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RESUME OF THE WEEK'S DOINGS

News Items Gathered From All Parts of the World.

General Review of Important Happenings Presented in a Brief and Comprehensive Manner for Busy Readers—National, Historical and Commercial.

Great scarcity of beef in Chicago causes high prices to prevail.

Seventeen of the finest paintings in Paris have been seriously injured by vandals.

A life-size bronze statue of President McKinley has been unveiled at Philadelphia.

The Russian douma has refused to make the necessary appropriation for a new navy.

The death toll from the explosion on the cruiser Tennessee has now reached six.

A Norwood, Mass., boy of 14 years has confessed to the killing of three smaller children.

Gas in a mine at Gladstone, Colorado, killed twenty rescuers of imprisoned miners.

O. H. P. Belmont is some better, although his physicians hold out small hope of his recovery.

A New York actress has secured damages for the sale of her photographs without her consent.

A new record for motor bicycles has been established at Buffalo, N. Y. On a race track ten miles were made in 9:40 3-5.

John Brandt Walker, leader of a great bank campaign in the New York stock market, has failed. At one time he had a fortune of \$3,000,000.

Brewers from all parts of the country are to meet at Chicago to plan a defense against the ever increasing wave of prohibition now sweeping the United States.

Because of washouts in Montana the Burlington road has canceled all Pacific Coast trains running in connection with the Northern Pacific until further announcement.

King Edward has started for Russia.

Sir Robert Hart predicts a great future for China.

Eight persons were killed in a collision on a trolley road near Annapolis.

Scandinavia, Neb., has been wrecked by a cyclone. Franklin also suffered much damage.

Mayor Busse, of Chicago, has been married a second time, and his friends have just found it out.

Hears has made a net gain of 105 votes so far in the recount of ballots for mayor of New York.

While O. H. P. Belmont's physicians have not abandoned all hope, there is little chance of his recovery.

A tornado in Nova Scotia killed two persons and injured a number of others. Much damage to property is reported.

The interstate commerce commission will be unable to give a decision on the Pacific coast lumber rate case before July 1.

The situation in Persia is steadily going from bad to worse, and it is believed the present shah will not rule much longer.

Japan says the revolt in Korea is now confined to the remote districts, and that in a short time the entire country will be pacified.

The crown prince of Serbia is accused of plotting against Montenegro.

English socialists oppose the proposed visit of King Edward to Russia.

O. H. P. Belmont is believed to be dying of an operation for appendicitis.

The Union Pacific will immediately issue \$50,000,000 in bonds for the building of new roads.

The Erie railroad will immediately reopen its shops, giving employment to several thousand men.

Governor Johnson, of Minnesota, says no one yet has the Democratic nomination for president.

A Los Angeles banker has been robbed of \$10,000 in jewels which he was carrying with him on a street car.

A number of clubmen in Los Angeles have been arrested because they were selling liquor without a license.

Indications are that Hoke Smith has been beaten by Joseph M. Brown as Democratic candidate for governor of Georgia.

Trainmen on the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis railroad threaten to go on strike unless the company takes back some discharged men who belonged to the union.

C. J. L. Meyer, aged 77, first president of the Chicago Northwestern railroad, and worth at one time a million dollars, has applied for admission to the Milwaukee county, Wisconsin, poorhouse.

TWENTY-ONE DEAD.

Tornado Sweeps Path Along Kansas-Nebraska Line.

Omaha, Neb., June 8.—The tornado which passed over Southern Nebraska and portions of Northern Kansas Friday evening was the most destructive and covered the most territory of any similar storm which visited the state in many years. At least twenty-one persons are known to be dead, five fatally injured and a score of others more or less seriously hurt, some of them dangerously.

Additional reports received state that several persons were killed at the towns of Byron, Neb., and Courtland, Kan., which towns have been cut off from communication with the outside world.

At Fairfield more than forty buildings were more or less wrecked and some of them, including three churches, were demolished. The loss will exceed \$100,000.

In the vicinity of Hickley farm houses stood the brunt of the storm and one or more fatalities are reported, with a number receiving injuries, some of which will prove fatal. Serious damage is reported from Byron, ten miles west of Chester, attended by considerable fatalities, but no details can be learned. All the bridges are out and communication by telegraph and telephone is entirely cut off.

A telephone message from Hardy, Neb., says the town of Courtland, Kan., just across the Nebraska line, was struck by the storm and that several casualties occurred, but lack of communication makes confirmation impossible today. Trains in all directions are abandoned because of washouts and destroyed roadbeds. At Geneva the storm wrought great destruction.

The storm has covered such a wide area and been so destructive wherever it touched the earth that it has almost caused a panic among the inhabitants. Hundreds of farmers drove into town seeking shelter, many of them being homeless.

END 33 DAYS' RAIN STORM.

Rivers Begin to Fall, but Communication is Stopped.

Missoula, Mont., June 8.—Saturday night at 6 o'clock the sun broke through the clouds after 33 days of rain and the rainfall, which had been lessening since morning, ceased. The rivers show a lowering mark that they did 24 hours ago and there is hope that the worst is over. But there has been great damage and it may be days or weeks before railroad traffic is resumed to the eastward.

All day Saturday Missoula was cut off from the outside world. Not until night had there been wire communication and it consisted of a single line to the west and none to the east.

Saturday night and Sunday morning the high water reached its maximum, registering the highest mark ever known in this country. All of the city and county bridges are out and Missoula is divided into three districts, each of which is without communication with the outside. Three large residences in the city went down the river. Their occupants had been warned and were out before the flood struck. The big log-jam of the Blackfoot Company has been held in place and the great power dam owned by W. A. Clark is intact.

The damage to farms in the bottom lands will be great. The loss to the city and county will run far into the thousands and cannot be estimated until the water goes down. The outlook today is encouraging and it is believed the crisis has been passed.

MISSOURI ON RAMPAGE.

Continued Rains in Montana Cost 8 Lives and Much Property.

Great Falls, Mont., June 8.—Never before in the history of Montana has there been such a flood as has been sweeping down the valley of the Missouri River and its tributaries. Five lives have already been lost in the waters in this vicinity, and the damage to farms, railroads and industrial and commercial institutions will run into the millions. The river is at the highest point ever known since the first settlement of Montana and it is still rising.

Some of the smaller outside towns are in even worse condition than is Great Falls. At last reports Choteau was completely surrounded by water and all bridges were gone. A large part of Belt was partially under water and the people had taken to the high ground.

Canadian Bridges Go Out.

McLeod, Alberta, June 8.—The Canadian Pacific bridge at West McLeod was swept away Friday night. St. Mary's bridge, between here and Lettbridge, is a total wreck and the Canadian Pacific pumping station has been swept into the river. The bridge at Browket on the Crow's Nest line is expected to go at any time, and mail and freight and passenger traffic is at a standstill. Rains continue to fall in torrents. Farms for many miles around are inundated and houses have floated away, and the loss will be enormous.

Twister Strikes Oklahoma.

Durant, Okla., June 8.—A tornado which swept over a territory 12 miles west of Durant Saturday night destroyed a dozen farm houses and with a heavy storm of hail, which accompanied it, did damage estimated at \$150,000. A number of persons are reported injured, none fatally.

CHAMBERLAIN FOR SENATOR

Carries Entire State by 1,300 or More Over Cake.

Hawley and Ellis for Congress by a Large Margin—University Appropriation Bill Carries—Many New Districts Go Dry—Control of State Legislature Is Uncertain.

- United States Senator—George E. Chamberlain, Democrat.
- Representative First Congressional District—Willis C. Hawley, Republican.
- Representative Second Congressional District—W. R. Ellis, Republican.
- Justice of the Supreme Court—Robert S. Bean, Republican.
- Oregon Dairy and Food Commissioner—J. W. Bailey, Republican.
- Railroad Commissioner, First Congressional District—Thomas K. Campbell, Republican.
- Railroad Commissioner, Second Congressional District—Clyde B. Aitchison, Republican.

Portland, June 4.—Governor Chamberlain's plurality over Cake for United States senator will be about 1700. He now has 1546. Complete returns from a large number of counties increase previous estimates. For example, Malheur, which had previously been in the Chamberlain column by 100, nearly doubles that plurality by giving him 196, with five small precincts still to hear from. Cake's previous lead of 18 in Benton county is cut down to eight, while in Clatsop the full vote raises the Democrat's plurality from 300 to 357. Crook county, too, gives Chamberlain a lead of 224 over his competitor. The full vote of Douglas shows that each senatorial district has 1890 votes. If this is correct, it shows a slight loss to the Democratic candidate. Gilliam county comes in with only 20 for the Republican nominee, while Lake, hitherto in dispute, adds 70 to the Chamberlain column. Lane county, however, as the country precincts are heard from, continues to add to the Cake figures. In Wallowa county, with 11 out of 20 precincts, Cake has a lead of 113, which will probably reach 200. Marion, with every vote counted, shows just 11 for Cake, while Multnomah, with the count complete and a total of more than 25,000 for the two candidates, shows just 991 for the governor.

Mr. Cake has carried 19 counties and Mr. Chamberlain 13, counting Douglas a tie. The state at large, show that Cake has a plurality of 250, so far at hand, has given Chamberlain a plurality of 652. Seventeen counties out of 33 are complete, and most of the others are complete, and the returns will make a difference of more than 100 votes in Governor Chamberlain's plurality one way or the other.

Hawley, Republican, is elected to congress in the first district by 15,000 or more, and Ellis, Republican, by 15,000 or more in the second district. Bean, a very large vote, having no opposition, while Bailey, Republican, for food and dairy commissioner, wins by 25,000 to 30,000. Campbell, Republican, is successful for railroad commissioner in the first district, and Aitchison, Republican, for railroad commissioner, for the second district, has 5000 or more plurality.

Fifty-two members of the legislature are for Statement No. 1, including Kay of Marion and Bonebrake of Benton, who are pledged conditionally. A majority of the legislature is 46.

STATE VOTE ON SENATOR.

COUNTY.	Pluralities.		Vote.	
	Cake.	Chamberlain.	Cake.	Chamberlain.
Baker	802	1,558	1,861	
Benton	510	1,971	1,663	
Clackamas	357	2,134	2,644	
Clatsop	357	887	1,244	
Columbia	86	365	279	
Crook	83	1,192	1,109	
Curry	224	668	884	
Douglas	50	1,590	1,890	
Gilliam	20	449	428	
Grant	87	689	652	
Harney	100	397	396	
Jackson	228	1,040	1,268	
Josephine	60	1,120	1,120	
Klamath	75	714	636	
Lake	70	297	375	
Malheur	872	2,745	2,672	
Marion	11	1,192	1,181	
Morrow	60	1,040	1,120	
Multnomah	991	12,155	12,146	
Polk	221	1,133	1,254	
Wasco	14	426	282	
Wallowa	95	548	451	
Washington	250	1,272	2,027	
Yamhill	73	1,494	1,467	
Wheeler	296	675	462	
Wilson	135	1,454	1,479	
Yaquina	22	1,911	1,778	
Yamhill	45	295	248	
Yamhill	149	1,722	1,563	
Totals	2,572	29,842	28,175	

Chamberlain's plurality, 1,546.
 *Complete official.
 †Complete unofficial.
 ‡Estimated and incomplete.

Result Close in Marion.

Salem, June 2.—Complete returns from 43 precincts in Marion county give Cake 2001 votes and Chamberlain 2957. The remaining precincts are not expected to change the relative positions of the senatorial candidates very materially. Returns today confirm the report of yesterday that all other Republican candidates have received substantial majorities.

Josephine for Chamberlain.

Grants Pass, June 2.—Returns are now in from 12 precincts out of 16 in this county, and the Democratic party has, so far as these returns show, captured United States senator on the state ticket and county senator, sheriff and treasurer. The county as a whole goes dry by a vote of about 300.

Cake's Plurality Only 20.

Condon, June 2.—Unofficial returns give Cake a lead over Chamberlain of about 20 votes in Gilliam county. Condon gave the governor a majority of five.

Clackamas for Chamberlain.

Oregon City, June 2.—Very fragmentary returns are being received in Clackamas county, and while the returns are in from every precinct save one, the figures are far short on the amendments, and some of the counties by about 500 votes, receiving 2593, to 2108 for Cake. Hawley's vote is 2329, to 992 for Whitney.

Lane Gives Cake Big Vote.

Eugene, June 2.—Lane county returns, three-fourths in, give R. S. Bean a lead of 20 to 1 over both competitors, Bailey 2 to 1 over Emery. Cake leads Chamberlain 650, which will likely be over 700 plurality. Hawley beats Whitney 2 to 1. T. K. Campbell, for railroad commissioner, and Edwin Bryson, for prosecuting attorney, are polling a big Republican vote.

Hillsboro, Washington by 160.

Hillsboro, June 2.—The unofficial vote gives Cake a plurality of only 160 over Chamberlain. Hawley carries Washington county by over 1000, although the exact figures are unobtainable. The entire Republican legislative ticket is elected.

Chamberlain in Lake.

Lakeview, June 2.—With several precincts yet to report, the vote in Lake county is as follows: Cake, 297; Chamberlain, 373; Hawley, 368; Whitney, 109. Other Republican candidates are ahead in the same proportion.

Cake Plurality in Yamhill.

McMinnville, June 2.—Returns from 22 of the 23 precincts, of this county, though incomplete in some instances, give Cake 1663, Chamberlain 1322, Bailey 1326, Emery 770, Hawley 1623, Richards 252, and Campbell, for railroad commissioner, 2018. Judge Bean leads all other candidates, his total vote being little short of 2500.

Forty Saloons Voted Out.

Pendleton, June 2.—Officially complete returns from the county show that Cake has a plurality of 250, and that the county has gone dry by 700, putting more than 40 saloons out of business, 25 being in Pendleton.

Cake Loses Linn.

Albany, June 2.—Chamberlain has carried Linn county by 417 votes. The complete unofficial count on the state ticket in Linn is as follows: Chamberlain, 2369; Cake, 1952; Cooper, 188; Adams, 89; Hawley, 2311; Whitney, 1650; Richards, 230; Stover, 99; Bean, 2938; Bris, 308; Bright, 187; Bailey, 2283; Emery, 1621; Hoskins, 212.

Opponents of the University of Oregon appropriation have scored heavily in this county.

Slight Margin for Cake.

Marshfield, June 2.—No returns are complete in this hour. Votes as far as counted in the county indicate that Cake will defeat Chamberlain. Other state officers on the Republican ticket will have majorities of 500 to 700.

Chamberlain Takes Clatsop.

Astoria, June 2.—Complete unofficial returns from all except four small precincts give Chamberlain a majority of 297 over Cake, and indicate that he will carry the county by about 300.

Crook Goes Dry.

Prineville, June 2.—With two small precincts to hear from, Crook county has gone dry by nearly 600 majority. Even Prineville has gone dry by three votes. Chamberlain is well in the lead of Cake for senator, having a majority of about 100.

Chamberlain Leads in Douglas.

Roseburg, June 2.—The count for Douglas county is not yet finished, two large precincts remaining to be heard from. Chamberlain will have the lead over Cake by not over 75. John, every precinct on the East Side in which a local option election was held went "wet" by a heavy vote.

Jackson Votes Out Saloons.

Medford, June 2.—Official count from 21 of Jackson county's 33 precincts, Medford not included, gives Cake 874, Chamberlain 1008. Prohibition has 1154, and anti-prohibition 881. The Medford count cannot possibly change the result, though there will be a majority in favor of the saloons.

Baker City Chamberlain.

Baker City, June 2.—With only one small precinct to hear from, Baker county gives Cake 1354, Chamberlain 1801, Cooper 246, for congressman, Ellis 1580, Jeffrey 1116, Sanders 273, Shaffer 113; for justice of supreme court, Robert S. Bean 2016, C. J. Bright 129, C. C. Brax 313; railroad commissioner, Aitchison 1238, Hamilton 708, Newell 724, Young 974.

Cake Ahead in Wasco.

The Dalles, June 2.—Wasco county, with three precincts to hear from, gives Cake 1439, Chamberlain 1305, Bean 2148, Bailey 1823, Emery 630; Ellis 1837, Jeffrey 621; Aitchison 1223, Young 362. For prohibition 1418, against 1616, making this the only wet town on the O. R. & N.

Chamberlain Ahead in Union.

La Grande, June 2.—With all but one very immaterial precinct in Union county is in position to give a careful estimate of the line-up of politicians in this election. Chamberlain carries the county by a small margin. The votes complete from 20 to 21 precincts give Cake 1340, Chamberlain 1422.

Cake Leads in Benton.

Corvallis, June 2.—Cake's majority in Benton, complete, but not official, is 18. Incomplete returns from nine out of 16 precincts give Hawley, for congress, and other Republican state ticket, a probable plurality of 500. Corvallis precincts give the university appropriation a strong vote, breaking nearly even, but outside precincts went heavily against it. Returns from four precincts give a vote of more than four to one against single tax.

Grant Goes for Cake.

Canyon City, June 2.—Complete unofficial returns show the following results in Grant county: Cake 689, Chamberlain 653. Prohibition carried by about 20 votes. Result on amendments has not been tabulated.

Cake Loses in Polk.

Dallas, June 2.—Unofficial returns from all precincts in Polk county but one give George E. Chamberlain a majority of 178 votes over Cake for the United States senatorship. Otherwise the state ticket is running from 300 to 500 votes Republican. The prohibition vote leads by about 200, and the county will probably go dry by a 200 majority.

Cake Carries Tillamook.

Tillamook, June 2.—Hawley 689, Whitney 298, Cake 546, Chamberlain 451, Bean 774, Bright 173, Bris 137, Barrett 801, Kuykendall 188, Beal 504, Loughlin 420, prohibition 536 for, against 466; county high school defeated; university, for 200, against 332; woman suffrage, for 368, against 351. The entire Republican ticket has carried, with the exception of treasurer.

Harney is for Cake.

Burns, June 2.—Eleven out of 19 precincts in Harney county, four-fifths of the entire vote, give Cake 397, Chamberlain 296; Ellis 462, Jeffrey, 210.

Cake and Prohibition in Wheeler.

Fossil, June 2.—Cake has carried Wheeler county, probably by 100 votes. With three precincts to hear from, the result now stands: Cake 882, Chamberlain 300. The university appropriation has carried well in the county.

Columbia for Cake by 150.

St. Helens, June 2.—Incomplete returns show Cake has a plurality in Columbia county of 150. Prohibition has been defeated by 80 votes. The Republican ticket is successful, with the exception of county judge and assessor, which have been captured by the Democrats.

Wallowa Remains Dry.

Joseph, June 2.—Partial returns from Wallowa county, covering, however, a majority of the vote, give Cake a slight lead over Chamberlain. The county remains dry as a whole. Enterprise retains the county seat, Wallowa failing by a small margin to wrest it away, though it made a fight so hard that it ended with an offer representing \$15,000.

Increases Lead in Multnomah.

Portland, June 2.—As the count progresses in Multnomah county Governor Chamberlain maintains his lead over Cake, and will probably carry the county by 800 to 1000. At an early hour this morning complete unofficial returns from 103 precincts and in complete returns from 13 of a total of 114, give the following results: Cake, 11,127; Chamberlain, 11,932; Chamberlain's plurality, 805.

The pluralities of the other Republican nominees for the county offices are increasing as the count progresses. With the exception of four precincts, including Fairview and St. John, every precinct on the East Side in which a local option election was held went "wet" by a heavy vote.

Chamberlain's Lead in Jackson.

Chickamawville, June 2.—Twenty-one out of 22 precincts in Jackson county give Chamberlain 1177, Cake 966, Hamersley, Republican, and Miller, Democrat, are elected to the legislature. Prohibition carries 21 precincts by 346. University of Oregon appropriation has 450 majority. Amendments raising salary of legislators, equalizing seat of public buildings, equal suffrage, fisheries bill and the recall have all lost.

MONTANA CUT OFF BY WATER

Rising Floods Break Communication by Wire and Rail.

Long Stretches of Track Washed Out and More Likely to Go—Deluge Still Continues—Many Passengers Marooned on Trains in Out-of-the-Way Places.

Missoula, Mont., June 6.—At 5 o'clock last evening the flood situation in western Montana was growing more serious each minute. Helena is cut off from the outside world. She is without railway or telephone communication. For a short time in the afternoon there was a telephone connection, and at the time it was learned that all of the streams in Helena and vicinity are overflowing, and that there has been much damage to farms and considerable loss of livestock.

The Great Northern's branch lines are out of service, and the main line in northern Montana is cut in several places. The first train started westward out of Spokane over the Great Northern is now tied up. There is no communication either by rail or telegraph. All streams continue to rise. The Big Blackfoot river is nearly its highest flood mark.

The Northern Pacific has lost several miles of track east of here during the day. At Bonita, Nimrod and Bearmouth the telegraph operators have been compelled to leave their posts, driven out by the rising water. At Garrison nearly all the residents have fled from their homes and are camped upon the hills in the rain.

None of the dams on the river have given way, though the power dam owned by ex-Senator William A. Clark, above Missoula, is reported to be in a critical condition.

Yesterday afternoon the Northern Pacific released by wagon transfer 200 of the passengers that have been marooned east of here. They will be sent to Spokane on a made-up train.

The damage to the new roadbed of the St. Paul line between Missoula and Butte will not fall short of a million dollars, and it is becoming greater all the time.

The Northern Pacific has assembled on this division all of the pliers from the west that it can get; it has taken from its own western divisions and has borrowed from other roads. The fight against the water is being carried on by 10,000 men, but the water is gaining steadily, and the rain continues to fall in torrents. The Missoula river at this place is but a few feet below the highest mark ever registered. The expensive city bridges are in danger, and are guarded to prevent their use, so dangerous are they considered.

West of here the Northern Pacific has no trouble as yet.

At midnight the Northern Pacific has surrendered the fight against the water east of Missoula for the present. Unless the rain stops soon, there will be very little left of 150 miles of the most expensive road on the line. Two big steel bridges have been washed out, but it is not understood that they are destroyed.

The serious feature of the situation is the fact that the high water is extending west of Missoula, and is attacking the track between Missoula and the west end of the state. The Idaho division has sent a big force of men west to help in the fight on the west end.

CRUISER'S BOILER BURSTS.

Four Men Killed by Explosion on Tennessee at San Pedro.

San Pedro, Cal., June 6.—While the United States armored cruiser Tennessee was steaming off Point Huemene, Cal., at 11:08 yesterday morning, a steam pipe in the starboard engine room burst under a 235-pound pressure, killing four men and injuring ten others—all of the men in the compartment at the time. Two of the injured will die.