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BATTLESHIP OREGON VIEWED BY WILBUR

Secretary of Navy Visits Historic Ship Immediately on Arrival

DEFENSE IS DISCUSSED

Contrast Between Old and Modern Armor Protection Is Made; New Ships Declared Bomb Proof

PORTLAND, July 21.—(Associated Press.)—Curtis D. Wilbur, secretary of the navy, was 10 minutes late for the dinner tendered in his honor at the chamber of commerce tonight.

At 7 o'clock, the hour the dinner was scheduled, Secretary Wilbur was on board the battleship Oregon. To visit the historic vessel, now the property of the state, was the first wish expressed by the secretary upon his arrival here from Astoria.

"Where is it?" he asked. "I would like to see it before dinner." Two newspapermen accompanied him and he inspected the veteran warship.

Secretary Wilbur declared the historic Oregon was a grand old ship, but pointed out how today it would need ample defensive facilities to ward off damage by aircraft.

He called attention to the flat turret tops of the Oregon.

"If a bomb was dropped from aloft," he said, "upon these flat tops, which have but a thickness of an inch of armor, it would destroy the top and probably the gun mounts. But with the heavier armor and the sloping tops such as we have on such vessels as the New York, Utah and Arkansas, now in the Columbia river, the bombs would not penetrate and explosions would be harmless."

"The battleship Oregon cost about \$6,000,000," he said, "with equipment."

The secretary said the policy of the navy now is to keep the battle fleet in the Pacific.

Secretary Wilbur went to the home of his cousin, Thomas Tongue of Hillsboro to spend the night following the banquet. The trip from Astoria to Portland was made by automobile.

CANCER CURE DISCUSSED

EXTERNAL GROWTHS NOW MORE EASILY TREATED

SEATTLE, July 21.—(By Associated Press.)—Cures of external cancers are becoming more frequent, Dr. Vihary Papin Blair, St. Louis surgeon, told 250 physicians of the state who were here today attending the annual post graduate course at the University of Washington.

Cures are increasing because people come to doctors for attention before the cancerous growths have a chance to spread, Dr. Blair asserted.

Dr. Peter Bassoe, neurologist of Rush Medical college, described a new test whereby victims of automobile and industrial accidents may escape lives of pain through accurate diagnosis of injuries of the spinal cord.

The great field of medicine in the future, Dr. Bassoe said, is in treatment of mental diseases. "We must do something about the ever increasing number of feeble minded persons who are coming into the world," he told the doctors.

FORD BID TO BE TAKEN

SHIPPING BOARD EXPECTED TO ACCEPT OFFER

WASHINGTON, July 21.—(By Associated Press.)—Although action was deferred by the shipping board today indications were that with little delay it would approve the recommendation of President Palmer of the fleet corporation for acceptance of Henry Ford's bid of \$1,706,000 for the 200 vessels offered for scrapping.

With four members present the board discussed the recommendation at considerable length but decided to resume consideration of the question Thursday, when additional commissioners are expected to be in the city.

ACTRESS IS DEAD

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., July 21.—(By Associated Press.)—Mrs. Charles G. Craig, 56, character actress of stage and screen and widow of the comedian, Charles G. Craig, died here today.

PIONEER'S BODY FOUND

OLYMPIA, Wash., July 21.—(By Associated Press.)—The body of Dennis Murphy, old Rochester prairie pioneer, who was buried at the bottom of a 52-foot well Monday when he descended to clean it out, was recovered at 10

LAD HURT IN FALL FROM STEPS OF STATE HOUSE

BOTH WRISTS BROKEN AND HEAD BRUISES SUFFERED

Robert Burton, age 14, injured in 25 Foot Fall From Steps to Sidewalk

Falling 25 feet from the banister of the west entrance of the state house to the sidewalk below, Robert Burton, 557 North Twentieth street, age 14, received two broken wrists and severe head bruises. He was unconscious from the time he was picked up until he arrived at the hospital. His condition is said not to be serious. The accident occurred at about 9 o'clock last night during the band concert.

According to reports received at the police station, Burton and several other boys were playing on the state house steps. While climbing over the railing, the lad's foot slipped and he was left hanging by one hand. His grip on the iron banister broke and he plunged to the sidewalk below, a drop of about 25 feet.

Youngsters have been warned repeatedly of the danger of playing on the steps, police say, and here after no one will be allowed on them during the band concerts.

PRUNE MARKET BETTER

STRONG DEMAND FOR 1925 CROP IS NOW FORECAST

PORTLAND, Or., July 21.—(By Associated Press.)—The prune market which has been poor for the last three years, will be good this year, and there will be a strong demand for fruit of all types throughout the year, C. A. Tonneson, executive secretary of the Pacific coast association of Nurserymen said here today at the opening of the annual convention of that body.

The prediction of strong market for all kinds of fruit is not based on a guess, but is the result of three years study and research, said Mr. Tonneson.

Nurserymen in the past have permitted too great a percentage of waste and loss in their business, declared the speaker. Indiscriminate planting of trees which require several years to mature and for which a market is not assured or even promised has kept many nurserymen poor, it was said.

SCOPES TRIAL IS COSTLY

TRIAL OF EVOLUTION CASE WILL COST \$25,000

DAYTON, Tenn., July 21.—(By Associated Press.)—A misdemeanor case, carrying as a penalty to the guilty offender a fine of \$100 and costs of the trial brought an expenditure to the defenders of John Thomas Scopes of approximately \$25,000.

The actual court costs are estimated at well over \$300, or more than three times the fine assessed by the court.

By far the greatest expense of the trial, however, has been the cost of bringing expert witnesses who were not allowed to testify, from different parts of the country defraying their railroad fare, their hotel bills and maintaining a home in Dayton after their arrival here.

Members of the defense counsel today estimated that the cost was approximately between \$20,000 and \$25,000.

WISE BUYING IS URGED

ADVERTISING MEN DISCUSS SALES PROMOTION PLANS

SEATTLE, Wash., July 21.—(By Associated Press.)—One hundred and twenty-three billion dollars is spent annually by consumers in America, A. Heath Onthank, chief of the domestic commerce division of the United States department of commerce, told the Pacific Coast Advertising clubs' association convention here today.

Five per cent of that sum is wasted in unwise buying, he said. He called upon the advertisers to help eliminate the waste by enlightening purchasers.

The department of commerce, Onthank said, is making surveys of marketing areas in various parts of the United States with a view of furnishing manufacturers and distributors concrete information on the purchasing power and habits of persons in different localities.

HEAVY FINE LEVIED

YAKIMA, Wash., July 21.—After pleading guilty to possession of liquor with intent to sell, R. L. Cross, farmer, promptly paid a fine of \$1,000 levied by a justice of the peace here today. Sentence of 90 days in jail was suspended. Officers recently confiscated moonshine equipment valued at \$1500 at Cross' ranch.

DARROW REPLIES TO BRYAN STATEMENTS

Chief Counsel for Defense Declares Commoner Has "Reverted to Type"

AGNOSTICISM IS DENIED

"Intelligent Religionists Would Like to Get Rid of Bryan," Chicago's Famed Attorney Maintains

DAYTON, Tenn., July 21.—(By Associated Press.)—The conclusion of the Scopes trial here today brought a rain of statements and counter statements.

The first one came from W. J. Bryan. He brought immediate response from Clarence Darrow and Dudley Field Malone. Presenting conflicting religious opinions, the statements set forth these views both as related to the evolution and religious phases of the Scopes trial and from their own personal standpoints.

Mr. Bryan asserted the case had uncovered an "insidious attack upon the authority of the Bible."

It termed Clarence Darrow's entrance into the case "most fortunate for the christian church," pronounced him the most perfect product of evolution in the United States and charged that Mr. Darrow had "slandered the Bible, insulted the court, shown his contempt for everything Christian, and everybody identified with Christianity."

Mr. Darrow, replying, declared he did not come into the Scopes case until after the entrance of Mr. Bryan, and added that he was "inclined to think that intelligent religionists would like to get rid of Mr. Bryan." He came with the anticipation of being allowed to produce expert testimony, he said, concluding with a volley of ridicule.

"I shall prepare an answer to Mr. Darrow's charge that I am an ignorant bigot," Mr. Bryan said. "I am not vain enough to think

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GRASSHOPPERS HIT CROP

THOUSANDS OF ACRES OF CROPS BEING DESTROYED

VICTORIA, B. C., July 21.—The British Columbia department of agriculture has been advised that vast armies of grasshoppers are devastating hundreds of square miles of land in the central part of the province, leaving desolation of crops and foliage in their wake. The government has voted \$15,000 for poison which will be distributed to farmers for use in the affected areas.

The insects were reported worst in Nicola and Okanagan valleys and in the Peace river farming district.

FIFTEEN YEAR SEARCH FOR PARENTS IS ENDED

FORMER OREGON GIRL AND FOLKS ARE NOW UNITED

Mrs. Clarence McNeill of Denver Completes Search For Relatives

QUINCY, Ill., July 21.—(By Associated Press.)—A 15 year search for her parents was ended today when Mrs. Clarence McNeill of Denver arrived here and embraced Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Heck of this city.

Mrs. McNeill said that when she was a girl of nine and living in Pendleton, Ore., among her neighbors was a childless couple named Gardner, who became very much attached to her. They induced her parents to allow her to remain with them for a time, after which the Hecks took her back home. The Gardners, she said, offered her parents inducements to allow them legally to adopt the child, but they refused.

Mrs. McNeill said that the Gardners then moved to Portland and in a short time a strange man came for her and took her to the Gardners. It was the last she saw of her parents until she met them here today. The Gardners treated her as their own daughter and sent her to a private school at all times endeavoring to impress upon her that she was all a daughter could be to them and asking her to forget her parents.

Some years ago the Gardners died within a short time of each other, and Mrs. McNeill began the search for her parents. A short time ago she learned from a distant relative there was a family by the name of Heck living in Quincy and she wrote to this city. Facts contained in the reply left no doubt in her mind that she had at last found her parents. Today she came here and the identification was completed.

DEPUTY IS EXONERATED

CORONER'S JURY PROBES FATAL STREET SHOOTING

CHEHALIS, Wash., July 21.—A coroner's jury here tonight exonerated W. A. Donahue, PeEll town marshal, for the fatal shooting of Bert Goins on a PeEll street Saturday night.

Witnesses revealed that the trouble between the two was of long standing, dating from Donahue's arrest of Goins for drunkenness and possession of liquor in May, 1923. Since that time, testimony showed, Goins had borne a bitter hatred for the marshal, had made numerous threats and several attempts to kill him.

The fatal shooting occurred, witnesses said, after Goins had rushed at Donahue with an open knife in his hand, and Donahue had warned the man to put his weapon away and had tried unsuccessfully to shoot the knife out of his hand.

DOG DAYS!



ITALIAN FACISTS MOB LEADER OF OPPOSITION

AMENDOLA, HEAD OF AVEN-TINE GROUP, BEATEN

Riots Said To Have Important Bearing on Future Government Policy

ROME, July 21.—(By Associated Press.)—Deputy Amendola, leader of the Aventine opposition in the Italian chamber of deputies which persists in its program of boycotting parliament under the Mussolini government, was besieged last night in a summer resort hotel at Montecatini for five hours by a mob of a thousand fascists, from whom he was saved by the intervention of police and fascist authorities.

Later during the night Amendola was waylaid on a country road by twenty unknown men and beaten so severely that he will not recover for several weeks.

The incident has caused a great impression both in governmental and opposition circles, coming as it does after the opening of a campaign in the fascist press to destroy the influence of the Aventine group.

The importance of the incident is showing in the fact that the press censor has permitted Amendola's newspaper, Il mondo, to appear with a scathing attack against the government, while Premier Mussolini has issued an official version of the affair in which he asserts that the fascist authorities and the fascists tried to protect the leader.

Mussolini's version of the attack says Deputy Amendola's arrival at Montecatini displeased the fascists of the neighborhood, a thousand of whom gathered in front of the hotel and demanded that Amendola leave immediately.

Hostile demonstrations were organized which were quieted somewhat by the local authorities and by fascist leaders. During a lull in the demonstrations Amendola left in an automobile for Pistola, accompanied by a truckload of carabinieri and by members of the Montecatini fascist organization.

It was during this trip when the automobile was some distance from Montecatini and after the escort had left that a group of unknown men blocked the road, seized Amendola and clubbed him severely.

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CHEMIST DISCOVERS NEW PAPER PROCESS

Corn Stalks Heretofore Valueless, May be Converted Into Fine Paper

TESTS SAID SUCCESSFUL

Stalks May Be Sold For \$150 Per Ton, Said; Paper Mills in Midwest States Are Now Possible

AMES, Iowa, July 21.—(By Associated Press.)—A ton of corn stalks in this region has been considered so much agricultural waste, but the chemical engineering department at Iowa State college has found it to be worth, at present prices, about \$150 a ton when converted into paper.

Prof. O. R. Sweeney, head of the department, has manufactured paper of a fine quality from corn stalks and he believes it can be made to match in quality any stock of woodpulp paper. Prof. Sweeney already has visions of paper mills in these prairie states, bringing back an industry which the country is losing with the passing of its forests.

The question of utilizing corn stalks for the making of paper involves a number of industrial problems into which the chemists have been delving. Prof. Sweeney's experiments show that by means of a chemical process, worked out in his laboratory, six-tenths of a ton of paper can be made from a ton of stalks. Iowa produces between 20,000,000 and 25,000,000 tons of stalks yearly and the United States about 100,000,000 tons.

Oat and wheat straws have been used in the manufacture of strawboard but they are too short-fibered for making higher grades of paper. Corn stalks do not offer this difficulty, said Prof. Sweeney, they being longer in fact than those of wood. Paper manufacturers who have seen the paper made in the laboratory declared it to be of high quality.

The department also discovered a by-product in the paper making process. The liquid extracted from the stalks was found to have high adhesive properties, which might be applied to a new adhesive product.

GERMAN NOTE REGARDED

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SMOKE HINDERS FLYING

SEATTLE, Wash., July 21.—(By Associated Press.)—Lieutenant Dave Logg, United States forest service aviator, arrived here today from Vancouver, Wash., headquarters, after a survey flight over western Washington. Forest fires in scattered parts of the state forced him to fly at an altitude of 7000 feet to keep above the smoke, Logg said.

WEIRD REVOLVER DUEL NOT SOLVED BY POLICE

NEW EVIDENCE WOULD INDICATE LETTER IS FALSE

Blood Clotted Wearing Apparel Found; Investigation Is Being Made

BRAWLEY, Cal., July 21.—(By Associated Press.)—A pink silk stocking, knotted and covered with blood, a knotted necktie and an army belt were found hidden in the bank of an irrigation ditch late today by the city marshal of Imperial while searching the ground near where the body of H. Kirk, supposedly slain on July 18 in a duel with John Truden, was found yesterday.

The officer expressed belief that this find indicated that Kirk had been tied and then slain instead of being shot in the manner Truden described in a letter he wrote before killing himself at Jacumba yesterday.

In his letter, addressed to the "chief of police of Imperial and all whom it may concern," Truden declared that, as a result of an old quarrel, he and Kirk had agreed on the night of July 17 to shoot out their differences. In accordance with this agreement, he continued, at dawn the next morning they stood back to back and stepped off 12 paces with the agreement to begin firing at the count of three. Kirk fired at the count of two, the letter said, whereupon Truden opened fire, his second bullet finding its mark.

He concluded with the remark that he had yet to fulfill his promise to kill himself "within a day or two" and that he would do this as soon as he could leave the valley for a cooler place.

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JOHN SCOPES FOUND GUILTY AS CHARGED

Teacher of Evolution Fined \$100; Case Appealed to Supreme Court

VERDICT IS WELCOMED

Defense Does Not Protest; Formal Preliminary Action Now Complete; Will Test State Law

DAYTON, Tenn., July 21.—(By Associated Press.)—The trial of John T. Scopes on a charge of teaching evolution theories in the public schools in violation of the Tennessee law ended today in a verdict of guilty.

The minimum fine of \$100 was imposed by the court and bail for an appeal was fixed at \$500.

The entire testimony yesterday of William J. Bryan was stricken from the record today by Judge John T. Raulston, who held that the cross-examination by Clarence S. Darrow of Mr. Bryan on Bryan's biblical views had nothing to do with the case.

Defense counsel then agreed to have the jury brought back into court and return its verdict.

The scene of "evolution test" will be shifted from Dayton to Knoxville, where under the regular order of procedure the Tennessee school will hear cases from this circuit court the first Monday in September.

The defendant made a surety bond for his appearance in Rhea county circuit court the first Monday in December, when the supreme court, it was expected, would have passed on the case.

After both defense and state counsels had agreed this morning that the defendant should be convicted, the jury returned a verdict in less than 10 minutes.

The defense then moved for a new trial and when this was overruled Scopes' attorneys made the other customary legal motions to complete the record and send the case on its way to the supreme court.

The beginning of the end of the case that has covered a wide variety of subjects was noted soon after court convened this morning. Attorneys on the contending sides of the issue announced they had decided to forego argument and submit the case to the jury.

Judge John T. Raulston before retiring to his chambers to prepare his charge, expunged Mr. Bryan's testimony from the record. "I fear that I may have committed error yesterday in overzeal to ascertain if there was anything in the proof that was offered that

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TRUSTY MAKES ESCAPE

BAKER COUNTY MAN MISSING TUESDAY AFTERNOON

Prison officials are looking for I. Abbott, 55, who escaped from the flax gang Tuesday afternoon. Abbott complained of being sick Monday and again Tuesday morning, but decided to make an effort to work during the afternoon. When he was first missed it was believed that he had been taken sick and had crawled into the brush.

Abbott was received from Baker county about a year ago and was under a 20-year sentence for rape. Flax is being received at the prison in large quantities and there are 172 trustees engaged in labor outside the walls of the institution at present.

GERMAN LEGATE IS HELD

C. J. PAPE OF PORTLAND IS HELD FOR LARCENY

PORTLAND, July 21.—(Associated Press.)—Clement J. Pape, German vice consul for Portland, today was arrested by deputy sheriffs at Grants Pass on larceny charges which alleged that he took between \$60,000 and \$70,000 from the Shanghai Building company, Inc., of United States of America, of which he was resident manager.

The arrest was brought about on telegraphed information from Ed Gloss, constable, and District Judge Deich fixed Pape's bond at \$50,000.

NATURALIST IS CALLED

CHARLES HEIDEMAN, 84, WAS WELL KNOWN ON COAST

SPOKANE, Wash., July 21.—Charles W. W. Heideman, 84, sportsman and naturalist of the Pacific northwest, died here tonight following a short illness. He was in Nome during the gold rush and was well known in Alaska at that time. Mr. Heideman came west 40 years ago and for several years was connected with the United States fishery service on the Oregon coast. Later he lived in Washington, northern Idaho and near Libby, Mont.

Upon being taken to the station Lieutenant Ruffner, of the Eleventh United States cavalry, stationed at the Presidio, Cal., made the mistake of using Highland avenue as a parade ground or speedway last night and as a result of the error is in the city jail charged with possession of intoxicating liquor. The arrest was made by T. A. Rafferty, chief state traffic officer, who "clocked" the speedy officer at 43 miles an hour.