

## RESUME OF THE WEEK'S DOINGS

### News Items Gathered From All Parts of the World.

#### General Review of Important Happenings Presented in a Brief and Comprehensive Manner for Busy Readers—National, Political, Historical and Commercial.

The crown prince of Serbia is accused of plotting against Montenegro.

English socialists oppose the proposed visit of King Edward to Russia.

O. H. P. Belmont is believed to be dying of an operation for appendicitis.

The Union Pacific will immediately issue \$50,000,000 in bonds for the building of new roads.

The Erie railroad will immediately reopen its shops, giving employment to several thousand men.

Governor Johnson, of Minnesota, says no one yet has the Democratic nomination for president.

A Los Angeles banker has been robbed of \$10,000 in jewels which he was carrying with him on a street car.

A number of clubmen in Los Angeles have been arrested because they were selling liquor without a license.

Indications are that Hoke Smith has been beaten by Joseph M. Brown as Democratic candidate for governor of Georgia.

Trammen on the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis railroad threaten to go on strike unless the company takes back some discharged men who belonged to the union.

C. J. L. Meyer, aged 77, first president of the Chicago Northwestern railroad, and worth at one time a million dollars, has applied for admission to the Milwaukee county, Wisconsin, poorhouse.

Butte police are making an effort to freeze out Emma Goldman.

The airship Chicago has made a great flight in South Dakota.

By the election just held Oregon will have 18 or 20 dry counties.

Indications are that Senator Allison will not be re-elected from Iowa.

Chinese are refusing to buy Japanese goods in all parts of Manchuria.

Utica, N. Y., pastors have commenced a crusade against gossipers.

Eastern steel manufacturers have cut the price of steel bar \$4 per ton.

Foreign cotton spinners are discussing plans to escape the American monopoly.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Cleveland have just celebrated their 22d wedding anniversary.

The Erie, Pa., iron foundry, one of the largest institutions of its kind, has burned.

The Mexican government announces that the Yaqui Indians have not yet been subdued.

Burney Oldfield, who was hurt a few days ago in an automobile race, says he has had enough, and will quit racing for good.

John Hays Hammond, born in California, but now a resident of Massachusetts, is willing to become Republican candidate for vice-president.

Representative Huff, of Pennsylvania, is seriously ill.

Rockefeller has given another \$500,000 to the Rockefeller institute.

Chinese of San Francisco are organizing a boycott against the Japanese.

Trustees of Stanford university have set aside \$500,000 for the purchase of books.

The employment of union men as inspectors makes railroad managers indignant.

An earthquake lasting 20 seconds was felt at Marysville, Cal. No damage was done.

A runaway Brooklyn boy has just returned home after 20 years' absence. He is a millionaire.

Ice in Bering Straits has broken up and steamer traffic to the north will be more regular now.

The largest balloon ever constructed has just been finished at Danville, Ill. When inflated it is 150 feet high.

A German has just been arrested who, it is believed, was attempting to reach the Kaiser to assassinate him.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, bitterly denounces congress for not passing the bills demanded by the laboring men.

A false alarm of a dynamite plot caused a panic in one of Chicago's schools.

Arizona democrats have endorsed Bryan and approved Foraker's stand on statehood.

West Virginia's democratic delegates at large have been instructed to vote for Bryan.

The Arkansas river is over its banks at several places in Arkansas and flooding bottom lands.

A severe wind storm has swept over Clay county, Kansas, but very little damage was done.

Tornadoes that swept Oklahoma northwest of Guthrie brought great damage to crops and farm property.

Dallas, Tex., is without lights or drinkable water. Residences in the devastated district have been robbed by looters.

## BUILD SOON TO PORTLAND.

### Northern Pacific Will Construct Point Defiance Line.

Tacoma, Wash., June 3.—From a reliable source the information comes that the Northern Pacific will at once complete the purchase of the right of way for the Point Defiance line. Deals that have been pending for over a year for the Portland cut-off are to be closed, and the additional right of way necessary to connect with the main line south of the city is to be purchased at once.

Attorney Charles Murray is said to have become connected with the Northern Pacific legal department and given personal charge of the closing of the Point Defiance deals. Before his return to Tacoma recently, Mr. Murray was associated with Judge Gordon, attorney for the Great Northern at Spokane, and is in close touch with the Hill interests.

The Point Defiance line and the tunnel will be built by the Northern Pacific and Great Northern jointly. The completion of the north bank road to Vancouver makes the extension of the line to Tacoma an immediate necessity.

## SAVE LIVES OF BABIES.

### New York Philanthropists Plan Systematic Campaign.

New York, June 3.—Physicians and representatives of 50 hospitals, charitable and municipal organizations, nurseries and diet kitchens banded themselves together at a meeting held at the department of health to co-operate with Health Commissioner Darrington in a campaign against mortality among the infants this summer. Every agency known to medical and sanitary science will be employed to reduce the death rate in the next four months.

According to the plan adopted each bureau will be divided into districts so that there can be no overlapping of territory. As many milk depots, physicians and nurses as needed will be supplied to each district. It was also decided to issue cards of instructions to mothers which, it is said, will be radically different to those sent out before. The cards will be distributed by thousands.

## LINERS EARN BIG SUBSIDY.

### Cunard Gets \$750,000 a Year on Mauretania and Lusitania.

New York, June 3.—The gigantic turbine steamers Lusitania and Mauretania have earned for the Cunard Steamship company an annual subsidy of \$750,000 a year, according to a cable from Liverpool received today by the New York representatives of the line. The message stated that the British government announced in parliament yesterday that the two great steamships have fulfilled all conditions of the subsidy agreement. The conditions were that the ships should make 24 knots an hour for a trans-Atlantic round trip.

The Mauretania has averaged 24.86 knots an hour westbound, and 24.42 eastbound. The Lusitania has averaged 24.83 westbound and 23.62 eastbound.

## LEAVES JURY TO DECIDE.

### Courts Refuse to Dismiss Charge of Grafting on Capital.

Harrisburg, Pa., June 3.—Judge Kunkel, in the Dauphin county court, today refused to take the capital conspiracy case from the jury, and all five defendants will therefore stand trial. The decision was a keen disappointment to the defense.

Immediately after the ruling the defense opened its case. Ex-Attorney General Hensel outlined the defense. He said he spoke for all the defendants, and denied collusion or falsity in measures of the metallic furniture of the new capitol, as charged by the state. The defense, he said, would show that the system of measures was a proper one in all respects, and that it worked a saving to the state.

## Americans Massacred.

Teheran, June 3.—More than 200 Christian Armenians have been massacred by Kurds in renewed depredations in the vicinity of Urmiah, and today that city is being besieged by the Kurdish tribesmen. Wholesale massacre and pillaging characterize the operations of the Kurds throughout a large district surrounding Urmiah. While this alarming situation prevails on the frontier, there is the wildest excitement in Teheran. On every hand there is talk of impending war with Russia as a result of the Kurdish massacres.

## Hearst Has Gained 107.

New York, June 3.—In the recount of votes of the Hearst-McClellan election of 1905 today, seven ballot-boxes from the first assembly district show a net gain of four votes for William R. Hearst. When the recounting of votes had been concluded for the day, 22 boxes had been reexamined, which showed a gain of 20 for Hearst. So far, 48 boxes have been recounted by the court, which give Hearst a gain of 107.

## Washouts in Montana.

Butte, Mont., June 3.—Seventeen overland trains on the Burlington and Northern Pacific railroads are held up today in this section by the most disastrous washouts in the history of the Northern Pacific in the Northwest. Nine trains are held up at Livingston, east of here. Five are blocked at Drummond, west of Butte, and three at Missoula, 40 miles west of Drummond. Traffic has been tied up hopelessly since Saturday night.

## Claims to be Real Dowie.

Chicago, June 3.—John Alexander Dowie has arrived in Chicago from Munich, Germany, and will establish here the church of Moses. He claims to be the real John Alexander Dowie, and says that Dowie, the first, the dead ruler of Zion City, was his brother, and took his name when they were boys.

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE SIXTIETH SESSION OF NATIONAL LAWMAKERS

### Saturday, May 30.

Washington, May 30.—The democratic filibustering in the house to the end, and La Follette having led a record filibuster in the senate, the sixtieth congress adjourned for the session at 11:50 o'clock tonight. The last bills were signed by the president before 11 o'clock, and both houses, which had with difficulty maintained a quorum, adjourned to their homes.

Washington, May 30.—Amid scenes of excitement well-nigh unparalleled in the senate chamber, the La Follette filibuster collapsed a little after 4 o'clock this afternoon, and the currency bill was passed by a vote of 43 to 22, four republican senators voting in the negative.

Washington, May 30.—Among the bills passed at today's session of the house were the following: Providing life-saving apparatus on the Farallon Islands, off California; granting pensions on the surviving officers and enlisted men of the Texas volunteers; and providing for compensation to government employees for injuries received while in the performance of their duties. Several pension bills also were passed.

### Friday, May 29.

Washington, May 29.—It has been a long time since the senate has been tied up by a filibuster with such slender support as was in evidence when La Follette undertook to defeat the conference report on the Aldrich-Vreeland currency bill by talking it to death. The report was brought up and La Follette took the floor. He insisted that a quorum should be maintained at all times, and up to 6 o'clock he had demanded 20 roll-calls. The senate was able to obtain more relaxation and at the same time keep the supporters of the bill in their seats. The heat was excessive, and many were very restless under this restraint.

On the 23d roll-call, at 7:15 P. M., upon motion of Stone, the absence of a quorum was developed and the sergeant-at-arms was directed to bring in absentees.

At 2 o'clock in the morning La Follette let it be known that he intended to speak until 8 or 9 A. M.

Republican leaders say they will have a quorum from their own membership tomorrow, and that they will not be delayed by one or two men filibustering, if they have to keep congress in session indefinitely.

### Thursday, May 28.

Washington, May 28.—The anticipated strenuous opposition to the adoption of the conference report on the Aldrich-Vreeland currency bill in the senate, according to the inference to be drawn from the debate today, probably will not materialize. Aldrich kept the report before the senate until nearly 4 P. M., when he assented to its being laid aside until 11 o'clock tomorrow, and the remainder of the time today was devoted to the passage of unopposed house bills on the calendar. Every senator realized that the meaning of this move was that an understanding had been reached to vote on the bill tomorrow. Inquiry proved the existence of this understanding, although no positive agreement has been made. The indications are, therefore, that congress will adjourn sine die tomorrow or Saturday.

Washington, May 28.—While the senate was wrestling with the currency question, the business of the house today went merrily on. The following measures were passed: To establish two or more fish cultural stations on Puget Sound, Wash.; amending the laws of transportation between Hawaii and the United States by removing the penalty for carrying passengers from Hawaii to this country; providing for the entry of agricultural land in forest reserves; establishing an assay office at Salt Lake, Utah; incorporating the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, and incorporating the Congressional Club, which is composed of wives and daughters of senators and representatives.

## Big Drydock for Bremerton.

Washington, June 3.—Revised specifications for the naval drydock to be built at the Bremerton navy yard, on Puget Sound, were completed today by Rear Admiral Holladay, chief of the navy yards bureau. It is expected that the dock will be completed 18 months from July 1, when work is expected to be started. Bids for the construction of the dock have been asked, and it is announced that they will be opened on June 18. The preparations are being carried on with dispatch, and it is not thought that any delay will be permitted. The need of the big navy dock on the Pacific has been made clear by the visit of the Atlantic fleet.

## Metcalf Files His Complaint.

Washington, June 4.—Secretary Metcalf's complaint, filed with the interstate commerce commission, alleges that the Adams, Northern Pacific and other express companies are gouging the government. It alleges the companies last July charged 10 cents per 100 too much on merchandise to the navy yard at Bremerton, Washington. The amount involved is \$1500. The complaint is a test case to determine the rate.

## Will Send More Marines.

Washington, June 5.—Publication of the United Press dispatch telling of the critical condition of affairs in the republic of Panama, aroused great interest here, and it was announced today that 200 additional marines have been ordered sent to the isthmus at the coming election. It is also planned to detail on the isthmus a large body of sailors being transferred to and from the Atlantic fleet if conditions do not improve before the election.

## PUT MARINES ON GUARD.

### Uncle Sam to be Sure of Fair Election in Panama.

Washington, June 1.—The Panama presidential campaign, which is to culminate in an election the first week in July, has recently developed "revolutionary tendencies" to such an extent as to cause grave concern and the serious intention to employ severe measures on the part of the American government to insure a fair and honest election, probably the first in the history of Central America. The 500 American marines stationed on the isthmus will be detailed to the election places. As some precincts will need armed supervision, and others will need several troops, they will be distributed where they will do the most good.

The call for a personal report from Minister Squiers is the result, it is explained, of new developments. At the same time, Mr. Squiers may be asked to explain certain newspaper comments to the effect that he has allowed himself to become enthusiastic in favor of one of the candidates. Mr. Squiers will sail for the United States tomorrow.

## INQUIRY TO CONTINUE.

### Wood Pulp Committee to be Very Busy During Summer.

Washington, June 2.—The wood pulp and paper investigation committee of the house, which presented its preliminary report to that body several days ago, will continue its investigations during the recess of congress. It is the purpose of Chairman Mann to gather a great deal of statistical information of the census bureau and the Department of Commerce and Labor during the coming summer. Subcommittees will also be appointed to visit paper mills in different sections of the country and take testimony, and it is possible the full committee will hold a number of meetings.

It is also the desire of Chairman Mann to investigate thoroughly the pulp wood question, and if it is possible the committee will visit Canada for this purpose. Several letters have been sent to the publishers of newspapers who failed to answer the first letter sent by the committee asking for information, and also to paper manufacturers. These letters will be taken by an employee of the census bureau, and the information contained in them put into shape to be of the most benefit to the committee.

## Hale Calculates Surplus.

Washington, June 2.—In presenting his statement of appropriations to the senate, Hale undertook to show that notwithstanding claims to the contrary the expenditure would be well within the revenues of the year. The total estimated revenues are \$878,123,011, while he undertook to show that the expenditures for the next year would be nearly \$852,117,804, leaving a surplus of \$26,005,116. He arrived at this conclusion by deducting from the total appropriation of 1909 the amounts which have been appropriated to pay deficits, which, he said, should properly be charged to 1908, and the appropriation of \$29,187,000 made on account of the Panama Canal, which is made payable from the proceeds of the sale of bonds.

## Hitchcock Starts for Chicago.

Washington, June 3.—Frank H. Hitchcock, one of the managers of the Taft campaign, will leave this city for Chicago tomorrow, where he will appear before the national committee in the interest of Secretary of War Taft during the consideration of contests for seats in the national convention. Mr. Hitchcock had a conference today with President Roosevelt at the White House, and later with Mr. Taft.

## Mail Ocean Bill Very Much Alive.

Washington, June 2.—That the ocean mail bill, which passed the senate on March 20 without a division and later was sustained by the senate in the postoffice bill by a vote of 46 to 12, is not killed by the action of the house in failing to accept it on a narrow vote of 145 to 153, is the firm conviction of the friends of the measure. They believe that next December it will win by a decisive majority.

## Selects Tokio Commission.

Washington, June 3.—Secretary Root has decided on the personnel of the commission to represent the United States at the Tokio exposition in 1912. The commissioners general will be Francis B. Loomis, former assistant secretary of state; Frederick J. Y. Skiff, director of the Field museum, of Chicago, and United States judge for the district of Minnesota.

## Bourne Going to Europe.

Washington, June 4.—Senator Bourne has informed some of his colleagues that he expects to sail for Europe in a short time to join his wife, who is completing a tour around the world. According to these senators, Bourne will sail before the Chicago convention. Several efforts made to locate Bourne and confirm the story were unavailing.

## World Trip for Middies.

Washington, June 4.—Of two hundred members of the class at the Annapolis naval academy who will graduate next Friday, 111 have been ordered to report to the Atlantic fleet at San Francisco, July 1. The middies are jubilant over the prospect of the trip to the Far East and home again by way of Suez canal and the Atlantic ocean.

## WORK OF BOYS.

### Youthful Robbers Confess to Holding Up Great Northern.

Great Falls, Mont., June 2.—The hold-up of the northbound Great Northern train at the stockyards, about a mile and a half from this city, was the work of three boys, who now occupy cells in the city jail. A fourth youth, who admits having assisted in planning the hold-up, but who took no active part, is also a prisoner. The quartet have made a complete confession to the police. The names of the four boys are: Albert Hatch, aged 15; William Randall, aged 17; Harry Rheams, aged 15, and George Cresswell, aged 16.

According to the story told by Randall, Rheams and Cresswell, the hold-up was planned and carried out under the generalship of Hatch, the youngest of the four, who is said to have turned the switch, ordered the engine to back up and to have gone through the passenger coaches with the conductor, forcing the latter at the point of a gun to collect from the passengers. According to the other boys, it was also Hatch who shot William Dempsey and narrowly missed shooting Conductor Jack Hayes.

Rheams stated that Hatch, after they had left the scene of the hold-up, proposed that they cross the river to the Montana Central line and hold up passenger train No. 236 from Butte, which was due in two or three hours. Because he demurred, Rheams states, Hatch drew his revolver and threatened to kill him.

He was dissuaded from the second attempt at train robbery by the two youths who were with him.

The stories told by the boys, with the exception of Hatch, agreed in the main details. They state that the hold-up was planned two nights before, it being decided to rob the train the first dark night.

## BIG RAIL CONTRACT.

### Illinois Central to Spend \$1,450,000 for New Steel.

Birmingham, Ala., June 2.—Tangible evidence of generous proportions that prosperity is returning is given in the fact that the Illinois Central Railroad company, in connection with the opening yesterday of its new line between Chicago, Birmingham and Atlanta, has placed a contract for 52,000 tons of steel rails, to cost \$1,450,000.

The contract goes to the Tennessee Iron & Coal company, and is the largest order since the financial depression set in. Only one contract, that of the Pennsylvania, takes rank with it.

The official announcement that the Illinois Central has decided to ignore what remains of the financial depression is likely to set the pace for other large systems which have been withholding similar orders until conditions are fully normal.

This contract will enable the steel mills here to open additional plants and give immediate work to more than two thousand skilled men who have been idle for some time. In an indirect way it will start the wave of prosperity over the entire South, putting a large amount of money into immediate circulation and stimulating all sorts of business.

## FEARS FOR SHIP.

### Steamer Vaderland Is Reported Sunk With All On Board.

Paris, June 2.—A special dispatch to the Petit Journal from Brussels says that it is rumored the Red Star steamer Vaderland has been wrecked in the North sea in a dense fog. There are 1600 passengers aboard. Lloyd's does not confirm this news, which, however, comes from what is usually considered a most reliable source. There were three collisions in the North sea today, and passengers on the Dover-Ostend mail packet declare that they saw a vessel cast away on the Goodwin sands.

New York, June 2.—No official confirmation could be obtained tonight in this city of the report of the wrecking of the steamer Vaderland in the North sea. The offices of the International Mercantile Marine, which controls the Red Star Line, and the offices of the Red Star Line company were closed. The Red Star steamer Vaderland was due to sail from Antwerp for New York May 30. According to schedule she would have reached Dover on Sunday, from which port she would be reported on her arrival. Up to a late hour Sunday night she had not been reported.

## Collide in Channel.

Dover, June 2.—A heavy fog in the channel tonight, which has lasted for 24 hours, has been responsible for several collisions. The British steamer Queenswood was towed into the harbor, having been seriously damaged in a collision with the Spanish steamer Bermeo. Before she could be got to her moorings, the Queenswood sank in the harbor. The Bermeo began leaking badly. A portion of the crew of the steamer Loanda, from Hamburg for West Africa, who landed here tonight, report being in collision with an unknown steamer.

## Close to a Mile a Minute.

Los Angeles, June 2.—The two days' auto meet held in this city was an unprecedented success, several thousand people being in attendance at today's races. The Coast record for 50 miles on a circular track, broken yesterday, was equaled today by Ralph Hamlin, who drove a 42-horsepower, six-cylinder car 50 miles in 57 minutes and 43 seconds. Hamlin made this record yesterday during the last 50 miles of the 100-mile race, and made the same time today.

## Foot of Snow in Nevada.

Ely, Nev., June 2.—The heaviest snow storm since last winter was experienced here last night. Fully a foot of snow fell. The storm was general between Ely and Cobre. No damage was reported.

## NEW POSTAGE TO BRITAIN

### After October 1 Rate Will Be Two Cents an Ounce.

Had Been Under Consideration Some Time—Will Be a Great Boon to English Who Settle in This Country—Change Will Also Be Great Benefit to Manufacturers.

Washington, June 4.—Postmaster General Meyer announced today that an agreement had been reached with the British government providing for letter postage of 2 cents an ounce between the United States and Great Britain and Ireland, to become operative October 1, 1908.

The matter of "penny postage," as it is called in England, has been under consideration for some time, and as far back as last July President Roosevelt approved Mr. Meyer's course in urging a "restricted union with England."

On October 1, 1907, the Universal Postal Union, which governs the international postage transactions of the various civilized countries, reduced the rate of letter postage from 5 cents a half-ounce flat to 5 cents per ounce, and 2 cents each additional ounce, which is the present rate between the United States and countries with which we do not have direct steamship communication, but on mail on which we have to pay an additional charge to countries through which it passes in transit. Under the articles of the Universal Union, however, any two states can form a restricted union. Examples of restricted unions are those now existing which permit a 2-cent an ounce letter rate between the United States and Canada.

Postmaster General Meyer believes this reduction in the rate to the United Kingdom ultimately will result in an increase in receipts, because it has been found that a reduction in the letter rate resulted finally in increased revenue. He is also of the opinion that a lower postage will lead to a freer commercial intercourse. Manufacturers, he says, are increasing their sales in England and must rely to a great extent upon mails for orders and increase of trade.

"Further," he stated, "this will be a great boon to our adopted English-speaking citizens and their connection here, as it will enable them to keep up correspondence with their relations and friends in the old country at domestic rates."

## PREPARES FOR EMERGENCY.

### Heney Fears Enemies May Get Gallagher and Plans Accordingly.

San Francisco, June 4.—Convinced that the "higher-ups" have determined to kill former Supervisor James L. Gallagher, Assistant District Attorney Francis J. Heney announced yesterday that he will dismiss the case in which Abraham Ruef is charged with bribing former Supervisor J. J. Furey, because Gallagher's testimony before the grand jury led to the indictment.

The testimony of a dead man given before a grand jury cannot be used in future action. Repeated attacks on Gallagher's property with dynamite and continuous threats against his life have led Heney to take steps to prevent the loss of Gallagher's testimony through his death.

It is Heney's purpose to file a new information against Ruef in the same premises and call Gallagher as a witness at the preliminary hearing. If his testimony is taken in this way, it will be on record.

The necessity for such unusual methods is believed to be urgent by the members of the prosecution, who fear for their own lives as well as for that of Gallagher.

This probably will be the next procedure against Ruef in the graft cases, and it is proposed to take it as rapidly as possible, as the prosecution believes that the "higher-ups" are becoming more desperate every day.

## Scores Perish in Tornado.

Wichita Falls, Tex., June 4.—Scores of persons are believed to be dead in the path of a tornado which is sweeping Texas today. Reports indicate that it is the most terrific of all the storms which have visited this part of the country in the last month. Communication from most of the damaged area is cut off. Wires are down and railroad tracks are blocked. Many small towns are known to have been struck by the twister, but no definite information could be obtained as to the extent of damage this afternoon.

## Mississippi on Annual Rampage.

St. Louis, June 4.—The Mississippi river above Quincy, Ill., is rapidly rising, and hundreds of homes have already been abandoned in that vicinity. Great damage to property is reported, but so far no deaths are known to have occurred. The inhabitants who have left the homes which probably will be swept from their foundations if the floods increase, are fleeing to the high elevations to remain until the trouble subsides. The Illinois river bottoms are reported to be inundated.

## Steamer Long Overdue.

Norfolk, Va., June 4.—The steamer Europa, which sailed for Hamburg, Germany, 45 days ago, bound in return for Norfolk, loaded with fertilizer, was expected to make the trip within 21 days. Nothing has been heard from her, however, in 41 days.