

# 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.

Dr. Sun Yat Sen denies the rumor of discord in the new government of China.

Government reports say crops all over the world are greatly above the average.

Taft urged before the national hygiene congress the establishment of a National Health bureau.

The Greek minister in London denies any knowledge of a Greek-Bulgarian-Serbian alliance against Turkey.

Miss Elsie Crose, daughter of the American governor of Samoa, was proclaimed a "princess" by the natives.

A party of Frenchmen visiting Berlin say they are astonished at the evidence of high living and luxury to be seen everywhere.

A girl's dream revealed fatal errors in the indictments against an Illinois school superintendent for embezzlement, forgery, etc.

Pascual Orozco, Sr., was marched through the streets of El Paso from the station to the jail, and was hooded and jeered by Mexicans.

Upon the peremptory demand of the American ambassador, an American confined in a Mexican jail was released and placed in the hospital.

The battleship Wyoming is completed and turned over to the government. She will participate in the naval review in New York harbor next month.

A witness in the Standard Oil investigation says the corporation has assigned fixed assets territory to each of its former subsidiaries, making the monopoly as complete and perfect as ever.

Jacob Fry Guthrie, the college graduate on trial in Chicago for robbing the homes of wealthy people of over \$2500 worth of silks, jewelry and bric-a-brac, went raving crazy in court.

A strike of 150 shingle weavers has closed nine shingle mills on Puget Sound.

Railroads are breaking all records in furnishing cars to handle the Northwest grain crop.

A man at Kamloops, B. C., who had been deaf and dumb for 14 years, suddenly recovered both voice and hearing when he saw another man crushed and mangled beneath the wheels of a moving freight train.

Two were killed and several seriously injured when a passenger train struck a streetcar on a grade crossing near Denver.

Officials at Washington think the Mexican revolution is weakening, on account of the many apparently aimless moves being made by the insurgents.

Roosevelt says he is willing his election shall be subject to the recall.

Striking Utah coal miners have stolen large quantities of dynamite and serious trouble is feared.

Canadian Pacific telegraph operators have accepted compromise terms by the company and the impending strike has been declared off.

Communication has again been established with Cananea, Mexico. Food has been sent in and a trainload of copper bullion shipped from the mines.

### PORTLAND MARKETS

Wheat—Track prices: Club, 78¢; 79¢; bluestem, 82¢; 83¢; forty-fort, 79¢; 80¢; red Russian, 77¢; 78¢; valley, 79¢; 80¢.

Barley—Feed, \$25 per ton; brewing, \$27.00.

Oats—No. 1 timothy, \$17 per ton; oat and vetch, \$11; alfalfa, \$12.50 per ton.

Apples—Spot, \$27 per ton; futures, \$26.25.

Fresh fruits—Apples, 50¢@\$.1.50 per box; peaches, 40¢@60¢ per box; pears, 50¢@1.50; grapes, 90¢@\$1.10.

Onions—Walla Walla, 75¢ per sack; Oregon, \$1.25 per sack.

Potatoes—Jobbing prices: Burbanks, 50¢@60¢ per hundred; sweet potatoes, 24¢@25¢ per hundred.

Vegetables—Artichokes, 65¢@75¢ per dozen; asparagus, 2¢ per pound; cabbage, 10¢@15¢; cauliflower, \$1.00@1.25 per dozen; celery, 50¢@75¢ per dozen; corn, 75¢@\$.1.00 per sack; cucumbers, 50¢ per box; eggplant, 50¢ per pound; head lettuce, 20¢@25¢ per dozen; peppers, 5¢@6¢ per pound; tomatoes, 35¢@40¢ per box; garlic, 80¢ per pound; carrots, \$1.25 per sack; turnips, \$1; beets, \$1.10; parsnips, \$1.25.

Eggs—Case count, 27¢@28¢ per dozen; candled, 28¢@29¢; extra, 32¢@34¢.

Butter—Oregon creamery, cubes, 33¢ per pound; prints, 34¢@34¢.

Pork—Fancy, 14¢@15¢ per pound.

Veal—Fancy, 14¢@15¢ per pound.

Poultry—Hens, 14¢@15¢ per pound; broilers, 14¢@15¢; ducks, young, 12¢; geese, 8¢@12¢; turkeys, live, 20¢; dressed, 25¢.

Hops—1912 crop, 15¢@18¢.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 14¢@18¢ per pound; valley, 21¢@22¢; mohair, choice, 32¢ per pound.

Cattle—Choice steers, \$6.85@7.25; good, \$6.25@6.65; medium, \$6.00@6.25; choice cows, \$6.00@6.50; good, \$5.50@5.75; medium, \$5.00@5.25; choice calves, \$7.00@8.50; good heavy calves, \$6.25@7; bulls, \$3.00@4.50; stags, \$5.00@5.75.

Hogs—Light, \$8.50@8.65; heavy, \$7.50@8.

Sheep—Yearlings, \$3.50@4.65; wethers, \$4.65; ewes, \$3.85; lambs, \$5.65.

### WINTER HITS MIDDLE WEST.

Four States Have Snow and Temperatures Are Falling.

Chicago—Dispatches received at the weather bureau headquarters tell of pretentious snow storms in four states. The early arrival of "the beautiful" is not accompanied by unusually low temperature and proves rather beneficial than otherwise.

Wyoming was the first to report the advance agent of winter, the vicinity around Lander experiencing a regular snow fall. The maximum temperature in the vicinity of the Wyoming storm was 36 and the minimum 32, so that the snow did not melt rapidly.

The same storm swept rapidly eastward, and was reported in both the Dakotas and Minnesota. Heavy rains have been prevailing in Western Minnesota for two days, but a drop in temperature changed the rain to snow. Dispatches say the temperature is lowering noticeably in Northern Iowa and there are indications of snow fall there. Storms are also predicted generally over the Central West. Rain began falling in the Great Lakes region and the temperature is dropping steadily. The same storm will probably spread to the Ohio river before its force is spent.

### ELKS WILL USE "BEETATO"

Portland Lodge Will Distribute Purple Tuber at Reunion.

Portland—Oregon's newest pomological oddity, dubbed the "beetato," which is a hybrid between an Irish potato and a red beet, has already been found valuable as an advertising asset. The tuber's "innards" have a deep purple, one of the official colors of the Elks' lodge.

Officers of Portland Lodge No. 142 have been quick to realize the peculiar coloring feature of the "beetato." They are now negotiating with L. W. Reinhardt, of Silver Springs station, in Clackamas county, the originator of the new potato, for all of next year's crop of "purple spuds" to take back to Rochester for the Elks' annual reunion. Inasmuch as the reunion will be held in July, Mr. Reinhardt will have to plant his "beetatos" as early as possible next spring so that the product of the new crop will be large enough by convention time.

Mr. Reinhardt expects to grow enough "beetatos" to supply souvenirs for every delegate to the Rochester reunion. Portland Elks are rejoicing that they will have such a unique souvenir to advertise Oregon.

### MAKE EGGS FROM AIR.

Scientist Sees Great Possibility in Nitrogen and Compounds.

Chicago—Dr. Paul Walden, of Riga, Russia, predicts that the next great feat of chemistry will be the making of eggs from air. Dr. Walden, who is president elect of the Ninth International Congress of Applied Chemistry, to be held in St. Petersburg in 1915, further predicts that a variety of nitrogenous foods will be made from the air some day.

"I consider it practically certain that at no distant day we will be drawing food supplies from the air," he said. "Professor Bernthsen, of Germany, already has succeeded in making the simple compound of nitrogen and hydrogen.

"This shows that we will be able to make more complex compounds. An egg is a complex compound of nitrogen, oxygen, sulphur and hydrogen."

Electric Opiate Found, Berlin—An electric sleep, which may be turned on and off at will, is the alluring prospect offered to people suffering from insomnia by Dr. Nagelschmidt, who describes his invention for this purpose in a medical magazine.

He says he has devised a new form of electric current which, when applied to the base of the brain, will produce a narcotic effect which can be maintained as long as is desired. It has been tried with success and without any injurious effects on dogs and rabbits, and Dr. Nagelschmidt is convinced that it can be equally well applied to human beings.

Application of the current also eliminates pain from any part of the body.

### Scientists Note Strike.

Salt Lake City—Twenty-two of the foreign scientists touring the United States as guests of the American Geographical society, visited Bingham Wednesday, thus combining a visit of a mining camp strike with an examination of a mountain of copper-bearing monzonite. When convinced that the visitors were not strikebreakers, the crowds at Bingham regarded the scientists with friendly interest.

More than half the party passed the day visiting historic spots in and about Salt Lake City.

### Indians Seek Land Grant.

Chicago—Lawyers representing the Pottawatomie, Chickawab and Ottawa Indian tribes filed suit in the United States district court for recovery of the Chicago lakefront from the Chicago river to Forty-seventh street on the South Side, or cash damages of \$50,000,000. Four big railroads and the South Park commissioners were named as defendants. The names of 2785 Indians are given in the petition of the plaintiffs who base their claims to the land on old treaties of the Federal government.

### Land in Spain Utilized.

Madrid—As a result of the investigation ordered a few months ago by King Alfonso, the minister of the interior reports that 60 per cent of the land in Spain is uncultivated and that 38 per cent is utterly without irrigation. The report shows that 4500 villages are without roads or railroads, 30,000 towns and villages have no schools and 12,000,000 of Spain's 177,000,000 inhabitants can neither read nor write.

### \$55,000 Theft Confessed.

Pensacola, Fla.—William H. Bell, a 20-year-old bank clerk, has confessed that he robbed the Pensacola First national bank on a package containing \$55,000 of the Louisville & Nashville payroll, and substituted a worthless package in its place.

# INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF OUR HOME STATE

### BEND ORCHARD PROJECTED.

Successful Powell Butte Grower Will Try Out New Section.

Bend—While Central Oregon up to the present has received little serious attention as a commercial apple growing territory, an arrangement just made for the planting of an extensive commercial orchard near Bend by an experienced fruitgrower indicates that apples may take their places alongside the other products of this immediate section in the near future.

Guy Lafollette, who for several years has conducted an extensive nursery near Powell Butte, some 25 miles east of Bend, plans the planting of 40 acres of fine apple trees on the A. S. Collins ranch, a mile from Bend. As Mr. Lafollette has raised apples most successfully on his Powell Butte place, where the altitude is 4200 feet, he anticipates no difficulty in meeting similar success here, at an altitude of but 2600 feet, and with excellent soil and irrigation conditions. The action of the nurseryman promises to influence others toward setting out commercial orchards. Hitherto apple raising in this section has been devoted chiefly to small garden orchards, producing little more than enough for home consumption.

### 200 SEE BRIDGE OPENING.

Span Over Umpqua River at Winchester Is Dedicated.

Roseburg—With a crowd of more than 200 persons in attendance the new steel bridge spanning the Umpqua river, at Winchester, five miles north of Roseburg, was dedicated with appropriate ceremonies. Binger Herman was the principal speaker and briefly reviewed the history of bridge building. He said the first bridges were built of wood, then came those constructed of stone, and finally there came the modern steel structure which withstands the elements of time. He called particular attention to the fact that the year 1912 is an epoch in Douglas county for the reason that this year eight magnificent steel bridges are in course of erection.

Bridges, Mr. Herman said, mark time with the progress and development of the country and that Douglas county should feel proud of the bridges it has built this year.

The Winchester bridge is 590 feet in length, the two outer spans being 150 feet long, while the center span is 290 feet in length. The total cost of the bridge is about \$16,000.

### WATER SUPPLY IS READY.

Klamath Falls' Artesian Wells to Pump 1,200,000 Gallons Daily.

Klamath Falls—The California-Oregon Power company is ready to connect its new artesian wells to the pumps, and will use this water exclusively for the city supply in future. The new water supply is ample for the present needs of the city, the pumps on a test lifting 800 gallons a minute, or a supply of nearly 1,200,000 gallons per day.

The management has had the water carefully analyzed, and it is free from deleterious germs, and is said to be far purer than that supplied to the great majority of cities. The pipes and reservoirs will be cleaned and disinfected prior to using the new supply.

The city has been practically free from typhoid fever this season, no serious cases having been known. This has been due in part to the care of the water supply in protecting the springs and partly to the general use of boiled water.

### ANCIENT BEAN PRIZEWINNER

Rogue River Vegetable Attracts Attention at Jackson Fair.

Medford—O. J. Ames, from a small garden on the Rogue River bottoms, won the first prize of \$50 for vegetables at the County fair and pear show. A unique feature of his exhibit was the beans grown from a seed discovered in a crevice of a cliff-dweller's home in the Aztec ruins in Arizona. The original bean and its heir, according to Mr. Ames, for hundreds perhaps thousands of years, when he secured it in 1909.

It was planted the next year, the germinating element having survived, and the present crop resulted.

It is similar in appearance to the Lima bean, but more prolific. Mr. Ames had 48 different varieties of vegetables in his display.

### Mammoth Lettuce Is Grown.

Hood River—Samples of some of the largest lettuce ever seen here are on exhibition at the Commercial club. The variety is the Wonderful or New York, and the heads are seven and eight inches in diameter. It is Hood River, who has made Hood River asparagus famous, is the grower and says that on a half acre he has 12,000 heads just coming to maturity and that the 1000 dozen will fill a car. A couple of cases will be put in storage to be exhibited at the Northwest Land-Products show in November.

### Hog Raisers Are Wanted

Klamath Falls—Although this county boasts of its barley yield, the returns running from 60 to 100 bushels an acre, and although it produces heavy yields of the most nutritious alfalfa, it is compelled to import hogs from California to supply the local market and to ship hams and bacon packed in Chicago and Omaha. A local dealer who has been in the meat business ten years, says that never in that time has the local supply met the demand although conditions are ideal for hog raising.

### Children's Fairs Great Success.

Salem—To be incorporated in his annual report, Superintendent of Public Instruction Alderman has prepared a statement showing what success has attended the industrial contests and industrial fairs which have been held among the children of Oregon. These will undoubtedly become a permanent feature in connection with the school work of the state after this year's trial.

### POTATOES INJURED.

Tualatin Valley Crop Reported Short Fully One-Half.

Hillsboro—That the potato crop in this vicinity will be short fully 50 per cent as a result of early blight, is the prediction made by Howard Everts Weed, an authority on plant diseases. "For several days past I have examined the potato fields in this vicinity, and find very few places but that show great damage to the growing crop. The recent windy weather made the conditions much worse than would otherwise have been the case, as the wind caused a wide distribution of the spores of the fungus causing the disease. The excessive rains during August made weakened, tender vines full of moisture, while the atmospheric conditions were such as cause all fungus diseases to develop most rapidly.

"For a month past there have been small brown spots upon the leaves, showing the presence of the disease known to science as macrosporium solani, or the early blight, but it has only been during the past week that the disease has developed rapidly and the infection become widespread.

"The vines now have yellow leaves at the bottom of the plant, while the top leaves have their edges turned black. Growth of tubers has practically stopped. Some fields are worse than others, hillside fields being the worst affected.

"Potato blight is now practically worldwide in its distribution. First described in 1882, it now occurs throughout the United States, Canada, Europe, Asia and Australia. Its control by means of the Bordeaux mixture is easy, thanks to the experiments made in 1899 by Professor L. R. Jones of the Vermont experiment station.

"These experiments were very thorough, and the results so conclusive that spraying with Bordeaux mixture is now conducted as a part of farm practice by the best growers of the Central states. In the experiments at the Vermont station the sprayed potatoes gave a yield of 291 bushels per acre against 99 bushels per acre for the unsprayed potatoes, showing a difference of 192 bushels an acre in favor of spraying."

### NEW FISH CAR IN USE.

20,000 Trout Being Distributed East of the Dalles.

The first "fish car" that has ever been used in Oregon left Portland Monday night for the Bonneville Central Fish Hatchery to stock up with a large shipment of trout fry that is to be distributed at various Oregon points to encourage the propagation of the trout species in the Oregon states.

This car is equipped with various mechanical devices necessary to the care of fish and with living quarters for the caretakers. It has accommodations for 20,000 fish.

On the present trip the car will drop 100 cans, each containing 10 gallons of trout fry, at the Dalles, Dufur and other points farther East, and will loop back through The Dalles to pick up the empty cans. Later it is intended to distribute fish at favorable points along all of the railroad lines in Oregon.

The car used in this work was donated to Warden Finley by the O. W. R. & N., and equipped at the expense of the railroad. The car and accompanying employees are given free transportation on all of the official trips. This donation serves as a great accommodation.

Heretofore shipments have been by the usual baggage car route, which necessitated many delays in transfer. It is probable that the "fish car" will be placed on display in Portland soon.

### Branch Line Completed.

Klamath Falls—The ballasting crew on the line north from Klamath Falls has finished its work as far as Rocky Ford, the crossing of Williamson river. The section completed will now be turned over to the operating department.

At Chilquin, the present terminus of the line, there is a rumor that the Big Basin Lumber company is preparing to erect a large sawmill. If true it will add considerably to the importance of that town as a shipping point, and also be a great benefit to the surrounding country.

### Grain Harvest Continued.

Echo—Weather conditions here are favorable for the harvesting of the grain. Some anxiety was felt ten days ago on account of the unexpected rain, but the warm, clear days that have followed have dispelled all fears and the harvesting has gone on rapidly. Wheat is being hauled to the local warehouses, averaging 1600 sacks a day. There is such an immense quantity of wheat in this locality that it will take two more months of hauling before this season's crop is cared for.

### Apple Disease Prevalent.

Corvallis—Professor H. S. Jackson, department of plant pathology, O. A. C., has just returned from an extended trip of inspection through Eastern and Southern Oregon. Professor Jackson reports that the abundant rains of this season have brought about conditions especially favorable to the spread of the apple tree anthracnose in the orchards of the Southern and Western parts of the state.

### State To Exchange Land.

Salem—Governor West, State Forester Elliott and Assistant District Forester Andrews as a representative of District Forester Cecil, left this week for the Cascade mountains near Detroit to make a selection of 50,000 acres of government forest reserve land to exchange for scattered school sections in this state. The state forest reserve of 50,000 acres will be thus centralized.



### STANTON WINS

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### SYNOPSIS.

At the beginning of great automobile race the mechanician of the Mercury, Stanton's machine, drops dead. Strange Miss Floyd volunteers, and is accepted. In the rest during the twenty-four hour race, Stanton meets a stranger, Miss Carlisle, who introduces herself. The Mercury wins race. Stanton receives flowers from Miss Carlisle, which he ignores. Stanton meets Miss Carlisle on a train. They talk and walk, and Stanton follows in auto. Accident by which Stanton is hurt is mysterious. Floyd, at lunch with Stanton, tells of his boyhood. Stanton again meets Miss Carlisle and they dine together. Stanton comes to track with Stanton, tells of his boyhood. Stanton again meets Miss Carlisle and they dine together. Stanton comes to track with Stanton, tells of his boyhood. Stanton again meets Miss Carlisle and they dine together. Stanton comes to track with Stanton, tells of his boyhood.

### CHAPTER IX—(Continued).

"Jessica has the right to a chance," he agreed. "I'm not going to meddle with things beyond my understanding. An' I'd rather have her your wife than have anything else in the world. Only tell her just once—you can't tell her if you want her, yet."

Stanton shot him one straight, expressive glance.

"She is like you," slipped from him involuntarily; then, furious at his betrayal of sentiment, he dropped the other's hand. "We had better go, or we'll miss the train," he brusquely reminded.

"Oh, she is like me," confirmed Floyd; he turned to look again at the factory. "We are pretty close chums. Yes, you an' I had better be gettin' to the train."

They walked back to the nearest trolley line, both silent.

The subject was not touched again, until the following morning, when they left the train in New York.

"You shall see me yet," Stanton declared, as they exchanged farewells in the noisy depot. "To-morrow."

"I'm going to be out of town for the next two weeks, Mr. Green tells me," Floyd replied. "They want me at the Mercury factory, and there are some other trips, too, I believe. Jessica is going to be rather deserted; if you happen to look her up, no doubt she would be glad to speak to some one besides her nurse."

"Thank you," accepted Stanton, as carelessly. "Take care of yourself."

He had not reached the exit when Floyd overtook him.

"Here are the entries for the Cup race," he panted, thrusting a folded newspaper into Stanton's hand. "There are two Atlanta cars to run against us. It's you who need to take care of yourself, until afterward."

"Floyd, wait! What do you mean? Do you really think—"

But his mechanician evaded the question.

"Some people are hoodoos," he laughed. "Keep away from them, please. Good-by."

He had not spoken Valerie Carlisle's name, yet Stanton knew against whom he warned. And the melodramatic absurdity of the idea did not prevent an odd thrill of discomfort and insecurity, from which he took his usual refuge in roughness.

"I'm not in the habit of hiding from people, hoodoos or not. Good-by."

"Oh, very well," acquiesced Floyd oddly. "But if you won't take care of yourself, Stanton—"

"Never mind."

### CHAPTER X.

An Interval.

It was on the second day after his arrival in New York that Stanton called upon Jessica Floyd. This time he went more confidently up the stairs of the quiet apartment house, sure of his right.

As before, the little old Irishwoman clad in black silk was waiting to admit him; as before, he could have cried out in the wonder of seeing this girl who turned Floyd's candid face to him and smiled with Floyd's gray eyes. Only, this afternoon Jessica did not rise from the piano seat to greet him, but from a chair near a window.

"Jessica is away again," she regretted, giving him her hand.

"I came to see you, by his permission," Stanton returned.

The rich color flushed under her marvelous skin, that was like no other woman's he had ever seen. Floyd differed there, man from girl, his complexion being much darker and less translucent.

"It is too early to give you tea and cake," she told him, with a playfulness partly shy. "But if you will talk to me for half an hour, it will be after four o'clock and I can offer you hospitality."

"What shall I talk to you about?" he doubted. "I am better at listening, I think."

"Oh, anything, everything. Suppose I were you; I like what he likes, racing, factories, motor-cars."

Although the season was early, a fire burned in the tiny hearth, on either side of which they were seated, facing each other. In the ruddy light Stanton contemplated the smiling girl, in her pale-blue gown with its lace ruffles foaming around her full young throat and falling low across her hands.

"Your brother has told you of the business partnership that we plan for this winter, Miss Floyd?"

She nodded her bronze-crowned head.

"Yes; I am very glad."

"Did he," a sudden fancy prompted the question, "did he tell you that I was coming here to see you, if I might?"

that there was just one thing in life worth while."

The girl shivered slightly, her gaze on his firm profile with its lines of relentless strength.

"You meant to punish them," she faltered.

"Revenge? No; it was not worth taking. I will not deny I thought of that as a boy; as a man I was too practical to waste my time. What I decided to have was money. I found in my aptitude for this automobile racing my best and quickest way to secure a starting capital. If I killed myself in doing it, very good; that was better than poverty. I was poor for six years; poor for a lifetime I will not be."

"No, you will not be," she agreed, her voice quite low and agitated. "You were born to bend circumstance, for good or ill."

"Circumstance bent me, when it set your brother in my path," he corrected. "I never before had a friend, or cared—" He shook his head impatiently, turning fully to her. "Bah, what dead history am I boring you with! Forgive me; I only meant to say there might be some small excuse for my savagery. It is after four o'clock, I was promised tea."

Jessica rose to cross to the little tea-table, but lingered for an instant.

"Jes once told me that he had been guilty of the impertinence of saying his driver had the best disposition and the worst temper he had ever seen. I think that if he were here, he would apologize for the last part."

"Perhaps he may yet retract the first," he warned lightly, yet touched.

"When I summoned him to take his cup, Stanton looked at the brown beverage, then in quizzical surprise at his hostess.

"Yes," she laughed, coloring. "With three lumps of sugar in it. Jes told me that whenever he was out with you, you drank chocolate syrup and sweet. I thought it was only girls who liked sweet, syrupy things."

"And do you always give people what they like?" he asked, amused and oddly pleased.

"I would like to," she retorted.

"Then I would like very much to have you go to the theater with me, to-night."

"As you like," she conceded, her heavy lashes sweeping her cheeks.

The first step was made. For the next two weeks they saw each other frequently. Twice Stanton brought one of the Mercury cars and took Jessica for sedate afternoon drives.