

NEWS OF THE WEEK

General Resume of Important Events Throughout the World.

Congress is ready to take final vote of the Underwood tariff bill.

Missouri Methodist ministers refuse to join the anti-smoking crusade.

Eight negro convicts were smothered to death in an airless cell in Richmond, Texas.

President Huerta fulfills his promise to aid Americans out of Mexico, by giving first-class passage.

Mrs. Russell Sage has distributed \$44,000 among institutions in Syracuse, N. Y., her girlhood home.

Loss of American life and property in Puerto Plata, caused the U. S. to send a cruiser to Santo Domingo.

Anti-Chinese demonstrations in Tokio are assuming serious proportions and the populace is calling loud for war.

U. S. Chemist, C. C. Moore, finds that Oregon's surplus potatoes could be manufactured into glucose starch or stock food.

William T. Jerome, prosecutor of Thaw, who was arrested in Caticobac, Que., for gambling, was promptly acquitted.

Mrs. Sadie Burton of Portland, Ore., was drowned when she plunged into the river to save her 5-year-old daughter. The child was saved by a workman.

A spelling-bee was broken up in Racine, Wis., when a swarm of honey bees, which had made its home in the school house during the summer vacation, began buzzing among the pupils.

Convicts in the Joliet, Ill., penitentiary, have started a movement for a national organization of paroled convicts, who would strive to hold paroled convicts to their parole promises.

Republicans won back lost ground in Maine when they elected John A. Peters to fill a vacancy in the Third congressional district, by a plurality of 553. Wilson carried the same district last year by over 1,000.

Later estimates of the European hop crop are considerably reduced.

A small gasoline schooner was wrecked in Alaskan waters and five persons on board are believed to be lost.

The power boat Oregon Kid was swamped and sunk in 25 feet of water while far in the lead in a race at Buffalo, N. Y.

A plot has been discovered to overthrow the Nicaraguan government, and arms are being distributed to oppose the rebels.

Roosevelt advises ex-Governor Sulzer, of New York, to "explain fully."

Reports from the 259 state banks of Washington show an immense improvement over the corresponding period for 1912.

Ex-King Manuel, of Portugal, and Princess Augusta Victoria, of Germany, were married quietly at Sigmaringen, Germany.

Governor West, of Oregon, has commuted to life imprisonment the death sentence of Robert Morgan, who murdered his sweetheart.

Property loss of several millions was caused by a hurricane on the coast of North Carolina, and it is rumored a heavy loss of life occurred on one of the storm-swept islands.

Attorney General Crawford, of Oregon, has decided that the Industrial Welfare commission of the state has power to limit and to fix the hours of labor for women in stores.

Revenue officers have unearthed a gigantic opium smuggling ring at San Francisco, in which officers of trans-Pacific steamers and many revenue office employees are said to be involved.

Wheat—Track prices: Club, 79¢ @ 80¢; stem, 85¢ @ 86¢; forty-four, 80¢ @ 81¢; red Russian, 77¢ @ 78¢; valley, 80¢. Oats—No. 1 white, \$2.50 per ton. Corn—Whole, \$37; cracked, \$38 per ton.

Millet—Bran, \$23.50 per ton; middlings, \$21 per ton.

Barley—Feed, \$24.50 per ton; brewing, \$26.50; rolled, \$27.25 per ton.

Hay—Fancy Idaho timothy, \$16 @ 17; fancy Eastern Oregon, timothy, \$15 @ 16; timothy and clover, \$14 @ 15; timothy and alfalfa, \$13 @ 14; alfalfa, \$13; clover, \$8.50 @ 10; oat and vetch, \$10 @ 11; cheat, \$10 @ 11; valley grain hay, \$10 @ 11.

Onions—Walla Walla, \$1.50 per sack. Vegetables—Beans, 3¢ @ 4¢ per pound; cauliflower, 2¢ @ 2½¢ per pound; cauliflower, 2¢ per crate; corn, 10¢ @ 15¢ per dozen; cucumbers, 20¢ @ 40¢ per box; eggplant, 5¢ @ 7¢ per pound; head lettuce, 35¢ @ 40¢ per dozen; peas, 5¢ @ 7¢ per pound; peppers, 6¢ @ 8¢ per pound; radishes, 10¢ @ 15¢ per dozen; tomatoes, 20¢ @ 25¢ per box; garlic, 10¢ per pound.

Potatoes—Oregon, \$1.41 @ 1.25 per hundred; sweet potatoes, \$2.25 per crate.

Green Fruit—Apples, 75¢ @ 82.25 per box; cantaloupes, \$1.25 @ 1.75 per crate; peaches, 40¢ @ 45¢ per box; watermelons, \$1.25 @ 1.50 per crate; plums, 75¢ @ \$1 per box; pears, 50¢ @ \$1 per box; grapes, 75¢ @ \$1.25 per crate, 40¢ per basket; casabas, \$1.75 per dozen; nectarines, 75¢ @ \$1 per box.

Poultry—Hens, 18¢; Springs, 18¢; turkeys, live, 20¢ @ 22¢; dressed, choice, 25¢; ducks, 12¢ @ 14¢; geese, young 12¢ @ 15¢.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, case count, 27¢ @ 28¢ per dozen; fresh ranch, candled, 22¢ @ 23¢.

Cheese—Oregon triplets, 16¢; Daines, 17¢; Young Americas, 18¢.

Butter—Oregon, creamery butter cubes, 34¢ per pound; butter fat, delivered, 34¢ per pound.

Pork—Fancy, 12¢ @ 12½¢ per pound. Veal—Fancy, 15¢ @ 16¢ per pound. Lard—Prime, 8¢ @ 8.25¢; choice, 8.50¢ @ 8.75¢; medium, 8.25¢ @ 8.50¢; Prime crows, 8.75¢ @ 9.00¢; choice, 9.00¢ @ 9.25¢; medium, 8.75¢ @ 9.00¢; light, 8.50¢ @ 8.75¢; heavy, 8.25¢ @ 8.50¢; stags, 8.50¢ @ 8.75¢.

Hogs—Light, \$8.75 @ 8.90; heavy, \$7.50 @ 8.35.

Sheep—Wethers, \$2.30 @ 4.25; ewes, \$3.50 @ 4.00; lambs, \$4.00 @ 5.25.

JAPAN WOULD WAR WITH CHINA

Government Formulating Terms to New Republic.

London.—A Tokio dispatch to the Mail says: "The government announces that it is formulating terms for presentation to China regarding the Nanking murders and insults offered to two Japanese military officers."

Tokio.—The assassination of Morihiro Abe, director of the political bureau of the Japanese Foreign Office, has inflamed the masses, and a dramatic chapter in the history of the new Japan was written.

Fifteen thousand persons gathered in mass meeting in Hibiya Park, calling for military action against China. A majority of these marched to the foreign office and clamored for admission. They demanded the dispatch of troops to China to take such measures as were necessary to obtain satisfaction for the killing of Japanese at Nanking, or failing that, the resignation of the Minister of Foreign Affairs Baron Nobuaki Makino.

The speakers denounced the emptiness of Japanese diplomacy in connection with China and insisted that the insult to the Japanese flag at Nanking should be wiped out. The manifestation clearly was an explosion of popular resentment against the ministry and its treatment of the California and Chinese questions.

Profiting by the lessons of the riots which followed the conclusion of peace between Russia and Japan, the government reduced the risk of election by refusing to allow a single soldier or policeman at the scene. The manifestants, many of whom were students, were orderly the early part of the proceedings. A score of agitators, including a girl, defied Japanese diplomacy and declared that it never had contributed to the upbuilding of the empire and had always ended in disaster. The incidents in China were unbearable.

TWO SAWMILLS WILL CLOSE

Dull Lumber Market Affects Business of Astoria Plants.

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OREGON STATE NEWS IN GENERAL

Industrial and Educational Items of Interest To Oregonians

AUTOS SHOW IMMENSE GAIN

Motor Vehicle Registrations for August Are 508.

Salem.—The motor vehicle registrations made with Secretary of State Olcott during August were 508, as against 352 in August, 1912. The total fees from motor vehicles and chauffeur registrations from January 1 to date aggregate \$54,190, as against \$41,190.50 for the corresponding period last year. The total number of licenses issued to August 31, 1912, was 3706, while thus far during the present year they total 13,416, showing a gain in motor vehicle registrations during 1913 of approximately 37½ per cent.

Mr. Olcott stated that the total motor vehicle registrations for 1913 on the present basis will reach fully 14,000, and that the total fees for the year will be not less than \$55,000. This money will be used to defray the expenses of administration, which will not exceed 20 per cent of the fees, will be distributed throughout the various counties this coming January, in proportion to the registrations from the counties. Multnomah county will receive the lion's share of the money, as more than 50 per cent of registrations are from that county.

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only one in the service who will be able to obtain this information for me. To show you how much I trust you and your ability, I give you carte blanche—you may do as you please. If you should find it necessary, you may even elope with him. Here is a special order and passport, also an extended account upon all the state banks.

"I see; but what is it that you want to know?"

"Everything, my dear countess; but especially the situation across the Atlantic."

"I think I know what my duties are, and will start for Heligoland tomorrow. When shall I report progress?"

"When your mission is at an end."

The Countess Rosiny picked up the documents, looked them over and placed them in her handbag.

The punctilious chancellor escorted her to his office door and bade her goodby, wishing her good fortune. When the door closed behind the departing countess the chancellor rubbed his hands with satisfaction. "I am glad she took the commission so calmly. Now, my dear chivalier, if you can withstand those violet eyes you are not an ordinary mortal but a saint!"

The countess' beautiful face was set and determined; she had not spoken, but storm was raging in her heart.

Three days later the captain told his prisoner that a new guest was expected; that she was a lady of the court, charged with conspiracy against the government.

The chivalier laughed. "I should not be surprised to find an old acquaintance in the free conspirator."

The captain's eyes grew round and his honest face expressed surprise, but he made no comment.

The following morning Countess Rosiny arrived. The apartment adjoining that of the chivalier was given her and the prisoners met in the presence of Captain Euler at the breakfast table.

The greeting that Chivalier di Leon gave was quite a surprise to the countess; he acted courteously, but gave not the least sign that he had ever met her before. When the breakfast was over he retired to the reading-room, where the countess followed him, without the captain.

"You don't seem to recognize me, chivalier?"

He glanced around cautiously, and when he saw they were alone he whispered: "I thought it might be disagreeable for you, countess, but now that we are alone, I greet you with all my heart."

"What brought you here, chivalier?"

Chivalier di Leon laughed and shrugged his shoulders. "I think it is a caprice of the Count von Wendenstein; he wants to extend all the hospitality he possibly can. Look at those masterfully constructed windows that give you air and light, without permitting you to see even the sky. Is that not the limit of foresight?"

The countess recognized bitter feeling in the chivalier's heart, and casting down her beautiful eyes, she sighed: "From now on you will have a companion in captivity. I do not want to compliment you, but it was quite a pleasant surprise to find you here, chivalier."

"You are more than kind," was all he said.

The days passed more quickly. Many a man would have envied the prison in which the chivalier was killing time seemingly in perfect contentment.

When the month of February was gone he felt a longing for the free air and his thoughts began to concentrate upon an attempt to make a strike for liberty. He examined all the devices that were arranged to prevent escape from the prison.

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CHAPTER VIII.

The Fireworks.

Every evening after that, except when it stormed, the prisoners went up on the roof. These evenings were the pleasantest part of the days.

During the day the chivalier read the daily papers and magazines with great interest. He found plenty of engrossing material, especially the preparations of the confederated navy and army. One article, very well written by one of the chief engineers, particularly attracted his attention. That article described the Z ray and its destroyer. The supply station of destruction was Madeira, from which place heavy cables were laid to reach the 30th longitudinal meridian, along which the Z ray ran. The heaviest current of electricity was conducted, by this tremendous cable to three especially built boats. The Sampoian vibrating rays were generated on these boats. Each ray made 3,000,000 vibrations a second and all were directed in a harmonious line toward the Z ray belt. In time the wall of isolation would fall down under the immense force playing against it, and the invasion of America would follow.

After a long study the chivalier placed the magazine on the table and muttered: "The time for action is nearing."

One evening at the dinner table the chivalier asked Captain Euler if he could have some material for pyrotechnical displays in order to lessen the monotony of their existence.

The kind captain furnished everything he asked for. The countess offered her services and they worked almost all afternoon the next day getting the fireworks ready. But Leon seemed to be an expert; he soon had a large Japanese wheel, several turning stars and also a number of long sky rockets ready.

When evening came they excitedly prepared for the grand fireworks. The sky was clear and the moon had not yet risen. Chivalier di Leon arranged the different pieces, and when the captain came up he looked at the chivalier. The long rocket went high up in the air, whirring and whistling, and then, with a puff, broke into thousands of red sparks. Another puff brought white and the third brought blue.

The next was the Japanese sun; this was fastened to the center of the roof. It circled and sparkled for a long time.

The chivalier was deeply interested in his pyrotechnics and, as the countess assisted him, Captain Euler had to play the part of audience. There was a larger audience outside their inclosure, but that was another world.

When all the set pieces were used the chivalier looked up in the sky, seemingly searching for something; at last his hand went into his pocket and, bringing out an object not unlike a Browning pistol, he said: "And now, ladies and gentlemen, I will show you something new in the pyrotechnical art."

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Tactful Passer.

Mme. Pavlova had to pass through something of an ordeal during her recent visit to Russia. After a performance at St. Petersburg she was called to the Imperial box and the czar asked her why she had ceased to visit in Russia. But the dancer was equal to the occasion. She turned into an animated description of the beauties of her new London home, and especially of her pet swans, parrots, and parrots, who could hardly be expected to enjoy the delights of travel and who even at that moment were pining for the return of their mistress. The czar listened with amusement and made a virtue of necessity when he gave his permission to the great dancer to live where and how she pleased so long as she remembered that her own people were second to none in appreciation of her art.



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