

## 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.

Eggs retail at 5 cents apiece in Tacoma.

Walter Wellman says he will again attempt to cross the Atlantic in an airship.

One man was killed and two others injured in the first football game under new rules at St. Louis.

Andrew Carnegie has returned from Europe and appeared very feeble upon landing from the steamer.

The New Mexico constitutional convention refuses to support the initiative and referendum feature.

Graham-White, in a Farman biplane, made over 63 miles in two hours in a drizzling rain and a 27-mile wind.

Dredges on the Panama canal have uncovered an ancient galleon buried in 20 feet of sand 300 feet from the beach line.

Federal officers in Chicago seized \$300,000 in counterfeit Nicaraguan bank bills, and also captured three of the counterfeiters.

An attempt was made to assassinate Major General Pino Guerra, commander of the Cuban army, by a member of the Cuban secret police.

The imperial senate of China, before it had been in existence three weeks, voted to memorialize the throne for the establishment of a general parliament.

A dynamite bomb with lighted fuse attached was hurled from a suburban train into a Chicago residence, but the lady of the house seized it, pinched off the fuse and threw the bomb into the street.

A slow moving freight train on the Southern Pacific near San Jose, Cal., ran into a pile of boulders which had been placed on the track with the evident intention of wrecking a train. Had a passenger train struck the obstruction a serious wreck would have resulted.

David B. Hill, ex-governor of New York and a noted New York politician, is dead.

Senator Stephen B. Elkins, who has been ill all summer, is reported to be improving.

Thirteen are known to have been killed in the recent Gulf storm, and some localities have not yet been heard from.

The Swiss balloon landed at Villa Marie, Quebec, 1,100 miles from the starting point in the international balloon race.

The National Y. M. C. A. has raised one million dollars with which to extend its work in foreign countries. John D. Rockefeller gave \$450,000.

The new White Star line steamship Olympia was launched at Belfast, Ireland. She is the largest vessel afloat, measuring 882½ feet in length and 94 feet in width.

A Seattle man was shot four times, but escaped serious injury, as the only bullet which landed on a vital part was caught by his necktie and caused only a slight wound.

Five members of the joint advisory board of the Tobacco Workers union of Tampa, Fla., have been arrested, charged with conspiring to keep workmen from seeking employment.

By a vote of 1,024 to 325 the Pittsburgh streetcar men have empowered their executive committee to call a strike whenever they think proper. Discharge of 160 union men is the cause.

Hurricane sweeps Florida, causing heavy property loss and many casualties.

A woman has been arrested as an accessory in the Los Angeles Times dynamiting case.

Roosevelt did some "explaining" in his political speeches and his friends fear he is losing ground.

At a banquet given in Chicago to steel magnates, it is estimated that seven billions of wealth was represented.

A donkey engine set fire to the new Madison street bridge in Portland and caused considerable damage. The bridge is not yet finished.

Walter Wellman and his crew of five men were forced to abandon their airship, en route to Europe from America, and were rescued by a passing steamship.

A Tacoma man has just celebrated his 100th birthday. He is in good health. He can trace his ancestry directly back to Sir Thomas Cox, first lord mayor of Cork, Ireland.

#### DREDGE FINDS GALLEON.

Hulk Buried for Centuries Uncovered on Canal.

Washington, D. C.—The hull of an old vessel which has every appearance of having been buried in the sand several centuries has been unearthed by workmen on the Panama canal near Nombre de Dios. A report of the discovery has been made to the Washington office of the canal commission. The hulk was uncovered by a steam suction dredge working in the sand deposits.

The wreck was lying in the middle of the sand zone 300 feet from the beach line, and at from 18 to 20 feet below the surface of the ground. The dredge unearthed the old hulk for the entire length of about 60 feet, and has now worked past it. The wood of which the ship was built resembles oak and is put together with wooden pins. During the time the dredge has been operating in the vicinity of the wreck, its suction pipe has drawn in several hundred pounds of iron, some pieces weighing as much as 40 pounds. The cutter of the dredge also encountered a great many pieces of hard mortar, severing, instead of breaking, the pieces when it came in direct contact with them. The mortar is practically the same as that seen in the ruins of buildings on the isthmus constructed by the early Spanish.

#### MILL WORKER STRONGEST.

Girl of 19 Smashes World's Record in Sport With Ease.

Boston—Many acquaintances of Miss Margaret A. Graham, employed as a "reeler" in one of the mills at Ludlow, believe she is the strongest woman in the country. Although but 19 years of age, she stands six feet 3¼ inches in her stockings, weighs 189 pounds, and carries no superfluous flesh. Recently she threw a baseball 262 feet 6 inches, and ran 100 yards in 11¼ seconds, wearing skirts.

Miss Graham has smashed all world's records in skating for women from one mile to 10, her world's record time for a half mile in this sport being 40 seconds, and one of her aquatic feats is a 100-foot swim in 23 seconds.

All her records are officially timed feats and the apparent ease with which she has won different record events has caused coaches and experts to wonder what the limit of prowess of this giantess may be when once put to her utmost strength test.

#### BALLOONISTS ARE LOST.

Relief Parties Hurrying to Canadian Wilds in Search.

New York, Oct. 24.—No word has yet been received by officers of the Aero Club of America as to the whereabouts of the balloon America II, carrying Alan R. Hawley, pilot, and Augustus Post, aide, and anxiety for the safety of the two aeronauts, both of them prominent Aero club members, is increasing.

If the men have landed safely it is believed they are cast away so far in the Canadian wilderness that their return to civilization will be a matter of great difficulty.

William Hawley, brother of Alan R. Hawley, accompanied by F. Stoddard, a friend of the aeronaut, left New York tonight for Ottawa.

Charles Heltman, secretary of the Aero club, said today that not even one of the bulletins with which all contestants of the St. Louis race were supplied and which were to be dropped at intervals of two hours to furnish news of the movements of the balloon, has been received in New York from the America II. Several of these bulletins dropped by each of the other contestants in the race were picked up and mailed to the Aero club.

#### Japs to Spend \$40,000,000.

Tokio—Count Katsura, the premier and minister of finance, speaking at a dinner of the associated clearing houses, outlined the next budget briefly, and said that the government would faithfully adhere to the policies already followed.

The only new feature in the next budget will be an appropriation for naval increase, amounting to \$40,000,000, payable in six years. This, the finance minister said, has been necessitated by the sheer requirement of maintaining peace.

#### Greek Cabinet Resigns.

Athens—The cabinet formed only a few days ago by Deputy Venizelos has resigned, due to the fact that on every attempt to get a vote of confidence in the national assembly, a majority of the members absented themselves. King George, however, has refused to accept the resignation and 20,000 citizens held a demonstration in the streets in support of Venizelos.

#### Kaiser Honors Caruso.

Berlin—The Kaiser's customary birthday surprise to the kaiserine took the form of a concert at the palace at Potsdam, at which Geraldine Farrar and Enrico Caruso were the performers. Their majesties afterwards chatted with the singers. The Kaiser bestowed on Caruso the title of Koeniglicher Preussischer Kammergesaenger.

## MINERS DESERT ALASKA CAMP

### Houses and Lots in Nome Sell at \$50 Each.

Machinery Sells for Song—New Fields Lure Miners and Thousands Will Take Trail.

Nome, Alaska—Nome would be a wonderful surprise, not only to the stranger, but to the thousands of miners who were here in this city's palmy days. A few years ago Nome was a wide awake and bustling camp. Every one was talking of his good claims and what he expected to do in the near future in the way of taking out fortunes, and then going back to the States.

A stranger on landing in Nome today would say "Where are all the people and why are these hundreds of houses empty?" Now it looks as if a great plague had struck Nome, and all of the people had fled in terror, leaving everything behind. Four-fifths of all the houses and business blocks are for rent or for sale. Good four-room houses, furnished, can be bought, house, lot and all, for from \$50 to \$150.

Large boilers and heavy machinery, are for sale at scrap-iron prices. Wreck, ruin and poverty meet the eye of the stranger. Two-thirds of the people here are trying to get a "home-stake" to get out on the last boats. The cause of this is that the day of the pick and shovel is gone in Nome. The rich placers have been worked out, but the low-grade ground is now coming to the front, where large capital only can handle it with dredges and hydraulic machinery on a large scale.

During the summer three strikes were made. One is the Squirrel river, a tributary to the Kobuck river, 800 miles north by sea, but from Nome overland it is but 350 miles by winter trail. Now there are about 70 men prospecting there. They say they have found coarse gold, nothing smaller than nuggets weighing about 25 cents each, but so far not in large deposits, but just about rich enough to pay wages this winter. Winter will develop the country, and when spring comes miners and residents here will know whether it will be a good camp.

#### MADRIZ IS COUNTERFEITER.

Would Flood Nicaragua With Bogus Money to Start Revolution.

Chicago—H. Nathan Secrest, a native of Indiana, owner of a Nicaragua rubber plantation and a "revolutionist and a soldier of fortune" who was captured here, with George B. Williams and Richard J. Trumbull, printers and engravers, together with \$300,000 bogus Nicaraguan money, has unfolded a new opera bouffe plot.

He said that when Madriz decided to abdicate in favor of Estrada, he and his "cabinet" had the foresight to raid the treasury of \$15,000,000. The five peso notes were quickly disposed of along the coast by the fleeing patriots, \$2,000,000 being realized. Madriz, General Toledo and 40 other generals and dignitaries then hastened to Guatemala, which was safe territory, and proceeded to make merry with the \$2,000,000. In a month or so, wine suppers and other festivities had cut deeply into the exchequer and the deposed dignitaries began casting about for means of replenishing the funds.

Secrest, during his 11 years in Nicaragua, had become a close friend of Madriz, who sent for him. They held a secret conference in Guatemala and it was decided to come to the United States and have printed a million or more 5-peso notes and spread them in Nicaragua for a two-fold purpose—the first being to furnish the conspirators with funds and the second to embarrass the Estrada government, which would be forced to redeem the bogus notes or face another revolution.

#### Wellman is Undaunted.

Atlantic City—Walter Wellman and the five men who attempted to cross the Atlantic in a dirigible balloon were given an informal dinner here by residents of Atlantic City.

Wellman and his crew were given an enthusiastic welcome on their arrival here. While he made no definite announcement concerning his acceptance of the offer of the hotel men who backed the American enterprise, Wellman as well as the other men declared they were ready to try the hazardous voyage again.

#### Heavy Shocks Recorded.

San Jose, Cal.—Heavy earthquakes, the centers of which were thousands of miles away in the southwest, were recorded on the seismographs at Santa Clara college.

#### BALLOONISTS MAY BE LOST.

Three Racers Have Dropped in Lakes or in Canadian Wilds.

St. Louis, Oct. 22.—Relief expeditions to search for the pilots and aides of the three missing balloons, Azures, Dusseldorf II and America II, which started in the international race here, will be started from Toronto tomorrow if no news is received from the aeronauts before that time. This announcement was made tonight by officials of the Aero club of St. Louis.

The situation in reference to the unreported balloons assumed a most serious aspect tonight. It is believed here that the men have landed somewhere in the wilds of Canada, where they may be the victims of starvation before succor can reach them.

The German balloon Germania, Captain Hugo von Abercron, pilot, and August Blankertz, aide, landed at Cococash, Quebec, 179 miles north of Quebec, Wednesday morning. This is approximately 1,195 miles and may mean that all world's records have been broken.

The Aero Club tonight called upon General James Allen, chief of the United States Signal corps at Washington, D. C., to have the revenue cutters patrolling the Great Lakes look for wreckage in Lake Huron. Steamship companies which have vessels plying Lake Huron and Georgian Bay have been requested to join in the search.

The Ontario government, through its lieutenant governor, J. M. Gibson, tonight notified the club that it would assist in the search for the missing men. The Hudson Bay company also has replied favorably to the request for assistance sent from here today.

It was announced tonight that a representative of the Aero Club would be sent to Toronto to organize the relief expeditions.

#### FIFTY MEN STILL MISSING.

Reports Received So Far Show Total of 13 Drowned in Shipwrecks.

Jacksonville, Fla., Oct. 22.—Only the disasters at sea remain to be counted in obtaining complete reports of the damage done by the great hurricane which swept this state early this week. Although wire and rail communication has not been restored to many cities in the state, including Miami and Key West, all points for which fears were entertained have been heard from and all weathered the big blow in fairly good shape.

Thirteen drowned in shipwrecks is the most authentic count at hand, including those reported on both coasts of Florida.

Word came from St. Augustine that three dead had been found in the wreck of an unidentified four-masted schooner near Delray.

The missing total at least 50, including the crew of nine on the oil barge Dallas, which broke adrift from her tow in 100-mile blow.

#### ATHLETIC FAN IS SUICIDE.

Boy Quits Job to See Game; When Parents Scold, Hangs Self.

Philadelphia—Excitement over the world's series between the Chicago Nationals and the Philadelphia Americans, it is said, was the cause of suicide of Frank Ayers, 15 years old. Ayers was a delivery boy in a department store, and when he was refused permission to absent himself to see the game here, the boy gave up his position. When his parents learned that the lad had quit work, the boy was sent to bed without his supper. Later, he was found hanging to a balustrade, having used a sheet for a noose.

#### Airship Scares Fishermen.

Noank, Conn.—When the auxiliary fishing schooner Ada Bell put in here the crew told of a narrow escape they had, of being hit by the equilibrators of the Wellman airship. Captain Christensen said that they were fishing long Nantucket shoals when a large dark object appeared, which they took to be a heavy bank of fog. As the object approached, however, they saw something bumping along on top of the water, and the motor was started just in time to get the boat out of the way as the airship passed.

#### Famous Hotel Bankrupt.

New York—The Hoffman House, at Broadway and Twenty-fifth street, one of New York's most famous hotels, was thrown into bankruptcy. Judge Bolt, in the Federal court, appointed a receiver with authority to continue business, and it was said that the whole matter soon would be adjusted by a reorganization.

#### Fifty Drown in Shipwreck.

New Orleans—A cablegram from Rio Janeiro to the Picayune says: "The steamship Wally was wrecked near the lighthouse at Arrosales, off Para, and is a total loss. Some of the passengers were rescued, but it is believed that nearly 50 were drowned."

## ILLINOIS CENTRAL IN HUGE LAWSUIT

### Stockholders Sue Directors for Many Millions

Attorney, Holding Proxies, Gains Access to Meeting and Serves Subpoenas on 'All.

Chicago—Stockholders of the Illinois Central railroad company were given a lively half hour at their annual meeting through the efforts of Attorney Maxwell Edgar.

Holders representing 784,866 shares of stock were present. Mr. Edgar arrived, armed with proxies for 60 shares, which enabled him to take part in the meeting. He was accompanied by two deputy sheriffs, who added to the confusion by serving subpoenas on the various directors in every lull in the meeting.

The subpoenas were in a suit for \$10,000,000 damages, which Mr. Edgar, constituting himself an attorney for the road, started in the Circuit court when he filed a praecipe in the case. The defendants to the suit are directors of the road whom Edgar seeks to hold responsible for alleged financial loss through car repair "graft," general mismanagement and alleged rebating.

While the two deputies were making things interesting in the meeting, half a dozen others guarded exits from the Park Row building. Mr. Edgar fearing that some of the directors might attempt to evade service. This precaution proved superfluous.

Three resolutions were introduced by the militant attorney. All were lost by overwhelming votes. He denounced the present management of the road, made the charge that its directors are incompetent and that its financial statements are juggled, and that its officials are dishonest and violating the interstate commerce law.

His first resolution was in support of these charges and called for an independent investigation of the board by a committee of prominent stockholders. He was voted down. A second resolution demanded that all directors who were not residents of Illinois be ousted on the ground that the constitution of the state prohibits the present proportion of outsiders on the board. This resolution was voted down without the formality of a roll call.

On his third and last attempt Mr. Edgar proposed a resolution asking that suit be brought against James T. Harahan, president of the road, and the estate of the late Ira G. Rawn, who was vice president before the car repair scandal came to light, on charges of gross neglect, criminal laxity and culpable negligence. This resolution was buried under another avalanche of contrary votes.

#### MANY SHIPS WRECKED.

Gulf Coast Storm Plays Havoc With Shipping.

Key West, Fla., Oct. 20.—Three vessels sunk, one steamer ashore and another disabled is a total of the disasters to shipping in the tropical hurricane which swept the West Indies and the southern section of the United States reported here. Several lighthouses along the coast have been reported dark.

Here and at St. Augustine the storm is abating, but no word has been received from other places and conditions are not known. This city has not been in communication with Southern Florida points for three days. Much anxiety is felt about Miami. The wind was still blowing 75 miles an hour there today, but the barometer was rising.

Early this morning the sloop Frolic was dashed to pieces against the sea wall and a power launch was sunk, but no lives were lost.

The Norwegian steamer Fos, from Port Tampa, October 12, for Europe, via Norfolk, is ashore off Boca Grande island. Her crew of 18 has arrived here. The American steamer Herman Frasch, from New York, for Sabine, Tex., is disabled off Alligator Key lighthouse.

#### "Nobody Gets Hurt Flying."

New York—The heedlessness of a moment came near causing the death of John B. Moisant, the American aviator, while he was trying out his new Bleriot monoplane at Belmont Park Thursday. He fell 125 feet and wrecked the machine beyond repair, but picked himself out of the dust unhurt and hurried to his anxious wife. "Are you hurt?" she stammered. "Why, no; nobody ever gets hurt flying," answered Moisant. "It was my fault for removing my feet from the rudder to regulate the oil feed."

#### Slayer of Empress Dies.

Geneva—Luigi Luccheni, who assassinated the empress of Austria in 1898, committed suicide here in prison. Two days ago Luccheni went violently insane.