

NEWS OF THE WEEK

General Resume of Important Events Throughout the World.

Yaqui Indians on raids have killed several Mexican freighters in Arizona.

Three hundred and two persons were killed by automobiles in New York City in 1913.

Columbia county, Oregon, voted in favor of a good roads bond issue by 533 majority.

General Villa, with 12,000 soldiers well armed and equipped, is ready to march on Torreon.

Sentiment in favor of Federal aid for good roads is said to be growing rapidly in congress.

A deputy facing a murder charge in the Michigan strike zone has forfeited his bonds and disappeared.

A pageant requiring 6600 actors is being planned by the city of St. Louis to celebrate its 150th anniversary.

Henry M. Pindell, after being appointed and confirmed as ambassador to Russia, has refused to accept the position.

Portland is planning to have a municipal timber tract and woodyard with which to greet the unemployed in the future.

Witnesses for the Steel corporation declare that no monopoly exists and that prices are governed by demand and supply.

A prospector near Oroville, Cal., found an old iron pot embedded in a sandbar of the Yuba river, and obtained \$300 in gold dust from it.

The ocean-going steamer Grace Dollar, with a cargo of 1,100,000 feet of lumber, is anchored at Sacramento, the first ocean freighter to reach that city since the 60s.

Eighty out of 120 elementary schools in the county of Herefordshire, England, are closed by the schoolteachers' strike, and thousands of children are enjoying an unexpected vacation.

A committee of 25 women workers in mills and sweatshops, representing a delegation of 500, called on President Wilson to ask for woman suffrage, but received little encouragement.

Juggling of comparative naval figures is charged by committee members, who declare the American navy equal to Germany's, if not better, though the figures give Germany a considerable advantage.

Champ Clark says he would now be president if a presidential primary had been in force in 1912.

It seems certain that Senator Lewis' bill to validate Oregon and California land grant titles will not pass.

A "white blackbird" is seen feeding regularly with a flock of his black relatives in the fields of Southern Oregon.

Two coasting steamers collided in a fog off the Virginia coast, one sinking immediately, and it is feared many persons perished.

Dissolution of the alleged smelter trust is to be asked for.

It is believed lower freight rates will increase exports considerably.

The proposed "sunshine treatment" for trusts is severely criticized in the senate.

It is stated that General Villa has \$5,000,000 in his war fund, besides much property.

Secretary McAdoo says the Northwest lacks the necessary capital for a regional reserve bank.

PORTLAND MARKETS

Wheat—Track prices: Club, 88c; bluestem, 98c; forty-forty, 88c; red Russian, 87c; valley, 88c.

Corn—Whole, 33c; cracked, 33c ton; Barley—Feed, 23.50@24.50 ton; brewing, 25.50; rolled, 26@27.

Hay—No. 1 Eastern Oregon timothy, \$16.50; mixed timothy, \$14.00; alfalfa, \$14; clover, \$9@10; valley grain hay, \$12@13.50.

Milkfeed—Bran, \$21.50 per ton; shorts, \$23.50; middlings, \$23@30.

Vegetables—Cabbage, 2@2 1/2 per pound; cauliflower, 75c @ 1.25 per dozen; cucumbers, 1.25@1.50; eggplant, 10@15c per dozen; peppers, 10c; radishes, 35c per dozen; head lettuce, 2.50 per crate; garlic, 12@15 per pound; sprouts, 10c; artichokes, \$2 per dozen.

Green fruits—Apples, 75c@2.25 per box; cranberries, 12@12.50 per barrel; pears, 10@11.50.

Onions—Oregon, 33.25@3.50 per sack; buying price, 33 per sack at shipping points.

Potatoes—Oregon, 80c@1 per hundred; buying price, 60@90c at shipping points; sweet potatoes, \$2.50 per crate.

Eggs—Oregon fresh ranch, 32@34c dozen.

Poultry—Hens, 16c per pound; springs, 16c; turkeys, live, 20c@21c; dressed, choice, 25@26c; ducks, 14@17c; geese, 12@12 1/2c.

Butter—Creamery prints, extras, 29 @30c pound; cubes, 27c.

Fork—Fancy, 10@10 1/2c per pound.

Wool—Light, \$7.25@8.10; heavy, \$6@7.05.

Sheep—Wethers, \$5@5.75; ewes, \$3.57@4.75; lambs, \$5@6.75.

Discover New Route for Alaskan Government Road

Washington, D. C.—Professor Lawrence Martin, of the University of Wisconsin, one of the greatest living authorities on glaciers and glacial movements, in a communication just received by Gilbert H. Grosvenor, director of the National Geographic society, substantiates his claim to the discovery of a new railway route in Alaska connecting Portage or Passage Bay, on the west side of Prince William Sound, to Turnagain Arm.

Although the United States geological survey, in a bulletin made public January 1, says that "some excitement has been caused by the discovery of a feasible railway route" connecting the two points, Professor Martin points out that the discovery was made by the 1910 Alaskan expedition of the National Geographic society under his direction.

"We feel certain that, including the cost of the long tunnel, a railway only 11 or 12 miles long and practically at sea level could have been built from Passage Canal to Turnagain Arm for much less than the \$5,000,000 used in the construction of the 65 miles of the Alaska Northern railway from Seward to Turnagain Arm," says Professor Martin. "This would have resulted in a marked saving of grades, a saving of distance, and an elimination of nearly all of the glacier complications which still threaten the Alaska Northern railway."

Trophies From Mighty Hunters Reach Museum

New York—Two consignments of animals slain in foreign jungles have been received by the American Museum of Natural History here—one from Theodore Roosevelt, in South America, and the other from Paul J. Rainey, in British East Africa.

Twenty-five mammals, including rabbits, deer, wolves and a mammoth guinea pig and 150 birds—the fruits of one week's efforts by the Roosevelt expedition—came as the Colonel's first contribution to the museum from South American wilds. The Rainey collection consists of 12 lions, two cheetah, a leopard, two striped hyenas, eight jackals, a hyrax, a dik-dik, three zebras, a reedbuck, five white-tailed mongoose and other mammals.

Militants Taunt Bishop; Ejected From Church

London—Aroused by the Bishop of London's letter, declaring "there is no truth in the allegations that the suffragettes in Holloway jail are subjected to torture while being forcibly fed," suffragettes repeatedly interrupted the consecration services conducted by the bishop at St. Michael's church.

The women set up a chant, in which reference was made to forcible feeding. They called on the bishop to get a stop to "the torture of women in English prisons."

The disturbers were quickly removed. An attempt made by women to reach the bishop as he left the church was frustrated by police.

Japan to Patronize Fair

Tokio—The ministry of commerce has made the official announcement that Japan will participate in the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco.

The committee of the Japanese parliament last May made a favorable report on the proposed appropriation of \$500,000 for the representation of Japan at the exposition at San Francisco in 1915. In view of recent events in California, however, more definite action on the part of Japan has been awaited.

Twenty-One Thoroughbreds Burn

Lincoln, Mass.—Twenty-one thoroughbred horses belonging to A. Henry Higginson were lost in a fire which destroyed the big racing stable on the Higginson country estate Monday night. Only four horses were saved. The total loss is estimated at more than \$60,000.

Three of Mr. Higginson's most valuable hunters, Prince Hampton, Sir Worcester and Rose Fenton, worth \$5000 apiece, were lost. Ace of Clubs, Ease, Friday, Gun Metal and St. Patrick, thoroughbreds, also perished.

Yacht Crew Not Rescued

Colon—Latest advices from F. W. Vanderbilt's yacht *Warrior*, stranded off the coast of Colombia, report that the yacht is still hard aground, although apparently not seriously damaged. The steamer *Almirante* found it impossible, owing to the unfavorable weather, to take off the crew, and proceeded to Kingston.

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Oregon Could Supply World With Platinum

"Josephine county can furnish the world's supply of platinum, unaided," declared R. H. Bailey, a Portland mining expert, recently.

He has an assay return from Baker & Co., of Newark, N. J., known as the "American platinum trust," showing that a sample of ore that he sent them contained 3 per cent of platinum and 9 1/2 per cent of osmium-iridium, a combination of two very valuable metals.

This means that a ton of ore such as was assayed by Baker & Co. for Mr. Bailey would contain 70 ounces of platinum and 2280 ounces of osmium-iridium.

"The gold found in the placers has come from the same formations as the platinum," said Mr. Bailey. "Thirty millions in gold have been taken from the creek where I have found platinum, and yet there have been no legends found that have been developed, and that is what the entire Southern Oregon mining country needs."

Voters to Decide On Thirteen Amendments

Salem.—Oregon citizens will vote upon 11 constitutional amendments and laws proposed by the last legislature, and two and probably more to be submitted upon petition at the general election this year.

Petitions for the initiation of a state-wide eight-hour law, proposed by Socialists, providing for an amendment of section 9, article 15, of the constitution, and for the women's eight-hour law, proposed by the Women's eight-hour league, have been filed with the secretary of state, and all requirements for having the titles of the measures on the ballots have been met.

W. S. U'ren is having petitions circulated for initiating a measure providing for an amendment to the constitution to give \$1500 tax exemption on homes, livestock, tools, etc., and H. D. Wagon has submitted a form of petition to the secretary of state for an amendment providing for a surtax for raising revenue to cover the expenses of the state for each fiscal year. It would assess persons owning land and natural resources, levying 50 cents on each \$100 above \$25,000 assessed valuation, 21 on each \$100 above \$50,000 assessed valuation, \$2 on each \$100 above \$75,000 and \$3 on each \$100 above \$100,000.

C. S. Jackson, of Portland, has proposed a measure for initiation at the coming election, an amendment to section 18, article 1, of the constitution, providing that compensation for land taken for public use shall not be at a rate more than that of the average yearly rate of assessment of that property for taxation during the three assessment years next before the assessment year in which the action is brought to condemn the property.

Mr. Jackson also has proposed a measure amending section 3554, Lord's Oregon laws, relating to the taxation of land that is not public property.

The following are the numbers and titles of the amendments to the constitution and measures proposed for referendum by the legislature:

309 Yes; 309 No. For an amendment of section 2 of article IX of the constitution of Oregon, providing for the classification of property for taxation purposes, the imposition of specific taxes and taxes on incomes, and authorizing reasonable exemptions.

310 Yes; 310 No. A bill for an act to levy annually a tax of one-fourth (1-4) of a mill on the dollar on all taxable property within the state of Oregon for the construction of buildings and the support and maintenance of the eastern Oregon state normal school at Ashland, Jackson county.

311 Yes; 311 No. For amendment of article XI of the constitution of the state of Oregon by authorizing the enactment of a general law to enable an incorporated town, city or municipal corporation to surrender its charter and be merged into an adjoining city or town.

312 Yes; 312 No. A bill for an act to levy annually a tax of one-fourth (1-4) of a mill on the dollar on all taxable property within the state of Oregon for the construction of buildings and the support and maintenance of the eastern Oregon state normal school at Weston, Umatilla county.

313 Yes; 313 No. For amendment of section 29 of article IV of the constitution providing for the election of members of the legislative assembly at \$5 per cent of each actual working day of the member, and providing for the returning from the seat of government by the member usual travel routes. Per diem not to exceed \$300 for any regular term, \$125 for any extra session.

314 Yes; 314 No. A bill for a local act for Columbia county fixing the salaries of the officers of the court and providing for all actual traveling expenses of the sheriff thereof.

The law provides that the petitions for initiating measures shall have a few more than 15,000 signatures, or 1 per cent of 126,231, the number of legal votes cast for justice of the supreme court at the general election November 5, 1912. Persons circulating petitions must take oath that they are personally acquainted with the signers and that the names were written in their presence. They also must state that the signers have given their names and addresses correctly and that they are legal voters of the state.

July 2 is the last day on which initiative petitions may be filed with the secretary of state, section 1 article 4 of the constitution providing that such petitions shall be filed with the secretary of state not less than four months before the election at which they are to be voted upon.

July 11 is the last day upon which referendum petitions must take oath that they are personally acquainted with the signers and that the names were written in their presence. They also must state that the signers have given their names and addresses correctly and that they are legal voters of the state.

July 21 is the last day on which any person, committee or organization may file arguments with the secretary of state, opposing any measure to be voted upon.

Winter Short Course Ended

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis—What is said by many to have been the most interesting short course work and the most prolific of results of any heretofore provided by the Oregon Agricultural college, came to an end last week. Instruction in farm accounting, rural economics and market methods, is praised highly by all who took that course. The horticultural exhibits and advanced instruction and demonstration are generally said to have been invaluable.

The dairy and instruction in farm farm demonstrations were universally declared to have provided farmers and housewives with the precise information needed in the production and consumption of animals and of animal products.

Hop Market Is Aroused

Portland.—The hop market, which has been quiet lately, awoke to life suddenly Friday. Orders from England came in for the first time in three months, but buyers found it difficult to interest growers. One deal was put through during the day, the purchase by Laehmund & Harris of 236 bales from Sloper & Patton, of Independence, at 2 1/2 cents. These hops were bought for P. R. G. Horst, of London. It has been two years since Mr. Horst has been active in the hop market. His appearance has caused excitement among the dealers and growers.

Seaside Mill Operating

Seaside.—The first load of lumber from the recently completed Prouty sawmill was hauled to the site of the \$40,000 natatorium that is being erected on the ocean front opposite the Moore Hotel, and work was started on the excavating for the natatorium. The Prouty mill will saw for the local building trade and for a box factory that the company is erecting. As an inducement to the mill company to locate here, the Seaside Light & Power company granted a free lease on the site for 50 years.

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Projects and Developing Untilled Lands, but Limiting the Total Credit and Indebtedness of the State

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Dundee Fruit Men Elect

Dundee.—At a stockholders' meeting of the Dundee Co-operative Fruit Growers' and Packers Saturday the name was changed to "Dundee Fruit Growers and Packers," the word "co-operative" being omitted to comply with the corporation laws of the state of Oregon.

Reports submitted show that more than 564 tons of dried prunes have been successfully handled, and the stockholders were well satisfied with the success of the first year's business.

Pupils Fix Hot Lunches

Ashland—Practical domestic science is being used in school district No. 77, Jacksonville precinct, where, under the direction of the teacher, Miss Alma Gould, warm dinners are served daily during the winter season.

The pupils, both boys and girls, have entered into the spirit of the work with the intent of making the new departure permanent. To a limited extent the same plan has been followed in the Ashland high school. In both cases the plan has so far met with unqualified success.

Dairymen Offer Prizes

Tillamook.—At the annual meeting of the Tillamook County Cow-Testing association, at which there was a good attendance, it was decided to give a prize of \$100 for the three best testing cows and a prize of \$50 for the three best testing 2-year-old heifers.

The officers were re-elected as follows: Charles Kunze, president; Joseph Daner, secretary and treasurer; John Shields, vice president.

Girls Win Debating Honors

The Dalles.—The highest debating honors among students at The Dalles high school have been won by two girls, Emma Bennett and Wilma Donnell, who have been chosen from the two teams of six debaters to represent the local school in the inter-district debate of the Oregon debating league.



Illustrated by Edgar Bert Smith

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"Here's your medals," said he. "Good! I'll wear them."

"Nix! You can't do that. Those gals will get wise. He selected one, and read on the reverse side, 'Clerk of the course,' another was engraved 'Starter.' All were official badges of some sort or other. 'You always were strong on the Reception Committee' stuff. There's six of them," said he.

Speed pointed to the bureau. "Try a nail-file. See if you can't scratch off the lettering. How's this?" He read what he had written for the wire. "Culver Covington, her lover, to win back the photograph. Helen declares that if Covington won't run, Speed will. The cowboys are hilarious over the proposition. Speed and his valet, Larry Glass, trainer at Yale, arrive. Helen Blake asks Speed, who has passed to her as an athlete to race with the Centipede man. The cowboys join in the appeal to Wally. He reads that Helen will find him out, he consents. He insists, however, that he shall be entered as an unknown, figuring that Covington will arrive in time to take his place.

"Say no more," Speed remarked; "it's all right with us!" Fresno looked up. "What's wrong with my slinging?" "Oh, I've just told the girls that you're going to run that foot race."

Helen interposed, hurriedly, at which Fresno exploded. "What's wrong with my running?" inquired Speed. "I can beat you!" Larry Glass nudged his employer openly, and seemed on the verge of hysteria. "Let him go," said he. "Let him go; he's funny."

Speed addressed Helen, with a magnanimous smile; "Suppose we allow Fresno to sling this foot race? We'll pull it off in the treble clef."

"Oh, I mean it!" maintained the tenor, stubbornly. "I don't want to run Skinner, the cook, but I'll run you to see who does me him."

Speed shrugged his shoulders indolently. "I'm afraid you're a little overweight."

"I'll train down."

"Perhaps if you wait until I beat this cook, I'll take you on."

Glass broke out, in husky indignation: "Sure! Get a rep, Cull, get a rep!" Then to his employer: "Come on, Wally, you've got to warm up."

He mounted the steps heavily with his protegee.

When they had gone, Miss Blake clapped her hands. "I'm so excited!" she exclaimed. "You see, it's all my doings! Oh, how I adore athletics!"

"Most young girls do," Fresno smiled, sourly. "My taste runs more to music." After a moment's meditation, he observed: "Speed doesn't look like a sprinter to me. I—I'll wager he can't do a hundred yards in fifteen—"

"Fifteen-two" is cribbage," said Miss Blake.

"Fifteen and two-fifths seconds is what I mean."

"Is that fast?" Fresno smiled, indolently this time. "Jean's friend Covington got the distance in nine and four-fifths seconds. He's a real sprinter. I think this fellow is a joke."

"Indeed he is not! If Mr. Covington can run as fast as that, Mr. Speed can run faster. He told me so."

"Oh!" Fresno looked at her curiously. "The world's record is nine and three-fifths; that's the limit of human endurance."

"I hope he doesn't injure himself," breathed the girl, and the tenor waned.

Pinned the Medals Upon His Chest. Dressed away, disgusted beyond measure. When he was out of hearing he remarked, aloud: "I'll bet he runs so slow we'll have to wind a stop-watch on him. Anyhow, I think I'll find out something more about this race."

Once in his room, Mr. J. Wallingford Speed made a search for writing materials, while Larry Glass overhauled a trunk filled with athletic clothing of various descriptions. There were running-suits, rowing-suits, baseball and football suits, sweaters, jerseys, and bath robes—all of which were new and unstained. At the bottom Glass discovered a box full of bronze and near-gold emblems.

English Suffragists Protest Against the Sex by Men.

"It is people who write poetry about us who prevent us women getting the vote." The sentence arrested me in reading Violet Hunt's story of the "Celebrity's Daughter," at a week-end, with the smashing of windows, the sitting up of golf greens, the spoiling of letters and the threats of other

CHAPTER VI.

"His doesn't look much like our storehouse, does it?" Jean paused in her task, and, seating herself upon the summit of a step-ladder, scrutinized with satisfaction the transformation wrought by a myriad of college flags, sofa cushions, colored

shawls, and bunting. Roberta Keap dropped her hammer with an exclamation of pain. "Ouch!" she cried, "I've hurt my thumb. I can't hit where I look when people are talking."

"Why don't you pin them up?" queried Miss Blake sweetly. "A hammer is so dangerous."

Mrs. Keap mumbled something, but her enunciation was indistinct, owing to the fact that her thumb was in her mouth. Helen finished tying a bow of ribbon upon the leg of a stool, patted it into proper form, then said: "It looks cheerful."

"And restful," added Jean. "Oh dear!" Jean descended from her precarious position and admitted, "I'm tired out."