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WORLD'S DOINGS OF CURRENT WEEK

Brief Resume of General News
From All Around the Earth.

UNIVERSAL HAPPENINGS IN A NUTSHELL

Live News Items of All Nations and
Pacific Northwest Condensed
for Our Busy Readers.

Germany is considering a plan of
bourses and national aid for babies.

Twenty-one children were killed in
a Catholic school fire at Peabody,
Mass.

By the death of an uncle, Gifford
Pinchot, of U. S. forestry fame, be-
comes heir to \$250,000.

Spokane women will make war in
every way possible against "tin sol-
diers" and military toys of all kinds.

Mrs. John Azevedo, wife of a San
Rafael, Cal., dairyman, gave birth to
her 13th child in 13 years Friday. The
newest Azevedo is a husky 10-pound
boy.

It is reported in New York that the
six German officers who escaped from
the interned cruiser Kronprinz Wil-
helm have been captured by a British
warship.

Germans deny that death sentences
have been passed on any Belgians or
others in Belgium recently, and de-
clare that no one is on trial for espionage
or treason.

Fire, believed to have been of in-
cendiary origin, destroyed a pier and
caused \$500,000 loss at Seattle. The
pier was owned by British agents and
contained war stores.

R. B. Hatley, prominent farmer of
the Ewartville district near Pullman,
Wash., is the proud father of a 10-
pound son, making 20 children of
whom Mr. Hatley, who has passed his
76th milestone, is the father.

Fresh air cars, windowless and un-
heated, are to be operated on Chic-
ago's elevated railway system for the
benefit of passengers who are out-of-
doors devotees. The cars probably will
be run on half-hour schedules, only
one coach to a train to be un-
heated. It will be marked "fresh air
car."

The Los Angeles police force has
set the pace for other police bodies
of the country by the addition of a
balloon-shaped aircraft that will be
used to chase criminals. The police
tried out the craft in a flight from
Monrovia and over the city and easily
followed a speeding automobile
through the streets.

The United States bonded ware-
house on piers 34 and 35 of the Bal-
timore & Ohio railroad at Locust Point,
Baltimore, Md., was destroyed by fire.
Records were destroyed and estimates
of the value of the contents of the
warehouse varied between \$300,000
and \$400,000. The building and piers
were valued at \$150,000.

Abandonment of little-used street-
car lines, so that the copper might be
obtained for war purposes had been
ordered by the municipality of Kiel,
Germany, according to a Reuter dis-
patch from Copenhagen, which de-
clares that the work of tearing up
three streets for this purpose has be-
gun and 3000 tons of cable weighing
approximately 4000 kilos (nearly sev-
en tons) will thus be available.

Greek frontier guards were attacked
by Austrians and Bulgarians, but re-
pulsed the enemy with heavy losses.

The proposed plan to make all Cal-
ifornia state officers strictly non-parti-
san was beaten in a state election by
19,000 majority.

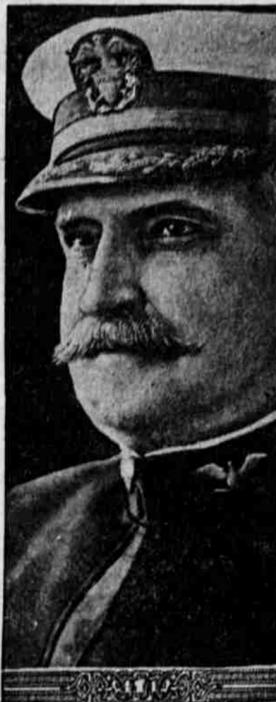
A report has reached London that
Prince von Buelow, former German
chancellor, will shortly submit to Pres-
ident Wilson and King Alfonso, of
Spain, an outline of the conditions on
which Germany might be disposed to
discuss terms of peace.

Winter has set in in the Russian
war theater, according to the London
Times' Petrograd correspondent, who
says snow has been falling for three
days and the roads are frozen so hard
that there is no foothold for horses.
The conditions, the correspondent
adds, are thus worse than in the rainy
season.

Twenty-four of the 48 big 36-inch
projectors that have formed an im-
portant element of the Panama-Pacific
exposition illumination system have
been sold to the Russian government
and are to be shipped at once to Euro-
pean battlefields, it was announced in
San Francisco. The price paid is
placed at \$24,000.

Drastic action by officials of Kan-
sas City, Kan., to prohibit illegal sale
of beer by breweries was taken Wed-
nesday when three drivers were ar-
rested and sentenced to jail and the
beer trucks confiscated. The drivers
were fined \$500 each and sent to jail
for six months. More than 100 cases
of beer were destroyed.

CAPT. JAMES H. GLENNON



New portrait of Capt. James H. Glennon, recently appointed commandant of the Washington navy yard to succeed Captain Eberle. Under his direction most of the big guns for the navy will now be manufactured.

HOP MARKET CONTINUES STEADY; BEER CONSUMPTION ON DECREASE

Portland.—A moderate amount of
business is passing in the hop market,
but the trade is by no means as active
as usual at this time of year. Sales
of 700 or 800 bales were reported, with
the largest trading in the Woodburn
section, where 200 to 300 bales changed
hands. Among the lots reported
sold were those of Sweeney Bros.,
Ramage, Werner and Ball Weber.

Louis Lachmund bought the Gong
lot of 95 bales at Salem at 10 1/2 cents,
53 bales from John McKay at 10 cents,
23 bales from Stanley McKay at 8 1/2
cents and 48 bales from Carl Meier,
of Forest Grove, at 6 cents. T. A.
Livesley & Co. paid 10 cents for the
Huddleson crop of 53 bales at Silver-
ton and 11 cents for the Theil crop at
Yoncalla.

Two lots of Yakimas, of 160 and 50
bales, were sold at 8 and 8 1/2 cents. A
California letter said that not a single
offer had been made yet on the Sacra-
mento crop of 78,000 bales raised this
year.

Beer sales in the United States for
the month of September were 5,603,062
barrels, as against 5,847,076 barrels
for September, 1914. For the four
summer beer selling months of June,
July, August and September the sales
have been 2,854,225 barrels less than
in the corresponding period last year.
Total beer sales in the United States
for the year ending August 31, 1915,
were 58,287,683 barrels, a decrease of
6,323,387 barrels, as compared with
the preceding year, or a loss of almost
10 per cent.

Navy to Have Monster Biplane.

Washington, D. C.—Secretary Dan-
iels signed an order for the construction
at the navy-yard of a giant bi-
plane for the navy, the first aircraft
to be built at any government estab-
lishment. Plans for the machine were
prepared by navy engineers.

The craft will have a carrying ca-
pacity of 2200 pounds and will make
flights of 50 to 80 miles an hour for a pe-
riod of seven hours without stop. It
will be driven by two 160-horsepower
motors. When completed it will al-
most equal in area the great French
battle airships recently constructed,
and it is understood the navy ordnance
bureau is at work on the design of a
three-inch gun with which it can be
equipped if desired.

French Cabinet Resigns.

Paris.—The Viviani ministry resign-
ed Friday. Aristide Briand has been
asked to form a new cabinet. Infor-
mation now available, indicates that
M. Briand will become foreign minis-
ter as well as premier, with Jules Cam-
bon, who was ambassador to Germany
at the outbreak of the war, as his prin-
cipal secretary. Additional designa-
tions are: Minister of war, General J.
S. Gallieni, military governor of Paris;
minister of marine, Rear Admiral La-
caze.

Edison Visits Schools.

Los Angeles.—Thomas A. Edison
answered Friday an invitation to let
school children "see him," with the
exclamation: "You bet! I'm sold for
the children," and lived up to it by
visiting 21 public schools. Mr. Edison
also broke a record by spending 14
hours in bed and appearing at break-
fast at 8:30.

OREGON STATE NEWS

Railroad Business on Increase.

La Grande.—There are fewer "dead
engines" on the O. W. R. & N. division
of the Union Pacific this week than in
any time for more than a year. Daily
for the past two weeks the line of idle
engines has been diminished, until the
local supply is nearly entirely in the
service.

New engine crews and train crews
have been put on to meet the spurt
in business. Railroad men and ship-
pers generally attribute the major por-
tion of the latest revival in freight to
the Panama canal slide, which hin-
ders steamship traffic, while transcon-
tinental business is brisk, local crops
are scarcely moving at all, farmers
holding their wheat tenaciously.

With the present sharp increase in
business coming on before a concerted
movement of wheat from inland points
railroad officials foresee a good win-
ter. Twenty machinists have been
added to the shop force here during
the fall, and from time to time.

Train crews scratched a year or
more ago are coming back to service,
two such crews being re-employed out
of here within the past day or two.

Boy Makes \$830 on Acre of Spuds.

Portland.—The chamber of com-
merce has received many letters from
different sections of the state, attest-
ing the effectiveness of the campaign
of the "Flying Squadron" last week
to arouse interest in the Manufacturers'
and Land Products Show.

One of the most striking letters re-
ceived came from Alfred Guggiaberg,
a boy farmer near Drain.

The letter, which resulted from the
visit of C. W. Robison of the "Flying
Squadron" to Drain, follows:

"C. W. Robison was at the Drain
High School today and invited us all
to come to Portland and see the Port-
land Land and Manufacturing Show.
I am unable to come, but I am very
interested in it just the same.

"I planted one acre of potatoes last
year. I am a boy of the age of 17 and
I was very successful in raising po-
tatoes. It cost me just \$130 for plant-
ing and harvesting, etc. I raised just
1200 bushels from the one acre. The
potatoes bringing me \$960, making a
profit of \$830 on the one acre of land.
The potatoes were called the Netted
Gem variety."

Oregon Hens Cinch First Prize.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corval-
lis.—With but six weeks of the Pan-
ama-Pacific exposition egg-laying con-
test to run, the O. A. C. White Leg-
horns have firmly established them-
selves in first place. Even if they
were to lay off altogether for the re-
minder of the term their position
would still be secure. The October 1
report shows that they are 245 eggs
ahead of the nearest competitor, not
counting the other O. A. C. pens—a
lead that cannot now be overcome.

The three Oregon college pens con-
tinue their lead. Leghorns first, Ore-
gon second and Barred Rocks third.
The Oregon are 52 ahead and the
Rocks 16 ahead of the closest pen,
Adams' Sananda White Wyandottes.
The college Rocks suffered an acci-
dental last month when one of them was
accidentally killed, that may affect
their lead.

Loop Road Survey Made.

Hood River.—A crew of government
engineers has completed the survey
for the proposed loop highway for the
upper Hood River valley to the
Barlow road, the route emerging from
the forest reserve on the east fork of
Hood river a few miles south of Park-
dale. A crew will run another line
this week, cutting out the east fork
canyon and passing around the base
of the mountain through Elk Mead-
ows.

The main road will pass down the
east side gorge, but it is proposed to
run another survey with the view
eventually of building a road through
Elk Meadows.

60-Pound Chinook is Caught.

Newport.—Corey Smith, an Alesha
Bay fisherman, caught a chinook sal-
mon on his regular drift Saturday
night that tipped the scales at 60
pounds. This is the record fish for
this season. The record fish on that
bay last season, for chinook, weighed
73 pounds.

350 Teachers at Institute.

Salem.—With 350 teachers present
the annual Marion County Teachers'
Institute convened here for a session
of three days. W. M. Smith, county
superintendent, is in charge. Well-
known educators of the state will de-
liver addresses. The schools of the
county are closed during the institute.

How He Got Them.

Bix—That's a fine lot of books you
have. Why don't you get a case for
them.
Dix—I would if I could get one the
same way I got the books. Have you
one to lend?

At the first of the year, according to
a government estimate, there were
108,577,000 farm animals in the United
States, a gain in a year of about
7,922,000.

Louisiana, the giant Russian drum-
major of the Imperial Guards, was
eight feet five inches high.

Ornamental handkerchiefs formerly
were worn in the hat by men as to-
kens.

CHINA IS WARNED AGAINST MONARCHY

Japan, England, France, Russia
Join in Representations.

DELAY URGED BY EUROPEAN POWERS

Chinese Foreign Minister Says Vote
Has Been Called for and Delay
Would Invite a Rebellion.

Tokio.—Official announcement was
made by the foreign office Saturday
that Japan had requested China to
postpone the project for re-establish-
ment of a monarchical form of govern-
ment.

The foreign office statement lays
emphasis on the assertion that if Yuan
Shi Kai maintains the status quo and
continues progressive policies order
will be completely restored, but ex-
presses the fear that the move to form
a monarchy will seriously endanger
the interests of the powers, especially
those of Japan, "who stands in special
relations with China."

It is understood that Great Britain,
France and Russia have made similar
representations.

The foreign office statement de-
clares an undercurrent of opposition to
a monarchy exists among the Chi-
nese, and that it is far stronger than
has been imagined. In fact, the for-
eign office says, a feeling of unrest
is spreading in all parts of China.

Emphasis is placed on the strong
desire of Japan that peace shall pre-
vail in the Orient, especially in this
era of war among the people of the
Occident. It is said that the warning
is couched in solemn, but not threaten-
ing, terms.

China's reply, made to the Japanese
charge d'affaires at Peking by Foreign
Minister Lu Cheng Heing, is said to
have indicated that the government,
having called on the people to vote,
would not delay action if they decided
in favor of a return to the monarchical
form. Delay in crowning Yuan, it was
said, would cause a revolt and give
Japan an excuse to land troops.

National Convention Dates Set by Chairmen of Two Political Parties

New York.—Chairmen of both the
democratic and republican national
committees have issued calls for meet-
ings in Washington to select cities for
the coming conventions.

The democrats will meet on Decem-
ber 7 and the republicans December
14.

In addition to issuing his call, Chair-
man Hill of the republican national
committee, set forth the probable line
of campaign to be followed by his
party. It will include:

An attack on the democratic tariff.
Criticism of the administration's
handling of affairs in Europe and in
Mexico.

Charges that democracy has failed
to keep its promise of an economical
administration, and has failed to keep
its 1912 platform pledges, including
the declaration in favor of a single
term for the president.

Attack on the administration's gov-
ernment ship bill and other adminis-
tration measures.

Idaho Mailcarrier Kills Five, Then Sends Bullet Into His Own Head

Boise, Idaho.—William Cameron,
formerly proprietor of the Carey, Ida-
ho, hotel and livery stable and mail
carrier between Picabo and Carey,
shot and killed his wife's parents, Mr.
and Mrs. John Adamson, his brother-
in-law, James Adamson, his little
daughter, aged 18 months, and his
wife, and finished his bloody work by
shooting himself in the head, at Carey.
Cameron is still alive, but there are
no hopes for his recovery.

All of his victims were shot in the
head with a revolver, and, with the
exception of James Adamson, all died
instantly. Cameron's wife was suing
him for divorce, and had left him and
returned to her parents' home.

British Army is Healthy.

London.—England's splendid sani-
tation and the unprecedented health-
fulness of the British army is a saving
feature in England's status in the pre-
sent war, according to a statement by
Sir James Crichton-Browne, an emi-
nent medical authority, before the San-
itary inspectors' association. "With a
larger army in the field than ever be-
fore," the speaker said, "the percent-
age of disease is lower than in time
of peace."

Lincoln Gun Brings \$285.

New York.—A rifle purchased by
Abraham Lincoln and Henry Brooner
for \$15 when they lived in Spencer
county, Indiana, and which was used
by the famous war president in deer
hunting, brought \$285 in a sale of Lin-
coln relics here. It was a part of the
collection of John E. Burton, of Mil-
waukee. One of Lincoln's law books
sold for \$95.

THIRTEEN DEAD, EIGHT HURT IN PAPER BOX FACTORY FIRE

Pittsburg.—Thirteen persons were
killed and eight injured by a fire in
a four-story building, the upper floors
of which were occupied by the Union
Paper Box company, on the north
side here, Wednesday afternoon. Of
the dead all were young women em-
ployed by the company except one.
Mayor Joseph G. Armstrong at once
ordered that the police, city council
and the coroner make thorough inves-
tigation of the fire.

The flames started in a pile of straw
in the rear of the feed store of James
Brown & Co., on the first floor of the
building. William C. Kimbel, general
manager of the box factory, at once
went to the third and fourth floors
and warned the girls employed there.
The flames gained headway so rapid-
ly, however, that escape by means of
stairways and fire escapes was soon
cut off. Some of the girls attempted
to go to the dressing-room for their
hats and there, huddled on the floor,
firemen found a majority of the
bodies.

Joseph L. Bash and Z. J. Seagle, em-
ployed on the second floor of the
building, were about to jump, when
they were attracted by the screams
of girls in the window above. The
men told the girls to jump. One by
one, as the girls leaped, Bash and Seagle
caught them, lowered them as far
as they could and let them drop to
the sidewalk.

C. R. Carlisle, driver of a transfer
wagon, drove his wagon into an alley
in the rear of the building and threw
up a rope to girls in a window above.
Making one end fast, they slid down
the rope to safety.

Margaret Steigerwald, aged 17, who
was injured by jumping from a third-
floor window, said she and five other
girls were trapped in the building
when somebody closed a door at the
head of the stairway on the second
floor.

One of the heroes of the fire was
Peter Vallon, who is among the dead.
When the fire was discovered he was
working in the building. He groped
his way to the street, where he heard
the girls calling for help from the up-
per story. Tying a handkerchief about
his mouth, he rushed into the build-
ing. Six times Vallon staggered to
the street with the unconscious form
of a girl in his arms. When he failed
to appear the seventh time, however,
firemen began a search and found his
body on the second floor. Near him
lay the body of a young girl, whom he
evidently had tried to rescue when
overcome by smoke.

Farmers Flock to Exposition.

San Francisco.—It has been estimat-
ed that more farmers have entered
the gates of the San Francisco Ex-
position during the last three weeks
than during the entire period since
the great fair opened. October, spe-
cially designated as "Farmers' Month"
has had a great drawing card in the
live stock exhibits and shows which
have been well attended. November
promises to keep up with the October
attendance average as most of the big
live stock conventions will be held in
November.

45,000 Cattle Received.

Kansas City, Mo.—Forty-five thou-
sand cattle were unloaded at the local
stockyards here Wednesday, 5000
more, it was said, than ever arrived
here before in one day. About 300
carloads came from Iowa and Minne-
sota. The advances in prices last
week was the magnet that attracted
the large offerings, stockmen said.
The big supply caused some depres-
sion in prices, except for good corn-
fed cattle.

Austrians Clear Way to Bulgaria.

London.—The Bucharest, Roumania,
correspondent of the Times sends the
following:

"Serbian troops have withdrawn
from the neighborhood of the Danube,
and the Austrians have crossed the
river, traversing the island of Odakale.
The Austrian forces will now obtain
free passage through Bulgaria from
Orsova, near the Rumanian frontier,
where 50 steamers and lighters laden
with munitions have assembled."

British Losses Increase.

London.—British casualties publish-
ed since October 1 total 2285 officers
and 50,072 non-commissioned officers
and men. These figures show an av-
erage loss to the British army of nearly
2500 men a day. This is considerably
in excess of the casualties earlier in
the war, and reflects the heavy losses
of the British in the recent severe
fighting in Belgium. During the sum-
mer the losses averaged about 150
daily.

Massacre is Reported.

London.—A dispatch to the Daily
Mail from Odessa says:
"The Turks have massacred the en-
tire Armenian population of Kerasunt,
on the Black Sea."

Kerasunt is a seaport with a popula-
tion of 10,000, a large part of which
are Armenians.

Briton Sentenced as Spy.

London.—It is officially announced
that a British subject has been tried
in the Old Bailey Court on three
counts of an indictment charging es-
pionage, and was sentenced to life im-
prisonment.

VICTIMS OF DIVER FOUGHT FOR LIVES

Men on Ill-Fated F-4 Stuck to
Posts Till Death.

QUICK DEATH BY GAS NOT PROBABLE

Official Investigation Into Submarine
Tragedy Reveals That Leakage
Was Most Likely Cause.

Washington, D. C.—A graphic story
of the battle for life waged in vain 300
feet beneath the surface of the sea by
the 21 men who perished in the navy's
submarine F-4 last March at Honolulu
is told in the final report on the loss
of the vessel submitted by a board of
inquiry headed by Rear-Admiral
Bush.

Examination of the wrecked hull
after it had been brought to the sur-
face and placed in drydock convinced
the board that the disaster was caused
by a leak resulting from a corroded
battery lining and the failure of the
boat through poor diving qualities to
respond promptly to the rudder
change, which should have returned
her to the surface.

Discarding the theory once ad-
vanced that chlorine gas brought
quick relief in death to the crew, the
board, from signs within the rusted
and battered hull, pieced out in its
report a dramatic account of how the

MISS GERTRUDE M. FISHER



Miss Gertrude M. Fisher of Phila-
delphia was voted the prettiest girl
in America, by a congress of photog-
raphers recently held in Indianap-
olis. She is nineteen years old.

doomed men strove desperately to
save themselves as their vessel sank
to the bottom. Fifteen met death in
the engine room, where they sought
refuge at the last; six died at their
posts in the flooded forward compart-
ment. All members of the ship's com-
pany are absolved from blame in this
tribute:

"From the facts established we find
the accident resulting in disaster to
the U. S. S. submarine F-4 on March
25, 1915, was not due to carelessness,
negligence, or inefficiency on the part
of the officers or men of the vessel,
and that furthermore the personnel re-
mained at their respective stations un-
til all effective means employed to
avert the disaster impending had fail-
ed, and thereafter sought refuge."

After a review of all the facts es-
tablished in the investigation the
board announces its conception of the
disaster as follows:

"The primary cause of the disaster
was the corroded condition of the lead
lining of the battery tank and in con-
sequence of leakage of certain rivets
in the port wall of the forward battery
steel tank.

"The secondary causes were:
"(a) The poor diving qualities of
the vessel; and (b) the consequent
failure of the vessel promptly to re-
spond to measures taken to bring her
to the surface."

Italian Losses Reported.

London.—Austrian and Italian state-
ments are at variance with regard to
the fighting on the Austro-Italian
front. Although the Italians chronicle
gains for their troops, the Austrian
statement says they lost heavily in
the recent attacks on the Doberdo
plateau and Monte Sabatino. Three
thousand dead were left by the Ital-
ians before their Doberdo position,
while at Monte Sabatino their losses
were at least 2500, according to Vien-
na.

Krupps Get Dutch Job.

London.—A dispatch to the Express
from Copenhagen says that the
Krupps have obtained a contract to
build two cruisers for the Dutch gov-
ernment. The vessels will be built at
Amsterdam and Rotterdam under im-
mediate control of German engineers.