

# NEWS NOTES OF CURRENT WEEK

## Resume of World's Important Events Told in Brief.

Wheat prices at Chicago are lowered by excellent crop prospects.

Oriental buyers are inquiring for prices on new flour for export.

Mexican rebels in large force are moving on Juarez, opposite El Paso, Tex.

President Wilson read his message on currency reform to congress, and urged immediate action on the measure.

Five physicians of the University of Pennsylvania were arrested for cruelty to animals in practicing vivisection.

Robert J. Collier, publisher, contemplates an attempt to make a flight across the Atlantic in a hydro-aeroplane.

Rains throughout the Pacific Northwest are making a bumper alfalfa crop, but ruining the cherries and strawberries.

Arthur Pelkey, the pugilist whose opponent died in the ring from a solar plexus blow recently, was acquitted of all liability.

Engineers, firemen, drivers and helpers of the ice factories at Cincinnati are on strike, and the city is suffering from hot weather.

New South Wales, Australia, has bought a furniture factory and will make all the furniture needed in the schools of the commonwealth.

Captain U. B. Scott, veteran steam-boat builder and operator of the Willette and Columbia rivers and Puget Sound, died in Portland, aged 86 years.

An 18-year-old boy in Washington, D. C., on trial for highway robbery, drew a revolver when the judge refused to release him and began firing at the judge and lawyers.

President Wilson signed the sundry civil bill, owing to the urgent need of cash for many purposes, but maintained the same objections that prompted Taft to veto the measure.

President Wilson is having trouble filling diplomatic positions abroad.

A tornado unroofed the capitol at Tallahassee, Florida.

A tornado in Virginia killed one and did damage to the extent of \$100,000.

The threatened plague of 17-year locusts in Kansas seems to have about disappeared.

A recent department ruling will put a check on Hindu immigration on the Pacific Coast.

An auto stage running out of Vale, Ore., was held up and robbed by bandits in another automobile.

A male suffragist was almost instantly killed while interfering with the races at Ascot track, England.

Kansas City employers say that boys will be hired instead of girls if the minimum wage law goes into operation.

Dr. Blue, surgeon general of the U. S. Health service, declares leprosy is steadily on the increase in the United States.

## PORTLAND MARKETS

Wheat—Track prices: Club, 93c; bluestem, 98c@1; 40-fold, 94c; red Russia, 92c; valley, 94c.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$32 per ton; stained and off grade, less.

Corn — Whole, \$28.50; cracked, \$29.50 per ton.

Millstuffs— Bran, \$24.50@25 ton; shorts, \$26.50@27; middlings, \$31.

Barley—Feed, \$26.50@27 per ton; brewing, nominal; rolled, \$28.50@29.50.

Hay — Eastern Oregon timothy, choice, \$18@19 per ton; alfalfa, \$13@14.

Onions—New, red, \$1.25 per sack.

Vegetables—Artichokes, 75c dozen; asparagus, Oregon, 50c@1; beans, 30c@3c pound; cabbage, 1 1/2c; cauliflower, 2c per crate; corn, 40c dozen; cucumbers, \$1 box; eggplant, 25c pound; head lettuce, \$2.50 crate.

Potatoes—New California, 2 1/2 lb. Green Fruit — Apples, new, \$1.50 box; old, nominal; strawberries, 75c@85c crate; cherries, 50c@8c pound; gooseberries, 2@3c pound; apricots, \$1.25@1.50 box; cantaloupes, \$2.50@3 crate; watermelons, 3c pound; blackberries, \$1.25; loganberries, \$1.50 crate; plums, \$1.50 box.

Poultry—Hens, 12c; springs, 18@19c; turkeys, live, 18c; dressed, choice, 24@25c; ducks, old, 12c; young, 14c.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, case count, 22c dozen; candied, 24@25c.

Butter—City creamery butter cubes, 25c pound; prints, 29c.

Pork—Fancy, 10@11c pound.

Veal—Fancy, 14@14c pound.

Hops — 1912 crop, 12@16c pound; 1913 contracts, 14c pound.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 10 1/4@10 1/2; valley, 18@19c pound; mohair, 1913 clip, 31c.

Grain bags—9@9 1/2c Portland.

Cattle—Choice steers, \$7.75@8.50; good, \$7.25@7.50; medium, \$7@7.25; choice cows, \$6.50@7; good, \$6.25@6.50; medium, \$5@6.25; choice calves, \$8@9.50; good heavy calves \$6.50@7.50; bulls, \$4@6.

Hogs—Light, \$8@8.50; heavy, \$7@7.50.

Sheep—Wethers, \$4@5; ewes, \$3@4.50; lambs, \$5@6.50.

## STRONGER NAVY IS NEEDED

### Dewey Says Present Inadequacy Is Invitation to War.

Washington, D. C.—An adequate American navy means a fleet second only to that of Great Britain and "inadequacy is an invitation to war," in the opinion of Admiral Dewey, ranking naval officer of the United States. "I believe it is the duty of each generation to pay its own insurance and not to thrust its burdens on the generations that come after; and the insurance for peace is a navy strong enough to compete," says the admiral in an article written for the Navy Day program at Newport, R. I., July 21.

"We ourselves through lack of foresight of our fathers and grandfathers paid the penalty of our generation in the loss of hundreds of thousands of lives and our sons and grandsons have been paying the costs of the billions of dollars wasted and the hundreds of millions in pensions for which they were mortgaged; and they still continue to pay."

"We are paying today for the navy, as an insurance which does not insure us, roughly \$1.50 per capita per annum. Besides what has already been paid in lives and money, we are still mortgaged by lack of foresight in our fathers to the extent of the national debt, and the additional \$1.80 per capita per annum that we are paying in pensions.

"Shall our lack of foresight continue this system of mortgaging the coming generations, for shall we add the relatively small sum needed to the insufficient insurance we all pay to make that insurance adequate?"

## INCOME TAX PLAN ALTERED

### Committee Fixes \$3000 Minimum—Retaliation Provided For.

Washington, D. C.—Radical changes in the income tax plan of the Underwood tariff bill and alteration of the administrative features of the measure to overcome most of the objections raised by foreign governments were agreed on in a tentative way Thursday by the Democratic members of the senate finance committee.

The income tax, under the new plan, would apply to individual incomes over \$3000, but would make important exemptions for individuals, municipalities, civic bodies and mutual insurance companies, under certain restrictions.

Changes in the administrative sections include a new provision giving the President authority to increase tariff duties against certain articles coming from countries that discriminate against the United States.

The proposed 5 per cent concession in tariff on goods brought in American ships, the anti-dumping clause and the provision giving United States authorities "inquisitorial powers" to examine books of foreign manufacturers when the valuation of goods is in dispute were stricken out.

## FOUR DEAD; SIXTY INJURED

### Dust Explosion and Fire Destroys Big Elevator.

Buffalo, N. Y.—Four are dead and 60 in hospitals it is said half cannot recover as the result of an explosion and fire in the elevator and grain warehouse of the Husted Milling company here. Many of those in the hospital are fearfully burned.

The explosion was caused by the puffing of dust accumulations in the feed house. It tore out the wall of the wooden structure and broke windows for a quarter of a mile around. John Conroy, engineer of a switch engine, was blown from his cab and received the injuries from which he died later.

Several windows in cars of a passing Nickel Plate train were broken by the explosion, and one of the passengers was injured.

The body of Henry Vetter was blown 50 feet and was found under a box car nearby, badly burned. A boy running to the fire was run down by an automobile and killed.

The elevator company employed 150 men and, according to Vice-President Husted, of the company, all have been accounted for except four.

## Wilson Ignores Tradition.

Washington, D. C.—President Wilson smashed another White House tradition Wednesday. Bareheaded, Mr. Wilson walked out the White House drive almost to the gate to say good-bye to A. Popham Lobb, colonial secretary for Bermuda. Earlier, Mr. Lobb, who first met the President in Bermuda, had been a guest of the Wilson family at the capitol and at luncheon. When Mr. Lobb departed his automobile had not arrived and the President walked out through the grounds, chatting with his guest.

## Alaska Bill Is Blocked.

Washington, D. C.—Senator Chamberlain sought unanimous consent by the senate Wednesday to pass the bill for construction of a government railroad in Alaska, but failed because Senator Overman objected, saying more time for study of the subject should be allowed. Senator Chamberlain told the senate that President Wilson, while not committed to any bill, favored government construction.

## Unions Aid Phone Girls.

St. Louis—Several thousand dollars were received by the telephone operators' union from sympathizing labor unions in the city. Each of the striking operators will receive \$5 and her expenses for doing picket duty during the week.

# OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

General News of the Industrial and Educational Development and Progress of Rural Communities, Public Institutions, Etc.

## NEW FISHING BANKS FOUND

### Halibut Feeding Grounds Off Newport Boon to Fishermen.

Portland—Halibut banks recently discovered off Newport, Yaquina Bay, Or., are receiving much attention from Portland small boat operators. The banks are new and among the richest known. They are sufficient to supply all the markets of the Northwest with fresh fish from early spring until late fall.

There are eight gasoline launches at Newport being fitted up for fishing, three of these are already engaged in the business with great success and the opening of a cold storage plant at Newport next month will aid materially in the commerce of that industry.

In addition there is a sailing schooner from Seattle, at present held up by a lien, and Captain R. E. Voeth has resigned his position as master of the yacht Sea Otter and taken charge of the Wanderer, which he will take to Newport to engage in the halibut fishing.

Inquiries about the halibut banks have been frequently made by Portland merchants. Captain Tabell, of the Patsy, reported that he had observed launches fishing for halibut when he arrived on the present voyage, and his report is one of many of the same kind.

There will be a survey made of the banks by the government and doubtless Captain Voeth, who found them last summer while on the launch Ollie S., will receive credit for his valuable discovery.

## GLADSTONE GETS LECTURER

### Baumgardt to Be Heard Thrice at Coming Chautauqua.

Oregon City—One of the interesting features of the coming Chautauqua to be held July 8 to 20 at Gladstone Park, will be the B. R. Baumgardt lectures. Professor Baumgardt is perhaps the best-known Chautauqua lecturer in the field today.

Baumgardt first attained renown as a scientist, later as a globe-trotter, and finally as a lecturer. He has acquired a wonderful knowledge of the earth, having traveled in every interesting corner of the world, and at the same time continued his scientific studies of the stars and planets. This wonderful knowledge, coupled with a most interesting personality, and an excellent delivery, has elevated Baumgardt to a supreme place on the American lecture platform.

He lectures on July 18, 19 and 20, the final three evenings of the Chautauqua and a fitting close to the assembly.

## School Has Agricultural Club.

Mt. View rural school, in Benton county, has an agricultural club with an advisor chosen from among the neighboring farmers, to meet every fortnight through the summer to plan and discuss exhibits for the State fair and the local industrial fair next fall. Seniors of the Agricultural college, under the extension division, have inspired the organization by visits to the school, giving talks on crops, cooking and sewing, pests and soils. At the last meeting the children examined the tent caterpillar, bud moth and oyster shell scale, discussing treatment for them. Bread baked by one of the little girls was judged critically and found very good.

There is a regular student body organization, and a number of entertainments have provided funds for equipping a croquet ground, a tennis court, and a baseball diamond, and putting up a big swing. What was left at the end of the school year is to be used for fruit trees to plant on the unprotected side of the grounds, which can be used for shade and horticultural instruction.

## Hood River Ready for Chautauqua.

Hood River—In addition to the amateur theatrical performances that will be presented by local talent on each night of the second annual Horticultural Chautauqua to be held here from July 22 to 28, the days will be filled with lectures by the best horticultural authorities of the country and a domestic course will be given for the valley housewives and bachelor housekeepers. One night of the Chautauqua will be devoted to a comic opera. J. A. Epping, well known as a teacher in Portland, is preparing "The Mikado." The valley has some excellent musical talent.

## Southern Students Here.

Hood River—Five husky young agricultural students from the University of Tennessee, at Knoxville, who are touring the West to study horticultural and agricultural conditions, arrived here recently to take part in the strawberry harvest, which has now shifted from the lower to the upper valley. The young men are paying part of their expenses by working in orchards and grain fields. From here they propose to go to Eastern Oregon to take part in the grain harvest.

## Navy Bean to Be Important Crop.

Quincy—The navy bean will be one of the important crops in this section this year, about 50 acres being planted. In addition to the beans that will be placed on the market in a dried state considerable acreage will be devoted to green beans, the output of which has already been contracted to Portland canneries.

## BEACH SETTLEMENT GROWS

### Hotels, Cottages and Amusements Increase at Garibaldi.

Ray City—Development along Garibaldi beach and at the life saving station in anticipation of the summer's business is being rushed to the utmost. New hotels, places of amusement, and many cottages are now in course of building or have been completed recently.

Many persons who bought property at the beach last summer have erected homes during the winter in order to have them ready for occupancy this season.

Last summer, which was really the first year that pleasure-seekers awakened to the possibilities of this beach, found the number of visitors and buyers constantly growing as the season advanced, until the month of September, when the crowds were largest.

Accommodations were inadequate last season, but the many new hotels which have been erected and enlarged all along the beach will be able to care for the increased business which is expected.

That Garibaldi beach will be popular this summer, is shown by the number of advanced bookings for accommodations. In its convenience it is the most favored resort for Portland people. The beaches afford ample attraction for surf bathers, while for those who prefer other outdoor amusements there is hunting, deep sea and fresh water fishing, mountain climbing and fine roads for motoring.

The railroads have announced additional train service for the season.

## STORM HURTS GRAIN FIELDS

### Heavy Rains Turn Little Walla Walla River Into Torrent.

Pendleton—A terrific hail, rain and wind storm that started between Pendleton and Pilot Rock, on McKay creek, Saturday, swept easterly over the Umatilla Indian reservation about two miles above the agency, increased in velocity, and striking the headwaters of the Little Walla Walla river, raised it three feet inside of an hour, according to reports received here.

This marks the first serious damage to crops in Umatilla county from storms this year. The farmers around Cayuse sustained heavy losses, their grain being beaten down so flat they will have to use engines on their combines in order to save it.

The hail was in the form of icicles, which cut leaves from trees and mowed down vegetation like knives. The torrential downpour rendered roads almost impassable up McKay creek, near Cayuse, and in the north end of the county. Though some of the grain may rise, most of it will have to ripen on the ground.

## Ranchman Becomes Aviator.

Rickreall—Flying at the rate of 40 miles an hour, John A. Riddell, a ranchman, gave Polk county citizens their first chance to witness from their dooryards the flight of an aeroplane, when he flew in a circle from the Riddell ranch to a point 7 1/2 miles southwest of this city and return.

Mr. Riddell put his newly-acquired biplane to a severe test, preparatory to taking it to Grants Pass, where he is to make a series of flights.

Ranch folk along the route taken by the aviator were disturbed while at their evening meals by the buzzing aircraft and heartily greeted the pilot on discovering the cause of the disturbance.

## Few Jackson Voters Register.

Ashland—There are few registered voters in Jackson county, as a small number has taken the trouble to perform that duty since June 3. Few are eligible to sign petitions or vote at any special election, inasmuch as the new law invalidates the registration of last year. This is the situation which confronts the electorate on the eve of an active canvass in behalf of a proposed road bond and other important measures. Lively efforts are being put forth in every precinct throughout the county to line up the voters for registration in order to prevent default at forthcoming elections.

## Convict Makes Escape.

Salem—While working virtually under the eyes of two guards, J. W. Keith, a convict, escaped from the brickyard at the penitentiary Friday afternoon.

Keith, who was convicted of obtaining money under false pretenses in Lake county, not only slipped out of a door unobserved, but cut a screen in order to conceal himself in a ditch until the guards and convicts returned to the penitentiary. He was missed just before supper and a general alarm was sounded.

## Oregon Artilleryman Leads.

Portland—With the artillerymen of nine states competing, Captain Hiram U. Welch, of the Oregon Coast artillery corps, attained the highest percentage for problems solved in the "field artillery school of fire" at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, May 18 to June 18. Captain Welch was also well up in the list in the contest of the number of salvos fired per minute, ranking sixth in a class of 20. His score was 3.23, the highest mark being that of Ferguson, of New York, with 3.86.

## URGES NEW CURRENCY LAWS

### President Tells of Need to Establish Credit Reform.

Washington, D. C.—A fixed determination to have currency legislation passed at this session of congress was accepted by the members of the house and senate as President Wilson's text for the currency message, which he personally presented to congress assembled in joint session in the house chamber.

Both Democrats and Republicans saw in the carefully-worded appeal of the President an earnest conviction that the money situation must be dealt with before congress adjourns. Preparations were made to begin committee work on the administration bill, which soon will be introduced in the house by Representative Carter Glass and in the senate by Senator Owen.

From the rostrum of the house chamber the President read the brief message.

"It plainly is clear," he said, "that it is our duty to supply the next banking and currency system the country needs and that it will immediately need it more than ever."

"We must act now at whatever sacrifice to ourselves. It is a duty which the circumstances forbid us to postpone. I should be recreant to my deepest convictions of public obligation did I not impress it upon you with solemn and urgent insistence."

The President defied the custom of 100 years for the second time by delivering the message in person.

A joint committee led by Majority Leader Underwood and Senator Kern met the President and escorted him to the clerk's desk on the rostrum.

At both house and senate ends of the capitol and among both Democrats and Republicans the conviction was deeply fixed that the President's "solemn and urgent insistence" on currency legislation would result in immediate activity in the legislative branches.

## REBELS MOVING ON JUAREZ

### Constitutionalists Control Railroad and Defeat Federals.

El Paso, Tex.—An American employe of the Madera Lumber company who arrived here Wednesday from Western Chihuahua reported that Pancho Villa, constitutionalist commander in that state, instructed him to inform the American consul in Juarez and all others interested that the constitutionalists would reach Juarez and begin an attack on that port next Thursday.

Villa's forces have captured the entire line of the Mexico Northwestern railroad from Bustillos to Casas Grandes, according to the American, who, with four other men, occupied four days in the trip to El Paso on a handcar. Villa told the American that his forces would be strengthened by a detachment that had been destroying the Mexican National railway between Moctezuma and Chihuahua City. The rebel commander estimated that the total number of troops that will appear to attack Juarez will be about 1800.

In a battle at Nevas Casas Grandes, Chihuahua, last Saturday, Villa's forces captured that place, killing 47 federalists and capturing 50 more. The prisoners were promptly executed by Villa's order.

Juarez is garrisoned by about 1000 federal soldiers, commanded by General Francisco Castro. General Inez Salazar, ex-rebel, who came to Juarez a week ago from Chihuahua, ordered out a small scouting party on a special train over the Northwestern with the expressed object of picking up stragglers from his defeated command who are said to be retreating northward from Casas Grandes.

No activity is reported from the neighborhood of San Ignacio, Chihuahua, 40 miles south of Juarez, where a force of constitutionalists is said to have been camping for the past few weeks awaiting orders for a concerted movement on Juarez.

## Strike Causes Ice Famine.

Cincinnati—Ice manufacturers of this city are unable to agree on any method of dealing with their striking engineers, firemen, drivers and helpers. This city and others on the Kentucky side of the river are now practically without ice, as the union plants supply only hotels and cafes, and the ice sent from other sources is inadequate for the demand and is being sold by the city only on physicians' certificates. Mayor Hunt received notice that many carloads of ice have been shipped from lake points.

## Airman Falls 1000 Feet.

London—An aviator, Farhairns, was drowned off Shoeburyness Tuesday evening. He had flown from Brooklands with a new type of machine with which he projected a trans-Atlantic flight. He fell into the sea from a height of 1000 feet and sank before a friend who was cruising in the vicinity was able to rescue him. The machine, which was of 350 horse-power, was completely inclosed and provided with a glass conning tower.

## Treaty Renewal Refused.

London—A St. Petersburg dispatch to the Standard says that President Woodrow Wilson has declined Russia's request for a renewal of the treaty on commerce except on the absolute condition that American Jews are allowed to enter Russia freely.

# SUFFRAGISTS MAY BE SUED

## Anti-Suffragists Wait for Positive Evidence of Libel.

Direct Charge That Liquor Interests Help Antis Is Invited—National Association Is Riled.

## Washington, D. C.—A statement

from the headquarters of the National association opposed to woman suffrage announces that the officers of the association have employed attorneys to examine all the speeches and literature of the suffragists "with a view to protecting themselves from abusive language which at times is practically libelous," and "for the purpose of instituting suits for libel against objectionable parties." The statement continues:

"The scrutiny of the material put out by the suffragists has become more thorough since Miss Inez Milholland, in a public meeting, stated that charges of an alliance between the anti-suffrage and the liquor interests had been made, and the fact that no suits for libel had been instituted was good proof that they were true.

"Miss Milholland ought to know, and probably does know, that no statement has been made either on the public platform or in the press, which is in any way libelous. The suffragists have skillfully avoided giving expression in public to a libelous statement, though they have approached dangerously near to it.

"To say that any interests, liquor or other interests, are supporting a cause is not in itself libelous, but if the suffragists in public or in the press ever make a statement that the liquor interests are giving help to the National association opposed to woman suffrage or to any representative thereof, a suit for libel will be instituted within 24 hours.

"We are looking for this opportunity, and when it comes we will take advantage of it to the uttermost.

"One conviction for criminal libel will do a great deal to check the flood of malicious untruths about the women who are opposed to votes for women which have been circulated by suffragists."

## POINCARÉ TO VISIT BRITAIN

### Ruler of France to Follow Example of His Predecessors.

London—President Poincaré, of France, following the example of his predecessors since the conclusion of the friendly agreement between his country and Great Britain, has chosen England for his official visit after his election, and will arrive at Spithead on the Dreadnought Jean Bart to be the guest of King George and the British nation until June 27. He will be accompanied by Stephen Pinchon, French minister for foreign affairs, and other high officials.

Upon the president's arrival at Spithead he will be received by an immense fleet composed of England's latest warships, which will fire a royal salute. He will proceed to Portsmouth dockyard, where the Prince of Wales and the Duke of Connaught, representing the king, will offer him a formal welcome. King George will be at Victoria station, London, to receive his guest and escort him to York House, which has been placed at his disposal.

## Many Violators Arrested.

Tacoma, Wash.—Fifteen violations of the government's regulations were found here Sunday on the steamers and launches that ply out of Tacoma harbor by the government cutter Corinne, with Captain Mart Gismervig and Customs Officer Ned C. Adams on board.

One captain of an excursion launch with a large party on board, was found drunk at the wheel. He was ordered below and the vessel turned over to the mate. A large fine awaits this master when the case is put up to Collector of Customs Harper.

## Crack in Panama Canal Alarms.

Panama—Numerous alarming rumors of damage have gained currency as a result of the crack that recently developed in the cut-off wall of the northwest wing of the Miraflores locks of the Panama canal. One report had it that the gates had pulled away some portions of their supporting masonry and that the cost to demolish and rebuild the damaged structure would be \$1,500,000. The canal engineers say the crack is only a minor one and that it probably was due to a slight settlement of the masonry.

## Rain Follows Prayers.

St. Louis—An hour after prayers for rain had been ordered in the churches of Belleville, Ill., a suburb near here, a heavy rain storm broke the two months' drought throughout Missouri and Southern Illinois Sunday. A hail storm completely blanketed the lawns of Forest Park with ice, while streets here were flooded for several hours.

Lightning did considerable damage to the property.

## Nome Sends Out Million.

Seattle, Wash.—A million dollars in gold, the first shipment from Nome, Alaska, this year, was received by the steamship Senator and Victoria, which completed their first round trip of the season to Bering sea Sunday.