

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.

Two Dallas, Texas, Chinese were injured Monday when a three-story building at Main and Poydras streets collapsed.

Thomas Riggs, 88, father of Governor Riggs of Alaska, died in Washington Saturday. He had been in ill health for several years.

Fourteen cars of a freight train on the Northern Pacific were caught in a landslide at Bradley station, west of Helena, Mont., Monday evening.

The railway labor board Tuesday handed down a decision increasing wages of employes of the American Railway Express company \$30,000,000 yearly.

The press in the office of the California, Pa., Sentinel, was destroyed early Monday by an explosion which the authorities believe was caused by dynamite.

Five men were instantly killed and another died later when a Pennsylvania passenger train struck an automobile in which they were riding in Salem, Ohio, Sunday.

Russia is considering with determination the possibility of war with England over the situation which has arisen since the bolsheviks have begun their offensive against Poland.

The board bill of New York's rats totals to \$35,000,000 a year, according to Dr. V. Heisler of the Rockefeller Foundation. In an address he estimated the rodent population at 3,500,000.

Reports reaching the navy department Monday said the American yacht Hyealon of New York had been abandoned off the Florida coast August 3. The crew was rescued by the Spanish steamer Pequalba.

The peace treaty with Turkey was signed at Sevres, France, at 4:08 o'clock Monday afternoon. General Hamid Pasha was the first to sign for Turkey. Premier Millerand of France presided at the ceremony.

An agreement has been reached between Italy and Greece on the disposition of the Dodecanese islands, which has been holding up the signing of the peace treaty with Turkey, according to the Temps.

Bandit Villa has assurances that the Mexican government will oppose any attempt to extradite him to the United States to answer for participation in the raid on Columbus, N. M., in March, 1916, friends of Villa announce.

Havana's street car employes, after a final strike order was passed at 9 o'clock Sunday night, began leaving their places as soon as the end of their run was reached and by midnight the walkout was virtually complete.

Eight killed and 13 wounded, including one lieutenant, were the casualties sustained by the Spanish forces in Morocco during their operations against the Tafersit position, the high commissioner of Morocco reported in a dispatch.

New wage schedules filed with the navy yard wage board represent an annual increase of \$45,000,000 for employes of the 43 yards, according to an official estimate prepared by the board. August 20 was tentatively set as the date on which a decision might be expected.

Charles L. Appleton, also known as Lawrence A. Almon, who is alleged by federal authorities to have sent false stories about students at Wellesley, Smith, Mount Holyoke and eastern women's colleges to various newspapers, was arrested in Boston Monday, charged with using the mails to defraud.

"If a bolt of lightning should strike this tent tonight how many would be ready for it?" Rev. John Timber, evangelist of Jackson, Mich., asked a congregation of Free Methodists crowding a tent at Springville, six miles north of La Porte, Ind., Sunday night. Outside a storm was threatening. A few moments later a bolt of lightning entered the canvas top, killed two ministers on the platform, severely burned Rev. Mr. Timber and knocked down many of the worshippers.

TO DEVELOP WATER POWER

Government to Open Up Northwest's Resources Immediately.

Washington, D. C.—At last the west is to commence realizing its water power resources. Conferences closing here Saturday between the federal water power commission and representatives of the great hydroelectric companies of the nation mark the actual beginning of the new order. What this portends for the west, and especially the Pacific northwest, is problematical yet, but is certain ultimately to go into the highest industrial figures.

Federal government officials have met the financial and power interests of the nation with the plain, outspoken word that the order is now "ahead, at full steam." The policy of sealing the resources for some distant future no longer prevails. The annual waste of the equivalent of more than 400,000,000 tons of coal in the western states is to be stopped as rapidly as the system for operation can be defined by the commission, as the finances at the right figure may be had, and as the market for this enormous energy may be developed.

Men with limited vision are able to sense enormous results for the northwest. Just at the time development of water power becomes impossible on public domain and in navigable streams, the cost of energy generated from coal is terribly high, industries of the east are wavering because of these increased costs and the uncertainty of the future and the railways of the nation are pleading to be relieved from at least a part of the burden of transporting more than a half billion tons of coal between producing and consuming points. A more opportune time for the opening of the western power treasure could not be chosen and also a more positive guarantee could not be had that eastern industry will seek this western power as never before.

GERMAN AND U. S. SHIPPERS IN PACT

Washington, D. C.—Operation of American vessels on former German trade routes to all parts of the world has the sanction and support of the shipping board, Chairman Benson declared Monday night in announcing co-operative working agreements reached between the American Ship & Commerce corporation of New York and the Hamburg-American line of Germany. He declared that "the shipping board would look forward to seeing one of its constructive plans carried out."

"There is no German money in the American end of the business, nor is there any agreement for German investment in any American companies," he added.

The agreement is for 20 years and consists, the chairman said, of a general agreement covering the principles to be followed by the two concerns and an operating agreement covering methods. In general, it provides that each party may participate with an equal amount of tonnage in such passenger and freight services as shall be established, which will include those between the United States and Germany, and Germany and ports other than of the United States.

Pier facilities, ports and office organizations of both companies are placed at the disposal of the service. The American Ship & Commerce corporation is to act as agent for the Hamburg-American line in the United States and the German company as agent for the American company in Germany, but each company may establish offices in the country of the other to supervise activities. Each company is to appoint its own agents outside of Germany and the United States.

Scaffold to be Built.

Salem, Or.—The new execution chamber at the penitentiary will be erected in what is now known as the "bull pen." The scaffold will be of permanent construction and will be equipped with two drops. The chamber will be sufficiently large to accommodate between 25 and 30 people, and will be strictly modern. Actual work on the scaffold will not start until some person is received under death sentence.

15,588 Vessels Visit U. S.

New York.—A total of 15,588 vessels, carrying 37,398,184 tons of cargo, entered and cleared United States ports during the six months ending June 30, the United States shipping board announces. Among these were 9550 ships of American registry, which carried 60.8 per cent of the total cargo, as compared with 42 per cent during the same period last year.

REDS' FIRST DRIVE ON WARSAW FAILS

Poles Repulse All Attempts to Break Lines.

ENEMY IS PURSUED

Americans Express Belief Poles Can Halt Bolsheviki—British and French Ministers Depart.

Warsaw.—Bolsheviki launched their first attack against Warsaw's defenses Sunday but were repulsed. After light artillery preparation, they attempted to break through the Polish lines near Radzimin. The Poles not only killed many who neared the barbed wire entanglements, but took prisoners.

East of Cholm, 40 miles east of Lubly, the Poles broke through the enemy line at Ignatow and pursued the bolsheviki to the right bank of the Bug, says an official statement. The Poles occupied Dorohousk and Swiss-Rubiesew.

Polish cavalry, strengthened by infantry, is fighting near Radzizhow and Chatojow, west of the Styr, with the bolshevik cavalry, which outnumbered the Poles, the statement says.

The Polish command, to shorten the line, has ordered a retreat to the Bug and in so doing Poles have again evacuated Brody. On the southern wing, the statement declares, bolshevik attacks were repulsed.

Saturday was one of Warsaw's most strenuous days. The government, besides completing defense preparations, had the task of getting the Polish peace delegates started for Minsk. It also continued removing valuable records.

Soon after midnight artillery firing to the north was heard and military observers said it was near Radzimin. Wounded were brought to Prague in carts. There they are transferred to stretchers and later they are sent to Warsaw.

Representatives of the American legation, welfare organizations and missions decided to remain until the government orders evacuation. Americans express confidence that the Poles can halt the bolsheviki. British and French ministers have departed, but military missions remain. Gold and silver are being removed. The government national bank is moving to Cracow.

SOVIET TO SEEK GERMAN ALLIANCE, IS REPORT

Kolno, Poland.—(By Courier to Diotowen, East Prussia.)—Soviet Russia intends to seek an alliance with Germany to make war on France and, if it succeeds, to undertake a conquest of England and eventually America, officials of the bolshevik regime told the Associated Press Sunday.

When the Polish war, considered a purely Russian business, is finished, a note will be sent to Berlin, they declared, demanding permission to transport troops across Germany for the French campaign. On refusal, which is taken for granted, a revolution will be instituted in Germany, the success of which bolsheviki asserted they were prepared to assure by force of arms.

With these ends in view, Russian soldiers, who have been told all wars shall cease with victory over the Poles, are being subjected to propaganda which declares Frenchmen will be shot on sight, but that the Germans are friends who soon will be comrades.

Glasses Aid "Peepers."

Portland.—Use of binoculars by persons with offices in the Gasco building to gain views of women employed in Meier & Frank's department store, is charged in a confidential complaint filed with the mayor Saturday. "I have heard of peeping Toms," said Mayor Baker, "but the use of field glasses to view women in stores and office buildings is the latest." The complaint has been referred to Chief of Police Jenkins.

Plot Bared in Athens.

Athens.—The newspaper Estia Sunday gave details of the discovery of an alleged plot to restore ex-King Constantine, involving the assassination of premier Venizelos. The paper said the plot had been hatching in Zurich, Switzerland, and Athens for two months.

400 Drown in Floods.

Tokio.—Four hundred persons were drowned in the floods in Saghalen Island, it was announced Sunday.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Salem.—Service rates of the Dallas Telephone company and Sherwood Telephone company were increased by orders of the public service commission issued Monday. The orders will become effective August 16.

Forest Grove.—At an election held in 14 school districts Monday, including Forest Grove, it was decided to establish a union high school here. Out of a total vote of 711 there were 495 affirmative votes, with 216 against the proposition.

Albany.—All forest fires in the Santiam national forest are under control now. Reports received at the headquarters of the Santiam national forest here show that some of the fires are burning yet, but there is no further danger of them spreading.

St. Helens.—After a shut-down of 30 days to install additional machinery, the mill of the Columbia County Lumber company has resumed operations with a double shift. The daily cut of the mill has been increased from 160,000 feet to 180,000 feet for the double shift and 142 men are employed.

Gold Hill.—On the eve of assembling a crew of 40 pickers to gather 15 carloads of Bartlett pears, Monday evening, fire of unknown origin destroyed the packing house and warehouse buildings of the Del Rio orchards, situated two miles below Gold Hill. The loss was \$15,000, partly insured.

Manzanita.—Efforts of the Bar View coast guard to save the 40-foot power boat, Dragon Fly of San Francisco, which grounded on this beach last Sunday, were only temporarily successful, it being impossible to drag the boat far enough up on the sand to prevent its being pounded to pieces by the breakers.

Salem.—George A. White, adjutant general of Oregon, soon will receive from the government a record showing every Oregon soldier who was wounded in the war, and a similar list will be furnished by the navy department. It is said the list will run well into thousands and will contain names representing practically every community in the state.

Dallas.—Sheriff Orr and Deputy Sheriff Hooker unearthed one of the most complete moonshine outfits ever found in this county Monday night while looking for bootleggers in Independence. The still, patterned after those of the mountain sections of Kentucky and Tennessee, was declared capable of turning out one quart of whisky every six minutes.

Salem.—Directors of an irrigation district do not have authority of law to deprive any settler in the district of water because of failure to pay assessments. The legal procedure is for the assessment to be transferred to the regular county tax rolls and collected as any other tax. This is the ruling of Attorney General Brown in response to an inquiry received from Percy A. Cupper, state engineer.

Bend.—To search for a supposedly rich placer mine near the headwaters of the Umpqua which he had been forced to abandon 26 years ago, Chas. Swalley last week returned to the spot, accompanied by E. C. Landingham, Ballard Gile and Orville Rooney of this city, but could find only slight traces of gold, as the stream evidently had been thoroughly exploited since his visit, more than a quarter of a century ago.

Harrisburg.—Fire broke out in the rear of the Harrisburg bakery at 4:30 o'clock Tuesday morning and was breaking through the roof when discovered by J. S. Mellors, the baker, who sleeps in an adjoining room. A third of the ceiling and roof were burned before the fire was put out. The city fire siren is out of commission and it was after considerable delay that enough men were obtained to man the hose cart.

Salem.—The county court of Clackamas county has petitioned the supreme court for a rehearing of the mandamus case of W. P. Hawley against the county court in which the supreme court recently handed down an opinion holding void a road bond issue of \$1,700,000 by Clackamas county. The issue was held void because it increased the county's bonded indebtedness above 2 per cent of the assessed property valuation of the county.

Hood River.—The increase in freight rates will cost Hood River apple growers an approximate \$200,000 this year. The increase that will be applied to apples moving to points east of the Mississippi, about 75 per cent of the crop, which will exceed 1,225,000 boxes the coming harvest, is approximately 31 per cent. The increase will also affect shipments of apples to California points.



FOX'S HOUSEWARMING

Mr. FOX had been so much disturbed by Mr. Dog and his master that he decided to try living somewhere besides on the ground floor of the woods.

One night he took a look around in the moonlight and to his delight he discovered the very place for him to live.

It was a house built in the branches of a big tree that some boys very likely had made the year before. "Now, with a very little repairing this will be the finest house in the woods," said Mr. Fox.

So over the hill he ran to Mr. Man and brought away all that was needed to make his house comfortable.

He even found an old piece of stove



pipe to make his stove draw well, and in a few days Mr. Fox told all his friends of his new home and invited them to a housewarming.

Mr. Coon and Mr. Possum and Mr. Squirrel were not at all upset by finding out that Mr. Fox's new home was in the big tree, but Mr. Rabbit and Mr. Badger looked very sad and said it was out of the question for them to accept Mr. Fox's kind invitation,

much as they would like to be present. Mr. Fox had borrowed a ladder from Mr. Man and when Mr. Rabbit and Mr. Badger said they could not come Mr. Fox remembered that he was not much of a climber himself, and that if he did not keep that ladder he might have a hard time getting into his home when he was in a hurry.

So he decided that Mr. Man would not need it as much as he would and that it would also make a nice addition to his home.

When he told Mr. Badger and Mr. Rabbit about the ladder they decided to come, and one night when the moon was shining the animals were all to go to Mr. Fox's house to dinner.

Mr. Fox thought it would be the cheapest way to fill his guests with soup, so he took all the bones that he had collected and put them in a pot on the stove to boil.

Up curled the smoke from his chimney and out through the windows went the nice-smelling odor of soup, and Mr. Dog who happened to be running through the woods saw and smelled as well.

He wagged his tail and looked up at the house in the tree; then he whined and scratched the tree, and as he danced about it, with his eyes fixed upon the house all the time, he bumped into the ladder.

"Ah, how fortunate," he said, and up he went and into Mr. Fox's house he went, too, and took the cover off the pot.

It did not take him a second to remove the pot from the stove and pour out the soup in the sink and cool those bones, and then such a feast he had.

He ate until he became sleepy; then he lay down on the floor and went to sleep.

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Beauty Chats

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FRUIT MAKES BEAUTY

HERE'S another menu, which will not add an ounce of flesh to the plump woman—

Boiled fish,
Roast mutton, sauce vinaigrette,
Cauliflower,
Sliced peaches or stewed peaches,
Black coffee, or clear tea.

There is plenty of nourishment in this meal, yet no fat. Starches like potatoes, gravy, fat soup, cream, sugar, are not included at all, the bread to be eaten with the meal is

gluten bread, which is not fattening, and sweetening for coffee is saccharine, not sugar.

A good luncheon for the woman who wants to reduce would be—
Sliced cold meat,
Stuffed olives,
Fruit salad.

And all the gluten bread desired. Of course butter is not included in any way in a course of diet that is to reduce, for butter is pure fat.

A woman who weighs 100 pounds and who is trying to reduce by taking this scientific diet along with Turkish baths and exercise, complains that she feels hungry between meals. Eating little and often tends to fatten, yet when the system demands food, it is best to give it. An apple eaten between times will not hurt.

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Acetylene in Place of Ax.

The success of the acetylene torch in cutting metals suggests to a southern lumber concern the possibility of using the same method to fell cypress trees. No fire danger would be involved, since this particular timber grows in swamps, and those responsible for the proposal are now searching for further evidence of its practicability.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

CROSBY'S KIDS

