NEWS NOTES OF CURRENT WEEK

Events Told in Brief.

Madame Schumann-Heink, noted prima donna, has sued for divorce.

Snow is blockading trains in the Blue mountains of Eastern Oregon.

Banks all over the country are rushing applications to join the new curand telegraph service than the citizens rency system.

The 293d anniversary of the landing companies are not efficiently conductof the Pilgrims was celebrated in the Old North Church, Boston.

President Huerta saved the London & Mexico bank of Mexico City from failure by calling a holiday.

A German balloonist with two passengers made a new world's record of 1738.8 miles, being up 87 hours.

The California state superintendent of schools advocates a uniform dress per cent bonds. for girls attending the public schools. "Our telegraph rates," said Lewis,

A tremendous wave swept away a mook line directly in front of a passenger train.

Mexican federals capture wives and sisters of rebels and compel them to as telegraph users. Against these, trave on troop trains to guard against our postal rates are lower than elserebel attacks.

began its service in Portland, Or., bringing the first genuine competition to the city in that line.

Refugees en route from the troubled zones of Mexico to the United States border are held up by Villa's forces and made to pay heavy tribute.

are swamped by parcel post business, and gave up trying to keep a record of the number of packages handled.

An army of 120 memployed men camped near Fresno, Cal., were given food and clothing by citizens. They were strictly orderly and will move on south in search of work.

From his private box President Wilson joined with the audience in singing the chords of "Old Nassan," the alma meer song of Princeton, at a performance by the Princeton Universis Triangle club.

me sheriff of Baker county, Or., rauses to close the saloons of that ounty upon the order of the governor, having been advised by the district financial institutions in Mexico. On attorney that the move would be illegal, and the governor says he will close the saloons by martial law, if necesfor several days. sarv.

Clarence H. Mackey denies that any telegraph monoply exists.

in the Mexican capital was almost unbelievable. Aside from the commer-Spanish aviators routed a force of cial embarrasment naturally to have Moors by dropping bombs upon them.

been expected, individual holders of Eleven cases of smallpox have de- all sorts of currency were convinced to bring back all the birds he could ton. More than 50,000,000 feet of cases of misrepresentation to the state it and covered. Among the murdered veloped on board the battleship Ohio, that they would lose their money. in Cuban waters.

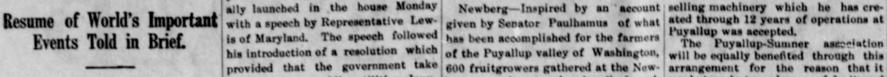
It was believed the failures meant

Newberg Growers to **Displace** Middleman

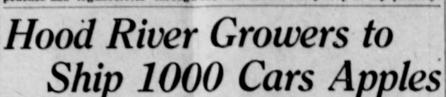
is of Maryland. The speech followed has been accomplished for the farmers

berg opera house and subscribed stock markets only two classes of fruit, red necessary to purchase a cannery and raspberries and blackberries. finance fruit-selling operations next assorted car lots are ordered, Senator

to the consumer. An offer of Senator Paulhamus to his connection with the association at



season. Growers will market direct Paulhamus has found himself unable to accept the business, but through



telephone lines, utilizing new patents to extend the same lines to the tele-Hood River-"The Applegrowers' careful inspection, yet the results are graphic field. He estimated that it association expects to ship 1000 cars not as satisfactory as where it is the United States or the record of would cost \$900,000,000 to purchase the telephone lines, and asserted this of apples from Hood River this sea- handled by a large force packing un- such service, enlistment, or muster in amount could be raised by issuing 3 son,' ger

mile of track on the Portland-Tilla- run from 25 cents to \$1, while in other the apples are now in, although some less than it is now under the individ- satisfactory proof of such enlistment countries the average is about 12 of the growers have been slow to get ual packing. cents, or a cent a word. As a result of the crop packed and hauled to our these abnormal rates, we rank ninth warehouses.

"Our experience this year demonstrates the need of central packing The Northwestern Electric company to each person in the nation—is the highest in the world."

help, thus dragging out the crop until market for us this year in working off way into the winter. Instead of sav- the commoner grades, and we look for ing money they are losing, as the an early clean-up in all varieties, infruit gets over-ripe, or is otherwise stead of having a large surplus stock

rain which we had this fall did much as it did last year. We have been any such officer or soldier. committed suicide by taking cyanide in delaying picking and packing, and working up a good trade in Portland, San Francisco postoffice authorities of potassium in a resaurant in this hampered us in getting the apples to but individual shipments dumped in city. He took the drug in a capsule, market early. If we had central pack- there on consignment and occasionally after ordering a dinner. The waiter inghouses where the apples could be sold below the market, have made it thought him choking and summoned a hauled in from the field as fast as difficult to build up a satisfactory doctor. Benson died before help ar- picked, then packed out with a force market there for Hood River apples. rived. He left a letter saying that day and night, the fruit would be in "Selling our apples this year f. o. he was tired of living, and that he much better shape, it would not get b. instead of consigning them, has was no good to himself or anyone else. over-ripe, and the grading and pack made returns come in quick, and we In his letter Benson willed his body would be all alike. As it is now, even have been making a liberal distribuwith the most rigid inspection, it is tion to growers as fast as the returns a difference in the ripeness of the we have been able to distribute an

fruit, a difference in the grading, and average of about 50 cents a box to a difference in the pack. is made as uniform as possible by this should be increased to about \$1."

A car of Hungarian partridge, to be

pany's new sawmill. Muller, who is a native of Hungary,

Indian War Pensions

Washington, D. C .- Following is the text of the new Indian war pension bill introduced by Representative Hawley, which, if passed, will grant a pension of \$20 a month to all Indian Refugee Reports 137 Murders war veterans in Western and Pacific Coast states:

That the secretary of the interior be, and he is hereby authorized and When directed to place on the pension roll the names of the officers and soldiers of the Indian wars of the United States which occurred prior to the market strawberries, gooseberries, Newberg it will now be possible to year 1880 at the rate of \$20 per peaches and loganberries through the market the berry crop in any quantity. month, upon making proof of the fact

rules and regulations as the secretary of the interior may provide. Section 2. That where there is no

record of enlistment or muster into ican refugee who had been ordered to the service of the United States in any of the wars covered by the provisions of this act the record of pay by

'said Wilmer Sieg, sales mana-would be enabled in many cases to get States or on file in the office of any "The average number of boxes in a enough better returns to make the adjutant general of any of the states "are the highest in the world. They car will run about 640. The bulk of cost of such handling to the grower or territories shall be accepted as full

> and service; and further, where there "The markets are showing strong in all parts of this country, but Euro- into the service of the United States pean markets are slow. The holiday or in the office of the adjutant general trade is over and the foreign trade is of any state or territory where the houses for the quick handling of the waiting for the late winter and spring service was performed, then other adequate proof may be made of the performance of such service; Provided, That each such officer or soldier shall have served at least 30 days in such Indian wars;" Provided, further, That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to effect a reduction in affected by improper handling. The dragging out through the late spring, the amount of pension now received by

> > Women Help Enforce **Cold Storage Rules**

New York-Members of the Housewives' League will help the state health department enforce the new cold storage regulations by acting as before," he said. "The traders waitvolunteer inspectors. The department ed on him and tried to make terms, hard to get the best results. There is came in. Up to the first of December has accepted their services because, it but he told them he would accept no was said, the law failed to provide enough inspectors for its enforcement. The volunteers will serve without compensation.

> Heath, head of the league, have prom- of customs. District About Banks ised their services.

Banks-This section of Washington mill here. The Eccles company forces brought by Max Muller, formerly su-perintendent of the State asylum part of the site is cleared. Work has or to sell cold storage food without were murdered in the butchery that started on the Buxton Lumber comrepresenting it as such. Consumers followed. are advised to inquire of the salesman A force of 20 men was put to work

in each case in reference to the char- valuables and late that night a trench left for Europe with the commission on the site, about a mile from Bux- acter of the goods and to report in was dug and the 27 bodies thrown into timber is standing in this vicinity and commissioner of heath."

Provided by New Bill ANARCHY RULES **RUBBER COLONY**

in Venezuelan Settlement.

Armed Band of Drunken Rebels **Plunder Freely and Kill All** Who Oppose Them.

Manaos, Brazil-A motor launch has month, upon making proof of the fact arrived here with refugees from the of such service, according to such rubber colony of the Territori de Amazona, Venezuela, telling of 173 murders there in the last few months and confirming stories of atrocities brought here by Michael J. Gilleran, an Amerbe shot and who escaped in a canoe making the trip here through several hundred miles of the Rio Negro.

Refugees arriving here tell of a reign of terror and anarchy in the rubber colony. A rebel force has been organized under General Gonzales and all who are suspected of being opposed to him are shot.

The latest crimes include the murder of eight women and four young is no record of enlistment or muster girls in the rubber territory between San Fernando de Atabapo, on the Orinoco, and San Carlos de Rio Negro. It is believed here that these women and girls were put to death because it was feared they would escape and spread to the world news of the horrors being committed in the colony. It is believed they were members of the families of men who already had been murdered.

This condition of anarchy and murder has been brought to the attention of President Gomez, of Venezuela, but no troops have been sent to oppose the rebels.

The most atrocious murder was that on May 8 last, of General Roberto Pulido and 26 men and boys at San Fernando. Mr. Gilleran tells a thrilling story of this betchery.

"General Pulido was appointed governor by President Gomez a few weeks bribery, that the export taxes would have to be paid and that lawlessness must cease. From that minute he was a marked man, as was General Antonio Varella, whom President Four women, led by Mrs. Julian Gomez had sent to the colony in charge

"The traders gathered about 60 men In accordance with the new law the into a house in San Fernando and filled state health department has notified them with rum and at 7 o'clock in the all persons and firms retailing cold evening armed them with rifles, restorage products that they must dis- volvers and knives and turned them play prominently a card inscribed: loose. The house in which General Note to consumers. Cold storage Pulido had taken quarters was attack-

"The house was plundered of all was the governor's brother.'

Mexico City-The Banco Central, the Bank of London and Mexico and **Hungarian** Partridge the Banco Nacionale closed their doors

Oregon.

Monday. They were the three largest all of them runs have been in progress The result of the three banks' clos-

ing was an immediate panic in business circles. The money stringency poultry farm.

buy.

While this growers, and by the first of the

Mills Are Big Help to

En Route to Oregon county shows an increase in business activity. Banks is thriving in anticipation of early operation of a lumber

liberated in Oregon, is en route from New York on the last leg of the trip from Europe wherein they are being

Several of these birds are already in the capacity of the mill

mental nest, 15 out of 18 hatched.

deputies of the game department are

stranded in the slough near The Oaks,

just above Portland, have been re-

Klamath Falls-J. G. Camp, project

manager for the reclamation service,

has been visiting farmers all over the

made in an automobile, was along the

bed is being gradually uncovered by

evaporation. The land belongs to the

He is now visiting certain sections

Project Up and Doing

moved to the river.

to the medical profession. Largest Mexico City **Banks Close Doors**

SUICIDE WILLS BODY TO MEDICAL STUDENTS Baker, Or.-W. B. Benson, aged 60,

Buy Only Telephone,

Telegraph Is Obsolete

Washington, D. C .- The campaign

for government ownership of the tele-

phone and telegraph lines was form-

ally launched in the house Monday

over these two public utilities Janu-

Lewis summarized the situation as

said the average citizen of the United

States now pays more for telephone

of other countries; that the telegraph

ed, and that government ownership is

necessary to extend the telephone to

The Marylander asserted that the

government should only purchase the

He

it applied to private ownership.

ary 1, 1915.

the masses

the speedy end of President Huerta's Illinois beekeepers will try taking their hives South in winter, that the regime. A renewed rebel attack on Tampico bees may work all the year.

is imminent, according to private ad- highly productive. Of an experi-Car thieves at East St. Louis, drove vices received here. off a train crew and got away with The rebels are said to be in stronger several wagon loads of valuable force than before, with their ammunifreight. tion supply replenished and consider-

PORTLAND MARKETS

Wheat-Track prices: Club, 85c; bluestem, 95@96c; forty-fold, 851@ 86c; red, Russian, 84c; valley, 85c. Oats-No. 1 white, \$25.50 per ton.

Corn-Whole, \$36; cracked, \$37. Barley-Feed, \$24 per ton; brew

ing, \$25; rolled, \$26.50@27.50.

Millfeed - Bran, \$20.50@21 ton; shorts, \$22.50@23; middlings, \$29@

Hay-No. 1 Eastern Oregon timgrain hay, \$12@13. Japan.

Onions-Oregon, \$2.75@3 per sack, buying price; \$2.50 f. o. b. shipping situation report that many have al. project. His last trip of inspection, points.

dozen; eggplant, 10@12ic pound; pep- be appalling. pers, 6@7c; head lettuce, \$2.25@2.50 per crate; garlic, 121@15c per pound; sprouts, 10c; artichokes, \$1.75 per 3.50 per crate; turnips, \$1.25 per sack; carrots, \$1.10; parsnips, \$1.25; beets, \$1.25.

Green Fruit - Apples, 50c@\$2.50 per box; cranberries, \$11@11.50 per barrel; pears, \$1.25@1.75 per box. Potatoes-Oregon, 80c@\$1 per hun-

dred; buying price, 70@80c at shipping points.

Poultry-Hens, 14@15c; springs, 14@15c; turkeys, live, 20c; dressed, choice, 25@26c; ducks, 12@15c.

Eggs-Oregon fresh ranch, 39@42c per dozen; storage, 28@33c.

Butter - Creamery prints, extras, 34@35c per pound; cubes, 28@32c. Pork-Fancy, 10c per pound.

Veal-Fancy, 14c per pound.

Hops-1913 crop, prime and choice, 20@21c; 1914 contracts, 16@18c.

Wool - Valley, 16@17c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 11@16c. Mohair, 1913 clip, 26c.

Catte - Prime steers, \$7.50@8.10; proceeds. choice, \$7@7.50; medium, \$6.75@7; choice cows, \$6@6.50; medium, \$5.75 @6; heifers, \$6@6.85; light calves, \$8@9; heavy, \$6@7.75; bulls, \$4@ 5.75; stags, \$6@6.50.

Hogs - Light, \$7.25007.75; heavy, \$6.50@6.85.

Sheep - Wethers, \$4@5.50; ewes, \$3.50@4.35; lambs, \$5.50@6.50.

Pelts-Dry, 10c; spring lambs, 40@ 60c; shearlings, 30@50c. Cascara bark-Old and new, 5c.

rebels. In recent elections here for councilwhelmingly defeated the government in Southern Oregon, which will be

group. The result was considered sig- distributed in the Willamette valley. nificant of the people's growing hos-tility toward President Huerta. Thousands of bass, in danger of being stranded in the slough near The Oaks.

Japanese Are Dving

of Famine in North Manager of Klamath Tokio-Steps have been taken by othy, \$16.50; mixed timothy, \$14; the government looking toward the re alfalfa, \$14; clover, \$9@10; valley, lief of famine sufferers in Northern

Persons who have investigated the ready died of hunger and that unless

Vegetables-Cabbage, 11@12c per aid on a large scale is given to the pound; cauliflower, 75c@\$1.25 per survivors speedily the mortality will shores of Tule lake, where the lake

government, and it is his intention to The rice crop was almost a complete failure and the fisheries have returned recommend a system of leasing these lands to settlers until the unit is less than half their usual "amount. dozen; squash, 11@11c; celery, \$3@ The northern population depends althrown open to homesteaders when most entirely upon these two things completed. for a livelihood, so that the shortage has had frightful results.

> Some authorities were of the opinion that, without assistance, a quarter or half of the inhabitants of Hokkaido and Aomori provinces will succumb.

Citizens Win Over Railway.

Washington, D. C.-Seattle citizens have won their fight before the United in the Eugene station of the Southern States Supreme court to compel the Pacific company inviting application Seattle and Renton Southern street for 10 positions as motormen, 10 posirailway company to exchange trans-

fers with the Seattle Electric railway within the limits of Seattle. The are to be installed January 15 on the court dismissed the company's appeal from the decree of the Supreme court of the state of Washignton, directing suburban railway companies to give and receive transfers between other

lines on a basis of one-half of the

Bankers Get After Huerta.

Vera Cruz, Mexico-Only President

must fail otherwise.

They were taken to the at 75,000 feet daily. A flume will be poultry farm at Salem, where they constructed and a spur track about were watched closely. The eggs are one-half a mile long will be laid.

A smaller mill, it is said, will be erected on the site of the Davies mill, The partridge make good field birds, two miles northwest of Banks. Three well able to take care of themselves. surveyors are on the ground, but re-

The new game fowl is half way be- fuse to divulge their plans. able artillery. It was said that the tween a quail and a pheasant. It is federals could not hold out against the thought that in four or five years hunt-cles company are seeking houses in

ing of them may be allowed. The Banks. Two rooming houses are planned and one large boarding house men, the workingmen's party over- catching about 1000 California quail is being fitted up near the railroad station.

Accidents In State 338.

Salem-Labor Commissioner Hoff reports that there were 338 accidents, 10 of which were fatal, to persons employed in Oregon industries in November Sawmill workers head the list with 44 accidents, paper mills second two persons were injured by railroad trains and 14 were injured while engaged in railroad construction. Twenty-six loggers were injured,

four of them fatally. Eleven persons pay the extra rate. engaged in construction work were hurt and one died.

Bridge Work Under Way.

Eugene-The bridge-building equipment of Williard & McCreary was moved to the second Noti crossing last week, and erection of the only large bridge yet to be built east of Noti tunnel will be begun at once. Laying of track through the tunnel and down the Siuslaw watershed can now be begun. The first Noti crossing was the two bridges across Noti, the contractors placed the steel for the first crossing over the Long Tom river.

Taxation Values Boom.

service corporations as fixed by the state tax board shows that \$411,041 of he total amount is taxable within the

Newport-Peter Schirmer, the Bur-Oregon Agricultural College, Cor-Huerta's elimination by January 1 can vallis-With a total registration of bank of Lincoln county, came into avert Mexico's complete financial 633, the annual farmers' week, given town Saturday with several crates of wreck, business men here assert. It by the faculty of the Oregon Agricul- delicious strawberries. Mr. Schirmer was learned on excellent authority tural college, under the direction of grows strawberries outdoors every that commercial leaders here had the extension department, was brought month in the year and by carefully joined those in Mexico City in a plan to a close. Two hundred and ninety crossing several varieties he has obto ask the dictator to retire on the four of those registered were regular tained one called the Schirmer strawground that every bank in the country must fail otherwise. college students, making a total of berry, which will bear fruit in cold tory, but to keep out Mexican cattle weather. sure the succession to the therma

Suit Filed Against Alleged Lemon Trust

New York-Charges that a lemon trust exists in New York and has maintained a lobby in Washington to eighty applicants for a single position reduce the tariff on lemons are made an appearance at the Lowell High in a suit filed here by William S. school and took the examination held Armstrong, receiver for the Merca- by the state civil service board. It dante-Regan company, importers of was the biggest examination yet held fruits.

Armstrong seeks to recover damages from the Sicula American Steamship company, which, he says, entered into an agreement in 1911 with the Fruit Importers' union and other importers of lemons, to add two pence, English money, to the freight rate on every box of lemons brought here by with 38, and machine, foundry and the line. The Mercadante-Regan boiler shops third with 37. Thirty- company, which failed in 1912, was not a member of the union or a party to the agreement, Armstrong relates, but was compelled to use the steamers of the Sicula American company and

The plaintiff alleges that this extra tax was to be used to lobby for a reduction of the tariff on Italian lemons in opposition to the efforts of the California lemon growers, who wanted the tariff retained.

To Pocket Villa Is Plan.

Juarez, Mex .- Advices were received here that the federal army now |y as a "working girl." at Ojinga, on the border, will soon march west to cut General Francisco Villa's rebel army off at Chihuahua. completed this week, and while track At some point south of Juarez, it is ceremony. was being laid for the mile between said, the federal commanders plan to destroy the telegraph and railroad lines and thus leave Villa in a pocket. Villa has about 5000 men at Chihuahua. He has had to maintain a guard along 225 miles of railroad which con-Astoria - The segregation of the nect him with 2000 soldiers whom valuations of the holdings of public left to garrison his base at Juarez. nect him with 2000 soldiers whom he

Suffragettes Burn House.

the militant suffragettes early Sunday merchandise in the car was damaged. burned down a valuable house situated in extensive grounds in the vicinity of this city. The place was unoccu-pied. A quantity of suffrage litera-ture was found strewn about the grounds.

Border Fence Meant for Cattle.

hurst told the senate that his bill for a ceived here from Addis Abeba, the barbed wire fence along the Mexican Abyssinian capital. Although official boundary was not designed to stop in- announcement of the emperor's death cursions of rebels into American terri- is lacking, this is due probably to the

380 MEN APPLY FOR \$150 A MONTH POSITION

San Francisco-Three hundred and by the state.

Fifteen applicants came more than 200 miles to take the test. The aspirants included half a dozen policemen, sea captains, marine engineers, politicians and a sprinkling from all the ordinary occupations.

Juvenile Judge Lindsay Marries Working Girl

Chicago-Judge Ben B. Lindsey, founder of the Juvenile Court at Denver, Colo., and one of the most noted leaders in juvenile work in the United States, and Miss Henrietta Brevoort, stepdaughter of Dr. F. J. Clippert, of Detroit, Mich., were married here Sunday.

Judge Lindsey met his bride several months ago at a sanitarium at Battle Creek, Mich. She is a Socialist and is referred to by her husband as "The little rebel." She has been a student in a local firm of interior decorators and Judge Lindsey spoke of her proud-

The marriage was performed at a hotelby a Methodist minister, and the word "obey" was omitted from the

Car Afire; Train Speeds.

New London, Conn.-An express car, heavily laden with packages, caught fire while passing through East Lynne Monday. The express messenger was driven to the outside of the car, where he clung, unable to notify the engineer, and near collapse, until the train reached the New Haven rail-Bath, England-An arson squad of road station here. Virtually all the The loss is estimated at \$75,000. A

Ruler's Death Confirmed.

Rome-That Emperor Menclik, of Abyssinia, died on December 12 is Washington, D. C .- Senator As- confirmed in the latest dispatches resure the succession to the throne.

limits of the city of Astoria. oline car service between Eugene and This makes the total of the assessable property in the city \$5,536,398, or about \$2,000,00 more than it was on last year's roll. December Strawberries Ripe.

where drainage is needed and some of the lands have become seeped or alkaline, and he will recommend that such lands be freed from charges until rendered fit for cultivation again. Forty Train Posts Created.

Eugene-Notices have been posted tions as conductors and 20 positions as trainmen on the electric cars which Portland-McMinnville loop of the Portland, Eugene & Eastern. It is asserted here the proposed gas-

Corvallis will be begun at the time the

Portland-McMinnville loop is electri-

633 Attend Farmers' Week.

fied.