

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.

A new high record gasoline production was established in January. Bureau of mines reports show an output of 695,325,500 gallons.

Plans for a compromise to avert an actors' strike in New York, June 1 are under consideration. The Actors' Equity association has threatened the strike June 1 for the closed shop.

An earthquake, described as a local disturbance of about four minutes duration was recorded on the seismograph of the University of Santa Clara, Cal., at 3:40 o'clock Saturday morning.

Exercises for the 75th birthday of Luther Burbank last Friday, although he was too ill to attend, included the closing of schools, the children singing his favorite songs in front of his home in Santa Rosa, Cal.

Edwin J. Brown was re-elected mayor of Seattle, Wash., by a majority of 4845 votes in Tuesday's election, according to complete tabulated votes from all of the city's 294 precincts. The final vote was: Brown, 40,545, Alfred H. Lundin, 35,700.

Three persons, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Whalley and Mrs. Mabel Morse, old residents of Linden, N. Y., were slain Monday night, apparently by a maniac. Mr. and Mrs. Whalley were shot dead and Mrs. Morse was beaten to death with the handle of an ax.

A preliminary judgment in the controversy between the Egyptian government and the representatives of the court of Carnarvon over continuation of the work in the tomb of Tutankhamen recognizes the mixed court's competency to decide the case.

A legal fight for control of radio broadcasting is forecast as a result of the suit by the American Telephone & Telegraph company for a permanent injunction restraining station WHN, operated in New York by Marcus Loew and George Schubel, from broadcasting.

Wheat stocks in the United States were smaller on March 1 by about 7,000,000 bushels than they were a year ago. Announcement Tuesday by the department of agriculture of stocks at country mills and elevators as 90,396,000 bushels and its estimate of 133,871,000 bushels on farms.

Decision to place administration of the new soldier bonus bill, providing principally for paid-up life insurance policies, in the hands of the veterans' bureau rather than private insurance companies, was reached Wednesday by a sub-committee of the house ways and means committee in drafting the bill.

Promulgation of a new irrigation and reclamation program must await the report of the interior department's fact-finding commission, Secretary Work Wednesday advised a group of western senators, who asked him to take action immediately. The commission is sitting night and day, he said, in an effort to expedite its findings.

Maintenance for another year of the regular army at the present strength of 12,000 commissioned officers and 125,000 enlisted men, is recommended in the army appropriation bill. As reported Wednesday to the house the measure carries \$226,224,995, or \$16,224,268 less than last year's appropriation, and \$5,632,778 less than the budget estimate.

Taking its cue from the Napoleonic axioms that an army travels on its stomach, the Oregon state chamber of commerce set about Wednesday to move the tourist armies of the country, and the industrial legions seeking new worlds to conquer, to the Pacific northwest by first winning the generals to the food of the region by serving a banquet in Chicago.

President Coolidge made request of congress Monday to adopt immediately a resolution making effective the 25 per cent reduction in personal income taxes payable this year now carried in the revenue bill, but it met with an unencouraging response. This reaction was especially pronounced in the house, where such legislation would have to originate and where leaders recently turned down an attempt to obtain such action.

AIRMEN START 'ROUND GLOBE

First Earth-Encircling Airway to Be Charted--To Take 5 Months.

Clover Field, Santa Monica, Cal.—Airmen of the United States army started around the world from here Monday to chart the first globe-encircling airway. Eyes of 23 nations will be upon the skies between now and August as the American aviators wing their way on the 30,000-mile voyage in an effort to accomplish that in which recent attempts of the French and British airmen failed.

The flight started at 9:32 o'clock, when, amidst acclaim of thousands, Major Frederick L. Martin of Chanute field, Rantoul, Ill., zoomed. His take-off was followed immediately by that of Lieutenant Lowell H. Smith of Los Angeles and Lieutenant Leigh Wade of Cosmopolis, Mich. A score of army and civilian airplanes followed as an escort and soon disappeared into the clouds to the northward, which for more than two hours had raised doubts in the minds of the flight commanders as to whether they should attempt to dart through them over the Tehachapi pass.

America's attempt to map the first world airway will be carried out in a series of flights ranging from 135 miles to 850 miles. The first jump was from Clover field to Mather field, Sacramento. The second, will be from Sacramento to Vancouver, barracks, Washington, across the river from Portland, Or. The world cruisers are scheduled to fly to Seattle, where pontoons will be installed for marine landings until the fliers reach Calcutta, India.

The beginning of the flight, expected by many to be but a simple dash of 4½ hours of ideal weather conditions, proved to be a beginning of the many problems that the intrepid airmen will be called upon to solve in their journey.

BERGDOLL READY TO PAY AS DRAFT EVADER

New York.—Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, convicted during the war as a draft evader, has agreed to return to America to serve his sentence in a federal prison, it was announced Monday by Norman Hapgood, editor of Hearst's International Magazine.

Bergdoll will return at the invitation of the American Legion, which through John Quinn, national commander, issued a statement tonight declaring the legion had been accused of attempting to kidnap Bergdoll and it was time to "show the world" that the organization stood for law and order.

The legion's offer was made by Leighton H. Blood, a member of the organization, who said he went to Germany to carry out a plan mapped out by Garland W. Powell, national director of the legion's Americanism commission, and Lemuel Bolles, national adjutant.

"My mission was to invite Bergdoll to come back to America with me of his own free will," said Blood. "As long as Bergdoll was in Germany the anti-German feeling in the legion would be strengthened and would count in American politics. Therefore, if a plan could be worked out by which Bergdoll could be brought back to America, it would help everybody."

Blood said he was violating no confidence in giving a summary of the terms he made Bergdoll.

"Here it is," said Blood. "Bergdoll must come back. He must serve his sentence. The American Legion is not so much interested in Bergdoll as in the men who helped his escape from America. Let's bring Bergdoll back and have him make a clean breast and tell who the enemies in our own camp are. Then let him do his bit in prison. After that give him his money and let him go his way."

Mr. Hapgood said Bergdoll had sold his automobiles and other properties in Germany and even selected the ship on which he wished to return to America.

Seattle Deficit \$20,000.

Seattle, Wash.—The deficit for the engagement of the Chicago Civic Opera company which ended here Saturday will exceed \$20,000, according to local managers. Fifty-seven individuals and firms guaranteed \$67,000. The opera company was assured \$52,000 on the engagement and it was estimated that the expenses would approximate more than \$12,000. Receipts for four performances here were \$44,000.

Quake Terror is Gone.

Tokio.—Terror of a new great earthquake occurring in Japan was dispelled Monday when the Atami geyser resumed activity, following nine days of dormancy. Professor Ogawa, who was dispatched from the Imperial university at Kyoto, caused an eruption of the geyser by plugging up three nearby hot springs. The eruption followed three hours after his action. There was great public rejoicing.

HOUSE PUBLISHES REPORT ON BONUS

Committee's Plans Submitted To the Public.

INSURANCE FEATURE

Endowment Policies to Be Given Veterans—Cost to Be About Two Billion Dollars.

Washington, D. C.—The proposed bonus to soldiers of the world war would cost a trifle more than \$2,000,000,000 spread over 20 years, according to the majority report of the house ways and means committee on the pending adjusted compensation bill, which was made public Sunday night.

The average ex-service man, under the terms of the bill would receive adjusted compensation amounting to \$382 in the form of a 20-year endowment insurance policy for \$962. The amount of the policy would vary according to the age of the soldier and the length of his service.

After two years loans would be obtainable for 90 per cent of the value of the policy at the time, the loans on a \$1000 policy, for example, ranging from \$87.93 in the third year to \$900 in the 20th year.

The bill, says the report, provides for:

1. The fixing of the amount of the adjusted service credit to the surviving veterans.
2. The payment in cash of the adjusted service credit to those veterans to whom \$50 or less is due.
3. Provision for payment of the adjusted service credit to dependents of veterans who have died before application has been made.
4. The issuance of an endowment insurance certificate to the remainder of the surviving veterans applying therefor in amount and on the terms hereinafter set forth.
5. The privilege of borrowing upon such certificates after two years, in the manner hereinafter explained.
6. Security for such loans and prevention of their being "frozen assets," in the hands of banks by whom they are made.
7. The creation of a sinking fund sufficient to meet the claims arising upon the certificates by reason of death of the veteran or maturity thereof.
8. Estimates for proper appropriations to meet the claims of dependents and those who are paid in insurance.

The basis of the adjusted service credit to the soldier is the same as in the bill, which at the last session passed both houses, namely \$1 a day for each day of "home service" and \$1.25 a day for "oversea service" not to exceed, however, in any case \$500 for "home service" or \$625 for "oversea service."

The veteran will receive the equivalent of a paid-up 20-year endowment policy for the amount which his adjusted service credit plus 25 per cent would purchase at his age, of such insurance computed in accordance with accepted actuarial principles and based upon American experience tables of mortality with interest at 4 per cent per annum compounded annually.

Stock Disease Feared.

Walla Walla, Wash.—There is danger of the hoof and mouth disease reaching the northwest through the medium of wild fowl coming north to nest, according to Dr. H. A. Tripper.

"We can control every other avenue of infection except the wild birds," he stated. "These birds, feeding in California, are quite apt to pick up grain upon which are germs and would bring the disease with them in their intestinal tract."

Japan to Honor Woods.

Tokio.—The honor of being the first guests to be entertained by the prince regent and his bride since their wedding fell to Ambassador Woods of the United States and Mrs. Woods. A luncheon was given in their honor at the Imperial palace, March 13. No other foreigners were guests at the luncheon, those attending being in the main imperial princes.

Growing opposition in the senate to the proposal that the government finance crop diversification led to laying aside temporarily late Tuesday the Norbeck-Burtess bill, which would make such provisions, in favor of appropriation measures.

Men You May Marry

By E. R. PEYSER

Has a man like this proposed to you?

Symptoms: Not a bit stylish—In fact he pool pools the latest fashions as senseless. Knows the latest publications and books and is awfully high-brow. He likes the self-supporting woman only. Can't stand the girl who always must take her formal Mamma to the show with them. He always keeps a well-paid job with growing prospects. Nothing worries him except wasting time at a bad play or with a poor book. He is a bit bookish, out not so bookish that the fond parents do not worry when he and daughter go out for an all-day picnic. Mothers fear but think him a catch. Daughters love but cannot fathom him.

IN FACT

He is the Most delightful mixture to Himself.

Prescription for his bride: Get next to some good books—not for their bindings, but because of their insides.

ABSORB THIS: He who reads; And works by day, Is just the man

For whom maids pray.

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Have You This Habit?

By Margaret Morison

THE KNOCKING CLUB

THE Knocking club had met for luncheon. There were Mrs. van Vechten Brown, Agatha Pim, the novelist; May Hendricks, who wore knickerbockers most of the time and smoked during her meals, and finally Constance Welles, whose engagement to John Wynne had just been announced. They had been nicknamed the Knocking club in college, and among their special circle the name had stuck.

"Her husband talks too much," began Mrs. van Vechten Brown, whose own husband had an impediment in his speech.

"No," said May Hendricks; "that isn't the reason they don't get in—it's his wife, who dresses like a department store window—she's such bad form, you know."

"I shouldn't care how she dressed if she wouldn't murder the King's English." Agatha Pim spoke very concisely and distinctly.

At this point Constance looked at her watch. She had an appointment, as it happened, with John that afternoon, and here with the Knocking club just getting under way she found herself making her excuses and leaving.

As she and John drove along the avenue she repeated the conversation at luncheon. To her chagrin John made no comment. "Don't you think Dolly Brown is amusing?" she insisted.

"I think those three women are like three old alley cats hugging the dark corners and squalling at everyone who goes along!"

Constance gasped. "John, dear, you couldn't call Agatha Pim an alley cat!"

"No," said John; "I'd call her a pampered Persian pussy spitting upon every passerby!"

"What do you mean?" asked Constance.

"Take Mrs. van Vechten Brown," explained John. "Why does she cry down a man that can talk easily? It dignifies her own husband's not being able to get through a whole sentence. When May Hendricks talks about 'bad form' in others she gives you the impression that she knows what 'bad form' is, and you accept her nicotine fingers and her tobacco breath. And so on and so on—what has Agatha Pim got but 'King's English,' and what has Dolly Brown got but her name!" He must have stopped from sheer lack of breath.

"Then," said Constance, "the habit of throwing stones at other people is really just pretending that you don't live in a glass house yourself." The Knocking club had lost a member.

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Has Anyone Laughed At You Because—

By ETHEL R. PEYSER

You have a weakness for secrets?

You are laughed at because so many folk pour out their troubles in your copious ear and you always seem to know why he or she reacts a certain way! Well, what of it? These confidants wouldn't have told you if you hadn't honor, honesty, a tight mouth and a bit of comfort dope. If you like "secrets," ask to be "in" on things then laughter is pretty well deserved. However, people wouldn't continue to tell you things if this were so.

SO

Your get-away here is: Every one likes to be "in" on things—you're only a human being after all

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