American army, is most attractive to that element of the Cuban people which is fond of the gold lace and regalia of the Spanish-American armies.

But among the conservative elements the plan excites really less interest than the preceding one to recruit the rural guards up to 12,000 men. The latter plan was vigorously opposed, even by the liberals, who, it was supposed, would have jumped at the opportunity for a lavish distribution of patronage, and while the standing army scheme has been framed to meet their objections, the apparent impossibility of this accomplishment has caused it to be received with something very like derision.

ABANDON STEAMER AT SEA.

Lucifer Springs Leak and Crew Has to Leave Her.

Falmouth, April 30.—The British steamer Lucifer, from New York, April 12, for Rotterdam, arrived here today and landed the crew of the steamer Lucifer, bound from New York for Dublin, which was abandoned in latitude 40.19 north, longitude 60 west. Members of the Lucifer's crew said it was discovered April 8 that the vessel's hold was filling with water. The pumps were manned, but the water gained. The steamer drifted helplessly. The captain ordered all the boats stocked with provisions for 12 days and made ready for instant use. A keen lookout was kept and three days later the crew was relieved to see the lights of two passing vessels. Their distress signals, however, were not seen, and a part of the cargo was jettisoned to lighten the vessel and keep her afloat, though it was evident she could not survive much longer. Finally after a week the Sagami was sighted and the crew transferred. Shortly after this the Lucifer foundered.

HURL STONE'S AT LEGATION.

Mexican Authorities Highly Indignant at Gusterman Mob.

Mexico City, Mex., April 30.—Extreme indignation has been caused here by the report that the American and Mexican legations in Guatemala City have been stoned by a mob of several hundred men. There is evidently a strong inclination to give credence to the report.

WILL TALK TO ROOSEVELT.

Central Federated Union Committee to Ask for a Conference.

New York, April 30.—The Central Federated union today, instead of unanimously condemning the president for his action in the Moyer-Haywood matter as has been reported, stood about evenly divided on the question which has stirred labor unions all over the country. The discussion, which lasted more than three hours, was the most bitter ever heard at a Central Federation union meeting. The result was that the meeting, representing more than 100,000 workers in Manhattan, ordered that a committee of three go to Washington and have a heart-to-heart talk with President Roosevelt regarding his criticism of Moyer and Haywood.

Change Alaskan Mails.

Seattle, Wash., April 30.—John P. Clum, postmaster at Fairbanks, former postal inspector in charge of Alaska offices, and regarded as one of the best postal officials in the North, has filed recommendations with the Postoffice department that it carry out will revolutionize the handling of Alaska winter mails. He urges the abandonment of the Canadian route via the White Pass road and Dawson, declaring the route by way of Valdez will save from three to six weeks' time in delivery of mails to lower Yukon points.

Big Fire in Emeryville.

Berkley, Cal., April 30.—A disastrous fire started in the wool fiber and plaster works at Emeryville last evening, and before the firemen could control the flames the plant was destroyed, together with the F. M. Unphred Furniture factory and the Southern Pacific depot at Emeryville. The race track sheds and grandstand of the California Jockey club were endangered and the Jackson Iron works badly damaged. Two oil tanks of the Southern Pacific company were burned and dwellings were also destroyed.

Witte Offers Criticism.

St. Petersburg, April 30.—Count Witte, the ex-premier, in a characteristic speech before the council of the empire today dealt with the question of the statutes in regard to experts assisting committees in the duma. He took an advanced stand to a certain extent, asking for liberal support; criticized the majority of the council of the empire, and said it was unworthy of being called the upper house. Count Witte's action is hailed with approval.

Scurvy in Famine Lands.

St. Petersburg, April 30.—Scurvy has increased greatly in the famine districts. An urgent meeting of the government relief committee has been called for tomorrow following the receipt of a telegram from Zemstvo, president of the province, reporting 1,000 cases and asking for aid.

Hood River Turns It Down.

Hood River.—At a special meeting of Pine Grove grange No. 356 the proposition of referring the University of Oregon appropriation bill to the people was turned down by a large majority. The movement is unpopular in this part of the state.

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Rate is Illegal.

Railway Commission Renders Opinion Against Southern Pacific.

Salem.—After due and mature deliberation the Oregon Railroad commission has rendered its opinion finding the \$5 rate per ton of 2,000 pounds upon rough green fir lumber from Portland to San Francisco bay points, is excessive, discriminatory and contrary to the rules, orders and regulations of the Interstate Commerce law, and unless the Southern Pacific company restores the old rate of \$3.10 per ton upon the same commodity "within a reasonable length of time," about two weeks being considered "reasonable" by the commission in this case, the case will be placed before the Interstate Commerce commission through the medium of the attorney general of the state.

Offers \$2 for Tidelands.

Salem.—Another effort has been made by T. Hendryx, of Portland, who represented himself and nine others to induce the State Land board to consider their application for the purchase of approximately 2,500 acres of tidelands and accretions consisting of a group of small islands situated in Clatsop bay, at \$2 per acre, but the only encouragement he and his attorney, G. F. Martin, could secure was that the applications would be placed on file to await the further action of the board after the new law goes into effect increasing the minimum price from \$2 to \$5 per acre.

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Wheat at Athens Looks Well.

Athens.—"Fall wheat in this locality is looking fine as a rule, and in cases where it is not coming on as it should there is cause for it, and something is wrong," said a prominent farmer here. "In such cases the surface is usually found to be hard, as if it was baked. This condition can be relieved by putting on a zigzag furrow, which loosens the soil around the roots and brings the moisture to the surface. This should be followed with a roller."

Oppose Referendum Move.

Brownsville.—Ash Swale grange is one of the granges of Linn county that does not take kindly to the proposition to use the referendum on the State university appropriation.

Portland Markets.

Wheat—Club, 75c; bluestem, 77c; valley, 72c; red, 74c.
Oats—No. 1 white, \$29.50; gray, \$28 @29.
Rye—\$1.45 @1.50 per cwt.
Barley—Feed, \$22.50 per ton; brewing, \$23; rolled, \$23.50 @24.50.
Corn—Whole, \$25; cracked, \$26 per ton.
Hay—Valley timothy, No. 1, \$16 @18 per ton; Eastern Oregon timothy, \$17 @18; clover, \$9; chest, \$9; grain hay, \$8 @10.
Apples—Common, 75c @ \$1.25 per box; choice, \$1.50 @2.
Vegetables—Turnips, \$1 @1.25 per sack; carrots, \$1 @1.25 per sack; beets, \$1.25 @1.50 per sack; horseradish, 7 @8c per pound; cauliflower, \$1 @1.50 per dozen; lettuce, head, 35 @45c per dozen; onions, 10 @12 1/2c per dozen; radishes, 20c per dozen; asparagus, 11 @15c per pound; rhubarb, 3 @4c per pound.
Onions—Oregon, \$3 @4 per hundred.
Potatoes—Oregon and Eastern, \$1.85 @2 per sack; sweet potatoes, 8c per pound.
Butter—Fancy creamery, 22 1/2 @25c per pound.
Butter Fat—First grade cream, 26c per pound; second grade cream, 20c less per pound.
Poultry—Average old hens, 15 @16c per pound; mixed chickens, 15 @15 1/2c; spring fryers and broilers, 22 1/2 @25c; old roosters, 10 @12c; dressed chickens, 16 @17c; turkeys, dressed, 18 1/2 @20c; geese, live, 8c; ducks, 16 @18c.
Eggs—12c per dozen.
Dressed Meats—Veal, 5 1/2 @8c per pound; beef, 3 @3 1/2c; cows, 5 @6c; country steers, 6 @7c; mutton, 10 @10 1/2c per pound; ordinary, 8 @9c; spring lamb, with pelts, 13c; pork, 6 @9c per pound.
Hops—7 @10c per pound, according to quality.
Wool—Eastern Oregon average best, 13 @18c per pound, according to shrinkage; valley, 21 @22c, according to fineness; mohair, choice, 29 @30c per pound.

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OPENS EXPOSITION

President Roosevelt Presses Button and Starts Wheels.

Also Delivers Address of Day

Big Fair Commemorating 300th Anniversary of First English Settlement in America is Opened.

Norfolk, Va., April 27.—President Roosevelt, the diplomatic, naval and military representatives of foreign nations and the governors of a score of states participated yesterday in the opening exercises of the Jamestown Tercentennial exposition. The exposition is far from complete, but this was not allowed to interfere in any way with the celebration of the 300th anniversary of the first English settlement in America. From the firing of a sunrise salute of 300 guns by the United States army through the picturesque review of the international fleet of war vessels anchored in Hampton Roads, through the ceremonies of dedication, at which the president spoke, and down to a late hour last night, when the chief executive went aboard the naval yacht Sylph to spend the night, the day was crowded with incidents.

FIND SECRET OF WRECKED.

New York Railroad Commissioners Say Broken Rails Increased.

Albany, N. Y., April 27.—Broken rails removed from railroad tracks in this state during January, February and March of this year were much more numerous than in the corresponding three months of either of the past two years, according to a bulletin issued today by the state railroad commissioner. The bulletin says:

MAY PROSECUTE THIEVES.

Pennsylvania Capitol Commission Has Evidence of Much Graft.

Harrisburg, Pa., April 26.—As a result of the investigation by the legislative commission into the expenditure of \$9,000,000 for furnishings and decorations for the new state capitol, it is probable that criminal proceedings will be instituted by the state against certain persons who have prominently figured in the construction. The commission has been investigating the charges of extravagance, overcharges, duplications in payment of bills and fraud for nearly two months and has yet to take the testimony of many important persons who have knowledge of the subject under investigation. Among those to be examined is ex-Governor Pennypacker.

Urges Dissolution of Douma.

St. Petersburg, April 26.—Several provincial governors have arrived in St. Petersburg to support the movement for dissolution of parliament upon the ground that the debates are causing agitation and ferment. This, it is alleged, is especially noticeable in the provinces where the agrarian disorders of 1905-06 occurred. The panic feeling among the liberals as to the possibility of a dissolution of parliament has subsided, owing to the cordial manner in which the emperor received Premier Golovin.

Bonilla is Still Warlike.

Costacacolas, Mexico, April 26.—Ex-President Manuel Bonilla, of Honduras, arrived here last night direct from his own country via Salina Cruz. He declares he will await here the arrival of a steamer from the south which will bring a friend and then will proceed to Belize and from there back to his own country to take up arms. He takes a pessimistic view of the conditions and outlook in Central America.

Arrange Tariff for Year.

Berlin, April 26.—It is understood that the new provisional tariff between Germany and the United States shall endure for one year and that it will prolong itself automatically if no notice of a change be given.

FOR NEGRO EDUCATION

Agged Quaker Woman Provides for Schools in South.

Philadelphia, April 24.—A gift of \$1,000,000 for the establishment of a fund for rudimentary schools for Southern negroes was announced here tonight. The donor is Miss Anna T. Jenne, a Quaker of this city.

Suspicious Aroused.

French Officials Believe Incendiary at Work in Toulon.

Toulon, April 24.—For the sixth time within a few months this port has been stricken by disaster from fire, but this time the resultant damage is principally material. Shortly after midnight a sentinel at the arsenal noticed a glare of flames in a storehouse used for rope yards. He at once gave the alarm and soldiers, members of the crews of warships in port and employees of the arsenal were turned out to fight the flames, which spread with incredible rapidity.

Expenses of German Army Grow.

Berlin, April 24.—During the discussion in the reichstag today of the army appropriation, General von Eilen, minister of war, referred to the difficulties encountered by the army administration recently because of the purpose of the government to rearm the field artillery, the foot artillery and the infantry as quickly as possible. The extraordinary expenses in the rearmament appropriation for 1907 include \$10,250,000 for the rebuilding of fortresses, against \$5,250,000 in 1906. When this is done, expenses will be less.

Stops Sale of Block Tickets.

Minneapolis, April 24.—The Interstate Commerce commission has stopped the issuance of cheap tickets to Chicago by the "Block system" on the Minneapolis & St. Louis rail line. All of the cheap tickets will be withdrawn.

Attack Guatemala Next.

Mobile, Ala., April 24.—Passengers arriving here today from Honduras say President Zelaya will declare war again in Guatemala in about two months. They say the natives of Honduras believe this fervently enough to begin work on sandbag fortifications fronting the town. The general opinion is that Zelaya will now turn his attention to Guatemala. All traces of the recent trouble have been smoothed over and the Nicaraguans are in control.

Say Strikebreakers are Imperted.

Vancouver, B. C., April 24.—Prosecutions were commenced this morning in the Supreme court under the alien labor act against Smith & Sherburne, Alderman & Baynes & Horie, contractors, charging that they brought here ten carpenters from Seattle to take the places of local strikers. It is alleged the men were hired by Agent Williams in Seattle and that their fares were paid to Vancouver.

Li Hung Chang's Son Appointed.

Peking, April 24.—Lod Li Ching Fang, the adopted son of the late Viceroy Li Hung Chang, has been appointed Chinese minister to London. The new minister is very wealthy. He was formerly minister to Japan and was the second plenipotentiary of China at the time of the peace negotiations after the war between China and Japan.

Coldest April in El Paso.

El Paso, Tex., April 23.—The temperature here fell to 31 degrees last night and a heavy frost covered everything and did damage to fruit. It is the coldest April weather known in El Paso's history. Twenty-two years ago the temperature got down to freezing.

Treasure Revealed by Earthquake.

Lisbon, April 24.—A cave was discovered containing valuable treasure including many old pieces of gold coins, jewelry and a treasure chest. Recent earthquakes which exposed the cave, made the discovery possible.

Plague Rages at Cartagena.

Madrid, April 24.—According to an evening newspaper, the minister of marine has received a telegram from the captain general at Cartagena saying the plague is raging at that port and that 500 persons have been sent to hospitals.

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