

NEWS NOTES OF CURRENT WEEK

Resume of World's Important Events Told in Brief.

President Wilson advocates jury reform. Fourth annual automobile show opens in Portland. Ex-President Taft has resigned as a member of Yale University corporation.

EXTRA SESSION FOR TARIFF ONLY

Wilson's Message to Dwell on Need for Revision—April 7 Date.

Washington, D. C.—The extra session of Congress called by President Wilson to assemble April 7, will begin with nothing but the tariff revision bills before it.

The president specified no subject for the extra session in his proclamation, but it is fully understood that his message to congress at its opening will dwell upon the need of tariff revision.

If the currency, Philippine independence, Alaskan affairs, woman suffrage or other pressing questions finally are forced upon the attention of congress, it will be only after the Democratic leaders of the two houses and the president are convinced that the success of tariff revision is assured.

The senate committees are organized for work and will take up the preliminary stages of much general legislation early in April. A general agreement exists, however, to keep general subjects out of active discussion, while tariff legislation is under way.

The tariff legislation, now being completed by the ways and means committee, will be submitted to the Democratic caucus before the session opens.

The Democrats of the ways and means committee adjourned after discussing a revision of the intricacies of customs enforcement in the administrative sections of the tariff and informally discussing the income tax plan in a general way without attempting to reach a decision as to that new revenue raising scheme designed to add perhaps \$100,000,000 to the treasury funds.

While the income tax details hinge upon the final estimate of the probable revenue from the 14 schedules, the disposition of the committee majority is to inaugurate a system with probably a 1 per cent tax on a minimum of \$5,000 annual income with the idea that the tax may be susceptible to a lowering of the income minimum or a raising of the tax percentage, or both, if conditions necessitate after the plan is floated.

The big fight pending now is the always controversial schedule "K," the big wool schedule, in which a final vote is likely within the next three or four days. The advocates of free raw wool in the committee have counted upon winning in the end regardless of what the probable attitude of the senate might be.

The majority already has settled upon free raw cotton and upon sharp reductions in the cheaper grades of textile manufactures.

The revision plan as settled upon contemplates substantially the principal provisions of the Democratic revision bills that were put through both houses in the last congress.

CHINA REPUBLIC DISCUSSED.

Double Phase of Interest Includes Recognition of Nation and Loan Desired.

Washington, D. C.—President Wilson will present for the consideration of the cabinet a statement concerning China in which is intended to be made public from the White House later.

There are two phases of the Chinese situation in which the United States is peculiarly interested—recognition of the republican government now nearly two years old, and the proposed six-power loan.

The Chinese republic continually has sought recognition, but the policy of President Taft and his secretary of state, Mr. Knox, was to withhold recognition until the new government had demonstrated to the world its ability to maintain itself as a real republic, administering a popular government.

Vote Against Striking.

San Francisco.—Employees of the Pacific States Telegraph & Telephone company will not strike. Officials of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers announced that a canvass of the vote taken by the employees last week showed that the men had agreed to accept the compromise offer of the company for an advance in wages of 25 cents per day.

Wilson to Press Button.

Wheeling, W. Va.—President Wilson will press an electric button at Washington, June 16, formally opening West Virginia's golden jubilee celebration. The pressing of the button will burn a platinum wire, which will release 1,000 carrier pigeons from all parts of the country, and 1,000 toy balloons carrying free tickets to every form of amusement during the celebration.

Pittsburg Needs 10,000 Workmen.

Pittsburg.—Ten thousand workmen, a majority of them laborers, are needed at once in this city, according to well-known contractors, to carry on building operations, to equip local steel companies and to look after the work of the numerous railroad companies entering Pittsburg.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

General News of the Industrial and Educational Development and Progress of Rural Communities, Public Institutions, Etc.

NEW BRIDGE IS DEDICATED

Linn and Benton Counties Open \$70,000 Willamette Span.

Corvallis—Benton county's \$70,000 steel bridge across the Willamette river at this city, completed a month ago, was dedicated with appropriate ceremonies. With the city's business section brightened with holiday decorations, a parade of county and city officials, headed by the Oregon Agricultural college cadets and company D, Oregon National guard, marched across the bridge at noon, where the procession was joined by the county court of Linn county and the return trip made.

A large crowd of people representing every section of Benton county visited the new bridge, and also inspected Oregon Electric equipment brought to the east end of the bridge for the occasion. The Oregon Electric's temporary branch is completed to the Linn county side of the bridge, and a passenger station has been completed and an electric train was there for inspection of the people.

This new bridge will open up a large territory of fertile land tributary to Corvallis. While Benton county put up the bulk of the bridge expense, Linn county and citizens of Linn living within three miles of the bridge have contributed about \$3000 toward its final completion.

BIG BUILDING PLANS START

Syndicate to Construct 100 Modern Houses on Coos Bay.

Marshfield—Part of the plans of the syndicate, which is represented by W. J. Wilsey, with its recent purchase of the Kinney holdings here, was made public Thursday when it was announced that it would immediately begin work on the construction of 100 houses on their land.

It is expected that the early construction of an electric line between the two towns will make the tract and houses available for both residents of Marshfield and North Bend, and there is a demand for homes now that cannot be supplied in both places. The agent of Mr. Wilsey on the Bay, J. M. Eddy, is now engaged in drawing the plans for the houses, which will be of several styles, and they will range in price, including lots, from \$800 upward.

It is expected that as soon as completed there will be a customer ready to take each residence; in fact, it is stated that several people have already put in their bids for a home and that they will be served first.

This is the first move in the Wilsey developments here and it is said he will be here within a few days to take up other matters in connection with developing the estate that his syndicate has purchased.

NEWBERG BRIDGE ORDERED

Judge Kelly, of Albany, Sustains Yamhill County Court.

Newberg—News was received from McMinnville to the effect that Judge Kelly, of Albany, who heard the injunction arguments at McMinnville about ten days ago in connection with the building of a bridge across the Willamette at this place, had rendered a decision sustaining the actions of the county court in ordering the work done and appropriating over \$40,000 to pay Yamhill county's share of the cost, Marion county having agreed to pay the other half.

The steel tubes for the piers were ordered last fall and are now on the ground, and it was the intention of the commissioners to proceed with the erection of the bridge this spring. Much satisfaction is felt over the decision.

Levy May Be 4.75 Mills.

Salem—Possibility of the state tax levy being as high as 4.75 mills is seen in the amount of appropriations that must be met by the state for the year 1914, but it is probable that the levy will be reduced to about 4.2 mills. The legislature appropriated \$6,200,000. This year the tax levy of 1.2 mills will raise about \$1,122,000. It is estimated that receipts for licenses and other indirect taxation will total \$500,000 for 1914. There is a possibility of some of the appropriations being held up by referendum.

Columbia Rising Fast.

Hood River—Because of the recent warm weather the Columbia is rising faster than for several years, according to old-time rivermen. The stream has been coming up an average of half an inch every hour since the beginning of last week. The warm wave has extended as far east as the snow-covered hills of Eastern Oregon.

SEASIDE LOGGERS BUSY.

Timber Industry Along Coast Takes on Active Phase.

SEASIDE—The logging industry in and around Seaside, long dormant, will open within a few days. Olson brothers, the well-known loggers from Little Falls and the Lewis River, have just completed cruising the timber which lies in the hills about two and a half miles west of Seaside and have closed a two-year contract for logging off the timber.

Three donkey engines will be placed in operation at once and between 50 and 60 men will be employed in the logging camp. Already the Olson brothers have in sight some 15,000,000 feet of timber to cut. This does not embrace all the standing timber in that locality, but it is expected that once the logging camp is installed, others owning standing timber in that neighborhood will come forward and sell their holdings.

The tract of timber along the ridge is mostly hemlock and spruce. Olson brothers' contract calls for the delivery of the logs at Warrenton. They will be rafted down Scipion and delivered to Leander Lebeck.

An effort is being made to start the Seaside sawmills. If this mill is opened the logs will be sent to the mill at Seaside. If not, they will be sold to either Astoria or Portland mills. The new logging camp means increased business for Seaside. Eleven families have come here with the purpose of settling and have rented homes. The camp will be so situated that the employees of the camp will be able to live at Seaside, and at the same time be employed at the logging camp.

MODERN DAIRY IS PLANNED.

Umatilla Farmers Heavy Shippers of Milk to Portland.

PENDELTON—The work of building an up-to-date and absolutely sanitary dairy, and providing the best registered Holstein cows to be had in the country, has commenced at the Eastern Oregon state hospital. Ten thousand dollars will be devoted to the building and equipping of the dairy, and it is believed that the new hospital dairy will prove an object lesson to many farmers in this section of the country. Work on Superintendent McNary's cottage, near the main building, will be started in the next two weeks.

Dairying is becoming quite a prominent industry in Umatilla county, special activity being felt in the Stanfield locality. H. M. Olsen, formerly a dairyman of Portland, and Dr. Watts, also of the same city, have completed arrangements for operating modern dairies. Holstein cows are to be used exclusively by both men. Many other farmers in the west end of the county are taking up dairying on an extensive scale, declaring that it is one of the finest sections in the state to carry on such an industry. For some time past Stanfield has been shipping to Portland and various points in this county more than \$50 worth of milk daily.

LAND TO BE OPENED SOON.

Two Townships in Klamath County Ready for Entry April 6.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Representative Hawley has been advised that two townships in southwestern Klamath county long withdrawn on account of a resurvey, will be restored to entry April 6.

Mr. Hawley presented to the War department an application for the Kenwill and Heights telephone companies to lay a cable across Coos Bay from Glasgow wharf to Simpson Park.

Secretary of State Bryan has informed Senator Chamberlain that all American consuls in territories to be opened to the Pacific Coast by the Pan-American Canal have been requested to forward all available data regarding the possibility of marketing Oregon fruits and berries. Inquiries were made at request of the Oregon Horticultural society.

Artesian Water Found.

PRINEVILLE—Farmers in the vicinity of Prineville are much elated over striking artesian water in the Crooked River Valley. George Stayton, who lives four miles west of Prineville, has struck a strong flow at the depth of 200 feet. It threw the water from a five-inch casing 11 feet above the surface of the ground. The well-drilling outfit which put down the Stayton well has already been engaged for several months' drilling for artesian water in this vicinity. It is likely that several other outfits will be brought into the country within the next few days.

Grading Work Resumed.

FLORENCE—The railroad camp under H. B. Boie, which had suspended work for the winter on account of rainy weather, resumed operations at Mapleton this week with a crew of 30 men. Most of the right of way is now cleared and grading will begin at once. Orders are to rush the work and as soon as men can be had another camp will be opened two miles above Mapleton.

Union Lodge to Build Hall.

UNION—The Knights of Pythias of this place have authorized the incorporation of a company having for its object the construction of a castle hall. The local lodge has purchased and paid for one of the best business lots in the town and it is expected that the stock will soon be taken for the erection of the building.

WOMEN PLASTERED WITH MUD.

Ten Thousand Men Attack Suffragist Speakers.

London.—The suffragettes who again attempted to hold a Sunday afternoon meeting in Hyde Park were mobbed by a crowd of 10,000 persons. They were pelted with clods, oranges and other missiles, and when the police were escorting them from the scene the rioters tore off the hats and cloaks of the women, and even struck some of them in the face.

The trouble began when "General" Mrs. Flora Drummond mounted a wagon and started to speak to the great assemblage, which was largely made up of youths who had armed themselves with ammunition of various descriptions or with trumpets, mouth organs and bells.

Her appearance at the front of the platform was the signal for an outburst of deafening noise and a bombardment of missiles. She had hardly uttered a word when a clod of turf struck her on the mouth.

Mrs. Drummond maintained her good nature, smiled at her tormentors and continued her speech amid a veritable tornado of abuse, catcalls, ragtime choruses and cries of "Go home to your children."

For half an hour the crowds shouted, sang and pelted the suffragette commander-in-chief, whose clothes soon were a mass of mud. At last Mrs. Drummond's speech, of which not a word was audible, came to an end and a younger woman took her place. She fared no better, and the police, realizing the danger the women were in, called upon the chairman to close the meeting.

A large force of police, mounted and afoot, drew in about the suffragette wagon, and under the escort the women were led out of the park.

STORM HALTS RESCUE.

Exploration Ship Aurora Returns to Tasmania With 24 of 32 Members.

Hobart, Tasmania.—The Antarctic exploration ship Aurora has returned here with 24 out of the 32 members of the expedition commanded by Dr. Douglas Mawson. The Aurora will remain here until the Antarctic Spring, and then proceed to Adelaidelade to bring home Dr. Mawson and five other members of his party, who have ample supplies of food to last them until they are relieved. Of the original party, Lieutenant B. E. S. Ninnis, of the Royal Fusiliers, and Dr. Xavier Merz died in the polar regions.

The officers of the Aurora say they were unable to embark Dr. Mawson's party owing to a hurricane and to have waited longer in the south would have endangered the lives of Dr. Wilde and his sledging party of eight men, who were on a dangerous glacier waiting to be taken off before the sea froze again. They were rescued February 23, then, owing to the lateness of the season, the Aurora was obliged to hurry back to Hobart, as she was running short of provisions.

Dr. Wilde took possession, on behalf of Great Britain, of all the coast from Kaiser Wilhelmland to the 101st degree east longitude, and named it King George the Fifth Land.

MANY DEMAND PER CAPITA.

Facetious Story Brings Numerous Requests to Director of Mint.

Washington.—Apparently under the impression that the Democrats will divide the nation's wealth among the people of the country, several hundred persons in letters received by George E. Roberts, director of the mint, applied for the \$34.72 which the treasury department estimates is the per capita circulation of the United States.

It was a revival of an old story, intended facetiously, which was repeatedly denied during the Taft administration, that \$34.72 awaited every individual in the country. Many of the applicants asked that the amount be forwarded by parcel post in pennies.

"The story, of course, is absurd," declared Director Roberts, "and each applicant will be informed in a circular letter."

200 Out in Alabama Cold.

Mobile, Ala.—Two hundred persons are homeless at Brewton, unsheltered from the cold wave which has Alabama in its grip. The flood, which reached its crest at 9:30 o'clock Saturday night, has not subsided, according to dispatches. One life is known to have been lost. Many have been injured. The town is in darkness and business is paralyzed. The floods are not expected to recede perceptibly before Wednesday, and the damage is estimated at \$200,000. There have been no trains to or from Brewton since Friday.

Oil King's Son is Host.

L. R. Alderman, superintendent of schools for Oregon, who is now in the East, is the guest of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., when in New York. Mr. Rockefeller wrote to Mr. Alderman some time ago, saying he wished to have him as his personal guest when he was in the East.

Mr. Rockefeller became interested in Mr. Alderman through a report filed by the Oregon school superintendent on home credit systems, some time ago.

"E" on Nickel Defended.

Washington.—Protests against the initial "E" of Arlist Frazer, appearing on the new nickel, caused officials of the treasury department to declare that this was customary on practically all the coins of the United States and of other nations. On some foreign coins the artist's full name appears.

PEACE TERMS REFUSED BY TURKS

Armies Resume Activities and Situation Is Gloomy.

Greeks Capture 1570 Men and 30 Officers—Europe Considers Demand Extravagant.

London.—There is no prospect for acceptance by Turkey of the peace terms as proposed by the allies. Dispatches from Constantinople say the leading members of the committee of union and progress have decided that the conditions cannot be accepted, and it is understood that the Council of Ministers has adopted the same view.

The Grand Vizier, Mahmoud Shekif Pasha, visited the Red Crescent Society and begged the members to continue their efforts, as the government was resolved to continue the war.

All other capitals and among the ambassadors in London the allied demands are considered extravagant, especially with regard to the payment of indemnity and the cession of Scutari and the Aegean Islands.

In the meantime agitation against Bulgaria continues in Greece. The Greeks in Thrace and Eastern Macedonia have sent a petition to Athens against their incorporation by Bulgaria. Premier Venizelos, in reply, boldly declared that he long ago had notified the allies that Greece laid no claim of Thrace. This announcement, made in the Chamber of Deputies, aroused vigorous protests.

With the improvement in weather conditions, the armies in the Near East have become more active, although thus far no news of a pitched battle of any importance has come through.

According to official reports issued at Sofia, the Bulgarians and Turks at Techatalja have had reconnoitering parties in collision. In one case a rather sharp engagement resulted. Two Bulgarian parties sent out in the direction of Akalon took a redoubt to the east of that village at the point of the bayonet.

The Turks, having been reinforced, tried to recapture the redoubt, but in the attack lost 300 dead and wounded, who were left on the field.

The same day the Turks advanced toward Kadikouli, but were repulsed. According to reports, conditions in the Gallipoli Peninsula are quiet. The Turkish warships are reported to have bombarded the Bulgarian positions at Silivri, but with what result is not known.

Late advices say the Montenegrin sledge guns have begun a fierce bombardment of Scutari, a portion of which is in flames.

The Greeks continue to gather in stray bodies of Turks. Near Armitza the Greek cavalry captured two Turkish battalions, comprising 1,570 men and 30 officers.

SUFFRAGE MAKES BIG GAIN.

Plan to Amend Constitution Has Chance for Approval.

Washington.—A constitutional amendment giving the women the right to vote for president and vice-president, probably will be brought formally before congress with the indorsement of a senate committee before the end of the present year.

In the reorganization of its committees the senate took its woman suffrage committee out of the list of inactive committees, where it has remained for many years. Increased its membership from five to nine, the majority of whom are advocates of suffrage for women, and gave its chairmanship to Senator Thomas, of Colorado, a suffrage state.

Senator Thomas said he had accepted the chairmanship with the understanding that there would be active steps taken in this congress to submit a suffrage amendment to the people of the country for their approval.

Representatives of the National American Woman Suffrage Association have made arrangements for a conference with President Wilson, when they will urge him to recommend in a measure to congress an amendment to the Federal Constitution entitling women to the ballot.

Insanity Cost \$135,000,000.

Philadelphia.—There are more insane persons in asylums and similar institutions in the United States than students in colleges and universities, and they are responsible for a direct and economic loss to the nation of \$135,000,000 a year, according to assertions made by Clifford B. Beers, secretary of the National commission on mental hygiene.

Mr. Beers spoke at the long table luncheon of the City club, which marked the opening of a week's conference and exhibition of mental hygiene.

Wilson Gets Shamrock.

Washington.—St. Patrick's day found President Wilson wearing in his hat a sprig of shamrock from the "old sod."

From Ireland Monday there reached the White House for the president a box of real Irish shamrock, the gift of John Redmond, Irish member of the British house of commons. The president's secretary, Joseph Patrick Tumulty, with a smile, said that he felt he alone was qualified to receive them.

Serum Supply Runs Low.

London, Ont.—Twelve patents at the public health institute have been inculcated by Dr. Frederick F. Friedmann with his tuberculosis vaccine. Nearly 80 had been gathered for the test, but the physician found there was only enough vaccine for the treatment of twelve. Preference was given to those suffering from tuberculosis of the bones. The demonstration was given in the presence of many local medical men.

PORTLAND MARKETS

Wheat—Track prices: Club, 85¢@86¢; bluestem, 97¢@98¢; 40-fold, 86¢@87¢; red Russian, 84¢@85¢; valley, 87¢. Barley—Feed, nominal; brewing, nominal; rolled, \$25.50@26.50 per ton. Corn—Whole, \$27; cracked, \$28 per ton. Millstuffs—Bran, \$21 per ton; shorts, \$23 per ton; middlings, \$30 per ton. Hay—Eastern Oregon timothy, choice, \$15@17; mixed, \$10@13.50; oat and vetch, \$12; alfalfa, \$11.50; clover, \$10; straw, \$6@7. Oats—No. 1 white, \$27.50 per ton. Apples—Spitzenberg, extra fancy, \$1.25@1.50; choice, 75¢@1; Yellow Newtown, extra fancy, \$1.25@1.50; choice, 75¢@1; Winesap, extra fancy, \$1.25@1.50; Red Cheek pippin, extra fancy, \$1.25@1.50; Arkansas Black, extra fancy, \$1.75@2; Baldwin, extra fancy, \$1@1.25; choice, 75¢@1; Rome Beauty, \$1.25@1.50; small sizes, all varieties, less; Ben Davis, etc., common pack, 50¢@60¢. Onions—Oregon, 90¢@1 per sack. Vegetables—Artichokes, \$1.26@1.50 per dozen; asparagus, 11¢@12¢ per pound; cabbage, 1¢@1 1/4¢ per pound; cauliflower, \$2@2.25 per crate; celery, \$2.50@4.00 per crate; cucumbers, \$2@2.50 per dozen; eggplant, 25¢ per pound; head lettuce, \$2.25 per crate; hothouse, lettuce, 90¢@1 per box; peppers, 30¢ per pound; radishes, 35¢ per dozen; rhubarb, 5¢@7¢ per pound; spinach, \$1@1.25 per box; sprouts, 10¢; tomatoes, \$2 per box; garlic, 5¢@6¢ per pound. Potatoes—Burbanks, 45¢@50¢ per hundred; sweet potatoes, 4¢ per pound. Sack Vegetables—Turnips, 90¢@1 per sack; parsnips, 90¢@1 per sack; carrots, 90¢@1 per sack. Poultry—Hens, 15¢@16¢; broilers, 25¢; turkeys, live, 18¢@20¢; dressed, choice, 23¢@25¢; ducks, 15¢@18¢; geese, 12¢@13¢. Eggs—Fresh Oregon ranch, 18¢@19¢ per dozen. Butter—Oregon creamery butter cubes, 37 1/2¢ per pound; prints, 39¢ per pound. Pork—Fancy, 11¢@11 1/2¢ per pound. Veal—Fancy, 14¢@14 1/2¢ per pound. Cattle—Choice steers, \$7.50@7.75; good steers, \$7.00@7.50; medium steers, \$6.50@7.00; choice cows, \$6.50@6.85; good cows, \$6@6.50; medium cows, \$5.50@6; choice calves, \$8@9; good heavy calves, \$6.50@7.50; bulls, \$5.50@6. Hogs—Light, \$8.75@9; heavy, \$7.75@8. Sheep—Yearling wethers, \$5.75@6.50; ewes, \$4@5.25; lambs, \$6@7.15.