

CURRENT EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Doings of the World at Large Told in Brief.

General Resume of Important Events Presented in Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

Latest estimates of casualties in the Minnesota forest fires place the death list as high as 2,000.

A Walla Walla groceryman has had his 15-year-old daughter arrested for burglarizing his store.

A girl highwayman, dressed in men's clothes, was captured by an intended victim at Wallace, Idaho.

Taft and Roosevelt have expressed opposite opinions on many points of the conservation question.

A fifty-cent rate on lumber from the Coast to St. Paul is upheld by the United States Circuit court.

With the thermometer near 100, the 52 delegates to Arizona's constitutional convention have begun their work.

A Seattle woman is taking a full course in pharmacy at the university, where her son is also a prominent student.

There is great activity among Spanish revolutionists at Barcelona, owing to the complete success of the Portuguese uprising.

Colonel Roosevelt declares that the government should do all it can to reclaim the vast swamp areas of the Mississippi valley.

A mysterious visit of four Union leaders of San Francisco to Los Angeles may furnish a clue to the perpetrators of the Times dynamite outrage.

Descriptions of the men suspected of blowing up the Los Angeles Times have been sent all over the world, as the police have practically given up catching them on the Coast.

Clarence Mackay, a well known patron of the University of Nevada, will take the entire student body to California to witness the coming football games between the university of Nevada and the Californians.

Cholera cases in New York are on the increase.

Systematic expulsion of the monks from Portugal is now under way.

A Tacoma policeman had his pockets picked and lost nearly a month's pay.

A German sailor sold a Stradivarius violin to a Tacoma pawn broker for \$1. It is now held at \$2,500.

Richard Diener, a gardener near San Francisco, has developed a geranium bloom six inches in diameter.

Aviator Hoxsey in a Wright biplane, flew from Springfield, Ill., to St. Louis, a distance of 104 miles, making a new American record for a single flight.

Tugs have failed to pull the big tramp steamer Damara off the rocks at the entrance to the Golden Gate, San Francisco, and it is feared the vessel will be a total loss.

An explosion in the coal mine of the Colorado Fuel & Iron company at Starkville has entombed over 50 miners and there is little hope that any will be found alive.

Two convicts at the Santa Ana penitentiary in California at the close of religious services took the jailer and a missionary by surprise, threw them into a cell and escaped, well armed.

Spain refuses to recognize the Portuguese Revolutionists.

A business block in the heart of Chicago sold for \$6,500,000.

Many provinces of Portugal are still loyal to the king and further trouble is likely.

The strike of thousands of bricklayers and kindred workers in the East has been amicably settled.

Judge Hand, of the United States court in New York, declares he will not again let smugglers escape with a fine, but will sentence them to jail.

Indoor gymnasium work has been discontinued at Fort Stevens, Ore., and the soldiers will hereafter take their exercise in the open air, regardless of weather.

Nineteen members of a dinner party given at Pendleton, and also the hotel proprietor, may be indicted under the local option law because wine was served at the feast.

A laborer attempted to cross Snoqualmie river in a row boat, but lost one of his oars and was carried over Snoqualmie falls and dashed to pieces on the rocks 300 feet below.

An educated Chinaman was arrested at San Francisco just as he was drawing a revolver to fire on Prince Tsai Hsun, uncle of the emperor of China, who is visiting in this country.

SOVEREIGNS' FLIGHT PATHETIC

Queen Mother Bids Sad Farewell to Faithful Followers.

Lisbon—Authentic reports of the flight of the sovereigns show that the Queen mother, Amelie, who was at the palace of Cintra, followed, through telephone communication with the Necessidades palace, the tumultuous course of the revolt. Her anxiety increased until she was informed that King Manuel had left by automobile for Mafra.

Hurriedly getting together a few of her personal effects the Queen mother fled to Mafra and joined her son. In the meantime, according to arrangements made by the revolutionists, Prince Alfonso had embarked on the imperial yacht Amelie of Cascaes. The Amelie sailed for Ericeira, where it arrived a few days later.

Presently automobiles occupied by King Manuel and the Queen mother dashed up to the beach and were escorted by a squadron of cavalry and accompanied by the Queen's ladies of honor, who were dressed in deep black. The Queen and her ladies entered one rowboat, into which fishermen also placed two small trunks. King Manuel, who was wearing a suit of chevot and green hat, took his place in the second boat. He appeared downcast. As he turned his eyes from the shore he waved his hand and said slowly: "Adieux forever."

A heavy sea was running when the little craft put out and one of the fishermen made bold to suggest that the Queen mother should not lean upon the gunwale, as it was dirty. Amelie replied indifferently: "That is of no consequence."

Her last words to the faithful who had gathered on the beach were: "It is an infamy. Au revoir!"

The group on shore replied: "We will await your return."

MILLIONS NOT ENOUGH.

Caution Preached in Face of \$20,425,784 Profit.

Chicago—"Unsettled economic conditions" chiefly in regard to the pending ruling of the Interstate commerce commission on the petition of Western railroads on an increase of freight rates, will make it necessary for the directors of the Santa Fe to "proceed with caution" for the remainder of the year, according to the 15th annual report of that road.

Mr. Ripley, the president, precedes this statement however, with the assurance that the property is in excellent condition physically, and has made ample provision for its present financial needs.

The income statement shows that while the total income increased \$12,119,158 since the previous report, yet because of increased expense, the net income was only \$7,794 greater.

The total operating income is given for the year as \$104,993,194.67, the total income from all sources as \$107,543,250.16 and the total operating expenses \$751,33,314.54. Fixed charges amounting to \$11,984,151.36 added to the operating expenses bringing the net income down to \$20,425,784.26.

MANY ENTOMBED IN MINE.

More than Fifty Lives Believed Lost in Colorado Horror.

Starkville, Colo.—At least 52 men are entombed in the Starkville mine of the Colorado Fuel & Iron company, while, in the approaches to the mine, hundreds of their fellows with oxygen helmets, movable rotary fans and picks and shovels are striving simultaneously to open the living tomb and to draw from it the poisonous gases with which it is at least partly filled.

The men have been imprisoned and the rescuing parties have toiled since 10:50 Saturday, when an explosion, probably caused by coal dust, shook the earth for a radius of seven miles, destroying the main entrance to the mine and sealed the hapless toilers within it.

Because of the vast ramifications of the mine and its connections with other mine-workings it is hoped that perhaps half the men may be rescued. An attempt will be made to open up the sealed passages.

Wrecked Steamer is Doomed.

San Francisco—A crowd of several thousand interested people watched all day from the shore opposite the Golden Gate the efforts of tugs to pull off the British tramp steamship Damara from the rocks on which she is fastened, about 200 yards from old Fort Point, now known as Fort Winfield Scott. For five hours five tugs hauled and strained on huge wire cables, but without budging the big ship. Five hundred tons of barley were lightered and much coal thrown overboard, but nothing seemed to do any good.

Standard Oil Sued.

Topeka—Three suits for damage for alleged violation of the anti-trust laws of the state of Kansas were filed simultaneously against the Standard Oil company in Montgomery, Wilson and Saline counties by Attorney-General F. S. Jackson. The suits ask damages aggregating \$162,800 and interest thereon, or \$100 per day for the violations, which are alleged to have extended over a period of 544 days.

HUNDREDS DIE IN FOREST FIRE

Death List Grows Hourly—Bodies In Piles.

Four Towns Wiped Out By Onrushing Blaze—Hundreds Escape on Special Trains.

Warroad, Minn., Oct. 10.—Death's toll from forest fires now sweeping Northern Minnesota in the Rainy River district may reach 400. General Superintendent Cameron of the Canadian Pacific railway, says this estimate will be larger.

Four towns have been wiped out by the flames.

Hundreds of settlers are missing and the death list grows hourly. Bodies of 98 dead have already been gathered.

Thousands of refugees fill Warroad. The town is in great danger from forest fires which are gradually approaching the town. Two special trains left Winnipeg over the Canadian Northern railway with fire hose and apparatus. Roosevelt is safe after an all-day fight, but the town is crowded with refugees.

The fire is spreading and is now only seven miles from Sprague, Manitoba, which is 20 miles Northwest of here. A fire is also coming down from the north of Sprague, where it has burned the great quantities of cord wood, telephone and telegraph poles awaiting shipment.

The forest fire is the greatest since the Hinckley, Minn., horror of 15 years ago. It is almost impossible to estimate the number of missing, but messages sent out by private individuals indicate that 100 relatives, mostly from around Beaudette, have not reported.

General Superintendent Cameron, of the Canadian Northern, places the number of deaths at 400, but admits that it may be larger.

The towns of Pitt, Spooner, Gracetown and Beaudette were burned Friday night. The fire was heralded by a shower of sparks and burning brands, which swept across the Beaudette river, and the inhabitants barely had time to reach the special train that was waiting before both towns were on fire.

Sick people, apparently by the score, appeared and were carried or assisted to points of safety. There were five patients in Carrigan's hospital who had been burned.

A special train is waiting to take the people to some other point in case the fire should get a fresh start. The town is not yet entirely free of danger.

The buildings of the Shevlin-Mathieu Lumber company are practically the only structures standing in Spooner, not a tree, fence, nor a foot of sidewalk being left. There are not even the heaps of debris that usually remain after a fire.

The property loss in Rainy River, Beaudette and Spooner alone, including the Rat Portage Lumber company's plant and yard at Rainy River and the yard of Shevlin-Mathieu Lumber company at Spooner, will total about \$1,500,000. It will be some time before the loss of life is known even approximately.

Wagon loads of human bodies are being brought into the railway station at Beaudette. It is reported that many settlers, crazed with grief at the loss of families and property, are roaming the woods, and searching parties are looking for the injured, the dead and the demented. One family of nine, one of seven and one of five are known to have perished.

At 8:30 p. m. Saturday a tornado of fire struck Beaudette and Spooner, and within three minutes after the first alarm every building was ablaze. Within half an hour they were but heaps of ashes. The people of these two towns had just enough time to get out of their homes with what they had on their backs. They were loaded on a passenger train that was standing at the depot and taken to Rainy River, Ont.

Taft's Life Menaced.

Millbury, Mass.—An alleged scheme for the assassination of President Taft was unfolded to Mrs. Delia C. Torrey, aunt of the president, by a stranger who called at her home here. The man, who refused to give his name, declared he overheard the plotters while in Boston. As he departed, he threatened to return and kill Mrs. Torrey if the matter got into the newspapers. The man went away from Millbury as suddenly and as mysteriously as he had come, and there is no clew to his whereabouts.

Ambergris Lump Found.

Seattle—Gust Olson, a laborer of Valdez, recently found on the beach near that town, a lump of ambergris weighing 220 pounds and valued at \$4,400, according to advices received by steamer. Whaling men say this is the largest piece of the precious substance ever found.

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