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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.

Seven hundred thousand workers in New York are said to be ready to strike in sympathy with the streetcar men.

More than 700 vessels have been added to the fleets flying the American flag in foreign trade in the two years ended June 30, 1916.

The British steamers Llangors E. Buttow and Swedish Prince have been sunk by submarines. The crews of the vessels were saved.

A purchase of 300,000,000 feet of timber has been made by the Oregon Lumber company, near Baker, Ore., and a new mill will be built.

Armenians in Asia Minor who took refuge in Aleppo when exiled recently by the Turks, now have been ordered to leave the new locality, according to dispatches to the State department.

Two buildings, including the stockhouse of the International Cement company's plant at Irvine, Wash., were destroyed by fire Monday. The loss was \$100,000, covered by insurance.

Surprise raids on two alleged gambling houses in San Francisco, maintained, according to the police, in two hotels in the so-called downtown Tenderloin district, resulted in the arrest of 230 men.

The Cooks and Waiters' union has filed a suit for \$300,000 damages against the Law and Order committee of the San Francisco chamber of commerce, alleging it has formed a conspiracy in violation of the penal code.

One of the largest sales of the year was consummated in Pendleton, Or., when Henry Bain, of Havana Station, disposed of his fine 600-acre Umatilla county farm to Elmer McCormack, a prominent young farmer, for \$60,000.

The employes of all the big German banks hold special meeting to discuss the cost of living. They adopted unanimously a resolution asking directors of all Berlin banks for an appreciable increase in salaries, that the employes may be able to make both ends meet.

Frost fell over the Great Lakes region Sunday night, according to reports to the Weather bureau. The frost extended as far south as Northern Tennessee. A heavy snowfall, with temperatures ranging from 24 to 28 degrees, was reported from Hibbing, Minn.

Florina, an important town in Northwestern Macedonia, is carried by assault by French troops, according to an official statement. The Bulgarians are retiring in disorder in the direction of Monastir, the statement adds. Serbian troops also have gained success in the region of Lake Ostrovo.

A general strike of longshoremen on the Atlantic Coast in sympathy with the striking longshoremen on the Pacific Coast will be urged upon the international officers of the union, it was announced by J. A. Madsen, of Portland, secretary-treasurer of the Pacific Coast district, International Longshoremen's association of America.

British railway trainmen hold out for 10 shillings advance in pay.

To the high cost of living is now added the high cost of being barbered. On and after an early date it will cost half a dollar for a haircut in San Francisco. The Barber Shop Proprietors' association, at a meeting held recently decided to raise from 35 cents to the higher figure the price of haircutting.

A number of young society men of Chihuahua City have been sentenced by Acting Governor Trevino to serve as street sweepers for 20 days. They were found guilty of disturbing the night's rest of the household of the father of Governor Ignacio Enriquez while serenading the town after a dance.

"Mary," the big circus elephant which killed her trainer at Kingsport, Tenn., recently, was hanged at Erwin. A railroad derrick car was used in the execution. The animal was forced to the tracks by other elephants, heavy chains were tied around her neck and she was hoisted in the air. She was valued at \$20,000 by her owners.

The mining town, You Bet, Cal., is swept by fire.

Returns from Thursday's elections in British Columbia, indicated that women have been given the right to vote and that prohibition has been adopted.

The Turkish government consents to shipment of relief supplies from the United States to famine sufferers in Syria. The action reverses the previous attitude of Turkish officials who had refused two urgent pleas by the department for the privilege to make shipments.

STREETCAR STRIKERS IN RIOT OVERPOWER NEW YORK POLICE

New York—The most serious rioting since the transit strike in this city began two weeks ago occurred Tuesday night in various sections of Manhattan when attempts were made to run cars on the Forty-second and Fifty-ninth street cross-town surface lines. Mobs of strikers and their sympathizers stormed two car barns, overpowered the police and put to flight all railway employes in the vicinity.

Several motormen and conductors who had not joined the strike were beaten. Much property damage was done before police reserves arrived.

The police assert that the strikers took advantage of the fact that many policemen were detailed to polling booths in the primary election. The strikers apparently planned their attacks, it was said, as disorders occurred in many places at the same time.

At Forty-second street and Broadway, one of the busiest spots in the city, a large crowd bombarded a car with stones they had gathered from a subway excavation.

The police reported late in the day that all surface cars had been ordered to the barns.

Numerous arrests were made and many of the rioters were clubbed. Several passengers were hurt by missiles.

Later, the strikers attacked the elevated trains from housetops with bottles and bricks. Policemen then were stationed on the roofs along elevated routes.

After a citizens' committee had failed to effect a basis of settlement between the striking union car men and their employers, it was announced that apparently the only hope of averting a threatened sympathetic walkout of 700,000 workers, set for Friday, lies in a final appeal to be made to the labor leaders. The citizens' committee probably will confer with Mayor Mitchell and Oscar S. Straus, chairman of the public service commission in an effort to find some solution of the problem.

Fewer Irish Go Insane.

Dublin—Insanity in Ireland has lately shown a decrease, chiefly among women. This is something new, as Ireland's statistics for insanity have always been unusually high. The superintendent of the asylum at Belfast declares the reason is due entirely to the improved standard of living and to the restrictions on the liquor traffic. Many who lived in poverty are now in comparative luxury. There are solid grounds for hope that, especially among women, Ireland will witness a great diminution of neurotic disorders.

Rebel Drum is Returned.

Richmond, Va.—North and South shock hands Wednesday in the White House of the Confederacy, now a museum of the Confederate Memorial Literary society, when the Worcester Continentals returned a Confederate drum captured on a battlefield near Winchester, Va. Crowds lined the streets and cheered as the Continentals, escorted by the two battalions of militia remaining in the mobilization camp here, marched up with the drum.

Train Burned by Bandits.

El Paso, Tex.—An American arriving from the interior of Mexico said that on September 9, bandits captured a southbound passenger train on the Mexican National line about 35 miles south of Torreon. After robbing the passengers and taking such clothing as they had, he said they burned the train.

Famous Diplomat is Dead.

Chicago—William J. Calhoun, ex-minister to China, died late Tuesday at his residence here. Mr. Calhoun was 68 years old. He had been in ill health for some months, having been stricken with paralysis, and thereafter a complication of ailments set in. Mr. Calhoun gained fame as a diplomat through his mission to Cuba just pending the war with Spain and as special commissioner to Venezuela for President Roosevelt.

Rifle Plant to Resume.

Rock Island, Ill.—The small arms plant at Rock Island is to be opened September 25 and the government wants workers. Congress at its recent session passed an appropriation which will enable the plant, which has been discontinued since 1912, to resume operations. Rifles are to be manufactured. It is expected that at least 300 men will have work in this department alone.

Polar Party Heard From.

New York—News of the relief party headed by Dr. Edmund Otis Hovey, which was dispatched by the American Museum of Natural history to help the McMillan Crocker Land expedition, was received here Tuesday. Dr. Hovey wrote July 10 from Parker Snow Bay, Greenland, that he was starting for North Star Bay and that the entire expedition was in good health. From North Star Bay he planned to go to Battle Harbor.

Tide Wave Wrecks Ship.

San Juan, Porto Rico.—The four-masted schooner J. Holmes Birdsall, of Philadelphia, laden with coal, was washed on the rocks at the entrance to the harbor here Tuesday by a ground swell and was abandoned by her crew. The loss will reach \$200,000 and is covered by insurance.

ENGLAND PROPOSES GRADE OF TARIFFS

Whole World Would Be Divided Into Groups for Commerce.

FREE TRADE RULE ABANDONED

British Chamber of Commerce Urges New Plan—"Most-Favored-Nation" Clause Eliminated.

Washington, D. C.—Division of the world into economic strata separated by tariff walls and classified as allies of the British empire, friendly neutrals, unfriendly neutrals and enemy countries, is urged by the London Chamber of Commerce. To clear the ground for this world reconstruction the chamber concludes in a special report, a copy of which has just been received here, that abrogation of all "most-favored-nation" treaties, including that with the United States, is inevitable.

Free trade would be abandoned and a series of graded tariffs proposed in line with the present war groupings of the nations.

All imports would be divided as follows: Wholly manufactured goods, semi-manufactured goods and articles solely used as raw material in industries, manufactured foodstuffs and raw foodstuffs. All parts of the British empire and its allies would pay minimum duties; friendly neutrals which allow the United Kingdom most favored treatment would pay twice as much; other neutrals, giving preference to other powers and including neutrals which might swing into the Teutonic commercial system would pay a still greater tax; and all "enemy" countries would pay the maximum duties, running up as high as 30 per cent.

Roughly it is estimated in the report that this change from free trade to protection would net a yearly revenue of about \$375,000,000.

Every precaution is urged in the report to assuage neutral nations to prevent them from making commercial alliances with enemy countries after the war. The difficulties are spoken of as follows:

"It must also be remembered that our allies have tariff arrangements still in force with other foreign countries which it is assumed must be abrogated before any preferential trade arrangements can be made with the British empire as a whole. In addition, the United Kingdom has 'most-favored-nation' clauses with certain foreign countries, including the United States. There, it is assumed, would have to be terminated, with or without compensatory advantages."

Villa Attacks Chihuahua City; Meets Defeat and Heavy Losses

Mexico City—General Obregon, minister of war, announces that a thousand followers of Francisco Villa, who attacked Chihuahua Friday night, were routed early Saturday morning with a loss of several hundred men killed and many captured. After the battle General Trevino's troops participated in the Independence Day parade Saturday morning. In the fighting General Trevino was slightly wounded in the shoulder.

Attacked by some of the townspeople, the Villa forces attacked at 11 o'clock Friday night and took the penitentiary and the municipal and federal palaces. General Trevino recaptured the public buildings and completely defeated the attackers in the early morning light. The captured men will be tried by courtmartial.

General Obregon has sent a message of congratulation to General Trevino. Several of the captured men already have been tried by courtmartial and put to death.

Normal conditions prevailed at Chihuahua Sunday.

The details of the defeat of Villa forces aroused enthusiasm here.

Idaho Gets \$147,614 Check.

Boise, Idaho.—The last chapter in the treasury steal was written this week when the state depository board accepted from the National Surety company a check for \$147,614.91, representing the state's loss. The National Surety company was surety on the \$200,000 bond of O. V. Allen, defaulting state treasurer. After an examination of the treasury books the total shortage, including the money Allen and his deputy, Fred M. Coleman, stole, and interest, was compiled and mit brought against the company.

Guiteau's Attacker Dies.

Washington, D. C.—William Jones, 65, widely known as "Bill Jones, the Avenger," because he shot at Charles J. Guiteau, assassin of President Garfield, in 1881, died here Sunday. Guiteau was being taken from the court house to the district jail in a carriage when Jones rode up on a horse and fired at him. The shot went wild and Jones was arrested. He was held for some time, but was finally released.

NEWS ITEMS Of General Interest About Oregon

Many Paroled Men Make Good Showing

Salem—Men paroled from the Oregon penitentiary under the plan pursued by the present administration have more than justified the confidence placed in them by making good, according to Joseph Keller, state parole officer.

With the new system now followed in the release of convicts on parole, they are first provided with employment, and reports made by them to the parole officer show that during the last year paroled men earned a total of \$56,614.86. At the present time there are 326 men on parole. Thirty-one were recommended by the parole board to Governor Withycombe for executive clemency this month. Of this number 26 were recommended for parole. Officer Keller said that he had found work for nearly all of these prisoners.

Since the passage of the parole law in 1911, the records show that 711 prisoners have been paroled. The percentage of parole violations during this time has been 29, and 25 per cent during the present administration.

Of the 711 paroled men in the last six years, 173 have been discharged after having demonstrated that they had made good outside the prison. In the same period 76 parole violators have been returned to the penitentiary, and 136 violators were not returned.

Start Building Logging Road to Timber Tract

Sutherlin—Two carloads of railroad grading machinery arrived in Sutherlin from Portland Tuesday, and grading on the Sutherlin line to the Roach company's timber, 15 miles east of here, will commence at once. The grade stakes were set during the past week by a crew of Roeburg engineers. Workmen are busy establishing a camp six miles east of town.

The work on the grade to the upper sawmill site, a distance of eight miles, will be completed within the next six weeks. From 25 to 30 teams will be employed at the outset, and the work will be under the direct supervision of the timber company. The engine will be sent to the boundary of Roach company's 50,000-acre tract immediately. From that point the logging branch of the road will stake into the heart of the best timber an additional six miles, making the distance from Sutherlin to the logging camp to be established a total of 21 miles.

Canneries Need Workers.

The Dalles—The fruit and vegetable preserving industries of this city badly hampered by the lack of labor. The companies are not in position to handle all the output of this vicinity as a result. The Libby-McNeill-Libby plant is working with only half a crew, which is all they can muster. They are busy on Bartlett pears, carrots and peaches. The Dr.-Fresh company also is working short, suffering from a labor famine. They are evaporating peaches, pears and prunes, but will be unable to handle all that they wish to.

University of Oregon Enters Class of Large Universities

University of Oregon, Eugene—The university this year is rounding the turn between the medium-sized and the large state university. The residence enrollment in liberal arts and sciences will show a one-eighth increase and will reach one thousand for the year, and this figure, combined with the enrollment in other departments, will give a total registration of about nineteen hundred. The university will thus be in the upper half of the forty-eight state universities in point of attendance.

The increase of attendance during hard times is due to the improved standards which are keeping Oregon students at home and to new work offered in commerce, journalism, and other departments.

Power Plant Proposed.

Klamath Falls—The waters of Link river within the city of Klamath Falls are to be used and a mammoth dam constructed across the head of the river, according to plans of the United States reclamation service. This is to be accomplished by leasing the right on the river.

The reclamation service has been planning for the development of the vast water power now going to waste, but, on account of lack of appropriation, the government is unable to do the work itself.

Tygh Valley Fair Success.

The Dalles—The Tygh Valley Fair came to a close Friday, ending in a grand ball. Fully 1000 patrons were on the grounds each day. The racing program was excellent and included several good size purses. Thursday was the Dalles day and about 30 autos from The Dalles were there. The stock show drew an immense crowd and the fact that the section can raise fine blooded stock was proved by the number of thoroughbreds exhibited. The School Fair was a special feature.

ENGLAND TIGHTENS ON NEUTRAL TRADE

Acceptance of American Shipments by Overseas Trust Not to Be Allowed.

ASSURANCE OF DELIVERY DENIED

United States Exports to Holland and Scandinavian Countries Are Affected by Latest Order.

London—The plan of rationing the neutral countries of Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Holland, under which no further licenses will be granted for the present to British exporters, has been extended to apply to the United States by the expedient of refusing to allow 'The Netherlands' Overseas Trust to accept further American consignments and by declining to grant letters of assurance for American shipments destined for these countries.

In consequence American shipments for Holland will be stopped absolutely, while the regular transportation companies trading between the United States and Scandinavia will not take cargoes without assurance of their innocent destination by the British authorities.

Furthermore, tramp steamers are hardly likely to risk the inevitable landing in the prize court of any cargo they might accept.

Neutral diplomats here believe two reasons induced the British government to take this action. The first is the simplicity of the plan, which enables the government to control supplies at the source. The second is the growing bill with which Great Britain is now pressed by neutral governments for demurrage and other expenses incurred by taking suspected ships into Kirkwall and other ports for examination.

Another blockade measure is the recent arrangement under which bureaus were set up in England and France

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