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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.

The special train of the president's party is composed of plain coaches.

The president gives assurance that Vancouver barracks will not be moved.

The National German Alliance of America will take up the cry of anti-prohibition.

President Taft spent two days in Portland and declared them the pleasantest of his trip.

Harriman's interests will be handled by three men, Robert S. Lovett, J. C. Stubbs and Julius Kruttschnitt.

The chairman of the Republican county committee of New York will try to stop the voting of dead men's names.

The Kansas state board of health has declared itself against the wearing of beards and will try to have its rulings enforced by law.

A wealthy Grand Army veteran was so badly crushed in the rush to see Taft at the Portland armory that he died on the way to the hospital.

Charles W. Morse, New York financier, convicted of violating national banking laws, has paid off \$7,500,000 of his indebtedness, and says he will soon pay the remaining \$500,000.

Severe fighting between the Spaniards and Moors continues.

Sir Thomas Lipton would like another chance at the America yachting cup.

Chief Forester Pinchot fears trusts are after water power sites in the West.

An American fishing vessel has been seized for poaching on Mexican fishing preserves.

After a long fight Mrs. Yerkes has been granted a third of the estate of her husband.

General Grant says he will quit the army if need be and give all his time to temperance.

The survey has begun on the last link of the California railroad into the Klamath country.

The sultan of Morocco has put El Roghi, the pretender, to death, using the most horrible cruelty.

W. A. Clark, Jr., son of ex-Senator Clark, of Montana, has discovered a process for smelting zinc and may become the zinc king of the country.

One man was killed and eight others injured in a collision between a passenger train and work train on the Puget Sound railroad at Garrison tunnel, Montana.

President Taft has declared himself in favor of ship subsidy.

The Miners' congress at Goldfield, Nev., condemned the policy of Forester Pinchot.

Dr. Cook is to dispatch a vessel North at once for his instruments and the Eskimos who accompanied him.

In a speech at Seattle President Taft advocated the commission plan of government for Alaska, the same as now used in the Philippines.

A Paris girl father a quarrel with her sweetheart thrust herself between the bars of a lion's cage and was so badly injured that she died.

Father Searle, a noted astronomer, says the tail of Halley's comet may hit the earth. May 28 the two bodies will be closest to each other.

Indications seem that the number of paid admissions to the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition will not equal those of the Lewis and Clark exposition.

Bryan has withdrawn his offer to debate the tariff question with Senator Bailey, of Texas. He says he wants public attention centered on the tariff issue, not on him and Bailey.

Taft favors the issuing of bonds to aid irrigation in the West.

In his speech at Spokane Taft praised both Ballinger and Pinchot.

The National Guard association will hold its next meeting in St. Louis.

Whitney believes that both Cook and Peary reached the North Pole.

Eight sailors were drowned by the sinking of a collier on the Atlantic coast.

Secretary Wilson, of the Agricultural department, will resign January 1.

Speakers at the Mining congress at Goldfield, Nev., revived the silver question.

Honore Clark has been appointed general manager of the Denver & Rio Grande railway.

District Attorney Jerome opposes Judge Gaynor in his candidacy for mayor of New York.

Bryan and Senator Bailey, of Texas, will debate the tariff question some time in October at Atlanta.

The British steamer Clan Mackintosh is reported to have blown up at sea and sunk with its crew.

NO PERPETUAL RIGHTS.

Mining Congress Proposes American Law on Water Power.

Goldfield, Nev., Oct. 5.—The American Mining congress closed its 12th session here after adopting a resolution calling upon the national government to legislate against perpetual franchises for water power or water rights in Western states, and urging that similar state legislation be passed without waiting for congressional action.

The apex law, under which the discoverer of a mineral lode or vein can follow it outside the lines of his claim was another subject of discussion, and its repeal, with the substitution of a law making the side lines of a claim its limits when continued downward vertically, was urged.

Wildcat mining schemes were placed under the ban by the congress, which urged state and national legislation to prevent the operators of such schemes from diverting money of investors that might otherwise be used in developing legitimate properties.

J. H. Richards, of Boise, Idaho, the retiring president of the congress, was given a handsome service by the delegates.

Los Angeles and Spokane have developed a lively rivalry for the next session of the congress. This question will be decided by the executive committee.

FARMERS FLOCK TO CANADA.

Fully 70,000 American Settlers Have Crossed Border.

Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 5.—American farmers by the tens of thousands are now pouring over the boundary into the Canadian West. According to a statement made by the deputy minister of interior at Ottawa, the invasion of Americans into Canada will total over 70,000 for the present year.

In the beginning of this across-boundary movement, the newcomers were largely from the Middle states, but this year they are coming from almost every state in the Union. Not only is the quantity satisfactory to Canada, but the quality of settlers is rather improving than otherwise.

Practically, the official report says, 60,000 Americans this season entered Canada, and every man, woman and child was possessed on an average of \$1,000 in stock, cash and effects, meaning that they brought into this country nearly \$60,000,000.

W. J. White, head of the Canadian Immigration agencies in the United States, says this year's immigration from the United States has increased fully 30 per cent and that next year he expects to see about 115,000 Americans settling in the Canadian West.

NINE DEAD IN ROSLYN MINE.

Fire Follows Gas Explosion—Shaft Is Furnace Blast.

Roslyn, Wash., Oct. 5.—Fifteen men are believed to have been killed or fatally injured in an explosion of gas in the shaft of mine No. 4, of the Northwestern Improvement company, at 12:45 this afternoon.

The mine in the neighborhood of the shaft is burning fiercely, flames rushing through the shaft with an awful roar. The electric pumps are cut off, and the water supply in the city is very low. It is thought the fire in the shaft will not affect the other mines, but it may be six months before the shaft can be put in working condition again. It is said that the shaft is caving in and other explosions may occur at any time.

Shops Are to Be Doubled.

Sacramento, Oct. 5.—Reports have been received here to the effect that the New York office of the Western Pacific has sent back plans of the railroad shops to be built in Sacramento with instructions to prepare specifications for buildings double in size. The original plans called for an expenditure of \$750,000 while the proposed shops under the new scheme will cost \$1,500,000.

Further indication of the move, as advanced by local railroad men is that the Western Pacific contemplates running lines up and down the state.

Germany Causes Alarm.

Madrid, October 5.—Dispatches from Gibraltar today say German steamers are disembarking cannon and large quantities of guns and ammunition at Morocco ports destined for the government. Great Britain and France, it is said, have been informed of the situation and while they are guarding neutrally, they are seeking by diplomacy to prevent a collision. The attitude of the sultan is said to have caused ministerial anxiety. Fears are entertained that he may desire to incite a general war.

Duel Over Girl Is Fatal.

San Diego, Cal., Oct. 5.—Earl Davis, who was stabbed nine times by Earl Lynell in a duel over a girl on the night of September 18, died this afternoon of tetanus, or lockjaw. Davis was 17 years old; Lynell is also 17. Clotilde Montez, the Spanish girl over whom the fight took place, is 14. Lynell took to the mountains and is still at large. The police are now scouring the country for him. A knife thrust produced blood poisoning.

St. Yves to Run No More.

Montreal, Oct. 5.—Henri St. Yves, the famous French long-distance runner, collapsed in the 23d mile of a race here today. Physicians declared his heart was affected and that he probably would be unable to run again. His opponent, Hans Holmer, of Quebec, finished strong, covering the Marathon distance in 2:32:40, a new record, if the track is found to measure correctly.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

IMMENSE TRACT SOLD.

North Yakima Syndicate Takes Over 15,000 Acres in Harney.

Portland—A great tract of Eastern Oregon land, comprising 15,000 acres, has been sold by J. O. Elrod, a local real estate dealer, to Frank H. Clark and his mother, of North Yakima, and associates, at a consideration of \$500,000. The deal represents a profit of over \$100,000 to Mr. Elrod, who purchased the land 18 months ago.

The property is located in Harney county and comprises what is known as the old John Devine ranch, one of the most noted ranches in Oregon. One of the unique features of the place is that it boasts a herd of elk, one of the few herds of this kind in Oregon. The name of the place is now the Alvord ranch. It has been rented to the Pacific Livestock company, but the recent purchasers will stock the property and conduct it themselves.

The land is all fenced and cross fenced, with about 7,500 acres in hay. The remainder is good sagebrush land with a large quantity of available water for irrigation purposes. Good buildings have been erected on the place, and all the improvements are in good shape.

Mr. Elrod says that the purchase represents an advance in the price of the land of something over \$100,000 in 18 months. A year ago last June he purchased it from the Eugene Church company of Tacoma. The deal has just been consummated whereby the property is transferred to Mr. Clark and associates.

REDUCE EXPRESS RATES.

New Schedule Goes Into Effect on O. R. & N. Lines.

Salem—October 1 the reduced express rates ordered by the railroad commission on the Oregon Railway & Navigation company's lines where the Pacific Express company operates, went into operation. The reductions are material, and in some instances as much as 20 and 25 per cent.

The Pacific Express company accepted the reductions without making a fight in the courts. Patrons of the express company will at once feel the benefits of the reduced rates.

An effort will soon be made to procure a reduction of the rates charged by the Wells Fargo Express company, which operates in the Willamette valley. Representative B. F. Jones of Polk county, who brought the successful complaint against the Pacific Express company, is also prosecuting the complaint against the Wells Fargo company.

Auto Road Is Discussed.

Marshfield—The building of an automobile road from Coos bay to Roseburg was the chief subject under discussion at a good roads meeting held at Coquille, the county seat. The plan is to have the residents along the line agree to a special tax and the county appropriate an equal amount. A road, passable at all times of the year, has been agitated for some time, but it is likely that the present movement will materialize in actual work next summer.

Albany Needs More Houses.

Albany—The Albany Commercial club has invited all the people of Albany to an open meeting to be held in the rooms of the Commercial club to consider a number of questions which have been under discussion in the executive board of the club. One purpose of the meeting is to arouse the interest of local capital in the erection of flats for renting purposes, as the demand for houses for rent has far exceeded the supply for the past year.

Increased Lien Is Denied.

Salem—After a long discussion of the merits of the case the desert land board has come to the conclusion that the Deschutes Irrigation and Power company cannot demand an increased lien of 140 per cent, or \$40 an acre from the settlers for reclaimed land. The matter will probably be taken up by the settlers, and the reclamation company and finally threshed out in the courts. The dispute is one of long standing.

New Flour Mill Active.

Baker City—The Baker flouring mill, which is now almost completed, has been an extensive buyer of grain in Eastern Oregon this season, having just closed a contract with the North Powder growers for 25,000 bushels of wheat. In contemplation of the demand caused by the new mill many ranchers raised more grain this year than usual, and the result has been gratifying, both the grower and the mill operators.

To Plant Vast Orchard.

Albany—Articles of incorporation of the Linnhaven Orchard company, the corporation which plans to set out a 3,000-acre orchard in Linn county, have been filed in the county clerk's office. The capital stock of the corporation is \$300,000, divided into 3,000 shares of \$100 each. \$100,000 being preferred stock and \$200,000 common.

Imports Fine Chickens.

Milton—B. F. Williams has received 12 thoroughbred young chickens of the Buff Plymouth Rock variety from St. Louis. Mr. Williams will send some of his poultry to the A.-Y.-P. show at Seattle.

ROGUE VALLEY LAND SOLD.

Eastern Capitalists Invest in Large Fruit Tract.

Roseburg—Three large realty deals were consummated in Roseburg last week. The first was the Henry Ridenour farm, six miles west of this city, comprising 314 acres, which was sold to John Busenbark, of Kansas, for \$40,000. The second was 100 acres at Dixonville, to C. J. Stoven, of Virginia, the consideration not being made public. The third was what is known as the old Booth place, in Garden valley, and comprises 320 acres, the consideration being \$25,000.

The buyers are the Overland Fruit & Development company, of Boston, Mass. The purchase by the Boston company was made by its treasurer and general manager, Charles A. Brand. The company will set the entire tract out in apples and pears and will conduct the orchard themselves. Mr. Brand decided upon the purchase after inspection of the fruit lands of Washington and the districts of Rogue river and Hood River, being satisfied that his present location is the best for the varieties of fruit the company intends to raise.

La Grande Has Oat Record.

La Grande—One of the largest yields and records for fast threshing as well have been enacted here this week, when the Connaway machine, threshing on the Leander Ferguson ranch, brought out 129 bushels of oats to the acre of a 20 acre field. During 10 hours one day the threshers rolled out 5,008 bushels of oats. The yield is one bushel to the acre greater than two crops already reported on 20 acre fields this season.

Potatoes Success as Fallow Crop.

Weston—The Weston mountain country is demonstrating its fertility by extra good crops this year. Ground used last year for potatoes is proving especially productive, showing that the tubers are a good summer fallow. Albert Gould had 84 bushels of barley per acre from 20 acres of "potato ground," and from five acres of similar ground J. E. Walden had the remarkable average of 116 bushels of oats.

Will Irrigate Orchard Land.

Cottage Grove—S. T. Nelson has sold his 375-acre farm to John Spray for \$16,900 cash. Mr. Spray proposes to place the ranch under irrigation. The land will be worth from \$100 to \$200 an acre as soon as water is on it, and the increase is large, as the orchards increase in size. There are 275 acres which can be irrigated, all of which is bottom land.

Will Represent Oregon.

Salem—Delegates to the annual convention of the Mississippi to the Atlantic Inland Waterways association to be held at Jacksonville, Fla., November 17 and 18, have been announced by the governor as follows: E. W. Spencer, of Portland; John Fox, of Astoria; W. J. Mariner, of Blalocks; J. T. Peters, of The Dalles, and O. B. Hinesdale, of Gardiner.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Bluestem, 96c; club, 89c; red Russian, 86½c; valley, 91c; Fife, 89c; Turkey red, 89c; fortyfold, 91c. Barley—Feed, \$25.50@26; brewing, \$26.50@27 per ton. Oats—No. 1 white, \$27@27.50 per ton.

Hay—Timothy, Willamette valley, \$15@16 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$18@19; alfalfa, \$14; clover, \$14; cheat, \$13@14.50; grain hay, \$15@16.

Butter—City creamery, extras, 36; fancy outside creamery, 35@36; store, 22½c. Butter fat prices average 1½c per pound under regular butter prices.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, candled, 32@32½c per dozen.

Poultry—Hens, 15@16c; springs, 15½@16c; roosters, 9@10c; ducks, young, 15@16c; geese, young, 10@11c; turkeys, 20c; squabs, \$1.75@2.00 per dozen.

Pork—Fancy, 9@9½c per pound. Veal—Extra, 10@10½c per pound.

Fruits—Apples, \$1.25@1.75 per box; pears, 75c@1.50; peaches, \$1@1.25 per crate; cantaloupes, 50c@1.25; plums, 25@50c per box; watermelons, 1c per pound; grapes, 85c@1.25 per crate; 25@50c per basket; casabas, \$1.50@1.75; quinces, \$1@1.75 per box; buckberries, 10c per pound.

Potatoes—60@70c per sack; sweet potatoes, 2c per pound.

Onions—\$1.25 per sack. Vegetables—Beans, 4@5c per pound; cabbage, 1@1½c; cauliflower, 50c@1.00 per dozen; celery, 50@75c; corn, 15@20c; cucumbers, 10@25c; peas, 7c per pound; peppers, 4@5c; pumpkins, ¾@1c; squash, 5c; tomatoes, 50@60c per box.

Hops—1909 crop, 22@23c offered; 1908 crop, 17c; 1907 crop, 12c; 1906 crop, 8c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 16@22c per pound; valley, 22@24c; mohair, choice, 24c.

Cattle—Steers, top quality, \$4.25@4.50; fair to good, \$4; common, \$3.50@3.75; cows, top, \$3.50; fair to good, \$3@3.25; common to medium, \$2.50@2.75; calves, top, \$5@5.50; heavy, \$3.50@4; bulls, \$2@2.25; stags, \$2.50@3.50.

Hogs—Best, \$8; fair to good, \$7.75@7.85; stockers, \$6@7; China fats, \$7.50@8.

Sheep—Top wethers, \$4@4.25; fair to good, \$3.50@3.75; ewes, ¾ cent less on all grades; yearlings, best, \$4@4.25; fair to good, \$3.50@3.75; spring lambs, \$5.25@5.50.

TAFT IN PORTLAND.

Genial Smile Wins Hearts of Public Throgs.

Portland, Oct. 4.—Portland received President Taft as guest of honor with splendid hospitality and a limitless expression of hearty good will and frank affection. To the Nation's chief executive it proved a day of good cheer, unmarred by a single untoward incident.

The president enjoyed it all to the utmost; enjoyed every moment of the day from the easy formality of the greeting accorded him upon his arrival at the Union depot to the afternoon of golf—golf played in the invigorating tang of a perfect October day. Throughout the day he found only the most profound consideration for his comfort and welfare.

There were no exacting demands upon his energies. The day was barren of tiring programs, long speeches or wearisome ceremonies.

An affection manifested itself in the public greeting which had its origin quite apart from the fact that he was the great American, the first man of the land. That infectious smile possessed itself of his features when he first stepped from his private car into the cheery sunshine of an ideal Oregon morning. Its infection of good nature spread wherever he went. Whenever he appeared he put every one at ease by the easy informality of his demeanor—and that smile. And then Portland got a deeper insight into the real man; got a glimpse into the rich and wholesome nature of which that smile is the natural expression.

For when his triumphal procession through the streets was at an end and there was a half hour at his disposal for a whirl about the city, he elected to dispense with the tempting spin and go to the bedside of his friend, Judge George H. Williams, at the Good Samaritan hospital. It was thus that the brief hour of his morning's leisure time was spent.

It is to the rising generation that credit must go for the predominating and never-to-be-forgotten feature of the welcoming demonstrations. There have been living flags before. But never have the Stars and Stripes been wrought into such a wholesome, inspiring fabric as that formed by Portland school children. It was an epitome of the boundless spirit of youthful patriotism. The President, smiling at first, passed to a mood of seriousness as that wondrous flag waved back and forth with the life that tomorrow must possess itself of the Nation.

The President's appearance tapped exhaustless reservoirs of enthusiastic and affectionate applause wherever he went.

"This is all splendid, splendid—the day is perfect—everything is perfect," he told Mayor Simon, who was seated beside him in the automobile.

Half an hour after luncheon a car drew up for him at the hotel and he departed for the afternoon for his favorite pastime, golf. Returning with a keen appetite he ate dinner privately and made ready for his appearance at the Armory. The military escort again accompanied him and thousands of people were in the streets awaiting his appearance.

President Taft closed one of the happiest and most delightful visits of his life late yesterday afternoon, when he boarded his special train at the Union depot and departed from Portland, southbound. He said as much himself, and with unmistakable sincerity, as he stood on the observation platform of his car and bade farewell to those who had assembled to see him on his way.

"It has all been delightful. I can't thank you enough for the way I've been treated. I've never had a happier visit," he said—not once, but many times, as he stood shaking hands with friends and officials.

Until the departing train was lost to view he stood on the platform, smiling and waving at those gathered about the depot grounds. He seemed loth to go, and it was not until the train had passed onto the Steel bridge that he turned into his car. The President took with him from Portland only the happiest memories. His choice in selecting Portland for the longest stop of his itinerary, New Orleans alone excepted, was justified.

Scientists Excommunicate.

Boston, Oct. 4.—Alfred Farlow, chairman of the committee on publication of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, confirmed today a report that Mrs. Augusta E. Stetson, of New York, had been dismissed from the body of Christian Scientists. Mr. Farlow declined to comment on the case, but in reply to a question as to the effect of the action of the members of the church, said: "It is to be hoped they will receive it in a Christian manner and treat it accordingly."

Beat Motorcycle Record.

Springfield, Mass., Oct. 4.—At the motorcycle stadium this afternoon Charles Spencer and Charles Gustafson, both of this city, established a new 24-hour world's record, Spencer riding 1089 miles, 199 yards in the 24 hours, beating the record of 775 miles, 134 yards established by H. A. Collier, of England, Gustafson rode 1043 miles, 20 laps and 199 yards in the 24 hours, being approximately 268 miles ahead of Collier's mark.

Fair Ones Fed by Force.

London, Oct. 4.—Writs have been issued against Home Secretary Gladstone and the prison officials of Birmingham in connection with an action for assault for the forcible feeding with a stomach pump last week of a number of suffragettes who persisted on going on a "hunger strike" while in jail. The suffragettes' leaders contend that forcible feeding is illegal.

RATE CUT ORDERED

Oregon Railroad Commission Issues Ruling to O. R. & N.

ROAD TO LOSE \$75,000 A YEAR.

Decision Follows the Northern Pacific Ruling in Washington and Will Likely Be Obeyed.

Portland, Oct. 2.—The state railroad commission of Oregon yesterday handed down its findings in the matter of the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company and its various branches in Oregon, known as the grain-rate case, which has been before the commission for several months. The commission declares the rates now in force to be unjust and unreasonable and orders a reduction equivalent to a cut of about one-eighth in the present rates, which will make a difference in the revenue of the railroads of approximately \$75,000 per year on the volume of business being done at this time.

The grain-rate order was issued by the commission from its office in Salem, and while the general freight department of the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company yesterday was aware that such an order had been issued, only its general terms were known. W. E. Coman, assistant general freight agent, declined to express any opinion as to whether the railroad company would abide by the order or appeal to the courts to prevent its enforcement.

The order, in effect, is practically the same as that made by the Washington railway commission, commanding a flat reduction of 12½ per cent on grain rates from points on the Northern Pacific to Puget sound.

Recent action by the Northern Pacific has given the Washington commission the understanding that the railroad will obey the order without recourse to the courts. The Washington commission has made such an announcement, but in the offices of the North Bank railroad, which of necessity in the preservation of its business will be compelled to meet the cut, nothing definite is known as to the purpose of the Northern Pacific.

As to the points affected by the Oregon commission's rate order, the issue is almost solely one for the O. R. & N. The Northern Pacific has a short branch running into Oregon, but the Northern Pacific is not affected by an Oregon order nearly so much as is the O. R. & N. by a Washington order reducing grain rates.

ORDERS NEW EQUIPMENT.

Harriman Railroads Buy \$17,000,000 Worth of Rolling Stock.

Chicago, Oct. 2.—Orders for equipment and power have just been placed by Harriman lines which will bring the total expenditure for this purpose during the last six months up to fully \$17,000,000.

The latest order is for 1,500 steel under-frame refrigerator cars, which are being constructed by the Pullman company, and an order for 500 all-steel ballast cars. Orders have also been given which bring the Harriman lines' all-steel passenger equipment up to nearly 600 cars. Orders which are now being delivered are for 480 all-steel passenger cars, the largest order, with one possible exception, that of the Pennsylvania road, ever given.

In this connection it is stated that the Harriman lines were pioneers in the use of all-steel passenger cars in the West, and that they will hereafter use nothing in their passenger service which is not all-steel and practically indestructible.

Harriman lines are also beginning to receive the first of 5,400 freight cars and 105 locomotives ordered less than six months ago. The order for locomotives calls for 33 of the heavy Mallet compound type. These locomotives, it is claimed, will haul fully 10 per cent more than any two of the ordinary locomotives in use.

Bond Timber for Capital.

Alturas, Cal., Oct. 2.—Thomas B. Walker, Minnesota timber land king, who owns hundreds of thousands of acres of fine timber in Northern California, has deeded 187,000 acres to his Red River Lumber company, and