

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.

Slides in the Siskiyou mountains are delaying traffic.

The illness of Emperor Franz Joseph is reported grave.

The new fad in ladies' hosiery is the "lampshade" stocking.

Mexican bandit is executed in the Juarez cemetery for killing an American.

Mercury drops 70 degrees in two hours and 20 minutes at Great Falls, Mont.

Shooting of a Mexican civilian by an American is charged by that government and his punishment is asked.

Mrs. Mean Bear, an Indian aged 105 years, dies at Ponca City, Okla., leaving 700 kinfolks in her immediate family.

Two hostile aeroplanes visit Kent, England, dropping nine bombs resulting in a casualty list of one killed and six injured.

East St. Louis, Ill., stock yards are under quarantine because of the discovery of several cases of foot and mouth disease.

A. L. Mohler, president of the Union Pacific railroad, who fell on the ice at Omaha Sunday and suffered concussion of the brain, is improving.

President Wilson urges congress to clear its docket of appropriation bills as soon as possible, so that the preparedness program will have full swing.

At a meeting in Chicago of the Republican National committee, four prominent persons were mentioned for chairman of the convention, including Borah, Root, McCall and Osborne.

Senator Newlands, in a speech in the senate, opposed government ownership of railroads, declaring that under the regulation plan, America has secured the most perfect railroad system in the world.

A stenographer in a fit of despondency jumps from the 16th story of a building in Chicago. She alighted on a truckload of pasteboard boxes, breaking both arms and several ribs. She probably will live.

Republican Leader Mann took the floor of the house against the Shackelford \$25,000,000 good roads bill on the ground that the money would have to come from special taxes, most of which are paid by cities.

A package of currency containing \$2200 disappeared somewhere between the Burlington depot and the Adams Express company office at Mount Pleasant, Ia. Another package containing \$500 in silver was undisturbed.

Colonel Goethals, governor of the Panama Canal zone, and General Clarence R. Edwards, commander of the U. S. troops there, are to report at Washington to settle differences between them arising from criticism made by General Edwards.

A new Oregon Republican club is organized in Portland with 500 members.

A total of eleven lives were lost during recent severe storms in Southern California.

Berlin announces that superior Russian forces were repulsed in hand-to-hand fighting in the Bessarabian frontier trenches.

Promises that the English conscription measure will be enforced without severity, brings loud applause in the house of commons.

War issues cause hot debate in the senate, Hoke Smith leading in a severe arraignment of England's attitude toward neutral shipping.

A British submarine has gone ashore off Holland, according to an announcement made by the official press bureau. There was no loss of life.

An attack by the British with the use of smoke bombs on the German positions north of Freilighin, in Northern France, is announced in an official statement by the German army headquarters. It is declared the attack was beaten off with heavy loss to the British.

Roosevelt wants immediate action in construction of half a dozen "formidable fighting ships," adequate army and universal military service.

The Greek king is bitter toward the entente powers for attempting to force his country into the war. He declares the neutrality of his country was violated like that of Belgium.

General Luis Herrera, in supreme command of the Carranza forces at Chihuahua City, Mexico, late Friday night flatly denied the truth of the report of the capture of General Villa at the San Geronimo ranch.

A wealthy Spokane realty dealer was found guilty of selling intoxicants in violation of the liquor law and was fined \$250 and ten days in jail.

The house committee favorably reports the Spanish-American war pension bill which grants, if passed, \$12 per month to every widow of a soldier either a volunteer or a regular.

Seattle millionaires whose residences were raided by the sheriff for violations of the Prohibition law, will turn against him by attacking his legal status as regards searching private residences.

BIG INCOMES MAY BE TAXED TO PAY FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE

Washington, D. C.—The income tax was declared constitutional Tuesday by the Supreme court in an unanimous decision which swept aside every objection raised against it, and in the opinion of congressional leaders opened the way for increasing the tax rate on great fortunes to help pay for National defense.

Proposals are pending in congress to tax incomes of more than \$1,000,000 as high as 50 per cent. Leaders on all sides agree that out of the impetus which the decision will give such proposals is likely to come a definite movement to levy on the revenues from great private fortunes for some of the millions the government must raise to carry out the army and navy increases.

"The Supreme court's decision has absolutely unfettered the income tax as a source of revenue," said Representative Hull, of Tennessee, author of the law. "All doubt is removed and

MISS KATHERINE SEFTON



Miss Katherine Sefton, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Frederik Sefton of Auburn, N. Y., is to become the bride of Frank C. Page, son of the ambassador to Great Britain, according to an announcement made in London.

congress is left much freer to act. I believe congress will take advantage of the opportunity to amend the law materially. Without any unusual or unjust charges it can be made to yield \$185,000,000 to \$195,000,000 a year as against \$85,000,000 or \$95,000,000 at present."

American Demand on Germany in Lusitania Case Granted by Berlin

Washington, D. C.—Germany has submitted to the United States, through Ambassador Von Bernstorff, another written proposal designed to bring about a settlement of the controversy over the sinking of the steamship Lusitania, with a loss of more than 100 American lives.

There were indications here that the document might bring a satisfactory termination of negotiations. Although the greatest secrecy surrounds the negotiations, it is said on excellent authority that Germany finally had agreed to eliminate from the text of the agreement any mention of the warning issued by the German embassy the day the Lusitania sailed on her last trip from New York.

Mention of this warning is understood to have been contained in the last proposal, which was rejected after President Wilson had considered it.

It is understood also that Germany had left out of her proposal general reservation of admission of wrongdoing on the part of the submarine commander, to which United States objected.

Mention of the warning is believed to have been most objectionable to the administration. In effect, it was regarded as conveying the idea that no American lives would have been lost had the warning been heeded.

German Fleet to Battle

New York—President MacMeichen, of the Aeronautical Society of America, issued a statement Wednesday in which he said that a German fleet with 17-inch guns, far outranging British naval guns, and escorted by aeroplanes and Zeppelins armed with a new pneumatic gun, will soon appear in the North Sea and give battle to the British.

The time of the raid will be fixed mainly by the results of tests of a new engine of destruction from the air and of the pneumatic gun, he said.

New Mail Rate Opposed

Washington, D. C.—President Peterson, of the Long Island Railroad and president of the committee of railway presidents opposing the proposal to have the government pay for transportation of mails on the so-called space basis, laid the railroads' objections before the house postoffice committee.

He said the railroads had begun to feel the effects of improved business conditions and that it would be a blow to the entire country to have their incomes cut at this time.

Officials Like Torpedo

Washington, D. C.—Adoption of the serial-controlled torpedo invented by John Hays Hammond, Jr., was urged Wednesday by Secretary Garrison, Major General Scott and Brigadier General Weaver at an executive session of the house fortifications subcommittee.

Mr. Hammond also was present and explained the workings of the torpedo. The War department estimates contain a proposed appropriation of \$945,000 for putting the torpedo into use.

PORTLAND RECTOR CALLS FOR DEFENSE

Dr. Morrison, Episcopalian, Has No Use for Pacifist.

CHRIST'S NON-RESISTANCE IS DENIED

Mother Who Would Keep Her Sons From Enlisting Declared to Be "Disgrace to Nation."

The finger of shame was pointed from the pulpit of the Portland Trinity Episcopal church Sunday morning at the mother whose love for her son rises above that for her nation.

The mothers and "peace at any price" advocates were denounced as a "disgrace to the nation," and an appeal, based on the teachings of Christ, for proper national armaments, was sent forth by Dr. A. A. Morrison, rector of that church, in what was considered perhaps the strongest sermon in defense of preparedness ever delivered from any pulpit in Portland.

After the sermon members of the congregation rushed forward to congratulate the pastor.

"I cannot understand these individuals who cry even from the pulpits 'peace at any price,'" he told them. "I wonder what they would do, if some one in the night should by force steal away their wife and daughter. Would they run after them with their theory of love? Of course not."

The teaching of Christ, he declared in answer to those peace advocates who base their theories on the Bible, is not against preparedness. And he cited Christ's scourging of the money changers in the temple, his chastisement of the Scribes and Pharisees and his advice to sacrifice one's life for a friend.

"A misapprehension exists," he declared, "over the phrase called 'Christian teaching.' There are those advocating peace under any and all circumstances who assert that Jesus taught a doctrine of non-resistance, a doctrine which would utterly abrogate the use of force in education or as a defense against evil-doers. Many persons believe Christ advocated this, but I say he did no such thing."

Avalanche of Snow and Earth Hits Great Northern Train; 8 Dead

Seattle—Two cars of westbound Great Northern Cascade Limited train were swept from the track by an avalanche near Corea station Saturday morning, and were hurled 80 feet down the mountain side, causing death to four passengers, and four missing. Fifteen passengers were injured, none seriously except Earl Smith, of Spokane, a small boy.

The train was standing on the track near Corea, on the west slope of the Cascade mountains, when the avalanche struck it near the middle, a day coach and the diner going over the bank, while a sleeper behind them was toppled over on its side, where it hung in its perilous position over the bank, but was not taken down.

The dining car stopped when about half way down the slope and caught fire, being destroyed there.

The scene of the accident is but a few miles east of the scene of a similar disaster of February 28, 1910, when two Great Northern trains were struck by snowslides and nearly all the persons on the trains perished.

Villa Sends Messenger to Deny Implication in Killing of Americans

El Paso, Tex.—Teodoro Prieto, who says he is a major in the Villa army, appeared Monday and declared that he had been sent in disguise to the border by Gen. Villa to say that Villa had nothing to do with the massacre of 18 foreigners at Santa Ysabel January 10.

"Villa did not know of the tragedy for days afterward," said Prieto. "He instructed me to say that he will execute the men responsible, even if they prove to be his own men, if they are caught."

Red Boy Mine Is Sold

Baker—H. A. Sonne, cashier of the Baker Loan & Trust company has announced upon his return from Canyon City that he bid in for \$34,500 the property of the Red Boy Mines company at a sheriff's sale for the bank, holder of a trust mortgage securing a \$137,900 bond issue. The sale was effected by canceling a large part of the bond issue, at considerable below par.

Judgment given by the Grant county circuit court, on which the sale was based, was \$171,835.98, together with \$5000 attorney's fees, to be divided between Clifford & Correll, of Baker, and William Jackson, of Chicago, \$23 costs and \$500 for trustees' fees.

Africa Gets Oregon Hops

Salem—What is said to be the first shipment of Oregon hops to South Africa left Independence recently for Portland, where it will be sent by steamer to its destination.

The shipment was made by Durbin & Corroyer, buyers of this city, and consisted of 178 bales. Of the total number of bales in the order, 58 are destined for Johannesburg; 23 for Alrope; 58 for Natal; 14 for Cape Town; 12 for Bloombfontein and 13 for Pretoria. The hops were grown by Madison Bros., of Benton county.

More Hops Are Sold

Salem—Reports this week were that the Oregon Hopgrowers' association had sold 8000 bales of its holdings to Louis Lachmund for an average price of 12 cents, but association officers refused to confirm the amount. They admitted, however, the sale of a large block. M. L. Jones, president, said another large deal was pending. Prediction that the hop market would see a slump before long was made by Mr. Horst, who declared that the large stock on the Pacific Coast yet unsold did not justify high values.

NEWS ITEMS About Oregon

All-Oregon Historical Pageant Commencement Week Feature

University of Oregon, Eugene—An all-Oregon historical pageant, in which each of the 35 counties will be represented by a "Daughter of Oregon," will be presented at the State university during commencement week, early in June.

The pageant has just been approved by the board of regents and will be presented before final examinations so that the participation of a great portion of the student body may be possible.

The pageant will depict the progress of Oregon. The first representation will show the state as it was in its original primeval condition, prior to the coming even of the Indian. Then the epoch of Indian domination will be depicted, then the coming of the white man, then the days of the immigration, then the gold days, and finally the realization of the present with a glimpse into the future. The pageant will be in five scenes, presided over by "Mother Oregon." In the last scene the 35 "Daughters of Oregon" will bring gifts symbolic of the industries of each county.

The pageant is to be not merely a University affair. Contribution of lyrics for the various choruses is invited from the state at large, and any suggestion for the five scenes will be appreciated. A large state attendance is looked for. Persons desiring to make suggestions for the pageant should communicate with Dr. E. S. Bates, professor of English and author of the scenario, University of Oregon, Eugene.

State Joins Fight on Federal Control of Vacant Public Lands

Salem—With other Western states, Oregon will join with Utah in the battle to determine whether the Federal government has exclusive control over vacant public lands in the Western states.

Believing that the case now on appeal from Utah to the United States Supreme court, in which the Beaver River Power company is enjoined from operating a hydro-electric plant on lands in the Federal forest reserve, is of vital interest to Oregon, Governor Withycombe has requested Attorney General Brown to appear in Washington, D. C., as a friend of the court, and give Oregon's attitude in the question of government control of water power resources on Federal lands.

Utah was the first to intervene, and since then Idaho, Colorado and a number of other Western states have decided to be represented.

The question involved in the case, according to officials here, is whether the laws of a state regulating the appropriation and use of water within its boundaries are controlling and exclusive of any other control.

Will Drain 60,000 Acres in Fertile Long Tom District

Eugene—A meeting of business men and landowners has launched plans for the drainage of between 60,000 and 70,000 acres in the Long Tom district at an estimated expense of \$280,000. About 20,000 acres of this land is in Lane county, the rest being in Linn and Benton counties.

The commercial club at a recent meeting pledged its support to the project and will, it has been announced, give \$1000 toward getting the work under way, provided the majority of the landowners vote to create a drainage district as authorized by the Oregon law, within which assessments may be levied. The district will be authorized to issue bonds.

This project has been proposed a number of times by individuals, but the action of the club, co-operating with landowners, is the first organized movement to accomplish the drainage of this land, which is almost worthless because it is covered with water a great part of the time, but which would be among the most valuable farm land in the state if the water was eliminated.

Where She Shone

"How about your new stenographer? Is she quick and accurate?" "Yes, sir; she can powder her face, arrange her braids and fix her hair quicker than any stenographer I ever had. And do it accurately, too."

Napoleon Wasted No Words

An interesting Napoleonic relic is the reply to a long and verbose letter from the duke of Gaeta asking the emperor's decision in a confiscation case. Napoleon's reply was as follows: "Yes, Napoleon."

BRITISH CYCLE CORPS AT SALONIKI



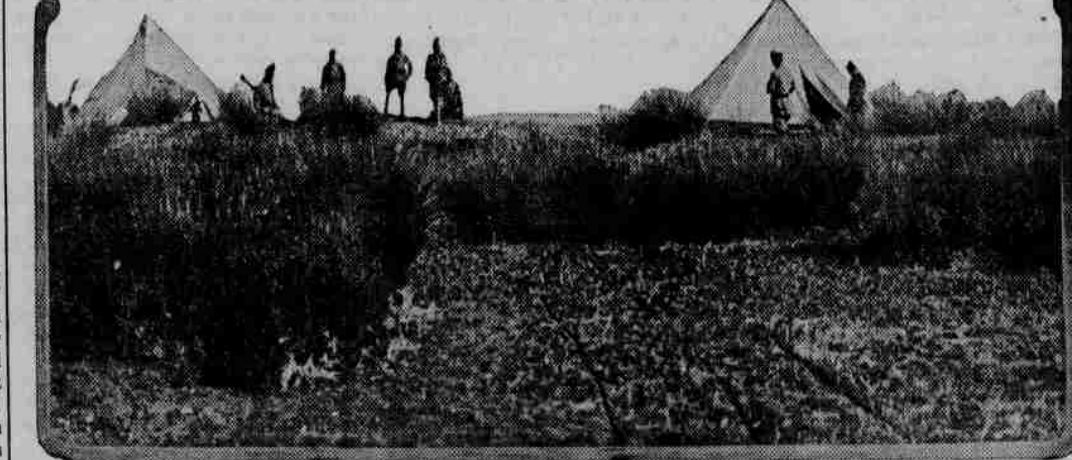
Members of the British cycle corps are here shown leaving Saloniki in the midst of a snowstorm to make a reconnaissance. Elaborate preparations for the defense of the Greek city have been made by the allies, and additions to their forces there are being made constantly by both the British and the French.

SURVIVORS OF THEIR RACE'S TRAGEDY



Group of Armenian girls and women who escaped death or worse at the hands of the Turks, the fate of tens of thousands of their sisters.

OUTPOST OF THE ALBANIAN REBELS



This is a view of an outpost of the Albanian rebels on a hilltop near Durazzo. These Albanians, it is believed, are ready to join forces with the allies against the Teutonic armies, while Prince William of Wied, who was king of Albania for a short time, is said to be organizing tribesmen to aid the Teutons.

MRS. A. J. DREXEL, JR.



Mrs. Anthony J. Drexel, Jr., of Philadelphia, formerly Miss Marjory Gould of New York, as she appeared aboard the steamer on which she recently arrived at New York from Europe. Mr. Drexel accompanied her and they went to their home in Philadelphia. Mrs. Drexel is seen carrying her favorite dog Bella.

KING OF SPAIN GREET'S ARMY AVIATORS



Next to his polo ponies and his speedy motor cars, there is nothing which holds the interest of King Alfonso so much as flying machines of every description. He himself is a capable aviator, with a reputation in the aeronautic world. The photograph shows Alfonso greeting some of the army air pilots on their return from a flight during his visit to the aviation school at Jetafe. He has been quick to recognize the importance of aviation in warfare.

BITS OF NEWS

European armies normally use up 71,000,000 pairs of shoes yearly. Dr. D. V. K. Wellington Koo, the new Chinese minister to the United States, is the youngest man who ever came as a minister to this country. Signor Marconi has still in his possession the apparatus with which he made his first experiments in wireless telegraphy in the garden of his father's house in Italy. He was then fifteen years old. The foreign-born population in the United States equals the combined population of Norway, Denmark and Sweden.