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OF INTEREST TO ALL READERS

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week Culled From the Press Dispatches.

The banks at Cheney, Wash., suspended payment and failed to open their doors. Hard times and inability to make collections are the causes assigned for the failures.

A young man named Conway, a brakeman on a gravel train, fell be-tween two cars of the moving train near Arlington, Or., and had his right leg crushed in two places.

The coroner's jury impaneled to investigate the fatal shooting of Charles Rice, near Roseburg, returned a verdict of willful murder against James Dixon, the boy who fired the fatal shot.

A 16-year old boy named Charles Wyatt accidentally shot and killed himself with a 22-caliber rifle near Centralia, Wash., while out hunting in company with another lad of about his own age.

By a fire at Hoquiam, Wash., the mill of the Northwest Lumber Company was destroyed, and the barkentine North Bend, which was taking on a cargo at the dock, was damaged to the extent of \$1,000. The amount of the damage to the mill has not been esti-

The first day of the Republican national convention in St. Louis was marked by parades and excitement. The convention was called to order at 12:10 o'clock and the opening prayer was delivered by a Jewish rabbi who dwelt at length on the situation of the country. C. W. Fairbanks, of Indiana, was chosen temporary chairman by unanimous vote of the delegates. After hearing his address, the convention

The Goodrich reservoir, fifteen miles from Baker City, broke, and a great volume of water rushed down the gulch about four miles, where it jumped from Goodrich creek to Pine creek. About three miles further the flood struck R. French's house and dashed it to pieces, drowning the family, consisting of the parents and five children, ages ranging from 3 to 12 years. The bodies were found scattered along the creek a distance of two miles. The clothing was torn off and the bodies mangled. Large pine trees were carried miles down the stream and fences and bridges were swept away. Grain fields are badly damaged. The reservoir was constructed in 1863 and has been used for mining purposes.

A violent wind and rain storm visited Newark, N. J., and did damage to the amount of \$150,000.

Russian engineers have been in Philadelphia and have made a contract for \$500,000 worth of machinery there.

Mrs. Annie Dyer, the baby farmer, of Rudbig, Eng., arrested on March 9 on the charge of murdering many infants intrusted to her care, was hanged in Newgate prison.

The three-masted schooner Edward C. Allentrue, Captain McLaughlin, from Baltimore for Portland, sank off Job's neck on the south side of this island, near Vineyard Haven, Mass. From the fact that the vessel's boats have come ashore in pieces and articles of clothing have been picked up it is feared that all on board were lost.

Sixty cloakmakers employed by a Chicago firm, were thrown into a panic by a fire, and it seemed for a time that some of them would be trampled to death in the scramble to escape. The fire was in the stairway on the second floor and escape was finally effected by rushing through the flames. It was soon extinguished with but little dam-

O. F. Tyler, a son of President Tyler. is a prisoner in Richmond, Va., charged with shooting with intent to kill Jack Carr, a young negro. Tyler is a dairyman residing near Richmond. He went to the assistance of another person who got into a difficulty with Carr, and says the shooting was in self-defense. The accused was sent to the grand jury and allowed bail.

One hundred and eighty cans of dynamite exploded about a mile below Lilly, Pa., with frightful results. One man was killed by the explosion, and seven others fatally injured. Contractor McManus' workmen on the Pennsylvania railway were getting seady to make a blast when a premature explosion occurred, burying the seven men beneath sand and rock.

James Creelan, the war correspondent who had to leave Cuba recently by order of General Weyler, says he thinks there will be a war with Spain. He says the American people will be thunderstruck when the documents in the possession of the state department are made public. Spain is anxious for war. Twenty-five million dollars' worth of American property has been destroyed in Cuba and many Americans killed without provocation.

The Grand Army of the Republic for the department of Oregon is holding its encampment in Independence, Or.; also the Woman's Relief Corps and Sons of Veterans. The citizens have given the town a very attractive appearance by extensive decorations of the buisness houses and residences. A large number are in attendance.

Greek Vessel Seized.

A dispatch from Canea, Crete, says another Greek vessel, loaded with munitions and provisions for the insurgents, has been seized by the Turkish officials. The French guardships started for Valova with \$7,500 to pay the ransom of two French ladies recently captured near that place by the brigands.

The Heat Was Terrible.

A special from Bombay says the British second-class, twin-screw Bonaventure, the flagship of the East Indian squadron, flying the flag of Rear-Admiral Edmund Drummond, lost seventy men by sunstroke on a voyage from Colombo to Pondicherry.

Reorganization of the Northern. organization of the Northern Pacific, as to the form of charter the company gress has failed to give the company a new charter.

A Three Times Murderer Hanged. John Craig, a three times murderer, cooly as though going to a wedding.

A Fatal Fire.

At a fire in a tenement house in ing from a window. Frank Garbeis, sged 5, was suffocated to death. Lotburt and may die. Frank Garbeis was badly burned. The fire was caused by the explosion of a barrel of

Their Courage Failed Them.

Forty miles east of Charleston, W. Va., masked men boarded an express train at midnight and crawled over the engine tender into the cab with revolvers drawn. The engineer stopped the train. He was commanded to cut loose the express car. This was done. The passengers were awakened and the lights were extinguished. After ten minutes work, the bandits became frightened, and escaped to the moun-

To Float the Indebtedness.

member of one of the lar italists in the refunding of the Ha-The government has \$3,096,000 of bonds drawing 6 per cent interest outstanding at present, which it is proposed to pay and issue in their stead bonds drawing interest at the rate of 4

H s Death a Mystery.

The body of a man with his head split open, was discovered floating in the Columbia river near Wallace's island. It is not known how he was

Failed to Fly Flags.

The trustees of the university of Illinois were arrested in Champaign and held in \$200 bail to answer to the grand jury the charge of failing to fly the flags from all university buildings Governor Altgeld is a member of the

Four Favored Cities.

Except Savanah, the capitals of the new states of Wyoming, Montana and Utah are the only places that got appropriations for public buildings at this session of congress. The house policy has been to report no bills for new buildings.

Heavy Fines.

The Hammond incident is finally settled. At a special meeting of the executive council held in Pretoria, it was decided to release John Hays Hammond, Cecil Rhodes, George Farrar and J. W. Leonard, the leaders of the Johannesburg reform committee, upon payment of a fine of £25,000 each, or in default, fifteen years' banishment.

Killed His Br. ther-in-law.

Ben Dice, a rancher living on the Tule river, twenty miles southeast of Visalia, Cal., killed his brother-in-law, Grant Smith. They quarreled about water in an irrigating ditch, and Dice's wife attempted to remove the dam in the ditch on Smith's place.

University Riot.

Three thousand Harvard men, encouraged by the phenomenal event of a Harvard victory, fought 100 policemen in the streets of historic old Cambridge. It was the biggest riot that the university has ever seen. Many students and policemen were injured in the melee, but the bluecoats finally same out victorious and the students were locked up.

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Narrow Escape From Death of a Fish erman Near Clifton -Better Protection Is Needed, Correspondent Says.

Astoria, June 16 .- Additional reports of outrages against the fishermen near Clifton were received by the steamer Miller this morning, and show that the situation is fully as serious at that point as has been reported. Sheriff Hare received the following letter:

"Clifton, Or., June 15.-To J. W. Hare, Sheriff Clatsop County-We telegraphed you regarding the boarding of the boat and throwing of fish overboard, and your asking for particulars. The steamer Seafoam is doing all she can, but, as many fishermen came, they There is much discussion in New only spread out, and the steamer can York among those concerned in the re- not cover the ground. Several new boats started out this morning, among othere, Vincenzo Mardisich, who laid is to have or whether it is advisable to out at daylight drifting about Woody foreclose the property at present, in island. About 10 A. M. several boats view of the fact that the present con- came sailing onto him, and before he realized what they wanted, they ordered him to drop sail, and then they took charge of his boat and towed him into Woody island slough. Some of them jumped into his boat and threw was hanged in Folsom prison. There his fish overboard, and forced him to could not have been a more perfect assist in throwing the remainder into execution it is said. The condemned the water. He says there were over man was completely resigned to his fifty, or about two tons. There were fate, and walked to the gallows as fish in the net, and they drew the net ashore and pulled the fish out and threw them away. Afterwards, they gave him back the net. They took his revolver, but failed to return it. They Pittsburg, Pa., Mrs. Zoneshhondia threatened his life and pulled a gun on Garbeiz, aged 74, was killed by jumphim to shoot, but one of his friends him to shoot, but one of his friends threw up the man's hand and said "don't shoot," so they spared his life, tie Garbeis, aged 12, was internally though the towing him into the slough and out of sight looks like some of them expected to put him alongside Lambert, Meiland and Gunion. Mardisich wants to fish, but says you must give us more protection or they cannot go near Woody island drift. Another boat had caught eighty fish, and as the current was strong, started home through some of the sloughs in Woody island, when the owner was captured, beaten and his new Winchester rifle taken from him and all his fish thrown overboard. The fishermen were scared almost to death, and called for help. There are twenty-five boats fishing, and they have to go on down the river to make good catches, and they cannot do so with only one steamer here. The Seafoam has to remain at the foot of Cottonwood ing houses in Honolulu is in this coun- men around the lower part of Tenas try for the purpose of interesting cap- Illahee island, and if the steamer was away, some fishermen would probably waiian government's indebtedness. be shot. I suppose Captain Beard told you about the shooting of Sam Brown last night, and you see we must protect the boys or they will have to give it up. The salmon are plentiful and the boys are all doing well, and it's a shame they cannot fish. There are a good many more going out in the morning, provided you can protect them. I think with a steamer around Woody island the boys would not dare to interfere. There were boats for Pillar Rook and Brookfield in the gang that captured Mardisich. I hope

you can see your way to provide another steamer and some more deputies.' Upon reciept of the letter, Sheriff Hare at once had a number of deputies sworn in, and, having supplied them with firearms and an abundance of ammunition, dispatched to the scene in a steam launch. The sheriff reiterates his determination expressed yesterday to cover the entire lower river with patrol boats if necessary, and feels confident of his ability to afford ample protection to the men who desire to fish.

Crap Game Robbed. Astoria, Or., June 16.-Two masked men entered the "Our" saloon, in this city, at 12 o'clock tonight and held up the keepers of a crap game. The men, upon entering the room in which the crap table stood, ordered the gamekeepers and two other men to throw up their hands, a command which was at once obeyed by all except one of the owners of the bank-roll, who rushed out, calling for the police. One of the robbers carried a canvas sack, in which he palced the money, while his companion kept guard. The men got safely away with their booty, which amounted to about \$200. This is the second time during the last three months that a crap game has been robbed by masked men, but up to date the police have gathered no information as to the identity of the thieves.

Gomez' Force Defeated. Havana, June 16.—General Gomez' force of 5,000 was defeated recently on the plains of Saratoga near Najara, province of Puerto Principe, after a fight of forty-two hours, by Jiminez Castellane's troops. Gomez lost fully 500 men. Jose Anotnio Yzandaga, an American newspaper man, has been expelled, and Ricardo del la Torriento has been forbidden to return to Cuba. Thomas Dawley, the artist has been re-

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Mr. Dosch Offers a Medal for the Best

The accompanying cut is a representation of a beautiful gold medal, enameled with likeness of various fruits grown in Northwestern Oregon, which Mr. Henry E. Dosch, state commissioner for the first horticultural district, with a view to promoting horti cultural knowledge among the youth of this state, offers as a prize to the boy or girl between the ages of 14 and 18



Mr. Dosch's Competitive Medal.

in any ungraded country school, for the best essay on fruit culture in his district, comprising the counties of Multnomah, Washington, Yamhill, Clackamas, Columbia, Clatsop and Tillamook. The essay is not to contain over 700 words, and all papers must be sent in to Mr. Dosch at Hillsdale, Or., by August 1, and the name, postoffice address and school of the writer. The judges of award will be Dr. J. R. Cardwell, Professor R. E. Lake and Frank Lee, of Portland.

The Pan-American Congress.

Washington. - Practically all of the South and Central American republics yet accepted the invitation.

Amount Voted by Congress for Improvements.

THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Criticised by Chairman Cannon of the Appropriations Committee-No Increase of Salaries.

Washington, June 13. - Chairman Cannon, of the appropriations committee, and ex-Chairman Sayres, today made public a joint statement concerning the expenditures authorized by this congress. Total appropriations, including permanent annual appropriations, are \$515,759,820. Mr. Cannon's statement begins:

"The appropriations charged to this congress include \$119,054,160 under permanent laws, of which amount \$50,000,000 is for sinking fund and \$30,500,000 for interest on the public debt, or \$3,355,614.40 more than was included at the last session of congress in the statements of appropriations, and is on account of the increase of \$162,815,400 in the bonded indebtedness of the country by the present administartion to February, 1895, interset and sinking fund charges on account of the latter bond issues of \$100,000,-000 in February, 1896, amounting to \$4,400,000, not being included in the estimates of permanent appropriations. The increase in the principal of the interest-bearing debt under the present administration amounts to \$262,815,-400, which entails an annual interest charge of \$11,492,616, and to meet the sinking fund obligations, the further sum of \$2,623,154.

"The regular annual bills, including the deficiency bill, as passed by the house, made a reduction in the total estimates submitted by the executive of \$26,983,191; they were increased by the senate \$22,920,422, and as they became laws, they appropriated \$10,-686,624 less than as passed by the senate; \$12,283,818 more than as they passed the house, and \$13,374,873 less than the estimated requirements of the

"The regular appropriations, including deficiencies, made at the last session of congress, amounted to \$383,-636,896, and it included no river and harbor bill. Excluding the river and harbor act passed at this session, the regular annual bills, as passed by the house, appropriated only \$373,570,082, or more than \$10,000,000 less than was appropriated by the last congress."

Mr. Cannon criticises the treasury department because it has expended \$7,877,440 for the present year in collecting the revenues from customs esti-

mated at \$165,000,000.

The bills establishing salaries instead of the fee system for officers of the United States courts, he says, will save \$1,000,000 annually, and minimize frivolous and malicious prosecution. Especial attention is called to the fact that congress made no increase of salaries of employes in the government departments. The following table of appropriations is given:

Fifty-first congress, \$988,417,183.34; fifty-second congress, \$1,027,124,547.92; fifty-third congress, \$989,239,205.69; fifty-fourth congress (first session), \$515,759,820.49.

Mr. Sayres, in his statement, says of the total appropriations of the session: "This sum exceeds the appropriations during the last session of the fifty-third congress by \$18,751,299,

and those of the first regular session of that congress by \$23,523,557. "It is less than the appropriations by the second session of the fifty-second congress by only \$3,744,538, although at the latter session \$39,352,494 more was appropriated for pensions than at this session. It is more than those by

the first session of the fifty-first con-

gress by \$21,303,571, and \$25,464,040

less than the appropriations of the second session of the fifty-first congress. "The appropriations made by the secon I session of the fifty-first congress exceeded those made at the first session of the same congress by \$46,676,612, or nearly 10 per cent. If the same proportion should be made at the next session, then the appropriations will

not be less than \$565,000,000." Contracts authorized by this session he estimates as follows:

Rivers and harbors, \$59,616,401; public buildings, lighthouse and revenue-cutter service, \$1,406,000; defenses and armament, \$4,195,076; new warships. \$12,900,000; District of Columbia, \$125,000; total, \$78,241,400.

He says the total expenditures in one fiscal year have never been so great, except during the war, and exceed the estimated valuation of property in any one of the South Atlantic states.

Quarrymen Strike.

Berea, O., June 15.-Four hundred quarrymen at the quarries of the Clevehave notified Ecuador of their accept-ance of the invitation sent out by that They demanded that all nonunion men government to be represented at an in- be discharged, and that several union ternational congress, to be held August men, who recently were dismissed, be 10 next, to promote international arbi- reinstated. The strikers have taken trations. The United States has not possession of all loaded cars and refuse to perimt them to be moved.

MILITIA CALLED OUT.

The First Regiment, O. N. G., Sent Down the Columbia.

Portland, Or., June 17.-The First

regiment, Oregon National Guard, Colonel Summers commanding, was scheduled to leave for Astoria at an early hour this morning, to take a hand in suppressing the scenes of violence and ontrage winch have been reported from the lower river. It was accompanied by battery A, with full field equipment and the various regimental corps. The troops were called out on a requi-sition made by the mayor of Astoria, through the county judge of Clatsop county, upon Governor Lord. The governor immediately notified brigade headquarters in this city to assemble the post, equipped with all the paraphernalia for field service and one day's cooked rations. It was suggested also that each man be provided with an extra pair of stout shoes, ready for active field service, and that the regiment and battery be held prepared to leave immediately. This was at 10:30 last night. The orders were communicated immediately from brigade headquarters to Colonel Summers, and he began to assemble the members of the post. The O. R. & N. Co. was notified also, to hold a steamboat in readiness for instant departure. The orders caused a great commotion, not only at the armory, but throughout the city. Men on bicycles and horseback were dispatched to the homes and places of business of the various members of the seven companies and the battery. All were told to report forthwith to the armory, ready for duty. The various corps attached to the regiment were included.

There was very general response on the part of the militiamen and great bustle and activity ensued at the armory. The men all expressed themselves as eager for service. The various commanders got their companies quickly into shape and made their re-

ports to the colonel. The First regiment left on the D. S. Baker at 4 o'clock this morning.

Later in the day, the Second battalion came down on a special train from McMinnville, and took an O. R. & N. steamer which was in readiness for them at the dock. This comprises the entire militia force of the state.

Governor Lord issued instructions that any member of the militia found on the streets after the second detachment left was to be taken to jail.

Fishing Will Be Resumed. Astoria, Or., June 17 .- The cannerymen held a meeting today, but members of the combine refuse to divulge any of the proceedings. It has leaked out, however, that it was decided not to make any allowance to the men for work done in making new nets, unless they go to work and deliver salmon at 41/2 cents. The refusal to pay for the knitting of the nets is explained by the cannerymen to mean that they intend to hold the men to a strict observance of the contracts made when the twine was purchased. This contract was that the material was to be paid for in either cash or salmon. Unles the men who have bought twine on these terms will agree tomorrow to fish for 41/2 cents, the canners will demand payment for the twine according to agree ment. This action of the canners will necessarily aggravate the feeling of hostility toward them.

It was also decided to send for the militia, but all present were pledged to absolute secrecy. None of the members wishing to assume the responsibiliy for calling for militia aid, Sheriff Hare held that no assisance from the military was necessary, and was prepared to protect all who desired to fish, but his advice was apparently disregarded, the militia was sent for, and the First regiment, O. N. G., are now

BANKER WYCKOFF SHOT.

Held Up in His Private Office by a Desperado.

New York, June 17 .- George H. Wyckoff, president of the bank of New Amsterdam, was shot in the abdomen and side this afernoon while in his private office by Clarence Clark. Clark demanded money, and, meeting with a refusal, fired two shots, and then turned the pistol on himself. Both men are now at a hospital in an unconscious condition. When Clark gained access to Wyckoff's office, he presented the following letter, written on Hotel Marlborough paper in a clear legible hand.

"We want \$6,000, five \$1,000 bills, ten \$100 bills. I'll shoot you if you make a movement, so be careful. My partner outside also has you covered, and if you give the alarm within three minutes after I leave, he will throw a stick of dynamite through the front entrance. Put the money in an envelope. Don't talk."

Shots were heard by the patrolman, who ran into the bank building in time to see Clark fall. Wyckoff is 60 years old and resides in Montclair, N. J. Clark is 50 years old and wears a sandy mustache. He was well dressed.

For a Sest in Council

Spokane, Wash., June 17.—D. S. Dungay and Carl Boneschen fought with fists on East Sprague avenue tonight. Mr. Dungay and Boneschen are contestans for a seat in the council. Mr. Dungay now holds the seat.