

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.

Five hundred French troops are reported to have been wiped out in the evacuation of Urfa, in the northwest part of Mesopotamia. Details are lacking.

A retroactive tax on war profits has been definitely agreed on by house democrats and insurgent republicans to raise funds for soldier relief legislation.

Fiume is again severely blocked by land and sea, following a raid by d'Annunzio's soldiers on Abbazia, west of that city, where 45 horses were stolen from the regular troops.

Edith Kelley Gould, of New York, who last week brought suit for separation against Frank Jay Gould, has filed summonses in a suit for divorce, naming two co-respondents.

The New York assembly Monday concurred with the senate in the passage of the Donahue-Lockwood bill. The bill is intended to give salary increases to the teachers of the state.

Government charges involving violation of pure food laws were upheld in 49 out of 50 cases recently decided in federal courts, it is announced by the bureau of chemistry, department of agriculture.

Governor Olcott of Oregon, together with many other state officials and employes, appeared at their desks Monday dressed in khaki suits and other garments intended to swat the high cost of living.

More than 4000 of the Czechoslovak soldiers repatriated from Siberia have been debarked at Trieste, 9745 are en route and 6612 remain in Vladivostok, awaiting transportation, Secretary Baker announced Monday.

The rivers and harbors bill was passed Monday by the senate after it had been amended so as to make the total \$24,000,000 as against the \$12,000,000 in the house bill and \$20,000,000 recommended by the senate commerce committee.

Supporters of Essad Pasha, former provisional president of Albania, have occupied Tirana, Albania, and overthrown the Albanian government, says a dispatch from Florina transmitted by the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Athens.

World cable communication, it is asserted, will be revolutionized, by an invention made by Major General Geo. S. Squier, chief signal officer of the army. By this invention it will be possible to talk by telephone to Europe, it is announced.

Five warships will be added to the Chilean navy as a result of negotiations between the Chilean and British government. Chile has decided to accept the offer by Great Britain of one dreadnought, four torpedo-boat destroyers of 1800 tons each and a transport.

Whether there is one great universe, perhaps ten times as large as commonly believed, or a million "island" universes similar to that of which the earth is a part, was discussed at Monday's session of the annual meeting of the National Academy of Sciences in Washington.

Scores of persons were killed and 25,000 acres of valuable timber have been destroyed by forest fires in the Kamo district, Hiroshima prefecture. This was made known in a cablegram from Tokio received in Honolulu, T. H., Monday by Nippon Jiji, a Japanese language newspaper.

Unless Canadian provinces can be won through friendly effort to remove export restrictions on pulp wood, congress should use the "big stick" of retaliatory legislation, Senator Underwood, democrat, Alabama, declared before the house foreign affairs committee recently.

Rev. Edmund M. Mills, acting secretary for the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church which will open Saturday at Des Moines, Ia., stated that the conference probably would revise the ban on amusements, changing it from a mandatory act in the book of discipline to a word of advice.

EXCESS PROFIT LAW ANCIENT

Treaty Defeat Blamed for Unsettled
Business Conditions.

Atlantic City, N. J.—Delay in transforming national operations and expenditures in the United States to a peace time basis "is chargeable to the failure of the senate to confirm the peace treaty and enable the president to put the country on a constructive peace basis and reorganize governmental operations," Daniel C. Roper, ex-commissioner of internal revenue, told the United States chamber of commerce Monday night. He attacked the excess profits law as having "outlived its usefulness."

Mr. Roper attacked the tax laws and said congress appropriated \$25,000,000 for administration of internal revenue laws and that taxpayers paid nearly \$100,000,000 in an endeavor to abide by these laws.

J. W. Alexander, secretary of commerce, declared his department was handicapped by insufficient funds and some work of the bureau would of necessity be abandoned or neglected because of the shortage.

He reiterated he was not receiving proper co-operation from the state department and said commercial attaches should be taken from under control of the state department and placed under the department of commerce.

Discussion of labor's relation to capital began with the railroad group when speakers urged an organized effort to combat the control it was alleged union labor has assumed over railway operation.

R. H. Angell, banker, of Roanoke, Va., declared "union labor is in control of the railways absolutely and if we wait a little while they will have a strangle hold on us from which we cannot extricate ourselves."

"Labor has made the challenge and we should accept it, for this fight which has been thrust on us must be fought out sometime," he said.

He asserted he was not antagonistic to union labor, nor to working men, but he was opposed to "anything like the dictatorial Plumb plan."

"The chamber of commerce should make recommendations to both national conventions in favor of platform planks against union labor domination. The party that will lead us to salvation is the party that will save us from this trouble."

The report of the committee, which was adopted, declared "railroads are entitled to receive from shippers and passengers rates that will pay them a living wage for services performed and it is the duty of the public to insist that its representatives shall establish a transportation policy that is sound from a business standpoint."

The foreign commerce group adopted resolutions offered by William C. Redfield, ex-secretary of commerce, that the trade embargo against Russia be lifted and relations between citizens of the United States and Russia be resumed. The resolutions disclaimed any intention to recognize the soviet government.

Cost of Living Rises.

Boston.—The average cost of living for wage-earners advanced 7 per cent between November, 1919, and March, 1920, according to a report made public by the national industrial conference board. This makes a total of 94.8 per cent since July, 1914, and of 21 per cent within one year, the report said.

Food prices in March were 100 per cent higher than before the war, according to 2000 dealers. Rents averaged 48 per cent higher than in 1914, and clothing advanced 177 per cent, according to figures furnished by 209 dealers.

Underwood Made Leader.

Washington, D. C.—Senator Underwood of Alabama was elected democratic leader in the senate Monday at a conference of senate democrats. He was unopposed, Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, acting leader since the death of the late Senator Martin of Virginia, having withdrawn from the fight last week.

Besides electing Mr. Underwood, the democrats discussed briefly solidarity of action generally.

Priests Going to China.

Omaha.—Sixteen priests of the Catholic mission society will leave in a few days for China. This is the beginning of a large Catholic missionary undertaking in China. A departure ceremony will be held Thursday at St. Cecilia's cathedral.

"Hail, Columbia!"

"Hail, Columbia," was written by Joseph Hopkinson, April 29, 1798, when the United States was threatened with a war with France. It was composed to the air of the "President's March," for a young actor and singer in the Philadelphia theater, and became at once highly popular.

BISHOPS ATTACK 'GODLESS' PROFITS

Methodist Episcopal Conference Stand Firm.

SWEATSHOPS SCORED

Church to Fight Unflinchingly Every
Reactionary Move Whether
Within or Without.

Des Moines, Ia. — Declarations against lawlessness, "confusion and anarchy," and devotion to orderly government was expressed Sunday at the Methodist Episcopal quadrennial conference in the address to the 34 bishops delivered by Bishop William F. McDowell of Washington. Principles for which the church should stand were set forth in the address.

A reactionary spirit in the church will cause it to lose its leadership in the "forward moving world," the bishop declared.

The address did not discuss or recommend specific acts of church legislation, but dealt with the relation of the church to the religious, social and economic conditions of the world today.

"Foundations are disturbed. Economic, social and industrial conditions are volcanic. They go far beneath mere questions of wages, hours and profits," the bishop said. "They reach the roots of organized life, the basis of government itself."

"Everywhere free institutions are threatened. The church must not fail in the effort to preserve them. We cannot give sympathy or approval to bolshevism, whether of the red-handed mob or the soft-handed sentimentalist; to anarchy, whether of the street or of the chair."

"Between the destructive radical and the unyielding reactionary; between the anarchist, the bomb-thrower, the red terror on one hand and the rock-ribbed contender for special privilege, feudal brutality and domination of wealth on the other; between wild radicalism and inhuman stand-patism; between autocracy at the top and anarchy at the bottom; between tyranny of wealth and tyranny of strength, the church of Jesus Christ must this day hold a steady course, speak in clear tones and minister to order, stability and righteousness. Those who array class against class, man against man in any manner are foes, not friends of society."

In pointing out a great need of the church for ministers, Bishop McDowell declared:

"The protestant church as a whole has never been wise or adequate in its care or thought of youth."

"We do not now abate one jot or tittle of our hostility to liquor's indescribable crime against the world," the bishop said when discussing prohibition.

In regard to church union the bishop asserted, "the problem is far deeper and more significant than simply fusing two or more denominations and much deeper than any plan of organization. The motive for union must be big enough to carry the movement, big enough to last in all lands in all years."

The address was devoted to answering the question: "What is our chief business at the present conference?"

Living Up 108 Per Cent.

Washington, D. C.—Cost of living figures in 14 American cities, obtained by the department of labor for December, 1919, as compared with December 1, 1914, put Detroit as the top of the list with an increase of 108 per cent. Norfolk, Va., ranked second with 107 per cent, while Portland, Me., took first honors by trailing the list with a percentage of 91½. Increases for other cities were: Boston, 92; New York, 103; Philadelphia, 96; Baltimore, 98; Savannah, 98; Jacksonville, Fla., 102; Mobile, Ala., 94; Houston, 101; Chicago, 100; Cleveland, 95; Buffalo, 102.

Zionists are Grateful.

Washington, D. C.—Sir Auckland Geddes, British ambassador, received Sunday a delegation from the Zionist organization of America, which called to thank the British government on behalf of the American Jews for accepting the mandate for Palestine which was awarded it by the supreme council at San Remo. The ambassador was invited to address an extraordinary convention of the Zionist organization in New York City May 9.

Peoria, Ill.—Federal prohibition officers Sunday night seized 11,000 gallons of mash to be used for making whiskey on a farm near here. It is claimed this is the largest still seized in the country.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Salem.—Miss Pauline Kline, of Corvallis, will be reappointed as a member of the board of inspectors of child labor when her present term expires on May 21, according to announcement made by Governor Olcott.

Roseburg.—Cold weather in early April damaged the peach crop materially. It is believed that not more than half a normal crop will be harvested. Peaches are the only fruit damaged according to fruitgrowers.

Salem.—Plans for the banquet which will be held on the closing day of the Oregon Jersey breeders' jubilee to be held here early in May have been completed, and it is predicted that more than 200 persons interested in this industry will be in attendance.

Medford.—A deal has just been completed by which the farm bureau of Jackson county in its expansion campaign takes over the two warehouses and six lots adjacent to the Southern Pacific railroad tracks, from the Rogue River Co-operative Fruit association. The consideration was \$12,400.

Salem.—Sugar prices, together with the high cost of labor and the loss of fruits caused by last winter's freeze will play an important part in the sale of this year's crop of loganberries in the Willamette valley, according to statements made by prominent fruit growers at a meeting held here recently.

Salem.—London buyers who have been in Marion county for several days have closed a number of contracts whereby they will pay 50 cents a pound for hops, subject to fall delivery. For next year's crop the buyers have offered 40 cents and for the following season's crop an offer of 35 cents has been made.

Albany.—The road over the Cascade mountains by way of the Santiam pass will be improved from Cascadia to Fish Lake in the next few weeks so that autos may travel without difficulty this summer to Fish Lake and Clear Lake, which are near the summit of the mountains about 77 miles south-east of Albany.

Albany.—The construction of a new railroad bridge at Albany to carry trains of the Albany-Yaquina branch of the Southern Pacific across the Willamette river has been resumed. This work was begun last summer but was not completed before high water. It is expected that the bridge will be finished successfully this summer.

Salem.—H. G. Schulerman has issued a warning to the public against having any dealings with certain foreign companies or associations commonly known as "declarations of trust" or "common law trusts," unless an investigation has first been made with reference to the legal and financial status of the corporations or associations.

Salem.—Offers of 15 cents a pound for Willamette valley loganberries have been received by the owners of three large tracts of this fruit in this vicinity. The growers are not included in the Marion county pool and are free to dispose of their product independent of the agreement reached at a meeting of producers and buyers held here last Saturday.

Salem.—Lone Maple ranch, comprising 128 acres, near Rosedale, a few miles south of Salem, was sold to Young & Matson, residents of Marion county. The consideration was \$80,000. Approximately 115 acres of the ranch is in bearing prunes, while five acres is in pears. Besides a fine dwelling, the property is equipped with a large drier and barn.

Salem.—Frank J. Jirak, until recently stationed at Fort Stevens, arrived here Thursday to serve as sergeant instructor of the Oregon national guard under the direction of Adjutant General White. Mr. Jirak came here under orders of the western department of the army. Although he will be compelled to travel over the entire state, he will make his headquarters here.

Salem.—The Famous Players-Lasky corporation, organized under the laws of New York, has filed with J. H. Schulerman, state corporation commissioner, certificate of increase of capital stock from \$1,000,000 to \$22,500,000. The Oregon Knitting Mills, with headquarters in Portland, has been incorporated by Max Green, Adolph Phillips and Phillip Phillips. The capital stock is \$20,000.

Salem.—The Union and Baker county forest fire patrol associations are to be divided into two separate organizations, according to F. A. Elliott, state forester, who returned here last week from La Grande and Baker where he attended a meeting of the association. Mr. Elliott says the people of eastern Oregon are much interested in forest fire prevention and more men will be placed in the field there this year than ever before.

SCHOOL DAYS



Last Night's Dreams —What They Mean

DID YOU DREAM OF MURDER?

IT IS a curious fact that while the most eminently correct person may in dreams commit the most criminal actions the sleep of real criminals is generally peaceful and their dreams, if they have any, are of the most innocuous character. Santa de Santis, the Italian investigator, has made a wide study of the sleep and dreams of criminals and as a result states it as a rule that the sleep even of murderers is dreamless or haunted by innocent visions. Thus the condemned criminal in his cell may be dreaming of green fields and village bells while the upright judge who condemned him is committing manslaughter in dreamland.

These facts are dead against the conceptions of the poets and novelists and conform rather to W. S. Gilbert's statement regarding the "capacity for innocent enjoyment" of the felon "when not engaged in his employment" rather than with Hood's poem, "The Dream of Eugene Aram." So you are not necessarily criminally inclined because you dream of killing some one.

The mystics regard a dream of murder rather unfavorably. If you see others committing murder it is a sign that you will shortly be called upon to answer for the misdeeds of others say some, while others declare that it only means that many hard struggles are before you and it is a warning to "watch your step." If you dream that you are committing murder yourself look out for your reputation and consider well the work you are now engaged in. If you dream that somebody is murdering you suspect secret enemies and unforeseen dangers. In short, it is a sort of warning dream to be on your guard.

Freud has devoted much attention to this dream and regards it as a desire left over from our infancy, a stored-away and forgotten relic of the baby mind before we had learned that it was wrong to murder people. Ellis says: "If normal people dream of crime it is because they are more sensitive and imaginative and the sleeping consciousness is strained to the utmost to invent a phantasmal tragedy adequate to account for the waves of emotion which beset it." An interesting thing about a murder dream is that, as a rule, we experience no remorse for our crime but much anxiety to escape its penalty. William Dean Howells has remarked: "In my dreams I am always less sorry for my misdeeds than for their possible discovery."

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Just Folks

By EDGAR A. GUEST

THE COOKIE-LADY.

She is gentle, kind and fair,
And there's a silver in her hair,
She has known the touch of sorrow,
But the smile of her is sweet;
And sometimes it seems to me
That her mission is to be
The gracious cookie-lady
To the youngsters of the street.

All the children in the block
Daily stand beside the crock
Where she keeps the sugar cookies
That the little folks enjoy,
And no morning passes o'er
That a tapping at her door
Doesn't warn her of the visit
Of a certain little boy.

She has made him feel that he
Has a natural right to be
In her kitchen when she's baking
Pies and cakes and ginger bread,
And each night to me he brings
All the pretty, tender things
About little by-gone children
That the cookie-lady said.

Oh, dear, cookie-lady sweet
May you beautify our street
With your kind and gentle presence
Many more glad years, I pray;
May the skies be bright above you,
As you've taught our babes to love
You
You will scar their hearts with sorrow
If you ever go away.

Life is strange, and when I scan it,
I believe God tries to plan it,
So that where he sends his babies,
In that neighborhood to dwell
One of rare and gracious beauty
Shall abide, whose sweetest duty
Is to be the cookie-lady
That the children love so well.
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Honest Toil

By GEORGE MATTHEW ADAMS

JESUS was a Carpenter. Cromwell was a Farmer. Washington was a Surveyor. Franklin was a Printer. Lincoln was a Backwoodsman. To get at great Character and mighty Achievement, you are invariably led to the source of it all—Honest Toil. We are all Toilers. And there is just as much dignity and honor back of the sweat of the man who digs with his shovel or welds with a hammer as there is behind the brain of the man whose thoughts, trained and organized, direct the energies of countless workers.

The Glory and Reward of Toil lie in the Working Spirit that prompts the smallest effort of a Man.

This effort does not belong to the people who inhabit it, but to those who, in Honest Toil, magnify its Benefits. You owe more to every man than any man owes to you. We are all Debtors—from the humblest to the greatest. Nor is any one of us entirely Independent. In Honest Toil, however, every man earns and pays for his Heritage.

The most Pitiful man on Earth is the one with nothing to do. Whereas, the Happiest man on Earth is the one with the most to do.

So long as you have within you, sound and intact, the scores of marvelous instruments for Labor and Service in your Hands, Feet, Eyes, Ears, Mouth—each overlorded by a Master Creation—Your Brain—Complain not that there is nothing for You in Honest Toil. There is everything in it. There is nothing for you outside of it.

