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**WORLD HAPPENINGS
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Brief Resume Most Important
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Events of Noted People, Governments
 and Pacific Northwest, and Other
 Things Worth Knowing.

Three armed and masked men driving
 a closed automobile blew the safe of
 the Melvale postoffice, near Maple
 Creek, Saskatoon, early Monday and
 escaped with \$2800 in cash.

Tokio.—Very severe rain and wind-
 storms in Formosa have caused 30
 deaths, while 312 persons have been
 seriously injured. Some 3200 houses
 were destroyed and 4600 damaged.

Felix de C. Avila, Guatemalan con-
 sul-general here and former secretary
 of state in his native country, died at
 Sierra Madre, near Los Angeles, Mon-
 day night, after an illness of several
 years.

Eleven new oil wells were completed
 in Los Angeles basin fields during the
 week just past. Torrance brought in
 nine and the other two were com-
 pleted by Huntington Beach and
 Rosecrans.

Mrs. Hanna Eldred of Baldwin, N.
 Y., entertained 80 of her 183 descend-
 ants Sunday in honor of her 102d
 birthday by dancing a jig. This dance
 enlivened the Virginia reel when she
 was young.

Freezing temperatures were report-
 ed Tuesday from five weather sta-
 tions in Minnesota and North and
 South Dakota. Reports of frost came
 from Minnesota, North and South Da-
 kota and Iowa.

Four policemen and 11 Filipino
 strikers were killed Tuesday in a fight
 at the town of Hanapepe on the island
 of Kauai, according to advices. Deputy
 Sheriff Crowell also was reported to
 have been seriously wounded.

Three persons were killed, one was
 reported dying and one was seriously
 injured Tuesday in an election riot
 at Plaquemine Point voting precinct
 in St. Landry parish, Louisiana. The
 riot started from an old election feud.

Two armed robbers Monday held up
 two commissary department employes
 of the Puget Sound Navigation com-
 pany, on the company's dock, while
 scores of persons were passing, and
 obtained \$3500 in currency. The rob-
 bers escaped.

E. T. Chapin, president of the Cha-
 pin Pole company of Spokane and
 owner of extensive logging interests
 in northern Idaho, shot and killed
 himself accidentally Monday at his
 summer home at Hayden Lake, Idaho.

The First National bank of Putnam,
 Conn., closed after its cashier, G.
 Harold Gilpatrick, ex-state treasurer,
 attempted to commit suicide August
 7, is short \$700,000 in its accounts as a
 result of the cashier's embezzlements.

The government of Chile is now
 entirely under the control of the Chi-
 lean army. President Alessandri,
 shorn of independent action by the
 powerful military junta, has resigned
 at the behest of the junta and will
 leave the country.

Edmond Ducloux and Dr. Eunis of
 Paris have made a serum immunizing
 against anthrax. A report telling how,
 by means of this serum, they preserved
 20,000 cattle and 10,000 sheep from
 an epidemic was read at a meeting of
 the Academy of Sciences.

Louise Drafska, formerly of New
 London, Wis., was freed of the charge
 of complicity in the \$2,000,000 bond-
 out, Ill., mail robbery last June, by
 United States Commissioner Bettler
 Monday. She was held in \$10,000
 bonds as a material witness.

Worried over this year's crop fail-
 ure and unable to recoup by a gamble
 in wheat futures, which he tried, Gus
 Starkey, 32, one of the best-known
 farmers in Coronation, Alta., Sunday
 afternoon set fire to a straw stack
 and crawled on top, where he burned
 to death.

A big lead for Ralph O. Brewster,
 republican, for governor of Maine, was
 shown in returns from Monday's elec-
 tion from 593 precincts out of 633 in
 the state, which gave Brewster 136,
 648 votes to 103,273 for William H.
 Pattangall, democrat. Pattangall con-
 ceded Brewster's election.

Mrs. Florence King Harding, widow
 of President Harding, and Mrs. John
 Orier Hibben, wife of the president of
 Princeton university, have guaranteed
 \$20,000 to build and equip a power
 boat for church work in southeastern
 Alaska, it is announced in Ketchikan,
 Alaska, by Dr. S. Hall Young, super-
 intendent of Presbyterian missions in
 Alaska.

The American member of the reparations
 commission under the terms of the
 Dawes reparation plan will be ap-
 pointed at a meeting of the commis-
 sion on September 19 and it is con-
 sidered almost certain that the nom-
 inee will be James A. Logan Jr., who
 has been unofficially American ob-
 server with the commission since the
 departure of Roland W. Boyden.

**STATE NEWS
 IN BRIEF.**

La Grande.—Efforts are being made
 to form a party to go to Burns Septem-
 ber 24 to attend the celebration com-
 memorating the completion of the On-
 tario-Burns railroad.

St. Helens.—Four shipments by
 water left St. Helens for the week
 ending Saturday night. Three of them
 were for California ports and one con-
 signment was for China.

Salem.—Friday, September 26, of-
 ficially set aside as Booster's day at
 the state fair, promises to be one of
 the stellar dates of the week, with
 booster organizations coming to par-
 ticipate in one big all-day rally.

Salem.—Citizens of Burns have
 written a letter to the public service
 commission protesting against the
 service afforded by the Central Ore-
 gon Telephone company. Special
 complaint was directed at the long
 distance service.

Newberg.—The Newberg box fac-
 tory, located just outside the city
 limits, was destroyed shortly after
 midnight Sunday by fire of unknown
 origin. It was owned by F. D. Sharp.

Eugene.—Two large barns of Morris
 Koons' farm, 12 miles north of Eugene
 on the Pacific highway, together with
 a large quantity of hay and grain and
 some machinery, were destroyed by
 fire Friday afternoon. The loss is
 estimated at \$6000 with \$3000 insur-
 ance.

Salem.—The citizens of Rufus,
 Sherman county, have filed with the
 Oregon public service commission a
 complaint with relation to the water
 service there. The complaint has been
 referred to engineers of the public
 service department for investigation.

Salem.—It will cost approximately
 \$378,024 to conduct the Oregon state
 penitentiary during the next biennium,
 starting January 1, 1925, according to
 an estimate filed with the state bud-
 get commission today by A. M.
 Dalrymple, warden of the institution.

Salem.—Prune picking in Marion
 and Polk counties was completed Sat-
 urday night. While this year's crop
 was far below normal with relation to
 tonnage, the quality is good and fair
 prices have been obtained. Hop pick-
 ing will continue throughout this
 week.

Eugene.—The traffic counter install-
 ed at McKenzie bridge by the forest
 service has shown that 5312 automob-
 iles passed over it between August
 14 and September 8, inclusive, accord-
 ing to word sent to the office of the
 Cascade national forest by S. L. Tay-
 lor, ranger in charge of the McKenzie
 bridge station.

Salem.—The Southern Pacific com-
 pany has started the work of tearing
 up its street-car tracks on Seventeenth
 street, between D and Center streets,
 in compliance with an agreement en-
 tered into between the traction corpora-
 tion and the council a week ago. Auto-
 mobile bus service will be established
 on Seventeenth street in lieu of the
 street cars.

Hood River.—The first flag ever
 flown over Hood River soon will be
 placed in the city hall. The relic,
 which for many years has been held
 at the quarters of the Oregon Histori-
 cal society in Portland, is the gift
 of Captain H. C. Coe, pioneer steam-
 ship man and son of Nathaniel Coe,
 Hood River's first settler, who now
 resides at Manhattan Beach, Cal.

Scio.—The Scio Logging & Lumber
 company's mill was sold to the
 Thomas Creek Lumber company last
 week. The new owners are Mr. Welch,
 J. K. Elder, A. W. Sharpe and C. R.
 Hickey. About \$12,000 is being spent
 in improvements, including a Ross
 carrier. They plan to have everything
 in readiness to begin operations by
 November 1. About 60 men will be
 employed.

Marshfield.—A new sawmill is to be
 erected on the north shore of the
 lake at Port Orford, 1 1/2 miles from
 the city, where it will be convenient
 to timber of that section of Curry
 county. The enterprise is being fi-
 nanced by Portland men and N. H.
 Larson, of Port Orford, who has been
 engaged in various lines of lumbering
 at Port Orford for six or seven years.
 The mill will have a capacity of 40,
 000 feet daily, and will be constructed
 this fall.

Yamhill.—Fire which broke out dur-
 ing Saturday in the camp of the Flora
 Logging company, 15 miles west of
 Yamhill, is said to have destroyed 11
 donkey engines and several thousand
 feet of timber felled and cut. The
 damage is estimated at more than
 \$100,000. The fire was thought to be
 under control but was reported Sun-
 day to be again raging across two sec-
 tions of green timber and putting the
 entire camp in great danger of de-
 struction.

Roseburg.—Earl Stone, 3-year-old
 son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stone of
 Myrtle Creek, was fatally burned Sun-
 day morning and died about 2 o'clock
 in the afternoon. The boy, it is be-
 lieved, was playing in the ashes in
 the kitchen stove when his clothing
 became ignited. His twin sister ran
 for her mother, who was at the home
 of a neighbor. The boy also started
 across the lot to the house where his
 mother was visiting, and was picked
 up, a human torch, by his mother.

**PERSHING ELATED
 OVER ARMY TEST**

General Retires From Long
 Service Happy.

NATION IS HELD SAFE

Ex-Commander Confident That De-
 fense Scheme Evolved Has
 Solved Great Problem.

Washington, D. C.—General Pershing
 passed to the retired list of the
 army Saturday, satisfied that the mis-
 sion he set for himself when he turned
 his face homeward from France—
 establishment of a national defense
 system to safeguard the nation in fu-
 ture against any such confusion and
 turmoil of impoverished preparation
 as it knew in 1917—was well on
 the road to accomplishment.

The former commander of the Ameri-
 can army in France was at his desk
 as usual, although he had only a half-
 day longer of active service to give.
 He found the officers of the war de-
 partment awaiting him to pay their
 respects, and upon his desk a mass
 of messages and letters of greeting
 that gave witness to his high place
 in world esteem.

He found also more complete re-
 ports testifying to the success of the
 defense test Friday than were avail-
 able at midnight, when he finally con-
 cluded his part in the one-day tryout
 of the national defense system that
 he has personally fostered and super-
 vised through its initial phases.

He was happy as a boy over the
 showing made all over the country
 and at the evidence of patriotism
 shown by the millions of men and
 women who participated in the exer-
 cises.

General Pershing feels that the test
 demonstrated conclusively that the
 American people desired some such
 democratic and workable programme
 as has been devised under his guid-
 ance to be a part of the permanent
 policy of the nation. He believes that
 annual tests of the sort conducted Fri-
 day should and will become a part
 of the nation's life. And he also be-
 lieves that there is no necessity for
 congress to make appropriations to
 pay expenses for such tests, as the
 voluntary contribution of services by
 citizens of all ranks and occupations
 everywhere is the keynote of the sys-
 tem that has been planned.

Additional reports on the test show-
 ed that the total number of regular
 army troops mustered for the day was
 22,581; national guard, 167,633, and
 organized reserves, 53,168.

"Volunteers to fill the ranks of
 these forces exceeded 1,000,000," the
 war department's statement said.

Millions of other citizens besides
 the volunteers shared in the exercises,
 and many communities remain to be
 heard from. The war department of-
 ficials are confident that the final
 check-up will show that the full war-
 time strength provided for in the or-
 ganization tables of the three-part
 army, more than 2,000,000 men, was
 actually assembled during the day.

Yet this was accomplished, they point-
 ed out, without the expenditure by
 the government of a single cent aside
 from ordinary peacetime appropria-
 tions for the army.

Two Killed in Gunfight.
 Los Angeles.—Two men are dead as
 the result of a gun battle at Newhall,
 north of here, Sunday between Gus
 Lebrun, a well drilled, and two con-
 stables who attempted to arrest him
 on the complaint of Miss Nellie
 Bayles, formerly known to the stage
 as Bonita Darling.

Lebrun was hit seven times in the
 exchange of shots and died within a
 few minutes, but just before he ex-
 pired he sent a bullet into the body
 of one of the officers, Ed Brown,
 wounding him so seriously that he
 died several hours later.

Traffic Is Developing.
 New York.—Improvement in Pacific
 coast traffic, which had been disrupted
 by the quarantine on the hoof and
 mouth disease and the spring and
 early summer drought, seems to be more
 than seasonal, William Sproule, pres-
 ident of the Southern Pacific, said
 Saturday. Traffic is developing well
 enough now to expect that the volume
 this fall will compare closely with the
 record movement a year ago, he
 said.

Grain Movement Grows.
 Washington, D. C.—A new high re-
 cord in the number of cars loaded with
 grain products was established during
 the week ending August 30, according
 to figures by the car service division
 of the American Railway association.
 Loadings during that week totaled
 68,837 cars, an increase of 7234 cars
 over the previous week and 4123 cars
 over the previous high record of
 64,715 cars for the week ended July
 19, 1921.

Roman Bath Uncovered.
 Milan, Italy.—Nero's bathing house,
 the largest of the Roman period yet
 discovered, has been excavated at
 Agnano, near Naples. The structure
 is six stories high and 1125 feet long.
 The three topmost galleries were re-
 served for individual steam baths.

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