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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 is considering laws to
enforce domestic economy.

Lord Northcliffe predicts a crisis in
America, after the European war is
over.

It is declared that America is far
behind other nations in giving aid to
the Belgians.

A large meteor falls near El Centro,
Cal., causing a shock similar to an
earthquake.

The new premier of Greece gives assurances
to the allies that her neutrality
will be sincerely benevolent.

A girl student of Berkeley college
discovered the art of living on good
diet at a cost of only 15 cents a day.

Portland police have discovered that
a woman burglar has been operating in
the fashionable Nob Hill residence district.

Eight American soldiers on the Mexican
border are fired on from ambush.
Three fingers of one soldier were shot
away.

After being a fugitive for 36 years
a man aged 50 years in Springfield,
Ill., has confessed to the charge of
murder.

Medford, Ore., voters defeated paving
bonds of \$1,030,000 by 108. Four-
teen hundred and seventy-eight votes
were cast.

The plight of the Serbian army is
said to be more acute since the Ger-
mans and Austrians have gained an in-
road to Constantinople.

The board of health of New York
City estimates that it would cost
\$385,000 to exterminate the mosquito
pest within its borders.

Washington learns that Mexico is
returning to normal conditions and law
and order are restored in the larger
cities under Carranza control.

A Bucharest dispatch by way of
Geneva says that 60,000 Albanians are
preparing to attack the Serbians in
the rear at Monastir and Pristina.

The coronation services of the 123rd
ruler of Japan, Yoshihito, were held
in Kyoto, Japan, Wednesday, attended
by myetic and impressive ceremony.

Pearls valued at nearly \$100,000
were stolen from the strongbox on the
French Line steamer Rochambeau,
just before her arrival in New York on
November 2 last.

Spokane by an initiative measure,
proposes to reduce the city commis-
sioners' salaries from \$5000 a year to
\$3600. It seems the measure will
meet little opposition.

New York policemen are to be fur-
nished rifles and trained in marksmanship.
The purpose is to make them
good marksmen in case their services
are needed in national defense.

Miss Ellen Gates Starr, founder of
Hull House, Chicago, was placed under
arrest with others, on a charge of dis-
orderly conduct while picketing the
tailoring plants whose employes went
on strike.

"Health cars," from which all win-
dows have been removed to permit
free ventilation, have been so popular
after brief trial on the elevated roads
in Chicago, that they are to be tried on
the surface lines.

A British steamer, believed to be
the Rio Lagos, is afire off Halifax,
N. S.

A piece of apple which lodged in the
throat of a 3-year-old lad of Richland,
Ore., caused his death.

Both Democrats and Republicans are
claiming victory in Kentucky. Fraud
is charged and a recount is likely.

New York anti-suffragists have de-
cided to keep a lobby in Washington,
D. C., during the next session of con-
gress.

German aircraft make an attack on
a British merchantman, using bombs
and a machine gun. No damage is re-
ported.

Reports from New York show that
diamonds are becoming plentiful in
this country, owing to the fact that
many Europeans are selling their pre-
cious stones.

A ripple of joy and excitement was
manifest in monkeydom at the Oaks
park, Portland, recently, when a baby
monkey was born. The new addition
is said to be worth \$500.

The entire Greek cabinet has re-
signed and it is predicted that the
Chamber will be dissolved. The na-
tion is facing a crisis and the future
seems to rest with the king.

A newspaper writer just home from
the seat of war declares that both
sides are "pinched;" Russia is in the
throes of revolution; Germany needs
more men, and England is asleep.

DEMOCRATIC HOUSE LEADER WILL OPPOSE DEFENSE PROGRAM

Washington, D. C.—Representative
Claude Kitchin, Democratic leader of
the house, told President Wilson
Wednesday, after a long conference
with him, that he could not support
the administration's program for Na-
tional defense and that he would op-
pose the program in a personal capac-
ity only and not as a majority leader.
Mr. Kitchin was with the President
more than an hour, during which Mr.
Wilson outlined to him the army and
navy plans for the next session of con-
gress and for the next five years, and
sought to influence the majority leader
to be in harmony with them.

"All I can say," said Representative
Kitchin, as he left the White House,
"is that I very much regret that I
cannot support the President's
National defense program. The plans
do not meet with my convictions, par-
ticularly with reference to the navy.
I shall make it a clear exposition of
my views as soon as congress convenes,
in a speech in the house," he replied.
"Of course, I shall not attempt to op-
pose the program as the majority
leader, but merely in my personal capac-
ity."

Mr. Kitchin said he thought it prob-
able that the majority would favor the
defense program.

SENATOR LEE S. OVERMAN



Senator Lee S. Overman, chairman
of the senate rules committee and one
of the administration's leaders in the
senate, has announced himself as a
supporter of a program for military
preparedness.

English Nobleman in Speech Assails Great Britain's Policy

London—The debate on the conduct
of the war and the censorship was re-
sumed in the house of lords late
Wednesday. Earl Loreburn, former
high chancellor, brought up the sub-
ject, declaring that he took this action
owing to his belief that the Marquis of
Lansdowne, the minister without
portfolio, had not made adequate reply
to arguments of Viscount Morley.

Earl Loreburn spoke of what he
termed the misadventures of the Ant-
werp expedition, the loss of Rear Ad-
miral Sir Christopher Cradock's squad-
ron, the Dardanelles operations and
the Balkan expedition. "The speaker
said he had been told two months ago
that 15,000,000 men had been killed or
disabled for life and that multitudes
had been added to this number since
and that if the conflict continued in-
definitely 'revolution or anarchy' might
follow in Europe."

Lord Loreburn, who criticized the
South African war, oddly enough
found himself supported by Viscount
Milner, former high commissioner for
South Africa, who was one of those
largely responsible for the South Afri-
can war.

Army Wants No Miners

London—Official notice has been
posted in all coal mines stating that
such a large number of miners have al-
ready joined the army that "the supply
of coal, which is of national interest,
is seriously affected." Hereafter coal
miners offering themselves as recruits
will be accepted only on condition that
they continue to work in the mines un-
till called upon. "The miners, one and
all, must remember," the notice reads,
"that upon their efforts the success of
the country depends no less than upon
the men who serve with the forces."

Fret Alaskan Train Run

Seward, Alaska—The first train over
the government's Alaskan railroad ran
Wednesday between Seward and Mile
Twenty-Nine, carrying passengers,
mail and freight destined to the Idita-
rod. From Mile Twenty-Nine the
travelers will go into the interior by
dog team. The portion of the road
planned in operation was part of the
old Alaska Central, taken over by the
government and rehabilitated.

OREGON STATE NEWS SENDS NAVY ORDER BY WIRELESS PHONE

Summary Government Crop
Report for Oregon and U. S.

Washington, D. C.—A summary of
preliminary estimates of crop produc-
tion and prices, for the state of Ore-
gon and for the United States, com-
piled by the bureau of crop estimates,
and transmitted through the Weather
Bureau, U. S. Department of Agricul-
ture, is as follows:

WHEAT—State: Estimate this year,
17,864,000 bushels; final estimate last
year, 16,604,000; price November 1 to
producers, 84c; year ago, 95c.

United States: Estimate this year,
1,002,000,000 bushels; final estimate
last year, 891,000,000; November 1
price 93.1c; year ago, 97.2c.

OATS—State: Estimate this year
15,456,000 bushels; final estimate last
year, 12,740,000; price November 1 to
producers 36c; year ago 40c.

United States: Estimate this year
1,517,000,000 bushels; final estimate
last year, 1,141,000,000; Novem-
ber 1 price, 34.9c; year ago, 42.9c.

BARLEY—State: Estimate this
year, 4,788,000 bushels; final estimate
last year, 3,660,000; price November
1 to producers, 52c; year ago, 56c.

United States: Estimate this year,
236,682,000 bushels; final estimate
last year, 194,958,000; November 1
price, 50.1c; year ago, 51.7c.

POTATOES—State: Estimate this
year, 6,120,000 bushels; final estimate
last year, 4,753,000; price November 1
to producers, 52c bushel; year ago, 64c.

United States: Estimate this year,
350,000,000 bushels; final estimate
last year, 405,921,000; November 1
price, 55.8c; year ago, 52.8c.

APPLES—State: Estimate this
year, 1,040,000 barrels; final estimate
last year, 1,134,000; price October 15
to producers, 85c bushel; year ago,
70c.

United States: Estimate this year,
76,700,000 barrels; final estimate last
year, 84,400,000 barrels; price Octo-
ber 15 to producers, \$2.14 barrel; year
ago, \$1.79.

More detailed data concerning crop
production, quality, and prices will be
published in the "Monthly Crop Re-
port" of the U. S. Department of Agricul-
ture.

Big Timber Deal Is Reported From Eastern Oregon Section

Prineville—The development of the
lumber industry in Central Oregon is
expected to cause an immense increase
in the business and population in
Prineville. Reliable information con-
firms the rumor that the Roger You-
mans Lumber company has practically
completed its trade with the United
States government, by which the lum-
ber company will exchange a large
amount of scattered lands and get a
solid block of about 40,000 acres of
valuable timber in what is known as
the Ochoco forest reserve.

The company will have in the neigh-
borhood of 300,000,000 feet, which
will have to be milled within 20 years
and will necessitate immediate con-
struction of a sawmill and railroad.
Two mill sites are under consideration,
one of which is in Prineville, which
the business men of Prineville no
doubt will donate to the company, and
the other is about 20 miles above
Prineville on the Ochoco river.

Pension Allowed Widow

Salem—The claim of Mrs. Hazel
McCune, whose husband, Claude Mc-
Cune, was killed in Portland August
20, while he was in the employ of the
Shaver Transfer company, has been
settled by the State Industrial Acci-
dent Insurance commission. The
widow is 21 years old and to provide
for her at the rate of \$30 a month
throughout the period of her expect-
ancy of 41 years, the commission set-
tled \$7281 at 4 per cent interest. If
Mrs. McCune lives 41 years and does
not remarry she will receive \$14,985
from the state. One daughter, aged
4, will receive \$6 a month until she is
16 years old, \$681.11 being set aside
for this purpose.

Ask Swine Breeders' Aid

Oregon swine breeders can help the
problem of good breeding stock for
girls and boys of the pig clubs by
sending to the club leader at O. A. C.,
Corvallis, a list of brood sows and
gilts that they have for sale. This
should also help the breeders find a
market for their surplus breeding
stuff. When these lists are received
by the agent he will send them to club
members making inquiries. Lists
should be detailed enough to give in-
tending purchasers an idea of the qual-
ity and other necessary points. Either
pure bred or high grades may be
listed for sale. Address lists to L. J.
Allen, Pig Club Leader, O. A. C., Cor-
vallis, Ore.

May Send Display to Portland

Hood River—According to plans an-
nounced to members of the Commer-
cial club by C. N. Raylin, the huge
apple displayed by the Hood River
Commercial club in the Palace of Hor-
ticulture at the Panama-Pacific Ex-
position, may be placed on permanent
display in Portland. Through a large
window in one side of the apple, which
stands about 15 feet high, is shown a
panoramic view of the Hood River val-
ley with Mount Hood in the back-
ground. The Columbia river in the
foreground is shown.

INGENIOUS DEVICE USED BY THE FRENCH

Experiment Foreshadows Day of
Commands to Fleets.

SECRETARY DANIELS TALKS TO ADMIRAL

Other Stations Overhear and Copy
Conversation—Every-Day Desk
Phone Used by Speaker.

Washington, D. C.—Secretary Dan-
iels transmitted Saturday the first
naval order ever sent by wireless tel-
ephone to Rear Admiral Usher at the
New York navy yard.

From his desk in the Navy depart-
ment, the secretary talked to the com-
mandant of the New York navy yard
by way of the big government radio
towers at Arlington and ordered a re-
port on repairs to the dreadnought
New York.

Navy officials say the accomplish-
ment brings closer the day when the

COUNT OKUMA



In a message to the international
peace congress at San Francisco,
Count Okuma, Japanese premier, de-
clared there was no hope for peace
"as long as there exist nations or in-
dividuals who believe or exult them-
selves as absolutely superior to others,
and to assert that superiority do not
hesitate to appeal to material forces."

secretary of the navy may sit at his
desk in Washington and talk to the
fleet commanders all over the world.

Secretary Daniels transmitted this
verbal order, which was taken down
by a stenographer in Admiral Usher's
office and acknowledged verbally by the
admiral himself.

"Rear Admiral Usher, comman-
dant, New York navy yard: Report as
soon as practicable after the arrival of
the New York how soon can the re-
pairs required be completed."

"DANIELS."

Navy wireless stations in all parts
of the country were eavesdropping to
catch the conversation. While Sec-
retary Daniels was still talking with
Admiral Usher, the Charleston, S. C.,
station telegraphed that the order had
been overheard and copied there.

The instrument used was the regular
desk telephone on Mr. Daniels' desk.
It carried the sound to the great Ar-
lington, Virginia, radio station, where
the transfer was made automatically
by delicate mechanism and the voices
of the speakers hurled out into the air
to be audible thousands of miles away
by the radio operator, whose set hap-
pened to be tuned to the right pitch
and who was listening.

To all appearances it was an ordi-
nary long-distance telephone conversa-
tion. No effort was made to subdue
the hum of voices in Secretary Dan-
iels' office, and apparently the noise
did not affect the clearness of the
voices as heard in New York. Replies
to questions came back instantly and
with little need for repetition.

Greek Premier Resigns

London—King Constantine has again
offered the premiership to M. Zaimis,
who had resigned on the defeat of his
ministry in the chamber, according to
a Reuter dispatch from Athens. M.
Zaimis refused to accept the offer and
a council of ministers was called, the
dispatch adds. M. Zaimis refused to
retain the post, the correspondent says,
originally. Although he had provision-
ally accepted the premiership to
ease the situation, he was determined,
he declared, to abstain from taking an
active part in internal politics.

Philippine Official Quits

Baltimore—General Clinton L.
Riggs, of this city, a member of the
Philippine commission and secretary
of commerce and police, announced
that he had resigned his post and that
his resignation had been accepted by
the President. General Riggs said
that he took this step because he
"found it impossible to submit my
views and actions to the apparent
wishes of the administration, as ex-
pressed by the governor general."



The ingenious device here shown was constructed for use of the French army. It is a rotary anti-aircraft mitrailleuse mounted on a cartwheel and supported on a barrel.

FRENCH BATTERY IN THE ARGONNE REGION



French mitrailleuse battery in the Argonne region, well concealed and firing on the enemy.

GETTING THE RANGE OF THE GERMANS



British observation officers with a range-finder noting the elevation at which the guns must be fired to strike the position of the Germans.

TAKEN TO ENGLAND TO RECUPERATE



Many wounded East Indians are taken to Bournemouth, England, to recuperate. A boatload of them is here shown going ashore.

SIR PERTAB SINGH



Loyal to the empire, the East In-
dians are doing their full share to-
ward winning final victory for the
entente allies in the great war. Early
in the war when the expeditionary
forces were being mobilized and
equipped, Sir Pertab Singh, a seventy-
year-old Indian prince who had seen
active service in the past, organized
and equipped at his own expense al-
most an army corps of his subjects
and offered both himself and his men
to King George. Sir Pertab Singh has
distinguished himself with his com-
mand with the British forces in
France.

A Terrible Thought

"I see when a man runs for office
he has to put himself in the hands
of his friends."
"Yes, my dear."
"If a woman ran would she have
to put herself in the hands of her
woman friends?"
"I suppose so."
"Well, I don't imagine many wom-
en will run. Think of getting such
chances!"—Louisville Courier-Jour-
nal.