

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.

Clocks of Chicago will be turned one hour ahead next Saturday night to conform with the daylight saving regulation.

Fire at Cebu, the oldest city of the Philippines, Tuesday destroyed 200 houses and rendered more than 1000 persons homeless. The monetary loss is estimated at \$150,000.

Immediate revision of the reclamation law along the lines indicated in the report of Secretary Work's fact-finding commission was recommended to congress Monday by President Coolidge.

Harry K. Thaw was declared sane Tuesday night by the jury that had been hearing testimony to determine his mental condition. The jury declared him fully capable of looking after his estate.

Benito Mussolini, Italian premier, was made a Roman citizen Monday. The ceremony was imposing and was participated in by a distinguished assemblage on the anniversary of the founding of the city of Rome.

A snowfall of 4.7 inches was recorded at the Fort Wayne, Ind. weather bureau Monday, breaking all records for this time of year. The previous record fall was on April 4, 1920, when 4.1 inches was recorded.

Marie Corelli, English novelist and author of a score of popular romantic tales, died Monday from heart disease at her home Stratford-upon-Avon. She had been ailing for some weeks but apparently was recovered when the fatal seizure occurred.

Allegations of liquor disappearance at the department of justice, of defaults in anti-trust law prosecutions and of privileges extended to "millionaire" convicts at Atlanta federal penitentiary were made Monday before the senate Daugherty investigating committee.

All the Smiths in Spokane—believed to number 1000 or more—have been invited to meet next Tuesday for the purpose of forming an association for social purposes. A committee of Smiths, including a minister, an attorney, a dentist and several others, has been busy on the proposal for some time.

Celia Cooney, 20 years old, smiled a demure goodbye as she boarded a train in Jacksonville, Fla., Monday for New York in custody of two detectives to face charges of highway robbery and assault with intent to kill in connection with a long series of daring holdups credited to the "bobbed-hair girl bandit."

A joint resolution was adopted by the senate Tuesday authorizing changing the name of Mount Rainier, Wash., to Mount Tacoma. The resolution recited that whereas it was "the universal practice" to perpetuate Indian names in the geographical nomenclature of the country, Mount Rainier now bears the name of "the commander of a British ship engaged in depredations along the Atlantic coast."

Material modification of the tariff provisions of the McNary-Haugen agricultural export bill was agreed upon Tuesday by the house agriculture committee. A substitute was approved which would give the president authority to declare embargoes on any agricultural product or to increase tariff duties when importations result in losses to the corporation to be created under the bill for the marketing abroad of surplus farm commodities.

Another attempt to bring back 2.75 per cent beer by modification of the Volstead act was made Tuesday before the house judiciary committee. Samuel Gompers, president, and other representatives of the American Federation of Labor, vigorously urged legislation that would permit once more the sale of beer with this alcoholic content on the ground that it would give the working man a "good, palatable, nourishing drink" that had "warmth" to it.

Long Railway Tunnel.
The longest railway tunnel in Great Britain is the Severn tunnel. It has a length of four miles, 620 yards, and took over 13 years to construct.

MODIFIES CORPORATION TAX

Levy on Telegraph and Phone Messages Repealed by Senate.

Washington, D. C.—Modification of the corporation tax and repeal of the tax on telegraph and telephone messages was voted Monday by the senate in advancing consideration of the revenue bill. Notice was given, however, that contests would be made later on both of these levies.

The corporation tax was increased from 12 1/2 to 14 per cent with the understanding that the capital stock tax would be eliminated. This latter amendment is yet to be acted upon.

Senator Simmons of North Carolina, ranking democrat on the finance committee, announced that minority members were drafting a substitute amendment proposing to replace the present corporation tax with one carrying a graduated scale.

Pending the writing of this amendment, Senator Simmons said he would ask for postponement of consideration of income tax rate sections over which the main contest on the bill will center. These rates were reported but were passed over at the request of the North Carolina senator.

In voting for the repeal of the tax on telegraph and telephone messages, the senate rejected the recommendation of the finance committee. Repeal of this tax had been suggested by Secretary Mellon and was voted by the house. Chairman Smoot of the finance committee announced he would ask for a record vote on it later.

Senator Smoot explained that the tax involved revenue amounting to \$34,000,000 annually and it had been restored to the bill by the committee because it was found necessary to raise more revenue than would be forthcoming under the measure as framed by the house.

EXPLOSION TRAPS 114 MEN IN MINE

Wheeling, W. Va. — One hundred and fourteen miners were entombed Monday by an explosion and fire in the Benwood Mill mine of the Wheeling Steel Corporation at Benwood, a few miles from here.

Hope has been practically abandoned that any of the men would be rescued alive. The bodies of 14 miners had been recovered but the progress of mine rescue crews was made difficult by poisonous gases that filled the workings. Two miners were alive when found but died a few minutes later.

Only a faint hope was held out by officials of the mine rescue car Holmes for the other 100 men in the mine at the time of the explosion. If any of them escaped being killed outright and had time to barricade themselves in rooms filled with fresh air, some of the trapped miners may be found alive, they declared. Upon that possibility rescue crews in short shifts worked frantically throughout the day and night but had not reached the scene of the explosion late Tuesday.

California Stock Loss Light.
Sacramento, Cal.—A very small percentage of the livestock of California has been affected by the foot and mouth disease, said Dr. U. G. Houck, United States government chief in charge of the eradication forces, Monday.

Dr. Houck further stated "the success in combating the malady by combined quarantine, destruction of infected and exposed animals, and disinfection, as now carried on, demonstrates in a striking manner the efficacy of the present method."

The California crop report, special bulletin No. 43, issued by the United States department of agriculture, gives the following census of livestock in California as of January 1, 1924:

Milk cows, including heifers over 18 months, 664,000. All other cattle 1,421,000, sheep, 2,450,000, swine \$34,000, goats 120,000. Total 5,489,000 head. To date approximately 69,000 head in the infected districts have been destroyed, 5 per cent of which were in two counties. Of the number exterminated, nearly half were cattle.

Harvey Back at Desk.

New York.—Colonel George Harvey, ex-ambassador to Great Britain, has resumed the editorship of the North American Review, it was announced at the publication's office Monday. His first article, on President Coolidge, will be published in the June issue of the magazine.

Colonel Harvey's return to editorial work just before the presidential campaign is considered as of particular significance.

New Zealand Bird a Plague.

The kea, a parrot of New Zealand, as large as a chicken hawk, has been known to kill thousands of sheep yearly to satisfy a craving for kidney fat.

U. S. BOND FRAUD IS TERMED MYTH

Sec'y Mellon Clears Engraving Bureau of Charges.

REPORTS TO COOLIDGE

Losses by Theft in Seven Years Declared to Amount to No More Than \$13,100.00.

Washington, D. C.—Secretary Mellon advised President Coolidge Sunday night that the treasury had completed its inquiry into charges of irregularities of the bureau of engraving and had found them baseless.

The charges, made by Charles B. Brewer, department of justice attorney, and which were accompanied by wholesale dismissals in the bureau by President Harding, contained no element of fact, Mr. Mellon asserted. He informed the chief executive that he was enabled, as a result of the investigation, to confirm the integrity of the government's securities.

Contained in the report to the president, a document of magazine size, were specific replies to every assertion made by Brewer in his repeated assaults on the treasury and by these, Secretary Mellon said, the "utter falsity" of every charge was established. In addition, the treasury chief vigorously assailed Brewer, personally, saying in concluding the report:

"His report indicates a conspicuous avoidance of fairness, and the frequent adoption of artful and evasive methods. Where the facts are susceptible of distortion, Mr. Brewer resorts to misstatements, where irrelevance will tend to obscure the facts, Mr. Brewer resorts to irrelevance, and where neither distortion, omission, misstatement nor irrelevance will serve his purpose, Mr. Brewer resorts to insinuations and innuendo.

"Before concluding, I am taking this opportunity to assure you that a most exhaustive investigation clearly establishes Mr. Brewer's charge to be absolutely without foundation.

"There has been no fraudulent duplication or over-issue of the public debt, but on the other hand, by investigating the Brewer charges and establishing the utter falsity thereof, the treasury is enabled unreservedly to confirm the integrity both of the government's obligations and those branches of the treasury service which have been engaged in the handling of public debt securities."

Mr. Mellon assured the president there had been "no fraud or carelessness on the part of officials or employees responsible for the safeguarding of the retired securities." He said Brewer had called attention to losses "during a period of seven years," and added that the total of these was \$13,100, "and were the result of thefts committed by subordinate clerks or messengers in the treasury."

"It has been pointed out," the letter continued, "that the loss of \$13,100 over a period of seven years, during which time over \$100,000,000,000 in securities were handled by thousands of employees, is by no means a reflection upon the officials or employees of the treasury responsible for the safeguarding of retired securities nor upon the treasury's system of controls and audits. Incidentally, the thefts of securities illustrate the danger of retaining indefinitely, and not destroying, the dormant stocks of retired securities."

Fruit Loss is Heavy.

Walla Walla, Wash.—Higher temperatures from Sunday on did away with needs of smudging in the orchards where the blossoms had escaped the freeze and orchardists felt relieved. Reports coming in from the district show the freeze, though almost general, was somewhat spotty, some trees escaping while others a few feet away seem to have lost all their fruit. Inspectors say there will be more fruit than first expected.

Lowell's Loss Million.

Lowell, Mass. — One fireman was killed, eight were injured and a property loss of approximately \$1,000,000 was caused when fire, starting early Sunday in the heart of Lowell's business district, swept through five buildings destroying two of the city's largest office buildings, a theater, the Knights of Columbus building and a large garage.

Watch Your Step.

"One big advantage in avoidin' bad company," said Uncle Eben, "is dat you don't have to watch yoh step so close to keep 'um bein' cheated."

Lew Cody



Lew Cody, known as the handsome villain of the "movies," was born at Waterville, Maine. He attended school in Montreal, Canada. His first theatrical experience was with a stock company. After a couple of seasons with his own company, he entered the moving picture business, and his rise to stardom is well known to the lovers of moving pictures.

Have You This Habit?

By Margaret Morison

ANOTHER'S MONEY

TRUMAN SMITH went over fifteen-year-old Elizabeth's lessons with her each evening. Elizabeth was no student, and Latin was the worst. "Aes allenum"—what does that mean?" asked Truman.

"Another's money," said Elizabeth, gibb as possible. Her father laughed. "Literally," said he. Practically "another's money" is translated "debts."

Several years later Elizabeth remembered this conversation. Her first year out of school was gay beyond her wildest imagination. Her father told her that she was grown up now, and gave her an allowance. Her first month's income and her charge accounts started at the same moment; consequently her second month's income went to pay the first month's bills. After that the bills waited.

Gradually Elizabeth's financial policy developed. Her club dues were so small that they could wait. Her dressmaker's bills were too big to pay all at once—she would have to put them off entirely for a while. She consulted a woman friend. The friend assured her that the shops were too dependent upon such customers as they, to make indebtedness disagreeable!

She opened up the subject with a debonaire man of her acquaintance and he laughed and said that he paid his bills once a year and his creditors just had to wait.

Then Elizabeth found that having forgotten her purse was very convenient when she and two or three friends were out together and it was a question of paying for tea. A month after Christmas she sold her watch, a present from her father, in a desperate resolve to begin to get square. But she found herself after all putting the money into a new hat, and the situation was just as bad as ever.

Then one day she went home to find the little Englishman who made her shoes for her waiting in the hall. As he stood there with his hat in his hand he told her the story of his wife's illness, for the necessity of her going away to the country if she was to get well, of the doctor's bills that they must meet, Elizabeth's long overdue account would make all this possible to them. "Aes allenum," "another's money," came from the forgotten but never obliterated records in Elizabeth's subconscious mind—"debts" means "another's money."

For the first time she went thoroughly over her accounts; for the first time she planned a budget. She was appalled at the unfairness of her own methods. With intelligence, foresight and a stiff backbone her income would be quite sufficient to meet her needs. Denial she must practice till she got even. And then she swore that in future she would acquire the habit of "Pay as you go. Right spending and right paying."

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A modern town of 1000 people, is the county seat of Jackson county and is situated in the most fertile and productive portion of the famous Rogue River Valley—correctly termed the "Italy of America." The town is beautifully located in a cove at the base of magnificent pine-clad mountains and is surrounded by the finest irrigated alfalfa farms and fruit orchards in the entire country. The town is five miles west of Medford, a modern city of 8000 people, with which it is connected by a steam and electric railroad and splendid highway. The altitude of the town is 1568 feet and there are no extremes in heat or cold. The annual rainfall is about 25 inches—there being little or no snow in the valley. A more healthful place could not be found.

County Official Directory

State Senator—Geo W Dynn, Ashland.
Joint Representative—Chas F Hopkins, Roseburg.
County Representatives—John H Carlin and Ralph Cowgill of Medford.
Circuit Judge—C M Thomas.
Pres. Attorney—Newton W. Borden.
County Judge—G A Gardner.
Commissioners—Victor Bursell and Geo Alford.
Clerk—Chauncey Florey.
Sheriff—C E Terrill.
Assessor—J B Coleman.
Treasurer—A C Walker.
School Supt.—Susanne Homes Carter.
Coroner—John A Perl.
Health Officer—Dr W P Holt.

City Directory

Mayor—Emil Britt.
Councilmen—Chester Wendt, Peter Fick, G W Godward and Frank Lindley
Recorder and Justice of the Peace—J. L. Roe
Treasurer—C. C. Chitwood.
Marshals—M D Jones.
Council meets first Tuesday of each month.

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