

CURRENT EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Doings of the World at Large Told in Brief.

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

The Astoria postal savings bank opened May 1, with a good patronage.

Krupp, the German gunmaker, has patented an aerial torpedo for use by airships against each other.

The accused Los Angeles dynamiters will seek no delay in trial and probably will not even ask a change of venue.

Madame Gaski, the world-renowned singer, is helpless with sciatica and has been taken to Europe for treatment.

Chris Evans, noted outlaw, has been paroled from Folsom penitentiary and will return to Oregon to live quietly and try to regain his health.

Mexican rebels have captured Topolobampo, an important port on the western coast. This gives them a seaport for the importation of arms.

More than 25,000 skilled workmen struck in Chicago May 1, including elevated railway employes, bricklayers, marble workers, builders, etc.

Fredrick Warde spoke at length to the prisoners in the Oregon state penitentiary. He says a convict in Connecticut is the best known authority on Shakespeare.

San Francisco department stores put their women employes on a strict eight-hour day May 1, although the new eight-hour law does not take effect until May 22.

District Attorney J. D. Fredricks, of Los Angeles, who is conducting the prosecution of the alleged dynamiters, keeps a heavy revolver on his desk while he works, owing to the many threatening letters he has received.

The Supreme court of the United States has upheld the constitutionality of the New York statute forbidding the use of a photograph or name of another for trade or advertising purposes without the permission of the subject.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Track prices: Bluestem, 90¢@91¢; club, 85¢@86¢; red Russian, 84¢@85¢; valley, 85¢; 40-fold, 85¢@86¢. Barley—Choice feed, \$28 per ton. Millstuffs—Bran, \$23.50@24 ton; middings, \$31; shorts, \$25.50; rolled barley, \$29@30. Corn—Whole, \$28; cracked, \$29 per ton.

Oats—No. 1 white \$29@29.50 ton. Hay—Timothy, Eastern Oregon, No. 1, \$21.50@22.50; light mixed, \$19@20; heavy mixed, \$17.50@18.50; alfalfa, \$14@15; clover, \$12.50@13.50; grain hay, \$13.50@14.50 ton.

Apples—Fancy, \$2@2.25; choice, \$1@1.50; common, 75¢@\$1 per box. Vegetables—Asparagus, \$1@1.75 per crate; hot-house lettuce, \$1.50@2; per box; lettuce, 50¢ per dozen; radishes, 15¢; rhubarb, 3¢ per pound; sprouts, 9¢; carrots, \$1.25@1.50 per sack; parsnips, \$1.25@1.50; turnips, \$1.25@1.50; beets, \$1.50.

Potatoes—Oregon, jobbing price, \$2.50 per hundred; new potatoes, 70¢ 8¢ per pound. Onions—Jobbing prices: Oregon, \$3.50 per 100; Australian, \$3.50 per 100; Texas, \$2.25 per crate.

Poultry—Hens, 17¢@18¢; broilers, 30¢; turkeys, 20¢; ducks, 20¢@22¢; geese, 12¢; dressed turkeys, choice, 25¢. Eggs—Oregon ranch, candled, 20¢@21¢; case count, 19¢.

Butter—City creamery, extra, 1 and 2-pound prints, in boxes, 24¢ per pound; less than box lots, cartons and delivery extra. Pork—Fancy, 10¢@10½¢ per pound. Veal—Fancy, 85¢ to 125¢ pounds, 10¢@10½¢ per pound.

Spring lambs—Pelted, 12¢@13¢ per pound. Hops—1910 crop, 19¢@20¢; 1909 crop, 13¢@14¢; 1911 contracts, 17¢; fuggle contracts, 19¢.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, nominal, 12¢@14¢ per pound; according to shrinkage; valley, 12¢@15¢; mohair, choice, 36¢@38¢.

Cattle—Prime grain fed steers, \$6.75@7; choice, \$6.25@6.50; good to choice, \$5.75@6; fair to good, \$5.50@5.75; common, \$4.75@5; prime cows, \$5.50@6; good to choice cows, \$5@5.25; fair to good, \$4.75@5; poor, \$4@4.50; choice heifers, \$5.50@5.75; choice bulls, \$4.75@5; good to choice, \$4.50@4.75; choice light calves, \$8.50@8.75; good to choice, \$8@8.25; fair to medium, \$7.50@8; choice heavy calves, \$5.50@6; fair to medium, \$4.75@5; choice stags, \$5.25@5.50; good to choice, \$4.50@5; fair to medium, \$4@4.50.

Hogs—Choice, \$7@7.25; good to choice light, \$6.75@7; choice heavy, \$6.50@7; good to choice heavy, \$6@6.50; common, \$5@6; stock hogs, \$7.50@7.75.

Sheep—Grain fed wethers, heavy, \$4.50@5; choice young wethers, grain fed, \$5@5.25; old wethers \$4@4.50; good to choice shorn wethers, \$4.25@4.50; choice ewes, grain fed, \$4.50@4.75; fair to medium ewes, \$3.75@4; choice wool lambs, grain fed, \$5.50@5.75; good to choice wool lambs, grain fed, \$5.25@5.50; choice shorn lambs, grain fed, \$5.25@5.40; good shorn lambs, grain fed, \$5@5.25; fair to good lambs, grain fed, \$4.75@5.25; culls, \$2.50@3.50.

MEXICAN REBELS GAINING.

Many Towns Captured—Americans Flee Across Border.

Nogales, Ariz., May 3.—Almost all of Western Mexico is in the hands of the rebels. They have captured one town after another, and now besiege Mazatlan, the principal Pacific seaport, and Culiacan.

Governor Rodog, of Sinaloa, has so small a force that he can do no more than hold these two towns, and doubt is expressed whether he can hold them long. Fighting is almost continuous in Sinaloa and Sonora.

Not only is the political welfare of the Western Mexican states affected, but American interests are involved and in danger. Even the lives of Americans, hitherto held sacred by Federals and rebels, are no longer regarded as safe in the interior of Mexico.

Prominent railroad officials who reached Nogales from Mexico today brought with them the warning from the rebels to remove their families as quickly as possible into the United States and to advise all of their American friends to do likewise. Coupled with these warnings, was the threat of the insurgents that they intended, before the end of the week, to launch attacks against all the Mexican border towns. Many American families are coming across the border.

Word came from Magdalena district, southeast of Nogales, of the complete wiping out of a body of 30 Federals under Luis Estrella by a band of rebels in the vicinity of Octates.

Reports of heavy fighting near La Colorado, southeast of Hermosillo, were brought across the border today. The rebels claim to have recaptured La Colorado, which has been the scene of bitter fighting during the present rebellion.

WOMAN GRATEFUL TO EVANS.

Life Saved By Outlaw at Cost of Capture.

Sacramento, Cal.—When Chris Evans, train robber, stepped out of the Folsom prison a free man, Warden Reilly handed him a package containing an old-fashioned gold signet ring. Accompanying it was a note written in a feminine hand wishing him Godspeed into his new life.

This was the sequel to an incident that occurred in Evans' life when he was a fugitive from justice, being tracked by men and bloodhounds. It was the reward of a woman whose life Evans had saved.

Following Evans' escape from the Visalia jail, he stayed one night at a tent in the backwoods occupied by a wood cutter and his wife, the wife lying sick on the bed. The rude shelter leaked snow and rain, while a few rods away stood a comfortable mountain cabin boarded up for the winter.

The owner of the cabin had asked the husband to take care of it but had commanded him not to enter the place. Evans commanded the husband at the muzzle of a rifle to break open the cabin and make his wife comfortable there. Evans and his companion spent the night in the tent.

That act saved the woman's life and made Chris Evans' capture easy for the pursuing posse. The bitter cold of the night spent in the tent so weakened Evans that he was an easy prey the next day.

CHINESE REVOLT SPREADS.

Canton Streets Strewn With Headless Bodies After Fight.

Hongkong, May 3.—The anti-Manchu army, headed by Wu Sum, is now extending its conquests to the north and east from the West River. Though the government seems to control Canton, the rebels have raided Sam Shui, Wenchow, Wochow, Chungtok, Shuihung and Fatshan.

The movement has spread from the West River, at the west of Canton, to the north and east, through Kungtung province and to Amoy, in the southeastern portion of Fukien province.

According to the best information obtainable, the foreign missionaries have not been molested by the rebels. Refugees from Canton are flocking to Hongkong.

Mrs. Shonts Gives Sum.

Lexington, Ky.—Children of Breathitt and surrounding counties in the mountains of Kentucky, who have lived in an atmosphere of feud since birth, are to be educated at the expense of Mrs. Theodore P. Shonts, wife of the New York traction magnate, who is on her way to Kentucky and will meet Colonel Jack Chinn at Paris, Ky., for the purpose of going over the plans. Mrs. Shonts has signified her intention of giving \$500,000 toward the building of a school for poor children of the mountains.

Competition With Standard Oil.

San Francisco—With wells in every known oil bearing section of the world and with a capitalization of \$500,000,000, the Royal Petroleum company, a Dutch corporation, is about to enter the local field in competition with Standard Oil. After successfully fighting the Rockefeller interests in Europe and India, the Dutch concern proposes to carry the fight home, and for this purpose will open offices in New York and San Francisco.

Look for Jewelry Thieves.

New York—Customs officers, private detectives and police are searching for a band of international crooks who have stolen jewelry worth \$500,000 from Americans in Europe. Information from Scotland Yard says that the jewelry is being marketed in the United States piecemeal. Some of the gang are believed to be women.

FIRST COMPLETE SET OF PHOTOGRAPHS OF MEXICO'S NEW CABINET MINISTERS.



TEACHERS' TRAIN WRECKED IN EAST

Three Dead; Eight Missing and Many Injured.

Five Excursion Cars Demolished—Wreck Takes Fire and Wounded Die in Flames.

Easton, Pa., May 1.—Three persons lost their lives, eight are missing and are believed to be dead, and half a hundred others were injured this afternoon at Martin's Creek, N. J., in the wreck of an excursion train carrying 170 school teachers and friends from Utica and Syracuse, N. Y., and vicinity to Washington for a week's outing.

The train was one furnished by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroad and the accident occurred while it was traveling at high speed over tracks controlled by the Pennsylvania railroad. The locomotive jumped the track, the cars toppled over and were set on fire by exploding oil, the wrecked coaches having struck an oil tank along the track when they left the rails.

The entire train was quickly enveloped in flames and completely consumed by the fire. The eight missing persons, seven of whom were women and lived in Utica, are believed to have been burned to death in the wreckage. The finding of charred bodies led the railroad wrecking crews to the conclusion that they are dead.

The most seriously injured were removed to the Easton hospital, where three of them, Miss Eleanor E. Ruthford, a Utica teacher; Charles M. Pearson, of Stroudsburg, Pa., a Pennsylvania railroad conductor, and William Vannoy, Trenton, N. J., engineer, died tonight.

The physicians at the hospital said late tonight that most of those in the hospital will get well.

The cause of the wreck has not been determined. The place where the accident occurred had been undergoing repairs and unfinished work may have been responsible for the train leaving the track.

There was a terrific explosion at the scene of the wreck tonight. There is no communication with the wrecking party but local railroad men say either the boiler of the wrecked locomotive or a gas tank exploded.

DYNAMITE CASE DELAYED.

Attorney Darrow Hesitates to Take Charge of Defense.

Los Angeles, May 2.—Clarence Darrow has not promised definitely that he will undertake the defense of John and James McNamara, and lacking such assurances, those interested in the case of the accused dynamite conspirators said today they were "up in the air" regarding the arraignment of the prisoners.

Labor leaders who are arranging the preliminaries do not want the men arraigned until Darrow is on the ground, and the best information they had today was that the Chicago attorney, instead of coming personally to Los Angeles, has sent a confidential representative to look over the situation before he would agree to accept the task of chief counsel in such a momentous struggle.

In consequence the arraignment, which was scheduled to take place not later than next Wednesday, may be deferred, and the district attorney is expected to consent to the delay, as it is understood that he is not averse to having further time to adjust various technical points in the state's side of the case.

These points are said to concern the indictments against the accused men which were drawn hastily after Burns had taken James McNamara and McManigal into custody at Detroit.

It was also reported in official quarters that the arraignment might await the arrival of attorneys representing the National Erectors' association, who, it is said, will join District Attorney Fredericks and his assistants, W. J. Ford, in the prosecution of the McNamaras. Since his alleged confession to the prosecutor three days ago and his subsequent refusal to see attorneys for the defense, McManigal is no longer considered by the defense.

Mazatlan Standing Siege.

Nogales, Mexico—What is believed to be an authentic report has reached this city from Mazatlan, the big port on the western coast of the state of Sinaloa, saying it is completely surrounded by rebels. The Mexican gunboat began shelling the rebel position from the harbor, but yielded to the united protests of foreign consuls and ceased firing, and later put to sea. Trains are not running to Mazatlan from the north, the rebels having burned a bridge 18 miles out. Trains south to Culiacan are also stopped.

Big Families to Parade.

Paris—Contrary to general belief there are some large families in this country, and they are being asked to parade in force some Sunday in Paris. Fathers, mothers and progeny are to muster on the Place des Invalides. They will then march with bands and banners to the chamber of deputies which they will not, however, invade with their children, pass by, tramping on to the Place de la Concorde, where they will disperse.

Famine Threatens Fez.

Fez, Morocco—The city is quiet, but the stock of provisions is low and famine threatens the populace. There have been no further attacks by the rebels among whom dissensions appear to be springing up.



ABOVE, JOSE IVES LIMANTOUR, MINISTER OF FINANCE; M. MARROQUIN, MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE; MANUEL GONZALEZ, MINISTER OF WAR AND MARINE; DOMESTICO SOLI, MINISTER OF JUSTICE; BELOW, NORBERTO DOMINGUEZ, MINISTER OF COMMUNICATION AND PUBLIC WORKS; JORGE VERA ESTANOL, MINISTER OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION; FRANCISCO NOR DE LA HERRA, MINISTER OF FOREIGN RELATIONS.

Bones of Eight Found.

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The line was reopened for traffic today. Bones of eight persons have been taken from the debris and the wrecking crew has quit work.

Five Legislators Trapped.

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Motorcycle Hits Train.

Tacoma, Wash.—Lewis Priest, of Seattle, after racing across the country for several miles on a motorcycle of which he had lost complete control, crashed into a fast interurban train at Orilla, near Kent, Washington, Sunday, and was almost instantly killed. Both machine and train were going at a terrific rate of speed. The victim was riding his cycle from Tacoma to Seattle, as he had been notified during his ride by several people.

Rebels Are Active in Sonora.

Douglas, Ariz.—Despite peace negotiations at El Paso, the rebel activity in the state of Sonora, across the border from here, continues unabated. A band of insurgents numbering between 500 and 1,000 are reported marching southward toward Mochizuma from the country around Nacozi, 75 miles southwest of Douglas.

American Gunboat to Rescue.

Washington, D. C.—The United States gunboat Wilmington has sailed from Hongkong for Canton to render any assistance necessary to American citizens on account of the disturbed conditions at the latter place.

One-Third of Bangor, Maine, Lies in Blackened Ruin.

Bangor, Me., May 2.—One-third of Bangor is in ruins, thousands of persons are homeless and a property loss estimated at \$6,000,000 has been sustained, as the result of a conflagration which raged for hours tonight.

Starting in a hay shed on Broad street, the fire swept along Broad and Exchange streets through the heart of the city, leaving residences, churches, schools, business blocks and all the public buildings with the exception of the city hall a mass of smoking ashes.

For many hours the firemen, assisted by men and apparatus from other Maine cities, battled against the blaze before they conquered it. Dynamite proved of little avail. Buildings were blown up, but it was not until the wind, which had been blowing almost a gale during the night, shifted and a light rain fell, that there was any indication that the firemen would win.

Cheered by the help from this unexpected quarter, the fire-fighting forces were concentrated near the corner of Hammond and Central streets, nearly two miles from the place where the blaze started, and there the spread of flames was checked at midnight.

But while the rain and the shifting of the wind to the east saved the rest of the city, it only added to the discomforts of thousands who had seen their homes go up in flames, and who were huddled together in the streets. The burning of churches and public buildings left many of the unfortunates without shelter. Three lives are known to have been lost, although the names of the dead have not been learned.

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REBATE SUITS REACH MILLIONS

Indictments Against Roads to Great Lakes Issued.

Big Iron Ore Shippers Involved—Juggling of Dock Charges Used to Cover Illegal Acts.

Cleveland, O., April 27.—Thirteen indictments on 110 counts charging four iron ore-carrying railroads entering Cleveland with rebating and alleging that two were guilty of conspiracy to violate the Elkins law were returned by the Federal grand jury here today. Indictments of individuals also were returned.

The railroads are the Pennsylvania, the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern, the Bessemer & Lake Erie and the New York, Chicago & St. Paul (Nickel Plate).

The indictments were as follows: Dan R. Hanna, president, and R. L. Ireland, second vice president of the M. A. Hanna company, Cleveland, and D. T. McCabe, of Pittsburg, fourth vice president of the Pennsylvania railroad. They are charged with conspiring to violate the Elkins law.

District Attorney W. L. Day announced, after the filing of the report, that "large and important suits" would begin immediately.

The cases are Interstate Commerce commission actions, brought to insure that published ore shipping rates are effective. The government will seek to show the indicted railroads owned docking facilities in Ashtabula, O., and Conneaut, O., harbors; that these were operated by companies, in effect "hired" by the railroads; that the roads paid excessive rates to the docking companies, paid over a portion of the money received to the shippers and that the whole constitutes a conspiracy in violation of the Elkins law.

The penalty for rebating is a fine of not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$20,000, with imprisonment not to exceed two years. The penalty for conspiracy is not to exceed a fine of \$10,000 and imprisonment not to exceed two years.

In addition, under the Elkins law, the government has the right to bring civil suit for three times the amount of money rebated. It would be possible, in case of conviction, for the government to collect many millions of dollars.

The investigation leading up to today's action began several months ago, and is the first government inquiry into ore transportation methods in the lower lake region.

HIT KITES ON THE FLY.

Experiments Show Aeroplanes Can Be Destroyed By Marksman.

Washington, D. C.—Reports received at the Navy department and just made public show it was conclusively proved at the target practice of the Atlantic fleet about ten days ago that the American battleship can hold its own against an attacking fleet of aeroplanes.

During the target practice April 7, the battleship Mississippi conducted the experiment with kites as a substitute for aeroplanes and demonstrated that an enemy approaching through the air would be shot full of holes before it could get near enough to inflict damage.

Publishers in Session.

New York—The members of the American Newspaper Publishers association met here in executive session. Among the subjects discussed were advertising, circulation, labor, news print paper and wood pulp, ways and means for extending the capacity of plants, new inventions and the free publicity evil. The association will also listen to leaders of the various unions whose members are employed by newspapers, and new officers will be elected. It is understood that President Herman Ridder will retire.

Missionary Is Robbed.

Victoria—Mail advices from Shanghai report that Rev. John Murray, a Presbyterian missionary of Chianfu, was attacked by rioters and sustained many wounds while he was traveling at a point 45 miles from Chianfu. The assault arose from the dissemination of the rumor that foreigners killed a Chinese peon. Perpetrators of the attack have been arrested. The Chinese authorities treated the missionary with the utmost care.

7,000 Japs Face Death.

Victoria, B. C.—A severe famine prevails in Ibaraki province in South Japan, is the report received by the Inaba Maru. The Hochoi has a dispatch from Mito saying that 7,000 people are starving. Tragical deaths through starvation, illness, excessive labor and other causes it is said are all traceable to the indigence arising from floods.

Protest is Sent to London.

London—The Mexican government has communicated to the British for eign office a formal protest against the action of Captain Vivian, of the British sloop Shearwater, in landing marines at San Quentin, Lower California, which action is described as an interference in the internal affairs of Mexico.