

HAPPENINGS OF CURRENT WEEK

Bits of Best News Items From Everywhere.

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Events of Noted People, Governments and Pacific Northwest, and Other Things Worth Knowing.

The Statue of Liberty in New York harbor was draped in crepe Saturday as a protest against prohibition.

Leonidas Merritt, 82, discoverer of the first iron ore on the Mesabara range in Minnesota, died Sunday at his home in Duluth of heart disease.

Mrs. Rida Johnson Young, nationally known author and playwright, died at her home at Southfield, Conn., Saturday. She had been ill for some time.

An agreement was reached Friday by the joint congressional postal committee for a restoration of the 1-cent rate on postcards. The rate now is 2 cents.

Fifty bandits were killed Friday by the French in the course of "mopping up" operations in the Midan quarter of Damascus. A number of suspects were arrested.

Miss Elvira Machado, the beautiful daughter of President Gerardo Machado of Cuba, will soon become the bride of Jose E. Obregon, private secretary to the president.

After hearing B. D. Stewart, ex-mayor of Juneau, the house committee on territories Saturday voted to report a bill authorizing Alaska cities to issue 6 per cent bonds for public improvements.

The 1925 annual report of the Nickel Plate railroad, made public Saturday, shows net income after all charges and after dividend and sinking fund requirements of \$6,445,807.25, comparing with \$5,889,346.95 for 1924.

The wedding of Mrs. Horace E. Dodge, sr., widow of one of the founders of Dodge Brothers, Inc., to Hugh Dillman, son of a Columbus, Ohio, tailor, and divorced husband of Marjorie Rameau, actress, took place Saturday.

Frank H. Pettigell, president of the Los Angeles stock exchange, died Saturday night while riding in a taxicab and under circumstances which have caused the police to investigate the possibility that his death was caused by poisoned liquor.

Evelyn Fariss Bennett, ex-Follies beauty, was divorced from Raymond Bennett in circuit court in Chattanooga, Tenn., early Thursday afternoon, and 30 minutes later had obtained a license to marry James M. Heath, 28, of New York.

Montana lost its fight for an appropriation of \$1,000,000 from the federal road fund for the construction of a highway connecting Cook City and Red Lodge, the senate agreeing to the conference report on the interior department appropriation bill with this item eliminated.

Hail stones larger than baseballs bombarded Dallas, Texas, and vicinity late Saturday, wreaking thousands of dollars' damage in broken windows and perforated automobile tops, and demoralizing downtown traffic. Late shoppers jammed store fronts for protection from a furious 10-minute fusillade.

Tom Murray, noted outlaw under sentence of death for his part in the murder of two guards in a break at the Oregon state penitentiary August 12, 1925, hanged himself in the death cell in Salem, Or., Sunday night between 9 and 11:15 o'clock. His body was discovered when guards turned on the light in the cell for 11:15 check.

The steamer Bielormess went down Sunday after it collided with a barge soon after leaving Gomel, and an undetermined number of passengers in the lower cabins went down with her. The steamer plied between Gomel and Kiev on the river Dnieper. A rescue squad saved all of the passengers who were on deck.

The New York Central railroad's net income after charges totaled \$45,627,223 in 1925, an increase of \$9,376,823 over 1924, according to the annual report made public Sunday. The 1925 net income was equivalent to \$12.69 a share of the capital stock of \$383,258,236, while the 1924 net income was equivalent to \$12.88 a share on the \$304,836,835 capital stock.

Pessimism.
A pessimist is a man who tells the truth prematurely. — Cyrano (Paris).

AMERICANS CANCEL VISITS TO LONDON

London, Eng.—The general strike thus far has put the so-called American season in England back one month in the opinion of hotel men. The cancellation of American tourist reservations for May and June is variously given at from 5 to 10 per cent, but the reservations for July and August have been scarcely affected.

Air traffic from the continent has increased fully 50 per cent since the strike started. One of the leading air transportation firms has accommodated passengers of 15 different nationalities during the last few days.

The opera season opened at Convent garden with Mozart's "Figaro" and the hotels intend to revive opera suppers which are popular features of London society life.

ALTON B. PARER, 74, DIES IN AUTOMOBILE

New York.—Alton B. Parer, who rose from the obscurity of a youth spent on a New York state farm to bear the standard of the democratic party against Theodore Roosevelt in the presidential race of 1904, died Monday while riding in an automobile through Central Park.

The ex-chief judge of the court of appeals contracted a cold three days ago and had been under a physician's care. He was on his way to his country home in Esopus, N. Y., with his wife and nurse when he was stricken with a heart attack. Death was almost instantaneous.

Edelstein Gets Liberty

Springfield, Ill.—Isadore Edelstein, ex-convict, arrested here on two charges of safe cracking, was released Monday on \$5000 bonds. Edelstein will appear in Spokane, Wash., next week, where a hearing on an appeal of a life sentence, given him for being an habitual criminal, will be held. He was out on a \$30,000 bond in that city. He left Springfield immediately after his release.

Jury in Extra Session

Seattle, Wash.—A federal grand jury which convened here Tuesday went into an extra session Monday night after more than a score of prohibition agents, coast guard officials and customs inspectors from points as far distant as Salt Lake City had been called before it during the day. District Attorney Revelle said that the inquisitors would likely take 30 days more to finish their work.

Bomb Damages Church

San Francisco.—St. Peter's and St. Paul's Catholic church, an imposing edifice in the north section of the city, was slightly damaged early Sunday by explosion of a bomb placed in the main vestibule. No one was injured. The explosion occurred at 3 A. M., and persons living in the vicinity saw a man run down the street immediately after.

Ford Sees Strike Trick

Sudbury, Mass.—The people of the United States are too intelligent to become involved in a general strike, such as that now tying up industry in Great Britain, Henry Ford said Monday. The manufacturer said the British general strike had been "put over" on British labor. Mr. Ford refused to go further into particulars.

Honor Paid "Uncle Joe"

Washington, D. C.—Honor was paid Friday to "Uncle Joe" Cannon on his ninetieth anniversary by the house, where he served as a member nearly half a century and as a speaker for eight years. Speaker Longworth said he deserved the title of "America's grand old man."

Benjamin Odell Dead

Newburgh, N. Y.—Benjamin Barker Odell, ex-governor of New York, died at his home Sunday after an illness of several months. He was 72 years old. Mr. Odell was governor of New York from 1901 to 1905 and was a powerful factor in the republican party for 40 years.

Trail Coins Authorized

Washington, D. C.—The senate Monday passed a house bill to authorize the coinage of 50-cent pieces in commemoration of those who traversed the Old Oregon trail. Ezra Meeker, famous trail blazer, was a spectator from the senate gallery.

Emperor Hit by Stroke

Tokyo.—Emperor Yoshihito of Japan suffered a slight stroke of cerebral anaemia Tuesday morning. It was not believed serious, however.

Vancouver.—Whether husbands are entitled to wages from their wives will be argued in the superior court of Clarke county. In answer to his wife's suit for divorce, Henry Halsten Friday demanded that if she is to be granted a divorce, he be given either \$4000 cash or the accrued sum of \$50 a month since he married her in 1920. He also wants back the \$350 cash which he says he sank in the marriage venture.

TROOPS CONVOY FOOD IN LONDON

Defensive Armor of War Keeps Strikers in Check.

PEACE SEEMS FOR OFF

Union Leaders Undecided on Calling Out Second and Third Defense Lines.

London.—The British government utilized the greater part of Sunday in developing its preparations to combat the general strike which has been in progress for nearly a week, and which seems no nearer settlement than the day it began.

Troop movements went along with a vim. Soldiers, all steel-helmeted, passed through the city's main thoroughfares at intervals on their way to outlying points where the government deemed their services might be needed. The early morning Sabbath calm was broken as 158 motor trucks, heavily loaded with food and convoyed by 16 armored cars and flanked by cavalry, rumbled from Victoria docks to Hyde Park.

Sunday was full of anxiety for the authorities because the rest day gave labor's second and third lines of defense an opportunity to discuss the situation with their striking comrades; hope springing from the pulpit and other peaceful sources that some way would be found before another Sabbath came to end the struggle which already has brought deprivation and suffering to millions.

For so great an upheaval there has been little disturbance or disorder; even at the mass meetings held Sunday there was little evidence that so mighty a battle was being fought.

One of the questions still undecided by the union leaders is whether to call out what is known as the second line of defense, and, if necessary, the final reserve, the third line of defense. Many of the second-line workers continued to walk out on their own initiative, but without instructions from the Trades Union congress.

This line includes seamen, electricians, gas and water workers, as well as unionists employed in various essential and municipal services.

While a limited number of electricians in London and other cities went out during the week this was done sectionally, the question having been decided by the individual unions themselves, and not in response to any call from headquarters. Textile workers and men and girls employed in the woolen mills as well as the boot and shoe factories are also in the second line.

The third line of defense comprises scavengers and general laborers in all the allied trades represented in the trades union congress. If the congress orders out both of these lines more than two million workers will cease their tasks, bringing the total number of strikers involved in the movement to approximately 5,000,000.

126 PERSONS INJURED IN CABLE CAR CRASH

San Francisco, Cal.—A California street cable car, crowded with an early morning office-going throng, ran away for four blocks down a steep hill Friday, crashed into another car that was standing on the same track at the bottom of the hill, injured one passenger, a woman, perhaps fatally, and less seriously hurt approximately 125 others.

Isador Navarro, gripman on the runaway car, said he tried to answer a stop signal at Powell and California streets, but that the car did not respond to the brakes. Crowded to the steps, it gathered momentum rapidly. Many leaped from the car, some being stunned by their jump to the pavement.

The car struck a meat truck at Montgomery and California streets, a block before it smashed into the other cable car. The impact with the truck slowed it up slightly.

Buried City Laid Bare

Jerusalem.—Excavation on the site of the buried city of Kirjath Sepher, in southern Palestine, has revealed one of the most complete and well preserved of Canaanite and Israelite walled cities. The discovery, which is regarded as most unusual in Palestine exploration, was made by the archaeological expedition headed by Dr. Melvin G. Kyle of St. Louis. Walls 40 feet high and 10 to 14 feet thick were uncovered.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF

Portland.—Apple exports to foreign countries from the port of Portland during the 1925-26 season fell 43,739 boxes short of 1,000,000 boxes.

Salem.—Andy Willis of North Powder was appointed master of water district No. 3, including Union county and the North Powder river country.

Westport.—Miss Helen E. Lander, about 17, was badly burned on both arms and legs Saturday night by a boiler explosion in a bath house at Kerry, Or.

Warrenton.—Warrenton high school here Friday night won the debating championship of western Oregon by defeating Grants Pass, 2 to 1, on the subject of free text books in Oregon schools.

Hood River.—A minimum temperature slightly below freezing prevailed over mid-Columbia fruit districts Saturday night, and a light frost was reported in several communities. No damage resulted.

Medford.—The Masonic temple in this city will be enlarged at a cost of \$25,000. Work will begin in June. The changes include the addition of a third story for a lodge room. The second story will be used for a clubroom.

Klamath Falls.—A temporary club house to serve members until sufficient money can be raised to construct a permanent building, is under construction on the new Reames Golf and Country club course, three miles east of this city.

Albany.—Ivan Murphy and Henry Hawk paid fines of \$150 each in the circuit court Friday when Judge Percy R. Kelly imposed that sentence upon them when they were convicted of illegal possession of deer meat. The case was brought up on appeal from the justice court.

Sweet Home.—All indications point to prosperity at Sweet Home community. A new sawmill is in operation above town not very far from the Liggett-Wilhelm mill. The new mill is operated by Messrs. Horner and Gleason, who purchased the timber belt owned by the O. McClures.

La Grande.—A. H. Barnhisel, president of the Northwest Real Estate association, and T. W. Zimmerman, secretary of the same organization, were here Friday conferring with the local realty board in reference to the program for the northwest convention to be held here July 22, 23 and 24.

Canon Beach.—A carrier pigeon flew in the window of the natatorium here Sunday afternoon, apparently exhausted. On one of its legs the pigeon wore a tin band, which revealed the numbers 1637-VSC25. When the bird is thoroughly rested it will be released and allowed to continue its journey.

Salem.—During the 40 months that Governor Pierce has been chief executive of that state he has handled with some form of clemency a total of 283 county jail cases. This information was contained in a lengthy statement issued here Saturday by W. A. Deizell, private secretary to Governor Pierce.

Hood River.—The Apple Growers association which alone in this district handles carlots of strawberries, has recommended the following wage scale for harvest help this year: Picking, 10 cents a hallock, with a bonus of 2 cents for all who remain throughout the season with a grower; packing, 18 cents a crate, with a 4-cent bonus.

Roseburg.—The general merchandise store conducted by Roy Agee, and the W. E. Godsey garage at Wilbur were destroyed by fire Saturday night. The fire originated in the store, and was not discovered until both buildings were ablaze. Three automobiles were burned in the garage, while the stock and fixtures of both places of business was burned.

Klamath Falls.—Population of Klamath Falls is 11,140. This estimate is the result of a long and laborious check by the postoffice department of this city. Klamath Falls' population, according to the postoffice figures, has doubled in the last three years. Population of the city in 1920, according to official census, was 4801; in 1910, 2758, and in 1900, 447.

Pendleton.—Proposals to establish a grain inspection station at this city was made here yesterday and it was announced that on Wednesday a meeting would be held at the Pendleton Commercial association's rooms when grainmen, wheat farmers and millers would discuss the plan with C. T. Spence, state marketing agent, and C. W. Wright, chief grain inspector.

Latin Long "Dead."

Latin ceased to be a spoken language in 550 A. D., but remained the organ of general literature until the early part of the Seventeenth century. The last great philosopher who wrote entirely in Latin was Leibnitz (1646-1716).

MODISH BLACK SATIN COATS; AIRY HATS HERALD SUMMER

LIKE the return of an old friend, rejuvenated and chic—after a long vacation, the black satin coat of this season makes its entry—everywhere there is awaiting it a feast of a thousand welcomes. Black satin coats, following all the modish new ideas of the hour and stressing particularly the use of summer furs in colors and trimmings, have returned in force; whole windows in the big apparel shops are given over to their display, showing them developed in straight lines and flaring models, and with all the variations in collars, sleeves, fastenings and other details that characterize the fashionable coat of the spring season.



The Flared Silhouette.

Nothing quite equals black satin, in the crepe satin weaves, for the new flared skirt lines in coats and cape and jabot effects which are so graceful and chic; therefore a good proportion of the late models embodies these style points. An example of the flared silhouette is shown in the picture in a coat with deep revers and the popular side fastening. Its fur collar, in light gray squirrel, holds its own with many other collars of similar shape, made of white ermine, but the displays emphasize the distinction of black and white sleeves, fastenings and other details that characterize the fashionable coat of the spring season.

They have been and often revealing picturesque brim lines. The group of five hats pictured here is representative of this class of headwear and leads off with a moderately wide-brimmed hat covered with georgette. Pastel colors and tan shades are especially well liked in this kind of millinery and they make perfect backgrounds for flowers in natural and pastel colors. The hair braid hat at the left, with high square crown, carries only one huge blossom, posed high on the right side. A light straw braid provides the graceful hat at the right with brim edge finished with a deep facing of silk and trimming of applique



Group of Summer Hats.

by many models in which ermine is used for collars and—with much restraint—in trimming touches. Fur collars are not confined to squirrel or white ermine by any means. Summer ermine and furs that imitate it, and dyed squirrel provide a choice of color in the short-haired furs, and white fox contributes its soft becomingness also. Except in sunny climes the story of millinery so far this season has been told in small, colorful and chic hats that belong to early spring. Flower trims on many of them herald a coming summer—like the songs of cheerfully promising robins—and we have listened to the songs and bought