

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.

A fire that threatened a business block in the heart of Redding, Cal., was controlled after two hours of fighting Tuesday and confined to damage estimated at \$60,000.

Preparation of a new Mellon plan embodying suggestions for a further revision of the tax law in accordance with President Coolidge's promise to press for tax reform to supplement tax reduction is under way.

Germany's request that inter-allied military control of her armaments cease on September 30 was denied by the allied council of ambassadors in a note handed to the German ambassador in Paris Tuesday evening, it was announced Wednesday.

With a view toward curtailing the importation of luxuries, encouraging thrift and balancing foreign trade, the Japanese government introduced in the diet Monday a bill providing for an ad valorem duty of 100 per cent on 250 articles listed as luxuries.

Dr. Robert Max Garrett, 42, associate professor of English at the University of Washington for 15 years and a prominent English scholar of the Pacific coast, died Tuesday at his home in Seattle after an illness of four weeks caused by a nervous breakdown.

Ceremonies for the formal notification of President Coolidge of his nomination by the republican national convention as the presidential candidate were indefinitely postponed Tuesday on account of the death of Mr. Coolidge's son. The date had been fixed for July 24.

A. Williams, D. Casey and H. W. Barker, all construction workers on the Eugene-Klamath Falls cutoff, have been bound over to the federal grand jury on charges of smoking up Salt creek, after smoking had been forbidden there by the forest office because of fire danger.

Prohibition is a failure in the United States owing to contempt for the Volstead act and contempt for law in general, declared Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia university, New York City, on his arrival in Victoria, B. C., to investigate the British Columbia liquor control system.

Latest advices from Rio de Janeiro indicate announcements of capture by government forces of rebel positions in Sao Paulo were premature. The positions now are being bombarded by heavy artillery, with airplanes co-operating, it is stated, and the official word is that "all is ready for the final assault."

The election of John G. Price of Columbus, O., as grand exalted ruler and the selection of Portland, Ore., as the next annual meeting place of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks were the chief events of the executive session of the grand lodge in Boston Tuesday, held in conjunction with the sixtieth annual convention of the order.

Reduction in the duty on sugar by about one-fourth will be recommended to President Coolidge by three of the six members of the tariff commission. The report of these members, who are expected to take the position that the duties of the Fordney-McCumber tariff law constitute an unjustifiable burden upon the American people, is nearing completion.

Rear-Admiral Oscar F. Stanton, 89, U. S. N. retired, died at his home in New London, Conn., Sunday after a brief illness. He is survived by two daughters. He graduated from Annapolis in 1853 and during the civil war fought under Farragut with the west coast blockade squadron, commanding the U. S. S. Pinola in the battle of Mobile bay. He was retired in 1894.

Attorney-General Stone, addressing the annual convention of the American Bar association in Philadelphia Tuesday night, declared that "notwithstanding the improvement, actual and potential, in our static law," the actual administration of justice in the United States was not improving and that there were multiplying evidences that it was in a period of decline, which began before the world war and was greatly accelerated by the war.

ALLIES CONFIDENT ON PACT

Dawes Plan Up Before Reparations Committee in London.

London. — The inter-allied conference, which assembled in the foreign office Wednesday morning for the purpose of putting the Dawes report on reparations into effect opened in an atmosphere of optimism.

When the tentative arrangements for the meeting were concluded between Premiers MacDonald and Herriot at Paris last Thursday, the French premier characterized the occasion as the best day for the entente since the armistice was signed and competent American and British observers declared they hoped that within a fortnight the deliberations would be productive of an arrangement which will end once and for all time the quarrels and misunderstandings that have been continuous among the nations of Europe since the hostilities of the great war ended and the allied powers began their struggles to get war compensation out of Germany.

Such hopes as these have been expressed prior to numerous other conferences of the allied statesmen during the last six years, but disappointment followed as the meetings were themselves out or abruptly broken up. The fundamental difficulties of the reparation problem are still unsolved but the participation of the United States through the experts who worked in Paris for two months this year to produce the recommendations now universally known as the Dawes report, has given new hope to the allies and Germany alike, and launched the seemingly perennial reparations problem on an entirely new phase.

The allies and Germany jumped to accept the experts' report in principle, and on Wednesday Mr. MacDonald, M. Herriot, M. Theunis, the Belgian premier, and other allied plenipotentiaries, together with Ambassador Kellogg as the official representative of the United States, empowered to act in behalf of American interests, gathered around the big horseshoe table in the foreign office overlooking Downing street to give political effect to the business-like economic findings of General Dawes and his colleagues.

There were more than 150 delegates, experts and advisers present when the British prime minister welcomed them to the conference and heard the responses of the leading plenipotentiaries.

Great Britain, France, Italy, Belgium and Japan are each represented at the conference table by several delegates.

Ambassador Kellogg is the only accredited representative of the United States, but throughout the deliberations, Colonel James A. Logan Jr., who has followed the complexities of the reparations problem from the beginning, will sit beside the ambassador as his official adviser. Four other Americans, two from the embassy and two of Colonel Logan's assistants, will be included in the conference secretariat.

The only other American who is to participate is Owen D. Young, known to the British as the man behind the Dawes report. He was a member of the Dawes committee on the German budget and currency problem, and was the general's chief aide in drawing up the experts' proposals.

Two Missionaries Shot.

Chenchofu, Hunan. — Revs. Karl Beck and George Snyder, missionaries of the Reformed Presbyterian church, were suffering from bullet wounds, one Chinese general is dead and another a fugitive with a price on his head, as the result of a feud growing out of ammunition purchases which led to hostilities on the night of June 2. Beck and Snyder were trying to make peace between the hostile factions when they were wounded.

Policemen Guard Flag.

Berlin. — Policemen with rifles from atop the Brandenburg gate and the roofs of nearby buildings guarded the flag-flying over the French embassy Monday to prevent a repetition of the incident of three years ago on the French national holiday when the tricolor was wrested from the staff. The embassy hoists its flag only on July 14.

Debt Remission Urged.

Chicago. — Remission by the United States of its war loans, not only as a good moral measure, but for the sake of better prosperity, was advocated by Clarence S. Darrow, the attorney, Monday in an address before the University of Michigan Alumnae club of Chicago.

Lutherans Plan Drive.

St. Paul. — A house-to-house, nationwide soul-saving campaign will be formally authorized by the Walter league, which began business sessions of its 32d annual international convention here Monday. The project provides for an aggressive campaign in the field of home missions.

SAVANT PREDICTS NEW YORK 'QUAKE

Earth Fault Under Manhattan, Is Statement.

BIG BLOCKS MENACE

Release of Pressure Inside Planet By Oil Drilling Declared Likely to Bring Violent Reaction.

Philadelphia. — "There is very real danger that New York city may suffer from an earthquake one of these days. Unless the world gets over its mad search for oil, there are going to be some radical changes on this planet." These are some of the startling predictions made by Professor David Todd of Amherst college, professor of astronomy, internationally-known scientist and author of half a dozen books and innumerable articles. Professor Todd is spending his summer at the estate of P. M. Sharpless, near Westchester.

Professor Todd's observations are not based on any Sodom and Gomorrah idea of divine vengeance, but are, as he points out, the result of cold, scientific reasoning. New York city, he said, is as likely a site for the next earthquake as any of the United States. This is because of the geological formation of the land beneath it. Earthquakes almost invariably come at a point where two strata



JOHN W. DAVIS

Nominated for President on the 103rd ballot by the Democratic National convention. Charles W. Bryan, of Nebraska, brother of W. J. Bryan, was chosen for vice President on the first ballot.

or layers beneath the surface of the ground come together. When terrific pressure comes on this point it is inevitable that it should crack.

According to Professor Todd, it has been ascertained that just such an underground joint lies beneath Manhattan island. The pressure which will eventually force this joint apart and cause an earthquake is due to the thousands and thousands of tons which are being heaped onto the island in the shape of huge buildings and foundations.

He predicted that when the earthquake finally comes the destruction which will follow will be far greater and more terrible than that which followed the Japanese upheaval of last summer.

Professor Todd was also pessimistic over the consequences of the "oil madness" which is gripping the world at present.

"Did you ever see a driller strike oil?" he asked. "If you have you will get some idea of the tremendous pressure which is locked up in the ground beneath us. It is this pressure which holds the world in shape and with countless hundreds of oil wells tapping this pressure in every part of the globe, what will be the result I dare not predict."

Scientists have spent considerable time guessing at the result of this mad tapping of the power which lies beneath us. Some have predicted that eventually there will be a huge collapse of the earth's surface more destructive than any earthquake the world has known. Others believe that the final outcome will be a change in the climate of the earth. When geologists are asked as to the outcome they seldom commit themselves.

"What happens when a chair is pulled out from under you?" they ask.

Boat Upsets; 5 Drown.

Victoria, B. C. — A tragedy involving five lives was disclosed Sunday when an overturned sailboat and the body of a woman were picked up in Ross bay, one of Victoria's beach resorts. The woman was identified as Mrs. Watson, wife of Lieutenant R. Watson, a British naval officer. Lieutenant and Mrs. Watson left here Saturday in the sail boat, manned by three sailors from the naval barracks for a pleasure cruise.

ROMANCE OF WORDS

"REPUBLICAN"

DERIVED from "Republic", which, in turn, obtains its meaning from the Latin res, a thing, and publica, public, the name Republican as applied to a political party in this country, came into being early in the Nineteenth century. But it is interesting to note that the "Republicans" of that time are the Democrats of the present day, a complete exchange in the tenets of the two parties.

When the original Republican party split up into the Democratic-Republicans and the National-Republicans in 1828, the latter party gradually dropped the prefix to their title, while the former dropped the suffix. But the present Republican party, as such, was not formally organized until 1854-56, when, with opposition to slavery as the principal plank in its platform, it commenced to take its place as one of the two leading political organizations. This new party was a fusion or coalition of the anti-slavery Whigs, the Free-Sellers, the Know-Nothings, the Abolitionists and some Democrats who were opposed to slavery.

The first Republican convention was held in Philadelphia, June 17, 1856, where John C. Fremont was nominated for President, but Buchanan, the Democratic nominee, was elected.

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Reflections of a Bachelor Girl

By HELEN ROWLAND

WHETHER a girl appears indignant, delighted, or merely bored, at an "unexpected" kiss, depends on how long she has been expecting it.

Every young husband is a little Christopher Columbus, as far as discovering a new way to conquer a woman is concerned.

The tragedy of most marriages is that they are just one long-continued state of "company—without companionship" or "loneliness for two."

A woman is never satisfied! The woman with "nothing but money" would gladly spend her last dollar to buy romance and a Prince Charming; and the woman with nothing but "love in a cottage" wishes that she could mortgage the cottage to buy a motor-car.

In love, some men are born wise, a few acquire wisdom, but most of them refuse even to permit wisdom to be thrust upon them.

Girls may have changed; but, waiting for a man to discover that he's in love, is still the same old maddening, nerve-wrecking process that it was before the petting party made us so frank and spontaneous.

Yesterday's quarrel, like yesterday's kiss, and yesterday's dinner is buried with a man's dead past; and nothing so aggravates him as to have a woman dig them up and try to perform an autopsy on them.

The saddest sight on earth is that of a bachelor sitting alone before the fire and musing over his collection of old-beer openers.

In spring flirtations, as in gambling, the "cheerful loser" is the only sure winner.

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The Young Lady Across the Way



The young lady across the way says her father preaches and practices the strictest law enforcement, and no matter how many cases of Scotch whisky he buys, he wouldn't sell a single bottle for love or money.

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Sigrid Holmquist



This winsome "movie" star was born in Baros, Sweden. She was educated in Stockholm and Copenhagen. Miss Holmquist is five feet, six inches tall, has light hair and blue eyes, and weighs 108 pounds. Her first motion picture experience was in Sweden. She is a splendid swimmer and is passionately fond of animals.

Have You This Habit?

By Margaret Morison

DOMINEERING

OF THE boys in Centre Newton, Brown was the brains and Smith the boss. Brown had been taken once to the theater to see Julius Caesar; and after that he always said that, when he was old enough, he would write plays like Shakespeare. Smith laughed. Then Brown said that one day he would write a play with Smith in it.

The years passed. As Centre Newton was used to Smith's putting through "his" game while he was still a boy, so everyone thought it natural that he should find the choice job in the city when he left high school. Then he courted Lucy Gray, a whirlwind campaign. Of course Lucy married him. Smith was well used, by this time, to having his own way. At the wedding he reminded Brown of that childhood determination to write a play—"And remember to put me in it!" he ended jocosely.

Then Brown went away. It was fifteen years before he came back to Centre Newtown. In the newspaper, the morning of his arrival, he read head lines that featured a familiar name. "John Smith," went the caption. "Pirate." Brown decided that the time for his play had arrived. The same evening he called at Smith's mansion. The room in which he waited for his host had a deep bay window, and in it, so noiselessly had Brown entered, two boys of thirteen and fourteen went on whispering in guarded voices.

"He won't know anything about it," urged the first.

"You know what he is when he doesn't get his own way," said the second.

Brown coughed and two guilty conspirators emerged. When they saw Brown, they looked relieved. "Oh! We thought you were Father!" said they.

Then Smith came in. It was the same old Smith. Before Brown had time to speak, he was sitting in a chair chosen by Smith, listening to Smith talk. Although he never smoked, he found himself lighting one of Smith's dangerous-looking black cigars. After a while he brought himself to enquire for Lucy. There was a pause, and then an annoyed expression crossed Smith's face. "You haven't heard?" said he. "My wife died several years ago."

Brown was quite unconscious of what passed after that for some minutes. Then he realized that Smith was asking him a question. "It was painted by that Frenchman who did so many portraits in this country," Smith was saying, as he pulled aside a curtain. There before Brown stood Lucy Gray after three years of married life. Brown almost groaned aloud. He was reminded by some trick of memory of a wounded heron he had once found in the surf on the beach.

As he went slowly down Smith's broad stairs, Brown knew that the plot of his play was finished. As he remembered the newspaper headlines, and the frightened children and the old portrait, he knew that his play would be a tragedy. Smith's habit of having his own way had cheated himself most of all.

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