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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.

A cherry tree at White Salmon, Wash., yields 1071 pounds of fruit.

The sudden onrush of Russians on the East front amazes the Germans.

The French take Hill 97, which dominates the Somme, a point of vantage.

The winter wheat crop of for the Northwest is estimated at 23,000,000 bushels less than in 1915.

The funeral of Lieutenant Adair, killed in the Carrizal battle in Mexico, was held in Portland Wednesday with military honors.

Major U. G. McAlexander, of O. A. C., has been promoted by President Wilson to the rank of lieutenant-colonel of the Oregon troops on the border.

The Union Pacific decides to cut the lumber freight to Eastern points 5 cents, making the tariff 45 cents per hundred pounds, instead of 50 cents. The change is due September 1.

General Smuts, in command of the British forces in German East Africa, has occupied Tanga, according to a statement issued by the war office. The Germans offered only slight resistance.

No trace of J. F. Gillies, the embassier of Washington state funds, who escaped from the Thurston county jail Sunday, has been found. He is thought to be eluding the law in feminine apparel.

Captain Koenig, of the submarine which successfully ran the British blockade and landed in Baltimore Sunday, declares many more such craft are being built and will be put into the service of carrying commerce.

An Amsterdam dispatch says that Dr. Frederick W. K. von Ilberg died in Berlin Sunday. Dr. von Ilberg had the special case of the throat affection from which the German emperor has suffered for many years and was one of the emperor's most intimate friends.

The Dagens Nyheder, at Copenhagen, announces that a sea battle is believed to have occurred in the Baltic outside of Haefrings on Sunday night. Violent cannonading was heard from several points on the coast and it is presumed that the German and Russian patrolling squadrons clashed.

According to the London morning papers it probably will be well into the year 1917 before the new Irish parliament is set up. Little can be done other than the introduction of the bill before Parliament rises early in August for a recess of some six to eight weeks, so that the passage of the bill is not likely before late in October.

German casualties from the beginning of the war to the end of June, as computed from official German lists, are given as 3,012,637. These figures include all German nationalities. They do not include naval casualties or casualties of colonial troops. They are not an estimate made by the British authorities, but merely casualties announced in German official lists.

Russian army in Turkey retires 80 miles in Baghdad region to await cooler weather.

The new Swiss war loan of 100,000,000 francs at 4 per cent, issued at 97, has been oversubscribed by 51,000,000 francs.

Admiral Jellicoe, of the British navy, reporting on the North Sea naval battle, estimates the Germans lost 21 ships.

A new project for saving life at the time of naval engagements is reported from Copenhagen. It is said several prominent Danes intend to organize a fleet of several hundred motor boats along the west coast of Jutland. These boats, flying the Red Cross flag, will be sent out to pick up the wounded after each sea battle.

Petitions carrying 75,000 names in support of initiative No. 24, which authorizes the operation of breweries and sale of beer direct to consumers, were filed with the secretary of state of Washington. It is estimated that 50,000 of the petitioners will be found qualified to sign, while the law needs only 32,000 signatures to place on the ballot.

Vienna admits defeat of the Austrians, when they were driven back nearly five miles from their positions.

Theodore Tobiasson, owner of a millinery store in Spokane, was shot and killed in his store by Alphonse Pansiers. Pansiers, according to the police, said Tobiasson owed him \$5000.

It is understood that the report that Sir Edward Grey, the English foreign secretary, is to be raised to the peerage, is correct, and that in fact he already has accepted such an offer. A baronetcy of the United Kingdom probably will be conferred upon him.

New Supreme Court Member and Wife.



ASSOCIATE JUSTICE BRANDIS AND MRS. BRANDIS. This photograph shows Associate Justice Louis D. Brandeis for the first time in his robes of office.

GERMAN SUBMARINE IS ENTERED AS MERCHANTMAN

Baltimore—The daring German seaman who brought the submarine merchantman Deutschland across the Atlantic slept quietly aboard their vessel which lay moored to a carefully screened pier guarded by a strong squad of Baltimore police. Captain Paul Koenig, the skipper, had delivered his papers to the North German Lloyd office, entered his vessel at the custom-house as a commerce carrier, and had presented to a German embassy official a packet of correspondence for von Bernstorff.

Now the submarine is ready to discharge her million-dollar cargo of dye-stuffs and take on board for the return trip to Germany metal and rubber needed by the emperor's armies and navy.

The return merchandise is waiting on the dock, and the time for leaving port will depend largely on plans for eluding vigilant enemy cruisers expected to be waiting outside the entrance of Chesapeake Bay for the reappearance of the vessel.

OMNIBUS REVENUE BILL PASSES HOUSE, INCREASING INCOME TAX

Washington, D. C.—The administration omnibus revenue bill, creating a tariff commission, imposing a protective tariff on dyestuffs, repealing present stamp taxes and providing for new taxes on incomes, inheritances and war munitions profits, passed the house late Monday by a vote of 240 to 140.

During the closing hours of debate several amendments, providing for elimination of the bankers' tax and modifying the tariff commission section, were adopted over the opposition of Democratic leaders.

The amendments cut the salaries of members of the tariff commission from \$10,000 to \$7500 annually; struck out the provision under which no member or former member of congress could serve on the commission, and provided a single appropriation of \$300,000 to pay expenses of the commission the first year, instead of the bill's stipulation of a continuing annual appropriation of that amount. The entire section levying a tax of \$1 for each \$1000 of capital, surplus and undivided profits held by bankers was stricken out.

Many amendments proposed by the ways and means committee also were adopted, including one under which cigarette manufacturers must pay a special tax of 3 cents for every 10,000 cigarettes.

Growers Steal Berry Pickers.

Tacoma, Wash.—Wholesale brigandage exists in the Puyallup valley. Berry pickers worth their weight in gold are the booty; respectable citizens and fellow-members of co-operative associations are the brigands. The human spoil, with all its goods and chattels, children and dogs, sport shirts and scalloped skirts, is carried away in highpowered automobiles to berry patches, where the pickers are watched like prisoners of war.

H. Shepherd, of Alderton, was one of the heaviest sufferers Tuesday, for he lost 1000 dollars worth of berries.

Banks' Opinions Differ.

New York—A wide divergence of opinion among the banks of the country as to whether the Federal reserve act has been successful after a year's operation is shown in a report issued Tuesday by a New York trust company, which has completed a nationwide survey of the attitude of banks toward the act. More than 5000 replies were received to the queries sent out, 1760 of them being favorable, 1773 unfavorable, and 1811 noncommittal.

King of Annam Deposed.

Paris—Duy-Tan, the 16-year-old king of the French protectorate of Annam, on the China sea, has been deposed as a result of a revolt of Annamites at Quang-Ngai, which he has been accused of having fomented. The governor general of French Indo-China reports that the outbreak was suppressed quickly and the king arrested near Hue. He is succeeded by Prince Bun-Dao, who has just been crowned king in his stead.

NEWS ITEMS Of General Interest About Oregon

Buyers' Week Dates Are August 7 to 12 Inclusive

The fourth annual Buyers' Week to be held in Portland has been fixed for August 7 to 12, for the convenience of Northwest merchants. Invitations are ready to be sent to all the merchandising trade territory, where Portland jobbers and manufacturers maintain affiliations.

Plans for the event are being worked out by the arrangements committee of that city and it is intended to mix business and pleasure in most alluring proportions.

Following the outline of the highly successful Buyers' Week of 1915, the work of preparing for the 1916 Buyers' Week visitors will be in the hands of the trade and commerce bureau of the Chamber of Commerce, of which Nathan Strauss is chairman.

It is believed that the forthcoming Buyers' Week will attract a much larger attendance than any of its three predecessors.

The number of buyers has grown each year, and the territory they represent has spread, so that the annual Buyers' Week has become one of the fixed institutions of the city. Portland jobbers and manufacturers get together with their retail friends from upstate, downstate, across the river and east of the Cascades for a week of profitable conferences.

Neither the out-of-town merchant or the representatives of the big merchandising establishments of the city would permit Buyers' Week to be thrown overboard.

County Courts Decide to Push Work on Dixie Mountain Road

Baker—Meeting at the dividing line of Grant and Baker counties at Austin, 57 miles west of here, Tuesday afternoon, members of the County courts of the two counties decided to push the work on the Dixie Mountain that will give a thoroughfare connecting the counties. The road on the Grant county side was found in worse shape than that on this side of the line, but this the Grant County court consented to remedy at once, with the ultimate idea of building a road along the John Day river from Susanville, touching at the Dixie Meadows mine, which will make a much safer grade than that on the road now in use.

In regard to the state highway, following the John Day river and connecting Baker, Grant and Malheur counties, the Grant county commissioners announced that they will push preliminary survey. It was ascertained that the United States Forestry department would pay the greater part of the survey in Baker county. No arrangements were made as to how the balance of the expense could be met.

Mills To Pay Families.

Oregon City—Families of guardsmen who were employed in the local mills of the Crown-Willamette Paper company will be cared for by the mill as long as the Oregon soldiers are away from home. Mill officials have found 11 families which were left by guardsmen employed in the local plant. The money will be paid to the wives of the men, the mill giving 26 days' pay a month, less \$15 paid by the government to the soldiers. The Crown-Willamette mills and the Hawley Pulp & Paper company are holding jobs open for men now at the border.

Bond Issue Carries.

Medford—By a vote of nearly 3 to 1—1009 for and 366 against—the people of Medford Monday approved the contract with Mr. Bullis for the construction of a railroad to the Blue Ledge mine, just over the California line, about 36 miles from Medford. The Blue Ledge boosters celebrated their victory by a parade of automobiles with tooting horns through the streets, bright with red lights, led by the Medford band. Leaders of the movement were serenaded and speeches were made on the street by enthusiastic citizens.

Forces To Be Combined.

Bandon—Roderick L. Macleay, manager of the Wedderburn Trading company, which a few months ago purchased the Fishermen's Co-operative Cannery, on the Lower Coquille river, announces that forces of the local plant at Wedderburn, on Rogue River are to be combined. This is made possible by the fact that the salmon do not commence to run here until after the season is over on the Rogue.

Improvements and additions to the local plant are being made in preparation for the fall season.

Corporations Are Formed.

Salem—The Peninsula Lumber company, of Portland, which in the past has been operating in Oregon as a Wisconsin corporation, organized as an Oregon corporation with a capital of \$1,000,000. The old corporation will withdraw from business in the state. Officers of the new company are: Charles A. Hart, G. C. Frisbie and F. C. Knapp, of Portland.

The North Pacific Shipbuilding company, capitalized at \$100,000, was incorporated here, with headquarters in Portland.

RED CROSS TO AID IN N. Y. EPIDEMIC

Health Authorities Send Out Appeal for More Trained Nurses.

CAUSE OF DISEASE MYSTERIOUS

Frantic Mothers Interne Children in Tenement Homes—45 Cases Found Outside Gotham.

New York—An appeal to the American Red Cross for nurses to aid in stamping out the scourge of infantile paralysis here, which, since June 1, has caused the 196 deaths among children, was made Saturday by Health Commissioner Emerson. There are not enough trained nurses available in New York to handle the work, he said, and it had been found necessary to ask aid of the chief of the Red Cross bureau of nursing at Washington. It was intimated that several hundred workers were needed.

The call for help was sent out after a day devoted by health authorities and the most prominent physicians of the Greater City to a discussion of means by which the spread of the disease can be checked. Some encouragement was found in the fact that fewer new cases were reported Friday than on Thursday or Wednesday.

All the medical men agreed, however, that only by unrelenting vigilance and the strict enforcement of every known sanitary precaution could the epidemic be kept within bounds.

Another serious phase of the situation was reported by the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor, which has found that in the congested districts of the city frightened mothers have interned their children in their tenement homes, in many instances with windows closed. Such action, it was pointed out, is likely to have serious effects, not only on the children, but on adults as well.

Children's reading rooms in the public libraries have been ordered closed as a precautionary measure, and the order barring children from moving picture theaters will not be modified until conditions improve. Playgrounds in various parts of the city were ordered closed earlier in the day.

Japan and Russia Agree on China; Open Door Policy Not Endangered

Tokio—The Japanese foreign office Saturday announced as the substance of the Russo-Japanese convention signed at Petrograd on July 3, the following:

First—Japan will take part in no arrangement or political combination directed against Russia. Russia will take part in no arrangement or political combination directed against Japan.

Second—In case the territorial rights or special interests in the Far East of one of the contracting parties which are recognized by the other contracting party are menaced, Japan and Russia will consult each other on measures to adopt with a view to supporting or extending assistance for the safeguarding and defense of these rights and interests.

To a question from the Associated Press representative as to what effect the alliance would have upon the open door and the integrity of China, the foreign office replied:

"The convention is effectually an emphasis upon and an extension of the Anglo-Japanese alliance based upon the territorial integrity of China, whose open door and integrity are not endangered. American trade and interests are in no wise affected."

Road Appeals to Its Men.

San Francisco—The Southern Pacific company ordered posted in depots and engine houses throughout its system an appeal to its 52,500 employes to use their influence to avert a threatened strike of engineers, firemen, conductors, trainmen and switchmen. The poster says that strike ballots have been sent out to the members of the unions threatening to strike, who constitute 13 1/2 per cent of its employes. The company asks the men who receive the ballots to vote against the strike.

King Congratulates Men.

London—The following message was sent by King George to General Sir Douglas Haig, commanding the British troops on the Franco-Belgian front: "Please convey to the army under your command my sincere congratulations on the results achieved in the recent fighting. I am proud of my troops. None could have fought more bravely." General Haig, in reply, said: "All ranks will do their utmost to deserve Your Majesty's confidence and praise."

Carranza Troops Pursuing Bandits.

Chihuahua City—Large Carranza forces, better organized and more completely equipped than any other units of the de facto government troops, Saturday were closing in on the bandits of Southern Chihuahua and Northern Durango, intent on wiping them out. Jimenez, which the Villistas captured after defeating an inferior force and killing General Ignacio Ramos, has been occupied again by government troops.

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