

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.

Lloyd-George says British workmen are not yet doing their best.

Berlin declines to grant indemnity for lives of Americans lost on the Arabic, but offers to arbitrate.

A wealthy New York widow was murdered in her own home and robbed of about \$10,000 in cash and jewels.

Raiding Zeppelins reached the hotel district in the heart of London, killing 20 and doing much damage with bombs.

The bodies of thirteen men taken from the hull of the wrecked submarine F-4 are on their way to San Francisco on the steamer Supply.

Official circles in Washington believe that diplomatic relations with Germany will be severed without notice upon any further invasion of the rights of American citizens.

One enlisted man was killed and two injured in an explosion on the destroyer Decatur at the Cavite navy yard, Philippine Islands, according to a cabled report to the Navy department.

At a meeting of the Women's Home-stead association at Boston Mrs. Charlotte Smith, the president, demanded a law requiring that girl stenographers be kept in wire cages all work.

General Friedrich von Bernhardt has been assigned to a field command at his own request by Emperor William, and is now at the front. He is one of the best-known military writers of Germany.

A prize Berkshire hog raised by the Delaware College experimental farm, Newark, Del., known officially as Duke of Sussex Sixth, was sold for \$1000 in cash—the world's record price for a registered pig—to C. H. Carter, of Westchester, Pa.

An Amsterdam dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company says: "A Zeppelin which left Brussels in the direction of Antwerp lost a propeller over Stockem, and later fell and was entirely destroyed by an explosion. The members of the crew were killed."

Ambassador Penfield, at Vienna, has been instructed by cable to inform the Austro-Hungarian government that Dr. Constantin Dumba no longer is acceptable as envoy to the United States and to ask for his recall. Ambassador Penfield was instructed that Mr. Dumba has admitted that he proposed to his government plans to instigate strikes in American manufacturing plants engaged in the production of munitions of war. The information reached this government through a copy of a letter of the ambassador to his government. The bearer was an American citizen named Archibald, who was traveling under an American passport. The ambassador has admitted that he employed Archibald to bear official dispatches to his government.

A dividend from Coeur d'Alene mines amounting to \$6,699,879 has been declared.

Judge Willis S. Knowles, of Rhode Island, is shot from ambush in his home in that state.

Italy has declared cotton contraband of war, a Rome dispatch to the Havas News Agency announces.

An earthquake in Central America has destroyed Jutiapa. The city had a population of about 12,000.

Three jailbreakers at Pendleton, Ore., were captured by the sheriff, who was soon on their trail.

A British squadron bombarded all the positions along the Belgian coast as far as Ostend Wednesday.

Rear Admiral William F. Fullam, superintendent of the Naval Academy at Annapolis, has been removed.

An unskilled laborer with a family of five, living in New York City, can not maintain for his family a standard of living consistent with American ideas on a wage of less than \$840 a year, according to a report of the bureau of standards of the board of estimates.

Hundreds are in peril by floods in Kansas because of torrential rains. Many persons have taken refuge in trees and on housetops.

Major General Goethals, builder of the Panama canal, and who is visiting Pacific Coast cities, was elaborately entertained by the Panama-Pacific officials.

A dispatch from Berlin says: "The autumn floods already have started all along the Eastern front. The rivers everywhere are overflowing their banks and the German advance has been checked."

General Funston has taken control of the border line in the entire Rio Grande country because of the raids made there by the Mexican brigands.

M. Dumba, the Austro-Hungarian ambassador in this country, has admitted inciting strikes in munitions plants and his conduct has caused anxiety among diplomats both here and abroad.

Wm. M. Johnston, a San Francisco youth, has won the national tennis championship from Maurice E. McLoughlin, also of the same city. The tournament was held at Forest Hills, N. Y.

FRENCH AND ENGLISH WOULD BORROW BILLION IN AMERICA

New York—The present plan of the joint Anglo-French financial commission, it was reported Tuesday night, is to borrow \$1,000,000,000 in the United States on straight British and French government bonds without any collateral whatever.

If this vast sum of money is obtained, it was said, it is to be spent to the last cent in the United States in payment for cotton, wheat and meat and many commodity shipments, including munitions of war. It will, therefore, in the opinion of financial authorities, be classed as a commercial loan.

Whether the neutrality of the United States would be questioned in case the bankers financing the mammoth loan should accept straight British and French government notes as their security has been given serious consideration. It was said that the financiers familiar with the plan had every reason to believe that the Washington administration would not interfere.

The foregoing was the unanimous opinion of many of the scores of prominent bankers from New York and elsewhere in the country, who have visited the commission at its headquarters here during the three days of its stay in this city. As to its correctness, the members of the commission declined positively to comment. All that the commission cared to publish as authoritative was voiced by Lord Reading, its chairman, who received newspapermen for the first time.

"We are not in a position to make a statement at the present time," Lord Reading said, "because we are studying the conditions in New York and elsewhere in relation to American exchange on London and Paris. We have received a considerable number of persons, prominent bankers and other gentlemen who are interested in the stability of exchange.

"The one thing that is striking about it is that everybody is agreed, as one would expect, in the great importance to be attributed to regulating the exchange so as to provide more stable conditions than has been the case recently.

"The sudden and considerable drop in the exchange naturally disturbs and must disturb commercial relations between the countries—the United States and Great Britain and France—inasmuch as it makes it so difficult to see ahead what the rate of exchange will be, and moreover, because naturally it makes such a material difference in the prices to be received by the American and the prices to be paid by the Englishman and Frenchman."

Canada to Make Big Guns.

Ottawa, Ont.—Canada is to take up the manufacture of field guns and howitzers for the British government, it was announced here. This was decided on at a meeting of prominent statesmen and bankers with General Sir Samuel Hughes, minister of militia, and General Mahan, of the British war office. No artillery ever has been made in Canada, but a committee was appointed to organize factories to handle the business. The manner in which Canada has filled orders for shells led to the proposal that artillery be fabricated here.

Belgian Relief Ship Sunk.

London—A dispatch to Reuters' Telegram company from Muiden, Holland, says: "The steamer Pomona reports that at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning it witnessed the sinking of a British steamer which was flying the signals of the Belgian relief committee. Ten of the crew of the steamer were rescued by steam trawlers."

The staff of Herbert C. Hoover, chairman of the American Belgian relief commission, is investigating the report, but has not been able as yet to confirm it.

Russian Attack "Serious."

Berlin—Leonard Adelt, the war correspondent of the Tageblatt, with the Austrian headquarters, in a dispatch reports that the Russian resistance on the Sereth river has assumed a most serious aspect and indicates that the new commander has been ordered to hold the remaining Russian positions in Galicia. The Russians, the correspondent says, are resorting to counter attacks, which are giving General Count von Bethmer's army much hard work on both flanks on the upper and lower Sereth river.

Roumania Is Mobilizing.

Athens—It is reported in diplomatic circles here that there has been a heavy mobilization of Roumanian troops, including several regiments of cavalry, to face an unexpected concentration of Austrians, which is directed presumably against Roumania. Railroad traffic in Northwestern Roumania is declared to have been suspended in favor of troop movements. All horses have been requisitioned. The second series of reserves are now with the colors.

Turkish Town is Aflame.

London—The town of Phocaea, Asia Minor, 25 miles northwest of Smyrna, is reported to be in flames. A Reuter dispatch from Athens says it is inferred that the Turks are destroying coast towns and retiring into the interior in expectation of the fall of the Dardanelles.

Dr. Dumba Packing Goods.

Lenox, Mass.—The ambassador of Austria-Hungary, Dr. Constantin Theodor Dumba, whose recall was requested by President Wilson, is preparing to leave his summer home here within a short time.

Snow Falls in Montana.

Trenton, N. D.—Snow from two to six inches in depth has fallen in North Dakota and Eastern Montana, much of it melting as it fell through the night. Most of the grain in this region still is unthreshed.

Heat Kills Six in Ohio.

Cleveland, O.—Four persons were prostrated and the death of six children was attributed to heat Tuesday. The temperature was at 97 degrees, the hottest day of the year.

GERMAN ATTACHE TO BE SENT HOME

German Minister at Washington Will Clean House.

WILL ASK SAFE CONDUCT FOR AGENT

Act of Embassy Believed Will Show Genuine Desire of Teutons for Friendship of Uncle Sam.

Washington, D. C.—These highly important developments took place Monday in connection with the events consequent upon the revelations in the Dumba case:

Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, will call on Secretary Lansing and will intimate that Captain Franz von Pappen, German military attache, will be sent home, if a safe conduct for him can be obtained from the British government.

Ambassador Penfield has cabled his personal impression that Austria-Hungary will comply with the American request for the recall of Dr. Dumba, leaving her interests here in charge of the counsellor of the embassy.

Count von Bernstorff will explain the exact connection of Captain von Pappen with the Dumba strike plans. There is no question that the ambassador feels that members of his staff should have no connection with strikes or the creation of disorders in industrial factories. He does hold, however, that Germany, as well as Austria-Hungary, has the right to warn her subjects that employment in factories making munitions for the allies is a crime against the laws of their country and that if they should return home they will be punished.

Germany, it is pointed out in German circles, had the right to call home all reservists in the United States. She was unable to exercise this right because of the British command of the sea and they have been forced to remain in this country. The right to tell these men that they must not work for the allies the German ambassador holds to be as sound as the right to tell them to return to fight.

However, it is apparent that the ambassador has no intention to make an issue in respect to Captain von Pappen. If this government will obtain a safe conduct for the officer he will be ordered to Berlin. Such action would obviate a demand for his recall. It would do more. It would show conclusively the desire of Germany to remain in friendly relations with this country. It would also mean that the Dumba incident with Austria-Hungary will, in the end, be adjusted satisfactorily to the United States.

Washington Administration Thought Will Yield to Carranza's Views

Washington, D. C.—General Carranza's counter proposal to the Pan-American diplomats for a conference with him over international phases of the Mexican problem probably will be approved, according to opinion expressed here by officials in touch with the administration.

Although Carranza refused to yield to the appeal of Secretary Lansing and representatives of six Latin-American republics that he join his adversaries in a peace conference, it was pointed out here that military conditions in Mexico had undergone marked changes in the last few weeks, and in some quarters it was contended that Carranza's claims for recognition were entitled to investigation.

Since the Pan-American appeal was issued, Carranza's armies have pressed pacification of territory in Central and Northern Mexico, while some reports to the State department have declared that General Villa's forces are disintegrating. From authoritative sources advices have reached Washington that it would be difficult to conduct a convention to select a provisional government in Mexico without the participation of Carranza and his military commanders, who assert now that they control nearly all Mexican territory.

Russians Score Victory.

Petrograd, via London—Near Tarnopol the Russians have defeated the Third German division, the Forty-fifth Reserve division and an Austrian brigade. Eight thousand prisoners and 30 guns, besides many machine guns, were captured, according to an official statement issued at the war office. Further south, near Trembowla, about 2500 Teutons, three guns and 12 machine guns were captured.

Near Vorystvitz more than 1000 Austrians and several machine guns were captured.

Liner Offered Japanese.

Honolulu, T. H.—Sirochiro Asano, president of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha, who arrived here Saturday on his way home to Japan, announced that the Atlantic Transport company had offered to sell him the liner China, one of the first vessels recently bought by the Atlantic Transport company from the Pacific Mail company. Mr. Asano said that if the deal went through he would keep the China on the trans-Pacific run. The China is a vessel of 5060 gross tons register, is a single-screw steel vessel and was built in 1889.

Everett, Wash., Runaway's Goal.

Chicago—Richard Alpine, 15 years old, Pittsburg, an orphan, walked into the detective bureau Monday and asked Lieutenant Benjamin Enright to help him reach Everett, Wash. "I lived with an aunt in Pittsburg," he said, "but she abused me so I ran away. I am going to Everett to live with another aunt. My parents died several years ago." Lieutenant Enright sent the boy to the Juvenile Home and will communicate with his aunt in Everett.

OREGON STATE NEWS

Anti-Fire Fight Begun.

Salem—In an effort to curtail fire losses Harvey Wells, state insurance commissioner, has issued a bulletin giving the various origins of fire and means of prevention.

Mr. Wells urges that the way to obtain cheap insurance is to stop the enormous fire losses. Now the non-burning, careful business man, he says, pays for the careless, indifferent, reckless builder and occupant. He declares:

"The fire loss in Oregon, most of which may be termed 'fire waste,' is greater in proportion to the population than in most states. In 1914 the value of property destroyed is estimated at more than \$4,000,000, and the insurance companies paid \$2,736,000 of that amount."

The commissioner insists that the state should enact a fire marshal law, and that there should be fire-prevention associations in all communities. The duties of these organizations, he says, should be to create sentiment for solid buildings, clean premises, fire prevention laws, and ordinances governing flues, electric wiring, etc.

"We have our efficient fire department in the cities to attack fire," continues the bulletin. "Now, after we have built and organized these departments to their maximum strength and efficiency, what is our next step in combating the immense fire waste? Why should we not have a department known as 'Fire Preventers'?"

Mr. Wells estimates that \$2,000,000 of property is destroyed and 500 lives lost yearly through the careless use of matches, kerosene, and the cleaning of cellars, closets and attics are urged as means of fire prevention.

The bulletin is filled with useful information regarding the preventing and extinguishing of fires, and Mr. Wells will give it a wide distribution as possible.

Insurance Balance is Big.

Salem—Balance on hand in the State Industrial Accident commission is \$365,186.89, according to a report of the commission. Of this amount \$210,168.19 has been set aside for the payment of pensions.

Receipts since the pension feature of the workmen's compensation act became operative, July 1, 1914, are as follows: Contributed by the state, \$90,345.22; employers' contributions, \$51,507.18, and contributed by workmen, \$89,098.55.

Disbursements were as follows: Balance in reserve to guarantee pensions, \$210,168.19; compensation for time lost, \$151,847.94; first aid to injured workmen, \$84,299.44; pensions paid, \$10,132.09, and administrative expense, \$78,484.39.

There was a deficit of \$18,441.54 for July this because of an exemption of fees. The commission still has a good working balance and it is probable that exemptions will be granted for at least another month.

Coyote Attacks Hunter.

Hood River—Al Cruikshank, a member of the Hood River County Game Protective association, while hunting in the Post Canyon region, west of this city, was attacked by a wounded coyote. As the animal leaped from its bed, Mr. Cruikshank fired.

Maddened by the pain, the coyote turned on the hunter, who had to yield his gun to ward off its attack, directed at Mr. Cruikshank's throat. A well-aimed blow knocked it to the earth. Mr. Cruikshank then jumped on the fallen beast, killing it with his gunstock. The coyote weighed 40 pounds.

Klamath Logging Probed.

Klamath Falls—Representatives N. J. Sinnott, of the Third Oregon district, arrived here Wednesday on his second official tour of this district this year.

Mr. Sinnott visited the Williamson river district with the idea of later possibly taking some steps looking to the reopening of the river to logging operations. The river was closed two or three years ago to logging in order that it might be preserved for fishing. Mr. Sinnott continued his trip southward, visiting Merrill, Malin and the Tule Lake section.

River Activity is Great.

Hood River—With three boat lines now seeking local business, the greatest activity ever displayed on the local water front is now in evidence. Apple growers are shipping large blocks of fruit to Portland by boat lines, and shipments of bags are being made weekly. The Dalles-Columbia line, operating the steamer State of Washington, is constructing a macadamized road this week from the terminus of a city street on the east side of Hood River to its dock several hundred rods up the Columbia.

Soudan Grass Good Forage Crop.

Gaston—The new forage crop, Soudan grass, is a success in Washington county. W. K. Newell and V. S. Abraham have experimented with it on their farms near Gaston, this summer, and pronounce it valuable. Two crops of hay can be harvested in the Willamette valley, and the cattle eat it greedily. Mr. Newell's was a fine, luxuriant growth eight feet tall, and he harvested about six tons to the acre. He has just cut his crop for seed and will plant the grass much more extensively next year for his Holstein herd.

Marion Supervisors Named.

Salem—The Marion county board of education has elected J. W. L. Smith and J. E. Drullette supervisors for the coming year. Mr. Smith was supervisor for the north end of the county last year, and will be assigned to the south end for the coming year. Mr. Drullette was principal of the Bunker Hill school at Marshfield last year.

FRENCH SPORTSMEN AS WAR AVIATORS



This photograph, taken at an aero base in northern France, shows a number of celebrities in the French sporting world who are serving their country as army aviators. The second man from the left is Georges Carpentier, the famous boxer, and the third is Somes, French champion cyclist, who had brought down a German aviator just before the picture was taken.

MOHAMMEDAN TROOPS AT PRAYER IN ENGLAND



A picturesque scene which was witnessed at the mosque at Woking, near London, when a large number of Mohammedans, principally British Indian troops, assembled for prayer. The picture shows the "prostration," each worshiper with his face to the east.

PROTECTED AGAINST POISONOUS GASES



Group of French infantrymen in the trenches equipped with respirators and goggles as protection against the poisonous gases used by the Germans.

DEAD AT THEIR POSTS IN A TRENCH



French sanitary officers inspecting a captured German trench in which is an unbroken line of dead soldiers who were killed as they fought.

THEY INFRINGED DISCIPLINE



Discipline in the British military camps at Alexandria, Egypt, is very strict and those soldiers who have committed petty infringements are confined in a compound surrounded by barbed wire. Some of these offenders are here shown leaving the compound for their daily tasks.

SNAKE CHARMER IS BITTEN

Circus Employee Breathes by Means of Tube as Result of Swollen Tongue.

Pocatello, Idaho.—George Horner, who is employed by the Campbell Carnival company as a snake charmer, went out into the hills near here with a companion, and captured eight rattlesnakes.

Horner wanted to extract the fangs of the reptiles, and had succeeded by using his teeth on the first few, when a particularly squirmy one bit him on the lip and tongue. As a consequence he is considering himself lucky to be breathing, even by means of a tube put through a hole in his windpipe.

As soon as he was bitten, Horner was taken to Dr. A. F. Newton. The doctor administered antivenom and labored with the man for three hours. Horner's tongue became so swollen that he could not breathe and Doctor Newton found it necessary to cut a hole in the man's windpipe.

Indian Spear found.

Eugene, Ore.—An Indian spear, estimated to be from fifty to one hundred years old, was found recently by forest service guards on the McKenzie river, 60 miles east of here. The shaft is of cedar and in a good state of preservation. The shaft is about twelve feet long, and has a tip of flint.

HAD FAITH IN THE PEASANT

Great Russian Novelist Held Firmly to Belief in the Wisdom of the Simple.

Tolstoy, the great Russian novelist, spent his whole life in close communion with the peasants and was persuaded that all the wisdom he might have attained concerning life, its true meaning and its true aim, was due but to this fact.

He knew the peasant soul; he spoke

and he wrote, especially in his religious and moral works, the language of the peasants.

He always says, speaking of truth, that he means "the simple peasant truth," he considers the work of the peasant the only dignified labor and he never ceased to investigate the simple thoughts and the clear judgments of the true workers, the peasants.

At the very end of his life, when he left his home he walked with his daughter through a village and said

to her: "I don't yet know our peasants. I will take a stick and wander from door to door, knocking at each house. Then perhaps, listening to the answers they will give me, I will penetrate into their true minds."

Advancement.

"Have you made any progress toward the betterment of municipal art?" "We've made some progress with reference to statutory. All the wooden Indians have disappeared from in front of the cigar store."