

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.

New Mexico will vote on her new constitution December 19.

New York City has discarded five of its city automobiles as expensive and unnecessary.

Secretary Wilson predicts a return of hard times under a Democratic control of congress.

Senator Elkins, of West Virginia, has been dangerously ill for some time, but is now improving.

More than \$166,000 was earned by students of Columbia university, New York, during the past year.

Secretary Wilson says the Western homesteader is increasing the cost of meat by taking up the ranges.

The full committee on elections and privileges in the senate will investigate the bribery charges against Senator Lorimer.

Aviator Hoxsey made a fine flight at Denver, reaching an altitude of 2,500 feet and going into the clouds during a heavy snow storm.

In the constitutional convention in Arizona, the effort to abolish taxes for road purposes failed, and the state debt is limited to \$200,000.

Representative-elect Littleton, of the First district of New York, which includes Oyster Bay, in a speech roundly scored the "New Nationalism."

Five men made a balloon trip of 110 miles in a 65-mile gale in Rhode Island. All were badly bruised on landing and one was rendered unconscious.

Modern sanitary methods have lowered the death rate in Manila from 40 per thousand to 34.9. The death rate is lowest among the American residents.

A Princeton graduate now living in Canada has presented the university with a small tin of tea which is alleged to be a part of the cargo thrown overboard in Boston harbor by the famous Boston Tea Party in 1773.

Prohibition and woman's suffrage were both defeated in Arizona.

A 13-year-old New York boy died of injuries received in a football game.

England's house of lords will submit to reforming, rather than lose the veto power.

Striking garment workers in Chicago resume rioting and one policeman was wounded by a revolver shot.

Montana sheepmen are selling their sheep to Canadian ranchers on account of the scarcity of feed.

The inspector of weights and measures of the U. S. department of commerce, found nearly every merchant in Butte, Mont., was giving short weights.

The secretary-treasurer of the California Building association says the American Federation of Labor will spend millions if necessary, to unionize Los Angeles.

The new Chinese minister of war and the viceroy of Manchuria have warned their government that energetic measures must be taken immediately or Manchuria will be taken by Japan and Russia.

Mayor Simon, of Portland, has recommended a tax levy of 6 mills.

Republicans will control the next Idaho legislature, although they lost the governorship.

Standard Oil company has won a sweeping decision in its fight with the government in Indiana.

All indications are that Champ Clark, of Missouri, will be the next speaker of the house of representatives.

About 500 union men have quit work on the new Los Angeles aqueduct, demanding an increase of wages to cover the increased cost of meals served to them.

Test explosions on the monitor Puritan did more damage than was expected, and the ship had to be towed quickly to dry dock to prevent her sinking.

Deputy sheriffs seized the power plant of the Tacoma street railway company for back taxes, and the company handed over the sum demanded, amounting to \$132,154.

Chief Engineer Goethals says the Panama canal will be in use a year sooner than was expected, but he will use that year in perfecting machinery and training his men, so the official opening will be January 1, 1915, as originally intended.

Count Leo Tolstoi is seriously ill.

COUNT TOLSTOI IS DEAD.

Greatest Reformer and Humanitarian of Modern Times.

Astapova, Russia, Nov. 20.—Without being received back into the Orthodox Greek church, and knowing that the end had arrived, Count Leo Tolstoi died at an early hour this morning. There was apparently no suffering, as death came as the dying man slept.

The patient slept for a little while, seemingly breathing more comfortably than usual. Dr. Thturovsky and Dr. Usoff, nevertheless, in a statement to Tolstoi's son, Michael, held out but slight hope and did not hesitate to predict a quick end, under ordinary mortal circumstances.

Tolstoi, they said, was a splendid patient in mind and body, except the heart.

In one of the heart attacks, Tolstoi was alone with his eldest daughter, Tatina. He suddenly clutched her hand and drew her to him. He seemed to be choking but was able to whisper: "Now the end has come; that is all."

Tatina was greatly frightened and tried to free herself so she might call the doctor, but her father would not release her. She called loudly from where she sat. The physician injected camphor, which had an almost immediate

pilgrimage led him to the monastery at Shamardine, in the province of Kaluga, where he remained as the guest of his sister, Marie, who is a nun in the cloister.

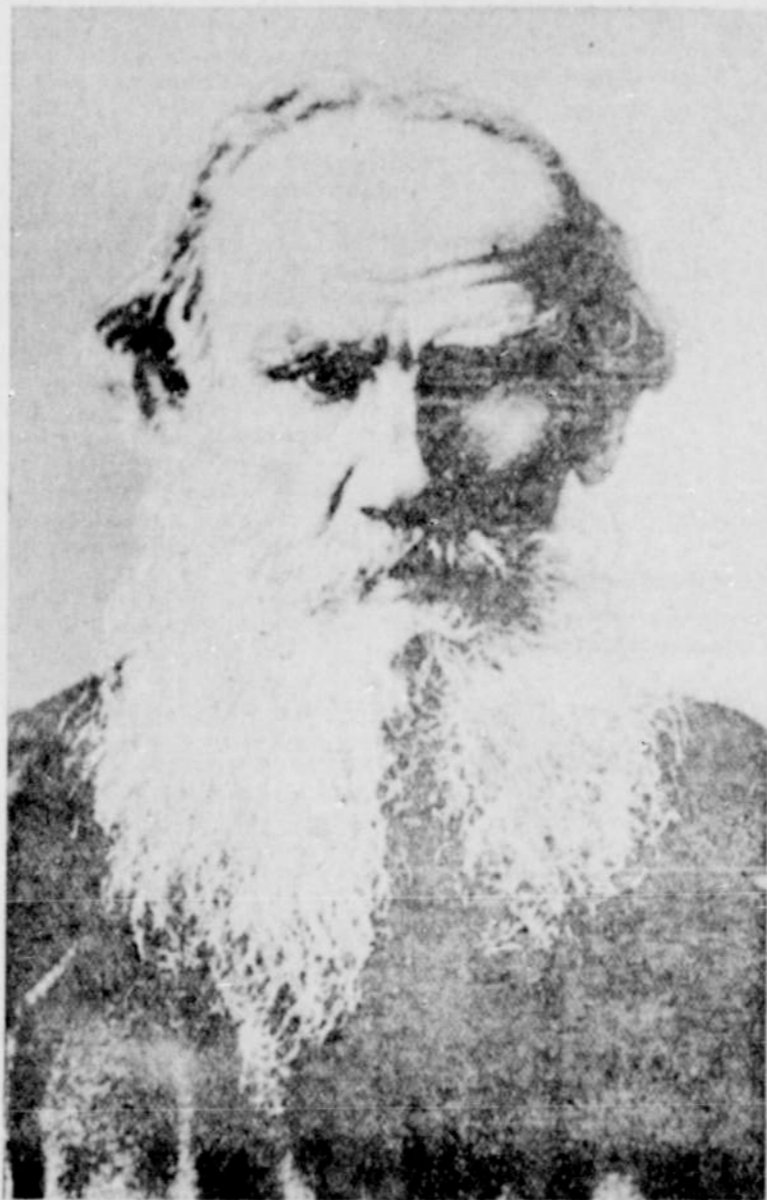
Learning that his retreat had been discovered, he insisted upon proceeding on his journey to the Caucasus, where he hoped to spend his last days close to the Tolstoian colony on the shores of the Black sea.

But on the railroad journey he was overcome with exhaustion and the cold, and Dr. Makovetski was compelled to have him transferred to the flag station at Astapova, where he was made as comfortable as possible in the rude wooden building.

For five days he had lain there, suffering first from bronchitis and later from inflammation of the lungs. Specialists were called from Moscow and other places, but notwithstanding their utmost efforts the heart of the great Russian responded but feebly to restoratives and stimulants administered.

Saturday the attacks of heart failure increased alarmingly, and many hours prior to the end the physicians had given up all hope. Countess Tolstoi was admitted to the sick room for the first time last night, but her husband failed to recognize her.

She had hastened to him when she learned several days ago that his ill-



COUNT LEO TOLSTOI.

late effect in relieving the pressure. Tolstoi soon raised his head and then drew himself up to a sitting position. When he had recovered his breath he said:

"There are millions of people and many sufferers in the world. Why always anxious about me?"

Tolstoi put up a hard fight, against the disease. The spread of the inflammation of the lungs had been checked, but it was necessary to resort to powerful stimulants frequently to keep the heart going.

It was long recognized that Tolstoi's case was hopeless, and at 5 o'clock in the morning, after the countess had been summoned and other members of the family had gathered in an adjoining room, the physicians issued a bulletin announcing that the activity of the heart had almost ceased and that the count's condition was extremely dangerous.

Tolstoi, accompanied only by Dr. Makovetski, left his home at Yasnaya Poliana with the purpose of ending his days in solitude, to which he more and more inclined in his later years. His

Death List Grows to 170.

Mexico City—Estimates of the number killed in the fight between soldiers and police on one side and revolutionists on the other at Puebla continue to be placed at from 100 to 170. Dispatches from that city say it is certain more than 100 had been killed in the conflict. Aquites Cerdan, whose house was the scene of the fight, was killed while resisting arrest in a tunnel where he had taken refuge. He fought to the last, firing at the officers as soon as they found his hiding place.

Union of 800,000 Girls Aimed.

New York—The 'Woman's Trade Union league of New York has formed a large committee which will endeavor to unionize all of the 800,000 working girls in Greater New York. With this end in view the city is to be divided into districts, each member of the committee to be in charge of a district.

ness was serious, but the physicians had deemed it advisable that she be kept away from the count, fearing that her presence might cause the patient emotion.

Other members of the family from time to time were admitted to the presence of their father, and his daughter, Alexandria, has been in constant attendance.

VATICAN'S TRAIN SOLD.

Pierpont Morgan Buys Cars Used by Pope Pius IX.

Rome—The well known multi-millionaire Pierpont Morgan has bought for the neat sum of a million lira (\$200,000) the train last used by Pope Pius IX in 1860.

This train has been preserved by the Vatican as a historic relic. Many collectors of reputation have made offers to the Vatican for its possession, but none has reached Mr. Morgan's figure. The American magnate is said to have purchased the train on condition that the bargain be a secret affair.

Girl Heir to \$30,000,000.

St. Louis, Mo.—With the death of her brother, Willard Campbell, 30 years old, and only son of James Campbell, of New York and St. Louis, multimillionaire and head of the North American company, Lois Campbell, a school girl of 16, became heiress to the largest individual fortune in St. Louis, and possibly in the West. Mr. Campbell's fortune is at least \$30,000,000. Willard was taken to the summer home of his parents in Connecticut last summer, but his health failed to improve and he was brought back to his home.

Old Indian Fighter Dies.

Champaign, Ill.—Lieutenant Colonel Edmund Gustav Fechet, U. S. A., retired, died here from heart failure. He was a famous Indian fighter and was in charge of the troops who killed Sitting Bull near Fort Yates, while the Indian was resisting arrest. He entered the army in 1861.

ONE HUNDRED DIE IN RIOTS

Mexican Police Have Fierce Fight With Anti-re-electionists.

Mexico City—One hundred persons, including the chief of police, were killed in riots at Puebla, according to statements of passengers arriving here. The stories told are that the trouble began when several policemen, headed by the chief, attempted to break up a meeting of anti-re-electionists being held in a large hall. As the chief and his men advanced toward the building, a door was opened by a woman, who shot the chief.

A fight then began between the police and the occupants. A bomb was thrown from one of the windows in the midst of the policemen and rurales, the latter having been called to assist the officers. The bomb exploded, killing many. The other casualties occurred in the course of fighting which took place in the street. So far as known there were no Americans killed.

The passengers further asserted that from midnight until they left Puebla in the afternoon there was continuous rioting, and while the anti-re-electionists had been dislodged from the building, fears were entertained that the disorders were by no means at an end.

From other sources in Mexico City it was learned that the Seventeenth battalion left here late today by a special train, and that other trains were in readiness to transport additional troops to the scene if necessary. It was officially stated here that 18 men had been killed in Puebla.

A telegram from Puebla stated that the First regiment of Federal troops had arrived, as had also a corps of rurales. These, under the command of General Luis Valle and Eduardo Cauz, were being led against the houses in which the rebels were fortified and were attacking, shouting: "Long live the supreme government."

The Maderistas, as they have come to be known, were keeping up a hot fire from the windows and balconies.

A feature of the fighting was the part played by women. The wife of Joseph Cerdan, who killed the chief of police, was in turn killed by the fire of the troops. Several other women who were in the house are said to have appeared upon the balcony and taken part in the conflict. When the place was captured several were found among the dead and wounded.

ASKS FOR FLEET AND LARGE STANDING ARMY

San Francisco—The opening gun of what is designed to secure a battleship fleet in the Pacific and an increase in the standing army of 25 regiments of infantry, and cavalry and artillery in proportion, and the rehabilitation of the American merchant marine, was fired Saturday when permanent organization of the Pacific Slope congress was effected.

Steps were also taken toward organizing a "Pacific Coast Defense League" which, it is hoped by those behind the movement, will extend to the rest of the country and bring about the formation of a National Defense League.

Following the adoption of a constitution for the Pacific Slope congress and the election of officers for the ensuing year, the delegates from 10 states and territories of the West adopted resolutions strongly urging the desired increase in military and naval power and the upbuilding of a merchant marine, and adjourned.

The congress came to an end with a brilliant banquet to the delegates at the Palace hotel, at which covers were laid for 500.

Voodoo is Insanity Cure.

Cincinnati—Voodoo charms and similar methods were prescribed as a cure for insanity by Mrs. Clara Barnes, according to a story told by Mrs. Mary J. Koehler before a United States commissioner here. As a result the former was held to a United States grand jury for using the mails to defraud. The fortune teller made her give up \$50 as a retaining fee, Mrs. Koehler said. Then later she charged \$5 for a "magnetic charm," and also she put \$10 in gold in a cigar box full of salt. The gold disappeared.

Acting Governor Escapes.

Pointe-a-Pitre, Guadeloupe—An attempt on the life of Acting Governor William Fawtier was made here Saturday. A carriage occupied by the governor was fired on and four bullets passed through the upper part of the vehicle. The assailant escaped. The shooting has caused much excitement. One hundred marines from the French cruiser Admiral Aube have been landed.

Man Dies at Great Age.

San Diego, Cal.—Juan Buroel, a Mexican, who, it is said, was 122 years, 4 months and 20 days old, died Saturday at the home of relatives at Los Coches. Buroel was born in Sonora, Mexico, and was an uncle of a former constable at El Cajon. The age as given to the undertaker is declared to be authentic.

MEXICANS SHOOT DOWN RIOTERS

Soldiers and Police Pour Hot Shot Into Mobs.

Total Killed at Zacatecas May Reach 500—Town in State of Terror Under Martial Law.

El Paso—One hundred persons were killed in riots which took place at Zacatecas, in the interior of Mexico, Saturday night, according to reports received here.

Soldiers fired into a struggling body of rioters with disastrous effect. One hundred is the lowest estimate of the loss of life, which may reach 500.

A dispatch from Del Rio, Texas, on the Mexican border, 250 miles east of here, states that rumors are current of a fight which is supposed to have taken place near there early Sunday night between Americans and Mexicans.

Reports that bands of Mexicans have crossed the river at different points cannot be verified. County officers and United States river guards state that they have no positive information of trouble, but have heard rumors of an invasion and attack at different points.

Upon what is regarded as good authority, it is learned that Brigadier General Hoyt, commanding the department of Texas, has been instructed from Washington to hold troops in readiness for service on the Mexican border.

Francisco Madero, father of the alleged Mexican revolutionist leader, made denial to what purported to be interviews with him, sent out from this city last night. The elder Madero was quoted as asserting that certain members of the Mexican senate were in league with his son. He gave out no interview, he said.

IRRIGATION GOOD FOR ALL.

Secretary Wilson Says Humid as Well as Arid States Must Come to It.

Chicago—Hundreds of "back to the soil" boomers were present when the land show opened here Saturday. Fruit and other products of the soil from all parts of the country were on display. An exhibit of more than a million apples was the feature of the exhibition. Elaborate plans for the entertainment and instruction of visitors and delegates have been made. Special days have been assigned to various states. Among other attractions will be the giving away by lot of farms in different states. Secretary of Agriculture James Wilson delivered the opening address, taking "Irrigation" as his theme. "The day will come," he said, "when irrigation will be applied, as a matter of national necessity, to growing crops in the humid regions. The thing has been done in Europe for hundreds of years, and we must come to it out here sooner or later. We must begin at the source of our rivers and construct reservoirs so that the supply will be steady and not entirely dependent upon the caprice of the season."

COLLEGE DECLINE FEARED.

Professors Unable to Live Unless Higher Salaries Are Paid.

Boston—Unless immediate steps are taken to remedy the great discrepancy now existing between the cost of living and incomes provided college professors, the status of American colleges will rapidly decline, is the prophecy of President Hamilton, of Tufts college, and President Faunce, of Brown university.

Fourteen have left the Brown faculty in the last two years. President Faunce says:

"The cost of living in Providence has enormously increased. Our professors, unable to withstand the strain of increased cost of bare necessities of life, are leaving Brown and going elsewhere."

Custom Frauds Charged.

New York—Isaac and Manning Phillips, members of the firm of I. & S. Phillips, importers, at 18 West One Hundred and Eightieth street, were arrested, charged with defrauding the government out of duty on woolen wearing apparel imported from France, by means of false consular invoices. The government is in possession of evidence concerning a number of alleged fraudulent importations by the firm. Bail was fixed at \$10,000 for each prisoner. This was furnished. It is believed the frauds are extensive.

Johnstone Laid to Rest.

Kansas City—Funeral services were held here Sunday for Ralph Johnstone, the aviator who plunged to death during a spectacular flight at Denver Thursday afternoon. The services were held at Trinity Episcopal church and were attended by throngs who had known the daring aviator in life. Wilbur Wright and Walter Brookings were present at the funeral and attended the interment.