

WORLD HAPPENINGS OF CURRENT WEEK

Brief Resume Most Important
Daily News Items.

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Events of Noted People, Governments
and Pacific Northwest and Other
Things Worth Knowing.

The German government has arranged for a plebiscite if the allies refuse to make concessions in the treaty of peace, according to the Zeitung am Mittag.

About 200 members of the present first class at West Point will get an opportunity to round out their military studies by personal observation of the battle fields of Europe.

A gift of \$750,000, half of the anonymous donor's fortune, to the Methodist centenary fund, was announced Saturday by George M. Fowles, of New York, treasurer of the fund.

Revenue collectors are notified by the internal revenue bureau that since June 15 falls on Sunday, the second installment of income taxes due on that date will be accepted on Monday, June 16.

The general strike which began in Port Said, Egypt, Tuesday, caused an almost complete tie-up of port operations. Thus far the strike has been orderly. Passage through the Suez canal is still possible.

Orders have been given by Colonel Milton Davis of the military air service for the airplanes which are to exhibit at the Rose festival in Portland to divide into squadrons at the close of the festival and visit several towns in Oregon.

More than 300,000 men, women and children in Armenian provinces are today facing death from starvation and epidemic diseases, according to cable advices made public by the Presbyterian board of foreign missions in New York Saturday.

A British fleet is anchored outside of Memel, East Prussia, close to the Russian frontier, and the British are expected to occupy the place in a few days. This information came in a Copenhagen dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company, quoting Berlin advices.

The Brooklyn Rapid Transit company has discharged 800 women employees, declaring that its action was compelled by the enactment into law a few days ago of the Lockwood-Caulfield bill. This act prohibits women in that state from working after 10 P. M. and before 6 A. M.

In response to a petition from the entire German episcopate, beginning his good offices in securing a mitigation of the terms of peace, Pope Benedict has taken steps to communicate with the head of one of the most important delegations at the peace conference with a view to getting the conditions modified.

Two American military policemen at Nice, France, were attacked by a gang Sunday night and one of the policemen, Herbert Larsen, was fatally wounded.

Locomotive cranes, railroad cars and other equipment to the value of \$18,000,000 have been turned over by the war department to the railroad administration for sale to the railroads at market prices.

Tenative arrangements are being made to begin withdrawal of American troops from north Russia early in June, but no definite orders have as yet been received by the American commander at Archangel.

Inauguration of air mail service between Chicago and Cleveland Thursday advanced carrier delivery of mail bearing air-mail stamps at Cleveland and Boston by 16 hours and at Albany, N. Y., and New York City and Springfield, Mass. by six hours, Assistant Postmaster-General Praeger announced.

The stipulation in the peace terms that Germany must surrender thousands of domestic animals to replace those lost by the allies through the war, has created violent protest among rich and poor alike.

The 9000 striking employees of the American Railway Express company, New York, have voted unanimously to return to work tomorrow and leave the adjustment of their grievances to their committee and officials of the railroad administration.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Lane county will compete for the prize offered by the Portland Rose Festival management for the best automobile float showing what the county did to win the war.

Fully 15,000 pounds of mohair was disposed of to seven buyers at Eddyville, Friday in the annual Eddyville mohair pool, which sold at 62 1/2 cents, the highest price paid so far this year.

The Eugene citizens who put up the money for the erection of the barracks occupied by the reserve officers' training corps at the University of Oregon have all received their money back plus 8 per cent interest.

The Port of Astoria commission has authorized the state highway engineer to proceed with the plans for the new state bridge across Young's bay, as proposed by the commission.

April fire losses, exclusive of Portland, amounted to \$126,750, according to the monthly report of State Fire Marshal Wells. The report shows that at least two of the 32 were of incendiary origin. One-half, or 16, of the total number of fires were in dwelling houses.

Tuber moth, greatly dreaded by potato growers of the Willamette valley, was found in a shipment of potatoes that arrived at Eugene recently from California for a local commission firm, and the potatoes were immediately ordered destroyed by C. E. Stewart, county fruit inspector.

Eugene people are to vote June 3 upon a plan to appropriate from the funds of the city \$5000 to go into the fund for the woman's building at the University of Oregon. A charter amendment, authorizing the city to issue a warrant payable in 1920 to the university board of regents, will be prepared.

Erroneous reports have been published that the Three Rivers road from Willamina to Tillamook was closed to travel. No part of this road has been closed at any time. Machines have been going and coming over this road for the last three weeks almost daily. Travel will not be stopped at any time on account of road work.

Beginning Tuesday, a tour of Douglas county will be undertaken by leading spirits in the recently organized prune growers' association, with a view to securing co-operation of all the prune growers in the county in the enterprise. Articles of incorporation have been forwarded to Salem and the association is preparing to handle the crop.

Native oysters of Yaquina bay, usually sold as Olympia oysters elsewhere, have increased greatly in the past two years, according to George Lewis, leader of the Newport oyster-men. Mr. Lewis said that when work was scarce for several years many persons gathered oysters to eat and sell, but ceased gathering them when work became plentiful.

A survey of the hilly sections on both sides of the Willamette valley, beginning at Eugene and extending north, will be made this summer by D. W. Smith, head of the department of geology at the University of Oregon, to investigate a possible supply of gas for the valley. This survey will be made under the direction of the state bureau of mines.

Lieutenant B. B. Ostlund of Marshfield announces the construction of a veneer plant on Coos bay that will employ 25 men. The site for the industry is being negotiated and the machinery is expected to be operating before the year is ended. Machinery has been ordered for the plant, according to Mr. Ostlund. The floor area of the buildings will be 60x200 feet.

Acting on information furnished by Portland police detectives, State Treasurer Hoff has removed all currency and negotiable securities from the vaults of the state treasury department, and has placed them in a secret hiding place somewhere in Salem. This hiding place is known only to Joseph G. Richardson, chief deputy, who personally supervised the transfer of the money and bonds from the capitol safe and vaults.

The first alfalfa crops will soon be ready to cut at Umatilla and the yield will be above the average. "Some of the land requires little or no irrigation," says Mr. Dobler, one of the farmers on the project. Altogether there are 5274 acres of alfalfa on the Umatilla project, which yielded 19,063 tons last year, or an average of 3.6 to the acre. During the past year, however, many sage brush hillsides have been cleared and placed in cultivation. It is reported that water for irrigation purposes will be plentiful this season. Practically little or no alfalfa was left over this season and farmers are not anticipating low prices for the season.

NC-4 PLANE REACHES AZORES; ONE LOST

NC-1, Alights in Sea Near Port,
But Is Towed In.

AUSTRALIAN STARTS

Most Perilous Airplane Flight in History Undertaken By Hawker—To Beat Americans Aim.

St. Johns, N. F., May 18.—Harry G. Hawker, Australian aviator, and his navigator, Commander MacKenzie Grieve, tonight are winging their way across the Atlantic on the most perilous airplane flight in history, in an eleventh-hour effort to wrest from American navy pilots the honor of being the first to complete a trans-oceanic flight.

The Australian late today decided not to delay longer and started for the Irish coast, despite weather conditions, characterized as "not favorable, but possible."

When Hawker's Sopwith plane disappeared from view it left behind the shattered hopes of his English rival, Frederick P. Raynham, who in attempting to follow the Australian with his Martinsyde plane, broke a rear axle on his machine. He and his navigator, Charles W. F. Morgan, were not injured, but the plane was wrecked.

Both Hawker and Raynham have been here for weeks awaiting favorable weather to start their flight for the \$50,000 London Daily Mail prize, but day after day the start was postponed because of unfavorable conditions. Today, however, with the news that the NC-4, the American navy seaplane, had reached the Azores on the first leg of its trans-Atlantic attempt, Hawker decided to wait no longer and quietly slipped away.

Washington, D. C., May 17.—One of the three American naval seaplanes which set out last evening from Newfoundland in the first attempt at a flight across the Atlantic ocean still was missing late tonight; another was being towed to an Azores port by destroyers after her crew had been put aboard the steamer Iona, and the third was safe at Horta, Fayal, after establishing a record flight for heavier-than-air machines.

The missing plane is the NC-3, flagship of Commander John Henry Towers, commander of the squadron, but the fact that the last report came from her at 5:15 o'clock this morning, Washington time, did not cause naval officials to entertain any apprehension for the safety of Commander Towers and his crew of four.

The last message from this ship showed her off her course in a fog some 350 miles from Fayal, and naval officials believe that it was only the mist bank which enveloped the sea around the Azores throughout the day that prevented all three of the planes from reaching port on or ahead of schedule time.

Washington, D. C., May 18.—Apprehension as to the safety of Commander John H. Towers and his crew of four men, who in the seaplane NC-3 have been lost at sea for more than 40 hours, had begun tonight to displace the feeling of confidence among naval officials that the trans-Atlantic fliers soon would be found by searching vessels.

No word had been received from the NC-3 since 5:15 o'clock yesterday morning, when Commander Towers reported that his plane, the flagship of the squadron, was off her course some 300 miles off the island of Fayal, Azores. Dispatches from Rear-Admiral Jackson, aboard the U. S. S. Melville at Ponta del Gada, Azores, tonight said a gale was sweeping the seas northwest of the Azores and that high waves were running.

Reds Forced to Retire.
London.—A report on military operations sent out by wireless from Moscow by the bolshevik government says: "Along the gulf of Finland the enemy made a descent, under cover of warships in the region of Kaskpovo, 75 miles southwest of Petrograd. The villages of Ropsha and Kuseminka were bombed by enemy ships. Odoff, on Lake Peipus, was abandoned by Red troops."

U. S. War Expenses Huge.
Washington, D. C.—Total expenses of the United States government during the war period, General March announced, were approximately \$23,363,000,000.

Expenses due directly to the war were estimated at \$21,294,000,000, of which the army spent \$14,000,000,000.

LAWMAKERS TAKE UP DUTIES

Special Session of "Reconstruction"
Congress Has Much to Do.

Washington, D. C.—The 66th, or "reconstruction" congress, called into extraordinary session by President Wilson from Paris, convened at noon Monday and republican majorities in senate and house organized both bodies.

Representative Gillett of Massachusetts was elected speaker of the house over Representative Champ Clark of Missouri, democratic candidate, and former speaker, by a vote of 227 to 172.

Senator Cummins of Iowa, the republican candidate, was chosen president pro tempore of the senate over Senator Pittman of Nevada, democrat, 47 to 42. Several democrats were absent but all republicans were in their seats, two withholding their votes.

The republicans of both sides also elected full slates of other officers and thus, for the first time since 1911, returned to control of the American national legislature.

Routine affairs of organization comprised the opening day's proceedings, both bodies adjourning until noon Tuesday, when President Wilson's cabled message was read separately in the senate and house. The senate concluded its session in 50 minutes and the house in two hours and 20 minutes.

There was no outward evidence in the initial proceedings of the enormous amount of work ahead. The peace treaty with Germany, including the league of nations covenant, the Austrian treaty and the proposed convention for protection of France, are not expected before next month. All hold promise of dramatic debate.

Appropriation bills which failed in the filibuster last March will be rushed immediately in the house.

Legislation dealing with railroads, telegraphs and telephones, woman suffrage, prohibition, repeal of the luxury taxes and other pressing subjects are promised in the van of important economic and reconstruction questions. This legislation is expected by leaders to hold congress in session almost continuously until the presidential conventions of 1920. Investigations planned by the republicans of numerous administration acts also are expected to begin in the near future.

The flood of bills which is expected to make the new congress momentous began in the house. House resolution No. 1 was the woman suffrage constitutional amendment measure, introduced by former Republican Leader Mann of Illinois.

Despite the formality of Monday's proceedings and the absence of the president—the first time congress has opened with a president on foreign soil—overflow crowds in both senate and house galleries witnessed the birth of the new congress. Many cabinet officers and other high officials were spectators in the house, where cheering and speechmaking lent an informal tone of popular interest.

When house members were sworn in, Representative Victor Berger of Wisconsin, the lone socialist member, who was convicted of violating the espionage law, was prevented from taking the oath upon objection of Representative Dallingier of Massachusetts, chairman of the elections committee. He was ordered by Speaker Gillett to stand aside and was not allowed to address the house, which adopted unanimously a resolution for a committee to investigate his right to membership.

No objection was raised from the senate floor to the seating of Senator Truman H. Newberry of Michigan, republican, whose election is being contested by Henry Ford, democrat. Formal notice of renewal of the Ford contest, with a request for a committee investigation, was filed.

In addition to electing officers, the senate adopted the usual resolutions of procedure, with a departure in that for notifying the president, because of his absence in Paris, of the convening. The senate committee of notification sent a cable merely advising the president of the senate's formal action, while the house committee sent a letter of notification to the white house.

Huns Mourn 5 Years Late.
Paris.—The week of mourning in Germany decreed because of the terms of the peace treaty appears to have met with little success. Reports say nearly all music halls remained open and that in some places the people danced all night. One bit of pungent comment comes from the Volksblatt of Halle, which says: "It is not now but on August 1, 1914, that general mourning should have been ordered in Germany."

Berlin.—The declaration by Chancellor Scheidemann in the national assembly Tuesday that the peace terms were unacceptable brought the members of the assembly, the spectators and those in the press gallery to their feet in a hurricane of cheers and applause.

Berry Growing Promoted.

Astoria, Or.—The first of a proposed series of farmers' conventions was held at the chamber of commerce rooms here recently when scores of farmers from the various sections of the lower river district met as the guests of merchants of the city. The special object of the gathering was to promote interest in berry growing with a view of supplying a large berry cannery that is projected here.

Talks were made by C. C. Chapman and J. F. Langner of Portland, John Paver of California, and Professor I. C. Lewis of the Oregon Agricultural college.

The agricultural committee of the chamber will make contracts with the various farmers for planting a specified number of acres to berries this year and organize an association for marketing the crop.

Klamath Falls, Or.—The number of highway engineers at work in Klamath county has been increased to 24 and the road work is going rapidly ahead. It is announced that the survey on the road east to Lakeview has been completed and that some progress has been made on the road north, which will be a part of the Klamath-Dalles highway. Survey work on the road to Malin, southeast of Klamath Falls, and to the state line, will be undertaken soon.

Property owners in township 11 north, ranges 9 and 10 west, on both sides of the Nasel river near its mouth, have petitioned the Pacific county commissioners for the organization of an immense diking district. It is proposed to reclaim all of the lands in this district now subject to overflow during the spring freshets and extreme high tides, and to develop them as agricultural lands. The petition was signed by the owners of more than 800 acres of the lands within the district.

NORTHWEST MARKET REPORT

Wheat—Government basis, \$2.20 per bushel.
Flour—Patents, \$11.45 delivered, \$11.30 at mill; bakers', \$11.15@11.30; whole wheat, \$10.25@10.40; graham, \$10.05@10.20.

Millfeed—Mill run f.o.b. mill, car lots, \$37@38 per ton; mixed cars, \$37.50@38.50; ton lots or over, \$39@40; less than ton, \$40@41; rolled barley, \$38@40; rolled oats, \$59; ground barley, \$58.

Corn—Whole, ton, \$70; cracked, \$72 per ton.

Hay—Buying prices f. o. b. Portland: Eastern Oregon timothy, \$50@35 per ton; alfalfa, \$25@25.50; valley grain hay, \$26@28; clover, \$26@28.

Butter—Cubes, 92-score, 55 1/2@56; 91-score, 55c; 90-score, 54c. Prints, parchment wrappers, box lots, 58c; cartons, 59c; half boxes, 1/4c more; less than half boxes, 1c more; butter fat, No. 1, 58@59c per pound, station.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, case count, 43 1/2@44c; candled, 45c; selects, 46@47c.

Poultry—Hens, 30@32c; broilers, 40@45c; ducks, 42@45c; geese and live turkeys, nominal; dressed turkeys, 43c.
Veal—Fancy, 19@20c per pound.
Pork—Fancy, 26c per pound.

Fruits—Apples, 2.25@3.50 per box; strawberries, \$3.50 per crate.

Vegetables—Cabbage, \$4@6.50 per 100 pounds; lettuce, \$2.50@2.75 per crate; peppers, 90c per pound; artichokes, \$1.00; cauliflower, \$2@3.75; beets, \$2.50 per sack; carrots, \$3.50 per sack; turnips, \$2.25 per sack, cucumbers, \$1.50@2.25 per dozen; tomatoes, \$4.50 per box; spinach, 8c per pound; peas, 12 1/2@15c per pound; rhubarb, \$2.25@2.75 per box; asparagus, \$1.50@2 per crate.

Potatoes—Oregon Burbanks, best, \$1.60@1.75; Yakimas, \$1.85@2.10; new California, 9@12 1/2c per pound.
Onions—Oregon jobbing prices \$4.50@5 per sack; Texas, \$4@5.25 per crt.
Hops—Oregon, 1918 crop, 43@45c per pound; three-year contracts, 30c, 28c, 25c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon and Washington, 29@51c per pound; valley, 30@50c per pound.

Mohair—1918 clip, 50c per pound.

Cascara Bark—New, 8@10c per lb.

Grain Bags—In carlots, 13c.

Cattle—Best steers, \$13.00@13.50

Good to choice steers, \$11.00@11.50

Medium to choice steers, \$10.00@11.00

Fair to good steers, \$9.00@10.00

Common to fair steers, \$8.00@9.00

Good to choice cows, hfs, \$10.00@11.50

Medium to good cows, hfs, \$6.50@7.50

Fair to medium cows, hfs, \$4.50@5.50

Canners, \$3.00@4.00

Bulls, \$6.00@8.00

Calves, \$9.00@12.50

Stockers and feeders, \$7.00@10.00

Hogs—Prime mixed, \$20.00@20.25

Medium mixed, \$19.75@20.00

Rough heavies, \$18.00@18.75

Pigs, \$17.75@18.25

Sheep—Prime sprg lambs, \$14.00@15.00

Fair to medium lambs, \$12.50@13.25

Yearlings, \$11.00@12.00

Wethers, \$9.00@10.00

Ewes, \$7.00@11.00

MEAT CAUSE OF KIDNEY TROUBLE

Take Salts to flush Kidneys if
Back hurts or Bladder
bothers.

If you must have your meat every day, eat it, but flush your kidneys with salts occasionally, says a noted authority who tells us that meat forms uric acid which almost paralyzes the kidneys in their efforts to expel it from the blood. They become sluggish and weaken, then you suffer with a dull misery in the kidney region, sharp pains in the back or sick headache, dizziness, your stomach sour, tongue is coated and when the weather is bad you have rheumatic twinges. The urine gets cloudy, full of sediment, the channels often get sore and irritated, obliging you to seek relief two or three times during the night.

To neutralize these irritating acids, to cleanse the kidneys and flush off the body's urinous waste get four ounces of Jad Salts from any pharmacy here; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush and stimulate sluggish kidneys, also to neutralize the acids in urine, so it no longer irritates, thus ending bladder weakness.

Jad Salts is inexpensive; cannot injure, and makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink.

Salary of Chief Executive.

The compensation of the president of the United States is fixed by congress, and may not be increased or diminished during the existing presidential term, that is, any increase or reduction of the salary or endowments of the office can only take effect at the next term. The original salary of the office was \$25,000 a year, increased in 1873 to \$50,000, and in 1909 to \$75,000.

Spiritual Princes.

There were Christians in Treves as early as the second century, and it had a bishop as early as 314. The archbishops of Treves became one of the leading spiritual princes of the early German empire. The Treves of today is a rich and active city of possibly 75,000 souls, a show city, a shrine city, and one in which the Yankee tourists should find much to interest them.

Shave With Cuticura Soap.

And double your razor efficiency as well as promote skin purity, skin comfort and skin health. No mug, no slimy soap, no germs, no waste, no irritation even when shaved twice daily. One soap for all uses—shaving, bathing and shampooing.—Adv.

Halibut.

The name "halibut" is composed of two Scandinavian words meaning flat-fish of the deep. That derivation is found in the dictionaries, but the term first appears in the ancient legends as "halibuta," which signifies a holy messenger, one who is sent to relieve suffering or save either body or soul.

Men Differ.

What is one man's automobile is another man's juggernaut.

Letter Boxes in the Heights.

In the Alps there is one letter box at an elevation of nearly 10,000 feet above the sea level from which there are collections four times a day. There are several letter receptacles at an elevation of between 6,000 and 7,000 feet.

Correct Your Mistakes.

It is only an error in judgment to make a mistake, but it shows infirmity of character to adhere to it when discovered.

NERVOUS PROSTRATION

May be Overcome by Lydia
E. Pinkham's Vegetable
Compound—This
Letter Proves It.

West Philadelphia, Pa.—"During the thirty years I have been married, I have been in bad health and had several attacks of nervous prostration until it seemed as if my whole body were worn out. I was finally persuaded to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and it made a well woman of me. I can now do all my household and advise all ailing women to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and I will guarantee they will derive great benefit from it."—Mrs. FRANK FITZGERALD, 25 N. 41st Street, West Philadelphia, Pa.

There are thousands of women everywhere in Mrs. Fitzgerald's condition, suffering from nervousness, backache, headaches, and other symptoms of a functional derangement. It was a grateful spirit for health restored which led her to write this letter so that other women may benefit from her experience and find health as she has done.

For suggestions in regard to your condition write Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass. The result of their 40 years experience is at your service.

