

CURRENT EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Doings of the World at Large Told in Brief.

General Resume of Important Events Presented in Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

Flood damage in the Mississippi valley had reached \$10,000,000.

Secretary Knox and party have arrived at Kingston, Jamaica, on their Southern tour.

Seven women and children were killed in a fire and panic in a theater at Lovesnes, France.

A St. Louis publisher who is now worth millions, claims to have started in business with \$1.25.

Four young Elks have started from Brookfield, Mo., to walk to the Elks' convention at Portland in June, 1912.

Dr. Dudley A. Sargent, physical culture expert of Harvard, says housework is the best possible exercise for women.

Owing to energetic measures employed by citizens and police at Aberdeen, the I. W. W. strike there is on the wane.

Woman suffrage has been approved by the Arizona house of representatives, and the recall was approved by both branches.

The Supreme court held the government liable to damages of \$136,000 to the French inventor of a "gas check" used on all big guns of the army and navy.

A Salem, Or., woman sent four revolver shots after a would-be burglar whom she had seen enter her house while she was at a neighbor's. The man was arrested later and found to have been connected with the I. W. W. at Hoquiam, Wash.

A New York laborer's wife who is now mother of 23 children, tried to commit suicide rather than have any further increase in the family.

A timber cruiser of Hoquiam, Wash., has been missing six weeks, and is believed to have become lost in the woods or been killed by the insane outlaw, Tormow, who is in that region.

President Taft in a message to congress urges more economy in national expenditures.

The I. W. W. revolution in British Columbia and the Pacific Northwest makes little headway.

Every river and creek in Northwestern Montana is out of its banks and the whole country is flooded.

Chicago clubwomen demand women police both in uniform and plain clothes to handle the juvenile department.

A Southern Pacific locomotive exploded while climbing Rice Hill, in Southern Oregon, killing both engineer and fireman.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Track prices: Bluestem, 98¢@1; club, 94¢@95c; red Russian, 92c; valley, 94¢@95c; forty-fold, 95c. Millstuffs—Bran, \$22@23 per ton; shorts, \$24@25; middlings, \$30.

Corn—New, whole, \$34; cracked, \$35 per ton.

Hay—No. 1 Eastern Oregon timothy, \$14@16; No. 1 valley, \$12@14; alfalfa, \$12@12.50; grain hay, \$9.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$35.50 per ton. Cranberries—\$10@11.50 per barrel.

Apples—Yellow Newtown, \$2@2.50; Spitzenbergs, \$1.75@3; Baldwin, \$1.50@2; Ben Davis, \$1@1.75; Red Cheek Pippins, \$2@2.50; Gano, \$1@1.75; California Newtowns, \$1.75@2 per box.

Potatoes—Buying prices: Burbanks, \$1.50@1.65 per hundred; sweet potatoes, \$3.25 per crate.

Vegetables—Artichokes, 75¢@90c per doz.; asparagus, white, \$1.25@1.50 per crate; green, \$2@2.25; beans, 15¢@17c; cabbage, 3¢@3½c per pound; cauliflower, \$2.25 crate; celery, \$5@6 crate; cucumbers, \$2@2.50 dozen; eggplant, 25c pound; garlic, 8¢@10c pound; head lettuce, \$2 crate; house lettuce, 75¢@1 per box; peas, 10c pound; peppers, 25c pound; radishes, 30c dozen; rhubarb, \$1.25 per box; spinach, \$1.15@1.25; tomatoes, \$1.75@2 per box; turnips, \$1@1.10 per sack; beets, \$1.50; rutabagas, \$1@1.10; carrots, \$1.

Butter—Oregon creamery, solid pack, 33¢; prints, extra.

Eggs—Fresh Oregon ranch, candled, 21c dozen; case count, 20¢.

Pork—Fancy, 9¢@10c per pound.

Veal—Fancy, 11¢@12c per pound.

Poultry—Hens, 16¢@17c; springs, 17c; stags, 12¢@13c; broilers, 25¢@30c; ducks, 20c; geese, 11c; turkeys, live, 20c; dressed, 25c.

Hops—1911 crop, 38¢@39c; olds, nominal; 1912 contracts, 25¢@26c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 14¢@16c per pound; valley, 16¢@17c per pound mohair, choice, 32c per pound.

Cattle—Choice steers, \$6.50@7; good, \$6.25@6.40; medium, \$4@6.25; choice cows, \$5.50@6; good, \$5@5.50; medium, \$4.50@5; choice calves, \$8.50@8.75; good heavy calves, \$6@6.50; bulls, \$4.25@5; stags, \$4.75@6.

Hogs—Light, \$8@8.40; heavy, \$6.50@7.50.

Sheep—Yearlings, \$5.50@6; wethers, \$4.85@5.45; ewes, \$4.50@4.85; lambs, \$4.50@4.45; spring lambs, \$9¢@10.

ILLINOIS FAVORS ROOSEVELT.

Primary Vote Also Goes for Champ Clark, Democrat.

Chicago—Winners in the Illinois preferential, advisory and direct primary elections, as indicated by sufficient returns to warrant a prediction, are as follows:

For president—Theodore Roosevelt, Republican; Champ Clark, Democrat. For United States senator—L. Y. Sherman, Republican; James Hamilton Lewis, Democrat (uncontested.)

For governor—Charles S. Deneen, Republican; Edward F. Dunne, Democrat.

Colonel Roosevelt's state managers claimed his majority over President Taft as from 100,000 to 150,000. Returns indicate his vote was nearly five to two for Taft.

Returns received late at night from down-state precincts indicate that President Taft had carried several counties there by small majorities.

Presidential delegates were not named on the ballots, and will be elected by congressional districts and at large, the effect of the first vote being only to serve as a guide to party officials as indicating party feeling.

WHEAT HITS DOLLAR MARK AT SEATTLE

Seattle—For the first time in two years, the price of wheat in Seattle reached the dollar mark Tuesday. Seattle millers were paying \$1 a bushel for No. 1 bluestem, and as high as 97 cents was asked for No. 1 club wheat. Only three times in the last eight years has wheat passed the dollar mark in the Seattle market. The other times were in 1909, when wheat brought \$1.18, and in 1910, when it sold for 93 cents to \$1.

The high price of wheat in the Pacific Northwest is said to be the result of the record-breaking demand for flour in the Orient. Although a crop estimated at 65,000,000 bushels was harvested in the Northwest last year, it is said that less than 10,000,000 bushels remain.

Barley and oats are also soaring. Barley was quoted at \$34.50 a ton, the highest it has ever been in the local market, and oats sold for \$36.50, the highest since 1909, when the price was \$39 to \$39.50.

KILL 500 MEXICAN REBELS.

Federals Retake City of Jojutla With Small Loss.

Mexico City—Rebel forces were routed from the city of Jojutla, Morelos, an important commercial center, and 500 of their number were killed in the battle, according to dispatches made public at the department of the interior.

Jojutla fell into the hands of a Zapata band several days ago. The federals surrounded the town and stormed the little place from all sides. Artillery was used with deadly effect. The federal loss is placed at three officers and 40 men killed and wounded.

Alfonso Barerra Zambrano, nephew of the President, who was in command of a corps of rurales, is among the dead. Early reports that Emilio Zapata was in personal command of the rebels are denied.

Jimenez, Mexico—Developments of the past few days have resulted in a situation almost identical with that existing just prior to the battle which ended in federal defeat near Corralitos 17 days ago. The federals under the immediate command of General Telles are at Conejos, 46 miles south of Escalon, where the vanguard of the rebel army is situated. The rebel commanding officers are Generals Campos, Argumedo and Murillo.

Excursionists Die in Nile.

Cairo, Egypt—Many passengers were drowned by the sinking of a Nile excursion steamboat after a collision with another steamboat near the great dam on the river, about 15 miles to the northwest of Cairo, and a few miles from Kalyub.

The bodies of 15 victims of the collision have been recovered. The steamboat had 300 passengers on board, who had taken advantage of the Easter holiday to make a trip to the river dam. On the return journey up stream, and not far from the dam, the excursion boat collided with another steamboat and sank almost immediately.

Rebel Defeats Reported.

New York—A telegram received here from J. Sanchez Azcona, private secretary to President Madero, of Mexico, by Captain S. G. Hopkins, an agent and personal friend of the Mexican president, reads: "Situation is rapidly growing better. General Huerta has gone north with large column to give battle to the rebels. In Morelos there remain only small bodies of bandits. Puebla has been pacified. Perez Castro is captured. Forces of Orozco lacking in ammunition and are trying to keep what they have."

O. W. R. & N. Must Pay Fine.

Olympia, Wash.—Holding that the O. W. R. & N. has forfeited its right to appeal from the commission's ruling, the Supreme court affirmed the Whitman County Superior court and the railroad company must pay the \$1,000 penalty imposed for failure to comply with the order of the public service commission requiring it to erect a station at Hay, Whitman county. The station was built four months after the time specified.

Joe Cannon is Renominated.

Danville, Ill.—Scattering returns from the Eighteenth congressional district indicate ex-Speaker Cannon probably is renominated two to one over his nearest opponent.

TURKEY WOULD GOBBLE PERSIA

Moves Troops Into Province Claimed By Russia.

Porte Believed to Have Backing of Stronger Power, and German Designs Are Suspected.

London—The relations of Russia and Turkey, which a few weeks ago caused the circulation of alarming reports, may at any moment reach an acute stage, and again the bone of contention will be Persia.

At the close of the Russo-Japanese war, Turkey moved troops into the Persian province of Azerbaijan, a strip of which has been in dispute for upwards of 200 years. Turkey claims this strip; Persia holds it, but the ownership has yet to be decided. The question has been a subject of negotiations, but while these have been going on Russia asserts that Turkey has been advancing her forces slowly until they have gone even beyond the disputed strip and now command the western part of Azerbaijan from Lake Urumiah to the frontier, and can easily attack the Russian province of Erivan.

Turkey denies any aggressive intentions. She has informed the Russian minister to the porte that she has troops in the disputed territory only as a temporary expedient, waiting the outcome of friendly negotiations, and if necessary a reference to The Hague tribunal.

Turkey's firmness in supporting her contention, and in not only placing troops in the disputed strip but moving them forward, has given rise in Russia to a suspicion that some other power is behind the Ottoman government. It is pointed out that the acquisition of territory on the Persian frontier might be accepted as compensation by Turkey for the loss of Tripoli and the power that could bring about this exchange would please Italy.

Germany, which before has tried to secure concessions on Lake Urumiah, is the power suspected.

AWARD FARMS BY LOTTERY.

Only Settlers May File and Speculators Are Shut Out.

Washington, D. C.—Details of the proposed government lottery, by which valuable farms in the Tieton irrigation project in Washington will be disposed of to settlers, are given in an announcement made by the Reclamation service. The announcement says:

"The third unit of the Tieton irrigation project, Washington, will be opened by a unique form of drawing. This unit contains about 40 farms upon which homestead entry may be made. They are among the finest fruit lands in the United States and extremely valuable. Irrigation lands under other portions of this project are selling for \$50 to \$1,200 an acre, exclusive of the water right.

"During December an eager line of land seekers anticipating approaching opening, took up their position just outside the land office in North Yakima and refused to leave, even upon warning of the government officials that they would acquire no special privileges by remaining.

"In order that all land seekers may have an equal opportunity to obtain farms, it has been decided to allow each homesteeker to signify which farm unit he desires. Names of all who wish to file on unit A will then be placed in a box from which a disinterested party will draw one slip.

"The winner will then be allowed to make his filing and the next farm unit will be taken up, etc."

The lottery plan of opening the Tieton lands was decided upon after it became known that a considerable number of persons who have been in line at the office are representing speculators. The purpose of the department is to throw this land, as far as possible, open to settlers who will make it their homes.

Race Riots Are Feared.

Fayetteville, W. Va.—Extra deputies and police were sworn in by the authorities in the mining communities of Boomer, Cannellton and Marling, because of the imminence of race riots between Americans and Italian miners. Bitterness is caused primarily by the murder of Washington Bostwick, a bank boss, who was shot by three Italians a few days ago. Governor Glascock has been asked to have militia in readiness to be sent here at a moment's notice. At Boomer every miner is armed with a rifle.

Mexican Situation Grave.

Washington, D. C.—Senator Culom, of Illinois, sent a dispatch to friends in his state, saying it would be impossible for him to attend the primaries in his home city, as the gravity of the Mexican situation made it necessary for him, as chairman of the senate foreign relations committee, to remain in Washington. He declared optimistically that his presence in Illinois was not needed, as he felt assured of his renomination.

Parseval Balloon Sold.

Berlin—A report is published here that the Parseval dirigible balloon, which has just been completed, has been sold to the Japanese government.

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