

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.

King Albert and Queen Elizabeth of Belgium went to England by airplane Sunday. They landed at Farnborough in Kent, flying from Brussels in 3 hours and 57 minutes.

Five robbers Monday held up the store rooms of a former Kansas City saloon keeper and drove away with two truckloads of whisky. The liquor was valued at \$20,000.

Milwaukee bread prices were raised Monday by 180 bakers, members of the Master Bakers' association. Small loaves cost 11 cents, large loaves 16 cents and rolls 18 cents.

Two constables of the Timoleague (Cork, Ireland) police station were shot dead on patrol duty Monday by men in ambush. At Bandon Sergeant Flynn was shot dead and another constable wounded.

Captain Lowell H. Smith broke the world's altitude record for an airplane carrying a pilot and three passengers Monday when he ascended 17,100 feet at El Centro, Cal. The plane was in the air two hours and 40 minutes.

Despite absence of American representatives on the inter-allied control commissions to supervise fulfillment by Germany of the disarmament clauses of the treaty, the United States is watching the situation unofficially.

The shipping board, under a decree signed Monday by Justice Bailey in the district supreme court, is perpetually enjoined from selling the 29 ex-German liners seized when the United States entered the war. An appeal was noted.

Governor Marcus Holcomb, of Connecticut, replying to the request made by the "flying squadron" of suffragists representing the 48 states, again has declined to call a special session of the Connecticut legislature to act on the woman suffrage amendment.

A vote by Thursday or Friday on the resolution to end the status of war with Germany and Austria is the aim of senate leaders in arranging to call up the resolution. Republicans plan to keep it continually before the senate until the vote is reached.

President Wilson reviewed the season's opening circus parade Monday from the east portico of the white house. Seated in a chair, he laughed at the antics of the clowns and several times removed his cap in acknowledgment of the greetings by the circus folks.

Net income of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad in 1919 totaled \$7,643,945, equivalent to \$6.57 a share on the preferred stock, according to the annual report, made public Monday. This compared with income of \$6,241,509, or \$5.36 on preferred stock in 1918.

Fred H. Dertus, assistant chief probation officer of the juvenile court, Cincinnati, Saturday sent back to his parents in Bay City, Mich., a 15-year-old boy who was taken into custody on a charge of attempting to steal an elephant. The boy's parents are prominent Bay City citizens and the officers refused to divulge his name.

Madge Anna Sawyer, 21, Seattle, Wash., a bride of two months, Monday shot and killed her husband, Howard I. Sawyer, a mechanical engineer, on their cruising motorboat moored in Lake Union, here. Mrs. Sawyer told the police she and her husband had been quarreling. She shot merely to frighten him, she said.

Federal investigators have determined that the Utah-Idaho Sugar company with headquarters in Salt Lake City, by selling sugar at 22.75 cents a pound wholesale, to which price it was raised May 1 from 13 cents, are realizing a net profit of \$14.15 a hundred-pound sack, United States District Attorney Isaac Blair Evans announced.

Winter wheat production this year was forecast Saturday at 484,647,000 bushels by the department of agriculture, which based its estimates on conditions prevailing May 1. The crop showed a slight improvement from April 1, the forecast of production being 1,030,000 bushels larger than estimated a month ago. Compared with last year's crop, the prospective wheat crop has been reduced 33.8 per cent.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Roseburg.—With the close of business on Saturday, May 8, approximately 500 applications had been filed in the Roseburg land office for Oregon and California grant lands, which were opened for filing on April 12.

Roseburg.—At a meeting Monday night railroad crafts appointed a committee to investigate co-operative store systems, with the view of establishing such an institution here.

Albany.—Auto tourist travel through the Willamette valley is under way already. Several automobile parties have camped in Bryant park, where the city maintains a free camping ground, and the number of tourists is increasing. In former years auto travel began later in the season.

The Dalles.—A controlling share in the stock of the Norman Cream company of this city has been purchased by the White Clover Ice Cream company of Portland. The new management proposes to make the local creamery one of the largest in eastern Oregon.

Corvallis.—Peter Whitaker of Pine Lake ranch reports a turkey that has laid an egg every day for 62 days and the agricultural college hen record of shows no signs of quitting. This beats 55 eggs in 55 days and the record of the G. B. Coon white leghorn hen which laid 57 eggs in 57 days.

Roseburg.—The Drager company has begun erecting what they declare to be one of the biggest fruit packing plants in the state. The present building, a frame structure 130x45 feet and part of it three stories high, is being wrecked and a modern packing plant 160x50 feet, with an annex, will be built.

The Dalles.—Due to increased production of the five-mile sawmill, lumber prices, effective last Thursday, have been cut 5 per cent by a local yard. It is hoped here that the reduction in the price of lumber may tend to relieve the serious housing shortage which has gripped this city for the last year and a half.

Baker.—The 12th annual show of the Union Livestock Show association at Union will be held Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, June 2, 3 and 4. There will be racing, wild west carnivals, dancing and other amusements. The automobile highway to Union has been improved. Many Baker people plan to go to Union for the show.

Bend.—That black volcanic cinders, inexhaustible deposits of which are found in the immediate vicinity of Bend, may solve the problem of finding a light aggregate to take the place of gravel in bridge concrete, which has been confronting the state highway commission for some time, is the belief of District Highway Engineer Stebbins.

Hood River.—Workmen are now engaged in completing new garage, warehouse and residence structures here, the total cost of which will exceed \$75,000. One of the garages will cost in excess of \$25,000, and another \$20,000. Both will be equipped with every metropolitan convenience. A new coal bunkers and warehouse will cost about \$15,000. The remainder of the total sum represents residence buildings.

Salem.—An unassigned surplus of \$841,618.51 is shown in the report prepared by the state industrial accident commission here Friday and filed with Governor Olcott. Assets set out in the report include bonds in the hands of the state treasurer amounting to \$3,691,261.65; cash, \$316,978.14; cash in bank, \$98,477.67; premiums in course of collection, \$40,093.69, and accrued interest estimated at \$60,385.83.

Salem.—Bonds issued by the Grants Pass, Medford and Ochoco irrigation district will be certified by state irrigation securities commission as soon as the records of each project are completed and filed with the state engineer, according to a decision reached at a conference held here recently. The Grants Pass district, in Josephine county, has voted bonds in the sum of \$184,000, the Medford district \$1,250,000, and the Ochoco district \$100,000. The three projects are now under development.

The Dalles.—The Dalles will build a civic auditorium at a cost of \$125,000. This was decided Thursday, when citizens went to the polls and gave the project a majority of 154 votes. Six hundred and twenty-four votes were cast. General obligation bonds to the extent of \$50,000 also were voted. The bonds carried by a majority of 285. While considerable opposition to the auditorium bond issue, developed, the valiant work of the American Legion, which is strongly behind the proposition to give music, literature and art a home in this city, carried the project over by a safe margin.

U. S. TO ACT SOON TO MOVE FREIGHT

Nation-Wide Congestion Grows More Menacing.

EXPECT WIDE ORDERS

Interstate Commerce Commission Experts Aiding Car Service Committee in Gathering Data.

Washington, D. C.—There were indications Monday that the government would act at once to break the nationwide freight jam which for nearly a month has been slowly clenching its grip on the throat of industry.

Sweeping orders by the interstate commerce commission granting priority of shipment for food, fuel and perishables were confidently awaited by railroad officials.

They expected the commission also to bar temporarily the transportation of all "dead" freight, so that necessities of life could be rushed to communities where shortage will soon exist.

The commission was expected to be prepared to direct its whole effort at ending the traffic congestion.

Its experts have been instructed to work in conjunction with the American Railroad association car service committee in assembling all available data on the car situation with view to apportioning the supply where it would do the most good.

Appeals of the railroads for help have brought to light new dangers. Developments in the last 24 hours showed that a decidedly menacing condition confronted the commercial world through the tie-up of the financial resources of business houses. Delay in movement of products was declared to have brought many plants face to face with an immediate shutdown.

Interest rates at this time are so high as to make it out of the question for most of the manufacturing concerns that borrow to finance further production, according to treasury officials. It was said the congestion was costing the nation "millions a day" through under-production.

Wholesalers and retailers alike are suffering through inability to obtain delivery of goods, railroad men said, and the resulting shortage threatens to become serious unless the government can break the blockade.

The volume of freight of all kinds offered for transportation was said to be larger than the roads ever had been called upon to handle.

SHOE PRICES STAY UP; HIDES CUT HALF

San Francisco.—Mrs. Edward F. Scanlon, president of the State Housewives' league, following an investigation into the high cost of shoes, announced Monday that evidence of profiteering by retailers, manufacturers and jobbers had been found.

"Hides this year are selling at a price 50 per cent lower than 1919," Mrs. Scanlon said. "Members of the league delegated to make this investigation have made personal canvass of the leather industries of the bay district and the findings are startling.

"The finest grade of hides, that brought 70 cents a pound in 1919, are selling today at 50 cents. Sole hides that brought 48 cents a pound in 1919 are selling at 30 cents. We have made a careful study of the different elements that make up the retail price of shoes. We find that the labor cost on a pair of shoes never exceeds \$1.80.

"There is no shortage of leather. Hides by the thousands are stored in warehouses of the state. Incidentally, we found that there is no shortage of tallow, and the price of soap is beyond reason.

"Retailers were interviewed who admitted that they sold shoes at 100 per cent in excess of their wholesale price. Sixty per cent of this was held to be overhead expense and the other 40 per cent to be legitimate profit. A dealer with 60 per cent overhead cost should not exist.

Sugar Buying "Futile." Washington, D. C.—Action by the United States government to acquire the remaining portion of the Cuban sugar crop would only stimulate prices, President Menocal of Cuba declared in a cablegram to Senator McNary of Oregon. The present crop, the president said, is 20 per cent less than estimated in December, due to drought. An unusual demand, coupled with speculation, has helped to increase prices, he said.

MEXICANS PROMISE SAFETY

Assurances Given by Revolutionists—Recognition Is Desired.

Washington, D. C.—Official reports telling of the overthrow of President Carranza of Mexico were before President Wilson and his cabinet Tuesday, but the new turn of events was understood to have been given only passing attention.

Dispatches from navy officers and state department representatives all have indicated thus far that assurances of protection to Americans and other foreigners had been given by victorious leaders of the revolutionary forces, and there was nothing of an emergency nature in the situation, officials indicated, that called for action by the Washington government.

The question of recognition of the new government apparently in process of formation in Mexico may arise soon. It was reported that plans for asking recognition were being pressed by revolutionary leaders. The super-dreadnought Oklahoma was enroute from New York to Key West, but reports from Captain Long, commanding the destroyer force now distributed along the east coast of Mexico, told of no disorder.

WM. DEAN HOWELL'S CAREER IS FINISHED

New York.—Men prominent in the business and literary life of New York gathered at 11:30 o'clock Thursday morning in the Church of the Ascension to pay last tribute to William Dean Howells, novelist and man of letters, who died in his sleep at his home here early Tuesday. He was in his 84th year. Rev. Percy Stickney Grant, an old friend, will officiate.

While at Savannah, Ga., three weeks ago, Mr. Howells caught a severe cold which developed into influenza. He was brought home and his son, John Meade Howells, and his daughter, Mildred, were with him when he died.

In accordance with the novelist's wishes his body will be cremated and the ashes, taken to Cambridge, Mass.

At a dinner given in New York in 1912 to do honor to William Dean Howells upon his 75th birthday, William Howard Taft, then president of the United States, lauded the guest as "the greatest living American writer and novelist."

Royalty Marries in London.

London.—Two kings, with their queens, the sovereigns of Belgium and Great Britain, were among the distinguished personages who attended Tuesday the wedding of Lady Cynthia Curzon, daughter of Earl Curzon, foreign secretary, and Lieutenant Oswald Ernald Mosley, M. P., in the chapel royal. The affair out-rivaled anything of a similar nature in London in recent years. A host of diplomats and other prominent people were present, including John W. Davis, the American ambassador, and Mrs. Davis. The king and queen of the Belgians had come by airplane Saturday from Brussels for the purpose of attending the wedding. They were week-end guests of Lord Curzon.

Trucks to Cross U. S.

Washington, D. C.—Another motor convoy is to be dispatched across the continent by the motor transport corps. It will leave Washington about June 14 for Los Angeles, over the Bankhead national highway through Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama, Tennessee, Arkansas, Texas, New Mexico and Arizona. The trip will end about September 17. The convoy will cover a total distance of about 3600 miles and will operate at a daily average of 44.5 miles a day. The Bankhead National Highway association will provide for receptions at various night controls and for welfare work in connection with entertainment of the troops at the control's stations.

Religion Costs More.

Los Angeles.—The higher cost of religion received attention in the annual report made here by the Southern California Congregational conference by Dr. George F. Kennigott, superintendent. "The dollar will no longer buy a dollar's worth of religion any more than it will anything else," declared Dr. Kennigott, in urging increased giving to make up deficits faced by the national societies of the denomination.

To Clean Marble.

Kerosene will clean marble. If there are obstinate stains apply a mixture of equal parts of common soda, pumice stone and fine salt. It should be a creamy consistency. Wash off with salt and water.



THE SANDMAN STORY

CANARIES ARE YELLOW

ONCE upon a time there lived a very small witch in a very small hut right on the edge of a wide, sandy, hot, glaring desert.

Now, just opposite across the end of the desert was a tiny wizard. He was about 1,000 years older than the witch, but that made no matter in the way that such people count time. The witch had a pretty niece, and the wizard a handsome nephew. Of course, the boy and girl knew each other, but of this the uncle and aunt did not approve.

"If I hear of your meeting that girl



I will turn you into a wolf," said the wizard to Don, his nephew.

"If you ever speak to that boy again I will lock you in the deepest, darkest cavern in the world," the witch told Adele, her niece.

One bright moonlight night the boy and girl met at a bush in the desert half-way between the hut of the witch and that of the wizard.

"Meet me here tomorrow at this time and we will flee from our homes," said the boy. I will bring our donkey and in two days we will be beyond the reach of our uncle and aunt."

Now, the lad did not know that a tiny bird had been listening all the while. It was a wren which disliked the girl, for it was jealous of the attention given her.

Don ran away to the spot where his

uncle, the wizard slept. Adele went back to her aunt's hut, but behind her flew the wren.

That afternoon when Adele was spinning in a shed, the wren told the witch of the plot to run away.

"You see what kind of a child you have cared for so kindly," said the wren. "Here she is getting ready to leave you forever."

"I will follow them," replied the witch. "They will both die in the desert, but I do not care. My broth is cooking and will take a long time, but I can catch up to them. You know I can change myself into a wren just like you."

About nine that evening the girl, with a bundle in her hand stole out to the bush and there she found the lad waiting. She mounted the donkey, and they set off across the sand. It was cool. The moon rose and turned the desert into gold.

"We will go off in this direction," said Don. "We will have to cross the yellow water before we get into safety. As it is magical in its power, we must not let it touch us, for if it does, we will remain forever yellow."

Now after they had gone about three hours, the witch, in the shape of a wren, started after them. She caught sight of them just as they were nearing the yellow water. Don leaped across, then threw over it a log, on which the donkey bearing Adele came safely. The witch, who was later than she thought, flew fast and hard. As she skimmed low near the earth she fluttered just above the log when Don cast it down into the water. One end flew up and hit her. Down she tumbled into the magical water. In to it she went as a bird and out of it she came as a bird, only she was a bright lemon yellow. She fluttered about in a wild rage. She could not talk; only sang. Never again would she become a woman; never again would she be anything but a bird.

But Don and Adele got safely out of the desert and found a happy home among friends in the North.

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Beauty Chats

By EDNA KENT FORBES

EXERCISE FOR BEAUTY

MOST WOMEN prefer coffee in bed and a hot bath to a series of exercises and a cold shower. Women are like cats in this respect, that they hate cold and avoid anything strenuous.

The result is that few of them get enough of the sort of exercise they need. One woman to whom I wrote advising fifteen minutes of exercise every morning, replied indignantly that keeping a six-room house and running two children was all the exercise



A little daily exercise will increase one's beauty and health.

she needed! But it never occurred to her that doing household tasks after a set rule made it all the more necessary for her to do some sort of gymnastics bringing other motions into play.

The housewife ought to study out the sort of motions she does most frequently in her work, and take exercises that will benefit other sets of muscles. Stenographers and office workers need exercises for developing the chest, overcoming rounded shoulders and developing the legs, since their work is sitting and bending. Girls who work at machines over and over, should pick exercises to use other parts of their body, lest they, too, grow one-sided in development.

Workers and idlers alike need physical exercising, based on scientific study. Fifteen minutes a day is ample, and includes the time for the bath. The result will be greater efficiency, longer youth, better looks and greater vitality.

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Off Again, On Again

STRICKLAND W. GILLILAN

THE 4-FLUSHER.

He thought that labor should be paid the very highest price. (He sought the workman's suffrage and he knew that listened nice.) He sobbed about their poverty and wept o'er "meager wage"— You would have wondered much if aught his sorrow could assuage.

But when he bought the stuff produced by laborers "underpaid." He kicked his trousers nearly off because it wasn't made A whole lot cheaper than it was—it pained him to the bone To see a workman prosper when the money was his own.

THE MAN KNOWS

Even the man who won't agree that it pays to advertise knows mighty well that it doesn't pay not to.

Pucker Brush Eloquence.

A great singer pours forth melody and is generally made happy by an encore and sometimes gets two or three and I think by the incidents of the past week Pucker Brush should have an encore of praise. . . . Mr. Hignett's sermon was certainly inspiring and the facts of the Christian life were laid down so forcibly to the congregation that it caused, with the help of the gospel workers, ten to come forward and take the minister by the hand and confess.—Pucker Brush Items in Dallas County (Ia.) Record.

IT WAS EVER THUS.

There was a man in our town Who would not advertise. And when his business ship went down It caused no great surprise.

Finnigin Filosofy

A man remembers a kindly deed he done f'r somebody else long after th' one ut was done for remembers ut. By this we know ut is more blissid t' give than t' receive.

Confirmed.

"Dearie, it is being rumored around that you are my boss. What'll I say?" "Tell 'em I'm not." "All right, lovey."

FRAGMENTARY CONVERSATION

"Scattering remarks," said the stenographer as she blew the parings away from the dictagraph.

What the Sphinx Says

By Newton Newkirk



"We improve our fore-sight by exercising our hind-sight."