

CURRENT EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Wings of the World at Large Told in Brief.

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

...sits in the Portland Postal Savak have reached \$33,765.

...can soldiers killed a number of us Indians near Chiapas.

...dians oppose reciprocity on the that it is a step towards an...

...latest official returns from the election give the "wets" a majority of 26.

...Fire destroyed nine large oil storage tanks near Los Angeles, causing a loss of \$500,000.

...The State bank examiner of Ohio has closed the Metropolitan Bank & Trust company of Cincinnati.

...Premier Stolypin, of Russia, died from a bullet wound inflicted by an assassin, and Russian revolutionists are becoming active.

...C. P. Rodgers, the aviator who is making the trip from the Atlantic to the Pacific in an aeroplane, struck a tree and smashed his machine, and has returned to New York.

...A lioness at Lincoln Park, Chicago, gave birth to two cubs, and then refused to care for them, and a Boston carrier whose eight puppies had been named has adopted the cubs.

...Dr. Inazo Nitobe, of the Imperial University of Japan, says California's aid of laborers will overcome her prejudice against Japanese and she will be glad to have them come here.

...High officials of the province of Szechuen have been arrested as instigators of the present Chinese rebellion.

...A Russian patrol boat arrested several Japanese sailing schooners who were poaching seal skins on Russian waters.

...Premier Stolypin, of Russia, is shot and mortally wounded by an assassin.

...J. J. Hill says empty stomachs will not be driving people back to the farm.

...The British consul at Ichang, China, predicts the worst famine ever known in that country.

...Governors of 24 states have written to the U. S. Supreme court against the Minnesota rate decision, alleging it is a violation of state rights.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat — Track prices: Bluestem, 82¢; club, 82¢; red Russian, 82¢; valley, 82¢; 40-fold, 83¢; 48¢; 56¢; 83¢.

Middlings — Bran, \$24.50@25.00; middlings, \$32; shorts, \$25.50@26; rolled barley, \$33.50@34.50.

Corn — Whole, 43¢; cracked, 34¢.

Barley — New feed, \$31@32 per ton; brewing, \$36@37.

Oats — New white, \$29 per ton.

Hay — No. 1 Eastern Oregon, timothy, \$15@16; No. 1 valley, \$14; alfalfa, \$12; clover, \$8.50; grain hay, \$9@11.

Poultry — Hens, 16¢@17¢; springs, 17¢; ducks, young, 16¢; geese, 11¢@12¢; turkeys, 18¢@19¢.

Butter — Oregon creamery, solid pack, 31¢; prints, extra.

Eggs — Fresh Oregon ranch, candled, 21¢ dozen.

Pork — Fancy, 10¢@11¢ pound.

Veal — Fancy, 13¢@13¢ pound.

Fresh Fruits — Cantaloupes, 75¢@85¢; peaches, 50¢@75¢; watermelons, 75¢@1.25 per hundred; plums, 75¢ crate; prunes, 75¢ box; pears, 65¢@90¢ box; grapes, 75¢@1.25 box; apples, \$1@2.50.

Vegetables — Beans, 50¢@55¢; cabbages, \$1.50@2 per hundredweight; corn, 25¢@30¢ dozen; cucumbers, \$1@1.25 sack; eggplant, 15¢@18¢ pound; garlic, 10¢@12¢ pound; lettuce, 40¢@50¢ dozen; hothouse lettuce, \$1.25@1.75 box; peppers, 50¢@60¢ pound; radishes, 12¢ dozen; tomatoes, 35¢@75¢ box; carrots, \$1.50 per sack; turnips, \$1; beets, \$1.75.

Potatoes — Oregon, 14¢ pound; sweet potatoes, 24¢ pound.

Onions — California, \$1.50 hundred.

Hops — 1911 contracts, 35¢@36¢; 1909 crop, nominal, olds, nominal.

Wool — Eastern Oregon, 96¢@100¢ per pound, according to shrinkage; valley, 15¢@17¢; mohair, choice, 36¢@37¢.

Cattle — Choice steers, \$5.50@5.80; poor, \$5.25@5.50; fair, \$5@5.25; medium, \$4.75@5; poor, \$3.75@4.50; choice cows, \$4.25@4.70; fair, \$3.85@4.10; common, \$2.50@3; extra choice spayed heifers, \$4.75@4.90; choice heifers, \$4.50@4.75; choice bulls, \$3@3.25; good, \$2.75@3; common, \$2@2.50; choice calves, 200 pounds and under, \$7.25@7.50; good to choice, \$6@6.50; common, \$4@5; choice stags, \$4.50@4.75; good, \$4.25@4.50.

Hogs — Choice light hogs, \$8.25@8.50; good to choice \$8@8.25; fair, \$7.75@8; common, \$7@7.25.

Sheep — Choice yearling wethers, course wool, \$3.35@3.65; choice yearling wethers, east of mountains, \$3.35@3.65; choice twos and threes, \$3@3.25; choice mountain lambs, \$4.50@4.65; good to choice lambs, \$4.25@4.50; culls, \$2.50@3.

FOOD RIOTERS KILLED.

Austrian Mob Demands Cheaper Living and Soldiers Fire.

Vienna — Traceable to the high prices of the necessities of life, riots broke out here and many persons were killed or wounded. Troops fired on the mob, which had erected barricades in the street. There was a fierce exchange of bullets and the soldiers were pelted with all sorts of missiles.

Following a huge Socialist demonstration outside the Rathaus held in protest against the high prices of food, troops were ordered out to disperse the crowd. In the early clashes 50 civilians were wounded and 100 arrested.

Fifty thousand persons were present at the demonstration and fiery speeches were made demanding that the government permit the importation of foreign meat and take measures to remedy the conditions that have resulted from the prohibitory increase in the price of food.

After the meeting a large procession marched to the parliament buildings cheering for revolution and Portugal. Revolvers were fired in the air and then the mob began stone-throwing. The windows of many public and private buildings, restaurants and tramcars and street lamps were smashed.

Finally a squadron of dragoons and a detachment of infantry charged the rioters and dispersed them. The mobs reassembled, however, in the suburbs, which are occupied by the working class, where they wrecked more property. The troops were retained throughout the day, guarding the imperial palace and government buildings and holding approaches to the inner city.

Toward evening the rioting became more serious. The mob demolished the street lamps on the main thoroughfares, plunging the streets into darkness. They hurled missiles of various kinds on the soldiers from the upper windows of houses.

The order was at length given to the troops to fire. At the first volley many rioters fell, either killed or wounded.

Several of the soldiers and policemen were also wounded and 100 more of those engaged in the conflict were placed under arrest.

TO MAKE LONG WINTER TRIP.

Alaska Prospector to Travel to Spokane by Dog Team.

Spokane — Twenty-six hundred miles by dog team from the Arctic ocean via the MacKenzie river to Spokane is a trip to be undertaken the coming winter by E. S. Dowling, of Spokane, who is prospecting on the delta of the northern stream and along the shore of the sea. Writing from Fort McPherson, Dowling says: "There have been but few white men over these arctic wilds, and those who have made the trip have told so little that the lay reader has not even the remotest idea of what it all means. From the beginning at Athabasca Landing, Alberta, Canada, the trip is full of thrilling experiences, which cannot be told in a letter of ordinary length. I have arranged to pass several years in prospecting, but if all goes well I shall make the trip to Spokane with my dogs and sled during the winter."

ROYAL TROOPS ROUTED.

Chinese Rebels Ambush Detachment of Cavalry.

Chung Kian — Late advices from Tsung Chau say that a detachment of cavalry numbering 100 which had left Cheng-tu and had proceeded as far as the Lang Tchen hills, were ambushed by the revolutionists and routed. The survivors returned to Cheng-tu.

The royal troops reoccupied Keng-chau on September 14. It is believed the viceroy at Cheng-tu has arranged for an ultimate retreat to the yamen, which has been fortified. The buildings surrounding the yamen have been demolished. The situation in the Szechuen capital is considered more hopeful.

Etna Too Hot to Climb.

Catania, Sicily — An attempt to ascend Mount Etna was made Sunday, but it was impossible to get nearer than 50 feet from one of the craters, owing to the intense heat and thick smoke in which no one could live. The eruption of lava continues. Near the source the river of lava flows swiftly, outdistancing men who ran along its edge. Great masses of rock wrenched from the crater's edge float and roll down the slope, slowly liquefying. The constant cannoning of the volcano is fairly deafening.

Gowns Ordered Abroad.

New York — Hopes of a speedy settlement of the women's tailor strike were abandoned Monday following a fruitless conference of union representatives and employers. The employers declared the union had broken promises to arbitrate, and demanded concessions the employers could not grant. Proprietors of leading shops said the strike has already resulted in many orders for gowns being sent abroad to Paris, London and Vienna.

Kermis Donates Goats.

Washington, D. C. — The skeletons and salted hides of three mountain goats killed by Kermit Roosevelt during his recent hunt in Arizona, New Mexico and old Mexico have reached the Smithsonian institution as donations from Young Roosevelt.

Idaho Gets More Postal Banks.

Washington, D. C. — Postal savings banks are to be opened October 1 at Meridian, Wendell and Albion, Idaho.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF OUR HOME STATE

OREGON APPLES SAFE.

Fruit Not in Danger From California Competition.

Forest Grove — H. C. Atwell, of Forest Grove, president of the State Horticultural society, has just returned from a trip to California, where he went to judge the fruit at the second annual Gravenstein Apple show, held at Sebastopol, in Sonoma county, where the Gravenstein apple is extensively raised. Several carloads of apples were exhibited and more than \$2,000 disbursed in premiums.

"Oregon apple growers have nothing to fear from competition of California apples," said Mr. Atwell. "Aside from two or three mountain valleys of very limited extent, the Pajaro valley produces virtually all the winter apples grown in that state.

"The apple trade there is entirely in the hands of Slavonians. It is said that only one American has ever been able to break into it. These foreign dealers buy the crop on the trees, pick and pack it themselves and cater, for the most part, to the cheaper trade. Such methods are not conducive to careful packing or high prices. This Pajaro valley is the only California district shipping winter apples beyond that state.

"As a past and prospective pruner, I was encouraged at being assured by leading California horticulturists that successive years of low prices and the growing popularity of the Oregon prune in Eastern markets, has led to the uprooting and neglect of large areas of California prune orchards, so that the production is now not much more than half what it was ten years ago."

Mr. Atwell declares that, aside from apples, prunes, pears and loganberries will be the horticultural leaders of the Willamette valley, since the land in this locality is admirably adapted for these fruits. He urges that more scientific methods be employed, both in the raising and in the packing and shipping.

RAIN AID TO FRUIT.

Hood River Orchardist Sees Big Crop Next Year.

Hood River — "The heavy rain of the past week will go far toward insuring a good crop of apples for the Hood River valley next year," says C. R. Bone, one of the valley's pioneer orchardists. "It was the heaviest early rainfall that I have ever seen for this section of the state or Eastern Oregon. In 1893, we had a similar rain, but the precipitation then was not so great.

"At that time the grain farmers of Eastern Oregon handled their crops rather lazily and when the heavy downpour came, they were all caught. Except what was threshed, the whole crop was entirely ruined, and with few exceptions every merchant from Portland to Spokane went broke. The rain taught the wheat farmers a lesson, and since then they have hastened the harvesting of the crop.

"For the past decade the fall season has grown more erratic. I think that the clearing of the timber of the Hood River valley has had an effect toward decreasing the summer rains. Over in Central Oregon, however, the cultivation of the soil has increased the summer precipitation.

"The soaking showers of last week will strengthen the fruit spurs. It will take the place of September irrigation and will be far more valuable. With a few more showers and sunshine and intermingling frosts to color the fruit the present year's crop should mature in excellent condition."

HOP ANALYSIS PLANNED.

Oregon Agricultural College Students to Study Samples.

Corvallis — Professor H. V. Tartar, of the chemistry department at the Oregon Agricultural college, is now in the hop districts, where he will collect samples of hops to be used during the coming winter by the students in chemistry in making analysis. Professor Tartar's investigations during the past year have shown that the chemical qualities of the Pacific Coast hops, especially in the amount of bitter they contain, are equal to any grown in the world. He intends to put the judging of hops for commercial purposes on a scientific basis.

Siuslaw Country Worries Over Roads.

Florence — Speculation is rife here as to which or how many railroads are to gain an entrance to the Siuslaw country. Right of way has been bought in the vicinity of Mapleton by a representative of the Hill lines, and several ranches in the vicinity of Washink lake have been sold to parties thought to be acting as agents for railroad companies. The Southern Pacific has announced that it will build here.

Extension Work Begins.

Albany — Actual work on the grading of the Oregon Electric has begun in Linn county. A crew of 65 teams and 125 men has gone to work just south of the Santiam river. The contractors in charge of the work say that the crew will be increased to 100 teams and about 200 men as soon as possible.

LANE CROPS IN GOOD SHAPE.

Hops and Prunes Not Damaged, So Growers Report.

Eugene — In spite of the recent unprecedented hail storm and the unusually heavy rain of the last ten days, Lane county's hop and prune crops have not suffered disastrous damage. In many of the hop yards the storm blew down the poles and vines, but by quick picking the crop can be saved.

The hail apparently shattered very few hops from the vines, more damage resulting from the blowing down of the poles.

The chief difficulty confronting the hopmen is to keep the pickers in the yards. Large numbers of them are breaking their camps and leaving for their homes because of the extremely disagreeable weather. Growers will probably have to offer bonuses to the pickers, as under the weather conditions rapid picking is imperative.

The amount of damage done in different yards varies. At the old Neis yard just above Springfield, the unpicked crop is virtually ruined. At the Campbell & Walker yard, between Eugene and Springfield, the damage was heavy, the vines being blown down and badly damaged. At the Seavy yard on the McKenzie, the largest in the county, the damage was slight.

Seventy acres of vines fell to the ground when the rain first began, but most of the hops were saved. The Bushnell yard, just north of town, has suffered little damage as yet, and the Thornsbury yard on Patterson island is only slightly injured.

Prunes and peaches have so far been little damaged, owing largely to the fact that the season is very late and the crop has ripened slowly.

BENTON COUNTY WINS.

Gets Prize for Best County Exhibit for Fourth Time.

Salem — Benton county, for the fourth time in succession, walked off with the capital prize of \$300 for the best county exhibit at the State fair. The display was collected and arranged by W. F. Groves, and the exhibit was financed by the Corvallis Commercial club. The other winners in the order of award were: Clackamas, \$250; Polk, \$200; Columbia, \$150; Clatsop, \$100, and Coos, \$100.

The display of the winning county is largely of fruits and vegetables. Mr. Groves says that in considerable degree the award was the result of the great care taken in arranging the fruits and vegetables so that the colors harmonized, making it easy for the judges to pick out their good points. L. L. Smith, of Spokane, judged the exhibits.

MAY TALK TO 1,000,000.

Oregon Will Have Chance to Get Settlers From East.

Salem — Oregon is to have an opportunity to talk to at least 1,000,000 persons who desire to settle in the West. It is up to Oregon to prepare the prettiest speech possible and illustrate it with the pictures which tell more plainly than words, the delightful character of the climate, the wonderful brotherhood existing within the borders of the state, and the luxurious crops which are to be gathered from a minimum of work from horticultural land which may be purchased new as cheap as agricultural land.

This was the basis of a special message conveyed to the public at the semi-centennial of the Oregon State Fair by William McMurray, general passenger agent of the Harriman lines in Oregon.

LOSS AT LEBANON IS \$10,000.

Crops Injured, Gardens Wasted, Windows Broken By Hail.

Lebanon — Lebanon and vicinity were visited by the worst hail storm ever seen here. The damage done in this city by the wind and hail will amount to at least \$10,000. Hardly a house in town escaped without broken windows, and there are ten broken panes in the home of Mayor Reeves alone.

Melons and tomatoes were just beginning to come into the market, and all those that were in the line of the storm were destroyed. The telephone lines are so badly crippled that it is hard to tell the extent of the damage in the country.

Prune Crop Not Injured.

Albany — Prospects are good for an average prune crop in this part of the state. The prunes have suffered slightly from the recent rains, but unless heavy rains continue the loss will not be great. Aside from the damage from the rain the hop crop in the few yards in this part of the state is about 25 per cent short. What hops have been picked are said to be all right, but the rain may seriously damage those yet in the yards.

Dead Grouse Penalty Big.

Pendleton — The sum of \$87.50 is the price George Mottett, a prominent Walla Walla resident, was compelled to pay for the privilege of killing a grouse in Umatilla county, Oregon, before the season opened. A few minutes before Tom Vaughan, a well-known Umatilla Indian, paid \$78.80 for the privilege of killing a deer before the season opened.

WILEY FULLY EXONERATED.

President Expresses Sympathy for Pure Food Expert.

Washington, D. C. — President Taft has reversed the recommendation of the personnel of the board of the department of agriculture, with its endorsement by Attorney-General Wickens with reference to the case of Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, chief of the bureau of chemistry and the best-known food expert in the country. The attorney general had advised "condign punishment" of Wiley. President Taft softens the reversal of his adviser's finding by saying that if he had had the full record before him he probably would have held differently.

Next to the vindication of Wiley itself, Washington is most interested in the paragraph of the president's letter in which he says that "the broader issues raised by the investigation, which have a much weightier relation than this one to the general efficiency of the department, may require more radical action than the question I have considered and decided." This is taken to presage a "shake-up" in the department.

CRACKSMEN GET \$315,000 FROM BANK OF MONTREAL.

New Westminster, B. C. — What is believed to be the largest cash bank robbery recorded in police annals of the world occurred in this city at an early hour Saturday morning, when skilled yeggmen carried away loot totaling \$315,000 from the branch of the Bank of Montreal, making their escape in an automobile.

Though the safe was blown, no explosion was heard in the early morning stillness, owing to the fact that the robbers had carefully and cleverly planned their work by muffling the nitro-glycerine and safe door in the bed-clothing belonging to the bank's night watchman, who had the day before started on his annual vacation and for some reason or other no one was in the bank at the time the robbery occurred.

It was close to 4 o'clock when the Chinese janitor of the bank, who has been in the service of the institution for the past 10 years, made his usual entrance by the front door, preparatory to cleaning up the office, and the robbery had been completed and the robbers made their escape before that time.

WEALTH FOR POTATO MEN.

Japanese Grower Will Have Half Million Profit.

Stockton, Cal. — Those who have been keeping a close watch upon the potato market and the acreage planted in San Joaquin county declare that George Shima, the Japanese potato king, will clear about \$500,000 this season, even if tubers sell part of the time for less than \$1. At present they are selling for \$1.15 to \$1.25, and they have ranged as high as \$2.65. The Idaho crop will not be ready to ship for two weeks yet and the Southern and Middle states trade will be supplied exclusively by San Joaquin county firms.

The estimated acreage planted in potatoes in the San Joaquin delta section this year is 40,000. Some of the early potatoes were frosted and two or three crops were damaged.

No break in the prices for weeks to come is expected. There are many other large growers in addition to Shima who will make fortunes from their potatoes, as they can be grown at a profit at 80 cents a sack. The commission men and shippers are sending out from 15 to 40 carloads daily, and in some instances as high as 60 cars have been moved from this section in a day.

Acquitted Man Guilty.

Seattle, Wash. — After the jury in the grand larceny case of the state against John Faletti had brought in a verdict of not guilty in Judge Gay's court in the Superior court, the court in astonishment told the jury that the verdict was a miscarriage of justice and that the man was plainly guilty. Then the prisoner, who had fought the case desperately, rose to his feet and assured the jury that the judge was right. "I appropriated the \$150," he said. "I needed it and so retained it."

Arsenal Reported Taken.

Washington, D. C. — State department cable advices from Charge d'Affaires Williams at Pekin say that the government troops are confronted not by an unorganized mob of civilians, but by trained soldiers, who hold the approaches to Cheng-tu, and Mr. Williams believes, have possession of the arsenal and magazine at the city's south gate. The cable messages reported fighting at Kiating, 200 miles from Cheng-tu.

Maine Now Appears "Dry."

Portland, Me. — Unofficial returns of Monday's election compiled here indicate a majority of 361 in favor of retention of the prohibition clause in the constitution, with seven towns still in dispute. The vote reported from these towns, the correctness of which the clerks have affirmed, is sufficient to overthrow the majority of 134 in favor of repeal as shown by the figures of the secretary of state.

Man, 96, Walks to Texas.

Stillwater, Okla. — Walking from Pocatello, Idaho, to Austin, Texas, to see his three children before he dies, Marcus Goff, 96 years old, arrived here Saturday. He is a veteran of the Mexican and Civil wars, and took part in a number of campaigns against Western Indians.

AUTO PLUNGES THROUGH CROWD

Nine Dead and Fourteen Badly Injured.

Racing Machine Bursts Tire and Leaves Track—President Taft Had Just Left Scene.

Syracuse, N. Y. — Nine persons were killed and 14 injured, some of them seriously, as a result of an accident in the closing miles of a 150-mile race at the State Fair track here when a Knox racing car, driven by Lee Oldfield, leaped from the track, crashed through the fences surrounding it, and plunged into the throng that lined the side of the speedway.

Six of the nine persons were killed outright, and three were so badly injured that they died on the way to the hospital.

The injured include Lee Oldfield, driver of the car, and one woman. It is believed that several of the injured cannot live.

The accident came as the fatal termination of a day that undoubtedly was the biggest the State Fair has ever known in point of attendance and attractions.

The honored guest of the day was President Taft. It was but a short time after he had left the grounds that the tragedy occurred. Just before he departed, President Taft took a short ride in an automobile on the track, which was wet to keep the dust from the president and his party. It is believed that the wet track was responsible for the accident. Several of the drivers refused to start in the race until the track had dried off somewhat.

GIANT BUBBLE OF LAVA.

Incandescence Adds to Wonder of Hawaiian Scene.

Los Angeles — Mail advices from Honolulu tell of the most amazing phenomenon ever observed within the crater of a volcano by a white man. It was no less than a tremendous bubble of lava, inflated by gas from the very center of the earth, which supported an island as it floated across a lake of fiery liquid. Frank A. Perret, the scientist who observed it, estimated that it covered an area of 3,000 square feet, and he was fortunate enough to secure a few photographs, although conditions were far from favorable for picture-taking.

"The bubble was a huge, sausage-shaped affair, inflated with volcanic gas and composed of lava glass," says the scientist in his report. "A lava fountain, boiling continuously under the eastern end, gave the appearance of a screw propeller and the amazing contrivance seemed to be navigating the lake like a great whale-back steamer.

"There was an island of black crust, which, when it began to sink, evolved a great quantity of gas, which blew the bubble of lava glass and this in turn sustained the island and prevented it from sinking. It made several tours of the lake before it disappeared from sight at last." All this was observed in the volcano Halemaumau, and Perret and two Japanese assistants were the only ones who saw it. They believe it may never be given to man to witness such a sight again.

CHINOOK JARGON ASKS TAFT.

President to Be Guest of Seattle Press Club on Visit.

Seattle, Wash. — "Copa Tyee Taft" was the unusual address on a document mailed here 10 days ago. It was the invitation of the Seattle Press club, written in Chinook jargon to President Taft that he become the guest of the club during his visit here. "For Chief Taft" is the translation. On that slender address the document was taken in charge by Postmaster George F. Beverly and was delivered promptly at Beverly, Mass.

The president has accepted the invitation, which was handsomely engrossed. It follows:

"Copa Tyee copa nesika illahee, Seattle tsam tillucums copa klaska tyees, delate ticke mika chaco copa nesika illahee, tenas lala mika midtite yakwa.

"Conoway copa Boston illahee mika nanetch tillucums klaxta ticke mash copa mika kloshe tumtum pe nesika wawa delate halo mika iskum conoway elip hiyu khoma."

Hillman Escapes Jail.

Seattle — C. D. Hillman, the real estate dealer convicted of using the mails to defraud, who is at liberty pending the decision of the Circuit Court of Appeals, on \$200,000 bail, narrowly escaped being remanded to jail Saturday. Following a dispute with C. N. Gill, a real estate dealer of Tacoma, who, with his wife, is on Hillman's bond for \$25,000, a deputy United States marshal was sent for and Gill announced his intention of surrendering Hillman to the court for safe-keeping.

Any Woman is Too Good.

New York — "Most any woman a man happens to meet is too good for him," was the reply of Mayor Gaynor to a letter from a resident of Arkansas City, Kan., who asked the mayor to find him a wife. "Do you not know the proverb that he who goes far away from home for a wife is apt to be fooled? And then, again, how could I recommend any good girl to you? You may not be as attractive as you think you are."