

WORLD'S DOINGS OF CURRENT WEEK

Brief Resume of General News From All Around the Earth.

UNIVERSAL HAPPENINGS IN A NUTSHELL

Live News Items of All Nations and
Pacific Northwest Condensed
for Our Busy Readers.

Mayor H. Gill, of Seattle, has learned to dance.

Wilson finished writing his message Thanksgiving Day.

London trade unionists refuse to work without their customary allotment of beer.

Detectives in Tacoma frustrated a scheme to defraud a firm of grain brokers of \$7000.

Fire hoses of Portland, retired by auto apparatus, will be purchased by the State National Guard.

It is predicted that the administration's ship purchase bill will be defeated in the next congress.

A mischievous lad liberated several mice in a Portland moving picture house. A near-panic followed.

General Villa and his troops are nearing the border and more trouble is expected for the United States.

Representative Witherspoon, of Mississippi, known as the "little navy" leader, dies suddenly at his home.

A tornado in a thickly settled farming community near Hot Springs, Ark., killed ten and injured about thirty.

Death sentence has been passed upon 668 rebels in Formosa, and most of them have already been carried out.

It is reported from Berlin that Russia is planning to move on Bulgaria, but the point of attack is still a mystery.

Mexican bandits dynamited a train on the National Railway and it is reported about eighty persons were killed.

Most of the Oregon exhibit at the San Francisco fair, will be permanently planted in the Chamber of Commerce at Portland.

Jacob S. Coxy, commander of the historic idle army which stormed Washington, D. C., in 1894, will run for the senate from Ohio.

The Democratic National committee is planning to hold the presidential convention much earlier than usual, probably the first of June.

A man in Seattle kills himself in a crowded street to attract publicity to a book he had written and expected it to be published in the newspapers.

Rancher near Prairie City, Or., gives each of his three small daughters cyanide pellets and takes one himself. All four died from the effects.

Three gold medals will be bestowed on as many American women by France, because of their great devotion to the work of aiding the needy.

Ex-President Taft declared in a speech before the New York Teachers' association, that he believed the Federal government could and should give aid to education in the several states.

France has given order calling youth of classes of 1917 to arms. These boys are from 17 to 19 years of age, and the order requires a minimum training of five months before entering active duties.

A prisoner in a Tacoma jail on a charge of smuggling offers to disclose extensive operations of a gang of German sympathizers, who he claims set fire to Pier 14 at Seattle recently and also exploded a slow-load of dynamite awaiting shipment to Russia.

Another munitions plant is blown up at Parry Sound, Ont.

The British empire capital wealth is estimated at \$130,000,000,000.

The world's corn crop is estimated at three and a half billion bushels.

Assistant bank examiner of California is arrested charged with embezzlement.

Seattle experiences wind velocity of 44 miles an hour, besides a fierce thunder storm.

Olympia officials are investigating an alleged theft of \$15,000 from the state industrial insurance fund.

The keynote of President Wilson's message to congress will be preparedness for war and coast defense.

Brand Whitlock, minister to Belgium, accompanied by his wife, is paying a flying visit to Washington, and other cities in this country.

British capture another American vessel, the Kankakee, at Buenos Ayres. This steamer is listed by the British government as "suspected" as to her ownership.

Assurances of King Constantine of Greece, are given the entente powers that he has no intention of disarming or internecine allied troops, mainly the Serbians, who are attempting to escape into that country.

A tidal wave off the Oregon coast dashes the Hotel Bar View into the ocean and does considerable damage to other property.

Expenditures of large sums of money used against the neutrality of the United States, are traced by government officials to attaches of the German embassy.

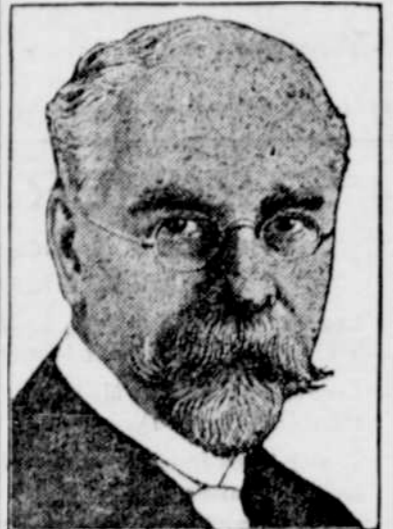
Sinking of a Turkish transport which was carrying 600 soldiers across the Sea of Marmora is reported in a message from Zurich. The message says the transport struck a mine and nearly all on board were drowned.

GERMAN EMBASSY WILL RESENT CHARGES OF CONSPIRACY IN U. S.

Washington, D. C. — The German embassy, according to information Monday from authoritative sources, resents the accusations which are understood to have been made against Captain Carl Boy-Ed, German naval attaché here, in the trial in Federal court at New York of officials of the Hamburg-American line. It was said Ambassador von Bernstorff was preparing to file a vigorous complaint with the State department at the conclusion of the trial, asking at least for something in the nature of a retraction and possibly for an apology.

The German embassy, it is understood, has not yet decided just what form the protest will take. A copy of the stenographic report of the remarks of counsel for the government and the testimony given at the trial is understood to have been ordered from New York, so that officials of the embassy may know exactly what has been said in the courtroom.

ELDER A. G. DANIELS



Elder A. G. Daniels, head of the Seventh-day Adventists, says this war will be soon followed by one still greater, after which will come the second coming of Christ and the resurrection.

The embassy particularly desires to determine whether Captain Boy-Ed was excluded, by inference or otherwise, in the reference made by Assistant United States District Attorney Wood to the defendants in the case as "riding roughshod over the laws of the United States, treating them as if they were scraps of paper."

It was said by a person in close touch with officials of the embassy that it was felt Captain Boy-Ed had been harshly treated in the circumstances and that too much had been made out of his connection with the case.

The embassy was further described as feeling that Captain Boy-Ed had done nothing that, under the law, he did not have a perfect right to do.

As to the form of the embassy's protest, it was said much depended on the outcome of the trial. Should an acquittal result, the embassy might feel that, in making complaint, it would stand on much firmer ground, as it could point out, incidentally, that the defendants had themselves been freed of the charges made by the government.

Neutral Countries Declared to Be Moving for Peace in Europe

Washington, D. C. — Two neutral European countries already are considering calling a formal convention of neutrals to discuss means of ending the European war and three others have given assurances that they will participate in such a convention, according to Mme. Rosika Schwimmer, of Hungary, one of the women who called at the White House to urge President Wilson to take the initiative for peace.

It had been indicated, she said, that various previous peace plans had been rejected because of the fear that partisan influences might be suspected. She thought the present movement, urged by the women of the world, would be free of that suspicion, and indicated that the European neutrals believed the United States should take the initiative both as the most important of the neutral powers and because its great distance from the scene of the struggle made for impartial action.

Goethals Needs No Men.

Washington, D. C. — Blocking of the Panama canal by slides has not created new work in the canal zone and the canal office here has issued a statement in an effort to counteract published reports. "General Goethals indicates," the statement says, "that the number of men continually being laid off on account of reduction of force is in excess of the vacancies which were temporarily created by the work of the slides and the influx of men looking for employment on the isthmus is entirely unwarranted."

Czar Is Reported Grieved.

Berlin, (By wireless to Sayville, N. Y.) — The Overseas News Agency says: "An order issued to the 11th Russian army says that Emperor Nicholas is deeply grieved at the horrible deeds committed by the Russian troops in their own country. This order says: 'The emperor has heard numerous complaints concerning military persons who ill-treat the civil population, steal and destroy properties by fire. The emperor recommends that commanders give heed to these customs, general in the army.'"

Watch Is Kept on China.

Washington, D. C. — The situation in China is considered of enough importance by the American government to keep Brigadier General John F. Morrison, who now commands the American troops at Tien Tsin, at his station until spring, General Morrison, following his promotion, ordinarily would give way to a Colonel. Until General Morrison is transferred to command the Philippines department next spring, he will remain in China.

WHEAT IN STORAGE IS COMMANDEERED

Canadian Government Suddenly Seizes Cereal Crop.

GRAIN REQUIRED BY GREAT BRITAIN

Order Affects 20,000,000 Bushels in Eastern Elevators—Price Not Yet Fixed by Dominion.

Ottawa, Ont.—The Canadian government has commandeered all high-grade wheat in elevators from Port William, on Lake Superior, to the Atlantic coast.

The action was taken under the special act by the Canadian Grain Commission. The wheat seized was of grades No. 1 hard and No. 1, 2 and 3 northern. It was the property of grain-shippers and millers. That taken is all which on Saturday night was in the public elevators at Port William, Port Arthur, Midland, Tiffin, Port McNichol, Collingwood, Coderick, Kingston, Fort Colborne, Prescott, Quebec St. John, Montreal and Halifax.

A revised estimate places the amount at about 20,000,000 bushels. A considerable amount is the property of American grain dealers.

The grain was taken Saturday night, so that grain exchanges should be affected as little as possible. It is officially announced that the price will be fairly adjusted and the grain-growers paid promptly by the Canadian government. It is estimated that there still is in Canada, in the hands of farmers and dealers west of Port William, 150,000,000 bushels surplus of wheat available for export. It is expected that most of this will be taken in the future for the use of Great Britain, France and Italy.

The domestic supply of Russia is more than sufficient to meet the needs of that country. Had the Dardanelles been forced, the surplus of Russian wheat would have made the present action unnecessary.

While the wheat just taken was commandeered to fill an order from the British government for a large quantity of wheat, it is understood that most of it will be shipped to Italy.

The Canadian government will look after the transportation of the grain to the Atlantic seaboard and from there its shipment across the Atlantic will be undertaken by the British government in the same way that shipments of oats and hay have been handled for the past year.

German Object in Serbia Gained and Operations Close

Berlin, via London.—With their occupation of Rudnik, the capture of 2700 prisoners and the flight of the scanty remains of the Serbian army into the Albanian mountains, Germany's operations against Serbia have been brought to a close, says the official statement issued at the headquarters of the general staff.

The object of these operations—the opening of communications with Bulgaria and the Turkish empire—has been accomplished, it is asserted.

London.—The greater portion of what remains of the Serbian northern army is believed to have crossed into the mountains of Albania and Montenegro, where the Serbs are continuing, with the aid of King Nicholas' troops and supplies, which are reaching them from the Adriatic, to offer stern resistance to the Austro-German and Bulgarian invaders.

Like the Belgians, however, the Serbians hold only a fringe of their country, which widens as it reaches the southwestern corner, of which Monastir is the center.

For some reason, variously explained, the Bulgarians have halted their march on Monastir. It is said in some dispatches that, having reoccupied part of Macedonia, largely inhabited by their fellow nationals, the Bulgarian people and government are disinclined to push any farther west.

Oil Men Join in Prayer.

Taft, Cal.—The oil men here took refuge in prayer and practically everybody connected with the oil industry in this vicinity went to church Sunday to hear a sermon preached by Rev. Luther A. Rice on the subject of "The Conservation." The sermon dealt with the order of ex-President Taft withdrawing certain oil lands and the effect on the California industry and this district, where the withdrawn lands are situated, in particular. The congregation was asked to pray that congress pass remedial legislation.

Road to Build Feeders.

San Francisco.—C. M. Levy, general manager of the Western Pacific railroad, announced here Monday that the road would emerge from its receivership with means provided for the construction of branch lines at a cost aggregating approximately \$20,000,000. Although he did not indicate where the proposed feeders would extend, he said that the branches would be constructed primarily for the development of the freight business. "The present earnings of the road are the best in its history," said Mr. Levy.

T. R.'s Aid Held as Spy.

New Britain, Conn.—The Rev. Frederick Kreiger, of this city, who has been engaged in missionary work in East Africa for many years, is being detained in a British prison camp in India on the suspicion that he is a German spy, according to information received by relatives here.

During ex-President Roosevelt's hunting trip in Africa, the Rev. Mr. Kreiger accompanied him on several occasions.

OREGON STATE NEWS

Flax Crop Failure Is Denied

By State Board of Control

Salem—Members of the State Board of Control assert that an article in a daily paper last week saying that the flaxraising work being conducted by the state promised to be a failure and that they were dissatisfied with J. C. Cady, in charge of the flax plant at the penitentiary, was untrue.

Both Governor Withycombe and State Treasurer Kay declared that the work so far had been satisfactory, and Secretary of State Olcott said that with the experiment completed it was too early to predict the outcome.

All three members of the board said they had not considered asking Cady to appear before them for an explanation of his conduct of the flax work.

"Indications now seem to point to a success of the flaxraising industry," said Governor Withycombe. "Where we had only figured on obtaining 5000 tons of straw, we have harvested 6000 tons. We have threshed out nearly 3000 bushels of seed and should realize \$6000 from this source alone. Whether it is best to get the flax in the winter or wait until spring is a question yet to be determined."

State Treasurer Kay pronounced the daily's story as absolutely without foundation.

"It may be that the flax can be retted best in the spring," said Kay, "so as to permit the scotching process without the employment of artificial heat. That is to be determined."

Fruit Forces Differ in Manner of Apple Publicity

Hood River.—While a marked opposition was apparent among the apple-growers and market men of the Spokane fruit district, opinion as expressed by fruit growers from all parts of the Northwest presages an adoption next January of the proposed plans of the Growers' Council as recently outlined, according to E. H. Shepard, of this city, who returned from conferences of apple men at the Spokane National Apple Show last week.

It is proposed to levy an assessment of one cent a box on all fruit to raise a fund to be used in opening up new apple markets, widening distribution and increasing consumption. It is estimated that such a levy will collect a fund of more than \$75,000 with which to wage an apple publicity campaign. No one district will be featured, but all Northwestern box apples will be given the benefit of the fund impartially.

"The Spokane fruitmen," says Mr. Shepard, "are apparently opposed to the proposition, since they think it will be better for all districts to conduct their forward campaigns individually."

No definite action was taken at the Spokane conference, which was in a measure informal. Tentative plans were discussed and it was left with the exponents of the movement to work out more complete details, to be submitted at the second annual meeting of the council in January.

The codling moth caused damage ranging from 10 to 50 per cent, and even higher in cases, in Northwestern orchards. Dr. Melander declared that weather conditions were more favorable this year than ever on any former year for the breeding of moths, and that more than ever before the insects had survived the winter of last year.

Aid Is Pledged for New Central Oregon Railway

Klamath Falls.—Bankers and backsmen, cattlemen and homesteaders, pledged support to Robert E. Strahorn, each in his kind, during an eventful four-days' trip through Central Oregon, completed Wednesday.

Cash, labor, terminal sites and rights of way were offered, and the railroad builder was assured that the terms he exacted would be complied with.

The strongest men of every community there accepted the responsibility of undertaking the duties prescribed.

"If the promises made to me in Central Oregon are fulfilled, and I have confidence they will be," said Mr. Strahorn, "a good start will have been made towards getting a railroad across that big region. I am gratified by the spirit shown, not only by those who are important financially, but by the people of limited means, all of whom seem to want to have a part in helping to bring the railroad."

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SYNOPSIS.

Hall Bonistelle, artist-photographer, preparing for the day's work in his studio, Flodie Fisher, his assistant, reminds him of a party he is to give in the studio that night. "Bureau" attorney calls and informs Hall that his Uncle Jonas will have left him \$100,000 on condition that he marry her. She agrees to marry him. She agrees to give him an answer at the party that night. Miss Carolyn Dallys calls. Flodie proposes to her. She refuses, and goes to an immediate marriage. She, too, defers her answer until this evening. Flodie tries to show Hall a certain way out of the mixup, but he is obtuse. Jonas Hassingbury, heir to the millions, calls Flodie to block Hall's marriage to any of the three women. He offers her \$10,000 to arrange to have the three meet at the studio as if by chance. At that meeting Flodie uses her own old artistry. Hall comes in. Alfred, the janitor, brings in a newspaper with the news of the queen's legacy. The ladies' alliance to humiliate Hall dissolves and they resolve to plan a party for the \$100,000 prize. Successive telephone messages from the three ladies insist that he accept them. Desperate, he asks Flodie to save him from the three-horned dilemma by marrying him. She refuses, and goes with Alfred, who has long been a humble suitor, to get a marriage license. Jonas arrives for the party.

CHAPTER XI—Continued.

Hall's reception of him was polite without being over-cordial. The two cousins did not often meet; they had little in common, and they disliked each other thoroughly.

"Well, Jonas, been having a good time in New York?"

"Oh, well, so-so." His eyes twinkled. "Not so good as I expect to have a little later, though." He winked elaborately at Flodie.

"Oh, I see. Meaning that money, I presume."

"That's right! Can't blame me for takin' an interest in it, can ye? Four millions don't walk into my pocket every night, my boy!" He slapped Hall cordially on the shoulder.

Hall was angry. "You seem to be pretty 'at' it."

Jonas placidly shook his head in sorrow at this exhibition of temper. "Now, Hall, ye want to take this in a Christian spirit, my boy. I can see it'll be all for the best. Remember that gold is but brass."

Hall whirled on him. "Shut up, will you? By jove, if you weren't in my own house, I'd kick you down-stairs!" And with that, he flung impetuously out of the room.

Jonas' sour glance followed him. "Ye'veh, ain't he? How he've gettin' along?" he asked anxiously, in an undertone, of Flodie. "Anything happened?"

"Well, I should say!" said Flodie. "You ought to have seen the show. But we're not out of the woods, yet. Still, I think that if I have time and luck, I can put it through."

"Ye can? By whilkens, that's fine! Good for you! Well, we ought to know pretty soon now." He looked up at the clock. "Only, let's see—an hour and thirty—!" He stopped, staring at the clock, then, with a puzzled face, drew his own big watch from his pocket, and compared it to the clock. "Say!" He turned eagerly to Flodie.

"Hush!" cried Flodie, and laid her finger on her lip.

Jonas' expression grew crafty. Then he grinned. "Oh, I see! Got a little scheme fixed up, eh?" He walked to the couch and sat down, beckoning her. "Say, jest set down, won't ye, and let me know how things stand."

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I'm willin' to try it, if you be. I don't see where I could do better, and you'd git a good man if you got me, miss, if I do say it!"

"Thank you kindly," said Flodie, "but I don't really know what in the world I'd do with you if I got you."

Jonas stared at her as if she were raving. "You don't know what you're talkin' about! Don't you realize if you marry me you'll get four million dollars? Lord, any other gal would just jump at the chance to have the spendin' of that money!"

"Let 'em jump!" said Flodie. "That's my advice, Mr. Hassingbury; you take a good jumper. And I want to give you a tip—!" She went up to him and took him confidentially by the lapel of his coat. "There will be three women here tonight, and all of 'em can jump like grasshoppers. Once they find out you have money, and they'll jump at the chance, you see! They'll jump all over you!"

Before the astonished Jonas could reply, Alfred opened the door to a lady gorgeously arrayed in blue. Flodie gave one look at her, then whispered: "There's the first one of 'em now! Miss Gale." Then she stepped forward, sniffing fragrant scents, and welcomed Rosamund.

An elaborate, painstaking picture of feminine frippery was Rosamund Gale. She came in as if making a stage entrance. Something was to happen tonight. Rosamund was on the war-path.

She barely acknowledged Flodie's greeting, or Jonas' presence, but cast a hasty anxious glance about; then, seeing no women, seemed to breathe freer. "Where's Hall?" she asked almost immediately.

"Oh, somewhere about. In with the musicians probably." Flodie turned to Jonas. "Mr. Hassingbury, Miss Gale!"

Jonas bent over her. "Why, now, there's a lot o' Gales down to Branford, where I live. I wonder if you've

"Tall Hall to hurry please!" cried Rosamund to Flodie. Flodie started off, smiling, but Rosamund caught at her arm and held her. "Wait a minute, though! Miss Fisher, listen! Has anything—anything important happened?"

"What'd you mean?"

"Oh, I mean—well, nothing exciting, has it?"

Flodie reflected. "Why, I'm afraid Alfred has spilled some salad on his new dress suit, Miss Gale, if that's what you mean?"

Rosamund did not condescend to answer. She left haughtily and passed hurriedly into the dressing room, and dressed herself for her wraps. Jonas had but time to remark to Flodie, "So she's one of 'em, is she? Pretty gal, by jiminy!" when she was out again, without noticing them, had gone to the door of the reception room, and looked in, scowling.

Here, the rugs were all up and the floor waxed for dancing. Three musicians were scrapping and tuning their instruments. Hall Bonistelle was in a corner, arranging a vase of flowers. Rosamund darted in and swam up to him. No scowl now; she was a different creature, smiling, radiant, angelic, sailing on an air of gladness. She seized Hall's hand excitedly.

"Oh, Hall," she exclaimed dramatically, "ma's perfectly delighted! It's all right, and you needn't worry a moment longer! Aren't you glad?" She hung on him fondly as if she expected him to embrace her.

Hall had turned white. Rosamund's beauty had instantly disarmed him. He could no more have said the brutal things he had contemplated than he could have struck a child. Weakly, he prostrated, fumbling her hand.

"Really?" he managed to say. "Jove! That's fine!"

"Well, why don't you kiss me, Hall?" Rosamund's eyes were on the door, watching anxiously for interruptions. Flodie gazed in.

Hall looked over his shoulder, embarrassed. "Oh, these musicians—I don't want them to—say, wait till we can be alone!"

She stared at him in annoyed surprise, then gave another irritated glance at the door. The sound of women's voices goaded her on. "Nonsense! Why, I intend to announce our engagement immediately!"

Terrified-stricken, Hall exclaimed, "Oh, no, that won't do at all, Rosamund, really. We'll have to wait a little while—not tonight, anyway!"

"Why that's half the fun of being engaged—talkin' about it!" Then, after another quick look toward the office, she gazed at him and pressed his hand. "We are engaged, aren't we, Hall?"

"Oh, yes—certainly! Only—"

Rosamund had an instant of triumph and relief. It was all right, then. She tossed her head as if in secret revolt; she would have her own way, see if she didn't! "Well," she said coldly, "I'll wait a while, if you insist. Only, I should think you might look happier about it. You act so funny!"

He was saved from having to reply by Jonas Hassingbury, who, glimpsing the encounter, and impelled by Flodie, had plunged boldly forward to the rescue.

Adam and Eve with the covering they lack.

In as easy attitude, with neither haste nor anxiety, he is pointing out to them the error of their ways. He is as detached in manner as though he were a professor lecturing at Leipzig on the fourth dimension of space.

Adam is somewhat dejected and reticent upon the ground. Eve, unashamed, with nothing on but the apple she is munching, is evidently in a reckless mood. She looks like a child of fifteen, with her hair down her

"Say," he began pointblank to Rosamund, "be you any relation to Abijah Gale? I believe his mother was a Nettleton."

Rosamund glared, and Hall, seizing the happy chance, had already begun to edge off, with a mumbled something about duties and guests. People had, in truth, begun to arrive and the place was filling rapidly. The musicians had begun to play; Flodie looked in, with a distressed face, and beckoned. Still Rosamund held him by the sleeve.

Jonas fled again. "Ain't never been down Branford way, have ye? Say, you ought to run down to our village some time, miss, and git a mess o' clams. We got some first-class lobsters down home. Know it?"

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