

SUMMARY OF A WEEK'S EVENTS

Latest News of Interest Boiled Down for the Busy Man.

Washington

Grain crops of the United States aggregate 4,409,000,000 bushels, an increase during August of 136,000,000 bushels...

Fifty post offices of the first class were designated by Postmaster General Hitchcock as postal savings banks...

Domestic

Nothing less than a bond of \$150,000 will be accepted for the release of S. A. Potter, alias George W. Post, alias William A. Carter, alleged gold-brick king...

Maine has gone "dry" after all, and the constitutional provision of 1884 against legislative tampering with the prohibition law remains in force...

The wooden steamer, Lamona of the Pacific Coast Steamship company, bound from Skagway to Seattle, with passengers and freight, went ashore on one of the Spanish islands...

Aviator Bob Fowler, en route from San Francisco to New York, met with the first mishap of his pioneer cross-country aerial voyage near Alta, Cal., when in trying to make a landing...

The coroner's jury in the case of Annie Lemberger, the seven-year-old girl found drowned in Monona lake, Wisconsin, returned this verdict: "Annie Lemberger's death was caused by blows on the head and suffocation before her body was thrown into the lake."

The firm of Van Shalck & Co., members of the New York stock exchange, have suspended with liabilities of nearly \$1,000,000.

Silas Draper, sixty years old, of Lancaster, Pa., died of injuries received in the Lehigh Valley wreck at Manchester, N. Y., August 23. This raises the list of dead to 30.

With the salmon packing season nearly over on Puget sound, it is estimated that the pack of pinks this season will reach 750,000 cases, or nearly twice as much as in any previous year.

The finding of the body of Myrtle Hawkins, seventeen years old, in lake near Hendersonville, N. C., is expected to reveal one of the most sensational tragedies in the history of the state.

A flood of molasses swept down several streets leading from a New Orleans storage warehouse when a large tank containing about a million gallons of this Louisiana product burst with a tremendous report.

Thirty persons injured, six seriously; sixty dwelling and business buildings leveled to the ground and property damage of more than \$500,000 is the result of the cyclone which swept the town of Hobart and Wexford county, Mich.

Thirty-seven state executives were present when the House of Governors convened in Lakewood, N. J. Governor Woodrow Wilson as host delivered the welcoming address and the discussion of important public questions was begun.

Nearly 25,000 persons engaged in the New England textile industry have resumed work after periods of idleness due to a pronounced policy of curtailment. Within eight days 85,000 operatives have been called to their machines.

For the first time in history a Chinese naval vessel has entered American waters. The naval victor is the cruiser Hatch, which, with Rear Admiral Chang Ph Kwang on board, anchored off the entrance to the New York harbor.

Speaker Champ Clark was entertained at Louisiana, Mo., by the home folks, the greater part of the population of the Ninth Missouri congressional district joining to greet him on his home coming from Washington. In his address the speaker asserted that upright and honest politicians are the rule, and not the exception, in America.

Advances in freight rates on single packages and small lots, filed with the interstate commerce commission by railroads, were suspended until April 28, 1912. The order affects shippers in every part of the country.

Mrs. John Bodell, wife of a restaurant keeper at Hunt City, Ill., shot and killed her husband on the street a few minutes after his return from St. Marie. Mrs. Bodell is in jail.

After suffering six years with a broken back and, physicians say, with only a few weeks of life before him, Andrew Roschitz has started on a long journey back from Pittsburg, Kan., to his birthplace in southern Italy to die.

An international congress for the protection of infants opened in Berlin, the United States being represented by Nathan Straus of New York.

Martin Lemberger, the father of little seven-year-old Annie Lemberger, whose body was found in Lake Monona after a week of supposed kidnapping mystery, was put under surveillance by detectives of Sheriff Andrew Brown of Dane county.

Nineteen persons were injured, one of them probably fatally, when two cars on the Grand Rapids, Muskegon & Grand Rapids Interurban railway met in a rear-end collision one mile east of Fruitport, Mich.

Lieut. Don Hispan Martinez of the Uruguayan army has arrived in Washington to begin an exhaustive study on behalf of his government of the military institutions of the United States.

Rev. Carl F. Intemann, pastor of Grace Lutheran church, Brooklyn, is saving his congregation several hundred dollars by doing the painting of the church parsonage buildings.

Col. Edward H. R. Green, son of Mrs. Betty Green, has become an international matrimonial prize. Colonel Green has received 6,242 offers of marriage. Of these 1,311 have come from abroad.

Congressman J. P. Latta, Third Nebraska district, died in a hospital at Rochester, Minn., from the effects of an operation recently performed.

James B. Angell, ex-president of the University of Michigan, was stricken at Geneva, Switzerland, with an attack of apoplexy. The famous American educator has been traveling in Switzerland several weeks for his health.

First-class postmasters met in convention in Omaha with Postmaster General Hitchcock as guest of honor.

Col. John Jacob Astor and Madeleine Force were married at Beechwood, the colonel's summer residence at Newport, by Rev. Joseph Lambert, pastor of the Elmwood Temple Congregational church of Providence.

After studying matrimonial and domestic affairs for the past ten years an Atlanta minister is going to deliver a series of six sermons on "Music of Married Life," touching the life in all phases.

Francis LeBaron Robbins, Pittsburgh millionaire and former president of the Pittsburgh Coal company, a \$97,000,000 corporation controlling practically all of the bituminous coal output of western Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana, died at the Mercy hospital, Chicago, following an operation for cirrhosis of the liver.

Billy Burke and Spanish Queen at Syracuse, N. Y., set a new fastest three heat record in the \$2,000 Chamber of Commerce stake for 2:07 trotters, which was won by Billy Burke. The time was 2:04 1/2, 2:04 1/2, 2:05 1/2. The former record, 2:04 1/2, 2:05 1/2, 2:05 1/2.

Purely strategical reasons have induced the Japanese government to decide upon the abandonment of a naval expedition at Fort Arthur in Manchuria, representing an investment of many millions of dollars.

Great Britain, Germany, Austria and Spain have agreed simultaneously to recognize the republic of Portugal.

A cyclone ravaged Flores island, the most westerly of the Azores. Great damage to crops was done. The population of Flores island is about 9,000.

Advices from Chang King state that the Chinese government troops in the Cheng-Tu district have revolted and that a general rebellion is imminent. The missionaries are concentrating at Cheng Kiang, although there is no present indication that the revolt is of an anti-foreign character.

Mount Etna is again in eruption. Two new craters are belching smoke and cinders. The inhabitants of the mountain slopes are moving out of the danger zones.

Fifteen were killed and forty injured in a battle between Zapatistas and Maderistas at the town of Coxcoatlán, in the state of Puebla, Mexico. The Zapatistas were victorious. They captured the town and dynamited several buildings.

Fourteen men were drowned ten miles off the Nicaraguan coast when the schooner Whisper, with a cargo of mahogany, burned to the water's edge and finally went to the bottom. An explosion of a gasoline tank on board is said to have caused the disaster.

STOLYPIN IS KILLED

ATTACKED WHILE ATTENDING A THEATER AT KIEV—EMPEROR ALSO PRESENT.

ASSAILANT, A LAWYER, ARRESTED

Is the Third Attempt to End the Life of Much-Hated Official of Czar Nicholas.

Kiev, Russia.—The Russian premier, P. A. Stolypin, was attacked while attending a gala performance at the opera. He was wounded twice by his assailant. One bullet entered his hand, while the other penetrated the body, grazing the liver and lodging in the spine. The premier's wounds are mortal. Emperor Nicholas was present in the theater at the time.

The two bullets were fired from behind by a lawyer named Bogrof. The audience tried to lynch the assassin. Some reports have it that a musician also was wounded.

The minister of finance, M. Kokovsov, was sitting beside the premier at the time of the attack.

This is not the first attempt against the life of Premier Stolypin. When he was governor of Saratov in 1905, three shots were fired at him, but without effect.

On Aug. 25, 1906, a bomb was thrown when Stolypin, then premier, was holding a public reception at his country house on Altkersky island. The premier was slightly wounded. Thirty-two persons were killed and a still larger number wounded. Among the latter was the premier's 16-year-old daughter and his three-year-old son.

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The retaliatory steps which he took against the terrorists and liberals alike won him the detestation of the administration. "Stolypin's necktie" became the synonym of the hangman's noose throughout Russia.

PACIFIC LUMBERMEN UNITE. Deal Represents \$200,000,000 and Involves Acquisition of Vast Lands.

San Francisco, Calif.—Lumbermen of Oregon and Washington are forming a great combine and already a large number of producers have signed the agreement. According to a prominent San Francisco man who has known of the negotiations for some time, the consolidation will represent an investment of approximately \$200,000,000. The deal involves the acquisition of timber lands which will supply the mills for at least fifteen years.

Mill owners representing more than fifty per cent of the Columbia river cut have signed the agreement and eighty-five per cent of the mill men of Grays Harbor, Washington, have joined the merger.

The agreement provides that its conditions are binding only in the event that sixty-five per cent of the output of the water mills in the two states have become parties to the contract prior to Jan. 1, 1912.

LA FOLLETTE BOOM IN NEBRASKA. Steps Taken to Form League to Extend Over Bryan's State.

Lincoln, Neb.—A movement in the interest of Senator La Follette of Wisconsin as the Republican candidate for president and an effort to bring about the support of Nebraska delegates to the next national convention took form when a dinner was held in Lincoln, bringing together well-known progressive Republicans who are partisans of the Wisconsin senator.

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STATE OF MINNESOTA

Executive Department. Proclamation.

That the fire waste is increasing year by year and becoming more and more appalling within the State of Minnesota is certain.

To determine how a congress of representative men, interested in the preservation of the wealth of our state, what the loss of property has been by reason of fire, the causes therefor, and how such waste can be reduced, will contribute greatly to the advancement of this state and to the economic welfare of its people. The magnitude of the loss of property by fire, as well as the cost of fire prevention, is not grasped by the average man. It is estimated that approximately one-half a billion dollars is annually expended by the people of the United States for this purpose—a sum one-half as great as the annual budget of our federal government. Nearly two hundred fifty million dollars represents the loss by fire. A sum which would be equalled if a per capita tax of \$2.71 were collected from every man, woman and child in the United States in no European country does the per capita loss exceed 50 cents.

During the past fifteen years computations indicate that approximately two billion dollars and twenty thousand lives have been "sacrificed to fire." Minnesota has borne too great a part of this enormous loss of property.

The use of matches in our state by forest fires is almost beyond computation. Property destroyed by fire is a total and absolute loss. Every indication points to an increase of loss by fire in our state during the year 1911.

The season of the year when fires are wont to increase in number is at hand. The heating stove of the household is to be utilized, and the smoke therefrom must be prevented from allowing's nest before escaping. It is believed that more than fifty per cent of our fire loss is due to incendiarism or negligence. Much can be done for the prevention of fires by criminals, or through carelessness. Carelessness in the use of fire and lights in housekeeping is common. Carelessness in the use of matches is universal. Inflammable rubbish in factories is too often found. Dark and dirty hallways where matches are scratched and where cigar and cigarette stubs are thrown are too frequently the cause of fires. Tenants of dark, old-fashioned oil lamps. Unsafe oil stoves are sold and employed. Oily houses, factories and lumber yards. Property is not carefully watched and those things which produce fire are improperly guarded.

It is meet that our people should be instructed and caused to realize that fire waste is impoverishing our commonwealth. Taking into account these vital considerations for the welfare of our state, I hereby do proclaim the eighth day of November, 1911, to be known as Minnesota Fire Prevention Day, and urge that it be so recognized and observed in all departments of the state, in all public and private institutions of learning, and by all organizations and persons interested in the social and economic uplift of our people. It is urged that the press, as the strongest factor in the development of public sentiment, impress the importance of this movement upon our people.

And I do further proclaim the holding of a Minnesota Fire Prevention Congress, to be held in the Palm Room, Saint Paul Hotel, in the City of Saint Paul, on said eighth day of November, and earnestly invite the members of the state to participate and co-operate in carrying out the plans of this gathering, that its purposes may be fully realized.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be hereunto affixed at the Capitol, in the City of St. Paul, this 7th day of September, A. D. 1911.

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GAIN IN TAXABLES

TWENTY-TWO DISTRICTS RETURN \$284,142 ON REASSESSMENT.

MUCH FROM THE SMALL TOWNS

Fifteen Towns and Villages That Sent In No Assessment Now Show Total of \$157,015.

St. Paul—Sixty-three times as much personal property has been returned from twenty-two of the towns, villages and smaller cities of the state in which special assessors for the State Tax Commission have been making reassessments on moneys and credits as was reported under the original assessment, according to figures given out by the commissioners.

Fifteen villages and towns in which no return whatever was made under the original assessment reported a total of \$157,015, while the total return by the special assessors were \$284,142, or an increase of \$127,127.

Fergus Falls Gains 65 Per Cent. A gain of almost 65 per cent was noted in Fergus Falls, the largest city that has reported. In the original assessment \$205,505 was returned under moneys and credits, while the special assessor's report listed \$338,876, a gain of \$133,371.

Of the rural districts which reported no moneys and credits on the regular assessment, the largest increase was made by the special assessor in Dumont, Traverse county, where he dug up \$25,027 assessable money and credits. A close second was Washington Lake, Sibley county, where \$22,688 was reported.

To Exceed \$100,000,000 Mark. Reassessments have been ordered by the commission in 233 districts, and the returns from the assessors are expected to boost the taxable moneys and credits in the state above the \$100,000,000 mark, higher than it has ever been before.

The following are districts that did not return taxable moneys and credits under the first assessment, for which special assessors already have reported the amounts shown:

Table with columns: District Name, Original Assessment, Reassessment, Gain. Lists districts like Freeborn, Genoa, Geneva, Watkins, Norman, Hegne, Washington Lake, Green Isle, Rendaville, Moore, Croke, Tara, Dallymount.

Tara, a village in Traverse county, is the poorest in the state in the amount of taxable money and credits reported, though the village of Moors in Stevens county, has only \$150 more.

Tara returned \$1,050 for assessment as money and credits, and Moore, \$1,200.

TRAIN WRECK PLOTTED.

Anoka Doctors in Auto Find Rails Loosened Near Andover.

Anoka—A deliberate attempt to wreck the Great Northern at Duluth slyer was discovered by Dr. T. C. Caine and Dr. H. H. Carlson, of this city near Andover.

Dr. Caine, accompanied by Dr. Carlson, who is a dentist, went in Dr. Caine's auto to Linwood to see a patient. On the way they crossed the tracks near Andover and apparently the track had not in any way been disturbed. However, on their return, the auto jumped as it struck the crossing, and aroused the doctors' suspicion. They returned immediately to investigate.

At the crossing every spike had been removed from the rails and the fish-plates were gone.

The doctors went to a farm house near by to notify the railway officials, but they could obtain no telephone connection from the house. Though they tried other farm house telephones they had the same experience. They concluded the persons who had tampered with the track had cut the wires.

The doctors finally found a telephone that would work, called the railway office, and in a short time a section crew was on hand to repair the track.

Chickens Not as Plentiful as Reported. Karistad.—The town and surrounding country have been alive with hunters since the chicken season opened. It is reported that the chickens were numerous this year, as the weather has been favorable for hatching, but the hunters say that, although there is enough for a pretty fair shoot, they are by no means as plentiful as reported.

Collects Tax on Higher Valuation. Attorney General Simpson has procured a settlement from the James A. Mulvey estate for inheritance taxes. Mr. Mulvey died at Stillwater, July 13, 1910, leaving an estate valued at \$190,209.32. There was a dispute between the heirs and the state as to the value of the property. C. Louis Weeks, assistant attorney general, held out for a valuation of \$25,000 higher than had been reported by the heirs. The estate paid to State Auditor Iverson \$1,872.30, which represents the contention of the attorney general's office.

Noted Horse Thief Taken. Winnipeg, Man.—Sam Gondry, who is said to have been wanted for several years by the Montana authorities on charges of alleged horse thefts, was arrested by the Northwest mounted police near Calgary after a desperate fight.

Lightning Kills Two at Sheboygan. Sheboygan, Wis.—Carl Herms of Cleveland and Walter Peller of New Glarus, Wis., students at the mission house at Franklin, were struck by lightning and killed.

DULUTH A SEAPORT.

Prediction of President of Steel Corporation.

Duluth—When the Panama canal is complete and improvements are made to the Welland canal and the New York barge canal the barriers between Duluth and the world's markets will be broken down and Duluth will be one of the great seaports of the world.

Surrounded by other officials of the corporation of which he is the head and of its subsidiaries and by many representatives citizens of Duluth, President Farrell pledged to this city the continued attention of the steel corporation, progressive development of its resources and industries here, and a careful policy toward its operations so there may be no retrogression.

To Develop Mining Properties. The development of its mining properties and the extension of its transportation facilities on the range will be pushed until the best results possible.

Prominent Hastings Man Dies. Hastings—John G. Mertz died suddenly following an acute attack of pneumonia. He was one of Hastings' most prominent citizens. He was a veteran of the Civil War, a former member of company F, Seventh Minnesota infantry, a member of Dakota Lodge No. 7, A. F. and M., Verrillion Lodge No. 8, I. O. O. F., and Pelier Post No. 89, G. A. R. He is survived by a son, Alden G. Mertz and two grandchildren, Karl J. and Louis C.

He have been obtained. President Farrell said that the Minnesota steel plant will be complete in every respect for the manufacture of every class of steel product for which a market can be found. He refrained from making any prediction as to the time the manufacture of steel would be begun, but he assured all possible speed.

The luncheon at the Commercial club was tendered by President Farrell, the other visiting officials and representative business men by the officials of the Duluth, Missabe & Northern and the Duluth & Iron Range railroads. About 180 men gathered around the board.

Denmark. The firemen at Taarbak have gone on a strike for higher pay. Benzine will be used as an experiment for running engines on the state railroads of Denmark.

The open air theater in Copenhagen cleared \$1,000 for the season. Last year the surplus was \$5,000. The post office at Sonderbro, Fano, is to be closed. The building will be used for a recreation home.

Professor Bloch has taken steps to have women from lying-in hospitals used as nurses instead of bottles for feeding young babies. Women who are willing to serve in this capacity will be well paid, and their service will be purely voluntary.

A Danish publishing company has brought good tidings to writers who can get an ordinary publisher to print their offerings to the muse of poetry, for said company has announced that it is willing to class a new series of books containing the maiden efforts of budding poets.

Norway. Hans L. Helgesen has celebrated his 80th birthday at Vollebungen, Asker. He emigrated to America at the age of 18 years, and spent 61 years of his life on the west side of the Atlantic. He commenced his career as a gold digger in California, but spent most of his life in Vancouver, B. C. He was a dealer in gold claims, and managed to save a handsome fortune for a rainy day. The provincial government appointed him fisheries inspector, and he also held the position of justice of the peace and member of the parliament of Columbia. His wife, who died some time ago, was an Irish woman, and their children are living in British Columbia. Helgesen so well at his birthplace that he proposed to stay there during the balance of his life. His widowed sister is keeping house for him.

The settlement of the great lockout came in the shape of an agreement to make a compromise. The 32,000 men that were locked out were discharged in the shape of a compromise. The employers threatened to issue their order locking out a few thousand more. But the starting was ready to pass a law compelling an immediate compromise, and the employers did not dare to run this risk. The men that were locked out behaved so well that their self-control was universally looked upon almost as a marvel. They won the sympathy of all classes, and some of the battle drifts away, it became more and more plain that the real crux of the whole matter was an attempt on the part of the foreign capitalists to squeeze the last cent out of the Norwegian workmen. The chances are that the foreign capitalists may live to see the day when they will be sorry for having aroused the indignation of a patient people.

Sweden. The Nordstjarnan shipping company Stockholm is planning a regular traffic on the Pacific coast after the way from San Francisco to Valparaiso. The plan may be put into execution before the opening of the Panama canal.

The tourist traffic was not so heavy in Stockholm last summer as the year before. But the country as a whole has done well. During the busiest season about 40 persons, called at the tourist bureau in Berlin and some days the receipts were as high as \$4,000.

Some tourists reported at Lulea that the Eriksson brothers, who were lost in the mountain districts of northern Sweden in the latter part of June, had turned up in Norway, completely exhausted in body and mind. But official inquiries proved that the rumor was groundless. The young men could have perished, and if their bodies are not recovered soon they cannot be found until the snow thaws away next spring.

The assessor of Stockholm have interpreted the new tax laws to the effect that small employers' unions and labor unions shall pay for their membership fees, but on the income from capital and property. A great number of unions, including the Swedish railway-men's union and the typographical union, have protested against the ruling, and the people are greatly interested in the final outcome of the controversy.

The will of the late State Geologist Lindstrom, provides for donations to the pension fund of the sick nurses at the Sophia Home, the general pension fund of the Swedish sick nurses, the Stockholm dressmakers' union, and \$7,000 to private persons, the total being about \$24,500. He turned his library consisting of tens of thousands of volumes over to the national museum, the royal library, and the city of Jonkoping.

The price of sugar is still soaring upward, and the complaint of the consumers are loud and long. By way of consolation, a "sugar baron" dug up some old price lists, and proved that fifty years ago sugar was almost twice as high as it is now. This self-made "sugar baron" also explains that the profits of the "sugar trust" really go to the thousands of stockholders constituting that trust. But his biggest trump-card comes last; these stocks are offered cheap on the world's markets, so that any man can easily buy them and get rich by means of the present high price of sugar.

Persistent north winds drove so much water out of the Gulf of Bothnia that the water at Lulea became lower than it has been for a great many years. Several steamers were grounded while engaged in their ordinary traffic, and three sawmills had to close because the water in the canals carrying the logs became too shallow.

J. Sundin has been employed on the Stockholm and Vasteras railway since 1874, and he traveled about exactly one million English miles as a locomotive engineer. As a token of appreciation of his services, his superiors awarded him a gold medal.

Two More Cargoes Clear From Head of Lakes for Buffalo. Duluth, Minn.—Two of the very last cargoes of new grain to leave the Duluth-Superior harbor this season are under way to the port of Buffalo in the steamers Thomas Adams and the Fanny. The loads were taken at Peavey, Consolidated and Great Northern elevators. From this time on the movement will increase in large proportions.

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