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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.

Great Britain has decided to name a war committee.

The Swiss press believes peace negotiations are well under way.

Mexican bullets continue to cross the border and menace American troops.

O. A. C. football team defeats Michigan aggr. at Lansing, by a score of 14 to 0.

The American soldier who was shot recently by a Mexican, died of his wounds.

Germany again assures the world that her food supply is ample for any emergency.

Over 55,000,000 feet of lumber is carried from Columbia river mills during October.

New York, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts voted against woman suffrage by large majorities.

Many seamen fail to pass the test required by the LaFollette act, and shipping along the Pacific Coast is seriously hampered.

Jess Willard, heavyweight champion pugilist, will defend his title at New Orleans next March. He will fight Tommy Burns.

A Chicago paper has compiled a list of medicines in daily use, which shows an increase in price of more than 100 per cent since the war began.

A. J. Kingsley, president of the Manufacturers' and Land Products Show, now being held in Portland Armory, died suddenly of nervous breakdown.

Special treasury agents of Seattle have dug up in the backyard of a house in Blaine, on the Canadian border, 58 packages of cocaine and 37 packages of morphine, valued at several thousand dollars.

Seizure of the American steamship *Hocking* by a British cruiser off the Atlantic coast has brought to issue a question on which the positions of the United States and the entente allies are so far apart that some officials believe arbitration ultimately will have to be resorted to for settlement.

The national assembly of Panama, after a disorderly session, passed a bill authorizing President Porras to borrow \$1,250,000 in the United States with which to rehabilitate the fortunes of the country. The opposition endeavored to force the government to state the purpose for borrowing the money, which the government declined to do.

Governor Brewer, of Wisconsin, has pardoned 11 convicts, six of whom were serving life sentences for murder, because they had allowed themselves to be victims of pellagra experiments, by which the United States public health service has demonstrated that the disease is caused by an unbalanced diet and can be cured by a proper ration.

Heat songs and hymns will be sung in Portland cafes and saloons on New Year's eve if the plans of the Ministerial association, as suggested by R. P. Hutton, are carried out. He advocates keeping the churches open all night and serving coffee and light refreshments to all who care to partake of their hospitality. Cards will be issued inviting men to visit the churches. These will be distributed in all parts of the city, especially in the saloons, on the night of December 31.

The United States bonded warehouse on piers 34 and 35 of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad at Locust Point, Baltimore, Md., was destroyed by fire. Records were destroyed and estimates of the value of the contents of the warehouse varied between \$200,000 and \$400,000. The building and piers were valued at \$150,000.

Abandonment of little-used street-cars, so that the copper might be obtained for war purposes had been ordered by the municipality of Kiel, Germany, according to a Reuters dispatch from Copenhagen, which declares that the work of tearing up three streets for this purpose has begun and 3000 metres of cable weighing approximately 4000 kilos (nearly seven tons) will thus be available.

By the death of an uncle, Clifford Pinchot, of U. S. forestry fame, becomes heir to \$250,000.

Spokane women will make war in every way possible against "tin soldiers" and military toys of all kinds.

Mrs. John Asvedo, wife of a San Rafael, Cal., dairyman, gave birth to her 13th child in 13 years Friday. The newest Asvedo is a husky 10-pound boy.

It is reported in New York that the six German officers who escaped from the interned cruiser *Kronprinz Wilhelm* have been captured by a British warship.

Nine Die as Steamer Santa Clara Goes Aground on Coos Bay Shoals

Marshfield, Or. — Nine lives are known to have been lost late Tuesday when the passenger steamer *Santa Clara*, from Portland to San Francisco, went aground on the south spit near the entrance to Coos Bay. The dead may number more.

There were 48 passengers aboard and the crew numbered 42. The greater number of lives were lost when two small boats, trying to leave the foundered steamer, were capsized by the heavy sea.

Several thrilling rescues were made, while others died within view of persons engaged in rescue.

The *Santa Clara*, according to the mate, who was saved, struck a shoal that evidently had been thrown up in the channel by recent heavy winds. The vessel was swerved from her course and thrown onto the south spit, half a mile inside the bar.

Captain Lofstedt and six men, who were in one of the overturned boats and who were thought drowned, got back to the *Santa Clara* and were rescued by the coast guard with a breeches buoy.

Eight bodies have been recovered, but it is feared there will be more.

Mrs. Gale Grayson, of Portland, and Mrs. E. K. Rooney and Mrs. Hale, of South Bend, Ind., are missing. Among the survivors there are many who are suffering from injuries and exposure. Crowded into a little Summer cottage at Bastedorff beach, 12 miles from aid and medical attention, four women and three little boys were being worked over during the night to bring back a spark of life, while the only light was two lanterns.

Sailors who had come safely through the surf for half a mile from the *Santa Clara* wreck were groping about in the dark for other victims of the disaster.

Teutons Capture Mines

London — Germany and Austria are likely to obtain ample supplies of copper from Serbia, according to Chedo Miyatovich, ex-Serbian minister to London. There also are anthracite mines in the Timok valley.

M. Miyatovich, in a statement to the Standard, says the Serbian army can hold out in the mountains a month longer, and that the invaders are likely to find little booty in a country exhausted by years of warfare, except what they take from the copper and gold fields.

TUESDAY'S ELECTION RETURNS

Bay State is Republican.

Boston — Samuel W. McCall, Republican, was elected governor, defeating Governor David L. Walsh, Democrat, in a close contest.

The total vote for governor is: Clark, Progressive, 7022; McCall, Republican, 236,305; Shaw, Prohibition, 19,471; Walsh, Democrat, 223,942. For suffrage: Yes, 162,351; no, 294,953.

The remainder of the Republican state ticket was elected, and the Republicans made a net gain of 12 seats in the lower branch of the legislature, with no change in the senate.

New York Republican.

New York — The voters of the Empire State defeated unequivocally the proposal to adopt a new state constitution. The vote against this measure was estimated to be at least 250,000.

Republicans retained their majority in the assembly, naming 98 of the 150 members. They also won all of the congressional elections made necessary by deaths in three districts, the Twenty-sixth, Thirty-first and Thirty-sixth. Returns from 18 of the larger cities in the state show 12 Republican, five Democratic and one Socialist mayors elected.

Democrats Gain in Maryland.

Baltimore — Incomplete returns indicated a Democratic victory. E. C. Harrington was leading the Republican nominee, E. O. Weller, by a margin which indicated a final majority of from 5000 to 7000. The county vote was very late. Albert C. Ritchie, Democrat, for attorney general, was far ahead of the ticket in Baltimore.

Republicans Win in Jersey.

Trenton, N. J. — The election in New Jersey involved mainly the control of the next legislature. State senators were elected in six counties. The Republicans elected three — in Burlington, Cape May and Passaic — and this will make the next state senate stand 13 Republicans to eight Democrats — a gain of two.

Ohio Defeats Prohibition.

Columbus, O. — For the second time in two years, Ohio voters rejected a state-wide prohibition amendment to the constitution. Estimates based on partial returns received up to midnight show that the proposal was defeated by a majority which may reach 40,000. Last year's majority against prohibition was 34,000.

Dry Legislators Elected.

Richmond, Va. — Results from the election of members of the Virginia assembly show that there will be a heavy majority in the senate and house pledged to the enactment of prohibition legislation effective when the state goes dry by constitutional amendment November 1, 1916.

Both Sides Claim Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky. — With both Democrats and Republicans claiming victory by from 10,000 to 15,000 votes, unofficial returns showed ex-representative Stanley P. Henderson, Democrat, and Edwin P. Morrow, of Somerset, Republican, running a close race for governor.

CHINA IS WARNED AGAINST MONARCHY

Japan, England, France, Russia
Join in Representations.

DELAY URGED BY EUROPEAN POWERS

Chinese Foreign Minister Says Vote
Has Been Called for and Delay
Would Invite a Rebellion.

Tokyo.—Official announcement was made by the foreign office Saturday that Japan had requested China to postpone the project for re-establishment of a monarchical form of government.

The foreign office statement lays emphasis on the assertion that if Yuan Shi Kai maintains the status quo and continues progressive policies order will be completely restored, but expresses the fear that the move to form a monarchy will seriously endanger the interests of the powers, especially those of Japan, "who stands in special relations with China."

It is understood that Great Britain, France and Russia have made similar representations.

The foreign office statement declares an undercurrent of opposition to a monarchy exists among the Chinese, and that it is far stronger than has been imagined. In fact, the foreign office says, a feeling of unrest is spreading in all parts of China.

Emphasis is placed on the strong desire of Japan that peace shall prevail in the Orient, especially in this era of war among the people of the Occident. It is said that the warning is couched in solemn, but not threatening, terms.

China's reply, made to the Japanese charge d'affaires at Peking by Foreign Minister Lu Cheng Hsing, is said to have indicated that the government, having called on the people to vote, would not delay action if they decided in favor of a return to the monarchical form. Delay in crowning Yuan, it was said, would cause a revolt and give Japan an excuse to land troops.

National Convention Dates Set by Chairmen of Two Political Parties

New York.—Chairmen of both the democratic and republican national committees have issued calls for meetings in Washington to select cities for the coming conventions.

The democrats will meet on December 7 and the republicans December 14.

In addition to issuing his call, Chairman Hill, of the republican national committee, set forth the probable line of campaign to be followed by his party. It will include:

An attack on the Democratic tariff. Criticism of the administration's handling of affairs in Europe and in Mexico.

Charges that democracy has failed to keep its promise of an economical administration, and has failed to keep its 1912 platform pledges, including the declaration in favor of a single term for the president.

Attack on the administration's government ship bill and other administration measures.

Idaho Mailcarrier Kills Five, Then Sends Bullet into His Own Head

Boise, Idaho.—William Cameron, formerly proprietor of the Carey, Idaho, hotel and livery stable and mail carrier between Placido and Carey, shot and killed his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Adamson, his brother-in-law, James Adamson, his little daughter, aged 18 months, and his wife, and finished his bloody work by shooting himself in the head, at Carey. Cameron is still alive, but there are no hopes for his recovery.

All of his victims were shot in the head with a revolver, and, with the exception of James Adamson, all died instantly. Cameron's wife was suing him for divorce, and had left him and returned to her parents' home.

Japan is in War Post.

Tokyo.—The Japanese government has published official correspondence which shows that Japan has joined Great Britain, France and Russia in their declaration, made September 5, 1914, not to conclude a peace separately during the present war or to demand conditions of peace without a previous agreement with the other powers of the alliance.

The correspondence shows that Japan adhered to this agreement October 19 in London, on the invitation of the entente allies.

British Army is Healthy.

London.—England's splendid sanitation and the unprecedented healthfulness of the British army is a saving feature in England's status in the present war, according to a statement by Sir James Crichton-Browne, an eminent medical authority, before the Sanitary Inspectors' association. "With a larger army in the field than ever before," the speaker said, "the percentage of disease is lower than in time of peace."

Lincoln Gun Brings \$285.

New York.—A rifle purchased by Abraham Lincoln and Henry Broome for \$15 when they lived in Spencer county, Indiana, and which was used by the famous war president in deer hunting, brought \$285 in a sale of Lincoln relics here. It was a part of the collection of John E. Burton, of Milwaukee. One of Lincoln's law books sold for \$95.

OREGON STATE NEWS

Oregon State Now Has 161 Standard High Schools

Salem.—Oregon now has 161 standard high schools, it was announced by J. A. Churchill, superintendent of public instruction. The work of standardization has been prosecuted by the state department of education for the last year, and but 50 four-year high schools now remain which have not met the standardization requirements. There are many one, two or three-year high schools, offering courses beyond the eighth grade, but these are known as one, two or three-year secondary schools.

Under the new high school law, districts maintaining standard high schools are entitled to receive tuition for pupils attending schools there, but residing in districts not having high schools. This law exempts counties maintaining the county high school fund, but for such counties the state board of education is required to establish the standard for high schools entitled to a share of the county high school fund, therefore the list given includes all the standard schools of the state.

In order to be standard a high school must have four years of work; have not less than 250 reference books for the library, chosen from the state library list for high schools; one standard encyclopedia, and sufficient number of dictionaries and the proper laboratory for each science offered. The teachers must hold certificates entitling them to teach in high schools and all high schools must follow the state course of study or a course approved by the state board of education.

Polk County Town Rapidly Extending Business Scope

Falls City.—The extension in business operations in this city, an influx of settlers to the timbered regions of the Siletz valley, increased acreage in prunes and smaller fruits, and the introduction of the dairy industry into the western section of Polk county mark the advent of a new period in the economic history of Falls City and the vast surrounding territory.

This city, in the heart of Polk county, 15 miles west of the Willamette river, at the falls of the North Luckiamute, is one of the logging centers of Polk county. With the erection of a mill here in 1905 a growing business began. Douglas fir from the regions about Black Rock was sent here and a specialty has since been made of the fir lumber product. Under normal operating conditions the Falls City Lumber company employs approximately 500 men.

The average output of the Falls City mill is 100,000 feet a day, approximately 3,500,000 feet a month. Three years ago the shipments to outside points reached a record of 20,000,000 feet. Trees from 12 to 25 feet in circumference commonly are cut and the logs between Falls City and the Siletz Basin are of an exceptionally good quality.

Site for Evaporating Plant Is Cleared at The Dalles

The Dalles.—The work of removing the old buildings from the new site of the local evaporating plant of the Dri-Fresh company has been begun.

Started here a year ago, the evaporator proved such a success that the company found it necessary to triple the size of its plant. The Dalles Business Men's association offered to purchase a new location for the company in view of the enlargement and bought property west of Jefferson street and north of the O.-W. R. & N. Co. tracks, which was formerly the site of The Dalles Box & Lumber company, which was wiped out of existence a few years ago by fire.

The Dri-Fresh company dries all kinds of fruits and vegetables. It recently received an order from a Chicago concern for 35 carloads of dried apples. It will operate its new plant, which will be 150x75 feet, all year, employing from 100 to 300 persons, depending on the kind of fruit or vegetable which is being evaporated.

Roseburg Work to Begin.

Roseburg.—That the government intends to begin actual work on Roseburg's new Federal building was intimated in a letter received here. Instructions were contained in the letter to vacate the Federal site within 60 days. The site is at present occupied by two dwellings. It is understood that the plans are now about completed. The building will be 95x90 feet and probably will be three stories high. It will house the United States land office, postoffice, forestry office, weather bureau and Indian office.

Simple Spelling in Schools Asked.

Salem.—Urging the adoption of simplified spelling in the public schools of Oregon, George H. Denton, professor of German in Reed College, Portland, wrote to J. A. Churchill, superintendent of public instruction. Professor Denton's plan is to submit a few specially chosen words to the schools each year until the entire simplified spelling system is adopted. Superintendent Churchill is considering the suggestion.

Old Graham Building Burns.

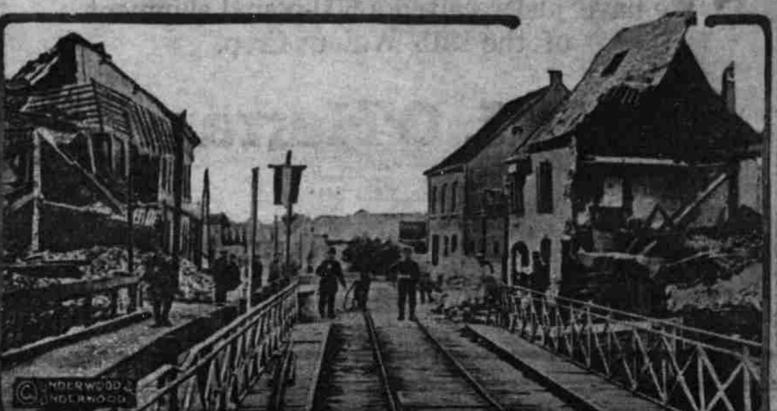
Gresham.—Fire early Wednesday morning partially destroyed one of Gresham's best known buildings, owned by Charles McCarty and erected 25 years ago. At different times it has been used as a cannery, cheese factory, laundry and rooming house.

FUNERAL OF SUBMARINE F-4 VICTIMS



Funeral procession of the members of the crew of the American submarine F-4 who perished when the vessel sank in Honolulu harbor, on its way to Arlington National cemetery at Washington.

BRIDGE AT LILLE IS TARGET FOR ALLIES



This photograph shows the railroad bridge at Lille which trains use in communication with Lens. To prevent the Germans from rushing re-enforcements to the battle lines at Lens, allied aviators have several times severely bombarded this bridge and held up all railroad traffic. Notice the ruined houses which still stand a monument to the fighting between the French and the Germans in this section.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S BRIDE-ELECT



This is Mrs. Norman Galt, who is to become the wife of President Wilson, probably in December. She is an attractive and wealthy widow, of southern birth, who has lived most of her life in Washington.

SETS NEW WALKING RECORD



Anxious to see his relatives in Bay Ridge, Brooklyn, Robert Burns of Eureka, Cal., has just completed a 3,640-mile walk from the Pacific to the Atlantic in 89 days, incidentally hopping off 82 days from the record for this feat, which was set up by Edward Payson Weston, the famous septuagenarian walker.

ON A FLOODED ROAD IN FRANCE



British transport wagon dashing along a flooded road in northern France, the "Tommy" lying down to avoid getting drenched.

Not Cause of Cancer.

Explaining why such substances as soot, arsenic, tobacco, petroleum and some aniline dyes produce cancer, Dr. H. C. Ross of the Lister Institute, London, writes to Nature "that the terms, 'industrial cancer,' 'smoker's cancer,' 'arsenic cancer,' etc., namely the diseases caused by the commodities mentioned, refer in reality only to a predisposition to the disease. The commodities themselves do not actually cause cancer; they merely render the tissues prone to it, which seems to occur in a specific manner. The commodities always in the first instance produce cell-proliferation, usually in the nature of a warty growth, and it is not until an open ulcer has appeared, generally at the base of the wart, that malignancy supervenes."