

CURRENT EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Doings of the World at Large Told in Brief.

General Resume of Important Events Presented in Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

A California train was derailed twice in one day by striking cows on the track.

Conservatives in Nicaragua oppose elevation of General Estrada to the presidency.

A big cyclone and rain storm did much damage to crops and buildings in Michigan.

The government has forbidden the burning of any more money on funeral pyres by Yuma Indians.

Mayor Gaynor, of New York City, is so far recovered that he is planning to take up his official duties soon.

Ex-President Castro, of Venezuela, is believed to be at the bottom of a recently-discovered plot against President Gomez.

Eight are known to be dead and many badly injured in a train wreck near Durand, Michigan. Several more are missing.

A 16-year-old girl is dead from starvation at Los Angeles. She is the second one of a party of Holly Rollers to die as a result of religious fanaticism.

Customs officers held up the 12 trunks of Mrs. Nat Goodwin, wife of the famous actor, at New York City, not being willing to take her word as to what they contained.

About 40 men who had labor liens against the North Bank Lumber company's mill at Yacolt, Wash., will probably lose their claims, since the mill is destroyed by forest fires.

There was almost a riot at the international convention of hotel stewards at Pittsburgh when both San Francisco and New Orleans sought an indorsement for the Panama exposition in 1915.

Further revision of the tariff will be made the keynote of the coming campaign.

It is estimated that the fire loss in the forests of the Northwest will reach \$10,000,000.

Official news has been received in Washington of the death of the Madriz government in Nicaragua.

Paris fashions decree that the "hobble skirt" for women shall be supplanted by the "tube skirt."

Southern delegates to the National Coopers' convention declare that prohibition has not hurt their trade.

An O. R. & N. train was struck by a landslide near The Dalles and narrowly escaped being pushed into the Columbia river.

An effort will be made to shift the entire responsibility for the Illinois Central car repair graft on J. T. Harahan, president of the road.

A 14-year-old girl while out rowing on Puget Sound was caught by the tide and carried away from shore, and was not rescued until 2 o'clock next morning. She was nearly exhausted from exposure and fright.

A 14-year-old boy sleeping in a camp near Weston, Ore., was seized by a huge cougar and was being dragged away when a man with whom he was sleeping was aroused, and timely assistance frightened the beast away. The boy was uninjured.

The steamer F. A. Kilburn was destroyed by fire at her dock in San Francisco.

Thirty-three soldiers were prostrated by heat during practice marches in Kansas.

Steady rains are falling in Chehalis county, Wash., extinguishing the forest fires there.

Wallace, Idaho, is reported to have had a population of exactly 3,000 when the census was taken in April.

F. August Heinze, one of the wealthiest mining men of this country, will be married September 1 to an actress.

The British cruiser Bedford went ashore on the Korean coast and will be a total loss. Eighteen men were drowned.

Senator Warner, of Missouri, announces that on account of old age he will not again be a candidate for reelection. He is 71 years old.

A national bank of Spokane, Wash., is issuing bank notes which are supposed to be antiseptic. They are signed with ink composed largely of carbolic acid.

Oakland, Cal., gave rousing welcome to the first railroad train to reach that city over the new Western Pacific, which is a direct trans-continental ocean-to-ocean line.

Two lads fishing from a skiff at Newport, Ore., were caught by a strong ebb tide and were being carried out to sea when they were rescued by the life-saving crew.

It is said the coming political campaign will be one of the bitterest on record in many of the political centers, as many old politicians will be making a fight for their political lives.

Mayor Gaynor of New York City is improving rapidly.

MISSING MEN ARE SAFE.

Total Dead in Fire 185, With 98 Unaccounted for.

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 27.—Following is a revised list of dead in forest fires:

United States forestry employes (official figures), 104.
Settlers and loggers, St. Joe valley, Idaho, (estimated), 50.
On Big Fork, near Wallace, 13.
At Bullion mine, Montana, eight.
At Wallace, Idaho, four.
Newport, Wash., Mullin, Idaho, and Spokane, six.
Total, 185.
Missing:
Three camps in Clearwater country, 25.
Ranger Louis Fitting and party, 34.
Ranger Thonon and party, 34.
Fetzer creek rangers, five.
Total, 98.

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 27.—District Forester W. B. Greeley, at Missoula, received a dispatch at 11 o'clock last night announcing the safety of the missing party of 15 under Ranger Joseph B. Halm. The message was dated Iron Mountain, Mont., and came from Ranger Haines, who left Tuesday for the headwaters of the St. Joe river in search of the Halm party.

In addition to the good news concerning the Halm party, District Forester Greeley received further reports reducing the list of dead and missing employes of the forestry service.

MOVING PICTURE TALKS.

Edison Combines Phonograph and Kinetoscope.

Orange, N. J.—With his kinetoscope Thomas A. Edison demonstrated that he has achieved success in making a moving picture talk.

A limited number of scientific men and newspaper reporters were at the initial exhibition and while only a very short film with voice reproduction attachment was shown, all present realized that Edison has accomplished another great achievement.

After a realistic demonstration Edison announced that it would not be long before Teddy was over here making his great speeches into the new machine. Another advantage will be to have great operas reproduced by kinetoscope. Edison planned the most appropriate film for the exhibition.

The scene on the screen was a reproduction of a stage in a theater. On this appeared a typical lecturer who explained that the kinetophone had been perfected only after it was found possible to operate a phonograph and a kinetoscope simultaneously.

To illustrate the possibilities of the new invention the eloquent lecturer on the canvas dropped a wooden ball on the hard floor of the stage and this produced a loud noise. From the canvas there also came a sound of an auto horn in the hands of the lecturer and there was also a loud crash when he dropped a dish.

KAISER RAISES STORM.

Asserts Divine Right to Rule—People Are Ignored.

Berlin—The speech delivered by Emperor William, of Germany, before the provincial banquet at Koeningburg, in which he emphasized his belief in a divine mandate by which he rules, referred to the Prussian crown as "bestowed by God's grace and not by parliaments or people's assemblies," and laid a lance against the movement for woman's suffrage, is the political sensation of the hour.

The leading organs of the German press devote extended comment to it, generally criticizing the utterances, and there are indications that the discourse will have a deep political effect upon the country. Nearly all the Berlin papers are discussing the subject in sympathy with the political crisis of November, 1908, when the publication by the London Daily Telegraph of an interview with the emperor aroused a storm against the uncontrolled public speaking of the emperor.

Grief Prompts Suicide.

Roseburg, Cal.—Julius Codrean, an Austrian coppersmith, employed in the local shops of the Southern Pacific railroad, ordered a casket from a local undertaking firm a week ago for his own body. Today his body was found lying across the grave of his wife in Odd Fellows cemetery. He went to the cemetery last evening and shot himself sometime during the night. The bullet pierced his heart. Codrean and his wife lost their seven children in a short space of time and Mrs. Codrean grieved herself to death.

Sailors Vote to Strike.

Copenhagen—Delegates from all the seamen's unions of America and Europe at the international congress of sailors and marine firemen in session here, with the exception of the French association, voted to declare an international strike unless the shipowners of every country concerned agreed to the formation of the board of conciliation to deal with the grievances of the men. A resolution for an international union was approved.

Y. M. C. A. Shows Growth.

New York—The year book of the North American Young Men's Christian association now being issued shows 2,017 associations, an increase of 103 during the year. Of these, 868 report 496,581 members, more than 150,000 of whom are boys in their teens.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF OUR HOME STATE

WATER RIGHTS IS ISSUE.

State Commission Preparing to Hear All Willow Creek Cases.

Vale—The State water commission has advertised for meetings on Willow creek to determine the rights of all the water users on this stream. Under the new water code all the rights are to be settled in one suit. Willow creek is a flood water stream, about 100 miles long, and is used by the people from its head to its mouth at Vale. The Eastern Oregon Land company has agents in Vale with a view of securing some rights, while the Willow Creek Land & Irrigation company is planning to protect all its rights and Upper Willow Creek users arrived in Vale recently and are preparing their evidence.

J. H. Rose, S. M. Matthews, Francis Rose, C. T. Locey, Pierce Smith and several others who have had ranches and used water from 15 to 25 years are among these, and the lower ranches, consisting of probably 30 users, are making up their cases. F. M. Saxton, the water commissioner for this district will be here the latter part of August to begin taking evidence. It is conceded that whichever way the decisions are made the case will go through the Circuit, and Supreme courts before being finally determined.

BONDS ESCAPE OREGON TAX.

Property Owned by Harriman Can Leave No Revenue to State.

Salem—In response to a letter of several weeks ago from George A. Steel, state treasurer, Attorney General Crawford has just submitted an opinion that stocks and bonds of a corporation under the laws of Oregon are personal property governed by the laws of the domicile instead of the location of the corporation and therefore escape the payment of inheritance tax.

The question involved arose after the death of E. H. Harriman. As he held stock extensively in Oregon railroads and other properties of the state, could the inheritance tax act have been construed as against the Harriman estate, it would have added several hundred thousand dollars to the state treasury. As it is the attorney general believes that these stocks and bonds, being personal property, are subject to the laws of whatever state Harriman may have been residing in at the time of his death.

LINCOLN FAIR TO BE BEST.

September Festival Promises to Show Vast Growth.

Toledo—The second annual Lincoln County Fair and Festival, to be held at Toledo, September 6, 7, 8 and 9, promises to be the greatest fair ever held in the county. The stock exhibits will be many, and as this county is producing some fine graded stock, this exhibition will be productive of much good. Fruit, vegetables and all other kinds of farm produce will be brought here from every section of the county. The fair committee, which is composed of representative men and women from every locality of the county, is determined to make this the greatest and best fair ever held here. New grounds have been leased and permanent buildings are being erected and the Lincoln County fair will hereafter be a permanent affair.

Roseburg Pears Go East.

Roseburg—Three carloads of pears grown in the Eden Bower orchards, two miles north of Roseburg, were shipped recently by E. M. McKeany, of the Producers' fruit company, of Sacramento. Mr. McKeany pronounced the pears grown here equal to those grown in counties north of Douglas. The Eden Bower product brought an average of \$1.60 a box. Besides these, other Douglas county fruitgrowers have shipped East this season five carloads of pears from Winstons, six cars from Dillard and one car from Myrtle Creek.

Enterprise May Get Sugar Factory.

Enterprise—Judge Rolapp, of Salt Lake, representing the sugar trust, has left Enterprise after an inspection of the soil here and its adaptability to sugar beet culture on a large scale. In a public statement Judge Rolapp said: "You may say for me that the soil of what is known as the Slope here is the best sugar beet ground I have inspected." The judge further stated that if the required acreage could be insured there would be a sugar factory here.

Monster Sunflower.

Adams—Mr. and Mrs. George Bentley have a sunflower plant growing in their front yard which they claim eclipses the one grown by Major Lee Moorehouse, of Pendleton, two years ago, and which was written up in local papers as a champion bloom producer. The Moorehouse plant contained 28 blooms on a single stalk, while on the one in the Bentley yard there are 35.

Plan Big Chicken Farm.

Medford—J. A. Armstrong is building what is, perhaps, the second largest chicken house in the state, the only one known to be larger is that at the experiment station of the Oregon Agricultural college at Corvallis. This house will be 186 feet long by 12 feet wide. Mr. Armstrong is developing a farm of 10 acres where eggs will be a specialty.

STATE BUYS PHEASANTS.

Birds Will Be Liberated by Game Warden Stevenson.

Corvallis—R. O. Stevenson, state game warden, has purchased 100 pairs of Reeves pheasants of Gene Simpson at \$15 per pair and will liberate them in sections of the state showing the least number of violations of the game laws. This week four pairs will be sent to each of the following and liberated by them: Bob Hughes, eight miles south of Corvallis; C. B. Gay, Medford; Eugene Wright, Grants Pass; J. D. Wilson, Yoncalla; Philip Ritter, Albany; Paul Houser, Salem. Others will be liberated later when suitable localities have been found and where the assurance is given that they will be properly protected. Reeves pheasants are the largest of the pheasant family and have proved a great game bird in England, but so far as known Oregon is the first state to stock up with this variety, just as it was the first to plant the China ring-neck, which has been so prolific in its propagation. Many of the states have been wasting their money on the Hungarian partridge.

The pheasants just bought are paid for out of the general game fund, of which there is now \$50,000 on hand. Mr. Stevenson gives it out as his intention to spend a portion of this money in an effort to restock the fields and streams.

LAND WILL YIELD OIL.

Five Drills Are Boring Fields of Eastern Oregon.

Vale—Walter S. Martin, one of the owners of the Eastern Oregon Land company, and whose home is in San Francisco, is in Vale for the purpose of looking into the development of his vast holdings in Malheur county, which will eventually lead into the placing of his acreage on the market. Demonstration farms are being established in the Cow valley country and dry farming is proving successful. Grain will this year yield from 25 to 40 bushels to the acre. Some of the corn stands over six feet high. Mr. Martin is greatly interested in the Vale oil fields and is looking over the five different wells now being drilled. He is pleased with the prospects.

Electric Line Due in 1912.

Brownsville—Brownsville will have an electric line in operation between here and Albany by August 22, 1912, or within two years from the passage of the ordinance granted by the city council to the Albany & Interurban Railway company. The ordinance passed by the council granting this company a 20-year franchise to use certain streets through the city, differs in some respects from the one presented two weeks ago.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Bluestem, 95@97c; club, 88c; red Russian, 86c; valley, 90c; 40-fold, 90c; Turkey red, 88@92c.
Barley—Feed and brewing, \$23@23.50 per ton.
Hay—Track prices: Timothy, Willamette valley, \$18@19 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$20@21; alfalfa, new, \$13@14; grain hay, \$13@14.
Corn—Whole, \$32 per ton; cracked, \$33.
Millstuffs—Bran, \$20 per ton; middlings, \$30; shorts, \$21@22; rolled barley, \$25@26.
Oats—New, \$29@30 per ton.
Eggs—Oregon candled, 29@30c doz.
Butter—City creamery, solid pack, 36c per pound; butter fat, 36c; country store butter, 24c.
Poultry—Hens, 16@16½c; springs, 16@17c; ducks, white, 16½@17c; geese, 22½@25c; turkeys, live, 20c; dressed, 22½@25c; squabs, 3 per doz.
Pork—Fancy, 13c per pound.
Veal—Fancy, 12c per pound.
Green Fruits—Apples, new, 50c@1.25 per box; apricots, 75c@81c; plums, 75c@81c; peaches, 50c@85c; pears, \$1.25@1.50; grapes, \$1@1.75; blackberries, \$1@1.50 per crate; huckleberries, 10c per pound; watermelons, \$1.25 per hundred; cantaloupes, \$2.50 @3 per crate.
Vegetables—Beans, 3@5c pound; cabbage, 2@3c; cauliflower, \$1.50 per doz.; celery, 90c; corn, 12@15c; cucumbers, 25@40c per box; eggplant, 6c pound; garlic, 8@10c; green onions, 15c dozen; peppers, 50c per box; radishes, 15@20c per dozen; squash, 40c per crate; tomatoes, 30@40c per box; carrots, \$1@1.25 sack; beets, \$1.50; parsnips, \$1@1.25; turnips, \$1.
Potatoes—New, \$1.25@1.50 per hundred; sweet potatoes, 3c per pound. Onions—New, \$1.50@2 per sack.
Cattle—Beef steers, good to choice, \$6@6.25; fair to medium, \$4@4.50; cows and heifers, good to choice, \$4@4.50; fair to medium, \$3.50@4; bulls, \$3.25@4; calves, light, \$6@6.75; heavy, \$3.75@5.
Hogs—Top, \$9.50@10; fair to medium, \$9@9.25.
Sheep—Best Mt. Adams wethers, \$4@4.50; best valley wethers, \$3.25@3.50; fair to good wethers, \$3@3.25; best valley ewes, \$3@3.25; lambs, choice Mt. Adams, \$5.50@5.75; choice valley, \$5@5.25.
Hops—1909 crop, 10@13c; olds, nominal; 1910 contracts, 13c.
Wool—Eastern Oregon, 13@17c per pound; valley, 18@20c; mohair, choice, \$2@3.3c.
Casaca, Bark—4½c per pound.
Hides—Salted hides, 7@7½c per pound; salted calf, 13c; salted kip, 8c; salted stags, 6c; green hides, 1c less; dry hides, 16½@17c; dry calf, 17@18c; dry stags, 11@12c.
Pelts—Dry, 10½c; salted, butchers' take-off, \$1.16@1.40; Spring lambs, 25@45c.

SHOWERS QUENCH FIRES.

Weather Comes to Rescue of Idaho and Montana Forests.

Spokane, Aug. 24.—Light rain began to fall this afternoon in Wallace and other Coeur d'Alene mining towns that have been scorched or threatened by the forest fires, and the weary firefighters took new hope. Nothing but a heavy downpour will quench the flames that are eating up the big trees of Northern Idaho, Northwestern Montana and Northeastern Washington, however.

The Idaho militia and United States troops are on the way to do battle with the red invader, but the soldiers can accomplish little more than protection of the threatened towns. Ranger Kottkey, who with 200 men was reported as missing, is unharmed. He was never near Wallace, as reported, but was near Adair, Idaho, on the Milwaukee. He reached Missoula this morning and reported his men safe, except two packers. Tonight he left Missoula at the head of a party which went to search for missing fighters along the line of the Milwaukee, where it is believed all will, in time, be located.

Ranger Van Dyke, on Independence creek, and Ranger Derrick, at Saltese, Mont., both reported tonight. It had been feared that Van Dyke's crew of 75 men had been cut off. The most sensational rumors of loss of life continue to be circulated, but it is impossible to verify them and it seems likely that, aside from losses among the national rangers, the number of dead in the three states will not exceed 100.

WATER FIRM BANKRUPT.

College Professors Prove to Be Poor Business Men.

Boise, Idaho—The Grandview Land & Irrigation company was declared bankrupt by Judge Bryan, of the Seventh judicial district court, sitting at Caldwell. George F. Fenton was appointed receiver, under \$7,000 bonds. He took immediate charge of the canal system. Complaint against the company was filed by N. C. and Harriet J. Maasey, heavy land owners, who charged that the officers conspired to bankrupt the settlers, that their orchards and crops are ruined, owing to failure to deliver water for irrigation, and that the money paid the officers was used personally by them instead of on the system.

CLAYTON SURROUNDED BY FIRE.

Passengers on Train Bring News That Town is Doomed.

Spokane, Aug. 24.—Passengers on a Spokane Falls & Northern railroad train which arrived here tonight reported that when the train passed through Clayton, Stevens county, Washington, this afternoon, a great forest fire had almost reached the edge of the town, which apparently was doomed to destruction. Clayton has several hundred inhabitants and is the seat of an important sewerpipe industry. Destruction of the town would involve large financial loss, but probably no casualties. There is no way of obtaining further news, wire communication being cut off.

Josephine Has Ten Fires.

Grants Pass, Ore., Aug. 24.—Ten forest fires are burning in Josephine county. The local forest officers are working their men day and night. The force has been doubled. Besides these regular fire fighters farmers are being drafted, while many whose property is endangered are banding together for the best protection that can be had.

Man, 80, Walks 1880 Miles.

Portland—Reaching here on the last leg of his journey half way across the continent on foot, Anderson Love, 83 years of age, was picked up and cared for by the police. The octogenarian started on his Western journey from Minneapolis in March, soon after he was compelled to abandon his employment in the flouring mills of that city because of deafness. Having no living relatives save a grandson on a ranch near Roseburg, the aged man, desiring to be with him, started to walk to his destination with but \$4 in his pockets.

Pope Balks at Fashion.

London—A dispatch from Rome received here by a news agency states that Pope Pius X has requested all bishops to publish pastoral letters disapproving prevailing feminine fashions. Several Italian bishops, says the dispatch, have already done so at Milan, Turin and Venice. At these places priests are denouncing in church as the scandalous attire in which women have been appearing in public places.

Jap to Wed Indian Girl.

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FORETS FIRES GET NEW

Wending, Ore., Totally Destroyed by Flames.

Yacolt, Wash., Menaced. Available Man is On Line—Camps Burned.

Eugene, Or., Aug. 24.—The town of Wending, Ore., was totally destroyed by flames early last night. The fire started in a mill and spread to the town. The mill men were then taken to the first store in 48 hours. The store was saved from the flames. The bunkhouses, church and house and all residences in the town were licked up like so much wax.

The fire started from a mill fire for two days, but, with a wind in the afternoon, burning men were swept over the bunkhouses and within an hour residence section of the town was ashes. While the flames were in the burning district and saving the mill property. A telephone message from 9:45 last night brought the news that the fire raging along the coast and over the divide from Hale's serious, but grave fears were sustained if the winds rise again.

Three families near Wending driven out and their homes. Those who lost their homes were Whiteaker, W. W. Lyons and Davies. Hale also reports a big fire in the Deadwood country, which destroyed the home of A. Almou. The stagedriver from Hale's gene reports that the fire now in that vicinity has a frontage of ten miles. He does not state stage between Hale and Madras make the trip tomorrow.

Yacolt, Wash., Aug. 25.

250 and 300 men, employees of Twin Falls Logging company, of colt, are penned in behind a fence unable to reach Yacolt. For or not any have met death is not known. There is only one escape. They can go down Puget and reach Chelatchie prairie. However, they are now doing all they can to stop the flames, which are eating the fine timber. Camp reported destroyed and camp seem doomed. A Northern engine brought in a man to Yacolt his arms so badly crushed that he was amputated. A heavy burning had struck him.

The Fire on Fern Prairie.

swept down on the little town of Shanghai, and at 9 o'clock houses had been burned. The North Bank mill has burned, with a loss of about \$100,000. The fire has been burning all day. A big fire on the Little Wapinitia is raging five miles above La Crosse and 50 men have been sent from Camas to make a valiant fight against it on the other side of the straits. ports come in telling of the burning grain fields and barns filled with grain. Fletcher's woods are fire.

Being caught in the fire.

Mr. Courter had a good-sized herd of cattle. It is said that all were burned to death.

New Fire Threatening.

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 24.—Dynamite and supplies were ordered by Barnes last night on the Columbia River. The fire on the Puget Sound railroad, about 30 miles east of Seattle, in a desperate check what is considered the worst fire that has yet broken out in Western Washington. The fire on the Puget Sound railroad sent 20 men into the district to fight the fire; the Weyerhaeuser lumber company rushed in 25 men; chief fire warden sent every available man at his disposal.

Woman May Be Lynched.

Zanesville, O.—Mabel McMillan was arrested here and will be taken to the Newark authorities in connection with the Etherington lynching. On the night of the lynching she ran through the gathering and galloways pole when a woman, on an automobile, shoved through the crowd into the very heart of the throng. Standing on the ground she cried to the leaders: "Pull him higher so that I can see."

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