

DECODING OF BACON CIPHER EXPLAINED

Thirteenth Century Philosopher's Writings Solved.

MICROSCOPE USED THEN

Professor Newbold of Pennsylvania Relates Findings to American Philosophical Society.

PHILADELPHIA, April 21.—A detailed description of the method used in decoding the cipher used by Roger Bacon, the thirteenth century philosopher-magician, in writing an 800,000-word manuscript, now the property of the American Philosophical Society...

Bacon's Idea Explained.

"Bacon conceived the idea of expressing every letter of a word which he wanted to write in cipher by a syllable and building the syllable into a new word," Dr. Newbold said.

484 Combinations Possible.

"In reading the cipher you double every letter except the first and last and thus discover the syllables which spell the word. But it is very seldom possible to find syllables which fulfill these conditions and yet spell a new word when arranged in the order of letters of the original word like 'cat'...

U. S. MEDIATION DENIED

(Continued From First Page.) Here. From the urgent nature of the German appeal it was the belief of some officials and diplomats that the Berlin government found itself in an extreme position.

Germany Held to Blame.

In its first memorandum to the United States on reparations, which was drawn on last March 24, Germany said she was ready to meet any proposal which appeared feasible for the solution of the economic and financial problems of Europe and that she invited the examination by unbiased experts of her ability to pay. It was added that it was clear to both the people and the government that Germany would have to pay to the limit of her ability.

Formal Request is Made

German Note Forwarded to State Department by Envoy.

BERLIN, April 21.—(By the Associated Press.)—The German government has formally asked the president of the United States to mediate in the reparations question.

PLANE MAY BE PEARSON'S

Craft Found in Mexico Believed to Be One Lost.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., April 21.—A United States army airplane, mentioned in recent Mexico City dispatches as having been lost in the vicinity of Vega de Bos Ladrones, North Coahuila, Mexico, is believed to be the one lost in Mexico last February by Lieutenant Alexander Pearson Jr.

Major Baker to Speak

Mayor Baker will give an address on "Americanism" at the Sunnyside Methodist church, East Thirty-fifth and Hamilton on Sunday night at 8 o'clock under auspices of the men's forum of Sunnyside, an organization having as its object the betterment of the civic and home life of the community.

ORIENTAL CAFE

Upstairs at Broadway and Wash. St. American or Chinese Dishes. Open 11 A. M. to 2 A. M.

ECONOMIC CONTROL OUTLINED

Details of Military Rule for New Territory Also Discussed.

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Jury Expected to Get Case Today or Tomorrow.

EVIDENCE NOW ALL IN

Defense Is Due to Begin Closing Plea—Argument for State Made During Afternoon.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 21.—The case of Jay E. Hough, ex-bond broker on trial in superior court here charged with first degree forgery in connection with the alleged signing of 100 bonds of the Teel Irrigation district, Echo, Or., it was expected today would go to the jury some time tomorrow or early Saturday.

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