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EVENTS OF THE DAY

FROM THE FOUR QUARTERS OF THE WORLD.
A Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week, Presented in a Condensed Form, Which is Most Likely to Prove of Interest to Our Many Readers.

Prince Henry has landed on German soil.

The senate has passed the ship subsidy bill.

The house is working on the rivers and harbors bill.

In a collision at Milwaukee between a passenger train and street-car 10 persons were injured.

A life saving crew and seven men it had rescued from a stranded vessel were drowned at Cape Cod.

TESTS NOT SATISFACTORY.

Pacific Coast Lumbermen Do Not Agree With Hibbs' Report.
Washington, March 19.—Senator Foster has been notified by the Pacific Coast Lumber Manufacturers' Association that the tests of fir conducted on a very extensive scale at the Puget Sound navy yard during the past summer are not satisfactory. Secretary Victor H. Beckman states that at a meeting of the association held at Tacoma, February 15, the report of Naval Constructor Hibbs at the Puget Sound navy yard on the timber tests, particularly in Douglas fir, was taken up. The association directed the secretary to notify Senator Foster that the report was not satisfactory and did not do entire justice to the fir. Experience, it is stated, has proved that Mr. Hibbs' statements with reference to the lasting qualities of fir are misleading. The association calls attention to railroad timbers on the Northern Pacific railway which have been in use 14 years and show little or no signs of rot. Also that it is a well known fact that consumers of lumber purchase fir for porches and outdoor

work at a very high price in preference to yellow pine, which it is claimed, rots very quickly.

In order to secure a complete and authoritative test, the association urges Senator Foster to introduce a bill appropriating a sufficient sum of money to conduct the work in a thorough manner at some point in the Pacific Northwest, where exhaustive tests may be made under government supervision.

Senator Foster states that while the number of very important timber tests have been conducted from time to time by both the war and navy departments, these reports are contained in volumes that are not accessible to the general public. He is in favor of a condensed report drawn from authorized government tests and under government supervision which will serve to show not only the merits of fir, but of American woods generally, and such reports to be available for distribution or sale, as is the case with other government documents of a like nature. As a rule, the consumer is not well posted with reference to the lasting qualities of American woods, particularly so with reference to the relative strength and durability of one class as compared with another.

Americans' Indemnity Claim.
Peking, March 19.—The United States minister, Mr. Conger, has commissioned Mr. Bainbridge and Mr. Ragdale (the latter the United States consul at Tien Tsin) to adjust the indemnity claims of Americans, approximating \$2,000,000 in gold.

Record-Breaking Order for Horses.
St. Joseph, Mo., March 19.—One of the largest single orders for horses ever given in the country has been placed by a buyer at the South St. Joseph horse and mule market. The contract calls for 12,000 horses, to be delivered at the rate of 500 per month for 24 months. While the contract includes many varieties of animals, it is believed that the greater part of them are for the use of the British army in South Africa.

Russia Dictates Terms.
London, March 19.—As a condition of restoring the valuable salt heaps at Tang Ku, which were seized last August, cables the Peking correspondent of the Times, Russia has extracted from Prince Ching, president of the foreign office, a written engagement to employ no foreigners. The Chinese navy and Kuan Shi Kai, governor of Chi Li province and general director of the Peking-Shanghai-Kwan railroad, will refuse to be bound by Prince Ching's undertaking.

NEWS OF THE STATE

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS OF OREGON.
Commercial and Financial Happenings of Importance—A Brief Review of the Growth and Improvements of the Many Industries Throughout Our Thriving Commonwealth—Latest Market Report.

The 1900 potato crop in Coos county has been all but cleaned out.

The Lane county Democrats will hold their county convention April 5.

The Baker City gas plant is to be enlarged and improved to meet the demand for gas, which is steadily increasing.

Primarys for Multnomah county were held March 15. Very few Democrats voted, as there was no fighting among their forces. In the Republican ranks the anti-Simon forces carried the day.

The Polk county Republican convention was held at Dallas March 15 and delegates to the state and congressional conventions named and county officers nominated. No action was taken in regard to the renomination.

The Republicans of Morrow county held their convention at Heppner March 15 and elected delegates to the state and congressional convention. Resolutions were adopted endorsing Williamson as United States representative and pledging its delegates to vote against the return of Senator Simon.

Construction of a creamery has begun near Myrtle Point.

The town of Haines, Union county, has been incorporated.

A crusade against gambling has been inaugurated at Oregon City.

The Woodmen of the World are building a hall at Dusty, Benton county.

Several men in Salem have been found to have registered in more than one precinct.

The regular election of officers for the city of Florence for the ensuing year will be held April 1.

Nearly 13 inches of rain fell at Grants Pass during February, which breaks the record for any one month.

The town council of Prairie City has passed an ordinance prohibiting the use of tobacco in all public meeting places.

From March 1, 1901, to March 2, 1902, there were 19,600 acres patented from the government to Wasco county.

Representative Tongue condemns the move to have an improvement of Lower Columbia by pitting it against the upper river.

Papers throughout the state report that taxpayers are taking advantage of the 3 per cent rebate for prompt payment, and the new law is meeting general approval.

The market for Oregon prunes in the East is improving. Every pound shipped this past year has been disposed of, and dealers say they could have sold more had they done so.

H. V. Gates, promoter of the proposed telegraph and telephone line from Ashland to Lakeview and other points has filed an application with the Lake county court for a right of way along the public highway.

PORTLAND MARKETS.
Wheat—Walla Walla, 65¢@65½¢; bluestem, 66¢@66½¢; Yal, 66¢@66½¢.
Barley—Feed, 20¢@21¢; brewing, 21¢@21.50 per ton.
Oats—No. 1 white, 11.15¢@1.25¢; gray, 11.10¢@1.20¢.
Flour—Best grades, \$2.80¢@3.40 per barrel; Graham, 2.50¢@2.80¢.
Mills—Flour, \$21.00 per ton; middlings, 21¢; shorts, 19¢; chop, 17.50¢.
Hay—Timothy, 12¢@13¢; clover, 17.50¢@18¢; Oregon wild hay, 15¢@16¢ per ton.
Potatoes—Best Barbanks, 11.10¢@1.25¢ per cwt; ordinary, 70¢@80¢ per cwt. **Local growers' prices:** sweets, 22¢@23¢ per cwt.
Butter—Creamery, 25¢@30¢; dairy, 18¢@22¢; store, 13¢@15¢.
Eggs—14¢ for Oregon.
Cheese—Full cream, twins, 13¢@15¢; Young America, 14¢@15¢; factory prices, 1¢@1½¢ less.
Poultry—Chickens, mixed, 44.00¢@50.00¢; hens, 45.00¢@60.00¢ per dozen, 11¢@12¢ per pound; springs, 11¢@12¢ per pound; turkeys, live, 12¢@13¢; dressed, 14¢@16¢ per pound; geese, 16¢@17¢ per dozen.
Mutton—Gross, 4¢ per pound; dressed, 7¢@7½¢ per cwt.
Hogs—Dress, 5¢; dressed, 6¢@7¢ per cwt.
Veal—8¢@8½¢ for small; 7¢@7½¢ for large.
Beef—Gross, cows, 3¢@4¢; steers, 4¢@4½¢; dressed, 6¢@7¢ per cwt.
Hops—12¢@13¢ per pound.
Wool—Valley, 13¢@15¢; Eastern Oregon, 8¢@12¢; mohair, 21¢@21½¢ per pound.

Miss Shaw, of St. Louis, is to paint the portrait of Queen Alexandra this summer.

SKYSCRAPERS IN DANGER.

Their Steel Framework, Says a Chicago Man, Is Rapidly Corroding.
Chicago, March 18.—"The steel framework in many of the big buildings in the business district of Chicago is corroding, making them very dangerous. It is only a question of a few years when those buildings will fall to the ground."
His statement was made by General William S. Smith, at the 35th annual dinner of the Chicago real estate board. He added "that the steel framework of some of the skyscrapers is in the condition stated is nothing short of a public outrage."
The speaker explained that his statements were based on personal observations and investigations.
"The steel framework imbedded in concrete will last 2,000 years," he said, "but the steel framework in many of the big buildings is left free to the action of the air and gases which circulate through the tile and a space about the steel. The owners of these structures have the steel painted with oil. This oil will withstand the corroding process about three years. Then begins the rusting of the steel and within a few years your skyscraper will fall."
The speaker said that the elevated road structures would not withstand the corrosion. He asserted that within 10 years they would be dangerous and within 30 years out of service. The corrosion of one-fifth of the thickness of the steel framework of the structure, he said, would render them incapable of bearing their own weight.

BOSTON CELEBRATES.
To Commemorate Evacuation of the City by British Troops.

Boston, March 19.—The 126th anniversary of the evacuation of Boston by the British was celebrated in South Boston by the unveiling of a monument erected on the breastworks of the Colonial army on Dorchester heights. This monument was erected by the state of Massachusetts, as a memorial to the valor of the New England militia and the military genius of Washington. A military parade preceded the ceremony, and following it Senator Henry Cabot Lodge delivered an eloquent historical oration.

Rear Admiral Schley rode in the procession with Mayor Collins. The monument, which is of white granite, bears the following inscription, written by President Eliot, of Harvard:

"On these heights, during the night of March 4, 1776, the American troops besieging Boston, built two redoubts, which made the harbor and town untenable by the British fleet and garrison. On March 17 the British fleet, carrying 10,000 effective men and 1,000 refugees, dropped down to Nantuxet Island and there evacuated Boston. A strong British force had been expelled from one of the United American colonies."

SAGASTA COMMISSIONED.
Queen Regent of Spain Calls Upon Him to Form a New Cabinet.

Madrid, March 18.—The queen regent has commissioned Senor Sagasta to form a new cabinet. The queen regent only called upon Senor Sagasta to reconstruct the ministry after she found it impossible to induce the various sectional leaders to attempt the formation of a coalition cabinet.

The pope has appealed to her majesty not to permit the recent decree obliging religious congregations to comply with the law of associations to be put in force. The decree becomes operative March 21, so the new cabinet will be sworn in before the law is put into effect. A strong British force had been expelled from one of the United American colonies."

PHILIPPINE COMMERCE.
Imports and Exports of the Islands Are Both Showing Marked Increases.

Washington, March 19.—The insular division of the war department has prepared for publication an extract from its regular monthly bulletins of the commerce of the Philippines, comparing the eight months ended August 31, 1901, and 1900.

It is shown that the total value of merchandise imported during the eight months ended August 31, 1901, was \$1,618,896, against \$1,580,457 for the same period of 1900; and the total value of merchandise exported during the eight months ended August 31, 1901, was \$1,935,405, against \$1,928,015 for the same period of 1900.

The imports show an increase of 35 per cent during the period of 1901 as compared with the same period of 1900. In the exports there was a 6 per cent increase in favor of 1901.

The imports from the United States, exclusive of gold and silver, during the eight months ended August 31, 1901, were \$1,439,050, being an increase of 64 per cent over the same period of the preceding year, while the export figures show \$1,960,687, or a slight increase in favor of 1901.

The import figures show a gain of nearly \$1,000,000 on foodstuffs and in manufactured articles of nearly \$4,000,000 for the eight months of 1901. Agricultural exports for the period mentioned show a slight increase during 1901, the showing for this period being \$14,539,887, of which amount \$9,439,566 is accredited to hemp, the leading article of export. The export figures of \$1,709,169 in manufactured articles for the period of 1901 nearly doubled those of 1900, while products of the mines and forests show a decided increase over 1900.

Particulars of New Russian Loan.
Berlin, March 19.—The particulars of the new Russian loan were published here today. The loan amounts to 935,000,000 marks, of which 300,000,000 marks is issued now at 4 per cent. The loan covers Russia's portion of the Chinese indemnity. It is offered for subscription in Germany, Holland and Russia.

Plot to Destroy Warships.
Vienna, March 19.—A sensation has been caused here by the discovery of a plot to destroy the Austro-Hungary warships Habsburg and Arpad, which are stationed at Pola. A large quantity of dynamite was recently stolen at Trieste, and the government has been informed by an anonymous letter that the Habsburg and Arpad were imperiled. The vessels have since been rigidly guarded.

Troops Leave for Home.
Norfolk, Va., March 19.—The troops which have been on duty here during the strike of the street car men left for their homes today. Should there be trouble, the military will be returned and held until the disturbance is over. Several men went to work today.

Spain Issues Eight-Hour Day Decree.
Madrid, March 19.—The Gazette today publishes a decree establishing an eight-hour day for all working people in the state domains and in the state mines, workshops, etc.

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FOR SHIP SUBSIDY

SENATE FINALLY DISPOSES OF THE MEASURE.
The Final Vote Was 42 in Favor of the Measure—An Amendment Limiting the Expenditure to \$9,000,000 a Year Was Lost—Foreign Built Ships Shall Not Participate in the Benefits.

Washington, March 19.—After prolonged debate, the senate has passed the ship subsidy bill, the final vote upon the measure being 42 to 31. Four Republicans voted against the measure and one Democrat for it. Some amendments to the bill were adopted, but they were all agreeable to those in charge of the measure, the friends of the bill voting down all other amendments. With the exception of amendments offered by Allison and accepted by Frye, limiting the time of the operation of contracts made under the provisions of the bill to July 1, 1920, and providing that the amount of the expenditure under the mail subsidy paragraph shall not at any time exceed \$9,000,000 annually, none of the amendments agreed to materially affected the bill as it was reported from the commerce committee.

The vote upon the amendments began at 3 o'clock, and such a flood of them was offered that a final vote upon the bill, as amended, was not reached until just before 6 o'clock. Amendments were offered by Vest, providing for "free ships" and for the application of the provisions of the anti-trust law to the shipping industry, were rejected, as was the amendment proposed by Patterson, providing that no Chinese person should be a member of the crew of a subsidized vessel. Pettus offered an amendment providing that the total expenditure under the bill should not exceed \$1,000,000 in any year. It was adopted in committee of the whole, but later in the senate was rejected by a decisive vote.

The senate agreed to an amendment offered by Spooner providing that Congress should have power to amend or repeal the act, without impairing any contract made under its authority. Hanna offered and the senate adopted three amendments applying directly to the acquisition by P. Morgan and his associates of the Leyland line of British ships. They provide that no foreign built ship shall participate in the proposed subsidy, that nothing in the act shall be construed to prevent the sale of a subsidized vessel, or the holding or operating of foreign ships in the ocean carrying trade, and that no foreign built ship of any line thus acquired by American citizens shall be admitted hereafter to American registry.

Mexican Officials Not Interested.
City of Mexico, March 17.—Ambassador Clayton is now out of the city, and in reply to the inquiries against him in connection with the Mealy case cannot be had. The Mexican Herald says that the charge that General Clayton is interested in Mexican mines is simply a slur, and can only have been introduced to throw clouds in the eyes of the public who may fail to see the absolute lack of connection between the fact in question and the act of which Mr. Mealy complains. It is not true, the paper continues, that Mexican officials are interested in these mines with General Clayton.

Fatal Explosion in Powder Mills.
Cleveland, O., March 18.—An explosion in the powder mixing department of the Fairmount Manufacturing Company early today, resulted in the death of one girl employee, while at least seven other persons were seriously injured. The cause of the explosion is not known. The front of the two-story frame building was blown completely out, and the plant gutted by fire which followed the explosion. The company manufactures railway torpedoes. The preliminary loss will not exceed \$10,000. About three weeks ago an explosion similar to the one of today occurred at the torpedo factory.

Illinois Bank Robbery.
Joliet, Ill., March 15.—Six men early today broke into the Exchange Bank in Minoaka, nine miles west of Joliet, wrecked the safe with dynamite and secured between \$2,000 and \$3,000 in cash. Theodore Krine, who heard the explosions, rose from a sick bed and went to warn A. K. Napp, president of the bank. The robbers assaulted Krine on his return and left him paralyzed. He was not found until nearly two hours after. The robbers escaped on a handcar.

Date of Adjournment.
Washington, March 15.—Senator Hale, who is a leading member of the senate committee on appropriations and also of the Republican steering committee, today expressed the opinion that congress would be prepared to adjourn on the season about June 10.

Contracts for English Warships.
London, March 15.—The British admiralty has contracted with various shipbuilding companies for the construction of five first class and two third class cruisers and two battleships.

Barn and Street Cars Burned.
St. Louis, March 15.—Fire at 3:30 o'clock this morning destroyed the barn of the Eastern avenue sheds of the St. Louis Transit Company, together with 70 cars. Loss, \$125,000.

Snow Storm in Colorado.
Ouray, Col., March 17.—A terrific snow storm has been raging here since 8 o'clock last night. Fully 10 inches has fallen, and it is still snowing, with no sign of ceasing. During the night the wind blew at the rate of 60 miles an hour, piling the snow into huge drifts. Wagon and stage traffic to the mines and the Red Mountain & Sneffels line have been suspended, the mails going out on horseback this morning. There is great danger from snowdrifts that will surely run again.

Terrific Volcanic Eruption.
Seattle, March 17.—A special to the Post-Intelligencer from Juneau, Alaska, says a letter has been received there from the Greek priest at Kenai, on Cook inlet, telling of a terrific volcanic eruption in that vicinity about January 1. The whole side of an unnamed mountain seemed to be split open, and fire and lava were pouring from it. The lava flow was covered with ash, and the earthquake which accompanied the eruption caused several tidal waves, doing considerable damage.

Trouble Between Freight Handlers and Railroad Brought to an End.
Boston, March 15.—Through the united efforts of representatives of the great mercantile bodies of the city, seconded by the chief executive of the city, in conference with the recognized leaders of organized labor, the great strike of freight handlers on the railroad trades represented in the Allied Freight Transportation Council was broken to-night. Fully 20,000 men, who have been idle for four days, will go to work. The settlement is the result of an expressed determination of Governor Bennett to use his power representing the merchants of Boston to bring all possible pressure to bear upon the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company to adopt the rules in force upon the Boston & Maine Railroad forbidding freight handlers to unload trains except at their own option and risk.

All of the old men for whom places can be found will be taken back by the railroads, but, owing to the suddenness with which the strike was ended and the large number of new men who have been installed, it is likely that many of the old employees will find no vacancies ready for them at present. Eventually, it is believed, they will all regain their old positions. Teamsters and longshoremen will find an unprecedented demand for their services, and traffic of all kinds, which has been virtually at a standstill for the past three or four days, will be resumed with a rush.

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Helena, Mont., March 15.—A special to the Independent from Missoula says that Science Hall, at the state university, was practically destroyed by a fire that started about 1:30 o'clock Friday morning. The hall is the second finest building on the campus, and is worth in the neighborhood of \$100,000 although the equipment it contains brings the total value up to a much larger figure.

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SOLDIERS MONUMENT AT OLYMPIA, WASH.