

# NEWS OF THE WORLD

## SHORT DISPATCHES FROM ALL PARTS OF THE GLOBE.

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

A report from Vancouver, B. C., says that the Fraser river is frozen over at Eburne, for the first time in 15 years.

J. L. Snelling, late United States appraiser of the port of Boston, and for many years a well known New York man, is dead.

John D. Rockefeller has agreed to give \$2,000,000 for the endowment of a university for Louisville, Ky. Information was received at St. Petersburg Sunday that the chief of police at Daghestan, on the Caspian sea, was murdered. The assassin escaped.

Jacob Gruen, one of the oldest wine importers in the west, died at his home in St. Louis recently from apoplexy.

The North American Life Insurance company has been organized in New Jersey.

Joseph Mahoney, a large land owner of Johnson county, Texas, was shot to death in one of the principal streets of Venus recently by his wife. Domestic troubles were the cause of the tragedy.

"Honey" Mellody of Boston was given the decision in the 15th round in his fight with Terry Martin of Philadelphia at Augusta, Maine, Tuesday night.

The bishop of Dijon, who was recently fined by the French courts for a violation of the church and state separation law, arrived Saturday in Rome and was received by the pope.

President Roosevelt has been elected an honorary member of the Royal Geographical Society of England. Those so honored include Emperor William, King Leopold and King Oscar.

Philip B. Stewart of Colorado has notified the president that his business is such that he will not be able to accept the position of commissioner of the general land office, to be vacated by the retirement of Commissioner Richardson on March 4.

James J. Hill, president of the Great Northern railroad, has given \$50,000 to MacAlester college on condition that the productive endowment fund be raised to \$200,000.

Advices were received from Oklahoma City recently to the effect that on January 31 the interstate commission will meet in Oklahoma City to hear testimony in the case of the territory of Oklahoma versus the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway company and other railroads operating in Oklahoma, wherein the territory seeks a lower wheat export rate to Galveston.

The attorney general of Washington advised recently that Judge Chadwick in the Whitman county superior court on January 10 denied the application of the Oregon Railway & Navigation company to set aside his decree sustaining the railroad commission joint rate on wheat. The attorney general holds this bars the railway from proceeding in the federal court until the state supreme court passes on the question.

Antonio Pedro, an Italian, was killed at Mercur, Utah, recently by a shot fired through the window of his dwelling.

Mexico's new ambassador to America, Enrique Creel, has been called to Mexico, where it is said he will receive instructions relative to the negotiations of a treaty with the United States under the terms of which the Mexican republic may be able to reach and punish those of its people who come to America to plot and act against their own government.

With \$340, the payroll for the employees of Bernard Waldstein, clasped to her breast, Margaret Hoffman, 14 years old, was held up and robbed of the money Saturday while on her way to the shop from the German exchange bank, New York.

The disclosures in the burning love letters of Dr. Raoul Amador to Mrs. Bertha K. Gresham have caused the prospective resignation of Amador's father, president of Panama, according to dispatches from Colon.

Statistics show that in 1906, from January 1 to December 1, 209,767 immigrants entered the ports of Argentina. The statistics for November alone show 52,761 immigrants, while the number of those who left the country was 9,467.

H. H. Rogers says: "So far as I and my associates in the Standard Oil company are concerned, we are perfectly willing that Mr. Cortelyou shall make public any transactions we may have had with the republican national committee."

Frederick Stearns of Detroit, head of the Stearns Manufacturing company of that city, is dead.

### STATTER IS NOMINATED.

Named as Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

The president has sent to the senate the following nomination:

Assistant secretary of the treasury, Arthur F. Statter of Washington.

The senate has confirmed the nomination of Brigadier General Franklin Bell, chief of staff of the army, to be major general.

## REDS IN BATTLE WITH POLICE

Several Officers Slain in Searching Houses in St. Petersburg.

Desperate fighting between police and workmen occurred in the Okhta quarter of St. Petersburg Saturday during a domiciliary search. When the police appeared five workmen who were in the building extinguished all the lights and opened fire. The officers responded and the fusillade continued for some time. The workmen finally retreated after killing two inspectors and two policemen and wounding three policemen.

A quantity of firearms was discovered in the house. It transpired later that the five men who fought the police were leaders of the revolutionary fighting legion. The information which led the police to search the house and attempt their capture was acquired during the investigation into the killing of General Pavloff.

A detachment of police surrounded the house and had just broken in the door, when the revolutionists suddenly fired a volley at them and during the confusion which followed, made a dash for the door and escaped, maintaining a running fire for some distance.

Over 100 arrests have been made in connection with the assassination of General Pavloff. The capture of a clerk belonging to the engineer corps was considered to be so important that an entire company of infantry was detailed to make the arrest.

### SWINDLE IN A GAMBLE.

Arrest in Washington of "Get Rich Quick" Men.

Washington, Jan. 16.—What is charged by the police to be a scheme to defraud a Washington physician of \$5000 led to the arrest of Frank F. Homans of Paris, France, and David T. Tanner, alias Townsend of White Plains, N. Y., on the charge of conspiracy. The men were arrested after Thomas J. Kemp of this city had told the police that Tanner had made a proposition to enter a deal to put a New York gambling house out of business.

Dr. Kemp declares the men assured him that by investing \$5000 he could easily win from \$200,000 to \$300,000 within one week. The "get rich quick" scheme, according to Dr. Kemp's report to the police, was that Dr. Kemp was to pay \$5000 and Tanner, who claimed to be manager of the gambling house, was to "tip Homans and the physician off on the run of the cards in a faro game."

## KINGSTON STRUCK BY EARTHQUAKE

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 16.—D. B. Budge, the manager of the Halifax and Bermuda Cable company, has received a cable dispatch from William Sullivan, manager of the Bermuda Cable company at Kingston. The dispatch is dated Holland Bay, and reads: "Nearly whole of city destroyed by earthquake and fire; staff all safe with the exception of one member, who is seriously injured."

Kingston has a population of 50,000, mostly blacks. This is the sixth or seventh time in 200 years that the town has suffered calamity.

### ST. PAUL TO COAST BY '09.

President Earling Tells of Completion of Line.

President A. J. Earling of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul has arrived in Seattle. He said he would be in this state about two weeks, but declared that the purpose of his trip was one merely of inspection.

He said the road would be finished to the coast before 1909, that the present traffic conditions emphasized the need of another transcontinental line, and that he regretted the Milwaukee extension had not been started sooner.

### New Senators Elect.

Simon Guggenheim, republican, has been elected United States senator to succeed Thomas Patterson, democrat, by the Colorado legislature. He received a large majority of the vote in both house and senate in separate session.

William E. Borah was elected last Tuesday to be United States senator by the Idaho legislature to succeed Fred F. Dubois. His election was the big feature of the day's proceedings. It was entirely harmonious, as the republican members of the house voted solidly for him, while every democrat cast his ballot for Fred T. Dabois.

### College Men as Burglars.

Three college graduates, one said to be the son of a wealthy American in London, England, were arrested recently in Chicago charged with participating in a score of Chicago burglaries within the last two months. The police claim to have recovered stolen property valued at \$6,000. Those arrested are Richard E. Erickson, 25 years of age, graduate of Northwestern university; Percy C. Michlin, 27 years of age, Oxford university; Wheeler J. Brown of New York city.

### Jordan Defends Japan.

San Francisco, Jan. 14.—"No congress would pass nor would any president sign a Japanese exclusion act—it would be a hoodlum act," said David Starr Jordan, president of Stanford university, in addressing a meeting at Equity hall Sunday night of socialists, by whom he had been invited to speak.

# NEWS OF NORTHWEST

## WASHINGTON, IDAHO, OREGON AND MONTANA ITEMS.

A Few Interesting Items Gathered From Our Exchanges of the Surrounding Country—Numerous Accidents and Personal Events Take Place—Fall Trade is Good.

### WASHINGTON NOTES.

Both senate and house was called to order for the tenth legislative session Monday at noon.

Two laborers were killed and one badly injured by a huge blast at M. Phin's railroad construction camp, six miles out of Kahloutas, Sunday afternoon. The dead are: Lew Colville, an Australian; Milo Marritt, an Australian.

That construction work on the various extensions of the Inland Empire system will be pushed forward the coming spring is shown in the announcement of President Jay P. Graves, of the placing of a large contract for steel to be delivered during April, May and June. The contract is for 7000 tons of 60 pound and 70 pound steel rails, and means that nearly 75 miles of road will be added to the Inland Empire system in 1907. Driven to extremes by the scarcity and high cost of fuel, farmers in the vicinity of Washtucna are burning corn on the cob.

Lying face downward on the snow covered sidewalk, near North Forty-third street, the lifeless form of Eben Pierce, one of Tacoma's pioneer citizens, was discovered Sunday night. His death is believed to have been the result of a stroke of apoplexy, and indications are that death was instantaneous.

The people of Monitor and Brown's flats, near Wenatchee, are said to be practically hemmed in by snowslides, which have blocked the roads.

The Sound steamer Alice Gertrude, owned by the Puget Sound Navigation company, struck on the reef at the entrance to Clallam bay. She is lying 200 yards from the beach and the heavy swells are pounding her to pieces.

Plans and specifications for the new federal building at Spokane have been completed.

The Great Northern has ordered 25 Mallet compound engines of very heavy build for freight service in the Cascades. The locomotives are to be delivered within the coming year.

R. C. Bare, the alleged horse thief who broke jail Thursday night with Kid Barker, the Kennewick murderer, has been captured at Sunnyside by Constable Young.

While coasting down a hill on Peone prairie, near Spokane, Adolph Back, the 13 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Beck, was almost instantly killed by a heavy bobsled which ran over him.

Martin Meuli, a wealthy rancher, has contracted with Arthur Branson to erect a three story 50x120 foot brick hotel building at Lewiston, Idaho. The building is to be completed by August 1, and will cost \$40,000. It will be up to date and modern in every respect.

Such a mass of business has collected in the land office at North Yakima on account of the president's failure to appoint a receiver to succeed H. F. Nichols, deceased, that it is estimated it will require four or five months after a receiver is appointed found in the Sudan.

For 10 days the coldest weather has prevailed in Spokane in 14 years.

Olin Worden, aged 13, who committed to stealing \$300, was committed to the state reform school by Judge Rigg of Pasco.

Nearly a million and a half pounds of fruit were shipped by express from North Yakima alone during 1906, the exact amount being 1,417,659 pounds.

The private library of Rev. Myron Eells, who died at Union last week, was bequeathed to Whitman college, and Rev. Mr. Eells also recommended representing 30 years' careful toil and research, be given to the institution.

Senator Dubois has offered an amendment to the Indian appropriation bill, appropriating \$1,500,000 in payment of 1,500,000 acres of Colville Indian land opened to settlement under the act of 1892.

An examination of the records in the county auditor's office of Walla Walla county discloses that an unusually large number of real and chattel mortgages have been placed on record during the past two months.

There is a movement on foot among the large wheat producers of Eastern Washington to devise some method to cope with the high prices demanded by the grain bag trust for grain bags. The proposition to combine and send a representative direct to Calcutta to purchase sacks from the producer has been suggested as the most effectual solution.

Reports from the Bellingham engineering department show that almost \$61,000 was expended for street improvements in that city during 1906, and that the work is not to lag in 1907 is shown by estimates of improvements now contemplated aggregating in the neighborhood of \$500,000.

### OREGON SQUIBS.

Although Dan Kelly of the University of Oregon is recognized as the champion sprinter of the world now that the Amateur Athletic union has allowed his record of 9 3-5 seconds for the 100-yard dash, his head has not

been turned by the extraordinary athletic honor. He has had many flattering offers to attend other colleges in the east he has spurned them all and says that he will remain with Oregon until he graduates.

The city of Pendleton is experiencing the longest period of real winter weather for years.

At a recent meeting of the Pendleton barbers it was decided to advance the price of hair cutting from 25 to 35 cents. The advance became effective immediately.

Mayor B. P. Cornelius of Hillsboro has resigned. He is postmaster at that place and rather than give up his government job he gives up the mayoralty.

### IDAHO NOTES.

Beginning with the first of the year the postoffice at Potlatch was made an international office. The office was established a year ago last December.

An unknown man recently secured \$900 from a Welsler bank and \$400 from an Ontario bank on forged checks. The man gave the name of Harry Schwartz, but there is no clew to his identity.

A little steamer on Lake Pend d'Oreille, owned by Captain Hartman of Hope, was wrecked recently. The steamer ran out of fuel and was at the mercy of a high sea. The boiler went overboard and the boat was thrown on the beach, a complete wreck. Captain Hartman escaped more dead than alive.

Rollem Botsford was fatally injured near Post Falls recently by a tree he was felling. As the tree started Botsford ran, but the tree was falling in the same direction and he was struck and so badly injured that he died on reaching the hospital.

Definite information has been received at Boise the Oregon Short Line will build a line this year from Armdstead on the Utah Northern to the Gilmore district. Coincidentally with this information the fact is learned that the Gilmore property and the properties of the Junction Mining company have been consolidated and that a large smelting plant is to be erected.

The carrying of the mail between Stites and Grangeville has become a serious proposition. The distance is 18 miles, and under ordinary conditions takes about three hours. The postal officials allow four hours.

The former band quarters at Fort Sherman burned up recently. Four families were tenants and they lost all. Loss aggregates \$8,500.

The decision of the supreme court which upheld Judge Steeler's decision in the well known case of Miss Anna Nelson vs. the village of Kendrick, which denied her a new trial, does not finish the case as was expected. Miss Nelson has decided to go to the full limit in all phases of the law bearing on her case and will now take an appeal on the ruling of the court which lost her the trusteeship of the town.

Two ranchers, known as Rell Brothers, who lived on the desert 15 miles south of Arco, were frozen to death recently. They left Arco considerably under the influence of liquor and lost their way in a blizzard. A section foreman on the Oregon Short Line found their bodies four miles from Arco.

The supreme court has reversed the judgment of the lower court in the case of Charles H. Barber, convicted of manslaughter in Washington county in December, 1905, and sentenced to seven years for killing Charles Maccom, and remanded the case for further proceeding. The supreme court holds that the lower court erred in assigning another attorney to attend on the grand jury when it was not shown the county attorney was disqualified from the discharge of his duties.

A roller rink is to be put in at Grangeville.

### MONTANA ITEMS.

Dispatches from throughout the state Monday tell of a blizzard which appears to have generally enveloped the state, raging with great severity in central portions of Montana. For the past 36 hours Fergus county has been in the throes of a blizzard, the mercury dropping as low as 25 below.

Ruby Knaffner, a machinist employed at the Northern Pacific roundhouse at Bozeman, slipped into a pit of boiling water recently and was so badly scalded that the flesh fell off his legs in strips. His recovery is doubtful.

The worse phase of winter weather experienced in Montana in years now prevails. Deep snow and the most severe weather is delaying trains and menacing human life in remote settlements. Old stockmen say the outlook is more serious for their herds than at any time since the memorable winter of 1887-88, when the losses were extremely heavy.

In consequence of the mass meeting held at Butte Saturday, a committee composed of Mayor John MacGinnis, Judge J. J. McHatten, D. J. Hennessy, P. J. Brophy, James H. Lynch, P. J. Geraghty, Rev. Father Batens, Rev. Father Barry, Rev. S. C. Blackiston and Dr. T. A. Griggs was appointed to draft resolutions condemning the French government in its attitude towards the Catholic church and its confiscation of church property.

A sensation has been created at Butte by testimony presented to the council committee which is investigating charges of grafting among the police force.

The Empress Eugenie at one time owned a wardrobe value at \$1,000,000. Today she spends as little as possible on herself and dresses invariably in black.

# WRECK KILLED FIVE

## PASSENGER TRAIN RUNS INTO AN OPEN SWITCH.

Rock Island Train Was Running at High Speed Through Barney, N. M., When Accident Occurred—Eight Passengers Injured, None Seriously—Same Train Wrecked Jan. 2.

El Paso, Tex., Jan. 14.—Running at a high rate of speed, Rock Island passenger train, which left here for Chicago, dashed into an open switch at Barney, N. M., 190 miles north of El Paso, Sunday. Five persons were killed, eight injured. The dead: B. Ackley, Carlizo, engineer.

C. J. Redfield, Carlizo, fireman. Unidentified passenger. Unidentified boy. Unidentified Mexican laborer.

When the train dashed into the switch the engine left the track and turned over, plowing the engineer and fireman underneath, killing them instantly. The express car, dining car and a Pullman were thrown from the track. Eight passengers were hurt, none seriously.

This train was also wrecked in a collision on January 2 at Volland, Kan., with No. 29, on the same road, and 32 persons, mostly Mexican laborers on their way to El Paso, were killed, and over 20 persons were injured.

### TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION.

Sentiment in the Nation Said to Be Slowly Crystallizing.

There is slowly crystallizing a sentiment in favor of a convention to be held to amend the constitution of the United States. The sentiment is not restricted to any one particular locality, but it seems to be taking root pretty generally. It is the consensus of opinion in these circles that the highly developed and complex civilization of the country presents problems that deserve the attention of the mater minds of the nation at this time.

The list of topics which has formed the basis of suggested constitutional amendments in the past need not be rehearsed here in detail. It is a long list and includes many topics which would not be likely to receive serious consideration.

Some of the most important matters which would come before the convention, however, would be as follows:

Enlarging the presidential term to six years and making the president ineligible for reelection.

Uniform marriage and divorce laws throughout the union.

Election of United States senators by the direct vote of the people.

Female suffrage.

Providing for the immediate assembling of congress after election.

Changing the date of inauguration day.

Authorizing the president to veto single items in appropriation bills.

Restricting the veto power of the president so that it will be less difficult for congress to pass any measure over his veto.

To decline more clearly the jurisdiction of the courts in their relation to the legislative branch of the government.

These are a few of the topics which have been suggested as affording a reason why a constitutional convention should be called. Many others would doubtless be considered.

### SHOOT STRIKE LEADERS.

Men Returning to Work See Execution.

City of Mexico, Jan. 14.—Late advices from the Orizaba strike district are to the effect that 5562 of the 7083 men who were out have returned to work. Swift punishment was inflicted upon the leaders in the late rioting. Just how many men were executed is not known, but seven of the ringleaders were shot before several hundred witnesses. It occurred at 5:30 o'clock of the morning that the thousands of half starved strikers determined to return to work.

### First of Jap Steamer Line.

The Japanese steamer Fukui Maru, the first Japanese freighter to enter into competition with the German, British and American tramps between the orient and the Pacific coast has arrived in San Francisco port with a cargo of sulphur and logs from Japan. The Fukui Maru is said to be the forerunner of a line of freighters from Japan.

A change for the better is reported in the condition of Peter Larson, the multimillionaire railroad contractor, mining magnate and business man, who has such diversified interests in Washington, Idaho and Montana.

### Confers Degree on King Victor.

King Victor Emmanuel Saturday received the American ambassador, Mr. White, who invested his majesty with the academic hood of the University of Pennsylvania and placed with the king his diploma as doctor of laws. Mr. White also gave his majesty the medal bestowed on him by the Louisiana Purchase Exposition in recognition of the king's exhibit in promoting the Italian exhibit at St. Louis. His majesty said he appreciated the honor conferred on him by the University of Pennsylvania and greatly admired the medal sent from St. Louis.

## MINING NEWS.

A smelter will be built at Mullan, Idaho, not by the Snowstrom Mining company, but by eastern and Butte capitalists and the Greenough interests.

W. E. Zwicky, superintendent of the Kroa Silver Mining company near Ainsworth, B. C., is enthusiastic over the company's mine. He says that if it were deemed advisable the property could begin ore shipments at once.

Paul Roseman was probably fatally scalded and burned by the explosion of a converter at the Granby smelter at Grand Forks, B. C., recently. Several others received severe burns, but not serious ones.

John Koski was dragged into the machinery at the Cottonwood coal mines at Stockett, Mont., and instantly killed, by his hand catching in the haulage rope. He leaves a wife and one child.

Bakersfield, Cal.—The recovery of the body of George Warner, one of the miners who was killed in the cave-in of the Edison shaft December 7, in which Miner Hicks spent 15 days, has been made. This is the second body recovered to date. The identification was made by means of an artificial eye.

Seattle papers estimate the output of gold from Alaska for 1906 at \$24,000,000. This estimate is based largely on the receipts of the Seattle assay office, which up to November first amounted to \$21,711,326, most of which came from Alaska. The Alaskan gold received at the San Francisco mint during the past 12 months has been considerably more than in preceding years and the amount, of which only an approximate figure can be given, brings the estimated Alaskan yield to amount above noted.

The St. Eugene mine at Moyle, B. C., milled during the first six months of the year 84,065 tons of ore, producing 14,008 tons of concentrates, which, together with 1489 tons of crude ore, were shipped to the smelter. From this product there was extracted about 418,000 ounces of silver and 17,300,000 pounds of lead; total value, \$798,660. The output of the second half of the year has not been obtained, but it was probably about 1000 tons of concentrates. The mine is reported to be in better condition than ever before, developments disclosing the occurrence of big shoots of ore not previously met with, and with large ore reserves.

The furnaces at the Granby smelter were barred out early this morning and over 350 men are now idle, shortage of coke being the cause. It is not definitely stated when the plant will resume operations.

A deal of importance has just been closed here for the purchase of the Little Bertha group of four claims, near Grand Forks, B. C., by Alex Miller and F. H. Knight for a sum reported to be \$50,000, the former owners of this group being J. Pringle and W. Kendrick.

Salmon river (Idaho) mining men are hopeful that there will be sufficient water this spring and summer for them to work their placer claims, which has been an impossibility in more than one instance for two years past.

Rosland, B. C.—Shipments for the week were: Center Star, 1230; Le Roi, 2065; Le Roi No. 2, 150; Le Roi No. 3 (milled), 680 tons. At the smelter of the Consolidated company at Trail the receipts of ore for the week were 3735 tons.

W. C. Greene, the Cananea copper king, has been sued in Cochise county, New Mexico, for \$300,000 by Epes Randolph, president of the Gila Valley Globe & Northern railroad and of the Cananea Yaquols River & Pacific railroad, for 8000 shares of stock of the Cananea Central Copper company. The other defendants are Lycurgus Lindsay and the Cananea Central Copper company.

The great tin centers of Cornwall are agitated over a report that an American syndicate is buying up the richest tin mines there. A representative of the syndicate, it is stated, has been in Penzance for some weeks. The report has not been confirmed.

With a minimum commission of \$2.50, the Spokane Stock Brokers' association has adopted the amended scale, which follows: On stocks selling up to and including 3c per share, 1-8c per share; over 3c and up to 12c per share, 1-4c per share; 12c and up to 30c per share, 1-2c per share; 30c and up to 50c per share, 3-4c per share; 50c per share and up to 75c per share, 1c per share; 75c per share and up to \$1 per share, 1 1-2c per share; \$1 and up to \$1.50 per share, 2c per share; \$1.50 and up to \$2 per share, 2 1-2c per share; \$2 and up to \$2.50 per share, 3c per share; \$2.50 and up to \$3 per share, 4c per share; \$3 and up to \$3.50 per share, 5c per share; \$3.50 and up to \$4 per share, 6c per share; \$4 and up to \$5 per share, 7 1-2c per share; \$5, 2c per cent on the money.

Banner Year in Factories. That 1906 was a banner year in the history of United States industrial activity far outdistancing any previous record, is the deduction of statistical experts of the bureau of commerce and labor.

The value of manufactures and raw materials imported in 11 months the past year was \$402,000,000, against \$307,000,000 in the corresponding months of 1905. The total value of manufactures exported during the year will exceed \$700,000,000.

### Wheat Report.

Tacoma, Wash.—Bluestem, 68c; club, 66c; red, 64c. Portland, Ore.—Bluestem, 68c; valley, 66c; club, 66c; red, 63c.