

# Summary of Most Important News Events

## Washington

By a vote of 84 to 21 the house at Washington passed the Lever bill to regulate speculation in cotton futures as conducted on the stock exchanges.

For the third time within a year members of the National Women's Suffrage association, carrying 200 petitions from 38 states, laid their case before the senate and house at Washington and demanded legislation to insure to women equal political rights with men.

The whole Atlantic fleet will arrive in San Francisco waters in April and remain in the Pacific indefinitely. This announcement made officially by Secretary of the Navy Daniels, means that from twenty to twenty-five thousand of the sailors of the navy will see the Panama-Pacific International exposition at San Francisco. Admiral Frank Fletcher will be in command.

That the proposed Japanese embargo with the government, over the treatment accorded Japanese citizens in the state of California through its adoption of an anti-Asian law, overshadows the Mexican situation in importance, was indicated by state department officials at Washington. It is feared that fresh complications of an international character will be precipitated by the department's answer to the Japanese note of August 20 last.

The naval appropriation bill was approved finally by congress at Washington. It provides for sending the fleet to the Philippines and Mississippi and for constructing a new dreadnaught for the American navy from the proceeds of the sale. This provision is not to conflict with the authorization for two battleships of the first class also carried in the bill.

President Wilson sent to the senate at Washington the following nominations for postmasters in Illinois: Robert T. Ross, Palmyra; George H. Mackin, Fairbury; Ernest L. Bonner, Galva; David M. Flynn, Geneva; F. H. Cook, Genard; Robert D. Bolen, Maca; Eddie M. Chenoweth, Piskawia.

Support for President Wilson's legislative program was given by the entire Missouri delegation in the house, headed by Speaker Champ Clark. A letter from the Missouri representatives expressing loyalty "in the struggle you are making to carry out remaining principles of the constitution" was presented to Mr. Wilson at Washington.

"A new constitution of freedom for business" is the object of the administration trust legislation program. President Wilson declared, addressing the White House in Washington. He predicted the country was on the verge of a great business revival.

## Domestic

In a revolver fight with three masked bandits, Harry Gordon, a master at Dunnington, Pa., and his clerk, Cosmo Daniels, were wounded, probably fatally. The robbers obtained a bag containing \$700.

Two men were killed, four others were injured, perhaps fatally, and 15 tourists were less seriously hurt, when two cars of a passenger train plunged 20 feet down an embankment into the Merced river near Merced, Cal.

Eighteen persons, including Charles S. Mullen, former president of the New York, New Haven and Hartford, and the Boston & Maine railroad, and the investment companies of two savings banks of Cambridge, Mass., were indicted by the grand jury on various charges in connection with the financing of the Hampden r. road.

An action against the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad company and the Keokuk & Des Moines Railway company to recover claims aggregating more than five million dollars was filed in the supreme court of New York on behalf of Henry I. Clark & Co. and Sartorius & Einstein, two New York stock brokerage firms.

The North Michigan Transportation company's passenger steamer Manistee was seriously damaged by fire ashore at the Superior entrance of the harbor during a storm. After several hours of hard work water was released by pumps and towed to her dock.

Henry T. Colton of Philadelphia, a traveling man, was ambushed and several more than a thousand dollars and 500 guests were routed by fire from the Guilford hotel at Greensboro, N. C. Several jumped from windows without serious injury.

The steel steamer Manistee of the Pittsburgh Steamship company was ashore at the Superior entrance of the harbor during a storm. After several hours of hard work water was released by pumps and towed to her dock.

Columbia won the intercollegiate regatta at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Ford got a victory was second, Cornell third and Wisconsin fourth. Fifty thousand people witnessed the race on the Hudson river.

Nearly half of Salem, Mass., was destroyed by fire, with a loss estimated at \$20,000,000. One thousand families including many of the largest factories and hundreds of residences, were abandoned. Ten thousand of the city's 45,000 inhabitants are homeless.

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With only death, two new cases and other persons under suspicion, New Orleans took effective steps to guard against a possible epidemic of bubonic plague. A general quarantine of the city was ordered, and all arrivals were taken in advance of the arrival of United States Surgeon General Blue to assume charge.

After an uninterrupted service which had its inception seven years before the beginning of the Civil war, the United States Express company suspended business.

Three women and three men, members of a party of pleasure, left late on the Burlington's Chicago limited, were wounded, two of them seriously, when a man with a shotgun fired into the crowd on the train. After the train had passed him about a mile beyond the Hannibal bridge, in Clay county Missouri.

After a conference with his physician, Col. Theodore Roosevelt announced at Oyster Bay that he had decided to curtail his plans for a summer political campaign. Alexander Lambert told Colonel Roosevelt that he would have to take a rest. Ever since his return from the Brazilian jungles the former president has suffered from intermittent attacks of fever which have greatly weakened him.

Two trainmen were killed, one was perhaps fatally injured and many negroes were hurt when an excursion train wrecked at Trenton, N. J., three miles south of Trenton, N. J.

At a meeting of members of the British colony, held in the legation at Mexico City, Sir Lionel Carrington suggested that in view of existing and international conditions the British children had better leave the city.

The war office at Mexico reports that General Villa, with almost all the troops under his command, left the city for Chihuahua after receiving advice that a counter revolution had been started and that the revolutionists had captured Chihuahua City.

The Mexican peace pact as formally accepted at Niagara Falls by United States and Huerta delegates was as follows:

Provisional government to be established by delegates representing the contending factions in Mexico (U. S. President not participating). United States should recognize provisional government on its constitution in Mexico City, restoring diplomatic relations with the United States. United States will not demand indemnity. Amnesty will be proclaimed by provisional Mexican government to all foreign citizens for political activity or offense committed during the progress of civil war in Mexico. Provisional government will name commissioners for good offices to negotiate for damages and compensation for property seized by military acts of the contending factions. Brazil, Argentina and Chile participate in the provisional government to be established as provided in Article 1.

Gen. Francisco Villa achieved the greatest victory of his remarkable career by the capture of Mazamitlan, five days of bloody fighting, which resulted in the practical annihilation of one of the largest and best equipped armies ever gathered in Mexico by the federalists. Fully 2,000 federalists were killed in the fighting and as many wounded. Over 5,000 and 6,000 federalists were taken prisoner, some constitutionalists. Practically all of these will be enrolled in General Villa's army of General Barron's army of 45,000 men. General Barron's army of 6,000, mauler rifles, a great quantity of ammunition for rifles and cannon, 18 locomotives, and other cars loaded with stores of all kinds, most of which had been looted from establishments of local merchants.

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# ALIENS MUST PAY ONE PER CENT TAX

INTERPRETATION OF INCOME TAX LAW HELPS CANADIANS

## EMPLOYERS HELD LIABLE

Thousands of persons working in United States and living across border affected by decision of Department.

Detroit—Non-resident aliens are subject to the application of the federal income tax. This interpretation of the statute was given Collector James J. Brady, of the Internal Revenue department, and District Attorney C. L. Webster, both of whom returned from Washington Monday after holding a long conference with Commissioner of Internal Revenue W. H. Ogborn and Deputy Commissioner L. F. Speer, head of the income tax department. The decision will affect thousands of Canadian employes in Detroit and vicinity, all alien employes in the United States or territories but making their residence in adjacent border nations. It is estimated that 2,500 citizens of Windsor alone will be affected.

Employers will be liable for the tax of the alien employe. Collector Brady was informed that every employe in this district, who is an alien, must submit a list of such employes to him, and withhold 1 per cent of his salary, which is to be paid the government, as required by the income tax statute.

## NEW TEACHERS AT M. A. C.

East Lansing, Mich.—With the reopening of college next September two new men will be found at the head of departments at the Michigan Agricultural college.

Prof. A. C. Chittenden, formerly connected with the forestry department at the University of Illinois, will become professor of forestry at the institution here, taking the chair vacated by Prof. J. Fred Baker, resigned. Prof. Chittenden is a Yale graduate, and has made an extensive study for years in Canada, as well as in the United States.

Dr. M. M. McCool will become professor of soils.

To Give Lectures On Health.

Lansing, Mich.—Four members of the state board of health and Secretary Burkart will leave July 13 for a lecture tour on the west coast of the state. Their trip, which will be in conjunction with the West Michigan Pike association campaign for good roads, will begin at St. Joseph, and will be made in an automobile, specialties being made from the auto. They will give lectures at Mackinac, Traverse City, Petoskey, and Mackinac Island. A return on health will be distributed.

Primary and is Enriched.

Lansing, Mich.—The primary school interest fund was yesterday \$139,306.43, Tuesday morning, when State Treasurer Haaper transferred that interest from the general fund of the state to the primary school interest fund. This action was decided upon Monday after Supt. of Public Instruction Fred L. Keeler had made a detailed report on the interest in interest or penalties, paid by corporations since 1907 upon failure to pay their specific taxes when due.

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## FIRE LOSSES INCREASED

Annual Report of Insurance Commissioner Winslip Shows Figures On Losses in State.

Lansing, Mich.—According to the annual report of Insurance Commissioner John Winslip, filed with Governor Fitch Tuesday, the net risks written by fire insurance companies in Michigan during the past year amounted to \$1,428,312,869, while the net premiums received in this state totaled \$14,033,211.

During the year 214 companies reported to the department. The net losses paid amounted to \$5,272,992. Companies in Michigan incurred \$85,881,431.

When the department was created in 1870 but 95 companies reported. The net risks amounted to \$131,607,138. The net premiums received totaled \$1,613,241,515, while the net fire losses paid by the companies were \$78,659,629.

The percentage of fire losses incurred in premiums received increased 7 points over 1913, being 60.35. The average cost of fire insurance per \$100 risk covered during the year was \$1.01. In 1912 it was \$1.08, compared to \$0.98 in 1911.

## BIG NEGRO STILL CHAMPION

Jack Johnson Defeats Pittsburg Fighter in Saturday.

Paris.—"Jack" Johnson still holds the heavyweight championship of the world.

He had fought battle at the Velodrome D'Ivoire here Saturday night he easily defeated Frank Moran, of Pittsburg, on points in a 20-round bout. Moran was badly hurt and stunned. He did most of the leading and made many friends.

Johnson's superior skill and his electric application were down upon his opponent and won the fight. It was a rather tame affair at all stages.

## ITEMS OF STATE INTEREST

The school board has decided to raise the tuition for nonresident pupils in the Crowell high school to \$25 instead of \$20.

The opening of regular service of the new extension of the D. U. R. from Pontiac to Detroit was celebrated at Detroit, was celebrated at Detroit Wednesday.

The annual reunion of the Paton family held at Detroit Friday was attended by 102 members. Several from Detroit and Ypsilanti were present.

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