

WORLD HAPPENINGS OF CURRENT WEEK

Brief Resume Most Important Daily News Items.

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Events of Noted People, Governments and Pacific Northwest, and Other Things Worth Knowing.

Oil has been discovered in the Tatum district near Tuxpan, state of Vera Cruz.

The United States supreme court announced Monday it would recess from December 10 to January 2.

The 13 convicts who escaped from the Kansas state penitentiary late Sunday by burrowing through an abandoned tunnel are still at liberty.

Besides having his message to congress broadcast to the four corners of the United States, President Coolidge may get back a permanent record of it registered on a long string of piano wire.

The finding of a boy's skeleton, together with evidence making identification positive, in a swamp near Greeley, Pike county, Pennsylvania, brought to an end a search of more than eight years.

An unknown man, believed to be a tramp, was burned to death in a fire that destroyed the farmers' warehouse elevator at Irbey, Wash., Tuesday. Loss on the building, which was empty, was fixed at \$10,000 to \$12,000.

Charles Kunkel, internationally known pianist, and ranked nationally as one of the leading music publishers, died in St. Louis Monday at the age of 83 years. Mr. Kunkel was a native of Germany.

Prohibition agents are not civil officers in any strict or constitutional sense, Federal Judge Woodrough of Omaha declared Tuesday in a written opinion. He also stated they are without lawful authority to serve search warrants.

One of the articles of Tutankhamen's funerary state in which moderns, especially women, will take a sentimental as well as artistic interest, is the Pharaoh's great ostrich feather fan, now awaiting treatment in the tomb of Seti II, which has been fitted up as a laboratory.

Signor Marconi, pioneer in the field of wireless communication, declares his belief that a revolution in the methods employed for communication with distant countries would be possible as the outcome of important tests carried out by himself and C. S. Franklin, the British expert.

A duel with opees, ending in a trickle of blood from one of the rivals' right forearm, and kissing and reconciliation between the two antagonists, took place Tuesday at Varenne, St. Hillaire on the Marne, between Signor Beretti, a Corsican statesman, and Henri Omessa, a Corsican editor.

The work of finding the bodies of the 600 or more victims of the Bergamo, Italy, flood disaster continues over the extended zone devastated by the waters, but the rescue parties are encountering difficulties. The water has receded, leaving Bergamo valley buried under several feet of mud.

Crude oil waste from the Arkansas oil fields, flowing on the surface of the Ouachita river, is causing the death of thousands of wild ducks, according to hunters who have been along the stream north of Monroe. The oil gums the feathers of the birds, making it impossible for them either to fly or swim.

Broadus White Sox, a senior yearling Aberdeen Angus steer owned by A. A. Armstrong of Camargo, Ill., Tuesday was crowned the grand champion of the International Livestock show at Chicago. In accordance with the custom, the fate of the grand champion is to be slaughtered for Christmas beef.

The tariff commission reported to congress Monday that rate changes on 127 commodities had been applied for thus far under the flexible provisions of the tariff law. Thirty-four of the applications were for changes in rates on chemicals. Investigations into rate schedules ordered by the commission number 33.

Mrs. Ethel G. Gilkisen of South Portland, Me., placed her 10-month-old daughter on the redhot coals in her kitchen stove Tuesday, the police said, because she believed that spirits from God had called for the sacrifice of the baby and that she "soon was to follow." Neighbors heard the screams of her other children and rescued the infant.

DRIVE STARTS IN MEXICO

Revolutionists Forming to Advance on Capital of Country.

Vera Cruz.—The column of revolutionists, proceeding by way of the inter-oceanic railway for Mexico City, is taking with it four batteries of 75-millimeter guns and four batteries of machine guns, in addition to sufficient ammunition for both categories. The column was able to increase its gun power from pieces obtained from the San Juan de Ulua castle and from the warships in the harbor here.

Another column of troops, said to be under the personal command of General Guadalupe Sanchez, is being formed and will go toward the capital by way of the Mexican railway to aid the columns already advancing.

Advices from the port of Frontera said that Colonel Vivanio was carrying out the orders sent him by revolutionary headquarters here to march on Villa Hermosa, capital of the state of Tabasco, against Governor Garrido, a follower of President Obregon.

Wireless communication between headquarters in Vera Cruz and the headquarters of General Enrique Estrada, commander of the western forces, was being freely carried out.

Among the new prisoners who arrived here Monday from Jalapa, which was captured by the revolutionists Saturday, is Angel Casarin, who was acting governor of the state in the absence in Mexico City of Governor Tejada.

New Boiler Reduces Electric Cost Half

Hartford, Conn.—Production of electricity for power and lighting purposes at approximately one-half the present financial cost by the use of the new mercury boiler process, the success of which was recently announced by the inventor, William Leroy Emmet of the General Electric company, was demonstrated here before representatives of the press at the Dutch Point plant of the Hartford Electric Light company. Representatives of the company, who have been operating the only commercial mercury boiler in existence as part of the local plant, explained the process, which was described by them as revolutionary and the greatest advance in this respect since the invention of the steam turbine.

How soon it will be possible to pass this decreased cost of production on to the consumer in form of reduced rates for electricity was said to be dependent entirely on the possibility of producing mercury boilers for commercial purposes. While still in an experimental stage they stated the operation of the boiler as a unit of the Hartford plant has been entirely successful.

The production of enough mercury to take care of the demand which will follow the manufacture of mercury boilers was admitted to be another problem which might enter into the general commercial use of the new process.

Bonds to Be Offered.

Tacoma, Wash.—The Tacoma municipal sinking fund board, composed of Mayor A. V. Fawcett, Commissioner J. W. Silver of the finance department and J. M. Roberts, controller, will meet at the end of ten days and decide on a date for bids on the \$4,000,000 bond issue for unit No. 2 of the Cushman power project on the Skykomish river in Mason county.

That there would have been a market among Tacoma citizens for the bonds had the council seen fit to dispose of \$1,000,000 of them in \$100 and \$500 denominations was asserted by Mayor Fawcett, a number having called on the mayor to say they were disappointed in not having a chance to buy bonds at smaller denominations than \$1000.

Differential is Upheld.

Washington, D. C.—Transcontinental railroads were held justified Monday by the interstate commerce commission in refusing to give the same rates on fruits and vegetables shipped from Pacific coast points via Chicago into the southeast quarters of the United States as are given when traffic is routed via Memphis, East St. Louis or New Orleans.

Although shippers' organizations protested the rates via Chicago, the commission decided that the route was too circuitous to justify the roads in using it without a collection of extra freight.

Government Loses Suit.

Washington, D. C.—The government failed in the supreme court Monday in an effort to have quashed a suit won by Edward F. Goltra of St. Louis, by which he recovered control of nineteen barges and four towboats.

The craft had been turned over to him by the government soon after the war under a contract which gave him the right to purchase them at their appraised value.

INTERIOR REVENUES SHOW BIG INCREASE

Secretary Work's Department Has Great Record.

OIL LEASES PAY WELL

Indian Affairs and Patent Office Receipts Take Big Jump. Alaska Railroad Improves.

Washington, D. C.—Hubert Work, secretary of the interior, in his annual report to the president, which was transmitted to the congress Saturday, says:

My tenure of office as secretary of the interior extends over but a small part of the past fiscal year. I took the oath of office on March 5 and the fiscal year expired on June 30, 1923.

The department of the interior, including its various bureaus and institutions, appears to have a remarkable record during the fiscal year contained in this report. The appropriations for its operation during the 12 months' period amounted to \$327,931,100.67, which is a sum \$22,584,159 less than was appropriated for its maintenance during the previous fiscal year of 1922. Notwithstanding this large reduction in appropriations to cover its expenses, the receipts of the department have increased from approximately \$48,612,528.95 in 1922 to approximately \$63,556,641.08 in 1923, or a gain of \$14,954,112.13.

Most of this increase came from royalties on oil leases on Indian lands, the gain in receipts in the bureau of Indian affairs during the fiscal year of 1923 over 1922 totaling \$14,722,000. The patent office increased its revenues from applications and from the sale of photo-lithographic copies of patents, trade marks, etc., by the sum of \$156,000.

The revenues from the Alaska railroad through additional passenger and freight traffic, increased about \$191,000, followed by the bureau of mines with a gain in receipts of \$134,900, the national park services with a gain of \$75,800, the geological survey with a gain of \$51,000 and the bureau of education with a gain of \$1451 in its receipts from sales of its publications. Only three bureaus showed losses in receipts.

The functions of the interior department are both constructive and eleemosynary. Eliminating the eleemosynary bureaus and institutions and also moneys appropriated for the payment of pensions, its annual cash receipts exceed its expenditures. In addition a campaign of rigid governmental economy is being conducted.

Nine Killed in Train Crash.

Erle, Pa.—Nine persons were killed and seven others injured, two probably fatally, when the third section of the Twentieth Century Limited of the New York Central railroad, west-bound, telescoped the first section near Forsythe, N. Y., 35 miles east of here, Sunday morning.

The second section, which had gone ahead of the first section at Albany, when it encountered engine trouble, struck an abandoned automobile at the Forsythe crossing. The train was stopped to determine if any casualties had resulted, and after placing danger signals at the crossing the second section proceeded. The first section stopped to investigate the signals and the third section crashed into the rear cars.

Worker's Vision is Poor.

New York.—Fully 25,000,000 gainfully employed Americans are suffering from defective vision, it was announced Saturday by the eyesight conservation council of America in making public a partial report of its survey of eyesight needs in the nation's industry.

In the Detroit plant of the Ford Motor Car company, says the report, 29,000 out of 60,000 workers have defective vision.

Crisis Looms in Vienna.

Vienna.—A governmental crisis has arisen over the insistent demands of the postal, telephone and telegraph employes for increased pay. Chancellor Seipel met a threat of a general strike by saying that in such an event his ministry would resign. The government insists it is unable to meet the demands.

German Treaty Signed.

Washington, D. C.—The new commercial treaty between the United States and Germany was signed Saturday by Secretary Hughes and Ambassador Wiedfeldt. The pact takes the place of that abrogated during the world war.



MR. BEAR WAS COLD

MR. BEAR was not very old. If he had been he would not have made the mistake he did once upon a time.

Mr. Bear was a young bachelor. His mother had warned him he should take a wife, but Mr. Bear had said he wanted some fun and did not wish to be burdened with a wife tagging after him.

"You will be sorry when it comes winter," his mother told him. "It is lonesome living all alone and then you will need someone to look after making your winter bed. Take my advice and find a mate."

But no, Mr. Bear would not do this. Instead he trotted off to another part of the forest to live where his mother could not nag him about getting married.

He did have a jolly time. Nobody to ask him where he was going or when he was coming back and eating all the honey he found and not having to share it with anyone. Oh, how



"The Life of a Jolly Bachelor for Him."

foolish he would have been, he thought, if he had listened to his mother and taken a mate. Now he could sleep where night overtook him and in the morning get up or stay in bed just as he liked. Yes, indeed, the life of a jolly bachelor for him, was what Mr. Bear had decided upon.

The fall had been nice and sunny,

so warm that it was late when Mr. Bear crept into his house for his winter sleep.

He did not stop up the cracks or openings to his house for the snow when it came would do that, he remembered his father had said. But what he did not know was that his mother always provided plenty of dry leaves and grass.

Mr. Bear had not chosen his home wisely, either, for it was in the location where the cold north wind would whistle through all the openings if the snow did not come and close them.

But these things did not bother Mr. Bear, then, for he was very fat when he went to bed, and it was warm enough in his house. So he gave a few grunts and snuggled himself up for a good long sleep.

He slept for a long time. It was past the time for the first snow, but it had not come. And poor Mr. Bear awoke and shivered; then he sneezed. He rolled himself up tighter, but it was no use; he was cold.

Without opening his eyes he began to feel for more bedcoverings—there were none. He had not thought about coverings when he went to sleep.

The wind whistled and shrieked about his house and through it as well. Mr. Bear could feel it blowing his fur and he was not as fat as he was when he crept into bed. He would have to get up and get more bedding, that was certain.

Poor Mr. Bear crept out of his house and began to hunt. It was a desolate looking place outside, no green leaves or grass, only dry twigs and bits of grass tufts and dead leaves.

He worked a long time before he had enough to make his bed comfortable and decided that his mother knew more about what he needed than he did. "The very first thing I do in the spring," said Mr. Bear as he pulled his bedding around him, "is to find some nice Miss Bruin and ask her to be my mate. This bachelor life is all right in the spring and summer time, but when it comes to winter and the house needs looking after a fellow needs a wife—mother was right."

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YOUR HAND

How to read your characteristics and tendencies—the capabilities or weaknesses that make for success or failure as shown in your palm.

THE HAND OF A DOCTOR

FOR a successful physician, the line of fortune, which starts at the line of life, near its end, and runs to the finger of Mercury, the little finger, should be strong and well marked, to indicate personal merit. The mount of Mercury itself sometimes bears two parallel vertical lines, to show successful ability in the healing profession, and the making of money thereby. Lines on the same finger, running from the bottom phalanx to the top of the middle phalanx, show scientific or medical knowledge.

The mount of Mars, lying between the outer ends of the line of the heart and the line of the head, should be well marked, to signify courage, presence of mind and quickness in diagnosis. The same qualities are shown by what is called sometimes "the second mount of Mars," lying at or near the junction of the thumb with the rest of the hand; that is, above the mount of Venus, the ball of the thumb.

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AN EPICTURE

Ostrich—My, what a nice restaurant I'll have to eat there in the future!

MEN YOU MAY MARRY

By E. R. PEYSER
Has a Man Like This Proposed to You?

Symptoms: Soft voiced, self-made, glories in it, well-groomed, close-listed, only spends his time or money on the girl he thinks wants him for a spouse. Dependable, unexciting, likes to play bridge to bridge his small accomplishments, always ready to do things if you suggest them. No education, his English often on the blink, awfully good natured, wears light top buttoned boots, proud of his physique though small in stature.

IN FACT

He is a small proposition. Prescription to the Bride: A dose of unprohibited stimulants daily and another nightly.

Absorb This: MONOTONY IS THE POISON GAS OF WEDLOCK
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The Why of Superstitions

By H. IRVING KING

APRON STRINGS

IF YOUR apron string becomes loosened your true love is thinking about you" is a common superstition with unmarried young women.

This arises from the idea of the ancients of the magical power of knots to trammel and obstruct human activities, physical and spiritual. In matters of love and marriage knots might obstruct the relations between a bride and groom and act as obstacles to the course of true love.

Professor Frazer says that as lately as 1718 "the parliament at Bordeaux sentenced a person to be burned alive for having spread desolation through a whole family by means of knotted cords"; and cites a case in Scotland in 1705 where two persons were sentenced to death "for stealing certain charmed knots in order, thereby, to mar the wedded happiness of Spaulding of Ashintilly." These magic knots, you see, had to be found and untied in order that their baleful effects might cease and the two persons who stole and secreted them had thus prevented the untieing.

Now the knot which holds your apron strings may be a charmed knot, obstructing the thoughts of love. If it comes untied of itself your lover's thoughts flow to you free and unobstructed.

Far back in early classic days examples of this superstition of obstructive knots is found and it prevails to-day among nearly all the savage tribes of Africa. It is primitive in its origin and based on homeopathic magic—"like produces like."

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Couldn't See.

"Tough luck on old Dimsight."
"How so?"
"He paid \$10 for a seat at a girly-girly show and broke his glasses during the first scene."

A LINE O' CHEER

By John Kendrick Bangs.

A QUERY

FLOWERS blooming in the fields, Meadows full of harvest yields, Rivers rushing to the sea Bearing gifts for you and me, Light a-streaming from the sun, Cooling night when day is done, Air to breathe, and fire to warm In the chilling winter storm, Mother-love, and sympathy, Faith, and hope, and charity— Can you say, O doubting Man, All of this is without plan And our world's the merest chance Of unordered circumstance? (© by McClure Newspaper Syndicate.)

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