

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.

The three-day regatta opens at Astoria, Ore.

Dogwood trees near Vancouver, Wash., are in bloom for the second time this year.

Two Americans were killed by Mexican bandits who have been attempting raids in Texas.

Germany offers to submit the Lusitania and Arabic claims to The Hague tribunal for adjustment.

The Portland Gas & Coke company pays 7 per cent on preferred and common stock for the year ending June 30.

The secretaries of war and navy have been asked by the President to outline adequate defense plans for the nation.

The work of completing the O.-W. R. & N. cutoff from Chambers Prairie to Olympia, about 7.5 miles, will be completed at once.

A Portland, Or., druggist was arrested and confessed to robbing the stand of a blind cigar dealer and selling the goods at his own store.

The Georgia grand jury investigating the lynching of Leo M. Frank reports that it can find no clue sufficient to warrant the indictment of any one.

Germany is reported as ready to entertain peace negotiations and will yield Belgium. It is reported also that the freedom of Poland and Finland will be asked.

Illinois farmers who were driven from their fields by floods are finding recompense by gathering an abundance of fish which were left imprisoned in low places when the waters receded.

Silvio Pettrosi, an Argentine aviator, fell from a height of several hundred feet into San Francisco Bay late Friday while giving an exhibition flight from the Panama-Pacific exposition.

President Wilson went to a theater party Friday night for the first time for more than a year. He was persuaded to go as a relaxation from the work he has been doing recently on foreign problems.

An Amsterdam dispatch says it is reported that Admiral von Tirpitz, the German minister of marine, will resign and will be succeeded by Admiral von Pohl, now chief of the admiralty staff and commander of the German battle fleet.

The Overseas Agency, of Berlin, says: "The municipal council elected by the citizens of Lodz (a city of Russian Poland now in the hands of the Germans) has banished the Russian language, and only Polish and German will be used."

Eight Albanians were sentenced to long terms in prison for having communicated with Austria by carrier pigeons. The men involved are Captain Mustapha, of the Albanian bark Bella Scutarina, who was sentenced to 20 years, and seven members of his crew, condemned to serve ten years each.

A 16-year-old girl of Hood River, Ore., successfully lands a 29-inch fish.

Foreign exchange is reported to have taken an alarming slump, and the American banks are "barsting with gold."

A Portland beauty is soon to become the bride of Luis C. Abeilli, Bolivian commissioner at the San Francisco fair.

The greatest favorable trade balance since March 13 was shown by the statement of weekly imports and exports for the week ending August 28. The favorable balance for the week was \$33,269,039. Exports were \$60,311,764, and imports were \$27,042,725.

Sir Rodmon Roblin, J. H. Howden, Dr. Montague and G. R. Caldwell, of Winnipeg, Man., charged by the Mathers Royal Commission with conspiracy to defraud the province, voluntarily appeared at the city police station. After a conference with Deputy Chief Newton they were released on bail of \$50,000 each, \$25,000 consisting of a personal bond and two sureties of \$12,500 each being given.

The German submarine which sunk the British steamer Arabic, on which two Americans were lost, is reported to be lost also.

Antonio Flores, ex-President of Ecuador, is dead. Senor Flores was elected to the presidency of Ecuador in 1888, and served the term of four years.

German business men have transmitted to the United States an offer to buy 1,000,000 bales of cotton. The price offered was 15 cents a pound, payable on delivery of the cotton in a German harbor.

Three more U. S. regiments have been ordered to the Mexican border to reinforce the American troops in patrolling the boundary.

General Orozco, one of the Mexican revolutionary leaders, was killed by American citizens and customs officials when he was making a raid on a Texas ranch. Four other raiders were slain.

The postmaster of St. Louis has received many handbills purported to have been originated by German sympathizers, calling for the use of dynamite in destroying American munition plants.

AUSTRIAN DIPLOMAT ADMITS PLANNING STRIKES IN U. S.

Washington, D. C.—Secretary Lansing has granted an interview at the State department to Dr. Constantin Theodor Dumba, the Austro-Hungarian ambassador, who desires to discuss his admission to newspaper reporters that he has taken part in a movement to interfere with the production of war materials in the United States.

Ambassador Dumba's request for a conference reached Mr. Lansing late Tuesday. It is understood here that he wishes to make an explanation regarding dispatches sent by him to the foreign office at Vienna and seized by British authorities from James F. J. Archibald, an American war correspondent, who was acting as a messenger.

These dispatches, which are said to reveal that the ambassador suggested plans for handicapping munitions plants and had undertaken to warn Austro-Hungarian subjects that they were violating the criminal code of their native land by accepting employment in American establishments making war supplies for the allies, are declared to have raised a subject for which there is no precedent in American diplomacy.

The question of dual citizenship, long disputed between this government and several European powers, is involved, and because of this the matter will be approached when Ambassador Dumba arrives, without prejudice.

Officials doubt that there has been any violation of law. As to whether there has been a breach of diplomatic propriety or international ethics, Secretary Lansing must decide after he has heard the Austrian ambassador's statement.

Copies of papers taken from Archibald in London have been forwarded to the State department by Ambassador Page. They had not reached here Monday night, but it was understood that Dr. Dumba would take copies with him when he called at the State department.

River and Harbor Bill Likely to Face Broadaxe in Next Congress

Washington, D. C.—River and harbor legislation at the next session of congress will be compelled to take a place of secondary importance, in the opinion of Representative Sparkman, chairman of the river and harbor committee, who passed through Washington recently.

"I presume," he said, "that our bill may have to make way for more pressing legislation at the coming session. If President Wilson recommends national defense legislation, with its necessary large appropriations, we may be able only to provide for river and harbor projects already under way. Projects contemplated, but not yet authorized, undoubtedly will be undertaken some time, but I expect the river and harbor bill of next session will have to be held down because of more pressing legislation urged by the President."

Mr. Sparkman was inclined to believe a bill of reasonable size could be passed to continue work on projects now under way, such as the Columbia river, Willamette and other authorized projects in the Northwest, but he thinks there is little chance whatever for adoption of new projects, of which the Pacific Northwest will have several to propose.

Restored Vision Improves.

Pendleton—After a little more than a month's enjoyment of his sight, which was suddenly restored while he was walking along the street with the aid of a staff, which had been his guide for 12 years, Karl Guioit, Pendleton's blind musician, is more than ever convinced that the return of his vision is due to his mental concentration. He has now discarded the cane and has learned to write legibly. He spends all of his time out doors, and says his sight is constantly improving. He will continue giving music lessons.

Investigation is Ordered.

Honolulu, T. H.—Lieutenant Commander Mark St. C. Ellis, of the gunboat Princeton, was named chairman of a board of inquiry to investigate and fix the responsibility for the collision between the United States steamer Supply and three submarines of the F type Monday. The F-1, F-2 and F-3 were damaged by the Supply when the latter attempted to dock here. Divers who examined the hulls of the submarines reported the diving steering gears of the flotilla damaged. They will be drydocked later this week.

Prisoners Have Real Fun.

Joliet, Ill.—Labor Day was a real holiday for the inmates in the state penitentiary here. Forgetting the walls and bars which cut them off from the outside world the convicts stood up and howled with glee while two pugilists pummeled each other in a regular ring in the prison yard. In Chicago, Governor Dunne became incensed when he learned that the boxing bouts were in prospect. He telegraphed the warden that the bouts must be eliminated. The telegram arrived too late.

Woman, 72, is Stowaway.

San Francisco—A 72-year-old stowaway—Mrs. Destina Angel—said to be the oldest stowaway and the only woman stowaway that ever came to San Francisco, arrived here Wednesday from Honolulu on the liner Korea. Her son, George Angel, had bought a second-class ticket for himself from Honolulu and had smuggled his mother on board. Mrs. Angel was sent to the immigration station.

Jews to Strike for Day.

New York—A friendly strike of the members of the Jewish trade unions represented in the convention of the National Workmen's committee on Jewish rights, for one day following the opening of peace negotiations in Europe, was decided on at the closing session here. The workmen, nearly 250,000, will cease work for a day as a protest against the oppression of the Jews in several European countries.

MEXICANS FIRE ON AMERICAN TROOPS

Soldiers at Brownsville Reply to Attack of Bandits.

U. S. AEROPLANE MADE FIRST TARGET

Raiders' Dead Number Six—Troops Pursue Band, Capturing Three—Encinal is Threatened.

Brownsville, Tex.—Mexicans on the Mexican side of the Rio Grande late Saturday fired nearly 100 shots at an American army aeroplane flying over Brownsville, and then turned their guns against a squad of American soldiers on guard at the Brownsville electric light plant.

When the firing started the soldiers got behind shelter and returned the fire.

There were no casualties. Lieutenants Joseph G. Morrow and B. Q. Jones were in the aeroplane. This

GEN. GEORGE W. GOETHALS



General Goethals has resigned as governor of the Panama canal zone, the resignation to take effect on November 1. He is surrendering his office because he believes his work on the isthmus is done.

is the second time within two days that a United States army aeroplane has been fired on.

United States soldiers at Los Tules ranch, 20 miles north of here, during the past 48 hours have captured 10 Mexicans, strangers in the neighborhood, and supposed to be members of raiding gangs. United States cavalry and infantry and posses of county officers and citizens continued the search through the section of country 11 miles from here where two Americans were murdered Friday.

The list of bandit dead stands at six, although others probably have been killed and not reported. A detachment of the Twelfth United States cavalry early Saturday night engaged in a short fight, 12 miles north of here, with four Mexican bandits, one of whom was killed and the other three captured. None of the cavalrymen were injured.

A message from Laredo says a band of Mexicans are reported at Encinal, Tex., and have threatened to attack the town.

Americans Go to War.

Washington, D. C.—More than 500 American boys under 18 years old, have been discharged so far from the British army upon requests from the State department. Most of these boys went to Canada and misrepresented their ages to recruiting officers. Peter Douglas, of Lambert, Minn., after having been discharged once on the application of the State department, escaped from his parents and reenlisted. He was released again only to take passage on the Arabic and escaped death when that liner was sunk.

Attack on Roumania Near.

Rome—A dispatch from Bucharest declares that a declaration of war by Austria-Hungary against Roumania is hourly expected. Preparations for the impending conflict are being rushed in Roumania, and the war fever there is constantly increasing. Volunteers are flocking to the colors. King Ferdinand, alluding to the alleged wholesale arrests and prosecutions of Roumanians in Transylvania, is said to have affirmed that he was prepared to make every sacrifice in a war of redemption.

Cashier Locked Up; \$1350 Taken.

North Yakima, Wash.—Two masked men held up the Selah State Bank at 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon, obtaining \$1350 in currency and silver, locked Cashier Elmer Dahlin in the vault and made their escape, going north on the Ellensburg road in an automobile. Officers are scouring the country following clues, and telephone and telegraph wires were freely used, but nothing has been discovered to identify the robbers.

Curacao is Without Food.

Chicago—Death by starvation through four years of crop failure faces the 75,000 inhabitants of Curacao Island, in the Dutch West Indies, unless help is sent them, according to the Right Rev. M. G. Vuysteke, who is here seeking aid for the islanders.

OREGON STATE NEWS

Many Donations Being Made to Aid Work of Oregon University

University of Oregon, Eugene—The University library has received as a gift from Mrs. Clara B. Colby, of Washington, D. C., a shipment of ninety-five books and a number of pamphlets. The gift includes publications of the woman movement, temperance and other reform movements, biography, history, travel, poetry and miscellaneous literature. One item of special importance is 16 volumes of the "Woman's Tribune," published in Washington, D. C.

Another donation to the University has been received by the department of Journalism from Mrs. Davenport, mother of Homer Davenport, who was an Oregon boy and was raised at Silverton. Mrs. Davenport desired to have preserved in the rooms of the department one of the few remaining originals she had of Homer's cartoons, and she selected his "World-wide Struggle for Money." She had this framed and sent it to the department by express from her present home in Los Angeles.

The department of journalism is also in receipt of several small donations of printing materials in addition to the complete old-fashioned newspaper plant entrusted to the department by Hon. H. R. Kincaid, for nearly forty years editor of the Oregon State Journal.

In the last year small gifts of various kinds have been made the University in considerable numbers.

Study Course Changed.

Salem—Superintendent of Public Instruction Churchill has announced a new course of study for high schools. Mr. Churchill said that in country high schools it often was necessary for teachers to give instruction in subjects for which they had made no special preparation, and for them a definite outline of the work is of much value.

Much freedom of choice of subjects is given in the larger high schools, so students may not be required to take subjects in which they are little interested, and for which they have no particular aptitude.

The minimum requirement for graduation is 15 units of high school work with recitation periods of 40 minutes in length, but pupils are urged to complete the course by taking four subjects each year for four years, thereby earning 16 units.

The course of study permits pupils to earn from one to three units for graduation in either vocal or instrumental music taken outside of the school, provided the work is given by a competent teacher and the pupil spends at least 80 minutes daily in practice or instruction.

There is also a new course required to be given in all high schools, upon the completion of which a student will be permitted to enter a teachers' examination.

This course is made necessary on account of a law which became operative on September 1, requiring all persons who have not had at least six months of successful teaching experience to complete an elementary teachers' training course before they are permitted to enter an examination for a teachers' certificate. The elementary teachers' training course is in addition to the teachers' training course which has heretofore been given in many of the larger high schools.

Pilgrim Leaves \$50,000.

Roseburg—In the death of George A. Smith at his camp near Los Angeles a few days ago, Douglas county has lost probably its most eccentric character and one of its pioneer and prosperous farmers. He was on his way to visit a daughter when he died. The body of Mr. Smith was found beside his burro and post, his two companions for the last three years. He believed that by living like some of the Bible characters he would reach the age of 100 years. He is thought to have left an estate of \$50,000, including his Camas valley ranch.

\$19,000 Spent on Streets.

Dallas—Spending more than \$19,000 in the construction of macadam pavement in the course of the summer, the Dallas City council has carried out the program outlined by Mayor E. C. Kirkpatrick in his inaugural message. Practically every street in Dallas is now either paved with hard surface or macadam. Mr. Kirkpatrick took the stand that the hard times the people were now facing in this section offered the city its best opportunity to construct needed improvements, thus providing labor for unemployed men.

Pears for South America.

Hood River—Wilmer Sieg, sales manager for the Apple Growers' association, announces the sale of five carloads of Anjou pears at \$2.25 f. o. b. Hood River. "This sale was made several days ago," says Mr. Sieg, "but as yet we have made no deliveries. We prefer to ship the fruit after allowing it to become well matured." The pears, which will probably start rolling next week, will be shipped to South America. "The association," says Mr. Sieg, has booked its first order for a carload of Gravensteins.

Extension Officer Resigns.

Paul M. Collins, secretary of Extension at the Oregon Agricultural college, has resigned to accept the superintendency of the city schools of Bonners Ferry, Idaho. Mr. Collins' labor for the advancement of agricultural interests in Oregon has been highly efficient and his retirement from extension work will be regretted by the college and by the citizens of the state, many of whom have benefited by his extension work.

Clothesline Loot Found.

Cottage Grove—Much of the clothing taken by clothes line thieves during several months past has been found in a clump of bushes two miles south of the city. The articles stolen last week from the Orville Spear home were found in an empty building on Sixth street. The clothing stolen from Mrs. Mary Smith was found on the river bank near the home.

SCENES IN THE CITIZENS' MILITARY CAMP



That the United States military instruction camp at Plattsburgh, N. Y., will more than fulfill its expectations, was the general opinion of those in command when they saw with what enthusiasm the men, most of whom are prominent in business, politics and professions, "pitched in" to their assigned tasks and began the four weeks' military instruction, under the supervision of regular army officers. They all hope to become efficient soldiers to protect the country from a foreign foe. In the illustration, at the left, is Mayor Mitchell of New York, now just Private Mitchell, and at the right, Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., walking briskly to his tent.

AMERICA GETS \$52,000,000 OF BRITISH GOLD



To strengthen British financial prestige in New York markets, \$52,000,000 in treasure, two-thirds in gold and one-third in securities, which had been shipped by the Bank of England from London via Halifax, arrived at the terminal of the American Express company at Thirty-third street and Tenth avenue, New York, in seven steel cars escorted by forty armed men. The greatest treasure cargo ever trusted to one bottom crossed the Atlantic in a British battleship accompanied by a flotilla of torpedo-boat destroyers and a cruiser. The photograph shows twenty-three wagon loads of the gold being transported through the streets of New York guarded by the armed men of the express company and a detail of mounted police.

EDUARDO ITURBIDE



Eduardo Iturbide, now in Washington, has been mentioned frequently as a possible choice of the United States and the Latin-American countries for provisional president of Mexico.

INDIAN PRINCES AIDING ENGLAND



This photograph taken at a British base in Flanders shows at the right two Indian princes who are serving with the British cavalry.

AMERICAN MARTYR TO SERBIAN TYPHUS



Grave of Dr. Ernest Magruder of the American Red Cross, who succumbed to typhus in Serbia. Standing at the grave are Dr. Samuel Hodge, his comrade, and his Serbian orderly.

THIN AND THICK SHELLS

Two Varieties of Explosive Missiles That Are Designed for Different Purposes.

There are several kinds of high explosive shells, which have been designed for various purposes. For instance, there are the shells the case of which is very thin, so that their capacity for containing explosive may be increased. These explode instantly at the slightest contact, and are used

as mines; or, in other words, they cause damage not by the impact of their mass but by the force of the explosion. Another kind of explosive shell is made by increasing the thickness of the steel case and reducing the charge of explosive. The explosion of this missile is calculated to take place a little after contact. This type is used for the destruction of solid defenses, like walls, earthen works, etc., as the thickness of the case and the slowness of explosion permit them to penetrate the fabric before exploding.

Waste of Public Funds. One minor waste of the public funds is called to mind by the way a man who once belonged to congress or the legislature uses official stationery for the rest of his natural life.—Ohio State Journal.

Bird's Life of Value. Investigation in Germany has shown that the partridge eats the seeds of many noxious weeds and insects destructive to plant life, therefore deserves protection.