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## OVER THIRTY MEN DIE IN COAL MINE

### Explosion Traps 80 Miners, Half of Whom Believed to Have Perished.

## 22 BODIES RECOVERED

### Greater Per Cent Negroes, Five of Whom Brought Out Dead—Injured List Large.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 10.—At 3 o'clock this afternoon fifteen dead negroes and nineteen injured white men had been brought to the surface from the Overton coal mine No. 2, of the Alabama Fuel and Iron company, near this city, following an explosion, the cause of which has not been determined. Forty-seven men are still unaccounted for, and it is feared that most of them, if not all, are dead.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 10.—Rescue workers believe that between 20 and 40 men are dead and as many others badly burned as a result of an explosion in Overton coal mine No. 2, property of the Alabama Fuel and Iron company, 11 miles south of Birmingham this morning.

At 1:30 o'clock 22 men had been removed from the mine. Fifteen of these were found near the mouth of the pit. Some of them were slightly hurt. Five dead, all negroes were among the bodies rescued.

The men who escaped with few injuries were working on a ledge. They said the explosion occurred some distance below them and expressed the belief that all men working below them were killed or injured.

Officials of the company said 70 to 80 men were in the pit. At least half of these were believed to have been killed outright. The personnel was about thirty per cent white.

## HAROLD BALL ON WINNING TEAM OF O. A. C. DEBATERS

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 10.—The first debate of the forensic schedule for the university, held yesterday afternoon at Corvallis and Eugene, resulted in a tie for the second time in two years. The affirmative team, which debated in Villard Hall here yesterday afternoon for Oregon against the O. A. C. negative team, won by a unanimous vote. The Oregon negative team lost at Corvallis by the afternoon at Oregon 4 and O. A. C. 4.

Benoit McCroskey and Beryl V. Ludington of the Oregon affirmative team, advocating that the nations immediately relinquish governmental control in China, won easily from Frank de Spain and Mark Evans, upholding the negative for the Corvallis institution. Before two-thirds of the entire O. A. C. student body, which numbered more than 3,000 a meeting at which Governor Pierce was the presiding chairman, Oregon's team, composed of Herschel Brown and Jack McGuire, was defeated decisively by the Aggie affirmative team made up of Blair Stewart and Harold Ball.

Harold Ball, one of the O. A. C. debaters mentioned in the above item, is a son of Peter J. Ball, of West Roseburg, and he has a large number of friends here who will be pleased to learn of his success.

## HARTLEY'S JOB AT TIMBER CRUISING BRINGS ACTION

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 10.—The state land board, through Clark V. Savidge, its chairman and state land commissioner, has asked for a joint session of the house and senate tomorrow for the purpose of outlining to the members the procedure followed in the sale of state lands and timber. The request for an opportunity to air the method of handling state land and timber sales follows criticisms made by Governor Hartley Tuesday in his second message to the legislature, in which the governor declared that state cruises of timber should be open to the public.

## REGISTRAR MINATED

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Another batch of nominations to public offices were sent today by the senate to President Coolidge. Many of these names already are holding recess appointments. Nominations for United States Marshals included Clarence R. Hotchkiss, Oregon. Nominations for registrars of land offices included Walter L. Toose, Sr., Portland, Ore.; H. A. Canaday, Roseburg, Ore.; J. W. Donnelly, The Dalles, Ore.; George W. McKnight, Vale, Ore.

The nomination of Mr. Canaday to succeed himself adds to the evidence already received from authoritative sources that the U. S. land office is not to be abolished by a merger with the Portland office. It is considered extremely unlikely that any appointment would be recommended for the Roseburg office if its discontinuance were contemplated by the Interior Department.

## SENATE LAUGHS WHEN RIDICULE ASSAILS DAWES

### Pat Harrison Pictures New Don Quixote in Rich Vein of Satire.

## DAWES SITS SMILING

### Insurgents Ejected From Two Chairmanships—Borah Favors Soviet Russia.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Vice President Dawes was splashed today by the first ripple of the backwash from his summer's campaign for revision of the senate rules. As a forerunner of what is to come later in the session, Senator Pat Harrison, Democrat, Mississippi, treated the senate's presiding officer to a good natured, satirical resume of the events of the summer, including the ride of a new Don Quixote, "Till and Maria Dawes from coast to coast and lakier to golf," to spread the gospel of senate repentance. While the speech rolled along to the accompaniment of many titters and some real outbursts of laughter from floor and gallery, General Dawes sat smiling at his desk with clasped hands and crossed legs and with his gavel lying before him.

Senate Good Enough Now. In some details Senator Harrison reviewed the speeches made by the vice-president during the summer and the history of previous attempts over the years to limit senatorial debate by revision of the rules. As for himself, said the senator, he was one of those who believed that "the old senate is getting along pretty well," as it is. Admonishing the general not to be deceived as to public sentiment by the size of the crowds that had come out to hear his speeches during the summer, Senator Harrison concluded his attack by relating the tale of an uncontrollable mule to which the owner was forced to fasten a yoke and tie a bell. "One day," he said, "the mule broke loose and ran to the city, where, as he waved his head and rang his bell, great crowds gathered and joined in laughter. And there was the poor misguided mule, waving his bell and accented by the laughter of the multitude as plaudits and expressions of approval."

Insurgents Ousted. WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The House Republicans today elected two members of the Republican insurgents group from the chairmanships of committees. In completing its organization, the majority report removed Representative Lampert and Nelson from the head of its patents committee and deprived Representative Nelson of his place as chairman of the elections committee. Both are Wisconsin Republicans. The committee on committees today disposed only of the chairmanships of the regular standing committees. Lampert and Nelson were the only members of the insurgent group which had chairmanships in the last session. The Day's Business. The senate today adopted a re-

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## BUREAU OF AIR NAVIGATION IS NEAR CREATION

### House Committee Reports For Expenditure Of Hundred Millions

## TO DEVELOP PLANES

### Craft For Both Commercial and War Purposes Urged, Also Department of National Defense

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Expenditures of \$20,000,000 annually for 5 years for procurement of aircraft for the army and navy is recommended in the report of the special house aircraft committee as agreed upon today. The recommendations, which contemplate creation of a department of national defense, covering land, sea and air, were concurred in by all members. Representative Reid, of Illinois, court martial counsel for Colonel William Mitchell, will file a supplemental brief advocating a unified air service.

The proposed department of national defense would supplant the present war and navy departments, and would not necessarily give aviation a co-equal status with land and sea armaments. Other committee recommendations include: A separate budget for all aviation activities. A bureau of civil aeronautics in the Department of Commerce. One procurement agency for all air activities.

Increased representation for the air services on the army general staff and the navy general board. Government aid in the establishment of airways and airports. Survey of all airplanes now in use and destruction of those found unsafe. Creation and maintenance of an adequate air reserve. Increased promotion opportunities for air officers and pay commensurate with the hazards of their work.

Army and Navy Censured. The report also recommends that experimental and development work now done at the naval aircraft factory at Philadelphia and at McCook Field, Dayton, Ohio, be transferred as far as possible to the bureau of standards. It does not, however, ask for the closing of the factory or of the McCook field work. Legislation is recommended to provide a way for inventors in the aircraft industry to secure redress for infringed patents other than in the court of claims.

The army and navy are accused in the report of failure to give proper recognition to aviation as a factor in the national defense. The new secretary of national defense would be empowered to take such steps as necessary to bring about complete coordination of all defense forces. A proposal to provide for three sub-secretsaries with authority over land, sea and air activities was not approved by the committee. Commercial aviation is held in the report to be of prime importance as an adjunct to national defense, and the proposed bureau of civil aeronautics would be directed to take all steps necessary for commercial air development.

The \$20,000,000 to be spent annually for new equipment would be divided equally between the Army and Navy. U. S. Must Keep Pace. WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Creation of a bureau of air navigation in the Department of Commerce to regulate and encourage commercial aviation, continuance of a policy of aircraft development in the light of the loss of the Shenandoah and extension of the air mail service to all sections of the country were recommended in the annual report submitted to congress today by the national advisory committee for aeronautics. Endorsing the report in a letter of transmittal, President Coolidge declared a statement by the committee that "America is at least abreast of other progressive nations in the technical development of aircraft for military purposes," should dispel the impression "that this country is lagging."

The committee's opinion was recommended to congress as the most authoritative that can be had. The president agreed with the committee that "substantial progress in aeronautics is dependent largely upon scientific research," and added: "I believe that the work of the committee is the most fundamental activity of the government in connection with the defense of our country." (Continued on page six.)

## Mary Garden, Invigorated by Sun Baths in Nature's Garb, Returns in Good Form for "Resurrection"

### clothing and heavy furs.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Mary Garden is back, still singing the praises of the sunshine of the Riviera in which she basks each summer. It gives her strength and health to go on with her musical work, she says. Miss Garden arrived yesterday on the Homerick for the season of the Chicago Opera company. She admitted she still enjoys her sunbaths in the altogether, which first astonished the humble fishermen who live in the neighborhood of her Monte Carlo villa. "Is it true?" she was asked, "that you row yourself out into the bay and go through these-rites alone?" She laughed. "Can you imagine me letting anyone else help me? Of course I do it alone. I do everything in this life alone. Where would I be if I didn't?" Despite these brisk days that suggest "wovens," Miss Garden says singers always wear thin

## CHILE REFUSES TO ABIDE BY RULING OF GEN. PERSHING

### Appeal to Coolidge Says Partiality Shown Peru in Attempt to End Boundary Row.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The Tacna-Arica controversy between Chile and Peru has come back to President Coolidge again as a culmination of Chilean refusal to accept the dates fixed by the plebiscitary commission for the plebiscite to determine the sovereignty of the two provinces. Chile's decision to appeal to Mr. Coolidge as arbitrator in the dispute was formally announced at Arica yesterday after the commission, set up in his award to carry out its terms for the detention of sovereignty, approved the motion of General Pershing, its head, for fixing the dates for a plebiscite.

At the same time the commission rejected the Chilean motion in the matter, and thus apparently left an appeal by that nation to President Coolidge as the only course open under terms of the award providing for such an appeal. Chile Dislikes Ruling. As the logical step for Chile in the differences which have persisted and which has caused her delegates to absent themselves from the sessions of the commission, the move has caused little surprise in Washington. Naming April 15 as the date for voting in the plebiscite, General Pershing's motion fixes January 15 as the date for the presentation of the election law, with intervening dates for the period of registration and for appeals.

Requiring Chile to give definite answer whether she will carry out the demands of the commission and faithfully cooperate in holding the plebiscite, General Pershing's motion charges in a preamble that Chile has unlawfully administered the territory in dispute, violated the award by refusing to carry out the commission's rulings, and otherwise rendered impossible the holding of a free plebiscite. Before adoption of the motion containing these charges, the Chilean delegation had voiced criticism of General Pershing's course, that amount to charges of partiality on his part in favor of the Peruvian interests in the plebiscite.

## General Patrick Testifies Air Service Has Been Treated Like Step-Child by War Department

### (Associated Press Leased Wire.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—While blaming tight purse strings held by congress for a decided shortage of pursuit and bombardment airplanes faced by the army, Major General Mason M. Patrick, chief of the army air service told the court martial trying Colonel William Mitchell today that the War Department itself had not rendered him the assistance it could have extended. The meteorological service given fliers was far from satisfactory, he said, and the radio service was not up to requirements, but when questioned by the court he said he did not believe the department's treatment of him had been "markedly different from that accorded chiefs of other branches." Asked specifically wherein the War Department had failed him, General Patrick said that when he had asked for certain things he thought necessary for the air service, the War Department, "has not done as much as I would have

## TURKEY MARKET PROSPECT FOR XMAS IS BRIGHT

### Early Shipments Featuring Market This Year—Contracts Are Made.

## BUYERS OFFER 45c

### Indications Are That Turkeys Will Bring Better Price Than at Thanksgiving Season.

The shipment of Christmas turkeys has already been started in the county, and indications are that there will be a large quantity of birds purchased before Turkey Day, which has been set for the 15th. Competition on the market, together with the possibility of a break in the retail price is said to be stimulating buyers to contract ahead of time to fill orders and to ship the birds by freight to secure a lower rate than in the case of fast express. Several thousand birds in the vicinity of Oakland have been contracted, it is said, and shipments have already been made from Yoncalla. One shipment of the first of the week was consigned to Alaska. Prices so far have been 45 cents with an 8 cent drop on number 2 stock. Little variation from that price has been reported, and the general belief that the Christmas market will center around a 45 cent price. Owing to the fact that practically all growers held back their birds at Thanksgiving time, there will be an average number of turkeys offered on the Christmas market. Douglas county will probably have five carloads for shipment, according to present estimates.

There is every prospect that the Christmas market will remain firm at 45 cents with perhaps a 45 cent drop on exceptionally good birds. The shortage at Thanksgiving time used up the cold storage surplus, so that in spite of the fact that nearly all producing states are reporting plenty of birds for the Christmas season it is believed that the demand will be sufficient to justify the price now being quoted.

There is, however, some uneasiness on the part of buyers, manifested in their apparent desire to ship their turkeys as early as possible. Advance orders are being taken and instead of waiting until the usual time to buy, the purchasers are taking advantage of present conditions and are filling these orders immediately wherever possible. Local representatives of large firms report that they have received several requests from their various houses for sufficient birds to fill various orders, ranging from a few crates to a carload or more.

So far the buyers have announced Turkey Day for Friday, the 18th. Buying, however, will not be confined to that one day, as it is very probable that several thousand birds will be shipped out prior to that date, in order that they may be delivered to the retail trade at an early date. Turkeys are reported to be in excellent condition, well fattened and in prime shape for the Christmas season.

## ALL SET FOR BOXING CARD ON FRIDAY NIGHT

Workmen today set up the ring in the armory auditorium preparatory to the boxing card to be presented tomorrow night by the boxing commission. Seats are being placed and everything made ready for the bouts which are expected to be among the best to be seen yet this year. Dundee and Boles, who are to fight the 10-round headliner, are both pronounced in fine condition, and over the long route the crowd will be given an exhibition well worth the price of admission. The semi-final between Ryan and Williams will also be a hard fought battle. Both of these youngsters are sluggers, as well as being clever boxers, and this 6-round match should be a hummer from the first bell.

## Salem Man Visitor

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## OHIO UNIVERSITY TEACHER ALLEGED STILL OPERATOR

### (Associated Press Leased Wire.) COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 10.—B. F. McDonald, state prohibition commissioner, said today that an "order book" had been found in the home of Dabney Horton, graduate instructor in the English department at Ohio State University, who is at liberty on \$1,000 bond on charges of having a liquor-making apparatus in his home.

According to McDonald, the book contained several names with numerals entered after them, which he took to represent the quantity to be delivered. Horton is a member of the Ohio State University faculty.

## IMPOSSIBLE TO DISARM IF U. S. DOES NOT JOIN

### Participation in Plan of League is Essential, Member Declares.

## 2 MEETS SUGGESTED

### Naval Congress in America, Another on Armies in Europe—Turks in Mosul Scored.

GENEVA, Dec. 10.—An entente cordiale between the League of Nations and the United States for reduction of armament was advocated by Afraio Mello Franco, Brazilian member of the league council, in a statement to the Associated Press today. Under the proposed entente the League would collaborate in a second naval conference at Washington and the United States would cooperate in the general land disarmament conference now being planned by the league. It was fundamentally necessary, he said, that America take part in the disarmament plan—whose success, which the whole world awaits as a sequence to the treaty of Versailles and the treaty of Locarno—never can be attained without the participation of the United States. U. S. Support Indispensable. He did not know whether the Washington government would accept the invitation to sit in the proposed preparatory disarmament commission, but everybody earnestly hoped it would, because they believed America's moral support indispensable. "I think the problem of land and air armaments should be examined in Europe," Senator Mello Franco said, "because since the treaty of Versailles we have recognized the usefulness of the League of Nations' special commissions which have made a profound study of military matters. The world must profit by this mass of information. On the other hand naval questions can best be handled by supplementing the first international conference by a second conference there. Both conferences, one in Europe and the other in the United States, must go hand in hand in cordial cooperation."

## Mosul Turks Accused

GENEVA, Dec. 10.—Atrocious acts of violence going as far as massacre have been committed by Turkish soldiers along the provincial frontier Mosul, in northern Mesopotamia, General Laidoner of Ethiopia, special League of Nations agent, declared in a report submitted at today's session of the league council. The Turks refused to attend the meeting, complaining that the Mosul affair had gone beyond the powers of their mandate from the American government which permitted mediation but not arbitration by the League of Turkish disputes with Great Britain. In his report, General Laidoner asserted that the Turks had carried out wholesale deportations of Christians from the villages along the Mosul frontier as defined at the Brussels conference, for the occupying villages, confiscating arms, imposing heavy fines, demanding women, pillaging houses, and in some cases taking life. During the deportations, the report said, the sick were abandoned to die. Others perished of starvation or exposure while the survivors were left in an absolutely pitiable state. The deportations are continuing, causing "fairly serious agitation and nervousness," not only among the Christians, but among the Moslems favoring Iraq's claim to Mosul. Regarding the reported border

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## VISIT OF HILL LINE MEN STIRS RAILROAD TALK

### Old Rumors Revived by Trip of Officials to Coos Bay District

## INTEREST ADMITTED

### Heads of Hill Lines Maintain Interest in Timber Development at Marshfield and North Bend.

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Dec. 10.—A party of Hill line officials, eastern lumbermen and financiers in a private car of the Northern Pacific, who left Coos Bay yesterday for the north, has given rise to considerable speculation as to the possibilities with which their trip may be fraught. The private car of W. E. Coman, traffic director of the Northern Pacific, with headquarters in Seattle, was the one used by the officials. They arrived here Sunday and officers of the Coos Bay Lumber company took them to Marshfield and to other logging camps to view the operations in Coos county and some of the standing timber. "Merely visiting the big timber operation" here is the only explanation given for the visit by the party. Aside from the possibilities of further expansion of the lumber business here and the possibility of some of the eastern lumbermen becoming interested, is that of the Hill line extension. President Ralph Budd and other officials have visited this section within the past few months. Some can see the possibility of the Hill line building to Coos Bay.

Among the party visiting Coos Bay, in addition to Mr. Coman, are: Joseph Scanlon of Minneapolis, head of the Brooks-Scanlon Lumber company, which has a big operation at Bend, Ore.; Alex Getrom, representing Wells-Dickey company of Minneapolis in the Bond Holders Protective committee; David Winton of Minneapolis, prominent lumberman, who has extensive operations in the Idaho pine district; N. V. Wagner of the Second Ward Bank of Ellensburg, and also a member of the Bond Holders Protective committee; C. T. Macneille of Chicago, Halsey Stuart representative on the Bond Holders Protective committee; F. H. Fogarty of Portland, assistant general freight agent of the Northern Pacific, and Smith of the Hill lines traffic department.

The Bond Holders Protective committee are the bondholders of the Coos Bay Lumber company, recently appointed in San Francisco, to make a survey into the ownership of the company before the bonds (the paid), it was stated.

PORTLAND, Dec. 10.—Northern line officials in Portland admitted today that the Eastern heads of these rail companies are maintaining an interest in Coos Bay and other sections of Western Oregon and are anxious to continue the friendly relations built up there in recent months. As far as the journey of the Northern Pacific private car to Marshfield is concerned local officials said this was a courtesy shown the Mid-West timber men by Wilbur Coman, Western traffic manager of the Northern Pacific. While the northern lines have not made a survey into the Coos Bay district they are interested in that section as a possible future terminus for the Oregon Electric railway line. Considerable attention was paid Coos Bay during the Klamath basin activity, but local officials said nothing further would be done toward any future construction in Western Oregon until the interstate commerce commission had announced its decision on the Central Oregon extension demanded by the Northern lines and the Southern Pacific.

The activities among various railroad lines represented in Oregon has renewed old rumors of the possibility of an east and west railroad line through the state, possibly by way of the North Umpqua. It is well known that one of the best passes through the Cascades, one free from snow, affording easy grades, and tapping the most heavily timbered sections in Western Oregon, lies just north of Diamond Lake, following the North Umpqua river down to Roseburg. Before the war this line was considered very favorable, but following the war conditions did not justify any expenditures and nothing more was done. Recently, however, as a result of the railroad activities in East-

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