

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.

Announcement was made Tuesday that the Pennsylvania system has completed the largest railroad freight house in the world—the Polk-street station in Chicago, covering seven acres of ground.

A recommendation that Ku Klux Klan parades and public demonstrations be prohibited within Chicago city limits if the participants appear masked was made Tuesday by unanimous vote of the council judiciary committee.

George W. Smith, formerly registry clerk at the Colton, (Cal.) postoffice, was sentenced to three years in the federal penitentiary at McNeil's island. Smith pleaded guilty to the charge of stealing more than \$20,000 from the United States mail.

New soldier hospitals are to be built near the Great lakes naval training station, Chicago, at a cost of \$3,000,000, and at Camp Lewis, Tacoma, Wash., at a cost of \$1,500,000, it was announced Tuesday by Director Forbes of the veterans' bureau.

R. C. Wheelock of Zion, Ill., and his bride of two weeks, on their honeymoon, were killed and the pilot injured Sunday when an airplane fell 300 feet to the earth at Ashburn field. According to the pilot, John Metzger, the control of the plane jammed, causing the accident.

Warning of impending further reductions in civilian personnel at navy yards and shore stations after July 1 next, because of curtailed appropriation was given by Acting Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt in a notice telegraphed to all yards and stations ordered posted on bulletin boards.

New York.—A plot by which thousands of dollars' worth of motion picture films are alleged to have been stolen from the plants of distributors in New York, the police said, was cleared up Tuesday night with the arrest of two men and the recovery of 169 alleged stolen reels valued at \$15,000.

A photograph transmitted by wireless telegraph from Rome, Italy, to Bar Harbor, Me., is reproduced in Sunday editions of the New York World. The process by which the feat of modern science was performed was invented by Dr. Arthur Korn, professor of electro-physics at the Berlin high school of technology.

William Perrin of Seattle, part owner of the North End inn, Tuesday was sentenced to serve two years in the state penitentiary following his conviction under the jointist law in connection with the sale of liquor at the inn. The sentence was one of the heaviest in the history of the King county superior court for liquor law violation.

A report from San Salvador, Republic of Salvador, says three hundred persons are known to have been drowned and many persons are missing following an abnormal rise in the Acelhuate and Arenal rivers, which overflowed their banks and joined together in one stream, inundating the Candelaria district of this city. Several houses were swept away by the raging torrent.

Bishop J. N. Melnstruff, in charge of "the church at Spokane," and Rev. Charles Le Doux and Rev. Herman S. Wallace, his assistants, were ordered suspended Tuesday by church authorities and J. M. Owens, janitor of the church, and Sam Crane, a member, were arrested and charged with disorderly conduct following a disagreement over control of the church property in Spokane.

Attack on the shipping board for permitting the sale of liquor on American ships was made in the house Tuesday by Representative Gallivan, democrat, Massachusetts. Holding up what he said was a wine list from the steamship President Pierce, paid for, he added, by federal appropriation, Mr. Gallivan declared that under the Volstead law, "we cannot get drunk on land, but we can at sea."

SENATE PASSES NAVAL BILL

\$295,450,000 Measure Goes to Conference—86,000 Men Provided.

Washington, D. C.—The annual naval appropriation bill carrying approximately \$295,450,000 and providing for an enlisted personnel of 86,000 men was passed late Monday by the senate and sent to conference with the house.

Action on the enlisted personnel, now about 115,000, is final, as the senate accepted the house decision, and the question will not come before the conferees, who will deal principally with increases of \$44,000,000 over the house bill. There was no record vote on final passage and no effort was made to reduce the enlisted personnel.

Unsuccessful efforts to end American occupation of Haiti, the Dominican republic and Nicaragua and to launch a congressional investigation of navy administration marked the final day's debate. An amendment by Senator King, democrat, Utah, providing for withdrawal of American marines from the two republics and Nicaragua December 32, next, was rejected, 42 to 9, after a day's debate in which the American policy of intervention was both attacked and defended.

Investigation of naval administration was proposed by Senator McCormick, republican, Illinois, but his resolution drew objection from Senator Dial, democrat, South Carolina, and was referred to the naval committee. It contemplated a survey to abolish useless navy yards and stations, Senator McCormick declaring there was a navy "pork barrel" and one third of its establishments were unnecessary.

SUBSIDY BILL HANGS FIRE

Washington, D. C.—While still waiting decision of the president, republican leaders of the house declared Monday indications were that the ship subsidy bill would not be taken up until the tariff bill now before the senate had been sent to conference.

Answering inquiries from the floor as to whether the house might soon begin three-day recesses—the proposed program in event of a month's delay in consideration of the shipping measure—Representative Mondell, the republican leader, said he expected to be able to make a definite statement to the house within the next day or two.

There were demands to know whether the president would approve the suggestion made to him Saturday by Chairman Campbell of the rules committee, that action on the bill be deferred until the house was ready to send the tariff bill to conference.

"The president has not made up his mind," said one of the leaders.

Speaker Gillett and Chairman Lasker of the shipping board, guests of the president on the Mayflower over Sunday, declined to enlighten those who sought information as to the president's attitude. The general opinion, however, was that the house might quit work for a month around July 1. It will be called back about then to get the tariff into conference and take up the shipping measure.

\$25,000 Men Named.

Washington, D. C.—Chairman Lasker has designated Vice-presidents Small, Kimball, Love and Mack of the shipping board as four of the six officials of the board who may receive the maximum salary of \$25,000 a year under the recently enacted independent offices appropriation bill. The three vice-presidents have been receiving \$35,000 annually. Mr. Lasker has not yet determined upon the other two who will be paid the maximum, it was said.

Ku Klux Is Denounced.

New York.—Arthur S. Tompkins, grand master of the grand lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of New York state, and supreme court justice, in a statement here, denounced the Ku Klux Klan and warned members of the Masonic fraternity that they cannot be both Masons and members of the Ku Klux Klan. The California, Connecticut and Massachusetts grand masters issued similar announcements.

Denby Sails for Japan.

Honolulu, T. H.—The United States transport Henderson, carrying Edwin Denby, secretary of the navy, and members of the Annapolis class of 1881 to the class reunion in Tokio, sailed for Japan. Naval seaplanes circled overhead until the ship had gained the harbor entrance and steamed away for the far east.

120 Injured in Fight.

Berlin.—One hundred and twenty persons were injured, some seriously, in a fight between members of a patriotic association and a party of communists at Chemnitz on Saturday, according to newspaper reports.

MANY CHANGES UP FOR CONSTITUTION

More Than 20 Amendments Pending in Congress.

CHILD LABOR ALSO UP

Full Rights for Women, Uniform Divorce Laws and Many Other Issues Are Involved.

Washington, D. C.—Modification of the constitution of the United States is today the object of more than 20 different resolutions pending before congress. Both members of the house and senate have contributed new amendments.

Lately there have been proposed two additional amendments to the constitution having as their object the prohibition of child labor.

Out of protests that wealthy persons had sought to escape the higher surtaxes by investing their money in municipal, state and federal bonds developed the McFadden amendment to the constitution. The measure, now pending before the house, provides for regulation of the issuance of tax-free bonds.

The women's fight for equal rights brought about another amendment sponsored by the national woman's party, to remove all civil and legal disabilities from their sex. In line with this proposal is an amendment sponsored by Representative Rogers of Massachusetts, giving the federal government power to regulate the employment of women and of persons under 21 years of age.

Several amendments have been offered as a result of the decision of the supreme court in the Newberry case invalidating the corrupt practices act.

When Woodrow Wilson was worrying republicans by the illness which kept him from public view during the last months of his administration, Representative Fess of Ohio proposed the constitution be changed to permit the supreme court to determine the disability of the president. The amendment is still pending.

Some friends of the District of Columbia have put forward a constitutional amendment making the district a state in order to give its residents the rights of self-government enjoyed elsewhere in the country.

Those who are alarmed by the ease with which divorces are obtained in some states and the increasing number of divorces are supporting a constitutional amendment to provide uniform divorce laws.

The protracted fight over the treaty of Versailles and the more recent debate on the four-power treaty in the senate have brought about a proposal to amend the constitution so as to permit ratification of a treaty by a majority vote. At present two-thirds is required.

Some members of congress cannot understand why the forefathers provided that each new congress shall be elected in November of next year, and not meet in its first regular session until December of the following year. They have a constitutional amendment providing the new congress meet on January 1 after the election in November.

There are other amendments to fix the term of members of the house to four years and to limit the president to one term of six years, provide for initiative and referendum, and the regulation of the elections.

One Man Killed in Riot.

Cherokee, Okla.—One man was killed and three others probably injured fatally here Saturday night in a fight between about 60 harvest hands assembled in the city park, just outside the city limits. The fight, which assumed the proportions of a riot, is thought by officers to have been incited by the I. W. W. The man killed was known as Paul Bernarceek of Ardmore. He was about 40 years old.

Fish Bite Kills Girl.

St. Petersburg, Fla.—Supposedly attacked by barracuda, a species of carnivorous fish, while swimming near the municipal pier Sunday, Miss Dorothy MacLatchie, a high school student, received injuries which proved fatal after she was brought ashore.

Cloudburst Hits City.

Port Jarvis, N. Y.—A cloudburst which held this city in its grip for nearly 24 hours ended Sunday afternoon, leaving practically the entire city under two to six feet of water. Officials estimated that the damage would amount to \$500,000.



MARY MARIE

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MARY—AND MARIE

SYNOPSIS.—In a preface Mary Marie explains her apparent "double personality" and just why she is a "cross-current and a contradiction." Mary Marie says: "Father calls me Mary. Mother calls me Marie. Everybody else calls me Mary Marie. The rest of my name is Anderson." "I'm thirteen years old, and I'm a cross-current and a contradiction. That is, Sarah says I'm that. (Sarah is my old nurse.) She says she read it once—that the children of unlikes were always a cross-current and a contradiction. And my father and mother are unlikes, and I'm the children. That is, I'm the child. I'm all there is. And now I'm going to be a bigger cross-current and contradiction than ever, for I'm going to live half the time with Mother and the other half with Father. Mother will go to Boston to live, and Father will stay here—a divorce, you know." She also tells why she is going to keep a diary. She begins with Nurse Sarah's story of her birth.

CHAPTER I.—Continued.

Of course, when you stop to think of it, it's sort of queer and funny, though naturally I didn't think of it, growing up with it as I did, and always having it, until suddenly one day it occurred to me that none of the other girls had two names, one for their father and one for their mother to call them by. I began to notice other things then, too. Their fathers and mothers didn't live in rooms at opposite ends of the house. Their fathers and mothers seemed to like each other, and to talk together, and to have little jokes and laughs together, and twinkle with their eyes. That is, most of them did.

And if one wanted to go to walk, or to a party, or to play some game, the other didn't always look tired and bored, and say, "Oh, very well, if you like." And then both not to do, whatever it was. That is, I never saw the other girls' fathers and mothers do that way; and I've seen quite a lot of them, too, for I've been at the other girls' houses a lot for a long time. You see I don't stay at home much, only when I have to. We don't have a round table with a red cloth and a lamp on it, and children 'round it playing games and doing things, and fathers and mothers reading and mending. And it's lots jollier where they do have them.

Nurse says my father and mother ought never to have been married. That's what I heard her tell our Bridget one day. So the first chance I got I asked her why, and what she meant.

"Oh, la! Did you hear that?" she demanded, with the quick look over her shoulder that she always gives when she's talking about Father and Mother. "Well, little pitchers do have big ears, sure enough!"

"Little pitchers," indeed! As if I didn't know what that meant! I'm no child to be kept in the dark concerning things I ought to know. And I told her so, sweetly and pleasantly, but with firmness and dignity. I made her tell me what she meant, and I made her tell me a lot of other things about them, too. You see, I'd just decided to write the book, so I wanted to know everything she could tell me. I didn't tell her about the book, of course. I know too much to tell secrets to Nurse Sarah! But I showed my excitement and interest plainly; and when she saw how glad I was to hear everything she could tell, she talked a lot, and really seemed to enjoy it, too.

You see, she was here when Mother first came as a bride, so she knows everything. She was Father's nurse when he was a little boy; then she stayed to take care of Father's mother, Grandma Anderson, who was an invalid for a great many years and who didn't die till just after I was born. Then she took care of me. So she's always been in the family ever since she was a young girl. She's awfully old now—most sixty.

First I found out how they happened to marry—Father and Mother. I'm talking about now—only Nurse says she can't see yet how they did happen to marry, just the same, they're so totally different.

But this is the story. Father went to Boston to attend a big meeting of astronomers from all over the world, and they had banquets and receptions where beautiful ladies went in their pretty evening dresses, and my mother was one of them. (Her father was one of the astronomers, Nurse said.) The meetings lasted four days, and Nurse said she guessed my father saw a lot of my mother during that time. Anyhow, he was invited to their home, and he stayed another four days after the meetings were over. The next thing they knew here at the house, Grandma Anderson had a telegram that he was going to be married

to Miss Madge Desmond, and would they please send him some things he wanted, and he was going on a wedding trip and would bring his bride home in about a month.

It was just as sudden as that. And surprising!—Nurse says a thunderclap out of a clear blue sky couldn't have astonished them more. Father was almost thirty years old at that time, and he'd never cared a thing for girls nor paid them the least little bit of attention. So they supposed, of course, that he was a hopeless old bachelor and wouldn't ever marry. He was bound up in his stars, even then, and was already beginning to be famous, because of a comet he'd discovered. He was a professor in our college here, where his father had been president. His father had just died a few months before, and Nurse said maybe that was one reason why Father got caught in the matrimonial net like that. (Those are her words, not mine. The idea of calling my mother a net! But nurse never did appreciate Mother.) But Father just worshiped his father, and they were always together—Grandma being sick so much; and so when he died my father was nearly beside himself, and that's one reason they were so anxious he should go to that meeting in Boston. They thought it might take his mind off himself, Nurse said. But they never thought of its putting his mind on a wife!

So far as his doing it right up quick like that was concerned, Nurse said that wasn't so surprising. For all the way up, if Father wanted anything he insisted on having it, and having it



A Little Slim Eighteen-Year-Old Girl With Yellow, Curly Hair.

right away then. He never wanted to wait a minute he found a girl he wanted, he wanted her right away then, without waiting a minute. He'd never happened to notice a girl he wanted before, you see. But he'd found one now all right; and Nurse said there was nothing to do but to make the best of it and get ready for her.

There wasn't anybody to go to the wedding. Grandma Anderson was sick, so of course she couldn't go, and Grandpa was dead, so of course he couldn't go, and there weren't any brothers or sisters, only Aunt Jane in St. Paul, and she was so mad she wouldn't come on. So there was no chance of seeing the bride till Father brought her home.

Nurse said they wondered and wondered what kind of a woman it could be that had captured him. (I told her I wished she wouldn't speak of my mother as if she was some kind of a hunter out after game; but she only chuckled and said that's about what it amounted to in some cases.) The very idea!

The whole town was excited over the affair, and Nurse Sarah heard a lot of their talk. Some thought she was an astronomer like him. Some thought she was very rich, and maybe famous. Everybody declared she must know a lot, anyway, and be wonderfully wise and intellectual; and they said she was probably tall and wore glasses, and would be thirty years old, at least. But nobody guessed anywhere near what she really was.

Nurse Sarah said she should never forget the night she came, and how she looked, and how utterly fabled-gasted everybody was to see her—little slim eighteen-year-old girl with yellow, curly hair and the merriest laughing eyes they had ever seen. (Don't I know? Don't I just love

Mother's eyes when they sparkle and twinkle when we're off together sometimes in the woods? And Nurse said Mother was so excited the day she came, and went laughing and dancing all over the house, exclaiming over everything. (I can't imagine that so well. Mother moves so quietly now, everywhere, and is so tired, 'most all the time.) But she wasn't tired then, Nurse says—not a mite.

"But how did Father act?" I demanded. "Wasn't he displeased and scandalized and shocked, and everything?"

Nurse shrugged her shoulders and raised her eyebrows—the way she does when she feels particularly superior. Then she said:

"Do? What does any old fool—beggin' your pardon an' no offense meant, Miss Mary Marie—but what does any man do what's got bejuggled with a pretty face, an' his senses completely took away from him by a chit of a girl? Well, that's what he did. He acted as if he was bewitched. He followed her around the house like a dog—when he wasn't leadin' her to something new; an' he never took his eyes off her face except to look at us, as much as to say: 'Now ain't she the adorable creature?'"

"My father did that?" I gasped. And, really, you know, I just couldn't believe my ears. And you wouldn't, either, if you knew Father. "Why, I never saw him act like that!"

"No, I guess you didn't," laughed Nurse Sarah with a shrug. "And neither did anybody else—for long."

"But how long did it last?" I asked. "Oh, a month, or maybe six weeks," shrugged Nurse Sarah. "Then it came September and college began, and your father had to go back to his teaching. Things began to change then."

"Right then, so you could see them?" I wanted to know.

Nurse Sarah shrugged her shoulders again.

"Oh, la! child, what a little question-box you are, an' no mistake," she sighed. But she didn't look mad—not like the way she does when I ask why she can take her teeth out and most of her hair off and I can't; and things like that. (As if I didn't know! What does she take me for—a child?) She didn't even look displeased—Nurse Sarah loves to talk. (As if I didn't know that, too!) She just threw that quick look of hers over her shoulder and settled back contentedly in her chair. I knew then I should get the whole story. And I did. And I'm going to tell it here in her own words, just as well as I can remember it—bad grammar and all. So please remember that I am not making all those mistakes. It's Nurse Sarah.

I guess, though, that I'd better put it into a new chapter. This one is yards long already. How do they tell when to begin and end chapters? I'm thinking it's going to be some job, writing this book—diary, I mean. But I shall love it, I know. And this is a real story—not like those made-up things I've always written for the girls at school.

CHAPTER II

Nurse Sarah's Story.

And this is Nurse Sarah's story. As I said, I'm going to tell it straight through as near as I can in her own words. And I can remember most of it, I think, for I paid very close attention.

"Well, yes, Miss Mary Marie, things did begin to change right then an' then, an' so you could notice it. We saw it, though maybe your pa an' ma didn't at the first.

"You see, the first month after she came, it was vacation time, an' he could give her all the time she wanted. An' she wanted it all. An' she took it. An' he was just as glad to give it as she was to take it. An' so from mornin' till night they was together, tralpsin' all over the house an' garden, an' tralpin' off through the woods an' up on the mountain every other day with their lunch.

"You see she was city-bred, an' not used to woods an' flowers growin' wild; an' she went crazy over them. He showed her the stars, too, through his telescope; but she hadn't a mite of use for them, an' let him see it good an' plain. She told him—I heard her with my own ears—that his eyes, when they laughed, was all the stars she wanted; an' that she'd had stars all her life for breakfast an' luncheon an' dinner, anyway, an' all the time between; an' she'd rather have somethin' else, now—somethin' alive, that she could love an' live with an' touch an' play with, like she could the flowers an' rocks and grass an' trees.

"Angry? Your pa? Not much he was! He just laughed an' caught her 'round the waist an' kissed her, an' said she herself was the brightest star of all. Then they ran off hand in hand, like two kids, too. All through those first few weeks your pa was just a great big baby with a new plaything. Then when college began he turned all at once into a full-grown man. An' just naturally your ma didn't know what to make of it.

"He couldn't explore the attic an' rig up in the old clothes there any more, nor romp through the garden, nor go lunchin' in the woods, nor none of the things she wanted him to do. He didn't have time. An' what made things worse, one of them comet-tails was comin' up in the sky, an' your pa didn't take no rest for watchin' for it, an' then studin' of it when it got here.

"All through the first few weeks your pa was just like a great big baby with a new plaything."

(TO BE CONTINUED.)