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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.

The flood of the Ohio river is receding slightly.

Jamaicans denounce Swettenham and ask his recall.

A rate discrimination inquiry is in progress in Denver.

The Colorado legislature has passed an anti-carload law.

The Nevada legislature is considering a railroad commission bill.

J. P. Dooliver will be again elected United States senator from Iowa.

Oil in great quantities has been found on land owned by W. E. Hearst in Mexico.

A revised list of the dead and injured of the Terre Haute train wreck shows 29 killed and 23 injured.

The senate subcommittee has reported against Bristol's confirmation as district attorney for Oregon.

The mayoralty contest will cost the people of New York about \$400,000, whether Hearst or McCallan wins out.

The British government has disavowed Swettenham's action in the Jamaica affair and has called on him for an explanation.

Extensive preparations are being made for the meeting of the American National Livestock association at Denver. Four thousand stockmen are expected to be in attendance.

The flood in the Ohio valley is the worst since 1884.

Chicago hopes for a cold wave to stop the epidemic of disease.

Senator Fulton will work for a law to save Columbia river salmon.

General Funston recommends better pay for army officers and men.

High water in the streams at Winfield, Kan., have flooded the town and many families had to move out.

Ex-Governor Higgins, of New York, has been fatally stricken with heart failure.

Sixteen were burned to death in the fire following the collision of a freight and passenger train on the Big Four at Fowler, Ind.

Fire destroyed much of the business part of Beaufort, S. C. The loss is placed at \$700,000. Only one third covered by insurance.

Professor William I. Thomas, of the Chicago university, says woman is not the equal of the white man, but is about equal to the negro mentally.

The Gila river in Arizona has overflowed its banks and is doing much damage.

The San Francisco school board says President Jordan, of Stanford, was flustered with wine when he denounced their attitude in the Japanese school question.

The San Francisco school board is enraged at President Jordan, of Stanford university, because he favors the Japanese in the controversy now on in San Francisco.

The president has signed the bill passed by both houses of congress for the relief of Kingston.

Andrew Carnegie is reported to have said he would give \$200,000,000 to extend his lease on life ten years.

The high water in the Ohio river is causing immense damage in Western Pennsylvania, Ohio and Kentucky.

A Big Four passenger collided with a freight at Fowler, Ind. A number of people are reported to have been killed and their bodies cremated in the fire which followed the wreck.

A pledge to propose a remedy for car shortage has been given by the president.

Never before in the history of Western Canada have the snow storms been so heavy. All railroads are blocked and suffering may result in many places from lack of food and fuel.

A robber at San Bernardino, Cal., walked away with a box containing \$6,500 in gold bullion. The gold was on an express truck at the depot and was bound for the mint.

Admiral Alexeff has regained the favor of the czar.

Ex-Mayor Ballinger, of Seattle, is to be land commissioner.

Roosevelt urges congress to build only big battleships and thinks two should be authorized during the present session.

Two companies of New York have been found guilty of forming a combine to control the licorice trade and fined \$18,000.

Senator Bailey appeared before the Texas legislature in an impassioned denial of the charges of connection with the oil trust.

The steam schooner Sequera, of San Francisco, went on the rocks at Humboldt bay and is a total wreck. The crew was saved.

Boss Murphy, of New York, is said to have made a deal to support Hearst for president.

Thousands of people along the Ohio river are homeless on account of the prevailing high water. Indications point to the greatest flood since 1884.

Twenty-one Korean students in Japan are destitute, owing to cessation of aid from home. They have sent a petition to their government for help and a finger from each student was enclosed as emphasizing the fact.

MISSION AT AN END.

British Governor Refuses Aid for Suffering Kingston.

Kingston, Jamaica, Jan. 22.—Barr Admiral Davis' mission of mercy to stricken Kingston came to an abrupt and painful conclusion in consequence of Governor Swettenham's objection to the presence of American sailors engaged in the work of clearing the streets, guarding property and succoring the wounded and sick, culminating in a letter to the admiral, peremptorily requesting him to re-embark all parties which had been landed.

Admiral Davis was greatly shocked and pained, and paid a formal visit to Governor Swettenham, informing him that the United States battleships Missouri and Indiana and the gunboat Yankton would sail.

To the Associated Press Admiral Davis said that immediate compliance with Governor Swettenham's request was the only course consistent with the dignity of the United States.

The friction between the governor and the admiral began with the arrival of the American warships, when the governor objected to the firing of a salute in his honor on the ground that the citizens might mistake the firing for a new earthquake.

He also declared there was no necessity for American aid—that his government was fully able to preserve order, tend to the wounded and succor the homeless.

CITY ASKS DAVIS TO STAY.

Kingston Council Disapproves Action of Governor.

New York, Jan. 22.—A special dispatch to the Times from Kingston says that Governor Swettenham, in addition to refusing aid from Rear Admiral Davis, has declined an offer sent by the War department of the United States to extend immediately to Kingston 10,000 rations which were intended for troops in Cuba, and would have been diverted here.

The governor's action, the Times correspondent says, is disapproved of by the community, which appreciates the kindness of the Americans. As soon as it became known what had been done by Governor Swettenham and that the American ships, in consequence, were to leave, an emergency meeting of the city council was called.

The discussion showed that the governor's attitude toward the Americans did not meet with the approval of those officials, and a letter to Admiral Davis was drafted and adopted in which the action of Sir Alexander Swettenham was wholly disapproved, and the American government and officers were warmly thanked for the thoughtful, effective and timely aid they had given in the emergency. This letter was immediately dispatched.

Admiral Davis was also asked to remain in spite of the unfortunate incident. The request was dispatched to him and he made a reply in which he said that there was no misunderstanding with the Jamaican authorities, but he added significantly in reply to the request to remain:

"As a foreign naval officer I am bound to respect the wishes of the constituted authority of Jamaica."

DAMAGE TWO MILLIONS.

Fierce Gale Sweeps Over Lake Erie and Buffalo.

Buffalo, Jan. 22.—During the last 24 hours this city has been swept by the most destructive wind storm of a decade. Tonight the Niagara falls lie in the midst of a scene of wreckage in the wake of the storm. Two lives are reported lost so far and a property damage that will aggregate \$2,000,000 when the accounting is made, is the toll of the storm.

Lake Erie, with its level higher than has been known for 20 years, has gorged the Niagara river to overflowing and thousands of dollars worth of property has been carried down the stream.

Miles of logs at the great lumber market at North Tonawanda have been destroyed and millions of feet of lumber have been carried out into the river.

The damage to shipping in Buffalo harbor alone is \$1,500,000. Five large lake liners, wintering just inside the breakwater, were driven aground. The gale still rages and no aid can be given the endangered vessels.

May Re-Elect Bailey.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 22.—Senator Bailey's friends announced today that a vote on his reelection as senator would be forced in the legislature tomorrow.

It subsequently is reported that Waters-Pierce Oil company, he will, they say, be compelled to resign from the senate. Bailey's supporters further announced they would insist on a proper hearing being given to any one who had charges to make against the senator. Representative Cook states that he will file charges against Senator Bailey.

Will Recall All Supplies.

New York, Jan. 22.—The gathering of supplies here for the Kingston earthquake sufferers by the New York-Kingston relief committee, it is expected, will be discontinued for the time being at least, in view of the refusal on the part of Governor Swettenham, of Jamaica, to accept aid from American war vessels, it is probable that the supplies now on the way to Kingston on the steamers Allegheny and Prinz Joachim will never reach that port. Both steamers have been ordered to call at Port Antonio for instructions.

Wins Wager but Dies.

Los Angeles, Jan. 22.—Edward Whelan, aged 19, died today at the receiving hospital of acute alcoholism. The young man was brought to the home of his father, a mattress manufacturer, last Saturday night, in a stupor of condition. His companions stated that he had wagered a dollar that he could drink a quart of whisky without leaving the table. Whelan won the bet, but he never regained consciousness. The police will prosecute the liquor man.

Revolt Starts in China.

Shanghai, Jan.—Rumors of an anti-dynastic movement in the Middle Yangtze region have reached some confirmation. A fresh outbreak has taken place at Honan and two regiments have been dispatched there from Shanghai. The insurgents number 3,000.

IN THE NATIONAL HALLS OF CONGRESS

Tuesday, January 22.

Washington, January 22.—The senate today passed the compromise Foraker resolution authorizing the committee on military affairs to investigate the facts of the affray at Brownsville on the nights of August 13 and 14 last, without questioning "the legality or justice of any act or connected with that relation to or connected with that affray." This action came after the subject had been under consideration almost daily since the first day of the present session of congress, and every phase of the question had been discussed on all sides.

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LOSS IS THOUSANDS.

Facts Brought Out at Tacoma Investigation.

Tacoma, Jan. 21.—Investigations into the lumber car shortage by Interstate Commerce Commissioner Frank K. Lane developed facts showing the Northern Pacific equipment to be entirely inadequate to handle the lumber products of Western Washington. Sawmill owners told how small mill concerns are gradually being forced into bankruptcy, how the larger concerns have sustained losses which will reach into hundreds of thousands of dollars, and how thousands of mechanics have been thrown out of employment by failure of the Northern Pacific railway to furnish work for them on their line to market their product.

The proceedings were extremely quiet, in that no marked manifestations of feeling were shown by either the lumbermen or the railroad representatives. Sawmill operators calmly detailed how, through no fault of their own, they have lost thousands of dollars during the past 15 months, all because they have not been able to market their product. In the same breath they narrated their losses, they complimented the strenuous efforts of local officials of the Northern Pacific to relieve the situation, and said that while the Tacoma railroad men had done all they could to aid the mills, the fault lay in mismanagement of the higher officials in the East.

The resolution directs that the investigation shall be conducted to ascertain whether there exists any combination, conspiracy, trust, agreement or contract intended to operate in restraint of lawful trade in lumber or to increase the market price of lumber in any part of the United States.

The senate agreed to the Kittredge resolution instructing the secretary of Commerce and Labor to investigate the lumber trust.