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EVENTS OF THE DAY

An Interesting Collection of Items From the Two Hemispheres Presented in a Condensed Form.

Half a million Germans are unemployed.

Turks threaten to expel Americans from Syria.

The Schley court of inquiry has been dissolved.

Argentine people are preparing for war with Chile.

Forty-five lives were lost in a fire in Mexican town.

Germany threatens forcible measures against Venezuela.

The battleship Indiana has been ordered to La Guayra, Venezuela.

Governor Crane, of Massachusetts, has been offered the treasury portfolio.

General Miles has been reprimanded for meddling in the Schley controversy.

Panama canal shareholders want to sell their property to the United States at any price.

Secretary Long has approved the findings of the majority report of the Schley court of inquiry.

Sampson's application for an inquiry into the case of the shipyard was denied.

These conditions are good for the Philippines.

A Chinese cruiser called at Manila to honor General Chaffee.

Appraiser Wakeman, of New York, has been removed from office.

Fire at Clarksville, Ark., destroyed property valued at \$100,000.

The transport McClellan has sailed from Bermuda for New York.

Fire in Baltimore, Md., caused a loss of \$210,000, fully covered by insurance.

The first ground for the St. Louis exposition was broken with imposing ceremonies.

Engineer who caused the recent California train wreck, says he forgot his orders.

The American Lumber Company, capital \$8,000,000, was incorporated in New Jersey.

Fire at Huntingdon, Pa., destroyed the opera house block, including several stores. Loss, \$150,000.

The Atlantic Rubber Shoe Co., capital, \$10,000,000, has been incorporated at Trenton, N. J.

The bodies of two shepherds, partly burned, were found at Cabra Springs, N. M. They were murdered and their flocks stolen.

A St. Petersburg capitalist has promised to supply 140,000 roubles for the expense of a north polar exploring party, which will leave next year.

A pro-Boer orator caused a riot at Birmingham, England.

Numerous engagements have occurred recently in Batangas.

German sailors assaulted a United States consul at Hong Kong.

Anti-anarchist bills have been introduced in both branches of congress.

Major Heinz, a medical officer, is recommended for his bravery in Sumar.

Andrew Carnegie has offered \$10,000 for a public library at Canyon City, Colo.

The navy department has announced the final acceptance of the battleship Wisconsin.

It is probable that there will be several more changes in President Roosevelt's cabinet in the near future.

The body of Major Hugh R. Bellap, who died in Manila, reached San Francisco on the transport Tomas.

Yuan Shai Kai, the new viceroy of Li, intends to employ British and American officers to reorganize his navy.

Upon the termination of the Boer war, drab will be substituted for khaki in the working costumes of the British soldier.

Within 10 days at Constantinople, Turks have been denounced by the allies as hostile to the present regime. All of them were arrested.

Two sentries were frozen to death at Libon.

Severe earthquakes have occurred in New Zealand.

The debate on the Philippine tariff bill in the house.

Kruger may abandon his demand for Boer independence.

General French has captured Boer commandant Kirtzinger.

Power for the St. Louis exposition to be generated by the use of Texas coal as fuel.

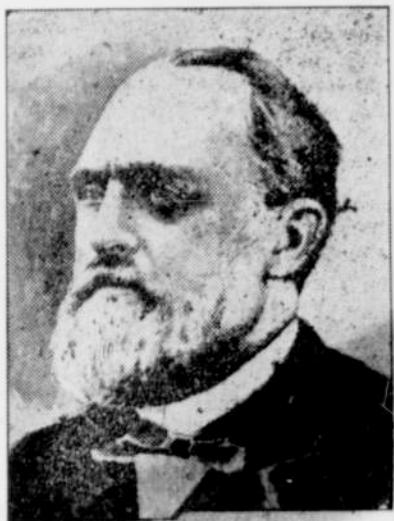
The official report of the finances of the Pan-American exposition shows that the exact deficit will be \$26,114.

A new office has been created by Governor Yates, of Illinois. Its incumbent is entitled "orderly to the governor," and his general duties are those of a detective and policeman.

TO ASIA VIA ALASKA.

Seattle Chamber of Commerce Takes Up the Pacific Cable Matter.

Seattle, Dec. 21.—The matter of telegraphic communication with Alaska and the Orient has been recently presented by Attorney Joseph Shippen to the Seattle Chamber of Commerce, which unanimously resolved "that the governmental and commercial interests of the United States require submarine electric communication from Puget sound to Alaska, Manila and the centers of Asiatic commerce."



JOSEPH SHIPPEN.

This has led to the careful drafting of a bill about to be introduced in congress by Senator Foster, providing for the laying and maintaining by the United States of an ocean cable, or rather a series of connecting cables, to Alaska and the Orient by the northern route. It is earnestly hoped that despite the pressure of manifold business, this measure may be adopted and speedily carried into execution.

TREASON IN MINDANAO.

Davis Asks for Military Control of a Province—Several Recent Engagements.

Manila, Dec. 25.—General George W. Davis, commanding at Zamboanga, island of Mindanao, has requested that the province of Misamis, Mindanao, again be placed under military control. General Davis has proof that the recently elected president and vice councilors and the leading men of Cagayan de Misamis, are guilty of treason in furnishing ammunition to the insurgents within the past month. The fiscal of the province of Misamis is also implicated. The evidence shows that all of these men are members of the secret Katipunan society. General James F. Wade, commanding the American forces on Cebu island, concurs in and endorses the request of General Davis, and reviewing the situation in Mindanao, says he is satisfied that the ends of justice, peace and good government will soon be obtained by the restoration of military control to the province of Misamis and the overcoming of all resistance to that authority. It is expected that the United States Philippine commission will refuse this request, as they did a similar application made by General Chaffee concerning the province of Tayabas, Luzon, where the rebels have been particularly active recently.

Every effort to decrease the expenses of the American army in the Philippines is having little effect, owing to the increase of army stations, due partly to the activity of the insurgents on the island of Samar, in Batangas and Tayabas provinces, and in other places, and also to the establishment of municipal government in many towns, which has necessitated sending troops there to preserve order.

Captain J. S. Park, Jr., with 30 men of the Twenty-first infantry, encountered 60 insurgents last week at Alaminos, in Laguna province. Four of the enemy were killed and several of the guns were captured and their barracks destroyed.

A detachment of scouts of the Second infantry also had a small engagement with the insurgents, in which they killed nine men and captured four.

Lieutenant John D. Hartman, of the First cavalry, during an expedition, encountered the enemy six separate times without losing one of his men. He destroyed several barracks.

General Bell, who is in command of the American forces in Batangas province, Luzon, has praised Lieutenant James D. Tilford, who, while scouting with troop D, of the first cavalry, routed an insurgent force in that province. Lieutenant Tilford located a rebel stronghold on top of a hill near the town of Batangas. He surrounded the enemy under cover of night and attacked them at daylight. Their surprise was complete. Nineteen insurgents were killed while attempting to escape. Lieutenant Tilford captured 16 rifles and 500 rounds of ammunition.

Will Command Philippine Marines. Washington, Dec. 25.—Colonel James Forney, of the marine corps, who is now in command of the marines at the League island navy yard, has been ordered to Cavite, to assume command of the Philippine brigade of marines. The transport Crook sailed from Gibraltar yesterday for Manila, and the transport Warren arrived at Nagasaki with troops from the Philippines for San Francisco.

OREGON STATE NEWS

Items of General Interest From All Parts of the State.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NOTES, ETC.

A Brief Review of the Growth and Improvements of the Many Industries Throughout Our Thriving Commonwealth.

The drill of the oil well being bored near Springfield, has encountered gold in small quantities.

A farmer near The Dalles was robbed of \$1,400 recently. The money was concealed in the barn.

Senator Mitchell has secured an allowance of \$400 per annum for additional clerk hire at the Whitney post-office.

The new smelter at the Standard mine, Baker county, has been running some time and has proved a great success.

A rich quartz ledge has been uncovered on Tip Top mountain, of the China creek district, a few miles east of Grants Pass.

Coyote hunting is a very profitable employment in the eastern part of the state, the law allowing \$2 for each scalp taken.

The new 25 stamp mill of the Hoosier Boy Mining Company, Prairie Diggings district, has been installed and is running constantly.

The new strike at the Lucky Boy mine, in the Blue river district, is even richer than estimated at first. The ore assays from \$600 to \$900 to the ton.

A new hydraulic mine has just been started up on Louse creek, Southern Oregon. The grounds are very rich and the new mine promises to become an important placer gold producer.

Chief Justice R. S. Bean, of the Oregon supreme court, has been chosen to represent this state at a gathering of lawyers at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition at St. Louis in 1903.

Boring for oil has been commenced near Springfield.

Secretary of State Dunbar has returned from a trip East.

Oregon City treasurer has issued a call for warrants up to January 1, 1900.

Salem city council, in order to stop the numerous hold-ups, has increased the police force.

The O. R. & N. steamer Ruth sunk in the Willamette river near Corvallis. The accident was caused by striking a snag.

The industrial building at the state reform school at Salem burned. The cause of the fire is unknown. Loss, \$25,000, with \$8,000 insurance.

Port of Portland commissioners have practically decided that it will be economy to build a wooden dry dock at a cost of \$225,000, and renew it every 15 years, than to spend \$540,000 for a steel structure.

Portland Markets.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 59¢@60¢; blue-stem, 61¢; valley, 59½¢@60¢.

Barley—Feed, \$17@17.50; brewing, \$17.50@18 per ton.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$1@1.10; gray, 95¢@1.

Flour—Best grades, \$2.70@3.30 per barrel; Graham, \$2.50.

Millstuffs—Bran, \$17 per ton; middlings, \$20; shorts, \$18; chops, \$17.

Hay—Timothy, \$11@12; clover, \$7@7.50; Oregon wild hay, \$5@6 per ton.

Mutton—Lamb, 3¼@3½c, gross; dressed, 6½c per pound; sheep, gross, 3¼@3½c, gross; dressed, 6@6½c per pound; ewes, 3¼@3½c, gross; dressed, 6@6½c per pound.

Hogs—Gross, 5½c; dressed, 6@6½c per pound.

Veal—\$8@9c per pound.

Beef—Gross, cows, 3½c; steers, 3¼@4c; dressed, 3@7c per pound.

Butter—Creamery, 25¢@27½c; dairy, 18¢@20c; store, 12½@15c.

Eggs—20¢@22½c for cold storage; 22¢@25 for Eastern; 28¢@30 for fresh Oregon.

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, \$2.50@3; hens, \$3.50@4; 8½¢@9c per pound; springs, 9@10c per pound, \$2.50@3 per dozen; ducks, \$5@6 for young; geese, \$5@7.50 per dozen; turkeys, live, 11@12½c; 13@14 dressed per pound.

Cheese—Full cream, twins, 13¢@13½c; Young America, 14@15c.

Potatoes—Best Burbanks, 85¢@1.10 per cental; ordinary, 70¢@80c.

Hops—\$8@10c per pound.

Wool—Valley, 11@14c; Eastern Oregon, 8@12½c; mohair, 21@21½c per pound.

At the international sanitary congress to be held in Paris in February a leading subject of discussion will be the spread of yellow fever and malaria by mosquitoes.

Invasion of England by American shoes raises a plaintive protest from British makers.

The British tobacco trust caused a page advertisement to be printed in 100 papers urging smokers to boycott American importations.

Chicago university freshmen held a debate on the question whether football should be continued as an athletic sport of colleges, and decision was in the negative.

SCHEME OF CHINESE.

How They Propose to Evade the Exclusion Law—Stock Companies Organizing.

Port Townsend, Wash., Dec. 25.—The Chinese seem determined to evade the exclusion law, according to information received here by members of the local Chinese colony.

The information is to the effect that a large number of stock companies are being organized in the southern provinces with capital stocks of \$1,000,000 and upwards, and stock to the amount of \$500 will be issued to Chinese coming to America so they can show upon being examined by the customs officials at a port of entry that they belong to the exempt class, or merchants.

This action is said to be the result of the agitation for a more stringent exclusion law at the expiration of the present law next May. The Chinese immigration brokers in the southern provinces believe that the new law will exclude all except merchants or members of mercantile firms who have heretofore been admitted upon showing that they are interested in firms to the amount of \$500, and that large numbers will soon start from the Orient armed with stock in the new companies.

TRAVELERS IN CHINA.

Precautions Necessary to Insure Their Personal Safety.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Minister Conger has reported to the state department certain correspondence between himself and the Chinese government regarding the precautions to be taken by foreigners traveling in the inland districts of China to insure their personal safety. The board of foreign affairs has requested that, in accordance with treaty provisions, travelers in the interior of the country and away from the vicinity of the treaty ports should always be provided with passports. It is further desired that travelers give the local authorities notice in advance of their intention to go further, in order that the authorities of the province toward which they are traveling may be notified and suitable guard be dispatched with them to protect them from harm.

Banks in the Orient.

New York, Dec. 24.—Three distinct movements are at the moment under way, having in view the establishment of American banking facilities in the Orient, says the Journal of Commerce. These include first, the establishment of branches at Shanghai and Manila, by the Guaranty Trust Company; second, the establishment of a bank particularly organized for Oriental business by a syndicate of which Edward H. Cragin is the head, and third, the establishment by a New York national bank of a branch at Manila, as soon as suitable legislation can be secured.

Hall of Tara to Be Sold.

New York, Dec. 23.—The place in which the Irish kings were crowned, the historical Hall of Tara, at Navan, county Meath, has been offered at auction, says the Dublin correspondent of the Journal and American. A wealth of legendary interest clusters about the spot, and authentic records show that the monarchs of Ireland were crowned there from 30 B. C. to 56 A. D. There were only two bidders when the place was offered at auction, and the highest bid—£2,920—was rejected and it has been reserved for sale privately.

A Farmhouse Fire.

Dubois, Pa., Dec. 25.—Near Sumnerville yesterday, the home of John Ashbaugh, a farmer, was destroyed by fire and four persons burned to death. One other was burned in such a manner that recovery is doubtful and four others are seriously burned and injured.

Stage Robbed.

Ukiah, Cal., Dec. 25.—The south bound stage between Laytonville and Willits was robbed this morning, half a mile above the latter place. A registered pouch and the express box were taken. A suspect is in custody.

Trainmen Must Talk Spanish.

Mexico City, Dec. 24.—The government has issued the long contemplated order that all railway employes in contact with the public shall be able to speak Spanish in such a manner as to be able to deal directly with the passengers and the public in general. The order will probably affect Pullman Company employes. It is asserted that many accidents of late have been due to the inability of trainmen to speak Spanish, causing a mistaking of orders.

Earl Li's American Secretary.

Pekin, Dec. 24.—William H. Pethick, an American who had been private secretary and diplomatic adviser to Li Hung Chang for 30 years, died here today. Mr. Pethick inspired most of Li Hung Chang's progressive schemes and was author of his famous anti-imperialist manifesto. He leaves an unpublished book on Li Hung Chang and his times. The book contains valuable revelations concerning recent Chinese diplomacy.

McKINLEY'S MEMORY

Plans of the National Memorial Association.

MEMORIAL ARCH ASSOCIATION TO HELP

The People of the United States will Have an Opportunity to Help Build an Appropriate Monument at His Tomb.

Cleveland, Dec. 23.—Judge William E. Day, president of the McKinley National Memorial Association, has issued the following statement to the public, adopted by the trustees at their recent meeting in Washington:

The McKinley National Memorial Association was organized by the immediate personal friends of President McKinley to afford an opportunity for the people of the United States to express their personal love and devotion to the late President by the erection of a fitting memorial at his grave. The trustees were appointed by the President of the United States, the first meeting for organization having been held at Cleveland, October 10, 1898. It is the distinct purpose of the Association to erect such a memorial as will fittingly justify those exalted qualities of character, simplicity, dignity, devotion to duty and high ideals that were so eminently exemplified in his life and purpose. This memorial is to rise above the crowd at Canton, Ohio, where he will finally rest in accord with his own expressed wish.

In bringing the purposes of this Association before the people, the earlier work has been necessarily one of organization. This has progressed rapidly and satisfactorily. It is desired that an organization be perfected in every state and territory, and local organization in cities, towns and rural districts with a committee in charge, working in connection with the state auxiliary, is urged. The public should be given the fullest opportunity to subscribe.

The trustees desire to express their deep sense of obligation to the press of the country for its earnest support thus far, and to recommend that all newspapers act as agents for the receipt of subscriptions.

By a resolution passed by the American Bankers' Association, all banks have been designated depositories for subscriptions. All postmasters will receive and forward monies and all express companies will issue money orders free of charge, and, when necessary, forward money free.

In foreign countries, the ambassadors, ministers and consuls of the United States will receive and forward subscriptions.

In every case the name and address of the subscriber should be forwarded to the treasurer, Myron T. Herrick, Cleveland, Ohio, for preservation in the permanent archives of the Association, and in order that convenient certificates may be sent to each. The most judicious certificate adopted by the trustees will be worthy of preservation as a work of art and as evidence of the holder's participation in the erection of the national memorial. It has been engraved upon it a portrait of President McKinley, and in shadow pictures of the President's home at Canton, the Capitol and White House.

The public is especially cautioned against any enterprise attempting to make copies of the sentiments of affection which inspired the desire to rear at the grave of our late President a memorial which shall fittingly honor his memory. It is the desire of the trustees that all contributions shall be the free offering of the people, and they respectfully request the public to discourage any proposition which may seem to have as its object the obtaining of money by giving all or part of the proceeds to the memorial fund.

The public are hereby notified that the McKinley National Memorial Association has no connection with or relation to any other association or to any enterprise of a commercial nature.

After a conference at this meeting with representatives of the William McKinley Memorial Arch Association of Washington, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, That it be the sense of the Trustees of the McKinley National Memorial Association that the field of popular subscription should be left to it for raising the sum necessary to provide a suitable memorial to the late President at Canton, where his body lies, and that this Association should join with the William McKinley Memorial Arch Association of Washington in memorializing congress to erect a national memorial at the capital of our country to commemorate his services to the nation.

The Arch Association acquiesced in this resolution and has ceased to solicit subscriptions, leaving the field to the McKinley National Memorial Association, through which the people of the United States will build a memorial of affection at the last resting place of their beloved president, William McKinley.

RAN INTO A CABOOSE.

Two Men Cremated in a Train Wreck in Wisconsin—Met in a Curve.

Green Bay, Wis., Dec. 25.—Two men were cremated and another seriously burned in a rear end collision of two south bound special freight trains on the Northwestern Railroad yesterday at Little Suamico.

The first train had reached Little Suamico and had stopped on the main track to take water. A moment later the special train behind rounded a curve near the depot and crashed into the first train. The two men who were killed were traveling on a passenger train who were traveling on the freight to Green Bay to spend the holidays with their families. They were sleeping in the caboose when the crash came and were instantly killed. One of the brakemen was in the caboose at the time, but he finally escaped from the burning wreck. Eight cars were telescoped and soon burned. The bodies of the two men were burned beyond recognition.

Investing in Gushers.

Beaumont, Tex., Dec. 25.—The representative of an English syndicate, who refuses to give out the names of his principals, has secured options on 10 completed gushers in this field and the trade is to be closed January 1. It is believed that he represents the Roche-Stuart people in London, who are also negotiating with the Hogg-Swayne syndicate for a portion of its holdings. The price fixed on the gushers is not published, but a gusher was sold last week for \$25,000.

Sweat Shop Burned.

New York, Dec. 25.—Two men lost their lives at a fire that destroyed a four story sweat shop building in Clinton street last night. Four people were injured, none of them fatally. About 40 men and women were at work in the building. The fire started in the basement and gained such headway that escape was cut off. The people jumped from the windows to save themselves. The property loss will be small.

EXPLOSION AT A

Ten Men Met a Frightful Death in Sight of Many Spectators.

Pittsburg, Mo., Dec. 21.—Ten men were killed and four injured in an explosion of gas at the furnace of Jones & Laughlin, Monday. The explosion was caused by a slip in the furnace, and gas flames belched upward through the bell. The men were on the platform 85 feet above the furnace.

There were 19 men on the platform when the explosion occurred. Nine of them were caught in the furnace. Two of them escaping with slight injury. The other four men were regular men employed as top boys and escaped without injury. The explosion was caused by the gas becoming encased in a crust of cinder formed at the bottom of the furnace. A wheelbarrow containing ore had been sent up to the men and when they went to dump it into the bell of the furnace, they pushed it over too far and it rolled into the hopper. The barrow weighed 900 pounds and was too heavy for the four men to raise. The 15 laborers, all Hungarians, were then sent up to assist them. Had it not been for the barrow accident no one would have been hurt.

FOUR BOILERS BLEW UP.

Another Bad Accident at Pittsburg—Four Men Killed and Twelve Injured.

Pittsburg, Dec. 24.—Three or four men were killed and 12 injured by a terrific boiler explosion at the Black Diamond Steel Works today, and another man is missing.

Reuben Miller, Jr., superintendent of the plant, states that the boilers were examined last week and pronounced to be in excellent condition. No known cause can be given for the explosion, but a thorough investigation is now in progress.

It was about 4:15 o'clock, as the night crew was about to turn over the mill to the day force, that four boilers in the 10 inch bar mill No. 3 exploded with terrific force. The mill was completely wrecked and the debris piled from 50 to 70 feet high. The boiler works of James McNeill, adjoining the Black Diamond mill, was also destroyed. A force of men went to work as quickly as possible after the explosion, searching in the debris for the bodies.

The mill had 60 men on each turn, and it is thought that about 120 men, both crews, were on duty at the time of the explosion and the debris where they had been for life.

One of the bodies was found in the street and another in the house.

GAGE WOULD RETIRE.

Secretary Anxious to Leave Roosevelt's Cabinet at Earliest Possible Day.

Washington, Dec. 24.—It is Secretary Gage's intention to relinquish the treasury portfolio as soon as President Roosevelt can find a suitable successor, and he has so informed the president. Mr. Gage would like to be relieved before spring. The president has done all he could to dissuade Secretary Gage from retiring, and will probably continue to use his efforts in that line. Secretary Gage's determination to retire was made known to the president some little time ago. Just how long it is not known. After the cabinet meeting Secretary Gage declined to say anything about the rumors of his resignation, beyond the simple statement that he had not "formally" resigned.

"What I may or may not do eventually I am not prepared to say now," said the secretary. "But I can say that the relations between the president and myself are perfectly cordial. He would do almost anything I would ask, and I would do almost anything he might ask."

Cold Wave in the South.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 24.—The cold wave, which for the last week has covered the south, today equaled all records since 1884 for December, and lowered in some localities all former minimum temperature readings. As far south as Louisiana and the Gulf border intense cold prevails, though no serious damage to vegetation has been reported.

Held Up a Bank.

Fayetteville, Ark., Dec. 21.—At noon today the bank of Springvale, 10 miles from here, was robbed by one man. No one was in the bank except the assistant cashier. The robber drove up in a buggy and walked to the cashier's desk. He compelled the assistant cashier to go to the vault and give him all the money, about \$7,000. While this was taking place the cashier walked into the bank. He was at once covered by the robber's revolver. The robber then hurriedly

Ordered to

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—Rush letin says: "Rush received from Wash that the cruiser from here tomorrow for Panama. The are approach and Gern two of di important interest e