

The Estacada Progress

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ESTACADA OREGON

RESUME OF THE WEEK'S DOINGS

General Review of Important Happenings Presented in a Brief and Comprehensive Manner for Busy Readers—National, Political, Historical and Commercial.

Thaw's mother claims he is badly treated at the asylum.

Extensive grafting has been uncovered at Montreal, Canada.

Telegraph companies have suspended new rules in regard to codes.

Harriman surveyors are at work on line from Eureka to Portland.

Taft confers with cabinet on interstate commerce and anti-trust laws.

The city of Monterey, Mexico, headquarters for the Reyes party, has been swept by fire.

Wisconsin politicians will try to involve President Taft in politics when he visits in that state.

Two more spectators and a mechanic were killed in the Indianapolis auto races, making seven in all.

Trans-Mississippi congress asks opening of mineral and farm lands in reserves and indorses Pinchot.

President Diaz, of Mexico, has sent more troops to check the Reyes movement and may be obliged to call off his meeting with President Taft.

Wellman's dirigible started for the North Pole, but a series of accidents ended finally in the explosion of the balloon and abandonment of the attempt.

One of the Moroccan rebel leaders has been captured.

Spanish warships are bombarding the position held by the Moors.

The Greek flag in Crete has been brought down by a shot from a foreign warship.

The row between Pinchot and Ballinger is likely to cease Pinchot's resignation.

A British battleship went ashore off the coast of England. It is hoped to save the vessel.

Henry has been nominated by the Democrats of San Francisco for prosecuting attorney.

Thirty-nine of Japan's leading business men have started for America for a tour of the United States.

Thaw has been returned to the insane asylum without special privileges. His mother will continue the fight.

The Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad includes Bibles among the books furnished to the library compartments of their trains.

Prohibitionists from all quarters of the country will celebrate in Chicago, September 22, the 40th anniversary of the founding of their party.

The standard of the G. A. R., carried in parades at national encampments for 20 years, has been missing since the parade at Salt Lake.

Harriman has started home apparently in good health and spirits.

A slight earthquake has been felt through Central Illinois and Iowa.

Reports from Paris say Spain is anxious to negotiate with the Moors.

The trial of the Japanese strikers on Hawaiian sugar plantations is nearing an end.

The Calhoun trial in San Francisco has been delayed by the illness of one of the attorneys.

Americans in Mexico are forming a military company for the protection of American residents.

The contract has been signed at Pekin admitting Americans to a share of the Chinese railway loan.

The proposed visit of Taft to Seattle has been the subject of a question. The question is whether the president shall play golf or see the fair.

The San Francisco primary election nominated William Crocker as mayor on the Republican ticket. Henry is behind his ticket for prosecuting attorney.

Bryan will visit the Seattle exposition during its closing week and the defeated candidate for presidential honors is expected to be quite a drawing card.

A great legal battle is on in the Federal courts at Portland for the extension of the Oregon Trunk railroad, the opposition to Harriman up the Deschutes into Central Oregon.

The recent heat wave at St. Louis has caused 37 deaths.

Excessive heat caused an epidemic of murder and suicide in Chicago.

Charles Dakin, a melter at the Denver mint, has been arrested, charged with stealing government gold.

The reported acquisition of the New York Central lines by Harriman would give him a second transcontinental route.

The provisional government of Crete has sworn allegiance to the king of Greece and the powers will have to step in and take charge.

The fire chief of Roswell, N. M., shot and killed a man accused of being an incendiary after he had been fatally wounded by his antagonist.

The Niagara Falls has claimed another victim, a young boy who was swimming in the river above the falls.

Mexican officials say there is no doubt but that congress will give President Diaz permission to cross the border into the United States to visit President Taft, who will later return the visit.

Corn is suffering in Nebraska from intense heat and lack of moisture.

The British house of commons has passed the South African confederation bill.

AIR FULL OF AEROPLANES.

Speed Record Broken—Wright Machines do Best.

Rheims, Aug. 24.—The spectacle of six aeroplanes simultaneously winging their flight in huge circles near the plain at Bethany here today marked the opening of aviation week. At the finish there was a great burst of cheers over this wonderful and impressive exhibition.

Intermittent showers and high winds prevailed, and the eliminating trials for the selection of the French representatives for the James Gordon Bennett international cup, which is to be contested next Saturday, were spoiled. Only Le Pelve, with a Wright bi-plane, Bleriot, Esnault-Pelterie and Captain Forber succeeded in negotiating the complete circuit of the course. He remained in the star for five minutes in a 25-mile wind, breaking the speed record heretofore held by Tissandier, covering 10 kilometers in 8 minutes 55 4/5 seconds.

Of the others entered in the trials, Bleriot was only able to cover a sufficient distance to qualify.

Shortly before dark the rain suddenly ceased and the wind fell to a dead calm. The sky pilots soon were busy in getting their machines out. Latham was first, away, resuming his high from the start. He passed the cheering tribunes at the height of 150 feet. Lambert, Sommer, Cockburn, De la Grange and Fournier followed in quick succession, and as Latham was completing the first round, now at a height of 300 feet, six aeroplanes, like sea-gulls, were hovering over the field.

Fournier was first down, falling head-on into a haystack as Lambert swept round into the second lap, his machine seeming to cut a brilliant rainbow.

Meanwhile LePelve started afresh and was followed by LaBlanc, Bunnau-Varella, Tissandier, Forber, Bleriot and Paulhan, until the entire air seemed filled with mammoth birds.

Latham came down after finishing the second round, the others gradually dropping out until only three Wright machines remained aloft. Lambert made four and LePelve and Tissandier three circuits each.

LePelve concluded with a thrilling demonstration of the maneuvering capacity of his machine, circling around the starting point, cutting several figure eights and swooping down over the people in front of the tribunes, Lambert finishing at the same time.

During this exhibition Lambert and LePelve passed each other twice and gave other evidences of control over their machines. The Wright aeroplanes alone completed the required three rounds.

All the principal automobile manufacturers have representatives here watching the contests with a view to embarking into the manufacture of motors.

Lieutenant Commander F. L. Chapin, American naval attaché in here, having received cable instructions from the navy department to attend the contests.

FLY BEFORE FLAMES.

Settlers Driven From Idaho Forests and Fires Still Rage.

Spokane, Aug. 24.—Fires raging in forests northeast and southeast of Spokane are destroying an immense area of splendid timber and driving the few settlers in the more isolated region to the river's brink for safety.

While the fire along the Pend Oreille river in Washington is under control, it still blazes furiously, having cut a swath a mile wide and several miles long. The damage will total an immense sum.

Terrific winds are blowing this evening near Sunpoint, Idaho, fanning small fires, which so far have been under control, and they threaten serious damage. A large fire south of Coealla threatens to destroy timber belonging to H. C. Culver. Eighteen men are now fighting this fire, but cannot subdue it.

The Lumbermen's Protective Association is pressing every available man into service to fight the flames. A large fire is reported to have done a great deal of damage at Naples, Idaho, but at present there is no means of communication with this place. Another large fire between Granite and Athol is reported to have destroyed a large tract of standing timber.

Forest fires have destroyed several farm houses in the vicinity of Port Hill, north of Bonners Ferry, Idaho, burning much timber also. Men cannot be had to fight the flames, and the fire is spreading rapidly. A large force of men is working day and night to extinguish the flames, but have not made any headway.

A million dollars would not pay for the timber already destroyed, but it is difficult to estimate the exact loss. Forest rangers have the fire under control east of Bonners Ferry.

Crazed by Fool Questions.

San Francisco, Aug. 24.—George L. Root, a tourist conductor of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, who was found wandering about the railroad yards in a half-demented condition today, attributes his mental breakdown to the complaints, protests and questions poured into his unwilling ears by a party of tourists of which he was in charge on the trip to the coast from Kansas City.

In his lucid intervals, at the hotel where he declared that the worst of his charges after a slight accident in Colorado caused his mind to become unbalanced from worry.

Six Killed in Labor Riots.

Pittsburg, Aug. 24.—In a battle between troopers and strikers tonight, following a wild riot, six were instantly killed, ten perhaps fatally wounded and nearly a score seriously hurt. The rioting followed a day of quiet and broke out during the night. The fight occurred at the Pressed Steel Car plant at Schoenwald. During the early stages of the rioting women were conspicuous. Some of them were armed, and others effectively used clubs and stones. These women, all foreigners, were apparently incited to the riot, and were mainly responsible for inciting the men to extreme measures.

Wellman Will Try Again.

Camp Wellman, Dunes Island, Spitzbergen, Aug. 16, via Christiansia, Aug. 24.—To the general relief of the members of the polar expedition, Walter Wellman, although disappointed at the mishap to his dirigible balloon, announced today that he was more determined than ever not to abandon his plan. Mr. Wellman plans to build a new ship, longer and narrower than that which exploded, and of high speed. Workmen today started enlarging the airship house for another campaign.

Cloudburst in Colorado.

Ouray, Colo., Aug. 4.—A cloudburst this afternoon caused a flood in this city more disastrous than that of a month ago. Portland and Cascade creeks overflowed. The water was three feet deep in the streets. No fatalities were reported.

NEWS ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST FROM THE STATE OF OREGON

WALLOWA HAS FINE HAY.

Autumn Crop Will Be Close to 15,000 Tons, All Good Grade.

Wallowa—More than 15,000 tons of hay will be shipped from this valley this fall. The crop has been an excellent one, and the quality of the product is of the best. Outside buyers have contracted nearly all the crop that will be shipped, and local stockmen have bought up practically all that remains for sale. One Portland firm has bought 10,000 tons.

The hay is mostly alfalfa, timothy and clover. There is some wild hay and a small amount of grain hay. Other crops are in proportion to the hay crop, and this year will be one of the most prosperous ever known in Wallowa county, owing to the completion of the railroad and the ready shipping facilities thus afforded.

Land Values Jump.

Talent—In the spring of 1901 M. L. Pellet sold his 12-acre tract to William Lamb for \$800. About eight acres of it was seeded to alfalfa. A short time thereafter Mr. Lamb sold the tract to E. R. Outman for \$1,000. Alfalfa did not look nearly so good to Mr. Outman as he imagined growing apple trees would and he at once put this notion into operation. That spring he set the land to apple trees. Two years ago Mr. Outman set the remainder of the tract to Bartlett pear trees. The consideration of a recent purchase was \$10,000 cash. It can be easily figured that this particular tract of land has grown in value in eight years just \$9,200.

Selecting Crater Lake Route.

Klamath Falls—B. F. Herdell, the government engineer who has been sent from Washington to make the preliminary location of the road from Medford and Klamath lake, has returned to the city, after spending several days looking over proposed routes to Crater Lake, both on the east and west sides of Upper Klamath river. Engineer Herdell has not sufficiently selected the several routes to justify a selection yet, and will spend considerable more time in his reconnaissance before rendering a decision. Before coming to this side of the mountains he had carefully looked over more than a dozen routes from Medford.

Delegates to Good Roads Convention.

Salem—Delegates to the second annual National Good Roads convention, to be held at Cleveland, Ohio, September 21 to 23, under the auspices of the American Automobile Association, the National Grange, the United States Office of Public Roads and the American Roadmakers' Association, have been appointed by the governor as follows:

A. J. Johnson, Corvallis; J. L. Carter, Hood River; J. H. Albert and John H. Scott, Salem; R. M. Dooley, J. Portland; W. G. Cole, Pendleton; H. P. Bellamy, Prineville; A. T. Duxton, Forest Grove; H. T. Botts, Tillamook; Morris Webber, Roseburg; and John D. Olwel, Medford.

New Railroad Along Coast.

Salem—For the purpose of building a standard gauge railroad from Newport through Cape Point, south to the town of Otter Rock to a point on the Siletz river, the Newport, Otter Rock & Siletz Railway Company has been incorporated. Articles of incorporation were filed in the office of the secretary of state this morning.

The new road is capitalized for \$100,000. The incorporators are E. M. Bradford, D. L. Kent and R. F. Baker. The corporation is endowed with power to acquire real estate and equipment and to do all things necessary to build the road from Newport to the Siletz river.

School Heads to Meet June 28.

Salem—The annual convention of county school superintendents has been called by J. H. Ackerman, superintendent of public instruction, to meet in his office Monday, June 28. Among the topics to be considered are school supervision, how it may be made more effective; school libraries, how to use them; annual institutes, most important subject to emphasize for all institutes this year; school sanitation, which has been done, what should be done; school board convention, value of, how to conduct.

Barklow Sells Mountain Farm.

Weston—B. F. Barklow has completed the sale of his mountain farm, consisting of 80 acres, about 40 tillable, the balance pasture land, to Wesley Allyn, lately from here. Mr. Barklow purchased 800 acres of fruit land from the Stanley-Smith Lumber company for the purpose of planting it into small tracts. The tract is said to contain some of the finest apple land in the valley. One section of it can be reached by the river road and the new road across Post canyon will also make a direct route to it. It is understood that the price paid was \$50 per acre.

Wallowa to Boost.

Wallowa—The Wallowa Booster club has just issued 5,000 circulars descriptive of the town and surrounding country. These are being mailed out rapidly by business men and the secretary of the club. Already inquiries are coming in and the club anticipates a large number of home-seekers in the valley as soon as the colonist rates are in effect.

New Grist Mill for Wallowa.

Wallowa—The Wallowa Mercantile company has just installed in their grist mill at this place a full complement of new rolls and new machinery throughout, and have built an addition to the mill increasing its capacity to 75 barrels per day.

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Montana Farmer Makes Success of Working Dry Land.

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Grain Bags—5 1/2c each.

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Eggs—Oregon ranch, candled, 27@27 1/2c per dozen.

Poultry—Hens, 15c; springs, 15 1/2c; roosters, 9@10c; ducks, young, 12 1/2@13c; geese, young, 10@11c; turkeys, 20c; squabs, \$1.75@2 per dozen.

Pork—Fancy, 11@11 1/2c per pound.

Veal—Extra, 9 1/2@10c per pound.

Fruits—Apples \$1@2.25 per box; peaches, 75@81c per crate; cantaloupes, \$1.75 @2; plums, 35@75c per box; watermelons, 11@11 1/2c per pound; blackberries, \$1.50@1.75 per crate.

Potatoes—75c@81c per sack; sweet potatoes, 3 1/2c per pound.

Onions—\$1.25 per sack.

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Hops—1909 contracts, 21c per pound; 1908 crop, 14@15c; 1907 crop, 11c; 1906 crop, 8c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 16@23c per pound; valley, 23@25c; mohair, choice, 24@25c.

Cattle—Steers, top, \$4.50 @4.65; fair to good, \$4@4.25; common, \$3.75 @4; cows, top, \$3.50@3.65; fair to good, \$3@3.25; common to medium, \$2.50@2.75; calves, top, \$5@5.50; heavy, \$3.50@4; bulls and stags, \$2.75 @3.25; common, \$2@2.25.

Sheep—Top wethers, \$4@4.25; fair to good, \$3.50@3.75; ewes, 1/2 less on all grades; yearlings, best, \$4; fair to good, \$3.50@3.75; spring lambs, \$5.25 @5.50.

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