

NEWS NOTES OF CURRENT WEEK

Resume of World's Important Events Told in Brief.

The California senate has a bill for a state moving-picture censor.

Government reports indicate a record breaking winter wheat crop.

Montana water users want larger farms allowed under the reclamation act.

Colonel George P. Harvey says J. P. Morgan was a thoroughly patriotic American.

A Portland woman is suing her divorced husband for breach of promise to re-marry her.

Protestant churches of New York plan a world-wide conference in the interest of church unity.

A Chicago University professor says the fads of women are largely responsible for the high cost of living.

Plans are under way to electrify a mountainous section of the Oregon Short Line in Idaho from Montpelier to Huntington.

Roosevelt advises the United States to agree in advance to arbitrate any question that may arise between this country and Great Britain.

A colony of Russians from Canada have purchased 3500 acres of lands in Linn county, Oregon, and will remove to their new home immediately.

A farmers' pool of 40,000 bushels of bluestem wheat on the Washington Central sold for considerable more than the prevailing market price.

On account of suffragist activity, Windsor Castle, London Tower, and many public museums and other places will be closed during the summer season.

A minister heads Portland's committee of 100, who will scrutinize and report upon candidates at the first election under the commission form of government.

Warrants are out for the formal arrest of the aviators captured in Arizona with their aeroplane, as it is believed without doubt they were heading for Mexico to aid the rebel forces.

Overturning a century-old tradition, the Supreme court of the District of Columbia, has appointed a woman to be assistant clerk of the court, empowered with all the duties imposed by law on such an official.

England is startled by fresh acts of disorder by suffragettes.

The tariff issue in congress promises to bring together the Republicans and Progressives.

Taft says "if we are going to have free trade, let's have it."

Arizona now proposes to enact an anti-alien law more drastic than her present one.

Three persons died of excessive heat at Cleveland, Ohio, the thermometer registering 96.

The transport Sherman took on an "unusual" load of ammunition at San Francisco.

A Kansas City court has ruled that a man capable of telling a plausible lie is not insane.

PORTLAND MARKETS

Wheat—Track prices: Club, 82c; bluestem, 89c/90c; forty-fall, 90c; red Russian, 86c; valley, 90c.
Oats—No. 1 white, \$29.50/29.50 ton.
Corn—Whole, \$27; cracked, \$38 ton.
Millstuffs—Bran, \$24 ton; shorts, \$26; middlings, \$30.
Barley—Feed, \$25.50/25.50 per ton; brewing, nominal; rolled, \$26.50/27.50.
Hay—Eastern Oregon timothy, choice, \$17.50/18; alfalfa, \$13.50/14; straw, \$6.00/7.
Vegetables—Artichokes, 75c per dozen; asparagus, California, \$1.75/2 per box; beans, 17c per pound; cabbage, 24c/25c; cauliflower, 35c/38c per dozen; celery, \$4 per crate; eggplant, 25c per pound; head lettuce, \$2.50 per crate; peas, 70c/74c per pound; peppers, 35c/40c; radishes, 10c/12c per dozen; rhubarb, 10c/12c per pound; spinach, 75c per box; tomatoes, \$2.50/4.50 per box; garlic, 50c/60c pound.
Onions—Oregon, 75c/90c per sack; Bermuda, \$1.50/2.25 per crate.
Potatoes—Burbanks, 40c/50c per hundred; now, 40c/60c per pound; sweets, 4c pound.
Poultry—Hens, 17c; broilers, 30c/35c; turkeys, live, 20c; dressed, choice, 25c; ducks, 17c/25c; geese, young, 15c/17c.
Eggs—Oregon ranch, case count, 19c per dozen; candled, 20c/21c.
Butter—City creamery, cubes, 28c per pound; prints, 29c/29c.
Pork—Fancy, 12c per pound.
Veal—Fancy, 14c/14c per pound.
Hops—1912 crop, 10c/15c per pound; 1913 contracts, 13c/13c.
Wool—Eastern Oregon, 14c/17c per pound; valley, 14c/18c; mohair, choice, 1913 clip, 30c/33c.
Grain bags—Buyers July, 10c/10c f. o. b. Portland.
Cattle—Choice steers, \$7.75/8.35; good, \$7.50/7.75; medium, \$7.30/7.50; choice cows, \$6.75/7.40; good, \$6.50/6.75; medium, \$6.25/6.50; choice calves, \$8.00/9; good heavy calves, \$6.50/7.50; bulls, \$5.85/6.25.
Hogs—Light, \$8.75/9.05; heavy, \$7.75/8.
Sheep—Yearling wethers, \$6.25/7.50; ewes, \$5.25/6.75; lambs, \$7.00/8.75.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE DEFEATED

Militant Acts Injure Cause of English Women.

London—The fate of the woman's suffrage bill was sealed Wednesday by the votes of more than 50 Irish Nationalists, who voted against it. The bill, which sought to enfranchise 6,000,000 women, was rejected by a majority of 47. The vote stood 266 to 219.

Whether there is any chance that the present parliament will pass a bill of more limited character may be doubted.

Possibly the Nationalists fear that if they allow a woman's franchise bill to pass the second reading it will lead to a parliamentary struggle which would not unlikely end in dissolution of parliament before the Home Rule bill becomes a law.

Furthermore the debate proved that the militant policy of the suffragists has done the cause great harm, as far as parliament is concerned. The conciliation bill of last session was rejected by only a small majority compared with the Dickinson bill, which was under discussion and previous bills, giving some measure of enfranchisement to women, have passed the second reading, although they never survived subsequent stages.

Recent police court disclosures of acts of incendiarism planned by the militants far surpassing in magnitude anything heretofore attempted, and the burning of St. Catherine's church at Hatcham, undoubtedly influenced many members to vote against the bill.

SUFFRAGETTES FIRE CHURCH

Vicar of Edifice Ascribes Burning to "Those Lovely Ladies."

London—While the members of the house of commons were entering parliament to discuss the woman suffrage bill, newsboys thrust "extras" at them announcing what seems to be the most destructive work the militant suffragettes have yet accomplished. St. Catherine's church, at Hatcham, in the southeast of London, one of the finest church edifices in the suburbs, caught fire soon after noon in a mysterious way and was destroyed. The vicar, Rev. Howard Truscott, when asked about the cause of the fire, said: "I cannot ascribe it to another than those delightful ladies."

The vicar visited the church at noon, when he noticed three women in the building. He supposed them to be praying. He now believes that they arranged the fire and thinks explosives must have been used to aid in the destructive work.

A mysterious attempt to explode a bomb was made early Wednesday morning outside the Grand hotel, opposite Trafalgar square, where suffragette disturbances took place Sunday. The hotel was crowded with American tourists. A policeman saw a woman deposit a can with a lighted fuse in front of the door. He abandoned the bomb after extinguishing it by tramping on the fuse, and then pursued the women.

He caught one woman whom he supposed to be the culprit. Investigation proved her to be a night prowler who had often been in police court.

Wireless "Kick" Ignored.

Seattle, Wash.—The Marconi company, which insists that its regular wireless service is being maintained on sea and shore, is ignoring all complaints made to the effect that no messages are obtainable from ships after they leave port. According to the strike leaders, 16 more wireless operators struck Wednesday, among them operators on the steamship City of Seattle, Jefferson, Curacao, Pennsylvania, Yosemite, J. A. Hoper, Paraiso, George W. Elder, Beaver and Carlos.

Stewards on steamships are reported to have declined to furnish food to strikebreakers, and the engineers, it is alleged, do not supply electric current for the wireless instruments. Operators are being taken off tugs and freight boats to supply passenger vessels, the strikers say.

The steamship companies, with offices here, are unable to furnish patrons with news of the movements of boats.

Villain in "Movies" Shot.

Leavenworth, Kan.—Patrons of a moving picture show here were momentarily panic-stricken when a spectator, believing the villain was going to murder the hero of the picture, drew a pistol from his pocket and fired at the struggling figures on the canvas. The shot rang out just as it appeared the hero would be thrown over a precipice. The place was crowded and there was a wild rush for the doors, but order soon was restored by the orchestra, which played throughout the incident.

Words of Women Doubted.

Chicago—At a luncheon here John B. DeVoney, a Chicago banker, squarely faced a roomful of women and told them that in financial deals their word was not as good as that of a man. He was addressing members of the Women's Association of Commerce and he saw that in their faces which caused him to add: "This is only natural, perhaps, because it is only recently that women have interested themselves in business."

Big Cruiser at Rose Festival.

Portland, Or.—The United States cruiser St. Louis, one of the largest vessels of its class in the United States navy, will come to Portland during the Rose Festival, June 8 to 14. Rear Admiral Alfred Reynolds, commander in chief of the United States Pacific reserve fleet, made this announcement to the Portland chamber of commerce Thursday.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

General News of the Industrial and Educational Development and Progress of Rural Communities, Public Institutions, Etc.

PORTLAND TO COOS BAY—1914

Vice President Thinks Trains Will Run by That Time.

Portland—Trains will be running between Portland and Coos Bay by the end of 1914 thinks E. E. Calvin vice president of the Southern Pacific, who recently took a trip over the line now being built to Marshfield.

Mr. Calvin inspected the 23 miles of track immediately west of Eugene and the tunnel at Noti, which now is virtually complete. He went west over the new road as far as Gardner, but did not go to Marshfield on this trip, having visited that city and the various other towns on Coos Bay that the new road will touch, on an inspection tour a year ago.

For 80 miles the new road will be built along the water, Mr. Calvin pointed out, either rivers, lakes, the ocean front or the bay. This work requires slow and careful construction. Speed, therefore, is not an essential factor, and the Southern Pacific officials are not figuring on having the line finished much before January 1, 1915.

MAPS WILL BE AUTHENTIC

State Immigration Bureau Will Show Oregon by Counties.

Portland—A complete and authentic map of Oregon, by separate counties, will be contained in the second edition of the Oregon Almanac, which is to be issued this summer by the State Immigration Bureau. Already the county maps, corrected up to date in the last detail by the officials of the various counties, are being received at the Portland Commercial club offices, where L. B. Davis is engaged for the immigration commission in compiling the new edition of the almanac.

These maps will be the only maps available which are corrected down to date as to boundaries and will contain many features which will be of especial value and interest to intending immigrants. Highways between towns and the schoolhouses in each county will be indicated, also rural free delivery routes.

Douglas, Linn, Wasco, Hood River, Yamhill, Willamette and Curry counties are the only counties that thus far have sent in complete data for their sections.

Farm Data Being Printed.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis—"The Oregon Farmer" is the title of a state booklet just sent to press by Dean J. A. Bexell, director of the Oregon Statistical Bureau, which conducted a preliminary agricultural survey of the state for the purpose of compiling accurate data on the results being obtained by agriculturists in the state. It is expected that C. C. Chapman, state immigration agent, who has charge of the publication of the 200-page book, will have it ready for distribution by the middle of June.

Besides the statistical data, the report will contain 14 leading articles by different authors, dealing with phases of the work in which each was especially interested. This is based on facts.

School Uniforms Advocated.

Albany—That all children attending public schools should wear uniforms while at school, the uniforms to be furnished by the state, is a proposal made in a resolution adopted by the Linn county council of the Grange in a session at the Sand Ridge Grange hall. J. H. Scott, president of the council, was instructed to present the resolution to the State Grange, at its next meeting in Albany.

Besides proposing uniforms for all public school children the resolution proposes free text books and the furnishing of warm noonday lunches to all students.

Hot Wave Helps Apples.

Hood River—With a continuation for a few days of the warm sunshine that is prevailing, the orchards of the entire district will be in blossom. For a week or more the unusually cold weather retarded the blooms of the lower valley.

Predictions as to the apple crop for the coming season vary. However, all experts seem to be agreed on the point that the Spitzenberg yield will be heavy. The indications in many orchards are that the Yellow Newtown crop will be light.

Work on Cut-Off Begins.

Work is now being done on the Natron-Klamath cut-off, which will provide the Southern Pacific with a new main line between Natron, Or., and Weed, Cal., shorten the distance between Portland and San Francisco and reduce the running time by about four hours. However, no new contracts are being let on that line. The worst part of the work yet remains to be done. It consists of about 80 miles through a rough country, and will cost more than \$7,000,000—nearly \$100,000 a mile.

School Tax Opinion Given.

Salem—According to an opinion by Assistant Attorney General DeLong a union high school district giving a high school course will not be subject to a tax to maintain a county high school. The opinion was rendered at the request of the clerk for school district No. 15 in Harney county.

SEASIDE SAWMILL TO START

Five-Year Lease Free and Logs at Reduced Rates.

Seaside—Seaside's sawmill, which has been closed down for almost two years, within a few days will be repaired and opened for business. Since the Olson Brothers began their extensive logging operations in the hills west of Seaside there have been several attempts to come to terms with the owners of the Seaside sash and door factory, and it was not until Ben Olson, Leander Lebeck and several other outside sawmill people began plans for starting a new mill that four of the stockholders of the old concern got together and made terms upon which a deal was closed for taking over the old plant.

Few sawmills in the state have started with brighter prospects than are now ahead of this one. The concession made by the stockholders is a five-year lease on the sawmill property free, the new owners to make the necessary repairs. The Spokane, Portland & Seattle railroad company has agreed to give the mill a common point rate and the Olson Brothers have agreed to sell the mill logs for \$1 a thousand less than the market price.

RUSSIANS EXAMINE OREGON

Colony of Several Thousand Find Saskatchewan Too Cold.

Eugene—That the Russian colony in Saskatchewan, Canada, will locate in the vicinity of Eugene, is believed from the fact that the four "scouts," who have been making a tour of Western Oregon, looking for a site for their colony of several thousand farmers, returned here again after a short trip to Southern Oregon, and asked to be shown again some land that they had inspected earlier the past week. The four men stayed all day, leaving later for the North.

They are well pleased with the Upper Willamette valley, according to their interpreter, and the only question is that of finding a sufficiently large tract of land at a price that will suit them. They have been looking at land and living conditions all over Oregon and Washington, and will report their findings to their fellow exiles for final decision. They are dissatisfied with Canada because of the long, cold winters, and want a mild climate where they can get plenty of fruit. They are vegetarians, and desire a plentiful supply of fruit and vegetables.

TAX DATA TO BE GATHERED

State Commission to List Warranty Deed Transfers.

Salem—Announcement is made by State Tax Commissioner Galloway that the commission will soon commence the listing of all warranty deed transfers in the state for the purpose of assembling reliable data upon which to apportion the state tax, and that against public service corporations.

Each year the commission gathers this information, but it will be more complete this year, for the legislature provided a larger appropriation. The plan is to check all warranty deeds extending back a year from March 1, 1913, and then to make an appraisal of the property to determine its value. The assessment of the property will then be taken from the roll, and with its assessed value, the rate at which it is taxed, and its actual value, the commission will then be in a position, it is declared, to make a fair apportionment of the state tax.

Salem to War on Flies.

Salem—War on flies and tuberculosis at the market places is to be waged by the city, for an ordinance was introduced at the council meeting Monday night which contains stringent provisions as to both, and which it is believed will accomplish much towards placing these places on a better sanitary basis. The ordinance provides for the appointment of inspectors whose duty it will be to inspect all the markets and see to it that proper coverings are used for all produce and commodities. The ordinance also contains a provision making it unlawful for any person having tuberculosis to engage in work which will bring him in contact with any food to be served or cooked.

Oregon City Fishers Favored.

Oregon City—Major Melndoe, in charge of the government dredging work in the Willamette, has replied to the letter sent him by the Oregon City Commercial club in behalf of gillnet fishermen, and has notified President B. T. McBain of the club that he has issued instructions to the dredgers to lower all cables to the bottom of the river at night time, and in other ways to refrain from any work that will interfere with fishing during the 30-day season open to local commercial fishermen.

Charges Declared Excessive.

Salem—Alleging that the charges made by the Southern Pacific company for the storage of baggage are excessive and unreasonable, Hal Patton, of this city, has filed a formal complaint against the company with the State Railroad commission. The proceedings, if prosecuted, will involve an investigation of this class of charges throughout the whole state.

DEATH OF SCOTT PEACEFUL

Exhaustion, Rather Than Starvation, Was Evident Cause.

Winnipeg, Man.—Exhaustion and not starvation was the cause of the death of Captain Scott and the men who died with him on his way back from the South Pole, according to Lieutenant Gran, a member of the supporting party which found the bodies of the party in the frozen Antarctic. Lieutenant Gran stopped off in this city for a few hours on his way to London.

"The end of the party was peaceful," declared Gran. "When we came up to the tent in which the bodies were, all was silent."

"The snow had drifted about the tent and something seemed to tell that the end for them had come. All about us were desolate wastes of snow and ice and a chill came over our hearts."

"Lieutenant Wright, of Toronto, a Canadian, who commanded our little party, approached the tent first and lifted the flag. We followed, expecting the worst, and formed in a little group about the mouth of the tent. Captain Scott lay on his back as if asleep, but outside of his sleeping bag. The bodies of Dr. Wilson and Lieutenant Bowers were in their sleeping bags and it was apparent that they had been carefully wrapped up by Captain Scott, who evidently was the last to die."

"Lieutenant Bowers lay on his side, exactly as if he were asleep. Dr. Wilson was sitting in a half-reclining position, his back against the inside of the tent, facing us as we entered. On his features were traces of a faint smile and looked exactly as if he were about to awaken from a sound sleep. I had often seen the same look on his face in the morning as he awakened, as he was of a most cheerful disposition. The look struck us to the heart and we all stood silent in the presence of death."

"While they did not die of starvation, still all their food had given out, and, worst of all, their fuel," he said. "Then it must be remembered that they were experiencing terrible storms, and a man cannot see in any direction when these storms are blowing."

"When we had secured all the equipment and the records of Captain Scott, we laid the bodies side by side and said a burial service for them. Then we removed the poles from the tent and covered the bodies over with the canvas. On top of this we built a cairn of snow and ice about 15 feet high. We then took two skis, bound them together in the form of a cross, erected it on top of the cairn—a last memorial to the dead—and left them where they fell."

Gran has in his possession Scott's diary and records.

FOOD WASTE MADE ILLEGAL

California Passes Law Providing Penalty for Destruction.

Sacramento—The lower house of the state legislature has unanimously passed a "high-cost-of-living" bill. The measure, which is only 11 lines in length, makes it unlawful "for any person to destroy any animal, vegetable or other stuffs in restraint of trade, which are customary food for human beings and are in fit sanitary condition to be used as such."

"The bill is aimed at the reputed common practice of the dealers of destroying food products in order to keep up the market price," said Assemblyman Roberts, who introduced it. "Shima, the Japanese potato king, is reported to have thrown thousands of sacks of potatoes into the river when a plentiful crop threatened to push the price down below the point to which his control of the market had enabled him to boost it in previous seasons."

"The maximum penalty provided for 'persons, firms or corporations' violating the act is a fine of \$500 or imprisonment for six months."

Reporters Put In Jail.

Fort Worth, Tex.—Rather than divulge the source of their information, on which a newspaper article was based, J. O. Abernathy, Claude McCabe, Joseph J. Fox and Charles F. Pekor, newspaper reporters, each served an hour in the county jail here. They were held in contempt of court by District Judge R. H. Buck. The item in question related to the indictment of a man charged with attempting to bribe a former county judge. Judge Buck held that the item was published before the indictment was returned.

Surgeons Silent on Cure.

Washington, D. C.—An attitude of silence toward the tuberculosis "cure" of Dr. Frederick Friedmann will be maintained by constituent societies of the American congress of physicians and surgeons. Dr. Noble P. Barnes, president of the American Therapeutic society, had a reference to the "cure" in his welcoming address, but eliminated it. It was possible, he said, that the subject would be referred to in open discussions.

Denounce Five-Power Loan.

Pekin—A stormy session of the lower house of parliament was held Wednesday. The five-power loan, recently negotiated, was denounced by a large majority of the members.

Big Chemical Plant Burns.

Buffalo—The plant of the American Agricultural Chemical company was totally destroyed by fire Wednesday. The loss is \$500,000.

WHITE PLAGUE IS NOT CURED

Friedmann's New York Patients Worse Than Before.

Health Department Makes Strong Criticisms and Public Warned to Be Careful.

New York—The Friedmann patients in New York are not doing well. In fact, some of them are decidedly ill. This fact, combined with a knowledge of the nature of the sale Friedmann has recently accomplished, has made all physicians connected with the Friedmann tests anxious not only for their own patients, but for the welfare of the public in general.

Before the week is out it is most probable that three, and perhaps four, public statements will be made from public institutions, none of which will be favorable to Dr. Friedmann or his treatment.

This information has been placed in the hands of the New York health department, telling of the poor showing which the Friedmann patients, all of whom have been watched for the department, have made.

The statements made are strong. One of them is supposed to be that some of the cases treated would have been better off if they had not had the Friedmann injection and that the presence of the culture in their systems seems to have given the bacilli a chance to work in places which they might not otherwise have attacked.

It was learned Monday from the best of sources that the Friedmann pulmonary patients at Bellevue have not only failed to show any improvement, but that with many of them the disease was having its course uninterrupted. Many of the pulmonary sufferers treated by Dr. Friedmann at first showed gains, such as increased weight, but have since fallen back. Actual conditions of the lungs have either remained the same or become worse. Only one case was mentioned in which the lungs had improved, and that in an incipient stage.

It was also said that at Mount Sinai hospital the patients have not made progress and that the disease is running its own course. The same is understood to apply to the Montefiore Home, where Dr. Friedmann also treated a great number of tubercular sick.

FARMS WILL NEED 40,000 MEN

Prospective Wheat Crop in Kansas Largest Ever Known.

Topeka, Kansas—Facing the prospect of a wheat crop of more than 120,000,000 bushels, the lowest estimate based on Secretary Coburn's report of acreage and condition, the State Employment bureau already has begun plans for bringing into Kansas an army of nearly 40,000 harvest hands. Secretary Coburn's report of conditions of 90 per cent in the greatly increased acreage of wheat was based upon reports sent previous to the recent soaking rains which fell all through the wheat belt.

Basing their estimates on his report, grain dealers, farmers and millers estimated that the wheat yield, if conditions remain the same, will be 124,000,000 bushels of wheat. The soaking rains so improved conditions that men whose opinions carry weight, declared that only a continuous drought from now until harvest time could pull the crop under 120,000,000 bushels. There is no doubt but that competition will be so keen as to make wages unusually high.

Anarchist Attacks Duke.

Manheim, Germany—A workman armed with a knife attacked Grand Duke Friedrich of Baden as he was leaving the railroad station. The Grand Duke threw off his assailant and was not harmed. The Duke was about to drive to the races when the man jumped on the carriage steps and apparently tried to grasp the lapel of his coat, but the Duke knocked him to the ground with the hilt of his sword and proceeded. A crowd gathered and attacked the man, intending to lynch him, but the police arrested him.

Ironworkers Leave Prison.

Leavenworth, Kan.—Only 15 of the 33 men convicted of complicity in the dynamite plots at Indianapolis last winter are now left in the Federal prison, the others having been released on bond. These 15 men nearly all are engaged on the steel work of the new cellhouses at the prison, and more work in that line has been done in the last four months by these men than was done in the year before by the unskilled convicts.

835-Pound Fish Caught.

Centralia, Wash.—A sturgeon 11½ feet long and weighing 835 pounds was caught here by C. H. Catlin, a Kelso fisherman, and was sold to the Doty Fish company at Kalama. It was one of the largest sturgeon to be caught in the Columbia in recent years. The fish was worth \$150.

Yuan Shi Kai Threatens.

Pekin—President Yuan Shi Kai has issued a manifesto warning the people that, although he has refrained, up to the present, from employing military force against plotters, in the hope that conspiracies would cease, he would not permit conspirators in the future to stir up trouble.