

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.

Spokane grocers and butchers are discussing the question of advancing prices on their goods.

A Klamath Falls, Oregon, sheriff pours 200 gallons of seized liquor into the Main street sewer.

Because of the car shortage, Portland fuel men are employing auto trucks to transport wood to the city from nearby forests.

The British steamer *Bornu* has foundered 25 miles west of Ushant in a heavy gale. All the passengers and crew were saved by the Norwegian steamer *Rein*.

Andrew Carnegie has bought from S. P. Shotton, of Savannah, Ga., the Shadow Brook estate in Lenox, Mass., and will occupy it as a summer home. The deal is said to involve more than \$400,000.

Miss Jessie Ashley, sister of Clarence D. Ashley, former dean of the New York University Law School, is adjudged guilty of distributing birth control literature in court in New York and fined \$50.

The importation of goods for private use in Petrograd has been prohibited on account of traffic congestion. Special permission of the ministry is required for shipments for other than government purposes.

Frank Moore, injured 16 months ago when a motor car he was driving was run down by a Southern Pacific train near Thurston, Ore., leaves the Eugene hospital almost fully recovered from his injuries, which included a broken back.

A \$1,000,000 timber deal was consummated at Tillamook, Or., when Wallace McCamant, of Portland, as master in chancery, received from John P. Oleson, of Chicago, a \$25,000 check to bind the sale of timber lands in Tillamook, Washington and Lane counties.

G. C. Burris, a Superior Court juror at Seattle, was taken from the jurybox and lodged in the county jail, charged with disobeying a court order directing him to pay \$10 a week for support of his wife. Burris was arrested on a lazy husband warrant last May and released on promise to make payments.

Short skirts and military footwear are chiefly responsible for the high cost of shoes, according to C. E. Bosworth, special agent of the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce. "Three years ago," says Mr. Bosworth, "there was no market for glazed kid. Skirts then became shorter and shoes lengthened, which used up the supply of kid."

Mrs. Mary Fairbanks, mother of ex-Vice-President Fairbanks, died suddenly at Indianapolis at his home Tuesday night. Mr. Fairbanks was campaigning in Illinois at the time. Mrs. Fairbanks, who was 87 years old, had been enjoying good health and took a long motor ride just before she became suddenly ill.

A wireless press dispatch from Bucharest says an official decree has been issued committing for trial on a charge of conspiracy two men named Babosh and Thot, who are charged with having attempted last year to assassinate Premier Bratiano, of Roumania; M. Costinesco, Roumanian minister, and the late M. Filipesco, former war minister.

At a sale conducted under the direction of the United States District court at Cleveland, the Wheeling & Lake Erie railroad was sold to Blair & Co. and Kuhn, Loeb & Co., of New York, for \$12,000,000. The reorganization plan calls for the addition of \$9,984,708 to the road's treasury. Stockholders are to be assessed \$27 a share to provide this amount and in return are to receive 6 per cent preferred stock of the road.

The new Trolpasta canal in Sweden has been opened by King Gustav. The canal connects Wener Lake and the North Sea.

Ten persons, mostly school children, remained for an hour and a half in the municipal hydraulic elevator at Oregon City, Or., when the cage stuck midway in its 90-foot shaft.

ALLIES DEVELOP OWN RESOURCES; BECOME INDEPENDENT OF U. S.

New York—The necessity for the United States to show a proper appreciation of the business received in the way of war orders from the entente allies is the subject of a statement issued here Tuesday by Henry P. Davison, of J. P. Morgan & Co., detailing his impressions of the financial and military situation that he found on his recent trip to Great Britain and France. He returned Monday from England, after having assisted in the arrangement of the new \$300,000,000 British loan.

"It is perfectly clear that if we regard Great Britain and France as desirable customers and wish to continue to sell them our products," the statement says in part, "we must treat them as a producer usually treats a desirable customer, in which event I am confident we will continue to supply them largely, not only during the war, but for the reconstruction period which will follow.

"Great Britain and France have not only carried on the war on the Western front, but have at the same time developed their own manufacturing resources in a way which surpasses belief, so that today they find themselves well equipped and in a position to provide not only for themselves, but in a large degree to assist their allies.

"In stating this I do not mean to imply that there are not many things they will require from us, as they did before the war, and will after. I do mean that there are many supplies which they would rather purchase from us than produce at home, reserving the resources required for such production for other purposes to their better advantage. The point is that today their position is one of independence compared with that of two years ago."

Loss of Life May Reach 200; Greek Naval Officers Bitter

Athens—The torpedoing of the Greek steamer *Angheliki* on Saturday near Piraeus, with many Greeks aboard, was carried out without warning, it is said here. This action is believed to indicate that since the capture of Constanza the German submarines have obtained a new supply of benzine, enabling them to resume operations in the Mediterranean.

Greek naval officials are particularly bitter that the attack seems to have been made within Greek territorial waters, only a few miles from Salami, where a formidable allied fleet has been stationed since September 1.

The loss of life is now said to reach 200, though the full number aboard the *Angheliki* is not known. The submarine, it is further said, warned ships endeavoring to rescue the Greeks to keep off.

Everett Repels I. W. W.

Everett, Wash.—When word was received Tuesday that 45 men, said to be members of the Industrial Workers of the World, were coming by boat from Seattle, 200 citizens gathered under the leadership of deputy sheriffs and stood guard at the wharf. When the steamer docked and the men came ashore the waiting citizens loaded them into automobiles and drove them beyond the city limits, where they were warned to return to Seattle.

Railroad Needs \$10,000,000.

Seward, Alaska—The Alaska Engineering commission will ask congress for between \$10,000,000 and \$11,000,000 for construction expenditures on the government railroad during the next fiscal year. The commission Monday bought 10 lots at the foot of Adams street as a site for a terminal passenger station.

Italian Destroyer Blown Up.

London—A dispatch to Exchange Telegraph from Athens says: "The Embros Corfu correspondent reports that the wreckage of an Italian torpedo boat destroyer blown up by a mine laid by an Austrian submarine off the Epirus coast, fell upon the submarine and completely destroyed it."

Invasion of England is Possibility.

London—Field Marshal Viscount French, commander in chief of the armies in the United Kingdom, addressed the volunteers at Derby Sunday. He said that an invasion of the British isles was not a mere supposition, but a possibility. This they must be prepared to meet.

Russian Cities Want Food.

Petrograd—Minister of the Interior Protopopoff has applied to the military authorities, according to the Rech, for permission to draw upon the military stores for food supplies for the populations of Petrograd and Moscow.

Virginia Goes "Dry."

Richmond, Va.—Virginia entered the ranks of prohibition states at midnight Tuesday, swelling the total of 18. No liquor can be shipped and carriers have served notice that none will be received for shipment.

\$2 MARK POSSIBLE IN WHEAT MARKET

Great Excitement Prevails on Boards At Chicago This Week.

PRICES HIGHEST SINCE 1888

Conditions Considered Dangerous by Many Traders—Corn Reaches Highest Mark Since 1867.

Chicago—Speculation has gone wild in everything, especially in foodstuffs, with grains taking the lead. There has never been anything like the speculative buying and advancing tendency of values, as shown in the wheat market of late.

A 13-cent advance in 24 hours was followed by an eight-cent break and a 12-cent bulge. To see December wheat sell at \$1.90 in Chicago, \$1.97 in Minneapolis, \$1.85 in Kansas City, \$1.89 in Winnipeg, and \$2.02 for durum wheat in Duluth, and \$2.08 for the cash article of the latter variety in Minneapolis is something that the grain trade of today has never experienced.

Predictions of \$2 wheat at Chicago, which were not expected to be realized before next March or April, may become a reality this week, unless something develops to check the bullish enthusiasm and the heavy volume of buying, despite the fact that prices have more than doubled within about a year. Wheat prices are the highest since 1888, when the market was artificial. Present prices are legitimate, as prices the world over are abnormally high. So long as nothing develops to disturb the confident feeling existing among holders, there is no telling how high prices may go. The level, however, is getting so high, with the market a long one, that it is regarded as dangerous by many traders.

The high prices are bringing out liberal quantities of wheat, as ideas of farmers are met by the advance and interior reserves are being reduced, while the visible supply is increasing.

There is a general impression in the trade that the bulk of the cash December wheat in the United States and Canada is owned by foreigners and exporters. They are expected to take a delivery of the cash grain in December.

Cash corn sold up to \$1.12½ for No. 2 yellow last week, or the highest since 1867. Corn at \$1 a bushel and over looks high by comparison, but with wheat above \$1.90 it is not out of line.

Russians Begin New Drive; Great Offensive in Galicia and Poland

London—A telegram received in Rome from a German source reports there are indications of the beginning of a tremendous new Russian offensive in Galicia and Poland, says a dispatch from the Italian capital received by the wireless press.

Berlin—The Russians have renewed their attacks on the Austro-German line west of Lutsk, in Volhynia, and war office announced Monday, delivering an assault Sunday after two days' artillery preparation in the vicinity of Zaturze. The attack, according to the official statement, failed completely, with heavy losses to the Russians.

Petrograd—Austro-German forces launched a series of violent attacks against the Russian and Roumanian positions on both banks of the river Bystritsa, in the region of Dorna Watra, Sunday, says the official statement by the Russian war office, compelling the Russian advanced posts to abandon two heights.

Shot Fired at Premier.

Melbourne, Australia—An attempt was made recently to assassinate William Morris Hughes, the Australian premier, at his home in New Victoria, according to a Reuter dispatch from Sydney, which says the information was obtained from close friends of the premier. A man is said to have forced a window at night and have fired a revolver shot into the premier's bedroom. The bullet did not take effect. The would-be assassin escaped.

France Will Fix Prices.

Paris—The French senate passed a measure Monday authorizing the minister of the Interior to fix the limits of retail selling prices of butter and cheese. These products now are bringing from 50 per cent to 150 per cent more than they paid before the war.

BRITISH STEAMSHIP MARINA TOR- PEDOED; AMERICANS REPORTED LOST

London—A private telegram received at the American consulate Monday afternoon from Crook Haven says that a number of Americans were drowned when the British steamship *Marina* was torpedoed by a German submarine.

London—The American embassy Monday received a report from Wesley Frost, American consul at Queenstown, that the British steamship *Marina* had been torpedoed without warning. It is believed a number of Americans were on board.

Lloyd's report says only 34 members of the crew of 104 have been landed at Crook Haven.

American Consul is now procuring affidavits from survivors.

A report on the sinking on October 26 of the British steamship *Rowanmore* also was made to the American embassy by Mr. Frost, who states that the vessel was torpedoed. Seven Americans, including five Filipinos, were on board the *Rowanmore*. Several of them have given Mr. Frost affidavits stating that a submarine shelled lifeboats while they were being lowered and after they were clear of the ship, without causing loss of life.

Newport News, Va.—There were 50 Americans on the British steamship *Marina*, reported torpedoed and sunk without warning in dispatches from London, when she sailed from Newport News. The Americans were signed here as horsemen.

Washington, D. C.—Dispatches to the State department say the *Marina*, when sunk, had a mixed crew of British and Americans and that she was sunk by gun fire without warning.

Consul Frost at Queenstown specified that the information he transmitted was "provisional." Investigation will be made at once to determine the status of the *Marina* and the nature of the attack to determine whether any of Germany's pledges to the United States had been violated.

American Contention on Blacklist is Refused by Great Britain

Washington, D. C.—The next move of the United States in the controversy over the blacklist of American firms will not be determined until officials have had ample time to examine Great Britain's reply to the American note of July 28, protesting against it. The reply reached the State department Monday from the London embassy. Secretary Lansing said he had not decided when it would be made public.

The note refuses the American contention, which termed the blacklist "an arbitrary interference with neutral trade," but is understood to offer methods of relief which may be available in some instances to lessen the rigors of interference.

An American reply is almost certain to be made, based on the contention that the blacklist violates the criminal treaty of 1815; that in singling out certain American firms, undue discrimination is shown and that an illegal action is taken, designed to prevent trade with Germany and to end which should be accomplished through blockade and contraband restrictions. It may be argued that the blacklist is designed to cripple firms trading with Germany to destroy German trade more than for the immediate purpose of war.

Skilful Counterfeiter's Plant for Making Bogus Bills is Found

Los Angeles—A counterfeiting plant which was said to have produced the notorious spurious \$10 Federal Reserve Jackson silver certificate, was found Sunday in the studio of H. Russel Wilken, when secret service operatives from San Francisco brought Wilken here to seize the outfit after his arrest in Santa Cruz and his alleged confession that he had made and passed more than \$50,000 of spurious paper in seven years.

The plant—a copper etching outfit—was found concealed in a covered sink in a room on the second story of 311 South Hill street, three blocks from police headquarters and in the heart of the city. Wilken's quarters were fitted up as a studio, and he pretended to carry on a business of commercial art, according to the authorities. There were easels, unfinished pictures, a painting jacket and brushes about, although Wilken apparently worked at his profession only enough to make it a blind for counterfeiting.

Nicaragua Revenue Taken.

Managua, Nicaragua—Americans are taking over the management of all the internal revenues of Nicaragua.

A dispatch from Managua, October 1, says it was reported American bankers to whom the Nicaraguan government was indebted, had notified Nicaragua that it must liquidate the indebtedness by October 15 or that otherwise they would take over sufficient of the country's revenues to reimburse them.

GERMAN FLOTILLA RAIDS TRANSPORTS

Berlin Says 11 Outpost Vessels and Several Torpedo Craft Sunk.

SCENE IS IN ENGLISH CHANNEL

London Declares Two Attackers Were Destroyed—Germans Claim All Returned Safely to Base.

Berlin, via London—At least 11 outpost steamers and two or three torpedo boat destroyers or torpedo boats were sunk or damaged by a German torpedo boat squadron Thursday night in the English Channel between Folkestone and Boulogne, according to an official communication issued here.

The German torpedo flotilla returned safely to its base without any loss. The communication says:

"Part of our torpedo forces moved from a German base Thursday night through the Straits of Dover and Calais to the line of Folkestone-Boulogne, in the English Channel.

"According to the report of Commander Michelsen at least 11 outpost steamers and two or three destroyers or torpedo boats were sunk, partially or totally, near hostile ports. Some members of the crews who were saved were captured.

"Several other guarding vessels and at least two destroyers were heavily damaged by torpedo and artillery fire. Also the English outpost steamer *Queen* was sunk south of Folkestone, the crew having time to leave the ship.

"In the channel near the Farnes lightship there was a strikingly active traffic by hospital ships.

"Our torpedo boats safely returned to German waters without any loss."

London—Ten German torpedo boat destroyers attempted to raid the British cross-channel transport service Thursday night, but the attempt failed, says an official statement issued by the British admiralty. Two of the German destroyers were sunk and the others were driven off.

One British torpedo boat destroyer, the *Flirt*, Lieutenant Richard P. Keltlett in command, is missing, the British statement adds, and another destroyer, the *Nubian*, Commander Montague Bernard, was disabled by a torpedo and ran aground. Nine members of the crew of the *Flirt* were saved.

The German destroyers succeeded in sinking one empty transport, the *Queen*. The crew was saved.

Kaiser Asks New War Loan; Total Credits 52 Billion Marks

Berlin—A new war credit bill for 12,000,000,000 marks, was submitted to the reichstag Saturday by Count Von Roedern, secretary of the imperial treasury, who also reviewed the successes of the German war finances and compared them with the practices followed by the countries opposed to Germany. Count Von Roedern said that the total German war credits up to now amounted to 52,000,000,000 marks. Explaining the practice of the German treasury, the imperial treasurer said:

"On the basis of the war credit granted by Parliament in all cases short-term treasury bonds which were regularly consolidated with long-term loans in the months of March and September were issued. The amount of more than 47,000,000,000 marks subscribed to these loans, of which 45,000,000,000 marks already had been paid, proves the success of this financing policy. The German nation in 1914 produced from its own resources 4,500,000,000 marks in such loans; in 1915 more than 21,000,000,000 marks, and in 1916, 21,000,000,000 marks also.

"You will remember that the first four loans were essentially of the same type, carrying 5 per cent interest and having approximately the same price of issue. There having been raised in this fashion 36,000,000 marks in round figures the question seemed justified as to whether the fifth loan could be placed under the same conditions."

Poe's Workshop Must Go.

Richmond, Va.—Edgar Allen Poe's old workshop, now the Southern Literary Messenger building, must be torn down within five days, under a court order entered on complaint that the building was unsafe. A citizens' committee trying to preserve the building as a memorial to the poet, who produced many of his earlier writings in it, will have the structure razed in such a way that it can be reconstructed on the grounds of Richmond College.