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NEWS OF THE WEEK

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HAPPENINGS OF TWO CONTINENTS

A Resume of the Less Important but Not Less Interesting Events of the Past Week.

A general strike is threatened in France.

France wants a reciprocity treaty with the United States.

The Minnesota 2-cent rate is to be fought by the railroads.

The French art exhibit has opened with Americans as the best exhibitors.

An insult to the army has caused a crisis between the Russian cabinet and the duma.

It is estimated that the diamond trust is paying not less than 400 per cent profit this year.

A perpetual motion machine, invented by a California man, has been sold to Standard Oil people for \$10,000,000.

Secretary Taft says he will be greatly surprised if the canal is not finished in eight years and will be greatly surprised if finished sooner.

The United States court of Appeals at St. Paul has confirmed the findings of the lower courts fining several packing companies for accepting freight rebates.

Members of the Canadian government are greatly concerned over the trouble at the coal mines in Alberta and British Columbia. There is an anti-strike law, but the miners to a man quit as individuals.

James R. Foraker, brother of Senator Foraker, is dead.

Vice President Fairbanks opposes absolute state rights.

Mexico and Guatemala are about to become involved in a conflict.

Sydney Olivier, the new governor of Jamaica, is an avowed socialist.

Twelve miners were drowned in a flooded mine at Johnstown, Pa.

Henry says the acquittal of Hermann will make no difference with the Oregon land cases.

Taft is said to have announced his willingness to run for president should the chance come his way.

The treasure chest of Louis XVI, buried when he left Versailles for Paris more than 100 years ago, has been unearthed.

Berlin papers are commenting unfavorably on Prince August Wilhelm's projected visit to the United States to secure an American education.

A new movement has started in Ireland and is spreading rapidly which looks to the absolute independence of the Irish. England is somewhat alarmed.

Rockefeller has given another \$2,000,000 to Chicago university.

A long distance balloon flight from St. Louis to Washington is to be attempted.

James Bartlett Hammond, president of the Hammond Typewriter company, is insane.

An attempt was made to wreck a passenger train on the Southern railroad near Harrisburg, N. C.

David Wilson, former president of the Delaware & Hudson railroad company, has committed suicide.

Postal authorities after inspecting steel mail cars express satisfaction and no doubt all new cars will hereafter be made of steel.

The San Francisco Labor council has passed resolutions condemning Roosevelt for his stand in the Moyer-Pettibone-Haywood case.

All signs seem to point to another revolution in Guatemala in the near future. One party has gone so far as to form a provisional government to be ready for emergencies.

The British cabinet has offered a slight concession to Ireland.

Harriman plans a double track line between Tacoma and Portland.

A gang of one thieves has been captured at Goldfield, Nev. They had 951 pounds of high grade ore cached.

A bill for Polish autonomy has been introduced in the Russian duma.

The treasurer of the Woonsocket, R. I., electric company has embezzled \$92,000.

Lumber handlers at the Vancouver, B. C., mills have gone on strike for a shorter day.

George J. Gould favors railroad legislation, but does not like the idea of 2-cent fares.

ARMED FORCES FOR CUBA.

All Elements Oppose Plan for Large Standing Army.

Havana, April 30.—The plan of a standing Cuban army of 12,000 men, as suggested by the general staff of the American army, is most attractive to that element of the Cuban people which is fond of the gold lace and regalia of the Spanish-American armies.

But among the conservative elements the plan excites really less interest than the preceding one to recruit the rural guards up to 12,000 men. The latter plan was vigorously opposed, even by the Liberals, who, it was supposed, would have jumped at the opportunity for a lavish distribution of patronage, and while the standing army scheme has been framed to meet their objections, the apparent impossibility of this accomplishment has caused it to be received with something very like derision.

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ROADS MUST BE GOOD

Companies Short on Freight Cars Shown No Favors.

SHORTAGE NO LONGER FEARED

Lines With Plenty of Cars Form Combination Against Slow Return of Borrowed Property.

Chicago, April 30.—Drastic measures are to be adopted by the railroads of the entire country to stop car stealing and thereby compel the roads which are short of equipment to provide themselves with a sufficient number of cars to transport their traffic.

Acting upon legal advice, all of the railroads which are interested in stopping all car stealing roads with a view to eliminating this evil from the transportation world. In doing so the railroads expect to end the car shortage and to prevent a recurrence of a scarcity of equipment which paralyzes the business of the country.

The railroad boycott will consist of a refusal by all roads which are members of the per diem and the car diversion agreements to permit their cars to go to railroads which are not members of these agreements and also a refusal to make through rates over such lines.

This is a direct and positive boycott of all car stealing roads, as it applies only to roads which are short of equipment and which have refused to become parties to the two agreements mentioned.

Through rates mean through routing and both expressions involve the use of the cars, and where reasonable rules and regulations are not recognized a carrier is not compelled to establish a through route. Under this ruling a most rigorous boycott can be maintained against roads which steal the equipment of connecting lines and use it for months without return or without adequate compensation for the use of the cars.

The penalties are now so high for the misuse of cars by connecting lines that no road can afford to keep the cars and pay the penalties.

Montenegrins Openly Rebel Against Military Rule.

Vienna, April 30.—Dispatches received tonight report an outbreak of a revolt and grave political crisis in Montenegro. Military government has been proclaimed, and Premier Tomasevich has tendered the resignation of the cabinet, which Prince Nicholas has refused to accept.

Armed bands are reported to be marching on Cetinje. Serious street fights have occurred at Podgoritz, 35 miles north of Soutari and having a population of about 7,000.

The trouble in Montenegro has arisen because of the campaign the cabinet has been inaugurating against the Radical party. The government is accused of investigating the destruction of the principal offices of the two Radical papers at Nikova, which had attacked the government and Prince Nicholas. This action has aroused consternation.

OKLAHOMA TOWN SWAMPED

Heavy Rains and Floods Destroying Crops and Other Property.

Oklaoma City, Okla., April 30.—With lightning creek running out of its bank, and the Canadian river rising steadily, the people of the lowlands of Capitol Hill, a suburb of this city, are tonight facing a situation that will become critical if the heavy rains of the last 24 hours continue. The lowlands have been converted into a veritable swamp, crops have been ruined and much stock drowned.

No human lives have been lost so far as can be established tonight. Residents in the bottoms were forced to leave their homes and several persons were in trees last night. One house floated down the Canadian river with a family inside. The occupants were rescued.

Big Fire in Emeryville.

Berkley, Cal., April 30.—A disastrous fire started in the wood fiber and plaster works at Emeryville last evening, and before the firemen could control the flames the plant was destroyed, together with the F. M. Uphred Furniture factory and the Southern Pacific depot at Emeryville. The race track and grandstand of the California Jockey club were endangered and the Judson Iron works badly damaged. Two oil tanks of the Southern Pacific company were burned and dwellings were also destroyed.

Steamer and Crew Perish.

London, April 30.—News has reached here that the British steamer Thornhill, bound for Rio Janeiro, was destroyed by fire during her voyage. Her crew perished.

RIOTS EXPECTED IN INDIA.

Ball Cartridges Given to Volunteers and High Officials Enlist.

Lahore, British India, April 29.—Rifles and 20 rounds of ball cartridges have been served out to the local volunteers in consequence of signs of marked unrest among the Hindoo student element. The publication of inflammatory articles in the native newspapers, inciting race hatred against the Europeans and demanding native control of the government of India by means of an elected parliament, has been followed recently by riots at Lahore and elsewhere in the Punjab and by attacks on Europeans. Professional and political agitators are now fomenting strikes on the railroads, and the government has concluded that it is time to suppress the rioting by forceful means, if necessary.

The authorities are satisfied that a determined front will speedily end the outward signs of disaffection, especially as they have the unanimous support of the great Mohammedan population, who, at numerous mass meetings, have emphatically condemned the anti-European movement. Recent events have given a remarkable impulse to enlistment in the volunteers. The recruits include five judges of the Supreme court, the directors of public instruction, university professors, high government officials and leading bankers and merchants, all of whom have entered the ranks of the private.

TORNADO IN TEXAS.

Eight Lives Known to Have Been Lost and Heavy Damage Done.

Fort Worth, Tex., April 29.—One town is destroyed, extensive damage done to property and crops at other points and eight lives are known to have been lost as a result of a storm which was general over this state Saturday night, and at some points assumed the proportions of a tornado, according to a meager report received here.

The village of Heaming, in Cook county, was practically wiped out and five persons are reported to have been killed at this point. The dead include W. Alexander, a young child named Wilkinson, two men and a little girl.

The field of the tornado was about 500 feet in width. At Valley View several houses were blown down and Robert Nichols was killed. Two other men were killed in the same neighborhood, but their names were not learned.

At Sulphur Springs bank hauled in drifts and stalled all trains. At Celeste a big cotton mill was blown down.

The fruit crop in the neighborhood of Sulphur Springs was destroyed; cotton and corn was watered to the ground and the damage will amount to many thousands of dollars.

HERMANN ACQUITTED.

No Wrong Done in Destroying Letter Books, Says Jury.

Washington, April 29.—Binger Hermann walked out of court Saturday afternoon a free man. No longer does he stand under the charge of having fraudulently destroyed 35 letter press copy books just prior to his retirement from the office of land commissioner. That he destroyed the books he does not deny, but that he did so with wrongful intent is denied by both Hermann and by the jury, and its judgment is final. His so-called private letter books may have contained some official letters, Hermann may or may not have known of this fact, but the jury has held that he did not fraudulently destroy the books. He did not destroy them for the purpose of impairing the usefulness of the records of the general land office nor to cover his own tracks, and on holding the jury set at naught more than six weeks' testimony introduced by the government to show a motive.

Hermann has made no plans for the future. He will eventually return to Oregon, but whether he will again venture into politics is yet to be determined. He said tonight that his true had been so engrossed with the trial that he had given no thought to the future. He stated, however, that the verdict was not a surprise to him. He had been conscious all along of his innocence and having every confidence in the fairness of the jury, felt no concern about the outcome.

Cuba Is Settling Down.

Cancun, April 29.—That the United States government will withdraw from temporary control of Cuba a great deal earlier than has been supposed by many was manifested in an interview by Secretary of War Taft today. Briefly referring to that country and his recent visit there, the secretary said that the Cuban settlement had proved so unexpectedly satisfactory and that Governor Magoon has won so completely the confidence of all parties that he believes the United States can withdraw before September, 1908.

Death When Pier Drops.

Baltimore, April 29.—A section of 500 feet of the new pier being constructed at the immigration station at Locust Point, South Baltimore, for the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, collapsed this afternoon, carrying down with it between 20 and 25 workmen, of whom 16 are unaccounted for.

OPENS EXPOSITION

President Roosevelt Presses Button and Starts Wheels.

ALSO DELIVERS ADDRESS OF DAY

Big Fair Commemorating 300th Anniversary of First English Settlement in America Is Opened.

Norfolk, Va., April 27.—President Roosevelt, the diplomatic, naval and military representatives of foreign nations and the governors of a score of states participated yesterday in the opening exercises of the Jamestown Tercentennial exposition. The exposition is far from complete, but this was not allowed to interfere in any way with the celebration of the 300th anniversary of the first English settlement in America. From the firing of a sunrise salute of 300 guns by the United States army through the picturesque review of the international fleet of war vessels anchored in Hampton Roads, through the ceremonies of dedication, at which the president spoke, and down to a late hour last night, when the chief executive went aboard the naval yacht Sylph to spend the night, the day was crowded with incidents.

The ceremonies were brief, the feature being the addresses of President Tucker, of the exposition, and President Roosevelt. The latter, at the conclusion of his address, pressed the gold button which formally marked the opening of the commemorative enterprise. Then followed an informal luncheon to the president and for the other guests in the administration building. The president later reviewed a parade of United States soldiers and sailors. A reception by the president in the auditorium closed the day's events at the fair grounds.

The people again and again gave vent to their enthusiasm as the president pressed the gold button, which formally opened the exposition. It was the signal for unfurling of a thousand or more flags upon the various buildings. At the same time a signal was given to the United States and foreign warships and to the garrison at Fort Monroe, and all fired a salute to the president.

FIND SECRET OF WRECKS.

New York Railroad Commissioners Say Broken Rails Increase.

Albany, N. Y., April 27.—Broken rails removed from railroad tracks in this state during January, February and March of this year were much more numerous than in the corresponding three months of either of the past two years, according to a bulletin issued today by the state railroad commissioner. The bulletin says:

The unusual number of broken rails reported during the past winter caused the investigation at this time. The board finds that during the three months ending March 31, 1907, there was a total of 3,814 broken rails on principal steam lines of the state. During the corresponding three months of 1906 there was a total of 826, and during the corresponding three months of 1905, a total of 1,331. The matter in detail has been presented to the American Railway association, which is now holding its convention in Chicago, and it has requested that the matter be taken up for discussion and action by the railroad managers.

It is probable that the convention will go into the causes of the greatly increased number of breakages and that the matter will be discussed as to cause and a conference arranged with rail manufacturers with a view to discovering if the alarming number of breakages is due to method of manufacture or metal composition.

Assailed by Masked Men.

Montrose, Colo., April 27.—While on their way to the sheep range in this county with a large herd from Frisco, Utah, three herders, Grover Cornett, Peter Swanson and Al Swanson, were set upon by seven masked men last night at White Water, Colo., 55 miles west of here. Peter Swanson was shot and mortally wounded and his companions bound hand and foot and left helpless on the prairie. News of the shooting has stirred the cattlemen and sheepmen in this vicinity and a search for the perpetrators is in progress.

Will Paint Artillery Gray.

Berlin, April 27.—Emperor William has ordered that the field guns, gun carriages and ammunition wagons of the German artillery be painted a dull gray. The change is based upon the experiences of the Russo-Japanese war.

GOVERNOR TO INVESTIGATE.

Insane of Illinois Kept in Vilest of Conditions.

Chicago, April 26.—Sensational revelations of the horrors of county insane asylums, including the chaining of young girls, forcing patients to sleep in coffin-like boxes and subjecting women to indescribable indignities, have aroused such indignation that Governor Deneen announces he will call a special session of the legislature if the present session does not appropriate sufficient funds to place the insane patients in