

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.

The government has begun suit against the "aluminum trust."

Fire burned out a Portland fire station and other stations had to be called to extinguish the flames.

Seven tons of Bibles were recently shipped in one consignment by the American Bible society, to South American countries.

Five hundred Seattle women sold pencils on the streets Friday and Saturday for the benefit of the children's Orthopedic hospital of that city.

Charles W. Wappenstein, ex-chief of police of Seattle who is serving a term in the penitentiary at Walla Walla, is employed in the vegetable cellar of the institution.

An empty gasoline fishing boat with the nets tangled in the propeller, drifted ashore on Long Beach, Wash., and it is believed the two men who went out in it are drowned.

A bank robber rode into Grass Valley, Cal., on horseback, entered the bank and backed all the employees into the vault at the muzzle of his revolver, scooped his pockets full of gold and escaped.

Many Mexican rebels, separated from their commands during the hasty retreat from Conejos, staggered into the federal camps exhausted from thirst and hunger. They report that many died on the barren mesas.

The British searchers among the ruins of ancient Egypt have uncovered an alabaster Sphinx, as perfect as the day it was carved 1300 years B. C. Many other relics of ancient times were found in a good state of preservation.

Investigation shows that the alleged "money trust" loaned immense sums to Brazilian coffee planters and exporters to enable them to limit their production, so that American and European dealers could maintain high prices.

All remaining indictments against Abe Ruef are to be quashed.

The house has adopted a resolution for direct vote in the election of United States senators.

Financier Reid displayed a very poor memory on the witness stand at the tin plate inquiry.

Three aeroplane accidents in one day at widely scattered points caused the death of three aviators and injury of several others.

The Mexican commander-in-chief estimates that the rebels lost 600 men at the battle of Conejos, while the federals lost about 60.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Track prices: Bluestem, \$1.04@1.05; club, 98c@1; red Russian, 97@98c; valley, 98c@1; forty-fold, 98c@1.

Millstuffs—Bran, \$25 per ton; shorts, \$27.50; middlings, \$31.

Corn—Whole, \$39; cracked, \$40 per ton.

Hay—Timothy, \$16.50@17.50; alfalfa, \$12@12.50; clover, \$8@9; oats and vetch, \$10.50@11.50; grain hay, \$9.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$38@40 per ton. Fresh Fruits—Strawberries, \$1.25@1.75 per crate; cranberries, \$8@10 per barrel; apples, \$1.25@1.50 per box; cherries, \$1.75@2 per box; cherries, loose, 15c per pound.

Potatoes—Jobbing prices: Burbanks, old, \$1.50@1.75 per hundred; new California, 4 1/2@5c per pound. Onions—Bermuda, \$2@2.25.

Vegetables—Artichokes, 75c@90c per dozen; asparagus, \$1@1.15 per crate; beans, 20c per pound; cabbage, 2c; cauliflower, \$2.75 per crate; celery, \$5@6; cucumbers, \$1@1.50 dozen; eggplant, 25c per pound; head lettuce, \$1.75 per crate; hot-house lettuce, 75c@1 per box; peas, 5 1/2@6c per pound; peppers, 25c per dozen; radishes, 15@20c per dozen; rhubarb, 2 1/2@3c per pound; spinach, 4@5c per pound; tomatoes, \$4.50 per box; garlic, 8@10c per pound; turnips, \$1@1.10 per sack; beets, \$1.50; rutabagas, \$1@1.10; carrots, \$1.

Butter—Oregon creamery butter, solid pack, 26c per pound.

Eggs—Fresh Oregon ranch, candied, 21c per dozen; case count, 20 1/2c.

Pork—Fancy, 10 1/2@11c per pound.

Veal—Fancy, 10@10 1/2c per pound.

Poultry—Hens, 13@14c per pound; springs, 13@14c; broilers, 22 1/2@25c; ducks, young, 20c; geese, 11c; turkeys, live, 20c; dressed, 25c.

Hops—1911 crop, 38@39c; olds, nominal; 1912 contracts, 24@25c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 10@17 1/2c per pound; valley, 18@19c; mohair, choice, 32c per pound.

Cattle—Choice steers, \$6.85@7.25; good, \$6.50@6.85; medium, \$6@6.50; choice cows, \$6@6.25; good, \$5.50@6; medium, \$5@5.50; choice calves, \$8.50@8.85; good heavy calves, \$6@8.50; bulls, \$3.50@5.50; stags, \$4.75@6.35.

Hogs—Light, \$8@8.40; heavy, \$7@7.75.

Sheep—Yearlings, \$4.50@5.50; wethers, \$4.25@5; ewes, \$3.50@4.75; lambs, \$4.50@6; spring, \$6@7.25.

HOMESTEAD BILL IN DANGER

Fisher and Pinchot Believed to Be Working for Its Defeat.

Washington, D. C.—Friends of the Borah-Jones three-year homestead bill are greatly alarmed over the delay of the conference committee in reaching an agreement, and are fearful that this long delay will make it possible for Mr. Fisher, the secretary of the Interior, to defeat the measure in one way or another. This bill, after passing the senate and then passing the house in an amended form, was referred to the conference committee on March 27 and since then no actual steps have been taken by this committee towards bringing in an agreement.

It was fully expected by friends of this bill that the conference committee, appointed to reconcile the differences between the senate and house bills, could get together in a few days—a week at the outside—but seven weeks have elapsed and the conference committee is no nearer an agreement than the day it was appointed. This situation is somewhat surprising, in view of the fact that every member of the conference committee voted for the bill and is supposed to favor reducing the homestead period from five years to three, and to favor giving homesteaders leave of absence for five months each year.

HYPNOTIZED GIRL SINGS.

Physicians See Practical Realization of Tale of "Trilby."

Philadelphia—Effect of hypnotism on the human voice which justified Du Maurier's fanciful tale of "Trilby's" voice transformation while under hypnotic influence, was demonstrated before the American Laryngological society and the subject was a young woman who was employed in the office of a physician.

The young woman often met and spoke with singers who visited Dr. Frank E. Miller, of New York, and she expressed a desire to go upon the operatic stage, despite the handicap of a voice utterly without music. She had read the tale of "Trilby," however, and said she was willing to try hypnotism and suggested that a phonograph playing the songs of the operatic singers be used to accompany her. The experiment was made and the effect was true to the story of Du Maurier.

Voices of well-known sopranos and tenors were reproduced and the young woman sang at each day's test with perfect ease. While still in the hypnotic state she was taken to the college of physicians and surgeons and introduced to the assembled physicians and scientists there.

"ALL RIGHT" IS KEYNOTE.

Persian Says Expression is Index of American Spirit.

New York—The keynote of American success is said by Abdul Baba, Persian prophet of world-peace, to lie in the use of the simple expression, "all right." In it he says he finds the keynote of American optimism.

"Everywhere I go," the Persian went on, "I hear those two magical words—words which I have never heard used by any other nation in any other country."

"With you Americans [it is always] 'all right.' 'If I ask a bellboy at the hotel to do something, he responds: 'All right.'"

"If I inquire as to the health of a person I have met here, he answers: 'All right.'"

"When the conductor wants the train to start, he shouts: 'All right.' 'Everything is 'all right' in the United States. I believe [the expression typically reflects the optimism of this great country.]"

Rebel Plot is Foreseen.

Dallas, Tex.—That the rebels at Chihuahua intend to provoke American intervention, in the event Orozco is defeated in the battle now pending below Chihuahua, is the tenor of a dispatch received here by Governor Colquitt from Adjutant General Hutchins. Governor Colquitt instructed the adjutant general to proceed at once to El Paso.

He said he would notify the president that the people of El Paso must not be placed in danger by combatants on the other side of the Rio Grande.

Fair Officials Feted.

Buda Pest—The special commission of the Panama-Pacific exposition with the American Ambassador, Richard C. Kerens, and his staff, was received in special audience by Archduke Joseph. Later the commissioners visited the ministries, Parliament buildings and other institutions. The minister of agriculture, Count Serenyi, gave a luncheon in their honor. The government gave a grand banquet. The greatest interest is manifested everywhere in the coming exposition at San Francisco.

Loaded Gangplank Falls.

Seattle, Wash.—Two persons are known to have been drowned and 50 were injured Sunday when the adjustable gangplank at Coleman Dock dropped, precipitating 60 passengers into the water as they were preparing to board the Puget Sound steamer Flyer, for Tacoma.

Many of those taken to the hospital soon revived from the effects of their salt water ducking and were permitted to go to their homes.

Forest Fires are Raging.

Winnipeg—A dispatch from Kaslo, B. C., says destructive forest fires are raging near there and the timber limits of several large firms are threatened. Government fire wardens are fighting the flames.

THIRTY LIVES SAVED

Mate of Wrecked Schooner Goes 110 Miles for Help.

Crew Faces Death on Barren Isle for Eleven Days—Last Chance Wins by Three Hours.

Seattle, Wash.—Bringing Captain Charles Foss and the crew of the cod fishing schooner Joseph Russ, wrecked on Chirikoff Island April 21, the steamship Bertha, of the Alaska Coast company, has arrived in Seattle.

Giving a graphic description of the terrific storm which resulted in the loss of the schooner and the death of John Jorgensen, the vessel's first mate, members of the crew of the Russ declared that only for the heroism of A. E. Reeves (Scotty), second mate, and five sailors who went to Chignik in two open boats for assistance, all would have perished.

In a terrific gale, with heavy seas breaking over her, the Russ was driven ashore at 6 o'clock in the evening. Grounding on the sand she held her own for several hours, but finally, as the heavy seas continued to pound her, the vessel's hatches gave way and she quickly filled with water. Captain Foss and 34 members of the crew had climbed high in the rigging and lashed themselves to prevent being carried away by the giant waves.

First Mate Jorgensen had started for the main mast to take refuge when a wave hurled him against the side of the vessel. His skull was crushed.

Here they hung until 6 a. m., when the storm subsided and the tide left the Russ high and dry.

Jorgensen was buried far up on the sandy beach and a wooden cross marks the grave.

Captain Foss and his crew built a hut of pine boards and in this they stored the small amount of provisions saved and established sleeping quarters.

It was when the provisions began to run low and they realized that Chirikoff Island is uninhabited that Second Mate Reeves and five members of the crew volunteered to put out in two open boats for Chignik, 110 miles distant, for assistance.

They were fortunate enough to arrive at that port before the departure of the mail steamer Dora, which immediately proceeded to the rescue. The rescue work was accomplished under great difficulties, as the lifeboats had to be driven through a treacherous surf, while fierce blasts of icy wind swept seaward.

To little Scotty, the marvel of the rescue is that had the two boats which put out on what looked like a hopeless errand been three hours later in arriving at Chignik, the 30 men certainly must have perished, as the Dora would have been gone by that time.

USE SIXTH SENSE.

Maxim Would Employ Animals at Sea to Protect Liners.

London—"I am working hard on an idea that, when perfected, will make a disaster like that to the Titanic impossible," said Hiram Maxim. "It is not beyond the realm of science to provide a ship with means of ascertaining whether any icebergs are within 10 miles, even in dense fog, rain or snow storms."

"I am not a spiritualist and I don't believe in any humberg of a superstitious nature, but I do know there are certain animals in the world, having no religion and therefore not superstitious, which can form a clear opinion and, you might say, have definite knowledge of objects in their vicinity without seeing or hearing them—that is, they possess a sixth sense."

"I believe that will be the plan on which mariners will have to rely hereafter, some time or other."

Noted Canvas is "Junk."

Monrovia, Cal.—Drawn by idle curiosity to a junk shop auction in Los Angeles recently, Dr. F. M. Pottenger, of Monrovia, bought for \$100 a painting which pleased his fancy and was later pronounced by connoisseurs a Verboeckhoven masterpiece worth at least \$20,000. Judges of art works declared the painting, a dairy scene, undoubtedly was from the brush of the famous Belgian artist, who died 30 years ago. They averred the painting was probably fifty years old.

Stand Up for Darrow.

Los Angeles—Names of prominent Chicagoans, including ex-United States senators, Federal and state judges, noted lawyers and city officials, were brought into the Darrow case by District Attorney Frederick in the examination of a salesman who formerly had resided in Chicago. All of those mentioned are said to have sworn to depositions regarding the high character and good reputation of the defendant.

Boys Make Biplane and Fly.

Spokane, Wash.—Two Spokane boys, Martin A. Denine and Glen Hemingway, have completed a biplane which this week was given its first successful tryout. An accident marred the initial flight, the machine going wrong after it had sailed 50 feet through the air at an average height of 15 feet. Denine, who was in the machine, was somewhat bruised by the fall.

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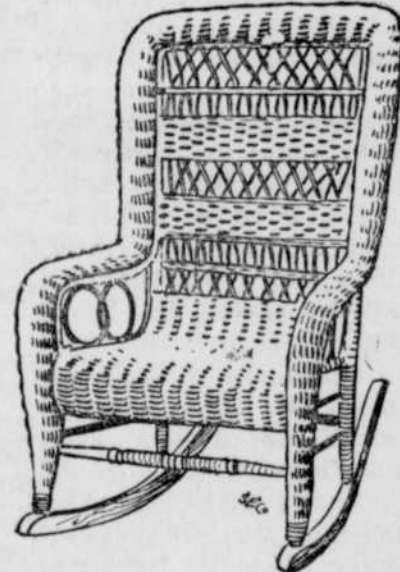
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