

CURRENT EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Doings of the World at Large Told in Brief.

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

The Alaska-Yukon exposition has paid a final dividend of 4 per cent.

Governor Deneen, of Illinois, refuses to desert Taft for the new third party.

Another New York society girl has disappeared mysteriously and not the slightest trace of her can be found.

Great Britain plans extensive additions to her navy, in order to wrest supremacy of the seas from Germany.

U. S. District Judge Hanford, of Washington, has resigned, and all charges against him for misconduct in office have been dropped.

Lightning striking the fire alarm system at Vancouver, Wash., sent in a general alarm and the firemen all turned out in the rain and darkness to answer it.

A few swift kicks by a government mule put an automobile out of commission near Chehalis, Washington. The machine had to be towed back to the shop for repairs.

A convict at Folsom penitentiary, California, has refused to speak for two years, and will be examined as to his sanity. He is under sentence of death for an attempted jail break.

Senator Fall, of New Mexico, declares the United States will not regain in 50 years the prestige it has lost in Mexico by failure to protect the rights of its citizens in that country.

A highwayman near Aberdeen, Wash., robbed the occupants of an automobile and then forced the driver to take him, with the other passengers, on a "pleasure trip" about the city.

The emperor of Japan improves slowly, but is not yet out of danger.

The famous old apple tree near Apomattox court house, Va., under which Lee surrendered to Grant—long since carried away piece by piece by souvenir hunters—is to be replaced by a tree planted by Governor Woodrow Wilson.

General Pedro Ivonet, the last of the Cuban insurgent leaders, has been killed.

Oregon Agriculture college at Corvallis has issued a bulletin on "camp cookery."

Henry Poebler, who established one of the first trading posts in Minnesota, is dead.

Woodrow Wilson has named a committee of 14 members who will have charge of his campaign.

Premier Asquith was greeted on his arrival in Ireland by a hatchet thrown at him by a suffragette, and an attempt was made to burn the theater where he is to speak.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Track prices, new: Club, 72@79c; bluestem, 82@83c. Old: Club, 84@85c; red Russian, 84@85c; bluestem, 88@89c.

Hay—Timothy, \$14@15; alfalfa, \$11@12; clover, \$10; oats and vetch, \$12; grain hay, \$9.

Millstuffs—Bran, \$25.50 ton; shorts, \$28.50; middlings, \$32.

Corn—Whole, \$39; cracked, \$40 ton.

Fresh Fruits—Cherries, 8@10c; apples, old, \$1.50@3 per box; new, 75c@1.50 box; peaches, 60@85c box; currants, \$1.50@1.75 box; plums, 75c@1.25 box; pears, \$1.75@2 box; apricots, \$1@1.25 box.

Berries—Raspberries, \$1.75@1.85 crate; loganberries, \$1.75@1.99 crate; blackcaps, \$2@2.25; blackberries, \$1.50@1.65 crate.

Melons—Cantaloupes, \$2.25@2.75 per crate; watermelons, 1@1 1/4 per pound.

Vegetables—Artichokes, 65@75c per dozen; beans, 2@3c; cabbage, 1@1 1/2 pound; cauliflower, \$1.25 dozen; celery, \$5@6 crate; corn, 30@40c dozen; cucumbers, \$1 box; eggplant, 12c pound; head lettuce, 20@25c dozen; peas, 8@9c pound; peppers, 10@12c; radishes, 15@20c dozen; spinach, 4@5c pound; tomatoes, \$1@1.25 box; garlic, 8@10c pound; carrots, \$1.75 sack; turnips, \$1.25.

Potatoes—Jobbing prices: Burbanks, old, \$1 per hundred; new, 1c pound.

Eggs—Case count, 23c; candled, 25c; extras, 27c.

Butter—Oregon creamery butter, cubes, 30c pound; prints, 31c.

Pork—Fancy, 10@10 1/2c pound.

Veal—Fancy, 14@14 1/2c pound.

Poultry—Hens, 11@12c; broilers, 14@15c; ducks, young, 12c; geese, 10@11c; turkeys, live, 18c; dressed, 24@25c.

Cattle—Choice steers, \$6.75@6.90; good, \$6@6.50; medium, \$5.75@6; choice cows, \$5.75@6.25; good, \$5.50@5.75; medium, \$5@5.50; choice calves, \$7@8.25; good heavy calves, \$6.50; bulls, \$3.50@5.10; stags, \$4.75@6.

Hogs—Light, \$8@8.40; heavy, \$6.25@7.

Sheep—Yearlings, \$3@4.25; wethers, \$2@4.35; ewes, \$3@3.50; lambs, \$4@5.25.

SCOFFS AT WAR.

Dr. Hermann Paasche Says German Menace is Myth

Vancouver, B. C.—"The 'German menace' now occupying so much attention is only a myth. Belief in its existence has been encouraged by French Chauvinists or ultra-patriots with the idea of embroiling Great Britain and Germany. I think that war between those two countries is inconceivable. It is unfortunate that an element among the British people misunderstand the aims and aspirations of my countrymen," said Dr. Hermann Paasche, national liberal leader and vice-president of the German Reichstag. Dr. Paasche and his wife reached here by train and will sail for the Orient on the Empress of India.

"Of course the misunderstanding, so far as England is concerned, is due to the increase of the German navy during recent years, a policy that is supported by the National Liberal party as warmly as it is by the Conservatives. The growth of our navy is a natural evolution in harmony with the expansion and development of the German empire. Today our export trade has attained to almost two-thirds that of Great Britain and is growing by leaps and bounds. Our iron and steel production is now over 16,000,000 tons annually, or double that of Great Britain. Under these circumstances we feel justified in protecting our seaports, lines of communication and seaborne commerce."

SUFFRAGETTE ARRESTED.

Leader Accused of Incendiarism is Defiant.

London—Dr. Etheret Smith, a leader of the suffragette movement, was arrested here on a charge of complicity in the attempt to burn down the historic residence of Lewis Harcourt, secretary of state for the colonies, at Nuneham Park, July 13.

On that date two women were found in the grounds of the residence by the night watchman and one of them, Miss Helen Craggs, a daughter of Sir John Craggs, was arrested. She was found to be carrying a quantity of inflammable material and spirits.

Miss Annie Kenney, who, in the absence of Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst and her daughter, and of Mr. and Mrs. Pethick-Lawrence, the joint editors of Votes for Women, is running the Women's Social and Political Union, sent a spirited reply to Mrs. Henry Fawcett, who on July 19, on behalf of the executive committee of the National Women's Suffrage societies, issued a protest against the militant tactics of the Women's Social and Political Union.

Miss Kenney declined to do anything to quench the militant spirit which the "government's treachery has aroused."

"The government," says Miss Kenney, "lit the fire of revolt in the women's hearts and must accept the full responsibility for their recent protest and for the more serious protests that may be made in the future."

DATE ORCHARD PLANNED.

Trip to Be Taken to Asia for Purpose of Obtaining Young Trees.

Pasadena, Cal.—Paul and Wilson Popeen, millionaire residents of Altadena and owners of large tracts in the Imperial, Coachella and Carrise valleys, are about to establish the largest date orchard in the world in the Salton Sea region. Their plan is to begin with 10,000 acres. With China, Ceylon, Northern India and Bagdad included in their itinerary, they will leave next week to buy young date trees to set out in the Southern California valleys.

Many thousand trees, including the various varieties which grow in Southern Asia, will be shipped to the United States by the two California land owners. Experiments made by them have proved that the best quality of dates can be raised in the several places selected and it is their intention to introduce date raising as one of the state's greatest fruit-growing industries. They will return in December and immediately begin operations in the Imperial country.

Trial of Glass Ordered.

San Francisco—Superior Judge Lawlor has refused to dismiss the last remaining graft prosecution indictment now standing against Louis Glass, former vice president of the Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph company. The District attorney sought the dismissal of the indictment on the ground that several of the witnesses who previously testified against Glass were dead, and that the state had no grounds for a case. Glass was convicted in the Superior court, but the case was remanded for second trial.

Londoners Fear Advance in Meat. London—London housewives are dependent over the prospects of dearer meat in consequence of the spread of the cattle plague, and the closing of the London markets is likely to have a far-reaching effect. That the authorities are fully alive to the dangers of the situation is evidenced by the fact that a flock of sheep was held up by the police until they had passed the examination of a veterinary surgeon, hastily summoned for the purpose.

Floods Sweep Japan.

Tokio—Unusually heavy rains and floods have prevailed on the northeastern coast. Four hundred persons are missing and are believed to have perished. Much damage has been done to crops.

RAIN AND HAIL CREATE HAVOC

Crops Destroyed and Fruit Injured in Eastern Oregon.

Cloudburst Sweeps All Before It in Butte Creek Valley—Idaho Wheat Belt Hard Hit.

Baker, Or.—Thousands of dollars damage was done by the largest and most peculiar hail storm in this part of the country in years. Some of the stones were seven-eighths of an inch in diameter.

With hardly any warning the hail beat down with such fury for seven minutes that pedestrians could not venture on the street, horses whipped by stones ran away, and one ice wagon team tore down Second street, scattering ice for blocks.

The greatest damage was done in the country, the storm going north-east, although gardens and orchards in the city were badly cut. In Missouri

Umatilla county late Saturday did more damage than ever before known, rich harvest fields being rendered total losses, with barns, haystacks and livestock entirely destroyed. Damage to property generally is estimated to be hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Only through prompt action of neighbors spreading the alarm were many lives saved in the wall of water five feet high and varying from 300 to 500 feet in width, which swept Butte Creek valley, carrying before it farmhouse, livestock, wagons, haystacks, fences barns and other buildings. The settlers were advised in time to take to the hills and turn their cattle loose to seek shelter in elevated country.

Pilot Rock sustained a heavy alfalfa crop loss, the same being beaten into the ground by the heavy fall of rain. The fall of hail was so heavy near that city that the foothills were white as snow. A cloudburst above the town caused Birch Creek to rise rapidly, and all bridges across the same were washed out.

The heaviest crop loss, however, occurred in the southwestern portion of the reservation in the heart of the magnificent wheat belt, three of Umatilla county's prominent wheat kings—John Crow, George Perring and Tom Thompson—being among the big losers. Crow figures that he and his son lost half of their reservation crop,

JAPANESE RULER WHO LIES GRAVELY ILL, AND MEMBERS OF ROYAL FAMILY.



ABOVE, EMPEROR MATSUHITO—BELOW, EMPRESS HORUKO—LEFT, PRINCESS SADE—RIGHT, CROWN PRINCE YOSHIHITO.

Flat much grain was hewn to the ground. The hail remained on the ground there, and it is feared froze many of the gardens. All buds were cut off so that future berries and fruits were damaged in that way.

A path was cut for several miles between North Pine and Homestead as if an army had tramped through it. Four fine horses of W. Mitchell near Homestead were killed by lightning.

Lewiston, Idaho—A grain crop which was destined to be the heaviest ever produced in this section of the State of Idaho, received a severe setback by probably the severest hail storm that has ever swept this section. The storm passed over the Camas Prairie, the rich grain belt of Central Idaho, about 6 o'clock Sunday night, demoralizing all telegraphic and telephone connections. For an area of 75 square miles the hail beat down upon the heavy stand and after calculation it is believed that between 5000 and 7500 acres in the vicinity of Grangeville, Idaho, will suffer a loss slightly exceeding 75 per cent of the yield.

The farmers will lose heavily, as but a small percentage of the crop has been insured against hail. The weather had been threatening here for the past four days. Numerous miniature cloudbursts have been reported on the prairie. The heavy downpour will check the harvest operations several days.

Pendleton, Or.—The cloudburst and terrific hail storm which swept over

Duluth Votes for Dances. Duluth, Minn.—The proposition to make the public school buildings in Duluth social centers and to allow dancing in them was carried at a hotly contested school election. The women's clubs of the city were arrayed in favor of the proposition against the combined efforts of the clergymen, the women winning by a large majority. The campaign waged by the women was so vigorous that the leaders were warned on the day before election that they were violating the provisions of the corrupt practices law.

Smugglers Are Thwarted. El Paso, Tex.—Victor Ochoa, original Mexican revolutionist against President Diaz 20 years ago, was arrested here by the American federal authorities and charged with a violation of the neutrality laws. Ochoa is alleged to have been implicated in the arrival here several days ago of a consignment of 140,000 rounds of ammunition and several cases of rifles, presumably intended for the Mexican rebels. He failed to furnish bond.

and one 130-acre tract of land will not even be cut, so badly is it demolished. Crow had just cancelled half of his crop insurance.

Perring says his loss will be, at a conservative estimate, \$9000. County Judge J. W. Maloney, a reservation farmer, places his loss at \$3000; also Sam R. Thompson, a big rancher in the same vicinity, estimates the loss to his crop will be ten bushels to the acre.

Roads over the reservation were rendered impassable, and in many instances teams and autos were left by the roadside until help could reach them. One farmer reported that his net earnings for Sunday amounted to \$45 as the result of hauling machines and wagons out of a big mudhole near his place caused by the downpour of Saturday night. The hailstones were so large and fell with such force that the grain was not only beaten to the ground but the heads snapped off. Most of the insured grain is a total loss.

Woman Wants Home Life. Pasadena, Cal.—Mrs. Margaret Hamilton, wife of former superintendent of schools and prominent in woman's organizations, refused the invitation to become a candidate for the legislature on the Prohibition ticket.

"My first duty is to my home," said Mrs. Hamilton. "I would rather wash dishes, darn stockings, cook, sweep and do family washing, or any other work that falls to a mother's lot, than deprive my children of associations and influences of a mother by being elected to the state legislature."

General Ivonet Killed. Havana—General Pedro Ivonet, the last of the leaders of the recent Cuban uprising to remain under arms, was surrounded and killed by government troops at the Nombre de Dios plantation, near Santiago. General Ivonet with General Evaristo Estenoz, took the field in Oriente province with about 1500 men last May as a protest against the Morro law, which provides that there shall be no recognition of political parties on radical lines.

Thres Die From Plague. San Juan, P. R.—Three deaths occurred Monday in the suburbs of San Juan from bubonic plague. One suspect has been found. Three cases were reported to the authorities. Since the outbreak of the plague there have been 37 cases and 26 deaths throughout Porto Rico. The Haffkine vaccine has been administered to all persons residing in the infected districts.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF OUR HOME STATE

TRADE BALANCE TURNS.

Medford Becomes Extensive Seller of Food Products.

Medford—Medford will mark the year of 1912 as the first year that it has started a balance of trade in farm products in its favor. The first car of potatoes ever shipped out of the valley was sent this week, and because of the heavy hay and grain crop many flour and feed mills which have been closed the past few weeks will open as soon as the threshing season begins.

A year ago 163 cars of hay were imported and eggs were shipped in regularly. For several weeks now eggs have been sent out and none received. Hundreds of tons of alfalfa and grain hay will be sold to outside buyers.

The public market recently established is proving a great success. Fruits and vegetables of all kinds, chickens, eggs and other produce are being purchased by local consumers considerably below the market price.

The fruit crop will be large and of the highest quality. Three cars of pears have been sold for future delivery through the Northwestern Fruit Exchange of Portland, averaging \$2 a box f. o. b. Medford. The picking season for Bartlett's will open August 5 to 10, and local ranchers are already scouring the country for help.

Although moisture has delayed the honey production somewhat the tonnage will be a record breaker. William Muller, the honey king, reports that shipments will begin next week, and between 30 and 40 tons will be shipped.

The increase in local production is attributed largely to the increased use of water, the ranchers having found that irrigation is one of the best investments that can be made, both as an insurance against crop failure and a guarantee of greater production per acre.

POTATO CROP IS LARGE.

Hood River Will Produce Between 25,000 to 30,000 Sacks.

Hood River—The potato crop in the Hood River valley is estimated this year at between 25,000 and 30,000 sacks, the largest ever raised here. A number of the tuber growers here reaped a rich harvest last year, shipping a number of carloads to Texas and receiving excellent returns.

While most of the acreage is composed of land just cleared or that with potatoes planted between young trees, a few have planted on a commercial basis. The orchardists who plant between their trees expect their crops to furnish them their own supply and enough over to have a wagon load or two to haul to market.

Albert Crocker, John Koberg and F. H. Button are the heaviest growers of potatoes on the Paradise farm.

It is probable that the Hood River Applegrowers' union will handle potatoes this season. Wilmer Sieg, the manager, who has gone to Eastern cities, will attempt to establish relations with firms in order to dispose of the local tuber crop to advantage.

COVE'S SHOW ATTRACTS.

All Union County Drawn to Magnificent Cherry Exhibit.

La Grande—Luscious cherries—cherries the like of which captured the golden medals at the last three or four world's fairs—were inspected and admired by loving throngs from nooks and corners of Union county at Cove.

A sprinkling of rain immediately after the luncheon hour failed to dampen the ardor of the volumes of praise spread by the visitors at the annual cherry fair. The day went along with threatening weather until the afternoon, when light showers made the afternoon's schedule problematical, but the cherries were there in big red letters.

Fortunately, the cherry crop was most prolific this year, and a proper amount of warm weather colored the fruit to the exact hue that shows them at their best.

Coming early, the crowds soon filled the little hamlet to overflowing, and by noon walking room was a scarcity. Union, La Grande, Elgin, in fact, every town and city in the valley sent a splendid representation, and rain notwithstanding, the fair was a tremendous success.

Conservative estimates place the attendance at 3000.

Shaniko Ships Sheep.

Shaniko—Two hundred and ten carloads of sheep were shipped from this point over the O.-W. R. & N. last month. Railroad officials say this establishes a record for initial shipments from any point in the Pacific Northwest. Seventy carloads were shipped in one day. The number of sheep handled was 52,000. It is estimated there are 80,000 more to be shipped from this territory before the end of this season. On account of the open winter, sheep are in splendid condition.

Natron Rails Are Being Laid.

Eugene—Word comes from Oakridge that the Utah Construction company has laid 800 feet of rails beyond that place on the present contract for the Natron extension. This brings the rails to Salmon Creek, and makes possible the site direct.

FOREST PATROL TO START.

Force of 60 Men Will Be Distributed in Timbered Sections.

Salem—Word was received by State Forester Elliott from the department of agriculture that the \$10,000 allotted to Oregon through a contract signed after the passage of the Weeks bill is now available. The state forester has sent out orders to the 60 Federal men, who will be provided under the terms of the contract, immediately to start their patrol work.

Eight of these will be east of the Cascade mountains and the other 52 in the timbered counties west of the mountains.

The weeks bill was passed for the purpose of protecting the headwaters of navigable streams in the various states of the Union where timbered watersheds mark the headwaters of such streams.

State Forester Elliott will leave in his automobile for a trip to practically every timbered section of the state. His itinerary will take him through Linn and Lane and Douglas counties and as far south as Medford, from whence he will go to Crater Lake, through Klamath, Crook, Grant, Wheeler, Baker, Wallowa and Union counties. He intends to visit all of the patrolmen, supervising wardens and timbermen in these sections and perfect the fire-fighting organizations of the state.

ARGUMENT IS SUPPLIED.

Olcott to Furnish Documents on Initiative Measures.

Salem—For the accommodation of those who may wish to file opposing or negative arguments to any initiative or referendum measures which will go into the pamphlets to be distributed to the people, Secretary Olcott states that he will arrange to have proof copies of affirmative arguments struck off by the state printer, to be furnished on request of those who desire to file opposing arguments.

The affirmative arguments are now set in type, he says, and the cost to the state will be nothing for the striking off of proofs, and as the question of these arguments is one of statewide interest he has decided to pursue this course. He also will furnish certified copies of the arguments at the legal rates. He has decided that the affirmative arguments are public records.

Considerable interest is manifested as to who are fathering the various initiative bills which go on the ballot.

DUFUR HIGH SCHOOL SURE.

Voters Authorize Institution at Special Election. Dufur—Beginning with the fall term, Dufur is to have a complete high school course, in connection with its public school system. Heretofore the tenth grade has been the most advanced course of studies offered.

The district school board called a special election at which the voters decided almost unanimously to maintain the full number of grades prescribed for schools offering the complete high school course.

Heretofore many students have secured the last two years of their high school course elsewhere, but now this will be unnecessary, and also it is believed that the added school advantages will attract families to this city as well as scholars from the surrounding communities.

Steps for the enlargement of the present school building are to be taken at once so that all will be in readiness for the opening in September.

APPLE SELLER GOES EAST.

Head of Hood River Union Wants to Open Broader Markets.

Hood River—Wilmer Sieg, the new manager of the Hood River Apple Growers' union, will leave here soon for an extended trip throughout the East and Middle West, where he will visit the principal merchants in behalf of a broader distribution of Hood River apples. Mr. Sieg says: "It must be the policy of the union to make as wide distribution of its fruit as possible. We want to put our fruit on all markets in every district." He says he will make an effort to put Hood River apples on the market in the Orient.

The season's crop promises to be of fine size and weather conditions continue ideal for excellent quality.

Harney Streams to Be Stocked.

Burns—The Harney County Rod and Gun club will receive in a few days from State Game and Fish Warden Finley some 60,000 young trout to be placed in Silvie river and its mountain tributaries. The installment comes by way of Bend and then by auto truck 146 miles, then by team to the several streams for which they are intended. By special arrangement the club gets one truck load brought over for \$100, and the services of at least two men are necessary to care for the fish on the trip.

Glee Club Will Tour.

University of Oregon, Eugene—The University of Oregon Glee club will take its annual tour this coming season at Thanksgiving, instead of just before Christmas, which has been its custom.