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CAMPAIGN AGAINST OLD TIME PIRACY TO BE STARTED

BY HENRY WOOD
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GENEVA, (UP)—Pirates and piracy still exist as in the good old days of Captain Kidd and Lieutenant Blood it is indicated by the fact that the League of Nations has just submitted to all of the nations of the world a

draft project for an international law on the subject. Should the proposition meet with the approval of a sufficient number of nations, an international conference will later be summoned for enacting an international convention on the subject. The latter would then make up part of the codified international law of the world, which the League is setting out to attain progressively. The draft project which has just been sent out is largely the work of Matsuda, Japan, and Wang Chung-Hui, China, both international jurists of world-

wide repute. In preparation for their project both made a profound study of all existing laws and customs relative to the suppression of piracy. The proposed codified international law on the subject is very short consisting of only eight articles. The law specifies that piracy can only take place on the high seas, as against the territorial waters, of the various nations, and that it is not necessary that in the acts of depredation committed there should be the specific purpose of gain. However, such acts of depredation which are committed for a purely political object are not regarded as constituting piracy. It is also specified that only private ships can commit piracy. Where mutiny has taken place on a warship and the crew utilizes the ship afterwards for piracy purposes the vessel loses its public character and becomes a private ship subject to the penalties inflicted for piracy. When a crew has committed acts of piracy every warship has a right to stop and capture it on the high seas. A pursuit started on the high seas can even be continued into territorial waters provided that after the capture of the pirate ship it be turned over to the authorities of the littoral state within whose territorial waters it was taken.

Where suspicion of piracy exists the commander of every warship, on his own responsibility, has the right to stop the ship and make an investigation on board. In case the suspicion proves correct the commander of the warship if the capture took place on the high seas, has the right either to try the pirates himself or deliver them over to the nearest potent authorities. If however the suspicion prove incorrect the captain of the suspected ship will be entitled either to reparation or indemnity as the case may be. The League has asked all of the nations of the world to send in their observations on the proposed law before October 1924. It is then that the League's commission on the proposed codification of international law will decide whether the responses are sufficient for justifying the League in summoning an international conference for the codification of the project into international law.

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HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS SCHEDULE OUTLINED

The playing schedule for the Ashland high school tennis teams was announced today and includes competitive games with the Phoenix team, will be here tomorrow for a game on the local high school courts. Next Friday the request will meet Grants Pass high and will compete with Medford high here a week from tomorrow. Two weeks from today the local boys will meet Medford at Medford and will meet Grants Pass at Grants Pass two weeks from tomorrow. Members of the Ashland high tennis team, are Billy Hulen, Dick Joy, Phil Bryant, Jimmie Natter and Leslie Ketch. No admission will be charged for the game with Treks high school tomorrow, but there will be an admission to the other

Phoenix high school, Treks, Cal. high school, Medford high and Grants Pass high. The team went to Phoenix this afternoon where it is meeting the court experts of the Phoenix high. The Treks team will be here tomorrow for a game on the local high school courts. Next Friday the request will meet Grants Pass high and will compete with Medford high here a week from tomorrow. Two weeks from today the local boys will meet Medford at Medford and will meet Grants Pass at Grants Pass two weeks from tomorrow. Members of the Ashland high tennis team, are Billy Hulen, Dick Joy, Phil Bryant, Jimmie Natter and Leslie Ketch. No admission will be charged for the game with Treks high school tomorrow, but there will be an admission to the other

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