

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.

King Constantine of Greece is ready
to declare war on Bulgaria.

Pendleton, Or., where market is
practically at a standstill on account
of the shortage of cars.

The Southern Pacific railroad has
opened a special office in Portland to
look after the freight car shortage.

Work progresses rapidly on the Ore-
gon-Washington interstate bridge, and
the opening in the near future seems
certain.

The American Bankers' Association
is alarmed over the report that live-
stock production is not keeping pace
with the demand.

Floods have made breaches in the
river levees in the Melbourne region
of Australia, inundating 100 square
miles of country. The town of Mor-
pox has been virtually submerged.

The threatened sympathetic strike
of New York unions to aid the street-
car men did not materialize as sched-
uled, but leaders assert that many
thousands have quietly quit their jobs.

German aviators again dropped a
great number of bombs on Bucharest,
according to German official state-
ment. This adds that several points
of the Roumanian capital "are still
burning as the result of our previous
attack."

Attacks by entente aircraft on four-
dries in Luxembourg are declared by
the newspaper Obermael to be unjusti-
fied. Luxembourg, it declares, stands
ready to furnish ammunition to any
customer. It cites Switzerland and
the United States as in a similar posi-
tion.

A census of Prussian livestock, the
Overseas News Agency announces,
shows an increase of 2,000,000 hogs
during the period from June 1 to Sep-
tember 1 of the current year. The
number of cattle remains virtually un-
changed, the only decrease being a
drop of 1 per cent in the total number
of cows.

H. C. Stanton, a resident of Rose-
burg, Or., since 1853, observed his 90th
birthday by moving his lawn, enter-
taining visitors and exchanging re-
miniscences of the long ago. He passes
his time working about his home, at-
tends meetings of the Grand Army of
the Republic and is active in civic affairs.

Lieutenant Wintgens, who, next to
Captain Boelcke, was Germany's most
famous fighting aviator, has been killed
in an engagement with entente al-
lied aviators. He was killed, accord-
ing to a report received from Berlin
September 16, had shot down his 14th
aeroplane on the Somme front.

M. Higgins, minister of the treasury
at Melbourne, Australia, announced
Saturday that the government pur-
posed to confiscate all war profits in
excess of a small maximum to be es-
tablished and reduce the limit of in-
come tax exemption to \$500, except in
the case of married men and of single
men with dependents. Old age pen-
sions will be increased to 12 shillings
6 pence.

More than 100 Villa followers were
killed, the bandit leader, Baudilio
Uribe, was taken prisoner and heavy
casualties were suffered by Carranza
forces in a terrific fight at Cuahuir-
tlan, an important mining center,
about 50 miles southwest of Chihuahua
City, according to a message re-
ceived by General Trevino from Gen-
eral Matias Ramos, who was himself
slightly wounded.

Aside from the capture by the Ital-
ians of an important mountain peak on
the Trentino front, only bombard-
ments have taken place in the Austro-
Italian theater.

A Madford, Ore., lad of nine, was
seriously injured by exploding dynamite
caps. He lighted one cap with a
match, the concussion from which ex-
ploded another in his hip pocket.

Mr. and Mrs. Edelfson, of Portland,
who were lost on Mt. Hood Sunday
morning, were found by a searching
party Tuesday, after having wandered
in a severe storm 72 hours without
food or shelter.

Notwithstanding the loss of two Zepp-
elins in an air raid on Eastern Eng-
land Saturday night, the Germans
Monday night again returned to the
attack with airships and dropped
bombs in the northern and northeast
counties.

The Earl of Essex was found dead in
bed Tuesday. He had been ill for
some time. He was 59 years old. He
was a large land holder, owning about
15,000 acres. His second wife, whom
he married in 1903, was Adela Grant,
daughter of Beach Grant, of New York.

A carload of liquor, consisting of
more than 12,000 pint bottles and two
50-gallon barrels of whiskey, was
seized by the police in Seattle and de-
stroyed. Although the liquor ostensibly
was consigned to Petersburg, Alaska,
the police allege that it really was
intended for sale in Seattle.

GERMAN SUBMARINE ACTIVITY ON INCREASE; NO WARNING GIVEN

Washington, D. C.—Much more com-
plete information of Germany's sub-
marine activities which supplements
Lord Robert Cecil's statement in Lon-
don was received in dispatches from
London arriving here Monday, which
show that between June 1 and Sep-
tember 24 no less than 262 vessels of
all nationalities have been sunk by
submarines. Of those 15 were reported
sunk without warning with the loss
of 84 lives. A total of 66 neutral ves-
sels were destroyed during the period.

This later information brings out
that the submarine activity has practi-
cally doubled during the last two
months. During June, after the deliv-
ery of the American note on the Sussex
accepting Germany's agreement not to
sink vessels without proper safeguard
to lives on board, 57 vessels were sunk
of which five were neutral and six, in-
cluding three neutrals, were sunk with-
out warning with the loss of 35 lives.

In July the total sunk fell off to 42,
including nine neutrals and two British
sunk without warning with the loss of
41 lives.

In August, the total sunk more than
doubled with the figure of 103, includ-
ing 26 neutral vessels. Two allied
boats were sunk without warning with
the loss of three lives. The figures up
to September 24 show a continuing
high rate of destruction in the month
with a total of 75 vessels sunk includ-
ing 26 neutrals, with five allied boats
sunk without warning with the loss of
15 lives.

Wasp Sting Causes Death of Washington Girl in 15 Minutes

Spokane, Wash.—Miss Cora Nelson,
age 21, school teacher and a graduate
of the Lewis and Clark High School
in the class of 1915, died Monday from
a wasp sting at her home seven miles
west of Medical Lake.

The sting, back of her ear, had an
effect similar to that of a rattlesnake
bite, the stinging acting as a poison, ac-
cording to Dr. J. Allen, of Medical
Lake, who arrived at the Nelson home
20 minutes after the girl was stung
and five minutes after her death.

Miss Nelson was particularly sus-
ceptible to the effect of wasp stings,
as, three years ago she was rendered
unconscious by one and was carried
from a field to her home.

The only actual witness was Miss
Agnes Roberts, a school teacher, who
was just driving in at the farm gate.
Mrs. S. J. Nelson, the girl's mother,
was inside the house. Both rendered
her immediate aid, carrying her into
the house where she lapsed into un-
consciousness.

She was in robust health, according
to Dr. Allen. The sting showed no
swelling and but a slight discoloration.

Demand for Horses for Europe Continues; Supply Seems Endless

Denver.—Continued demand for
American horses by British and
French governments for use on Euro-
pean battlefields has robbed "broncho-
busting" of its glamour and reduced
that time-honored industry and feature
of frontier celebrations to the level
of mere drudgery.

Hundreds of horses from all sec-
tions of the Rocky mountain region
are bought for European export at the
Denver stockyards daily, and many
other hundreds are rejected. Each
animal must be mounted and ridden
as part of the inspection, and noted
riders from many Western states are
employed in the work. Well-known
"bustlers" who have won championships
in the past now are riding as many
as 50 horses a day.

The supply of "gun fodder," as the
riders call the horses, seems unend-
ing. The standard of requirements
was lowered somewhat when receipts
began falling off, and horses are being
accepted now that were rejected for-
merly. Shipments continue to be
heavy, and weekly purchases often
run into the thousands.

Master Plumbers Found Guilty.

Salt Lake City.—The jury in the
case brought in the federal district
court here against 12 master plum-
bers of Utah and Colorado, charged with
violation of the Sherman anti-trust
act, returned a verdict of guilty late
Monday night, with a recommendation
of extreme mercy. Sentence will be
pronounced October 14. The defend-
ants were charged with having en-
gaged in a conspiracy to prevent
plumbers not members of the National
Association of Master Plumbers from
getting supplies.

Meatless Day Advised.

London.—One meatless day a week
for all not engaged in heavy manual
labor is the chief recommendation for
the regulation of food prices made by
the board of trade committee which
has been investigating the increase in
the cost of living. The committee also
recommended the opening of meat
shops in districts where retailers are
obtaining excessive profits. A third
step advised is the revision of pay-
rolls.

Danish Houses in Accord.

Copenhagen, via London.—Both
houses of the Danish parliament have
passed the bill providing for a plebiscite
on the sale of the Danish West
Indies to the United States. It is be-
lieved the matter will be settled by the
end of November. The plebiscite also
will include the Faroe Islands, not
Iceland and Greenland.

Steamer Bear Total Loss.

Eureka, Cal.—Hope of salvaging the
\$1,000,000 steamer Bear virtually van-
ished Sunday when great seas tore a
hole in her side. Efforts to float the
Bear have been continuous ever since
she piled up on Sugar Loaf rock, the
night of June 14, when five of her pas-
sengers were drowned.

This Shell Crashed Through Her Home.



While Mrs. Mary Swann and her
little daughter Mary were eating lunch
in their home this enormous 16-inch
shell smashed through the house from
one side to the other and fell at their
back stairs. Neither mother nor child
was hurt, and after a while little Mary
made a plaything of the shell. It was
fired in a navy test at Indian Head.

It pierced the heaviest armor
plate used by the navy. After it passed
through this obstruction it ploughed
through a sand bank, thence through
the house of Swann, a gunner, who
lived several hundred yards away. The
shell entered the house through a wall
of the second story, ploughed through
the second floor and came out near the
ground floor through the rear porch.

SHIPPING COMBINE FORMS ON COAST

Two Largest Companies Unite for Im-
provement of Public Service.

THIRTEEN STEAMERS INCLUDED

President of New Company Declares
Great Increase of Trade Makes
Move Almost Necessity.

Seattle.—Merger of the Pacific
Coast Steamship company and the Pa-
cific Alaska Navigation company into
a new steamship company is known
as the Pacific Steamship company is
announced here.

The merger, affecting 13 large pas-
senger and freight steamships of the
Pacific Coast Steamship company and
nine of the Pacific Alaska Navigation
company, will go into effect November
1. The merger was ratified by the
boards of directors of the Pacific Coast
company and the Pacific Alaska Na-
vigation company, the former merged
in New York and the latter in Tacoma.

The financial details of the merger
were not given out in the announce-
ment here, but the vessels involved
are said to be valued at more than
\$12,000,000.

In making the announcement, Man-
ager A. F. Haines of the Pacific Alaska
Navigation company, gave out the
following statement prepared by Presi-
dent H. F. Alexander:

"The Pacific Steamship company
has been formed by the Pacific Coast
Steamship company and the Pacific
Alaska Navigation company to operate
along the entire Pacific Coast, includ-
ing Alaska, with the further purpose
of extending its service in other di-
rections, and has made arrangements to
operate all of the vessels of the Pacific
Coast company and the Pacific Alaska
Navigation company.

"In view of the great scarcity of ves-
sels on the Pacific Coast, due to the
greater demand for them in other
trades, and the inability to secure ad-
ditional vessels under existing condi-
tions for the trade of the Pacific
Coast, the Pacific Coast company and
the Pacific Alaska Navigation com-
pany, after carefully considering the
situation, have decided that they can
best serve the interests of the public
with more efficient service and more
frequent sailings by operating the two
fleets under a management that will
eliminate the disadvantages to the
traveling and shipping public which
necessarily attend the operation of the
two fleets separately."

The merger involves ships having a
gross tonnage of more than 55,000
tons, the tonnage of the Pacific Coast
Steamship company being more than
34,000 tons.

Robber Suspect Is Held.

Douglas, Ariz.—Flint (Rusty) Turk,
a cowboy, arrested on the charge of
robbing the United States mail in con-
nection with the holding up of the
Golden State Limited passenger train
on the El Paso & Southwestern rail-
road September 4, near here, was
bound over to await the action of the
federal grand jury. Bond was fixed
at \$10,000, which has not been fur-
nished. Ray Preston, of Portland, Or.,
testified that he recognized Turk, de-
spite his mask, and saw him take two
registered mail packages.

Hermit Learns of War.

Marysville, Cal.—John C. Carlton, a
75-year-old miner, discovered the Eu-
ropean war Thursday, when he paid
Marysville his first visit in three
years. Carlton lives in a cabin in the
Yuba county mountains. He once sub-
scribed to a newspaper, he said, but
the editorials did not suit him and he
stopped them 11 years ago. Since then,
he said, he has done all his reading in
one book, the Bible. His cabin is 30
miles from Marysville.

Mexican Commissioners Demand Withdrawal of American Troops

New London, Conn.—The fact has
been thrown into the fire, so far as
the American and Mexican commis-
sioners are concerned, by develop-
ments which took place here Thurs-
day.

The Mexican commissioners precipi-
tated a situation which bodes ill for
success unless President Wilson
should back down.

Acting under instructions from Gen-
eral Carranza, they demanded that
General Pershing's troops be with-
drawn. The American commissioners
flatly refused to do anything of the kind.

The commissioners insisted their
government could not consent to pro-
tracted negotiations so long as Ameri-
can soldiers were in occupation of
Mexican territory. The American
commissioners inquired if General
Carranza were ready with troops to
occupy the territory which, if the Mex-
ican demand were heeded, General
Pershing would evacuate.

The Mexican commissioners declin-
ed to bind their government to any
condition, holding that as a matter of
right they were justified in requiring
General Pershing to leave their coun-
try, and as a matter of justice, or
friendship, President Wilson ought not
to hesitate in directing him to return
north of the border.

Here the matter rests. The Ameri-
can commissioners forwarded the
facts to Secretary Lansing, who will
submit the report to the president for
his decision.

It is certain that General Pershing
will not be withdrawn, so far as the
American commissioners are concern-
ed, until security for life and property
along the border has been arranged.

Germany Still Holds American Taken from Dutch Steamer

Washington, D. C.—Official State
department advices Tuesday report
seizure of the Dutch steamer Prima
Hendrik by German warships, but did
not say on what charge Isador Polak,
the naturalized American, removed
from the vessel, was being held. The
department is investigating further.

Much significance is attached by of-
ficials to Germany's seizure of mail
aboard the steamer. Some time ago
Germany claimed the right to censor
letter mail on the basis that The
Hague convention, declaring the "in-
violability" of such mail had been
rendered inoperative by failure of sev-
eral of the belligerent nations to ratify
it, but more recently the practice
apparently had been discontinued.

Auditor Closes Seattle Institution.

Seattle.—The Equitable Savings,
Loan & Investment association of Se-
attle was closed by the state auditor,
who took charge of all records. In
letters sent to the stockholders, Au-
ditor Clansen said the association was
overloaded with real estate which had
depreciated in value and which made it
impossible for the association to "con-
tinue in business." H. O. Shney,
president of the association, said the
liabilities amount to \$75,000. The
assets equalled the liabilities, but
could not be realized on immediately.

Wheat Grains Multiply.

Oregon City, Or.—Three years ago
George Ben Jensen planted 12 grains
of wheat he had carried from Russia,
his native land, in his pocket. This
year he harvested 1276 pounds of
cleaned wheat from the 12 kernels.
He lives near Mount Pleasant.

Car Shortage Hits Baker, Or.

Baker, Or.—The continued shortage
of freight cars is still embarrassing
the Baker lumber companies, who re-
port that they are now 40 cars behind
in their orders. Mills are still running
and storing the lumber that cannot be
shipped, but the storage room will
soon be filled. Grain dealers say their
warehouses still have plenty of room.

NEWS ITEMS Of General Interest About Oregon

Area of 23,400 Acres to Be Put Under Water on Ochoco

Prineville.—The board of directors
of the Ochoco irrigation district, at a
meeting at Prineville this week, ac-
cepted the report of E. W. Raa, pro-
ject engineer, which has been forward-
ed to the State engineer for his ap-
proval, and as soon as that office has
had an opportunity to go over the re-
port an election of the land owners in
the district will be called to vote the
necessary bonds for construction.

The report shows that the Ochoco
project is one of the most worthy and
feasible projects in the state of Ore-
gon. The lands in the project form a
compact area comprising 23,400 acres
of irrigable land. Of this area about
35 per cent is partially irrigated, 30
per cent is dry farmed and 35 per cent
is undeveloped land. These lands with
water will raise from three to five tons
of alfalfa to the acre.

Water for the project will be ob-
tained from Ochoco and McKay creeks.
The reservoir proposed for Ochoco
Creek will have a capacity of 47,000
acre feet, and be created by a dam of
the hydraulic earthfill type, with a
maximum height of 125 feet. For the
time being only the flood waters of
McKay creek will be used, the storage
dam and reservoir not being considered
necessary for at least 10 years.

Water Master Wins Suit.

Prineville.—The decision of the Su-
preme court Tuesday in the suit of
George H. Brewster against Crook
county for \$322, unpaid salary, has
finally disposed of a matter which has
been a source of contention and dis-
pute for years over who was liable for
the pay and control of the water mas-
ter.

The decision reached Judge Duffy
this week, and his decision of the dis-
pute has been completely sustained and
the county court has lost its battle
which has lasted for two years.

Water masters in counties where
there is considerable irrigation have
important duties, as the right to use
water is most jealously guarded, and
the importance of this decision is far-
reaching and finally determines a ques-
tion that has been a source of much
dispute.

Corn Show is Scheduled.

Marshfield.—The city of Coquille has
concluded to make its successful corn
show of last year an annual affair, and
will stage the festival this year on
November 10 and 11.

The Coquille valley, at the time of
the 1915 corn show, produced surplus
in exhibitions of corn, and the affair
was a big aid in developing a new line
of agriculture for all sections of the
county. Minnesota corn won the
highest awards, and was declared by
visiting experts and judges to be the
best adapted for culture in this terri-
tory. The large acreage of last year
was increased this season, and the ex-
hibits are expected to be better and
more numerous.

Coyotes Are Menace.

Band.—That coyotes are becoming a
menace to the settlers in the Millican
valley was reported by P. B. Johnson,
postmaster at Millican. Mr. Johnson
reported several instances of attacks
by coyotes recently, the latest being
when Forest Ranger H. E. Smith, who
was sleeping on the ground when on a
trip, woke to find a coyote only a few
feet from his head. C. L. Evans and
R. R. Keller have killed coyotes that
were attacking their stock in the past
ten days. A stag belonging to M. D.
Willard showed signs of rabies after
fighting with a coyote.

General Bell at Astoria.

Astoria.—A party of army officers,
consisting of General J. Franklin Bell,
commander of the Western division;
General Sibert, in command of this
Coast artillery district, and their staff
officers, arrived in the city Wednes-
day. They were met here by Colonel
Lindlow and his staff and escorted on
the steamer Captain James Farness
to the forts at the mouth of the river.
The visitors are on a general inspec-
tion trip, it is said, and also gathering
data at the various posts relative to
the accommodations for increased
bodies of troops.

Fruit Expert on Visit.

Hood River.—W. Schlemmer, of the
bureau of markets of the United States
department of Agriculture, who has
been placed in charge of the Spokane
office of publicity of the Fruit Grow-
ers' agency, was here visiting the
officials of the Apple Growers' Ex-
change, local sales agencies. Mr.
Schlemmer says he will distribute
daily information to growers and ship-
pers as to the receipts of apples in 20
central points. Such information, it
is said, will tend to prevent glutting
markets.

New Road Handles Stock.

Eugene.—The first solid trainload of
livestock over the Willamette Pacific
railroad is scheduled to arrive in Eu-
gene from Marshfield Monday, on its
way to Portland. The train will be
loaded at Myrtle Point with cattle be-
longing to the Dement family and will
consist of between 15 and 20 cars.

RAIDING AIRSHIP FALLS TO BRITISH

Glare From Burning Zeppelin Lights Up
Suburbs of London.

CROWDS CHEER FALLING ENEMY

Fourth German Aerial Destroyer Is
Burned Within Minutes—British
Defense Much Improved.

CASUALTIES IN THE PRE- VIOUS ZEPPELIN RAID

Attacks on London.	
1915	Killed Wounded
June 1	3
September 3	30
October 13	55
1916	
September 23	13
September 23	29
Totals	103

Attacks Elsewhere in Britain

1915	Killed Wounded
January 19	57
June 19	18
August 9	14
August 13	6
August 17	10
January 21	24
1916	
March 5	13
Mar. 21, Apr. 13	117
August 24	3
September 23	2
Totals	254

London.—Another Zeppelin raid
against London and the east coast of
England was in progress Sunday. An
airship is reported to have been
brought down in flames north of Lon-
don, according to the official state-
ment issued shortly after midnight.
The statement reads:

"A number of hostile airships crossed
the east coast between 5 o'clock
and midnight. A few bombs were
dropped near the coast, but no dam-
age is yet reported.

"An airship is reported brought
down in flames north of London."
Great crowds cheered the spectacle
of the burning Zeppelin as it fell in
the London district. The great fire
from the burning aircraft was visible
for a long distance.

Destruction of a Zeppelin Sunday
night by the British made a total of
four within a month. One was brought
down the night of September 2 in the
outskirts of London and two more on
the night of September 21. One of
the Zeppelins on the latter date set-
tled to earth so gently that her crew
were able to escape. The commanding
officer and her crew of 21 men
surrendered to police constables and
are still in custody.

The other crews were killed and
with few exceptions, the bodies were
unrecognizably burned.

Success in bringing down the raid-
ers in each instance was attained vir-
tually in the outskirts of London and
indicates systematic and favorable
strengthening of the defenses of the
city against air raids. It has been as-
serted by the British war office that
no Zeppelin has been able to inflict
damage of military consequence with-
in the limits of London in recent
months.

Amsterdam, via London.—The mili-
tary critic of the Frankfurter Zeitung
says conditions for Zeppelin attacks
on England are much more difficult
than even a year ago. The British, he
says, have had time to carry their de-
fense measures to the highest perfec-
tion.

Mexican Bullet Wounds Guardsmen.

Boise, Idaho.—A special dispatch to
the Idaho Statesman from Nogales,
Ariz., says that Captain H. W. Wilson,
Second Idaho Medical Corps, was shot
in the left thigh Sunday in the railroad
station at Nogales, Ariz., by a Mexican
soldier, who fired from a position in
front of the Bank of Mexico, on the
Mexican side of the international
boundary. Captain Wilson had just
checked his trunk for Twin Falls, Ida-
ho, his home, where he was going on
a 30-day furlough, the dispatch added.
Excitement is at fever heat among
the guardsmen, the correspondent said.

Japanese Ship \$1,000,000.

San Francisco.—A million dollars in
gold were driven through San Fran-
cisco Sunday night in two express wa-
gons, and pedestrians hurrying through
the rain knew nothing of it. The gold
represents part of the savings of the
Japanese of California, and is en
route to Japan from the Yokohama
Specie Bank of this city. The treasure
is contained in 20 boxes and was put
aboard a train for Seattle, to be trans-
ferred to a Japanese liner.

Motor Ship Line Planned.

San Francisco.—A motor ship line
between San Francisco and Norway
is to be inaugurated next month by
the Norwegian Pacific line, a Scan-
dinavian concern, it was announced
here. The Bayard, a motor ship now
en route from Christiansia to Boston,
which is due here late in October, will
be the first of the new line to sail.

Freight Backs Into Streets; 10 Die.

Detroit.—Ten persons were killed
and more than 25 injured, several
probably fatally, late Sunday night,
when a switch engine pushing two
freight cars crashed into a crowded
street car on the East Side. There
were more than 50 persons in the
street car, many of them returning
from the theaters.