WORLD HAPPENINGS OF CURRENT WEEK

Brief Resume Most Important Daily News Items.

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Events of Noted People, Governments and Pacific Northwest, and Other Things Worth Knowing.

The First National bank at Finleyville, Pa., was held up and robbed of $115,000 in cash and bonds Monday.

A reward of 100,000 pesos for the death or capture of Francisco Villa has been offered by the government of the state of Chihuahua.

Mrs. Eleanor Hodgman Porter, authoress, known especially for her "Pollyanna" stories, died at her home in Cambridge, Mass., Friday night.

Brigadier-General C. M. Bailey, U. S. A., retired, died in Chicago Saturday. General Bailey was born in New York in 1841. He was retired in 1899.

A 7-cent fare on the Seattle municipal street railway is provided in the ordinance which was presented to the city council as an emergency measure.

Scrubwomen, elevator men, janitors and window washers in the Chicago federal building will resign July 1 unless they are granted an increase in pay.

An increase of $12,745,000 in the appropriation of the army air service is tentatively agreed to by the senate. The house fixed the air service fund at $27,255,000.

Flour made a further decline in price at the largest Minneapolis mills Monday, family patent flour being quoted at $14.75 to $15 a barrel in 98-pound cotton sacks in carload lots.

The Walker bill was signed by Governor Smith of New York Monday. The law legalizes the manufacture and sale of beer containing not more than 2.75 per cent of alcohol by weight.

One person dead and more than 10 injured was the toll of two tornadoes that Saturday swept Castle Rock, Minn., a town of 200 population, and a strip of countryside near Red Wing, Minn.

Governor Ben Olcott of Oregon, with Lieutenant R. M. Kelley as pilot, reached Stockton, Cal., at 2:40 P. M. Monday by airplane after a flight which extended from the Canadian boundary.

From $60 to $120 a gallon is the ruling price for whisky in illicit trade, according to Secretary Houston. Mr. Houston wrote congress requesting $1,500,000 for 1000 watchmen to guard bonded warehouses next year.

The three shoe factories in Marlboro, Mass., of Rice & Hutchins, Inc., will be shut down for a week beginning Wednesday, it is announced. "General business conditions" were given as the reason. The plants employ 2500 persons.

An unconfirmed report was received in El Paso, Tex., Sunday that General Francisco Villa had ordered American and other foreign-owned mining companies in Chihuahua to pay him $500,000 and that he had cut the power line between Boquillas and Parral.

A detachment of cavalry from Fort Myer was called out Sunday night to disperse a mob of more than a thousand persons which surrounded the jail at Alexandria courthouse, 12 miles from the limits of the District of Columbia. The mob was attempting to obtain possession of William Turner, a negro.

Americans have evinced no great determination to become possessors of articles once belonging to ex-Kaiser Wilhelm. Seven lots of gold-embroidered velvet haugings from the throne-room of the imperial palace at Berlin were knocked down under the auctioneer's hammer in New York Saturday for only $305.

Authority to accept for the United States a mandatory over Armenia was asked of congress Monday by President Wilson. The executive said he was conscious he was "urging a very critical choice," but that he did so "in the earnest belief it will be the wish of the people of the United States that this should be done."

Indianapolis.—Estimates based on incomplete reports from all parts of the country received here indicated that the American Legion had added between 400,000 and half a million new members to its rolls in the nation-wide membership campaign of last week. New York, Texas, California, Virginia, Ohio, Illinois and Pennsylvania all appear as contestants for first place in the race on the basis of early returns.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Salem.—E. P. Ransom of Freewater has filed application with the state engineer to appropriate water from the east branch of Crockett creek for the irrigation of 10 acres in Umatilla county.

Salem.—Each of the 100 Salem Cherrians has pledged himself to obtain 10 automobiles to transport Shriners in attendance at the annual conclave of the order in Portland next June to this city. The excursion to the capital city will be made on June 23.

Albany.—Taxes in the total sum of $453,914.55 have been collected by Sheriff Kendall on the 1919 assessment roll in Linn county. This represents 58.87 per cent of the total of the roll. Last year the "first half" payments represented 59.79 per cent of the roll.

Eugene.—Business men and college students are urged in a letter received here by Will G. Steel, secretary of the Eugene chamber of commerce, from the secretary of agriculture, to spend their summer vacations working on farms in order to increase the food production of the country this year.

Salem.—Hal Hibbard Camp, Spanish War Veterans, at a meeting here last week, went on record opposing the pardon of Henry Albers of Portland, who is under sentence for uttering seditious statements during the war. Copies of the protest will be sent to President Wilson and Oregon's representatives in congress.

Salem.—An engineer employed by the Portland & Southeastern railroad, in a statement given out here, indicated that as soon as litigation involving rights of way for the line extending from Mount Angel to Stayton, Mehama and through Minto Pass to eastern Oregon was settled in the courts, work on the road would be resumed.

The Dalles.—Upon receipt of news of his wife's illness, Thomas Fargher Jr. of Dufur section hurriedly boarded an airplane Wednesday morning in Portland, and with Walter Lees as pilot made the fastest time ever flown from Portland to The Dalles, covering the distance in 70 minutes. The plane then flew on to Mr. Fargher's farm at Dufur.

Astoria.—"We shall erect and operate three or four lumber manufacturing plants in the northwest in the immediate future and one of these undoubtedly will be located on the Columbia river, not far from Astoria," said R. A. Long of Kansas City, president of the Long-Bell Lumber company, who left Friday afternoon with his party for Seattle.

Salem.—Ten thousand letters containing report blanks and notices regarding the payment of annual license fees were mailed out Wednesday by J. H. Schulderman, state corporation commissioner. Mr. Schulderman estimates that between $250,000 and $300,000 will be collected by the corporation department during the months of June, July and August.

Salem.—The decision of Judge Skipworth of Lane county, who recently enjoined the state highway commission from proceeding with the construction of the so-called Canyonville cut-off section of the Pacific highway in Douglas county, is to be appealed to the Oregon supreme court for final determination, according to announcement made here by J. M. Devers, attorney for the highway department.

Hood River.—Because purchasers, for whom the fruit has been held in storage here, have been unable to receive it, apple shipments have been held up and the Apple Growers' association announces that the last of the 1919 crop will not be shipped before the middle of the week. Nine cars of apples remained in refrigeration at the association plants. All fruit had been shipped two months earlier last year

Pendleton.—A dozen blocks of the residence section of Pendleton, in the east end of the city, were flooded Wednesday morning, when the Byers mill-race, which skirts that section of the town, broke through its banks. The Oregon-Washington railroad tracks were undermined for several feet and traffic delayed for five hours. No serious losses were reported, but numerous chickens were drowned and many lawns covered with mud and debris.

Salem.—Bonds in the sum of $100,000, voted by the Ochoco irrigation district, were certified Tuesday by the irrigation securities commission. This makes a total of $1,350,000 in bonds certified for the development of this project. The Ochoco district contains approximately 22,000 acres in Crook county, and the bonds certified will complete development of the project. A dam 125 feet in height already has been completed and water is being placed on the land.

JOHNSON VICTOR BY SMALL MARGIN

Wood Vote Creeps Up as Count Progresses.

CHAMBERLAIN WINS

Stanfield Heads Ticket for U. S. Senatorship—Capital Punishment Is Favored Again.

With all but one small precinct in Multnomah county accounted for in the returns and with numerous other counties incomplete, Hiram Johnson is holding his lead over Leonard Wood for the Oregon presidential preference by the narrow margin of 510 votes.

Johnson's lead as shown on the first returns that had been received Sunday was cut down materially in the all but complete count in Multnomah county. One basis on which he had a lead of more than 1700 in the state at large was a lead of more than 1500 in Multnomah. But the missing precincts in Multnomah as they came in gradually ate into this lead until the count closed with Johnson leading in the county by only 1122.

The count now stands, including Multnomah county:

Presidential preference—Wood, 40,109; Johnson, 40,619; Hoover, 13,036; Lowden, 14,487—Johnson's lead 510.

United States Senator George E. Chamberlain continues to lead Starkweather for the Democratic nomination. Throughout the state, with incomplete returns from 26 counties, including complete returns from 225 Multnomah precincts, Chamberlain is virtually two to one ahead of Starkweather.

Stanfield is 11,857 votes ahead of Abraham for the Republican senatorial nomination, with the lead increasing as the returns continue to come in.

Senator Chamberlain has, according to the latest returns tabulated, a total vote of 6332 in the state at large, including Multnomah county, while Starkweather has received 3563 votes, a Chamberlain lead of 2769. The Multnomah count gives Chamberlain 3134 votes to 1705 for Starkweather, a Multnomah lead of 1429.

All measures on the state ballot were approved, the only close contest being over the proposal to restore capital punishment. Opinion of voters was fairly well divided on this matter, but the measure has carried bringing back the death penalty.

Service Men Fail to Receive $127,150 In Liberty Bonds

Liberty Bonds to the value of $127,150 belonging to 2,543 ex-service men have been returned to Washington by the Post Office Department because of incorrect address, according to Lieutenant Colonel Mathew C. Smith, head of the Service Information Branch of the War Department, in a statement issued today. Veterans who have not received their bonds at this late date are advised to write to the Zone Finance Officer, Washington, D. C., giving their name, army serial number, organization, and address.

There are also on file with the Zone Finance Officer 7,059 discharge certificates which cannot be delivered to their owners because they were mailed in without return address, or mailed out and returned undelivered. Alphabetical lists by states of these undeliverable discharge certificates have been furnished to all senators and congressmen, with the request that they be given the widest publicity possible.

In April, 7,384 Liberty Bonds to the value of $369,200 were mailed, making a total of 1,077,978 bonds of various issues to the par value of $53,898,900 now delivered to ex-service men.

During the same month the $60 bonus was paid to 3,960 ex-soldiers who did not receive it at the time of their discharge.

Ex-service men who still have claims to be adjusted with the various Government agencies should address Lieutenant Colonel Mathew C. Smith, Council of National Defense Building, Washington, D. C.

Mexico City, Mexico.—V. Carranza, who fled from this city on May 6, and who took flight into the mountains of Puebla following a battle near Rinconada, was killed at 1 o'clock Thursday morning at Tiaxcalaltongo, according to official announcement here.

Carranza's companions, the names of whom are not as yet known, are declared to have shared his fate. The attack which resulted in the death of the president was led by General Rodolfo Serrera, it is said.

PRICES ARE ON TOBOGGAN

Food, Clothing and Other Necessaries Quoted Lower.

Chicago.—A wave of price-cutting in retail clothing costs reaching from the Mississippi valley to the Pacific coast was reported Wednesday. Dispatches from 24 cities told of promised reductions in certain necessities ranging from 15 per cent to minus profit.

Financial authorities here said that the indications were that the price decline would be limited to ready-to-wear clothing, principally women's garments and silks. Shoes were in the list affected.

Tight money and inadequate transportation facilities were cited among the prime reasons. Delays in delivery of goods in which much money had been tied up, together with inability of farmers to get grain and livestock to market were said in many instances to have worked a hardship on merchants.

An officer of one of the leading department stores of Chicago declared that the price reduction now being reported meant also that merchants were trying to satisfy what he called "a hysterical demand from the public for lower prices." These current reductions, he said, might be only temporary.

A financial authority here said that if reports of price cutting were dependable, they indicated a tendency toward a reduction in inventories. Though this might be temporary, he said, it was undoubtedly good, in that it suggested that merchants were going ahead more cautiously. Sales are being held under various names.

In Topeka, Kan., a men's clothing firm announced a "no profit" sale. Department stores in St. Louis advertised "under-selling campaigns." Twenty per cent cuts were the most popular. On the Pacific coast, Tacoma dealers announced cuts from 20 per cent flat to "profitless sales." Three Seattle retailers cut clothing 20 per cent. In San Francisco one retailer announced a 20 per cent cut in all lines, another 20 to 50 per cent in certain commodities.

Several Omaha stores said their silk cuts were 50 per cent. In Wichita, Kan., silk shirts had been reduced. Coffeyville, Kan., reported many cut-price sales.

In Minneapolis a large department store has announced a cut of 20 per cent. At Knoxville, Tenn., one of the city's largest department stores made a discount of 20 per cent on its entire stock, except a few contract priced articles. Shoe reductions also were announced.

At Oklahoma City sales offers of 20 to 30 per cent reductions were reported.

At San Antonio, Tex., two department stores and one at Waco announced sales with reductions of 20 per cent; another a 25 per cent reduction sale.

At Fort Smith, Ark., special sales said reduction was 20 per cent. At Pine Bluff one men's store and one women's store are making the same cut. Slight reductions in shoes and wearing apparel were noted at Texarkana, Springfield, and at Little Rock retailers last week made cuts from a fifth to a quarter. Atchison, Kan., announced 20 per cent reductions.

U. S. Oil Depletion Is Feared.

Washington, D. C.—Interest of the United States in the race for the oil supply of the world as embodied in the report of the state department submitted by President Wilson to the senate Tuesday has arisen from the alarming depletion of oil reserves in the United States.

While this country contributed 69 per cent of the oil supply of the world, 40 per cent of its producing fields have been exhausted and, according to official estimates, oil reserves remaining in the United States are not expected to last 20 years.

Of the reserve in this country foreign interests control but 4 per cent, despite the fact that the United States is the only oil producing country in which citizens and foreigners are permitted to participate in oil production on even terms.

Armed Men Rule Court.

Jonesboro, Ark.—Armed men demanded immediate resignation of the commissioners and attorneys of the Black Oak-Hancock road improvement district when court was convened to hear the application for an injunction brought by the taxpayers against the district. The resignations were already written and were presented to the two commissioners present and to their attorneys. They signed the resignations and withdrew.

Seattle Population is 315,652.

Washington, D. C.—The population of Seattle, Wash., as shown by the 1920 census is 315,652, it was announced here. This is an increase of 78,484, or 33.1 per cent. Other population statistics announced were: Centralia, Wash., 7549; increase, 238, or 3.3 per cent.

SCHOOL DAYS

Be There

By GEORGE MATTHEW ADAMS

CARLOS MARTYN in his biography of Wendell Phillips said this: "It is not enough to be ready to go where duty calls; a man should stand around where he can hear the call."

Be There.

A few years ago at a great American political convention, one of those mysterious moments arrived, in which a great outburst broke in enthusiasm for one man. But the man was Not There; at that moment he was entertaining friends in one of the city's hotels. Before he could be reached, a comparatively unknown man was called upon and, through the magnetism of the moment, he was inspired into one of the greatest efforts of his life—and it swept him into the United States senate, where he has proved himself one of the great leaders of the country.

Be There.

When you make an appointment, Be There. When you agree to do a certain task, Be There. If you are looking toward an Opportunity, Be There when the Opportunity comes your way. The Leaders in the business world, and in every other sphere of activity, are constantly alert for men and women who can measure up to Chances that they hold in the hollow of their hands. You, whoever you are, and wherever you work, if you are conforming constantly to your Ideals of the best, you need have no fear but that at the proper moment you will be the one who is—There.

Be There.

Just Folks

By EDGAR A. GUEST

AT THE END OF THE WEEK.

When I have paid for what I owe,
The grocer and the coal man, too,
The boy who shovels off the snow
And given the milkman what is due,
When I have paid the monthly rent,
And squared the plumber for his pains,
I find that all I have is spent,
I can't go wrong on what remains.

Let Folly beckon as she will,
I tread the horizontal line,
When I have paid my tailor's bill,
I am not apt to purchase wine.
When I have paid for hats and shoes,
The tempter has to hike along;
I am no customer for booze,
On what is left I can't go wrong.

I never get my fingers burned
By mining stocks that quickly fall,
The job with which I'm most concerned
Is buying clothes for children small.
I hear men talk of surplus dough
But none of it I've ever had.
When I have paid up what I owe
If I break even I am glad.

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What Saving Means.

Conservation and thrift extended to the little things makes amazing totals in big undertakings. In 1919 the Baltimore & Ohio railroad used one scoopful of coal less for one and a half billion times, and the result was that the great road's coal bill was $1,176,294 less than for the same work in 1918.

Ingenious Women in New York.

New York women have patented more inventions than the women of any other state.

Rann-dom Reels

By HOWARD L. RANN

LEONIDAS

LEONIDAS was a Spartan hero who earned a large bronze monument by holding the pass of Thermopylae with 300 men and a shoestring.

Sparta was a small, irritable country about the size of a Florida town site, but it was never stepped on with any success. The inhabitants lived on cayenne pepper and red beefsteak and practiced shooting at a mark eight hours a day. One time Xerxes, king of Persia, decided to annex Sparta, and after rounding up a neat little army of 2,000,000 men he headed for the Grecian archipelago, which was about in the same place it is now.

Xerxes did not get far before he ran into the pass of Thermopylae, which was a short cut between the mountains wide eough to allow two

Defying the Persian Army in Some of the Rudest Greek Adjectives Ever Used.

thin men to pass without being telescoped. Here Xerxes found Leonidas drawn up in battle array, defying the whole Persian army in some of the rudest Greek adjectives ever used.

Xerxes took the affair as a joke until Leonidas had spitted a few thousand Persian husbands on his trusty sword, when he decided to surround Leonidas. When the Spartan hero discovered this, he delivered an eloquent address to his men and charged the entire Persian army, which filled him so full of arrows that he had to be pin-feathered before being removed to the family residence.

Leonidas' name at once became a household word, and autographs and kodak pictures of the deceased were eagerly sought after. His death aroused so much indignation that the Spartans rose up and threw Xerxes across the Hellespont with chagrin written all over his profile. Leonidas did not die in vain, as he had furnished the impassioned high school graduate with some of the most livid eloquence and weird rhetoric ever uncorked from an opera house stage.

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