

THREE NORTHWEST STATES

LATE NEWS OF THE PAST WEEK BRIEFLY TOLD.

Choice Selection of Interesting Items Gathered From Exchanges—Cullings From Washington, Idaho, Montana—Numerous Accidents and Personal Happenings Occur.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

The moral wave has struck North Yakima.

Walla Walla is the best apple producing county in the state this year.

At this stage of harvest it looks like a 66 per cent crop for Walla Walla county.

The first sale of this season's wheat at Huntsville was made at 70 cents per bushel.

C. J. Lord of Olympia was elected president of the Washington State Bankers' association.

The cost of maintaining the public schools of Spokane was increased nearly \$130,000 last year.

Professor S. H. Webster, the principal of the school of business at Agricultural college, has resigned.

Extensive damage to several ranches east of Spokane was done by a violent hail storm which raged for a few minutes last week.

Professor Henry Landes, the state geologist, is gathering the specimens for the state mineral exhibit at the St. Louis exposition.

The second inquest over Mrs. Addie Mull and her 3 year old child resulted in another verdict of death by poisoning. They resided at Seattle.

There was an increase of 140 pupils this year of the school age over the previous year. The census gives 2516 male and 2590 female children, a total of 5113.

The surveyors for the Great Northern are now following one of the preliminary surveys from a point one mile south of Meyers Falls through Kettle Falls to Marcus.

Charles D. Atkins of Tacoma, grand master of the grand lodge of Washington, F. & A. M., laid the cornerstone of the new Universalist church at Spokane recently.

Hay harvest is in full blast in the Palouse and a fine crop is being harvested. The timothy crop is about equal to that of last year, but the acreage is larger.

The body of Fred Pea, the 12 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pea, of Bossburg, who was drowned while swimming in the Columbia river recently, has been found.

The remains of William Miller, an old resident of Wenatchee, were found at the foot of the cliff recently on the road leading to his home. He fell over the cliff and was killed.

Carl Johnson, aged 10 years, whose parents reside 10 miles east of Dayton, was accidentally killed recently. It is supposed the victim tried to load a shotgun, when it was discharged.

The body of Ethel Housinger, who was drowned July 12 at Blue Slide, on Pend d'Oreille river, was found July 21, three miles north of Metairie, about 25 miles north of the place of accident.

The De Tillon bridge across the Spokane river between Davenport and the Cedar Canyon mining camp has been condemned and the approaches have been boarded up by order of the county commissioners.

The safe of the Lyse Mercantile company at Wilbur was blown open recently and rifed of its contents in money amounting to \$112. It was evidently the work of professionals, as the job was neatly done.

Monroe Martin, an extensive farmer living on Alkali flat, 2 miles southwest of Colfax, is threshing his wheat crop and the grain is yielding more than 30 bushels per acre. The quality is excellent, being plump and hard.

The quarterly statement of the treasurer of Lincoln county shows a balance on hand of \$90,948.09. The total amount of taxes collected for the year of 1902 is \$49,952.14. The bonded indebtedness of the county is about \$80,000.

Miss Eva Booth, the daughter of General William Booth, founder and commander of the Salvation Army, was in Spokane Thursday. Miss Booth is the commissioner of the Canadian command of the army, to which Spokane is attached.

H. M. Sarvant of Tacoma and Dr. William Betts of New Orleans have returned to Tacoma from an ascent of Mount Rainier. This is the first time in four years that the big rock has been scaled, as the ascent is growing more difficult every year.

The sound steamer Walsh caught fire while lying at the dock at Sidney, on Port Orchard bay, and was burned to the water's edge and sank. There were no casualties. The fire broke out amidships in the vicinity of the engine, presumably from the heat of the furnaces. The vessel is a total loss and was valued at \$40,000 and insured for \$25,000.

The county bridge two miles north of Wenatchee that spans the Wenatchee river, was burned recently from

bank to bank. It is supposed to have caught from sparks from the Great Northern engine, as the south end was but 30 feet from the track and had caught twice previously from passing engines. The bridge was built eight years ago and cost \$7000.

During a lightning storm at Wilbur, one bolt entered the residence of Attorney W. T. Warren by the roof, passing down through the room in which Mrs. Warren was sitting, stunning and partially paralyzing her, then through the china closet, cleaning off the top shelf completely, and out through a window. Fire started in three places in the house, but was quickly extinguished before much damage was done.

Fire recently destroyed the Cascade Cereal company's plant at Tacoma, the Deming-Berry pulley plant adjoining, causing a loss of \$150,000. The Denver house and the St. Paul house and several residences were damaged by the fire and water. The pulley company had just received a large lot of valuable machinery for a new factory, which was stored in the burned building. The total insurance will not exceed \$80,000.

IDAHO ITEMS.

The trial of Joseph L. Bland, who is charged with murder, is on at Wallace.

The Moscow street fair committee held a meeting recently and set the dates for September 29 and 30 and October 1 and 2.

C. A. Dunn, the son of Robert Dunn, prosecuting attorney of Shoshone county, has been admitted as a cadet at Annapolis.

The hay crop is plentiful. Several farmers state that at present prices their hay will net them \$20 per acre. Few are selling.

The body of Walter Poole, the 19 year old boy who was drowned in the Clearwater river at Evans' ferry, has not yet been recovered.

The jury in the "Kid" Goode murder case at Wallace, after being out 12 hours, brought in a verdict of murder in the second degree.

Henry S. Eller, a veteran merchant and Idaho pioneer, is dead at his home in Boise from the effects of a stroke of paralysis. He was 71 years old.

MONTANA SQUIBS.

William L. Alderson, editor of the Livingston Post, and one of the best known newspaper men of eastern Montana, is dead from Bright's disease.

When City Detective Hogan of Missoula brought Lida Gould off the train and searched her he found \$580 in five dollar bills in the "rat" of her hair.

The woman was arrested at the instance of Butte police and is accused of "rolling" a man in the red light district there of \$580.

G. W. Hanly, who is believed to have been the oldest man in the state of Montana, is dead at the home of his son near Big Timber. Hanly was 108 years old at his last birthday, in November, 1902. Mr. Hanly was born in St. Louis in 1794.

Military Maneuvers.

Washington, D. C., July 29.—Never before in the history of the United States have military maneuvers been held on such a large and comprehensive scale as those which are about to begin off the coast of Maine. First, two immense fleets, comprising the flower of the American navy, will combat for supremacy, one representing an American squadron defending a port on the New England coast, the other, an enemy, attempting to capture the port, or so eluding the watchful eyes of the home fleet as to afford an opportunity to prey on the coast commerce of this country.

On August 15 a most spectacular inspection of the immense fleet will be made by the president of the United States, the secretary of the navy and Admiral George Dewey off Oyster Bay. After the review by the president the fleet will again proceed to the coast of Maine for tactical exercises and to take part in the joint maneuvers with the army.

Whitaker Wright Will Go.

New York, July 30.—United States Marshal Henkel has received from Acting Secretary of State Adeo the original warrant of extradition for Whitaker Wright, the London promoter, who has been confined in Ludlow street jail since April on charges preferred against him by the shareholders of the London & Globe Finance corporation of London, who claim his management wrecked the corporation. Inspectors Wallis and Phillips of the London city police will arrive on the White Star liner Oceanic to receive Wright and in their custody he will make the trip to London.

Lots at Athol at Auction.

Boise, Idaho, July 30.—The lots in the town of Athol, in Kootenai county, will be sold at auction by the state. The town is on a school section and settlers have not been able to get title.

Tacoma, Wash.—Steady and unchanged; bluestem, 82c; club, 75c.

Portland, Ore.—Walla Walla, 77c; bluestem, 80c; valley, 80c.

LATE TELEGRAPH BREVITIES

CULLED FROM DISPATCHES OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

A Review of Happenings in Both Eastern and Western Hemispheres During the Past Week—National, Historical, Political and Personal Events Tensely Told.

Walter C. Hamm of Pennsylvania has been appointed United States consul at Hull, England.

Uncle Sam's treasury statement shows: Available cash balance, \$228,186,107; gold, \$98,965,890.

Dr. Edward W. Warren, rector of St. James' Episcopal church, is dead in Austria from appendicitis.

A seat at the New York stock exchange was sold recently for \$60,000. The last previous sale was at \$67,500.

Thomas O'Toole of New York, one of the most expert bridge builders in the country, was accidentally killed at Quarryville, Pa., recently.

Rev. Robert Chester Foule, D. D., for the last 19 years rector of Grace Episcopal church in San Francisco, is dead. The cause of his death was apoplexy.

The national convention of dairy and food commissioners has closed their convention at St. Paul with the election of officers for the ensuing year as follows:

President, J. B. Bailey, Oregon; first vice president, W. P. McConnell; second vice president, Maroni Heiner, Utah; secretary-treasurer, R. M. Allen, Kentucky.

The sheriff of Des Moines, Iowa, has not been able to locate Mrs. Ella Hodge, who is wanted in Salt Lake on a charge of murdering William X. Ryan, a peddler of that city.

It is understood that Governor Hunt of Porto Rico has indicated his intention of relinquishing the island governorship. When his resignation will take effect is not known definitely.

Word comes from American Falls, Utah, that Carrie Varney and Lucille Dunkley, two girls about 13 years of age, were drowned while bathing in Utah lake. The bodies were recovered.

Robert Fitzsimmons, actor and pugilist, has married Julia May Gifford. The ceremony took place in San Francisco. The groom gave his age as 41 and that of the prospective bride as 23. Both claim New York as their homes.

London is to lose another of its show places. A building in Portugal street, Lincoln's Inn Fields, which is said to have been the original of the "Old Curiosity Shop," immortalized by Dickens, has been sold to an American, who will eventually take it to pieces and erect it in the United States.

George Wilson, an old resident of Rochester, N. Y., who was pronounced dead by his attendants, has come to life. When the undertaker arrived Wilson's body was stiff and cold. Preparations were being made for embalming when the supposed corpse suddenly jumped up and swore at the undertaker for handling him so roughly.

Shamrock I. will have a duel with Columbia over the America's cup course or at Newport probably after the races are decided. Ed Morgan at Newport has declared his willingness to race Columbia against her former adversary under any conditions and at any time suitable to Sir Thomas. The matter was closed on board the Erin by Sir Thomas' acceptance of the offer.

The announcement was made recently on the New York stock exchange of the suspension of the firms of Talbot J. Taylor & Co. and W. L. Stow & Co. was the sequel to a period of excited selling of stocks and wide outside prices, which had not been equalled before since the present movement to liquidate set in. There is nothing in either failure that can be traced to business or industrial conditions outside the exchange, the case lying close to a diagnosis of speculative collapse.

Up to Expectations.

Washington, July 28.—A great deal of interest was taken by naval officers in Washington in the run of the Kearsarge from Portsmouth to Frenchman's bay. It was estimated before the vessel left England that, with good weather she would make the run across the ocean in ten days, and this prediction has been verified.

Estimating that she traveled about 3000 miles, the speed of the Kearsarge would average approximately between 13 1-10 and 13 1-4 knots per hour. While the run the vessel has just made is not at all remarkable, yet it is very satisfactory for a heavy battleship, and indicate the engines were in good condition.

Henrietta's Concession.

"I have been reading about some of the great men," said Mrs. Meehton. And Leonidas looked at her with joy in his eyes and exclaimed:

"Then you concede that such things have been."—Washington Star.

HEAD ON COLLISION.

Fatal Railway Accident at Worcester, Mass.

Worcester, Mass., July 26.—One dead and 48 injured is the result of a head-on collision at a sharp curve on the Boston & Worcester street railway a mile west of Westboro. The accident, it is alleged, was the result of negligence on the part of the crew in charge of the westbound car. The cars telescoped, each smashing into the other the length of four or five seats. There were 150 passengers on the two cars. The disabled and injured ones were cared for by the more fortunate, being taken into a pasture nearby and laid in rows in the shade. It was nearly an hour after the crash before medical assistance arrived.

More than half of the 48 injured are in a serious condition. Some of them will not recover and many will be crippled for life.

Miss Frances Greer of Chicago died at the city hospital. William H. Savage of Boston, an artist, is not expected to live the night out.

Mrs. Thomas H. Brown of Boston is seriously hurt. Mrs. Brown threw her six months old baby from the car and it was uninjured. Nineteen of the seriously injured were placed in the city hospital. The others, many with broken bones, are at their homes.

SUTRO'S CASTLE BURNS.

Famous Structure of California Is Destroyed.

San Francisco, July 27.—The big wooden structure, built in the style of a German castle by Adolph Sutro, 23 years ago, on the summit of Telegraph hill, was almost totally destroyed by fire. The blaze was started presumably by small boys at play with matches at the base of the high observatory on the east end of the structure. The flames, fanned by the high winds of the hilltop, ate their way rapidly into the very vitals of the building.

The firemen prevented the spread of the flames to the adjacent buildings. The hill proved too steep for the engines to surmount, but through long lines of hose the firemen were able to play several streams of water on the burning building. The fire was visible from the bay and nearly all parts of the city and had it occurred at night would have presented a brilliant aspect. There was no insurance on the building, the value of which is hard to estimate. It occupied the site of the first marine signal station established in San Francisco and several years ago was a popular pleasure resort. It has recently been occupied by A. Vincent and family, who narrowly escaped being burned to death.

CLAIMS TO CREATE LIFE.

Mixed Water, Salt, Alcohol and Ammonia.

With one ounce of common salt, six ounces of pure water, six ounces of 90 per cent alcohol, all mixed in an ordinary glass dish, and two ounces of aqua ammonia distributed in five small plates and all covered by an airtight glass tube, Dr. Charles W. Littlefield of Alexandria, Ind., declares that he has created life in the form of thousands of atoms of animated substances to well developed germs of life and trilobites. According to Dr. Littlefield, only 90 minutes were consumed while salt crystals were impregnated with the hydrogen and volatile magnetism of the chemical solution and transformed into living forces that immediately sought nourishment through mediums that Dr. Littlefield termed feeders, lacking any technical names. It has not been determined whether the germs or atoms would propagate. Dr. Littlefield says he performed his experiments several times, all with success.

Panama Newspaper Wrecked.

Panama, July 29.—The office of the newspaper El Lapiz, organ of the liberal party, was raided by a mob and the entire edition destroyed. Immediately afterward a company of soldiers under command of Generals Vasquez and Cobos, surrounded the residence of Governor Mutis. The governor had been warned and had escaped with his wife. The trouble arose over the failure of the governor to pay his troops. He is now under protection of the British consulate. It is not thought that the trouble will assume the nature of a revolution.

Die of Their Injuries.

Los Angeles, Cal., July 28.—Two men died in the receiving hospital from the result of injuries received last night while riding bicycles. William H. Cameron, a grocery salesman, was struck by an electric car and was taken to the receiving hospital, where he died this afternoon.

George W. Saku, a bicycle repairer, collided with a Long Beach electric car and was terribly injured.

Internal Revenue Is Less.

The annual preliminary report of Commissioner Yerkes on the collection of internal revenue and the condition of the service shows that for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1903, the total collections amounted to \$230,740,382, a decrease, as compared with 1902, of \$41,127,607.

CONVICTS ESCAPE PRISON

FOLSOM, CALIFORNIA, PRISON MINUS PRISONERS.

There Were 300 in Line—Thirteen Broke Away—Each Had Knife—Fought With Guards—Two Will Die—Convicts Change clothes and Escape—Great Excitement.

Folsom, Cal., July 29.—One of the biggest breaks in the history of the Folsom prison occurred at 7 o'clock a. m. The line of convicts were marching out of the prison to go to work. About 300 of them were out when 13 of them who were in a bunch in the line, made a break for the guards' office, where Warden Wilkinson, Captain Murphy and other officers were.

Each of the desperate men had a knife made of a file. They cut at the men and Warden Wilkinson had a narrow escape, his clothing being cut through. Joe Cochran, W. L. Cotter and C. H. Holly were all cut, the former two so seriously that they will not live. They then marched to the armory taking Warden Wilkinson, Captain Murphy and other guards and officers all closely guarded by the convicts with knives. At the armory they helped themselves to guns and ammunition, each convict having a rifle and a pistol. During this time other guards had the crowd covered with guns, but could not shoot because of the free men.

After leaving the armory the party moved across the prison grounds, there being at that time 13 convicts and 13 free men. After going a short distance the free men were forced to disrobe, the convicts putting on their clothes and the guards being forced to get into the convicts' garb.

Some of the free men were then allowed to return to the prison. They were Warden Wilkinson, Captain Murphy, Harry Wilkinson, C. K. Jolly and C. H. Warm. Later L. C. Vertrees escaped from them. The other free men are still with the convicts, who are now in the woods, about ten miles above Folsom. They are General Overseer J. H. McDonough, Guards J. Dalian, Thomas Seavy, W. Hopton, W. T. Brown and G. Jeter.

The convicts bear considerable ill feeling towards some of these men, who have been mean to them and it is feared that they will be murdered. The convicts who made the break are all desperate characters. The break has probably been planned for many months.

When the break was made the convicts inside the building became wild and there was great commotion.

A convict named Joe Casey swung the bolt at the inner gate or there would have probably been many more of the prisoners gone. John L. Wood, a life termer from San Francisco, and Joe Theson, also a life termer from San Francisco, are said to be the leaders of the break.

Great excitement prevails here, for several posses are out and the Placerville company of militia has been sent for.

Later Reports.

Folsom, Cal., July 29.—The desperate convicts who killed Guard William L. Cotter and wounded Overseer Cochran, Guard Charles Jolly, Turnkey Chambers and Warden Wilkinson and made their escape, taking 11 prison officials with them, are at large, but posses are in pursuit, the militia has been called into use and there seems no doubt the fugitives will be run down. At a sharp battle, near Pilot Hill, convict Murphy was killed and convict Seavis wounded. It was also noticed that one or more of the others had dropped from the original party.

Conference With Farmers.

Garfield, Wash., July 30.—Another conference of railroad presidents and farmers and shippers to discuss freight rates is to be held in eastern Washington this fall. The meeting will probably be held in Pullman in October. James J. Hill, president of the Great Northern, has signified his intention of attending.

Held for Robbery.

Sumpter, Ore., July 30.—Justice of the Peace R. D. Evans and J. T. Clint were arrested here on complaint of Guy Pearson, a Colorado mining man, who charged them with having robbed him of \$800. This alleged robbery occurred in the First National bank of Sumpter in the presence of many witnesses.

"Yes," sighed the youth in purple suspenders, "the old gentleman caught me hugging his daughter and then there was a storm."

"You should have sent a report to the weather department," chuckled his friend in duck trousers.

"What should I have sent?"

"The storm was caused by heavy local pressure."—Chicago News.