

# BUBONIC PLAGUE THREAT TO LAND TOLD CONGRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — Charged with protecting Americans against importation of the germs and viruses of swiftnly devastating diseases, surgeon General Cummings of the public health service has placed before congress a survey of health conditions throughout the world.

"Bubonic plague continued to be pandemic but no new foci appeared, India still being the world center of bubonic plague," says a statement summarizing Dr. Cummings' report.

"The widespread incidence of bubonic plague is evidenced by the fact that cases were reported in a number of foreign countries, including French Indo-China, South China coast, Algeria, Madagascar, Nigeria, Siam, the Argentine Republic, Ecuador, South Africa, Greece and scattered localities in Russia.

"The outbreak of plague in the Argentine republic has aroused apprehension as to its spread through commerce to other countries. The fact that six ships from ports of the Argentine have been found to be infected with plague upon arriving ports in other countries, indicates that such fears are well founded."

"In spite of this widespread prevalence, the statement said, only two cases of bubonic plague occurred in the North American continent. The cholera situation in India, which is the principal focus of the disease of the world, was much more serious than in any of the previous eight years, with the exception of 1924," the statement continued. Cholera continues to be endemic in several other parts of the world, principally in Siam, Cochinchina and China proper.

"Yellow fever appeared in West Africa in June, 1928, after several months' absence. Prior to that time a number of cases were reported at various places in Africa. Occasionally cases had occurred from time to time in Brazil, but in 1928 an epidemic condition developed in Rio de Janeiro. Yellow fever was also reported in several other parts of Brazil. It has also been reported at several points in the interior of that country.

"The typhus fever situation in Europe continues to improve, although cases were reported in Poland, Lithuania and Russia.

"Smallpox continues to be unduly prevalent in view of the fact that an efficacious method of vaccination is known. The disease is reported from practically every country in the world."

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E. J. Perry, dairy expert, points out these peculiarities in the current issue of the Farm Journal. Holsteins, having originated in Holland, still are regarded as best adapted to a flat country of rich pastures, where the summers are not too hot. They most readily uphold their reputations as quantity producers of milk under these conditions.

The Jerseys and Guernseys, originating on those misty islands in the English channel from which they take their names, developed as a small but hardy breed which produces less milk but decidedly more butterfat than the Holsteins. The Ayrshire, from southern Scotland, is adapted to hilly ranges and can stand comparatively cold weather because of its well-padded beefy build, but is distressed by extreme heat.

The Brown Swiss, one of the oldest types, but uncommon in America, comes from the lake country of Switzerland where its ancestors through centuries learned to stand a wide range of temperature. Their milk, with that of the Ayrshire, averages about 4 per cent butterfat, the standard of present dairy tests.

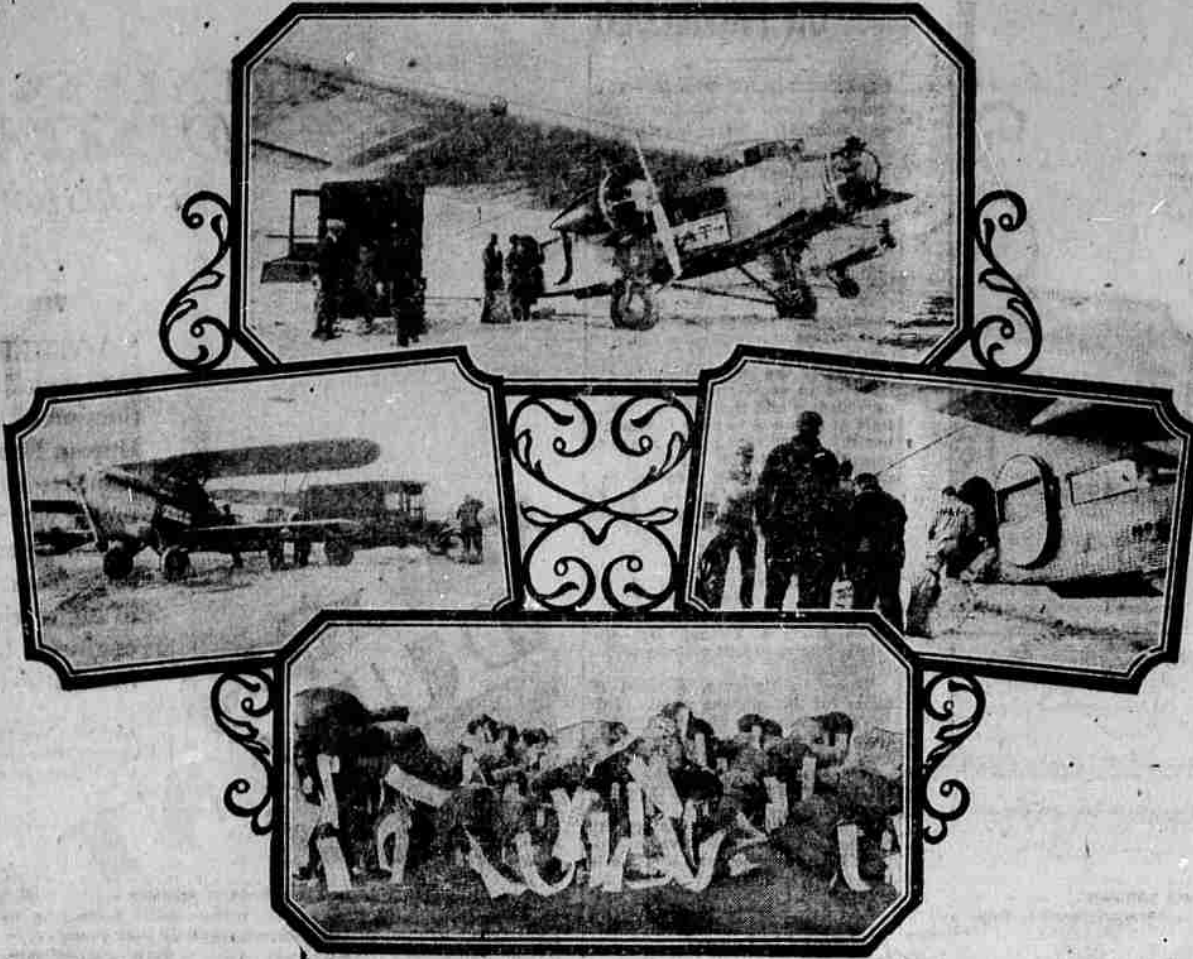
# FLYING AMBULANCES BEFORE PARIS BODY

WASHINGTON (AP) — Transportation of the sick and injured by airplane in war and peace time is to be made the subject of an international congress of aeronautics called at Paris, May 15 to 20.

The department of commerce, through its assistant trade commissioner at Paris, H. C. Schutte, has been notified of the congress and has been extended an invitation for American participation in the conferences.

The use of ambulance planes in the far colonies of the great powers, means of removing wounded from battle fronts by plane, use of ambulance seaplanes, the place of the Red Cross in aeronautics and air ambulances in time of peace as an aid to civilian population, are to be made the subjects of numerous conferences planned during the congress.

# AIRMAIL SHATTERS WORLD RECORD



Twenty-eight airplanes, of which nine were the tri-motored giants of the air, were used at Toledo recently to haul the biggest airmail shipment in the world's history when the Willis-Overland Company sent out 700,000 Whippet letters weighing 30,000 pounds to actual prospects in more than 6,000 towns covering every state. The big monoplanes each carried 2,500 pounds of the mail.

A large part of the shipment traveled a distance of 11,000 miles in the air before reaching conveyances for its final delivery. This spectacular delivery

was carried on without interrupting regular airmail schedules elsewhere and testified to the splendid development of commercial aviation in the United States during the last two years.

The upper picture shows one of the big tri-motored planes loading up with the Willis-Overland mail and a close-up view of this plane is shown at the right. The scene on the left shows other types of airplanes used while the lower view reveals a part of the huge stack of airmail with special destination tags attached before being loaded in the planes.

# HOME EDUCATION

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Issued by the National Kindergarten Association, 8 West 40th Street, New York City. These articles are appearing each Sunday in the Mail Tribune.

# PHILIP CALLS THE ROLL

Minerva Hunter

Philip, the youngest of five children, had not only his parents to adore and serve him, but brothers and sisters as well. Philip's ringlets held the sunlight; Philip's cheeks wore a rose that Philip's eyes shone and Philip's piping voice brought homage. What was more, Philip was beginning to realize his kingship. In his precious baby way he ruled the other children with a firm, unyielding hand. Whatever he wanted, he got. No matter who was using a toy, Philip usually merely mentioned his desire for it, and it was his. Should the rightful owner hesitate, at least one of the other children remembered personal grievances against the offender, and used little Philip as an opportunity to even matters. Expressions of disapproval became so vehement that the offender retreated speedily and Philip's demand was a warning, but led to no good end, so one day while Philip had his nap, the mother talked with the four older children.

"We love Philip, don't we?" she began.  
"Warn agreement in varied forms met this question."  
"Who loves Carl Craig?" was the next question.  
"Nobody could!" came the quick answer.  
"Why?"  
"He always wants his way," Henry said.  
"He's selfish with his toys," David answered.  
"He wants our toys, too," Mary added.  
"O, Mother, why, Mother," Katie almost whispered in her surprise, "surely you do not think our Philip is at all like Carl Craig?"  
The comparison started the other children, still when they thought about it, the two had several traits in common.  
"But, Mother, Philip is just a baby," Mary defended.  
"And so sweet," David added.  
"We do not mind giving up to him," Henry assured her.  
"But Philip is growing older," Katie meditated aloud. "He must not grow up like Carl Craig!"  
"Every one must love our Philip," Mary declared warmly.  
Henry and David agreed.  
"It is better for those who love him to correct him, than for those who do not care for him to try to set even with him," their mother reasoned. "Then she and the four children laid a plan to help Philip overcome his unseemly habits."

When Philip waked up he was in good humor. For more than an hour he played in a most friendly manner, then he took a sudden notion that Henry's toy elephant was exactly what he wanted. Though Henry was playing with it himself at the time.  
"Give it to me," Philip demanded in his queer little voice that every one loved.  
Henry played on, though it was evident to the other children that he had lost his desire to play with the elephant.  
"Henry, Henry, Henry!" Philip wailed.  
Henry weakened; only the thought of Carl Craig and the family's plan for Philip held him firmly to his course.

Seeing that Henry refused to give him the elephant, Philip turned to his older sister and chief ally, "Katie, Katie, Katie!" he implored and added an energetic, "Wow, wow!"  
Katie read her book, seeming not to hear.  
"Maw, Maw, Maw! Wow, wow!" Philip yelled, turning to his other sister.  
Mary went on dressing her doll without looking up.  
"David, David, David!" Philip screamed in despair.  
David walked to the window and looked out.  
Philip had called the roll. No one was present to take his part. He felt he must do something to win approval. Picking up his fire engine which he knew Henry liked, he offered it to him. When Henry accepted it and thanked him, Philip did not ask for the elephant nor touch it.  
Suddenly there was a sound of glad voices. What a relief to have the first lesson over and Philip not hurt. Really he seemed helped. He hid!

"Let's play tag," Katie suggested. This was Philip's favorite game. "You do it," four happy voices said to Philip.

# Farm Notes

Skim milk is often fed to bull calves for a longer period than hinders, says the Oregon experiment station. A bull calf may be carried on to eight or ten months of age, although he can be weaned at an earlier age if fed good leguminous hay, or if he has the run of good pasture in addition to a grain mixture. As it is desirable to keep the bull growing, it may be necessary to feed grain for best results. A good mixture is best parts of bran, four of ground oats and one of linseed-meal.  
In Oregon it is often possible to get additional farm land for a season and with only a little outlay of seed and with machinery and labor already available considerable can be added to the farm income, says the experiment station. Farm profits are directly proportional to the efficiency with which the factors of production, land, labor, capital and management are used by the farm operator.  
Providing pleasant surroundings for hired labor helps create better working conditions for the hired man. A pleasant room if the help lives in the employer's home; or if he is married a cozy, attractive cottage increases contentment. Contented help is more likely to stay permanently and be more efficient, says the Oregon experiment station.  
It is fast approaching the time for poultrymen that are raising chicks to get brooding equipment ready. It is well to clean and disinfect the houses, assemble and set up the brooding equipment, and order the fuel supply. Also to see that the brooder stove is working properly and make any necessary repairs or improvements to the brooder houses or equipment so as to have everything ready before the rush of other spring duties, says the Oregon experiment station.  
Mrs. Viola Moore of Hillsdale, Mich., saved her academic gown after her college commencement. Two sons have worn it since; five other children await their turns.

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# THRILL SLAYER GOES TO TANK FOR COOKING

JOLIET, Ill., Feb. 24.—(AP) Nathan Leopold, one of the "thrill slayers" of Bobby Franks, was in solitary confinement in the state penitentiary today. He was moved to "solitary" after prison authorities found he had constructed a stove in his cell and was cooking midnight meals. For fuel he used alcohol which he had from the prison ration shops.

# Atwater Kent Radio Program

The outstanding artists in the realm of music, Lawrence Tibbett, baritone of the Metropolitan Opera company, and Harold Nason, pianist, will be presented to a coast-to-coast radio audience when the Atwater Kent program is broadcast from New York tonight 8:15 to 11:15 o'clock, Pacific Standard Time. Josef Pasternak will direct the orchestra.  
Tibbett is one of the youngest singers at the Metropolitan and is a Californian by birth. For a number of years Tibbett devoted himself to church, concert and light opera singing. At the Metropolitan he achieved his first great triumph in the role of Ford in Verdi's "Falstaff."

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# NEW MANAGER DURANT MOTORS

The genius that directed the formation and development of the Dodge Brothers dealer organization is now at the helm of Durant Motors, Inc.

A. J. Philip, who has been a notable figure in the automotive world for years, has been appointed chairman of the board of directors of Durant Motors, Inc. It was announced today by George R. Morris, sales manager of the western Durant factory.

Philip is a hitherto unannounced member of that group of nationally known automobile executives which W. C. Durant recently revealed had acquired an extensive financial interest in his company and would take over its active management. So well was the secret kept that his appointment as chairman of the board came as a complete surprise even to well-informed financiers and members to the trade.

Philip's record is one of brilliant success and his active participation in the management of Durant Motors is a sure forerunner of unprecedented activity and progress in that institution, according to his official. Philip in his earlier days was vice-president of Morgan & Wright and general sales manager of the Studebaker Corporation.

Speaking of his policies, Philip was quoted by Morris as saying that for the present he could only declare that he and his associates have always operated and expect always to operate on the theory that "there is no twilight zone in business. Either a thing is black or it is white. Either it is right or it is wrong. If it is wrong, fix it."

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