

# 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.

Oregon Hopgrowers association report selling 3000 bales of hops.

A new Oregon Republican club is organized in Portland with 600 members.

A total of eleven lives were lost during recent severe storms in Southern California.

Berlin announces that superior Russian forces were repulsed in hand-to-hand fighting in the Bessarabian frontier trenches.

Promises that the English conscription measure will be enforced without severity, brings loud applause in the house of commons.

War issues cause hot debate in the senate, Hoke Smith leading in a severe arraignment of England's attitude toward neutral shipping.

A British submarine has gone ashore off Holland, according to an announcement made by the official press bureau. There was no loss of life.

Roosevelt wants immediate action in construction of half a dozen "formidable fighting ships," adequate army and universal military service.

A wealthy Spokane realty dealer was found guilty of selling intoxicants in violation of the liquor law and was fined \$250 and ten days in jail.

The Greek king is bitter toward the entente powers for attempting to force his country into the war. He declares the neutrality of his country was violated like that of Belgium.

The house committee favorably reports the Spanish-American war pension bill which grants, if passed, \$12 per month to every widow of a soldier either a volunteer or a regular.

Seattle millionaires whose residences were raided by the sheriff for violations of the prohibition law, will turn against him by attacking his legal status as regards searching private residences.

General Luis Herrera, in supreme command of the Carranza forces at Chihuahua City, Mexico, late Friday night flatly denied the truth of the report of the capture of General Villa at the San Geronimo ranch.

An attack by the British with the use of smoke bombs on the German positions north of Verdun, in Northern France, is announced in an official statement by the German army headquarters. It is declared the attack was beaten off with heavy loss to the British.

The Mothers' Council, of Dallas, Tex., voted to submit bids for the bar privileges of the State Fair of Texas. Half a million persons visit the fair annually and the saloon man who gets the liquor selling right pays from \$3000 to \$6000. The Mothers' Council will raise a fund to buy the saloon right and publicly burn the contract, if their plans succeed.

Ford peace board is reported near complete disruption.

A 50 per cent dividend is declared by the Standard Oil company of California.

Lord Derby of England declares the British army is sufficient to win the war.

Floods in Southern California are continuing to do considerable damage to property.

Restoration of the Manchú dynasty, which ruled China before the establishment of the republic, has been proclaimed by the leaders of an uprising in Eastern Mongolia. A brigade of Chinese troops is marching on Huihuachen to attack the Mongolians.

Montenegro makes complete surrender to Austria who will have full supervision of that country.

A Polisher was refused his naturalization papers when he declared he would not take up arms in defense of the United States.

Katherine Kelly, aged 10, and Gladys Edgerly, aged 9, of Seattle, were probably fatally injured when they were thrown from their sled after coasting down a steep hill and crashed into a concrete wall.

The allies have landed troops 48 miles west of Athens and it is asserted that it is the intention of the entente powers to force Greece into the war.

Arrest of 67 members of a secret band in Southeast Missouri, is believed to have frustrated a plot to burn several towns and kill many leading citizens.

One hundred and twenty-five post packages containing sheet rubber, weighing an aggregate of 1375 pounds, consigned to Gothenburg, are taken from the Danish liner Frederick VIII at Kirkwall.

Senator Jones, of Washington, introduces a bill authorizing a survey of Baker's bay, near the mouth of the Columbia, with a view to its improvement.

A Chinaman, and common laborer, in the United States for 26 years has been ordered deported. He was brought to this country when 7 years old.

A Maanricht newspaper reports that the gunfire of the French has destroyed two Zeppelins north of Rheims. The aircraft are said to have fallen within the German lines.

## BIG TAX PROPOSED ON EXPATRIATES; IMMIGRATION BILL LIMITS JAPANESE

Washington, D. C.—A measure proposing a high graduated tax on the incomes of American expatriates, derived from their American properties, will be introduced in the senate by Senator Kenyon of Iowa.

The Kenyon bill would place an annual tax of practically 30 per cent on the incomes of the wealthier expatriates. Also it would make dowers given to American girls who marry titled foreigners a source of considerable revenue to the United States government. With the steady augmentation of American fortunes abroad as a result of the expatriation of thousands of rich Americans, chiefly heiresses, the movement in favor of imposing heavy taxes on incomes thus derived from the United States has gained much strength in congress.

Drastic restrictions would be thrown about the immigration of Japanese in the United States and both Hindu and Chinese virtually would be barred from the country by a provision that has been written into the immigration bill to be reported to the house this week by the immigration committee.

As agreed on tentatively by the committee, the exclusion section of the bill includes a paragraph barring "Hindus and all persons of the Mongolian or yellow race and the Malay or brown race."

Representative Wilson, of Illinois, has introduced a bill requiring the Oregon & California Railroad company, on demand of settlers, to sell the unsold portion of its grant in quarter-section tracts at \$2.50 an acre, giving preference right of purchase to first applicants and to applicants who have been erroneously located and who heretofore have sought to buy not more than 160 acres.

The bill as introduced was prepared by the National Information Bureau and is intended to protect the interests of thousands of applicants who have tendered the purchase price to the railroad company, but have been unable to acquire title because of the railroad's refusal to sell.

## Mother of Four Children Wins 1916 Rose Festival Slogan Contest

Portland, Ore.—"For You a Rose in Portland Grow" is the slogan that will advertise the 1916 Rose festival. The author is Bertha Slater Smith, whose father, James H. Slater came to Oregon in 1853, and was at one time the state's representative in the United States senate.

Judge Woodson T. Slater, formerly on the Supreme bench in Oregon, is her brother.

Mrs. Smith is the mother of four children—two girls four years of age and two boys, Mrs. Slater did not send her slogan to the festival headquarters until Saturday morning, January 15, the last day of the contest. She is a native daughter and was born in La Grande.

Mrs. Slater received a check for \$25 from the festival board. It was presented by O. C. Bortzmeier, secretary and S. C. Bratton, chairman of the publicity committee. Mrs. Slater was photographed as she mailed a letter to President Wilson, in the huge mail box in Portland, a feature of letter writing week, inviting the nation's chief executive to visit Portland June 7, 8 and 9, and participate in the fiesta, the national dedication of the great Columbia river highway.

More than 300 cities and towns in Washington and Oregon were represented in the slogan contest by residents of Idaho, Montana, British Columbia, California and North Dakota, from former Oregon residents.

Aged Physician Suicide.  
Seattle, Wash.—Heart-broken over the recent death of his wife, who had been his inseparable companion during their 25 years of happy life together, Dr. J. M. Morgan, pioneer resident of this state, and in former years, a well-known Seattle physician, ended his life in his home at California Place by firing a shotgun through his heart. Nearly every day and night since the death of Mrs. Morgan, December 5, the physician, who was 89 years old, had prayed for God to still his heart and place his body beside his wife.

Yuma Will Be Rebuilt.  
Yuma, Ariz.—With the waters of the Colorado receding, work of rescuing Yuma valley flood sufferers was carried forward Monday by local authorities, aided by officials of the Southern Pacific railroad from Tucson, Ariz., who arrived here with equipment to supply the city temporarily with water, gas and electricity. It was estimated that the damage from the flood would amount to more than \$1,000,000. Men are engaged in repairing the levee which released the water that inundated this town Sunday.

Grand Duchess to Wed.  
Zurich, Via Paris.—The Neue Zürcher Zeitung's Luxembourg correspondent announces that the marriage of Grand Duchess Marie of Luxembourg probably will take place shortly. Court officials of Luxembourg favor an Austrian archduke. The duchess, for political reasons, cannot marry a German Prince or any of the Bourbon Princes and the Princes of the smaller neutral states either are too young or are Protestants.

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New York.—One thousand and three hundred representative manufacturers in New York state, employing approximately 500,000 persons, are paying an average of 27 per cent more in wages than a year ago, according to a report made public here by the bureau of statistics and information of the State Industrial commission. About 17 per cent more workers are employed now than last year, the statistics show.

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## PORTLAND RECTOR CALLS FOR DEFENSE

### Dr. Morrison, Episcopalian, Has No Use for Pacifist.

### CHRIST'S NON-RESISTANCE IS DENIED

#### Mother Who Would Keep Her Sons From Enlisting Declared to Be "Disgrace to Nation."

The finger of shame was pointed from the pulpit of the Portland Trinity Episcopal church Sunday morning at the mother whose love for her sons rises above that for her nation.

The mothers and "peace at any price" advocates were denounced as a "disgrace to the nation," and an appeal, based on the teachings of Christ, for proper national armaments, was sent forth by Dr. A. A. Morrison, rector of that church, in what was considered perhaps the strongest sermon in defense of preparedness ever delivered from any pulpit in Portland.

After the sermon members of the congregation rushed forward to congratulate the pastor.

"I cannot understand these individuals who cry even from the pulpits 'peace at any price,'" he told them. "I wonder what they would do, if some one in the night should by force steal away their wife and daughter. Would they run after them with their theory of love? Of course not."

The teaching of Christ, he declared in answer to those peace advocates who base their theories on the Bible, is not against preparedness. And he cited Christ's scourging of the money changers in the temple, his chastisement of the Scribes and Pharisees and his advice to sacrifice one's life for a friend.

"A misapprehension exists," he declared, "over the phrase called 'Christian teaching.' There are those advocating peace under any and all circumstances who assert that Jesus taught a doctrine of non-resistance; a doctrine which would utterly abrogate the use of force in education or as a defense against evil-doers. Many persons believe Christ advocated this, but I say he did no such thing."

## Avalanche of Snow and Earth Hits Great Northern Train; 8 Dead

Seattle.—Two cars of westbound Great Northern Cascade Limited train were swept from the track by an avalanche near Corea station Saturday morning, and were hurled 50 feet down the mountain side, causing death to four passengers, and four missing. Fifteen passengers were injured, none seriously except Earl Smith, of Spokane, a small boy.

The train was standing on the track near Corea, on the west slope of the Cascade mountains, when the avalanche struck it near the middle, a day coach and the diner going over the bank, while a passenger behind them was toppled over on its side, where it hung in its perilous position over the bank, but was not taken down.

The dining car stopped when about half way down the slope and caught fire, being destroyed there.

The scene of the accident is but a few miles east of the scene of a similar disaster of February 28, 1910, when two Great Northern trains were struck by snowslides and nearly all the persons on the trains perished.

## Villa Sends Messenger to Deny Implication in Killing of Americans

El Paso, Tex.—Tedore Prieto, who says he is a major in the Villa army, appeared Monday and declared that he had been sent in disguise to the border by Gen. Villa to say that Villa had nothing to do with the massacre of 18 foreigners at Santa Ysabel January 10.

"Villa did not know of the tragedy for days afterward," said Prieto. "He instructed me to say that he will execute the men responsible, even if they prove to be his own men, if they are caught."

Steamer Founders at Sea.  
Halifax, N. S.—The British freight steamer Pollentia, which has been reported in distress about 700 miles off Cape Race, founded Monday, according to a wireless message received here. All on board were rescued. An earlier radiogram said that the Italian steamer Giuseppe Verdi and two other steamers were standing by the Pollentia, waiting for the seas to moderate. The Pollentia is understood to have been in the service of the British admiralty. The Giuseppe Verdi left New York January 13 for Genoa.

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## NEWS ITEMS Of General Interest About Oregon

### Road Bonds Urged to Build Permanent Highways

Salem.—A state bond issue for making permanent road improvements and an increased tax levy to provide for maintaining state highways and for redemption of the bond issue, are recommended by E. I. Cantine, chief deputy engineer, in his annual report submitted to the State Highway commission. Construction of a coastal beach highway from Astoria to Crescent City is also urged.

When the locating parties have completed their work in Douglas, Wasco and Sherman counties, Engineer Cantine announces that the Columbia Highway will be located from Seaside, in Clatsop county, as far as Wasco, in Sherman county, and the Pacific Highway will have been surveyed from Portland to the California line, with the exception of a section in Josephine county.

"It is believed that the date is rapidly approaching when the state will have to undertake the maintenance of the main trunk highway, such as the Columbia and Pacific highways," writes Mr. Cantine. At the present time the State Highway commission does not hold itself responsible for the upkeep of roads constructed from state funds, leaving this duty to county officials.

The report urges upon the commission the advisability of working for enactment of legislation authorizing it to lay out highways and procure rights of way for them, and empowering the commission to arrange with the counties for the maintenance of such state laid-out roads until a state maintenance program is adopted.

Expenditure of the highway department from January 1 to December 1, 1915, totaled \$223,128.81, according to the report. Of this amount \$58,443.48 was expended on the Columbia Highway in Columbia county, and \$15,702.07 on the Rainier Hill section of the highway. The sum of \$34,106.70 was expended on the Columbia Highway in Clatsop county. The Mitchell's Point construction of the Columbia Highway cost \$41,896.36.

## Railroad Work Moves Forward in Harney County

Ontario.—In spite of the severe weather, work continues on the O. W. R. & N. extension west from Riverside, Or., to points in Harney county.

Nearly all the grading has been completed as far as Oakley and the rock cuts and bridges are now progressing rapidly. Mail service to Riverside has been begun, the mail run on the three-a-week train being from Ontario to Riverside.

Between Bend and Burns the Strahorn surveying party is in the field, running the newly-projected line between those interior points. H. N. Bogue, chief engineer for the Strahorn party, was in Burns last week and hired a saddle horse for the purpose of a closer investigation of the Sage Hen range. Leaving his horse, he proceeded by auto to Bend, so it is not known whether this pass will be used by the new line, but probabilities are that it will.

Everything indicates that within a few months work will actually be under way to connect Burns finally with the outer world, and to do away with "interior" Oregon forever.

## Klamath Ships Livestock

Klamath Falls.—One of the largest shipments of livestock from Klamath county this year left on the Livestock Special this week. This comprised 25 carloads for California and Portland markets. The biggest shipment was of lambs sent to San Francisco by O. T. McKenna, of this city. There were over 2000 head, filling 20 cars. Two cars of cattle and one car of hogs were shipped by Fred Stukel to Sacramento. Charles Horton consigned two cars of cattle to the Union Stockyards at Portland.

## Klamath Indians Logging

Klamath Falls.—Logging operations on the Klamath Indian reservation for the winter are well under way, according to Supervisor of Reservation Forests J. M. Bedford, under whose direction the work is being done. The government camp is on Wood river, north of Klamath agency. About 1,000,000 feet of timber already has been decked ready for hauling to Wood river. It will be driven down Wood river, and towed across Upper Klamath lake for use by the Klamath Manufacturing company, a large box factory.

## Hundreds of Sheep Perish

Roseburg.—More than 1,500 sheep have perished in Douglas county during the last week as a result of the cold rains and snow, according to stockmen. Beckley Brothers, who operate a large ranch on the North Umpqua river, report the loss of 700 sheep, while E. G. Young & Co., of Oakland, lost 500. Many other smaller losses are reported from many sections of the county. Feed is scarce here at the present time, and even heavier losses are anticipated by stockmen if the present stormy weather continues.

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## CHAPTER IV—Continued.

"I wonder who can have done it?" "So do the police, and they don't look much like finding out!" "It must have been for his watch and money, don't you think? And yet they say he had so many enemies!" Cazalet kept silence; but she thought he winced. "Of course it must have been the man who ran out of the drive," she concluded hastily. "Where were you when it happened, Sweep?"

Sweep thoughtfully he was recalling the Mediterranean movements of the Kaiser Fritz, when at the first mention of the vessel's name he was firmly recalled.

"Sweep, you don't mean to say you came by a German steamer?" "I do. It was the first going, and why should I waste a week? Besides, you can generally get a cabin to your self on the German line."

"So that's why you're here before the end of the month," said Blanche. "Well, I call it most unpatriotic; but the cabin to yourself was certainly some excuse."

"That reminds me!" he exclaimed. "I hadn't it to myself all the way; there was another fellow in with me from Genoa, and the last night he heard it came out that he knew you!"

"Who can it have been?" "Toye, his name was. Hilton Toye." "An American man? Oh, but I know him very well," said Blanche in a tone both strained and cordial. "He's a great fun. Mr. Toye, with his delightful Americanisms, and the perfectly delightful way he says them!"

Cazalet puckered like the primitive man he was, when taken at all by surprise; and that anybody, much less Blanche, should think Toye, of all people, either "delightful" or "great fun" was certainly a surprise to him, if it was nothing else. Of course it was nothing else, to his immediate knowledge; still, he was rather ready to think that Blanche was blushing, but forgot, if indeed he had been in a fit state to see it at the time, that she had paid himself the same high compliment across the gate. On the whole, it may be said that Cazalet was ruffled without feeling seriously disturbed as to the essential issue which alone leaped to his mind.

"Where did you meet the fellow?" he inquired, with the suitable admixture of confidence and amusement.

"In the first instance, at Engelberg." "Engelberg? Where's that?" "Only one of those places in Switzerland where everybody goes now, always for what they call winter sports."

She was not even smiling at his arrogant ignorance; she was merely explaining one geographical point and another of general information. A close observer might have thought her almost anxious not to identify herself too closely with a popular cause.

"I dare say you mentioned it," said Cazalet, but rather as though he was wondering why she had not.

"I dare say I didn't! Everything won't go into an annual letter. It was the winter before last—I went out with Betty and her husband."

"And after that he took a place down here?" "Yes. Then I met him on the river as in the oldest of old days; but there was some gold in her skin, for so the sun had treated it; and there was even hint or glint (in certain lights, he it repeated) of gold mingling with the pure hazel of her eyes. But in the dusty shadows of the empty house, moving like a sunbeam across its bare boards, standing out against the discolored walls in the place of remembered pictures not to be compared with her, it was there that she was all golden and still girl."

But she was not really lovely in the least; that also must be put beyond the pale of misconception. Her hair was beautiful, and perhaps her skin, and, in some lights, her eyes; the rest was not. It was yellow hair, not golden, and Cazalet would have given all he had about him to see it down again as in the oldest of old days; but there was some gold in her skin, for so the sun had treated it; and there was even hint or glint (in certain lights, he it repeated) of gold mingling with the pure hazel of her eyes. But in the dusty shadows of the empty house, moving like a sunbeam across its bare boards, standing out against the discolored walls in the place of remembered pictures not to be compared with her, it was there that she was all golden and still girl."

They poked their noses into, and they had a laugh in every corner and so out upon the leafy lawn, shelling abruptly to the river. Last of all there was the summer schoolroom over the boat-house, quite apart from the house itself; scene of such safe yet reckless revels; in its very aura late Victorian!

It lay hidden in ivy at the end of a now neglected path; the bow-window overlooking the river were framed in ivy, like three matted, whiskered, dirty, happy faces; one, with its lower shag propped open by a broken plant-pot, might have been grinning a toothless welcome to two once leading spirits of the place.

Cazalet whittled a twig and wedged that sash up altogether; then he sat himself on the sill, his long legs in-

## CARING FOR THE OIL STOVE

Simple Matter if One Will Remember a Few Matters That Are Important.

The care of the oil stove, the modern blue-flame variety, is very simple in the wickless type, the asbestos knives should be renewed every six weeks, as a general rule. Wicks in the stoves will last a season. A new wick should be put in about every six months if used all the year round.

They come all stretched on perforated metal cylinders. Glass reservoirs and glass indicator tubes tell the height of the oil in the supply tank. Never let the oil run out. This is especially necessary in the wick stoves. The wickless stoves require to be set perfectly level in order to have an even height of flame on each burner. Cleaning up about the stoves is made much easier if the stove is equipped with one of the new enameled drip pans, which come with one type of stove. The surface of the

stove, particularly the drip-pan, should be wiped off every day with a soft piece of cheese cloth kept for the purpose. Of course care must be used not to allow food to boil over on the cooking surface or into the burners. This causes trouble even with a gas stove, and the burners of an oil stove are more work to clean than the gas burner.

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side. But his knife had reminded him of his plug tobacco. And his plug tobacco took him as straight back to the bush as though the unsmooth floor had changed under their feet into a magic carpet.

"You simply have it put down to the man's account in the station books. Nobody keeps ready money up at the bush, not even the price of a plug like this; but the chap I'm telling you about (I can see him now, with his great red beard and freckled face) he swore I was charging him for half a pound more than he'd ever had. We fought for twenty minutes behind the wood-heap; then he gave me best, but I had to turn in till I could see again."

"You don't mean that he—?" "Blanche had looked rather disgusted the moment before; now she was all truculent suspense and indignation.

"Beat me!" he cried. "Good Lord, no; but there was none too much in it."

Fires died down in her hazel eyes, lay lambent as soft moonlight, flickered into laughter before he had seen the fire.

"I'm afraid you're a very dangerous person," said Blanche.

"You've got to be," he assured her; "it's the only way. Don't take a word from anybody, unless you mean him to wipe his boots on you. I soon found that out. I'd have given something to have learned the noble art before I went out. Did I ever tell you how it was I first came across old Venus Potts?"

He had told her at great length, to the exclusion of about every other topic, in the second of the annual letters; and throughout the series the inevitable name of Venus Potts had seldom dropped up without some allusion to that Homeric encounter. But it was well worth while having it all over again with the intricate and picturesque embroidery of a tongue far mightier than the pen hitherto employed upon the incident. Poor Blanche had almost to hold her nose over the primary cause of battle; but the dialogue was so most gallant and engaging figure as he sat on the sill and reeled it out. Twenty minutes later, and old Venus Potts was still on the magic tapis, though Cazalet had dropped his boasting for a curiously humble, eager and yet ineffectual vein.

"Old Venus Potts!" he kept ejaculating. "You couldn't help liking him. And he'd like you, my word!"

"Is his wife nice?" Blanche wanted to know; but she was looking so intently out her window at the opposite end of the house to Cazalet's, that a man of the wider world might have thought of something else to talk about.

Out her window she looked past a willow that had been part of the old life, in the direction of an equally typical silhouette of patient anglers anchored in a punt; they had not raised a rod between them during all this time that Blanche had been out in Australia; but as a matter of fact she never saw them, since, vastly to the credit of Cazalet's descriptive powers, she was out in Australia still.

"Nelly Potts?" he said. "Oh, a jolly good sort; you'd be awfully pals."

"Should we?" said Blanche, just smiling at her invisible anglers.

"I know you would," he assured her with immense conviction. "Of course she can't do the things you do; but she can ride, my word! So she ought to, when she's lived there all her life. The rooms aren't much, but the verandas are what count most; they're better than any rooms."

She was still out there, cultivating Nelly Potts on a very deep veranda, though her straw hat and straw hair remained in contradictory evidence against a very dirty window on the Middlesex bank of the Thames. It was a shame of the September sun to show the dirt as it was doing; not only was there a great steady pool of sunshine on the unspeakable floor, but a doddering reflection from the river on the disreputable ceiling. Cazalet looked rather desperately from one to the other, and both the calm pool and the rough were broken by shadows, one more impressionistic than the other, of a straw hat over a stack of straw hair, that had not gone out to Australia—yet.

And of course just then a step sounded outside somewhere on some gravel. Confound those caretakers! What were they doing, prowling about?

"I say, Blanche!" he blurted out. "I do believe you'd like it one there, a spot more like you! I believe you'd take it to like a duck to water."

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

## "Pop's Size."

A curious item in the trade slang of hostlers is the term "pop's size," applied to vests. They classify the scale of chest measurements for these as: Small men's, 32 inches; slender men's, 34 inches; men's, 36 inches; pop's, 38 inches; out size, 42 inches.

The origin of this term, which has been current for nearly a century, was discussed some years ago in Notes and Queries, when it was stated on good authority that it had no connection with the successors of St. Peter.

It appears that the head of an old firm of West end hostlers, Messrs. Pope & Plante, ordered this size to be made specially for his own personal use, and the manufacturer called it after him for want of a better name.—London Chronicle.

Its Kind.  
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