

U. S. POLICE SAID ARCHAIC

LOS ANGELES, (AP)—Desperate criminals roam throughout the nation without fear of apprehension, offenders are not convicted, vice is rampant, traffic is controlled in causing tremendous loss of life and is retarding industrial growth, said Chief of Police August Volmer in a report made to the Police Commission of Los Angeles.

The purpose of the report, Volmer said, "is to point out the deficiencies of the present plan of recruiting and organization of police departments and to offer such suggestions as will ultimately operate materially to strengthen the

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department organization." Despite the importance, intricacy and difficulty of the police problem in all large cities, the chief said, "no scientific study of the subject has been made by officials or academicians. Consequently, police departments have lagged considerably in the progressive march of civilization." He refers to present police organization as "archaic."

"An unfit policeman weakens the moral fiber of his associates and destroys public confidence in the department. The organization suffers and society pays the bill when policemen are dishonest, brutal, stupid, or physically or temperamentally unsuited. In fact, harshness, cruelty, arbitrariness and unnecessary exercise of police powers produce crime, anarchy and kindred social and political ills."

"Our records show that even mentally unstable men have been appointed policemen and their condition has not been recognized by commanding officers until they have killed some innocent person, or have committed some heinous offense."

"The salient points in Chief Volmer's recommendations for more efficient conduct of the department are:

1. The establishment of higher standards for educational, mental, moral and physical requirements.
2. Placement of recruits under the observation of a medical-psychologist during their training period.
3. Police authority should be withheld from every policeman until he has proved by his conduct and knowledge that he is capable of discharging the duties of his office.
4. Universities should be petitioned to provide preparatory and promotional courses for policemen.
5. Creation of a crime-prevention division and appointment of a trained criminologist to conduct the activities of the division.
6. Establishment of a merit system.

DIGGER INDIAN PASSES TO SELF MADE OBLIVION

JOSE, Calif. (AP)—The Digger Indian has gone. He has been killed by the Indians themselves. The Digger Indian was burned at the stake while he was jeered and mocked by one of his fellows at the annual "veng" of the Newwoks near here recently. The burning was in effigy while a picked band in full regalia did a war dance about the victim. The burning, while typifying, according to the Indian allegory, the culmination of a long hunt for an enemy, actually marked the abandonment of the name Digger Indian by all Indian tribes in California. The Newwoks were the last to gain their tribal designation. They were once called Diggers.

Indians say the name Digger first made its appearance in Utah. It was said to have been first used by whites on their way to California because of the Indian custom of digging for roots. Then, as the "veng" of the Newwoks, and migration, the settlers continued to use the appellation.

The Digger in Indian allegory came from Utah to Nevada, then to the Pikes of Mt. River, then to Modoc county, Shasta county, Humboldt county and down into the south. Spurred by every tribe he became an outcast and sought shelter in the territories of the Mexicans. Here he remained hidden, refusing to leave, until his recent capture and death at the stake.

"The annual 'veng' of the Newwoks is held in honor of the dead. Indians from all parts of the state attend. It is a time of ceremony, feasting and merry-making."

Plans Bond Issue for Reconstruction Work

TOKYO (AP)—New domestic bond issues totaling \$5,000,000 yen will be floated by the Japanese government during the fiscal year 1924-1925, providing loan market conditions are favorable, according to an announcement by the department of finance.

The government must also float conversion bonds totaling \$19,000,000 yen to take care of old issues maturing within the new fiscal year, from April 1, 1924 to March 31, 1925. In addition it is hoped to place on the market other bonds totaling \$9,000,000 yen which were scheduled for 1923-24, but withheld owing to unfavorable market conditions. These bring the total of projected domestic loans for the year to \$53,000,000 yen.

Reconstruction work made necessary by the earthquake disaster will absorb nearly all the proceeds of the new issues.

The old issues maturing within the new fiscal year are in eight series, principally 5 per cent treasury bonds. Conversion bonds will be floated for each series as it expires.

Department of Finance officials state that 121,000,000 yen of the loans recently floated in New York and London will be used at home for reconstruction work.

Petersburg Progress Index: A generation or so ago a doctor with a nice bunch of whippers didn't need even a Connecticut diploma.

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RAIN DID NOT DEFEAT WOMAN

Mrs. A. T. Hert, of Kentucky, Had the Polling Places Changed Despite "Democratic Weather"

CLEVELAND, O. (AP)—Among the numbers of unusual women who will participate in the Republican national convention here the week of June 16 is one who undertakes to conquer Democratic weather. In her state, Kentucky, the elements are said to conspire peculiarly at times with the topography of the eastern section, and to oppose their combined forces is equipped with the defiance of Atlas to the lightning and the attempt of Canute to command the tide.

She is Mrs. A. T. Hert of Louisville, Ky., a member of the national committee on arrangements for the convention. It was during the last gubernatorial campaign in Kentucky that Mrs. Hert opened her fight to redress the state in a way that the election may be determined by votes cast and not by the amount of rain that falls on the Republicans out it. A number of new precincts have already been marked out in response to her agitation.

Mrs. Hert represented that the previous precincts were sometimes divided by streams, with the polling places on one side of the stream, at the foot of a mountain. Most of the Republicans in Kentucky live in the mountains and it was contended that when elections followed heavy rains, many a man on his way to the polls either got stuck on the mountainside, or was unable to ford the swollen creek.

Mrs. Hert succeeded in having a number of new precincts formed in such a way that the polling places are accessible to the mountaineer even during Democratic weather. Mrs. Martin J. Capier of Norfolk, Va., alternate at large, will be the special representative of Hancock Stimp, Mr. Coolidge's secretary. Mrs. Charles Sablin, daughter of Paul Morton, a member of Roosevelt's cabinet, will be a delegate-at-large from New York state.

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Little Entente Fought By Roumanian Fascists

BUCHAREST, (AP)—The Roumanian government is making extraordinary efforts to put a stop to the campaign which the Roumanian Fascists are carrying on against the Little Entente. The Fascists maintain that the other members of the Little Entente, conspicuously Yugoslavia, are using Roumania to build up the alliance, while damaging or ignoring Roumanian national interests on their own soil.

Recently Fascism, the Fascist organ, attacked the Little Entente and the Roumanian government for remaining in it. By vote of the ministerial council the issue was asked and the paper expressed the following declarations against one fellow-member of the Little Entente.

"In the Balkan and in Macedonia the Roumanian suit, we fear, cannot survive the measure which are being taken against it. From five years up our children are being driven into Serbian schools, and they are forbidden to speak any language other than Serbian."

"All Roumanian churches and schools have been closed. The Roumanians are being persecuted without hindrance and with official encouragement by the Serbian colonists."

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Elgin	7:40	11:40	2:35
Mosam	8:00	12:00	2:55
Wallawa	8:20	12:20	3:15
Lostine	8:40	12:40	3:35
Enterprise	9:00	1:00	3:55
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