

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.

British hammer desperately at German third line, but make little progress.

The body of the late Yuan Shi Kai was carried in state and laid away with his ancestors.

Rewards aggregating \$14,000 are offered for the perpetrator of the San Francisco bomb outrage.

Men who conceived the idea of submarine merchant ships are said to have made \$3,000,000 out of it.

Six British trawlers were sunk by German submarines off the English coast on July 17, says a German admiralty statement.

The Dutch steamship Maas has been sunk near the North Hinder light as the result of striking a mine. Ten members of the vessel's crew were drowned.

Sergius Sazonoff, minister of foreign affairs of Russia, has resigned. He is succeeded by Boris Vladimirovitch Sturmer, the premier, who has taken over the office.

Chicago witnessed the hottest weather so far this year when the thermometer reached 93 at 11 a. m. Monday. There were several prostrations but none was serious.

June records for postal savings in New York City were eclipsed last month when a net gain of more than \$3,800,000 was rolled up, quadrupling the net increase for June, 1915.

Negotiations between the United States and Denmark for the purchase of the Danish West Indies are understood to have reached a stage where definite developments may come soon.

Emperor William, it is officially announced, has moved from the Western to the Eastern theater of the war. He was accompanied by the chief of the general staff of the army in the field.

Representative Dill protested to the secretary of War against the retention of the Washington National Guard at Calexico, one of the hottest spots on the border. He asked that the regiment be transferred to some more comfortable station.

Under the menace of a heavy Russian assault the Austrians in the Carpathians, in the region of Bukovina, southeast of Tatarowa, have withdrawn toward the main ridge of the Carpathians. This was officially announced by the Austrian war office.

One of the oldest, if not the oldest, man on the Pacific Coast died at Pendleton, Or., when Ayoushakatsagom, the veteran Cayuse Indian, passed on to the happy hunting grounds. He was reputed to be 120 years old, and his memory dated back to events which happened during the war of 1812.

The Idaho delegation will confer with Secretary Lane and urge that one of three mining experiment stations for which \$75,000 has been appropriated, be established at Moscow, Idaho, or Butte, Mont.

Instruction in military science is to be included in undergraduate instruction at Stanford University, Palo Alto, Cal., of which David Starr Jordan, pacifist of international reputation, is now chancellor emeritus.

Canada's consumption of alcoholic beverages dropped from .872 of a gallon per capita to .745 per capita in the fiscal year just ended, according to the inland revenue department. The consumption of tobacco also shows a falling off from 3,427 pounds to 3,329 pounds per capita.

The first official announcement that Great Britain had captured a German submarine of the U-35 class was made in the house of commons by Thomas McNamara, financial secretary of the admiralty. He said that one of these vessels would be brought to London to be viewed by the public.

Twelve one-gallon cans of whisky, shipped in a trunk as baggage from San Francisco to Portland, were seized by city detectives following long hours of watchful waiting. Julius Randazzo, a Spaniard, is under arrest, charged with "receiving a consignment of liquor not properly labeled."

Californians deposited in their state banks the fiscal year ending June 30, \$97,896,168 more than they did the last fiscal year, while at the same time the resources of the state banks increased \$88,985,382 over the last fiscal year, according to the annual report of the state bank superintendent.

The British steamer Adams, which was captured off the Swedish coast by a German destroyer, has been released, according to Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent. Sweden made an official protest to Berlin against the capture of the steamer, saying it was effected within Swedish territorial waters.

ASQUITH ASKS COMMONS FOR NEW CREDIT OF TWO BILLIONS

London—Premier Asquith Monday asked the house of commons for a vote of credit of \$2,250,000,000 and the total since the beginning of the war to approximately \$14,160,000,000.

The premier said the recent expenditure was approximately \$25,000,000 daily. All the expenditure from April 1 to last Saturday was \$2,795,000,000. Mr. Asquith said that the navy, army and munitions cost \$1,895,000,000; the loans to Great Britain's allies, \$785,000,000, and food, supplies, railways, etc., \$115,000,000. The average daily expenditure on the war, he said, was \$24,750,000.

The July total, continued the premier, probably would be higher than that of November and it was expected that the present level would be maintained for the near future. The munition expenditure had increased steadily and continuously up to May and in the month and during June and July it was fairly constant.

After a speech by Winston Spencer Churchill, criticising Premier Asquith for not reviewing the war situation, David Lloyd George, secretary for war, replied, saying that it would be premature to survey a military situation and the prospects in the middle of the battle.

"The prospects are good," the war secretary said. "Our generals are more than satisfied with and proud of the valor of our men they are leading. Great as the British infantry was in Wellington's and Napoleon's day, they never have been greater than now."

Prudential Insurance Company Agents Called Out on Strike

New York—Agents and collectors employed by the Prudential Insurance company were called out on strike Monday by a union recently organized among them and known as the International Insurance Agents' Protective association, with a membership of 6000. Although assertions of the company and the union were conflicting, it appeared Monday night that at least 500 men in the district have responded to the strike call thus far.

The men demanded more pay, recognition of the union and "more reasonable" working hours. Telegrams from branches of the union in different states in the territory east of Chicago, leaders here declared, indicate that unless the demands of the men are met all the 6000 will follow the lead of those already out. About 13,000 agents and collectors are employed by the company.

Lack of sufficient collectors to see that premiums are turned in at the proper time, the strikers assert, will result in the cancellation of thousands of policies. The company announced that none of the men who walked out would be reinstated.

Sixteen in Tube Thought Dead.

Cleveland—Imprisoned in a new water works tunnel under Lake Erie as a result of a terrific explosion of gas in the tube, 16 men are believed to be dead.

The blast occurred shortly before midnight Monday and lifesavers and the crews of the fireboats rushed to the outer crib five miles from shore with lung motors, prepared to enter the tunnel and rescue the victims alive.

That any survived the gas explosion is considered hopeless. At 2:30 a. m., G. O. Van Duzen, with eight members of a rescue party, were overcome by gas in the tunnel trying to rescue the 14 men trapped in the water works tunnel. Two others in the party were saved. It is reported that the rescuers were near death from the gas.

"Conscience Fund" Gets Record Sums.

Washington, D. C.—Contributions to the treasury's "conscience fund," for the fiscal year ending June 30 amounted to \$4,923,151, making a total of \$498,763.54 returned by persons whose consciences were uneasy over frauds against the government.

Returns were much larger during the past year than ever before, chiefly because of two unusual contributions, one for \$30,000 and one for \$10,000. It was in 1811 when the first \$5 was sent in. It is an unwritten law of the department that no effort shall be made to learn the identity of the contributors, and even in cases where the writer has confessed to theft no effort is made to prosecute.

Loss in Officers Hugo.

London—Casualty lists issued by the war office show that during June the British army lost 423 officers killed, 1032 wounded and 46 missing—a total of 1519. These figures bring the aggregate losses to date to 29,424, of which number 8997 have been killed or died, 18,456 wounded and 1971 missing. Heavy fighting around Ypres caused losses among officers in the Canadian contingent of 109 killed, 304 wounded and 51 missing. Of the Australians 14 were killed and 32 wounded.

Boni Has New Evidence.

Rome—On behalf of Count Boni de Castellane his attorney in the suit before the Holy See for the annulment of his marriage with Anna Gould has presented to the Pope new evidence which, according to the attorney, will prove that Miss Gould married Count de Castellane with the intention of divorcing him if later she became dissatisfied with the marriage bond. This is sufficient to annul a Catholic marriage, the attorney says.

PLACED BOMB KILLS 6 VIEWING PARADE

Timed Blast Deals Death on Crowded San Francisco Sidewalk.

LETTER OF WARNING RECEIVED

Innocent Bystanders Slain by Work of "Exiles From Militaristic Government."—Reward.

San Francisco—At least six persons were killed and 42 or more injured by the explosion here Saturday of a timed bomb in the midst of a throng viewing a preparedness parade. The police arrested Frank Josephs, a lodger in a sailors' boarding-house, but said he had not been charged with the crime.

Chalres M. Fickert, district attorney, issued a statement attributing the deed to a mind unbalanced by arguments for and against preparedness, which have occupied attention here. The parade was not interrupted.

Lists of dead compiled by the police are: Mrs. Howard E. Knapp, Alameda, Cal.

Dr. George Painter, Berkeley, Cal. O. H. Lamborn, printer, Alameda. George Lawler, Mill Valley, Cal.

The explosion took place at Steuart and Market streets, two blocks from the Ferry building, on San Francisco's main thoroughfare. The bomb, concealed in a suitcase packed with cartridges, bullets, marbles, bits of glass, iron pipe and scrap iron, blew a gap through the crowd, hurling men, women and children to the ground.

The holiday throng, cheering a contingent of veterans of the First California Infantry of the Spanish-American war, and members of the Grand Army of the Republic who were forming in Steuart street, stood in a path which became a shambles. The blare of drums drowned the cries of the injured. The sidewalk was strewn with torn bodies, spattered with blood.

All the newspaper offices in San Francisco received a communication written in Roman script, with an indelible pencil, many of the words being heavily underscored. The communication was signed "The Determined Exiles From Militaristic Government, Italy, Germany, U. S., Italy, Russia." In several instances the writer repeated himself. The communication read:

"Editor: Our protests have been in vain in regards to this preparedness propaganda, so we are going to use a little direct action on the 22d, which will echo around the earth and show that Frisco really knows how and that militarism cannot be forced on us and our children without a violent protest. 'Things are going to happen to show that we will go to any extreme, the same as the controlling class, to preserve what little democracy we still have. Don't take this as a joke, or you will be rudely awakened. Awaken (sic). We have sworn to do our duty to the masses and only send warnings to those who are wise, but who are forced to march to hold their jobs, as we want to give only the hypocritical (sic) patriots who shout for war, but never go, a real taste of war.'"

"Kindly ask the Chamber of Commerce to march in a solid body, IF THEY WANT TO PROVE THEY ARE NO COWARDS. A copy has been sent to all the papers. Our duty has been done so far."

\$5000 Reward Offered.

San Francisco—Mayor Ralph offered a reward of \$5000 Sunday for the arrest of the person who placed a bomb Saturday among the crowds watching the preparedness parade, the explosion of which killed six and wounded 40, and the police department established a separate bureau for the single purpose of running down the culprit.

As the result of police investigation, several possible clues to the perpetrator of the outrage were obtained. William Taylor, an aged cripple, who frequents the waterfront, told the police that he saw a man leave a suitcase on the spot where the explosion occurred a few minutes later.

Shakespeare Wins Suit.

Chicago—The closing chapter of the Bacon-Shakespeare controversy in the courts here was entered Saturday when Judge Smith dismissed the suit of Colonel George Fabyan and dissolved the injunction granted him by Judge Tut-hill, who decided that the works credited to Shakespeare were in reality written by Bacon. To prevent Fabyan from publishing a code which he contended would show Bacon was the author of the Shakespearean plays, Selig brought injunction proceedings and Colonel Fabyan filed a cross-bill.

Millions to Be Burned.

Mexico City—Fifty million dollars in Mexican paper money will be burned within the next few days in the courtyard of the National Palace, according to an announcement by the government Saturday. This money is of the old Vera Cruz issue and has been supplanted by a new issue made in the United States.

It is said that \$225,000,000 in paper money will be disposed of in this way during the next few weeks.

HUNDREDS OF CHILDREN DIE IN MONTREAL FROM INTENSE HEAT

Chicago—The present heat wave, which envelops all of the country excepting the Pacific Coast, is proving especially severe in Eastern Canada, where the people are unused to torridity. Dispatches say that more than 250 children perished in Montreal the past week from heat. The temperature there Tuesday was 93—the highest point reported in five years. In Quebec 23 children have been killed by the heat since Sunday. Toronto also reports unusual heat, which has continued for nearly a week, resulting in deaths and prostrations.

Conditions in Montreal especially, are most unusual. Ordinarily that city is positively cold when the States are baking and sweltering, and hay fever sufferers have hailed Montreal as the one spot they could count on for relief. Now conditions are almost reversed, as Montreal is seven degrees hotter than Chicago.

The official forecaster here says there is no relief in sight for several days, but that all indications point to still hotter weather.

Oregon Dry Law Seriously Hurt by Circuit Court Decision

Portland—Restrictions as to the amount of liquor which persons in Oregon may receive from outside the state every four weeks are in danger of being swept aside.

Sections of the Oregon dry law regulating the importation of liquor and alcohol into the state are nullified, in the opinion of District Attorney Evans, if the decision of Circuit Judge Morrow Tuesday in overruling the demurrer to the complaint of Wadhams & Co., against the San Francisco & Portland Steamship company remains in force or is upheld by higher courts on an appeal.

"Two thirds of the Prohibition law is wiped out by this decision," said Mr. Evans. "The state is not a party to the suit and any appeal from the ruling must be made by the steamship company."

Judge Morrow's decision holds that the provision of the dry law limiting the right of importing large quantities of alcohol to wholesale druggists is in direct violation of the interstate commerce clause of the United States constitution. Any manufacturer, genuinely in need of alcohol in wholesale quantities, may import as much alcohol as he desires for manufacturing purposes, maintains the jurist.

Possession of alcohol by the manufacturer not being unconstitutional, it is unconstitutional to prohibit him from importing it ruled Judge Morrow.

"That being the case, it follows that as the possession of intoxicants is not unlawful for the individual, no matter what the quantity, the restriction of the amount received by him to two quarts of whiskey and 24 quarts of beer a month must be unconstitutional also," said the attorney.

Ten Die Attempting to Rescue Trapped Men in Cleveland Tunnel

Cleveland—Federal officials investigating the waterworks disaster which cost 22 lives late Tuesday ordered all attempts to reach the bodies of 12 men imprisoned in the tunnel abandoned until Wednesday.

This action was taken because tests of the gas through which the rescuers had to pass showed that it was highly explosive and the officials feared a second explosion. An attempt will be made to pump out the gas so that the work of recovering the bodies may progress.

All hope that any of the 12 men trapped in the tunnel are alive has been abandoned. Ten bodies, those of members of the two rescue parties which tried to reach the doomed men but themselves succumbed to the deadly gas, are in the morgue.

Students Will Be Released.

Washington, D. C.—All National Guard organizations composed of college students will be mustered out of the Federal service in time for them to proceed with their school work at the Fall term.

It was announced at the War department Wednesday that the policy of the government would be to disband organizations completely as units of the National Guard and to seek the reorganization of the college men into branches of the officers' reserve corps.

Swedes Chase Russians.

Berlin—An attack on German merchant vessels by Russian destroyers, alleged to have taken place within Swedish territorial waters, is reported in a statement which says: "Two Russian destroyers attacked four German merchant steamers at the entrance to the Port of Lulea, within Swedish waters. The Swedish torpedo boat Virgo steamed toward them and the Russian craft fled, pursued by the Virgo, which had made ready for action. The Swedish government has protested against this breach of neutrality."

Poles Thank Americans.

The Hague, via London—The Polish bureau Wednesday informed the Associated Press that the Polish delegates to the Congress of Nationalities at Lausanne, Switzerland, have sent a cablegram to President Wilson, thanking the American Nation for the action begun to succor the economic misery in Poland. Hope is expressed that the "sacred watchword of liberty and independence for Poland will find a ready echo in America."

NEWS ITEMS Of General Interest About Oregon

Sixteen Cities of State Have Over \$1,000,000 Deposits Each

Salem—Banks in 16 cities have 73.5 per cent of the banking capital and 79 per cent of the bank deposits of the state, according to figures compiled Wednesday by S. G. Sargent, state superintendent of banks. Portland alone has 48 per cent of the capital and 55 per cent of the deposits of Oregon.

Records of Superintendent Sargent also show 16 towns with total bank deposits of \$1,000,000 or more. These towns, in which are located 41 state and 33 national banks, with deposits totaling \$102,418,026.64, are: Portland, Salem, Pendleton, Astoria, Baker, Eugene, Albany, Medford, The Dalles, Oregon City, Roseburg, La Grande, Marshfield, McMinnville, Corvallis and Klamath Falls.

All other towns in Oregon, in which are located 136 state and 51 national banks, have deposits totaling but \$26,946,493.75.

Deposits in Portland aggregate \$72,160,549.67. These are distributed among 18 state and eight national banks. Salem is next to Portland, its two state and two national institutions having total deposits of \$4,539,846.32. Bank deposits in other Oregon cities where the total is above \$1,000,000 are as follows: Pendleton, \$3,546,339.02; Astoria, \$3,418,433.98; Baker, \$2,835,045.07; Eugene, \$2,800,086.75; Albany, \$1,799,199.32; Medford, \$1,626,802.83; The Dalles, \$1,325,708.07; Oregon City, \$1,284,715.74; Roseburg, \$1,259,920.16; La Grande, \$1,190,298.15; Marshfield, \$1,180,757.80; McMinnville, \$1,174,767.64; Corvallis, \$1,150,401.35; Klamath Falls, \$1,125,204.77.

St. Paul Firm Gets W. L. Pulliam.

Marshfield—W. L. Pulliam, a logging contractor who has been operating on the Columbia river for several seasons, soon will open a camp on South Coos river on the Merchant tract of 800 acres, and the operations will be under the supervision of the Thos. Irvine company, of St. Paul, which recently bought timber in this county for a sum estimated to be near half a million dollars. The camp will be located 20 miles from Marshfield and two miles from South Coos river, where logs will be dumped in tide-water. The operations are intended solely for delivery of logs to mills on Coos Bay and the company has no intention of operating any mills at present.

Indian Lands to Be Sold.

Klamath Falls—Sixty allotments, on the Klamath Indian reservation, north of here, belonging to estates of deceased Indians, are soon to be advertised and sold to the highest bidders, according to Engineer H. W. Hincks, of the Indian reclamation service. Much of the land is tillable and parts of it can be irrigated, Engineer Hincks said. Superintendent William B. Freer, of the Klamath reservation, has ordered surveys to be made of all the 60 allotments. Mr. Hincks said that already this season 665 acres of Indian lands on the Fort Creek project on the reservation, have been reclaimed to water by the Indians.

Gun to Warn Fishermen.

Astoria—Beginning with last Sunday, Colonel Ludlow, commanding officer at the fortifications about the mouth of the river, will have a gun fired at Fort Stevens and one at Fort Columbia at 6 o'clock Saturday and Sunday nights, as a notice to the fishermen.

This will be done in accordance with a request from the State Fisheries department and is intended to prevent anyone inadvertently violating the Sunday closing law. As another precaution, Deputy Fish Warden Larson has made arrangements to have a flag raised at those hours on Desdemona sands.

Cherry Crop is Canned.

The Dalles—Libby, McNeill & Libby's cannery has put up 30,000 cases of cherries, finishing this week. The concern will commence canning apricots next week, and with this fruit and Bartlett pears expects to be in operation until October. The fruit is coming from North Yakima, Lewiston, Idaho, White Salmon, Underwood, Hood River, Mosier, and many other outside points, as well as large quantities in the section immediately surrounding The Dalles. Shipment is made entirely by rail.

Big Timber Body Offered.

Hood River—T. H. Sherrard, state forest supervisor, has advertised for bids on 7020 acres containing 330,000,000 feet of Douglas fir, Western hemlock, Amabilis fir, Noble fir, Western red cedar and white pine timber in the Cascade National forest. Under the terms of the sale a mill on the West Fork of Hood River with sufficient cutting capacity to handle the timber in the next 10 or 12 years, will be required.

O. & C. GRANT LANDS TO OPEN FOR FILINGS

Entries to Be Allowed on Some 160-Acre Tracts This Fall.

LAND OFFICE ISSUES ORDER

All Lands Classified as Agricultural to Be Opened—Work of Cruising Will Begin at Once.

Portland—Just as fast as it can be classified, agricultural land in the Oregon & California land grant in this state is to be opened to entry by actual settlers.

This official information was brought from Washington Saturday by Louis L. Sharp, chief of the field division of the general land office, following his return to Portland from a three weeks' conference in Washington with Commissioner Clay Tallman relative to details of the classification and opening to entry.

By the latter end of next week Mr. Sharp expects to be on his way with a crew of men, including expert timber cruisers, to begin the immense task of classifying the lands, a preliminary necessary before they can be opened to entry.

He will start this work in Southern Oregon, in either Jackson or Josephine counties, which contain a greater proportion of the grant lands than any other counties.

The Oregon & California land grant in this state comprises a total of 2,300,000 acres. Only those lands that are classified as agricultural will be opened to entry.

Just what proportion of the grant is classified as agricultural land nobody knows at this time. The best estimate can be no more than a guess. And it was as a guess only, though one based on all the information at hand, that Mr. Sharp expressed the opinion that probably one-half the land will fall under the classification of agricultural.

Deducting to begin with from the 2,300,000 acres of the grant some 300,000 acres that are included in forest reserves, leaves approximately 2,000,000 acres to be classified. If the estimated ratio of one-half is maintained, 1,000,000 acres of this 2,000,000 will eventually be classified as agricultural and opened to entry.

Mr. Sharp said, however, that the public will not be kept waiting for the entire classification to be completed. Just as quickly as enough of the land can be classified to make it worth while, he explained, it will be thrown open to entry. This process will be continued until all the agricultural land is opened to entry.

"I do not wish to be understood as making any definite promise," said Mr. Sharp, "but we hope to open the first batch of land by early fall. This land will be in Southern Oregon, in either Jackson or Josephine counties, for we shall begin work there first."

United States to Ask British to Remove Blacklist Edict

Washington, D. C.—President Wilson and his cabinet determined Friday to insist that England remove American firms from her "blacklist." The entire subject was considered at the cabinet session held Friday. The conclusion was reached that action should be taken to terminate this method of interference with American trade. In accordance with this decision Mr. Polk sent instructions to Ambassador Page in London directing him to make emphatic representations to the British foreign office, not only against the blacklisting of the firms whose names have been made public, but against the continuance of a practice described as in violation of international law.

There is reason to believe that England expected some such action by the Washington government. The firms blacklisted were selected from a long list in the possession of the British authorities. Against those placed under the ban it is asserted the evidence is conclusive and when made public will convince the American government of the propriety of the measure adopted.

Japan Gets Russian Line.

San Francisco—For \$7,000,000 Japan has acquired from Russia 75 miles of the main-line railroad through Southern Manchuria, according to reports received Monday by Japanese residents of this city. The concession was paid for, the reports said, in war munitions, including aeroplane motors valued at \$1,000,000, manufactured in Berkeley, Cal.

The firm of Mitsui & Co., was credited with having engineered the deal, knowledge of which was denied by the Japanese consulate here.

Rotarians Pick Atlanta.

Cincinnati—Atlanta, Ga., was selected the convention city in 1917 of the International Association of Rotary Clubs here late Saturday by the new and retiring officers, who are empowered to make the selection. Kansas City and Salt Lake were also in the field for the next convention. C. R. Perry, of Chicago, was re-elected secretary. This concluded the work of the international convention, which had been in session since last Monday.