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## NEWS OF THE WEEK FROM OVER WORLD

### OPENINGS IN OUR OWN AND OTHER COUNTRIES BRIEFLY TOLD.

### ITEMS FOR BUSY MEN

News Condensations Reprinted Without Comment—All Editions Find Somewhat to Edify and Instruct.

The German ship Steinbeck, which has been loading lumber at Bellingham and which is interned at Eagle Harbor, has been sold to American buyers.

An eight-hour day with the same wages heretofore paid for 12 hours' work will be granted to all employees of the Gulf Refining Co. at the Port Arthur and Port Wadsworth refineries.

The bonus proposition recently made by the Locomobile Co. of America to its employees was rejected at a meeting of 800 employees.

Wargrave Church, which was destroyed by fire by militant suffragists on June 1, 1914, is being rebuilt. In restoring the tower the discovery has been made that the present casing of brick covers the original Norman tower.

King George sanctioned the establishment of a medal to be known as the naval general service medal. This will be awarded for service in minor naval operations.

Gov. Walsh of Massachusetts announced that he would be a candidate for renomination for a third term.

Alexander Schroeter, a portrait painter of New York City, is dead as a result of eating mushrooms which he had mistaken for truffles.

The Atlantic fleet is again to be put to the test of protecting the eastern seaboard from invasion by a supposed foreign fleet.

One of the biggest deals in oil lands in the southwest was consummated when Jose de Soria completed the sale to White & Sinclair of Tulsa, Ok., of a large tract in the Panuca (Mexico) fields for a purchase price of \$1,000,000.

The draft of a treaty drawn up by Bolivia and Paraguay, delimiting the boundaries of the two countries, was published by the La Paz Diarist.

A posse with bloodhounds was believed to be close upon the negro who had kidnapped the wife of Ned Stafford at his home near Liberty, Mo.

Ankle Deep To, the new hydroplane, which sank off City Island on its trial trip a month ago, struck a submerged rock off Sands Point, La., while running 50 miles an hour and went to the bottom.

Hiram Maxim is credited with having invented a simple and inexpensive contrivance to protect soldiers from the effects of deadly gases employed in battle.

The Kaiser has been challenged to fight a duel. His would-be opponent is Lord Northbourne, 70 years old.

No longer can Sharon, Pa., school teachers enjoy the company of a "steady" without the board of education being aware of the fact. Every one of the teachers must declare the fact.

Decreased advertising revenue and a shortage in the supply of chemicals necessary for the manufacture of white paper has resulted in an agreement by the proprietors of London's newspapers to reduce the number of pages.

Clarence Terry, 30 years old, is dead from three other men are wounded as the result of a shooting affray at Cherry Valley, Mo., iron mines.

The large planters and shippers of oysters from Great South Bay, N. Y., attribute the present promising condition of their stock to the unusual abundance of rain.

Australian artillerymen have "wonderfully destroyed" the historic castle of Lussana, where the poet, Dante, passed his exile.

American farmers are harvesting the greatest wheat crop ever grown in any one country. It may reach 1,900,000,000 bushels.

A Constantinople dispatch to the Mittag Zeitung of Berlin reported that German losses to date total 2,178,000. The casualty lists gives the total of Prussian losses at 1,641,569, and the Bavarian, Saxon and Wurtemberg troops 537,114.

Gen. Goethals announced that he had sent his resignation as governor of the Canal zone to Washington to take effect on the first of November.

The latest official reports regarding the harvest show that Italy needs 12,000,000 quintals more of grain. This grain will be purchased in America.

Fearing her husband, a private in Company M, United States infantry, would be sent to Mexico, Mrs. John Greene of Chicago, 23 years old, swallowed mercury tablets.

The London Gazette announces that Sir David Beatty has been promoted to be a vice-admiral. He is the husband of Marshall Field's daughter and is 45 years old.

Sudre Dartinguenave, president of the senate, was elected president of Haiti by the national assembly.

C. E. Wilson was shot and instantly killed at Starkville, Miss., by W. A. Thomas, who resented Wilson's attentions to his sister, Roma Thomas.

Special Judge Eichorn of Bluffton sustained all but five minor counts of the 48 indictments against Thomas Taggart, Democratic national committeeman.

George H. Guthrie, United States ambassador to Japan, accompanied by his wife and niece, Miss Laura Wurtz, left for San Francisco to sail for Japan.

The White Star line steamship Adriatic, which sailed from New York Aug. 4 with a large cargo of war supplies, arrived at Liverpool Aug. 12.

R. C. Cunningham, a city fireman, entered a crowded cafeteria in Los Angeles, shot Miss Flora Sanders, an employe, twice and then fired three bullets into his own body.

Eugene Morris, a constable at Universal, Ind., a mining town, was shot in the back by an unidentified man and died in a hospital.

J. A. Oxley, postmaster at Kenwood, Ia., has been removed from office by Postoffice Inspector Griffin as the result of a robbery at the postoffice recently.

When Arthur Veitch of Maize, Ok., boarded a train six weeks ago for a honeymoon trip some of his friends tried to pull him from the train platform. Veitch resisted and in the struggle ligaments about his heart were torn. He is dead as a result of his injuries.

Several Russian battleships are reported trapped in the Gulf of Riga.

A Zeppelin flew over the fort at Ust-Dvinsk and dropped many bombs. German aeroplanes attack Riga every day.

The Milwaukee Merchants and Manufacturers' association has decided to try to secure the Democratic national convention for Milwaukee.

The Rockford & Interurban Co. offered its capital stock to the city council.

Capt. Percy Archer Clive a member of parliament for Herefordshire, has been seriously wounded in Flanders.

The American consul at Cork reports that the body of M. W. Harvey, a Lusitania passenger, washed ashore on a small island off the Irish coast.

The Guggenheims' American Smelting and Refining Company returned to the federal government \$12,766.88 in money and returned to government entry 3,476 acres of valuable coal land the company had operated under false entry.

Three convicts have escaped from the federal prison at Leavenworth, Kan.

Hugo Kempff, 60, founder of the religious sect known as "Government by God," killed himself by inhaling illuminating gas at his home on Garden street, Maywood, N. J.

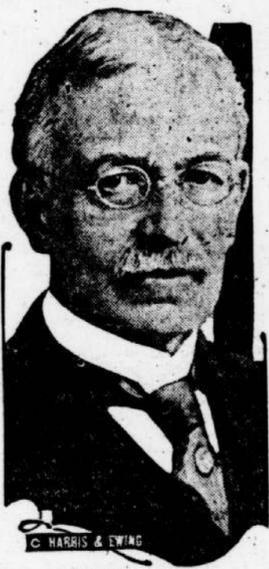
Villa's forces in Durango are suffering a severe defeat and are retiring toward Torreon.

C. G. Stafford, former cashier of a state bank in Kansas City, Kan., was arrested in connection with the embezzlement from the bank of \$27,000.

Actual work of raising the Eastland has begun. The hull of the ship has been pumped dry and divers went underneath the vessel to attach chains and hawsers.

Roumania continues her preparations for war, having already called to the colors three more classes of reserves than were summoned for the Balkan mobilization of 1913.

The American answer to Germany's latest note on the Frye case has been sent to President Wilson at Cornish.



**DR. A. C. TRUE.**  
Dr. A. C. True of the United States department of agriculture is the chief of the new bureau of the states relation service, which takes over the department's work of farmers' cooperative demonstration, agricultural schools, farmers' institutes and the maintenance of agricultural experimental stations in Alaska, Hawaii, Porto Rico and Guam.

## MEXICANS WOULD RETAKE OLD LAND

SECTION OF TEXAS IN DANGER FROM IGNORANT AND IRRESPONSIBLE PEOPLE.

Brownsville, Texas.—Practically every American citizen in three southernmost counties of Texas, Cameron, Hidalgo and Starr, is resting under arms in fear that the overwhelming population of this section may break out in a racial fight.

The Mexican disturbances spread rapidly westward until rumors of troubles developed at Laredo, 200 miles up the border from here. The disturbance came out definitely in its true colors, an attempt to turn part of Texas back to Mexican control, a wild scheme, backed partly by ignorant classes of Mexicans, helped by escaped convicts and fugitives from justice on the American side, assisted by a fairly large influx of irresponsible Mexicans from the other side, including some Mexican soldiers.

Rangers in Hidalgo County, pursuing some of the gang which killed an American trooper, near Mercedes, captured a flag bearing the words in Spanish: "Army of Liberation for Mexicans in Texas."

They took a horse, some literature urging Mexicans to revolt and some telegrams, one dated Monterey.

Invents Protector From Gas.  
Paris.—Hiram Maxim is credited by the London correspondent of the Petit Parisien with having invented a simple and inexpensive contrivance to protect soldiers from the effects of deadly gases. This device is designed to cause the gases to rise, pass over the heads of the men against whom they are directed.

Ignores Official's Resignation.  
Nashville, Tenn.—Circuit Judge Thomas E. Matthews suspended J. D. Alexander, city commissioner of fire building inspection, under ouster proceedings recently filed. Commissioner Alexander resigned and will seek vindication in the coming primary. Judge Matthews held that the resignation did not terminate the ouster proceedings.

Begin Brewery Cases in Texas.  
Houston, Tex.—At Austin taking of testimony began in the case of the State of Texas against the seven brewing concerns of Texas for alleged violation of the state anti-trust act, illegal contributions of corporate funds to political campaign funds, the state asking penalties of forfeiture of charter and ouster.

New Cattle Disease Appears.  
Lansing, Mich.—Puzzled by a disease which is killing cattle in Saginaw County, members of the State Live Stock Sanitary Commission were confronted with another problem when a report was received at Standish, Arenac County, that cattle there were being stricken blind.

Ottawa, Ont.—Canadian casualties up to date number 10,680, made up of 1,877 dead, 6,738 wounded and 2,065 missing.

Cotton Causing Britain Concern.  
London.—Cotton is the subject of editorials in all the papers. Some of them urge the government to declare the staple contraband, while others address the United States and asks its sympathy with the British viewpoint.

Count Okuma to Remain.  
Tokyo.—Premier Count Okuma has virtually decided, at the special request of the emperor, to remain in office.

## FRANK IS LYNCHED BY GEORGIA MOB

CROWD OF MEN GO TO STATE FARM AND TAKE THE PRISONER.

WAS HANGED NEAR MARIETTA

Warden and Superintendent Covered While Men Take Frank From Keepers—Prison Telephone Wires Cut.

Milledgeville, Ga.—A mob variously estimated at between 25 and 75 overpowered the warden, superintendent and guards at the Georgia state prison farm, near here, and quickly got Leo M. Frank and rushed him away in an automobile.

Frank was hanged to tree two miles out on pike from Marietta.

First reports that it might be friends of Frank were dispelled when a prisoner said he had heard a member of the mob say that Frank's body would be placed on the grave of Mary Phagan at Marietta, Frank was serving a life term for the murder of the girl.

The mob was orderly, but worked quickly. Eight automobiles took the men to within a short distance of the prison. First all wires from the prison and all except one from Milledgeville were cut.

Five men went to the house of J. T. Smith, warden, covered him with pistols and stood guard over him. Other men went to the house of J. M. Burke, superintendent of the prison and held him under the cover of their guns.

Practically every other member of the mob then rushed to the stockade gate nearest the dormitory where Frank was being housed.

German Catholics Endorse Meeting.  
St. Paul.—Resolutions endorsing the peace conference to be held in Chicago September 5 and 6, and recommending that the state and local organizations affiliated with the centralverein send delegates to the meeting to protest against the continued shipments of munitions of war to Europe were adopted by the National Federation of German-American Catholic Societies in annual convention here.

Prairie Fire in Texas.  
San Angelo, Tex.—Twenty-five sections, comprising 16,000 acres of grazing land, were burned in Crockett county as the result of a prairie fire. Ozona, one of the largest towns in the county, was saved from destruction only by a change in the direction of the wind.

United States Rejects Views.  
Washington.—The United States dispatched to Vienna a note rejecting the Austro-Hungarian views that the great scale on which war munitions are being exported from America to enemies of the Germanic allies "is not in consonance with the definition of neutrality."

To Put Federal Prisoners to Work.  
Washington.—Attorney General Gregory practically has decided that the 3,000 prisoners in the three federal prisons shall be put to work making articles which can be bought by government departments, including the army and navy.

Alaska Land Reopened.  
Washington.—Nearly half of the land in the Chugach national forest, Alaska, through which the government railroad is to run, is restored to the public domain by proclamation of President Wilson. The boundaries of the forest contain approximately 5,818,000 acres.

Famine Reported in Haiti.  
Washington.—Famine has followed in the wake of the Haitian revolution and the American Red Cross heeded an appeal for aid.

London.—The British transport Royal Edward was torpedoed by the Germans and about a thousand soldiers lost their lives.

Officers Seize Opium.  
San Francisco.—Opium valued at over \$20,000 is in the possession of the State Board of Pharmacy as the result of a raid in Chinatown by officers of the board. It is said to be the largest single seizure since prohibition of smoking opium was implemented.

Storm Causes Fire in Oil Field.  
Tulsa, Okla.—A severe electrical storm caused a loss of more than \$250,000 in the oil fields near Tulsa.

Earth Shocks Felt in Austria.  
Amsterdam. (Via London).—A dispatch to the Frankfurter Zeitung from Laibach, Austria, under date of August 11, says that extraordinarily severe earth shocks were registered at frequent intervals.

Gen. Scott Visits Villa.  
El Paso.—Major General Scott, chief of staff of the United States army, has arrived. He saw a committee of mining men, and made a visit to General Francisco Villa at Juarez.



MRS. META BERGER.  
Mrs. Meta Berger, wife of Victor L. Berger, the first Socialist elected to Congress, has been made president of the school board of Milwaukee.

## MAKE FINAL EFFORT TO CREATE ORDER

PAN-AMERICAN APPEAL FORWARDED TO MEXICO BY THE UNITED STATES.

Washington.—The Pan-American appeal to all elements in Mexico to cease fighting and join in a sincere movement to restore constitutional government began to go forward from the State Department.

The document was dispatched in English to Mexico City, directed to the various Latin-American legations.

With the appeal dispatched, the United States government will institute a friendly and persistent effort to induce Mexican leaders who thus far have shown a disposition to oppose the movement to sacrifice their personal views in the common Mexican interest. That Gen. Carranza will maintain the defiance he had indicated in recent communications to his agency here on the subject is expected by the administration, but it is regarded as probable that many of his generals and other adherents can be induced to join in a peace convention.

Absolutely no resistance to the plan is expected from any source other than Gen. Carranza, and in some quarters here the feeling is growing that even Carranza himself may respond favorably to the appeal after he has studied its friendly tone carefully and sees that he has been misinformed regarding its purposes.

Chicago to Furnish Jobs.  
Chicago.—Chicago is to have a municipal woodyard, where unemployed men will be given work at \$1 a day during the winter months. The project will prevent the annual influx of men who refuse to work and depend on the municipal lodging houses to shelter them.

All Alabama Schools Must Report.  
Montgomery, Ala.—All private, denominational and parochial schools must report regularly to the state Educational Department, according to a bill which passed the Alabama house. The bill has been passed by the Senate, and now goes to the governor.

Would Loan Immigrants Money.  
Los Angeles.—A plan to aid aliens who are expected to come to the United States in larger numbers than ever after the European war, by a federal law authorizing loans for the purchase and development of land, was outlined by William B. Wilson, United States secretary of labor.

Printing Craft Wants Peace.  
Los Angeles, Cal.—Resolutions urging the warring nations of Europe to conclude an honorable and lasting peace and praising the course of President Wilson in handling foreign complications were adopted at the sixty-first annual convention of the International Typographical Union.

Prohi Law Hits Churches.  
Douglas, Ariz.—Churches which use wines for sacramental purposes will not receive renewed supplies until suit is brought to test the state prohibition law on the point, according to Eugene St. Ives, railroad attorney.

Italian Reservists Seek Transportation  
Pittsburgh.—Four thousand Italian reservists from the Pittsburgh district have applied to the Italian vice consulate for transportation to Italy to join their regiments.

Ask Credit of \$2,500,000,000.  
London.—A Reuter dispatch from Amsterdam says that a Berlin telegram states that in a bill voted by the federal council for a supplementary imperial budget for 1915 a new credit of \$2,500,000,000 was asked.

The police jury has decided to purchase sufficient gravel to complete the gravel road on Bayou Lafourche in this parish. It is expected that in the near future the parish of Lafourche will join its gravel road with this parish, after which there will be hard surface road from Thibodaux to Baton Rouge.

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## WOULD BOND BIG HIGHWAY SCHEME

SYSTEM OF GOOD ROADS WOULD REQUIRE A \$5,000,000 ISSUE BY THE STATE.

PARISHES TO PAY INTEREST

Baton Rouge Chamber of Commerce Approves Plan—Matter May Be Brought Before the Constitutional Convention.

Baton Rouge.—At a special meeting the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce of Baton Rouge endorsed the Louisiana Good Roads Association's plan to have the state issue \$5,000,000 in bonds to build three model highways through the state.

Colonel William Polk of Alexandria met with the directors and explained to them the association's plan. It is proposed to ask the Constitutional Convention to authorize the bond issue. The bonds are to run for fifty years at a low rate of interest.

It is proposed to use the money in building a model road from New Orleans to Lake Charles, another from Shreveport to New Orleans, via Alexandria and Baton Rouge, and another from Shreveport to the Mississippi line. The principal it is intended will be assumed by the state and the parishes are to pay the interest, each parish paying on a basis of the cost of the road within its boundaries.

## BRIEF NEWS AND NOTES.

Rice harvesting has started in Vermillion parish; several planters started with sickles. It is conceded that the reports of a bumper rice crop do not apply to this section. The north winds and dry weather during July caused many numbers of rice heads to blast or grow straight, thus materially reducing the yield, which will average about six bags to the acre.

The race for sheriff in Tangipahoa parish at the next election gives every promise of equaling the race for governor in Mississippi, in point of interest at least. Already six candidates are in the field as follows: The incumbent, Sheriff Ballard, Wm. M. Alfred, I. W. Ott, Reginald Mullins, Lemuel Bowden, Dave Storey.

Having heard nothing further from C. C. Durden, who recently disappeared from Kentwood, where he was editing the New Era, it is said that the plant will be sold at auction to satisfy creditors. It is not believed that another paper will be established there.

Edward Everett, of Farmerville, former secretary of state, filling the unexpired portion of the last term of John T. Michel during the Sanders administration, has announced his candidacy for the office of secretary of state.

While riding a bicycle along St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans, Alfred Conway, a 15-year-old boy, was crushed to death against the curbing and a telephone pole when a motor truck became uncontrollable.

A beneficial rain fell at Franklinton, continuing for about three hours. The rain was general in this section, and breaks a drought, with exception of some scattered showers, that has prevailed since July 5.

Leaping into the Broad Street Canal in full uniform, Hugh Farrell, a New Orleans fire department driver, rescued Myrtle Quillan, eleven years old, who had accidentally fallen into the water.

The census of school children in Ouachita parish shows a decrease of 777 under the census taken four years ago. The total this year is 7,484, more than half being negroes.

H. W. Pullum, foreman in the local railroad yards was seriously stabbed by Louis Pickering, a car repairer, who had been discharged by him.

If the plans of capitalists materialize, another box factory will be in operation in Amite City within a short time.

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Farmers still are crying for rain in the vicinity of Amite City, despite the visitation of showers during the past few days.

Discovery of an important change in the general primary law vitally affecting the Democratic state primary of next year, has set political circles agog. In amending the act, the Legislature omitted the section providing for the call of a state primary by the central committee of the dominant party. As a result with every mandatory provision respecting the primary eliminated, the Democratic State Central Committee has complete power as to when it shall meet to call the primary, and when the primary shall be held.

A compilation of the primary election law, as amended to date, issued by Secretary of State Milsaps, a few days ago, revealed the omission. The story spread rapidly in political circles, and lawyers and politicians began to look up the question. Investigation verified the Milsaps compilation. The mandatory provisions of Section 3 had been eliminated by amendment.

The effect of the change is the greater because of the Constitutional Convention in contemplation. As the law now stands, the Democratic State Central Committee need not issue the call for the state primary until November, December, or most any other time. It may fix the date of the primary anywhere up to a short time prior to the third Tuesday in April, which is the general election date.

The continued dry weather which has prevailed at Ponchatoula all of the spring and summer has almost completely killed the strawberry plants which were expected to furnish the crop for 1916 and only those truck growers who were fortunate enough to have their farms provided with flow wells have berries to ship next season unless rain falls within the next few days. Not only the berry crop has suffered but the corn, potato and watermelon crops have been cut off at least fifty per cent.

Forty infants and scores of other children were endangered in New Orleans when a bolt of lightning, striking an electric wire, twined about a gas pipe caused an explosion and fire in the Milliken Memorial Annex—the children's department—of the Charity Hospital. Quick action by Miss Alice Bruen, a nurse, prevented the flames spreading and made possible an orderly exit of the children from the building.

The new Vinton Lodge of Masons was formally installed by John W. Armstrong, of Welsh, senior grand warden of the state lodge, assisted by E. F. Gayle, of Lake Charles, district deputy grand master. The lodge starts off with a charter membership of thirty, and the following officers: S. J. Welch, worshipful master; S. J. Fairchild, senior warden; A. H. Foreman, junior warden; Henry Moore, secretary.

The revival meeting under the big tent of the Methodist Church at Homer, continues to increase in interest and large crowds are attending the services. Rev. H. R. Singleton, of Scruggs Memorial Church, St. Louis, is doing the preaching. As a result of the meeting there have been thirty-one accessions to the Methodist Church alone, beside those who may affiliate with other denominations.

In a speech delivered at Bryceland, Lieutenant Governor Thos. C. Barret declared that he favors writing into the new state constitution, when the convention meets in New Orleans next month, a provision that no state officer may become a candidate for governor while holding a commission from the people, and that in order to become a candidate he must resign the office he holds.

The Eagles of Baton Rouge presented their playgrounds to the city with formal ceremonies. Mayor Grouchy accepted the playgrounds on behalf of the city. Music and dancing were features of the program. Little Beverly Favrot, daughter of J. St. Clair Favrot, secretary of the State Board of Equalization, responded on behalf of the city's kiddies.

Politics already are beginning to grow warm in West Baton Rouge, where two candidates are in the field for sheriff and two others are ready to toss their hats into the ring, according to report. Octave Levert and Alfred Owin, clerk of court, have announced. V. M. Lefevre, deputy sheriff, and Louis Kirkland are the others mentioned.

The East Baton Rouge police jury and the Baton Rouge city commission council each appropriated \$500 for the Baton Rouge free fair. The fair will be held this year in October. It is unique in that it is one of the few fairs in the Southern states where stall rent, entries, etc., are free.

The first big shipment of rice to be received in New Orleans was nearly a week later than last year.

A big festival for the benefit of Ascension Council, No. 1037, Knights of Columbus, will be given at Donaldsonville Saturday, Sunday and Monday, September 4, 5 and 6. The entertainment will be under the management of members of the council, who will be assisted by the women of the Catholic congregation.

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