

NEWS NOTES OF CURRENT WEEK

Resume of World's Important Events Told in Brief.

Madame Schumann-Heink, noted prima donna, has sued for divorce.

Snow is blockading trains in the Blue mountains of Eastern Oregon.

Banks all over the country are rushing applications to join the new currency system.

The 233d anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims was celebrated in the Old North Church, Boston.

President Huerta saved the London & Mexico bank of Mexico City from failure by calling a holiday.

A German balloonist with two passengers made a new world's record of 1738.8 miles, being up 87 hours.

The California state superintendent of schools advocates a uniform dress for girls attending the public schools.

A tremendous wave swept away a mile of track on the Portland-Tillamook line directly in front of a passenger train.

Mexican federals capture wives and sisters of rebels and compel them to travel on troop trains to guard against rebel attacks.

The Northwestern Electric company began its service in Portland, Or., bringing the first genuine competition to the city in that line.

Refugees en route from the troubled zones of Mexico to the United States border are held up by Villa's forces and made to pay heavy tribute.

San Francisco postoffice authorities are swamped by parcel post business, and gave up trying to keep a record of the number of packages handled.

An army of 120 unemployed men camped near Fresno, Cal., were given food and clothing by citizens. They were strictly orderly and will move on south in search of work.

From his private box President Wilson joined with the audience in singing the chorus of "Old Nassau," the alma mater song of Princeton, at a performance by the Princeton University Triangle club.

The sheriff of Baker county, Or., refuses to close the saloons of that county upon the order of the governor, having been advised by the district attorney that the move would be illegal, and the governor says he will close the saloons by martial law, if necessary.

Clarence H. Mackey denies that any telegraph monopoly exists.

Spanish aviators routed a force of Moors by dropping bombs upon them.

Eleven cases of smallpox have developed on board the battleship Ohio, in Cuban waters.

Illinois beekeepers will try taking their hives South in winter, that the bees may work all the year.

Car thieves at East St. Louis, drove off a train crew and got away with several wagon loads of valuable freight.

PORTLAND MARKETS

Wheat—Track prices: Club, 85c; bluestem, 95c@96c; forty-fold, 85c@86c; red, Russian, 84c; valley, 85c.
Oats—No. 1 white, \$25.50 per ton. Corn—Whole, \$38; cracked, \$37. Barley—Feed, \$24 per ton; brewing, \$25; rolled, \$26.50@27.50.
Millfeed—Bran, \$20.50@21 ton; shorts, \$22.50@23; middlings, \$29@30.
Hay—No. 1 Eastern Oregon timothy, \$16.50; mixed timothy, 14; alfalfa, \$14; clover, \$9@10; valley, grain hay, \$12@13.
Onions—Oregon, \$2.75@3 per sack, buying price; \$2.50 f. o. b. shipping points.

Vegetables—Cabbage, 14@15c per pound; cauliflower, 75c@1.25 per dozen; eggplant, 10c@12c per pound; peppers, 6c@7c; head lettuce, \$2.25@2.50 per crate; garlic, 12c@15c per pound; sprouts, 10c; artichokes, \$1.75 per dozen; squash, 14@15c; celery, \$3@3.50 per crate; turnips, \$1.25 per sack; carrots, \$1.10; parsnips, \$1.25; beets, \$1.25.
Green Fruit—Apples, 50c@52.50 per box; cranberries, \$11@11.50 per barrel; pears, \$1.25@1.75 per box.
Potatoes—Oregon, 80c@81 per hundred; buying price, 70c@80c at shipping points.

Poultry—Hens, 14@15c; springs, 14@15c; turkeys, live, 20c; dressed, choice, 25c@26c; ducks, 12@15c.
Eggs—Oregon fresh ranch, 39@42c per dozen; storage, 28@33c.
Butter—Creamery prints, extras, 34c@35c per pound; cubes, 28@32c.
Pork—Fancy, 10c per pound.
Veal—Fancy, 14c per pound.
Hops—1913 crop, prime and choice, 29c@21c; 1914 contracts, 16@18c.
Wool—Valley, 16c@17c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 11c@15c.
Mohair, 1913 clip, 25c.
Cattle—Prime steers, \$7.50@8.10; choice, \$7@7.50; medium, \$6.75@7; choice cows, \$6@6.50; medium, \$5.75@6; heifers, \$6@6.50; light calves, \$8@9; heavy, \$6@7.75; bulls, \$4@5.75; stags, \$6@6.50.
Hogs—Light, \$7.25@7.75; heavy, \$6.50@6.85.
Sheep—Wethers, \$4@5.50; ewes, \$3.50@4.35; lambs, \$5.50@6.50.
Pelts—Dry, 10c; spring lambs, 40c@60c; shearlings, 30c@50c.
Cascares bark—Old and new, 5c.

Boy Corn Growers Get 232 Bushels An Acre

Washington, D. C.—The visit to Washington of a small army of boy and girl agricultural club winners, has opened the eyes of experts of the department of agriculture to what can be done in the way of increasing the yield of corn per acre.

The four prize winners and their corn records are: Walker Lee Dunson, of Alabama, 232.7 bushels on an acre at a cost of 19.9 cents per bushel; J. Ray Cameron, of North Carolina, 190.4 bushels at 33.29 cents; Edward J. Wellborn, of Georgia, 181.72 bushels at 30 cents; J. Jones Polk, of Mississippi, 214.9 bushels at 21.4 cents.

"Think what it would mean if every farmer could approximate the maximum yield of corn which your boy champion, Mr. Dunson, has secured," said Secretary Houston to the corn growers. "When you consider that, according to the experts, only about 12 per cent of the land is giving reasonably full returns, you can understand the tremendous value of the demonstrations you have made."

Railroads Assured of Consideration—Prouty

New York—Fair treatment of the railroads and decision of their applications for increased rates are assured, according to Charles A. Prouty, of the interstate commerce commission in a letter received here. Regarding his speech before the Lotus club, Mr. Prouty says:

"I have already resigned as a member of this commission, but you are correct in your prophecy that the railroads will be fairly treated. When they show that they are entitled to an advance in transportation charges, that advance will be granted, but the commission must have facts.

"It clearly appeared in the investigation I conducted into the affairs of the New Haven railroad that if that company had never spent a dollar outside of its legitimate railroad operation it could today easily pay a dividend of 8 per cent and carry a handsome profit."

Economy Campaign Is Urged

Washington, D. C.—Difficulties experienced by postal officials in teaching the people to "save and economize" are set forth by Third Assistant Postmaster General Dockery in his annual report made public Thursday. To minimize the problem Mr. Dockery recommends inauguration of a campaign of education by which the people might be brought into closer touch with the postal savings service.

A statement showing the growth of the postal savings system is contained in the report. At the close of the first six months of operation there were 11,918 depositors with \$677,145 placed to their credit. On June 30, 1913, at the close of two and a half years, there were 331,006 depositors with \$33,818,870 to their credit.

Leaps Through Train Window

Nebraska City, Neb.—Vincent Adams, a federal prisoner who escaped from the United States prison at Fort Leavenworth eight months ago and was recaptured a few days ago at Missouri Valley, Iowa, leaped through a train coach window and escaped Thursday afternoon. The train was going at the rate of 40 miles an hour. Adams was handcuffed and officers chased the fugitive through the snow nearly four miles, recapturing him. He was practically uninjured either by the broken glass or the fall from the train.

De La Barra Guest of Japan

Tokio—Senor De la Barra, Mexican minister to France, arrived here Wednesday. He was received as a national guest with much honor. Ostensibly he came to thank the mikado for Japan's participation in Mexico's national exposition two years ago. Really, it was rumored, he sought a Mexican-Japanese alliance. This was denied at the foreign office, but no one believed the foreign office would admit it even were it true.

William Krause Released

Washington, D. C.—Word has reached the State department from the City of Mexico that, at the instance of Nelson O'Shaughnessy, the American charge, the federal government has ordered the unconditional release of William Krause, an American, who had become involved in some of the plotting incident to the present revolution. Krause is now with his family in the Mexican capital.

Brain Gone, Patient Lives

Paris—Before the Academy of Science, Dr. Robinson reported a case in which life was sustained when a great part of the brain had been destroyed. The case was that of a man 62 years old, treated for a year for an apparently slight wound of the occiput.

During this time the patient showed no signs of brain trouble, but the autopsy revealed the presence of an abscess which had reduced the brain tissue to a mere shell.

Volcano Kills Hundreds

Sydney, N. S. W.—Incoming steamships report that 500 natives died in the recent terrific volcanic outburst at Ambrim Island, New Hebrides.

Suffragists Open Headquarters

Washington, D. C.—Permanent suffragette headquarters have been opened in this city to keep the lawmakers reminded of the fight for equal rights.

Congressman Pepper Dead

Clinton, Iowa—Congressman Pepper, of Iowa, died here early Thursday of typhoid fever.

College Short Course Will Interest Farmer

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis—One of the principal features of the present revelation in agricultural industries is that of farm accounting. Progressive farmers have learned that it is impossible to stop the small leaks that rob the industry of much of its profits without first finding and locating the leak.

There is no sure and exact way to do this aside from systematic farm accounting. Many farmers are aware of this fact but are not prepared by training or otherwise to practice a system of bookkeeping. They will be given an opportunity to learn the necessary steps in farm accounting at the winter short course of the Oregon Agricultural College, January 5 to 31.

The course in farm accounting given by the school of commerce during the short course will emphasize simplicity, accuracy and economy of labor. The accounts will include cost of production, investment and returns; household and personal accounts; labor records; milk records; poultry records; the farm plot; office methods; and business organization.

The newer phases of rural economics, co-operative buying, producing and marketing on the farm, will receive special emphasis. Progress made in these subjects both in Europe and America will be explained in lectures and illustrated by lantern slides. Co-operative manufacturing will receive especial consideration in a manufacturers' convention to be held on January 14 and 15, to devise ways and means of locating factories for the care of surplus products and by-products in every community in Oregon.

In addition to this special work the practical phases of every large industrial operation in Oregon will be treated by college experts and their assistant instructors. Special railroad rates of one and one-third fare will be granted by all the principal Oregon roads.

Newberg Growers to Displace Middleman

Newberg—Inspired by an account given by Senator Paulhamus of what has been accomplished for the farmers of the Puyallup valley of Washington, 600 fruitgrowers gathered at the Newberg opera house and subscribed stock necessary to purchase a cannery and finance fruit-selling operations next season. Growers will market direct to the consumer.

An offer of Senator Paulhamus to market strawberries, gooseberries, peaches and loganberries through the

Mills Are Big Help to District About Banks

Banks—This section of Washington county shows an increase in business activity. Banks are thriving in anticipation of early operation of a lumber mill here. The Eccles company forerunner for the mill are on the ground and part of the site is cleared. Work has started on the Buxton Lumber company's new sawmill.

A force of 20 men was put to work on the site, about a mile from Buxton. More than 50,000,000 feet of timber is standing in this vicinity and the capacity of the mill is scheduled at 75,000 feet daily. A flume will be constructed and a spur track about one-half a mile long will be laid.

A smaller mill, it is said, will be erected on the site of the Davies mill, two miles northwest of Banks. Three surveyors are on the ground, but refuse to divulge their plans.

Three families employed by the Eccles company are seeking houses in Banks. Two rooming houses are planned and one large boarding house is being fitted up near the station.

\$4286.46 Left in Treasury From 1913 State Fair

Salem—Frank Meredith, secretary of the State Fair board, announces that from the proceeds of the fair of 1913 all debts have been paid, and that there is a balance in the treasury of \$4286.46. All records for attendance were broken, which was largely due to the propitious weather fair week, and the exhibits were finer than usual. The balance is probably the largest in the history of the association, and with good weather next year there is every reason to believe that it will be augmented.

Accidents in State 338

Salem—Labor Commissioner Hoff reports that there were 338 accidents, 10 of which were fatal, to persons employed in Oregon industries in November. Sawmill workers head the list with 44 accidents, paper mills second with 38, and machine, foundry and boiler shops third with 37. Thirty-two persons were injured by railroad trains and 14 were injured while engaged in railroad construction.

Twenty-six loggers were injured, four of them fatally. Eleven persons engaged in construction work were hurt and one died.

Bridge Work Under Way

Eugene—The bridge-building equipment of Willard & McCreary was moved to the second Noti crossing last week, and erection of the only large bridge yet to be built east of Noti tunnel will be begun at once. Laying of track through the tunnel and down the Siuslaw watershed can now be begun. The first Noti crossing was completed this week, and while track was being laid for the mile between the two bridges across Noti, the contractors placed the steel for the first crossing over the Long Tom river.

December Strawberries Ripe

Newport—Peter Schirmer, the Burbank of Lincoln county, came into town Saturday with several crates of delicious strawberries. Mr. Schirmer grows strawberries outdoors every month in the year and by carefully crossing several varieties he has obtained one called the Schirmer strawberry, which will bear fruit in cold weather.

Taxation Values Boom

Astoria—The segregation of the valuations of the holdings of public service corporations as fixed by the state tax board shows that \$411,041 of her total amount is taxable within the limits of the city of Astoria. This makes the total of the assessable property in the city \$5,536,398, or about \$2,000,000 more than it was on last year's roll.

Oakland Ships 2000 Turkeys

Oakland—The Christmas shipment of turkeys sent out of Oakland numbered 2000 birds. This, added to the 10,000 shipped Thanksgiving, makes 12,000 raised this year in the vicinity of Oakland. The local price was 20 cents as against 22 cents paid for the Thanksgiving shipments.

A Valuable Suggestion.
"We must do something," said the president of the great railroad system, "to increase our revenues. Can you suggest anything?"
"I don't know of any way," replied the treasurer, "unless you and the chairman of the board are willing to go into vaudeville or report the world's championship games and turn your salaries in as gross earnings."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup the best remedy to use for their children during the teething period.

Can't Escape Him.
On a recent examination paper in civics was this question: "If the president, vice-president and all the members of the cabinet should die, who would officiate?"
Robert, a boy of 12, thought for some time, trying in vain to recall who came next in succession. At last a happy inspiration came to him and he answered: "The undertaker."—Chicago Daily News.

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A famous optical works in Astoria is using ultra-violet rays produced by arc lights, the carbons of which are impregnated with the salts of iron, for examining the purity of materials with which it deals.

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Comforts in Guest-Rooms.
Dickens, who traveled much and suffered many bedsores, gave special regard to the equipment of the guests' sleeping apartments in his famous home, Gad's Hill. In "Charles Dickens as I Knew Him," Charles Dolby records: "Each of these rooms contained the most comfortable of beds, a sofa, an easy chair, cane-bottomed chairs—in which Mr. Dickens had great belief, always preferring to use one himself—a large-sized writing-table profusely supplied with paper and envelopes of every description, and an almost daily change of new quilt pens. There was a miniature library of books in each room, a comfortable fire in winter, with shining copper kettle in each fireplace, and, on a side table, cups, saucers, tea caddy, teapot, sugar and milk."—London Tit-Bits.

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Young Women Join Sodality.
A class of young women were received into the young ladies' sodality of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic church last night and the feast of the immaculate conception will be observed in the church today. Masses will be celebrated at 6, 7 and 8 a. m., with solemn high mass at 9 a. m. The Very Rev. A. Verharen will be celebrant, the Rev. Robert Armstrong, deacon, and the Rev. J. Cronin, sub-deacon.

The California oil product in 1912 was \$7,000,000 barrels, which was 6,000,000 barrels more than the previous year.

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Was a "Ringer" at Last Election.
It is not clear whether Mr. Sulzer is a full member of the Bull Moose party or only on the waiting list.—Washington Post.

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An Unreliable Doctor.
Mr. Seabury came home from the office one night and told his wife he had been to see the doctor.

"He said I was all tired out," said Seabury, "and he thinks I ought to go away on a fishing trip."

"But, of course, you don't believe him," responded the wife.

"Why not?" queried Seabury, in surprise.

"Well," said Mrs. Seabury, "you didn't have any confidence in him when he told me I ought to go to Europe."—New York Times.

This year there are 3213 young women enrolled at the German universities; 2900 of them are German young women.

The £12,000,000 worth of linen which is the average yearly output of the United Kingdom would wrap the earth at the equator seven times.

When a man is sick he sends for a doctor, when he is ill he summons a physician.—Chicago News.

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