

RESUME OF THE WEEK'S DOINGS

General Review of Important Happenings Presented in a Brief and Comprehensive Manner for Busy Readers—National, Political, Historical and Commercial.

Troops are said to be plotting a new outbreak at Adana, Turkey.

A Chicago society girl who married Filipino is said to be hypnotized.

Attempts to resume service on the Georgia railroad have resulted in riots.

Philadelphia streetcar men have gone on strike for more pay and regular hours.

During a fight with Moro bandits two soldiers were killed and a third fatally hurt.

Girls at the House of Good Shepherd, Los Angeles, started a disturbance and were taken to jail.

Four armed men entered a Seattle avenue, New York, restaurant and held up 20 customers and made their escape.

The men arrested at Omaha have been positively identified as the Union Pacific train robbers and may also be the Spokane train robbers.

The Northern Pacific and Harriman lines are both rushing preliminary work on lines from Missoula through Lolo pass into the Clearwater, Idaho, country.

The Presbyterian General assembly has rejected the pension scheme for aged ministers and says they should receive sufficient salary that pensions would not be needed.

So far Roosevelt has secured 86 animals of 22 different varieties.

The Illinois house has voted to do away with capital punishment.

The National Negro American league denounces Taft's Southern policy.

An assassin attempted to kill the Chinese grand councillor at Pekin.

People of the Eastern states can see the new comet with the naked eye.

A Walla Walla Chinaman tried to propose to a Spokane Japanese girl by phone.

The strike on the Georgia railroad has been broken and trains are again running.

The Isthmian canal commission has just called for bids on 10,000,000 pounds of dynamite.

The Presbyterian general assembly has approved a ruling that members abstain from the use of tobacco.

Pasadena, Cal., has won its suit against the Sunset Telephone company and every cable into the city has been cut.

The North German Lloyd passenger steamer Princess Alicia grounded while entering New York harbor. It will be necessary to move the cargo.

A Norwegian has invented a process of writing by wireless.

An Indianapolis man shot and killed his wife, mistaking her for a burglar.

British Premier Asquith refuses to tell whether American naval building influences the British policy.

Military authorities are considering the removal of Abdul Hamid to one of the islands in the Mediterranean.

Records of Los Angeles county, Cal., show that for every four marriages since January 1 a divorce has been granted.

A storm off the coast of Bilbao, Spain, sank over 60 fishing vessels and it is estimated that no less than 100 fishermen were lost.

James A. Moffat, a director of the Standard Oil company, will assume the vice presidency made vacant by the death of H. H. Rogers.

While the outlook is discouraging in some sections, the general conditions indicate the best wheat crop for the Northwest in ten years.

Chicago will not have President Taft lay the cornerstone of the new city hall. It will cost \$5,000 and the council feels it cannot afford the expense.

C. S. Cameron, convicted of offering a bribe to a Pittsburg councilman, has been sent to prison for two years.

A Georgia negro has been lynched for wounding a white man.

France is alarmed lest American competition kill the lace industry.

Two Americans confined in a Mexican prison for murder have been liberated.

Tennessee lynchings are to be punished for contempt of the Federal Supreme court.

Heny has called on United Railway employes to testify against Calhoun.

Numerous earthquake shocks have been felt near Oaxaca, Mexico. A serious shock is feared.

Astronomers in the East have discovered a huge comet, which is visible in the early morning hours.

Wheat, corn and oats have taken another advance at Chicago, causing great excitement. All made new high records.

TORNADO KILLS 32.

Town of Zephyr, Texas, Demolished and Ruins Burned.

Brownwood, Tex., June 1.—A tornado of great fury struck the little village of Zephyr, in the eastern portion of Brown county, at 1 o'clock this morning and left a path of death and destruction seldom paralleled. The death list has reached a total of 32, and the number of seriously or fatally injured will reach 50.

The storm formed a half-mile west of Zephyr and swept down upon the village, cutting a wide swath directly through the residence and business districts. Nearly 50 houses were demolished. Lightning started a fire which destroyed one entire business block.

No effort was made to fight the fire, as the care of the dead and injured demanded the attention of everyone.

A section employe rode a handcar to Brownwood and spread the alarm. In two hours the Santa Fe railroad was speeding a special train to the scene of the storm with nine surgeons and a score of Brownwood citizens.

Hundreds of persons directly in the storm's pathway saved themselves by taking refuge in storm cellars. More than 12 bodies were terribly maimed.

County Clerk Thad Cabler and wife and two children, who had gone to Zephyr to spend the night, were killed. The big stone school building and two churches were demolished.

Brownwood hurried her second relief train at 12 o'clock today, laden with provisions, clothing and necessary articles, carrying 40 nurses. Three persons are still unaccounted for tonight.

Two children were found dead late today two miles from town, having been blown that distance. A special train will leave Zephyr tonight for Temple, carrying the more seriously injured to a hospital. The storm swept the earth for a distance of probably less than a mile.

Surgeons from Brownwood found a desert scene awaiting them. The hillsides at Zephyr were covered with debris of all kinds, carcasses of animals and human bodies. The ruins were dimly lighted by the burning buildings, and the cries of the injured rose above the roar of the elements which threatened a second storm.

A hog roaming through the streets was killed while attempting to devour the body of an infant. Bodies were found twisted about trees and in every conceivable attitude. Residents walked the streets almost naked. Houses which had escaped the storm were turned into hospitals. One house collapsed on a family of nine without serious injury to any of the occupants. Brownwood, which organized the relief work, has the situation well in hand.

AIRSHIP BREAKS ALL RECORDS.

Count Zeppelin Travels 456 Miles Without a Stop.

Berlin, June 1.—Count Zeppelin, whose remarkable performance in his first airship brought unbounded honor to the inventor, accomplished today the most striking feat in his career.

He guided his Zeppelin II from Friedrichshafen to Bitterfeld, a distance of more than 456 miles without landing. The journey lasted nearly 22 hours, and so far as known tonight, Count Zeppelin is still in the air on his return journey to Friedrichshafen.

He has already beaten all records for dirigible balloons, with the opportunity of greatly improving the performance. It was announced that the count would come to Berlin and land at the Tempelhof parade ground. Hundreds of thousands gathered there this afternoon.

The emperor and empress, several of the princes and the leading officials and officers were present. Toward evening searchlights were set at work in anticipation of the approach of the airship. Soldiers kept an enormous space clear until half-past 10 at night, when a dispatch from Bitterfeld announced that the airship was returning to the starting place at Friedrichshafen, which caused intense disappointment.

Thirty People Rescued.

Port Townsend, June 1.—The large launch Skidoo, with 30 people drifting helpless in the Pacific ocean because of the breaking down of her engines, was rescued today by the life-saving power-boat Audacious, and towed to Neah bay. The Skidoo is a fish-buying boat owned in Anacortes, which cruises near the entrance of the Straits of Fuca. Today she was out with an excursion party of Anacortes people, came disabled and would have gone down with all on board but for the Audacious.

Removal to be Opposed.

Indianapolis, June 1.—Delavan Smith and Charles R. Williams, owners of the Indianapolis News, charged with criminal libel in having published articles alleged to have intimated corruption in the purchase of the Panama canal zone by the United States government, will appear before Judge Anderson in the United States district court in this city next Tuesday to oppose the removal for trial to the District of Columbia.

Onions Prolong Life?

Bellefontaine, O., June 1.—Mrs. Rebecca Burns, who asserted that when a child she saw George Washington, died here at the age of 111. She attributed her longevity to eating onions twice each day.

NEWS ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST FROM THE STATE OF OREGON

BENSON FILLS PLACES.

Governor Gives Out Appointive Jobs Made by Last Legislature.

Salem—Governor Benson has filled by appointment the positions created by the new laws which went into effect May 22.

Judge Fifth judicial district—J. A. Eakin, of Astoria.

Members of the tuberculosis commission—A. L. Mills, Multnomah county, four years; R. A. Booth, Lane county, four years; George F. Rodgers, Marion county, two years; Leslie Butler, Hood River county, two years. The governor of the state and the president and secretary of the state board of health are ex-officio members of this commission.

Crater lake road commission—H. D. Norton, Grants Pass; Dr. J. M. Keene, J. E. Enyart, Medford; E. V. Carter, Ashland; George T. Baldwin, L. F. Willits, Klamath Falls; C. S. Jackson, Portland.

Board of commissioners First Central Oregon Agricultural society (two-year terms)—J. H. Gray and T. H. Lafollette, Crook county.

Directors Yamhill County Fair association (two-year terms)—Mrs. Inez Butt, H. F. Wilson and Milton Potter, Yamhill county.

Directors Linn County Fair association (two years)—D. H. Bodine, G. G. Belts, I. A. Munkers, Linn county.

National Irrigation Committee Hearing

Klamath Falls—Landowners under the Klamath project will be given a hearing when the irrigation committee comes here on its tour of inspection. Word has been received from Senator Carter, chairman, that the committee will arrive in Klamath Falls October 12. Senator Carter states that it is desired that the Water Users' association hold a series of meetings for the purpose of determining the questions to be taken up with the committee. The subjects are to be presented in writing. It is likely that this matter will be taken up by the association at their annual meeting which occurs early in June.

Umatilla Not Discouraging.

Pendleton—Weather conditions continue discouraging to Umatilla wheat growers. With no rain for several days, and continuance of cold weather, crops are not progressing as fast as they should. They are still in at least an average condition, largely due to the fact that they were pushed forward by a favorable winter followed by an early spring. Grain on lighter lands is in need of rain while crops on heavier wheat lands could easily stand the drought for a longer period. Warm rain followed by real spring weather is the thing that Umatilla wheat growers most want to see at this time.

Fruit Prospects Good.

Eugene—There has been no rainfall in this vicinity for over a week and crops are badly in need of moisture, although rains of two weeks ago were very beneficial and saved the spring grain from bad failure. Fall sown grain is in fair shape, but a good rain would help it materially. Indications point to not more than three fourths of a crop. Fruit men say the outlook for all varieties of fruit is good despite heavy late frosts. Prunes which were badly damaged seem to be much better than reported.

Sheep Season Ending.

Hepner—The sheep and wool traffic in this section of the state is fast drawing to a close. This spring has been a prosperous season for the sheepmen, and if there is plenty of late rain to produce summer range the year will go down as a record breaker. Nearly all of the growers have sold their wool and delivered their spring turn-off of sheep. They have had an ideal spring for raising lambs and their loss from shearing has been slight.

No Road to Coos Bay Soon.

Marshfield—Warren P. Reed, of Gardiner, who had charge of the material the Southern Pacific had stored along the Umpqua river for railroad construction, has been awarded the contract for moving about 2,000 tons of cement to Portland and San Francisco. The cement was stored along the Umpqua river nearly three years ago, when the Southern Pacific was actively working on the Drain-Coos bay branch.

Oakland Ships Sheep.

Oakland—Five carloads of sheep and lambs have left from Oakland for the Portland market and the first carload of cattle shipped from this point for the season will go to Portland. During the past week seven carloads of wool, aggregating 120,000 pounds, have been shipped from Oakland, netting the growers an average of 24c per pound.

Sunshine Badly Needed.

Union—No rain has fallen in the Grand Ronde valley during the past week. Crop conditions are good but two weeks of warm sunshine would benefit greatly. Crops are backward on account of cool, cloudy weather during the past two weeks. Farmers are anxious for rain as the ground is getting dry.

Fifteen Thousand for Depot.

Klamath Falls—The directors of the Klamath chamber of commerce have been advised by the chief engineer of the Southern Pacific that not less than \$15,000 will be expended in the erection of a depot in this city.

BOARD OF REGENTS MEET.

Arrange for Expenditure of Agricultural College Appropriation.

Corvallis—The board of regents of the Oregon Agricultural college held a two days' session last week. The meeting was a special one, called to arrange for the expenditure of the appropriation made at the last session of the legislature and to pass upon other matters of administration.

The college budget, providing for several additional instructors and for new equipment, was passed upon, and the committees on building were instructed to take steps looking to the construction of the new buildings provided for by the state appropriation.

The question of the location of the new experiment station for dry farming came up for consideration, but final action in the matter was postponed until the July meeting in order that the board might make further investigations. Frank Davy and Judge Miller, of Burns, appeared before the board and urged that the station be located in Harney county.

The resignation of Miss Grace Gatch, daughter of ex-President Gatch, was accepted. C. C. Vincent was granted a leave of absence for a year, in order to permit him to pursue post graduate work at Cornell university. Bert Pilkington, of Portland, a graduate of the college, was employed as assistant station chemist.

Fire Protection Assured.

Salem—At a special meeting of the board of trustees of the asylum held last week at the office of the governor, the Pacific Fire Extinguisher company was awarded the contract for installing an automatic sprinkling system in the asylum for \$9,962.75. A. G. Long & Co., of Portland, were given an order for 12 patrol extinguishers at \$13 each, and the Graham Rubber company 42 sentry extinguishers at \$7.95 each.

Alfalfa Harvest On.

Grants Pass—Weather remains dry in Josephine county, with north winds unusually cold for this season. Thermometer drops below 35 every night. Garden plants, berries and all fruits are making slow growth. The first crop of alfalfa is now ready to cut, but on account of dry weather is not heavy and except where irrigated, no second crop will be produced. Rain and warmer weather were never more badly needed in this section.

Grain Coming on Well.

Albany—Crop conditions in Linn county are very much improved owing to cool, cloudy weather, although no rain has fallen in the past few days. Fall grain looks well, spring grain is improving and will come out in good shape if rain falls in the next week. Early strawberries were injured by frosts. Other fruits will have average crop except prunes and pears.

Cloudy Weather Helps.

Salem—Farmers in Polk and Marion counties are still in dire need of rain. The weather has been cold and for the most part cloudy but the grain and fruit need more moisture. Danger of frost is entirely past. The prune crop will be heavy. Lack of warm sunshine holds strawberries back.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Bluestem milling, \$1.30@1.35; club, \$1.20@1.22; valley, \$1.17. Corn—Whole, \$35 per ton; cracked, \$36.

Barley—Feed, \$35 per ton. Oats—No. 1 white, \$40.50@41 per ton.

Hay—Timothy, Willamette valley, \$14@18 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$18@20; clover, \$11@12; alfalfa, \$13@14; grain hay, \$13@14; cheat, \$13@14.50; vetch, \$14@14.50.

Fruits—Apples, \$1@2.50 per box; strawberries, Oregon, \$2.25@4.20 per crate.

Potatoes—\$1.75@2 per hundred. Vegetables—Turnips, \$1.25 per sack; carrots, \$1.25; parsnips, \$1.50; beets, \$1.75; horseradish, 10c per pound; asparagus, 7 1/2@12c per pound; lettuce, head, 25@75c per dozen; onions, 12@15c per dozen; radishes, 15c per dozen; rhubarb, 2 1/2@3c per pound.

Butter—City creamery, extras, 28c; fancy outside creamery, 26 1/2@28c; store, 18c. Butter fat prices average 1 1/2 cent per pound under regular butter prices.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, 23@24c. Poultry—Hens, 15 1/2@16c; broilers, 28@30c; fryers, 22@25c; roosters, 10c; ducks, 14@15c; geese, 10@11c; turkeys, 20c; squabs, \$2.50@3 per dozen.

Pork—Fancy, 10c per pound. Veal—Extras, 8c per pound; ordinary, 7c; heavy, 6c.

Hops—1909 contracts, 10c; 1908 crop, 8@8 1/2c; 1907 crop, 4c; 1906 crop, 1 1/2c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 17@22 1/2c; valley, fine, 25c; medium, 23c; coarse, 21c; mohair, choice, 24@25c.

Cattle—Steers, top, \$5.25@5.50; fair to good, \$4.75@5; common to good, \$4@4.50; cows, top, \$4.25@4.50; fair to good, \$3.75@4.25; common to medium, \$2.50@3.50; calves, top, \$5@5.50; heavy, \$3.50@4; bulls and stags, \$3@3.50; common, \$2@2.75.

Hogs—Best, \$7.50@7.75; fair to good, \$7.25@7.50; stockers, \$6@6.50; China fats, \$6.75@7.

Sheep—Top wethers, \$4@4.50; fair to good, \$3.50@4; ewes, 1/2c less on all grades; yearlings, best, \$4.50; fair to good, \$4@4.25; spring lambs, \$5@5.50.

GREAT FAIR IS READY.

President Taft Will Press Solid Gold Key at Noon June 1.

Seattle, Wash., May 31.—When President W. H. Taft presses the golden key in the White House at noon, Pacific Coast time, June 1, the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition will be opened, complete in every detail. Officers of the fair have made good their promise of preparedness on opening day and during the last week there has been a rush night and day to have the exhibits in order. The finishing touches were put on the grounds early this week.

President Taft will use a telegrapher's key, made from the first gold taken from the Klondike, and set with the identical nuggets taken out by the discoverer of the Northern Eldorado, August 16, 1896. The key has been mounted on a slab of Alaska marble, and was presented to the President of the United States by George W. Carmack, discoverer of the Klondike gold fields.

The opening program at the exposition grounds will begin at 9:30 o'clock with a parade of United States army troops, mariners and sailors from the Pacific cruiser fleet and from the Japanese warships under Vice-Admiral Ijichi. Col. T. C. Woodbury, U. S. A., acting commander of the Department of the Columbia, will be grand marshal. His chief aide will be Captain A. M. Weatherill, U. S. A., who has been assigned to the exposition by the war department. The marching soldiers and sailors will be reviewed by the American and Japanese admirals and the visiting governors at the head of the court of honor.

The exercises at the natural amphitheater will begin at 10:45 o'clock, with an overture by Innes' band. The invocation will be offered by Bishop Edward O'Dea, of Seattle. A short address will be given by Director-General I. A. Nadeau, and the band will play "Gloria Washington," the official march of the exposition. James J. Hill will deliver the opening address. He will be followed by J. E. Chilberg, president of the Exposition. Bishop E. W. Keator, of Olympia, will pronounce the benediction.

The program at the amphitheater will be timed to close at noon, at which hour President Chilberg will signal the president of the United States that the fair is ready. There will be an exchange of messages, after which the signal will be given from the White House which will start whistles blowing in all parts of the city.

Flags will be run up on all of the buildings and the artillery companies will fire a national salute.

WHEAT PANIC CLOSED.

Patten Fixes Price at \$1.34 and Refuses to Send it Higher.

Chicago, May 31.—May wheat walked out of the pit of the Chicago Board of Trade today with head up, firm step and not a sign of wavering anywhere—the second time in the history of the board when a wheat corner was carried through successfully to the final day of the option. The only other successful deal was that in September wheat conducted by B. P. Hutchinson, more than 20 years ago, when the price touched \$2.

Opening at \$1.34, which was a cent higher than the close of yesterday, the market remained steady during the trading hours, finally closing at the opening price. Mr. Patten's brokers stood ready all morning to sell to anyone who wanted to buy at the quoted price, and they also stood ready to buy from any who wanted to sell at that price. It is estimated that the trading in the option amounted to about 150,000 bushels.

It is believed that Mr. Patten has about 6,000,000 bushels of cash wheat on hand to dispose of. Experts say that, owing to the recognized scarcity of milling wheat, he will be able to sell his possessions at prices ranging from \$1.25 to today's closing quotations. It is said that within the last few days local millers have paid from 1 to 2 cents above the May price to get milling wheat.

Draw French Capital.

Paris, May 31.—Morgan, Harjes & Co. have formed a syndicate for introducing the common shares of the United States Steel corporation on the Paris Bourse. The news has not yet been made public here, but it is expected that it will create a sensation. In financial circles the matter is regarded as of far-reaching influence. For years American bankers have been knocking at the door of the Paris exchange in order to draw on the enormous surplus represented by the savings of the French investors.

Barred by Garlic on Breath.

Chicago, May 31.—A man has no right to go to a theater if his breath reeks with the odor of garlic and the management has a right to exclude him. This was the decision of Municipal Judge Heap today in the case of James La Mantia against Susanna Lange, proprietor of a nickel theater. La Mantia asked \$700 damages. Testimony showed that two other Italians visited the theater a few nights before and were ordered out.

Strikers Steal Dynamite.

New Orleans, May 31.—A dispatch from Managua, Nicaragua, says the strike over fruit shipments has grown intense. Several cases of dynamite were taken from the Lopez Mining Company by the strikers. Many men have been poisoned. The steamers are all tied up to the docks and are without crews.

BRITAIN SEEKS NAVAL ALLIANCE

Wants United States to Guard Pacific and She the Atlantic.

In Order to Maintain the Two-Power Standard, Great Britain Proposes That Each Nation Concentrate Fleet—Leave Out Japan—Australia Favors Plan.

London, May 29.—Overtures looking to a naval understanding between Great Britain and the United States have been made by the British government through Ambassador Bryce, in Washington. Premier Asquith had this fact in mind when speaking recently in what was regarded as a cryptic manner of a "two-power" standard for the British navy. The premier hopes that such an understanding may be reached with the American government as shall enable Great Britain almost to denude the Pacific of British warships of a formidable class in return for giving America certain assurances respecting the naval situation in the Atlantic.

The suggestions made by Mr. Asquith through Ambassador Bryce follow the lines lately laid down in an article by Captain Mahan on the naval position which has attracted wide attention in authoritative circles in England. The British cabinet feels that only an understanding with America can enable Great Britain to maintain a two-power standard in Europe.

"If the Americans will look after our interests in the Pacific," said a responsible naval authority this afternoon, "we will take care of all American interests in the Atlantic and Mediterranean. We recognize the difficulty of inducing America to break with the tradition of not entering into entangling alliances, but we are not without a hope that the situation in the Pacific may lead the authorities in Washington to think favorably of a proposal which would admit of their concentrating the American naval strength in that ocean."

The British government is inclined to seek a naval understanding with the United States on account of the possibility of Japan's declining to renew the Anglo-Japanese alliance when it expires. Australians never cease to urge the mother land to separate its policy from that of Japan in the Pacific, and try to unite the strength of the English-speaking race in that part of the world.

SMUGGLING PLOT UNEARTHED.

Federal Officers at Chicago Arrest Leaders of Scheme.

Chicago, May 29.—Government prosecution of eight alleged leaders of a gigantic Chicago smuggling syndicate, and the proposed arrest and indictment of others was outlined today by United States District Attorney Syms. Seven hundred Chinamen are alleged to have smuggled into the United States over the Mexican border by the syndicate during the past 12 months, being secreted in dining cars by cooks and porters on through trains.

Immigration authorities caused indictments to be voted by the grand jury for the Chicago district for the following:

Bob Lung, El Paso, Texas, a rich Chinaman, restaurant owner and financier, in whose kitchen plans for carrying on the smuggling scheme were formulated, now locked up in the Cook county jail pending trial; Robert W. Stephenson, a former railroad brakeman, El Paso, Texas, now in jail here in default of \$5,000 bail; Carlos Saverd, a Mexican, alleged to be the chief smuggler; Jose Parra, Mexican; Sam Wah, alleged agent for the Chicago office of the syndicate; W. H. Clark, Lincoln, Neb., under arrest at El Paso, and Chin Yin Qual, an alleged agent of the syndicate.

Forest Fires in Michigan.

Negaunee, Mich., May 29.—Forest fires are raging in this section of the upper peninsula and reports from Dalton say the town has been destroyed. When the fire threatened Dalton last night a special train was ordered and the inhabitants, with as much of their possessions as they could carry away, were taken to a place of safety. Many washing and camping parties in the woods are in great danger, and their fate will probably be unknown for several days. No rain has fallen in this district for several weeks.

May Take Taft to Alaska.

Puget Sound Navy Yard, Wash., May 29.—It is rumored here that the cruiser St. Louis, which is making ready to go to sea early next month, will take President Taft and his party to Alaska this summer. The destination Judge Heap today in the case of James La Mantia against Susanna Lange, proprietor of a nickel theater. La Mantia asked \$700 damages. Testimony showed that two other Italians visited the theater a few nights before and were ordered out.

Floods in Mississippi.

Jackson, Miss., May 29.—The town of Quitman is submerged as the result of a flood. All business is suspended and the residents have been forced into the upper parts of their houses. Some have had to move out entirely. The loss from high water is heavy throughout the state. Miles of railroad tracks have been destroyed and the loss to the railroads is estimated at \$1,000,000.