

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.

Seven murderers were electrocuted in Sing Sing prison within an hour's time.

China is preparing to establish a fleet of commercial ships for foreign trade.

Two trunks containing \$22,000 worth of opium were seized by officers at Los Angeles.

Girl plunges 800 feet off Mount Rainier to death, breaking every bone in her body.

China has offered the post of adviser to the government to William Rockhill, an American.

Three hundred ironworkers in San Francisco, went on strike, demanding \$1 per day increase in wages.

Two chained convicts leaped from a Northern Pacific train at Whitehall, Mont., and made good their escape.

Thirty-six soldiers and 20 passengers were slaughtered by Zapatistas when a train was attacked from ambush.

President Taft will likely appoint Colonel William V. Judson, a United States army engineer, as governor of Panama.

The youngest mother recorded in medical history is an 11-year-old girl near Davenport, Iowa, who gave birth to an 8 1/2 pound child.

A mother bear stole into the Taft children's camp at Yellowstone Park at night and took her cub that had been captured by the party.

The Equitable Life Insurance company of New York will build a 36-story home on the site of the building, which was destroyed by fire last winter.

An explosion of black damp and coal dust in a mine at Gerth, Germany, caused the death of 103 miners and 27 escaped with injuries.

Mrs. May Arkwright Hutton, a prominent suffragist of Washington, will be a candidate for state representative on the Democratic ticket.

Spokane has let contracts for the erection of a new \$300,000 city hall, and Eastern bond buyers have refused to purchase the bonds issued to pay for the work.

The Continental Building & Loan association of San Francisco, has been closed up by the state commissioner, who declares the institution insolvent.

The St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern Railway company has given a mortgage on its property for \$200,000,000, running 40 years and bearing 6 per cent interest.

The national police of Hayti at San Domingo, was blown up and set on fire by a terrific explosion, killing the president of the republic and many attendants and employees of the capitol.

PORTLAND MARKETS

Wheat—Track prices: New, Club, 76¢; bluestem, 18¢@80¢; fortyfold, 78¢; Valley, 78¢@79¢; old wheat, nominal.

Millstuffs—Bran, \$25 per ton; shorts, \$28; middlings, \$32; rolled barley, \$29. Hay—Eastern Oregon timothy, \$15; Valley timothy, \$12@13; alfalfa, \$10@12; clover, \$10; oats and vetch, \$10@11; grain hay, \$10@11.

Oats—New, \$25 per ton. Fresh Fruits—Apples, new, 90¢@2.25 per box; peaches, 35¢@85¢ per box; plums, 75¢@1.10 per box; pears, \$1.20@1.50 per box; apricots, \$1.25 per box; grapes, \$1@2 per crate; blackberries, 75¢@1.25 per crate.

Melons—Cantaloupes, 75¢@1.50 per crate; watermelons, \$1@1.15 per hundred.

Potatoes—Jobbing prices. Burbanks, new, 60¢@90¢ per hundred. Vegetables—Artichokes, 65¢@75¢ per dozen; beans, 2¢; cabbage, 1¢@1 1/2¢ per dozen; cauliflower, \$1@1.25 per dozen; celery, 75¢@85¢ per dozen; corn, 15¢@25¢ per dozen; cucumbers, 50¢ per box; eggplant, 7¢@10¢ per dozen; head lettuce, 20¢@25¢ per dozen; peas, 8¢@9¢ per pound; peppers, 8¢@10¢ per pound; radishes, 15¢@20¢ per dozen.

Sack Vegetables—Carrots, \$1.50 per sack; turnips, \$1.25 per sack; beets, \$1.50 per sack.

Eggs—Case count, 23¢; candled, 25¢; extras, 27¢ per dozen. Butter—Oregon creamery butter, cubes, 31¢ per pound; prints, 32 1/2¢ per pound.

Pork—Fancy, 10 1/4¢@11¢ per pound. Veal—Fancy, 14 1/4¢@15¢ per pound. Poultry—Hens, 13¢@13 1/2¢; broilers, 15¢@15 1/2¢; ducks, young, 12¢; geese, 10¢@11¢; turkeys, live, 18¢@20¢; dressed, 24¢@25¢.

Hops—1912 contracts, 18¢@20¢; 1911 crop, nominal. Wool—Eastern Oregon, 14¢@18¢ per pound according to shrinkage; Valley, 21 1/2¢@22 1/2¢ per pound.

Cattle—Choice steers, \$6.75@7.00; good, \$6@6.50; medium, \$5.75@6; choice cows, \$5.75@6; good, \$5.50@5.75; medium, \$5@5.50; choice calves, \$7@8.50; good heavy calves, \$6@6.50; bulls, \$3.50@5; stags, \$4.75@6.

Hogs—Light, \$8@9; heavy, \$6.25@7.50.

Sheep—Yearlings, \$3@4.50; wethers, \$3@4.60; ewes, \$3@3.75; lambs, \$4@5.25.

HOUSE OVERRIDES VETO

Democrats Have Bid of 21 Republicans in Vote Measure.

Washington, D. C.—By the narrow margin of five votes the House passed the wool tariff revision bill over President Taft's veto. The vote, 174 to 80, was made possible only by the defection of 21 republicans, who voted with the democrats.

The announcement of democratic success created a wild scene in the house and amid great confusion the republican leaders protested that Speaker Clark must count as voting ten members who answered "present" to their names, a ruling which would have defeated the democratic program by overcoming the five vote margin and making possible the recording of the necessary two-thirds vote. This the speaker declined to do.

Less than an hour after the wool bill had been re-passed in the house, the conferees on the sugar tariff bill met and disagreed. They decided to report to both the houses that it had been found impossible to reach a compromise between the Underwood and Lodge-Bristow bills.

This action is expected to mark the end of sugar tariff consideration in the present session and the exclusive tax bill, which was framed to make up revenues that would have been lost by the reduction of the sugar tariff, probably will remain in conference when Congress adjourns.

While democratic and progressive senate leaders believe the wool bill cannot be passed in that body over the President's veto, they will continue to demand action on the cotton tariff measure.

The vote on the wool bill came as a surprise to the republican leaders of the house. When they discovered that defection from their ranks was to be expected it was too late to prevent it. As a result the following republicans went over to the democratic camp and made victory possible for the majority: Akin, New York; Anderson, Davis, Lindbergh, Miller, Stevenson and Stevens, Minnesota; Anthony, Rees and Young, Kansas; Cooper and Morse, Wisconsin; Hansen and Woods, Iowa; Helgeson, North Dakota; Kent, California; Laferty, Oregon; La Follette and Warburton, Washington; Norris and Sloan, Nebraska.

Not in the memory of the oldest members of the house has a tariff measure ever been passed over the president's veto by the lowest branch of Congress.

MEXICAN TROOPS ARE ROUTED

Rebels Capture Ixtapam, Killing 300, Many Women and Children.

Mexico City—Government troops have been defeated in a series of encounters with Zapatistas in the Tencancingo district of the State of Mexico, a few miles south of Toluca, the state capital, and rebels are in possession of all villages in that district, according to advices received here.

In their attacks the Zapatistas are credited with displaying a ferocity rarely displayed in Mexican warfare. At Ixtapam, the town taken, 300 persons, including women and children, are reported to have been killed and virtually every building razed. Only a small number of the dead were rebels.

An encounter occurred in a canyon not far away from Ixtapam. There a detachment of 250 men, on its way to the relief of Ixtapam, was ambushed. Fighting lasted four hours, terminating in a rout of the government forces. Eight dead were left in the trenches. Ten thousand cartridges

POPULIST PARTY IS ALIVE

At National Convention Platform Drafted; No Candidate Named.

St. Louis—The eight delegates to the Populist National convention, after nearly six hours' argument, adopted a platform reaffirming the 1892 platform and adding a number of new planks, one of which favors the recognition of the Chinese Republic.

"We did not come here to nominate a candidate for president," said J. F. Ferris, chairman of the national committee. "We wish merely to keep our organization alive for future usefulness. The platform to be adopted is our principal object."

Ferris told about being summoned by Senator Clapp to appear before the Senatorial committee investigating campaign expenses.

"I finally begged off, he said, 'after having convinced Clapp that we had no campaign funds to speak of and that Wall street had never yet found it necessary to attempt to corrupt us by big contributions to our treasury.'"

Auto Sets Woods Afire.

Lakefort—A brisk forest fire near Bartlett Springs had its origin in an unusual accident near artlett. R. S. Dallas, of San Francisco, was returning by automobile with his family to his home. An overheated brake shoe set fire to the gasoline tank, which was hung between the rear wheels. The tank exploded, scattering liquid fire in the dry brush at either side of the road, and the flames traveled through the brush to the timber.

Dallas and his family escaped unhurt, but the automobile is nothing but a huge cinder.

Alfalfa Meal Is Demanded

Kansas City—"I am told that in some cities of the Northwest feed is in such demand that sawdust mixed with molasses actually is being sold on the market for \$20 a ton," H. H. Cottrill, of Manhattan, Neb., told the convention of the National Alfalfa Meal Association. The demand for alfalfa meal, the speaker said, has grown to such an extent in the last few years that more than 100 mills are unable to keep all orders filled.

Ohio Mob Lynchs Negro.

Columbus, O.—After holding up officials in the courthouse a mob of about 40 men here took T. Z. Cotton, alias T. Z. McElhenny, a 16-year-old negro, who was on trial, and lynched him just beyond the city limits. The negro was accused of killing Cedron Land, a white boy, two months ago.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF OUR HOME STATE

DALLAS FAIR BIGGER ONE.

Second Annual Harvest Festival to Be Held in October.

Dallas—The second annual Harvest Festival and School Fair will be held here on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, October 3, 4 and 5. This was decided upon at a meeting of the Dallas Commercial Club held in this city recently, and a committee on preliminary arrangements was appointed. Last year this fair was given during the hop-picking season, and this fact injured its success. However, it is believed this year that this festival will be one of the best events of the season. It will be larger and better than last year and will be advertised much more.

It is planned to have a Salem and Portland day, and to have a special train run from Portland to accommodate the Portland visitors. Upon this date the Chamber of Commerce of Portland and the Salem Board of Trade will be invited to furnish some speakers for exercises to be held. It is believed that the Portland Chamber of Commerce will be interested in this, for the members who visited Dallas during the winter with the business men's excursion were favorably impressed with this city.

The Commercial Clubs of Independence and Falls City will be asked to lend their aid this year to make this the biggest affair ever held in Polk county. The County Court has appropriated a liberal amount of money for it, and the Dallas Commercial Club has authorized an expenditure of \$1,000 to make it a success.

AGATE CARNIVAL IS HELD.

Curry County Has Largest Attendance on Record.

Port Orford—Port Orford's second annual agate carnival was closed with a fine display of fireworks and a reproduction of the famous Indian battle of Battle Rock on a larger scale than last year. The largest attendance was gathered in the history of Curry county. Over 30 automobiles came from Coos and neighboring counties.

Mrs. Robert McKenna won the loving cup offered by Frank B. Tichenor, of Portland, for the best display of agates.

Mr. Tichenor suggested the idea of an agate carnival to the Commercial Club here last year which was adopted and will be made an annual feature. He has also suggested the building of an agate palace to include hall of the same material for Oregon Sons, and this has been unanimously adopted by the Commercial Club. It will be built in time for the next, or third annual agate carnival.

Port Orford has the best agate beaches on the Pacific Coast, but owing to the inaccessibility heretofore the outside world has not known it. This year the ball game, foot races, horse races and athletic events created great enthusiasm and all agree that this was the biggest and best celebration ever held in Curry county.

PORTERS ACQUIRE TIMBER.

Hill Line Man in \$257,000 Deal on Siuslaw.

Astoria—D. M. Stuart, of Portland, who was in the city recently, reports that the Stuart & Ferguson Timber Company, a number of stockholders of which reside in Astoria, has closed a deal for the sale of approximately 5,000 acres of yellow fir timber in the Siuslaw River district to Johnson P. Porter, of Portland, a member of the firm of Porter Bros., who are the confidential contractors of the Hill lines. The consideration paid is \$257,000.

Porter Bros. own about 1,000,000,000 feet of timber in the Siuslaw district, as well as a sawmill near the mouth of that stream, and this purchase is simply adding to their already extensive holdings. The Stuart & Ferguson Timber Company also owns another tract there containing 304,000,000 feet of fir.

Medford Pears Abroad.

Medford—Because of the great influx of pears from California, Rogue River valley fruit growers are holding their crop as long as possible in the hope that better prices will prevail. The pears are sizing beautifully and unless extreme heat sets in they can remain on the trees for at least another week.

The Southern Pacific is anticipating the picking and has 19 cars on the side tracks ready for immediate transportation.

One carload from the Dagbert ranch has already been sent East and it is planned to forward it from there to Liverpool. This is the first time that a carload of pears have been sent abroad from Medford.

Dallas Considering Paving.

Dallas—An effort is being made to get the business section of the city paved with hard-surface pavement. This city has spent thousands of dollars to macadamize its streets, and nearly every street has been macadamized. However, the macadam upon the principal streets that was put in first will soon need repairing, and a great many of the citizens are urging the construction of hard-surface pavement to take its place. It is believed that next season will witness the construction of at least ten blocks of this kind of pavement in this city.

Albany to Help Eugene Celebrate.

Albany—The Albany Commercial Club is inaugurating plans already for a big excursion from this city to Eugene, when the Lane County city celebrates the completion of the Oregon Electric. Hundreds of Eugene people came here on July 4 to help this city commemorate the completion of the Salem-Albany extension and residents of Albany desire to join with the Eugene people in the festivities in honor of the extension of the line to Eugene.

WEST HAS NEW PLAN.

Legislature Will Be Asked to Name Special Board.

Salem—Consolidation of all of the state institutions under the management of one board is a recommendation which Governor West will make to the next session of the legislature, according to a statement made by the chief executive.

At the present time the state board, which includes the governor, secretary of state and state treasurer, has control of the two asylums, the state school for the feeble minded and the state training school. The governor has practically exclusive control over the state penitentiary and at the soldiers' home at Roseburg. The state school for the blind and the state school for the deaf and the state tuberculosis sanatorium is under the control of a special board, of which the governor is a member ex-officio and the balance are appointees from various parts of the state.

"Useless waste has been discovered in connection with the many institutions," said the governor. "This is not because the members of the various boards are wasteful, or desire to be. They are unable to be otherwise under the system. The same thing is true at the penitentiary, an institution for which I am solely responsible."

"Could the board have charge of the prison along with the other institutions there would be unanimity of opinion as to the control of these institutions which could not fail to work for their benefit."

"A unity of management is essential to gain the greatest good and efficiency from the institutions for the taxpayers of the state and I intend to put the plan strongly up to the next legislative assembly."

PENDLETON HUSTLING.

This Year's Round-Up to Excel All Former Exhibitions.

Pendleton—The task of building the bleachers in order to increase the seating capacity 3000, as well as an annex at each end of the grandstand which will accommodate 2000 more than heretofore, was commenced this week at Round-Up Park by Gibson & Cole, contractors. Permanent shed room, 660 feet in length, will also be provided and the corrals will be considerably larger than formerly.

In the neighborhood of 240,000 feet of lumber and 100,000 shingles will be used in making the necessary changes at the Round-Up grounds, and when completed the grandstand will seat 6000 and the bleachers 15,000, or a total of 21,000. The bleachers will be 21 rows deep, instead of 12 as at present, and will be the same slant as the grandstand, with footrests. An additional row of boxes will be erected in front of the grandstand also.

The official Round-Up buttons have arrived and are being distributed; the background is white, lettering black, with the "buckaroo's" scarlet shirt to touch it up. This year's pin is conceded to be more neat and effective than any Round-Up souvenir of its kind yet used.

TROUT ARE PLANTED.

Ashland District Waters Aided by Bonneville Hatchery.

Ashland—Under the auspices of the Gun and Rod club 50 cans of young trout, 40 of rainbow and 10 of Eastern brook, reached this city from the state hatchery at Bonneville to be distributed in streams and lakes in this vicinity, the apportionment being 10 cans of Eastern brook in Ashland creek, five cans of rainbow and a like number of same variety in the headwaters of Emigrant and Neil creeks, respectively and 30 cans in Lake of the Woods.

This shipment is but a forerunner of others soon to follow, it being the intent of local sportsmen to have the waters hereabouts well stocked. The work of planting these fish was done under the superintendence of H. V. Richardson, an enthusiastic angler and nimrod.

Acme Honors Creamery Opening.

Florence—An all-day picnic was given at Acme to celebrate the opening of the new creamery just erected by the Siuslaw Dairymen's association. The creamery is operated by the Hazelwood company, and in honor of the occasion Hazelwood ice cream was served free. Dr. James Withycombe, delivered an address. Attention was called to the development of the dairying industry in this valley within the past three or four years, and it is believed greater progress will be made.

New O. A. C. Catalogue Out.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis—The new catalogue of the Oregon Agricultural college, of which an issue of 8000 copies has just come from the office of the state printer, announces the opening of the 25th year of the state institution on Sept. 20, when registration and the examinations for admission of students who do not come from accredited schools, will take place. Recitations do not begin, however, until Sept. 24.

Deer Tame and Plentiful.

Hood River—Deer are numerous in the Hood River valley this season. Although the season has been open but a week, hunters in the Green Point and Lost Lake regions have already killed a dozen bucks.

PEACE IN MEXICO DOUBTFUL.

Believed General Orozco Will Resist Overtures.

Mexico City—Official Mexico appears to regard with much pessimism the outlook for peace. Attempts probably will be made to reopen negotiations with General Orozco, but it is generally believed the rebel leader in the North will resist overtures by the government. He was reported in a special telegram to El Diario as having refused to meet General Huerta at a point south of Juarez and there surrendering, adding that he would lead his forces into the capital itself within a month.

An echo to the charge by the Mexican government that Senator Fall was responsible for the failure of Minister Hernandez to bring about an agreement between the government and Orozco was contained in a special dispatch from El Paso. In that it was charged that an American in El Paso had negotiated with the rebels, not for the purpose of preventing Orozco from entering the United States territory, but to keep the war going. It was charged that he represented a group of American bankers whose interests, it was alleged, would be favored by the continuance of hostilities.

In this paper it was asserted that the American Government had served notice on Mexico that peace must be restored at an early date. No confirmation of this assertion could be secured.

FRUIT BILL IS PASSED.

Provision Aims to Protect Growers From Importation of Pests.

Washington, D. C.—The Simmons fruit quarantine bill, of great value to every fruitgrower and horticulturist on the Pacific Coast, has passed the House. The bill has been demanded by Coast fruitgrowers for a long time. It provides a rigid Federal quarantine in the United States against fruit, seeds, bulbs and nursery stock from other countries which may be infected with insect pests of any kind.

The bill primarily was drawn to protect fruitgrowers against the Mediterranean fly and the Malolos orange worm, the latter coming across the Mexican border and having created havoc in Southern California. Heretofore the California state horticulturists had to fight these pests unassisted.

The bill appropriates \$25,000 for the first year, and becomes effective October 1. After the first year the agricultural appropriation bill will carry an annual appropriation to enforce the quarantine. Representatives from the Coast have urged this bill before the agricultural committee several times, and it is due to their efforts that the measure was favorably reported and has passed the House.

This bill will soon pass the Senate, where it is unopposed.

MACVEAGH ORDERS PROBE

Largely Increased Customs Revenues Expected as Result

Washington, D. C.—Plans for a sweeping investigation of the methods of appraising importations into the United States, which is expected to increase the revenues of the government by millions of dollars annually, have been completed by Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh, and a committee has been appointed to make the inquiry.

Revelations of the sugar and other frauds convinced Secretary MacVeagh there was something radically wrong with the appraising system. He believes an incalculable sum is being lost every year by careless and antiquated methods. The committee is charged to recommend revisions and improvements to stop all loopholes.

LINERS IN COLLISION.

Frankfort and Barmen Returning to Port With 1200 Immigrants.

Amsterdam, Netherlands.—The North German Lloyd steamship Frankfort, bound for Canada from Bremen with 1200 emigrants on board, collided with the German steamer Barmen, from Rotterdam for Bremen, while off the Hook of Holland lightship, and is now proceeding to the hook under tow.

Wireless dispatches received at Scheveningen from the Frankfort say all her passengers are on board and the vessel is in no danger. The timely arrival of two steamers calmed the passengers after the collision and the disabled vessel was taken in tow.

Geographers to Travel

New York.—Fifty representatives of geographical societies and universities of 16 European countries have enrolled for a tour of the United States as guests of the American Geographical Society. The tour is to begin with a celebration here of the opening of a new building of the American Geographical Society, marking the 60th anniversary of the organization. Professor William Morris Davis, of Harvard, is to conduct the excursion, which will cover approximately 10,000 miles and take two months' time.

Legends of Gold Lures

New York.—The legend of \$30,000,000 gold hidden on Cocos Island in the Pacific Ocean is the lure which brought Frederick Smooden from Calgary, Canada, to this city, whence he has sailed for Central America. Smooden said his knowledge of the treasure's whereabouts was handed down by Captain Trevan, a sea dog of many generations back, whose plan to search for the gold was frustrated by a fatal illness.

Yiddish Paper to Start

San Francisco.—A newspaper printed in the Yiddish language and devoted entirely to the interests of the Jewish race, is to be established here under the editorial guidance of Dr. Charles Wortzman, a widely-known Jewish scholar.

THOUSAND DEAD IN EARTHQUAKE

Five to Six Times as Many Injured in Turkey.

Fire Adds to Awful Havoc—Light-house Topples Over—Cities' Plight is Grave.

Constantinople.—Reports here indicate that the great earthquake which was felt through a large part of Turkey was accompanied by much heavier loss of life than at first announced. The newspapers estimate the number of victims at a thousand killed, while the injured are said to number from 5000 to 6000.

The details of the earthquake, which are coming in slowly, owing to the interruption of the wires, indicates that the seismic disturbances was widespread. Thousands are homeless and outbreaks of fire have occurred in many towns and villages. The entire district between Constantinople and Adrianople felt the shock severely. Fugitives from Myrlophito report 300 killed and 600 injured. The town was burning when they left.

Ganos-Hore has been wiped out, 80 persons being killed and 30 injured. The wrecked buildings took fire and most of them were burned. Shar-Koi was destroyed and two nearby villages were engulfed. Adrianople suffered little damage, but Tehorlu was partly destroyed by the earthquake and fire.

The course of the disturbance appears to have been in the region of the Dardanelles. Eye witnesses from that section give harrowing accounts of the havoc wrought. The majority of the houses in Gallipoli are in ruins and the people are camping in the fields. Tehanak-Kalesa is in an equally bad plight, but the loss of life in these towns is small, although the injured are many. Warships anchored in the Dardanelles felt the shock severely. It was first attributed to Italian torpedo-boats. The captain of the American steamer Virginia reports that the lighthouse at Ganos-Hore, in the Sea of Marmora, has disappeared and that the villages in the surrounding country are in flames. He was unable to anchor and give assistance because of the violent movement of the sea.

SECRETARY KNOX IS MADE SPECIAL ENVOY TO JAPAN

Washington, D. C.—For the first time in the history of the United States, the Secretary of State has been designated as a special ambassador to a foreign power. President Taft assigned Secretary of State Knox as special ambassador to Japan to attend the funeral of the late Emperor Gounshu on September 12, with the statement that the mission was given to the premier of the cabinet as evidence of the American friendship for Japan. When the Japanese ambassador to Washington heard of the mission he asserted it would be taken by the Japanese as an act of the greatest courtesy and one calculated to make even warmer and more cordial the existing relations between the two governments.

Women to Guard Women

Berlin.—A novel experiment in penology is about to be made by the Prussian authorities, who have decided to open in Berlin a women's prison exclusively managed by women. Not only the guards and wardens, but superintendents and directors of the various prison labor departments will be of the same sex as the prisoners. There will be 26 women inspectors and several teachers will also be appointed to instruct the inmates in useful and remunerative occupations. It is a theory of the authorities that a women's prison exclusively under feminine management would not only avoid many administrative difficulties arising under the old system, but would bring about a more intelligent and systematic treatment of the prisoners. The institution will be opened in October.

Mount Katmai Is Smoking

Seward, Alaska.—Passengers on the mail steamship Dora, which arrived on her monthly trip from the westward, say Mount Katmai, which was in violent eruption in June, is emitting great volumes of dense smoke. The Dora brought word that the fishing season on Bristol bay is closed. All canneries there reported capacity packs. The armored cruiser Maryland returned from Cordova last night to wait for the party of navy men who have gone to inspect the Matanuska coal field.

Taft Signs Farm Bill

Washington, D. C.—The agricultural appropriation bill, more than a month overdue in taking effect, was signed by President Taft, and released for field work a small army of employees held up during the delay on the measure. Secretary Wilson ordered immediate resumption of farm demonstration work in many states. On the Pacific Coast, belated experimental work to develop potash resources will be taken up.

Miss Gould Host to 600

Highton, N. Y.—Helen Gould had 600 guests on her play-grounds here. Most of them came from New York churches. All the trolley cars were in use for the celebration of the opening of a new trolley line and the party had to walk six miles from the railroad station and back again.