

WORLD HAPPENINGS OF CURRENT WEEK

Brief Resume Most Important
Daily News Items.

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Events of Noted People, Governments
and Pacific Northwest and Other
Things Worth Knowing.

Two women spies, Josephine Alvarez and Victoria Faucher, condemned to death by courtmartial January 25, at Nantes, France, were executed Tuesday morning.

A Reuter dispatch from Tokio says that the Russian authorities at Irkutsk have arrested the Japanese vice consul and another prominent official on the charge of being military spies.

May 6 was the hottest in the history of the New York City weather bureau. At mid-afternoon, the official thermometer registered 84, breaking by four degrees the record established on May 6, 1896.

A thousand young women, students at high schools and colleges in New York City, raised about \$50,000 for the relief of Belgian babies by selling forget-me-nots Tuesday. Nearly 400,000 purchased the flowers.

Roberto Boring, aged 24 years, died in Stockton, Cal., Tuesday from the effects of an onslaught from a vicious gamecock in the yard of her parents. The beak of the fowl penetrated to the base of the skull, injuring the brain.

E. J. Purcell, American railway engineer, who was captured and robbed by a band of Chinese bandits in the interior of China last month, arrived at a Pacific port Tuesday from the Orient, accompanied by his wife and three children.

Miss Anna Held, an actress, who is critically ill with anemia in New York, has undergone an operation for transfusion of blood, which had an immediate good effect. Ernest Lane, a motor truck driver, volunteered to give his blood.

Mrs. La Mira V. Kendig, said to have been a motion picture actress, was found shot dead Monday in her home, in Los Angeles, after Patrolman G. L. Stove had staggered out with a bullet wound in his head, probably fatally wounded.

Alexander Eifman, private in the Provisional Squadron, U. S. Signal Corps, was accidentally killed on the south beach near Newport, Or., Tuesday, while engaged in railroad work. Eifman was caught beneath a falling tree and crushed.

A wounded British airman back in London from France reports that the squadron operating in an important sector on the Amiens front has probably established a record by bringing down 106 enemy machines in six weeks, including 21 in one day.

Fire which started Monday afternoon in a warehouse of the Independent Packing company in North St. Louis, destroyed five storage houses of the packing company, the Rogers grain elevator with several hundred thousand bushels of wheat, the four-story building of the Union Packing company, and a number of storage sheds.

The senate postoffice committee refused Tuesday to consider legislation to suspend or modify increased second-class postage rates, which become effective July 1, and which newspaper publishers have attacked in connection with the pending postoffice appropriation bill. Individual senators plan an effort later to suspend or reduce the increases.

With scarcely a flicker of the white lights to mark their passing, every cabaret in Chicago officially ended its existence at 12:01 o'clock Monday night. At this hour the new ordinance divorcing intoxicating liquors and entertainment and barring dancing and practically all forms of amusement in places where intoxicating liquors are sold went into effect.

A total of 113 sick and wounded soldiers were returned to the United States from France in the week ending April 26, the surgeon general's office announces.

The War department was asked to close saloons in Vernon, adjoining Los Angeles on the south, in resolutions adopted by the Los Angeles city council and ordered telegraphed to Washington. It was said that Vernon had become a menace to soldiers and sailors. Vernon is a small incorporated city, noted for resorts since Los Angeles abolished saloons and limited liquor sales.

The German Crown Prince himself has fired several shots with a gun with which Paris is being bombarded, a Cologne dispatch says. He is greatly interested in the workings of the guns, according to the dispatch, and has visited the spot frequently.

Four sticks of dynamite, 30 feet of coiled copper wire and detonating caps were discovered late Thursday buried under the base of the steel wireless tower at Fort Bliss. The explosive was found by an officer who was training his men in entrenchment work near the tower.

HUNS OFFER PEACE

To Keep Alsace-Lorraine, However;
Austria to Make Concessions,
is Report—Balfour Denies.

London—Germany's peace emissary, according to the Daily Mail, has been busily working here, but has made no progress in any direction. There is reason to believe, it says, that the German agent, who has been reported to be a Dutch financier, returns to Germany to report that there is nothing doing.

A Central News dispatch from The Hague says the Dutch intermediary is reported to be Jonkheer Colyn, former minister of war.

The proposals made by Jonkheer Colyn, the dispatch reports, are said there to have been as follows:

1. Germany to renounce all claims in the west.
2. Restoration of Belgium.
3. Alsace-Lorraine to be autonomous, within the German federation.
4. The status in the east to remain as at present.
5. Austria to make certain concessions to Italy in the Trentino.
6. Balkan question to be solved by an international conference.
7. All colonial questions affecting Africa and Asia Minor to be settled by a conference of all the belligerents.
8. Germany to abandon all claims to her former Chinese protectorate of Kiao Chau, but in exchange to receive certain economic concessions in China.

Foreign Secretary Balfour told the house of commons Monday that no peace offers had been made recently by the enemy. He added: "There is no representative of a neutral nation in this country who has made tentative or informal suggestions of peace negotiations."

Rome—No favorable occasion for a further peace move by Pope Benedict has presented itself, nor does one seem near, it was stated at the Vatican when inquiry was made there regarding the report that his holiness would make a new peace offer on Whit Sunday.

HUN CIVILIANS SEE NO PEACE

Hope Each Day Will Bring Decision—
Speak of Battle as Wicked.

With the British Army in France, Sunday—Interesting comments by German civilians have been furnished from an enemy mail bag captured by the British on a section of the Flanders front. Almost without exception, references are made in the letters to the stoppage of leave and the parcel post from the front. The tone is resigned rather than recalcitrant. One letter from Berlin dated April 25 said:

"Peace does not seem to be coming along, as we fondly hoped. All this in the West is too wicked for anything. We hope every day it will come to a decision and the British will be driven into the North sea, but they stand firm."

"We have such a scarcity of shoes in Ettlingen it is impossible to get them. If there are any in Belgium please send me a pair," says a letter dated in Ettlingen on April 26.

"Are you not coming home on leave soon? How much longer is it going to last?" reads a third letter.

A note from Rhumspringe, dated April 23, says:

"The mustering of the 1920 class took place here last Friday. Most of them were accepted."

Bond Printing Expedited.

Washington, D. C.—To supply liberty bonds to subscribers promptly, extra shifts of printers were set to work Tuesday by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing and it is planned to deliver all bonds within two weeks. About 18,000,000 bonds already have been printed and more than 10,000,000 have been distributed.

Secretary McAdoo formally announced that he would make allotments of all subscriptions in full.

The total of subscriptions tabulated by the Treasury department Monday night was nearly \$3,500,000,000, nearly \$500,000,000 more probably will be reported before the total is announced, some time after next Monday.

California Schools Cut German.

Oakland, Cal.—Entire elimination of German from California high schools during the war will be recommended by Will C. Wood, state commissioner of secondary education, at a special meeting of the state board of education to be held May 20. Mr. Wood will also recommend that textbooks in European history, now used in state high schools, be reviewed by the state board of education for the purpose of censoring statements which might be construed as endorsing political thought.

Great Mine Field in Plan.

London—According to Archibald Hurd, in the Daily Telegraph, the area in the North Sea recently announced by the British government as prohibited as dangerous to shipping after May 15, will be the greatest mine field ever laid for the special purpose of felling submarines. It will embrace 121,782 square miles, the base forming a line between Norway and Scotland, and the peak extending northward into the Arctic circle.

FAMINE FOLLOWS IN WAKE OF BIG WAR

Starving Persians Turn to Dogs
and Cannibalism.

TYPHUS JOINS HUNGER

Fook Situation in Germany Growing
Worse Daily—Ukraine Granaries
Offer Only Slight Relief.

Washington, D. C.—Conditions in Persia are described as desperate in a dispatch to the State Department Wednesday from the American legation at Teheran. Famine is increasing, and typhus, the message said, is prevalent in most of the cities.

The food shortage, the legation reported, has forced the population to eat dogs and even practice cannibalism.

Through American relief societies the United States has already done much to help the Persians.

Some time ago the State department was obliged to explain to the Persian government, in response to a request for a loan, that it was not possible for the United States to lend money directly except to co-belligerents, but the department interested private parties who supplied more money than was asked for by the Persians in the shape of a government loan.

Washington, D. C.—Further information revealing how critical the food situation in Germany has become reached the State department in semi-official dispatches.

The munitions committees of the reichstag and landtag have been holding daily sittings. The question of reducing the present rations has not been decided.

It is indicated there is small hope of relief from the Ukraine, where the large cities are already suffering from insufficient food. Even if Ukraine supplies are obtained it will not give an increase in the food ration.

An official report made public in Germany on May 2 said there were 12,000 carloads of grain ready in Roumania for shipment to Germany, but even if it is transported it will do no more than to prevent a reduction of food allotments.

San Francisco—Approximately 15,000,000 pounds of excess wheat flour held in warehouses and by wholesalers, retailers, restaurants, bakers and individuals throughout the state, will be assembled immediately for direct shipment to France, it was announced Wednesday by Ralph P. Merritt, federal food commissioner for California.

The 15,000,000 pounds represents California's surplus over the official allotment of six pounds a month a person and had been acquired prior to the formulation of the new wheat saving program. The excess was determined by an exhaustive survey by county food administrators.

Nicaraguans Declare War on Germany.

San Juan Del Sur, Nicaragua, May 7.—The Nicaraguan congress today declared war on Germany and her allies. The declaration of war was adopted by congress at the suggestion of President Chamorro with only four dissenting votes.

Congress also adopted a declaration of solidarity with the United States and other American republics at war with Germany and Austria, and authorized the president to take steps to utilize to a full measure the nation's forces in the war.

Mexican Bandits Murder.

Eagle Pass, Tex.—Mexican bandits have murdered the entire family of Frederick Hillcoat at Lamariposa, in the Santa Rosa mountains, near Muzquiz, Mex., about 250 miles south of Eagle Pass, according to a telegram received here. Besides Hillcoat, his wife and son, and sister-in-law, Miss Lamare, were killed. The tragedy occurred in the mountain home of the Hillcoats last Thursday, according to the dispatch, which was received by a brother of Miss Lamare. All the victims were British subjects.

Oil Relief Bill Approved.

Washington, D. C.—Representatives of the oil interests on the Pacific Coast in conference with Secretary Daniels and Mark L. Requa, oil controller for the Fuel administration, approved the bill now before congress under which the Navy, by Presidential proclamation, will take over and operate all oil and gas wells in the naval oil reserves in California. This action is expected to pave the way for relief from the threatened oil famine in that district.

Cancel French Debt, Says Kenyon.

Washington, D. C.—Cancellation of France's financial obligations to the United States is proposed in a resolution introduced Tuesday by Senator Kenyon, of Iowa.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

The Gladstone school was closed this week for the purpose of fumigating the building. During the past three weeks there have been a number of cases of smallpox.

On Friday, May 10, a special election will be held in Wallowa for the purpose of authorizing the city council to issue and sell bonds amounting to \$7682.39 for the establishment of a sewer system.

Far back in the mountains, 41 miles east of Albany, isolated and alone, Ben Wilson, a shirker, of German parentage, was arrested Tuesday by a detail of the Albany Home Guards, brought to Albany and placed in the county jail.

D. P. Markey, of Detroit, Mich., supreme commander of the Knights of the Maccabees, delivered an address to the members of the Salem tent Tuesday night. His itinerary in Oregon calls for addresses at Corvallis, Salem, Portland and Albany.

The school house recently built in the Little Canyon district west of Oakland, in the Coast Range mountains, has been burned, and the neighbors and some of the directors claim that the fire was of incendiary origin. The building was modern and had just been paid for by the district.

At a meeting of members of the Illihee Country club in Salem, Homer Smith was elected president to take the place left vacant by the resignation of Asahel Bush. The club has appointed F. W. Steusloff, Fred D. Thielsen and Curtis B. Cross a committee to inaugurate a campaign for new members.

The citizens of Poe Valley, in the Klamath Falls vicinity, have been so desirous of securing good roads that they have co-operated in grading and making the highway in that district second to none in the county. They have donated time, labor and teams to this cause and are rewarded by having an excellent road.

Need of farm help is beginning to cause serious complaint about Roseburg, for the first time since the war began. Farmers have been scouring every nook for help, while men are quitting the farms to go to the Pacific highway work, the sawmills and the shipyards. The railroad is also hiring every available man for various positions, even as bookkeepers.

The extension department for work in agriculture and home economies in Yamhill county will take the form of a second farm home study tour next Thursday, when modern farm homes will be visited in the county under the auspices of the county life council of the county. A train of autos will leave McMinnville on Thursday morning for the round trip.

J. O. Stapp, who was arrested at Buckett's lumber camp, near Klamath Falls, as being insane, and was later released, was again taken into custody on the Keno road late last week. Stapp is a powerful man and is reported to be a fine fellow except when a spell of violence attacks him, during which he loses all mental control of himself. He says that the spells are caused by a bad fall when a boy. He will probably be committed to the asylum for expert treatment.

An auction will be held at Klamath Indian agency June 1, of 75 tracts of land belonging to the estates of dead or aged Indians. It is the policy of the government in this way to gradually open the reservation to settlement and also to furnish funds for the Indians who are too old to work. These tracts range in size from 49 to 60 acres. The minimum price at which bids will be considered runs from \$4 to \$20 per acre. Forty-seven of the tracts are irrigable. The tracts have thus far been used principally for stock raising.

The McEachern shipyards at Astoria started a day and night shift Friday. The yards have chartered the old excursion steamer T. J. Potter to use as a bunk house. The steamer will be moored near the yards on Young's Bay.

Carl W. Hopp, of Astoria, a German who has been sailing on coasting vessels with a passport, saying he was a Hollander, was taken to Portland for internment. He was formerly a member of the crew of the old Gerhian bark Kurt.

The taxpayers of Astoria school district, at a special election Wednesday, voted to authorize the issuing of \$125,000 in district bonds. The money will be used to purchase two sites and erect the first units of three new school buildings.

R. A. Booth, of the State Highway commission, and State Forester Rankin, met in Corvallis Thursday with the boards of county commissioners for Benton and Lincoln counties to discuss two proposed state highways from Corvallis to the coast.

After being idle for six weeks, the Bay mill of the Smith company at Coos Bay will resume operations within the next few days. The plant will cut aeroplane stock exclusively for several weeks.

J. E. Blevens, the Pendleton man who was arrested at Klamath Falls with a tank of liquor concealed in a steamer trunk, was tried before Judge Gowen, of the Justice court and fined \$250 and costs. Blevens said he was getting the liquor to accommodate friends, but the next time would not be so accommodating.

Make Cottage Cheese

Food That Is Nutritious and Cheaper Than Most Meats in Furnishing Protein



Preparing Homemade Cottage Cheese for the Market.

If a condensary is within reasonable distance the creameryman sometimes can sell his skim milk there. Very few creameries, however, are so situated, and the largest opportunity for the creameryman to divert skim milk and buttermilk into channels of human consumption is by the manufacture of cottage cheese, says the United States department of agriculture. This product is easy to make and utilizes skim milk and good grades of buttermilk.

Cottage cheese is one of the important meat substitutes. It contains a larger percentage of protein (the chief material for body building) than most meats and furnishes this material at a lower cost. In every pound of cottage cheese there is about one-fifth of a pound of protein, nearly all of which is digestible. Meats, on the other hand, usually contain less protein and besides have a certain waste, such as bone and other inedible material. A pound of cottage cheese daily would supply all the protein required by the ordinary adult engaged in a sedentary occupation.

The following table shows that cottage cheese is much cheaper than meats in furnishing protein for the diet.

For supplying protein, 1 pound of cottage cheese equals:
1.27 pounds sirloin steak.
1.09 pounds round steak.
1.37 pounds chuck rib beef.
1.52 pounds fowl.
1.46 pounds fresh ham.
1.44 pounds smoked ham.
1.58 pounds loin pork chop.
1.31 pounds hind leg of lamb.
1.37 pounds breast of veal.

It is quite evident that the creameryman is in position to make his patrons a good business proposition. In most sections he can offer them a cash-market for their skim milk at a price at least equivalent to the value obtained from feeding to animals.

FEEDING SCRAPS TO THE CHICKENS

By feeding kitchen scraps to poultry the last bit of waste of human food may be converted into good fresh eggs or meat, as may be desired, says the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Fowls will eat all the leavings that are in edible form. By special preparation some things not adapted to human consumption become valuable feed for poultry. Fresh bones, crushed or ground, are a delicacy for them. They will eat considerable amounts of the parings of all kinds of vegetables if these are given in such form that the birds can swallow them readily. Many poultry keepers save parings, cook them with small potatoes and other waste vegetables, and feed mixed with meals.

Not all kitchen waste, however, makes poultry fed. The skins of bananas, oranges and lemons are not edible and should not be mixed with scraps that are to be fed to poultry, for the birds leave such stuff, and as it accumulates it makes the place where they are fed look slovenly. Coffee grounds, and tea leaves in small quantities are not objectionable, but in large quantities should be disposed of separately. Fat meat in large pieces should not be put with scraps for poultry because a hen can swallow a much larger piece of fat than is good for her. By cutting waste fat in pieces no larger than one would cut for himself at the table, and by making sure that the fat does not exceed 10 per cent of the scraps fed at one time the dangers in feeding it are avoided.

The best way to save kitchen waste for poultry is to keep a one-gallon jar, of glazed or galvanized ware, with a cover in a convenient place, putting into this scraps of bread, cake, and meat from the table, remnants of servings of vegetables, cereals, pies, puddings, etc., and whatever waste from the preparation of meals is suitable to combine with these things in a mash. Once a day the contents of the jar

in addition to protein, energy for performing body work must be furnished by food. As a source of energy, also, cottage cheese is cheaper than most meats at present prices. The following table shows the comparison when energy is considered.

On the basis of energy supplied, 1 pound of cottage cheese equals:
8 1-3 ounces sirloin steak.
11 1/4 ounces round steak.
11 1/4 ounces chuck rib beef.
10 3/4 ounces fowl.
5 1/2 ounces fresh ham.
5 ounces smoked ham.
6 ounces loin pork chop.
7 1-3 ounces hind leg of lamb.
12 1/2 ounces breast of veal.

A yield of 15 or more pounds of cottage cheese from 100 pounds of skim milk can readily be obtained, or a mixture of two parts skim milk and one of buttermilk will give the same results. The wholesale price on most established markets varies from 4 1/2 cents a pound during the early summer to 7 cents during the winter, the 1917 price showing marked increases over former years. When making as much as 800 pounds a day the total cost of manufacture, including labor, coal, power, water, packing (tubs), and depreciation on equipment, is from 8 to 10 cents a hundred pounds of skim milk.

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should be turned into a pair of appropriate sizes and as much ground feed-stuff mixed with them as can be stirred in with a strong iron spoon or a wooden stirring stick. The amount and kinds of ground feeds to be used will depend upon the quantity of water with the scraps and whether any particular article predominates.

Homing Pigeons Cost Less Than Any Other Soldiers In Service of Uncle Sam

Someone has calculated that it costs Uncle Sam about \$1,200 to train and equip a soldier and make him ready for the firing line. In the United States army at present, notes the New York Herald, there is one little warrior who costs just 5 cents at the outset and needs only a few cents more a day for upkeep, but who, because of proven efficiency, is now slated for a trip to France and a place in the fighting line.

The little soldier was one of the homing pigeon exhibits of the United States government entered at the recent poultry show in Madison Square Garden. It was originally the property of Maj. Frank J. Griffin, who sold it to the government for the nominal price of five cents. Major Griffin is in command of the pigeon section of the army, and because it is not customary or proper for Uncle Sam to compete for prizes, he entered the bird and had the satisfaction of seeing it carry off the first award in its class and also the blue ribbon for the best young hen homer in the show.

Then the government homers no section of the show attracted more general attention. Officers from the armies of Great Britain and France were especially interested in the exhibit, and a khaki-clad warrior approached Major Griffin to explain how on one occasion on the western front his life and that of his entire battalion had been saved by nothing more than a little homing pigeon, which had got out with its message telling of the precarious predicament of the soldiers in the front trenches and enabling reinforcements to be hurried up just in the nick of time.