

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.

Fifty persons were killed and 20 wounded by an explosion at Anking, Anhwei province, China, incidental to the removal of ammunition from a powder magazine.

President Harding has purchased his birthplace—a farm in North Bloomfield township, Morrow county, Ohio—where, as a barefooted boy, he passed his childhood days.

A serious peasant rebellion against the soviet government has broken out in south Russia, according to advices received by the Ukraine representatives in Berne, Switzerland.

William Frizzell, 82, and Emma Barrett, 65, widower and widow, both of Cascade Locks, were married in Hood River, Or., Rev. Gabriel Sykes, pastor of Asbury Methodist church, officiating.

Judge William E. Dever, running on the democratic ticket, was elected mayor of Chicago over Arthur C. Leuder, republican, by a plurality of 103,748, according to complete unofficial returns.

According to reports in Hutchinson, Kan., a tornado struck Partridge, this county, at 5:30 o'clock Monday evening. Half of the village is reported to have been blown away and several persons hurt.

Robert G. Goldie, British vice-consul at Naples, died Saturday of injuries inflicted by a man who attacked the official while he was visiting a grotto near the city in company with his wife, according to a dispatch from Naples.

Two aged sisters lost their lives in a fire which destroyed the interior of their home in St. Louis Wednesday and two other sisters were burned severely. The dead are: Miss Elizabeth Nicholson, 91 years of age, and Mrs. Lucy Lindsay, 95.

Secretary Hughes has informed the British, French, Italian and Greek governments, in identical notes handed their representatives in Washington, that the American Red Cross will terminate its emergency relief work in Greece on June 30 next.

The Earl of Carnarvon died peacefully at 2 o'clock Thursday morning. He was conscious almost to the end. His death was due to blood poisoning through the bite of an insect with the later development of pneumonia. Death occurred at the Continental hotel in Cairo.

James V. Martin of the Martin airplane factory, Long Island, alleging conspiracy to destroy his business, filed suit under the Clayton act in Washington, D. C., Wednesday to recover \$51,510,000 from the Manufacturers' Aircraft association, Inc., 27 other corporations and 38 individuals.

Max Bachman, 60, former wealthy director of the Boston symphony orchestra and leader of his own orchestra at the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco, died in the county hospital in Fresno, Cal., Tuesday, practically friendless and in poverty, hugging his favorite violin to his heart.

Fourteen persons are known to have been killed in a tornado which early Wednesday struck Pineville, La., and vicinity, across the Red river from Alexandria. At 10 o'clock a train arrived bringing the bodies of eight persons killed at Pineville and a sawmill settlement a mile east of that town.

Dr. W. Edgar, president of the Central sanitarium, and Bruno Suderman, who says he is the discoverer of a treatment for tuberculosis and diabetes, reported to the New York police Tuesday that they, with Mrs. Edgar, were held up in their automobile by outlaws. The robbers took the only copy of Suderman's formula and jewelry, they said.

The federal farm loan board called for redemption May 1 of all outstanding bonds of the 12 farm banks issued May 1, 1918. The total of the issue by the 12 banks is \$55,032,000. The action of the farm loan board in calling all of the 1918 issue of land bank bonds for retirement was accepted as foreshadowing an early issue of new bonds at a lower rate of interest than the 5 per cent rate carried by the obligations which are to be retired.

MINIMUM WAGE LAW ILLEGAL

District of Columbia Law Is Upset by U. S. Supreme Court.

Washington, D. C.—Wages cannot be fixed by law, under the constitution as it now stands, the supreme court, dividing 5 to 3, held Monday in a case brought to test the constitutionality of an act of congress fixing minimum wages for women and minor girls in the District of Columbia.

The decision was delivered by Justice Sutherland, Justices McKenna, Van Devanter, McReynolds and Butler joining with him. Chief Justice Taft delivered a dissenting opinion for himself and Justice Sanford, while Justice Holmes read a dissenting opinion which followed in its main features that of Chief Justice Taft. Justice Brandeis did not participate in the decision.

The majority based its position broadly upon the right of contract, insisting that while laws could be enforced to regulate working conditions, the employer and the employee must be free of legal restraint in determining between themselves what wages are acceptable.

The minority contended that there was no greater police power in congress and the state legislature to regulate working conditions than to regulate wages, and that as there had been wide uniformity in holding that working conditions could be prescribed by law-making bodies, it followed, in their judgment, that wages were also a proper subject for legislation.

Justice Sutherland pointed out in the majority opinion that the minimum wage law was "attacked upon the ground that it authorizes an unconstitutional interference with the freedom of contract included within the guaranties of the due process clause of the fifth amendment." The right to contract "about one's affairs," he stated, "is part of the liberty of the individual protected by this clause."

The fact, he asserted, was "settled by the decisions of this court and is no longer open to question."

"Within this liberty are contracts of employment of labor," the opinion continued. "In making such contracts, generally speaking, the parties have an equal right to obtain from each other the best terms they can as the result of private bargaining."

Legislative authority to abridge the right of contract can be justified, Justice Sutherland stated, only by the existence of exceptional circumstances. Among the exceptions to the broad rule which had been sustained by the courts, he said, were statutes fixing rates to be exacted by business impressed with a public interest, those relating to contracts for the performance of public work, those prescribing the character, methods and time of payment of wages and those fixing the hours of labor.

Three Months' Building Costs \$1,250,000,000

New York. — One billion and a quarter dollars' worth of building permits, the greatest amount for a similar period in the nation's history, were taken out throughout the country during January, February and March. S. W. Strauss & Co. announced Tuesday. All records for March alone were broken, \$420,851,343 worth of work being authorized in 205 cities, a gain of \$161,357,012, or 62 per cent over March of last year.

These figures, the company estimated, indicated a total of \$600,000,000 throughout the nation for March. The gain in the eastern states was 41 per cent, central 75 per cent, southern 64 per cent and Pacific western 171 per cent.

Two Slain in Memel Fray.

Berlin.—Two Germans have been killed during disturbances in which the German and Lithuanian factions in Memel were involved, according to special dispatches to the Berlin newspapers Tuesday.

Machine guns are alleged to have been brought into play by the Lithuanians in dispersing a German meeting held in protest against the incorporation of the Memel region into Lithuania.

Cars for West Sought.

Washington, D. C.—Steps to build up transportation facilities for the next harvest in the west will be taken at a meeting here Tuesday of railroad officials with the car service division of the American Railway association. Efforts will be made, the association announced today, to formulate definite plans for assuring whatever rolling stock is needed to meet agricultural and industrial requirements.

SAWMILLS SPEED ON 24-HOUR BASIS

Three 8-Hour Shifts Run to Fill Increasing Demands.

OUTPUT AT HIGH PEAK

Building Activity in California and Reopening of Northwest Mines Big Boon to Market.

Portland.—For the first time in the history of the lumber industry in Oregon mills located in the Columbia river district have found it necessary to operate 24 hours a day in order to keep up with the demands for timber products. For the past week the Inman Poulson Lumber company here has been operating three daily eight-hour shifts. The Westport Lumber company on the Columbia has been doing likewise.

Both of these mills sell the majority of their products to the export trade. Orders from the orient, Australia, South America and other points have been so large and have continued to increase to such an extent that it has been impossible to fill them without employing an extra shift of men. Other mills in the northwest are running extra shifts.

Yard stocks are exceedingly low everywhere and lumber moves out to purchasers almost as fast as it goes through the plants. Other mills may find it necessary to employ additional shifts. Many are now operating 16 hours a day and at that have to reject orders due to inability to fill them.

Last week the production of lumber by the mills of the northwest was greatly in excess of normal and at the same time there was a demand that was greater, by far, than production. Shipments were in excess of orders, thus indicating that the problem of transportation, either by rail or by water, is no longer a worry of the manufacturer. However, there is very little excuse for freight cars of any type to be on sidings and idle these days—they can find domestic shipments at the several hundred mills that are operating to capacity in the northwest.

A new demand for lumber has been felt recently from the copper mining districts. Due to an improvement in the copper market many of the mines that have been experiencing little prosperity for a long period of time are now opening. They are calling for heavy timbers for construction and are using much rough lumber. The recent report of the federal reserve agent at San Francisco shows that 15 big copper mines of the intermountain country are now operating, whereas in 1920 at about the same time only eight were open.

Woman Burns Herself.

Miami, Fla.—Crazed with pain of long illness, which three operations had failed to alleviate, Mrs. Helen Simms, 46, of Miami, drenched herself with kerosene Sunday night, lit a match to her clothing, screamed once and was dead.

Police at first worked on the theory that the woman had been murdered and because of her smallness of stature believed her to be but 16 years old.

Coal Strike Is Over.

Cardiff, Wales.—The striking miners in the Rhondda coal fields held a meeting late Sunday night and settled their differences. Work, therefore, will be resumed tomorrow. The mines employ about 46,000 men.

It was stated at the meeting that practically all the non-union miners now had joined the union.

Revenues Beat Costs.

Washington, D. C.—Wyoming had an excess of \$7.82 per capita of revenue receipts over governmental costs for 1922, the census bureau announced Saturday. The state's net indebtedness was \$18.37 per capita, compared with 56 cents in 1917, the increase having been due largely to issuance of highway construction bonds.

Soviet Frontier Fixed.

Riga.—After two years spent by a mixed commission of Latvians and Russians in demarcating the Russo-Latvian frontier, the final agreement was signed here Saturday.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Reedsport.—Pile driving began Friday on the site where will be built the Umpqua Mills and Timber company, a lumber mill incorporated by Washington men with Washington capital.

Eugene.—Notwithstanding irregularities in levying special road taxes throughout Lane county, the taxes will be collected and the money expended on the roads, according to the county court.

Reedsport.—The steamer Bertie Hanlon arrived at the Winchester Bay dock Friday afternoon. She will be loaded with 400,000 feet of lumber for California points and left here last night.

Grants Pass.—A corporation to be known as the "Oregon Caves Resort" has been organized by ten local business men and these will take charge of providing accommodations at the caves this year.

Philomath.—At the monthly session of the Philomath college executive board, the Guy Frink residence was purchased for the use of the college president, H. Dixon Boughter. The home is one of the finest in the city.

Corvallis.—The city council Friday night voted to issue bonds up to \$50,000 for the extension of the Fillmore-street sewer westward to the city limits. This will bring building lots into service covering an area of 12 blocks.

Albany.—Due to the success of the few broccoli growers in this section, many more acres will be planted to this vegetable next year, and with the bottom lands that are available near Albany quite a broccoli center is in prospect.

Salem.—Dentists from all sections of the state have been called in Salem for the past few days holding their annual convention and treating the inmates of the state penitentiary. A banquet was one of the features of the convention.

Seaside.—Gannon Beach is experiencing its greatest building boom, according to A. T. and A. M. Himes, merchants, who were here Saturday. More than 25 residences have been or are being built this spring, in addition to several business blocks.

St. Helens.—Lumber shipments from St. Helens for the week ending Saturday night were light as compared with the previous week when close to 6,000,000 feet was loaded and dispatched. However, the shipments amounted to more than 3,000,000.

Pendleton.—Little market road construction work will be done in Umatilla county this year owing to the overlapping of the 1922 program on this year's funds, and the average of 30 miles annually of new road construction will not be met this season.

Sheridan.—Final drive of the city to clean up its street improvement indebtedness was begun this week with the posting of notices to delinquent property owners. If payments are not forthcoming within the legal limit after the notices have been sent out the city will proceed to foreclose on the property.

Albany.—On July 12, 13, 14 Albany will be the scene of the annual encampment of the Spanish War veterans, department of Oregon. Preparations already are under way to care for between 400 and 500 vets. A delegation numbering 250 from the largest post in the United States, Scout Young of Portland, is expected.

Roseburg.—William Horn, trapper, hunter and prospector on Middle creek, in the south end of Douglas county, was in Roseburg Saturday after filling on a gold and silver strike which he made near Silver peak the first of the week. This is reported to be the richest gold strike in Douglas county for many years and much interest is shown in the find.

Salem.—The frequent rains during the past two weeks has had a detrimental effect on the fruit crop in Marion county, according to S. H. Van Trump, fruit inspector for this district. He said considerable damage had resulted to the fruit buds in the Shaw section and that the blossoms brought out by the recent fair weather have been blasted by the heavy rains of the past week.

Salem.—Contracts for the construction of state highways and bridges aggregating a cost of \$362,469.50 have been awarded by the state highway commission, and actual work on the project will be started within the next few weeks. Bids for this work were opened at a meeting of the commission in Portland on March 27, but awarding of the contracts was deferred because of the agitation looking to the referendum of the gasoline tax law enacted at the last session of the legislature.

SCHOOL DAYS



Uncommon Sense By JOHN BLAKE

THE NEXT HURDLE
PRIDE in past achievement gives you confidence. But you can easily have too much of it. Life is a good deal like a hurdle race. The next hurdle doesn't look so high when you have taken three or four like it. But it is the next hurdle, not the last one, that you must think about. However gracefully you cleared the last one, your problem is getting over the one just ahead. Take advantage of all the confidence you can get out of what you have done. But always remember that it is what is still to be done, that is going to count. Napoleon irritated his boasting generals by answering their stories of battles won with the query, "And what did you do the next day?" It is hard to be able to bask in the light of past accomplishments. Pleasant it is to sit back, after doing something difficult, and admire ourselves for doing it. But life is like a moving sidewalk. You have got to keep up with it or get off. And we are all born with an instinct that prompts us powerfully not to get off. Keep your eye on the next hurdle. That is the hurdle that is of vital interest to you. It is the one on which you must concentrate all your courage and all your energies. For if you don't get over it, you are out of the race, and all the hurdles you have taken before have gone for nothing. If you have had a little success, make it a big success. Put the hurdle up a little higher. If you have done one job well, find a tougher job, and do that better. That is what makes progress, and progress is necessary to the prosperity and happiness of every human being just as it is necessary to the prosperity and happiness of the whole human race. There will be plenty of hurdles to take. But when you have taken one make ready for another. For success is just one hurdle after another, and the man who takes them as they come is the man who wins out. (Copyright by John Blake.)

CLAY
By DOUGLAS MALLOCH
A MAN, they say, is made of clay; Undoubtedly it's true. But then one finds so many kinds Of clay—now haven't you? Along the creeks are yellow streaks Of clay that wouldn't do.

I know the mushy sort of slush
Will never make a man;
He'd fall apart before you start,
Would crumble in the pan.
That's not the ditch of clay in which
Humanity began.

And in the yard is clay so hard,
So shrivelled up and dry,
So rough and cold with musty mold
And full of alkali
No love nor wit could soften it—
You wouldn't even try.

But there is clay beside the way
That's solid yet will bend,
That gives and takes—the kind that
makes
A fellow and a friend,
That, once you choose, you never lose,
That holds until the end.

So don't begin with clay too thin,
Nor start with clay too thick.
The plastic kind you'll always find
The best to do the trick.
Just add a hand of good, old sand—
And then you'll have a brick!
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Has Anyone Laughed At You Because —
YOU LIKE TO ARGUE?
You may be a bore or you may not with this propensity. Yet if you control it well you are a stimulating person to have about. Nothing is better for a crowd of lazy-minded folk than to have such as you around. You can argue on whether the moon has flowers, or rocks have life, or babies have rights, or women have hearts, or anything but politics and religion and still be popular and amusing. Argument and discussion can be the pep of a party if no one gets huffy.

FOOD FOR THE FAMILY
A NICE little company sandwich which is different, and served with a cup of cocoa or coffee will be enough for light refreshments is Chicken Salad Rolls.
Mix one cupful of cooked chicken, one cupful of chopped celery and one-half cupful of chopped green olives with three tablespoonfuls of mayonnaise dressing, seasoning highly with salt and cayenne. Cut small rolls into halves, remove the soft centers, spread with softened butter and fill with the salad; press the halves together or serve open with the tops garnished to suit the taste.

For the Cooky Jar.
Take one cupful of shortening, two cupfuls of sugar, two eggs, one cupful of milk, three and one-half cupfuls of flour, a teaspoonful of flavoring, a little salt and one teaspoonful of baking powder. Mix, chill and roll as thin as possible. Sprinkle the tops with sugar just before going into the oven. For variety cut with a doughnut cutter, sprinkle with sugar and cinnamon and add three halves of almonds, points to the center at equal distances. These are called sand tarts.
Raisin Butter Sandwiches.
Soften butter by working it with a spatula or wooden spoon until creamy. To one-half cupful of butter add one-half cupful of finely chopped raisins and two tablespoonfuls of finely-minced candied ginger. Mix, and when of the right consistency spread on buttered bread. Serve with afternoon tea.
Porcupine Apples.
Select apples of uniform size and which will cook tender without losing their shape. To half a dozen apples prepare a sirup in which to cook them. When tender decorate with quartered blanched almonds, sticking them into the apple as thick as desired. Pour the sirup around the apples and bake until the nuts are lightly browned. Serve as dessert with cream. The centers may be filled with bright colored jelly, and they may be arranged on a platter if desired, with a spoonful of cream whipped stiff on each.

Holland's Thrifty Peasants.
It is said that the Dutch peasant is well-to-do. That is indicated by the fact that Holland has more than two and one-half million accounts in savings banks, which means that more than one in every three of the population is laying away money for a rainy day.