

CURRENT EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Doings of the World at Large Told in Brief.

General Resume of Important Events Presented in Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

A Socialist has been elected mayor of Coquille, Oregon.

Forest fires are destroying much valuable timber in Western Washington.

An Astoria girl caught a 5-pound trout 28 inches long with a light rod and fly.

A forest ranger in Colorado was attacked by an eagle and forced to take refuge in a thicket.

Dynamite is being used to uncover bodies from the ruins of the earthquake in Cartago, Costa Rica.

A professional ball player in California is laid up with blood poisoning in his arm, caused by a mosquito bite.

A halibut fishing schooner was wrecked near Seattle, the crew of four men having a narrow escape in the small boat.

Partial returns from elections in Spain show that the Liberals are in the majority, though Republicans and Socialists rule in Madrid.

Speaking at the opening of the Actors' fair in New York, President Taft declared a good play was very restful and had often been of great benefit to him.

A Salvation Army officer who was attacked by a mob at Los Angeles, used his bible as a club, flooring half a dozen and holding the rest at bay until the police arrived.

The bodies of two men, both stabbed to death, were found a short distance apart near the railroad track in Siskiyou county, Cal. They had evidently fought a duel to the death with knives.

The death of King Edward will make great changes in the political situation in England.

A season of 20 weeks of grand opera in New York cost the managers \$1,100,000, yet they made money.

John A. Benson, who had served time for land frauds in California, dropped dead from heart disease.

Roosevelt will not be entertained at the German emperor's palace, as that government is in mourning for King Edward.

Spectators caught betting on the ball games at Los Angeles are ejected from the grounds. The manager believes the game would be demoralized.

King George V, who now ascends the throne of England, made a good impression by his brief speech upon taking the oath, and his people express great confidence in him.

A compromise has been reached on the exposition question between San Diego and San Francisco. The former will hold an industrial exposition and the latter a world's fair.

An Illinois grand juror says if he will help all he can, and has no doubt it can be done, as legislative bribery scandals are growing all the time.

A Philadelphia policeman rescued three children from death under the hoofs of the horses in a chariot race at a circus, but was himself fatally injured and died soon after.

A brother of Dr. Cook says he is a physical wreck, and is living near a sanitarium, under the care of its physicians, but has never been in South America, as was reported.

King Edward is seriously ill with bronchitis.

The theatrical trust of Klaw & Erlanger is declared to be broken up.

It is estimated that 80 per cent of the shingle mills of the Northwest are idle.

James J. Hill has announced definitely that a new passenger depot will be built in Portland for his lines.

An explosion in No. 3 coal mine at Palos, Alabama, entombed about 200 men. Bodies are being recovered.

Four hundred striking miners at Pittsburg, Kansas, wrecked several coal mines and drove away the men who were at work.

The pure food commissioner of Louisiana has condemned and ordered destroyed thousands of cases of canned salmon that was put up on the Columbia river.

Cartago, the picturesque and ancient capital of Costa Rica, has been almost entirely destroyed by an earthquake. At least 500 persons were killed and as many more injured.

Two French counts exchanged six shots in a duel and neither was hit.

Speaking in the National theater at Christiania, Norway, Roosevelt gave hope of universal peace and revere the name of the great Norwegian poet Bjornson, who died recently.

In order to avoid a collision with another car containing a number of women, a Los Angeles auto driver turned his own car into the curb and was killed in the smash which followed.

A daughter of Richard Crocker, ex-Tammany boss, married a groom in a riding academy.

An excellent photograph of Halley's comet has been taken at Lick observatory, in California. The comet is now plainly visible about 3,200 a. m. about 10 degrees above the eastern horizon.

Mark Twain left all his property to his only surviving daughter. He left about \$180,000.

The jury returned a verdict of murder in the second degree for Charles Wesley, Tacoma murderer.

A second man has been found who received \$1,000 for voting for Lorimer, of Missouri, for U. S. senator.

DYING CAPTAIN BEGS PARDON.

Wrecked Submarine Yields Last Message From Commander.

Victoria, B. C., May 9.—While Commander Sakuma and his 14 men were lying in a wrecked submarine off Kuro on April 15, the commander wrote a letter to the emperor begging forgiveness for loss of the vessel and commending his officers and men. The letter was found after the submarine had been raised.

The submarine was of the newest type, and was engaged on April 15 near Hiroshima bay, carrying out her part in the maneuvers, being submerged 1,800 yards east of her parent ship. Two hours passed without notice of the submarine's failure to rise and then, signals being unanswered, a boat was lowered and efforts made to locate the submarine.

Much of the letter was not published, but it is stated that Lieutenant Sakuma expressed sorrow to the emperor for the loss of his vessel and brother officers and crew, whom he praised for their heroism and calm wait for death, and he requested the emperor to succor their families. The last writing was made an hour and 20 minutes after the boat was submerged, and conveyed messages of farewell to the minister of the navy and friends, stating that breathing had become so difficult that further writing was impossible.

The letter said one of the crew had tried to close the valve of the ventilation pipe, but the chain had broken. He tried to close the valve with his hand, but was too late. Water began to enter by the rear part of the boat, which fell 25 degrees. The dynamo was submerged and all the lights went out, bad gas accumulating almost simultaneously. The crew drove the current of water from the main tank and tried to get rid of it by hand pumps. They were drenched as they worked and chilled. The message ended with statements that all were ready for death. The submarine was being tested on a gasoline semi-submerged voyage.

REQUIEM FOR 1,800.

Death List in Costa Rica Earthquake Grows Appallingly.

San Jose, Costa Rica, May 9.—Chimes of the historic Church Del Carmen, the belfry of which withstood the earthquake shock of Wednesday, tolled a requiem at sunset tonight for Cartago's dead.

While the bells pealed out the tidings of sorrow, 5,000 homeless men, women and children, their uncovered heads bowed with grief, stood in silent prayer upon the hill tops overlooking the ruins of the ancient city. Hour by hour the magnitude of the disaster becomes more apparent.

Eighteen hundred are dead. Almost as many are wounded, many of whom will die. Ten thousand are homeless, hundreds are starving. Scores have been driven insane.

For the brave survivors, who for three days have witnessed almost unspeakable horrors, perils of famine and pestilence remain to be faced.

Pioneers of Costa Rica are facing them with undaunted hearts.

Huddled in camps of refuge, bivouacked under the shadow of the volcano Poas, the city's wealthy and poor alike arose today from a third night of terror, ready to plan for the task of reconstructing a new and grander city over the smoking remnant of what is Cartago, a waste of ashes and tumbled masonry.

Hundreds of victims were laid to rest today. Long trenches were dug and whole families buried together. Many of the dead were unidentified.

From the ruins scores of bodies are being removed hourly.

Some Americans are reported killed, but identification, even by the records, is now impossible.

The American colony immediately set about to rescue those pinned down by wreckage.

Detective Byrnes Dies.

New York, May 9.—Thomas F. Byrnes, ex-superintendent of police of the city of New York, but more famous for his work in the detective bureau, died at his home here tonight from chronic indigestion, after an illness of more than two years. He was 66 years old. Byrnes was born in Ireland, but came to this country when very young. He joined the police force early and rose rapidly; at 25 he was captain. During his term the aggregate of sentences imposed on prisoners taken by him reached 10,000 years.

TACOMA IS TICKLED OVER CENSUS.

Tacoma, Wash., May 9.—With an absolute certainty that the 1910 census will show Tacoma's population in excess of 110,000, citizens, great and small, men, women and children, turned themselves loose Saturday night in the business district in one enthusiastic carnival of merry-making. There were tens of thousands of people on the streets of the business district. There were tin horns, cowbells and scores of other noise-making instruments and content by the bushes, while six bands, were stationed on prominent corners.

Roosevelt's Name Suggested.

New York, May 9.—That Theodore Roosevelt be named as the special representative of the United States to attend the funeral of King Edward is the suggestion which will be put before President Taft by members of the Roosevelt Welcoming committee here. The appointment of Colonel Roosevelt, however, would depend on the date set for the funeral, as it is possible that the obsequies may not be held until after he leaves for the United States.

Match Coat \$2,000,000.

Victoria, B. C., May 9.—News was brought by the Aymeric that the lacquer manufacturers of Japan, centered at Wajima, in Noto, were almost wiped out in a great fire at Wajima on April 16. In all 1,808 buildings, including factories, temples, postoffice and public buildings, were destroyed and a loss occasioned to property of over \$2,000,000. The fire was due to a small boy playing with a match. Three hundred lacquer manufacturers are engaged there, their exports amounting to half a million dollars yearly.

Drilling for Artesian Water.

Stanfield—The well on Jesse Moore's place has reached a depth of 800 feet. An effort is being made to reach a depth of 1,000 feet, where artesian water is said to be obtainable. Water stands within a few feet of the top of the hole, and drilling progresses slowly.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF OUR HOME STATE

PORTLAND ROSE FESTIVAL.

All Sections of State Will Be Represented at Grand Fiesta.

Portland—"If the coming Rose Festival is not the greatest success we have ever had, it will not be because of lack of interest on the part of residents of the Willamette valley and Southern Oregon towns," said Ralph W. Hoyt, of the Rose Festival committee.

Mr. Hoyt has just returned with a party of business men who went on the southern trip, and is enthusiastic over the great amount of interest in the Rose Festival he found in the towns he visited.

"Indications are that the attendance this year will be enormous, and far beyond that of former years," said Mr. Hoyt. "Officials of all the towns we visited promised they would see to it that their towns are represented by floats or vehicles in the parade, and at least by large delegations of citizens."

"The commercial bodies of the various towns all promised to make all possible effort to meet Eastern visitors at the Festival and invite them to their towns. Everybody seems to understand that the Festival is as much an advertising feature for the country at large as it is a show. I think the Festival this year will be the means of inducing great numbers of desirable Eastern people to settle in the state."

RAIN SPELL BIG CROPS.

Oregon Farmers See Healthy Harvests Ahead; Stockmen Profit.

Madras—The increased demand for flour at this place has caused the Madras flouring mill to put on a night force, the mill running each night until 10 p. m.

The railroad construction in this vicinity with the large number of new residents in the town and homeseekers locating in this section have caused prices for all kinds of produce to go soaring.

Prospects for large crops were never better, and the farmers in this section should reap a rich harvest, because of the rapid increase of population.

A heavy rain, general throughout the greater portion of Central Oregon, fell during three days this week, and it means thousands of dollars to the farmers and stock raisers.

CHINESE BUYS CLAIMS.

Grants Pass Mining District Looks Good May Jin Munn.

Grants Pass—Moy Jin Munn, a wealthy Chinaman of San Francisco, who has been looking over the Southern Oregon mining field for the past two or three weeks, has just closed a deal whereby he becomes owner and manager of the Brantner group of placer mines of Southern Josephine county. The group of claims consists of 100 acres, much of which is very rich diggings. The consideration is \$175,000. Unlike other Chinese who have mined in this section, Moy Jin Munn is not contented with sluice washing and roasting. He will install modern hydraulic equipment on the Brantner mines, and by a system of high line ditches, bring water to the Applegate river for the operation of a battery of two or more grists.

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NO DOGS NOR FIRECRACKERS FOR EUGENE.

Eugene—The Eugene city council at its last meeting unanimously passed an ordinance prohibiting dogs from running at large on the streets of the city, excepting those owned by farmers and transients, and these owners are allowed only two days after their arrival here. They will have had time to acquaint themselves with the ordinance by that time, it is thought. The penalty is a fine of from \$2.50 to \$10. The council also passed an ordinance prohibiting firecrackers within the city limits.

DRILL FOR OIL IN COQUILLE.

Marshfield—The Niocene Oil & Gas company has been organized to drill for oil in the Coquille valley. The company is composed of men living in that part of the county. L. W. Deyoe of Myrtle Point is one of the head men in the company. The company has secured oil leases on about 6,000 acres of land in Bear creek district. Machinery has been ordered and the work will start soon. Oil men have secured land options, but no drilling has been done.

CANNERY AT SUTHERLIN.

Sutherlin—The erection and operation of a canning plant in Sutherlin is now an assured fact. The preliminary work has gone on for the past five months. The plant will be ready for operation by the time vegetables are ripe in early autumn.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Track prices: Bluestem, 85c; hard, 85c; red Russian, 84c; valley, 85c.

Barley—Feed and brewing, \$22@23. Corn—Whole, 33c; cracked, 34c ton.

Hay—Track prices: Timothy, Willamette valley, \$20@21 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$22@25; alfalfa, \$16.50@17.50; grass hay, \$17@18.50.

Fresh Fruits—Strawberries, Oregon, \$2.50@4 per crate; apples, \$1.50@3 per box.

Potatoes—Carload buying prices: Oregon, 40c@50c per hundred; new California, 24c@30c per hundred; sweet potatoes, 4c.

Vegetables—Asparagus, \$1@1.25 per box; celery, \$3.50@4 rate; hothouse lettuce, 50c@61 per box; green onions, 15c per dozen; rhubarb, 20@24c per pound; spinach, 8@10c; rutabagas, 10c; carrots, 85c@1.10; beets, \$1.50; parsnips, 75c@81c.

Onions—Oregon, \$2 per hundred; Bermuda, \$1.50 per crate.

Butter—City, creamery, extras, 27c per pound; fancy outside creamery, 26@27c store, 20c. Butter fat prices average 12c per pound under regular butter prices.

Eggs—Fresh Oregon ranch, 23@24c per dozen.

Pork—Fancy, 12@12 1/2c per pound. Veal—Fancy, 10@10 1/2c per pound. Lamb—Fancy, 10@12c per pound.

Poultry—Hens, 20@21c; broilers, 30@35c; ducks, 18@23c; geese, 12c; turkeys, live, 20@22c; dressed, 25c; squabs, 30c per dozen.

Cattle—Beef steers, hay fed, good to choice, \$6@6.50; fair to medium, \$5@5.50; cows and heifers, good to choice, \$5@5.50; fair to medium, \$4.25@4.75; bulls, \$3.50@4.25; stags, \$5@5.50; calves, light, \$6@7; heavy, \$4.50@5.50.

Hogs—Top, \$10@10.50; fair to medium, \$9.50@9.75.

Sheep—Best wethers, \$5.25@5.75; best ewes, \$4.75@5.25; lambs, choice, \$7@8; fair, \$6.50@7.

Hops—1909 crop, 12@16c; olds, nominal; 1910 contracts, nominal.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 14@17c per pound; valley, 18@20c; mohair, choice, 32@33c.

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Hundreds Killed at Cartago, Costa Rica—Bodies Being Recovered.

San Jose, Costa Rica, May 7.—The earthquake that laid waste the town of Cartago occurred at 6:50 o'clock Wednesday night and continued about 18 seconds. In that brief time the buildings of the place collapsed; burying hundreds. The dead were first estimated at 500, but it is believed tonight that the fatalities were much greater.

Four hundred bodies were recovered today.

Following (the shock twilight was turned into darkness of midnight by clouds of dust that rose from the ruins. Panic ensued and the cries of the injured and fleeing survivors filled the air.

Cooler heads went to the telegraph office to summon help, only to find the operators dead, lines down and traffic impaired on the railroad.

As soon as the news reached San Jose, President Gonzalez Viquez, accompanied by President-elect Richard Jimenez and many doctors and nurses, started on a special train to aid the survivors. Upon the president's arrival at Cartago, martial law was proclaimed. Provisions, medicines and clothing were dispatched from here.

Throughout the day special trains arrived here, bringing the wounded.

Hundreds of survivors were camped outside the ruined city awaiting transportation to other points. They are being fed at public expense. Seven hundred of provisions have been dispatched from here and Alajuela.

The beautiful peace palace, the gift of Andrew Carnegie, erected at a cost of \$100,000, was converted into a pile of debris. Other public buildings met the same fate.

Many students at the college of the Silestian Fathers were killed.

The tremors continue tonight and the terror of the people increases. The fear of further shocks has extended to the neighboring towns.

Only the early hour of the evening at which the disaster occurred prevented a much greater loss of life. At the time many people were in the open.

So far no deaths have been reported among the American colony.

The disaster was not preceded by any activity of the volcano Poas or of other volcanic vents. The shock was felt throughout Costa Rica and in parts of Nicaragua. Great fissures opened at many places in the volcanic zone. The ministers of Mexico and of Central American countries have asked their governments to contribute to the aid of their sister republic. Several prominent Spanish-Americans are among the dead. These include the wife of Dr. Boacagra, the Guatemalan magistrate to the Central American arbitration court, and Senor Trejos.

KING IS DEAD

ENGLISH RULER PASSES TO REST

Peaceful Reign of Nine Years Suddenly Ended.

Severe Cold Brings Bronchitis, Which Develops Pneumonia—Was Ill Only Six Days.

London, May 7, 5 A. M.—King Edward VII died from pneumonia at 11:45 last night at Buckingham Palace, and at the same moment the crown and scepter of the Empire of Great Britain passed automatically to his son and heir, Prince George of Wales, now George V.

Death struck down the mightiest hereditary ruler of the world with as little preparation as if his victim had been the meanest of that king's subjects. The prayers of the whole nation, bound to its monarch by centuries of tradition and by a love born of complete and intimate knowledge of that ruler's foibles, almost as much as of his great virtues, availed to stay the hand of the Reaper not one jot.

King Edward died almost before his subjects had begun to realize that he was seriously ill. He was taken sick a week ago. After three days a serious complication began to develop. The fourth day his physicians issued a bulletin that stirred the whole nation to its depths. On the sixth day the king was dead.

The shock to Great Britain and to the world had been tremendous, not in a national way, for the death of the king has been discounted in the markets for many years, but to the empire's sentimentality. King Edward was sincerely loved throughout the length and breadth of England's possessions.

He was loved as a great son of a noble mother, and he was loved for himself because he had in his character that rare commingling of democratic simplicity with kingly dignity which made him justly the "first gentleman of Great Britain."

Politically, the death of Edward VII contains grave potentialities. The common sense now engaged in "reforming the house of lords." To Edward a liberal ministry had looked with confidence for the creating of such peers as would carry out the will of the people as expressed at the last election. Now a new king steps forward to take Edward's place. What attitude he may assume in this, the greatest political crisis England has faced in generations, remains a problem.

Nearly all members of the king's immediate family were at his bedside when the king died. Just before the end came, the royal patient rallied and spoke weakly to those about him.

"I know it is all over," he said, "but I think I've done my duty."

Those were his last words.

The first official act of the new king, George V, was performed immediately after his father had breathed his last. He dispatched to the lord mayor of London the announcement of Edward VII's death, in pursuance of an age-old custom. His telegram read: "I am deeply grieved to inform you that my beloved father, the king, passed away peacefully at 11:45 tonight. (Signed) "George."

That George V will leave any deep imprint on English history as a sovereign of force and commanding ability is much to be doubted, but at least he is likely to prove a king of good heart, of conscientious attention to duty and of discretion in state affairs.

George brings to the throne considerable experience of his own in routine demands of public service made upon him as the prince of Wales, and he comes to the task of governing with fair ability, a good personality and a serious sense of his own responsibilities.

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