

CURRENT EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Doings of the World at Large Told in Brief.

General Resume of Important Events Presented in Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

The fashion show at the Coliseum in Chicago has ruled out all sorts of frills for men's wear.

The mayor of New York will prohibit the distribution of free beer to firemen and policemen.

Forest fires have broken out afresh near Whitefish, Mont., and are destroying valuable timber.

Count Zeppelin, undismayed by his many failures and misfortunes, will build another airship.

An army transport has on board, bound from Seattle for Manila, a Filipino sailor 101 years old.

John D. Rockefeller has been ordered by his physician to take whiskey baths to maintain his bodily vigor.

Japanese and Portuguese fans had a general fight at a ball game in Honolulu between Japanese and Chinese players.

Attorney General Wickersham has decided there is no law under which the statue of Gen. Robert E. Lee can be removed from the national capitol.

Captain Bernier, of the British navy, has been commissioned to take his ship through the Northwest passage, and incidentally to plant the British flag on any lands he may discover.

Troops have been ordered home from Durand, Mich., where they had been on duty in connection with the Grand Trunk strike. Before they left, the troops and civilians played a game of baseball, the proceeds of which went to the strikers.

A Chicago paper claims \$35,000 was collected to be used in bribes to elect Hopkins senator.

Stockton doctors declare that the adulterations in ice cream cones cause infantile paralysis.

Germany has turned down the plea of Nicaragua for intervention against the United States.

Farmers in Imperial valley, Cal., are becoming desperate over the delay in the irrigation project.

Minnesota Democrats have nominated John Lind for governor, but he positively refuses to run.

A Tacoma thief turned in a fire alarm and then robbed the fire station while the company was out.

It is said the Western Federation of Miners is likely to affiliate with the American Federation of Labor.

A coasting vessel plying between Seattle and Alaskan ports reports having run through a herd of 20,000 walrus.

Fourteen accidents occurred in the lower Columbia and Willamette rivers in 48 hours, but none very serious and no lives were lost.

The coroner's jury returned a verdict that Ira G. Rawn, late president of the Great Monon railway, died by his own hand, presumably to escape graft disclosures.

The Mount McKinley expedition failed to reach the summit of Mount McKinley, and is now returning to Seward, Alaska.

Tacoma is having a big legal fight with its streetcar company.

Bryan was deposed as a Democratic leader by the state convention of Nebraska.

The steel business of the country has increased many millions over the same period last year.

Alaska census enumerators did much of their work when the mercury was 70 degrees below zero.

A range war between cattlemen and sheep men has broken out in Montana and serious trouble is expected.

The O. R. & N. will reduce grain rates to compete with the Northern Pacific in hauling grain to the Sound.

Five inmates of the criminal ward of the Oregon state insane asylum escaped. Three were recaptured immediately but the other two are still at large.

The skeleton of a young woman was found in a sack half buried in the sand on the beach at Newport, Or. It is believed the woman was murdered and has been dead many years.

The conductor of a Northern Pacific switching crew, was run over by cars at Tacoma and had both legs severed below the knee. As he lay on the ground waiting for an ambulance he coolly gave orders for the work of the crew for the rest of the day and chatted with the men.

MOTHER DROWNS CHILDREN.

Driven Insane by Lonesome Surroundings and Fear.

Antioch, Cal. — One after another, four little children were drowned in a tub by their mother. Two older children tried to prevent the murders, but the woman went about the work in a strange calm and strength, as though she had been called upon to make sacrifice to some unknown power. She took her arrest in the same quiet spirit, gazing calmly at her husband as he struggled with his agony on coming home from work to find his babies dead.

The woman, Mrs. Joseph Mello, wife of a ranchman, said she was tired of looking forever at the brown hills that shut in their home. She said she was afraid that she was losing her mind and feared her children would inherit her insanity. After her husband left home in the morning, she set about her task. She filled a large washtub with water and gathered the children into the kitchen.

They were Ramona, 4 years old; Leona, 2 years old; and Bernal and Vernal, 5 months old twins. These put up their arms to their mother trustingly, and were sent away with

HEAT AGAIN HITS CHICAGO

Torrid Weather Extends From Atlantic to Rockies

Five Dead, Others Dying—Mad Dogs Bite Three—Authorities Work to Save the Babies.

Chicago — Notwithstanding cool weather in Chicago because of a stiff breeze off the lake, five persons died Wednesday, many were prostrated, of whom four will probably die, and three were bitten by rabid dogs.

All the country from the Rocky mountains to the Atlantic seaboard sweaters under a veritable blanket of heat and many cases of suffering are reported from various cities. Weather forecasters say there is no relief in sight and that the temperature will go higher. In some sections of the country special services were held in the churches, at which prayers were offer-

WAR IN SPAIN INEVITABLE.

Pretender Don Jaime Ready to Lead Carlists to Battle.

San Sebastian, Spain—At the conclusion of a conference between King Alfonso and Premier Canalejas, it was announced that Marquis Estallo de Ojeda, Spanish ambassador to the Vatican, had been recalled.

At the same time the opinion was expressed that a rupture with the Vatican was inevitable. Senor Canalejas told the king that the government could not accept the conditions of the Vatican's last note, and that the Vatican would be so informed.

Don Jaime, the pretender, has issued a manifesto in which he says he will lead the Carlists in the battle which he intimates is coming soon.

The general situation is complicated by the unrest among the miners in the Catalonian provinces and the occasional clashes between the Catholic and non-Catholic elements throughout the country.

Marquis de Ojeda himself in addition to pleading illness, has been insisting on his return, on the ground that the position at Rome no longer was tenable, and that he considered a rupture between the Vatican and the government imminent.

Premier Canalejas, referring to the Vatican's last note, which declared that unless the decree of June 11 permitting non-Catholic societies to display the insignia of public worship was withdrawn, negotiations looking to the revision of the concordat would be discontinued, said the government would tolerate no imposition.

Spain's recalling Ambassador de Ojeda, it is expected, will be followed by the departure from Madrid of Mgr. Vico, the papal nuncio, when the rupture will be complete.

Senor Canalejas is preparing for a supreme battle. In addressing a Liberal organization he declared that Spain was struggling for liberty of conscience, "Poor Spain," he said. "If we succumb, it will be decadence. The government, which possesses the confidence of the king, will save Spain despite all and against all. The struggle we wage is not anti-religious, but anti-clerical. We count upon the army, a majority in parliament, and reason."

BILLS GREATLY PADDED.

Ex-Clerk of Car Repair Firm Gives Strong Testimony.

Chicago—F. W. Belmont, ex-clerk of the Memphis Car Repair company, padded bills against the Illinois Central as high as 1,000 per cent, according to his own testimony before Master in Chancery Mason.

He declared that H. C. Ostermann, president of the repair company, and his assistants, went so far as to substitute bills of the Ostermann Manufacturing company, of West Pullman, for those of the Memphis concern and to paste on the West Pullman bills the "O K" of the Memphis inspector. The average padding of bills, the witness said, was between 40 and 50 per cent.

Belmont was asked concerning the transfer of the car inspectorship at Memphis from one Crabtree to W. H. Moore. Mr. Ward, an officer of the company, according to the witness, desired to be rid of Crabtree because he "saw too much," and refused to "O K" bills until they were completed. "Ward told me he would get someone who could not see so much," said Belmont.

GUTHRIE STILL CAPITAL.

Officials Who Moved State Offices Must Now Return.

Guthrie, Oklahoma — The State Supreme court has handed down a decision in the capital removal case to the effect that Oklahoma's capital shall remain at Guthrie until the legality of the election recently held is determined and the courts have settled the constitutional question embraced in the provision of the enabling act that Guthrie shall remain the capital until 1913, and that an election shall be held after that time to establish a permanent capital.

In obedience to the decision, all state officials who have removed their offices to Oklahoma City must return to Guthrie.

Asbestos Fraud Charged.

New York—On the charge of Mrs. William T. Bull, widow of the noted surgeon, that she had been defrauded of \$35,000 in an investment in an asbestos company, John Qualey and Harvey Wiley Corbett, officers of the company, appeared in court and heard Mrs. Bull tell the story of the alleged fraudulent transaction. The arrest of Corbett, who is a prominent architect and assistant professor in Columbia university, created marked surprise. The plans for the Maryland Institute in Baltimore were of his drawing.

Cream Cones Are Seized.

Kansas City—Local government officials, acting upon orders received from Washington, confiscated 50,000 ice cream cones consigned to a local drug company. The government alleges the cones are impure.

WITHDRAW MANY MILLION ACRES

Most of Nation's Attractive Lands Now Tied Up.

Pacific Northwest Suffers Most—Homebuilders Are Almost Completely Shut Out.

Washington — Nearly 300,000,000 acres of public land, the cream of the West, has been withdrawn from entry, and held beyond the reach of the settler and the home-builder. Some of it is permanently withdrawn, as, for instance, the forest reserves, national parks, etc., and other portions may in time be again placed within the reach of the people of the West. But at the present time this enormous acreage is absolutely tied up, undeveloped, inaccessible, and for the most part uninhabited.

There remains of the public domain only about 700,000,000 acres that is unappropriated and unreserved, and a very small percentage of this residue is attractive or will ever be attractive to settlers. Included in this acreage are the bad lands of the West, the ir-reclaimable deserts, barren mountain summits and worthless mountain country. Only a small portion is arable, and very little is of a character that will permit of agricultural development. The best lands that have not passed to private ownership are now held up by the government.

In the Pacific Northwest, nearly 55,000,000 acres of public land are today withheld from the reach of settlers.

QUEEN WILL LEAVE MADRID.

Wife of Spain's King to Visit Relatives on Isle of Wight.

Cowes, Isle of Wight—Within a day or two Queen Victoria, of Spain, will arrive in the Isle of Wight, to visit her relative at Osborne cottage. She needs a rest badly, for Madrid has been full of anxiety of late for the Spanish royal family. She will remain about a month and will be accompanied by her three children, but unless the situation clears in Spain, King Alfonso will not be able to leave for Madrid before the end of the month.

Queen Victoria's visit is to be purely private throughout, but she will visit Windsor in order to lay a wreath on the tomb of the late King Edward, and she will probably spend a few days in her old home in Kensington palace. It is expected that during her stay, King Alfonso will extend a formal invitation to the king and queen of England to pay him a state visit at Madrid.

Campaign Devoid of Mercy.

Paris—All danger of serious disturbances in Catalonia appears to have been warded off by Captain General Weyler's energetic precautionary measures and his well known decision of character. General Weyler said: "The moment a revolutionary outbreak in Barcelona compels me, as captain-general, to assume the supreme command, I want the revolutionists to know they must prepare for a merciless fight. There will be neither prisoners nor wounded. The walls of the hospitals will become useless and the cemeteries will have to be enlarged."

Six to Try Atlantic Flight.

New York — Melvin Vaniman, aviator and mechanical engineer, returned to this country by the French liner La Touraine, full of confidence in the success of the flight across the Atlantic, which he proposes to undertake with Walter Wellman in their dirigible airship American.

"The American will carry an unsinkable lifeboat on her voyage," said Mr. Vaniman. "This lifeboat will be 25 feet long, six feet in beam and will be stocked with provisions sufficient to last the crew for 30 days."

Esperanto to Be Spoken.

Washington—The sixth international congress of Esperanto will be in session the week beginning August 14. This will be the first time that the congress has met in the Western Hemisphere, its previous meetings having been in Europe. Esperanto will be spoken in Washington by clergy in the pulpit, by actors in a Shakespearean play, part of the police force and in all the proceedings of the congress. Furthermore, for the first time probably in the history of the world, it will be used at a baseball game.

Entire Train Is Burned.

Augusta, Ga.—A Charleston & Western Carolina passenger train ran into a burning trestle 19 miles from Augusta on the Spartanburg division. The entire train was burned. The engineer and fireman were killed and 16 passengers slightly injured.



King Alfonso and Queen Ena, of Spain, whose throne is threatened by revolutionists.

little struggle.

The two other children became frightened, the oldest, a 14-year old boy, breaking out of the house and calling wildly for help. There was a 6-year old girl, too, who got away. While these two were screaming in the yard the 2-year old baby was quickly drowned and laid out in the row with the twins. Then the struggle with Ramona began.

While this was going on, Sheriff R. R. Veale, who was passing in a buggy, heard the screams and drove up to the house.

"Mother is killing the children," the oldest boy told him. The sheriff ran into the kitchen and found the struggle just about over. He tore the little girl from her mother and sought in every way to restore life, but, after working on her for some time, saw that the child was dead.

The mother stood and looked quietly at the sheriff. Then the husband came home to his rangely quiet house, and Mrs. Mello was taken away to the Martinez jail, talking on the way about ordinary things. She never before had given any signs of insanity.

Prehistoric Find Made.

Auburn, Cal.—The bones of two prehistoric humans with low brows and heavy jaw bones have been found in an ancient cave on the limestone property that is being opened up near Cool, Eldorado county. The company owning the ground gave to Dr. Sawyer, of Auburn, permission to open and explore the cave and recover any curios it might possess. In one chamber were found portions of two human skeletons. They are believed to be those of members of a race that inhabited this country long before the Indians lived here.

Loss by Storm is Heavy.

Lexington, Ky.—One thousand acres of tobacco, nearly as much wheat, and more than 500 acres of corn were destroyed by a cloudburst in Lincoln, Boyle and Mercer counties. A number of buildings and flocks of sheep were washed away.

ed for rain and cooler weather.

The focus of the heat wave seems to be slowly moving east, although it has been centered two days in Kansas and Oklahoma. Thermometers in Kansas registered 100 and higher. Southern cities report unusual heat, accompanied by fitful showers which are quickly reduced to steam, making breathing difficult and painful.

In Chicago the great fight by health officers and charity organizations is centered in saving the thousands of babies, who suffer more from improper care than from the torridity. Agents of all the organizations are working night and day in the Ghetto and other congested districts warning parents about overfeeding and neglecting to bathe their children and keep their houses clean.

In these districts the population is chiefly sleeping on fire escapes and doorways and in any open spot where a breath of air may be obtained. Extra precautions are being taken to muzzle dogs and to slay all without licenses, because of the large number of them going mad from the heat.

At the bathing beaches hundreds stood in line patiently waiting for suits. All the beaches keep open nights, to give exhausted humanity an opportunity to cool off in preparation for the morrow's siege.

A terrific electrical and hail storm swept over the Michigan fruit belt. Thousands of acres of corn and oats were riddled and the damage to the fruit cannot be estimated, but will be very heavy.

Nebraska reports the hottest weather on record, with fierce hot winds shriveling everything. In Northern Missouri a temperature of 105 is reported, with no rain since June 8.

Young "Ted" at Bay City.

San Francisco—With peeled noses and decided coats of tan giving evidence of a much out-of-door honeymoon in the sunny clime of Santa Barbara, Theodore Roosevelt, Jr. and his wife arrived in San Francisco and are registered at a local fashionable hotel.