

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.

Voliva, ruler of Zion City, would fog users of tobacco.

Dr. Cook, of North Pole fame, will go on the vaudeville stage.

The big Roosevelt dam in Arizona is now ready to water 200,000 acres of land.

Melbourne, Australia, is flooded and boats are taking the place of street cars.

Both houses of the Ohio legislature have endorsed direct election of senators.

Authorities of Anhui and Kiang Su, China, have appropriated \$300,000 for famine sufferers in Manchuria.

Two society women of Providence, R. I., fought a regular prizefight with boxing gloves for the hand of a young man.

A California legislator has introduced a bill prohibiting women from wearing hat pins that protrude beyond the hat.

The paper schedule in the proposed Canadian reciprocity agreement is found to give Canada a great advantage.

Farmers in eastern Oregon and Washington have sold all their wheat and now are forced to buy seed wheat at fancy prices.

Two women near Gate City, Wash., flagged a passenger train just in time to save it from crashing into a tree that had fallen across the track.

It is believed the national congress is not likely to pass the bill for a permanent tariff board, and an extra session of congress is freely talked of.

A 5-year-old boy was smothered to death and his 7-year-old sister nearly suffocated by a straw stack falling over on them while at play near Centralia, Wash.

The attack of Mexican rebels upon the town of Juarez has been temporary abandoned.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Track prices: Bluestem, 83c; club, 80c; red Russian, 75c; valley, 82@83c; forty-fold, 81c.

Barley—Feed, \$23@23.50 per ton; brewing, nominal.

Millstuffs—Bran, \$23 per ton; middlings, \$30@31c; shorts, \$25; rolled barley, \$26@27.

Corn—Whole, \$28; cracked, \$29 ton.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$28 per ton.

Hay—Track prices: Timothy, Willamette valley, \$19@20 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$21@22; alfalfa, \$12.50@13.50; grain hay, \$13.50@14; clover, \$12.50@13.50.

Apples—Fancy, \$1.50@2.50 per box; choice, \$1@1.25; common, 50c@\$.31.

Green Fruits—Pears, \$1.50@1.75 per box; cranberries, \$12@12.50 per barrel.

Vegetables—Cabbage, \$1.25@1.50 per hundred; celery, \$3@3.25 per crate; head lettuce, 50@60c per box; pumpkins, 2c per pound; sprouts, 8c; squash, 2c; carrots, \$1 per hundred; parsnips, \$1.25@1.50; turnips, \$1; beets, \$1.25.

Potatoes—Oregon, buying prices: \$1.25@1.50 per hundred.

Onions—Buying price, \$2 per hundred.

Poultry—Live hens, 16@17c, springs, 16@17c; turkeys, 18@20c; ducks, 25c; geese, 12@14c; dressed turkeys, choice, 22@25c.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, candled, 30@32c.

Butter—City creamery, extra, 1 and 2 pound prints, in boxes, 33c per pound; less than boxes, cartons and delivery extra.

Fork—Fancy, 10@11c per pound.

Veal—Fancy, 85 to 125, pounds, 13@14c per pound.

Hops—1910 crop, 18c; 1900 crop, 10@13c; contracts, 14@15c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 12@18c per pound, according to shrinkage; valley, 17@19c; mohair, choice, 30c.

Cattle—Prime steers, \$6@6.25; good to choice, \$5.50@6; fair to good, \$5.50@5.75; common, \$4@5; choice to prime cows, \$5@5.25; good to choice beef cows, \$4.50@5; fair to good, \$4@4.50; common to fair, \$2@4; good to choice heifers, \$5.75@6; fair to good, \$5@5.50; common to fair, \$4@4.25; choice to good fat bulls, \$4.50@4.75; fair to good, \$4@4.25; common, \$2.50@3.25; good to choice light calves, \$7.75@8; fair to good, \$7@7.50; good to choice heavy calves, \$5.25@6; fair to good, \$4.75@5.25; common, calves, \$3.75@4.75; good to choice stags, \$4.50@5; fair to good, \$4@4.50.

Hogs—Choice, \$8.50@8.65; good to choice, \$8@8.50.

Sheep—Choice yearling wethers, grain fed, \$5@5.25; good to choice, wethers, grain fed, \$4.75@5; choice ewes, grain fed, \$4.25@4.50; good to choice ewes, grain fed, \$3.25@4; feeders, \$2.25@3; choice lambs, grain fed, \$5.25@6.50; good to choice, grain fed, \$6@6.25; fair to good, \$5.25@5.75; poor lambs, \$4@5.

Hay fed sheep and lambs, 50c lower than grain fed.

WARNING GIVEN GERMANY.

Duke of Mecklenburg Says "Pull Together in Business."

Bremen.—Duke Johann Albrecht of Mecklenburg, Regent of Brunswick, uttered a remarkable warning to Germans of all classes in speaking at a banquet here, which was attended by leading commercial men, ship owners, manufacturers and army officers.

"Under the German flag," said the Duke, "we see a wild competition by everybody against everybody else. It is this that is breaking up German interests while other nations are concentrating all their efforts by working together.

"Many look anxiously at the German flag flying from the ship masts and ask themselves when it will give place to the Union Jack or the tricolor, or even the yellow dragon; the call should go up here before it is too late, 'everybody to work.'"

"I appeal to shipbuilders, ship owners, mine owners, industrial men and all others, to draw together like other people for the benefit of the whole and thus secure a proper position among the nations for German commerce and shipping."

FEDERALS ARE TRAPPED.

Rebels Battle Near Mulato For Over Day—Many Dead.

San Antonio, Tex.—Advices received here state that the Mexican Federal troops have suffered severe defeat at Mulato, where a battle raged 36 hours.

According to this message the rebel forces lost but two men, while the Federal losses are described as numerous and many of the dead soldiers were left lying on the field. The Federals outnumbered the rebels.

Officers who are familiar with that section believe the Federals were caught in a pocket and hemmed in by the enemy. At last accounts the Mexican troops were retreating rapidly.

Presidio, Texas, is the nearest American town to Mulato and advices were received by way of that place. The dispatches are vague and it is believed they refer to a continuation of the fight reported Wednesday.

The Federals are said to have numbered 300 and the rebels 200.

CHINESE PLAGUE SPREADS.

Population in City of Asskho is Dying at Rate of 400 Daily.

Harbin, Manchuria.—A plague spot equalling Fuzhidian has been discovered in the Chinese city of Asskho, 40 miles east from here. There is an average of 400 deaths in the place daily. The plague has also appeared in the suburbs of Blagoveshchensk. Russian regiments are patrolling the Russo-Chinese frontier.

Amoy, China.—The plague epidemic is spreading. Districts on the outskirts of this city report from eight to ten deaths daily.

Elk Are Dying in Snow.

Bozeman, Mont.—Miners and woodsmen report that snow is unusually deep in the West Gallatin basin, adjacent to the Yellowstone National Park, and that elk and other big game are dying of starvation. A drenching rain about a week ago, followed by a freeze, has coated the basin with ice and made it impossible for the animals to reach forage. One farmer in that section reports that about a dozen elk died within sight of his cabin last week.

Snake Enmeshes Woman.

Sacramento, Cal.—Awakening to find a six-foot snake entwined around her foot and legs, Mrs. H. Swarthout, of Berkeley, sister of the night clerk at a local hotel, aroused the entire hostelry with her screams.

No one knows where the snake came from. The reptile is being held in close captivity, and the hotel management has formed a vigilance committee.

New Wireless Record Made.

San Francisco.—It is claimed that a world's record for wireless communication between ship and shore was made Sunday when a message was received at a local station from the steamship Korea, 4492 miles away. Early yesterday morning the local operator heard a faint call from the Korea. The message came faintly, but could be distinguished: "Steamer 4492 miles out; all well." The operator repeated the message and received an "O. K."

Explosive Shells Pierce Armor.

Washington.—The trial of high explosive shells against the armor plate target yesterday on the ram Katabdin, near the mouth of the Potomac River, was successful. Four 12-inch shells fired by the monitor Tallahassee struck the target and completely penetrated it at a range of nearly five miles. The result is a decided victory for the armor-piercing shells at battle ranges.

Mine Victims' Bodies Recovered.

Trinidad, Colo.—The bodies of the two remaining victims of the Cokedale mine disaster were recovered from the mine and brought to Trinidad. Arrangements have been made for a joint funeral of the victims. State Mine Inspector Dalrymple arrived at Cokedale and immediately began an investigation of the disaster. The coroner's inquest will be held next Wednesday.

Chinese Deported From Texas.

San Antonio, Tex.—Sixty Chinese were deported from Texas. Five were started from San Antonio, another was picked up at Del Rio and 54 awaited the coming of the prison train at El Paso. They traveled over the Southern Pacific railroad under guard and in cars especially constructed with barred windows and doors.

DOINGS OF OREGON STATE LEGISLATURE

Salem, Feb. 11.—Inability to agree on the provisions of Gill's bill, regulating the issuance of bonds by counties for road building, alone prevented the enactment by the house today of important road legislation.

Just before the house adjourned until 10 o'clock Monday morning, after spending the entire day in the consideration of road legislation, the Gill bill was referred to a special committee with instructions to incorporate an amendment which will meet the objections of the anti-Good Roads association forces. This will insure the passage Monday of the bills creating a state highway board, providing for a state highway commissioner and state aid in the building of permanent highways.

That at least two of the members of the legislature are opposed to the "salary grab" bills for county officers, which have flooded the house and the senate during the present session, is evidenced in a letter which Senator Norton and Representative Smith of Josephine have prepared for the benefit of their constituents.

"I wish the governor would veto all of these bills," stated Senator Norton.

Abraham's bill classifying railroads and setting forth the rates for railroads receiving a certain percentage of profits from their operation is still in railroad committee of the senate, but has not been quiescent there, as it has resulted in many warm arguments and debates.

With only one or two dissenting votes, Sinton's bill changing the present method of counting ballots in primary and general elections, passed the house today. It provides that the night election boards, instead of taking up their duties when the polls are closed, shall report their respective polling places at 9 o'clock in the morning of election day and immediately begin counting the ballots.

Salem, Feb. 10.—With friends of the senate good roads bills denouncing the methods used by some of the lobbyists who have been working against them, the house took up consideration of the subject this morning. The fate of the bills at present appears to be in doubt and great interest is now expressed by many of the members that there will be no good roads legislation at this session.

The opponents of the proposed measures resorted to desperate measures last night. One of the stories they circulated was that the members of the Umatilla county committee which came up to urge the passage of the senate bills changed their minds after reaching the ground and went home without urging the passage of the bills. This is absolutely denied by Chairman Mann of the house roads and highways committee, who is strongly in favor of the bills passed by the upper house.

Governor West believes that house bill 77, which amends section 4751 of Lord's Oregon laws ostensibly for the purpose of limiting the governor in appointing the members of the state board of pharmacy to registered pharmacists actively engaged in the retail drug business, affects the section named so that it does not provide for a state board of pharmacy and repeals the provisions of the old section providing for the appointment of a state board of pharmacy. It practically abolishes the state board of pharmacy.

The bill has gone to the governor for his approval, having passed both houses.

At a meeting of the ways and means committee last night the proposed appropriation of \$200,000 for an addition to the capitol for the purpose of housing the state library was cut to \$150,000. Whether the money will be spent for an addition on the present capitol grounds or will include the purchase of more land is yet undecided.

Another appropriation cut was for the Spring Lake fish hatchery in Klamath county. Merrymann's bill for this object being reduced to \$4000.

Salem, Feb. 9.—Abandoning all hope of increasing the membership of the supreme court and providing two additional judges for the Multnomah county circuit court, the advocates of an increased judiciary have concentrated their efforts and will make a determined fight to secure one more circuit judge for Multnomah county.

Fouts' public utility bill was reported today to the house with the recommendation that it be made a special order. This the house refused to do and it was referred to the committee on railways and transportation, to which committee Senator Malarkey's bill for a state-wide commission will also be referred when it comes over from the senate.

Representative Huntington has introduced a bill abolishing "Blank A," now used by non-registered electors in qualifying as voters, and providing that in the future, only registered electors shall be allowed to participate in primary and general elections.

All employers will be required to allow their employees not less than four hours away from their work to vote in every primary, general and presidential election if a bill presented by Representative Clyde becomes a law. Penalties provided for violation of act are fines of from

Woman Suffrage Action Proposed. Salem, Feb. 9.—That ever-recurring subject—woman suffrage—has again invaded Oregon's legislative halls. Representative Brownhill today introduced a concurrent resolution proposing the submission to the voters in the general election next year of a constitutional amendment giving women the right to vote. The resolution goes further and would have the Oregon legislature give its endorsement to the proposed amendment.

Salem, Feb. 6.—Senator Chase's bill to protect school children from pupils who appeared at school carrying vermin, or who are in an unsanitary condition, passed the senate today without opposition.

Swearing the library, a delegation appeared before the committee on commerce and navigation tonight for the purpose of attacking the eight-hour bill of Dimick. Superintendents of Oregon City mills, attorneys, employes and others appeared, outlining conditions at the mill.

Admission was made in one or two instances of long 14 and 18 and 24-hour shifts, but as a general rule the testimony simmered down to detailed explanation of the manner in which men are required to handle machinery and the sanitary conditions surrounding them in the mills at Oregon City.

Extended arguments for and against the employers' compensation act were made tonight before the house committee of judiciary.

Jealous of Governor West. Salem, Feb. 7.—Believing Governor West would receive credit from the people of the state for inspiring through his special message the investigation into the office of State Dairy and Food Commissioner J. W. Bailey, members of the Bowerman wing in the senate and house attacked the inquiry during the session this morning and attempted to prevent the legislators from receiving the report.

30-FOOT CHANNEL IS SURE.

Committee Reaches Agreement on Columbia Work.

Washington.—The conference committee on the river and harbor bill has agreed to the senate amendment authorizing the construction of two dredges intended for use on the new 30-foot channel project from Portland to the sea.

The house members of the conference committee, in confirming the assurance given Representative Ellis some days ago, accepted the terms of the senate amendment because this work is highly recommended by army engineers and the project is deemed most meritorious.

The amendment as agreed upon appropriates \$350,000 cash and authorizes an additional expenditure of \$320,000. Of this total, \$520,000 will be expended on two dredges, as recommended by the engineers and the remaining \$150,000 will be applied to dredging under old contracts. Acceptance of this provision by the conference committee means it will be retained in the bill as finally accepted by both houses and as it will be signed by the president.

The senate amendment was the one that Chairman Alexander, of the house committee, discussed with President Taft and it is known that the proposition meets executive approval.

UNCLE SAM WANTS WATER.

He Will Defend Users' Right to Grand River Against Company.

Denver.—Attorney-General Wickersham has notified United States District Attorney Ward to do all in his power to protect the rights of the government in the suits pending in the state courts over water rights in the Grand river. The attorney-general believes the United States may be deprived of its water rights in that stream, thereby jeopardizing the building of the contemplated high-line canal, a \$3,000,000 project.

Mr. Ward said today that a suit was pending in Grand county between the Grand Valley Irrigation company and other water users of Mesa county against the Intermountain Water company, involving the right to the waters of the Grand river. State's Attorney-General Griffith, of Colorado, is one of the counsel for the plaintiffs.

This suit is the result of an alleged attempt by the Intermountain Water company to divert the water from the headwaters of the Grand river on the western slope of the continental divide to irrigate lands on the eastern slope. The Intermountain company claims a right prior to that of the users in the Grand valley.

AVIATORS BRAVE BULLETS.

Hamilton and Garros Fly Over Juarez, Despite Warning.

El Paso.—Charles K. Hamilton, American aviator, flew his biplane over Juarez and Roland G. Garros, Frenchman, in his Bieriot monoplane, crossed the international border a short distance yesterday. Only the day before Hamilton and other international aviators had been warned that a flight over Juarez would be met with a storm of bullets from the federal troops now holding that city.

The two left the ground within a few minutes of each other. After reaching 1200 feet Hamilton crossed the Rio Grande and a half minute later had passed the Mexican customhouse, making the first aeroplane reconnaissance ever made in time of actual warfare.

The aviator on his return would not give out an interview, simply stating that "there appeared to be a good-sized army in Juarez."

American Artist Lost.

Rome.—A general alarm has been sent out for Henry Lawrence Wolfe, of New York, a student of painting at the American Academy, who has been missing since last Monday afternoon. Wolfe is 25 years old. He is credited by his friends with being a man of good habits and they can advance no theory as to why he should have disappeared. There are some among the Americans who suggest the possibility of kidnaping or the "black hand" being connected with the absence of Wolfe.

Four Stockmen Missing.

Eagleville, Cal.—Harry Cambron, John Laxgato, B. Indiano and P. Errasmus, four wealthy stockmen who have been missing since January 1, are believed by the authorities to have been murdered. The four men left camp January 1 to go to a sheep camp seven miles distant through a country that they knew well and in which they could not possibly have been lost. They were accustomed to the rigors of winter.

Kansas Rejects Recall.

Topeka, Kan.—The recall for state officers was defeated in the senate by the decisive vote of 23 to 15. This was one of the pledges made by both parties in their platforms.

Employees Under Army Rule.

Washington.—The treasury department has ordered all customs employes on the Mexican border to work under the direction of the military commanders of their districts.

REBELS BURN JAIL

Mexican Insurrectos Fulfill Threat Made to Federals.

Success Brings Many New Recruits to Rebel Cause—United States Troop Strictly Neutral.

Calexico, Feb. 13.—The Mexican guardhouse, located just across the international line at Mexical, was burned to the ground by the insurrectos at 3 o'clock this morning.

This was done in fulfillment of a warning given the Federal officials by the insurrecto leaders when they evacuated Mexical 12 days ago, that if any attempt was made to resume the collection of customs the building would be destroyed upon the return of the insurrectos.

The alarm of fire was given by sentries in the camp of the United States troops less than a block away from the burning buildings, but none of the soldiers crossed over, strict orders having been issued to remain on United States territory.

No Federal soldiers have appeared and the rumor that Mexican troops had appeared across the desert between Pichos Pass and New River proved groundless. In anticipation of the troops appearing, Berthold called in all the sentries and massed them in the bull-fight arena.

Recruits to the insurgent force are constantly being received. The statement was made today that the insurgents have 50 men in the Cocopas Mountains, where they can keep close watch of Pichos Pass, through which the Federals must come from Ensenada to Mexical.

Berthold had secured the services of nearly 100 Cocopa Indians to act as scouts and guides through the mountain district, and it is believed the insurgent scouts are keeping Leyva well posted on the movements of the Federal soldiers.

The Signal Service Corps of the United States Army has sent a detachment of eight men to Yuma and three to Calexico to establish wireless stations. It is expected that stations will be established at points of about 30 miles apart from Yuma to San Diego. In this manner the United States Government will be able to keep in touch with the situation in Northwestern Mexico.

Aviation Squad For Militia.

San Francisco.—Colonel George A. Schastey, commanding the Coast Artillery Corps, National Guard, proposes to form an aviation squad, with Eugene Ely at the head. It is the first time such a thing has been done. Many details remain to be worked out, but the principal obstacle has been overcome in securing the written consent of Ely, who recently flew his Curtiss biplane on to the deck of the cruiser Pennsylvania, with the understanding that an aviation squad shall be formed, of which he is to be the head and chief instructor.

Ely has promised that two others of the Curtiss team will enlist with him and assist in the work of instruction.

The organization of the squad will be completed as quickly as possible with the intention of having it participate in the Coast Artillery maneuvers of the San Francisco companies at the Presidio June 3 to 17, and those of the San Diego companies July 1 to 15.

Meningitis Dread Over.

New York.—The Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research announced that the effectiveness of anti-meningitis serum had been generally accepted by the medical authorities throughout the world and that the new remedy had taken its place with vaccine and diphtheria antitoxin as an improved agency for the protection of public health. The serum will no longer be free.

The New York City Board of Health has undertaken the production of the new serum, and for a short time will supply urgent requests from outside the state. In this city the board will designate stations where the remedy will be kept always on hand.

Navarro Reception Is Off.

El Paso, Texas, Feb. 13.—Jefe Politico Martinez' public reception to General Navarro, set for today, has been indefinitely postponed. General Navarro did not arrive. Insurrecto couriers definitely located the Federal leader at a lake a few miles south of the Mexican Central about 80 miles south. The insurrecto forces are scattered between Ahumada and Juarez, wherever they can find pasture and water. The country for 100 miles south of here is practically a desert.

Sunday Work Is Opposed.

Chicago.—Several hundred clergymen in Chicago have started a movement, furthered by the Chicago Christian Endeavor Union, to relieve mail clerks and carriers of Sunday work. A special committee of the union outlined the campaign, which the Ministers' Association of the Episcopal, Methodist, Christian, Roman Catholic, Jewish and other denominations endorsed.

Clara Barton Will Live.

Washington.—The condition of Miss Clara Barton, founder of the Red Cross, who has been ill with bronchitis at her home in a suburb of Washington, has so greatly improved that Dr. J. B. H. Hubell, of Glen Echo, regards her as out of danger.