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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.

M. Pobiedonosteff, ex-procurator general of the holy synod of Russia, is dead.

The Thaw defense is now busy showing that at the present time Thaw is perfectly sane.

Frederick Driscoll, commissioner of the American Newspaper Publishers' association, is dead.

Wisconsin people are almost of the belief that Senator LaFollette has lost his grip in state politics.

Honey still maintains that he has only made a beginning in the San Francisco graft exposures.

A fire in the plant of the Baird Machinery company, Pittsburg, destroyed \$200,000 worth of property.

The vote of Western trainmen is almost unanimous to go on strike if not given the advance in wages asked for.

Honey has found that large sums of money supposed to have been spent in street improvement has not been fully accounted for.

Fort Dodge, Iowa, has passed an ordinance taxing iceholders. The mayor, clergy and justice of the peace have been busy since performing marriage ceremonies.

Russian terrorists continue to pick off their enemies.

President Roosevelt is anxious to prosecute Harriman.

Root has warned the Central American states to stop war.

Trains are running from Portland to San Francisco via Ogden.

Major Goethals has been formally appointed on the canal commission.

Senator Burton has been released from jail and promises to publish his side of the story.

The East and South is suffering from extreme heat, the thermometer registering 90 in many places.

In a battle between Nicaraguan and Honduran troops 1,000 Salvadoreans were killed while assisting Honduras.

Boats between San Francisco and Portland are sailing with every berth filled and many unable to get passage.

The whole of Moldavia has been ravaged by rebel peasants. Several hundred people have been killed or injured and 10,000 are homeless, having been burned out. Jews are the worst sufferers.

Hudson Maxim, inventor of high explosives, has invented a new fuse for shells which promises to revolutionize armor for warships. Mr. Maxim also declares that Japan could be in possession of the entire Pacific slope before we were ready for war and that we are practically as defenseless as China.

The Transvaal will abolish Chinese labor.

Romanian peasants are renewing the rioting.

Seven alienists have declared Thaw permanently insane.

S. A. D. Puter is proving a strong witness against Herrmann.

Nicaragua claims a decisive victory over Honduras and Salvador.

American marines and sailors have been landed to guard Honduras ports.

There seems to be good prospects for land law reform by the next congress.

The San Francisco grand jury is learning more about the bribery by the Pacific States Telephone company.

Senator Cullom, of Illinois, says Harriman deserves to go to jail, and Governor Deneen is believed to contemplate prosecution.

Under the name of United Churches, the Congregational, United Brethren and Methodist Protestant churches in 14 states will form one large organization. Some of the Southern states have refused to join.

The government continues to pile up evidence against Herrmann.

A strike of longshoremen at Hamburg, Germany, has tied up all shipping.

Roosevelt will propose check on over-capitalization of railroads and will soon declare his policy.

Romanian peasants have begun a crusade against Jews and are driving them into Austria.

The Colorado legislature has passed a railway commission law. Reciprocal demurrage is also provided for.

Premier Stolypin, of Russia, will propose many concessions of liberty to the douma, including free speech and press, but that body was warned not to go to extremes or it will be dissolved.

Trainmen on all roads west of Chicago have voted to strike if not given the increase in wages asked. Most of the roads will, it is believed, refuse to grant the advance and trouble is looked for.

Rockefeller says railroads are over-capitalized.

NEW CURE FOR WHITE PLAGUE.

Medical Scientists are Satisfied Their Experiments are Successful.

Boston, March 26.—Hope for sufferers from the great white plague is held out by the success of experiments with vaccine inoculation as a cure for tuberculosis, not only of lungs, but on other organs of the body, by the faculty of Tufts College Medical school and pathological department of the Massachusetts general hospital.

The treatment has already been tested in the case of Mrs. Curtis Guild, jr., wife of Governor Guild, with most encouraging results.

At Tufts Medical school the work has been in charge of Dr. Timothy Leary, professor of pathology and bacteriology in the Massachusetts General hospital, and Dr. James Homer Wright. Dr. Wright calls the treatment "the Oponic method," from the fact that the opsonins in the human body are stimulated to greater activity.

In the case of disease when dangerous bacteria attack the body, the opsonins set to work to destroy the bacteria. If they succeed, the patient recovers, but if they fail, the disease progresses and the deadly absorption of the vital organs begins.

Dr. Leary says of the preventative with which he is experimenting:

"What we are trying to do, and what others in every part of the medical and scientific world are at work trying to do, is to elaborate a specific which will so strengthen powers of the human blood that their resistance to the inroads of disease will not only be increased but prolonged; which will make them immune against the inroads of the bacteria and keep them up to the point which they must possess in order to perform the work for which they were intended by nature."

FEAR REVOLT IN CHINA.

Spirit of Rebellion Growing Rife in Famine Districts.

Washington, March 26.—From Shanghai advices received at the State department it appears that the ruling dynasty in China is seriously alarmed over the effect of the spread of famine through the country and the opportunity it offers to seditionaries to enlist converts to their cause directed against the government.

The government's inability to relieve suffering, it is said, has been magnified and the hardships of the people attributed to lack of sympathy by the government for the poor classes.

The information indicates that a propaganda has been organized to further the circulation of stories of the character outlined, and it is said that State department officials fear that a spread of hysteria may engender a general uprising. If such should be the result, there is danger that the government might not be able to control the situation. American and other foreign interests then will be jeopardized. So great is the concern that diplomatic and consular officials in China have been instructed to keep Washington advised of every turn in the situation.

CHARGED TOLL.

Commissioner Gallagher Took Fees From Fellow Graders.

San Francisco, March 26.—A feature of the boodling operations of the supervisors not hitherto exposed and which surpasses in genuine cunning anything yet revealed, came out today when it was learned that Supervisor Gallagher, who acted as distributor of the swag, charged his fellow supervisors a commission of 5 per cent on all boodles he collected for them.

Gallagher admits it in his confession. He said he did it because of the expense he was put to in the way of car fare and the risks involved. Gallagher hotly defended himself when questioned in the grand jury room about the practice. He said he thought he was honestly entitled to the brokers' commission. In some cases, he said, his colleagues protested, but he informed them that if he was not to get the commission they would not get the boodle.

Although Louis Glass, of the Pacific States Telephone company, and Abram Detweiler, of the Home Telephone company, the two indicted magnates have not been apprehended by the police, no fear is felt by the prosecution as it is believed that both men will surrender.

End of War Near.

Managua, Nicaragua, March 26.—Santos Romero, director general of the telegraphs and telephones, today made the following statement: "The Nicaraguan forces have captured Choloteca, Honduras, which was held by the Honduran and Salvadorian troops, and President Bonilla has fled by boat. Stearns will pursue the fugitive president. I believe the war is ended." The government is without further advice concerning the capture of Choloteca. It was here, some years ago, that ex-President Vasquez was defeated.

Relief Committee Reports.

New York, March 26.—The New York city committee of the relief sufferers by the California earthquake disaster has just made its final report to Mayor McClellan. The total amount secured by the committee was \$501,979, the account having been closed on January 7 by the transfer to the National Red Cross society of the balance on hand of \$22,724. All moneys collected were transmitted without reduction, the members meeting the expense.

Australian Mails Delayed.

London, March 26.—The Postoffice department announces that the steamship service between New Zealand and San Francisco having stopped, no mails will be sent or received by that route until further notice. Mails for New Zealand now go by the Suez canal.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

FINE CROP OUTLOOK.

Eastern Oregon Farmers Rejoicing Over Recent Rain.

The Dalles.—The rain and snow which fell here last week aggregated one inch moisture. Showers still continue and the snow on high elevations, which varied from four to six inches in depth, is gradually disappearing.

This will further retard plowing and seeding, which, owing to the mucky condition of the soil, had but fairly begun throughout the country. When this last storm fell, farmers from the Tygh ridge wheat belt reported that the conditions for spring grain have not been as favorable in many years as now, because of the heavy freezing which loosened the ground to a depth of 18 inches, and the thorough soaking from the deep snow and heavy rain.

Owing to the long drouth and the lateness of fall rains, there is less acreage in winter wheat than usual, but under the present favorable conditions for spring seeding, there will be about the usual annual acreage in grain. The fruitgrowers regard the late snow storm as most beneficial, since it checks the budding until danger of killing frosts is past. No loss of sheep is feared, since lambing on the sheep ranges of the country has not yet begun.

Electric Line at Milton.

Milton.—The Walla Walla Valley Traction company now has its tracks laid down to the head of Main street in this city, and it will be only a few days when there will be hourly service between this city and Walla Walla, Wash. This will be a great benefit to Milton and vicinity, and will materially aid the already rapid growth of Milton. This city is now in a very prosperous condition; all the principal streets are being brought to proper grade, and many changes for the better have recently taken place. There will soon be a \$15,000 hotel erected.

Rate on Logs Will Stand.

Salem.—The state railroad commission made public the result of the hearing at Dallas, in the case of the people of Falls City against the Salem, Falls City & Western Railroad company, protesting against the raising of rates by the road on logs and lumber. After an impartial hearing and investigation of the matter, and there being no further remonstrance against the rate being increased and had met the approval of the commissioners, it was decided to allow the railroad company to make the increase.

Abandon River Surveys.

Salem.—Because the state legislature did not co-operate with the state legislature in appropriating more money for the work of the state geological survey in connection with the reclamation of arid lands throughout the state, District Hydrographer J. C. Stevens, of the United States geological survey, announces that part of the work will have to be abandoned and a number of the stations cut out for lack of funds to carry on the work.

Ditch to Serve 70,000 Acres.

Medford.—The Sterling Mining company has completed a survey for a 21-mile ditch from the summit of Jacksonville mountain to the little Applegate river. The work, which will cost about \$50,000, will connect the Squaw Lake water system with the company's Rogue River valley irrigating system. It will furnish sufficient water for 70,000 acres of orchard land. The work is to be let by contract and is to be completed by March 1, 1908.

La Grande Settlers Rejoice.

La Grande.—Two thousand entrymen in this district, who have been waiting for a month to two years for patents from the government, will be affected by the president's recent instructions to the general land office to expedite the issuance of patents. The local land office is six months behind in the work here, a great majority of papers being held up in Washington.

Large Sums in Short Time.

Marshfield.—Prominent business men of North Bend subscribed \$70,000 in two hours at a special meeting for the purpose of establishing a building and loan association in that city. The capital stock of the association will be \$100,000. It has been established for the purpose of aiding in the upbuilding of North Bend and Coos Bay.

Big Orchards in Jackson.

Medford.—According to the report of Horticultural Commissioner Carson, of the Third district, 350,000 fruit trees have been added to the orchard wealth of Jackson county during the past year. The acreage reported exceeds 7,000, and of this amount, the larger portion has been devoted to Comice pears and Spitzenbergs.

Tax Money Received.

Oregon City.—Sheriff Beattie has collected up to date about \$190,000 in taxes. The time for the granting of rebates for prompt payment is over, and all the big taxpayers of the county have paid in.

Local Insurance at Eugene.

Eugene.—The Merchants' Protective association has decided definitely to form a local mutual fire insurance organization, and a special meeting will be called within a few days for that purpose.

OREGON'S EXPENSES FOR 1906

Total For Various Sums Foots Up to \$1,306,449.97.

Salem—Secretary of State F. W. Benson has completed the statement of the annual expenses of the several counties of the state for 1906, footing a grand total of \$1,306,449.97. Among the items of expenditure are \$37,077.07 and \$20,000 for new court houses for Clatsop and Columbia counties, respectively. The expenses are charged to the different accounts as follows:
County court..... \$ 61,595.20
Circuit court..... 115,919.10
Justice court..... 32,792.05
Sheriff's office..... 132,732.39
Clerks' office..... 127,427.04
Recorders' office..... 21,042.77
Treasurers' office..... 25,870.48
Coroners' office..... 11,587.07
School superintendent..... 38,461.49
Stock inspector..... 7,167.44
Assessors' office..... 70,610.69
Assessment and col. taxes..... 20,451.53
Tax rebate..... 7,265.91
Current expenses..... 71,147.48
Court house expenses..... 71,220.34
Jail expenses..... 19,980.79
Care of poor..... 118,817.97
Indigent soldiers..... 8,995.51
Insane..... 3,835.01
Reform school commitments..... 410.58
Bridges..... 113,304.76
Ferries..... 56,536.33
Election expenses..... 90,815.44
Scalp bounty..... 1,406.70
Board of health..... 3,044.03
Fruit inspectors..... 2,356.93
Surveyor..... 2,739.95
Printing and advertising..... 4,605.13
New court houses..... 57,077.07
Fairs..... 1,938.88
High schools..... 9,616.52
Library fund..... 201.80
Miscellaneous..... 17,235.91
Total..... \$1,306,449.97

Office Short of Clerks

Roseburg.—The local land office says that there are from 500 to 600 final proofs awaiting action. Delay has been due to lack of clerical assistance, rather than to the president's former order, though action on some proofs was delayed to some extent by that order. Many of these cases have been pending since 1904, but most of them have accumulated since the reopening of this office, January 8, 1906, after a suspension of one year.

Fix Value of Polk Timber.

Dallas.—The county court, it is understood, will very soon appoint a timber cruiser to arrive at a more equitable assessment of the vast bodies of valuable timber lying in Western Polk. School districts in the western part of the county will be extended to include this timber also, thereby making it liable to the special school tax. Approximately \$100,000 in taxes was received before the expiration of the 3 per cent discount limit.

New Bank Examiner Chosen.

Salem.—James Steele, of Portland, has been appointed state bank examiner. He is a brother of State Treasurer Steele and was one of the founders of the First National bank at Portland in 1868, and later was connected with the Merchant's National bank of that city.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Club, 72c; bluestem, 74c; valley, 70c; red, 71c.
Oats—No. 1 white, \$29@30; gray, \$28@29.
Barley—Feed, \$22.50 per ton; brewing, \$23; rolled, \$23.50@24.50.
Eye—\$1.45@1.50 per cwt.
Corn—Whole, \$24.50; cracked, \$22.50 per ton.
Hay—Valley timothy, No. 1, \$15@16 per ton; Eastern Oregon timothy, \$17@18; clover, \$9; cheat, \$9; grain hay, \$9@10; alfalfa, \$14.
Butter—Fancy creamery, 32 1/2@35c per pound.
Butter Fat—First grade cream 33 1/2c per pound second grade cream 2c less per pound.
Poultry—Average old hens, 15c per pound; mixed chickens, 14c; spring, fryers and broilers, 20@22 1/2c; old roosters, 10@12c; dressed chickens, 16@17c; turkeys, live, 13@15c; turkeys, dressed, choice, 18 1/2@20c; geese, live, 8c; ducks, 16@18c.
Eggs—Oregon ranch, 19 1/2c per dozen.
Apples—Common, 75c@81.25 per box; choice \$1.50@2.00.
Vegetables—Turnips \$1@1.25 per sack; carrots, \$1@1.25 per sack; beets, \$1.25@1.50 per sack; horseradish, 7@8c per pound; cauliflower, \$2.50 per crate; celery, \$3.50@4 per crate; lettuce, head, 35@45c per dozen; onions, 10@12 1/2c per dozen; sprouts, 9c per pound; radishes, 30c per dozen; asparagus, 10c per pound; rhubarb, \$2@2.25 per box.
Onions—Oregon, 75@90c per hundred.
Potatoes—Oregon Burbanks, fancy, \$1.35@1.50; No. 1 choice, \$1.10@1.25; common, 75c@81c.
Veal—Dressed, 5 1/2@9c per pound.
Beef—Dressed, 5 1/2@9c per pound; cows, 5@6c; country steers, 6@7c.
Mutton—Dressed, fancy, 10@10 1/2c per pound; ordinary, 8@9c.
Pork—Dressed, 6@9c per pound.
Hops—9@12c per pound, according to quality.
Wool—Eastern Oregon average best 13@18c per pound, according to shrinkage; valley, 20@23c, according to fineness; mohair, choice, 28@29c.

ABOLISH RED TAPE.

Secretary Garfield to Start Reform in Interior Department.

Washington, March 25.—Secretary Garfield is organizing the Interior department with a view to facilitating public business and eliminating red tape. He is transforming an obsolete governmental machine into a modern business methods, injecting up-to-date methods and doing away with fully one-third of the labor required under the old regime.

Beginning today, Mr. Garfield will abolish the public lands and Indian Territory divisions of the Interior department, divisions which heretofore handled all business coming to the secretary from the general land office and Indian office. Their functions were superfluous and had no good effect. On the contrary, these divisions made unnecessary work and delay, and were largely responsible for friction and trouble between Secretary Hitchcock on the one hand and the land and Indian offices on the other hand.

J. A. Parker, former chief of the land division, who has a thorough knowledge of department methods, is to be made Mr. Garfield's private secretary, but will not participate in the formation of departmental policy. Clerks of his and other divisions will be absorbed by the land and Indian offices. These reforms were recommended by the Keop commission, of which Mr. Garfield was a member.

The president heartily approves of the change, and looks for great improvement in the department in consequence, especially as the changes bring the new secretary in close touch with the chiefs of all bureaus of his department, and obliterates the bothersome intermediary.

GREAT DEFEAT FOR BONILLA.

After Ten Hours' Fight, Army Flees, Abandoning Camp.

Managua, Nicaragua, March 25.—Advices received from the front today, say that the army of President Bonilla of Honduras has been attacked and defeated near Nariata by the Honduran revolutionists and Nicaraguan army after 10 hours' hard fighting.

Bonilla's troops, it is said, left behind them camp equipment, artillery, rifles and ammunition. Among the prisoners captured are several leading officers of the Honduran forces. Many were killed and wounded on both sides. The Honduran revolutionists captured 300 prisoners, three pieces of artillery, also a supply of ammunition therefor and 300 rifles.

One estimate of the casualties places the killed at 200 and the wounded at 160. Two hundred government soldiers joined the revolutionists during the fight.

The disaster for President Bonilla is now complete and it is believed that Tegucigalpa undoubtedly will be captured. The towns of Canygu, La Esperanza, San Pedro and Sula have announced themselves in favor of the revolution.

STORM RAGES ON.

No Let-Up of Rain Apparent in Northern California.

Redding, Cal., March 25.—The heaviest storm of the season raged here all last night and until early this morning. For a few hours it abated and then broke again. A terrific wind is now blowing and the rain is falling in sheets.

Reports state that snow is falling all through the Siakiyous and Sacramento canyons, the precipitation being heavier than at any time during the past season. All the snowplows in this section have been put into commission and have made but little headway.

A third snowslide occurred at Cantara, and the wrecker from Dunsuir hastened to the scene. Tunnel No. 9 is said to be caving in and Dunsuir has an unverified report that in the Siakiyous many cave-ins have occurred. Conditions could not be worse along the upper route than they now are and the indications are that another storm will break tonight.

Will Be Long Drawn Out.

Washington, March 25.—The trial of Binger Hermann on the letterbook indictment will not be concluded before April 10, and may extend longer. The prosecution has a number of important witnesses to place on the stand and may not complete its case this week. The defense will require all of two weeks before it goes to the jury. Harry Robertson, Senator Mitchell's private secretary, who was once private secretary to Herrmann when he was in congress, will be the most important witness called this week.

Damages the Prune Crop.

San Jose, March 25.—Colonel Philo Hersey, president of the Santa Clara Fruit Exchange company, is authority for the statement today that this present storm on top of the preceding one has destroyed half the prune crop of the valley by washing the pollen from the blossoms. The Guadalupe has broken out of its banks south of town and the wild, deep stream is flowing through the suburbs, stopping street cars and threatening residences.

Reaches Tegucigalpa.

Washington, March 25.—Mr. Cores, the Nicaraguan minister, received a dispatch today from Mr. Ganes, the Nicaraguan minister of foreign affairs, confirming the press reports of a great victory for the Nicaraguan army near Maraiti. In addition, he says the Nicaraguan army probably will take Tegucigalpa tomorrow.

SCHMITZ WEAKENING

Offered Terms to Honey Which Are Promptly Rejected.

COMPLETE SURRENDER EXPECTED

Honey as Dictator of the City Will Impeach and Remove the Mayor.

San Francisco, March 23.—This was by far the most sensational day in the local graft situation. Mayor Schmitz sent an emissary to Assistant District Attorney Honey and Detective Barns and asked for terms. When no proposals were forthcoming the agents of the mayor made a definite proposition.

They offered a confession from the mayor for complete immunity and his continuance in office until the expiration of his term on January 1 of next year. The offer was rejected with more speed than it was made and the negotiations came to a quick end. The mayor's emissaries are expected to return. It is not thought that they seriously believed that the prosecution would consent to the continuance of Schmitz in office. But it was simply to create a point on which they could yield in future negotiations.

Second only in importance to the overtures that the mayor were the revelation that 13 indictments had been voted against Abraham K. Dewiler, a capitalist from Ohio, who visited the Pacific coast last April in the interest of the Home Telephone company.

Plans for the future government of the city were evolved today by Mr. Honey, District Attorney Langdon and Rudolph Spreckels. With graft reaching into almost every branch of the city affairs, the functions of government have broken down completely. Instead of an organized form of administration, Francis J. Honey is practically dictator of the city and county of San Francisco. The people are content to let him and his associates work out the problem. The plan is to keep the boodling supervisors in office for a time. They will obey Mr. Honey's orders. Of this there is no doubt. Should they refuse, indictment, trial and conviction and imprisonment would follow.

While the supervisors remain in office summary impeachment proceedings will be brought against the mayor, and he will be removed by a judge of the Superior court after a hearing, which will not occupy more than a few hours. Schmitz will be given a chance to resign to avoid dismissal.

After the ejection of Schmitz from the office the board of supervisors will be ordered to elect as his successor some man to be chosen by Mr. Honey, probably District Attorney Langdon. After the new mayor assumes office, Mr. Honey will order the 16 boodling supervisors to resign and they will resign.

FIGHT FOR PHILIPPINES

Senator Stone Says We Must If We Fight Japan.

Kansas City, March 23.—United States Senator William A. Stone, in the course of a speech here last night at the monthly dinner of the Knife and Fork club, said:

"If we are to have serious trouble with any nation, it will be with Japan. Japan wants the Philippines. I am not sure whether it would not be best for all concerned if she should get them, but one thing is certain, and that is, she will never get them with our consent. But we may have trouble in keeping them."

"Japan would seize the archipelago, and in a week. We could only send over a big enough fleet to wipe Japan from the sea. That would be a huge and costly task."

Trown Off Express Car.

Palentine, Tex., March 23.—As train No. 4 of the International Great Northern, north bound, was leaving Elkhart, 12 miles below here, last night, Express Messenger Winsley Womack of the Pacific Express company, was attacked and thrown out of the car. He was not missed from the train until Palestine was reached and a little later a telephone message was received from him at Elkhart, stating that he had been assaulted by robbers. The safe in the car was open when the train reached Palestine.

Brownville Is Furious.

Brownville, Tex., March 23.—At a mass meeting of Brownville citizens tonight resolutions were adopted expressing indignation because of what is termed an attempt being made both before the court martial at Fort Houston and before the senate committee at Washington "to clear the negro soldiers of the Twenty-fifth infantry of the crime committed against Brownville on August 13 last by fastening the infamy on the town people themselves."

Great Fire in Navy-Yard.

Pensacola, Fla., March 23.—Fire last night destroyed building No. 1 at the Pensacola navy yard, entailing a loss of \$176,000. In addition to this loss the machinery and equipment for the gunboats Gloucester and Isla de Luzon were destroyed.