

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.

Fifteen persons were drowned when a ferryboat sank in the Cautin river at Temuco City, 80 miles northeast of Valdivia, Chile, Tuesday.

The number of peasants threatened with starvation in the Volga region is now placed at 30,000,000 by a Moscow wireless dispatch. Of this number 9,500,000 are children.

Plans for inauguration of a daily passenger and freight service between New York and Washington were announced Tuesday by a commercial aviation company. Six limousine type planes have been purchased.

An automobile containing jewelry valued at \$50,000 was stolen at Los Angeles harbor Tuesday while its owner, Richard H. Nelson, salesman for a San Francisco firm of manufacturing jewelers, was inside a store in the harbor district, talking to a prospective customer, according to his report to the police.

The population of England, Wales and Scotland, according to the new census made public recently is 42,767,530, as against 40,831,396 in 1911, an increase of 4.7 per cent. Greater London's population is 7,476,168, an increase of 3.1 per cent. By countries the population is: England, 35,678,530; Wales, 2,206,712; Scotland, 4,882,288.

The steamship Italia sailed from New York Tuesday for Vigo, Spain, with more than 200 recruits many of them Americans, who had enlisted here in the Spanish legion in the last three days for service in the Spanish army against Morocco tribesmen. They will be trained at Vigo and then embark for Ceuta, on the coast of Morocco.

The senate Tuesday was requested in a resolution adopted by the house by a vote of 181 to 3 "to take appropriate action" concerning remarks of Senator Reed, democrat, Missouri, during debate on the anti-beer bill last week, which the house held were "improper, unparliamentary and a reflection on the character" of Representative Volstead, republican, Minnesota.

Selection of the town of Mansfield, and the county of Richmond, O., as the location of its five-year experiment in the development of children was announced Tuesday by the National Child Health council. The Ohio communities were picked from 80 which sought the distinction, as most nearly complying with the qualifications of a typical American community.

Worthless notes, stolen bonds, fraudulent deeds of trust and forged certificates of deposit running into untold millions have been flung on the markets of the country, federal agents declared Tuesday, after investigating the operations of a band alleged to have been headed by Charles W. French and John W. Worthington. Banks, bond houses, investment security brokers and wealthy business men from coast to coast were declared to have been victims of one of the most gigantic swindles ever unearthed by department of justice agents.

Fred E. Sterling, lieutenant-governor of Illinois, recently indicted with Governor Small and Vernon Curtis of Grant Park, Ill., on charges of embezzlement and conspiracy involving \$2,000,000 of state funds, Tuesday forwarded a draft for \$391,386.28 to Edward E. Miller, his successor as state treasurer. In a letter accompanying the draft Mr. Sterling explained that this sum was "all the interest collected by me on state deposits since May 31, 1920," and that it included "interest to date on such collected interest items from the dates when the same came to my hands."

BILLION TO BOOST TRADE

Senate Bill, Amended, Is Passed by House—Stimulus Promised.

Washington, D. C.—With a number of amendments, the senate bill, which would make \$1,000,000,000 available through the war finance corporation for stimulating exportation of agricultural products, was passed Monday by the house.

Only 21 representatives voted against the bill, while 314 voted for it.

The house eliminated senate sections authorizing the purchase by the war finance corporation of \$200,000,000 worth of farm loan bonds, and the creation of a new bureau in the department of commerce to obtain information as to trade conditions abroad. The house also eliminated a section which would permit government loans to accredited foreigners engaged in exportation of American farm products, but added an amendment providing for rigid restriction of such loans.

By a vote of 196 to 136 the house rejected a motion to recommit the bill, offered by Representative Wingo, democrat, Arkansas, to reinsert the eliminated senate provisions and to add an amendment authorizing the war finance corporation to make direct loans to agriculturists.

PANAMA IS READY TO REPEL INVADER

Panama.—Panama is prepared and ready to repel the Costa Ricans should they invade the disputed Coto territory. No definite action will be taken, however, until it has been learned what attitude the United States government will adopt toward Panama in the event the Panamans oppose the taking over of Coto by the Costa Ricans.

Cable messages sent by the Panaman government to Washington, with the view of ascertaining the American government's attitude toward Panaman resistance to Costa Rican occupation of Coto, have not been answered.

Armed men to the number of 150 have been ordered to proceed to Coto from David. They will take with them ten machine guns, which were purchased in the United States last April.

Secretary of Justice Alfaro has given orders to Chief of Police Arango to hold the entire police force of Panama and Colon in readiness to march to Coto. Identical orders have been sent the heads of the police forces in interior towns.

Mayors have been ordered to revise their volunteer forces and to advise the men to be ready for an emergency.

Legion Has Relief Fund.

Washington, D. C. — One hundred thousand dollars, collected by the American Red Cross during the war for soldier relief work, was turned over by the society Monday to the American Legion to be used by the latter organization in searching out cases of former service men entitled to but failing to receive aid.

The fund is to be used, together with sums donated by the Y. M. C. A., National Community service, Knights of Columbus and Jewish welfare board, in the formation of "flying squads" charged with aiding needy service men.

Red Cross Agent Short.

Washington, D. C.—C. E. Wilson, second assistant treasurer of the American Red Cross, was arrested Monday charged with larceny following an audit of his books, which showed a shortage of about \$14,000. According to the police, Wilson admitted shortages of more than \$13,000 and attributed his misfortune to gambling on horse races.

Burns in New Position.

Washington, D. C. — William J. Burns of New York was sworn in Monday as director of the bureau of investigation of the department of justice. Mr. Burns succeeds William J. Flynn, who resigned last week.

MINERS BATTLE STATE TROOPERS

Armed Forces Clash in West Virginia Hills.

FIVE REPORTED DEAD

Logan County Citizens Are Eager to Meet Invaders — Union Will Continue Stand.

State Police Headquarters, Ethel, W. Va.—Five men fell in an encounter early Sunday between an armed band and state troopers on Beach creek, Logan county, Captain Brockus, commander of the state police, and deputy sheriffs reported. Whether all the men who fell were killed, Brockus could not say.

The clash was at close range, according to the captain. Prior to the fight, he said, 11 prisoners had been taken by the patrolling party, which left Logan yesterday. Four prisoners escaped, it was said, and one was believed to have been killed. Captain Brockus headed the advanced guard of troopers and deputies, and it was this detachment, comprising 12 men, that engaged the armed band. Brockus said he had talked with a man who came from Sharples, and that he said "some miners were killed."

"We learned from Sharples that there were between 1500 and 2000 armed miners waiting for us to walk into a trap," he said. All along the way, he explained, "pot shots" were being taken at the officers from men hidden in houses and in ambush.

Union Will Continue Fight.

Springfield, Ill.—After condemning conditions in the coal fields of Mingo county, West Virginia, as "un-American and intolerable," John C. Lewis, national president of the United Mine Workers of America, stated here Sunday night that United Mine Workers would continue the fight against what he termed the "mercenary gunmen" in Mingo county until the last gunman had disappeared, and the last mine worker had been freed from present terrible conditions.

PARLEY TO BE ASKED ON LABOR SITUATION

Washington, D. C.—President Harding will call a national conference, representative of the country, here next month to inquire into the unemployment problem, Secretary Hoover announced Sunday night.

"The object of the conference," he said, "will be to inquire into the volume of needed employment, distribution of unemployment, to make recommendations as to measures that can be taken in co-ordinated speeding up of employment, and a study of economic measures desirable to ameliorate the unemployment situation and give impulse to the recovery of business and commerce to normal."

He said it is intended to invite representatives of the greater groups of industries and thought.

"While the business situation is steadily improving," Mr. Hoover stated, "some sections of the workers may have exhausted their savings by winter and they must be a matter of extreme solicitude."

Spaniards Rout Moors.

Madrid.—Native Moroccan villages along the coast southeast of Melilla have been destroyed by bombardment by the Spanish warship Bonifaz, according to a message from Chafinas island, off the Moroccan coast Sunday night. The fire from the warships also caused numerous casualties and forced the Moors to flee to the interior.

Federals Fight Rebels.

Managua, Nicaragua.—Heavy fighting between government forces and revolutionists was reported at El Sauce, 50 miles north of Leon. The government now has a large force of men under arms. Many persons have been arrested for political activities.

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Salem.—The Oregon Growers' Co-operative association has announced the sale of three carloads of the new prune crop. Buyers were reported as active and prunes are in demand at prices quoted by the association Friday.

Salem.—The state highway commission Saturday won the first heat in litigation brought by residents of Independence, Polk county, to enjoin the state from proceeding with the improvement of certain sections of the West Side Pacific highway.

Prineville.—During the past week 11 carloads of cattle were shipped over the City of Prineville railroad to Portland by the following: W. I. Dishman, two cars; S. Rogers, two cars; James Cram, three cars; Baldwin Cattle & Sheep company, four cars.

Klamath Falls.—Residents of the alfalfa growing section around Midland are considering the organization of an alfalfa meal factory. Low prices and high freight rates have placed the alfalfa grower in a position where it is impossible profitably to dispose of his surplus.

Salem.—There will be more men teachers in the schools of Oregon when the fall term opens in September than at any time since the outbreak of the war with Germany, according to reports received recently at the offices of J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of public instruction.

Albany.—J. W. Miller, county school superintendent of Linn county, has resigned the office, his resignation to take effect September 1. Last June Mr. Miller resigned but upon request withdrew the resignation. He has now filed a formal resignation and expects to retire as soon as a successor is chosen.

Hood River.—A. W. Stone, general manager of the apple growers' association, says that estimates of the season's apple crop for the valley, based on observations of inspectors of the association who are familiar with conditions in all parts of the district, now place the tonnage at an approximate 1,600,000 boxes.

Hood River.—The inspection department of the Apple Growers' association has announced that the district's annual apple packing school will be held on the week beginning September 12. The school will be characterized by afternoon lectures by members of the association's inspection department and by experiment station experts.

Nyssa.—W. L. Gibson, the potato king of Malheur county, and one of the directors of the Potato Growers' association of Idaho and Oregon, was a Nyssa visitor recently. Mr. Gibson stated that 30 carloads of potatoes have been shipped from here up to date. The price received was \$2 and better. The entire lot brought more than \$7000.

Salem.—Between 1800 and 2000 pickers will start work in the hopyards of the Willamette valley this week. When picking of the later clusters starts September 1 twice that number of pickers will be in the fields. The cost of producing a pound of hops in 1919 was estimated at 24 cents, which growers said probably would be the average for this year.

Salem.—It will cost approximately \$1,650,000 to harvest the 1921 hop crop in Oregon, according to Durbin & Cornoyer, who handle a large amount of the hops produced in the Willamette valley. It was estimated by this firm that the Oregon hop crop will aggregate 55,000 bales, nearly half of which will be harvested in the Willamette valley.

Klamath Falls.—Sale of the \$200,000 Klamath Drainage district bond issue will be assured and funds will be available for diking and reclaiming the lands of the district if the government contract for water rights, a copy of which has been received by the directors of the district, proves satisfactory after scrutiny. The board now has the contract under consideration.

Salem.—In the prune district south of Salem many prune trees are infested with leaf spot, caused by a fungus growth, according to a report made here by S. H. Van Trump, county fruit inspector. Many trees are shedding their leaves as a result of the disease, and unless there is a proper spreading during the month of May, the trees eventually will be seriously damaged, he said.

BOY SCOUTS



(Conducted by National Council of the Boy Scouts of America.)

SCOUT LAWS IN CAMP.

Every boy scout attending the White Plains Council camp this summer, is given a little folder on the application of the scout law in camp.

Here are a few of the paragraphs discussing the different laws:

A Scout is Trustworthy.—A scout's honor is trusted in camp as well as elsewhere. The things you brought to camp belong to you and what the other campers brought belong to them. Do not take anything that does not belong to you without asking permission of the owner. If he loans you anything, you are trusted with it and are expected to return it in as good a condition as when taken to the place or person from whom borrowed. You are responsible for any camp tools or equipment you may use which are the property of the camp. Be careful with them and return them to their proper place. When on a hike with other scouts or alone, you are on your honor and expected to behave as a scout.

A Scout is Cheerful.—Smile, smile, smile. No long face in camp. It will cheer you up and also the other fellow. Do your work cheerfully and don't grumble at hardships nor shirk your duty. There are duties to be done in camp; go at them with a smile and you will work better and quicker. Time is saved by doing your task the best it can be done. Don't consider it done until it is done in the very best way.

A Scout is Thrifty.—The camp equipment has cost a great deal of money. It belongs to the scouts. How long it lasts, depends a great deal on how you use it. A scout does not destroy any property whether it belongs to himself or to another. Respect the rights of others by using their things in the right way. Make good use of your time in camp by learning something that will be of use to you. It isn't necessary to spend all your money because it has been given you or you have earned it. To save it from being lost or recklessly spent the camp bank is operated. Deposit it there.

BROTHER SCOUTS.



Chief Manabozho (Mohawk) and Scout Charles Holly (Manhattan) at Lake Kanohwahke (Boy Scout Camp, Spencer, N. Y.)

BOY SCOUT WORK IN ALBANIA.

The first troop of boy scouts to be organized in Albania has recently been started in Tirana by an American Red Cross woman. The boys are deeply interested, and are quite as eager to do their daily good turn as their American brothers. They wear a uniform similar to our own, but their cap is a picturesque affair of black felt, with a tartan band of red and black, the Albanian national colors, around the edge and hanging down the back. Most of the boys are Musselmans and must wear a brimless hat, so that their faces may never be concealed from Allah.

THE ISLAND BEAUTIFUL.

Davenport (Ia.) boy scouts are determined to make Petersen's island, a favorite camping point, the most beautiful island on the Mississippi. They started out with a general clean-up, eliminating all cans, bottles and other unsightly rubbish.