

CURRENT EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Doings of the World at Large Told in Brief.

General Resume of Important Events Presented in Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

The Steel trust has readjusted its schedule of prices by a considerable reduction.

A French liner arrived at Martinique from Panama with 15 cases of yellow fever on board.

Diaz succeeded in getting \$1,780,000 in gold from Mexico safely into a bank in New York City.

A Portland woman will have to pay \$3,000 duties on diamonds inherited from an aunt who died in Germany.

Officers of the United Wireless company have been found guilty of using the mails to defraud in selling stock.

Betting on accidents and death in the auto races at Indianapolis, Indiana, is the most prominent feature of the meet.

Fire destroyed the Chutes amusement park buildings at San Francisco, causing the death of four persons and injury of many others.

In a decision more drastic than that against the Standard Oil company, the Supreme court of the United States has ordered the dissolution of the Tobacco trust.

An American-Hawaiian steamer just arrived in Seattle reports having picked up the submarine bell signals from Umatilla reef lightship at a distance of seven and one-half miles, which enabled the ship to proceed safely through a dense fog.

A hot wave sent the mercury at Chicago up to 94.

President Diaz resigns and the City of Mexico goes wild with joy.

Portugal has rushed troops to the frontier and all monarchists are being arrested.

The Wyoming, Uncle Sam's largest battleship, was successfully launched at Philadelphia.

The dissolution of the Standard Oil company will not result in any reduction in the price of oil products to the consumer.

Senator Borah believes there should be a Federal incorporation law fixing the retail price of goods sold by interstate corporations.

A wealthy San Francisco couple have a prize ring at their home where they entertain their friends with exhibitions by noted pugilists.

An eagle attacked an aviator during his flight and came near causing disaster. The bird was finally driven off by being wounded by a revolver shot.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Track prices: Bluestem, 94 @ 95c; club, 85 @ 86c; Russian, 84c; valley, 86c; forty-fold, 86c.

Barley—Choice feed, \$28 @ 28.50. Millstuffs—Bran, \$24.50 @ 25; middlings, \$31; shorts, \$25.50 @ 26; rolled barley, \$29.50 @ 30.50.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$29.50 ton. Hay—Timothy, Eastern Oregon No. 1, \$21.50 @ 22.50; light mixed, \$19 @ 20; heavy mixed \$17.50 @ 18.50; alfalfa, \$14 @ 15; clover, \$12.50 @ 13.50; grain hay, \$13.50 @ 14.50.

Fresh Fruit—Strawberries, Oregon, \$3 @ 4.50 crate; gooseberries, 8 @ 10c per pound; apples, \$1 @ 3 per box.

Vegetables—Asparagus, \$1 @ 2 per box; cabbage, \$3 per hundredweight; garlic, 10 @ 12c per pound; lettuce, \$1.25 @ 1.75 per box; radishes, 15c per dozen; new carrots, \$2.25 per sack; turnips, \$2.25; beets, \$2.25.

Potatoes—Oregon and Eastern, \$2.25 per hundred; new potatoes, \$3.50 @ 4 per hundred.

Onions—Crystal wax, \$2.50; yellow, \$2.25; red, \$3.50.

Poultry—Hens, 18 @ 19c; broilers, 27 @ 28c; ducks, young, 25c; geese, nominal; turkeys, 20c; dressed, choice 25c.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, candled, 21c per dozen; case count, 20c.

Butter—City creamery, extra, 1 and 2-pound prints, in boxes, 24c per pound; less than box lots, cartons and delivery extra.

Pork—Fancy, 9 1/2 @ 10c per pound.

Veal—Fancy, 9 1/2 @ 10c per pound.

Hops—1911 contracts, 22c per pound; 1910 crop, nominal; 1909 crop, 15c; olds, 10c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 8 1/2 @ 14c per pound; valley, 12 @ 15c; mohair, choice, 37 1/2c.

Cattle—Prime grain-fed steers, \$7 @ 7.25; prime hay-fed, \$6.85 @ 7; choice steers, \$6.50 @ 6.85; good, \$6 @ 6.50; fair, \$5.75 @ 6; common, \$5.50 @ 5.75; prime cows, \$5.75 @ 6.25; good, \$5 @ 5.25; fair, \$4.75 @ 5; poor, \$4.50 @ 4.75; choice heifers, \$5.50 @ 5.75; choice bulls, \$4.75 @ 5.25; good, \$4.25 @ 4.75; choice light calves, \$7.75 @ 8; good, \$7.50 @ 7.75; choice heavy calves, \$5.50 @ 6; good, \$5 @ 5.50; choice stags, \$5.75 @ 6.25; good, \$5.25 @ 5.75.

Hogs—Choice, \$6.70 @ 6.85; good, \$6.50 @ 6.70; choice heavy, \$6 @ 6.50; common, \$5 @ 6; stock, \$7 @ 7.25.

Sheep—Choice spring lambs, \$6.75 @ 7; good, \$6 @ 6.75; choice yearlings, \$5.25 @ 5.50; good, \$5 @ 5.25; fair, \$4.75 @ 5; choice ewes, \$4.50 @ 4.75; good, \$4 @ 4.50; fair, \$3.75 @ 4; stock to choice heavy wethers, \$4.50 @ 5; old heavy wethers, \$4 @ 4.50; mixed lots, \$4 @ 5.

REIGN OF TERROR IN DURANGO

Mexican Rebels, Beyond Control, Burn, Loot and Murder.

Parral, Mexico, May 29.—Many Federal officials, including jefes politicos, have been killed, scores of others have been put in jail, stores have been looted and hundreds of people are on the verge of starvation as the result of a reign of terror, waged in the state of Durango and Southern Chihuahua by a band of insurgents who have heard nothing of the peace agreement. The entire state of Durango, with its capital, a city of 22,000 people, is at the mercy of roving bands, who have unsettled all the regularly constituted authorities.

The worst feature is that all communication has been cut off for weeks and the country, being a non-agricultural region, is without food. The mining camps of Ganacivi, state of Durango, are in chaos.

The first act of the insurgents after charging a town was to place all the government officials in jail. Stores were then looted and government documents burned.

Thomas Urdina, who claims to be the insurrecto commander of the "Southern Zone," was informed that Madero was perfecting peace plans. He answered he would dictate the peace terms for his territory, and the looting continued.

In the town of Villa Escobedo, a few miles south of here, the municipal buildings were burned, all the residents having fled to the mountains.

A previous report that all government and municipal officials in certain towns had been killed has been confirmed.

Robert J. Swazie, an American planter in Michoacan, was killed by a band of insurrectos; his ranch house burned and his wife probably carried off by marauders, as she disappeared the night of her husband's murder.

James McIntyre, an American miner, was held up and robbed by a band of Mexicans near Ahujudia. After they secured about \$200 from McIntyre, the Mexicans decided to kill him and promptly filled him with lead.

Dr. George D. Rich, an American physician at Colima, received word of McIntyre's fate.

A battle is reported at Acapulco in which 83 Federals and an unknown number of rebels were killed.

Shipping at the Mexican Pacific ports is at a standstill and great difficulty is being experienced in loading and discharging by vessels calling at the various ports of stop.

ALFALFA IS HUMAN DIET.

Farmer at Spray Proposes to Can Roots for Table Use.

Portland, Or.—Alfalfa now has reached such a stage of development that it can be used for human consumption—at least the roots of it can. C. F. Waters, an enterprising farmer residing near Spray, Or., has completed experiments that convince him that the roots of the ordinary commercial alfalfa plant can be treated so that they will be readily edible as well as highly nourishing and palatable.

He has arranged to construct a large building for canning alfalfa roots and expects to offer his product to the trade within the present year. The roots can be taken from the ground after the crops of several seasons have been harvested, so that the plant is given an added value. Mr. Waters declares that by proper treatment the clever housewife can convert canned alfalfa roots into a variety of tempting dishes, which can be served either as a vegetable or as dessert.

Four Killed in Train Wreck.

Charlotte, N. C.—A double-headed coal train on the Seaboard Airline went through the trestle seven miles east of Bostick Monday, killing both engineers and firemen. The trestle was weakened by fire which the first engineer did not see and gave way with the weight of the engines. Fifteen of the 29 loaded steel cars crashed into Wallace creek, piling up on the two engines and burying the helpless victims in the wreckage. Traffic will be completely blocked until the bridge can be rebuilt.

Peruvian Flag Burned.

Iquique, Chile—A mob attacked the Peruvian club and burned the flag of Peru Sunday. Troops were summoned to quell the rioting and several persons were wounded. The Peruvian consul has resigned and has asked the American consul to protect Peruvian interests at this place. The action of the mob and the rioting that followed were the result of publications in the newspapers that the Chilean consul had been attacked at Callao and wounded.

Diaz Spends Quiet Sunday.

Vera Cruz, Mexico—General Diaz spent Sunday in quiet, denying himself to visitors with the exception of members of his immediate party. Crowds gathered around the house where the ex-president is staying, apparently to watch for any chance occurrence. There were no demonstrations. Sentries paced the verandas. La Opinion, a local newspaper, has invited General Diaz to live here.

Franz Josef is Failing.

Godollo, Hungary—Emperor Franz Josef has been attacked by senile decay, and his condition is giving the gravest anxiety to those about him. This fact has been established by careful inquiry made on the spot by newspaper men.

The aged emperor and his court are now at the beautiful royal palace at Godollo, 15 miles from Budapest, the ancient capital of Hungary.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF OUR HOME STATE

REGION GROWS FAST.

Southern Oregon Is Rapidly Developing Varied Industries.

Grants Pass—That Southern Oregon, with its varied resources, is making greater strides than any other section of the state, is the belief of H. L. Herzinger, a member of the city council of Grants Pass. Fruit-raising, alfalfa growing and mining are some of the chief resources, which are being developed rapidly. With a large amount of foreign capital being attracted to the district, the City of Grants Pass is feeling the effect of the development of the surrounding country and a large municipal improvement programme is being contemplated, declared Mr. Herzinger.

Mr. Herzinger has been in Grants Pass more than four years and in that time has seen Josephine county grow from a sparsely settled district into a prosperous community.

"The Rogue River Valley, in which Grants Pass is the center, has become famous for its pears, grapes and apples," said Mr. Herzinger. "Development along this line is just in its infancy. The people of Grants Pass and vicinity have raised funds for the construction of a concrete dam across the Rogue River three miles above the city. Water will be stored by this dam to supply water to irrigate 50,000 acres of fertile fruit land on either side of the river above and below Grants Pass. This large area will be utilized for the growing of fruits.

"The people of the community demonstrated that they were wide-awake when they subscribed in two hours \$70,000 for the construction of the railroad from Grants Pass to the famous marble caves. This group of caves forms one of the natural wonders of Oregon. The railroad will tap one of the finest timber belts in the state and will supply transportation to the alfalfa districts along the Applegate and Williams rivers.

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HUGHES FOR COMMISSIONER.

W. L. Finley, Expert in His Line, Becomes State Game Warden.

Salem—J. Frank Hughes of Gold Hill was appointed by Governor West as a member of the State board of fish and game commissioners to succeed W. L. Finley, who resigned as a member of the board to become state game warden, succeeding R. O. Stevenson, of Forest Grove. J. N. Wisner, of Oregon City, has been appointed superintendent of state fish hatcheries.

Finley, who has become widely known as a student of birds and one of the foremost members of the Audubon society, was serving as the four-year term member of the new board. The other four members requested that he resign to take the position as state game warden, which carries a salary of \$2,500 annually. There were 12 applications for the position, but these were all carefully considered by the members and all of them were found to be not adapted to the position.

Members stated that they considered Mr. Finley would be of more value in the position of state game warden where he could devote all of his time to the work, and Mr. Finley accepted after a conference with Governor West.

The board also reached the conclusion to establish a new office of superintendent of state hatcheries at a salary of \$2,000 annually. This superintendent will work under the game warden and the fish warden as well. He will have charge of trout and salmon hatcheries, the trout hatcheries being maintained largely from the game fund and the salmon hatcheries from the hatchery fund of the state.

Notification was sent out by the board to all of the mills of the state and others who own dams, fish ladders, irrigation works or other obstructions to streams that an investigation will be made in the near future of all such devices or ditches and the board will determine to what extent the law in this respect is being observed.

BUILD ELECTRIC LINE.

Eugene to Have Direct Connections to Tidewater.

Eugene—Stockholders of the Lane County Asset company have taken action directing immediate steps to begin construction of an electric railway from Eugene to tidewater at Florence. The directors of the company will frame instructions to H. D. Fournier, chief engineer, looking to the construction this summer of the first link of the road from Eugene to Elmira, approximately 14 miles.

The Lane County Asset company is a local corporation that has been engaged for the past two years in the promotion of a railway to the coast at Florence. A permanent survey has been completed and right of way has been acquired over practically the entire route. Officials of the company say that sufficient capital is available to warrant the beginning of actual construction work on the 14 miles of level valley to Elmira.

The company has been promised large quantities of ties by sawmills along the proposed route, and some of the rails for the first 14 miles are already in sight. The tentative plan is to construct an electric line, deriving power from the surplus current for sale by Eugene's power plant at Waverly. Three of the five members of the city water board, which has complete control of the electric plant, are members of the Asset company.

Stockholders of the company also ordered condemnation proceedings to obtain two small sections of right of way for which private negotiations have not been successful.

These places are between Eugene and Elmira. Beyond Elmira, right of way has been obtained as far as Glendale, on the south side of the Siuslaw harbor, at which point the company controls 800 feet of waterfront.

Better Prices on for Salmon.

Astoria—While sales of this year's Columbia River canned salmon were reported a few days ago at \$1.95 for flats and \$1.85 for talls, sales have been made since that time at even a higher rate. One packer is known to have contracted several carloads at \$2 a dozen for flats and \$1.95 for talls, the latter figure being 20 cents a dozen above the rate which prevailed last season. These prices are for the early fish and may not hold later.

Railroad Surveyors Espied.

Baker—News has just leaked out here that for some time a surveying corps of the O.-W. R. & N. company has been at work on the survey of an extension of the line from Brogan into the Lower Powder valley. To extend the Willow Creek line from Brogan it will be necessary to tunnel the divide separating the lower Powder valley from the Willow Creek valley.

Bonds May Draw Low Rate.

Salem—In an opinion by Deputy Attorney General Van Winkle it is held that the school board or electors of a school district may authorize the issuance of bonds or interest-bearing warrants, bearing interest at a rate less or more than 6 per cent.

Mill Runs Day and Night.

La Grande—The George Palmer Lumber company's mill has resumed night and day runs and gives employment to about 100 additional skilled workmen. The management of the mill will continue the night and day runs indefinitely.

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