

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.

Methodists retain ban on dancing,
cards and theaters.

With tremendous losses the Germans
make large gains at Verdun.

Women's clubs are planning an inter-
national congress for 1920.

Vigorous notes have been sent both
France and England on the subject of
interference with mails.

The Paris Temps in an editorial
again goes on record as not favoring
any idea of peace negotiations.

One hundred and sixteen Texas mili-
tiamen who failed to respond to the
call for service on the border will be
court-martialed.

Eggs shipped from Eugene, Ore., to
England, retailed there at 96 cents a
dozen. The shipper received a net re-
turn of \$3.32 per case.

The deepest May snow in the re-
membrance of pioneers of the Hood
River Valley now lies in the forests
around Lost Lake, Oregon.

Mayor Joseph McCaskey, of Wilke-
son, a coal mining town near Tacoma,
Wash., has resigned following his con-
viction of having violated the dry law
by selling liquor in his drugstore.

The German and Austrian consuls at
Canea, Island of Crete, left that city
with their families and the consulate
staffs on May 24 for Athens, according
to a Havas dispatch from Athens.

A new company has been organized
to establish large shipyards at Van-
couver, Wash., contracts have been
made for four large motor schooners,
and options given for three others.

Victor Carlstrom, bearing a message
from the Aero Club of America to
President Wilson and carrying Alan R.
Hawley, president of the club, as a
passenger, flew from New York to
Washington, 220 miles, in three hours
and seven minutes.

Exports of merchandise from the
port of New York during April
amounted to \$184,751,946, compared
with \$135,125,523 in April a year ago.
Imports for that month increased also,
amounting to \$115,290,462, compared
with \$92,252,029 in April, 1915.

An unconfirmed report received at
Fargo, N. D., said 10 persons had been
killed at Rogers, N. D., in the storm
which swept Southeastern North Da-
kota. Rogers was cut off completely
from the outside world, all telephone
and telegraph wires being down.

The German authorities have offered
to allow General Leman, the defender
of Liege, to go to Switzerland, accord-
ing to a news dispatch. Because the
permission was granted on the ground
of his ill health and age, the General
rejected the offer, saying that he did
not wish to admit that he was unfit to
fight for his country.

The resignation of Charles Ware as
general manager of the Union Pacific
was announced Tuesday at the com-
pany's headquarters. No reason is
given.

London underwriters charge 50 per
cent to insure against a declaration of
peace between Great Britain and Ger-
many before January 1. The rate in-
dicates that in the underwriters' opin-
ion the prospects for an early peace
are better than two months ago, when
the rate for the same risk was only 30
per cent.

It is officially announced from Dub-
lin that in addition to the sentence of
death imposed on Jeremiah C. Lynch,
American, a similar sentence was im-
posed upon Peter Gallighan, but that
this sentence was commuted to five
years' penal servitude. A number of
other persons also were sentenced to
various terms of imprisonment.

More than 1300 French, including 31
officers, 16 machine guns and eight
cannon, were captured in a German
assault on the Verdun front in the re-
gion of Deadman's hill, the German
war office announced Tuesday.

President Poincare has conferred the
war cross on Queen Elizabeth of Bel-
gium as an expression of "the admira-
tion of the people for the magnificent
courage and untiring devotion to the
wounded which she has never ceased to
show under the enemy's fire."

President's Physician and Bride.



DR. AND MRS. GRAYSON

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Dr. Cary T. Grayson, physician to President Wilson, was married to Miss Alice Gertrude Gordon, of Washington, at St. George's Episcopal church, New York, May 24. The President and Mrs. Wilson, as well as Secretary and Mrs. McAdoo attended.

SENATE PASSES RIVER AND HARBOR BILL BY 35-32 VOTE

Washington, D. C.—The senate passed Tuesday the rivers and harbors ap-
propriation bill, carrying approxi-
mately \$43,000,000, by a vote of 35 to
32 after adding many amendments.

On the final passage Senators Cham-
berlain and Lane, of Oregon, and Sen-
ator Poindexter, of Washington, vot-
ed for the bill, while Senator Jones, of
Washington, and Senators Borah and
Brady, of Idaho, voted against the bill.

The bill as passed carries all Ore-
gon, Washington and Columbia river
items as agreed to in the house, and
they are now assured at the original

figures, including \$1,200,000 for the
mouth of the Columbia. The only new
Northwest item is \$140,000 for Wil-
lapa harbor. Its ultimate adoption is
doubtful, in view of Senator Jones'
vote against the bill, the amendment
having been offered by him.

The bill will now go to a conference
of the two houses. The fight against
it, begun by Senator Kenyon, of Iowa
and Senator Sherman of Illinois,
gained strength until a final effort to
displace it with a substitute appropri-
ating a lump sum of \$30,000,000 was
defeated by only one vote.

James J. Hill's Wealth Esti- mated in Hundred Millions

St. Paul — The wealth of the late
James J. Hill, who died Monday, is
estimated all the way from \$100,000,-
000 to \$500,000,000. He was worth
probably between \$200,000,000 and
\$250,000,000.

An estimate of Mr. Hill's wealth
was furnished when, at the opening of
the European war, he called his bank-
ers together and displayed a mass of
his securities. More than \$100,000,-
000 was said to have been in the boxes
he laid before his bankers.

"There should be no trouble," said
Mr. Hill, "but if there is, this amount
is at your disposal."

The First National bank then bor-
rowed from Mr. Hill \$10,000,000
worth of Great Northern railroad
bonds. These were placed with the
Treasury department in Washington,
and \$6,000,000 worth of emergency
currency, allowed under the Aldrich
act, was shipped at once to the First
National bank. It was found neces-
sary to place only \$125,000 worth of
this in circulation. In a few weeks
the entire amount was returned to
Washington.

Mr. Hill had the absolute control of
the First National bank and the North-
western Trust company, which gave
a combined capital and surplus of \$6,-
500,000.

He was a large owner of stock in
the Chase National bank of New York,
First National bank Chicago, and the
Northwestern National bank in Minne-
apolis. He was a large owner of the
Great Northern Steamship company.

The greatest portion of Mr. Hill's
wealth, however, was in stocks and
bonds of the Great Northern, North-
western Pacific and Chicago, Burlington &
Quincy railroads.

Villa Pursuit Doubtful.

Columbus, N. M.—Little credence is
placed by military authorities here in
reports from Chihuahua that Carranza
troops have discovered Villa in hiding
near Jimenez. Several officers here
expressed their conviction that Villa is
still alive, but asserted that General
Pershing, expeditionary commander, is
in possession of information as to the
probable whereabouts of the bandit
chieftain, which does not coincide with
that of General Trevino.

Big Force of Bulgars Occupy Important Forts in Neutral Greece

London — At the French headquar-
ters in the Balkans it was announced
Monday that Bulgarians had occupied
the Greek forts of Rupel, Dragotin
and Spatovo, and were advancing from
Demir-Hissar toward Kavalla. This
information was received here in a
dispatch from Athens to the Exchange
Telegraph company.

The Greek forts Rupel and Dragotin
are, respectively, six and nine miles
north of the town of Demir-Hissar,
while Spatovo fort lies four miles east
of that town. Kavalla, on which the
Bulgarians are said to be marching, is
a seaport on the Aegean Sea, 55 miles
in an air line southeast of Demir-His-
sar. After crossing the Aegean Sea
without loss, the Serbian army in full
strength has been landed at Saloniki,
according to a dispatch.

Serbia's new army has been variously
estimated numbering between 80,-
000 and 100,000 officers and men. It
was reorganized on the island of Corfu,
which is approximately 700 miles
distant by water from Saloniki.

The Serbian army totaled about
300,000 at the outbreak of the war,
but this force was greatly depleted as
a result of an epidemic of typhus and
bitter engagements fought in an en-
deavor to check the Austro-German
and Bulgarian invasion of Serbia and
Montenegro. The remnant of the origi-
nal armies saved itself by retreating
through the Albanian mountains.

On reaching the seacoast, the Ser-
bians were transported to the Island of
Corfu, off the southern coast of Al-
bania, where they were supplied with
new rifles and clothing and efficiently
equipped for further service on the
Balkan battlefield.

Assassin's Plot Fails.

Berlin, (By wireless to Sayville, N.
Y.)—An unsuccessful attempt to as-
sassinate the Austro-Hungarian minis-
ter to Persia is reported in a Constan-
tinople dispatch to the Overseas News
agency Tuesday.

The attempt, according to the dis-
patch, was made by Djemel Bey, "who
several years ago was involved in the
assassination of Mahmoud Schefket
Pasha, Turkish grand vizier and minis-
ter of war."

NEWS ITEMS Of General Interest About Oregon

Winners of Industrial Prizes to
Attend O. A. C. Summer School

Arrangements have just been com-
pleted by J. A. Churchill, Superinten-
dent of Public Instruction, for sending
the boys and girls who won the capital
prizes in the industrial club work at
the State fair last fall to the Oregon
Agricultural college for the Boys' and
Girls' Summer school. Twenty-one
children were successful in winning
these prizes at the State fair last Sep-
tember. The capital prizes consist
of membership in the short course at
the Agricultural college with all ex-
penses paid. It represents the highest
award in each project offered in the
Industrial department at the State fair
last year. The prizes are made possi-
ble through contributions made to
Superintendent Churchill for the fur-
therance of this work by public-spirited
men and women of the state. Those
who received these awards are: Leland
Charley, Brownsboro; Gertrude Court-
ney, La Grande; Earl Stewart, Cot-
tage Grove; Homer Bursell, Mon-
mouth; Hazel Bursell, Monmouth;
Clifford Cook, Yoncalla; Carmen Jones,
Pendleton; Esther Miller, Medford;
Warren McGowan, Independence; Har-
old Reynolds, Independence; Earl
Cooley, Salem; L. M. Bowles, Dallas;
Rudolph Mullinohoff, Boring; Teddy
Fones, Carlton; Exie Morgan, The
Dalles; Florence Wharton, Roseburg;
Marion Lowe, Nyssa; Mae McDonald,
Dallas; Muriel Blume, Albany; Paul
Jaeger, Sherwood; Claus Charley,
Brownsboro.

The Boys' and Girls' club work
which is carried on co-operatively by
the State department of Education,
the Extension service of the Oregon
Agricultural college and the U. S.
Bureau of Agriculture, is increasing
in interest to such an extent that clubs
are being formed in every section of
Oregon. Since the first of the year
Superintendent Churchill has had two
field workers, N. C. Maris and L. P.
Harrington, continually engaged in
forming clubs throughout the state.
The work of the Agricultural college
in sending to the members of these
clubs, bulletins on how to select seed
care for the growing crops and also
bulletins on canning and sowing, has
made a wonderful advancement in the
standard of the work done by the
school children of Oregon. The ex-
ample of Claus Charley of Jackson
county shows what a wholesome in-
fluence one boy may have in this work.
At the State fair in 1914 he won the
state prize on his corn. The next
year, through the efforts of the county
school superintendent and one of the
Medford banks, fifty boys of Jackson
county were supplied with seed corn
selected from Claus Charley's prize-
winning corn. Each of the fifty boys
raised from one-eighth to one-fourth
of an acre of corn, the amount which
each boy planted being determined by
the age of the boy. The exhibits of
corn coming from these boys to the
State fair in 1915 were said by judges
to exceed in quality fully 100 per cent
the corn exhibit of 1913.

"As a result of this work," says
Superintendent Churchill, "we can
feel certain that in the next genera-
tion there will be a group of expert
farmers and home-keepers in every
rural community of Oregon."

Coos County Voters Favor \$362,000 Road Building Bonds

Marshfield — Complete returns from
the 58 precincts in Coos county give a
majority in favor of good roads bonds
of \$362,000. As soon as the count was
completed the County court issued an
order of the election being carried.
The county precincts, with a few ex-
ceptions, those in the northern portion
of the county, including Lakeside,
Templeton, Kentuck and Haynes Inlet,
and a few others, voted heavily against
the bonds, and the success was due en-
tirely to the heavy votes in the cities.
Coquille had a handsome majority, and
Bandon gave the bonds a great boost,
being nearly a three-to-one majority.
The issue calls for the expenditure
of \$362,000 for lining and grading, and
it is not expected the fund will pro-
vide for any hard surfacing.

The money will be expended be-
tween Marshfield and Coquille, Co-
quille and Myrtle Point, Bandon and
Coquille, North Bend and North Inlet,
Bandon to the Curry county line.

The argument in favor of bonding
was that money spent from the bond
issue would release the usual road
levies to be expended upon branch
roads.

Roseburg Votes Municipal Railroad.

Roseburg — By a vote of nearly seven
to one, the taxpayers of Roseburg
went to the polls Tuesday and author-
ized an amendment to the city charter
making it possible for Roseburg, as a
municipality, to construct and operate
a standard-gauge railroad from this
city to Rock Creek.

JAMES J. HILL DIES AFTER OPERATION

Railroad Magnate Passes at St. Paul
After Short Illness.

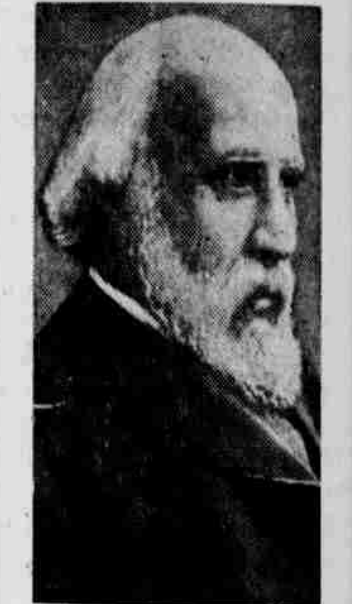
GREAT AGE AGAINST RECOVERY

Northwest to Pay Tribute to Mem-
ory of Great Empire Builder.
Life Was Momentous.

St. Paul, Minn.—James J. Hill, one
of the last of the American empire
builders, died at his home here at 9:40
a. m. Monday, May 29, following an
operation for the removal of a car-
buncle. On account of his age, 78
years, he was unable to resist success-
fully the shock of the operation.

"The end came quickly," said the
official bulletin. "Mr. Hill became
unconscious a few hours before. There
were no death agonies."

Mr. Hill's death followed two opera-
tions upon his thigh to relieve inflam-
mation caused by a carbuncle. The
fact that an operation had been per-
formed Friday was kept secret until



James J. Hill, "Empire Builder."

Monday. There was a second opera-
tion Saturday. Dr. Herman Biggs,
New York state health commissioner,
had been in attendance since Friday.

Mr. Hill's final collapse came with
startling suddenness. It was late last
week before a word of his serious con-
dition was allowed to leak out. Then
it was stated he was suffering from a
cold. The Mayo brothers, surgical
specialists, were brought from Roche-
ster, Minn., for a consultation, and it
then developed that Mr. Hill was
afflicted with an intestinal carbuncle.

Special trains began bringing friends
and relatives to the bedside. The best
surgeons were summoned. Louis W.
Hill, president of the Great Northern,
opened his residence next door for the
accommodation of doctors and nurses.

Early Sunday afternoon Mr. Hill ex-
perienced a sinking spell. Rev. Father
Thomas J. Gibbons, pastor of the St.
Paul cathedral and vicar general of St.
Paul archdiocese, hastened to the bed-
side. Four hours later Mr. Hill was
said to have rallied. At 6 p. m. his
pulse was reported improved. But at
9:30, 12 hours before his death was to
come, Doctors Biggs and Gilfillan an-
nounced that "the outlook was ex-
tremely serious."

St. Paul is preparing to honor Mr.
Hill's memory. Every division point
of the northwest is ready to pay trib-
ute in memorial ceremonies.

Facts in Life of James Jerome Hill.

- 1838—Born near Guelph, Ont.
- 1856—Left father's farm for busi-
ness life in Minnesota.
- 1856-1865 — In steamboat office in
St. Paul.
- 1867—Married Mary Theresa Mehe-
gan, of St. Paul.
- 1869-75 — Head of Hill, Griggs &
Co., fuel and transportation.
- 1870—Established Red River Trans-
portation company, first to open com-
munication between St. Paul and Win-
nipeg.
- 1878—Organized syndicate that se-
cured control of the St. Paul & Pacific
railway from Dutch owners of securi-
ties.
- 1879—Reorganized road as St. Paul,
Minneapolis & Manitoba and became
its general manager.
- 1882-1890—President of this road,
which became part of the Great North-
ern system.
- 1889-07—President of the entire
Great Northern, which he extended to
Puget Sound from Lake Superior, with
northern and southern branches and a
steamship line to the Orient.
- 1907-12—President of Great North-
ern's board of directors.