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WORLD'S DOINGS OF CURRENT WEEK

Brief Resume of General News From All Around the Earth.

UNIVERSAL HAPPENINGS IN A NUTSHELL

Live News Items of All Nations and Pacific Northwest Condensed for Our Busy Readers.

Greece announces a policy of armed neutrality.

British submarines are raiding German shipping in the Baltic.

Wilson has formally agreed to the official recognition of Carranza.

New York seismograph registers a violent earth shock, probably in the West Indies.

Bulgaria's entry into the war may cause Japan to reconsider her position and change her plans.

More slides have completely blocked the Panama canal and no date can be set for its re-opening.

Newspaper editors of Paris have made a violent protest against the suspension of four papers for disobeying the orders of the press censor.

A number of prominent Portland, Or., women are spending three days per week each in making bandages for wounded European soldiers.

A stockholder of the New York Mutual Life Insurance company has sued for an injunction to prevent the company from subscribing to the big European war loan.

Wilson and Secretary of War Daniels have agreed on a policy of practically doubling the U. S. navy in five years. The first year's program contemplates the expenditure of \$248,000,000.

A dispatch from Athens says a British agent has unearthed a submarine base in the Gulf of Nauplia, southeast of Greece, from which it is believed here the submarines which recently sank allied transports have received their supplies.

A Petrograd dispatch says Russian forces have pierced the Austro-German lines on the Stripa river. They have already taken prisoner more than 2000 men and 60 officers and have captured four guns and ten rapid fire guns. The Russian advance is being pushed vigorously.

The following announcement of the dismissal of the Bulgarian minister to Great Britain was issued in London: "His Majesty's government announce that the Bulgarian minister has been handed his passports and that diplomatic relations between Great Britain and Bulgaria have been broken off."

Four boys were buried alive at Muncatine, Ia., when a cave they had excavated in the side of a hill collapsed. They were John Gauthier, 14; Charley Beckley, 13; Harry Davidson, 16, and Glen Thompson, 13 (colored). The youths' cries brought rescuers, but they were dead before the latter could reach them.

The hazing system has been abolished at the Annapolis naval academy by the voluntary action of the midshipmen of the three upper classes. Although no formal resolution was passed, it was said on authority that there was practical unanimity of opinion that the time had come when hazing should cease.

Admission that German losses have been heavy in the past few days on the western front is made by the correspondent of the German Tagblatt, who declares French attacks were carried out "with unprecedented vigor and courage." He estimates that within a brief period the French have fired more than 3,000,000 shells against the German lines.

Russians are bombarding Bulgarian ports with great energy.

Large forces of Germans and Austrians have invaded Serbia.

A shaggy-haired goat overestimated his fighting ability at the Portland zoo when he wandered into the buffalo paddocks and gave battle to one of the big male buffaloes. The goat's battered remains were taken to the city incinerator for cremation.

Total casualties of officers in the British army from the beginning of the war up to September 27 have reached a total of 17,074. Of this number 6176 were killed or had died of wounds, while 10,469 were wounded and 1429 were listed as missing.

Reports from the western front say that Moroccan soldiers captured by the Germans consider themselves guests of Germany and not prisoners, says the Overseas New Agency. They are opposed to France, which compels them to fight against their religious convictions.

Information reaches Geneva by way of Munich from a source which is regarded as reliable that Roumania will soon issue a decree for general mobilization.

An aeroplane coming from Bulgaria dropped numerous bombs on Nish, killing five persons and wounding two others. It then returned safely to Bulgaria.

Able German agents have convinced the general public of Greece that Germany is invincible, and the Greeks are not enthusiastic over going to war against the Teutons.

GABRIELE D'ANNUNZIO



The Austrian government has placed a price of \$4,000 on the head of Gabriele D'Annunzio, the poet who so strongly urged Italy to go to war with Austria and who now is serving as a lieutenant in a regiment of Italian lancers.

PRESIDENT URGES AMERICA FIRST IN MATTERS OF NATIONAL CONCERN

Washington, D. C.—A demand on all Americans, on penalty of ostracism, to be more than neutral in regard to the European war, to take their stand for America first, last and all the time, was voiced by President Wilson in a speech in celebration of the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The United States, the president said, was not merely trying to keep out of trouble, but was trying to preserve the foundations upon which peace could be rebuilt.

"Peace can be rebuilt," he added, "only upon the ancient and accepted principles of international law; only upon these things which remind nations of their duties to each other, and deeper than that, of their duties to mankind and humanity. America has a great cause which is not confined to the American continent. It is the cause of humanity itself."

Declaring his faith in the loyalty of the great body of naturalized citizens of foreign birth, the president said he believed the impression was too general that a large number of these citizens were without a sufficient affection for the American ideal.

"But I am in a hurry to have a lineup," he explained, "and let the men who are thinking first of other countries stand on one side and those who are for America first, last and all the time, on the other side."

Bulgarian Army Attacks Serbians

London.—A dispatch to the Times from Athens says that the Bulgarians began an attack on Serbia at Bariboghas near Kninshatz on Monday.

Paris.—Although Belgrade had been evacuated, the Matin's correspondent at Nish said, in a dispatch filed Sunday, the fighting continued stubbornly on the hills surrounding the city, some of which had been taken and retaken several times.

"Artillery on both sides," the dispatch says, "has been firing without respite for three days. The Serbs gained the advantage when they captured excellent positions near Topolzer and drove the Germans back on a suburb of Belgrade called Great Vratchar, where a fierce struggle is going on."

"The invaders threw more than 50,000 shells on Belgrade, sparing neither hospitals nor churches. Synagogues were destroyed and Jewish families who had taken refuge there were buried in the ruins. French artillery took part in the defense of the city. The British, with heavy guns, inflicted great losses on the Germans and sunk two monitors in the Danube."

"Near Ram, on the Danube, the Serbians were driven back with the loss of four howitzers and several machine guns."

War Supply Cargo Lost

Tokio.—One life, that of a third officer, was lost in the wreck of the British steamer Rufford Hall in a typhoon in the Tsuruga straits, while on her way from New York to Vladivostok. The steamer itself, which had a cargo of war supplies for Russia on board was a total loss.

The wrecking of the Rufford Hall was reported in a Tokio dispatch on October 8. At that time it was said that a lifeboat containing the officers and one passenger was missing.

Roumanians to Aid Allies

Paris.—Premier Briand, of Roumania, has given the Italian government to understand that Roumanian operations on the side of the entente may be considered certain, says a special dispatch from Rome. The Roumanian government, however, will choose its own time for taking the field against the Austro-Germans.

21,000 More British Fall

London.—British casualties reported since October 1 amount to more than 21,000. The week-end casualty list published Saturday gives 300 officers and 4500 men. This brings up the total casualties published in the London papers since the first of the month to 81 officers and 20,351 men.

OREGON STATE NEWS

Government Studies Sentiment in Railroad Land Grant Case

Eugene.—The United States government is making an investigation of sentiment in Oregon as to what should be done with the Oregon & California railroad grant lands. Attorney S. W. Williams, of the department of justice, arrived in Eugene to pass several days in Lane county. He will also visit all counties in which the land is located.

Upon his return to Washington Mr. Williams will make his report to the attorney-general, who will in all probability report to congress. He was accompanied by Eugene by Leonard Underwood, special agent of the department of the interior.

Mr. Williams met a number of Eugene bankers and business men at the commercial club. He stated briefly that his mission was to ascertain what the lands are best suited for and the views of the people in the section of the state most vitally interested as to what should be done with the lands.

Mr. Williams stated that if no action was taken by congress the railroad would be permitted to carry out the terms of the original grant. Those present at the meeting were not inclined to the view that congress should not take action.

Mr. Williams, for the purpose of suggestion, said that the removal of all restrictions upon the railroad, with a condition that the lands must be sold within a certain time, would result in the early sale of lands and make them available in the development of the state. The suggestion did not meet approval.

Fight Timber Tax Reductions

Oregon City.—The county will not submit tamely to big reductions in the assessments of the Weyerhaeuser, Collins estate and other big timber holdings and every case will be fought through the courts, declared District Attorney Hedges.

The Weyerhaeuser case, which was appealed from the board of equalization and lost in the circuit court Saturday, will be appealed to the supreme court, said Mr. Hedges, who believes that the county can prove its case before the higher tribunal. The court refused to reduce Assessor Jack's value of the timber, but cut the estimate 144,460,000 feet in five sections in question. The sections were not changed by the court. Between \$1100 and \$1200 is involved in the annual tax payments by the reductions ordered in the circuit court.

The case is considered important inasmuch as it opens the way for other big timber interests to fight for lower assessments. The county's figures are all based on the M. G. Nease cruise.

Governor Paroles Ten

Salem.—Ten paroles were issued Tuesday by Governor Withycombe upon recommendation of the parole board.

Those receiving them are: R. G. Magoon, committed from Columbia county for forgery; Fred Barnhart, committed from Jackson county for larceny; J. B. Gorton, committed from Umatilla county for forgery; Billy Lawrence, committed from Jackson county for larceny; Fay R. Smith, committed from Coos county for larceny; William Smith, committed from Malheur county for larceny; Frank Johnson, committed from Umatilla county for larceny; Samuel Dishaw, committed from Malheur county for larceny; Peter Kelly, committed from Umatilla county for larceny; Herbert S. Sullivan, committed from Clatsop county for assault.

Hatchery Improvement Advised

Roseburg.—As a result of a visit to the North Umpqua fish hatchery by Attorney-General George M. Brown, that official will probably recommend to the state fish commission the installation of a pumping plant there as an auxiliary to the present water supply. The running water for use in the hatchery is procured from a small creek, but in dry seasons is insufficient.

At present there are approximately 3,000,000 salmon eggs in the hatchery, according to Mr. Brown. On account of a scarcity of water, not more than 1,000,000 more eggs will be taken in this hatchery during the present year.

The attorney-general says he will probably make his recommendation to the state fish commission as soon as he returns to Salem.

Cattle Shipped to Fair

Salem.—On a special train early Wednesday morning, prize-winning herds at the Oregon state fair grounds left for the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco, where they will be entered in the international livestock competition. The run to San Francisco will be made in 40 hours.

Among the herds going to the fair were George Chandler's Herefords from Baker; Dave Looney's Guernseys from Jefferson; A. B. Gorton's Guernseys from Chinook; Wash, and William Bishop's Holsteins from Chimicum, Wash.

Pupils to Build Addition

Klamath Falls.—R. H. Dunbar, principal of the city schools, announces that the school board has just granted permission for the erection of a manual training building on the central school property. The new building will be 20x40 feet and will be constructed entirely by the advance students of the seventh and eighth grades in manual training who will work under the direction of Professor Luther A. King.

State Fair Shows Profit

Salem.—The Oregon state fair took in \$3000 above all expenses this year, according to W. A. Jones, secretary of the board. Of this sum \$1900 was paid out for expenses incurred last year, leaving a net balance of \$7000.

BANDITS' LOOT MAY REACH \$10,000,000

Men in Government Service Are Suspected of Complicity.

ROBBERS MAKE ESCAPE IN FAST AUTO

Ninety-Three Registered Packages of Money From U. S. Treasury Taken From Mail Sacks.

Cincinnati.—Not less than \$100,000 and maybe as much as \$10,000,000 was the amount of loot secured by bandits who held up Baltimore & Ohio train No. 1 at Central Station, W. Va., early Saturday.

This was the opinion expressed by postal officials in Cincinnati, after they had received official reports from the clerk in charge, Haines Huff, and the other two mail clerks, who were held at bay while the bandits made their escape with 93 registered packages containing money shipped from the United States treasury at Washington.

From statements made by the three postal clerks at Superintendent Clark, of the fifth division of the railway



This is Col. E. E. Hatch, commanding the Fourth Infantry, U. S. A., now at Brownsville, Tex.

mail service, and particularly from full and complete reports made later to Acting Inspector-in-charge Griswold, of the Cincinnati division of the post-office inspection service, there is strong indication that the members of the robber band, or some of them, were in, or closely connected with, the mail service or the treasury department.

Chronology of European War.

With the Russian naval attack upon the Bulgarian Black Sea port of Varna the countries now at war, with their dates of declarations or attacks, are:

- July 28, 1914, Austria against Serbia.
- August 1, 1914, Germany against Russia.
- August 2, 1914, Germany at war with Belgium.
- August 3, 1914, Germany against France.
- August 4, 1914, Great Britain against Germany.
- August 10, 1914, France against Austria.
- August 12, 1914, Great Britain against Austria.
- August 23, 1914, Japan against Germany.
- November 5, 1914, Great Britain against Turkey.
- May 23, 1915, Italy against Austria.
- August 20, 1915, Italy against Turkey.
- October 7, 1915, Russia at war with Bulgaria.
- Montenegro has been in a state of war with Austria since July 29, 1914.

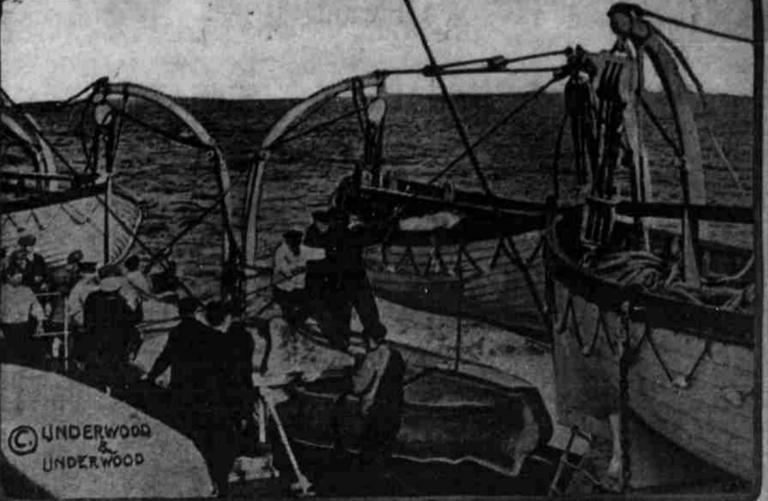
Social Workers Organize

Oakland, Cal.—Social workers of the Pacific slope, who met here as individuals, formed a permanent organization to be known as the Conference of Social Workers of the Western States, and selected Portland, Or., as their place of meeting next year. F. C. Nelles, superintendent of the Whitfield, Cal., State School for Boys, was elected president. Other officers were elected as follows: Dr. Susan J. Fenton, Oakland, first vice president; Mrs. Lola G. Baldwin, secretary; Mrs. John L. Covington, treasurer.

Germans to Arm Poles

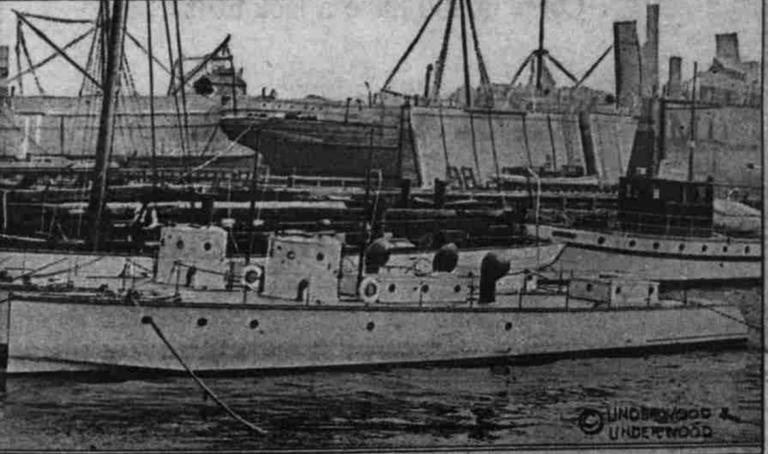
London.—In a dispatch from Petrograd, Reuter's correspondent says: "Polish refugees arriving here say that German officials declare that Poland will be surrounded by a triple line of trenches and barbed wire entanglements and that the Russians will be quite unable to dislodge them, for if there is a shortage of men the Germans will arm the entire masculine population of Poland and force them to fight the Russians."

LIFEBOAT DRILL ON IMPERILED LINER



Scene showing the daily lifeboat drill on board the White Star liner Lapland, crew and passengers all taking part. Just before the Lapland sailed from New York recently two glass bombs filled with high explosives were discovered in the cargo.

SUBMARINE CHASERS BUILT FOR THE RUSSIANS



These slim, white, high-powered motor boats, so light that they rest like bubbles on the water yet capable of making a speed of more than thirty-five miles an hour, are part of a large order being executed at Greenport, L. I. The vessels have been nicknamed "mosquitoes," because of their size and fleetness. They are to be used to overhaul the German submarines and put them out of commission, being equipped with rapid-firing guns for this purpose. The boats are 60 feet long with a beam of 10 feet, and float in 2 1/2 feet of water. The three big engines which drive the three propellers and the four gasoline tanks occupy the center section and leave no room for passage forward and aft beneath the deck. They are to be taken to Archangel, Russia, aboard vessels of the Caribbean and Southern line.

SHARING WITH HIS HORSES



An Italian soldier photographed as he was sharing his lunch with his beloved horses.

KILLED BY AN AUSTRIAN SHELL



These two Italians made a heroic attempt to cut the wire entanglements in front of an Austrian trench, but were hit and killed by a shell.

BEDSTEADS MADE OF DATE PALMS



So many wounded allies have been taken from the Dardanelles to Egypt that the erection of numerous temporary hospitals has become necessary. To equip these quickly, bedsteads were made of date palm trees. They are so comfortable and so light that they are as comfortable as if they had the best of modern springs. The photograph shows wagon loads of these beds on the way to a hospital.