

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.

All Italy joined Tuesday in the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the proclamation of Rome as the capital of United Italy.

Scattered returns from Tuesday's referendum on a new Nebraska state constitution indicated passage of the 41 proposed changes.

It is rumored that four cases of bubonic plague have been discovered in Flume. The theaters have been closed and other precautions taken.

The firm of Moorhead & Elmore of Washington, D. C., has been suspended by the New York stock exchange, it was announced Tuesday afternoon. No reason was given.

Peter Rowa was instantly killed Tuesday at San Juan, Tex., when a motor-truck tire exploded while he was inflating it with air. The top of his head was blown off and a nearby brick wall blown in.

Madame De Buyer-Mimeure, formerly Miss Daisy Polk, of San Francisco, has been made a chevalier of the legion of honor in recognition of her services to France during the war, it is announced.

William of Hohenzollern, former German emperor, has written a new will, which is declared to be his last testament. He has entrusted it to the keeping of Notary Schroot at Amerongen, says a Doorn dispatch.

Mrs. Irene Root Gordon of San Francisco has obtained an annulment of her marriage to James M. (Bluebeard) Watson, confessed murderer of nine women, who is serving a life term in San Quentin state penitentiary.

Rear-Admiral Andrew Long, who has been in command of division four of the Atlantic fleet, has been appointed director of naval intelligence, succeeding Rear-Admiral Albert C. Niblack, recently assigned as naval attaché at London.

General Wrangel's latest cavalry drive against the bolshevik in south Russia has won him valuable strategic positions on the railway. More than 2000 prisoners and quantities of supplies were taken, it is reported in advices from the Crimea.

The general assembly of Connecticut Tuesday afternoon ratified the nineteenth amendment in accord with a message of Governor Hoicomb to the second special session in a week. The vote in the senate was 25 to 0. The vote in the house was almost unanimous.

Extraordinary rumors are in circulation throughout Lanarkshire to the effect that the leaders of the Scottish communist movement have planned a sensational coup to be sprung at Blantyre, eight miles southeast of Glasgow, says a dispatch to the Westminster Gazette from Hamilton, Scotland.

Theodore Schudde, a German, arrested in San Francisco several weeks ago, pleaded guilty in Chicago Tuesday to obtaining \$1600 from the government under false pretenses while posing as Lieutenant Arthur Kincaid, an American army officer. He was sentenced to three years in Leavenworth prison.

Reports received in Philadelphia Tuesday by S. D. Warriner, head of the anthracite coal operators' wage scale committee, showed, it was announced, a general return to work of hard coal diggers. The men quit the mines because of dissatisfaction with the recent award of the anthracite coal commission.

The boys who in '61 answered the call of "Father Abraham" are in session in Indianapolis. The city and state were formally turned over to them by Mayor Charles W. Jewett and Governor James P. Goodrich at a semi-official meeting and reception marking the formal opening of the 1920 reunion of the G. A. R.

Chinese in the famine-ridden province of Shantung are poisoning entire families to avoid slow death by starvation, according to Tokio cable advices to the Nippon Jiji, Japanese language newspaper in Honolulu. T. H. A hundred million dollar fund is needed to save the people in the starvation districts, the advices added.

30 HOMES FIRED BY IRISH

Loss at Trim, Put at £50,000—Two Small Boys Shot.

Trim, County Meath, Ireland.—Because of the burning of the police barracks here Sunday and the wounding of Chief Constable White, a number of armed men descended on the town Sunday night and burned buildings, attacked the residences of Sinn Feiners and indulged in indiscriminate shooting. Several casualties were reported.

The reprisals were alleged to have been the work of the "black and tan" police. The regular police began taking steps to prevent further damage. Some 30 houses were burned.

Among the premises destroyed were a mineral water factory, which was a principal industry, and the market house. Practically all houses on both sides of the thoroughfare were set afire. The damage was estimated at £50,000. Two small boys were shot, one being seriously injured.

The police, who were captured in the raid on the barracks, had been warned to resign within a week.

The "black and tans" reached Trim about 3 A. M. on three lorries. They mounted machine guns in Market street, commandeered petrol from a local shop and set fire to the principal hotel. They ran through the streets firing shots and flinging bombs.

The homes of noted Sinn Feiners were visited in an endeavor to ascertain the authors of the attack on and the burning of the barracks. The Sinn Feiners were not found.

Another Boost Given Express Rates.

Washington, D. C.—Further increases in express rates averaging 13.5 per cent were approved Saturday by the Interstate Commerce commission. The increases which apply to class and commodity rates make a total increase of 26 per cent granted the express companies within the last few months.

The express companies had asked for additional increases up to 16 per cent. The only exceptions made in the new rates are in the case of milk and cream shipments.

For the first six months of this year the express companies lost approximately \$21,000,000, according to their report to the commission, which showed revenues of \$159,681,000 and operating expenses of \$180,778,000.

During the first half of 1919, the companies reported revenues of \$132,708,000, and operating expenses of \$145,703,000.

The percentage ratio of expenses to earnings for the comparative periods of the two years increased from 109 to 113 per cent approximately, the report said.

Sleuth Slain Near Site of Still.

Aberdeen, Wash.—Blindfolded, bearing three gunshot wounds and covered with two planks and a tangled mass of weeds, the body of Nicolas Koleski, 24 years old, a special officer of the Aberdeen police department, was found by boys shortly before noon Sunday in a shallow creek in dense woods about three miles south of South Aberdeen. He had been missing since last Tuesday, when he was assigned to hunt down operators of a still alleged to be located near the spot where his body was found. He is believed to have been lured to the spot by moonshiners and deliberately killed.

Plea Made for Timber.

Washington, D. C.—Every time there is a forest fire it is a contributing factor to the increasing price of lumber, according to Charles Lathrop Pack, president of the American Forestry association, who, in a statement here denounced the needless \$30,000,000 annual forest fire loss of the United States as "a wasteful strain upon the resources of the nation." Standing timber is being cut and destroyed by fire, diseases and insects, he said, more than four times as fast as new trees are being grown.

Amundsen Is Ice-bound.

Nome, Alaska.—Captain Roald Amundsen's Polar expeditionary ship the Maud is reported wedged tight in the Polar ice pack west of Kolyuchin bay, Siberia, and nearly midway between Wrangell island and the Northern Siberian coast, by fur traders who reached Nome Sunday. Because of bad ice conditions, it appears doubtful whether the explorer will be able to reach his last year's winter headquarters at Itsuan bay, according to the traders.

Cork Shaken By Explosion.

Cork, Ireland.—A violent explosion shook this city about 2 o'clock Monday morning. It was followed by the rattle of rifle fire in various parts of the business district. When citizens ventured forth later, they found the main thoroughfare, Patrick street, littered with glass, and the front of a large department store, which is said to employ a large number of young Sinn Feiners, completely wrecked, as if by bombs.

STUDENT SPENDS 10 YEARS ON ISLAND

Plot in Chesapeake Bay Used as Domicile.

BOOKS ONLY FRIEND

Health Seeker Plies Leisure Time to Fishing and Crabbing—Visits Mainland Once a Year.

Norfolk, Va.—After spending ten years on Watts island, in Chesapeake bay, with only the sands and his books for company, Charles H. Hardenburg of Trenton, N. J., a former law student of Princeton university is returning to civilization this week. Hardenburg is a brother of Dr. Daniel S. Hardenburg of Jersey City, a wealthy and prominent physician.

Charles Hardenburg wagered with a friend that he could spend ten years on an island without the companionship of man or woman. He was broken in health, too, and had been advised to go away.

"Solitude is the greatest medicine a man can take," said Charles Hardenburg several days ago. "A man is never without company when he has things to read and nature and the wonderful work of providence to think about. I have enjoyed myself. I have learned much and now I am going back to my people."

Mr. Hardenburg was 24 years of age when he first became the sole occupant of Watts islands, 17 miles from the mainland, the nearest towns being Crisfield, Md., and Onancock, Va. The island contains four acres and lies between Tangier island and Fox island. There are no means of transportation except by using rowboats and launches.

When he first took up his abode on the island he was furnished with a well-stocked library, modern farming implements and several horses to till the soil, and as an assurance that he would not be molested or removed from the island until the ten years had expired, the island was purchased by his brother, Dr. Hardenburg, from a man named John Dreamis.

During his ten years of hermit-like existence, young Hardenburg studied hard, his books affording him much pleasure. He ventured from the island once a year, when he would visit either Onancock, Va., or Crisfield, Md., to replenish his stock of food and obtain clothing for the winter months. The horses which were placed on the island soon died, and Hardenburg soon tired of agricultural life and devoted most of his leisure time to fishing and crabbing.

Watkins Denies Offers.

Cincinnati.—Rev. Aaron S. Watkins, prohibition candidate for president, denies the report that offers had been made by the prohibition party to the republican and democratic presidential nominees of his withdrawal if either Governor Cox or Senator Harding would announce they would enforce the Volstead act. "I am going to run for president," he said, "regardless of the stand of the republicans or democrats."

Riches Await Explorer.

Sacramento.—James Sydney Norton, 52 years of age and a member of Sir Francis Younghusband's famous expedition into Tibet several years ago, has a fortune of \$3,000,000 awaiting him in eastern banks, according to a letter received by the police from a New York law firm. Norton is said to have been seen here recently.

Bird's Message Mystery.

Bakersfield, Cal.—A pigeon killed by flying into a high tension wire at an oil lease near here Monday bore this message: "Zudon, Germany. Send troops at once. Captain Guntz. S. O. S. W. E. S. N." The pigeon bore the number A. J. 20-1542 on a band around its leg. The message was in a metal case attached to the bird's neck.

Two Children Die in Fire.

Everett, Wash.—Two children of Joseph Cully, living on the Lake Roessiger road, near Machias, were burned to death Sunday morning, when trapped in their home by fire during the absence of their parents, and a third child, an infant of 3 months, was severely injured and may die. The dead are Naomi Cully, 3 years old, and Ruth Cully, 2 years old.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Salem.—The Watson Bucket Plow company, with headquarters at Portland, has been incorporated by C. B. Hurtt, Sam Hewey, William Watson, A. H. Hickman and C. L. Anderson. The capital stock is \$500,000.

Marshfield.—The Coos and Curry Airplane company has been organized on Coos Bay. The company will not operate until the spring of 1921, but in the meantime will complete plans and purchase planes necessary for conducting business.

Eugene.—Among the early-day exhibits at the Lane county fair last week was a drum that was made 61 years ago in Waupaca, Wis., and that still has one of the original heads. The drum was exhibited by F. H. West. It was made in 1859 by Mrs. West's father.

Hood River.—The upper valley will harvest a record potato crop of excellent quality this season, according to J. F. Thompson, grower of the district, here to make an exhibit at the county fair. Mr. Thompson estimates the total yield of 1920 at 100 carloads, an increase of 20 per cent over last season.

Salem.—The work of coding the laws of Oregon for the year 1920, as authorized under an act of the legislature of 1919, has been completed by Conrad Patrick Olson of Portland, code commissioner and former member of the Oregon supreme court, and will be ready for distribution within the next two months.

Boardman.—The United States reclamation service has begun the study of drainage problems in the vicinity of Boardman with a view to forestalling any damage to the lands of the west extension through lack of proper attention. Pipes are being sunk to locate to present water table, and a thorough investigation is to be made.

The Dalles.—In spite of the assumption that there are no peaches in Wasco county this year owing to the late freeze in the spring, E. R. Jackman, county agent, says that in the Pine Creek region, several miles from Dufur, the orchards were bearing full crops of splendid fruit and were apparently untouched by the late frost.

Bend.—That the forest fire in the yellow pine belt near Fox butte burned over 2500 acres and killed approximately 1,500,000 feet of high-grade timber, worth over \$70,000, was the statement of Forest Supervisor Plumb, who returned from the scene of the conflagration. A cruise will be made shortly to determine the exact amount of the loss.

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Portland.—George A. Bright, forest examiner, and F. W. Furst, forest assistant, have just returned from a cruising trip which covered over four months in the Oregon national forests. They cruised 20,000 acres in the Ochoco national forest and about 8000 acres on the Deschutes forest. They covered a total distance of 3000 miles in a forest service car.

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Ontario.—With record-breaking displays of all kinds and a generally higher grade of pure-bred stock in all classes, the 11th annual Malheur county fair open here last week. The weather was cold and threatened rain, but this did not reduce the attendance. Great interest has been manifested by the various communities of the county in the struggle for community honors for which total of \$500 in prizes will be awarded. The contest lies largely between Nyssa, Adrian, Dead Ox Flat and Cairo. One of the best exhibits was brought 80 miles by auto from Bonita, a hamlet in Cow valley.



MR. PORCUPINE

ONE morning, Bob Rabbit and Tim Hare were running through the woods, when Bob espied Mr. Porcupine sitting in the doorway of his home. "There is old Mr. Hedgehog," he said in a whisper to Tim Hare. "Better not let him see you because he can throw one of those sharp darts he carries under his long, coarse hair."

But Mr. Porcupine heard Bob Rabbit, for his ears are very keen and he at once bristled; but before Tim and Bob had time to run he spoke to them and dropped his quills out of sight.

"Come here," he called. "I won't hurt you. I want to explain a few things to you youngsters so you will never call a Porcupine a Hedgehog again. It just makes me bristle when I hear that name."

"But we thought you were Mr. Hedgehog," said Bob Rabbit, keeping at a distance, in spite of Mr. Porcupine's promise.

"Yes, I know, and so do many others think that is my name," said Mr. Porcupine, "but if you listen I will tell you the difference."

"In the first place we are in no way related, although Mr. H. has quills, but he eats ants and many things which I would scorn."

"And he is not nearly as large as I

Beauty Chats

By EDNA KENT FORBES

REMOVING BLEMISHES

UNDER the head of serious blemishes one should include such things as large birthmarks, smallpox marks, unsightly scars, powder and tattoo marks, and burns. All of these are curable, but unfortunately, those who are competent to cure them do not always live in the smaller cities, and so their services are lost to the greater part of the country.

In a department like this it is impossible to tell a woman exactly how she may overcome such blemishes.

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am and if you could hear the story from some animal that has tried to harm him, I guess he would tell you a very different story if he ever tried the same thing on me.

"I do not throw my quills at an enemy as many think, but I can easily let an enemy carry away as many as he likes so deeply buried in him that they have to be drawn out.

"Now, Mr. Hedgehog uses his quills to defend himself, but he cannot wound as I can, and look at my tail. Why, you should see me use that when an enemy tries to attack me."

Mr. Porcupine suddenly dropped his head, arched his back and planted his feet firmly with all his quills or spines erect and swung around his club-like tail with many more "ees, so swiftly that Tim Hare and Bob Rabbit ran.

When they were at some distance from Mr. Porcupine's house they peeped out from behind a tree where they had taken refuge.

"Did you ever see your friend, Mr. Hedgehog, do that?" called Mr. Porcupine, looking very calm again.

"He is not a friend of ours," answered Bob Rabbit. "I just thought you had two names and that Hedgehog was one of them."

"Well, I have only one name and don't you let me hear you call me by any other," said Mr. Porcupine, walking toward them.

"You will never hear us call you anything," called Bob and Tim as they scampered off through the woods.

"I know why he was so angry," said Tim Hare, when they were safe in their part of the woods. "Mr. Hedgehog is the little fellow that rolls up like a ball when he is scared and Mr. Porcupine thinks he is a coward for not fighting as he does."

"Well, they both have very sharp quills and I think Mr. Porcupine is very fussy," said Bob Rabbit, "but I will not get near enough to call him anything again. I can tell you that."

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Peanut Pietro

By KAYEM GRIER

LONGA time ago I herra one man tella nuther one he ees rough neck, I no understanda very mooch wot ees dat. I feegure melbbe he catcha too many bolts or no shava da neck for maka dat way. But I am meestake bouta idee alla right. Seence leetle while ago I feegure out why ees plenta rough neck deesa country.

Mosta everybody senda shirt and collar for maka clean weeth da laundry. After I senda few times I finda out gotta be rough neck or buy da new shirt and collar every payday. Jusa taka da choice.

One shirt I gotta ees besta health only leetle dirty when I senda weeth laundry jusa week. But when he come back looka jusa lika been seexa mont een da front trench weeth plenta shoot. Eef dat shirt gotta weeth stripe for every hole he ees alla gold now. I dunno eef dey try knocka dirt out weeth machine gun een dat laundry or no, but he sure looka somating lika dat's wot happen.

Other day I getta bunch of collar back from da laundry, but I no usa for dress up now. So longa he stay stiff dat collars maka grenta saw for cutta wood. Everyone ees rough on top lika small town road.

On da bill from deesa laundry says, "We Usa Only Softa Water." I dunno, but I tink ees gooda idee sometime eef taka nails out.

Real Apprehension.
He—Men will no more submit to live under an autocratic government.
She—Good gracious! You are not thinking about discharging the cook!

CROSBY'S KIDS

SLACKERS

