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 sugar trust will be investigated next by a congressional committee.

Mexican Socialist rebels in Lower California receive many recruits and will continue the war.

The annual report of the Christian Science mother church shows a great increase in membership.

San Francisco police judges have decided that auto speeders shall serve jail sentences upon their third conviction.

A. G. Rushlight was elected mayor of Portland, Or., by about 3,000 majority over Simon, the present incumbent.

John Dillon, Nationalist member of parliament from East Mayo, is near death as the result of an automobile accident.

Lieutenant Bogue, a French aeronaut, is believed to have been lost at sea while attempting to fly from Nice to the island of Corsica.

Mrs. Royal Phelps Carroll, a prominent society woman of Newport, R. I., has started for Africa with a large retinue of servants to hunt big game.

Madero meets with great ovations at every town through which he passes en route to Mexico City, where a great reception hs been prepared for him.

Maderoists captured and executed 28 alleged "liberal" insurrectos who had refused to recognize the authority of Madero and were continuing the war on their own responsibility.

While eleven ministers of Ross, Cal., were taking a complimentary ride on a new automobile fire engine the machine skidded into the curb, killing one minister and badly injuring four others.

Portland's Rose Festival opened with a grand naval parade and the arrival of the king Monday.

A brilliant rainbow was seen for more than half an hour at Winnipeg, Manitoba, about midnight Monday night, and the Indian residents are in mortal terror, believing it forebodes some great calamity.

E. H. Gary promises the steel trust committee that he will tell all he knows about the big monopoly.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat — Track prices: Bluestem, 95c; club, 85@86c; Russian, 84c; valley, 86c; 40-fold, 85@86c.

Barley—Choice feed, $28@28.50.

Millstuffs — Bran, $24.50@25 per ton; middlings, $31; shorts, $25.50@26; rolled barley, $29.50@30.50.

Corn—Whole, $29; cracked, $30 ton.

Oats—No. 1 white, $28.50@29.50.

Hay—Timothy, Eastern Oregon, No. 1, $21@22; light mixed, $19@20; heavy mixed, $17.50@18.50; alfalfa, $13@13.50; clover, $12.50@13; grain hay, $13.50@14.50.

Fresh Fruits — Strawberries, Oregon, $2@3.75 per crate; California, $1.50@1.75 per crate, gooseberries, 5@6c per pound; apples, $1@3 per box; cherries, $1.50 per box.

Vegetables — Asparagus, 60 @ 75c per dozen; garlic, 10@12c per pound; lettuce, 30@35c per dozen; hothouse lettuce, $1.25@1.75 per box; peas, 5½c per pound; radishes, 12½c per dozen; rhubarb, 1½@2c per pound; new carrots, $2 per sack; turnips, $2; beets, $2.

Potatoes—Oregon and Eastern, $2.25 per hundred, new California, 7c per pound.

Onions—Crystal wax, $2.50; yellow, $2.25; red, $3 per hundred.

Poultry—Hens, 16@17c; broilers, 22½@25c; ducks, young, 25c; geese, nominal; turkeys, 20c; dressed, choice, 25c.

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

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

Pork—Fancy, 10@11c per pound.

Veal—Fancy, 10@11c per pound.

Hams—10 to 20 pounds, 16@17c.

Hops — 1911 contracts, 25c per pound; 1910 crop, 22c; 1909 crop, 15@15½c; olds, 8@10c.

Wool — Eastern Oregon, 8½@14½c per pound; valley, 14@15c; mohair, choice, 36@37½c.

Cattle—Prime grain-fed steers, $6@6.35; prime hay-fed steers, $6@6.25; choice steers, $5.75@6; fair, $5.50@5.75; common, $5.25 @ 5.50; 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@7.25; good, $6.75@7; choice heavy calves, $5@5.50; choice stags, $5.75@6.25; good, $5.25@5.75.

Hogs — Choice, $6.50@6.85; good, $6.25@6.50; choice heavy, $6@6.50; common, $5@6; stock, $6.75@7.50.

Sheep—Choice spring lambs, $6.25@6.50; good, $6@6.25; choice yearlings, $4.80@5; good, $4.50@4.75; fair, $4@4.25; choice ewes, $4@4.25; good, $3.75@4; fair, $3.50@3.75; good to choice heavy wethers, $4@4.50; old heavy wethers, $3@4; mixed lots, $4@5.

BOAT UPSET; SIX DROWN.

Father and Babe, Brother and Sister, and Betrothed Couple Perish.

Salt Lake City, Utah—Six persons were drowned in Utah lake Sunday when the sailboat Galilee, in which 16 persons were attending a party given in honor of the approaching marriage of Miss Vera Brown and Edward B. Holmes, capsized. Among the drowned were the engaged couple. The bride-to-be and two of the other victims were children of Captain Edwin Brown, owner of the boat.

The boat left Geneva on the east shore of the lake at 9 o'clock in the morning and headed west. About one hour later the boat, struck by a sudden squall, turned sidewise to the wind and almost instantly all of the 16 persons aboard were thrown into the water. The boat turned over and over, robbing the struggling people of an opportunity to hold to it. Benjamin Raymond's little son was the first to sink. His father caught him and they sank togeher.

Edward B. Holmes heard the scream of his fiancee and as soon as he could locate her in the water he went to her aid. They went to the bottom clasped in each other's arms.

Frank Brown saw his other sister struggling in the water and went to her assistance. He was exhausted when he reached her and she was completely worn out and had given up the struggle. Her brother caught her but the chill of the water had so benumbed them both that they were helpless and they sank together. Some young men of Provo, Utah, who were trying out a new sail boat, were attracted by the cries of the survivors. They succeeded in saving 10 persons who had been in the water an hour and a half.

GARY'S TALK OUT.

Steel Magnate Urges Co-operation and Stability.

New York—The arguments with which Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the directors of the United States Steel corporation, addressed iron and steel manufacturers who were his guests at a recent luncheon to discuss the independent action of the Republic Iron and Steel company in reducing prices, were made public by him Tuesday. They threw added light on what occurred behind the closed doors at the Metropolitan club, where the conference was held.

Mr. Gary argued for continuing co-operation among the steel makers and for stability in prices, but his apparent wishes on the price question were overruled by a general difficulty to meet the cuts of the Republic company. In his remarks, Mr. Gary touched upon the possibility of wage reductions, the value of fair dealings and frankness by great corporations in view of the recent Supreme court decision in the Standard Oil case.

OLD FARMS LURE AGAIN.

24 Walla Walla Families Heed Call "Back to Country."

Walla Walla, Wash.—"Back to the farm," is a cry that has a real meaning in Walla Walla. More than two dozen families have left the city for their abandoned farms within the past two weeks. More have announced their intention of so doing and it is believed that within a year the deserted homesteads will be reinhabited.

More than a score of vacant houses in the city have been left by farmers who have gone back to their ranches and several city homes have been put on the market for sale. It is not the usual summer exodus to the farms. It is the belief that the farm is a desirable place to live and the deserted farmhouses are to be full of life again after years of desertion.

Huge Depot Dedicated.

Chicago — The Chicago & Northwestern railway's new passenger station, the second largest passenger terminal in the world used by only one road, was formally opened here Sunday. The terminal covers 20 acres. The station yard covers 343,040 square feet, and the building section 69,760 square feet. Sixteen tracks with a capacity of 200 cars enter the train shed, giving the station a capacity of 250,000 passengers a day. The total cost of the station was $23,750,000, $11,560,000 being for real estate.

Chicago Police Doubt Tale.

Chicago—Chicago police discredit the purported confession of John Delaney in Muskogee, Okla., Saturday, in which he said he had, at the direction of John J. McNamara, secretary and treasurer of the International Association of Bridge and Ironworkers, selected buildings in different cities for destruction by dynamite, among them being a viaduct in Chicago, which was, he said, blown up in February, 1907.

Mexico to Send New Man.

Mexico City — Announcement is made of the appointment of Gilbert O. Crespoy Martinez as ambassador to Washington to succeed Manuel de Zamacona, who probably will be returned to London as the government's financial agent. Since Zamacona's appointment as ambassador, the London post has been filled by Pahlo Macero, who resigned last week.

Alaska Mines Sold.

Cordova, Alaska — Representatives of the London Exploration company, the Pearson Syndicate, are here closing a deal for the purchase of more than 50 gold quartz claims in the McKinley lake district near this city. The purchase price is approximately $500,000.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF OUR HOME STATE

USERS GET POWER SITE.

Klamath Glad Government Is Holding Location Near Keno.

Klamath Falls—The directors of the Klamath Water Users' association feel elated over the order issued by the secretary of the interior, countermanding the order for the sale of the government power site on the Kamath river near Keno. At the inception of the Klamath reclamation project this power site was purchased at a cost of $10,000. The government abandoned the lands above the gravity canal and consequently has no use for the power for pumping purposes, but the directors of the Water Users' association feel that while the pump lands have in most instances been eliminated from the Klamath project, the time is coming when they will again become a portion of the project and the power will then be needed.

The directors appealed to Congressman Hawley and through him the matter was presented to the Interior department. In order to hold the site the government has to do a certain amount of development work and the reclamation service is now performing this work. It is not known what will be the ultimate disposition of the power site, but the directors are planning to acquire title to the property by adding its cost to the Klamath project. By this method it would pass into full control of the association as soon as the land owners paid back to the government the money expended in building the irrigation system.

Several corporations were ready to bid on the site and had it not been for the timely action taken by the water users the sale would have been made and in later years the land owners might have been forced to pay a high price for power to some private concern.

SHEEPMEN ENTER PROTEST.

Assessment Against Their Property Said to Be Too High

Baker—Declaring that sheep are assessed out of proportion to their market value, and that the sheepmen of the county of Baker are paying more than their proportion of the taxes on the county and state, the legislative committee of the Baker-Union Woolgrowers' association has drafted resolutions to the state board of tax commissioners asking the board to use its infleunce with county assessors throughout the state to have sheep assessed at a lower rate. Members of the local association say that this is a state-wide movement. Similar resolutions will be sent in from every sheep county in the state. The resolutions say that ewes are sold on the market for $2 and yearlings for $1.50 to $2, while ewes are assessed at $6 and yearlings at $5.50 in Baker county. The sheepmen also assert that Jerry Fleetwood, the county assessor, is a cattleman and is inclined to give the sheepmen the worst of it.

SEATTLE MAN BUYS IN OREGON

One of the Finest Orchards Brings $75,000, for 90 Acres.

Grants Pass—Fred G. Cutler, of Seattle, has purchased the Elmer Shank orchard, four miles down the river, for the sum of $75,000. This tract of land consists of 90 acres in fruit, 50 acres in bearing trees 12 years old, and balance in five-year-old trees. The output last year was 18,000 boxes of merchantable apples. This is one of the best orchards in the country and the price is the largest ever paid for a single orchard in this vicinity.

Cutler will immediately bring his family to Rogue River valley to pass the summer. A few years ago this land was sold to Shank for one-half the present price. Since that time the new land has been brought to a high state of cultivation and the number of bearing trees greatly increased.

Larger Purchase is Urged.

Salem — State Senator Patton and Representative Reynolds, of Marion county, waited on Governor West and Secretary Olcott Monday urging them as members of the state board to buy the entire block east of the present capitol grounds instead of half a block as originally planned. This will be the site for the additional capitol building for which $150,000 was appropriated by the last legislative assembly.

Rush Keeps Land Office Busy.

Lakeview—The government land office here is worked to its full capacity looking after the many filings of land throughout this land district. People from all parts of the country are coming in preparatory to getting lands before the completion of the railroad from the South that is now under construction, with over 400 men at work grading near Davis creek, the rapidly growing town at the lower end of the valley.

Immigration Commission Named.

Salem—Members of the state board of immigration commissioners were named by Governor West. They are: W. E. Coman, John M. Scott, LeRoy Park, Portland; Thomas C. Burke, Baker; and A. F. Hofer, Jr., Salem.

Hood River Builds Macadam Road.

Hood River—This county is building four miles of macadam road this year, two miles on the East side and two on the West side, main trunk lines.

FRUITMEN INDUSTRIOUS.

Lebanon and Brownsville Folk Have Fine Section.

Portland — That Brownsville and Lebanon will build up one of the best fruit districts of the state in regard to growing and preserving small fruits is the belief of J. D. Lee, who visited a meeting at the former place of people interested in the industry.

Mr. Lee went to Brownsville as the representative of the Portland commercial club and made an address encouraging the organization of fruitgrowers' unions in that district.

"This is a very fertile district," said Mr. Lee, "and the future is bright in this industry. Conditions are right for the formation of a fruit union in Brownsville, which probably will combine with the similar organization already in operation at Lebanon.

"Berries, cherries, pears, and in fact all the fruits common to this climate thrive remarkably well in that region. From the earliest time in the state's history the people of that district have had a reputation for being pioneers in progressive work and all that is required at this time is the reincarnation of the old spirit; organization and activity along progressive, modern lines. We had a good audience with a delegation from Lebanon and I think our meeting awakened a greater interest in fruit culture and its preservation."

FRUIT PEST CRUSADE.

Agricultural College Experts Begin Summer Campaign.

Corvallis — The campaign for the eradication of crop pests in Oregon has commenced and will be in full force by July 1, says Dean A. B. Cordley, of the Agricultural college. College experts have made several preliminary trips about the state and Dean Cordley will visit Eugene to make arrangements to establish headquarters there. Professor H. F. Wilson spent the latter part of the past week at Independence and Salem investigating the diseases reported to have been making ravages on the hop and fruit crops of this vicinity. It has been decided to have headquarters at Portland, Salem and Eugene.

Cold Holds Wheat Back.

Condon — Owing to the cold and backward weather in this county this spring, grain crops in this locality are about two weeks behind the average season. While the grain is not suffering from want of moisture in most sections of the county, a hard rain at this time would be a vast benefit and this in particular applies to the north end of the county. Farmers about Condon and south of here claim they have ample moisture and are anxious to see warm weather. Fall grain is doing well and will do well if a good rain is had in June and the fore part of July, which has seldom failed in this county, but spring grain which was sown late should have rain in the next ten days in order to insure a good aveage crop.

Sea Lion Season on Soon.

Marshfield—The season for hunting sea lions on the Curry county coast will begin soon. It is likely that some of the local fishermen who have seagoing boats will hunt for the sea lions. In past years the industry has been carried on quite extensively. There are many sea lions along different points on Curry county and they are valuable for the fat, which is used for oil, and for the hides, which are tanned and used in making belting. The sea lions are shot and picked up by gasoline boats.

May Wettest in Astoria.

Astoria—According to the records in Weather Observer Gilmore's office the past month has been an exceptionally wet one in Astoria. The total rainfall during May was 6.88 inches, an excess of 3.08 inches over the average for the corresponding month of previous years, which was 3.8 inches. Since 1854, when the first weather records were kept here, there were four months of May in which the rainfall exceeded that of the present month.

Ready for Irrigation.

Lakeview—Fifty men are employed on the Davis Creek orchards dam, which is nearly completed. The company has 60 acres planted to trees and about 200 acres in grain, with an additional 300 acres in alfalfa and timothy. There will be plenty of water for irrigation purposes this year, the reservoir having already been filled to the 12-foot level and then released several times.

Salmon Catch Improved.

Astoria—Since the warmer weather began there has been quite an improvement in the runs of salmon and the gillnetters during the past two or three days have been making fairly good catches. While the season thus far, is regarded generally as a poor one, one of the canners says that the pack to date is fully equal to the amount put up at the corresponding time a year ago.

Peach Orchards Yield Heavy.

Hood River—Athough most of the peach trees of Hood River valley have but little fruit on them this season, C. H. Stranahan reports that the trees of his orchard are overloaded and that he has found it necessary to thin away more than one-half of the fruit. On a twig less than five inches long there are 10 large, well-shaped peaches.

NEW REPUBLIC IS BORN.

Lower California Rebels Cut Loose From Mexico.

Tia Juana, Lower California—The insurrectos in Tia Juana, Lower California, have severed connection with the Mexican Liberal party, elected Dick Ferris president of the new republic of Lower California, and decided to await word from General Pryce before choosing a new general, Pryce to have the preference if he returns. He is expected in a few days.

Ferris is a Los Angeles promoter. In last year's state campaign he was a candidate for the lieutenant governorship nomination at the Republican direct primaries.

The rebels' action followed an address to the insurrectos, who now number about 150 men, by Louis James, a rebel captain. A new flag and new constitution are being prepared.

Captain James told the rebels that they should drop all connection with the Mexican Liberal party, with all other organizations in the United States, form a provisional government and demand recognition of Francisco Madero and his party in Mexico proper.

General Pryce went to Los Angeles to learn from the junta what became of the men he sent up there with a considerable sum of money to buy ammunition and supplies for the rebels at Tia Juana.

The ammunition and supplies failed to come.

The men are out of ammunition, have no prospect of obtaining supplies, and are said to be on the point of selling their guns and quitting Lower California. The camp has been divided into several disgruntled factions.

LOPEZ EXECUTED AS TRAITOR

Benedict Arnold of Mexican Rebels Pays Penalty of Turncoats.

Cananea, Mexico—"Red" Lopez, who was ordered imprisoned by Francisco I. Madero, Jr., on the charge that he had "sold out" to American interests while in command of a section of the insurrecto garrison at Agua Prieta, has been executed. Lopez was being conveyed from Agua Prieta to Hermosillo to begin the serving of an eight-year sentence.

Conflicting stories are told by the guard which was accompanying Lopez. One is to the effect that the former insurrecto leader had attempted to escape and was shot; another that he pleaded to be executed rather than be taken to prison. It is alleged also that Lopez had confessed to having received $4,000 for the surrender of Agua Prieta to the Federals.

MATCH TRUST MILITANT.

Diamond Company Issues Ultimatum Against Stubborn Independents.

Tacoma, Wash.—Putting the ban on the dealers of Tacoma, the Diamond Match company, known as the trust, has served notice that they will not be allowed to handle its product if they sell the Tacoma-made match now being turned out at the new factory on Chambers creek by the Pacific Coast Match company.

Formal notification has been given to the West Coast Grocery company which for 20 years has distributed "trust" matches, and S. A. Nourse, of the grocery company, has retorted if that is the way the trust feels about it, it can go hang. His company, he said, would handle the Tacoma match and the consultation came to a speedy termination with the home-made article still on the market.

Cotton Crop Looms Big.

Washington, D. C.—Present indications point to the present year's cotton crop as the largest the country has ever produced, according to government experts. The crop will be greater by about 2,500,000 bales than the average and larger by nearly 400,000 bales than the biggest crop the country ever raised—that of 1904. Provided conditions as favorable as those which have prevailed during the last 10 years continue this season, there should be harvested this year more than 14,000,000 bales.

Floating Log Saves Life.

McAlester, Okla.—After floating on a log in a flooded stream for nearly 20 hours, Mrs. Sallie Tripp, who with her mother and two brothers was swept into the Canadian river by a freshet, was found in Gaines creek, two miles above where that stream empties into the Canadian. Mrs. Tripp was unconscious. Physicians said she had a chance for recovery. Her mother, Mrs. Glover, and her two brothers were lost.

Burned Timber Bill Up.

Washington, D. C.—The house public lands committee has favorably reported a bill authorizing homestead settlers whose lands were burned over by forest fires last summer to sell all the timber seriously injured or killed by fires and pocket the receipts. The bill also authorizes the secretary of the interior to sell burned timber on public lands. An effort will be made to pass the bill this session so as to afford relief to settlers.

Postal Bank is Coming.

Washington, D. C.—The Postoffice department has announced that beginning July 1 postal savings banks will be opened in the large cities of the country and that in all probability one of the first of these big banks will be opened at Portland, Or. Plans have not yet been perfected, but it is also probable that postal banks will be opened this summer or fall in Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane also.

TAFT SCORCHES GIANT TRUSTS

Lumber and Paper Men Foes of Reciprocity.

Confident Agreement Will Pass and Prove Beneficial—Thinks People Approve Measure.

Chicago — President Taft, in a speech before the Western Economic society, here, declared that the principal opposition to the Canadian reciprocity agreement came not from the farmer, but from the lumber trust and from American manufacturers of print paper.

In one of the most conspicuous addresses that he has ever made on this subject, the president outlined some of the methods employed by the advocates of the reciprocity agreement; he practically told others that they were being "buncoed" by special interests, and said that the result depended not so much upon the United States senate as upon the people.

"If the farmer and the people at large," he said, "could be brought to understand this question they would no longer fear to vote."

The president was not sparing in his words. He told the reasons for the opposition to the treaty by the lumber trust and by the paper manufacturers and, without using names, scored a firm any of whose members recently appeared before the senate finance committee in Washington ostensibly on behalf of the national grange.

In spite of the forces that are arraigned against it, the president expressed the belief that the bill will be passed.

"The bill," he said, "will be passed, if it is passed at all, because the force of public opinion is in its favor."

FLY IS DEATH TO BEETLE.

Parasite that Will Kill Douglas Fir Enemy Is Discovered.

Seattle, Wash.—The bark beetle which destroys Douglas fir throughout the timbered districts of the United States to the extent of almost $100,000,000 annually, and which was believed by expert entomologists to be without a parasite, has been found to have a deadly enemy.

Professor Trevor Kincaid, head of the department of zoology at the University of Washington, is the discoverer. The parasite is a small red fly with smoky wings and a long stinger-like organ behind. The parasite instinctively discovers the beetle and lays its eggs in the bettle's tunnel.

Professor Kincaid says the newly discovered parasite will destroy from 25 to 50 per cent of a colony of beetles in one season. The discovery was made in Ravenna park, in Seattle, while Professor Kincaid was out in the woods with one of his classes.

Professor Kincaid attained prominence by his discovery of a parasite on the gypsy moth, which was destroying millions of dollars' worth of fruit trees annually.

SWEDEN WELCOMES FLEET.

American Warships Escorted to Stockholm By Pleasure Craft.

Stockholm, June 5.—The second division of the United States Atlantic fleet, composed of the battleships Kansas, Louisiana, New Hampshire and South Carolina, arrived here today for a week's visit. The battleships, which left Copenhagen June 1, were met off the Aland archipelago by a large fleet of gaily-decorated excursion steamers, which escorted them into the harbor.

Immediately after the flagship Louisiana came to anchor the commander of the fortress sent an officer to greet and welcome Rear Admiral Badger, commanding the division. Visits were then exchanged between Admiral Badger and the commander in chief of the Swedish squadron in the harbor.

Woman Has Saving Mania.

Worcester, Mass—Relatives of Miss Margaret Hudon, who died here recently after working as a shop clerk for 17 years at $1 a day, have found bank deposits in her name aggregating $5,200. Her total earnings had been about $9,304 and from this she had paid her living expenses for the whole 17 years and the cost of the funeral of her brother, who died three years ago. Miss Hudon is said to have lived on 30 cents' worth of food each week. Her house rent was very small. She had a mania for saving.

Civil War Battle Remembered.

Phillipi, W. Va.—Fifty years ago the first land battle of the Civil war was fought at Philippi and this was the semi-annual centennial anniversary of the event. Union and Confederate veterans went over the line of retreat of the Southern troops when they were driven out of Philippi. Addresses were made by Governor Glasscock, United States Senator Taylor, of Tennessee, ex-Senator Henry G. Davis and Colonel John T. McGraw.

Quake Shakes Charleroi, Belgium.

Charleroi, Belgium—An earthquake was felt at Gosselies, four miles north of this city, at 2:40 o'clock Monday afternoon. Many houses were damaged. The streets are littered with debris. There were no casualties.