

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.

In the business district in Seattle Tuesday, a robber entered a candy store, held up a woman clerk and obtained \$10 from the cash register.

Legislation for regulation of the meatpacking industry, long before congress, finally was made ready Tuesday for approval by the president.

The fancy silk shirt, sporty Sox and loud, expensive cravats are doomed to give way to cotton lisle and plain knitted goods, because men are slashing their clothing bills, Chicago haberdashers told the board of review when questioned about their personal property taxes.

The four big railroad brotherhoods in Canada announced Tuesday they would jointly contest the 12 per cent wage cut, which has been put into effect on the Canadian railroads. They have applied to the government for a board of conciliation and a ten-day conference in Montreal.

Lemons came down from a little price aviation trip Tuesday when, in the commission-house district in San Francisco, they were quoted at from \$3.50 to \$4 a box, wholesale. This is a drop of \$1 for the best grade and \$1.50 for the common grades. In the past few weeks the price, soared to \$10 a box.

Reductions of approximately \$600,000,000 in taxes and \$520,000,000 in government expenditures this fiscal year were agreed upon at a conference between President Harding, Secretary Mellon and republican leaders of the house of representatives, including members of the ways and means committee.

Federal agencies will co-operate with state officials in a fight to eradicate Rocky mountain spotted fever in Montana, it was announced Tuesday by the public health service. The situation has been under discussion between Surgeon-General Cumming and W. F. Cogswell, secretary of the Montana board of health.

Republicans of the senate privileges and elections committee voted Senator Newberry, republican, Michigan, whose election in 1918 was contested by Henry Ford, democratic nominee, a clear title to his seat. Democratic committee members all voted in opposition, and the long-contested case goes to the senate for final decision. The committee vote was 8 to 4.

Dayton, Ohio, traffic policemen rubbed their eyes Saturday when a miniature automobile sailed past all semaphores. There wasn't a soul in it. It was a driverless radio automobile from McCook field, controlled by a radio in a car 100 feet behind it. The automobile itself contained no wireless and is said to be the first of its kind publicly exhibited by the radio air service.

New York was introduced Monday to the postage meter, a machine which makes every man his own stamp printer and does away with the necessity of sticking them on. The National City bank has the first one exhibited. The machine, recently approved by the postoffice department, prints on the letters a little square about the size of a stamp, in which appears the words "U. S. Postage-Paid 2c."

Len Small, governor of Illinois, after resisting arrest on indictments charging embezzlement and conspiracy for three weeks on the plea of executive immunity, or that "the king can do no wrong," as stated by his counsel Tuesday, finally submitted to Sheriff Mester after the latter had besieged the state capitol with deputies for several hours. The governor protested his arrest until the last, charging persecution and asserting his innocence.

RICH BRIDE'S BODY FOUND

Mrs. Kate Mahoney Identified—Husband in Seattle Jail.

Seattle, Wash.—Discovery of a mutilated body, declared by Charles Tennant, captain of detectives, to be that of the missing Mrs. Kate Mahoney, in a trunk in Union bay here Monday afternoon was the culmination of diving and dragging operations which the police had carried on for more than a month.

Mrs. Mahoney, wealthy and elderly bride, has been missing since about April 15, shortly after her marriage to James E. Mahoney.

Mahoney has been in jail here for two months on several charges of forgery, all filed in connection with an alleged fraudulent power of attorney by which he was said to have obtained title to some of his wife's property.

Mahoney and his bride went east on their wedding trip shortly before the woman was listed as missing. St. Paul was said to have been the last city they visited before the police began to send notices broadcast on the disappearance of Mrs. Mahoney.

Soon after Mahoney's arrest here, the police announced they had evidence indicating that Mrs. Mahoney's body was in Lake Union, and since they have continued the search. Union bay, where the trunk was found by the tug Audrey, is an arm of Lake Union. When the trunk was hauled aboard the tug, it was found to contain three rugs. Beneath them was the body of a woman.

Mrs. Mahoney was killed by a blow on the head. Two inches above her right eye there was an oval hole in the skull, such as might have been made by a hammer. There was also a dent in the back of the skull.

Slash Taxes on Luxuries.

Washington, D. C.—Agreement to eliminate the taxes on fountain drinks and ice cream and the so-called luxury tax on wearing apparel is understood to have been reported Monday by republican members of the house ways and means committee, sitting in executive session. A reduction of one-half in the 10 per cent levy on sporting goods also is said to have been agreed upon. The total loss of revenue from these proposed changes would be slightly less than \$50,000,000, and the reductions are the first to be passed upon by the majority members in their effort to carry out the announced program of republican house leaders to cut \$500,000,000 from the nation's tax bill.

Miners Accept Pay Cut.

Tonopah, Nev. — Mine electricians, blacksmiths and hoist men, on strike since April 16, have voted to return to work, according to announcement from the unions Monday. They will accept the new wage scale which calls for a reduction of about 12 1/2 per cent.

The action of these crafts, it was said, practically brings to an end a strike which greatly hampered mining activities in this district.

Stone's Body Recovered.

Banff, Alta.—The body of Dr. W. E. Stone, president of Purdue university, Indiana, who was killed in a fall on Mount Aenon, was recovered Sunday according to a message received here. A. E. Wheeler, a member of the party which has been searching for the body, sent the message.

Maple Leaves Falling.

Harrisburg, Or.—The maple leaves are falling here now. The old-timers assert that it is the earliest the leaves have ever fallen and they say this indicates a bad winter or a very early winter. The streets, sidewalks and the grounds of the various residences are covered with dead and dying leaves.

Dodgers Get Publicity.

Washington, D. C.—More than 17,000 names of alleged draft evaders were published Saturday in the Congressional Record. The names are those issued by the war department between June 5 and July 4.

Unemployed Start Fire.

London. — Disappointed over their failure to obtain jobs at a timber yard in East London which advertised for 50 men, 5000 unemployed laborers Monday broke into the premises and set fire to a stock of lumber valued at £1,000,000.

ALLIES MAY LIFT LID ON RHINELAND

End of Economics Barrier Put Up to Germany.

PAYMENTS IS FACTOR

Question of Occupation of Right Bank of Rhine to Come Up Again At Next Meeting.

Paris.—The lifting of the economic barrier of the Rhineland on September 15, providing Germany pays up the amount she undertook to pay under the London ultimatum and agrees to remove the boycott against French goods, was decided upon at the final session of the allied supreme council Saturday.

It was decided, however, to maintain the occupation of Ruhrort, Dplisburg and Dusseldorf until the next meeting of the council, which it was understood will be held previous to the Washington disarmament conference.

At that time Premier Briand consented that the question of the occupation of the right bank of the Rhine should be reconsidered.

The decisions were reached after M. Briand, as president of the council, replied to attacks made by Lord Curzon, the British foreign secretary, and Sir Robert Stevenson Horne, chancellor of the British exchequer, against what was termed the present expensive system of administering the treaty, especially as concerning occupation of the Ruhr region.

This, Lord Curzon said, "is very costly; also irritating to German national sentiment and pride."

The chancellor of the British exchequer argued that continuance of the present system impoverished everyone of the interested powers and that means ought to be examined for reducing the cost, as the high expense meant less reparations.

Ambassador Harvey took a more active part in the three hours' meeting of the council than at any session since the deliberations were started, being asked for his opinion or taking part in the discussion of practically every question brought up, as America was directly interested, especially in the Russian and Austrian situations.

At this session the council decided upon the makeup of the international famine relief commission, which will deal with the famine situation in Russia. This commission will not be merely inter-allied, but Sweden, Denmark, Norway and other neutral countries will be asked to join. The nucleus will be formed by the entente countries and the United States, each to appoint three delegates.

DOMINION STATUS OFFERED IRELAND

London.—Official light on the status of the Irish negotiations was given by the government for the first time Saturday in the form of a letter written by General Jan C. Smuts, the South African premier, to Eamonn de Valera, the Irish republican leader. This letter, which was dated August 4, revealed that Premier Lloyd George offered 26 Sinn Fein counties complete dominion status, subject to certain strategic safeguards. It was also known by the text of the letter that Sir James Craig, the Ulster premier, has refused to negotiate with Mr. de Valera, and that Ulster is standing firm for retaining her present government.

Fire Stirrs Wild Beasts.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Fire at the Selig motion-picture studios on Mission road Saturday threatened serious loss for an hour or more, but was finally controlled with loss estimated at \$20,000, exclusive of the value of one completed unreleased feature, which the management said was worth a large sum. The Selig studios have a large collection of animals which were in enclosures nearby. Until the fire was controlled panic reigned in the neighborhood, as the collection included scores of lions, tigers and other wild animals.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Salem.—It was estimated Saturday that approximately 1000 pickers will be needed in Marion county to handle the hop yield now coming on.

Cottage Grove.—The cannery here has sold \$23,000 of its future pack for this year and could dispose of a larger quantity were there a certainty that it could be delivered.

Salem.—China pheasants are more numerous in Marion county than for many years, according to reports received here from the rural districts. Quail, too, are numerous, as are other species of birds that annually attract the hunter.

Salem. — Practically all logging camps in Marion and Polk counties are now in operation and more camps will be opened before fall, according to U. G. Holt, manager of the logging department of the C. A. Spaulding Logging company.

Salem.—The entire crop of pears controlled by the Oregon Growers' Co-operative association in the Willamette and Umpqua valleys has been sold at \$65 a ton f. o. b. shipping point for the best quality and \$35 a ton for the second grades.

Salem.—A permit for the construction of a new Oddfellows' building here was issued Friday. The structure will cost approximately \$35,000 and will be used as an automobile terminal. The building has been leased by a Seattle company.

St. Helens.—The St. Helens council will build a public market so that the farmers living in nearby communities can dispose of their farm products direct to the consumer. The market will be on a vacant lot near the courthouse and in the center of the city.

Baker.—"Strikes" of high-grade gold and silver ores are almost daily announced from the old mining camps in the vicinity of Sumpter in Baker and Grant counties. Since the announcement that the Sumpter smelter will be reopened, the camps are taking on new life.

Salem.—Loans and discounts of the 287 banks operating in Oregon show a decrease of more than \$32,500,000 since June 30, 1920, according to a report prepared here by Frank Bramwell, state superintendent of banks, based upon statements received from the various institutions at the close of business June 30, 1921.

Albany.—A large portion of a grain field on the farm of R. C. Duncan near Shedd was burned over Saturday, when the grain caught fire from the sparks from a threshing machine engine. Many people went from Shedd to assist men in the neighborhood extinguish the fire, which threatened considerable grain.

St. Helens.—The annual Columbia county fair will be held September 21-3, inclusive, this year, and the fair board, which met here, decided to make extensive improvements to the buildings and grounds. An attractive premium list is being arranged, the county court having doubled the appropriation of last year.

Salem.—Hop picking in the Salem district will begin August 20 and in the Harrisburg section August 25, according to announcement made here Saturday. It was estimated by dealers that approximately \$500,000 would be expended for picking within two weeks after the harvest starts. The price for picking has been fixed at 50 cents for the box of 50 pounds.

Salem.—The program for the Oregon state fair for 1921, September 26-October 1, will be largely influenced by the fact that this year marks the 16th anniversary of the annual event. More than ever before, the week's gathering will partake of the nature of a big homecoming, with pioneers and sons and daughters of pioneers meeting on the old camp ground that adjoins the state fair grounds in the capital city.

Salem.—A survey of conditions in Salem as they affect labor and the purchasing power of a dollar was completed here Saturday. The report showed that labor has declined approximately 10 per cent during the last year and a half, while the price for commodities have declined an average of 20 per cent. Taxes, based on an assessment of \$1000, have increased from \$31.20 two years ago to \$48.60 for this year.

POULTRY

GOOD FENCES ARE REQUIRED

Fowls Running at Large Destroy Gardens and Flower Beds—Confine Them in Yards.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Confine the back-yard flock; otherwise the hens will stray into neighbors' yards and gardens, where they may cause damage and are almost sure to cause ill feeling. The yard should be inclosed by a board or wire fence. Wire fencing is preferable, as it is cheaper and the hens are less likely to fly over it, say poultry specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture. If cuts prove troublesome where one is raising chickens, it may be necessary to cover the top of the yard with wire also. A board should not be used at the top of a wire fence, as this gives the hens a visible place to alight and tends to teach them to fly over.

A 5-foot fence is high enough for most conditions, but if the hens show a tendency to fly over such a fence the flight feathers of one wing should be clipped. Leghorns need a 6-foot fence. The larger the yard which can be provided the better the hens will do, as it not only gives them greater opportunity to exercise, but also makes it possible to maintain a sod on the yard. In most cases not enough land will be available so that a sod can be maintained.

If the yard is fairly large, it can be divided into two parts and green crops, such as oats, wheat, rye, or Dwarf Essex rape allowed to start in one yard while the hens are confined to the other. The green crops should be sown very thick, and the following quantities will be found satisfactory for a yard 25 by 30 feet: Wheat, 2 1/2 pounds; oats, 1 1/2 pounds; rye, 3 1/4 pounds, rape, 5 ounces. When the growing stuff reaches a height of 3 to 4 inches the hens can be turned upon it and the other yard be similarly sown.

Where it is inadvisable to divide the yard it is possible to keep a supply of green stuff growing by using a wooden frame 2 or 3 inches high covered with 1-inch mesh wire. A frame made of 1 by 2-inch lumber, 6 feet long and 3 feet wide, with an additional piece across the center to support the wire when the hens stand on it, will be found desirable for a small yard. A part of the yard as large as this frame is spaded up and sown, the frame placed over it, and the material allowed to grow. As soon as the green sprouts reach the wire the hens



Common Poultry Netting Makes a Very Satisfactory Fence.

will begin to pick them off, but since they cannot eat them down to the roots the sprouts will continue to grow and supply green material. This frame can be moved from place to place in the yard, and in this way different parts cultivated.

The yard should be stirred or spaded up frequently, if not in sod, in order to keep it in the best condition. This will not only tend to keep down any odors which might arise, but also allow the droppings to be absorbed into the soil more readily, and, therefore, keep the yard in better condition for the hens.

Although it is necessary to keep the hens confined to their yard most of the time, it is sometimes possible to let them out where they may range upon the lawn for an hour or so in the evening when some one can be at hand to watch them or at certain seasons of the year to allow them to run in the garden plot. This will be enjoyed greatly by the hens and will be very beneficial to them.