

WEEK'S NEWS PUT IN CONDENSED FORM

Washington

The threatened strike by conductors and trainmen of eastern railroads was averted when congress passed the Newlands bill, amending the Erdman law. The arbitration board will have six members instead of three.

Because of the gravity of the situation in Mexico, Secretary of War Garrison will pay an extended visit of inspection to the frontier of that distressed republic before he returns to Washington.

Representative George Fairchild of New York denied all the charges made against him by Mulhall, when he appeared as the first witness before the house lobby investigating committee at Washington.

Martin M. Mulhall, appearing as a witness before the senate lobby committee at Washington, said that he had an understanding with Marshall Cushing, secretary of the National Manufacturers' association, that he was to receive \$400 a week and \$40 a week expense money for "general field work and lobby work in Washington."

Secretary Daniels left Washington for a three weeks' tour of inspection of Pacific coast navy yards and stations. He will go first to the Bremerton (Wash.) yard, where he was accompanied by Mrs. Daniels and his aid, Commander L. C. Palmer.

The Underwood-Simmons tariff bill, which was introduced in the senate at Washington, is unique in the history of American tariff-making, in that a senate committee recommended even more drastic reductions than the original bill contained when adopted by the house of representatives.

At the request of Secretary Bryan, Secretary Garrison ordered Col. Edwin P. Brewer of the Fourteenth cavalry at Fort McIntosh, Tex., to demand the release of five Mexicans, together with the 250 cattle and 50 horses, held by Mexican revolutionists at Hidalgo, Mex.

An investigation by the interstate commerce commission of the financial operations of New York Central lines was proposed in a resolution adopted by the senate at Washington. This action was taken without debate when the resolution was introduced by Senator Norris of Nebraska.

Domestic

Eight men, all members of a party of Boston & Maine freight hunters who were taking a day's outing in the harbor, were drowned by the capsizing of the sloop Alberta at Boston. Six of the party were rescued.

Fire that caused a \$1,000,000 property loss and was seen along the shores of Lake Michigan for over 100 miles, started in the lumber yards of the Haskell & Barker Car company at Michigan City, Ind. Isolation of the yards and a west wind probably saved the city from destruction.

At the first entertainment, where tickets of admission were sold, allowed on Sunday in Western North Carolina, William L. Bryan, secretary of state, lecturing at Hendersonville, declared that he was forced to lecture in order that he might live decently, the salary paid him by the United States government not being sufficient for his needs.

Twenty persons were killed and probably one hundred injured in a rear-end collision of electric trains at Vineyard power house, on the western limits of Los Angeles, Cal.

The steamer Anabella Wilson, bound for Port Colborne, Ont., was sunk in a heavy storm which swept Lake Erie, Capt. Daniel McIntyre and his wife were drowned. Fourteen members of the crew were rescued.

Glen L. Mortimer saved his life and that of his passenger, Charles H. Day, by a miraculous volplane to the surface of Lake Michigan from a height of 700 feet, near Waukegan, Mich.

Meeting in Webster hall in New York, the committee of 1,200 representing the Order of Railroad Conductors and the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen ratified the strike resolution which was adopted by the two organizations.

Eighty passengers on a north-bound Pennsylvania passenger train, en route at Strasburg, near Marietta, Ohio, were rescued when the train and farmers out upon the top of the coaches and carried the passengers away in rowboats.

When the wind lifted the hat of Harvard Paul, aged sixteen, from his head, he jumped after it and plunged over a sixty-foot embankment at the St. Paul end of the Port Building bridge. He was taken to a hospital, where it is believed he will die.

Attorneys for Harry K. Thaw petitioned the orphan's court at Pittsburgh to require the Fidelity Title and Trust company, trustees for Thaw under the will of his father, to pay Harry \$20,000. The petition asserts that in the last five years Thaw has not been paid his share out of the income of the estate.

There has been no settlement of the street car strike in Louisville, Ky., and excitement increases. Reports that all interurban lines are to be tied up, that rifles and ammunition are cached in the company's barns, that Mayor Cassidy will take charge of the cars in the event of a general strike.

The wreck on the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad on June 12 at Stamford, Conn., when six passengers were killed and 22 injured, was due to the negligence of the management of the railroad in putting in charge of train No. 53 an inexperienced and untrained in this class of work, according to the report of Interstate Commerce Commissioner McChord.

Foreign

The charred wreckage of an aeroplane with the incinerated bodies of two aviators lying in the ashes was found near Noncourt, on the railroad from Paris to Granville. The dead flyers were recognized as a man named Perelin and his son.

The French aviator, Leon Letort, made a flight from Paris to Berlin without a stop. He left the French capital at 4:10 a. m. and landed in Berlin at 1:10 p. m.

In formation from a native source, according to a dispatch to the Echo de Paris, shows that the Moocans in the Tangier zone are on the point of joining the insurrection. This is believed to be due to the failure of the Spanish forces to win a decisive victory.

Greece and Servia have declined so far to agree to an armistice. The Turkish army is advancing by forced marches from Tebatalla and Bulair, apparently with the consent of Greece and Servia, to attempt the recapture of Adrianople from Greece.

Miss Jolly, secretary of the local branch of the Woman's Social and Political union, who was arrested for window smashing just before King George and Queen Mary drove through the city, was arraigned and held for trial in London. As she was being led from the courtroom Miss Jolly shouted at the judge: "You old fool, do you think you can keep me in jail!"

The anti-American feeling in Mexico, which has been fostered considerably by sensational stories in many of the newspapers, has calmed down. With the exception of El Paso, all the papers commented in a quiet manner or said nothing at all in regard to the situation.

A terrific storm is raging throughout Italy, and in many places the country has been devastated and the crops destroyed. It is accompanied by remarkably cold weather. The time of year, the temperature in Rome at noon falling below 60 degrees Fahrenheit. Such weather in the middle of July has not been recorded in Italy since the year 1313.

The report of a pistol fired from the strangers' gallery in the house of commons, in London, caused a panic among the members. Simultaneously with the report pamphlets raised down. They bore the printed words: "Vote for women."

The most serious outrage of the many deeds of violence committed by militant suffragettes occurred when a bomb which had been mailed to William Redmond, M. P., exploded in the Dublin postoffice. Eleven clerks were seriously hurt.

Personal

U. L. Beveridge, half-brother of ex-United States Senator Albert L. Beveridge, committed suicide at Litchfield, Ill., by cutting his throat with a butcher knife. Beveridge had been in poor health for several months.

Mrs. Emma Duerksen was found dead on the grave of her husband, Peter Duerksen, at Hackensack, N. J. She had visited the spot every week for fifteen years. The coroner found that the woman had died of heart disease.

After returning from a carnival at Hopkinsville, Ky., W. P. Winfree, Jr., lawyer and society man, stood before a mirror in his room and fired a bullet through his heart. His health was the cause.

Ex-Police Sergeant Peter J. Duffy, who was convicted of accepting graft from keepers of illegal resorts in New York, was sentenced to not less than three years nor more than four years at hard labor in Sing Sing.

While lecturing at Hendersonville, N. C., Secretary William L. Bryan declared he was compelled to deliver Chautauque addresses to supplement his government salary, which he declared, was not sufficient to meet his expenses.

Rev. Paul Drake, formerly pastor of a church at Beverly, Mass., at which President Taft attended services, was arrested at Quincy, Mass., while talking on socialism to a street crowd. Drake was charged with obstructing traffic.

GREAT TREES ENDANGERED BY FIRE



Forest fires on the slopes of Mt. Tamalpais have endangered the giant sequoias of California, and the peril is not yet over. The photograph gives a vivid idea of the size of these monster trees.

12 KILLED, 50 INJURED

TWENTY MORE VICTIMS MAY DIE FROM COLLISION.

B. & O. Flyer, Westbound, Hits Street Car at Cambridge, Ohio—Storm Cuts Off Communication.

Los Angeles, Cal., July 15.—Twelve persons were killed and about fifty were injured Sunday night when a Pacific electric interurban train ran into another one at Vineyard station, a junction on the outskirts of Los Angeles.

Several three-car trains on the Pacific Electric line, en route to Los Angeles from Venice and Ocean Park, were stalled at the Vineyard switch by a broken trolley wire. There were no lights and apparently a flagman had not been sent out. Without warning another three-car train from Venice swept around the curve and crashed into the last train at 40 miles an hour.

The last two cars in the rear train stalled on the line were completely telescoped by the fast-moving train, which plunged through the coaches, loaded to the doors with holiday seekers. There were approximately one thousand people on the trains involved in the accident. Many were killed outright and others died before they could be removed from the debris.

Newark, N. J., July 15.—Six persons were killed and 18 were injured, several probably fatally, when a Baltimore & Ohio passenger train from Wheeling, W. Va., to Chicago, crashed into a street car at a Cambridge (O.) grade crossing on Sunday. A storm sweeping through this section of Ohio carried down the telephone wires.

FLASHES OFF THE WIRE

Leavenworth, Kan., July 12.—Michigan's Y. Young Boston, Mass., and Charles Washmeister, Detroit, Mich., two of the alleged dynamite receivers at the federal prison January 1, were released on bonds.

Bayfield, Wis., July 15.—George Anderson, logger, loaded six stumps with dynamite and lighted all the fuses. One of the fuses appeared to have been lit and after waiting a minute, Anderson went to relieve it. As he leaned over the stump the charge exploded and killed him instantly.

Newport, R. I., July 15.—A farm, small, but fully equipped with modern appliances, is the latest "toy" of Vincent Walsh McLean, the \$100,000,000 baby.

Newport, England, July 12.—Mrs. Humphreys Mackworth, the richest militant suffragette in England, was tried and found guilty of smashing letter boxes for the "cause" and was fined \$100. Mrs. Mackworth was arrested on June 26 after she had demolished a number of letter boxes and destroyed the contents.

Havana, July 14.—A tense political situation exists here in consequence of the assassination of General Riva. Reports were current that followers of General Asfari would attempt to storm the jail and liberate the prisoners.

Marietta, O., July 14.—Eighty passengers, the majority of them women and children, stood in water up to their necks and faced death near five hours, while a frantically working train crew rescued the entire number.

300 Feet From Poison. Dayton, O., July 15.—Physicians were busy following hurry calls sent in by nearly four-fifths of the 500 people who were taken sick with the poison after shortly after returning from a picnic.

Stefansson Off for Pole. Nome, Alaska, July 15.—Vilhjalmur Stefansson left Nome on the polar exploration ship Karluk Sunday, going as far as Cape Chukchi, where the expedition will be given a thorough overhauling.

BIG STRIKE AVERTED

CONGRESS PASSES NEWLANDS BILL AMENDING THE ERDMAN LAW.

SIX ON ARBITRATION BOARD

President Signs Measure, and Threatened Labor Trouble Is Stopped—Rail Heads and Labor Leaders Confer With Wilson.

Washington, July 16.—President Wilson on Tuesday signed the Newlands bill amending the Erdman law, which increases the arbitration board from three to six members, following its passage by both houses of congress.

The railroad and labor representatives thereupon promised to submit their contentions to arbitration, and there will be no strike of the trainmen of the eastern roads, at least until after arbitration was taken place.

President Wilson characterized the conference as "simple and satisfactory." Both parties were willing to end their differences under the Newlands amendment to the Erdman act, if this amendment could be passed, said the president. The railroad men felt that three arbitrators, as provided by the original Erdman act, were not a sufficient number to deal with the question, and the Newlands amendment will increase the board to six.

"The railroad representatives also desired an independent board of arbitration, which is provided by the Newlands bill. It is expected that the measure will be passed by both houses and signed by me by tonight. This, I hope, will put an end to the difference between the railroads and the employees, and both sides will be able by arbitration to settle all their differences amicably."

President Wilson spent practically all of his time before the conference going through a mass of documents on the subject, and went to meet the others with the belief that there were no serious obstacles to be overcome, although he felt that the question of the composition of the board of arbitration—the principal point at issue—was most important.

It was explained that the roads' chief objection to Erdman act arbitration was that too much responsibility was placed upon a single man—the third or neutral arbitrator.

U. S. MAKES ITS CROP REPORT

Cereal Yield Expected to Be Lower Than in 1912—But Crop Is Late.

Washington, July 11.—The government crop report for July issued Thursday indicates bountiful crops of all the cereals, but the total production this year will be far below the great total for last year, when there were record yields of nearly all the leading grains.

The total yield of the leading cereals is placed at 1,251,000,000 bushels, compared with 5,561,000,000 bushels a year ago. The big loss compared with a year ago is in oats, which promise a yield of 1,021,000,000 bushels, against 1,413,000,000 bushels a year ago. Corn is short 154,000,000 bushels and the total wheat crop is 25,000,000 bushels less than last year. Barley is 25,000,000 bushels less than a year ago at 165,000,000 bushels.

Becker Denied New Trial. New York, July 15.—Charles Becker's application for a new trial on the charge of murdering the Danish, Edward Lippert, Chicago, was denied by Judge Court Justice Goff. Counsel had sought to reopen the case.

Lake Boat Sinks; Two Drown. Erie, Pa., July 15.—The steamer Anabella Wilson, bound for Port Colborne, Ont., was sunk in a heavy storm which swept Lake Erie. Capt. Daniel McIntyre and his wife were drowned, but the crew were rescued.

FLAMES PERIL TOWN

MICHIGAN CITY, IND., NEAR TO DESTRUCTION BY FIRE.

Conflagration Rages in Huge Lumber Yards—Loss Is Placed at Over \$1,000,000.

Michigan City, Ind., July 15.—This city suffered a property loss of over \$1,000,000 on Saturday, when the huge lumber yards of the Haskell & Barker Car company burned. The blaze was seen by citizens of towns a hundred miles away.

Appeals for aid were sent to nearby cities. Chicago rushed fire companies with their apparatus, under Battalion Chief Edward Buckley, to the fire on a special train.

In the meantime dynamite was sent from Gary, Ind., and was used in an attempt to check the flames. The fire started in the south end of the yards, near the Michigan Central railroad. The fire company of Michigan City responded at once. It was handicapped by too few men, inadequate apparatus and the fact that there were few hydrants in the vicinity of the fire. The flames spread quickly to the north.

Before the arrival of the Chicago companies hundreds of volunteers carried lumber from the unburned parts of the yard to a distance of safety. The Haskell & Barker Car company is owned by Miss Katherine Barker, the property being held in trust by the First Title Trust company of Chicago. It is one of the largest concerns of its kind in the world and is situated on the east outskirts of Michigan City, east of the Michigan Central tracks.

PLANS TO AID U. S. SAILORS

Secretary of the Navy Daniels Declares He Will Make Service More Attractive.

Chicago, July 15.—With the aim of making a thorough inspection of the naval yards, training stations and equipment on the Pacific coast, Joseph Daniels, secretary of the navy, accompanied by his wife, spent six hours in Chicago Sunday.

The secretary said his trip at this time has not the remotest connection with the Japanese agitation that has arisen in Chicago. He said his tour there is part of his program to visit all naval stations throughout the country for the purpose of familiarizing himself with them and enabling him to map out in a comprehensive way the program he has in view during his occupancy of the secretaryship.

Asked regarding the changes and improvements he proposed to make in the navy and its equipment during his term of office, he said: "The most marked change is in connection with the enlisted men. I wish to make the service more attractive than it has been in the past and remove from it the stigma that it is simply a position of drudgery."

U. S. Demands Release of Americans.

Washington, July 14.—Secretary Garrison ordered the release of Edward Lippert, Chicago, was arrested by the Fourth cavalry at Fort McIntosh, Tex., to demand the release of five Americans, with 350 cattle and 50 horses, held by Mexican revolutionists.

Japanese Ex-Premier Is Ill. Tokyo, July 15.—Prince Taro Katsura, former premier and foreign minister of Japan, is seriously ill with cancer of the stomach.

Drowns Saving Girl.

Chicago, July 15.—In an attempt to rescue Margaret Jennings, five years old, from death by drowning, Edward Lippert, Chicago, was drowned in Deep Lake, near Waukegan, Sunday. Another boat rescued the child.

Threatens U. S. Embassy.

Mexico City, July 15.—An anonymous letter containing threats to blow up the United States embassy was received by Ambassador Howard Lane Wilson and immediately referred to the Mexican foreign office.

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