

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.

Hungary is still suffering from the wave of intense heat which began several weeks ago. Many crops are declared to be ruined by the warm weather.

There were 1444 commercial failures, involving liabilities of \$42,774,153, in the United States last month, R. G. Dun & Co. reported Tuesday. This number was 120 more than in June.

A resolution directing the census bureau to ascertain the number of federal employees in Washington and how they voted in the last presidential election was introduced in the house Tuesday.

Resumption of diplomatic relations between France and the vatican have been formally effected by the arrival in Paris from Rome of Archbishop Benaventura Serretti, who will act as papal nuncio.

The 19,300-ton liner Tirpitz, built in Germany during the war, has been purchased by the Canadian Pacific railway and will be added to its Pacific fleet. She will be renamed the Empress of China.

Seventeen deaths on account of heat were reported from Italian cities Monday, seven of them occurring in Venice. Following violent heat on Sunday a cyclone struck a portion of Milan, damaging a number of stores.

General decadence of agriculture, decay of transportation and a decrease of industry in general of more than 90 per cent of the pre-war output are held responsible by Secretary Hoover for the food shortage in Russia.

Senators McKinley, republican, Illinois; Robinson, democrat, Arkansas, and Walsh, democrat, Montana, sailed Wednesday from New York on the steamer George Washington as American delegates to the inter-parliamentary peace union at Stockholm.

Unofficial reports that remarks of Albert Douglas, chief of the American mission representing the United States at the Peruvian centennial, had offended Chile caused the state department to cable to the American embassy for a copy of the commissioner's speech.

The three-masted schooner Ottilie Fjord, 261 tons, went ashore early Tuesday morning at Fort point at the Presidio, according to word reaching the San Francisco Merchants' exchange. The vessel grounded in a dense fog and is 500 feet offshore. She was said to be in no danger.

Early and incomplete unofficial returns from Tuesday's Missouri state-wide election indicated probable passage of constitutional amendments providing for a \$15,000,000 bond issue for a soldier bonus and permitting use of motor vehicle license fees for payment of interest on \$60,000,000 in road improvement bonds.

Enrico Caruso died in Naples, Italy, Tuesday. The great singer, whose ultimate recovery had been hoped for under the benign influences of his own Italy, passed away at 9 A. M. at the Hotel Vesuvius. He had been brought here hurriedly from Sorrento, on the Bay of Naples, where less than a week ago he avowed his returning strength and expressed the conviction that he would sing as before.

Policies of the federal reserve board during the last 18 months or more were attacked Tuesday before a joint congressional commission by John Skelton Williams, ex-controller of the currency, who charged that the board had displayed undue favoritism in lending to New York banking groups while southern and western borrowers were unduly curtailed. There was "abundant ground for complaints of discrimination by farmers generally," he said.

STEAMSHIP SINKS; 48 LIVES ARE LOST

Steamer Alaska Strikes Blunt's
Reef Saturday Night.

MANY ARE RESCUED

Work of Life-Saving By Anyox Directed in Midst Bleak Darkness—Fog Cause of Wreck.

Eureka, Cal.—Forty-eight persons, 35 passengers and 12 of the crew, were lost Saturday night when the steamer Alaska of the San Francisco & Portland Steamship company, bound from Portland, Or., to San Francisco, sank 30 minutes after crashing into the rocks of Blunt's reef, 40 miles south of this city.

Passengers and members of the crew were blown from the decks of the vessel into the ocean when the ship's boilers exploded as the Alaska started sinking, survivors brought here said.

The survivors, numbering 166 persons, were brought here Sunday by the rescue ship Anyox, the first vessel to reach the scene of the wreck in response to the Alaska's radio signals.

The coast guard tug Ranger, dispatched early from Eureka, returned to port with the bodies of 12 men.

Of the survivors landed by the Anyox, 30 were more or less seriously injured and received medical treatment at the local hospitals.

The list of missing may be changed, for lists of passengers and crew aboard have not been verified.

The full story of the sinking of the Alaska did not become known until survivors had landed here. It was brought out the Alaska was proceeding toward San Francisco in a dense fog, when she struck a submerged ledge of the reef.

This shock was almost instantly followed by another as the vessel struck an outcropping of the reef above water.

The Alaska struck the reef shortly after 9 o'clock. Immediately wireless distress signals were flashed. Five miles away the steamer Anyox of Vancouver, B. C., picked them up, and disregarding fog and danger of striking the same rocks as the Alaska, put on full speed to the rescue. At 9:30 o'clock the Anyox received the Alaska's final message:

"We are sinking by the head."

Before the Anyox could reach the stricken Alaska the latter had sunk.

In the fog the Anyox came upon a lifeboat with survivors from the Alaska. The boat was partially filled with sea water and oily scum. The oil, survivors said, had been thrown over them and their boat by the explosion of the Alaska boilers, which wrecked the Alaska amidships.

Some of the deaths were declared by survivors to have been caused by the explosion, which threw some passengers and members of the crew into the ocean. Some of the latter regained the vessel or were saved by clinging to wreckage or finding their way into lifeboats.

The Alaska's end came so quickly all the vessel's lifeboats could not be lowered.

The vessel slowly lifted and then righting itself suddenly plunged. An overturned lifeboat shot many passengers into the water. There was a half hour of bleak darkness with the lifeboats drifting in the blanket of fog before the siren of the rescue steamer Anyox was heard.

Captain Snoddy of the Anyox and his crew defied the treacheries of the reef in carrying on the rescue work, but it was with difficulty that the wreck victims in lifeboats and many in life preservers or clinging to drifting wreckage were found.

Mexico City Population 1,000,000.

Mexico City. — The population of Mexico City has increased more than 100 per cent during the past ten years, according to recent estimates based on statistics which fix the figure at approximately 1,000,000. This is far above the normal increase and is attributed to the influx of persons due to revolutions.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

By F. A. Walker

INTERESTING PLACES.

A METROPOLITAN newspaper recently featured the photographs seen in a trip around the world.

They were as follows: The Great Wall of China, a group of figures outside a Buddhist temple to frighten away evil spirits, the houseboats on the canal at Canton, China, the ancient instruments in the astronomical observatory at Peking, the bank of the Nile near Cairo, where, according to local tradition, the daughter of Pharaoh found the infant Moses in the bulrushes.

The interests of this traveler were apparently confined largely to the Orient or else he traversed the most of his journey with his eyes shut, a fault common to a good many travelers.

What are the five most interesting examples of the handiwork of man to be seen in a trip around the world? What are the five things most worth seeing and remembering?

What would interest one would not, perhaps, interest another, and the list which is given below may not appeal to you even though it be an opinion compiled from the experiences of a dozen or more world travelers who discussed the interesting question.

Here are the things which were in general agreed upon as the five things most worth seeing:

The Taj Mahal at Agra in East India. This is undoubtedly the most wonderful example of architecture in the world. It was built by Shah Jehan to his favorite sultana, Moomtaz-i-Mahal, and the romance of its building, if you will take trouble to look it up in the library, you will find extraordinarily interesting.

The Vatican at Rome. No building in the world houses so many unreplaceable treasures as the Vatican. Its art riches, its wealth of literary treasures exceed in interest and in value any other single collection ever made.

The Mount Wilson observatory, near Los Angeles, Cal. It is in this observatory that is housed the 100-inch Hooker telescope with pierces further into the unknown of space than any other instrument that human hands have devised. One moment's look through that magnificent instrument would show you a new universe which before it was built had never been seen. It is one of the scientific wonder spots of the world.

Shakespeare's home at Stratford. It was here that the master of all writers retired after he had finished the greatest contribution to literature ever written in any language or by any man. It is an inspiration to stand where he had once stood, to see some of the material things that were once his companions.

The Panama canal. Undoubtedly the greatest example of man's engineering genius since the world began.

MOTHER'S COOK BOOK

by Nellie Maxwell

"Is looking down that makes one dizzy. Brown."

Don't worry when you stumble; remember, a worm is about the only thing that can't fall down.

SUMMERY FOODS.

DISHES easy of digestion and those refreshing as well as easy to prepare are those that interest us during the warm days.

Sardine Hors d'Oeuvre.

Cut Boston brown bread into rounds. Cut out a thin round one-eighth of an inch from the edge. Fill this open space between the two with sardines skinned and boned, seasoned with lemon juice, salt and paprika and Worcestershire sauce mixed together. Salt a slice of hard-cooked egg at the center and a row of capers around the edge.

Coffee and Tapioca Trifle.

Have ready two cupsful of clear strained coffee and one-half cupful of pearl tapioca. Cook the tapioca with the coffee until well done. When done add one-half cupful of sugar, a pinch of salt, turn into glass cups and finish when cold with whipped sweetened cream.

Creamed Chicken in Crown of Rice.

For a crown mold holding one pint of material, wash a scant cupful of rice and cook in one quart of chicken broth, in whole or part. Salt, using one-half teaspoonful. When done butter the mold and pack in the rice. Set the mold on several folds of paper in a dish of boiling water and let cool

There may have been greater difficulties to surmount in the building of the pyramids but they are useless things, not so wonderful now as a modern city skyscraper.

All five of these things are the accomplishments of the brain of man. Added to them the traveler around the world would wish to see those other and greater things that man has never equaled: The falls at Niagara, the Grand canyon, the mighty trees of California, the great tides of Fundy, the caverns at Luray, the mountainous monuments of God in the Alps and the Himalayas, the supreme beauty of Lake Louise or the Bay of Naples.

To the traveler there is given the great privilege of seeing with his own eyes but even if you cannot travel, the beauties and the wonders of the world are not denied you. You can see them through the eyes of others who have seen them and have written down in graphic and truthful language the wonders that they found.

If you are interested in any of the five things of man enumerated above you can find them all interestingly written about in any good library, and of the greater things in nature hundreds of books have been written on each of them.

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LYRICS OF LIFE

By DOUGLAS MALLOCH

A PLACE TO TIE.

I'VE noticed afloat and a-tramping,
I've seen it on river and land,
The thing that the most
You need is a post
To tie to when night is at hand,
Some sort of an anchor to hold you,
Some hawser that never will fail,
Some place you can tie
Till the storm has gone by,
To help you to ride out the gale.

So many go foolishly drifting
While rapids are roaring below,
Afloat on the tide
Without compass or guide,
Till down to disaster they go;
The need of us all is an anchor,
A painter to tie to the shore,
Some place to make fast
Till the tempest is past
And the waters are rolling no more.

So many afloat on the river,
The turbulent river of life,
Have only their own
Poor resistance alone
To conquer the trouble and strife,
A fellow needs something to tie to,
His trail o'er the sea or the sod,
Some friend that is true
Who will carry him through—
A woman, a pal, or a God.
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Logical Indignation.

The Nebraska man who was fined for snoring in church is indignant that the parson who lulled him to sleep got off scot free.—Vancouver Province.

The watch of Charles V., which was one of the earliest of these timepieces, weighed 27 pounds. It was a good deal like a clock of the present day.