

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.

There have been 850 deaths in two days from cholera in Turkey.

A \$750,000 smelting plant at Nelson, B. C., was fired by an incendiary and totally destroyed.

Women will be well represented on the delegation to welcome President Taft to Olympia, Wash.

A party of naturalists returning from Alaska, report that codfish tongues, fried like oysters, are a choice delicacy.

Statistics show that there are many more small stockholders in the large corporations of the country than a few years ago.

Thirteen new steamers have been engaged for the Pacific Coast trade, three of them to run from Washington and Oregon ports.

Arthur Sifton, premier of Alberta, is campaigning for reciprocity, while his brother, ex-minister of the interior for Canada, is energetically opposing it.

Six miners were killed at Butte, Mont., by some long drills on the edge on which the men were riding, becoming loose and catching on the members of the shaft.

General Reyes, candidate for the presidency of Mexico in opposition to General Madero, was stoned and chased in the principal street of Mexico City while trying to address a crowd of his constituents.

While boating on the Willamette river near Portland Mrs. J. C. Austin lost a diamond ring in about 15 feet of water. Next morning her husband recovered the ring by dipping with a bucket at the end of a long pole.

Officers of freight and passenger steamers of the Pacific Coast protest against the towing of huge log rafts at sea, saying that three of these rafts are now adrift in the course of passing vessels and likely to cause serious wrecks.

Francisco I. Madero has been regularly nominated for president of Mexico.

A glacier on the side of Mt. Adams took a slide of 50 feet in about 5 minutes.

General Grant declares that soldiers compare well with other walks of life for sobriety.

Premier Sifton, at Lethbridge, Alberta, declared reciprocity would help both nations.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Track prices: Bluestem, 84c; club, 79c; red Russian, 77c; valley, 79c.
Millstuffs—Bran, \$24.50@25 per ton; middlings, \$32; shorts, \$25.50@26; rolled barley, \$32@33.
Corn—Whole, \$33; cracked, \$34 ton.
Barley—New Feed, \$31@32 per ton, brewing, \$36@37.
Oats—New white, \$25@26 ton.
Hay—No. 1 Eastern Oregon timothy, \$15@16; No. 1 valley, \$14; alfalfa, \$12; clover, \$8.50; grain hay, \$9@11.
Poultry—Hens, 15@16c; springs, 16@15c; ducks, young, 15@16c; geese, 11c; turkeys, 18@19c.
Butter—Oregon creamery, solid pack, 31c; prints, extra.
Eggs—Fresh Oregon ranch, candled, 26c per dozen.
Pork—Fancy, 10@11c.
Veal—Fancy, 13@14c.
Fresh Fruits—Cantaloupes, \$1@1.75 per crate; peaches, 40c@1 per box; watermelons, 1c per pound; plums, 1c per crate; prunes, 1c per box; new apples, \$1@2.25 per box; blackberries, \$1.50@1.75; pears, \$1.25@1.50 per box; casabas, \$2.25@2.50 per box; grapes, \$1@1.50 per box.
Vegetables—Beans, 5@10c; cabbage, \$2 per hundred; corn, 25@30c per dozen; cucumbers, \$1@1.25 per pack; eggplant, 5@8c per pound; garlic, 10@12c; lettuce, 30@35c per doz; hot-house lettuce, \$1.25@1.75 per box; peppers, 8@10c per pound; radishes, 12c per dozen; tomatoes, 90c@1.25 per box; new carrots, \$1.75 per sack; turnips, \$1.25; beets, \$1.75.
Potatoes—Oregon, 1c per pound; sweet potatoes, 3c per pound.
Onions—California, \$1.50 per cwt.
Hops—1911 contracts, nominal; 1910 crop, nominal; 1909 crop, 27c; olds, 17c.
Wool—Eastern Oregon, 9@16c; valley, 5@17c; mohair, choice, 36@37c.
Cattle—Extra choice steers, \$5.50@6.75; good, 5.25@5.50; choice cows, \$4.50@4.75; good, \$4.25@4.50; good, average 1050 pounds, \$4@4.25; common, \$2.75@3; choice heifers, \$4.90@5; choice bulls, \$3.50@3.75; choice calves, 200 pounds and under, \$7.25@7.35; good, \$5.50@6; common, \$4@5; choice stags, \$4.50@4.75; good, \$4.25@4.50.
Hogs—Extra choice light, \$8.25@8.35; choice heavy, \$7@7.25; heavy rough, \$6.25@6.50.
Sheep—Choice yearlings, wethers, \$3.25@3.50; choice two and three, \$3@3.15; choice mountain lambs, \$4.50@4.80; choice valley lambs, \$4@4.15; choice killing ewes, \$2.25@2.50.

ROADS READY FOR RUSH.

Colonist Movement May Far Exceed All Previous Records.

Chicago—In anticipation of a very heavy colonist movement to the Pacific Coast from September 15 to October 15, the Denver & Rio Grande, in connection with the Burlington, Rock Island & Missouri Pacific on the east, and with the Western Pacific, Southern Pacific, San Pedro and Oregon Short Line on the West, has arranged for the most complete through tourist car service ever inaugurated.

The cars will be operated daily from Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, Omaha and Denver, and will number no fewer than 69 per week, or 277 cars for the four weeks.

Besides these cars regularly operated, expectations are that there will be a very large overflow travel the first five days of the movement, as well as the last five days. These cars will be handled over the Denver & Rio Grande on special schedule arranged to show off the Rocky Mountain scenic attractions to best advantage.

The colonist movement last spring via the Denver & Rio Grande aggregated 20,058 passengers, and it is anticipated that this fall the movement will be largely in excess of that number.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL SENDS ULTIMATUM TO UNION

Chicago—President Markham, of the Illinois Central, railroad, ended the hope of an immediate settlement of the labor difficulties of the road by directing a letter to W. F. Kramer, secretary of the International Blacksmith's union, refusing to meet representatives of the Federated Shop Employees.

The letter from the representatives of the nine international unions involved, to which Mr. Markham's communication was a reply, was considered by the labor men to be in the nature of an ultimatum.

7 DIE, 14 HURT IN HOTEL FIRE

Most Beautiful Half-Breed Girl in Alaska Killed.

Juneau, Alaska—Seven lives lost, 14 persons injured, two of whom are not expected to live, and the Juneau hotel and the McGrath building in ashes are the result of a fire which started in the hotel late Monday night and was subdued only after the Douglas fire department had sent men and engines to assist the local fire fighters. Six bodies have been recovered from the ruins and five more are believed to be buried in the debris.

Will Morrison, who was a native of Wisconsin, and who came to Juneau from Portland, was killed when he jumped from the third story. Selina Dowling, who is known to have perished, was reputed to be the most beautiful half-breed maiden in Alaska. She was recently acquitted of a charge of murdering her mother.

The loss is estimated at \$50,000, with no insurance. The hotel, a large three-story structure, was crowded and the entire building was ablaze before the alarm was given. The flames spread rapidly and soon destroyed the McGrath building, which adjoined the hotel.

AVIATOR IS CREMATED.

Falls Under Machine, Engine Sets Fire to Wreck.

Huelva, Spain.—M. Le Jarristier, a French aviator, while flying here, fell 250 feet and was killed. The motor exploded, setting fire to the aeroplane. The aviator was incinerated.

After circling out over the ocean, the aviator returned and wheeled in front of the gaily bedecked stands when one wing of his machine was seen to snap and the car turned over and over as it was hurled to the earth. The engine of the machine pinned Le Jarristier down and the flames charred his body before rescuers could approach the wreck.

For half an hour the birdman thrilled the spectators by daring glides and "towers." Three weeks ago he married a daughter of one of the wealthy merchants of Huelva. His bride saw the accident and was borne from the field in a critical condition.

Tuberculosis War Begs

Sacramento, Cal.—The state board of health has made its preliminary step in the investigation of tuberculosis in the state by appointing an executive board of five members who will direct the work of the proposed tuberculosis commission. The members are to serve without salary, but there will be a fund of about \$4,000 at their disposal to carry on their investigations. The board of health also will name an advisory board of about 40 persons from different sections of the state, who will assist in the crusade.

Pool Stock is Destroyed.

Vinson, Okla.—Cheering and singing hymns, the members of the Christian church here applied the torch to the furniture and fixtures of the only town pool hall after these articles had been piled in the main street and saturated with oil. Instead of trying to close up the resort, the church people bought it. Immediately after the conflagration the town council met and passed an ordinance forbidding pool halls in the city limits.

Depth of Hail Six Feet.

Cheyenne, Wyo.—Horse Creek reports a storm which left hail four feet deep over a wide area of country. At the foot of Round Top mountain it is said to be six feet deep. Crops are destroyed for a radius of 20 miles and stock killed by the scores, while the damage from the wind is enormous.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF OUR HOME STATE

OREGON HOPS BEST.

Coast Product is Rich in Lupulin Says Scientist.

Corvallis—Investigations made during the past year by H. V. Tartar, chemist of the Oregon Experiment Station, show that Pacific Coast hops are not surpassed in quality by hops from any other part of the world. The results indicate that preference for foreign hops and New York hops are largely prejudice and cannot be backed up with facts. The present "rub and nose" method of judging hops has been found to be sadly in error, and unreliable for determining accurately the real value of hops for commercial use. When the old prejudices and faulty methods of judging are laid aside, Pacific Coast hops will rank differently and much higher in the markets of the world.

Professor Tartar believes that one of the best things that can be done for the hop industry in this state is to employ standards for judging the product upon a scientific basis. The Oregon hops are very rich in lupulin and bitter principles, and this should be recognized and its value considered in the market price paid.

A movement for the adoption of new standards for the valuation of hops already has been started in this country by the International Hop Prize exhibit, which will be held Oct. 11 and 12 at Chicago. At this exhibit the hops will be judged for the first time by a scientific standard. The truth regarding real value of hops from the different localities will be ascertained.

"The Oregon hopgrowers should by all means participate in this exhibit, and thus aid in showing the superior quality of Pacific Coast hops," said Professor Tartar.

PEAR SHIPMENTS HEAVY.

Medford Growers Plan to Build Storage Plant.

Medford—Thirty-three cars of Bartlett pears have been shipped from the valley since the season opened, two weeks ago, and the fruit is going out at the rate of five cars a day. The fruit is maturing rapidly under favorable climatic conditions, and the Howell pears are now being harvested. The Howells are exceptionally fine this year, and are expected to bring good prices.

All the fruit that has been shipped so far is being held in Chicago awaiting the clearing of the market of cheap fruit. The local association is greatly in need of a cold storage plant here, and tentative plans are being made for the erection of a \$100,000 plant next season.

With such a plant in Medford, local growers will be able to hold their fruit for the prices they want, instead of having to ship them to commission houses from the trees.

FRUIT SHADOWS STOCK.

Tillamook County Finds Bigger Profits in New Industry.

Ray City—Tillamook county is awakening to the possibilities that lie in a development of its agricultural resources. It has been found that an acre of land, if used for the feeding of dairy stock, will only produce a return of about \$75, but that if the same land is plowed and set to small fruit and vegetables, the income to be derived will be in the neighborhood of \$600 or \$700, or, in other words, from eight to nine times greater.

Mohler, the new townsite on the Pacific Railroad & Navigation company line; the Commercial club of Nehalem, just in the process of formation; the Commercial club of Bay City, and the Development league of Tillamook, have joined for the advancement of this new line of development.

HAS NEW ATTRACTION.

Managers of State Fair Secure Noted Prima Donna.

Salem—Madam Marie Begue, who was formerly a member of the Metropolitan Grand Opera company of New York City, is to sing at the Salem State Fair during the week it is in progress, September 11 to 16. This is the first time that a prima donna has ever appeared at a state fair, and it opens up a new era in the history of the organization which has an even half century of progress behind it. With the prima donna, who sings contralto, is her husband, Sig. Bernard Begue, a baritone of rare voice and great dramatic intensity. The couple will be accompanied by the great Ferrullo Band, which has become famous in the Pacific Northwest.

Clackamas Hogs Have Cholera.

Oregon City—Hog cholera in a virulent form has made its appearance in this county. Dr. H. M. Thomas, a veterinarian of Gladstone, found that 11 hogs on one farm had the disease. He notified State Veterinarian Lytle and the latter had the hogs quarantined. Dr. Lytle does not think there is any danger of the disease spreading. This is the first time the disease has appeared in this county, and Dr. Lytle says it will soon be eradicated.

Beef Prices Are High.

Prineville—Heavy movement of cattle through Prineville was the feature of the week in the local stock market. More than \$100,000 worth of beef on the hoof was sold here in one lot last week.

FORESTERS GAIN ON FIRES.

Believes Flames Will Be Under Control in Few Days.

Forest Service Adds \$20,000 to Fight Oregon Fires.

Washington, D. C.—On account of the danger of a serious forest fire in Oregon, the season having been particularly dry, the forest service has added \$20,000 to the appropriation made this year to the state Forest Fire association. Already the \$25,000 appropriated early in the season and \$20,000 given later, have been used, as much outside help has been necessary to keep down incipient fires.

Albany—In a final effort to check the forest fire on Seven-Mile mountain, the government forest service is sending more men to the fire. In a report to the forest service headquarters here Forest Ranger Stahlman, who is in charge of the fight against this fire, said that while the fire is not yet under control he believes that it can be checked within a day, or two and desperate efforts will be made to hold it within line of defense now established.

Thirty-three men in the government service are now fighting the fire near Elk Lake, on the watershed between the Santiam and Clackamas rivers in Marion county. This fire continues to spread rapidly through an old burn and the firefighters are not attempting to check it there, but are establishing lines to prevent it getting into green timber.

The fire along the North Santiam river, just above Niagara, is checked on the north side of the river. Though it is still burning over a wide area it is not spreading materially. On the south side of the river the fire has developed to dangerous proportions and is still running rapidly.

DEER GROW SCARCE.

Game Warden Finley Makes Tour of Curry County.

Port Orford—William L. Finley, state game warden, passed a day in Port Orford with Governor West's party. His address here was in the interest of the preservation of game in this section. Mr. Finley pointed out that the preservation of Curry county's game would mean a large financial profit to the community. He cited the State of Maine as an example, a state which receives an income running into millions annually from the hunters of Boston, New York and other nearby cities.

As Curry county probably has more game than any other county on the coast, if it is properly protected, it will be a permanent source of revenue. Mr. Finley has been investigating the conditions in Coos and Curry counties, from Bandon to Gold Beach, as to violations of game laws and making arrangements for setting aside several game reserves.

He found a growing sentiment in favor of game protection, and is getting the co-operation of the forest rangers here. He also arranged for appointing several resident wardens to advise and work with the people for the better protection of the game.

HOP PICKERS PLENTIFUL.

More Apply Than Are Needed for Work Starting.

Portland—Hop growers say they have never known a time, when pickers were so plentiful. Some of the larger growers, who opened employment offices in this city, have been turning away pickers for several days. One Washington county grower had his list made up last Friday. Nearly every yard now has its quota of harvest hand engaged. The smaller growers in the more distant sections are likewise having no difficulty in getting the help they need, according to word brought to this city.

It is remarked that the majority of the pickers this year are new arrivals in this section. They know nothing of picking hops and few of them know what hops are like.

The usual attractions are being provided for the pickers at the big yards this season. At the Krebs yard near Independence, where the largest number will congregate, the offer is renewed of a free marriage license, minister's fee, etc., for every couple that will be married on the farm. Krebs also agrees to donate \$50 to each couple to start them out in life.

Van Dyke Loses More Salary.

Salem—Discovery by the attorney-general's office that the oath taken by Edward S. Van Dyke, as deputy district attorney, was sworn in May 25, but not filed with the county clerk until August 25, changes the status of that officer's salary in the First district and the conclusion of the attorney-general has been changed so that Van Dyke will be precluded from collecting his salary prior to August 25, under the law passed last year.

Salmon Quotations Advance.

Astoria—The selling prices for the Alaska canned salmon were announced here at the following prices: Reds, \$1.60; medium, \$1.45; pink, \$1. This is an advance of \$1 a case for reds over the prices prevailing last year. The rates for pinks were made lower than was expected, but this is accounted for by the big run of humpbacks that is reported on Puget Sound.

JEERS DRIVE MAN TO DEATH

Aviator Tries to Make Good in Disabled Aeroplane.

Norton, Kan.—J. F. Frisbie, the Cutiss aviator, was killed by a fall at the Norton County fair. Frisbie met with an accident and only went into the air again when driven to do so by the taunts and jeers of the crowd.

Frisbie fell 125 feet and the engine of his machine fell upon him, crushing his left side and chest. He died an hour later.

Frisbie had been giving exhibitions at Elmwood park for several days. His machine acted badly, and he fell 40 feet, but beyond a few bruises was not injured.

He was skeptical about the ability of his machine to stand another flight and announced that he would not take chances again until the machine was repaired. When this statement was communicated to the crowd there was an angry demonstration. The spectators hooted and shouted "fake," and refused to listen to explanations.

Finally Frisbie announced that rather than have the big crowd go away with the impression that he was not willing to do his best, he would attempt a flight. He ascended from the track without difficulty, and attained a height of 125 feet, but when he attempted to make a turn the planes tipped and he lost control. As he came crashing to earth the spectators could see the aviator trying to right the machine, but as it approached the ground one of the wings struck a barn and the machine glanced off and struck the earth, with Frisbie underneath.

HOLD UP S. P. TRAIN.

Express Safes Blown But Passengers Not Molested.

Ashland, Or.—Five heavily armed and thickly masked men held up the California express, Southern Pacific train No. 15, on a siding at Gibson, Cal., while it was waiting to let the Shasta Limited pass at 9:50 o'clock Saturday night. The robbers looted the strong box in the express car and escaped with the booty. A brakeman on the train saw five men leap into an automobile, which headed for Dunsmuir. This is believed to increase the chance of capturing the robbers.

The express messengers were eating their supper and the side doors of the express car were open. As the train waited, three robbers crawled up from the brush by the siding, covered the messengers with their guns, and scrambled into the car, ordering "hands up."

The express messengers were told to stand with their faces to the wall, and the robbers then blew both safes in the express car, rifled them and escaped, accompanied by two other robbers who had been riding on the roof of the car. No one was hurt. The value of the robbers' booty was not learned.

JOHN D. CUNNING AS BOY.

Coup More Than Half Century Ago Put Future Magnate on Top.

Cleveland, O.—That John D. Rockefeller displaying the same cunning in his boyhood days that has made him the richest man in America, won a hickory-nut fight between schoolboys years ago is shown by an old newspaper discovered by A. L. Bartholomew, president of the First National bank at Preston, Ia.

The fight, which occurred more than half a century ago, was between the boys of Prospect school and Cleveland High school. While his comrades were waging the fight with all their brute strength, Rockefeller, a Prospect boy, shrewdly made a reconnoitering trip and captured a load of ammunition from the High school boys. This coup turned the tide of battle. Other boys lined up with the Prospects who have since become famous were William McKinley, Thomas A. Edison, Mark Hanna and Calvin Brice. Mark Hanna was commander in chief of the Prospects.

Employers Are Liable.

San Francisco—The employers' liability law, enacted by the last legislature and designed for the relief of injured employees, went into effect Sept. 1. Heretofore the law limited the liability of employers to such cases of injury as were caused by the fault of the employer or agent, allowing contributory negligence on the part of the workman to be charged in the defense. The new law abolishes the "fellow servant" and "contributory negligence" defense and holds the employer liable for any injury to employees.

Torreon Still Restive.

Washington, D. C.—Torreon is now the only place in Mexico where conditions are unsatisfactory, according to advices received by the State department. It was here that the great Chinese massacre occurred in the revolution, and local agitators still appear imbued with an anti-foreign disposition. With the coming of disturbances in other parts of the republic, it is believed that the government will soon quell disturbances there.

Electric Lines Merged.

Sacramento—The Pacific Electric Railway company, of Los Angeles, capitalized at \$100,000,000, filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state here. A filing fee of more than \$10,000 was paid. The new concern comprises eight electric railways radiating from Los Angeles.

HARRIMAN LINES REJECT DEMANDS

Absolutely Refuse to Recognize Federation of Employees.

Kline, for Men, Makes Plea on Economic Grounds—Officials Say Duty to Public Prevents.

San Francisco—The Southern Pacific company, through Julius Kruttschnitt, vice president and director of maintenance of the Harriman lines, absolutely rejected a demand for recognition of the Federation of Railway Employees, composing five shop trades and 25,000 men. This would hamper the company in performing its duty to the public, was the position taken by the officials. Union leaders asked for it on grounds of economy and expedition and admittedly because of a feeling that greater centralization of capital and power made corresponding centralization among various unions desirable.

The unions involved had asked permission of their general officers to strike in event of the refusal of recognition.

A conference lasting three hours and 20 minutes was terminated by Mr. Kruttschnitt's final answer and following it the union representatives, sober-faced, went into session themselves, to consider the strike vote, which they may accept as binding, or may reject, refusing to sanction a strike.

"Our meeting with Mr. Kruttschnitt was without result," said J. W. Kline. "Neither side would concede anything. The demand that he recognize the Federation was presented to Mr. Kruttschnitt, but he refused to grant it. However, we still have hope of avoiding a strike."

Mr. Kline said later: "Owing to the deadlock between the committee and Mr. Kruttschnitt, it is practically certain that the officers and members of the unions involved will be called to San Francisco immediately for consultation.

"The international officers now here have not receded from their demand that the Federation be recognized.

"The railroads recognize and deal with collective transportation organizations. They should receive the shop trades on the same basis," Mr. Kline added.

"Joint action is recognized on 14 railroad systems with entire success, and the Harriman lines will have to come to it."

FRANCE IS NERVOUS.

Business Interests Feel Tension of War Situation.

Paris—The nervousness of the business world over the unsettled Franco-German negotiations relative to Morocco reacted Saturday on the Bourse. Transactions were limited, nearly the whole list being weak.

Much uncertainty has been caused in official circles here by the action of the Spanish government in choosing the present time to occupy Sainte Croix la Mineur, on the Moroccan coast, 58 miles south of Agadir, under the terms of the treaty of 1860 with Morocco.

The French foreign office continues to assert confidence in an early settlement, because of the extent of the compensations offered to Germany, but the real difficulty in the way of an early settlement, it is believed, lies in the special commercial and mining guarantees which Germany may seek in Morocco, as nothing can be given Germany in Morocco which Great Britain does not possess. Besides, anything like special privileges would afford endless occasions for the reopening of the controversy on questions of interpretation.

Cough Permit Granted.

Denver—Ole Skinden, a victim of asthma, who came here for his health from New York, appeared before the health officer and requested a permit to cough in Denver streets. He said that when he sits on the curb and begins to cough the first policeman who comes along arrests him and sends him to jail in the ambulance, charging him with disturbing the peace. The health officer issued an order authorizing him to cough in the street and told him to have the captain of police O. K. it.

Mexicans Show Fraud.

Mexico City—Jose Pino Suarez had 615 votes as a result of the progressive convention's first ballot for a vice presidential candidate. Dr. F. V. Gomez received 600, Fernando Iglesias Calderon, 321, and Alfredo Dominguez 319. Shouting charges of corruption and yelling that the supporters of Suarez had bought votes, the supporters of Gomez marched out of the convention, stopping the balloting for the time.

New Revolt Breaks Out.

El Paso, Texas—According to a special from Hermosilla, the state of Sinaloa, Mexico, is in rebellion against the Mexican government. Governor Juan Banderez heads the revolt, declaring for an independent state.