

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.

President Taft is planning additional trust legislation.

Toledo, O., elected a Socialist assessor and two councilmen.

Aviator Fowler arrived at El Paso, Tex., on his Pacific-to-Atlantic flight.

Gompers fears a rush of cheap labor to the Pacific coast when the Panama canal is completed.

Thirteen vessels of the Chinese imperial navy have deserted the Manchus and joined the revolutionists.

Aviator Rodgers has rallied from the dazed condition resulting from his fall when he attempted to complete his ocean-to-ocean flight Sunday, and is eager to complete his trip.

A terrific winter storm is sweeping the Atlantic coast, and much wreckage is coming ashore. Freezing weather extends into Louisiana, and fruit and garden truck is suffering considerable loss.

A German war correspondent left Tripoli in disgust rather than maintain silence regarding the atrocities committed by the Italian soldiers. He says the stories already given out do not tell half the truth.

A French scientist has discovered unmistakable evidences that some prehistoric men at least were vegetarians.

Women of Brooklyn, N. Y., formed a marketing club and are buying their supplies at wholesale, saving nearly 50 per cent.

Banker Robnett, pleaded guilty to embezzlement of the funds of the Lewiston, Idaho, national bank and was sentenced to ten years' imprisonment.

Italy accuses Turks and Arabs of violating the rules of war.

Lincoln's birthplace has been accepted by President Taft as a national preserve.

Railroad men are gloomy because of the burdens imposed by the employers' liability law.

An extension of the O. W. R. & N. is projected from North Yakima to the Sound.

Great hostility was shown in the German reichstag against the proposed Morocco-Congo deal.

The foreign legation at Peking and the guards of the "forbidden city," where China's royal family reside, are preparing for a siege.

A Seattle judge decided that a dog has a right to bite a man who steps on his tail, and a suit for damages from this cause was decided against the plaintiff.

A bill of preachers for holding services at the state insane asylum of Oregon was paid from the "amusement" fund, there being no other fund provided for the purpose.

PRICES GOING SKYWARD.

Food Frozen in Transit and Crops Hurt by Frost.

Chicago—Winter, which arrived snorting and snarling, did more than freeze a few persons to death. The sudden advent of cold weather sent the prices of all foodstuffs skyrocketing, so that those who survived the initial blast will become painfully aware that winter has set in in earnest.

The reasons given for the advance in food staples are that hens cease laying, cows give a limited supply of milk, carloads of fruit and vegetables were frozen in transit and the source of much of this supply damaged by frost. There is also the further reason that snow is falling heavily over a wide area and trains are likely to become stalled and food supplies will be slow in arriving. Here are some of the advances following the cold weather:

Eggs—Up 3 cents, retailing at 40 to 42 cents a dozen.

Potatoes, 35 cents a peck, and the price will go much higher.

Creamery butter, 35 cents a pound.

Ham, 17 cents a pound.

Dressed chickens, 16 cents a pound.

Coal dealers have given notice that they will advance prices at once. They have had two lean years, due to the strike and overproduction in mid seasons, and prospects of a long, hard winter affords them an opportunity to even matters up.

The charitable organizations of Chicago are fortifying themselves against unusual demands this winter.

WOOL MEN SCORE TARBELL.

\$1,000 Raised to Tell Public Truth About Industry.

Baker, Or.—To bring out the real truth about the wool business as opposed to what has been told by writers like Ida Tarbell, who, by fictional magazine and newspaper articles, they declare, have put the wool industry before the public in an entirely false light, delegates to the 14th annual convention of the Oregon Wool-growers' association, subscribed \$1,000 for publicity purposes.

The subscription was raised in a few minutes by the delegates, whose enthusiasm had been stirred by an address by W. S. McClure, secretary of the National Woolgrowers' association, who spoke on "Woolgrowing and Its Relation to the Tariff." McClure scathingly arraigned writers like Miss Tarbell for giving untrue statements and denounced the present laws, which he said make the wool industry a precarious calling, where in the past it has been one of the substantial natural resources of the country.

"How is it that woolen goods, the raw wool for which I purchased for \$1.67, could not be made into a suit for less than an added cost of \$35?" asked McClure. "Going to Washington with goods for a suit, the wool for which cost me \$1.67, the first tailor I asked agreed to make it into a suit for \$45. Others varied some, with the lowest bidder asking \$35."

ZIONITE OPPOSES CEMENT.

Christ Would Avoid New Sidewalks, Reason for Asking Injunction.

Zion City, Ill.—Rupert Deveraux, a member of the old Dowie faction in Zion's affairs, filed a petition with the Zion City board of aldermen objecting to the proposed construction of cement sidewalks here, on the ground that Christ never walked on cement and therefore "would avoid Zion City on the Savior's approaching second coming to earth."

The petition said that Dowie would return to life with the second coming of Christ.

One of Deveraux' followers, it was said, recently attempted to get some word from the late Alexander Dowie by sleeping three successive nights on Dowie's grave in the cemetery here. He is said to have reported to Deveraux that the expected message did not come to him.

Sahara to Know Burbank.

Los Angeles—Negotiations are under way between local men and the authorities in various parts of the Sahara which are expected to result soon in the introduction of Burbank's spineless cactus on the African desert. Experiments with the various kinds of spineless cacti have demonstrated, the experts say, that some of them will thrive in any desert in the world where the temperature does not go too low, and they believe the Sahara is peculiarly adapted to their cultivation.

Big Lens May Be Saved.

Pasadena, Cal.—The gigantic lens, said to be the largest in the world, bought more than a year ago for use in the observatory on Mount Wilson, and which was supposed to have proved worthless through its inability to maintain its powers when exposed to sudden changes of temperature, may be saved. Experts who have been working on the glass, re-grinding it by a delicate process, announced that experiments performed in the last few days had led them to believe it could be used.

Los Angeles Faces Election Troubles.

Los Angeles—With a total registration of more than 190,000, election officers in Los Angeles are now facing one of their most vexing problems. How to arrange voting booths so all precincts are in the problem. In some precincts more than 2,000 voters are registered. In others it ranges from 500 to 1,800. According to officers, it is a physical impossibility for all of those registered in the larger precincts to vote within the 12-hour limit.

Thief Returns Sermon.

Wilkesbarre, Pa.—A sermon entitled, "Prepare to Meet Thy God," which was taken from the pocket of Rev. M. E. Williams, a Methodist minister at Athens, Pa., when he was in this city recently, by pickpockets who extracted a large wallet, has been returned to him.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF OUR HOME STATE

VOTING LIST LONG.

Candidates for Oregon's April Primary Will Be Many.

Salem—When the voters of Oregon go to the polls at the primary election April 19 they will have a formidable array of candidates for a large number of offices from whom to choose.

In addition to voting for the candidates for president and vice president of the United States under the new Oregon presidential preference primary plan, voters in each of the First, Second and Third congressional districts will be called upon to select their choice of candidates for representatives in congress. Next year a United States senator also will be selected to succeed Jonathan Bourne, Jr.

The office of secretary of state is to be filled and one justice of the Supreme court is to be elected to succeed Chief Justice Eakin. The term of J. W. Bailey as state dairy and food commissioner will also expire. Ten delegates to the national convention for the nomination of president and vice president of the United States are to be elected and five electors for president and vice president at the general election. A railroad commissioner from the First and Second congressional districts is to be nominated and elected.

In the Second, Sixth and Eighth judicial districts judges are to be elected and in the Fourth judicial district, or Multnomah county, judges for Department No. 1 and No. 2 are to be elected.

District attorneys are to be elected in all but the 13th judicial district, where the election was held last year for that office.

ESTABLISH NEW DEPARTMENT.

O. A. C. Regents Inaugurate Useful Service for People.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis—An extension division has just been organized at the Oregon Agricultural college by the regents at their monthly meeting, and Prof. R. D. Chertel has been named director. The plan is to conduct an organized campaign of service to all parts of the state for the benefit of those unable to come to the college for the regular courses.

The constantly increasing demand upon the college to solve problems for the people in the remote districts of the state has grown to such proportions that it became necessary to form this new division in order to fulfill satisfactorily this duty of the institution.

The new department will include all such work as the farmers' institutes, domestic science demonstration meetings, itinerant schools, demonstration trains, correspondence courses, extension lectures, the organization of juvenile clubs, and like educational work.

Every district of the state will be served through this medium, and men, women and children alike will thus be given an opportunity to receive instruction in any branch of the college work in which they are interested, without leaving their homes. The experts in agronomy, horticulture, gardening, poultry raising, animal husbandry, dairying, bee keeping, crop pests, business methods, cooking and sewing, flower growing, forestry, mechanical engineering electrical and civil engineering, good road work, mining and other branches of instruction will direct personally these extension courses.

Both the number and scope of the farmers' institutes will be greatly increased under this new plan. Traveling schools with laboratory and staffs of from five to twelve experts will be sent to hold regular sessions of a week or more in different sections of the state. Correspondence courses and study clubs will supplement the instruction of these schools, and practical application of the methods taught will be made on the farms, ranches, and orchards of the students of such courses. Bulletins giving in popular language the valuable practical information will also be distributed by the extension division. An information bureau will be conducted in the same connection to relieve the various departments from the overwhelming flood of letters of inquiry, 83,000 of which were received last year. Other valuable educational work is also planned for the division at the college.

BROWNSVILLE APPLES WIN.

Ten First Prizes Are Awarded on Eleven Entries at Albany.

Brownsville—The Albany apple fair is closed and Brownsville is rejoicing over the fact that this community carried off so many first prizes on apple exhibits. Besides being awarded first prize of \$50 for the best community exhibit, Brownsville was awarded first prize on the best plate exhibit of ten or more varieties, first on best box of Grimes Golden, first on best box of Hoovers, first on best box of Willow Twigs, first on best box of "Unknown" variety of apples, first on best box of Winesaps, first on best three boxes of Jonathans, second on best box of Red Cheek Pippins. The exhibit was collected and arranged by Cate brothers, orchardists of this place.

Brownsville entered eleven separate exhibits outside of the community exhibit, and was awarded ten first and one second prizes. The exhibit was made under the auspices of the Brownsville Fruit and Produce association.

This is the second consecutive year that Brownsville has carried away the honors on the community exhibit.

TUBERS OPEN EYES.

Redmond Potato Fair is Revelation to All Who Attend.

Redmond—Redmond's first annual potato show, held November 2, the date the O. W. R. & N. demonstration train was here, was a success, and far exceeded the expectations of the Redmond commercial club, which promoted the project.

The idea of holding a potato show in Redmond was advanced by F. W. Graham, western industrial and immigration agent of the Great Northern road, when he was here Railroad day. After seeing some of the exhibits of potatoes he said:

"You folks have without doubt the best lot of potatoes grown in the United States, and it would be the best kind of advertising for you to hold an annual potato show, and make a specialty of that kind of crop. It would attract attention from all over the United States."

The idea advanced by Mr. Graham was taken up by the Commercial club and the papers here, and though the time was limited in which to get up exhibits, the showing made was beyond the expectations of all.

New Precincts Created.

Springfield—The county court has created two new voting precincts here, making four now. This is in accordance with the expressed determination of the county court to limit the number of voters in each precinct in the county in order that the ballots cast at the state and county elections may be counted before midnight on the same day of the election. In some of the larger precincts during the past few years the work of counting was not finished till well along during the next day after the election.

Irrigation Scheme Viewed.

West Stayton—James Gaunt, of New York, who is interested in several Western enterprises and is a stockholder in the Willamette Valley Irrigated Land company, was here this week. He inspected the project and expressed himself as pleased with the work done. He was interested in the wonderful growth made by the apple trees set out last April and irrigated during the summer. A few days ago Dr. L. Lessing-Bolgar was here. He expects to have about 50 houses under construction here by spring.

Paisley Realty Improvements On.

Paisley—A number of new buildings are being erected here. The most prominent of them is the new garage of A. Hartlerode. C. E. Campbell is building a residence, Clark Johnson a dwelling and S. F. Moss, the ranchman, is remodeling a town property he recently purchased to use as a home when not on his farm. George Ranney has put up a building next to the blacksmith shop and other buildings in the town have been improved.

School Loans Examined.

Salem—Land Agent Rinehart has just returned from Eastern Oregon, where he has been investigating the nature of the securities for state loans and finds that as a rule the loans are well secured. About \$5,000,000 of the school fund is loaned on real property and about \$1,000,000 on school bond bonds. A few of the loans on real property are being recalled or additional security demanded where the security is not deemed sufficient.

SCHOONER EVADES DEATH AT MOUTH OF COLUMBIA

Astoria, Or., Nov. 14.—After passing 24 hours helplessly in the wild and swirling waters just off North Head, the steam schooner Washington was towed in on the hawsers of the sea tug Tatosoh, shortly after dark last night, with all hands saved, after the vessel had been given up for lost.

The Washington was like a ship that was gone to her destruction, and last night when her crew and passengers were landed at Callender's dock, they were greeted and cheered like men who had come back from the dead.

Her rescue was daringly accomplished by the tug Tatosoh, with Captain "Buck" Bailey in command, while scores of men and women stood on the wind-swept shore and cheered.

Laden with lumber, the Washington went out over the bar shortly after noon Sunday, in the teeth of the bitter gale from the southwest that swept the seas all day, with 26 passengers and a crew of 22. Other captains dared not make the attempt, for the bar was breaking clear across and the gale persisted with a fury that hooded ill for any craft that sought to win her way out into the open sea.

Just what happened has not been clearly told, but it seems that she was just well on her way, or fairly well across it, when something happened. One story is that several great seas struck her and carried away a portion of her deckload of lumber and that in an instant the loosened cables and ropes that had bound the deck lumber down had swept into the propeller and rudder chains. At all events it seemed to those on her but an instant before she lay helpless and at the mercy of the pounding waves.

The great seas struck and battered her, shaking her from end to end. Before the wind and waves she slowly drifted to the north, luckily missing the rocks and surf off Cape Disappointment, and finally drifting toward "Dead Man's Hole," that lies just off from and between McKenzie's Point and North Head. There the Washington dropped anchors, fore and aft, and, luckily, they held her from the rocks, though she kept drifting slowly all the while.

NEW PRISON INDUSTRY.

California Warden Would Have Expert Crackmen Build Safes.

San Quentin, Cal.—Warden Hoyle, of the state penitentiary, is planning what he believes will be the most peculiar prison industry on earth. It is nothing more or less than the manufacture commercially of safes by skilled workmen who are now serving sentences in the penitentiary for bank robberies, safe-blowing and similar violations of the law.

That the industry will be profitable Warden Hoyle is convinced. In testing his plan before advancing it beyond the tentative stage, he has secured results, as proof of which he displays a vault and a safe in the office of the prison clerk, Mark E. Noon, which have been virtually reconstructed from old outworn articles by a prisoner under sentence of ten years for robbing a safe at Monrovia.

This man, who is a skilled mechanic, will have charge of the division of the machine shop where the manufacture of safes will be carried on, if Warden Hoyle's plans do not go awry. There are in the penitentiary many mechanics who are conversant with the manufacture of safes, and Warden Hoyle is confident he can build up an able working force.

Hemlock Used for Paper.

Wausau, Wis.—The problem whether a commercial grade of paper can be made from native woods, other than spruce, for the solution of which the United States government has established a laboratory here, has been partly solved, according to announcement made by J. H. Thickens, who is in charge of the experimental work. Experiments have been going on for more than a year. Tests of pulp manufactured at the laboratory have just been concluded and are reported highly satisfactory.

Accident Mars Finish Flight.

Los Angeles—In an attempted flight from Pasadena to Long Beach to end his Atlantic-to-Pacific journey officially, C. P. Rodgers met with the worst mishap of his career, falling with his machine 125 feet into a ploughed field on the Orr ranch within sight of his destination. Although no bones were broken, Rodgers was seriously shaken. His face was scratched and torn, his hands were burned by his motor, and, after recovering consciousness, he complained of a severe pain in his side. His machine was wrecked.

Women Launch Widespread Campaign.

New York—Following the victory of the East in the national convention of the woman suffragists, it is announced that a campaign is to be inaugurated here that will have for its chief purpose the spreading of the propaganda of the suffrage among the wage-earning women of this part of the country. The campaign will place emphasis upon the economic phase of the issue. A force of several thousand wage-earning women will be organized.

Packers On Trial.

Chicago—After more than nine years' investigation by the government, the first criminal prosecution of individual meat packers under the Sherman anti-trust act has begun here before Judge Carpenter, in the United States District court. Ten Chicago packers will be placed on trial, charged with monopolizing and restraining interstate trade in fresh meats. The penalty which may be inflicted if they are found guilty is a fine of \$500 or a sentence of one year in the county jail, or both.

Free Paper is Demanded.

New York—The American Publishers' association, through John Norris, chairman of its committee on paper, has sent a letter to President Taft urging that the government observe good faith in the observance of the favored-nation clause of 28 treaties with respect to the free importation of pulp and paper when made from unrestricted wood.

The Courtship of Miles Standish

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The Wedding Day

Forth from the curtain of clouds, from the tent of purple and scarlet, issued the sun, the great High Priest, in his garments resplendent, Holiness unto the Lord, in letters of light, on his forehead, Round the hem of his robe the golden bells and pomegranates. Blessing the world he came, and the bars of vapor beneath him Gleamed like a grate of brass, and the sea at his feet was a laver!

This was the wedding morn of Priscilla the Puritan maiden. Friends were assembled together; the Elder and Magistrate also. Graced the scene with their presence, and stood like the Law and the Gospel. One with the sanction of earth and one with the blessing of heaven. Simple and brief was the wedding, as that of Ruth and of Boaz. Softly the youth and the maiden repeated the words of betrothal. Taking each other for husband and wife in the Magistrate's presence, After the Puritan way, and the laudable custom of Holland. Reverently then, and devoutly, the excellent Elder of Plymouth Prayed for the health and the home, that were founded that day in affection. Speaking of life and of death, and imploring divine benedictions.

Lo! when the service was ended, a form appeared on the threshold, Clad in armor of steel, a somber and sorrowful figure! Why does the bridegroom start and stare at the strange apparition? Why does the bride turn pale, and hide her face on his shoulder? Is it a phantom of air,—a bodiless, spectral illusion? Is it a ghost from the grave, that has come to forbid the betrothal? Long had it stood there unseen, a guest uninvited, unwelcome; Over its clouded eyes there had



Friends Were Assembled Together.

passed at times an expression Softening the gloom and revealing the warm heart hidden beneath them. As when across the sky the driving rack of the rain-cloud Grows for a moment thin, and betrays the sun by its brightness. Once it had lifted its hand, and moved its lips, but was silent. As if an iron will had mastered the fleeting intention. But when were ended the troth and the prayer and the last benediction, Into the room it strode, and the people beheld with amazement. Bodily there in his armor Miles Standish, the Captain of Plymouth! Grasping the bridegroom's hand, he said with emotion, "Forgive me! I have been angry and hurt,—too long have I cherished the feeling; I have been cruel and hard, but now, thank God! it is ended. Mine is the same hot blood that leaped in the veins of Hugh Standish, sensitive, swift to resent, but as swift in atoning for error. Never so much as now was Miles Standish the friend of John Alden." Thereupon answered the bridegroom: "Let all be forgotten between us—"

All save the dear, old friendship, and that shall grow older and dearer!" Then the Captain advanced, and, bowing, saluted Priscilla. Gravely, and after the manner of old-fashioned gentry in England, Something of camp and of court, of town and of country, commingled, Wishing her joy of her wedding, and loudly lauding her husband. Then he said with a smile: "I should have remembered the adage,— If you would be well served, you must serve yourself; and moreover, No man can gather cherries in Kent at the season of Christmas!"

Great was the people's amazement, and greater yet their rejoicing. Thus to behold once more the sun-burnt face of their Captain, Whom they had mourned as dead; and they gathered and crowded about him. Eager to see him and hear him, forgetful of bride and of bridegroom.

Questioning, answering, laughing, and each interrupting the other. Till the good Captain declared, being quite overpowered and bewildered, He had rather by far break into an Indian encampment, Than come again to a wedding to which he had not been invited.

Meanwhile the bridegroom went forth and stood with the bride at the doorway. Breathing the perfumed air of that warm and beautiful morning. Touched with autumnal tints, but lonely and sad in the sunshine, Lay extended before them the land of toll and privation; There were the graves of the dead, and the barren waste of the seashore. There the familiar fields, the groves of pine, and the meadows; But to their eyes transfigured, it seemed as the Garden of Eden. Filled with the presence of God, whose voice was the sound of the ocean.

Soon was their vision disturbed by the noise and stir of departure, Friends coming forth from the house, and impatient of longer delaying. Each with his plan for the day, and the work that was left uncompleted. Then from a stall near at hand, amid exclamations of wonder, Aiden the thoughtful, the careful, so happy, so proud of Priscilla, Brought out his snow-white steed, obeying the hand of his master. Let by a cord that was tied to an iron ring in its nostrils. Covered with crimson cloth, and a cushion placed for a saddle. She should not walk, he said, through the dust and heat of the noonday; Nay, she should ride like a queen, not plod along like a peasant. Somewhat alarmed at first, but reassured by the others,

Placing her hand on the cushion, her foot in the hand of her husband, Gaily, with joyous laugh, Priscilla, mounted her palfrey. "Nothing is wanting now," he said with a smile, "but the distaff; Then you would be in truth my queen my beautiful Bertha!"

Onward the bridal procession moved through the purple grass, that from branches above them suspended, Mingled their odorous breath with the balm of the pine and the fir-tree, Wild and sweet as the clusters that grew in the valley of Eschol. Like a picture it seemed of the primitive, pastoral ages, and recalling Rebecca and Isaac, Old and yet ever young, and simple and beautiful always. Love immortal and young in the endless succession of lovers. So through the Plymouth woods passed onward the bridal procession.

THE END

Sterilization Liquids. Perfect sterilization of liquids by means of filtration only seems to be made possible on a large scale through a process originated by two French scientists and reported to the Academy of Scientists at a recent meeting. It is known that membranes of collodion have the property of retaining all the microbes in a liquid filtered through them. But they are very fragile and therefore impractical outside of the laboratory. By re-enforcing the collodion membrane with a fine wire screen imbedded in it, just as a pane of glass is thus re-enforced, the two scientists constructed a filter not only strong enough for practical purposes but so effective as to dissolve even molecules of salts dissolved in the liquid.

As Uncle Eben Sees It. "De resason," said Uncle Eben, "dat some men walks de floor because of deir debts is because it's warmer an' mo' comfortable dan gittin' out' an' buildin' fences or shovelin' snow."