

# WORLD'S DOINGS OF CURRENT WEEK

## Brief Resume of General News From All Around the Earth.

### UNIVERSAL HAPPENINGS IN A NUTSHELL

Live News Items of All Nations and  
Pacific Northwest Condensed  
for Our Busy Readers.

Oregon troops on the border have just received their first payment for services.

Candidate Hughes, speaking to women only in Spokane, addressed them as "fellow citizens."

Secretary Baker has mapped out arguments to be used in the campaign for the re-election of President Wilson.

Owing to court duties, Justice Brandeis will not accept appointment on the commission to settle the Mexican problem.

Human blood from recovered victims of infantile paralysis, is being used as serum to combat the disease in New York City.

The U. S. forestry reports practically no damage by fires in the national forests in the Northwest, thus far this season.

A San Francisco contracting firm is expected to get the job of building Portland's million-dollar postoffice, because of its low bid.

An insane fugitive from the Oregon asylum, terrorizes citizens of Salem, and it is feared he may reach his home and do bodily harm to his family.

For the first time since July 8 a heavy rain fell in the battle area, breaking the long drought and one of the longest heat waves in recent years.

The British torpedo boat destroyer Lasso sank Sunday off the Dutch coast, having struck a mine or been torpedoed. Six of the crew are missing.

A California farmer is cultivating jimson weed, considered a pest in this country, but which is used as a household remedy in China, and principally for asthma.

Oregon shippers are facing ruin because of the car shortage. A deficit of 975 cars on the Southern Pacific in Oregon is shown by the Public Service commission investigation.

The wheat and apple crop of the Pacific Northwest will be materially larger than heretofore estimated, according to the crop report of the department of Agriculture.

President Wilson is conferring with the railroad officials and employees in the hope of finding amicable adjustment of their differences. The impression grows that arbitration in some form will be agreed upon.

The price of milk by the pint was raised in New York City, retailers asserting the advance was necessary owing to the increased cost of supplies, principally bottles. The price of milk by the quart remains unchanged.

The Italian dreadnought Leonardo da Vinci caught fire and blew up in the harbor of Trant, Italy, and 400 of her crew were drowned, says a Turin dispatch to the Petit Journal. The date of the disaster is given only as a day in August.

Chinese troops have attacked the Japanese garrison at Chengchiatun, between Mukden and Chaoyangfu, and have killed or wounded 17 Japanese soldiers and killed one officer. According to official advices from Chengchiatun, the Japanese barracks now is being besieged by the Chinese soldiers.

Heavy advances in the price of flour are announced in Chicago.

The Bartlett pear picking season is now in full swing in the Rogue River valley, Oregon, and all indications point to a \$1,000,000 pear and apple crop.

Use of a special train to enable J. Frank Hanley, nominee for President, and Dr. Ira Landrith, candidate for vice president, to reach the entire nation, has been authorized by the Prohibition National campaign committee. It is understood the train will start about September 12.

St. Louis dairies affected by the strike and lockout of union milk drivers did not attempt household deliveries Friday, but considered plans for resuming service. Many strikers were arrested. There was considerable interference with grocery and bakery wagons that went to the dairies to get milk to retail.

## They Will Lend Money to Farmers.



CHAS. LOBDELL, KANSAS; W. S. A. SMITH, IOWA; GEO. W. NORRIS, PA.; HERBERT QUICK, W. VA.

These are the men nominated for members of the Farm Loan Board by President Wilson. Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo will be a member ex-officio.

Charles E. Lobdell is a student of farm problems and has had extensive experience in farm loans. He was reared on a farm, which he left to study law, being admitted to the bar in Kansas in 1882. He represented Lane county in the Kansas legislature ten years, and was speaker of the Kansas house in 1895. In 1902 he was elected judge of the Thirty-third judicial district. He served on the bench until 1911, when he resigned to accept the presidency of the First National bank of Great Bend. In 1914 he was president of the Kansas Bar association, and in 1915 president of the Kansas Bankers' association. He is a Republican.

George W. Norris is a student of economic and social questions. He was graduated from the University of Pennsylvania, did newspaper work from 1880 to 1886, and then began the practice of law. In 1894 he took charge of the bond investment business of the private banking firm of Edward B. Smith & Co., of Philadelphia, serving as member of that firm until 1911. At the request of Mayor Blankenburg he accepted, in December, 1911, the directorship of the municipal department of wharves, docks and fer-

ries. He is a director and deputy chairman of the Federal Reserve bank of Philadelphia. He is president of the City Club and the Philadelphia Housing association, and is a Democrat.

Captain Smith is a farmer and now is an expert in farm practice in the department of Agriculture at Washington. He has been a student of rural credits for many years and is an authority on farm loans. When a young man he followed the sea, and at an early age became a shipmaster. He quit the sea to engage in farming. For many years Captain Smith was a director of the Stockyards National bank of Sioux City, Iowa, which transacts millions of dollars of business annually with farmers. He is a Republican.

Herbert Quick is a student of rural credits, and widely known to farmers. Until a few months ago he was editor of Farm and Fireside.

He, too, was reared on a farm, engaged in teaching, and later practiced law in Sioux City from 1890 to 1909. He was general manager of the Nebraska Clark Automatic Telephone company and the Iowa Clark Automatic Telephone company, 1902 to 1906, and was nominated three times for mayor of Sioux City, and elected once, serving from 1898 to 1900. He was nominated for judge of the Supreme court of Iowa in 1902.

## Congress Breaks Expense Record

Washington, D. C.—The importance of the \$200,000,000 revenue bill, to which the senate has devoted many hours of deliberation in caucus, is being impressed on leaders by the fact that appropriations now nearing completion have broken all records.

With passage this week of the \$50,000,000 ship-purchase bill and probable approval by the house of the senate's gigantic naval bill, the appropriations of the Sixty-fourth congress will have exceeded the previous high record by at least \$500,000,000.

While exact figures cannot be computed until the gavel has fallen on the last supply bill of the session, the aggregate appropriations by congress for all purposes probably will approximate \$1,700,000,000 as against \$1,114,000,000 for the Sixty-third congress.

Besides regular supply bills, which total, as they now stand, \$1,387,206,580, congress will have added, when the shipping bill is approved, more than \$90,000,000 for special purposes. There also have been contract authorizations amounting to about \$270,000,000, all of which would bring the grand aggregate to \$1,685,000,000, with the uncertain general deficiency appropriation bill, still in the making, to be added at the end of the session.

**Angry Editors Apologize.**  
Birmingham, Ala.—Settlement of differences between E. W. Barrett and W. H. Jeffries, of the Age-Herald, and V. H. Hanson, of the News, was announced Monday by a committee of the Birmingham Rotary club. Both papers will publish apologies and retractions of personal charges made during a recent dispute over business methods. The Rotary club intervened when it was reported that Barrett and Hanson were going to fight a duel.

Special appropriations include \$20,000,000 for a government nitrate plant; \$6,000,000 for good road; \$15,000,000 for rural credits, and \$50,100,000 for the government shipping project.

With President Wilson and a majority of the party leaders urgently supporting the naval building and personnel increases, it is believed the house will agree to them after advocates of a small navy have made their last fight. In anticipation of a close vote, every absent representative was notified more than a week ago of the approaching contest, which will mark the climax of the national defense-campaign this week.

Appropriations for preparedness alone will aggregate approximately \$640,000,000 unless unforeseen developments should force a curtailment. While the house this week is bringing business to a close, the senate will pass the shipping bill, workmen's compensation bill and conference reports preparatory for the revenue bill, on which a stubborn assault will be waged by the Republicans. When the amended revenue bill gets through conference, it is expected congress will be ready to adjourn. Leaders of both parties are hoping adjournment will come by September 1.

**Hogs Bring \$10 Per Hundred.**  
Seattle—Hogs on the hoof sold at the Union Stockyards Saturday at the highest price since the opening of the yards, \$10 per 100 pounds. I. H. Preston, of Midvale, Idaho, was the shipper, with 90 head averaging 194 pounds. Hogs sold here one day in 1909 at 11½ cents, but the city had no yards. Packers express a willingness to pay 11½ cents next week for similar weights and finish unless a serious break in Eastern prices intervenes.

## ITALIANS JOIN IN ATTACK ON CENTRAL POWERS' EASTERN FRONT

London—The Italians have struck a heavy blow in the great allied offensive. Assailing the Isonzo line, on the 60-mile front from Tolmino to the Adriatic, Cadorna's troops have captured the Gorizia bridgehead and bagged more than 10,000 Austrians.

With the third year of the war just begun, the Teuton lines are being battered in three huge drives. The Russian attack gains momentum, the allies on the Western front have launched a new combined offensive and now the Italians have joined in the attack.

London sees in Cadorna's offensive one of the most significant and encouraging signs since the war began. Not only does it give evidence of the regularity and the solidarity of the allies' schedule in the advance, but it shatters all prospect of an Austrian offensive on the Trentino front.

The Italian successes have created a serious menace to Trieste and prepared the way for an invasion of Austria. In fierce fighting in the last two days, Cadorna's men captured Monte Sabotino, north of Gorizia, and Monte San Michele, on the Carso plateau, lying to the south. This gives them control of Gorizia bridgehead, one of the most important of the Austrian defenses along the Isonzo.

## Child Labor Bill is Passed by Senate; Only 12 Votes Opposed

Washington, D. C.—The senate late Tuesday passed the bill to prevent interstate commerce in products of child labor. The vote was 52 to 12. The measure, already passed by the house, was brought to a vote in the senate after the Democratic senate caucus once had decided to defer its consideration until next December.

Opposition to the measure had come chiefly from Southern cotton mill owners and the group of Southern Democrats who voted against it and fought in caucus and maintained their position during the senate debate on the ground that the regulation proposed is unconstitutional and would interfere with the rights of the states. Eleven Democrats from the South voted for it.

To expedite consideration of the measure in conference, senate conferees were appointed immediately after the original vote was taken. The only amendment adopted would extend the bill's provisions to bar all products of establishments employing children from interstate commerce. The house measure was directed only against those in which child labor actually had been employed.

Amendments to make the prohibition apply only to children under 14 who could not read or write, to make it apply to children on farms and to postpone its effective date for two years were voted down.

The bill as passed would prohibit interstate commerce in the product of any mine or quarry in which children under 16 years of age have been employed, or in the product of any mill, cannery, workshop, factory or manufacturing establishment in which children under 14 have been employed, or in which children between 14 and 16 have been employed more than eight hours a day, more than six days a week, before 6 a. m. or after 7 in the evening. It would take effect after enactment.

In the closing hours of debate Senator Tillman denounced Southern cotton mill owners opposing the bill said that, while he believed it unconstitutional, he was tempted to support it because of the selfish interests fighting it. He also declared congress was too much influenced by the attitude of labor interests.

**Crop Outlook Poorer.**  
Washington, D. C.—Falling off in crop prospects amounting to many millions of dollars' loss to farmers of the country were indicated in the Department of Agriculture's August report, which forecast declines in indicated production in almost every important crop from the forecasts reported in July.

Wheat showed a loss of 105,000,000 bushels, corn 89,000,000 bushels, barley 11,000,000 bushels, and there were decreases in rye, white and sweet potatoes, flax, apples and peaches. A heavy reduction of the indicated production of cotton previously had been reported.

**Petrograd Rioters Slain.**  
Berlin—Twenty-eight persons were killed and more than 100 wounded in Petrograd during serious disorders which took place there July 30 because of almost complete exhaustion of the food supply, according to Stockholm reports given out Wednesday by the Overseas News agency.

Many houses and shops were looted during the disturbances which were finally repressed by the military, the advices said.

## RAILROAD STRIKE ISSUE TO WILSON

Employees Refuse Arbitration of  
Differences in Any Form.

## CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON

"Unless President Can Find  
Means Strike," Says Head  
Labor Forces, Garretson.

New York—A general strike of railroads of the nation, paralyzing commerce and throwing out of employment 2,000,000, can be averted through the good offices of President Wilson, as a result of Sunday's developments in the dispute over the demands for an eight-hour day, time and a half for overtime.

The controversy was laid before President, at his invitation, after workers had flatly rejected any of arbitration. They refused arbitration Saturday.

"Unless the President can find a way, it means a strike," said Garretson, head of the labor forces. Representatives of the railroad employees have gone to Washington where a conference with President Wilson is arranged.

The final break came Sunday when the men had been in secret session nearly six hours. Reports differ as to the reason for the failure of the negotiations. The men assert they refused to arbitrate because the railroad insisted on arbitrating their continuing proposition. The board of mediators in a statement, declared, however, men rejected their proposition, tending that they would not arbitrate even if the railroads waived the stringent propositions.

## Russians Capture Whole Strip Austrians Retreat to Avoid

London—The whole line of the Stripa in Galicia was seized by Russians Sunday. The army of General von Bothmer, after holding strongly fortified position ever since last winter, was compelled by powerful pressure of the Russians north and south to fall back toward the west. The Austrians probably entrenched behind the Lipa river, prepared to make a stand before they retreat to positions before Lemberg.

It was the menace to his flank, rear, rather than any frontal movement, which caused Von Bothmer to surrender the line along the Stripa which for seven weeks had been subjected to the most violent Russian attacks.

Generals Sakharoff on the north and Letchitsky on the south had gradually closed in upon the Austrian positions.

## Infantile Paralysis Claims Ambassador Page's Daughter

New York—Mrs. Frank Coppage, daughter-in-law of Walter Page, United States ambassador to Great Britain, died of infantile paralysis late Saturday at her summer home in South Garden City, Long Island. She was 25 years old and had been ill since Friday.

Mrs. Page, who was Katherine Seaton, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Erick Sefton, of Auburn, N. Y., married to the son of the American ambassador June 3 last.

**Surgeon Gives Own Body.**  
Chicago—The last contribution of science of Dr. John B. Murphy, eminent surgeon who died at Mackinac Island, the gift of his body was made Sunday. In obedience to Dr. Murphy's last wish that science establish the cause of the death which he knew was coming, an autopsy was performed here as soon as the body was brought from the Northern summer resort. Established that death was due to a disease aggravated by throat trouble. This confirmed the diagnosis that Dr. Murphy had made on his own condition.

**Big Dam is Washed Away.**  
Asheville, N. C.—The Southern way agent at Lake Toxaway reported Sunday that the big dam there had been washed away and that a flood of water was coming down the valley. Messages were sent from Asheville to Greenville, Anderson, Seneca and other Southern Carolina points of the lake. Later the Lake Toxaway dam was reported to have been washed away, and the lake was practically drained.

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