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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 naval appropriation bill provides over \$100,000,000.

The Russian strike has spread in Poland and Baltic cities.

The Prussian government has appointed a commission to investigate the coal strike.

Chile has refused to sell war vessels to an American firm, presumably for one of the nations now at war in the Far East.

Secretary Taft wants a reduction of tariff on Philippine products and declares the islands will ultimately be given their independence.

Sympathizers with the Russian strikers marched through the streets of Boston with a red flag, but they were not allowed to make speeches.

The president has issued an order, effective March 1, taking into the competitive classified service all customs service positions in Alaska, except those restricted to navigation season only.

People fleeing from St. Petersburg for safety say the present half-calm is only a period of preparation for greater resistance to the government and that active smuggling of arms and dynamite is going on across the Austrian frontier.

A plot against the life of the czar has been frustrated.

Peabody declares he will continue the contest for governor to the end.

The new cruiser Maryland exceeded speed requirements on her trial trip.

Officials in charge of the canal zone are employing drastic measures to stamp out yellow fever.

The cabinet has discussed the advisability of teaching jiu-jitsu in the military and naval academies.

Labor Commissioner Wright says he believes both sides were to blame in the Colorado labor trouble.

Workmen in Russia are returning to work, the government forcing concessions from their employers in St. Petersburg and Moscow.

President Roosevelt has signed the bill providing for the construction and maintenance of roads and schools and the care of insane persons in Alaska.

Father Gopon, the priest leader of the strikers, is in the hospital recovering from wounds. As soon as well he will be court martialed and if found guilty will be hanged.

A great battle has begun on the Hun river, Manchuria.

Troops from European Russia are unwilling to fight and Kuropatkin advises peace.

Several more cases of yellow fever have been reported from the Panama canal zone.

A number of Moscow employers are saving their factories by paying wages to the strikers.

The Russian strike is extending rapidly, but without disorder, though new trouble is feared.

It is believed that Judge Swayne will not be convicted of the charges now pending against him in the senate.

Governor Trepoff, of St. Petersburg, says he will curb the agitators, maintain order and make no concessions.

Fire in New York among a lot of rookeries caused the fire department a desperate battle and destroyed \$100,000 worth of property.

Frank P. Sargent, commissioner general of immigration, asks an appropriation of \$500,000 for the improvement of stations in various parts of the country.

The Russian strike has spread to nearly every town of importance in the empire.

The Rogers Locomotive works, at Paterson, N. J., have been sold to the American Locomotive company.

Ladrones in the province of Cavite are in a state of revolt.

Meetings throughout Germany denounced the coal mine owners, but they refuse to yield to the strikers.

The bills providing dental surgeons for the navy and to increase the efficiency of the navy hospital corps will be reported favorably to the house.

Father Gopon, leader of the St. Petersburg strikers, has issued a proclamation absolving soldiers from oaths of allegiance to the czar.

B. J. Yeakum, a director of the Rock Island road, has bought the Colorado Springs & Cripple Creek district railroad, which runs between Colorado Springs and Cripple Creek.

A. G. Chapelin, fireman, was killed, and several passengers were injured in a wreck of an Illinois Terminal railroad train near Astoria, Ill. A car containing 30 passengers turned over.

All printing works in St. Petersburg are closed and no newspapers are being issued.

DOINGS IN CONGRESS.

Tuesday, January 24.

The senate today organized as a high court to try the impeachment charges against Judge Swayne. Platt, of Connecticut, was elected to preside at the trial sessions. Further proceedings were postponed until Friday, when Judge Swayne is expected to appear before the bar of the senate. The Philippine railroad bill was passed. Much time was consumed in discussion of various measures pending. One senator wanted to admit each of the four territories included in the joint statehood bill as a state.

The District of Columbia appropriation bill again occupied the attention of the house today. An amendment to increase the salaries of all school officials and teachers precipitated a long debate. It was finally ruled out of order and other amendments taken up. At 4:15, when the house adjourned, nothing had been accomplished.

Wednesday, January 25.

The house today passed the District of Columbia and military academy appropriation bills. The proceedings were almost entirely devoid of interest. The house passed the bill extending the presidential succession act so as to include the secretaries of agriculture and commerce and labor in the order named.

The army appropriation bill was the cause of a lengthy discussion in the senate. The assignment of General Miles to service in charge of the Massachusetts state militia being the main point of controversy. A number of credentials of newly elected senators were presented. The hour of meeting to-morrow was postponed until 1 o'clock, to allow many invited senators to attend a wedding.

Thursday, January 26.

The agricultural appropriation bill was considered in the house today, but the debate turned principally upon the topic of restricting railroads in the matter of freight rates. The house adopted a joint resolution appropriating \$40,000 to defray the expenses of the senate in conducting the trial of Judge Swayne.

The senate passed the army appropriation bill after modifying the provision concerning the assignment of retired army officers to active service with militia organizations. This will relieve General Miles from its application. The bill transferring the control of forest reservations from the interior to the agricultural department was passed.

Friday, January 27.

The Swayne impeachment case was brought up in the senate today and after several preliminaries had been arranged the time for the real trial was set for February 13. The rest of the day was spent in considering the joint statehood bill. Gallinger addressed the senate in support of his amendment prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors to Indians.

The house today passed the agricultural appropriation bill without material amendment. The usual discussion on the free seed distribution was indulged in. The house committee on naval affairs today decided that the bill should provide for two battle ships of 16,000 tons each. Three were asked for. The bill carries approximately \$100,070,000.

Saturday, Jan. 28.

Eulogies upon the departure of the late Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, particularly engrossed the attention of the senate today. There were 16 speeches by as many senators. After the conclusion of the memorial services the senate adjourned out of respect to the dead senator's memory.

In a session of less than two hours today the house passed 373 pension bills and received for the calendar the naval and diplomatic appropriation bills. The session was devoted to legislation entirely devoid of discussion.

May Shelve Statehood Bill.

Washington, Jan. 27.—Numerous conferences were held on the floor of the senate today regarding a vote on the statehood bill. An effort was made to get Senator Beveridge to agree to some order for voting on amendments. He said he was not opposed to such an arrangement and further, that he did not care much whether a vote was had on the statehood bill at the present session. With 12 new senators coming in with the opening of the next congress, he said, he felt that the bill would be passed in its set form.

Will Now Build.

Sacramento, Jan. 27.—The Lewis and Clark appropriation bill, which passed the senate on Monday by a unanimous vote, today passed the assembly. It will be signed by the governor as soon as it can be engrossed. The money appropriated by this bill, with the appropriation of two years ago, \$90,000 in all, will be immediately available, under the direction of Governor Pardee, who is authorized to act in his own discretion.

Illinois Will Exhibit.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 27.—With the sanction and official approval of governor Deneen, a bill will be introduced in both branches of the general assembly next Monday providing for an appropriation of \$35,000 for an Illinois building at the Lewis and Clark centennial exposition which will open next June at Fort Snelling, Minn. Along with the bill will be presented a special message from Governor Deneen.

Burning the Factories.

London, Jan. 27.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg late tonight to a news agency here reports that Pahl's factory and a large cotton mill have been set on fire and are burning fiercely.

FIGHTING IS BEGUN

Kuropatkin Claims to Have Won Decided Victory.

DRIVES BACK JAPANESE FRONT

Amid Bitter Cold Weather Hostilities Are Resumed with Vigor—Several Villages Captured.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 28.—Additional dispatches were received by the general staff from Kuropatkin, commanding the Russian army south of Mukden. They supplement the earlier advice of Russian successes on the right of the Hun river, and seem to indicate that the movement now in progress along the Hun river is extending in area and assuming considerable proportions. The text of Kuropatkin's message, which is dated January 27, is as follows:

"In the capture of Chaun Lutotzo (Khalitotzo), Tutaiki and Cheigutai (Kheigoutaya), we took about 100 prisoners. We have also occupied Tchitaitse on the Hun river after a stubborn fight, which resulted in a loss of 50 men to us. Our positions near Sandepu (Sandy Pass) were attacked today by Japanese columns moving from the south and southeast, but they were repulsed. Our cavalry partook in the maneuvering against the Japanese left flank, attacking the enemy from the rear. Our troops then continued the attack on the Japanese position near Sandepu. After a desperate fight, which lasted until 7 o'clock Thursday evening, we entered Sandepu, which is a large village and was strongly entrenched."

Military experts here, while not attaching too much importance to the reported successful movements of the Russian right, express the opinion that a determined effort will be made in the near future by General Kuropatkin to deprive the Japanese of several villages which are serving as winter quarters.

The operations of Wednesday, Thursday and Friday are no doubt the beginning of the program, but opinion is divided as to whether it marks the commencement of the Manchurian campaign of 1905. Many believe that weather conditions will not permit of prolonged operations and that the original plan of waiting for warmer weather before precipitating decisive engagements will be adhered to by both armies.

NO CHANCE FOR SHIP SUBSIDY.

Report of the Commission Has Fallen Flat in Congress.

Washington, Jan. 28.—It is scarcely probable that any attempt will be made at this session of congress to pass the ship subsidy bill. It will die on March 4, along with hundreds of other less important measures. The object of the bill probably has been accomplished in showing that this congress at least is not in favor of a subsidy measure.

In fact, nothing has fallen so flat as this production of the merchant marine commission. The most earnest advocates of the bill soon realized after the report of the commission was presented that it was useless to attempt to pass it. This was not because a filibuster in the senate would cause its defeat, but it had been plainly shown that there was not a majority in either house or senate for the bill. The report of the commission was a great disappointment. That it should result in bringing about a subsidy measure when subsidies were so unpopular during the time that they were pushed by Hanna, was a surprise, and straightway the men who have charge of affairs in congress set about to defeat it.

Of course the advocates of the scheme will try to make it appear that the reason why the bill was so unpopular at this session of congress was because the leaders did not want to increase appropriations at a time when rigid economy was necessary. But such is not the fact.

To Demonstrate in New York.

New York, Jan. 28.—If the plans of Russian Socialists in this city are not interfered with by the police, Madison Square garden will be the scene to-night of a great demonstration by sympathizers with the Russian revolutionists. It was decided to turn the masquerade ball of an East Side association into a meeting. Several of the most eloquent speakers among the Russians of this city will make addresses. Small red flags will be distributed to those in line, and to the music of patriotic airs a march will begin.

Give Coeur d'Alene an Agent.

Washington, Jan. 28.—Senator Heyburn has prepared and will offer an amendment to the Indian appropriation bill segregating the Coeur d'Alene Indians in Idaho from the Colville agency in Washington. At present 500 Coeur d'Alenes are under the control of the Indian agent at Colville, but their affairs are not satisfactorily managed. Senator Heyburn proposes to give the Coeur d'Alenes a superintendent of their own.

Ladrones Want Money.

Manila, Jan. 28.—The leaders of the band of ladrones which recently attacked the town of San Francisco de Malabon and captured the wife and two children of ex-Governor Trias, now demand a ransom for the release of their captives.

BURTON TO GO UP.

Will Probably Be Head of New Appropriations Committee.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Never before in all the time he has been chairman of the committee on rivers and harbors has Representative Burton held out so strongly against unworthy projects for waterway improvements as he has done this session. Burton has, from the first, fought projects which had no merit, but he has heretofore been compelled to consent to the incorporation in river and harbor bills of many items which he did not personally approve.

This year, however, he has been firmer, and has carried his point. He has succeeded in keeping out of the river and harbor bill every item that was of a "log rolling" nature. He consented to no appropriations except for projects that have been indorsed by the war department.

There appears to be method in Mr. Burton's course. When the next congress organizes, Speaker Cannon will have to select a chairman for the committee on appropriations. This chairman ought to be a man of discrimination, a man of force and a man of highest integrity. He must be the "watch-dog of the treasury." He must be a man who can dominate his committee and hold out against all appropriations which are not necessary. He must be able to withstand the personal appeals of members.

There is not a single member of that committee today competent to become its chairman. And from the speaker's viewpoint, there is not a member in the house better equipped for that place than Mr. Burton. Perhaps the chairman of the river and harbor committee had the future in view when he took the radical course he did in dictating the terms of the present river and harbor bill.

ALASKA HAS A POOR SHOW.

Senators Pay Little Attention to Interests of Big Territory.

Washington, Jan. 31.—The determination of the senate to dispose of the Swayne impeachment case means, according to senate leaders, that most of the time between now and March 4 will be taken up in court duty, to the exclusion of legislative matters, save only the necessary supply bills. All legislation which encounters objection will have to go over.

This means not only the defeat of the ship subsidy, interstate commerce and statehood bills, but the defeat of all legislation relating to Alaska. It had been hoped that several Alaskan measures might be passed before adjournment, but that hope has been dispelled. Plans had already been laid for bringing forward the Alaska delegate bill, passed by the house last session. But Alaska will get no delegate by the grace of the 58th congress. Neither will Alaska get much else, save what is provided in the regular appropriation bills.

Alaska is weak in the senate for two reasons: All Alaskan legislation encounters opposition from a few men, but what is more significant, few senators have any real interest in the great district, and not more than half a dozen men make any effort whatever to push through legislation which Alaska needs. There is more opposition to the delegate bill than to any other Alaska bill now pending, and this opposition will be able to put a quietus on the Cushman bill, in the present session.

FOR BREMERTON NAVY YARD

Amounts Provided in Naval Appropriation Bill.

Washington, Jan. 31.—The naval appropriation bill as reported to the house carries \$233,500 for the Puget sound navy yard. Following are the items:

Extension of construction plant, \$20,000; sewer system, \$500; grading, \$20,000; fire protection system, \$10,000; electric light plant, \$10,000; telephone system, \$1,500; railroad and equipment, \$6,000; boat shop for construction and repair, \$20,000; water system, \$3,000; heating system, \$3,000; locomotive and crane track about dry dock, \$30,000; dredging, \$10,000; quay wall, \$25,000; roads and walks, \$5,000; joiner shop for construction and repair, \$5,000; machinery for yards and docks, \$2,000; additional piers, \$50,000.

Waved the Red Flag.

Kansas City, Jan. 31.—Two hundred men and women members of socialistic societies rose to their feet and cheered a red flag at a mass meeting held here tonight. The meeting was called for the purpose of raising a fund for the aid of the working classes of Russia. The czar and aristocratic class of Russia were condemned in the strongest terms at command. One speaker compared the czar to ex-Governor Peabody, of Colorado. Resolutions were passed expressing sympathy with the oppressed and denouncing the czar.

Bombs in Barracks.

Vienna, Jan. 31.—A telegram from Czentechow, Poland, reports that a bomb was thrown in the cavalry barracks there today and that many soldiers were wounded. The act is supposed to have been in revenge for brutality in dispersing a workman's meeting. Other dynamite outrages are reported to have occurred in the neighborhood of Lodz. A gendarme is reported to have been killed and a number wounded.

Arrests by the Hundred.

London, Jan. 31.—A dispatch to the Daily Graphic from Sevastopol says: "In consequence of the gravity of the situation here, the government has invested the naval and military commanders with full powers to repress disorders. Over 900 arrests have been made."

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

IN THE LEGISLATURE.

Salem, Jan. 24.—Of the 24 bills passed by the house today only one encountered opposition—that for the creation of a state library commission. The secretary of this commission is to receive \$1,200 a year and traveling expenses. The bill creating the Eighth (Baker county) and Tenth (Union and Walla) judicial districts were among those passed.

The senate held only a very short session today, adjourning at 11:15 until tomorrow at 10. Besides disposing of all the senate business on hand, the senate received a few house bills and referred from that branch to the various committees. The senators spent the afternoon on committee work.

Half a dozen bills have been introduced at this session for the creation of a mining bureau, but it is doubtful whether any of them will become laws. The creation of a Lewis and Clark county is a new proposal before the legislature. The new county is to be the northern half of Grant, except a narrow strip along the eastern side, and make Long Creek the county seat. The intention is to eventually take in a strip of Baker also.

Salem, Jan. 25.—A score of bills dealing with the salaries of state and county officers have been introduced in the house, and more are to follow. The most important of all is the bill for flat salaries for state officers.

Speaker Mills was absent today and Bailey, of Multnomah, was elected speaker for the day.

Thirteen bills were passed by the house, of which eight related to charter amendments or incorporation acts. Twenty-eight new measures were proposed.

In the senate eighteen bills were passed, a large majority relating to municipalities. One appropriates \$45,000 for Indian war veterans. Eight new bills were introduced.

The house passed a concurrent resolution asking an investigation of the methods by which the Northern Pacific railway secured 400,000 acres of Oregon timber lands.

The house will pass a bill to grant each county a prosecuting attorney and do away with district attorneys.

Representative Steiner, of Lake, has a bill intended to end range wars. It forces the county in which the damage is committed to pay one-half of the value of the stock injured or destroyed.

The senate went on record today against making train robbery punishable by death. A bill fixing imprisonment at not less than 10 nor more than 40 years was favorably reported.

Salem, Jan. 26.—That the legislature will not adjourn short of a 40 days session was indicated today when the house voted down the resolution for final adjournment February 10.

A large number of bills were favorably reported to the house by the various committees to which they had been assigned. Twelve new bills were introduced. Three house bills were passed, as follows: To extend time for Cottage Grove to give notice of tax levy; to authorize Clatsop county to erect a court house; for deficiency and legislative appropriations. The senate concurred in the adoption of the house concurrent resolution to investigate Northern Pacific land transactions. Fifteen senate bills were passed by the senate, among them being: Increasing the penalty for train robbery to imprisonment for 10 to 40 years; to create juvenile courts and provide for control of neglected children; to appropriate \$25,000 for the operation of the portage road at Celilo; to appropriate \$45,000 for the Indian war veterans.

Eleven new bills were introduced in the senate.

At the close of today's session 179 bills had been introduced in the senate and 281 in the house. Kay's flat salary bill passed the house today with only two opposing votes. The yearly salaries proposed by this measure are: Governor \$5,000; secretary of state \$4,500; state treasurer \$4,500; supreme judge \$4,500; attorney general \$3,600.

Salem, Jan. 27.—Nineteen bills were passed by the senate today. Twelve new bills were introduced. The house passed 21 of its measures.

A bill has made its appearance in the senate intended to regulate the fraternal insurance orders in the state.

The Coe measure raising the age of consent has been unfavorably reported by the committee and a substitute recommended.

Combine Sawmill Outputs.

Union—A proposition is under consideration contemplating consolidation of the outputs of several large sawmills near this place. It is understood that a man with plenty of capital stands ready to put in a large planer at Union and buy and handle the entire sawmill output of this section. It is estimated that such a plan would mean the distribution of about \$50,000 a month at Union in the employment of many men and teams, and the general improvement of business conditions. A site is now being looked up.

Improving Eugene Yards.

Eugene—Extensive improvements have been commenced upon the Southern Pacific company's depot yards in Eugene. Carpenters are now constructing new stockyards, twice as large as the old ones, and as soon as they are completed a turn table will be put in and one of the main sidetracks will be lengthened 100 feet. The work is the beginning of the general rearrangement of the yards which has been in contemplation for three or four years.

ported favorably. It is thought the new bill will pass.

The bill providing for agricultural institutes and carrying a \$2,500 appropriation passed the house with votes to spare.

Salem, Jan. 30.—Sixteen new bills were introduced in the senate today. One prohibits the sale of cigarettes to minors and makes the use of them by a person under 16 years a juvenile delinquency which may be dealt with under the juvenile law. Another is to appropriate \$50,000 annually for normal schools.

Nine bills were passed by the senate. One of these is the bill raising the salary of the assistant warden of the penitentiary from \$900 to \$1,200 a year. Another raises the salary of the clerk of the state land board from \$1,800 to \$2,400 a year.

In the house the bill creating a state tax commission looking to a revision of the tax code was passed. The bill creating Cascade county was passed. Hood River is given as the county seat. If the new county is created it will be in the judicial district with Multnomah and joint legislative district with Wasco. Strong opposition will develop in the senate, where the Wasco people have centered their forces.

Nine other measures were passed by the house. Th Jayne local option bill will be amended by eliminating the emergency clause and the reduction of the number of voters required on a petition for a prohibition election from 40 to 30 per cent of the electors of a precinct.

Comparatively few salary bills have been introduced in the senate thus far, but it is known that others will be introduced later. As a rule these bills being local, they pass without question upon the recommendation of the delegation from the counties affected.

Many Filings at Roseburg.

Roseburg—In spite of the suspension of the Roseburg land office, the daily mail relating to public business continues to be heavy. No contests are being heard or final proofs taken at the office itself, although all proofs set prior to the order of suspension before outside officers in the Roseburg district are being received and filed with notations of the tender of the legal payments. In the last few days there have been 13 homestead entries, seven timber and stone applications, two state selections and seven lien selections filed. The date and hour of these filings is noted on the papers and they will be taken up in exact order of their receipt, when the office is reopened for the ordinary transaction of business. Henry F. Higby has been appointed clerk in the Roseburg office since the suspension.

Pure Bred Hogs in Demand.

Pendleton—That pure bred hogs, as well as all other pure bred stock, are becoming popular is evidenced by the fact that several farmers have taken to raising fine hogs and are finding a ready market for their product. W. W. Harrah, who lives three miles east of Pendleton, has a fine herd. Forty of his animals are English Berkshires and 30 Poland Chinas. Mr. Harrah is crossing the two breeds, saying that since many of the large farmers have fenced their wheat fields and are turning in hogs to gather the waste heads of grain a heavy demand is being made for the mixed stock.

To Resume Clatsop Courthouse.

Astoria—Now that the legislature has passed a bill authorizing the county court to make a levy for erecting the new county court house, work on the building will be resumed as soon as the contractor can get his force of men together again. The foundation, basement and part of the first story were completed when the work was stopped, and considerable material is on the ground, so construction will progress rapidly when started. It is fully expected the building will be ready for occupancy by fall.

Material for System.

Union—Clarence Crawford, representative of the Grand Ronde Electrical company, who was here a few days ago, said all the material, excepting poles and wires, had been ordered for the electric system that is to extend from Cove to Union, Hot Lake, La Grande and other valley points, and that arrangements for construction were well under way. Contracts are to be let this week for poles and wires. The main line poles are to be of cedar.

Wasco Farm Sells for \$8,000.

The Dalles—Thomas Leabo has bought the Ed. Harriman farm of 520 acres on Eight Mile creek, south of The Dalles, for \$8,000. The tract contains about 150 acres of tillable land, the remainder being pasture. The sale is considered one of the best that has been made in the county for some time, and is an evidence of the advance in the price of Wasco county lands.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 83c; blue-stem, 88c; valley, 87c.
Oats—No. 1 white, \$1.32½@2.35, gray, \$1.35@1.40 per cental.
Hay—Timothy, \$14@15 per ton; clover, \$11@12; grain, \$11@12; cheat, \$12@13.
Potatoes—Oregon fancy, 85¢@90¢; common, 60¢@75¢.
Apples—Baldwins, \$1.25; Spitzenbergs, \$1.75@2 per box.
Eggs—Oregon ranch, 27¢@28¢.
Butter—Fancy creamery, 25¢@30¢.