## **WORLD HAPPENINGS** OF CURRENT WEEK

Daily News Items.

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

The village of Whatworth, Que., 16 miles from Riviere de Loup, was wiped out Monday by forest fires.

cents an hour for skilled mechanics plan covered by the act. and reclassification of mechanics' work are announced by the Southern but counsel for the department of jus-Pacific lines at Houston, Texas Tues-

Two thousand members of the bench and bar heard Secretary of State Hughes plead for America's entrance into the world court Tuesday night at the Kent centennial celebration at Columbia university.

"his \$40,000 cook," whose especially state commerce commission. prepared dishes Meurer repeatedly declared meant "life itself" to him.

Woodrow Wilson was serenaded at his S-street home Wednesday by a which sang "Dixle" under his window supreme court. and then at his request followed it with "The Star-Spangled Banner."

President Harding will make 14 ad-Alaska, according to an official anterms of this decision. nouncement of the executive's itinerary late Tuesday at the White House.

aggregating approximately \$458,800 an- trai Pacific company. nually, have been granted to 8330 employes of the Northern Pacific railroad's maintenance of way depart- 30 TRAINS CAUGHT

Newspaper reports to the effect that Sir Auckland Geddes was retiring from the position of British ambassador to the United States was characterized as entirely unfounded by Ronald Mc-Neill, under secretary of foreign affairs, in the house of commons Mon-

Awarded \$50,000, the amount she breach of promise, Miss Violet Johnstone of Brooklyn, arrived in New York Wednesday from Omaha, where the suit was tried. The case probably will be appealed, the doctor's attorneys said.

The state department announced man, American minister at Pekin, ing by the firemen. which said "there was no definite indication of how long it would be before Americans and others still held by Chinese bandits are released."

ible TC-1 was destroyed by fire short- ing. One passenger, overcome by the ly after it moored at Wilbur Wright smoke, was taken to a hospital. A field at 6 P. M. in Dayton, O., Wed- number of firemen also have been nesday. The ship, the largest of its overcome. kind in this country, was destroyed during a severe electrical storm. It under the train shed, between 15th sentation to the British cabinet tocame to Dayton from Scott field, Ili- and 16th streets. Scores of men with morrow. It expressed the hope that Republic adopted a few resolutions, inois, on a test flight.

Sofia.-Profiteers will be subject to public beatings with lashes, confiscation of their property and permanent disbarment from business under a bill largest municipal buildings in the her allies a solution of the reparations years and adopted a resolution to that submitted to the Sobranje (national world. Entrance to the station for question, provided the discussion effect. assembly) Wednesday. This is the trains is on an elevated structure keeps within the limits of the French governments' answer to the many from the Schuylkill river, approximate- proposals of January. complaints that the cost of living has ly eight blocks. Under the tracks for been unnecessarily increased by specu- about three blocks are express stations

Army efficiency requires that attenof moral instruction, General Pershing lapse. said, but he added that "religion contains the secret of the impetus toward

Authoritative denial was given Wed- garden of Mrs. W. L. Smith failed to nesday to Moscow newspaper reports work. The valve was unscrewed, Mrs. alleging British interference in soviet Smith supposing it was clogged by Asia. It was declared that the British silt. She was surprised when an eight- & Quincy railroad notified the rail- and before water could be applied government had never made any agree- inch mountain trout shot from the road labor board Saturday that it had three terrific explosions of ammonia ment with the Emir of Turkestan in- pipe. The system worked well for made an agreement with its main- tanks spread the flames greatly, volving a protectorate of that region an hour and again stopped. A wrench tenance of way employes affecting 10,- throwing sparks and endangering the and that the statement in the Moscow was again applied and this time Mrs. 000 men. The agreement grants fore- lives of the fire fighters. The blaze papers relative to an alleged British Smith discovered a large rainbow men increases in wages of from \$4 to was shooting along the wooden streets promise to finance and arm anti-soviet trout. It measured 18 inches and \$10 a month and 1 cent an hour to and the building had caved in before forces was untrue.

#### RAIL MERGER IS APPROVED

Southern-Central Pacific Union Upheld by Court of Appeals.

St. Paul. - Approval of the interstate commerce commission's action in authorizing the Southern Pacific tral Pacific road was announced Monday by the United States circuit court of appeals.

Walter H. Sanborn, senior judge of the court, announced that the court NEW RULES IN EFFECT 'had concluded that the interstate ommerce commission had the author ity to authorize and approve the con- Congress May Be Asked to Remove trol by lease and stock ownership of the Central Pacific railroad by the Southern Pacific company."

This conclusion, in effect approv ing provisions of the transportation act of 1920, is declared of far-reach-A general wage increase of 3 to 5 hold the present railroad consolidation

> There will be no opinion filed now, tice and for the Southern Pacific were Appeal to the supreme court still is open to the government.

The court which, in addition to Eugene Meurer, millionaire paper it the proposed decree of the railroad manufacturere of Muskegon, Okla., has company, permitting the control under married Miss Margaret Wasserman, the conditions laid down by the inter-

will move acceptance of this form for regulations by important lines. the decree and the government will Shriner patrol from Greenville, S. C., notice of intention to appeal to the to foreign lines and will even require packing station. This sets a record

October 17, 1922, directing the circuit beverage purposes for ships' crews at cisco, where the berries are further dresses en route to the Pacific coast court of appeals to enter a final decree all times. Protests from these counon his Alaskan trip and will speak in requiring the Southern Pacific to di- tries, Great Britain and other nations five coast cities after returning from a decree entered carrying out the were conceded to be natural.

Increases in wages ranging from 1 and in violation of the Sherman anti- minister it as the law of the land. to 3% cents an hour and from \$6.84 trust act, and the government sought To do otherwise, it is maintained, actto \$10 a month, effective May 16 and vest itself of any control of the Cen- ually would involve violation by treas-

Pennsylvania railroad were routed out congress. asked from Dr. Karl Connell for two or three places. Five alarms were ping interests, the source of appeal cury reached 90 degrees, when a vio-

excitement prevailed among passen- department may take the initiative late Wednesday it had received a gers waiting to board outgoing trains and ask congress when it convenes

A. M. An hour later the entire train one reason why foreign lines have inshed was in flames and the baggage dicated their purpose to comply strictroom, just outside the waiting room ly with the regulations. The United States air service dirig- on the second floor, also was burn-

The fire spread to the mail room,

the blaze drove them out. and mail room.

tion be given to religious matters, Gen- brought to the scene. Hundreds of erty by a storm that broke over this eral Pershing said Wednesday at the streams of water were poured on the city at 12:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon. opening session of the conference with flames which shot high into the air. More than six inches of water fell churchmen and welfare workers, call- Fire Chief Davis said that he feared in less than an hour and a half, the ed out the window for a 20-foot drop ed by the war department. All mili- the roof, of metal and glass and cov- weather bureau announced. All of the to the sidewalk, where he landed in tary training has in it certain elements ering nearly a city block, would col- storm sewers of the city were over-

> a pressure irrigation system in the direction. weighed 31/2 pounds.

## FOREIGN NATIONS OBEY LIQUOR LAW

Favorable Attitude.

Ban Against Foreign Ships Carrying Beverages.

Washington, D. C .- With the ship liquor regulations effective Sunday, ing importance, in that it tends to up- government officials are gratified at ing to Jarvey Bullis of this city. Five the attitude taken toward compliance with the rules by foreign nations.

Announcements coming from Great Britain. France and other important erage up to the American three-mile Judge Sanborn, includes Judges Wil- limit and that they will return "dry" liam S. Kenyon, Fort Dodge, Ia., and in this respect have been favorably Robert S. Lewis, Denver, has before received. The position of these coun-Counsel for the railroad on Monday ficulty regarding observance of the

It is recognized by officials that have an opportunity to suggest such the regulations are rigid and that were packed in barrels Friday by a amendments as it wishes, or may serve they will be a source of inconvenience crew of 50 persons in the Stenberg suspension of domestic laws of such for daily packs in this plant. The The court's decree will be under the nations as France and Spain calling fruit is packed in sugar in barrels mandate of the supreme court, issued for adequate supplies of wines for and is sent via Portland to San Fran-

At the same time, it is pointed out, The supreme court had held the the treasury department had no al-Southern Pacific control of the Central ternative but to obey strictly the de-Pacific as in restraint of competition cision of the supreme court and adury officials of their oath of office and lay them open to impeachment. re not seeking to pass one way or the IN FLAMING SHED other upon its merits or its effect in in years was recorded in The Dalles it seemed. ing sleeping cars in the train shed any authority other than interpreting .7 of an inch. The previous heaviest at the Broad Street station of the been emphasized, rests entirely with inch.

of their berths early Monday by a Consequently, it is pointed out, if sounded summoning all the fire fight- until it meets next December. Meanthey could be moved to safety. Great office. It has been suggested, though of wheat, which is falling every day. not plainly stated, that the treasury ships carrying liquor for beverage pur-The blaze started shortly after 1 poses. It is reported that the possibility of such a proposal has been

### Poincare's Note Sent.

Paris .- Premier Poincare's note or the subject of German reparations was delivered in London Sunday for pretrucks worked to remove the mail but Great Britain would join France and thanking the people of Grants Pass Belgium in telling Germany that pas-The flames spread westward, away sive resistance in the Ruhr must cease. from the station proper which is lo- It says if Germany complies, France cated opposite the city hall, one of the will be disposed to consider with

### Georgia Has Big Storm.

Macon, Ga .- Damage estimated at All fire apparatus in the city was \$1,000,000 was caused to Macon prop. ing into the mattress, circus-like. The loaded. Many of them gave way.

The storm was local, extending

### Wage Agreement Made.

Chicago.-The Chicago, Burlington other employes.

# IN BRIEF.

er crop of cherries this year will total 650 tons of Royal Annes and 400 tons Brief Resume Most Important railroad to acquire control of the Cen- U. S. Government Gratified by of black cherries, according to esti-

> McMinnville.-L. W. Riley, president of Linfield college, who has just returned from the east, Sunday night conferred degrees upon thirty-one graduates of the college.

> Eugene-Cherry growers of Lane ounty have their troubles this year. The crop is short and now wild pigeons in some sections of the county, especially in the hill orchards, are devouring what few cherries are on the trees. The loss will be heavy.

> Corvallis,-Fire Friday night totally destroyed a barn and contents belonghead of horses and one motor car were among the property destroyed.

Salem .- The state tax on gasoline and distillate produced a total of \$115,-639.82 in April, according to a statenotified to present arguments here on maritime nations that vessels flying ment prepared here by Sam A. Kozer, the form the court's decree shall take. their flags will carry only enough secretary of state. This exceeded the liquor to meet requirements for bey- revenue from the same source for the preceding month by approximately 25

Baker.-The first carload of ore for the Sumpter smelter, which has resumed operations, was received at the plant last week. The ore came from pressed by Secretary of the Treasury the Psyche mine in the Greenhorn Mellon that he did not anticipate dif- district and was loaded on the railroad at Tipton. Another car was at Tipton ready for the smelter.

Salem .- The state bond commission. at a special meeting held here Friday. funds of the state industrial accident The commission is composed of Governor Pierce, State Treasurer Hoff and E. E. Bragg, member of the accident commission.

The Dalles .- Accompanied by a ter-It was stated that they had nothing rific cannonading of thunder and brilto do with the making of the law and liant flashes of lightening the heavest rain fall within so short a period international relations. Nor, it was Saturday night. Water literally fell the law. Making of the law, it has shower during the year was .23 of an

Pendleton.-Umatilla county Saturday was relieved from a sudden atfire. The shed burst into flames in any relief is to come to foreign ship- tack of hot weather in which the meris congress, which cannot be taken lent dust storm, followed by thunder, lightning, hail and rain, cooled the ing forces in the center of the city. while it will be the purpose of the air. The precipitation was an eighth Approximately 30 trains were in the treasury department to enforce its of an inch. The hall and heavy rain the simple consciousness that the shed and several caught fire before regulations through the public health did some damage to the rank growth

Tualatin. - Boldly backing their truck up to the J. Martinazzi ranch at cablegram from Jacob Gould Schur- until they were ordered from the build- to remove the ban against foreign Tualatin at 9 o'clock Friday night, chicken thieves took 60 fine Rhode Island Red hens. Members of the family were entertaining company and plano playing with a chorus of voices gave the robbers opportunity to get the birds without being heard, although the poultry house was quite near the residence.

Grants Pass .- After selecting Hillsboro as the next convention city, the delegates to the forty-second annual encampment of the Grand Army of the for their entertainment, and ended their sessions. The veterans were unanimous in their declaration that waiter with painstaking gruffness. this was the best convention in recent

Medford. - Seven-year-old Bobby Lewis suffered minor injuries Friday in a strange accident on the sleeping porch at his home on the second floor. He was playing on his bed, divbed springs functioned well for the first few dives but finally they bounced him so violently that he catapultan old baby carriage left standing

Reedsport .- A loss of \$7500 was sus-Hood River, Or .- Monday a valve in about 20 miles from this city in any tained and the city of Reedsport endangered when the city meat market owned by Robert Boyer and Frank Ruhe burned at 2 A. M. Friday. The any water could be applied.

# STATE NEWS MISS LULU BETT

#### "MY WEDDED WIFE"

SYNOPSIS.—General factotum in the house of her sister Ina, wife of Herbert Deacon, in the small town of Warbieton, Luiu Bett leads a dull, cramped existence, with which she is constantly at enmity, though apparently satisfied with her lot. Bobby Larkin, recently graduated high-school youth, is secretly enamored of Deacon's elder daughter, Diana. The family is excited over the news of an approaching visit from Deacon's brother Ninian, whom he had not seen for many years. Unexpectedly, Ninian arrives. Thus he becomes acquainted with Lulu first and understands her position in the house. To Luiu, Ninian is a much-traveled man of the world, and even the slight interest which he takes in her is the world, and even the slight in-terest which he takes in her is appreciated, because it is something new in her life. At an outing which the family takes, Ninian and Lulu become confidential. He ex-presses his disapproval of her treatment as a sort of dependent in the Deacon home. Diana and Bobby, in the course of "soft noth-ings," discuss the possibility of eloping and "surprising the whole school." Lulu has awakened to pleasant possibilities concerning pleasant possibilities concerning Ninian's intentions toward herself.

July. When, on a warm evening a fortnight later, Lulu descended the stairs | Lulu. "Then they'll simmer down. dressed for her incredible trip to the she wore the white waist which she had often thought they would "use" for her if she died. And really, the walst looked as if it had been planned for the purpose, and its wide, upstanding plaited lace at throat and wrist made her neck look thinner, her forearm sharp and velned. Her hair she had "crimped" and parted in the middle, puffed high-it was so that hair had been worn in Lulu's girlhood.

"Well!" said Ina, when she saw this coiffure, and frankly examined it, head well back, tongue meditatively

teasing at her lower lip. For travel Lulu was again wearing Ina's linen duster—the old one.

Ninian appeared, in a sack coatand his diamond. His distinctly conmouth and cleft chin gave Lulu once more that bold sense of looking-not invested approximately \$131,000 of at him, for then she was shy and much as she would. She looked up little doubling chin. at him openly, fell in step beside him. Was he not taking her to the city? of them had understood the story. Ina and Dwight themselves were going because she, Lulu, had brought about this party.

"Act as good as you look, Lulle," Mrs. Bett called after them. She gave no instructions to Ina, who was married and able to shine in her conduct

Dwight was cross. On the way to Philadelphia. - Passengers occupy. added, did the supreme court have in sheets, the total precipitation being the station he might have been heard to take it up again, whatever it was, and his Ina unmistakably said: "Well, now, don't keep it going all the way there"; and turned back to the others with some elaborate comment about the dust, thus cutting off her so-called lord from his legitimate retort. A mean advantage.

The city was two hours distant, and they were to spend the night. On the train, in the double seat, Ninian beside her among the bags, Lulu sat in people all knew that she too had been opposite, with their little boy between them. Lulu felt this woman's superiority of experience over her own, and smiled at her from a world of fellowship. But the woman lifted her evebrows and stared and turned away. with slow and insolent winking.

Ninian had a boyish pride in his knowledge of places to eat in many cities-as if he were leading certain of the tribe to a deer-run in a strange wood. Ninian took his party to a downtown cafe, then popular among business and newspaper men. The place was below the sidewalk, was The dog-kennel part-wasn't that the reached by a dozen marble steps, and queerest thing? Nothing to do with the odor of its griddle-cakes took the the rest of the play. air of the street. Ninian made a great show of selecting a table. changed once, called the waiter "my man" and rubbed soft hands on "What do you say? Shall it be lobster?" He ordered the dinner, instructing the

"Not that they can touch your cooking here, Miss Lulu," he said, settling himself to wait, and crumbling a crust.

Dwight, expanding a bit in the aura of the food, observed that Lulu was a regular chef, that was what Lulu was. He still would not look at his time. But they all did." wife, who now remarked: "Sheff, Dwightie. Not cheff."

he pretended not to hear-another mean advantage. "Ina," said Lulu, "your hat's just little mite-no, over the other way." "Was there anything to prevent

"I started to and then somebody always said something," said Lulu humbly.

your speaking of that before?" Ina

Lulu's hour. She was proof against any shadow. "Say, but you look tremendous to-

night," Dwight observed to her. Understanding perfectly that this was sald to tease his wife, Lulu yet flushed with pleasure. She saw two women watching, and she thought: They're feeling sorry for Ina-nobody talking to her." She laughed at everything that the men said. She passionately wanted to talk herself. "How many folks keep going past," she said, many times.

### By ZONA GALE

At length, having noted the details of all the clothes in range, Ina's isolation palled upon her and she set herself to take Ninian's attention. She therefore talked with him about

"Curious you've never married, Nin," she said. "Don't say it like that," he begged.

I might yet, Ina laughed enjoyably. "Yes, you

might!" she met this. "She wants everybody to get married, but she wishes I hadn't," Dwight threw in with exceeding ran-

They developed this theme exhausively, Dwight usually speaking in the third person and always with his shoulder turned a bit from his wife. It was inconceivable, the gusto with which they proceeded. Ina had assumed for the purpose an air distrait, casual, attentive to the scene about But gradually her cheeks be-

"She'll cry," Lulu thought in plarm, and said at random: "Ina, that hat is so pretty-ever so much prettler than the old one." But Ina said frostily that she never saw anything the matter with the old one,

"Let us talk," said Ninian low, to He went on, in an undertone, about nothing in particular. Lulu hardly heard what he said, it was so pleasant to have him talking to her in this confidential fashion; and she was pleasantly aware that his manner was open to misinterpretation. In the nick of time the lobster was

served. Dinner and the play-the show, as Ninian called it. This show was "Peter Pan," chosen by Ninian because the seats cost the most of those at any theater. It was almost indecent to see how Dwight Herbert, the immortal soul, had warmed and melted at these contacts. By the time that all was over, and they were at the hotel for supper, such was his vex face, its thick, rosy flesh, thick pleasurable excitation that he was once more playful, teasing, once more the irrepressible. But now his Ina was to be won back, made it evident averted her eyes-but at his photo- that she was not one lightly to overgraph at which she could gaze as look, and a fine firmness sat upon the

They discussed the play. Not one



'Why Not Say the Wedding Service?" Asked Ninian,

"I was for the pirates. The one with the hook-he was my style," said

"Well, there it is again," Ina cried. "They didn't belong to the real play, either.' "Oh, well," Ninian said, "they have to put in parts, I suppose, to catch

everybody. Instead of a song and dance, they do that." "And I didn't understand," sald Ina,

"why they all clapped when the principal character ran down front and said something to the audience that

Ninian thought this might have been out of compliment. Ina wished This was a mean alvantage, which that Monona might have seen, confessed that the last part was so pretty that she herself would not look; and into Ina's eyes came their loveliest light.

Lulu sat there, hearing the talk about the play. "Why couldn't I have said that?" she thought as the others spoke. All that they said seemed to her apropos, but she could think of nothing to add. The evening had been Nothing could so much as cloud to her a light from heaven-how could she find anything to say? She sat in a daze of happiness, her mind hardly operative, her look moving from one to another. At last Ninian looked at her.

"Sure you liked it, Miss Lulu?" "Oh, yes! I think they all took their parts real well."

It was not enough. She looked at them appealingly, knowing that she had not said enough, "You could hear everything they

said," she added. "It was-" she

dwindled to silence,

Dwight Herbert savored his rarebit

with a great show of long wrinkled "Excellent sauces they make hereexcellent," he said, with the frown of an epicure. "A tiny wee bit more Athabasca," he added, and they all laughed and told him that Athabasca was a lake, of course. Of course he

meant tabasco, Ina said. Their en-

tertainment and their talk was of

this sort, for an hour. "Well, now," said Dwight Herbert when it was finished, "somebody dance

on the table."

"Dwightie!" "Got to amuse ourselves somehow. Come, liven up. They'll begin to read the funeral service over us."

"Why not say the wedding service?" asked Ninian. In the mention of wedlock there was always something stimulating to

Dwight, something of overwheiming humor. He shouted a derisive endorsement of this proposal.

"I shouldn't object," said Ninian.

"Should you, Miss Lulu?" Lulu now burned the slow red of her torture. They were all looking at her. She made an anguished effort to defend herself. "I don't know it," she said, "so I

can't say it." Ninian leaned toward her. "I, Ninian, take thee, Lulu, to be ay wedded wife," he pronounced.

"That's the way it goes!" "Lulu daren't say it!" cried Dwight. He laughed so loudly that those at the near tables turned. And, from the fastness of her wifehood and motherhood Ina laughed. Really, it was ridiculous to think of Lulu that

Ninian laughed, too. "Course she don't dare say it," he challenged. From within Lulu, that strange Lulu, that other Lulu who sometimes fought her battles, suddenly spoke

"I, Lulu, take thee, Ninian, to be my wedded husband."

"You will?" Ninian cried. "I will," she said, laughing tremulously, to prove that she, too, could join in, could be as merry as the rest. "And I will. There, by Jove, now have we entertained you, or haven't we?" Ninian laughed and pounded his

soft fist on the table, "Oh, say, honestly!" Ina was shocked. "I don't think you ought to-holy things-what's the matter, Dwightie?"

Dwight Herbert Deacon's eyes were staring and his face was scarlet.
"Say, by George," he said, "a civil wedding is binding in this state."

"A civil wedding? Oh, well-" Ninian dismissed it. "But I," said Dwight, "happen to

They looked at one another foolishly. Dwight sprang up with the indeterminate idea of inquiring something of some one, circled about and returned. Ina had taken his chair and sat clasping Lulu's hand. Ninian

continued to laugh. "I never saw one done so offhand," said Dwight. "But what you've said is all you have to say according to law. And there don't have to be witnesses . . . say!" he said, and sat

Above that shroud-like plaited lace, the veins of Lulu's throat showed durk as she swallowed, cleared her throat. swallowed again.

"Don't you let Dwight scare you," she besought Ninian. "Scare me!" cried Ninian. "Why, I think it's a good job done, if you ask

Lulu's eyes flew to his face. As he laughed, he was looking at her, and now he nodded and shut and opened his eyes several times very fast. Their points of light flickered. With a pang of wonder which pierced her and left her shaken, Lulu looked. His eyes continued to meet her own. It was exactly like looking at his photograph. Dwight had recovered his authentic

"Oh, well," he said, "we can inquire at our lelsure. If it is necessary, I should say we can have it set aside quietly up here in the city-no one'll be the wiser." "Set aside nothing!" said Ninian,

"I'd like to see it stand." "Are you serious, Nin?" "Sure I'm serious."

Ina jerked gently at her sister's "Lulu! You hear him? What you going to say to that?"

earnest," she said. ian declared. He was on two legs of his chair and was slightly tilting, so that the effect of his earnestness was impaired. But he was obviously in

Lulu shook her head. "He isn't in

They were looking at Lulu again. And now she looked at Ninian, and there was something terrible in that look which tried to ask him, alone, about this thing.

Dwight exploded. "There was a fellow I know there in the theater," he cried. "I'll get him on the line. He could tell me if there's any way-" and was off.

"I don't know what to make of Lulu's letters. They are so-

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Has Had Long Vacation. One of the national standard weights of the United States has not been used for actual weighing since it was received from the international bureau in 1889.