

NEWS NOTES OF CURRENT WEEK

Resume of World's Important Events Told in Brief.

Duke Ludwig, of Bavaria, aged 82 years, is seeking divorce.

Alaskan natives are becoming wealthy raising reindeer.

Governor Dunne has signed the Illinois woman suffrage bill.

New administration currency bill is launched by introduction in senate.

The Oregon board of pardons declares the "honor system" a failure.

The hotel St. Denis, one of the oldest and most noted in New York, is bankrupt.

Investigations reveal an elaborate effort to "bunco" Wall Street by certain financial interests.

Wealthy Los Angeles money lender was murdered in his private office and no clue can be discovered.

A wind storm swept over Kasola, Minn., damaging property to the extent of several hundred thousand dollars.

The Arctic exploration ship Kar-luk has left Victoria, B. C., for Nome, where Stefansson and his party will join her.

A horse on the track ditched a gasoline speeder and killed the superintendent of bridges of the Copper River railroad in Alaska.

The Bulgarian minister of foreign affairs is traveling in the United States and is much interested in Western irrigation projects.

The assistant attorney general of Missouri, has ruled that pretzels are food and that serving them in saloons is a violation of the free lunch law.

Intense heat from the Rocky mountains to the Atlantic caused many deaths and great suffering. Ball-players at Chicago and Omaha were compelled to leave the game.

The first conviction under the "lazy husband" law of Washington was had in Seattle, where an automobile mechanic was found guilty and sentenced to six months in jail, during which time his wife will receive \$1 per day from the county.

President Wilson read his message on currency reform to congress, and urged immediate action on the measure.

Five physicians of the University of Pennsylvania were arrested for cruelty to animals in practicing vivisection.

Mexican rebels in large force are moving on Juarez, opposite El Paso, Tex.

Robert J. Collier, publisher, contemplates an attempt to make a flight across the Atlantic in a hydro-aeroplane.

Rains throughout the Pacific Northwest are making a bumper alfalfa crop, but ruining the cherries and strawberries.

Arthur Pelkey, the pugilist whose opponent died in the ring from a solar plexus blow recently, was acquitted of all liability.

PORTLAND MARKETS

Wheat—Track prices: Club, 93c; bluestem, 98c; 140-fold, 94c; red Russia, 92c; valley, 94c.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$22 per ton; stained and off grade, less.

Corn—Whole, \$28.50; cracked, \$29.50 per ton.

Millstuffs—Bran, 24.50; 25 ton; shorts, 26.50; middlings, 31.

Barley—Feed, \$26.50; 27 per ton; brewing, nominal; rolled, \$28.50; 29.50.

Hay—Eastern Oregon timothy, choice, \$18.00; alfalfa, \$13.00.

Onions—New, red, \$1.25 per sack.

Vegetables—Artichokes, 75c dozen; asparagus, Oregon, 50c; beans, 34c; cabbage, 14c; cauliflower, 22c; corn, 40c; cucumbers, 11c; eggplant, 25c; head lettuce, \$2.50 crate.

Potatoes—New California, 24c lb.

Green Fruit—Apples, new, \$1.50 box; old, nominal; strawberries, 75c; 55c crate; cherries, 50c; gooseberries, 20c; apricots, \$1.25; 1.50 box; cantaloupes, \$2.50; 3 crate; watermelons, 34c; blackberries, \$1.25; loganberries, \$1.50 crate; plums, \$1.50 box.

Poultry—Hens, 12c; springs, 18c; 19c; turkeys, live, 18c; dressed, choice, 24c; ducks, old, 12c; young, 14c.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, case count, 22c dozen; candled, 24c; 25c.

Butter—City creamery butter cubes, 28c pound; prints, 29c.

Pork—Fancy, 10c; 11c pound.

Veal—Fancy, 14c; 14c pound.

Hops—1912 crop, 12c; 16c pound; 1913 contracts, 14c pound.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 10c; 16c; valley, 18c; 19c pound; mohair, 19c clip, 31c.

Grain bags—9c; 9c Portland.

Cattle—Choice steers, \$7.75; 8.50; good, \$7.25; 7.50; medium, \$6.75; 7.25; choice cows, \$6.50; 7.00; good, \$6.25; 6.50; medium, \$5.75; 6.25; choice calves, \$8.00; 8.50; good heavy calves, \$6.50; 7.00; bulls, \$4.00.

Hogs—Light, \$8.00; 8.50; heavy, \$7.00; 7.50.

Sheep—Wethers, \$4.00; 4.50; ewes, \$3.00; 4.50; lambs, \$5.00; 5.50.

CURRENCY BILL IS LAUNCHED

New Measure of Administration Introduced in Congress.

Washington, D. C.—The administration currency bill was launched Friday when it was introduced in the senate by Senator Owen and in the house by Representative Glass.

Several changes had been made in the bill as the result of the numerous conferences in which President Wilson, Democrats of the house and senate committees, Treasury department officials and a committee of bankers took part, but despite earnest appeals that the Federal reserve board to control the proposed new currency system be increased and that bankers receive representation, no change in this provision was made. The board will consist of seven men to be appointed by the President.

In the senate, Senator Cummins contemplated proposing an amendment which would make the board an elective body.

Reinserted in the bill was the original proposition for retiring the present bank notes within 20 years and the substitution of additional Federal notes for them. This eliminates the proposed limit of \$500,000,000 in reserve notes contained in the bill as originally made public. In replacing the bank notes the government 2 per cent bonds, on which they now are issued, would be refunded by 3 per cent bonds without the circulation privilege.

Chairman Glass made preparations for the speedy consideration of the bill by the house committee. He secured the passage through the house of two resolutions to facilitate the work. One provided for the printing and distribution of 25,000 copies of the new bill. The other, which was adopted after a partisan discussion, provided \$5000 for the payment of experts to be employed by the committee.

Republican Leader Mann declared the latter resolution probably would lead to "more Democratic waste." Mr. Mann attacked the methods used in preparing the bill as introduced. He objected to the statement of President Wilson that the members of the banking and currency committees had been consulted in framing the bill.

"The President," he said, "was a little loose as to his facts or a little careless as to his language. The members of the committee were not consulted. The Democratic members were."

Senator Weeks, of Massachusetts, Republican member of the senate currency committee and former member of the National Monetary commission, issued a statement in which he urged immediate action toward currency reform, but criticized certain features of the new administration bill.

"I think the worst feature of the bill is the Federal reserve board, as it is constituted, and the extravagant powers given it," he said. "There is vested in this board greater power, and of a centralizing tendency, than has ever been proposed for any organization by any party at any time, either in this country or abroad."

DUKE OF SUTHERLAND DIES

Englishman Is Second Only to Czar in European Ownership.

London—Cromartie Sutherland-Leveson Gower, fourth duke of Sutherland, died Friday night.

The duke of Sutherland, who was born July 20, 1851, was, with the exception of the emperor of Russia, the largest land owner in Europe. His Scottish estates embraced nearly a million and a half acres. He owned 30,000 acres in Staffordshire and Shropshire and much landed property in other countries.

The duke was noted as a sportsman and yachtsman. As the Marquis of Stafford, he visited the United States on shooting trips several times.

In recent years the duke has been deeply interested in a colonization scheme for Western Canada and to that end had bought vast tracts of territory.

"Ethical" Marriage Tried.

Manchester, Mass.—Miss Della Farley Dana, granddaughter of the poet Longfellow, was married in the open air by a justice of the peace Friday afternoon to Robert E. Hutchinson, of Philadelphia, who secured his diploma at Harvard last week. The ceremony was performed at "Dana Beach," the Dana summer home. It was an "ethical marriage," the second in the Dana family. The bride is an ardent Socialist and suffragist.

Miss Dana recently came into prominence through her radical views on marriage, which she expressed with startling frankness.

Burden Placed on Rich.

Berlin—The Imperial parliament read a second time the German military contribution bill, whose purpose is to meet the nonrecurrent cost of \$250,000,000 in connection with the increase of the German army. The measure, as amended, affects all persons having incomes of \$1250 and upwards on a graduated scale of from 1 to 8 per cent.

The increased armaments of Germany, according to the government's financial estimates, will be largely a rich man's burden.

Bomb Thrown in Mill Strike.

Paterson, N. J.—A rude bomb, apparently hurled through a window, shattered the cellar in the home of Adolph Fritschie, a boss finisher in a dye plant involved in the protected silk mill workers' strike. No one was injured.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

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

RABBIT ARMY MARCHING ON

Pests Reach Edge of Umatilla Alfalfa District.

Pendleton—The destructive invasion of the jackrabbit army is moving eastward, according to reports received from the damaged district of Umatilla county. The general trend of the attack follows the course of the lands between Juniper and Cold Springs canyons.

James Culter, whose ranch is located about two miles west of Holdman, reports that the pests have already reached his place. Reports from scattered districts indicate that the rabbits are moving toward the grain lands near Myrick, Helix and Fulton.

Experts aver that the grain will be ripe, thus turning away the rabbits before they are able to eat their way as far as Myrick, Helix and Fulton. The animals, as soon as the grain becomes too ripe to eat, are expected to attack the green alfalfa fields, it is said, and farmers of the districts are alarmed.

Parties who returned from the damaged grain districts report heavy losses by homesteaders over an area of 200,000 acres.

That the vanguard of the rabbit army has reached the alfalfa district is indicated by reports that along the railroad track from the Columbia to Stanfield hundreds of rabbits have been killed by trains.

OUTSIDE WORKERS EXEMPT

Attorney General Gives Opinion on Ten-Hour Law.

Salem—Attorney General Crawford has rendered an opinion regarding the ten-hour law passed by the recent legislature, which, if upheld by the courts, will have a far-reaching effect. He holds, in substance, that the law only applies to workmen actually employed within a mill, factory or manufacturing plant. Persons employed by the owners of the plants and who work outside the buildings are exempt from the provisions of the law, according to the attorney general. Almost half the employees of a sawmill and a large number of paper mills and other manufacturing plants work outside.

Mr. Crawford holds that watchmen who perform chores, such as keeping fires up, foremen and superintendents, are excepted from the provisions of the act. Engineers, firemen and other workmen who might be affected by fumes, gases, etc., are within the provisions of the law, says the attorney general.

The opinion was given at the instance of Labor Commissioner Hoff, and it is probable that the Supreme court will be asked to construe the law.

Oregon Products Lauded.

Roseburg—"Oregon Products" was the topic discussed at the first annual "Made in Oregon" banquet held at the First Presbyterian church in Roseburg recently. The banquet was given by the ladies' auxiliary to the Roseburg Commercial club, and was attended by several hundred citizens. The menu was made up of Oregon products. Professor J. W. Groves, of the local public schools, acted as toastmaster, and many men and women of local prominence responded. Each speaker urged the use of Oregon-made goods.

Soldiers' Home Praised.

Salem—The Soldiers' Home at Roseburg is reported to be in excellent condition by M. S. Shrock, deputy dairy and food commissioner, who has just made an inspection of the institution. Mr. Shrock said: "I went out to the Soldiers' Home at Roseburg and inspected the kitchen, dining room and store rooms. It is the neatest place I have found by great odds. It scored 97.3 out of a possible 100. I think it might be well to say by way of comparison that all of the other eating houses which I have scored averaged about 65 to 66."

Incorporation Is Opposed.

Salem—About 20 farmers have employed legal counsel in this city to file suit to prevent the incorporation of West Woodburn. The farmers appealed to Governor West, declaring that the object of making a city out of the community is to enable two men to establish a saloon. Forty residents of the territory have signed a petition that the saloon be opened. The farmers oppose incorporation because much of their land would be in the city limits and they would have to pay city taxes.

Damage to Cherries Slight.

The Dalles—The heavy rains of last week slightly damaged some of the cherries in this vicinity, the fruit being cracked. The moisture which was experienced, however, amounting to about an inch, was of general benefit to all forms of vegetation, especially spring grain and potatoes, an advantage which more than counterbalanced the small damage to the cherries.

Umpqua Fishways Inspected.

Roseburg—R. E. Clanton, state game and fish warden, and F. J. Hughes, chairman of the state game and fish commission, inspected the fishways in the Umpqua river this week. An engineer has been employed by Mr. Clanton and the several dams in this vicinity will be provided with additional fish ladders.

BEACH SETTLEMENT GROWS

Hotels, Cottages and Amusements Increase at Garibaldi.

Bay City—Development along Garibaldi Beach and at the life saving station in anticipation of the summer's business is being rushed to the utmost. New hotels, places of amusement, and many cottages are now in course of building or have been completed recently.

Many persons who bought property at the beach last summer have erected homes during the winter in order to have them ready for occupancy this season.

Last summer, which was really the first year that pleasure-seekers awakened to the possibilities of this beach, found the number of visitors and buyers constantly growing as the season advanced, until the month of September, when the crowds were largest.

Accommodations were inadequate last season, but the many new hotels which have been erected and enlarged all along the beach will be able to care for the increased business which is expected.

That Garibaldi beach will be popular this summer, is shown by the number of advanced bookings for accommodations. In its convenience it is the most favored resort for Portland people. The beaches afford ample attraction for surf bathers, while for those who prefer other outdoor amusements there is hunting, deep sea and fresh water fishing, mountain climbing and fine roads for motoring.

The railroads have announced additional train service for the season.

STORM HURTS GRAIN FIELDS

Heavy Rains Turn Little Walla Walla River Into Torrent.

Pendleton—A terrific hail, rain and wind storm that started between Pendleton and Pilot Rock, on McKay creek, Saturday, swept northeasterly over the Umatilla Indian reservation about two miles above the agency, increased in velocity, and striking the headwaters of the Little Walla Walla river, raised it three feet inside of an hour, according to reports received here.

This marks the first serious damage to crops in Umatilla county from storms this year. The farmers around Cayuse sustained heavy losses, their grain being beaten down so flat they will have to use engines on their combines in order to save it.

The hail was in the form of icicles, which cut leaves from trees and mowed down vegetation like knives. The torrential downpour rendered roads almost impassable on McKay creek, near Cayuse, and in the north end of the county. Though some of the grain may rise, most of it will have to ripen on the ground.

Ranchman Becomes Aviator.

Rickreall—Flying at the rate of 40 miles an hour, John A. Riddell, a ranchman, gave Polk county citizens their first chance to witness from their dooryards the flight of an aeroplane, when he flew in a circle from the Riddell ranch to a point 7 1/2 miles south-west of this city and returned.

Mr. Riddell put his newly-acquired biplane to a severe test, preparatory to taking it to Grants Pass, where he is to make a series of flights.

Ranch folk along the route taken by the aviator were disturbed while at their evening meals by the buzzing aircraft and heartily greeted the pilot on discovering the cause of the disturbance.

Few Jackson Voters Register.

Ashland—There are few registered voters in Jackson county, as a small number has taken the trouble to perform that duty since June 3. Few are eligible to sign petitions or vote at any special election, inasmuch as the new law invalidates the registration of last year. This is the situation which confronts the electorate on the eve of an active canvass in behalf of a proposed road bond and other important measures. Lively efforts are being put forth in every precinct throughout the county to line up the voters for registration in order to prevent default at forthcoming elections.

Convict Makes Escape.

Salem—While working virtually under the eyes of two guards, J. W. Keith, a convict, escaped from the brickyard at the penitentiary Friday afternoon.

Keith, who was convicted of obtaining money under false pretenses in Lake county, not only slipped out of a door unobserved, but cut a screen in order to conceal himself in a ditch until the guards and convicts returned to the penitentiary. He was missed just before supper and a general alarm was sounded.

Oregon Artilleryman Leads.

Portland—With the artillerymen of nine states competing, Captain Hiram U. Welch, of the Oregon Coast artillery corps, attained the highest percentage for problems solved in the "field artillery school of fire" at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, May 18 to June 18. Captain Welch was also well up in the list in the contest of the number of salvos fired per minute, ranking sixth in a class of 20. His score was 3.23, the highest mark being that of Ferguson, of New York, with 3.86.

THE BATTLE CRY OF FREEDOM



OLLIKINS Dear:

So you want to know how I spent the glorious Fourth? Was I sane and sedate, comporting myself in a manner befitting a brand-new college graduate, or did I run off and romp with Brother Tom's kiddies, as usual, forgetting all my recently acquired dignity? Alas, my dear! I must confess that my Fourth was far, far from sane, and that instead of recovering my sanity I've—But there, my studies in prose style should teach me better than to lump at the conclusion of my story like that! I'll begin at the beginning.

It was Independence day. The sun was shining in newly awakened splendor, when the casual observer might have discerned a solitary female form gracefully scaling the stone wall between the luxuriant back gardens of the Hendersons and the ditto ditto of the Bartletts—Tom and his family are staying with her mother, you know, next door.

This feat accomplished, our heroine (that's me!) proceeded up the Bartlett lawn, collecting dewdrops on her trailing cheesecloth draperies and, incidentally, getting her new white shoes deplorably damp. Her slender form was draped also in a large American flag, and her raven curls were surmounted by a fillet of silver stars. This Goddess of Liberty effect was the result of a promise to "dress up" for the two adoring and adorable nephews, Bert and Bob. Arrived beneath the window of the room usually occupied by the nephews, the Goddess of Liberty proceeds to the time-honored ceremony of saluting them; this she does by setting off ten packs of small firecrackers, followed by a "sock dolager" of a big one. No joyful exclamations follow. Aunt Peggy is frankly puzzled; clearly, the boys are oversleeping, and she bursts into song, rendering the "Star-spangled Banner" with dramatic effect, marred only by a breathless squeak



Gracefully Scaling the Stone Wall.

on the final "Land of the free" Still no Bob and Bert. Our heroine shies a bit of turf at the window, with a command, "Wake up, larrybuns!" and as the window sash begins to creak responsibly she begins to carol "Shouting the Battle Cry of Freedom" at the top of her very healthy lungs, for Aunt Peggy has no foolish dignity when it's a question of amusing the kiddies. At last the window opens wide and, looking up, she sees—

Polly, what do you think? Instead of two little white nighties and two tousled curly heads, there was a man! A strange young man, my dear; blonde, blue-eyed, immaculate in a beautiful duck suit and gazing at me with what seemed to be mild horror, mixed with amusement, as though I were an escaped lunatic. I felt like one, I assure you, all the more so because he was awfully good-looking and well groomed and correct; and I

couldn't imagine who he could be. However, it seemed to be up to me to do something, so I drew myself to my commanding height of five feet four inches and begged his pardon for disturbing him, explaining that my little nephews usually occupied that room, and that they were expecting me over to celebrate the Fourth with them—but it all sounded like perfect nonsense. Just then, to my mingled relief and annoyance, Tom appeared at the window, too, with a flendish grin, as he sized up the situation and my costume.

"Been serenading you, has she, Archie?" he asked affably, while I boiled with helpless rage. "You mustn't mind it, old man; it's the day we celebrate, you know, and our patriotism still runs so high that even the girls seek out peaceable English visitors and taunt them with our independence. Quite the usual thing." Then, as "Archie" and I preserved a helpless silence, Tom sobered down and introduced us in proper style, and as soon as I heard the name I remembered that Archie Vane was Tom's chum in London, when he was over there setting up some machinery. He had just landed and Tom, running across him in New York the night before, had insisted on his coming home with him to spend the Fourth—all natural enough when Tom explained it. So there I'd been bearding the British lion in his den with militant American noises on the anniversary of a day ignored by all good Englishmen; and here was the British lion looking at me with his ingenious blue eyes as if he was trying to decide whether I'd bite or not.

"I warn you," Tom added, in his tactful little way, "that Peggy is a rabidly patriotic person, so I wouldn't advise you to start any discussions on international issues. This Columbia getup is quite in character, so beware!" Alice and the boys came out on the porch just then and wanted me to stay to breakfast; but of course I declined with dignity and went home—via the front gate, however, instead of the garden wall. When I turned to latch it that Englishman was still looking at me in a dazed sort of way.

The plot thickens. After breakfast my beloved kiddies rushed over to beg me to go with them on the usual family picnic to the pine grove, and I hadn't the heart to disappoint them. I wore my most sensible clothes, and I tried hard to be haughty and distant to Mr. Vane; but he kept developing such nice qualities that somehow I couldn't keep it up, especially as he ignored my crazy performance of the morning so successfully. He was a



Tom Appeared at the Window, Too.

positive genius when it came to chasing cows, fixing hammocks, unpacking luncheon and all the regular picnic stunts. The boys adored him, and he was simply angelic to the old folks; and by the time we went home I couldn't scare up a resentful feeling.

Yes, Polly, I know; you needn't remind me of all the hateful things I've said about Englishmen and the times I've vowed I couldn't, and wouldn't care for one, not if he asked me on his bended knees. Yes, and I've demonstrated often that no one but an American man was a fit companion for an American girl. I've said heaps of perfectly ferocious things, and I suppose I meant every one of them. But that was before Archie—Polly, dear, do you know, he says it was all over with him from the first moment he saw me—and in that circus-parade rig! Isn't it absurd—and lovely? And, just think, it's only a week since we met, though we both agree that it seems like years. And you should see my ring—a quaint, old, old one, that belonged to his great-great-grandmother! And his people live in a lovely old Elizabethan house, in a regular Cranford town; and his mother's a dear little old-fashioned soul with side curls, and idolizes him. Please don't remind me of anything I ever said about effete tradition, will you, Polly? I'm not going to England yet awhile, though, for Archie's here indefinitely, to learn American business methods, in Tom's line of work. I really have a little spark of American pride, I guess, for I am glad he's only a younger son, with no title within reach, though I don't suppose I'd mind that, or anything else. Because, Polly dear, I'm not shouting the battle cry of freedom nowadays. Somehow it gets all mixed up with "Rule Britannia." Do come up with me soon and discuss the new Anglo-Saxon alliance with your bewildered but blissful PEGGY.

Patriotism. "My father was wounded in the Spanish-American war and my grandfather lost an arm at Gettysburg." "How did you get that scar on your chin?" "Trying to tie a bunch of firecrackers to the tail of a buldog."