

WORLD HAPPENINGS OF CURRENT WEEK

Brief Resume Most Important
Daily News Items.

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Events of Noted People, Governments
and Pacific Northwest, and Other
Things Worth Knowing.

It was announced in London Tuesday as provisionally arranged that Premier Lloyd George would attend the Washington conference on limitation of armaments.

Thomas D. Randolph, a leading business man of Sharon, Pa., was kidnaped Monday night and is being held for \$50,000 ransom, according to information given the police by Mrs. Randolph.

Mrs. Emma R. Burkett, in New York from Hillsdale, Ind., to face a charge of forging the indorsement of the late Theodore Roosevelt on a note for \$69,900, Tuesday pleaded not guilty and was held for trial July 27.

The direct charge that \$5000 was paid to Major Bruce R. Campbell, an officer of the army for use among "the higher ups" to obtain the release of Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, her slacker son, was made Tuesday by Mrs. Emma C. Bergdoll of Philadelphia to a house investigating committee.

The fifth bank robbery in small villages in eastern Idaho within the past few weeks was reported in Idaho Falls Monday morning, when officers were warned to watch for four men who broke into the bank at Leadore last night and stole \$3000 worth of liberty bonds. Leadore is a small mining town.

There are 8,000,000 women in the United States in gainful occupations, Dr. Aurelia Henry Reinhardt, president of Mills college, Oakland, Cal., told the 300 delegates attending the third annual convention of the national federation of business and professional women's clubs in Cleveland, O., in an address Tuesday.

Jam and playing cards were granted the dignity of a class freight rate and scheduled at \$1.95 and \$3.65 a hundredweight, respectively, from Atlantic to Pacific ports by the North Atlantic-Pacific coast westbound conference at San Francisco Tuesday. Heretofore they had gone under the commodity or mixed shipment status.

Frank Farino, 16, of Brooklyn, is recovering after his heart was accidentally pierced with a knife and then promptly sewed up. The boy was working in a factory when a 17-inch knife with which he was cutting rope slipped. The blade entered his chest, pierced the heart covering and cut through the heart muscles.

Prisoners in the western penitentiary at Pittsburg Monday fired four buildings and for a time kept the institution in an uproar, while prison guards, deputy sheriffs and policemen, reinforced by armed citizens, fought to put down the disorder. Six convicts were shot and two others cut. Prison officials said three or four of the wounded would likely die.

A singular coincidence in suicides of two men named Helm is that Gratz W. Helm in San Francisco was found dead Monday afternoon sitting upright in his chair at his desk with a bullet hole back of his left ear, while Frank Helm, foreman of Gold Zone mine at Tonopah, was found dead Monday afternoon sitting in his chair at his desk with a bullet hole back of his right ear. They were not related.

Lachrymatory, or tear gas, the invention of Major Stephen de la Noy, of the chemical warfare division, United States army, was given its first official tryout as a mob scatterer and in repelling attacks by criminals at Cannon Ball farm Tuesday, near Philadelphia, and 200 policemen were driven back weeping three times. Major de la Noy, addressing the men just before the attack, said: "This is not dangerous. It is merely a tear-producing, choking, nauseating gas. But be careful you don't swallow too much."

SHIPPING BOARD LOSS HUGE

Deficiency Far Exceeds Previous Estimate Lasker Announces.

Washington, D. C.—Operations of the shipping board's fleet for the fiscal year just ended resulted in a loss of approximately \$380,000,000, Chairman Lasker of the board announced Monday. This deficit was greater by approximately \$280,000,000 than previous estimates from official sources and was made following an examination of all board accounts.

The government's venture in the merchant marine business last year involved a total expenditure of \$680,000,000 so far as could be ascertained from the board's books, which Mr. Lasker declared are in bad shape. The new chairman estimated that it would cost the government \$300,000,000 to carry on operation of the fleet this year.

A deficiency appropriation of \$150,000,000 for the shipping board will be asked in a few days, Chairman Jones of the senate commerce committee informed the senate.

"The situation there is critical," said Senator Jones, adding that the proposed appropriation was designed to save several hundreds of millions.

The appropriation, he said, was an obligation taken over from the last administration.

In stating that an examination of the books showed that \$380,000,000 had been expended from the public funds of the shipping board last year, Mr. Lasker said this "revealed an astounding case of deception to the country and congress."

"The president was astonished and dismayed that such a condition could exist when I laid these figures before him, but he wanted me to give the public the facts," he added.

Total expenditures over receipts appeared to be approximately \$380,000,000, Mr. Lasker said, instead of \$99,618,567.11, as previously shown by the board's books.

A commercial concern operating on a similar basis would have been in the hands of a receiver some time ago, the chairman asserted, stating also that he knew this state of affairs was not the fault of Admiral Benson, ex-chairman of the board, nor of Controller Tweedale. He said that it was due to the system started during the war, and continued until recently. The money which is unaccounted for was said by the chairman to have been disbursed by operators of government-owned boats for which a full accounting has not been made.

The chairman further asserted that of 9000 voyages made only 3000 had been accounted for and that 200 auditors were now working on the books of these operators to find out what happened.

A balance sheet of the shipping board's books classified receipts from operation of ships, \$300,000,000; from appropriation, \$100,000,000; from balance on hand July 1, 1920, \$80,000,000; and from sale of assets \$200,000,000, a total of \$680,000,000.

Expenses were, general operations, \$409,000,000; new ships, \$160,000,000; drydocks, etc., \$6,000,000; supplies, \$18,000,000; advances to foreign offices, \$15,000,000 and miscellaneous expenses, \$72,000,000; a total of \$680,000,000. From this balance sheet, Mr. Lasker said, the board had spent above earnings \$100,000,000 in direct appropriations, \$80,000,000 from a balance of a previous year and \$200,000,000 from assets sales, or \$380,000,000 of deficit.

"I am asking congress for \$300,000,000 for the year," Chairman Lasker said, "and I fear that I may throw a lot of sand into the gear box of tax revision, but we estimate that it will take from \$100,000,000 to \$125,000,000 to run the next six months. But we plan to pay for all losses of operations and settle a part of the claims against the shipping board, amounting to more than \$300,000,000. These may be settled at no more than 50 cents on the dollar, because they are believed to be padded."

Frisky Lamb is Costly.

Yakima, Wash.—One frisky lamb caused a stampede that drowned 109 sheep in the Peshastin river, with a loss of \$800 and the cost of recovering and burning the bodies, according to A. D. Dunn, who told the story here Monday. The sheep belonged to Everett Butler and William Knox of this city and were part of a band to be shipped to Chicago.

MILLIONS BEHIND BOOTLEGGING PLOT

Foreign and Domestic Capital
Declared Used.

FLEET SAID AT WORK

Atlantic City Collector of Customs
Says Suspected Liquor Steamer
Has Left Port.

New York.—Foreign and domestic capital aggregating millions of dollars is supporting a conspiracy to violate the Volstead act by running cargoes of liquor into various parts of the United States in a fleet of sailing vessels of British and American registry, it was charged Sunday by Leroy W. Ross, United States district attorney of Brooklyn.

With the seizure Saturday of a sloop attempting to discharge a contraband cargo on the Connecticut shore and the amplification of the government's enforcement facilities along the Atlantic coast, Mr. Ross has been placed in virtual charge of prohibitive operations at the port of New York.

Elliott Rapp, collector of customs, Atlantic City, declared that a mysterious three-masted schooner is lying off Atlantic City, but that when revenue officers went out to her Sunday they found she was beyond the three-mile limit. He also said a large steamer, which had been lying off Atlantic City for several days and which was suspected of having a cargo of contraband liquor, weighed anchor Saturday and disappeared. He added the ship had signaled ashore to "lay down your money and come and get it."

POLAND BIDS FOR NORTHWEST WHEAT

Spokane, Wash.—Receipt of an offer from a large New York exporting firm to purchase 3,300,000 bushels of wheat for shipment to Poland was announced here Sunday by W. F. Schilling of Northfield, Minn., president of the \$100,000,000 finance corporation of the United States Grain Growers, Inc.

Whether the order will be filled depends on the ability of the purchasers and the grain growers' organization to agree on the terms of payment, Mr. Schilling said.

The offer telegraphed to Mr. Schilling said that 100,000 tons of wheat of export quality were desired for Danzig, shipment to begin in August. The payment is to be 75 per cent cash and 25 per cent on 12 months' credit, according to Mr. Schilling, guaranteed by the Polish treasury and Polish bankers. The price was not mentioned.

"The greater part of this order, if it is taken, will be filled by producers of Washington, Oregon and Idaho," Mr. Schilling said. "This section is the best for wheat of export quality."

EARTHQUAKE SHOCK HITS SAN FRANCISCO

San Francisco.—An earthquake shock was felt here at 9:05 o'clock Sunday night.

The shock, which was felt by many persons in all parts of San Francisco, was estimated to have lasted between 15 and 25 seconds. No damage has been reported.

Santa Clara, Cal.—An earthquake which struck here at 9 o'clock Sunday night lasted six minutes and covered a distance of 77 miles, according to the seismograph record reported by Father Ricard of the University of Santa Clara.

The shock radiated from Palo Alto and was most severe at that point. It took a northwest direction from Palo Alto. No damage has been reported in San Jose or from any nearby points.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Bend.—The Deschutes county court has refused a bid of \$96,126 on \$50,000 worth of county road bonds and decided to dispose of the county's securities by private sale as the money is needed.

Grants Pass.—The Grants Pass chamber of Commerce has offered a prize of \$20 for the best song submitted about the city or valley. Other prizes are also offered, about 20 songs being wanted.

Medford.—Prospects for the heaviest tonnage of fruit ever shipped out of the Rogue valley are bright, according to a census just completed by the Southern Pacific Railroad company, working in co-operation with the field staff of the Oregon growers.

Salem.—The average daily attendance in the schools of Union county increased from 3,395 in the year 1920 to 3,677 in the year 1921, according to a report prepared by Mrs. A. E. Ivanhoe, county superintendent, and filed with the state superintendent of public instruction.

Salem.—There were two fatalities in Oregon due to industrial accidents during the week ended July 15, according to a report prepared by the state industrial commission here. The victims were Anna McNaughton, elevator operator, Portland, and Jack Pressler, logger, Myrtle Point.

Hood River.—L. M. Tucker, in charge of the recently established state fish hatchery on Hood River at the mouth of Green Point creek, has just received 230,000 trout eggs from a hatchery at Klamath Falls. He formerly received an allotment of 200,000 eggs, all of which have been hatched.

Albany.—Work on a building which will house one of the most modern creamery plants in the state began here Monday. The structure will replace the old plant of the Albany Creamery association, destroyed by fire a few weeks ago. J. H. Hammett of Albany has received the construction contract.

Salem.—So-called weighing jacks have been received by the state automobile department here and a campaign to enforce the law relating to trucks and loads operating on state highways will start next week. The campaign will be carried to every section of Oregon, according to T. A. Rafferty, chief inspector of the motor vehicle department.

Salem.—The 28th carload of Willamette valley prunes, purchased for distribution in England, will be shipped from Salem as soon as they can be crated, according to the Oregon Growers' Co-operative association. This week three cars of prunes will be shipped to New York, while 10,000 of the better varieties of the product will be sent to Portland.

Falls City.—This summer marks the launching of a community enterprise in Falls City, which bids fair to be a success. It is the Falls City cannery, formerly owned by the A. Rupert company, which was purchased March 9 by an aggregation of local townspeople and farmers, involving about \$20,000 in the transaction. C. J. Pugh, ex-manager for the Rupert company, was made president and manager of the new concern.

Salem.—More than 20,000 pickers will be needed to harvest Oregon's hop crop this year, according to estimates. Approximately half this number will be required in Marion and Polk counties. Pickers will enter the local field about August 20, and about three weeks will be required to complete the harvest. Although wages have not yet been determined, growers said that the figure probably would be fixed at 40 to 45 cents for a 50-pound box.

Salem.—Oregon hop growers this year will exert special care in the conduct of their fields with relation to cleanliness and good picking, according to T. A. Livesley & Co. and other dealers in this vicinity. The word has been given out by Salem hop dealers that letters received from England indicate that the buyers this year will demand clean hops and that only first-class product will be accepted. English syndicates handle practically all of the local hop crop and it is the desire of the growers that the product shall meet with their satisfaction.

POULTRY FLOCKS

TEST EGGS AT LEAST TWICE

Make Inspection on Seventh and Fourteenth Days for Those Infertile or With Dead Germs.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture)

It is of little profit for a hen to sit patiently for 21 days if the eggs over which she fluffs her feathers are infertile or if the germs in them have died. Neither does it pay to run an incubator for three weeks, with its attendant care and expense, if the eggs in it are not fertile.

All poultry owners who raise chicks should be thoroughly familiar with the method of testing eggs. An egg, whether it is fertile or not, has a small grayish spot, known as the germinal spot, on the surface of the yolk. As soon as a fertile egg is placed under a hen or in an incubator the development of the germ begins. All eggs should be tested at least twice during the incubation period, say poultry specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture. This is done preferably on the seventh and fourteenth days. The infertile eggs, and



Testing Egg by Use of Metal Chimney Tester.

those with dead germs, should then be removed. White-shell eggs can be tested on the fourth or fifth day, whereas the development of eggs having brown shells often can not be seen by the use of the ordinary egg tester until the seventh day.

A satisfactory home-made egg tester or candler can be made with a shoe box or any other box large enough to hold the lamp. Cut a hole a little larger than a 25-cent piece in the side of the box, so that when the lamp is placed inside the box the hole in the side will be opposite the flame. Make a hole also in the top of the box large enough to prevent the top from catching fire from the heat of the lamp. When the chimney is long enough, allow it to extend through the top of the box. This permits the heat to escape and avoids the risk of fire. Special care should always be exercised in using kerosene lamps in candling to prevent fire. To prevent further possibility of fire.

Electric or gas lamps may be used in a box with a hole in the same way that the kerosene lamp is used. The hole which is in the side of the box should be on the same level as the light. The eggs may also be tested by sunlight or daylight, using a shade or curtain with a hole in it for the light to shine through.

Testing with a tester or candler should be done in a dark room. Hold each egg with the large end up, so that the size of the air cell may be seen, as well as the condition of the embryo or germ. An infertile egg when candled looks perfectly clear, the same as a fresh one; while a fertile egg shows a dark spot known as the embryo, with a mass of little blood veins radiating in all directions. When the germ is dead, and the egg has been incubated for at least 48 hours, the blood settles away from the embryo toward the edges of the yolk, forming in some cases an irregular circle of blood, known as a blood ring. Eggs vary in this respect, some showing only a streak of blood.

All infertile eggs, and those with dead germs, should be removed at the end of the first test. Eggs with dead germs soon decay and give off a bad odor if allowed to remain. The infertile eggs make good feed for young chickens.

At the second test, on the fourteenth day, the eggs containing strong, living embryos will be dark and well filled up, showing a clear, sharp, distinct line between the air cell and the growing embryo, while eggs with dead germs will show only partial development and lack this distinct outline.

The period of incubation for hen's eggs is 21 days, but usually some of the eggs hatch the evening of the twentieth day. Sometimes it happens, however, that the hatch will run over the twenty-first day, especially during cool weather.