

SCORES KILLED IN T. N. T. EXPLOSION

150 HOMES ARE BLOWN UP BY BLAST

Terrible Tragedy Enacted in New Jersey When Nitrate Works Explodes—30 Killed, 8 Bodies Recovered—Fire Follows Explosion—Loss Tremendous.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., March 1.—A detonation of T. N. T. in the main building of the Nitrate works at Harrison shortly before noon today, wrecked the entire plant, destroyed the nearby homes of 150 workmen, killed perhaps thirty persons and injured more than one hundred.

FEDERALS CAPTURE CAPITAL V. CRUZ

VERA CRUZ, March 1.—(By the Associated Press).—Jalapa, capital of Vera Cruz state is again in the hands of the Oregon government forces under General Almazan, having taken over the city without resistance.

Portland Woman Near Death

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 1.—Mrs. Celia Lewis, aged 83, suffered a fractured skull when she was struck by a truck, said to have been driven by C. E. Robertson while crossing a street here today. She was reported at the hospital as being in a critical condition.

SCHOOL GIRL CLAIRVOYANT SOLVES N. Y. MURDER THAT NEVER HAPPENED

NEW YORK, Mar. 1.—Miss Eugenie Dennis, school girl psychic and clairvoyant, of Atchison, Kas., has solved one of New York's most baffling mysteries—the murder in a lonely shack in Staten Island in 1920 of Carl Hostetter and Natalie Willis, but unfortunately the crime has never been reported to the police and so far as is known, exists in the imagination of the person who asked the 13-year old girl to describe it.

O. A. C. Counted Out for Coast Basket Ball Championship

SEATTLE, March 1.—The University of Washington and the University of California will play in Oakland Tuesday, Thursday and Friday nights for the basketball championship of the Pacific coast intercollegiate conference. It was announced here today upon receipt of a decision that games of the University of Montana were to be counted in figuring standings in the northern section of the conference.

CHARGE PIERCE PROHIBITION METHODS VIOLATE LAWS

Salem Capital-Journal Reveals Payment to Atty. Baker in Labbe Case Out of State Funds—County Should Pay Expenses Claimed.

SALEM, Ore., March 1.—Asserting that Governor Pierce and Attorney Cleaver, state prohibition commissioner, are disregarding legal restrictions placed upon them by statute in the attempts to enforce the prohibition laws of the state, the Capital Journal today prints a story revealing that two claims totaling \$209.70 for "legal services," approved by the governor as to the legality and correctness, were yesterday presented for payment out of the special state prohibition fund to Elisha A. Baker, practicing lawyer of Portland and attorney for the Anti-Saloon league of Oregon, without regard for the specific provisions of the Oregon laws that special prosecutors for liquor cases shall be paid by the counties and that all legal work for the state and its departments shall be done by the attorney general.

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SECRET U. S. CODE USED BY M'LEAN

Evidence Connects Up U. S. Secret Service in Oil Tangle—Code Used in Messages—Warning Editor—Committee Demands Copy of Justice Department's Cipher.

WASHINGTON, March 1.—Managers of the Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies at Three Rivers, N. M., where Albert B. Fall's ranch is located were subpoenaed today by the oil committee.

SILVERTON COUPLE ATTEMPT SUICIDE PACT, BUT FAIL

SALEM, Ore., March 1.—What police authorities declare was an apparent suicide pact, was revealed here today when it became known that Dr. George Russell and his wife of Silverton, were found nearly dead in a local apartment house from an overdose of a drug. When discovered Dr. Russell was lying on his stomach on the floor of one room and his wife was on the bed in an adjoining room.

THE NOTED DEAD

TOKIO, March 1.—(By the Associated Press).—Prince Matsuoka, one of the "elder statesmen" of Japan, who has been critically ill for several days, died early today.

PROBABLE RAINS

WASHINGTON, March 1.—Weather outlook for the week beginning Monday: Pacific states—Considerable cloudiness, probably rains in Washington, Oregon and northern California. Normal temperature.

Teddy Roosevelt, 3d., Hopes That Some Day He'll Be as Good a Boxer as Illustrious Grandfather



Sons of senators, representatives and government officials are afforded the opportunity of learning the rudiments of every sport at the exclusive Racquet Club in Washington. They are under the direction of Mr. Whipp, who has turned out many fine specimens of American youth.

OREGON NEWS IN BRIEF

ROSEBURG, Ore., March 1.—Mayor George L. Baker and wife of Portland arrived in Roseburg this morning. Mayor Baker will speak at the Roseburg automobile show tonight.

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13,000 Head of Live Stock to Be Shot Down in California

SAN FRANCISCO, March 1.—Outbreak of the foot and mouth disease has hit one of the largest industries in California—livestock. Domestic livestock of all kinds on California farms totals 5,001,300 head, valued at approximately \$221,000,000, according to official state and federal reports.

S. CALIFORNIA FACES SERIOUS WATER FAMINE

LOS ANGELES, March 1.—Southern California communities and corporations today were organizing their defense against what threatens to be the most serious water shortage encountered here in twenty years.

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INVESTIGATION OF ATTY. GEN. IS ORDERED

Senator Brookhart to Head Committee for Probe Into Daugherty's Record—Lodge Abandons Struggle for Appointed Committee, While Wheeler Drops Preamble.

WASHINGTON, March 1.—A special committee headed by Senator Brookhart, republican, Iowa, one of the LaFollette insurgents, was empowered by the senate late today to make a sweeping investigation into the official record of Attorney General Daugherty.

4 FATALITIES AT L. A. IN ONE DAY

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