

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.

The city of Portland has 337 jitneys. Intense heat in Chicago Sunday claims eleven victims.

General Funston is in favor of withdrawing the American troops from Mexico.

The daily death toll from infantile paralysis in New York City is reported decreasing.

The railroad presidents are reported against the eight-hour day proposed by President Wilson.

Two Eskimos have been captured at Nome, Alaska, who are charged with the murder of a priest in 1913.

President Wilson signs the navy building bill and the work of carrying out the program will begin at once.

Roumania is thought about ready to join the allies, as the situation between that country and Germany is reported serious.

Eight persons were killed and 16 injured when three boilers in the Harlan Morris Stave Manufacturing Co., at Jackson, Tenn., exploded.

American supervision of Dominican finances soon is to be extended to internal revenue as well as customs receipts. A budget system also is to be arranged.

Swiss dispatches to the Overseas News Agency report that the French have removed the civil population from towns and villages behind the front in the districts of Nancy, Lunville, Baccarat and Saint Die.

A masked robber held up and relieved W. H. Estabrook, manager of the Boston-Idaho Gold Dredge Mining company, of gold dust and nuggets valued at \$2180 near Boise City in the Boise basin. The desperado made good his escape.

One man was killed and several wounded early Sunday at Cienfuegos in a political riot between partisans of Santiago Rey and Juan Florencio Cabrera, rival candidates for mayor. Many shots were fired and knives and machetes were used. One man was arrested.

The National Guard will be retained on the Mexican border until it can be withdrawn without again endangering American lives and property. Secretary Baker so declared the administration's policy in answering a score of letters from many parts of the country complaining that the state troops were being held in service after the emergency for which they were called out apparently had passed.

The list of securities furnished as collateral for the \$250,000,000 new British loan, which J. P. Morgan & Co., syndicate managers, have prepared, shows more than 500 issues of stocks and bonds, representing virtually every important railroad and industrial company in the United States. The list has been classified into groups, all railroad stocks and bonds having been placed in one group, industrial corporations in another and miscellaneous in a third.

The conference in Washington to settle the impending railroad strike has not accomplished anything and the President has sent for the presidents of the roads involved, in the hope that an adjustment can be made.

The new German war usury bureau has justified its existence by revealing surprising details of widely ramified food frauds, according to reports received at The Hague. The frauds are said to involve a half dozen leaders and 100 accomplices.

Plans for a more vigorous campaign to prevent the spread of infantile paralysis were made in Washington, D. C., at a conference of health authorities Friday of most of the state with officials of the Federal Public Health Service. Resolutions will be adopted by the conference, in which eminent plague experts, scientists and bacteriologists are participating, outlining definite proposals for checking dissemination of the disease. While few of those present expressed alarm that the epidemic might assume country-wide proportions, they uniformly declared measures were necessary to guard against a widespread outbreak.

U. S. LUMBERMEN PLAN EXPANSION OF MARKETS IN DEVASTATED EUROPE

Chicago—The government will cooperate with the lumber manufacturers of the United States in sending abroad a corps of experts to study the condition of European lumber markets with a view to a great expansion of the field of the American producer.

This was decided Tuesday at one of the most important conferences ever held in American business history, for the conference marked the opening of steps for co-operation between the nation's business men and the government itself for the extension of American trade abroad.

Part of the result of the conference will be the urging of the immediate passage of the Webb bill, now pending in congress, to remove any question of the legality of the organization by lumber manufacturers and other groups of business men of foreign sales agencies to secure and distribute orders for American goods to be sent to foreign countries.

General's Daughter Gives Blood for Babies



MISS HOUSTON SCOTT

Miss Houston Scott, fourteen-year-old daughter of General Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff of the United States army, has given five ounces of her blood for serum to prevent infantile paralysis in other children. She had the disease several years ago. The operation was performed Saturday, August 12, in Washington, and was kept secret till public health officials there asked that it be made public in order to encourage others to give their blood.

Before taking up the question of how to organize the American lumber industry to secure the great volume of foreign lumber business that must come to the United States, even before the European war ends, detailed reports were given of the conditions abroad by the various interested organizations, as well as from governmental agencies.

Two Idaho Lads Admit Murder of Nevada Professor

Twin Falls, Ida.—Harold and Lynn Lovelace, brothers, ages 12 and 11, respectively, are in custody here, charged by their own confession with the murder of Professor F. Thomas Hamill, a teacher from Carson, Nev., at his homestead 45 miles south of Twin Falls, Tuesday afternoon of last week. The story of the shooting and the flight of the boys is almost unbelievable.

They had traveled about 120 miles with Hamill's horse and light wagon, sleeping in the sage brush, without bedding and thinly clad. They had with them supplies which they had taken from Hamill's house, also eight guns and revolvers of various kinds. They had also stolen guns and other things from ranchers along the way.

At the inquest Tuesday the verdict was that Hamill met his death from a bullet from a rifle in the hands of Lynn Lovelace. His elder brother Harold is held as instigator and accessory. Neither the mother nor their stepfather, a man named Pennywell, can be located.

Villa May Be Dead Again.

El Paso—A new report of the death of Villa was received here Tuesday by Andreas Garcia, Mexican consul. The report, emanating from San Geronimo, in Chihuahua, said that the bandit-chieftain died of blood poisoning resulting from his wounds at Tallamantes, near Parral, on July 9, and was buried near there. While the report was transmitted for what it was worth to Mexico City, it received little credence at the local consulate.

ALLIES START BIG DRIVE IN BALKANS

Strong Offensive Begins Along Entire Greek-Serbian Frontier.

FRENCH CAPTURE FIVE VILLAGES

Austrians Retire From Gateway Into Pass of Carpathians—British Busy on Western Front.

London—The long-expected general offensive on the Saloniki front has opened and the grand assault against the forces of the central powers now is in progress in every theater of the world-war. General Sarrail is attacking the Bulgar-German forces along the entire Greek-Serbian frontier, a distance of more than 150 miles.

Reports from both Berlin and Paris indicate that the entente allies are following the same tactics in the Balkans that signalized the opening of the great offensive on the Somme. Small bodies of troops are attacking at numerous points along the Bulgarian line, apparently with the intention of feeling out their opponent's positions before the real battle opens.

The French report the capture of five villages in the initial phases of the offensive, while Berlin reports the capture of Florina, a Greek town 15 miles southeast of Monastir, from the Serbians.

On the eastern front the Russians have forced their way into the heart of the great mountain barrier between Galicia and the Hungarian plains. The Austrians admit a retirement west of Jablonitz, the gateway to one of the most important passes through the mountains, which was seized by the Russians last week. In this district the Austrians are retreating toward the Chronahora ridge, the highest point in the Carpathians in that region. From this ridge the ground falls rapidly to the plains of Hungary.

Farther to the south, on the Bukovina end of the battle line, the Austrians have been forced back in their advance on Kirlibaba, the next pass south of Jablonitz and about 50 miles from that point.

Daily attacks by the British against the German lines north of the Somme in France are having their reward, and Sunday was reported the most notable gain in some days in the region of Guillemont. After withstanding German counter-attacks, the troops of General Haig again assaulted the opposing trenches and gained from 200 to 600 yards along a front of 11 miles.

German Submarines Sink Two British Cruisers in North Sea

London—Two British light cruisers, the Nottingham and Falmouth, were sunk Saturday in the North Sea by German submarines, while the vessels were searching for the German high seas fleet, according to an official announcement issued by the admiralty shortly before mid-night. One German submarine was struck, while another was rammed and possibly sunk. The statement says:

"Reports from our lookout squadrons and other units showed that there was considerable activity on the part of the enemy in the North Sea Saturday, the 19th."

London—A German squadron of some 15 warships, including large cruisers, is reported in the North Sea by trawlers arriving at Ymuiden, Holland, a Reuter dispatch says.

The squadron was sighted early Sunday in the region of Whitebank, and was accompanied by two Zeppelins, it was announced, on a northerly cruise.

Paris—Bulgarian troops are advancing toward the Greek seaport of Karala, it was announced Monday. They have seized two Greek forts. At several points along the front new engagements have been fought.

London—The British troops on the Saloniki front have advanced and repulsed Bulgarian counter-attacks. British cavalry have been in touch with the enemy.

Shark Breaks Up Race.

Boston—Henry F. Sullivan, of Lowell, was declared the winner over Charles Toth, of Boston, Sunday in a swimming race between Race Point, Provincetown, and Nantasket Beach. Toth was taken from the water by his trainers when a shark circled about him after he had covered 17 1/2 miles in a little more than 14 hours. Sullivan covered 25 miles. His followers said he was in the water 20 hours and 20 minutes.

SOLUTION OF IMPENDING RAILROAD STRIKE SEEMS LIKELY THIS WEEK

Washington, D. C.—President Wilson's week of conferences with ranking officials of the railroads and leaders of their employes threatening a nation-wide strike are believed by all parties to the controversy to have brought the situation to a point where decisive developments may be expected within a few days.

While negotiations took no actual step Monday, the President replied indirectly to the contentions of the road officials that the principle of arbitration would be endangered by his plan for putting the eight-hour basic day into effect while a commission investigates its practicability and passes upon other points at issue. In a telegram made public at the White House the President declared he held firmly to arbitration as a principle, and that his plan strengthened rather than weakened it. He also said that some

British Sea Captain Who Was Executed by Germans



CAPT. CHARLES E. FRYATT

This is the first photograph of Captain Charles A. Fryatt, British captain of the steamship Brussels, who was shot to death by the Germans at Bruges, to reach the United States. He tried to sink a German submarine and was captured. The British government has recommended the granting of an extra pension of \$500 annually to Captain Fryatt's widow, besides the sum to which she is entitled under England's compensation scheme. The Great Eastern railroad, of one of whose ships Captain Fryatt was the master, is also granting his widow a \$1250 annuity.

means must be found to prevent the existing situation from ever arising again.

Meantime the railroad officials who have tentatively refused to accept Wilson's proposal, continued conferences among themselves. The labor leaders, who already have approved the proposal, marked time awaiting a definite decision from the employers.

Tropical Storm Loss in Texas Over \$2,000,000; Thirteen Are Dead

Corpus Christi, Tex.—The loss of life from the tropical storm which struck Corpus Christi and 10 adjacent South Texas counties on Friday night was placed at 13. Monday, including nine members of the crew of the small freighter Pilot Boy, which foundered off the Aransas Pass jetties. Two Mexican women were killed at Katherine, a settlement on the King ranch near Alice, Tex., and one Mexican was reported killed at San Diego. Both towns are from 50 to 60 miles inland.

The total damage in this region, of which Corpus Christi bore the heaviest part, was estimated at over \$2,000,000. This includes devastation of a large portion of the lower coast's cotton crop, which was ready to be picked. Damage at Corpus Christi was estimated conservatively at \$500,000.

Old Songs in Litigation.

New York—A suit contesting the ownership of copyrights on "Silver Threads Among the Gold," and other old songs written by Hart P. Danks, who died in 1903, has been begun in the Federal court by his widow against Elizabeth Adair Gordon and others, song publishers, under the name of the estate of Hamilton Gordon. The defendants are accused of publishing Danks' songs without authority, and thereby to have made \$100,000 profits.

WILSON VETOES ARMY MEASURE

Objection Made to Exempting Retired Officers From Discipline.

MAY POSTPONE ADJOURNMENT

Bill is Reintroduced With Entire Section Eliminated—Fight is Between Congress and Hay.

Washington, D. C.—The army appropriation bill was unexpectedly vetoed Friday by President Wilson because he would not accept certain provisions in the revision of the articles of war, forced into the bill by the house conferees and commonly said in army circles to be in the interest of certain retired officers "at outs with the army."

Chairman Hay, of the house military committee, at once reintroduced the bill with the entire section revising the articles of war stricken out, and the declaration that no revision at all would go through with the bill in this congress.

Chairman Chamberlain, of the senate military committee, announced that the senate would re-insert the revised draft approved by the President and the War department, but stricken out in the house, and that the situation had resolved itself into a contest between the senate and house on one hand and Mr. Hay on the other.

The tangle threatens to delay the adjournment of congress, and incidentally the completion of the preparedness program, as well as to hold up appropriations for the army increases and all the extra expenses involved in the Mexican service.

The bill as reintroduced now is in the house military committee and there is an agreement to take it up and expedite the continental army and universal training plans, and the substitution of National Guard reorganization, which it opposed.

Army officers also say certain features of the bill were injected in conference and never were debated on the floor of either house of congress.

The articles of war have not been revised in 100 years and are said to be sadly deficient for dealing with the conditions which growth of the army and development of the nation require.

The War department is especially anxious for changes to enable army officers to deal adequately with problems arising during the present Mexican service.

Included in the revision worked out by congress, over the objection of the President and the War department, was a provision which exempted retired officers from court-martials and army discipline, if not actually from army control, and placed them under the jurisdiction of the civil courts.

It is common understanding among army officers that the section covered the case of a certain retired officer, formerly regarded as a power in shaping military legislation, who was preparing to write a book and hesitated to do it while liable to discipline.

While Chicago Bakes, Baker Freezes.

Chicago—Just as the morgue was cleared of the last of the unidentified dead stricken down by the terrible heat wave, the streets were cleaned of dead horses and the wilted and emaciated public was beginning to take a fresh grip on life, the hot spell returned for another engagement Saturday.

It will find the people with far less resisting power than before and if it continues many days the death list will be heavy.

Baker, Or.—Winter dropped plump into the lap of summer in the last 24 hours and overcoats and umbrellas are all the rage here. The thermometer went down to 37 early Saturday morning and stayed in that neighborhood practically all day. Snow was reported in the high mountains.

Prices Not Manipulated.

Washington, D. C.—Preliminary investigation in Chicago of the recent rises in wheat and flour prices and threatened rise in price of bread, by Chairman Hurley, of the Federal Trade commission, is understood to have disclosed no evidence of illegal manipulations.

As the matter stands now the commission is not expected to take any action. Mr. Hurley returned from Chicago to make his report.