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## NEWS NOTES OF CURRENT WEEK

### Resume of World's Important Events Told in Brief.

Exports estimate Germany's daily war cost at \$5,000,000.

The hospital ship sent from New York has reached England.

It is declared that Australia is mobilizing an army to aid Great Britain.

Mrs. Adams has been appointed assistant United States attorney at San Francisco.

Canadian troops have embarked for England to aid the British in the European war.

The Montenegrins are within artillery range of the Sarajevo, the capital of the Austrian province of Bosnia.

The will of Mrs. Frank Leslie, wife of the late publisher, bequeaths \$2,000,000 to the cause of woman suffrage.

Noting the success of aviation in the European war, Uncle Sam is said to be increasing the efficiency of the U. S. aviation service.

A resident of Maubeuge, who had been made prisoner but later escaped, states that Maubeuge was three-quarters burned by the Germans.

A Petrograd dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company, London, states that the Russian moratorium has been extended for a month.

A dispatch from Rome asserts that the minister of the interior has announced that 15 new cases of cholera were discovered in the Budapest military hospital.

By order of the military commander of the province of Brandenburg, Germany, the Vorwärts, organ of the Social Democratic party, has suspended publication indefinitely.

The Dardanelles have been closed to navigation, according to a dispatch from Constantinople to the Reuter Telegram company, London. The duration of the closure is not stated.

A German bullet is said to have been the cause of the death of Prince Adalbert, the German emperor's third son, also, it was found that other German officers died from a similar cause.

A report received from Munich estimated that 2,000,000 men, and women are idle in Germany, and that the number of unemployed is increasing daily. A lack of raw material, it is said, is the cause.

A South Shields dispatch to the Central News of London says that the Norwegian steamer Hevik has been destroyed by striking a mine in the North Sea. The chief engineer and one assistant were killed.

The operators of a German Zeppelin dirigible dropped a bomb into a schoolhouse at Bielsk, Russia, killing the children, according to a dispatch from Petrograd. Eleven children were reported killed by the bomb.

On the anniversary of Sedan, according to a story published in the London Daily News, the people of Berlin hung out bunting everywhere, but Emperor William ordered its removal, on the ground that it was premature.

A Pretoria dispatch to the Reuter Telegram company says it is officially announced that the German post at Schuckmannsburg, near Zambezi, South Africa, surrendered without opposition on September 21 to the Rhodesian police.

Reuter's Constantinople correspondent says the former German cruiser Breslau has been renamed Midilli and the Goeben Sultan Selim. The correspondent adds that the cruiser, accompanied by Turkish gunboats and torpedo boats, have been engaged in gun practice in the Black Sea.

The American embassy building in Paris was severely shaken by the explosion of one of the bombs dropped into that city Sunday from a German aeroplane. Ambassador Herrick reported the incident to the State department by cable without comment. The State department will take no action on the report.

The Canadian Pacific railroad has announced that the operating department of its eastern and western lines would employ 8600 extra men within the next two months. The object of employing such a number of laborers at this time, the company states, was to relieve distress brought about by the war in Europe.

A Berlin dispatch to the Reuter Telegram company by way of Amsterdam says a warrant has been issued for the arrest of Abbe Wetterle for high treason. Abbe Wetterle is a member of the Reichstag from Alsace-Lorraine and recently declared the people of that province were waiting for the French soldiers to rescue them.

Another Grimby trawler was blown up by a mine in the North Sea. The crew all escaped except one deckhand, who was killed by falling debris.

The European war has not affected the date of opening the Panama Pacific exposition. No nations have withdrawn their intentions to participate.

Berlin army headquarters admits that one mortar shot was fired against the cathedral of Rheims, as otherwise it would have been impossible to drive away the enemy's observation posts there.

### Bombardment of Outer Defenses of Antwerp Begun

Amsterdam.—The Germans have begun their attacks on the first line of defense of Antwerp, according to dispatches received by the Amsterdam papers. Moll, which is an important railway junction near the Dutch border, was occupied by the Germans Tuesday, and Wednesday the Germans, who again occupied Malines, began a bombardment of Lierre, directly in front of Antwerp.

They also continued their bombardment of forts of Washie and St. Catharine. It is believed heavy Austrian artillery is being used.

Lierre, according to a message to the Handelsblad, had been under shell fire since early morning. The people at first hid in cellars, but subsequently fled to Antwerp, being joined by fugitives from the surrounding villages. It is reported that many houses have been destroyed and some of the inhabitants killed and wounded. One shell fell on a hospital, killing nine persons.

### CARRANZA READY TO QUIT; ASKS VILLA TO DO SAME

Mexico City.—In his reply to the petition of Francisco Villa's generals asking him to resign in favor of Fernando Iglesias Calderon, and thus avoid civil war, General Venustiano Carranza says:

"I will gladly take such action if it is not by the general conference; if not, I will fight reaction and the old regime, which appears now to be headed by Villa, who, it may be, is an unwitting tool in this, as was Orozco in his fight against Madero."

General Carranza asks General Villa's chief to demand the retirement of their leader as commander of the northern division of the army, in view of his Carranza's willingness to retire if the army so votes.

The general conference of military chiefs will be held soon when the resignation of General Carranza will be considered, although 26 generals will be present. It is believed here that further fighting is unlikely. General Carranza's attitude of abrogation is warmly commended by the local press.

### Japanese Drive Germans Back; Goal Is Sighted

London.—"The Japanese occupied all the high ground outside Tsing Tau (seat of government of the German concession of Kiau Chau) overlooking the German's main line of defense before noon Monday," says a statement given out by the official news bureau.

The communication continues: "They began an attack on the advanced positions four kilometers (two miles and a half) from the enemy's main line at dawn. In a spurt of fierce flames from sea and land they drove the enemy from his position."

The Exchange Telegraph company publishes a dispatch from Shanghai saying that the Japanese have occupied Wei Hsien and control the Tai Nan Fu Kiau Chau railroad.

This action was taken, the correspondent says, because of the discovery of a German mine outside the zone of hostilities and as an offset to this German violation of Chinese neutrality.

A missionary writing from Ping Tuh Chow, in Shan Tung province, contrary to other reports received here, says the Japanese troops have behaved well. The conduct of 5000 Japanese who went through this city was exemplary, he said.

It is a fact that they stole chickens; but they paid more than the market price for their purchases, and there was neither plundering nor attacks on women.

### 1915 Prosperity Predicted To Be Best in History

Atlantic City, N. J.—The "buy-a-bale" movement to help find a market for the cotton crop of the South received impetus here at the annual convention of the National Carriage Builders' association, every one of the representatives of the big factories of the country pledging to buy at least one bale. One St. Louis firm contracted for 1000 bales.

In his annual address William H. Ronninger, of St. Louis, president of the association, said that trade had increased wonderfully in the last year, despite the growth of the automobile business. He predicted the biggest year in the country's history for 1915, because of the opportunities offered by the European war, and advocated immediate steps to secure the South American trade left open as a result of the war.

### German Fleet Prepares.

Copenhagen.—Travelers arriving here from the Kiel canal say that the Germans are busy placing new ordnance, which the Krupp works has been experimenting with for the past two years, on the armored cruisers and dreadnoughts. The canal is described as being crowded with warships, including the largest battleships. The armaments are busy day and night, and long trains arrive continually with immense guns for the ships. The Germans are reported as declaring that the whole fleet will soon be ready to fight.

### Namor May Be Capital.

London.—The Ghent correspondent of the Daily Express has sent the following dispatch: "Persons arriving from Brussels say that the Germans are preparing to move the administrative headquarters of the military government of Belgium to Namur. This is taken to mean that the Germans are getting ready for the next stand near their own frontier."

### Prune Crop Not Large But Exceptionally Good

Newberg.—Just west of Newberg are the famous red hills of Dundee, where the Italian prune and the English walnut grow to perfection. At the Prince orchard are the oldest English walnut trees in the state planted for commercial purposes. For many miles the hills are covered with prune trees, chiefly Italian, though the French prune, the leading variety in California, is grown to some extent here, but it is called the Petite, and does not attain the California size.

A trip through some of the prune orchards in the Dundee district was made recently. There has been a general impression that the crop would be light. In some orchards that proved to be true, but the prunes are unusually large.

It was fortunate for the prune orchards that the hop picking ended earlier than usual, for prunes began to drop about weeks ahead of time this season many of those who had found a market in the hop fields at once

### Fears of L Hops D

Portland.—"Some of the hops of Oregon are becoming alarmingly low on reason," said Conrad Kre local hotel. "Because the buy not operating now means not the real demand does not begin October or November.

"There is going to be a shorthops any way you figure it, a market adjusts itself to the conditions prices will be higher yours would be foolish to sell the now at the 17 or 18-cent price talked about. In a year like this we run no risk in holding."

"Oregon produces only 110,000 bales, California the same quantity, Washington 40,000 bales and New York not over 20,000 bales, a total of 280,000 bales for the United States. The brewery consumption in this country is 245,000 bales annually. Because of the war brewers are not able to import German or Australian hops. On the other hand, we will have to supply the non-producing countries that

work in the prune orchards. The English walnuts are also ripening earlier this year.

In most of the orchards prune picking will be finished this week. It is noted that those on the lower elevations were not injured by the rains as much as were those up higher. It is said that at the Allan Fruit company's orchard of 250 acres, the crop was injured from \$8000 to \$10,000. This is one of the largest orchards in that locality and gives employment in the busy season to about 140. This company has a packing plant at Dundee, though the orchard is about three miles west of town.

W. S. Allan, whose orchard is about a mile west of Dundee, is the pioneer prune grower of that district. He does not consider the fact that they are large as being of special value to buyers but he says he has on the short run to do as much as 50,000

are now trying hard to break the market so they can buy in cheaply. Speculators, he says, are working the same game.

"When the crop is out of the grower's hands," said Mr. Krebs, "you can look for the price to shoot upward. If the grower is wise, he will himself take this profit, which is surely coming. If he is determined to give away his hops now, he had better go out of the business."

### Jackson County Landmark to Be Abandoned

Medford.—One of the most interesting landmarks in Jackson county will be removed October 9, when Ed Helms will close the Helms saloon in Jacksonville. This establishment dates back to 1852, when it was opened by Helms & Winchen in the mining boom. For years the place was the social and political headquarters in Southern Oregon; court decisions were made there; it was the scene of trials, and business deals were transacted there.

A collection of pioneer relics valued at \$25,000 is on display in the building. These include the first piece of gold found in Jackson county; a photograph of three murderers hanged by the vigilantes near Yreka, Cal., in the '60s, and a piece of the rope used by the lynchers; the first pop tables ever set up on the Pacific Coast, sent around the Horn to Eureka and packed to Jacksonville; Indian relics, pioneer firearms and many relics of nature found by prospectors in the hills. No decision has been reached as to what will be done with these relics, but it is probable they will be lent for exhibition purposes to the Medford Commercial club.

### Old Malady Kills Horses.

Prineville.—A fatal contagion broke out among the horses of this community last week. While unloading fire stock from the trucks from the Henry McCall ranch at the Fair grounds, a few days ago, two of the draft horses were seized suddenly with a strange disease and within a few minutes both were dead. On the way back to the ranch another horse was stricken in the same manner and died on the road. Two other horses on the McCall ranch showed signs of the same affliction and are in precarious condition after failure of local veterinarians to explain the mystery.

The state veterinarian was telegraphed for. In the meantime the stockmen in this country are uneasy, because of the immense number of horses in this country that may become infected.

### Gun Used to Halt Road Work.

Medford.—L. D. Dollarhide, owner of the Dollarhide toll road over the Sikiyayo, which is to be replaced by the new Pacific Highway, is said to have leveled a shotgun at the Pacific Highway workmen, ordering them off the road. Complaint was made to Prosecuting Attorney Kelly and an injunction was granted by Judge Callin restraining Mr. Dollarhide from interfering with the work. He contended that a right of way granted over the government land in territorial days gave him sole right to the travel.

### Portland Man Buys Berry Juice.

Salem.—The Longanberry juice output of the Salem Fruit Union has been bought by F. A. Breck, of Portland, who is the head of a company that plans to engage in the business on a large scale. Mr. Breck was engaged in the manufacture of grape juice in New Jersey for 25 years, and says Longanberry juice is far superior to grape. G. MacLaren, of Portland, delegates to the convention of the Oregon Agricultural college, presented about 2500 gallons of loganberry juice.

### BOMB FROM AIR BEHEADS CITIZEN

Girl Maimed and Many Buildings Are Damaged.

German Aiator Drops 4 Missiles On Paris—One Strikes Near American Embassy.

Paris.—Four bombs were dropped on the city from a German aeroplane Sunday. One missile, exploding in Avenue du Trocadero at the corner of Rue Freyreton, blew the head from the shoulders of a man who was standing on the corner with his daughter, and crippled the child. The other bombs did little damage.

Crowds, taking advantage of a beautiful autumn day, were promenading on the banks of the Seine when the aerial warrior appeared almost directly above the Eiffel tower.

It is believed that the first bomb dropped was intended for the wireless station or the tower, or possibly for the nearby buildings containing army stores. It landed in Avenue du Trocadero, not far from the tower, and the explosion was heard for many blocks.

The houses in the vicinity were badly damaged, many of the walls cracking and windows being shattered. The bomb struck only a block from the American embassy at No. 5 Rue de Chailot, where Ambassador Myron T. Herrick, who did not accompany the government to Bordeaux, still makes his home.

In the wake of the bomb fluttered a German flag. At the sound of the explosion the promenaders in that section first rushed for shelter, and then, as the airship moved on, they hurried to the scene of the havoc.

In the midst of the excitement the aeroplane dropped three more bombs. One landed among a herd of cows pastured on the Anteuil race course. One cow was killed and others toppled over stunned. A third bomb fell in Rue Vineuse, and a fourth in Rue de la Pompo, a quarter in which many Americans live. Comparatively little damage was done in either instance.

### New French Gun Kills Without Apparent Wounds

London.—Confirming in a degree the strange stories told of withering death dealt by a new explosive used by French artillery, the Standard correspondent has written from Dieppe:

"A visit to the field battle of the Marne shows the devastating power of the French three-inch gun to be something of which we hitherto had not dreamed. Entire sections and companies of Germans have been struck off by simultaneous thunderbolts, reminding one of nothing so much as the wholesale extinction of the populations of Heracleum and Pompeii."

"On the borders of one of the forests a company of Prussian infantry at bivouac laid out as if surprised by the fire. Two sentinels are still grasping their rifles, and a little way off a messenger lies by himself. Further on, an officer on guard lies a few yards from his men with loosened belts and lying in their blankets. Two of them still hold playing cards in their hands."

"These sleeping and those waking were swept out of life together, without apparently having had time to move."

"Even more extraordinary is another group of 50 dead lying about a small haystack, as if in sleep, their rifles stacked and their knapsacks arranged in orderly heaps."

### Cholera Cases in Hungary Proved by Bacteriologists

London.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company from Rome says that a message received there from Vienna says that government bacteriologists have definitely established the presence of Asiatic cholera among the 70,000 wounded in the hospitals of Vienna.

Rome.—Dispatches from the Austrian frontier say the spread of cholera, especially in Hungary and Galicia, is causing anxiety. Lazarettos here being prepared to prevent the spread of the disease.

### Americans in No Hurry.

Paris.—There are still between 800 and 900 Americans in Switzerland, according to the latest estimate. Most of those remaining belong to the wealthy class and are in no hurry to go home. At Basel German and French Red Cross officers were exchanged and will return to their respective countries. The interchange was supervised by Swiss officers. The French and Germans held a friendly meeting, exchanging cards, drinking the health of one another and discussing their war experiences.

### Prisoners of War III.

Paris.—Telegrams from Budapest indicate that most alarm is felt here regarding the health situation, since numerous cases of dysentery are officially admitted to exist among prisoners of war interned in various parts of Hungary. Wounded Austrian officers from Galizia unanimously agree that the Russian artillery fire is extraordinarily good, especially that of the Kiev corps.

### Villa Demands Resignation of Gen. Carranza

Chihuahua, Mex.—The immediate resignation of Carranza as first chief of the constitutionalists is the only basis on which General Francisco Villa will agree to the settlement of difficulties between himself and Carranza. This was his reply to messages of officials in Mexico City who protested against his attitude towards Carranza. Villa declared he never would accept Carranza as head of the republic. His reply, as given out here follows:

"I lament the circumstances that have brought about grave danger, but I sincerely protest that my sole ambition will be to arrange existing difficulties without shedding blood if possible. "I emphatically declare, however, that the only move that can bring about cessation of hostilities on my part is that Venustiano Carranza deliver supreme command to Fernando Iglesias Calderon so that, in the shortest possible time, elections may be called. At the same time I declare I shall not accept Carranza as president or vice president or president ad interim of the republic. "I shall prove the rectitude of my intentions and the disinterestedness which animates the force of this division. Later the world will realize where rests true disinterestedness and where abortive ambitions."

### CHANGING THE FRONTIER



After waiting 40 years the French finally had a chance at the German frontier marks along the Alsace-Lorraine border, and it did not take them long to tear down the signs that bore the black eagle and the words "Deutsches Reich."

### Food Shortage in Europe Predicted by Lord Milner

London.—A timely warning to prepare against an inevitable shortage in the world's supply of foodstuffs is given by Lord Milner, who points out that although the present harvest is abundant, an immense decrease in production in 1915 must result from the fact that all the able-bodied males of France, Germany, Austria and Russia are now engaged in fighting.

Of the 650,000,000 quarters of wheat and rye annually produced throughout the world 350,000,000 come from these countries, and other producing countries cannot possibly make up the deficiency.

Lord Milner predicts that in the latter half of next year, if not before, all nations which live on wheat and rye will be competing fiercely for a share in the diminishing supply. He adds: "We may hope that our own country will be better placed than its neighbors to obtain, at some price to avert famine. But there can be no certainty of this, and in any case, being as we fortunately are, in a better position than other countries involved in the war, to turn our land to full account, it is surely a matter of extreme necessity to use every acre, which can profitably be employed in that manner, for the production of the most necessary of all foodstuffs."

Further ought, says Lord Milner, to rise to the emergency of their own accord. They have it in their power, not only to save the country from imminent catastrophe, but at the same time to benefit themselves if they will only act with promptitude.

### Philippine Measure Up.

Washington, D. C.—Ultimate independence of the Philippines is proposed in the Jones bill, consideration of which began in the house Monday, under a special ruling allowing unlimited amendment and 12 hours' general debate. Republicans, declaring it was unwise legislation at this time because of the European war. Debate probably will last all next week. Representative Garrett advocated the bill as carrying out of the Democratic pledge to the Filipinos of a representative government for the islands.

### Kaiser's Fifth Son III.

Berlin.—Prince Oscar, the emperor's fifth son, it was announced Tuesday, is suffering from a heart affection, due to his exertions in the field, and has been obliged to leave his regiment. He is under the care of physicians at Metz. The empress received a letter from the emperor in which he referred optimistically to the situation.

### Chicago Egg Prices Low.

Chicago.—Five cases of strictly fresh eggs were sold here Monday to as many different buyers at 24 cents, according to J. E. Mitchell, president of the Chicago Butter & Egg board.

### ORDER WIRELESS STATION CLOSED

Navy Acts Regardless of Litigation as to Rights.

Contention Is That President Has Full Authority to Enforce Strict Neutrality.

Washington, D. C.—By order of President Wilson and with the assistance of the army and navy, the wireless station of the Marconi company at Siasconset, Mass., was closed Saturday because it declined to recognize the right of the Federal government to exercise a censorship over the plant.

The Navy department took no cognizance of the fact that the Marconi company had filed in a Federal court an application for an injunction to restrain the naval officers from closing or censoring the station. The wireless company finally decided to offer no resistance and the station was closed at 1 p. m.

The Navy department made public the telegrams that had passed between the department and Ensign E. B. Nixon, U. S. N., in charge at the Siasconset station. The statement follows:

"At 1:23 p. m. the Navy department received the following message from Ensign Nixon, government inspector at the Siasconset station:

"Siasconset, Mass., Sept. 26, 1914.—The following letter was received when your instructions were delivered to the Marconi man in charge of this station:

"I acknowledge receipt of your letter of instructions relative to the cessation of all radio communications at Siasconset, Mass., and would ask if you are prepared to carry out your orders by force."

"Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company of America."

"I request instructions."

"E. C. NIXON."

"At 2:17 p. m. the department received the following:

"Siasconset, Mass., Sept. 26—Secretary of the Navy, Washington, D. C.—The Marconi company withdraws letter previously sent and the station was closed at 1 p. m. E. B. NIXON."

### Disabled Battleships Must Be Left to Own Resources

London.—The facts concerning the sinking of the British cruisers Aboukir, Hogue and Crossby by a German submarine or submarines in the North Sea with a loss of nearly 60 officers and 1400 men are contained in an admiralty statement just issued.

The reports of Commanders Nicholson, of the Crossby, and Norton, of the Hogue, say that the Aboukir was hit by one torpedo and sank in 35 minutes. Three torpedoes were fired at the Crossby, one of the explosives missing narrowly. She lasted from 35 to 45 minutes. The Hogue was struck twice, 10 to 20 seconds elapsing between the torpedoes, and went under in five minutes.

The Crossby fired on the submarine and some of the officers were confident that the shots sank her. Commander Nicholson says that the three torpedoes directed against the ship might have been fired by the same submarine and that there is no real proof that more than one was engaged.

The reports show that the strictest discipline was maintained and that acts of heroism were performed, but the admiralty has established the rule that such affairs must be governed by the same laws as prevail in naval actions and that disabled ships must be left to their own resources rather than that other ships should be placed in jeopardy by rescue work.

### Roosevelt's Voice Weak.

St. Louis.—Theodore Roosevelt denounced the Republican and Democratic parties in a 30-minute speech here Sunday night. His voice was weak, and within 10 minutes almost half of the huge audience in the National Guard's armory departed, realizing that the ex-president could not send his words across the full length of the hall. "The policy of the Republican party," he said, "is such as to make some men prosper too much. The policy of the Democrats is such as to make no man prosper enough."

### Portland Airman Missing.

Los Angeles.—Search was instituted late Saturday night at Coast points near here for trace of Elias Christoffersen, Portland aviator; C. French, mechanic; and Lieutenant Morrow, of the government aviation school at San Diego, who attempted a flight in an aeroplane from San Diego to Los Angeles. The aeroplane was last sighted during the afternoon flying over the water near Newport Beach. The machine was not equipped with pontoons.

### Bishop Spalding Killed.

Salt Lake City.—Bishop F. S. Spalding, head of the Episcopal church in Utah, was instantly killed here Saturday when an automobile in which he was riding struck a curb and overturned. Bishop Spalding's skull was badly fractured and his neck broken. The car was driven by a young daughter of Judge William H. King, who is one of the best-known Democratic politicians in the West and ex-representative in congress from this district.