

DOINGS OF THE WEEK

Current Events of Interest Gathered From the World at Large.

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

Hot winds are destroying crops in Oklahoma.

President Taft received a sprained ankle while playing golf.

Logged-off lands are being extensively used by coast farmers for grazing purposes.

A carload of immigrants about to start West were held up at the landing at Weehawken, N. J.

King George, of England, seeks to establish and maintain peace among the different political parties.

Forest fires rage around the town of Rainy River, Ontario, and there is little hope of saving the town.

A delirious typhoid fever patient in a Spokane hospital leaped from a fourth-story window and was instantly killed.

It is now believed that President Rawn, of the Monon railway, committed suicide to escape gigantic graft exposures which he knew would soon occur.

August Ropke, bookkeeper of the Fidelity Trust company, of Louisville, Ky., is believed to have embezzled the entire surplus of the corporation, amounting to \$1,400,000.

A salmon was caught at Astoria, Ore., with a fish hook of foreign make embedded in its mouth. It is believed to have come from the Southern California or Mexico coast, as no hooks of this kind are made or used in this country.

Flour will soon advance 20 cents a barrel.

Rainfall has checked the forest fires in many localities on the Pacific Coast.

Norway's recognition of the Madrid blockade has aroused indignation at Washington.

Eleven men were killed in a premature explosion of a 12-inch gun at Fortress Monroe, Virginia.

It is said false reports of gold strike at Iditarod, Alaska, have filled that camp with hundreds of destitute men.

A bitter feud between John D. Rockefeller and his brother Frank, of many years standing, has been amicably settled.

A diamond weighing 191 carats and worth \$150,000 in the rough has been found in the famous Premier mine, in South Africa.

A Chicago man made his wife crawl several blocks to church on her knees and confess that she was to blame for their domestic troubles.

A French scientist declares that within a few years many surgical operations will be performed by electricity instead of by the surgeon's knife and saw.

It is believed that some \$40,000,000 assets of the Pillsbury-Washburn Milling company of Minneapolis have been dissipated in bad notes and gambling by crooked officials.

The postmaster of Tropic, Utah, who has been a fugitive from justice since May 15, when a shortage of \$2,300 was discovered in his accounts, was found dead within a few miles of his home.

Owing to the scarcity of railway laborers Canada has decided to admit without restriction from all countries except Asia, all construction laborers who are mentally, morally and physically fit, and who are guaranteed employment.

A negro has been appointed collector of customs at Washington, D. C.

Stock is reported to be dying on Montana ranges on account of drouth.

Fire destroyed a North Yakima, Wash., clothing store, causing \$18,500 damage.

The Forty-seventh annual convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians is in session in Portland.

President Taft visited Eastport, Maine, in the extreme northeast corner of the United States.

The First National convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Board of Erin, is in session in New York City.

There is much trouble in Bogota, Colombia, caused by feeling against the American streetcar company operating there.

A motor fishing boat on the fishing grounds at the mouth of the Columbia was seen to capsize and sink with two men. No help could reach them in time and both were lost.

It is reported that President French, of the North Bank road, has resigned, but he says he knows nothing of it.

Forest fires have destroyed the logging camp of the Slade Lumber company, near Elma, Wash.

A Roseburg, Or., man aged 75 years, shot a panther, and thinking the animal dead, leaned over to examine it, when it roused up and attacked him and nearly killed him before it was despatched by his companion.

PINCHOTITES GROW DESPERATE

Friends Will Have Favorable Verdict Whether or No.

Washington—The Pinchot-Garfield press agents, who are also press agents of the insurgent leaders of the Republican party, have served notice on the Pinchot-Ballinger investigating committee that they must return a verdict unfavorable to the secretary of the interior, and favorable to Messrs. Pinchot, Garfield, Glavis, Newell, et al., or there will be a renewal of hostilities and a revival of last summer's scandal.

In other words, nothing short of a vindication of Pinchot and his partisans can prevent the active injection of the Pinchot-Ballinger case into the fall campaign.

Ever since the investigation closed, it has been well understood that a majority of the investigating committee was convinced no case had been made out against the secretary of the interior, and the general belief has been that the report of the majority would sustain the secretary and probably condemn the men who instigated and promoted the attack upon him, and over his head attacked the president. Senator Nelson, chairman of the committee, has made no concealment of his disgust with the tactics of the Pinchot-Glavis crowd, and Senators Root, Flint and Sutherland are as readily counted with the majority, as are Representatives McCall, Denby and Olmsted.

HEAVY FIGHTING IS REPORTED

Success of Revolution May Depend on Battle Now in Progress.

Bluefields, Nicaragua—Advices received at the insurgent headquarters from General Mena state the latter's belief that the success of the revolution in the interior hinges upon the outcome of fighting now in progress north of Acopya. An insurgent victory is reported.

General Moncado is now at Juigalpa at the head of 600 insurgents. Upon the receipt of advices that the government forces were advancing upon him on either side, Moncado divided his forces, sending one column to engage General Castrilla, while with the other he led an attack on General Vasquez, the commander-in-chief of the government forces, and General Garrida at Comolpa.

After 10 hours' fighting, Garrida with his 500 men retreated in disorder, leaving many dead and wounded on the field. Moncado captured 200 rifles, a large amount of ammunition and 100 pack mules with camp equipment. Among the prisoners is Salvador Mantilla.

The other insurgent division is supposed to be engaging General Castrilla.

GRAIN OUTPUT IS CRUX.

Patton, Done With Gambling, Says Good Times Depend on Crops.

New York—Reiterating his declaration that he never would again re-enter the speculative arena and declaring that in his opinion the crux of the financial situation lay with the grain crops, particularly corn, James A. Patton, the erstwhile "cotton king," sailed for Europe on the steamer Kroonland. He was accompanied by his partner, William H. Bartlett, of Chicago, and William S. Clough, of Boston.

"It seems the crux of the financial situation this fall depends on good crops," said Mr. Patton. "The oat crop is short, wheat is short and hay is short. Now, if corn fails, the country might have a period of dull times. A great deal depends on the drouth. The entire corn belt has had a serious deficiency of moisture since March 22."

Dakota Wheat Is Burned.

Ellensburg, Wash.—W. H. Wilson, assistant to the third vice president of the Northern Pacific, who is here on an inspection trip, says that Montana and Dakota wheat is burned up and the farmers will harvest only a tenth of their crop. He finds business conditions good in spite of crop failures and says that conditions as far as crops and business is concerned were never better. Adverse railroad legislation will not interfere with the Northern Pacific policy of expansion.

Cyclone Sweeps Italy.

Milan, Italy—A terrific cyclone swept over the district west of Milan, doing great damage to the towns of Saronno, Rovellana and Lanote Pozzolo. It is estimated that 25 persons were killed and wounded. At Busto, Arizona, 19 miles from Milan, a factory collapsed, burying many of the workmen. Ten dead and many seriously injured were taken from the ruins. At another village the collapse of the roof of a building resulted in the death of 14.

Long Labor War Ends.

St. Louis—Formal announcement is made by J. T. Templeton, secretary of the Buck Stove & Range company, of the end of the fight with organized labor. The employees of the plant are to be organized. The announcement says in part: "The present management is, and always has been, friendly to organized labor. We believe labor has a right to organize for its protection and advancement."

Squids Puzzle Spokane.

Spokane, Wash.—Two well developed devil fish, or giant squids, measuring over three feet from tip to tip, were dragged from the Spokane river just back of the city hall. One was still alive when captured. Their presence here, hundreds of miles from water and above the falls, is a puzzle not yet solved.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE STATE

EXPECT GUSHER AT ONTARIO.

Expert Says That Oil Reservoir Will Be Tapped by Drill.

Ontario—That oil will be struck very soon in the Ontario oil well is the opinion of R. M. Eames, the greatest oil expert in the Northwest, after a thorough investigation. This investigation was carried over a period of a day and a half, during which time Mr. Eames exhaustively examined the ballings from the well. The well is down more than 3,900 feet. The equipment used is the finest and most complete in the entire Northwest.

The Ontario Oil & Gas company, in this well, struck gas at 900 feet, then again at 1,000 feet, and again at 2,200 feet, at which depth the gas pressure was 450 pounds to the square inch. So strong was this pressure that it blew out the 2,200 feet of water in the well and shot it 130 feet above the ground.

Five thousand dollars have been spent in this well to date. Ontario people all have profound faith this will be a paying well, and they are liberal supporters of this company. Five thousand feet of new inch cable are being used. The big derrick has been greatly strengthened. A cement foundation has been made under the derrick and main sills. A new 35-horsepower engine has been ordered from Pittsburgh and is expected within a week. When it is installed this well will be so equipped that it can be put down 5,200 feet or more, if such a thing is necessary.

POWER PLANT SOLD.

Columbia Company Secures Big White River Property.

Portland—A deal has been just closed here whereby the power plant on White River, of the Wasco Warehouse & Milling company, was sold to the Columbia Light & Power company. The properties were turned over to the new owners. No official statement can be obtained regarding the price, which is understood to approximate \$300,000.

This purchase is in line with a number of others made in the Columbia valley by the Columbia concern. Eventually, the properties will be turned over to the Pacific Power & Light company, which was recently organized by the American Power & Light company, of New York. Guy W. Talbot, of Portland, is vice president of the American company.

It is the intention, eventually, of the Pacific company to have transmission lines extended over the entire Columbia River valley. At present their lines make a network from Walla Walla to Pendleton and from Pendleton to North Yakima. In addition their lines will run down both banks of the Columbia.

NO NEW CASES DEVELOP.

La Grande Epidemic Still Proves Puzzle to Physicians.

La Grande—Though this city has suffered greatly already from the strange malady, known as anterior polio myelitis, through the deaths of two young men, no new cases have developed within the past few days.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lambert, who is still in a serious condition, may not recover. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bennett, however, is believed to have passed the crisis and may live. The disease, which has really reached the epidemic stage, is still puzzling the doctors of the community. It seems to be an acute inflammation of the spinal cord, and causes intense suffering to the victims.

Farming Exhibits to Be Shown.

Redmond—The Redmond commercial club has received a communication from the Great Northern railroad asking for exhibits of grains, grasses and fruits from the Redmond district to be placed in the cars of the Great Northern demonstration train, which will travel through the East. Exhibits are also requested to be placed in the railroad exhibits at St. Paul and Chicago. The Commercial club has appointed a committee which has begun an active canvass. As this section is both an irrigated and dry-farming district, a large number of excellent exhibits will be secured.

Baldwin Wins Timber.

Albany—Title to 17,360 acres of some of the best timber land in Oregon was finally vested in the estate of George Baldwin, a former Wisconsin millionaire, by a decree entered in the State circuit court here. It marks the end of a contest over the land between Baldwin and S. A. D. Puter. The land involved was all Oregon school land, situated in sections 16 and 36 of various townships in five leading Oregon counties.

Realty Market Reviving.

Springfield—The real estate situation, which for the past few months has been quiet here and all over the valley, is rapidly reviving and it is thought by real estate dealers that this fall the market will be heavier than ever before. Already a large number of inquiries have been coming in to the local offices. It is thought that fruit lands will be in special demand.

Newport Builds Walk to Beach.

Newport—A wide board walk has been built from Main street, Newport, to the ocean beach, passing the United States life saving boathouse and the new bath house.

HEN NESTS UP IN TREE.

Broody Brown Leghorn Finds Comfort in Isolation.

Albany—A brown leghorn hen which builds her nest in a big maple tree, 30 feet above the ground, is a curiosity on the farm of E. D. Jones, three-fourths of a mile northwest of the town of Shelburn, Linn county. This hen has hatched two broods of young chickens in her aerial nest thus far this season, and is now laying eggs for a third hatching.

The tree stands on bottom land, adjoining the North Santiam river. It is close to a bank 20 feet high, and from the top of this bank the hen flies only two feet to reach the limbs of the tree. She then walks along the limb to the center of the tree and reaches her nest, 10 feet above the top of the bank. The nest rests in a natural moss-filled hollow formed by four limbs. She has added more moss and leaves.

Though the hen can reach the tree easily from the top of the high bank, the limbs on which she alights are too small to permit egg-hunters to follow her by that route, and to disturb her nest a person must climb the big tree, the lowest limb of which is 15 feet above the ground. It would require so much labor to gather the eggs regularly when they are fresh that the old hen is not disturbed and is allowed to hatch out her offspring in peace.

When the young chickens became big enough to crowd the nest they fell out and were picked up on the ground below and given to another hen to raise. The height of the nest, as well as the fact that there are rocks beneath the tree, makes it remarkable that the young chicks live after their fall to the ground.

Union Makes Improvements.

Union—Union will soon have cement sidewalks in the business district. The election on the charter amendment to permit a bonded indebtedness of \$125,000 carried almost unanimously with only nine opposing votes. The electric light and power plant and the improvement of the city water system will be voted on soon. The city council is now opening up a new street connected with the new Catherine creek wagon road.

Good Roads Movement Helped.

Jacksonville—The good roads movement has received another impetus in Jackson county. The county court has contracted with the Jackson County Abstract company to furnish a "road book" which will show the beginning and ending of all county roads, with all the dips, spurs and angles. This will necessitate a resurvey of all county roads. Present records are very inaccurate.

Wire Service to Be Extended.

Ontario—For building a telegraph line from Ontario to Vale and possibly to Brogan, the Oregon Short Line is shipping material and unloading it at this point. The poles are square and are being stored at the stockyards here. The wire and other necessary equipment has arrived, and work will begin on the arrival of workmen.

Fire Destroys Logs.

Astoria—A fire which started in a clearing at the Portland Lumber company's logging camp in the Grays river district, damaged about \$2,000 worth of logs belonging to the company.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Bluestem, 91@92c; club, 84c; red Russian, 81c; valley, 86c. Barley—Feed and brewing, 82c@24c per ton.

Hay—Track prices: Timothy, Willamette valley, \$18@19 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$20@22; alfalfa, new, \$13@14.

Corn—Whole, \$32; cracked, \$33 ton. Oats—No. 1 white, \$28@28.50 ton. Butter—City creamery, extras, 31c; fancy outside creamery, 30@31c per pound; store, 28c; butter fat, 31c.

Eggs—Oregon candied, 26½@27c per dozen; Eastern, 24@25½c.

Poultry—Hens, 17@18c; springs, 20c; ducks, 15c; geese, 10@11c; turkeys, live, 18@20c; dressed, 22½@25c; squabs, \$3 per dozen.

Pork—Fancy, 12½@13c per pound. Veal—Fancy, 12@12½c per pound.

Green Fruits—Apples, new, \$1.25@2.25 per box; Lambert cherries, 12½c per pound; apricots, 50c@1.50 per box; plums, 50c@1.25; pears, 22c per box; peaches, 50c@1.25; loganberries, \$1@1.25 per crate; blackberries, \$1.50@1.75 per box; watermelons, 1½c per pound; cantaloupes, \$3.50@4.25 per crate.

Vegetables—Artichokes, 60@75c per dozen; beans, 3@5c per pound; cabbage, 2½@2½c; cauliflower, \$1.50 per dozen; cucumbers 50c per box; egg plant, 12½c per pound; garlic, 8@10c; horseradish, 12½c; green onions, 15c per dozen; peas, 5c; peppers, 10@12½c; radishes, 15@20c per dozen; carrots, \$1@1.25 per sack; beets, \$1.50; parsnips, \$1@1.25; turnips, \$1. Potatoes—Old Oregon, 75c@1; per hundred; new, 1½c per pound.

Onions—Walla Walla, \$2.50 per sack; Hood River, \$2.25.

Cattle—Beef steers, good to choice, \$5.20@5.60; fair to medium, \$4.25@4.75; cows and heifers, good to choice, \$4.25@4.50; fair to medium, \$3.50@4; bulls, \$3@3.75; stags, \$2.50@4.50; calves, light, \$5.75@6.75; heavy, \$3.50@5.

Hogs—Top, \$10@10.30; fair to medium, \$8.50@9.75.

Sheep—Best wethers, \$3.75@4; fair to good, \$3@3.50; best ewes, \$3@3.50; lambs, choice, \$5.50@6; fair, \$4.75@5.25.

LABOR WAR IS ENDED.

Long Fight Against Buck Stove Company Declared Off.

Cincinnati—A peace agreement of great importance to organized labor was made here between officers of the American Federation of Labor and members of the Stove Founders' National Defense association.

The effect of the agreement is to end the bitter warfare between the federation of labor and the Buck Stove & Range company of St. Louis. The association and the stove company, through its representatives here, announced their withdrawal from the prosecutions against President Gompers, Vice President Mitchell and Secretary Morrison, of the federation of labor, in the contempt case now pending against them.

While the prosecutions hanging over Messrs. Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison, of the federation of labor, have passed out of the hands of the stove company which instituted them, and are now pending in the United States Supreme court at Washington, representatives of the stove company and of the National Defense association, by the articles signed, agree to withdraw their attorneys from the case.

Whether the appeal of the three men from jail sentences imposed upon them for alleged violation of an injunction shall be fought to a finish in the Supreme court is said to rest now with Attorney General Wickersham.

The five articles of the agreement are as follows:

First—A conference to be held by officers of the labor organizations involved and Mr. Van Cleave, of the stove company, at St. Louis.

Second—The agreement in regard to the wages, hours and conditions of employment shall take effect within 90 days, based on wages and conditions existing in shops of competitors in the city of St. Louis, operating union shops.

Third—The labor unions will make known that the differences between the two organizations have been satisfactorily adjusted.

Fourth—The Buck Stove & Range company will withdraw all suits now pending against the labor organizations.

Fifth—A copy of this agreement will be published in the journals of the labor organizations and displayed in the labor departments of the stove company.

STILL PERSECUTE JEWS.

Russians Expel Them From Kiev, But Many Return.

Kiev, Russia—The expulsion of Jews from Kiev continues at the rate of 45 a day. From July 4 to July 15, 497 were expelled by what is known as the second method—that is, they were forced to actually leave town. During the same period 1,121 were expelled by the first method, which, in effect, is a warning for their departure, but permits them time for a settlement of private affairs.

In the majority of cases the latter method proved ineffective, as the Jews in that category are prone to return to Kiev after temporary absence.

Since May 24, when the imperial edict ordering that all Jews who could not establish a legal right of residence elsewhere should be returned within the pale of the restricted district of the Polish provinces and the Ukraine, became effective, there have been expelled from this city, Solemnka and Dnieffka suburbs, 3,011 persons by the second method and 3,641 by the first method.

NEW ENGLAND IS AFFECTED.

700 Miles of Railroad Are Made Idle by Grand Trunk Strike.

Boston—Some 700 miles of railroad in the New England states were made practically idle by the strike of conductors and trainmen declared throughout the entire Grand Trunk railroad system. About 450 trainmen in New England are involved in the strike.

The strike in New England affects 166 miles of the main line of the Grand Trunk road. The railroad shops at St. Albans, Vermont, where 350 men are employed, have been closed. The shop employees adopted resolutions condemning the strike of the trainmen. Freight traffic is tied up.

Santa Hurries to Arctic.

Seattle—Santa Claus is reported to make his home in the Arctic Circle, but the pupils and teachers of the government schools of Northern Alaska would have fared ill next Christmas if presents, food, clothing and fuel had not been shipped on the steamer St. Helens, which sailed for Nome and other Arctic ports as far north as Point Hope. Congress was so late this year that it was impossible to send the school supplies on a sailing vessel and there was danger that some remote schools might get no supplies at all.

Japan Buys Four Airships.

Victoria, B. C.—News was brought by the steamship Suveric, which has just arrived from the Orient, that the Japanese government has ordered four military airships in France. They are to be built in accordance with French design, with certain alterations suggested by the Japanese airship investigation committee. They are expected to be delivered in Japan late in August. Negotiations are under way for more air craft.

Louisville & Nashville Gives More

Louisville, Ky.—Four thousand Louisville street employees of the Louisville & Nashville railroad were given a surprise when they opened their pay envelopes and found therein an unsolicited increase of 6 per cent.

RIOTERS BURN CARS

Attack Trains on Grand Trunk Road and Stone Police.

Steal Caboose from Rapidly-Moving Train and Then Cut Train in Many Sections.

South Bend, Ind.—As a climax to a night and a day of rioting in the yards of the Grand Trunk railway in which a freight train of 50 cars was cut into ten sections, Pinkerton detectives were stoned, and five passenger trains were stalled for hours, an attempt was made to wreck eastbound passenger No. 8, known as the Detroit and New York express. The engineer, by chance, saw the thrown switch in time to bring his train to a stop and prevent a catastrophe.

When he left the engine to investigate he was stoned by the mob, but the timely appearance of police prevented him from being seriously hurt. Shortly after the attempt to wreck the train was made, Jay Freel, a car repairer, in the employ of the railroad, was shot and seriously wounded by John Peck, a Pinkerton detective, who with two companions, Eldridge Graham and William McReynolds, all of Battle Creek, Mich., were arrested and are now being held by the police pending the outcome of Freel's wound, which is in the back close to the spine. Freel is in the hospital.

In the course of the afternoon a mob which congregated at Olivers, the first station of the Grand Trunk within the limits of South Bend, burned several cabooses, but efforts to burn freight cars were made fruitless by the arrival of detectives and the fire department.

The rioting began when a freight train of 50 cars entered the city under full speed, evidently with the intention of rushing through South Bend without a stop. Shortly after it passed the station it was discovered that the caboose had been lost and a stop was made to pick up the missing car.

Almost immediately a gang of men ran between the cars, released the air plugs and cut the air hose, thus making it impossible to move the train. At the same time the Pinkerton detectives who showed themselves were stoned. Realizing that the situation was desperate C. A. McNut, the local agent, sent in a hurry call for the police and telegraphed Governor Marshall for troops. The governor, however, declined to order out the militia until he was assured the police were not able to cope with the situation.

EXPLOSIONS JAR CINCINNATI.

Falling Walls Injure Many and Big Fires Follow.

Cincinnati—Two explosions wrecked a manufacturing plant at Central avenue and Findlay street, starting a conflagration that destroyed three adjoining plants.

Five firemen were buried by falling walls, but all were taken out, seriously injured.

The combined losses by the fire are estimated at \$250,000. The first explosion occurred in the plant of the Cincinnati Ball Crank company and is supposed to have resulted from natural gas. The detonation was heard for a distance of more than a mile. Other plants badly damaged were the Century Printing company and Cincinnati Lithographing company.

Settlers Going South.

Washington—Migration from the Central and Northeastern parts of the country, including Western Canada, to the Southern and Southeastern states, is attracting the attention of the immigration authorities. The immigration officials expect soon to receive a special report from Montreal bearing on the subject of immigration, including the return of Americans to this country, and pending receipt of that report, decline to discuss the matter for publication. Experts say the movement will begin next October.

Prohibition Law Wins.

Dallas, Texas—The count of votes in the Texas Democratic primary election has not materially changed the previous estimates. Oscar B. Colquitt, anti-Prohibitionist, has been nominated for governor by a plurality which probably will reach 60,000. Two Prohibition candidates are practically tied for second place. The proposition to submit to the people a prohibition amendment to the constitution carried by about 20,000.

60 Killed in Cyclone.

Milan, Italy—The list of the dead in the cyclone which swept over the district northwest of Milan has increased to 60 and the injured number several hundred. The material losses are estimated at many millions. Assistance has been sent to the villages which suffered most severely from the storm, but there are many homeless to be taken care of.

Fire Sweeping Colorado.

Fort Collins, Colo.—A force of 35 men has left here in automobiles to fight forest fires which are raging on Stove Prairie at the head of Buckhorn and Redstone creeks, 20 miles west of here. According to reports received here the fire has already destroyed considerable timber and is sweeping into the national forest reserve.