

DOINGS OF THE WEEK

Current Events of Interest Gathered From the World at Large.

General Resume of Important Events Presented in Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

Friends of Senator Lorimer are planning a big banquet in his honor.

Secretary Nagel is mentioned for a place on the Supreme court bench.

President Estrada, of Nicaragua, proposes a new treaty with the United States.

A launch party of 15 Bellingham people is missing, and it is feared they are lost in a gale.

High society people composing the Narragansett club of New York are on trial for gambling.

David Eccles, millionaire lumberman of Utah, will have to stand trial for timber land frauds in Oregon.

Maine has elected a Democratic governor and three representatives, and may elect a Democratic U. S. senator.

Railroads throughout the country report an average gain in earnings of 10.1 per cent for August, as compared with August 1909.

Ten high officials of the Swift, Armour and Morris packing houses have been indicted for conspiracy and illegal monopoly.

Disastrous forest fires are sweeping Whatcom county, Washington, and have burned many ranches and every house in the town of Hazelmere.

A Tacoma young woman, with only a dog and a horse for company, will hold down a claim for 30 days in a wild and lonely spot near Dietrich, Idaho.

Colonel Roosevelt has finished his Western tour.

Roosevelt compliments Pittsburg for putting the "higher-ups" in jail.

The total attendance at the Livestock show in Portland was 46,000.

Mrs. Seligman, wife of a prominent New York merchant, will sing in grand opera.

Admiral Eavens, endorses San Francisco as the place for the Panama exposition of 1915.

Nine men were killed by falling rock in an open cut where the Erie railroad is making at Jersey City, N. J.

The Eucharist congress which has just adjourned at Montreal chose Vienna as its next meeting place.

A prominent St. Louis man, a descendant of a wealthy family, will write a book exposing St. Louis society.

Lorimer has resigned his membership in the Hamilton club, of Chicago, and a great loss of membership is scheduled to follow.

Gold bars to the value of \$57,500 disappeared in transit from Fairbanks, Alaska, to Seattle, and lead bars were found in their place.

The mother of Alfonso, of Spain, threatens to abandon the country permanently, on account of the tactics of Premier Canalejas in the religious controversy.

Pope Pius X takes extra precautions against the growth of modernism in the church.

The servants of the shah's palace at Teheran, Persia, have gone on a strike for wages due.

An American diplomat declares this country may be forced to occupy or annex the Panama canal country.

A Jap at Chehalis, Wash., paid a fine of \$525 to avoid going to the penitentiary for an attempted burglary.

Three men are known to be killed, several injured and many missing as the result of an oil explosion on the battleship North Dakota.

An Alaskan miner was overtaken and devoured by wolves. Another man was pursued by them for two weeks, but finally reached a settlement.

The Texas legislature has instructed its congressmen to work for the repeal of the Fourteenth amendment, which confers the right of franchise upon negroes.

Escaped convicts from a road camp near Lyle, Wash., set fire to the timber to prevent pursuit by bloodhounds, and serious forest fires have started as a result.

The county treasurer at Tacoma, Wash., is selling \$153,526 worth of delinquent tax certificates against the property of the Weyerhaeuser Lumber company.

Investigation shows that graft money was paid to New York legislators through brokers, who gave the recipients generous opportunities to speculate.

Oscar Hammerstein will build the world's finest opera house in London.

The International Harvester company has been declared a trust by the Missouri courts.

It is believed Secretary Ballinger will be vindicated by the conservation investigating committee.

Governor Crothers, of Maryland, promises some startling disclosures in connection with the cocaine business in Baltimore.

Two men were drowned in the St. Lawrence river by the overturning of their motor boat, while their wives stood helpless on shore but a few feet away.

The Catholic bishop of Detroit, Mich., protests against the reading of the bible in the public schools, claiming that only churches have a right to teach religion.

Louis Sherry and John B. Martin, leading restaurant men of New York, and also Martin's wife, were arrested for smuggling valuable wearing apparel at New York.

CAR FERRY SINKS; 30 PERSONS PERISH

Ludington, Mich., Sept. 10.—Thirty lives were lost today when Pere Marquette ferry No. 18, bound from Ludington to Milwaukee, went to the bottom of Lake Michigan. The dead include Captain Peter Kilty, of Ludington; S. F. Sozpanek, of Chicago, purser and wireless operator, whose signals of distress brought assistance to the sinking steamer, and two members of the crew of car ferry No. 17, who lost their lives in an effort to rescue the crew of No. 18.

Ely Colbean, of Saginaw, Mich., a member of the crew of No. 18, would make the 31st victim, but it is believed he was not on board when No. 18 foundered.

The steamship company issued a list of 45 names of survivors of the wreck, all members of the crew, most of whom were brought here tonight on Pere Marquette No. 17. Eight bodies were recovered.

Today's disaster is one of the worst in the history of navigation on Lake Michigan. The car ferry Pere Marquette No. 18 was the flagship of a fleet of six steel car ferries owned and operated by the Pere Marquette Railroad company.

The boat was valued at \$400,000, and the cargo, which included 29 loaded cars, at \$100,000 to \$150,000. The total loss will exceed \$500,000, which is fully covered by insurance in Lloyd's of England.

"Ferry No. 18 sinking. Help!" was the wireless message that brought the first news of the disaster to this city about 5 o'clock this morning.

The flash was repeated continually for nearly an hour, but was unheeded.

The cause of the disaster is a mystery. Among the survivors the conclusion seems to be that the car ferry's after water compartment filled through an open or broken deadlight, which was followed at the last minute by a bursting of bulkheads.

Leaving Ludington at 11:30 o'clock last night with a fair, but stiff, wind, and carrying 29 loaded cars, the ferry made good weather for five hours on its course to Milwaukee.

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INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE STATE

PROGRESS IS MADE.

Dr. Withycombe Reviews Work on Umatilla Experiment Farm.

Hermiston.—Dr. James Withycombe, director of the State agricultural college experiment station, was here this week for the purpose of making a personal inspection of the Umatilla experiment farm, located at the edge of this city. Dr. Withycombe, in discussing the farm and project in general, said:

"The work on the experimental farm is making excellent progress and Mr. Allen, the superintendent, is certainly conducting some interesting demonstrations that should prove of great value to the settlers upon the project. The varied tests of fruits, cultural methods and systems of application of water should all prove to be very beneficial to the new settler."

"This is an entirely new agricultural section and conditions are somewhat different from any other district, hence the tests made at the experimental farm are especially opportune to determine what variety of forage plants, fruits and vegetables will do best."

"The farm has already demonstrated that winter rye is a valuable crop for adding inexpensive humus to the soil. This is especially important, as the greatest need of this sandy soil is organic matter."

ENTIRE APPLE CROP SOLD.

Hood River Fancy Apples Bring Over Half Million Dollars.

Hood River.—The largest deal for fancy apples ever made on the American continent was consummated at Hood River recently when Steinhart & Kelly, the big New York commission firm, purchased the entire output from Hood River orchards. The crop this year will amount to 400 cars, or about 250,000 boxes, consisting of Spitzenbergs, Newtowns, Arkansas Blacks, Orleans and Jonathans.

This sale cleans up the entire Hood River crop, and is the largest single purchase ever made by one firm. The price will aggregate considerably over \$500,000. Joseph Steinhart was present in person and made the purchase after having been in Hood River but a few hours.

This is the third consecutive year that this firm has bought the entire apple output of the Hood River valley. The purchase was made through the Hood River Apple Growers' union, that controls nearly 90 per cent of the Hood River apples. The prices will not be made public until after the other crops of the Northwest have been sold, but it was stated by the directors of the union that the prices paid were highly satisfactory as compared with other years. Consignments will be forwarded to New York immediately after packing, which will begin in a few weeks.

The Davidson Fruit company, of Hood River, closed a deal for its entire output of Mosier Spitzenbergs, Yellow Newtowns and Orange Reds, that will total about 12,000 boxes. While the prices received will not be made public it is stated that they run very high. The Mosier crop was sold through the Mosier Fruit Growers' union. The Davidson Fruit company purchased the entire Hood River apple crop three years ago and made a flattering offer for this season's crop a few weeks ago, that they have since withdrawn, and which was made for immediate acceptance.

Many Buy Hermiston Land. Pendleton.—Attorney R. R. Johnson, who has been in the interest of the land in the west end of Umatilla county, has returned to Pendleton. He was accompanied by several persons who have recently purchased some of the old Maxwell company lands at Hermiston. While in the east Johnson organized six different corporations, all of which purchased the Maxwell lands.

C. L. Morgan, who has been operating C. L. Morgan, has returned to Erie and will bring a carload of settlers out.

ASHLAND TO EXHIBIT FRUIT.

Ashland.—The Ashland commercial club held a very important meeting recently. The club voted to expend not to exceed \$200 to pay one half of the expense of the horticulture exhibit from Ashland to the Rogue River valley district fair to be held in Grants Pass October 4, 5, 6 and 7. The club also took action looking toward the exhibit of a carload or more of apples at the Spokane apple show and at the show at Vancouver, B. C.

EUGENE TO SHOW APPLES.

Exhibits Placed in Every Show Window in Principal Street.

Eugene.—A big apple fair is planned for Eugene during the latter part of October or the first of November. The promotion board of the Commercial club has taken the matter up and the club will soon appoint committees to start the hall rolling. It is planned to place exhibits in every show window of all the stores on Willamette street, from the Southern Pacific depot to Tenth street, a distance of five blocks, making a splendid display. Suitable prizes will be offered by the citizens of the city for the best apples on exhibition. The prize winners will be sent to the Portland apple show, to be held soon afterward, and they will compete for the prizes offered there.

FARMERS RAISE PERFECT APPLES.

Redmond.—J. A. Wright is displaying a lot of apples that he raised on his farm one and a half miles west of town. The fruit is of the Yellow Transparent variety, large, well shaped, glossy and without a blemish. The apples possess a peculiarly delicious taste, due, it is claimed, to the clear dry atmosphere in which they were grown. Joseph H. Jackson, whose farm is south of Redmond three miles, has samples of apples that were grown on his place and are of the same fine quality as those raised by Mr. Wright. Their uniform size is a fraction more than 13 inches in circumference. From the Teetherow place on the Deschutes river, about six miles from here, another supply of apples has been received.

RESTOCKING TROUT STREAMS.

Ashland.—The work of restocking Rogue river and its tributaries with fish is proceeding steadily with the best success. The last shipment consisted of 2,000 Eastern brook trout, and they were placed in Ashland creek. The little fellows were but an inch long, and arrived in fine shape from the Clackamas hatchery. Although the journey they made was long, but five of the fish were dead at the time the cans were emptied into the creek. Another shipment of 50,000 Eastern trout will be made in September.

TO ADJUST ROGUE RIGHTS.

Salem.—James T. Chinnock, secretary of the water board and candidate for water division No. 1, has gone to Rogue River valley, where he will join H. L. Holgate, present water superintendent for the first division. They will prepare a list of the water users along the Rogue river and its tributaries as the last step in the proceedings prior to the adjudication of the rights along that stream. The adjudication will be ready for approval in September.

PEAR TREE YIELDS \$126.

Ashland.—William Scheble claims to have the champion Bartlett pear tree in the state. The tree is said to be 42 years old and has borne 37 consecutive crops of pears. In 1905, Mr. Scheble says he netted \$126 from the product of this tree. The tree is 22 inches in diameter and has a spread of 50 feet and is 45 feet high. This year Mr. Scheble expects to harvest at least 50 boxes from the old tree.

PAYS \$57,000 FOR 1950 ACRES.

Olex.—The J. Ward ranch of 1,920 acres, located 8 miles southeast of Olex, belonging to the Grant Wade estate, has been sold to R. J. Ginn, a prominent rancher of Moro, for \$57,000. The ranch is all tillable, with the exception of 100 acres of pasture land, and has plenty of water. There is 1,000 acres of grain on the place this year, which is being harvested.

HILL TO TAP COAST.

Road Will Be Pushed Through to Los Angeles, Is Rumor.

Los Angeles.—Well-informed railroad men believe that to all intents and purposes James J. Hill has, or is about to force a way through to this coast for his trains.

Hill has for some time controlled a line to Benson, Ariz., within 50 miles of this city. He is master of the Burlington, reaching with its main line to Denver, and the Colorado & Southern from Denver to Fort Worth.

Handing the reins of the latter line to Hill was one of the biggest mistakes ever made by the late E. H. Harriman, because at Dallas the Colorado & Southern crosses the Rock Island, which operates over the Phelps-Dodge road, the El Paso Southwestern, to El Paso, whence trains come over the Southern Pacific. The Phelps-Dodge line continues, however, to Benson, and its owners have arranged to build to Phoenix.

These interests are at war with the Southern Pacific, and it is understood they have a track-right arrangement with the Santa Fe, which will be highly advantageous to the latter when the new link is built.

There is every reason to expect, authorities declare, from that connection Hill, through his Phelps-Dodge influence, will operate to this coast over the Santa Fe via the Parker cutoff.

MAN EATS GRASS TO LIVE.

Alaskan Prospector Saved From Starvation on Yukon Island.

Seattle.—A special dispatch from Fairbanks, Alaska, says that one of the deckhands of the steamer Monarch has an acute appreciation of what it means to be stranded on a desert isle.

On the last trip of the Monarch down the Tanana river, some one noticed that a flag was being waved from a little island in the river. Captain Blair stopped his boat and sent back to investigate. There he found an unfortunate man who had been wrecked on the island, lost all of his outfit and was reduced to the necessity of eating grass.

As the man had been three days without food, he was weak, but he accepted a job as a deckhand on the Monarch, where good meals revived him.

PETRIFIED FISH ARE FOUND.

California Miners Discover Two Prehistoric Monsters of the Sea.

San Andreas, Cal.—Word was brought here from Railroad Flat that in the tunnel of the Bouvier mine, near the Calaveras river, 15 miles east of Mokelumne Hill, two immense petrified fish were found a few days ago, one 37 feet long and the other 15.

The longest one was lengthwise of the tunnel and the miners had blasted into it some distance before they determined what it was. Then it was too late to preserve it, large portions having been blown to pieces. The other one was crosswise and the tunnel was put through it.

The fish were imbedded in cement gravel, and had no doubt been there many centuries, since gravel filled what must have been in the remote past an immense inland sea.

CLARA MORRIS IN FLIGHT.

Aged Actress, Destitute, May Lose Her Home.

New York.—Blind, feeble from illness, deserted by those whose friend she was when they were needy, Clara Morris, 20 years ago the idol of applauding audiences, will be turned from under her roof unless \$20,000 can be raised to lift the mortgage on her home on Riverside avenue. Headed by a man who had never seen Clara Morris off the stage, a company known as the Clara Morris Holding company, has been organized to save her house for her and has raised \$15,000 towards lifting the mortgage of \$30,000 on the home of the once famous tragedienne. But unless the remaining \$15,000, together with an additional \$5,000 to meet interest, taxes and assessments for some years to come is secured, Clara Morris may be thrown on charity for support.

Many Preachers to Quit. Charles City, Ia.—When the Upper Iowa Methodist conference convenes in Charles City next week, it will find itself face to face with a decided shortage in the number of preachers necessary to fill the pulpits. Fifty charges in the conference will have to be filled from a source not known at present. Fifty-seven men, the greater part of them in the prime of life, a number of them only a few years out of the university and seminary, will quit the ministry at this time and take up secular work.

AVIATOR HAS BAD SMASH.

Boston.—In the Harvard-Boston aero meet here, Claude Graham-White, of England, ended an hour's flight by landing sideways in his Farman biplane, crumpling up the right side of the lower plane and damaging the chassis. White was unhurt. In the duration of flight Ralph Johnstone, in a Wright biplane, was eventually compelled to come down on account of trouble with his motor. White exceeded Johnstone's duration mark by nearly four minutes. White had also taken the honors in distance.

EXPENSE EXCEEDS SALARY.

Atlanta, Ga.—For the Democratic nomination for governor of Georgia, Hoke Smith, successful candidate in the recent primary election, paid \$17,596.10, according to an itemized account filed by him with the comptroller of the state. Of this amount friends contributed to his campaign fund \$7,007.47. Governor Joseph M. Brown spent \$3,950.75. The office of governor pays a salary of \$3,000 annually.

CONVICTS TO BE WHIPPED.

Austin, Texas.—The last official act of the fourth special session of the Texas legislature was the signing by lieutenant-governor and speaker of the house of the law making radical changes in the conduct of the state penitentiary. Whipping in the cases of convicts in what is known as the third or incorrigible class, was restored.

ARBITRATION WINS

Hague Tribunal Settles Newfoundland Fisheries Question.

United States Wins Five Out of Seven Disputed Points—Treaty of 1818 Made Clear.

The Hague, Sept. 8.—In the gloomy little chamber of the permanent arbitration court, beneath large paintings of men whose names are associated with the cause of the world's peace, five judges, who since the first of June have considered the Newfoundland fisheries dispute between the United States and Great Britain, this afternoon pronounced the tribunal's historic verdict.

The decision gave neither principal a clear-cut award, but in the seven questions at issue supported the United States in five and Great Britain in two.

The court will be a memorable one because it settled finally the disputes arising from the British-American treaty of 1818, which have caused continued diplomatic controversies, and incidentally because of the six-day speech of Elihu Root, which lawyers here regard as having been the greatest presentation of a case at The Hague.

On one of the two questions decided in favor of Great Britain, the United States has raised certain questions of equity which will have to be submitted to a special commission for determination.

Englishmen are pleased with the award, because under it the three-mile limit is based on headlands, instead of following the sinuosities of the coast, and because their sovereignty is upheld by confirming Great Britain's right to make reasonable fisheries regulations without concurrence of the United States.

The award provides that existing disputed fishing regulations shall be submitted to a commission composed of one expert from each country and Dr. Paulus Shock, the fisheries adviser of the Netherlands. The award holds that by the treaty of 1818 permission is given to Americans to enter certain bays and harbors for shelter and repairs and to take on board wood and water.

COOL TOWARDS ROOSEVELT

Socialist Mayor of Milwaukee Gives No Reception