

## 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.

A hot wave sent the mercury at Chicago up to 94.

President Diaz resigns and the City of Mexico goes wild with joy.

Portugal has rushed troops to the frontier and all monarchists are being arrested.

The Wyoming, Uncle Sam's largest battleship, was successfully launched at Philadelphia.

The dissolution of the Standard Oil company will not result in any reduction in the price of oil products to the consumer.

Senator Borah believes there should be a Federal incorporation law fixing the retail price of goods sold by interstate corporations.

A wealthy San Francisco couple have a prize ring at their home where they entertain their friends with exhibitions by noted pugilists.

An eagle attacked an aviator during his flight and came near causing disaster. The bird was finally driven off by being wounded by a revolver shot.

A verdict of \$6,100 has been awarded to the father of a little girl who was killed by an automobile driven by John D. Archbold, of Standard Oil fame.

Eighteen Shoshone Indians have taken the war path in Nevada to avenge the killing of a band of Indians who had murdered four white ranchers.

Entire East still swelters in hot weather.

Eastern lumbermen admit having restricted the output in order to maintain prices.

Revised estimates give the number of dead at the capture of Juarez at 180, and 250 wounded.

Mexican rebels exterminated the Chinese colony of Torreon, after capturing the city, killing over 200 Chinese.

#### PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Track prices: Bluestem, 94 @ 95c; club, 85 @ 86c; Russian, 84c; valley, 86c; forty-fold, 86c.

Barley—Choice feed, \$28 @ 28.50.

Millet—Bran, \$24.50 @ 25; middlings, \$31; shorts, \$25.50 @ 26; rolled barley, \$29.50 @ 30.50.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$29.50 ton.

Hay—Timothy, Eastern Oregon No. 1, \$21.50 @ 22.50; light mixed, \$19 @ 20; heavy mixed \$17.50 @ 18.50; alfalfa, \$14 @ 15; clover, \$12.50 @ 13.50; grain hay, \$13.50 @ 14.50.

Fresh Fruit—Strawberries, Oregon, \$3 @ 4.50 crate; gooseberries, 8 @ 10c per pound; apples, \$1 @ 1.3 per box.

Vegetables—Asparagus, \$1 @ 2 per box; cabbage, \$3 per hundredweight; garlic, 10 @ 12c per pound; lettuce, \$1.25 @ 1.75 per box; radishes, 15c per dozen; new carrots, \$2.25 per sack; turnips, \$2.25; beets, \$2.25.

Potatoes—Oregon and Eastern, \$2.25 per hundred; new potatoes, \$3.50 @ 4 per hundred.

Onions—Crystal wax, \$2.50; yellow, \$2.25; red, \$3.50.

Poultry—Hens, 18 @ 19c; broilers, 27 @ 28c; ducks, young, 25c; geese, nominal; turkeys, 20c; dressed, choice 25c.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, candled, 21c per dozen; case count, 20c.

Butter—City creamery, extra, 1 and 2-pound prints, in boxes, 24c per pound; less than box lots, cartons and delivery extra.

Pork—Fancy, 9 @ 10c per pound.

Veal—Fancy, 9 @ 10c per pound.

Hops—1911 contracts, 22c per pound; 1910 crop, nominal; 1909 crop, 15c; olds, 10c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 8 @ 14c per pound; valley, 12 @ 15c; mohair, choice, 37 @.

Cattle—Prime grain-fed steers, \$7 @ 7.25; prime hay-fed, \$6.85 @ 7; choice steers, \$6.50 @ 6.85; good, \$6 @ 6.50; fair, \$5.75 @ 6; common, \$5.50 @ 5.75; prime cows, \$5.75 @ 6.25; good, \$5 @ 5.25; fair, \$4.75 @ 5; poor, \$4.50 @ 4.75; choice heifers, \$5.50 @ 5.75; choice bulls, \$4.75 @ 5.25; good, \$4.25 @ 4.75; choice light calves, \$7.75 @ 8; good, \$7.50 @ 7.75; choice heavy calves, \$5.50 @ 6; good, \$5 @ 5.50; choice stags, \$5.75 @ 6.25; good, \$5.25 @ 5.75.

Hogs—Choice, \$6.70 @ 6.85; good, \$6.50 @ 6.70; choice heavy, \$6 @ 6.50; common, \$5 @ 6; stock, \$7 @ 7.25.

Sheep—Choice spring lambs, \$6.75 @ 7; good, \$6 @ 6.75; choice yearlings, \$5.25 @ 5.50; good, \$5 @ 5.25; fair, \$4.75 @ 5; choice ewes, \$4.50 @ 4.75; good, \$4 @ 4.50; fair, \$3.75 @ 4; good to choice heavy wethers, \$4.50 @ 5; old heavy wethers, \$4 @ 4.50; mixed lots, \$4 @ 5.

## REIGN OF TERROR IN DURANGO

Mexican Rebels, Beyond Control, Burn, Loot and Murder.

Parral, Mexico, May 29.—Many Federal officials, including jefes politicos, have been killed, scores of others have been put in jail, stores have been looted and hundreds of people are on the verge of starvation as the result of a reign of terror, waged in the state of Durango and Southern Chihuahua by a band of insurgents who have heard nothing of the peace agreement. The entire state of Durango, with its capital, a city of 22,000 people, is at the mercy of roving bands, who have unsettled all the regularly constituted authorities.

The worst feature is that all communication has been cut off for weeks and the country, being a non-agricultural region, is without food. The mining camps of Ganacivi, state of Durango, are in chaos.

The first act of the insurgents after charging a town was to place all the government officials in jail. Stores were then looted and government documents burned.

Thomas Urdina, who claims to be the insurgent commander of the "Southern Zone," was informed that Madero was perfecting peace plans. He answered he would dictate the peace terms for his territory, and the looting continued.

In the town of Villa Escobedo, a few miles south of here, the municipal buildings were burned, all the residents having fled to the mountains.

A previous report that all government and municipal officials in certain towns had been killed has been confirmed.

Robert J. Swazie, an American planter in Michoacan, was killed by a band of insurgents; his ranch house burned and his wife probably carried off by marauders, as she disappeared the night of her husband's murder.

James McIntyre, an American miner, was held up and robbed by a band of Mexicans near Ahuijudia. After they secured about \$200 from McIntyre, the Mexicans decided to kill him and promptly filled him with lead.

Dr. George D. Rich, an American physician at Colima, received word of McIntyre's fate.

A battle is reported at Acapulco in which 83 Federals and an unknown number of rebels were killed.

Shipping at the Mexican Pacific ports is at a standstill and great difficulty is being experienced in loading and discharging by vessels calling at the various ports of stop.

#### ALFALFA IS HUMAN DIET.

Farmer at Spray Proposes to Can Roots for Table Use.

Portland, Or.—Alfalfa now has reached such a stage of development that it can be used for human consumption—at least the roots of it can. C. F. Waters, an enterprising farmer residing near Spray, Or., has completed experiments that convince him that the roots of the ordinary commercial alfalfa plant can be treated so that they will be readily edible as well as highly nourishing and palatable.

He has arranged to construct a large building for canning alfalfa roots and expects to offer his product to the trade within the present year. The roots can be taken from the ground after the crops of several seasons have been harvested, so that the plant is given an added value. Mr. Waters declares that by proper treatment the clever housewife can convert canned alfalfa roots into a variety of tempting dishes, which can be served either as a vegetable or as dessert.

#### Four Killed in Train Wreck.

Charlotte, N. C.—A double-header coal train on the Seaboard Airline went through the trestle seven miles east of Bostick Monday, killing both engineers and firemen. The trestle was weakened by fire which the first engineer did not see and gave way with the weight of the engines. Fifteen of the 29 loaded steel cars crashed into Wallace creek, piling up on the two engines and burying the helpless victims in the wreckage. Traffic will be completely blocked until the bridge can be rebuilt.

#### Diaz Spends Quiet Sunday.

Vera Cruz, Mexico—General Diaz spent Sunday in quiet, denying himself to visitors with the exception of members of his immediate party. Crowds gathered around the house where the ex-president is staying, apparently to watch for any chance occurrence. There were no demonstrations. Sentries paced the verandas, La Opinion, a local newspaper, has invited General Diaz to live here.

#### Franz Josef is Failing.

Godollo, Hungary—Emperor Franz Josef has been attacked by senile decay, and his condition is giving the gravest anxiety to those about him. This fact has been established by careful inquiry made on the spot by newspaper men.

The aged emperor and his court are now at the beautiful royal palace at Godollo, 15 miles from Budapest, the ancient capital of Hungary.

## TRUST SECRETS ARE LAID BARE

### John W. Gates Tells How John D. Was Forced Out.

#### Carnegie Company Was Bought at \$2 for \$1—Competition Eliminated By Combine.

Washington, D. C.—John W. Gates told the house "steel trust" investigating committee Saturday the history of the United States Steel corporation. Present at its birth, he described how it was the natural outcome of what he described as the refusal of Andrew Carnegie to be bound by the "gentlemen's agreements" that marked the early days of open competition in the steel business.

He also told of millions lost and created almost in a breath; how the Carnegie mills, appraised at \$160,000,000, were reorganized as worth \$320,000,000 almost within the time required to make the transfer to the corporation; of the clash in the formative days when John D. Rockefeller was dissuaded from joining in the creation of the trust.

Relating how Carnegie had been forced to abandon plans for extending his steel business, Mr. Gates frankly admitted the combination was formed to throttle competition, and that, when John D. Rockefeller had sought to enter the steel business, a deal was put through which forced him to sell out for 40 cents on the dollar.

Characterizing Mr. Carnegie as a "bull in a china shop," Mr. Gates told of a midnight conference between himself, Charles M. Schwab and J. P. Morgan, at which the Steel Corporation was conceived, and said that it resulted in Carnegie's getting \$320,000,000 in the corporation's securities for his interests, which he had offered for sale for \$160,000,000 cash.

The taking over of the Tennessee Coal & Iron company during the panic of 1907, he said, was confidential deal, put through by Mr. Morgan, and was forced on him.

Plans made by Mr. Carnegie in 1899 and 1900 to circle his steel interests with a railroad of his own and to compete with the National Tube company, organized by Mr. Morgan, at the erection of a tube works at Ashtabula, O., were factors that led to the birth of the steel combine.

#### HEAT KILLS MANY.

Mississippi Valley States Suffer From Hot Wave.

Chicago, May 29.—Full effects of the terrible heat wave were beginning to appear today when 11 deaths were reported to the police. In addition there were many prostrations, some of which are certain to prove fatal.

The temperature soared above 94 and was accompanied by dense humidity, which made breathing difficult and greatly intensified the suffering.

Weather forecasters predict a break in the torridity some time within 24 hours.

At Toledo, O., two persons fell dead in the streets and at Evansville, Ind., a heat victim, while delirious, cut his throat.

Dispatches from other cities and towns tell similar stories. St. Louis is experiencing record weather and the schools there will remain closed until the situation is relieved. In Pittsburg, Youngstown, O., Gary, Ind., and other industrial centers, where large steel mills are located, work has been reduced to the minimum, as men cannot endure the intense heat.

At Milwaukee Frank Siebel, secretary to George Brunder, the publisher, was overcome by the heat and committed suicide by drowning.

The health department and sanitary bureau had an unusually large number of men out today watching the vendors of hokey-pokey, ice cream cones and decayed foodstuffs. The offenders are chiefly Italians and Greeks, who buy putrid meat and vegetables and sell the stuff in the tenement districts.

#### Ely Flirts With Ocean.

Eureka, Cal.—Eugene Ely, whose distinction as an aviator rests, to a considerable extent, upon his success in alighting upon the deck of the battleship Pennsylvania in San Francisco bay, made what he termed one of the most dangerous flights of his career here. Facing a 45-mile wind, he rose 1,000 feet, soared over the timbered crags and rose and dipped above the breakers that roared over Humboldt bay bar. For nearly half an hour he hung over the sea, while thousands of spectators watched him, excited but anxious.

#### Manitoba Has Snow Storm.

Winnipeg, Manitoba, May 28.—Five inches of snow was reported yesterday from Harrow Ford, Northwestern Manitoba.

## BANKER MORRIS IN PEN.

Chief Wrecker of Oregon Trust & Savings Bank Begins Time.

Salem, Or., May 27.—After fighting for months against the inevitable, W. Cooper Morris heard the doors of the state penitentiary swing behind him and has started serving his sentence of six years for aiding in the wrecking of the Oregon Trust & Savings bank of Portland.

A two-hour argument by Attorney S. T. Richardson failed to change the decision of Governor West and no leniency would be extended to the ex-banker.

Shortly after 5 o'clock last night the governor announced his decision and Private Secretary Watson immediately telephoned to Deputy Sheriff Archie Leonard, who was awaiting the decision of the executive at the Hotel Marion. Morris was also at the hotel with a number of friends.

District Attorney John H. McNary, George M. McDowell, Alex Sweek and Archie Leonard accompanied Morris to the penitentiary in an automobile secured by the district attorney and at 5:30 o'clock Morris entered the prison. Superintendent James refused to state what number he would give to the ex-banker and stated that such would not be given out under any circumstances.

"Mr. Morris will be placed in line with the rest of the prisoners and he will be treated the same as the others," stated the superintendent. "It is probable he will have no work to do for some time. There are about 100 men at the institution who are not employed now and the new prisoners are not given work. For that reason he undoubtedly will not be placed at labor, and not because we intend to discriminate in his case."

## DIAZ SECRETLY LEAVES MEXICO FOR MADRID

Mexico City, May 27.—Porfirio Diaz, to whom for more than 30 years all Mexico has paid deference, secretly left the palace at 2 o'clock this morning. Only a few friends whom he trusted followed him to the station. He went to Vera Cruz and went on board a steamer bound for Spain.

In the distance he could hear the voices of enthusiastic celebrants, who were acclaiming the new president, Francisco de La Barra, and shouting "Viva Madero."

So carefully were the arrangements made for his departure that details could not be confirmed until this afternoon. Secrecy was due less to apprehension of a popular outburst here than to a desire that his departure should not become known to marauding bands. For some hours it was generally supposed that he had left over the Mexican National railroad, which has of late been untroubled by bandits. This road is equipped with standard heavy rails and it was thought there was less danger.

There is another railroad to the coast, a narrow-gauge affair, owned by the government. Taking it for granted that he would take the more luxurious, the bandits did not molest the smaller line.

#### WILL GIVE WEST BIG COLLEGE.

Mrs. Harriman to Establish Great University as Memorial.

New York—Mrs. E. H. Harriman, America's richest woman, is to be the founder of a great university in the West as a glorious monument to the memory of her husband.

It became known Saturday that Mrs. Harriman, casting about for some means of disbursing her great fortune in a way that would be of benefit to the people of the country, had decided upon the establishment of an institution of learning as affording the best medium for such disbursement. Her plans are not fully developed, but in a tentative way she has decided to found a university that will be second to none in the country in the point of curriculum and endowment.

Millions as needed will be supplied from the Harriman estate to make this the greatest educational enterprise in the world. The institution will be called the Edward H. Harriman University.

#### Airships to Fight in Air.

Chicago—President Taft has advised the promoters of the aviation meet to be held here August 12-20 that he will be in Chicago June 4, and will meet the committee in charge to agree on how extensively the army and navy will join in the military features of the meet. It has been announced that the president will be given full opportunity to test out the aeroplane as a war factor in any manner he wishes. The managers of the meet hope to have the United States government bring about the first battle in the air.

#### Hello Girls' Hours Reduced.

Olympia, Wash.—When the recent legislature passed the eight-hour law for women, providing that it applied to all women and girls employed in mechanical establishments, the law was so drawn that it included telephone operators. So holds Stephen V. Carey, assistant attorney-general, in a formal opinion to the State Railroad commission, and it will affect every telephone operator in the state.

## DEATH AND RIOT IN MEXICO CITY

### Noisy Mobs Fired on By Police and Troops.

#### Failure of Diaz to Resign Brings Protest From People—Heavy Rain Scatters Crowd.

Mexico City, May 25.—For six hours last night this city was in the hands of a mob until a rain storm more effective than police and soldiers caused the dispersal of most of it. At midnight, however, a remnant, keeping step to the beating of tin pails, and paying no attention to the downpour, continued the demonstration, eyed by the police and soldiers.

Twice soldiers fired on the mob, the first time at the Zoocoto, the big square in front of the national palace, and again to disperse the mob which had stoned the building occupied by El Imparcial, and set it on fire.

Estimates of the number of dead run from 7 to 18, including three policemen reported beaten to death by the mob. El Imparcial, which continued to prepare for publication, estimates the dead at 30, mostly at the Zoocoto.

The police at midnight estimated the dead at 5 or 6, and the wounded at between 40 and 45.

An unconfirmed rumor has it that a detachment of Figueroa's revolutionary force from Cuernavaca is at Lecheria, about 15 miles from the city.

General Diaz, who has reserved the captain's quarters on a Hamburg-American liner due to sail from Vera Cruz on the last day of the month, continues very ill, despite recent optimistic official reports. He is receiving absolutely no visitors. A heavy guard was maintained in front of the presidential residence throughout the night.

#### WORKERS LEAP FOR LIVES.

San Francisco Building Collapses in Wind and Builders Fly.

San Francisco, May 25.—Thrilling slides for life, perilous leaps from swaying walls and daring dashes that cheated death by a hairbreadth, featured the collapse during the high wind yesterday of a two-story flat building in course of construction at Fifteenth and Ramona streets.

A spectacular escape was made by William Kammerer, a youthful electrician, who was near a window on the second floor installing wires, when the building began to tremble violently. It rocked for a moment, then crashed forward and collapsed. It fell in an easterly direction. Kammerer made a flying leap out of the window in the opposite direction. He was not hurt.

James Leonard, a plumber, was at work on the roof when the wind executed its deed. He didn't have time to do anything except cling to the shingles and slide to the asphalt pavement on Ramona street, where the roof landed.

#### TAFT DENIES PARDON.

Declares Walsh and Morse Both False to Trust.

Washington, May 25.—President Taft today denied the applications for the pardon of Charles W. Morse, of New York, and John R. Walsh, of Chicago, the two most prominent bankers ever convicted and sentenced to Federal prisons under the national banking laws.

Not only did the president refuse to pardon them, but he also declined to exercise any other executive clemency in their cases or to shorten the sentences imposed by the courts.

The president took a firm stand that the national banking laws or any other laws must be upheld when they affect the rich man even more than when they affect the poor. The record in the Walsh case, the president said, "shows moral turpitude of that insidious and dangerous kind, to punish which the national banking laws were especially enacted."

#### Man Won't Bury Uncle.

San Francisco—Alex R. Urquhart, of Pony, Mont., telegraphed Undertaker Mark B. Shaw here, curtly refusing to contribute to the burial of his uncle, R. E. McDonald, a wealthy miner, who died at the county hospital here after a lingering illness. The nephew did not know that the aged man had left an estate valued at \$100,000. The refusal was based upon the statement that the old man owed the nephew \$2,000, which the nephew had sunk in the mining ventures of the deceased.

#### Deep Snows in Alberta.

High River, Alberta—More than a foot of snow has fallen here during the 36 hours ending Thursday night. Road traffic is tied up and the big celebration planned for Victoria Day may be postponed.