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JUSTICE CODE USED IN WIRES SAYS SENATOR

ATTORNEY-GENERAL INVOLVED
IN MESSAGE TO PAPER
OWNER, IS CHARGE

BURNS IS HELD INFORMANT

Director of Bureau of Investigation
Is Charged With Sending In-
quiry Progress to McLean

Washington, Mar. 1.—(A. P.)—Attorney-General Daugherty was charged in the senate today by Senator Caraway, Democrat, of Arkansas, with responsibility for the use of the department of justice code in messages to Florida on behalf of McLean. He added that he would like to ask President Coolidge himself if he had any communication with those people in Florida.

New York, Mar. 1.—The New York World, in a copyrighted story publishing a paraphrase of the code messages sent to McLean, says one of the messages revealed that William J. Burns, director of the bureau of investigation of the department of justice, was the informant of McLean, of developments in the oil inquiry.

Washington, Mar. 1.—William J. Burns will be summoned by the oil committee to explain whether the code messages sent to McLean's employees in Florida were in the cipher used by the department of justice secret agents. Burns today denied that he had any communication with McLean in Florida.

Portland, Ore., Mar. 1.—T. B. Kay, of Salem and Colonel W. B. Hartman, linen and flax expert of Toronto, Canada, were in conference here today with W. D. B. Dodson, manager of the Portland chamber of commerce and made a request that a committee of business men be appointed to lend encouragement to tentative plans for the establishment of a linen and flax mill at Salem, according to Dodson.

DAUGHERTY TO BE PROBED

Resolution Passed Senate Today After Two Days of Debate

Washington, Mar. 1.—(A. P.)—The resolution asking for the investigation of Attorney General Daugherty's administration was adopted late today by the senate, following two days of debate. The committee is to be elected by the senate. Brookhart is to be chairman.

ANCIENT CIVILIZATION, CUT OFF FROM REST OF WORLD FOR CENTURIES, IS DISCOVERED

Chicago, Mar. 1.—(A. P.)—An ancient civilization, but off for centuries from other neighboring tribes, because of their practice of magic and supposed supernatural powers, has been discovered in Colombia, South America, by J. Alden Mason, assistant curator of South American archaeology at the Field Museum of Natural History here.

These people, a tribe of Indians, named Arhuacos, numbering 2,000 to 3,000 persons, occupy a narrow strip of land about 30 miles wide and extending back from the Caribbean sea 150 miles to snow-capped mountains. Short of stature, with dark olive complexions and black hair, which is in contrast to their tall and powerful neighbors, they lead a quiet, peaceful existence untroubled by any modern problems. Their laws and customs are well established and their language is separate and fully developed.

Their seclusion has become such a matter of course that they are unknown even in the nearby coastal towns, while the other Indian tribes will not admit their existence. Only two white men have ever penetrated their land to study their customs and traditions.

SIX INDICTED BY JURY FOR PORTLAND THEFTS

Portland, Mar. 1.—(A. P.)—Five men and one woman were today indicted by the federal grand jury which has been investigating automobile thefts. Five cars were stolen recently and the numbers changed, and the cars disguised.

AIR-CRUISER IS FOUND TO BE OUT OF BALANCE

Clover Field, Santa Monica, Cal., Mar. 1.—Lieutenant Eric H. Nelson, engineering officer of the around-the-world flight, to leave here March 15, today tested the first of the four Douglas air cruisers to be used on the trip and pronounced it highly efficient in all but one respect.

A one-hour balance and motor test revealed that the air cruiser was tail heavy. This, according to those connected with the flight, may prove a serious obstacle to perfect navigation of the plane, and may require changes that will take several days to accomplish.

AGGIES DEFEAT OREGON

University Basketball Quintet Goes
Down by 22-17 Score

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Mar. 1.—(Special)—In a fierce, rough game, full of wrangling, tripping, shoving and everything short of actual riot, Oregon Agricultural college basketball defeated the University of Oregon basketball five last night by the score of 22 to 17.

By winning this game, the final contest in the northern conference schedule, the Aggies go into a tie with Washington for the championship—that is, provided the colleges of the coast conference uphold the decision of W. R. LaPorte of the University of Southern California, president of the conference, throwing out all games played by Montana, the newest conference member.

Washington has appealed from the decision of President LaPorte and demanded a telegraph vote by colleges. Importance of this LaPorte decision to Washington lies in the fact that her one victory over Montana would give Washington a half-game margin over the Oregon Aggies and the championship if permitted to count in the standings. Except for this game, the two teams have played the same number of contests.

If the LaPorte ruling holds and Montana games thrown out, Washington and the Aggies are tied for the northern conference championship with six games won and two lost by each.

If the ruling is overturned and Montana games counted, then Washington will have won seven games and lost two, to the O. A. C. record of six won and two lost.

MANY KILLED IN EXPLOSION IN NEW JERSEY

EIGHT KNOWN DEAD AND 12
MORE THOUGHT KILLED
AT RARITAN

SHOCK FELT SEVERAL MILES

Storage Building of Amintie Company
Destroyed—About 100 Persons
Are Injured

New Brunswick, N. J., Mar. 1.—(A. P.)—The detonation of T. N. T. in the main building of the Nixon Nitration works, at Raritan, today wrecked the entire plant, destroyed the homes of 150 workmen, killed perhaps 30 persons and injured more than 100.

SEES NO REASON FOR U. S. TO SPURN LEAGUE

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LUMBER MOVEMENT IS GOOD

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of Increase in Business.

There is a good movement in lumber and timber at the present time, says Robert E. Smith, president of the Lumbermen's Trust company of Portland, who spent the day visiting local business men. He reports the situation about normal in this line, although last year found the lumbermen doing about a 10 per cent increase over normal. The principal movement is found along the Columbia and at Marshfield, this being non-speculative in character. Some inquiries are being received on speculative trading but these have not developed yet into many real deals.

HEAVY VOTING IS REPORTED

Keen Interest Is Displayed in High
School Bond Measure.

Heavy voting today indicated a keen interest in the bonding of the school district for the remodeling and addition to the present high school. All afternoon from 2 o'clock when the polls opened at the Washington school, long lines of voters awaited the opportunity to cast their ballots. Indications were that an exceptionally heavy vote would be out before the polls close tonight at 7 o'clock.

Some opposition to the plan has developed on the streets this afternoon. It is impossible to tell what effect it will have on the outcome of the election but those in favor of the bonding were confident that the measure would be carried. A campaign was being waged in all quarters to get all the votes possible out, as the safety of the measure was still in doubt.

WINNER OF BOK PRIZE



Charles Herbert Levermore of New York, student of international relations, writer, and former college professor, was announced as the winner of the \$100,000 prize offered by Edward W. Bok for the best plan to preserve peace among the nations of the world.

ROGUE RIVER PEOPLE UNCOVER BIG MYSTERY

The good people of Rogue River were startled yesterday. They had visions of a most heinous crime, for a leg was discovered. True, lots of the street corner loafers had discovered this before but the thing that set the town agog was the fact that this seemed to be the dismembered limb of some woman. Immediately visions of an awful deed flashed before them and the sheriff's office here was notified as well as the Jackson county office. Officers were sent to the neighborhood town to ferret out the secret of the crime. They had the leg all right, but the officers found that it was a bear leg (also bare) and that the excitement was all for nothing. However, the Jackson county sheriff, in whose jurisdiction the case belonged, boxed the leg up and sent it to Corvallis for examination. Evidently Sheriff Terrill isn't passing up any pre-election bets.

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The history of the lumber business has been first a boom period in the industry, Mr. Smith finds. Then many changes in timber have occurred in tracts adjacent to the sawmills. This condition exists for about two years and then speculative buying starts. The point has been reached now when the inquiry on tracts further from the mills. One factor which works to make the lumber business good on the coast is the fact that the southern timber is fast being cut off.

Mr. Smith makes several trips east each year and has found that the Oregon highways and the Oregon apples are fast winning recognition. He is now on his way to California. He was accompanied to Grants Pass by H. O. Pargeter, secretary of the Douglas County Abstract company.

SCENIC PRESERVATION AIM

Meeting Called for Wednesday Evening
at Court House

A meeting has been called for next Wednesday evening, at 7:30 o'clock in room 4 of the court house, for all who are interested in the subject of scenic preservation. The meeting has been called by authority of the county representative of the state scenic preservation society and others interested, and it is urged that there be a full attendance of all who have the subject in thought. The purpose of an organization of this sort within the state is to preserve the natural scenic features along the highways in particular, assist in advancing the attractiveness of the community by furthering the planting out of flowers and trees, and to select, obtain and maintain parks and camping places along the highways for the use of the public in general.

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BONUS BILL IS NOW IN HANDS OF COMMITTEE

HOUSE WAYS AND MEANS BODY
WILL START THREE-DAY
SESSION

FARM SITUATION IS SERIOUS

Senator McNary Says Immediate Steps
Are Necessary when Reporting
Farm Bill

Washington, Mar. 1.—(A. P.)—The bonus bill was taken up today by the house ways and means committee. They will start a three-day hearing on Monday, after which they will redraft the bill. They expected to report the bill next Saturday.

MISSIONARY TO GIVE TALK

Dr. Robert Harper Will Lecture at
Baptist Church on Monday

Dr. Robert Harper, missionary of the American Baptist Foreign Mission society, will speak in Grants Pass at the Baptist church on Monday night. For more than a quarter of a century Dr. Harper has devoted himself wholeheartedly to work among the Shans in Burma. These people are difficult to win to Christ, for they are staunch Buddhists and some believe in animism and not worship but, due to Dr. Harper's efforts, many have now become Christians.

During his years in Burma, Dr. Harper served in four of the five stations which Northern Baptists have opened among the Shans. His building operations alone include the erection of two hospitals and many schools. For several years before he came home on furlough, he has worked at Namkham, a frontier station only two miles from the Chinese border. In this trading center and important military post, he treated each year about 8,000 patients in the mission hospital and town dispensary and visited several hundred patients in their homes, proving by the results he obtained that medical work is a strong evangelizing agency.

His long period of service among the Shans, his enthusiasm for his work and his intimate knowledge of the challenges Burma presents will make it possible for Dr. Harper to paint an inspiring word-picture of Baptist work in Burma.

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CUSTOMS LINES CLOSED TO PREVENT SMUGGLING

Washington, Mar. 1.—(A. P.)—In an effort to curb smuggling and to check traffic in contraband, the treasury department today ordered the customs lines closed at nine o'clock each night at Tijuana and Mexicali.

QUARANTINE REMOVED TO PERMIT SHIPMENTS

Oakland, Cal., Mar. 1.—Railroads operating in the seventeen California counties that were placed under provisional quarantine on account of an outbreak of foot and mouth disease in four other counties, were notified by state and federal authorities today that they could resume shipment of milk and cream to outside points. This lessening of the embargo was due to a narrowing of the area of infection through a gradual subsidence of the epidemic and the slaughtering of infected cattle, it was said.

MORE MARINES ARE LANDED

Disorders Continue in Honduras —
Two Persons Injured

Washington, Mar. 1.—(A. P.)—Thirty-five more Marines were landed at Celiba, Honduras, on account of the continued disorders. A destroyer has also been ordered to Puerto Cortez, where the situation is disturbing. One American and a negro, were wounded.

YE CAVE SHOPPE TO OPEN

New Confectionery and Lunch Room
To Start Saturday

Ye Cave Shoppe, the newest addition to the confectioneries and lunch rooms of Grants Pass, will open next Saturday morning and will have on hand 2000 all day suckers for the younger generation in Grants Pass. Every boy or girl who visits the new shop on Saturday morning between 10 and 11 o'clock will be given one of these confections. That does not bar the older generation from indulging if they feel so inclined, states C. A. Lynch, who with Mrs. Lynch, will conduct the business. The new establishment is located in the building formerly occupied by the Oregon Observer at 311 South Sixth street.

The building has been entirely gone over in the interior and one of the most modern shops in the state has been the result. It has been papered and painted with pleasing results and excellent fixtures obtained. Everything is new from the front to the kitchen.

Cafeteria style lunches will be served daily with home cooking by Mrs. Lynch. In the evenings, table dinners will be served. Lunches and soft drinks will also be obtainable at all times. A full line of candies will be carried of the best make obtainable. The floor will be prepared so that dancing can be enjoyed.

CALIFORNIA AUTO CENSUS SHOWS LARGER NUMBER PER 1000 THAN ANY OTHER STATE

San Francisco, March 1.—(A. P.)—California has more automobiles to each thousand population than any other state in the union, according to figures compiled by W. H. Marsh, director of the state vehicle department.

In the eleven months ended December 31, 1,093,660 automobiles and trucks had been registered by the department. During 1922 there were 747,837 motor cars registered.

Marsh said that an analysis of the records of this and other states indicated that during the coming year New York would be the only state having a greater actual number of cars than California. For 1923 and 1924 he expects a close contest for second place among California, Pennsylvania and Ohio. He predicts that within less than five years California will pass New York, because of the climatic conditions that make California a year-around region for open cars, as well as the 6,948 miles of paved highways within the state.

PRIVATE WIRE TO POST HEAD IS UNDER FIRE

MANAGING EDITOR IS UNABLE
TO THROW LIGHT ON
THE MATTER

MESSAGES WERE DESTROYED

Major Says They Were Only Com-
munications Dealing With
Business and Newspaper

Washington, Mar. 1.—John J. Spurgeon, managing editor of the Washington Post, was questioned by the oil committee today about the private wire E. B. McLean had installed between his office here and Palm Beach, but could throw little light on the matter. John F. Major, author of most of the McLean telegrams, testified that copies of the messages sent on the private wire were destroyed each night. He described them as private messages concerning McLean's newspaper and other business. He said the purpose of the leased wire was to keep McLean in daily touch with the events in this country and Europe. He said to the best of his recollection ex-Secretary Fall never sent or received messages over the private wire.

DISEASE SPREAD IS FOUGHT

State Official Now in Ashland to
Cope With Situation.

Ashland, Mar. 1.—E. R. Derfingier, with the Oregon State Livestock Sanitary board, is in Ashland today in the interests of the campaign initiated by Oregon to prevent the spread of the foot and mouth disease from the infested districts of California to this state.

Mr. Derfingier revealed that a report had been received that a herd of cattle were being driven northward from California and were headed for Oregon. Derfingier left this morning by automobile and if the report is true will intercept them at the state line. He stated that it was barely possible that the report was erroneous, but no risk will be run in permitting cattle to be driven over the line into Oregon.

Official bulletins have been issued by the governor and secretary of state, which place a ban on all movements of cattle, hay, straw or similar products from California to Oregon. It prohibits the shipment of cattle from any section of California and is effective on hay and straw from territory 200 miles north of the sections now known to be infected. Certain exceptions are made under proper restrictions.

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