

# The Santiam News

OREGON

## THE NEWS OF THE WEEK

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week Collected From the Telegraph Cables

Lord Roberts' casualties at Paardeberg, were 221, in one day's fighting.

Profits of the Kimberley Diamond Mining Company last year were \$10,000,000.

Democratic officers for minor state offices in Kentucky have been given certificates.

Evansville, Ind., people are heirs to an estate in the Fiji Islands, valued at \$10,000,000.

P. D. Aronson, Jr., who died recently in Pasadena, Cal., left an estate valued at \$8,000,000.

Several Klondikers were arrested in Esquimaux fortifications, under the belief that they were spies.

Astoria, Or., physicians urge the people to exterminate the rats in order to keep out the bubonic plague.

Just 19 years after the Boer victory at Majuba hill, Cronje and 4,000 men surrender to the British forces.

The transport Hancock has arrived at San Francisco from Manila, with the bodies of 405 dead heroes.

The president has nominated Henry B. Miller, of Josephine county, Or., to be consul at Chung King, China.

The British intelligence department estimates the total Boer strength at 61,000, while England has over 180,000 men.

Prince Potistowski, of San Francisco, has purchased the island of Eastlan, one of the Philippines, for \$500,000. The island is valuable for its pearl fisheries and hemp trade.

The Baldwin Locomotive Works of Philadelphia, has received an order from the Paris & Orleans railway of France, for 20 10-wheel passenger engines. This is the first locomotive contract ever placed by the railway in America.

The Chamber of Commerce of San Francisco, has appointed a committee to consider the advisability of establishing a branch of the New York American-Asiatic Association, the purpose of which is to increase trade with the Orient.

The steamer Australia arrived at San Francisco from Honolulu. She brings news that after 12 days had passed without a sign of plague, three cases were discovered on February 19, and all ended fatally. The victims were two Chinese, males, and a woman, half Chinese and half Hawaiian. The council has appropriated another \$100,000 to allow the board of health to carry on the work of fighting the plague.

Cronje has surrendered.

Paget Sound salmon packers have combined.

National Bimetallists will meet in Kansas City in July.

In a battle with the Yaqui, Mexican troops lost over 200 in killed and wounded.

Hamilton H. Greyson, former postmaster at Manila, died in Philadelphia, of hiccoughs.

Two Pittsburg tin plate works have resumed operations, giving employment to 1,000 workmen.

Dr. A. Wright, of Buffalo, president of the American Institute of Homoeopathy, is dead, aged 74 years.

Fire in Montreal destroyed the Theater Francaise and nearly an entire block, causing a loss of \$100,000.

Catholics in New York are seeking the privilege of teaching their religion in the public schools at certain hours.

The United States government will build roads and wharves and 2,400 miles of telegraph line this year in Alaska.

Paglist Tom Sharkey threatens to retire from the ring unless he can arrange a match with Fitzsimmons or Jeffries.

The United States supreme court has denied the application of Captain Oberlin Carter to bring his case into that court.

The Interstate Commerce Commission's session at Norfolk, Neb., is investigating alleged discrimination in freight rates.

In London, the Grand theater, where Henry Irving and other actors have been in the habit of beginning provincial tours, was gutted by fire.

Admiral Dewey lost his prize money case, the court of claims deciding that the Spanish fleet in Manila bay was not superior to the American. He was awarded \$9,750.

Full powers have been granted to Henry L. Wilson, United States minister to Chili, to sign a treaty of extradition which he has negotiated with the Chilean government.

Miss Susan B. Anthony recently celebrated her eightieth birthday anniversary.

In German cities merchants are not allowed to put up signs unless the wording is true.

Prince Henry of Russia was robbed by bandits while on his way to visit the king of Siam.

Col. George T. Perkins, of Akron, O., has presented that city with 80 acres of land valued at \$100,000 as a playground for children.

The dowager empress has abolished study of European sciences in Chinese schools.

Miss Susan B. Anthony has willed her extensive collection of books on woman's suffrage to the National library at Washington.

The centennial anniversary of the graduation of Daniel Webster from Dartmouth college will be observed by that institution next year.

James Whitcomb Riley declares that in spite of his long experience on the lecture platform he has never been able to conquer stage fight completely.

### LATER NEWS.

Prospects for the termination of the Colombian revolution are poorer than ever.

At Vienna, the Crown Princess Stephanie, of Austria, was married to Count Von Lourey.

The total number of Boer prisoners captured at Paardeberg by the British is 4,660 men.

A party of six American rubber prospectors have been massacred by Indians in the wilds of Brazil.

The twelfth convention of the National Republican League has been called to meet in the city of St. Paul, July 17, 1900.

Frozen meats, supplied to the American army in the Philippines, is reported by officials in Manila to be highly satisfactory.

A passenger train on the Canadian Pacific, near Toronto, Canada, jumped the track, and several members of parliament were injured.

The Kentucky legislature has passed a bill appropriating \$100,000 to carry on the work of hunting down the assassin of William Goebel.

In an engagement between Mexicans and Maya Indians, near Santa Cruz, 600 Mexicans defeated 3,000 Indians. Indians killed numbered 32.

Filipino insurrection has not yet been subdued. The rebels are preparing for the rainy season and will carry on guerrilla warfare on a large scale.

William Henry, a half-breed Indian of Oregon, Cal., shot and killed Settie Smith, a young Indian woman, and then killed himself. Jealousy was the cause.

Forty-three and one-half inches of snow in 63 hours is the new record established at Rochester, N. Y. The railroads are recovering from the biggest fight against the elements they have had in many years.

The Cartersville, Ill., union miners, who have been on trial for the past 40 days at Vienna, charged with murdering negro miners, were acquitted by the jury. Four other charges are pending against the miners.

Belief in the efficacy of prayer as a cure for disease was the cause of the divorce granted to George E. White, ex-congressman and a wealthy lumber dealer of Chicago, from his wife, Minnie A. White.

The Canadian Papermakers' Association at Montreal, adopted a scale of prices for carload lots, five-ton lots and 20-ton lots of different grades of paper. The increase in present prices is from 10 to 15 per cent.

British troops have again occupied Rensberg.

Joubert opposes Buller with more determination.

An arid land conference will be held at Salt Lake April 18.

The Maya Indians are giving the Mexicans a hard fight.

The Puerto Rican tariff bill has passed the house by a vote of 172 to 160.

The unskilled fasteners were caught in a floor trap at railway Hill and unmercifully slaughtered.

Two persons were killed and several badly injured in a collision between two passenger trains near Kansas City, Mo.

During the carnival procession at Caracas, Venezuela, two shots were fired at President Castro, without effect.

All chance of saving any of the Spanish armored cruisers sunk off Santiago has gone. The Cristobal Colon has slid into deep water.

The Russian press is clamoring for intervention. They contend it is time to end the most infamous war England has ever waged through lust for gold.

The greatest fire Newark, N. J., ever experienced swept through the retail dry goods district, destroying a score of buildings, causing a loss of \$1,000,000.

The Swedish mail steamer Rex stranded off Lohmeget Island, off the coast of Germany, during a fog. Five stewardesses were drowned in attempting to leave the ship.

General Miles says that Cronje's surrender is not a serious injury to the Boer cause. He expressed admiration for the 4,000 patriots who stood off for 10 days 50,000 of the British army.

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Two men who have arrived at Anaheim, Cal., from the Santiago mountains, report that there have been many earthquake shocks in the section since last Christmas. No serious damage is known to have been done, as there are few habitations there.

At a meeting in San Francisco, a plan of organization has been agreed upon by the promoters of the Pacific Commercial Museum. All commercial bodies on this coast have been asked to request their congressmen and senators to support the pending bill to appropriate \$200,000 for a public museum at Philadelphia.

Women sailors are employed in Denmark, Norway and Finland.

Reports from 45 colleges show discouraging religious conditions in but three.

Booth-Tucker says God uses America as a connecting link between other nations.

Thomas Yates, of Toledo, O., is the only living American who took part in the charge of the Light brigade at Balaklava.

A new railroad from Salt Lake City to Southern California is likely to be built by the Southern Pacific.

Albert H. Hill, of New York, has filed a petition of bankruptcy. His debts are over \$2,500,000 and he has 10,000 creditors.

The Salvation Army has again failed to get a foothold in Mexico. Religious processions are forbidden.

The female society for the relief and employment of the poor is probably the oldest woman's association in America. It was founded in Philadelphia over 104 years ago.

### GOVERNMENT BILL PASSED

#### Laws for Hawaii Go Through the Senate.

#### CLAY SPOKE ON PHILIPPINES

#### Fuero Rico Tariff Bill Reported From the House and Made the Unfinished Business—Democrats' First Victory.

Washington, March 3.—The bill providing a form of government for the territory of Hawaii was passed by the senate today without division. Colman has had charge of the measure. Clay, of Georgia, delivered a carefully prepared speech on the Philippine question. He favored the adoption of the Bacon resolution declaring it to be the policy of the United States to turn over the islands to the Filipinos as soon as a stable government could be established by them under the protection of this country. At the instance of Foraker, the Puerto Rico tariff bill was made the unfinished business, and will be considered as soon as the conference report on the financial bill shall have been disposed of.

The Democrats scored their first victory of the session in the house today on the motion to take up the contested election case of Aldrich-Robbins, from the Fourth Alabama district. On two separate votes, the Democrats, with the aid of two Republicans, Mondell (Wyo.) and H. C. Smith (Mich.) beat the Republicans on the question of the consideration. An agreement was made to consider the Lord bill relating to second-class mail matter on March 20. A bill was passed to grant an American register to the ship Windward, in which Lieutenant Peary will make an attempt to reach the North Pole.

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#### Rebels Seeking Funds.

New York, March 3.—A dispatch to the Herald from Madrid says: The Filipino junta here says that a special agent will arrive in Manila in London and Berlin to seek funds for the continuation of the struggle against American supremacy. It is declared that guerrilla warfare will be continued and it is hinted that assurances of money to continue the fight have been received from Europe.

#### French Cannon Factory Burned.

Le Creusot, France, March 3.—Fire broke out yesterday evening in the famous cannon factory here when the flames obtained their powerful "Long Tom." Two enormous buildings, containing gun materials, stores and a number of artillery models, were destroyed. The losses are estimated at nearly 1,000,000 francs. A large number of workmen have been thrown out of employment.

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#### East Coast Burned Over—Seven Persons Perished.

Vancouver, B. C., March 3.—The steamer Arangi, from Sydney, today brings an account of the most disastrous bush fires in Victoria experienced in the last 50 years. The entire Warramboul district has been devastated, and the damage is estimated at \$2,000,000. The fire broke out simultaneously in various parts of the colony, and burned for two days and three nights, finally burning itself out the morning of January 31. The whole country between Dunkeld and Mort lake is a mass of blackness. Seven persons perished in the flames, which swept over a tract 40 miles long and 20 miles wide, consuming 1,000,000 acres of grass, six wool warehouses, 2,000 sheep and 1,000 cattle and horses.

The latest news from Noumea prior to the sailing of the Arangi was to the effect that the plague had again broken out among the Kanakas. In almost every case the disease has proven fatal. Distinct it is acquiring acceptance from the late besiegers of Ladysmith, and from other points. Whatever the force may be, Lord Roberts has ample troops to cope with it. As a heavy rain is falling on the coast and the grass is improving, this will be a good thing temporarily for the Boers.

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#### Now Facing the Boer Army at Oshfontein.

#### SIX THOUSAND DUTCH NEAR HIM

#### The Main Force Is Being Concentrated Further North Under Botha, Whose Battle Will Occur.

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### MINES AND MINING.

#### Prospecting and Mining in Cape Nome County.

Newspapers and private letters received from Cape Nome via Dawson say that considerable prospecting was carried on this winter. Many miners have an idea that at and below low water mark the richest sands will be found. Therefore, as soon as the ice was sufficiently broken to the bottom of the shore they began prospecting to solve a much-vexed question as to the origin of the gold in the beach sands. Prospectors in the tundra warrants the belief that it is impregnated with gold much in the same manner as the beach.

Tundra prospecting, the advice says, had not been carried on extensively, owing to the difficulty encountered in sinking to bedrock on account of water. The ground freezes to an unknown depth, the same as in the Klondike, and if it should prove rich an area of country will be developed that will be greater than a score of Klondike-rolled ones. From what has already been done, it was said to be reasonable to predict that the tundra would prove very rich. Big prospects had been found in dozens of places, right in the grass roots, but the weather has not yet been sufficiently cold to enable bedrock to be reached.

Anvil creek is the Eldorado of Western Alaska. Claim No. 1 below has thus far proved to be the banner claim, and is owned by Japhet Linslerberg. The output has been enormous, when it is considered that it was worked but six weeks. From this claim \$117,000 was cleaned up, while Discovery yielded \$58,000 in three weeks; No. 2 alone, \$80,000; No. 4, \$80,000; No. 5, \$40,000; No. 6 was worked, but the pay streak was not located. No. 7, owned by Dr. Kittelson, produced about \$30,000; No. 8, belonging to Price & Lane, \$192,000; No. 9, belonging to the Swedish Mission, \$68,000; Nos. 10 and 11, owned by C. D. Lane,

were worked on days, and the Laplanders who worked them got for their share \$50,000 clear money.

Several quartz ledges have been located along Anvil, one opposite No. 9, on the right bank, and another opposite No. 7, and it is believed that a little development work will uncover the mother lode, and, if found, the output is sure to be enormous.

Other claims on tributaries of Nome and Snake rivers have been prospected to a limited extent. Enough has been done, however, to warrant the belief that the work of next summer will reveal Eldorado and Bonanza in the scope.

Fire destroyed the store of the North American Transportation & Trading Company at Fort Yukon, January 9. All the valuable contents of provisions, dry goods, household goods, furs and everything else in the building was destroyed with it.

#### A Department of Mines.

A new cabinet officer, to be known as the secretary of mines and mining, is provided in a bill favorably acted on by the house committee on mines and mining. The bill creates an executive department, which shall have entire charge of affairs relating to mines, including geological surveys.

The proposed secretary of mines is to have the same rank and salary as other cabinet officers, and an assistant secretary.

Another mining measure favorably acted upon establishes mining experiment stations in each of the mining states, similar to the agriculture experiment stations, and provides for the appointment of a government geologist at \$3,500 and an assayer at \$2,000, in the several mining states. These officers are to furnish assays, issue public bulletins and conduct explorations of mining regions.

Another mining measure favorably acted upon and now occupies a dignified and important position among the legitimate industries of the world. As the years pass gambling, as a feature of mining enterprises, is fast disappearing. While gambling in mining stocks may continue indefinitely, the mining industries, per se, is as free from illegitimate practices as in any other business. Hence it should receive the same interest, fostering care and protection, at the hands of the general and local governments, as do other industries.

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#### THE INMATES PANIC-STRICKEN

#### The Fire Was in the Cheap Bowery Section, and the Property Loss Did Not Exceed \$1,000.

New York, March 6.—Six persons were burned to death and two were injured early this morning in a fire which occurred in a seven-story lodging house at 44 to 48 Bowery. The dead are Charles Buttice, 47 years old; John Clark, 50 years old; Edward Doyle, 23 years old; Henry Jackson (colored), 35 years old; one unidentified man about 50 years old; Stephen Carney, 75 years old. Martin Gallagher, 53 years old, was burned about the face and hands and also removed to the hospital. Edward Walker, 47 years old, was burned, but after having his wound dressed, remained at the lodging house. The fire was discovered shortly after 2 o'clock. Smoke was pouring from the windows of the fifth floor, and the flames were making rapid progress.

The lodging house was cut up into 132 rooms, and 90 of these small places were occupied when the fire broke out. Policemen sent in an alarm and burst into the place to arrest the inmates. They notified the night clerk, who immediately rang the alarm all over the building. The hallways were instantly filled with a crowd of excited people. The policemen forced their way to the upper floors in an effort to rescue some of the helpless, believing one or two were overcome with smoke. They carried out Thomas Harper, a one-legged man, and Ed Walker, who had been burned and partially overcome by the smoke. Stephen Carney was found dying on the floor in his room, where the flames had already burned the old man's face, hands and body, but a policeman picked him up and carried him out of the building.

The firemen succeeded in putting out the flames without great loss to the building. After the fire was out they began a search. The bodies of all five of the victims were found