

DOINGS OF THE WEEK

Current Events of Interest Gathered From the World at Large.

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

Taft pleads for a common sense tariff policy.

Senator Lodge sees great peril in peace treaties.

Yuan Shi Kai's imperial troops begin rioting in Peking.

Thirty-six grammar school clubs of Portland have formed a baseball league.

Many Seattle brokers fear indictments in the Columbia Orchard swindling case.

Attorney-General Wickersham protests when the Bar association draws the color line on his assistant.

From a business standpoint the month of February, 1912, was the best February in the history of Portland.

A merger of the telephone companies of Seattle may be investigated by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

W. J. Bryan spoke to an audience of about 10,000 at the Gypsy Smith auditorium in Portland. He favors the no-toll system for the Panama canal.

Hundreds of thousands of British coal miners go on strike, and the government is trying to force the coal operators to recognize the principal of a minimum wage.

A Kansas City young woman has written the mayor of Portland to find a good husband for her widowed mother, who has an overwhelming desire to live on a Western ranch.

Two thousand students of the University of California spent one day with picks and shovels building a new roadway on the college grounds, the girl students preparing a fine luncheon when the work was finished.

Oregon has been given the first choice of sites for a state building at the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco.

Abraham Ruef, convicted political boss of San Francisco, refuses to testify against ex Mayor Schmitz in a bribery case.

The house has gone on record as favoring the eight-hour day in government arsenals.

Several thousand miners have already quit work in the threatened coal strike in England.

Senator Gardner, of Maine, would have the government buy in the express companies and run them in conjunction with the postal department.

Texas militiamen guarding the El Paso electric light plant were fired on at night by parties concealed behind box cars, and believed to be Mexicans.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Track prices: Bluestem, 89@90c; club, 86@87c; red Russian, 85c; valley, 86@87c; forty-fold, 86@87c.

Millstuffs—Bran, \$20@22 per ton; shorts, \$22@24; middlings, \$30.

Corn—New, whole, \$34; cracked, \$35 per ton.

Hay—No. 1 Eastern Oregon timothy, \$15@16; No. 1 valley, \$13@14; alfalfa, \$13; clover, \$9; grain hay, \$10@11.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$32.50@33 ton.

Cranberries, \$10@11.50 per barrel.

Potatoes—Buying prices: Burbanks, \$1.15@1.50 per hundred.

Vegetables—Artichokes, \$1.25 per dozen; cabbage, 1 1/2c per pound; garlic, 8@10c; hot house lettuce, 50@75c per box; pumpkins, 1 1/2@2c per pound; rhubarb, \$3@3.50 per box; spinach, \$1@1.25 per box; sprouts, 8c; squash, 1 1/2@2c per pound; turnips, \$1@1.10 per sack; rutabagas, \$1@1.10; carrots, \$1@1.10; parsnips, \$1@1.10; beets, \$1.25.

Onions—Association price, \$2.50 per sack.

Apples—Yellow Newtowns, \$2@2.50 per box; Spitzenbergs, \$1.75@3; Baldwin, \$1.50@2; Ben Davis, \$1@1.75; Red Cheek Pippins, \$2@2.50; Gano, \$1@1.75.

Butter—Oregon creamery, solid pack, 36c; prints, extra.

Eggs—Fresh Oregon ranch, candled, 20@21c per dozen.

Pork—Fancy, \$4@9c per pound.

Veal—Fancy, 13@14c per pound.

Poultry—Hens, 17c; springs, 15@16c; ducks, 17@17c; geese, 8@10c; turkeys, live, 16c; dressed, 20@21c.

Hops—1911 crop, 38c; olds, nominal; 1912 contracts, 25@26c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 14@16c per pound; valley, 16@17c; mohair, choice, 30@35c.

Cattle—Choice steers, \$6@6.65; good, \$5.75@6; choice cows, \$5@5.60; good, \$4.75@5; choice spayed heifers, \$5.35@5.50; good to choice heifers, \$5@5.25; choice bulls, \$4.25@4.50; good, \$4@4.25; choice calves, \$3@3.60; good, \$4.75@5.

Hogs—Choice light hogs, \$6.50@6.75; smooth heavy hogs, \$5.75@6; rough heavy, \$5.50@5.75.

Sheep—Choice yearlings, \$4.50@4.75; choice twos and threes, \$3.90@4.25; choice killing ewes, \$4.10@4.40; culls, \$2.50@3.25; choice spring lambs, \$5.50@5.60; choice grain lambs, \$4.75@5; good to choice lambs, \$4.50@4.75; fair to good lambs, \$4.25@4.50; cull lambs, \$3.75@4.

KANSAS IS CALLING.

Women Fettered By State Laws May Find Freedom There.

Topeka—If there are women anywhere in this broad land who feel that their sphere of activity is curtailed by the laws of the states in which they live, Kansas will extend a welcoming hand to them. Kansas prides itself in being just to women, and there are few restrictive laws in this state, as compared with other states. In only a few of the Eastern states can women practice law, but there are more than 60 women in the active practice of law in Kansas today. There are more than 100 women physicians, not counting the numerous osteopaths and chiropractors.

It is asserted by no less an authority than the attorney general of Kansas, John S. Dawson, that no state has more liberal provisions than Kansas has for the women.

Just notice the things that women can do in Kansas:

She may retain her maiden name when she is married.

She may persuade her husband to give up his own name and take her maiden name.

She may retain her maiden name and her husband retain his name.

She may retain her maiden name for business and take her husband's name for social intercourse.

She can hold property that her husband cannot touch and may sell it without asking him anything about it.

She can hold any elective office, county office or district office. There are 80 women holding county elective offices and more than 200 announced candidates for different county elective offices.

She can hold any elective office, school district or municipal office. There is a woman mayor in Kansas, Mrs. Ella Wilson, of Hunnewell, and many school boards are managed by women.

She can wear men's trousers if she desires, but she must not pretend to be a man. As long as she wears trousers as a woman, she cannot be arrested. Men are prohibited from wearing dresses in public.

Kansas men fully appreciate the women of the state. This is shown by the fact that a majority of the county superintendents of public instruction are women and that a number of other positions in the county offices heretofore held entirely by men are being filled successfully by women.

STRIKE IS ORDERLY.

English Leaders See Entering Wedge for Minimum Wage Scale.

London—The coal strike, the greatest in the history of the British Isles, is marking time. One satisfactory feature is the complete absence of disorder.

All negotiations looking to a settlement have ceased, as the leaders who recently gathered in London have scattered to attend the local matters in connection with the strike. Labor leaders in recent speeches have insisted that the public support the miners because now that the government has decided to institute a minimum wage in connection with the miners, it will be impossible longer to withhold establishing a minimum wage in all industries. Thus, the strike will become a general triumph for the cause of labor.

The next word is with the government and Premier Asquith's promised statement is awaited with interest. However, no arrangement has been made for the introduction of a minimum wage bill.

At a mass meeting of dock workers of Bristol a resolution was adopted providing that imports of foreign coal should not be handled.

Most of the railways announce a further curtailment of their services.

Fourteen stations in London will be closed until the strike ends.

Fireplace Yields \$13,000.

Asbury Park, N. J.—Behind a brick fireplace in the old White homestead on Deal Lake border, A. Jeffrys, who acquired the property from his mother, who was one of the original White family descendants, recently found a small fortune in silver and gold coins that had evidently been concealed for more than a century. Jeffrys lifted a loose brick from its place and the coins began to drop out. He declines to tell the amount of his find, but neighbors say the sum aggregates \$13,000.

Japs to Send Freighters.

San Francisco—Shipping men of this city profess to have authoritative information that the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, which operates a line of freight and passenger steamers from Puget Sound to Japan and China, will establish soon a line of freighters from the Columbia River to the Orient. The report is that the Japanese line will be put on in advance of the announced increase in the fleet of the Weir line, operating from Portland and Seattle.

Pekin Missionaries Safe.

Boston—Assurance of the safety of the foreign missionaries stationed at Pekin came here in a cable message to the headquarters of the American board of commissioners of foreign missions. The cable message read: "All Pekin missionaries and mission buildings safe."

ATTACK CHIHUAHUA

Fighting Begins Before City By Well Armed Forces.

Grocco Said to Have Deserted With Entire Command—Americans Retire Across Border.

Washington, D. C.—A telegram received by private persons here from El Paso drew a grave picture of conditions on the Mexican border. The telegram said that fighting between the Federal and rebel forces at Chihuahua City at 11 o'clock Sunday, and that many Americans were in danger. Americans in Northern Mexico are rushing across the border at El Paso and other points, fearing massacre by Mexicans, despite denials by administration officials that President Taft intends to intervene in Mexico.

Feverish activity prevailed Sunday in the War department, which usually is deserted on that day. This activity, around which a veil of secrecy was thrown, is believed to mean that more troops will soon be moved to the border.

El Paso—A telegram saying that fighting for the possession of Chihuahua City, capital of the Mexican state of that name, had begun, was followed by the hasty departure of the rebel garrison at Juarez to join their comrades in the fight.

Two telegrams bearing on the fight were received by General Ynez Salazar, the Juarez commander, from Braulio Hernandez, one of the rebel leaders in the district about Chihuahua. Neither message was as detailed as its recipient could have wished, but both were sufficient to dispel languor which has characterized the work of the Juarez forces, and the detachment of from 800 to 1,000 men was speedily placed on board three sections of a freight train.

FOOD SAMPLES STARTLE.

Sand, Salt, Alum and Glucose Among Adulterants Used.

New Haven, Conn.—Even the food chemists at the Connecticut Agricultural station are surprised by the result of a series of tests they have just completed, which show that of 722 samples of food, drink and drugs analyzed, 232, or nearly one-third, were adulterated below standard or misbranded. The wooden nutmeg was not in evidence, but other things were, for example:

Of 290 samples of milk, 7 were skimmed, 87 watered, and 3 both skimmed and watered.

Of 46 samples of summer drinks, 10 contained benzoic acid, 2 coal tar dyes, 20 saccharine, and 8 artificial colorings.

Only 4 out of 27 "cider vinegar" samples were genuine. The rest were made of distilled vinegar, boiled cider, apple waste and dried apples.

Sand was found in chocolate.

Root beer was commonly sweetened with glucose.

Every sample of table relish except two had alum in it.

TONGS PLANNING FOR WAR.

Outbreak is Expected at Any Moment in San Francisco.

San Francisco—The temporary treaty of peace in Chinatown, which leading Chinese prayed would be made permanent, has been broken and the war cloud again hangs low. Representative Chinese conferred with the leaders of the five tong involved in the controversy and pleaded in vain that the existing difficulties be forgotten and that peace be restored.

The peace envoys met with no success and asked the Six Companies to intervene. However, prominent Chinese concede that the prospect of restoring the peace hatchet is dim and war is expected at any time. Every member of the police squad in Chinatown is alert, for it is known several gunmen have come to the local Oriental quarter and are in hiding.

City May Stop Merger.

Seattle—A court order was issued here temporarily restraining the Independent and Sunset Telephone companies from effecting consolidation of their systems. The order was issued on complaint of the city, which claims an equity of \$200,000 in the poles, wires and conduits of the Independent company, which equity will be placed in jeopardy if the merger is completed. Three deputy sheriffs who sought to serve copies of the order on the telephone officials were unable to find them.

Strikers to Resume Tasks.

Lawrence, Mass.—Striking operatives of the Arlington and Pacific mills, affiliated with the Central Labor union, have returned to work and accepted the 5 per cent minimum wage increase offered. The action is accepted generally as an indication that the Central Labor union will recommend the acceptance of the concession offered in all the mills. The Industrial Workers of the World strike committee declined the offer.

Americans Advised to Leave.

Washington, D. C.—The gravity of the situation in Mexico has caused President Taft to issue a proclamation virtually warning American citizens to refrain from entering the country and advising those now resident there to leave when conditions threaten.

SACCHARINE RULED OUT.

Cabinet Votes to Bar All Adulterant of Food.

Washington, D. C.—By a vote of two to one, the board of cabinet officers charged with the enforcement of the pure food law entered a final decision against the use of saccharine in prepared foods. Secretary Wilson and Secretary Nagel confirmed the decision that food containing saccharine was adulterated. Secretary MacVeagh dissented. He thought there was no harm in its use in small quantities. One month's grace will be given manufacturers to arrange for the elimination.

"The argument that it may be used in small quantities," said Dr. Wiley in the brief submitted, "is the old familiar one which adulterators and those who seek to adulterate have used from the very beginning of things. If we admit one injurious substance in small quantities, we cannot with any justice exclude others."

"The argument of small quantities absolutely has no ethical, logical or legal foundation, and is most dangerous. No more dangerous concession to the interests seeking to debase and adulterate and misbrand food products could be made. I urge the importance of refusing in any way to condone the use of saccharine in foods."

SCORES BAR ASSOCIATION.

Wickersham Protests Ousting of Colored Member.

Washington, D. C.—A decision by the executive committee of the American Bar association to oust William H. Lewis, a negro and an assistant attorney general of the United States, from membership in the bar association has aroused Attorney General Wickersham to the defense of his assistant.

In a spirited letter sent to each of the 4,700 members of the association, the attorney general charges the executive committee with an arrogance of power unwarranted by the body's constitution, "in order to gratify a race prejudice entertained by some of its members."

The attorney general points out that Lewis was elected after he had been nominated regularly and invited to join by the secretary of the association.

"The object of the association," the attorney general continues, "is stated in the constitution to 'advance the science of jurisprudence, promote the administration of justice, uphold the honor of the profession of the law and encourage cordial intercourse among the members of the American bar.'"

"Any person fulfilling certain requirements," Mr. Wickersham adds, "is eligible for membership."

The action of the executive committee, he declares, hardly can be considered to tend to "uphold the honor of the profession of the law and encourage cordial intercourse among the members of the bar. It certainly does not tend to promote the administration of justice."

MILLS OFFER ADVANCE.

Readjustment of Lawrence Textile Workers' Scale Conceded.

Lawrence, Mass.—A readjustment of wages, which in no case will be less than 5 per cent increase, to take effect March 4, was announced by President Whitman, of the Arlington mills.

Still another investigation into certain features of the strike situation was begun with the arrival of Dr. C. P. Neill, Commissioner of Labor, from Washington, with a special agent from his department.

More operatives were working in the various mills than on any previous day of the big strike, which is now in its eighth week. Fewer pickets were in evidence than usual, and the police were given but little trouble.

Much attention was given by the strike leaders and the special children's committee to the arrangements for forwarding to Washington a party of strikers, principally child workers, who are to appear before a congressional committee as a living exhibit in connection with the strikers' story of their grievances.

Heyburn Scolds Grocers.

Washington, D. C.—Senator Heyburn took to task a delegation of grocers for having congratulated ex-President Roosevelt on his connection with the pure food and drugs law. "President Roosevelt in a letter to me," said Senator Heyburn, "refused to recommend the house committee law in his message to congress. I drew the law. It was not the house measure that was enacted; it was the senate bill adopted in conference." His criticism came in a hearing before the senate manufacturers' committee.

Entrymen Will Receive Patents.

Washington, D. C.—As a result of the activity of Representative Hawley, patents have been ordered issued to six Oregon entymen whose claims have been pending before the department for months, and in some cases years. Settlers who will receive patents are: John Fletcher, Samuel C. Bruce, Bert W. Read, John A. Moore, and Delbert A. Owen, all of Jackson county, and W. G. Sharman, Toledo.

Protection of Valdez Recommended.

Washington, D. C.—An appropriation of \$55,000 for the protection of Valdez, Alaska, and the adjacent region from glacial floods was recommended to the senate by the commerce committee.

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CHURCHES.

Church of the Visitation, Verboort—Rev. L. A. LeMiller, pastor. Sunday Early Mass at 8 a. m.; High Mass at 10:30 a. m.; Vesper at 3:00 p. m. Week days Mass at 8:30 a. m.

Christian Science Hall, 115 Fifth st., between First and Second ave. South—Services Sundays at 11 a. m.; Sunday school at 12 m.; mid-week meeting Wednesdays at 7:30 p. m.

Free Methodist church, Fourth st., between First and Second Avenue. J. F. Leise, Pastor. Sunday School at 10 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Prayer meeting Wednesday 7:30 p. m.

Seventh Day Adventist Church, 3rd street—Sabbath school 2 p. m., preaching 3 p. m. each Saturday. Midweek prayer meeting Wednesday 7:30 p. m. A cordial welcome. H. W. Vallmer, Elder.

Catholic Services, Rev. J. R. Buck, pastor. Forest Grove—Chapel at cor. of 3rd street and 3rd avenue south 1st and 4th Sundays of the month, Mass at 8:30; 2nd and 3rd Sundays of the month, Mass 10:30. Cornelius—1st Sunday of the month, Mass at 10:30; 3rd Sunday of the month, Mass at 8:00. Seghers—2nd Sunday of the month, Mass at 8:00; 4th Sunday of the month, Mass at 10:30.

M. E. Church, Rev. Hiram Gould, pastor. Second street, between First and Second avenues. Sunday school at 10 a. m.; Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. Mid-week prayer meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.

Christian Church, corner Third st. and First Ave. Rev. C. H. Hilton, pastor. Bible school at 10 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.; Prayer meeting Thursday at 8:00 p. m.

Congregational Church, College Way and First ave. north. Rev. D. T. Thomas—Sunday school 10 a. m.; Morning service 11 a. m.; evening, 8:00 p. m.; Junior C. E. at 3 p. m.; Senior C. E. at 6:30 p. m.

LOGES.

Knights of Pythias—Delphos Lodge No. 36, meets every Thursday at K. of P. Hall, Chas. Staley, C. C.; Reis Ludwig, Keeper of Records and Seal.

G. A. R.—J. B. Mathews Post No. 6, meets the first and third Wednesday of each month at 1:30 p. m., in K. of P. hall. John Baldwin, Commander.

Masonic—Holbrook Lodge No. 30, A. F. & A. M., regular meetings held first Saturday in each month. P. W. Kinzer, W. M.; A. A. Ben Kori, secretary.

W. O. W.—Forest Grove Camp No. 98, meets in Woodmen Hall, every Saturday. A. J. Parker, C. C.; James H. Davis, Clerk.

Artisans—Diamond Assembly No. 27, meets every Tuesday in K. of P. Hall. C. B. Stokes, M. A.; John Boldrick, Secretary.

Rebekahs—Forest Lodge No. 44, meets the first, third and fifth Wednesdays of each month. Miss Alice Crook, N. G.; Secretary, Miss Carrie Austin.

I. O. O. F.—Washington Lodge No. 48, meets every Monday in I. O. O. F. Hall. V. S. Abraham, N. G.; Robert Taylor, Secretary.

Modern Woodmen of America—Camp No. 628, meets the second and fourth Friday of each month. A. L. Sexton, Consul; Geo. G. Paterson, Clerk.

Rosewood Camp, No. 3835 R. N. A., meets first and third Fridays of each month in I. O. O. F. Hall. Mrs. M. S. Allen, Oracle; Mrs. Winnifred Aldrich, Recorder.

Gale Grange No. 282, P. of H., meets the first Saturdays of each month in the K. of P. Hall. A. T. Buxton, Master; Mrs. H. J. Rice, Secretary.

CITY.

Mayor—G. S. Allen.

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Treasurer—R. P. Wirtz.

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Constable—Carl Hoffman.

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Recorder—E. L. Perkins.

Treasurer—E. B. Sappington.

Surveyor—Geo. McTea.

Coroner—E. C. Brown.

Commissioners—John McClaran, John Nyberg.

School Sup't—M. C. Case.

S. P. TIME TABLE.

North Bound.

Sheridan No. 4 8:27 a. m.

Corvallis No. 2 4:53 p. m.

South Bound.

Corvallis No. 1 8:44 a. m.

Sheridan No. 3 6:00 p. m.

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