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EVENTS OF THE DAY

Newsy Items Gathered from All Parts of the World.

Less Important but Not Less Interesting Happenings from Points Outside the State.

Naples has made great preparations to welcome Roosevelt.

Portland's new city directory places the population at 255,000.

There is a Civil War veteran living in Missouri who is 110 years old.

Fire at Dallas, Tex., destroyed property worth \$250,000, nearly all residences.

A big Chicago grain brokerage company has failed because of the advancing wheat market.

Canadian miners on strike believe the fuel shortage will force the mine owners to give in.

Students of Ruskin college, Oxford, England, have struck against the removal of the principal.

Admiral Cervera, one of the Spanish naval commanders during the war with the United States, is dead.

There is a report that Fairbanks has been offered the ambassadorship to Great Britain, but he refuses to discuss the proposition.

Philip Caine, a cousin of the novelist, is dead. He had existed for years by selling shoe laces, ignorant of the fact that he was heir to \$60,000.

Roosevelt and party have arrived at Gibraltar.

A contest is imminent on the estate of "Lucky" Baldwin.

Roosevelt denies that an attempt was made on his life while crossing the ocean.

The leader of a Chicago Black Hand society has been trapped and informed on his confederates.

A New York broker has been arrested for swindling investors out of \$150,000 in mining stocks.

The French government may make formal protest against some of the provisions of the tariff bill.

It is said Harriman will make changes in the Union Pacific line and invade the Burlington's territory.

President Eliot, of Harvard university, has declined the appointment of ambassador to Great Britain.

Every coal mine in Western Canada, except the Crow's Nest collieries, are tied up by a strike of the miners.

One hundred and fifty thousand Chicago women have signed a petition protesting against higher duties on gloves.

King Victor will meet Roosevelt on an Italian warship.

Thousands of men are going to the newly discovered gold fields near Phoenix, Ariz.

Professional gamblers are giving officers of the trans-Atlantic liners great trouble.

A Baltimore clerk, only 26 years of age, has been arrested for embezzling \$100,000 from the city.

Harriman says the government should set the states an example by repealing repressive railroad laws.

Most of the oil wells in Oklahoma will shut down for four months on account of overproduction and adverse state laws.

General Kuroki, commander of the first Japanese army in the field against Russia, has retired, owing to the expiration of his military term.

Statistics show that convictions for drunkenness have increased 164 per cent throughout the Dominion of Canada during the past 10 years.

Paris students, who had been sent to prison for misdemeanor, took revenge on the convicting officer by sending 400 wagon loads of merchandise to his home.

Only two men are needed to complete the Calhoun jury.

Indians in revolt in Mexico are spreading terror.

French manufacturers are alarmed at the Payne tariff bill.

A great mass meeting in London called for a big navy.

Russia is retiring the older generals to promote young men.

It is reported that Castro will go to Colon instead of Venezuela.

The Panhandle district of Texas has just had the worst storm of the winter.

Ex-Secretary of State Owen, of Indiana, has been arrested for gigantic frauds.

The government is worried about the reception that will be accorded the Japanese at San Francisco.

A Union Pacific passenger train hit a slide near Ogden and two trainmen lost their lives and five cars were burned. Not a passenger was injured.

Fear that the stroke of "piano players' cramp" may disable him for life, Paderewski has cancelled all engagements in this country and gone to Europe.

ACTION OF GREAT IMPORTANCE

Suit to Dissolve Standard Oil Will Go to Supreme Court.

Washington, April 6.—The hearing in the case of the United States against the Standard Oil company, of New Jersey, which will be begun before the United States circuit court in St. Louis tomorrow, is one of the most important and far-reaching civil actions that has ever come up for trial in this country. The bill of complaint on the part of the United States, charging a violation of the Sherman anti-trust law, was filed in November, 1906. The Standard Oil company, of New Jersey, the parent organization, together with its various subsidiary corporations; John D. Rockefeller, Henry M. Flagler, Henry R. Rogers, John D. Archbold, Oliver P. Payne and Charles M. Pratt are charged with having entered into an agreement, combination and conspiracy to restrain trade and commerce among the several states, to monopolize trade and commerce in the purchase of petroleum and in the distribution, sale and shipment of the products of petroleum.

The United States seeks perpetually to enjoin the defendants from doing any act looking to carrying out the alleged combination or conspiracy and to dissolve the Standard Oil combination.

The government concluded its testimony on January 21, 1909. About 400 witnesses were examined, approximately 200 appearing for each side.

The issue is so important, that, whatever may be the result of the trial by the circuit court, the case certainly will be appealed to the United States Supreme court.

INDIANA ASHORE IN FOG.

Pacific Mail Liner Founders in Magdalena Bay.

San Francisco, April 6.—According to advices received by the Pacific Mail Steamship company, the steamer Indiana, bound from Mazatlan to San Francisco, went ashore during a heavy fog in Magdalena bay last night and is still on the rocks. The passengers and their personal baggage and the mail were removed by the cruiser Albany, of the Pacific fleet, and the tug Fortune and Navajo. The passengers have been placed aboard the ships of the fleet and will be picked up by the City of Sydney, which leaves Acapulco for Magdalena bay tomorrow.

The statement issued by the Pacific Mail company says that the Indiana is ashore on Cape Tosco, the Southern extremity of Santa Margarita bay. She is resting easily on a rocky bottom and protected from the sea and westerly winds.

The Indiana sailed from Mazatlan yesterday and carries a valuable cargo for this port. The messages received by her owners say that the water is 14 feet deep in hold No. 1, 16 feet in hold No. 2, 12 feet in hold No. 3 and 14 feet in hold No. 4.

The company estimates the value of the ship and cargo at \$600,000.

SYSTEMATIZE NOTE DESIGNS.

Government to Do Away With Many Now in Use.

Washington, April 6.—Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Coolidge has approved a plan for systematizing designs for United States notes and coin certificates, thus securing uniformity in portrait and general design.

At present there are 19 different designs for United States notes and coin certificates of various denominations, leading to confusion and uncertainty. Under the new plan there will be but nine.

The \$1 silver certificate will carry the portrait of Washington, the \$2 silver certificate the portrait of Jefferson. The \$5 note, whether silver certificate or greenback, will carry the portrait of Lincoln. The \$10 gold and silver certificate and United States note, that of Cleveland; the \$20 that of Jackson; the \$50 that of Grant; the \$100 that of Franklin; the \$500 that of Salmon P. Chase; the \$1,000 that of Alexander Hamilton.

The portraits of Hillegas, Monroe, Silas Wright, Lewis W. Clark, Mansfield and others will be eliminated. The eagle, the buffalo and the Indian head, which have proved to be easily counterfeited, also will disappear. All duplications will be done away with.

Unknown Ship is Sunk.

Boston, April 6.—Tidings of disaster to an unknown ship at sea were brought to this port today with the arrival of the Dominion Coal company's steamer Dominion, Captain Northcutt, from Louisville, C. B. About 200 miles to the eastward of Boston light late in the afternoon the steamer passed the lower mast and top mast of a large vessel. The spars were sticking out of the water and apparently were attached to a sunken hulk.

All Nations Present.

Salt Lake City, April 6.—Every Western state and territory, Canada and Mexico have contributed citizens to the great crowd attending the 79th conference of the Mormon church, which opened here Sunday. The thousands in the tabernacle at the morning services were of many nationalities. There were a score of Indian Mormons, who came from Idaho in a special car. There were Japanese converts, believers from Hawaii, and the South sea islands, and a few negroes.

St. Paul Operates Trains.

Wallace, Idaho, April 6.—The first train to pass through the St. Paul pass tunnel at Taft on the line of the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound railroad, made the trip at noon today. Work trains are now run from the coast to a point near Missoula.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

BIG IRRIGATION CONTRACT.

New York Capitalists to Water Large Tract in Baker County.

Salem—The state land board has made the most advantageous contract looking to the reclamation of arid land in the history of the state. The contract was executed with O. P. Sinkler & Co., New York, and unless there is some hitch in the proceedings will lead to the reclamation of from 30,000 to 50,000 acres of arid land in the lower Powder river valley near Baker City.

Whether the contract is carried through to fruition or not, there is no chance for the state to lose. The New York concern agrees to make topographic maps of land in the Powder river valley to locate all necessary canal lines and prepare plans and specifications and estimates of cost of constructing a great irrigation system involving storage in the Thief valley reservoir site.

The maps, specifications and estimates are to be submitted to State Engineer Lewis inside of six months. One thousand dollars in cash has been deposited with the state board pending the execution and delivery to the state within 30 days of a \$5,000 bond.

Upon completion of the estimates the board agrees to consider the application of the Powder river lands under the Carey act. If the demands of the company are reasonable, the board will enter into a contract with the concern which will be required to put up a bond of 5 per cent of the lien allowed to guarantee the completion of the contract. Reasonableness with respect to the lien is defined to be a profit of not to exceed \$20 per acre, above the estimated cost as approved by the state engineer, and in no event to exceed \$61 per acre.

BUY FRUIT FARM.

Minneapolis Capitalists to Plat Douglas County Ranch.

Roseburg—One of the biggest deals ever made in Douglas county was closed at Roseburg recently, when the Cobb Real Estate company sold the Round prairie ranch to a company of Minneapolis capitalists and bankers, the consideration being \$54,000 cash. The Round prairie ranch is a part of the James Burnett donation land claim, and comprises several hundred acres. It is situated on the South Umpqua river, eight or 10 miles south of Roseburg, and on account of its freedom from cold winds and the quality of the soil, ranks with the best fruit land in the country.

Last year the land was platted and placed on the market. It is the intention of the purchasers to adopt this plat for their own use and to continue the sale of lots from their offices at Minneapolis. They will first select from the entire tract 20 sites for summer homes for their own families. These homes will be built before the end of two years. By that time, they predict, they will have 20 other families on the place. The buyers figure on a new city, the name of which has not yet been decided.

Wants Gun From Battleship.

Pendleton—The city, the commercial organization and the local organizations of the G. A. R. and Spanish War veterans are co-operating in an effort to secure for this city one of the cannon being removed from the battleship Oregon. A telegram signed by the heads of these organizations was sent to the Oregon delegation and formal application will also be made to the War department. The cost of transporting the gun, if secured, from the navy yard to this city will be borne by public subscription.

Carries Long Petition.

Ontario—Walter Griffiths will leave for Washington in a day or two to put the petition of the landholders under the Malheur project before the Reclamation department. He will take with him petitions of over 90 per cent of landholders under the project or approximately involving 150,000 acres of land. With the signing up of the land companies the success of Mr. Griffith's mission seems almost assured.

"Varmints" Going Rapidly.

Roseburg—The records in the office of the Douglas county clerk show that the wild animals, such as cougar, panther, coyotes, wolves and wild cats, are being exterminated at a rapid rate in this county. Numerous trappers have been spending the winter at Peel, and other mountain towns, catching the animals, and in most cases the trappers have made a good thing financially of their winter's work besides killing the animals.

School Funds Apportioned.

Albany—Superintendent Jackson, of Linn county, has completed the apportionment of school funds for April. The Albany district receives \$5,444, the largest amount of any district in the county. Lebanon comes next, receiving \$1,998. The per capita is \$4.40 for each child, and \$5 for each teacher attending the annual institute.

Seventeen Year Case Settled.

Albany—The final account in the estate of Richard C. Finley has just been probated here. The case has been running for the past 17 years and could not be settled until the death of Mrs. Finley. The estate comprises several thousand acres of land, located in this county; also some realty in Crawfordsville.

BIG FUND FOR UMATILLA.

Plan to Raise \$50,000 for Publicity is Adopted.

Pendleton—Business men from all parts of the county, with the exception of the east end, met in Pendleton recently to form a county publicity bureau and partake of a banquet prepared by the Pendleton Commercial association. Arrangements were made for raising \$50,000 to carry on the work of the bureau for a year. This is to include the salary of a secretary, who is to conduct a press bureau similar to those used in exploiting expositions.

Half of this sum is to be raised in Pendleton and half in the county outside. A certain portion is to be allotted to each section, and committees were appointed to see that the assessments are raised.

Enthusiasm prevailed and there is no doubt the desired amounts will be raised in the 10 days allowed. It was practically decided to discontinue the promiscuous sending out of pamphlets and to spend more money in newspaper advertising and the expenses of a publicity agent, who will take care of inquiries, sending information and personal letters when requested.

Frank L. Merriek, of Portland, who has been connected with the publicity departments of the Portland and Seattle fairs, is being considered for publicity agent. He was present at the meeting.

Uncle Sam to Aid Crater Road.

Medford—According to letters received by Will G. Steel, the Crater Lake road enthusiast, the government will send as soon as the Crater Lake road commission is appointed by the governor, engineers from the Department of Agriculture to take charge of the construction of the boulevard to the lake. These men will be in the employ of the United States, the only expense to the commission being the livery service to enable the men to be in the field. Their other expenses will be paid by the department as well as their salaries.

High Cattle Prices.

Burns—Large cattle sales are reported daily. Buyers, local as well as outside people, are buying all grades of cattle and paying better prices than have been paid for a long time. Many stockmen are selling their entire herds. The Pacific Livestock company is buying for home range and for outside people to ship to other feeding grounds. Interior Oregon is experiencing an era of prosperity, the like of which has never been before. Horses, sheep and cattle are at top prices and growers are jubilant.

Strawberry Outlook Good.

Roseburg—The Douglas county fruit growers are making a special effort this season to break all previous records for early strawberries. There is great rivalry between this section and the growers of Riddle, and several of the most enthusiastic growers are going to make an extra effort this season to see who can have the first shipment of ripe strawberries to the Portland markets. Prospects for big crops are good.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Bluestem milling, \$1.22½ @1.25; club, \$1.10; red Russian, \$1.08; bluestem, shipping, \$1.17½; valley, \$1.10.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$39@40.

Barley—Feed, \$31 per ton.

Hay—Timothy, Willamette valley, \$13@15; Eastern Oregon, \$16@18; clover, \$12@13; alfalfa, \$14.50@15; grain hay, \$13@14; cheat, \$13.50@14.50; vetch, \$13.50@14.50.

Apples—65¢@72.50 per box.

Potatoes—\$1.40@1.50 per hundred; sweet potatoes, 2¼¢@2½¢ per pound.

Vegetables—Turnips, \$1 per sack; carrots, 90¢; parsnips, \$1.50; beets, \$1.75; horseradish, 10¢ per pound; artichokes, 75¢@90¢ per dozen; asparagus, 8¢@12½¢ per pound; beans, 25¢; cabbage, 3¢@4¢; cauliflower, \$2.50; celery, \$4.75 per crate; lettuce, head, 85¢ per dozen; onions, 40¢@50¢ per dozen; parsley, 35¢ per dozen; peas, 15¢ per pound; radishes, 35¢ per dozen; rhubarb, \$1.75@2 per box; spinach, \$1@1.10.

Onions—Oregon, \$1.75 per hundred.

Butter—City creamery, extras, 32¢; fancy outside creamery, 30¢@32¢; store, 18¢@20¢. Butter fat prices average 1½ cents per pound under regular butter price.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, 20¢@21¢.

Poultry—Hens, 16¢@16½¢; broilers, 24¢@25¢; fryers, 18¢@20¢; roosters, old, 10¢@11¢; young, 14¢@15¢; ducks, 20¢@22½¢; geese, 10¢; turkeys, 18¢@19¢; squabs, \$2.50@3.

Veal—Extras, 10¢@11¢; ordinary, 7¢@8¢; heavy, 5¢.

Pork—Fancy, 9½¢@10¢; large, 8¢@8½¢.

Hops—1909 contracts, 10¢@10½¢; 1908 crop, 7¢@7½¢; 1907 crop, 3¢@4½¢; 1906 crop, 1½¢@2¢.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, contracts, 16¢@18¢; valley, 16¢@17¢; mohair, choice, 23¢@23½¢.

Cattle—Top steers, \$5.25 @5.50; fair to good, \$4.75@5; common to medium, \$3.25@4.50; cows, top, \$4.25; fair to good, \$3.50@4; common to medium, \$2.50@3.50; calves, top, \$5 @5.50; heavy, \$3.50@4; bulls and stags, fat, \$3.50@4; common, \$2@2.75.

Hogs—Best, \$7.25@7.50; fair to good, \$6.75@7; stockers, \$5.50@6.50; China fats, \$6.75.

Sheep—Top wethers, \$5@5.75; fair to good, \$4.50@4.75; ewes, ½¢ less on all grades; lambs, top, \$6.50@6.75; fair to good, \$6@6.50.

VETERANS AT A-Y-P.

Various Organizations Planning for Big Time This Summer.

The nation's war veterans, and the sons and wives and daughters of them, are carrying out big plans for representation at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition. The military order of the Loyal Legion has preempted a five acre tract on the exposition grounds and is establishing upon it patriotic headquarters. The Grand Army of the Republic will be represented and so will the Sons of Veterans, the Ladies of the G. A. R. and the Women's Relief Corps.

Early in the year the Loyal Legion entered into correspondence with the War department at Washington with the result that it has secured a splendid equipment and has already established headquarters tents and a model headquarters encampment generally. Around the camp the government's outdoor exhibit will be placed. It consists of big and little ordnance, of today and the other days, Civil War relics and relics of the unpleasantness with Spain, so that the visitor to headquarters will be confronted by big modern 12-inch rifles as well as cannonades of the Eighteenth century, picked up on the beach in Manila bay.

Local G. A. R. posts are expecting a heavy attendance at the exposition from among the nation's old time fighting men, for the reason that the grand encampment takes place in Salt Lake City early in August and the railroads have announced lower rates than ever before from Eastern points to the exposition. Under the tickets offered by the transcontinental roads it will be possible for the veteran to take passage through to Seattle and stop off for the encampment without extra cost, and that thousands will do so is already made evident by letters received by officers of the Grand Army and Loyal Legion in this city.

It will be open house at Grand Army and Loyal Legion headquarters throughout the fair and several special days and events have been arranged in their honor. The state encampment of the G. A. R. takes place in Tacoma in June and June 24 has been set as State G. A. R. day. August 16 has been named as National G. A. R. day and it will be made the occasion of one of the biggest and most brilliant of the special celebrations at the exposition.

FIRE AT FT. WORTH.

Large Section of Texas City Burned and Thousands Homeless.

Fort Worth, Tex., April 5.—Starting in a barn, presumably from a carelessly thrown cigarette, fire Saturday afternoon destroyed property in the southern portion of Fort Worth conservatively valued at \$2,500,000, caused the death of one person, J. J. Newton, of Krum, Tex., and rendered several thousand persons homeless.

The fire originated at Jennings avenue and Peter Smith street, in the center of a fashionable residence district, and, fanned by a stiff wind, was beyond control in 15 minutes. Spreading to the south, it burned its way through 32 blocks and continued until it had swept through the yards of the Texas & Pacific railroad, burning the railroad buildings and a large amount of rolling stock, where the fire practically burned itself out.

Three church buildings, the Broadway Baptist and Presbyterian and the Swedish chapel, were among the buildings burned, as was the Presbyterian sanitarium. The patients of the latter institution were all removed in safety.

The Texas & Pacific railroad suffered the largest individual loss. Fourteen locomotives were reduced to twisted masses of steel and iron and several hundred boxcars, besides the roundhouse and other buildings of the road were destroyed.

The Texas & Pacific estimates the loss to the road at \$160,000, while the damage to the church property is estimated at \$200,000.

The fire swept area was patrolled by armed guards to prevent looting, while the owners of the burned buildings gathered what they could of their household effects and sought shelter for the night wherever it could be found. The livestock building and auditorium at the fair grounds provided a temporary abode for many, while others slept in vacant houses or accepted the hospitality of Dallas and nearby cities.

Watches United States

London, April 5.—Strange as it may seem to Americans, the campaign for naval increase, conducted with astonishing success in all parts of this country, is based secondarily upon the conclusions drawn from the Washington program. In the Navy League's circular it is pointed out that the "United States has six Dreadnaughts building and two projected, a total of eight," and this, together with the German program, "gives 21 large armored ships for the United States and Germany, with 22 for Great Britain."

Loses Much Coal Land.

Helena, Mont., April 5.—In the United States court today Judge Hunt declared null and void the title of the Northern Pacific railroad to 1,200 acres of coal land in Carbon county, valued at \$2,600 an acre. The government instituted suit to recover the lands because of their mineral character. Judge Hunt in his decision held that, though classified as non-mineral, it was well known that they contained coal before they were entered upon.

Reyes Faces Revolution.

Willemstad, April 5.—Rumors have reached here of a revolutionary outbreak against the administration of President Reyes, of Colombia, in the vicinity of Rio Hacha, a seaport on the Caribbean.

TRUCE IS EXPECTED

Agreement Probable Among All Northwestern Railroads.

WILL BE NO TERRITORY CONTEST

Harriman-Hill Interests Make Concessions and St. Paul Road Enters Agreement With Harriman.

Chicago, April 3.—There will be no contest between the St. Paul road and the Harriman lines over territory to be occupied by either interest in the Pacific Northwest. This was decided during the brief visit of Edward H. Harriman in Chicago Wednesday. While in his private car, which stood in the Park Row station of the Illinois Central road, Mr. Harriman was visited by President A. J. Earling, of the St. Paul road, and arrangements were completed for the joint use of certain tracks by the St. Paul and the Harriman lines.

Although none of the officials interested in the deal would say anything concerning it, it is understood that the tentative agreement will obviate the necessity of Mr. Harriman's building a line between Seattle and Tacoma, as he contemplated doing as a part of his line from Portland to Seattle. The two men had only a few moments' conversation, but it was sufficient to clinch an agreement regarding which they had talked several times before.

In this connection also it is stated that the conference between Mr. Harriman and Louis W. Hill in San Francisco is likely to result in a better understanding between the Hill and Harriman lines in the Pacific Northwest. It is stated that all three interests realize the benefit which would come should there be a truce among them with respect to territorial aggression in the Northwest. As the price of peace, however, Mr. Harriman is said to insist upon the opening to his lines of the Portland gateway, and it is thought by many that concessions will be made in this direction by the Hill people.

FORT'S BASE IS SINKING.

Artillery Officers Alarmed at Conditions at Fort Stevens.

Fort Stevens, Or., April 3.—Recent surveys have made it apparent that land adjoining Battery Russell, the most modern and best equipped battery at Fort Stevens, in fact, on this coast, is rapidly sinking. In places it is at least one foot lower than formerly.

Various hypotheses are advanced to account for this unusual occurrence. Some advance the theory that earthquakes, so prevalent on this coast, are the active cause; others, that the land on which this battery is located, being of such a swampy nature, sinks from the enormous pressure exerted by such unusual weight. The cost of this battery approximates \$1,500,000; hence considerable interest and some alarm are manifested as to the ultimate outcome of a most unusual condition.

FARM SELLS FOR \$95,000.

Lafollette Orchard on Snake River Sold to Lewiston Firm.

Spokane, Wash., April 3.—W. L. Lafollette, "the fruit king" of Wawawai, has given an option on his fruit farm at Wawawai, 14 miles south of Pullman, on the Snake river. The consideration is placed at \$95,000. White Bros. & Crum, of Lewiston, Idaho, fruit buyers and shippers, are the purchasers. They have made a payment to hold the option.

The land consists of about 960 acres, of which 250 acres are in bearing fruit. This is the largest fruit orchard on Snake river, and one of the largest in the Inland Empire. Shipments from this orchard run from 60 to 100 carloads annually.

Big Strike Ordered.

McLeod, Alberta, April 3.—The International Federation of Miners today ordered a strike on all in all the mines of Southern Alberta, in East British Columbia, as a result of its failure to reach an agreement with the employers on a wage scale. Since Hill secured control of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal company, he granted an increase in wages to his men, and the other operators assert that this precipitated the strike. Two years ago a serious fuel famine resulted in the adjacent provinces when these miners struck.

Run Trackless Trolley.