

### 'U. S.' OF ARABIA AIM OF BRITAIN TO CHECK ITALY

#### Move Promoted to Halt Further Expansion of Italy in Red Sea Region — French See Background

By EDWARD KENNEDY  
(Associated Press Foreign Staff.)  
PARIS, April 15.—(AP)—A proposal for a "United States of Arabia," is being promoted by Britain in an effort to align the Arabs against any further Italian expansion in the Red Sea region.

The dream of an Arabian empire, composed of most of the kingdoms, mandated territories and protectorates forming the Arabian peninsula, was believed by many nationalists to be moving rapidly toward fulfillment.

The Paris newspaper, Le Journal, asking what was behind the movement for Arab unity, said: "The idea comes naturally that England, after taking advantage of division of Arabs in the past, deems it opportune to unite them at a time when Italy has shown itself stronger than London believed."

"It is certain that if the Italians complete their triumph in Ethiopia, their activity in the Red Sea will expand."

The vision of Arab nationalists, as expressed by nationalists, was one of a loose confederation, virtually free from European domination, and with the units retaining their own rulers and governments.

Signs Favorable.  
Favorable signs were seen in recent events — demonstrations of greater unity among the Arabs, lessening of friction between Moslems and Christians, and a disposition on the part of European powers to withdraw to some extent from the Levant.

The proposed United States of Arabia would have a population of almost 10,000,000 and an area of more than 1,000,000 square miles, about half of it desert, on the peninsula across the Red Sea from East Africa, scene of Italy's campaign of conquest.

The empire envisioned by Arab patriots probably would include Syria, the Lebanon Republics, the Arabian Sudanian kingdom (formerly Hejaz and Nejd), the kingdom of Iraq, the Imamate of Yemen, the sultanate of Kuwait, the sultanate of Oman and possibly Transjordan, mandated to Britain, and Aden, British protectorate.

The inclusion of Palestine, also at present under British mandate, is regarded as less likely.

### San Francisco, Unafraid of Quakes, Observes 30th Anniversary of 'Fire'

By Sam Jackson  
SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—A city unafraid of earthquakes but still jittery about fires will pause April 18 to remember a day 30 years ago when both catastrophes struck at once, taking between 500 and 600 lives and wreaking damage of \$300,000,000.

San Franciscans have been accused of referring to the tragedy of 1906 as a "fire" instead of a quake because of a false sense of pride—a refusal to recognize California's ever present earthquake threat. But to 300,000 refugees who camped in parks and streets for three days while the flames roared, the disaster was primarily a "fire."

The earth jolt occurred at 5:12 in the morning; the great San Andreas fault slipped a jog undersea and violently jarred the coast over an area 50 miles long and 30 miles wide.

Fire Damage Greatest  
San Francisco buildings were violently shaken but few actually collapsed, although chimneys and cornices cascaded to the ground. Insurance companies found that only five per cent of the \$350,000,000 damage from quake and fire was directly attributable to the quake.

Flames broke out almost at once in scores of places and spread without hindrance as the city's water system had been jolted to pieces. By evening of the first day eight square miles had been burned and 300,000 of the city's 425,000 residents had deserted their homes in panic.

Whole blocks of buildings were dynamited to create firebreaks. Authorities herded 200,000 of the refugees into Golden Gate park and made desperate efforts to supply them with food and water.

Wind Fanned Flames  
On the second day a stiff wind fanned the flames to new fury and out of egress down the peninsula on which San Francisco is situated. With the third day the fire abated somewhat but completed the ruin of the financial and shopping districts.

It was not until the fourth day that citizens could get to work to restore the 28,000 buildings which lay in embers.

The catastrophe occurred before the days of city planning, and rapid rebuilding, authorities admit showed more courage and seal than wisdom. The city of today is one of skyscrapers and of lofty apartment houses crowded close together.

Engineers say that in case of another earthquake few if any buildings would fall. San Francisco, however, vividly remembers the "fire" and is a city on guard against a possible repetition of such havoc.

Dogs Barred in Groceries.  
MOUNTAIN VIEW, Cal.—(UP)—K. Haskell Winsted received a 10-day suspended sentence for taking his dog into a grocery. It is against the city ordinance.



San Francisco, which rose from the ashes of the fire that followed the earthquake 30 years ago, is ever on guard against a similar disaster. The modern view shows the city from famous Nob hill. The photograph below, copyright by H. J. Waters & Co., pictures the start of the conflagration, April 18, 1906.

### ELKS OFFER \$10 COSTUME PRIZE AT '49 FROLIC

Preparations for the Elks' Frolic and Days of '49, to be staged at the "Edford Elks temple next Saturday night, April 18, are virtually complete, according to Leon B. Haskins, general chairman for the affair.

Doors will be open to the general public at 7:30, with everything ready to start the night's fun. Dancing will begin in the lodge room at 9:30, and continue until midnight.

There is considerable interest in the old-fashioned dress contest, according to Mr. Haskins. A prize of \$10 in cash will be awarded to the person appearing at the frolic in the best entry day costume. There is no red tape necessary to try for the prize. It was pointed out. The event is free-for-all and any one wearing a pioneer get-up is eligible.

Due to lateness of announcement, and the apparent inability of the male population to sprout beards worthy the name in such short growing time, it was decided to call off the whisker raising contest and permit the gents to disguise themselves with false spinach as an asset to their pioneer rigs.

There will be a feed for the committeemen in the lodge basement at 6:00 o'clock, preceding the regular assembly. All will be attired in their own interpretation of what a '49er would have considered an appropriate garb.

Committee members appointed by Mr. Haskins to serve at the various amusement booths are: George T. Fry, O. O. Alenderfer, Louis Ulrich, Walter Olmsted, J. C. Murray, Diamond Flynn, Jerry Jerome, Roy Pruitt, J. F. Fiegel, Stan Sherwood, Joe Burroughs, C. H. Martin, Earl York, Frank Hunsong, Don Hutchinson, Al Wilson, Wm. Hammett, M. B. Merriman, Elmer Childers, Dr. Robert Coe, Clarence Pankey, Court Hall, R. B. Hammond, Hanson Webster, Paul Wright, E. W. Winkle and Dr. W. E. Lantz.

The food committee will be headed by P. C. Bigham, with D. O. Frederick and Leon Fornbrook. Tom Robinson has been appointed floor police.

Judges for the costume contest will be Owen Apton as chairman, and Otis Newbury and Royal Brown serving with him. Ralph Burgess is chairman of the make-up committee.

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### Pear Market Yesterday

NEW YORK, April 14.—(AP-USA)—Pear auction: 136 cars arrived, 4 Oregon unloaded, 16 on track. Oregon d'Anjou 1480 boxes, extra fancy, \$1.85 @ 2.00, average \$2.25; 811 boxes fancy, \$2.05 @ 2.50, average \$2.28.

Nella, 637 boxes extra fancy, \$1.50 @ 1.60, average \$1.73; 803 boxes fancy, \$1.45 @ 1.70, average \$1.59.

CHICAGO—No Oregon pears reported.

Town "Speed Trap."  
NEW HAVEN, Conn.—(UP)—The little town of Orange, with a population of only 1,530, has won the title of Connecticut's principal "speed trap." In 1935 unway motorists, numbering 1,249, were forced to pay fines and court costs totaling \$13,258.62, a larger amount by thousands than costs accruing in any other of the state's 100 cities and towns.

Pei Squirrel Spoiled.  
RESERVE, Kan.—(UP)—Members of the Miner family worked for weeks to tame a squirrel so it would come to their back porch for food. Now, when he isn't fed regularly by members of the family the squirrel chews the heels of overshoes left on the back porch.

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### Margery Paley, Violinist To Be Heard in Recital

Miss Margery Paley, artist pupil of Lucie Landen, will be presented in recital May 19 at 4 o'clock in the SONS auditorium, when she will play the first movement of the Mozart Concerto in A-Major, a Bach suite, and a group of lighter numbers, one of which is her own composition, "Lullaby."

Miss Paley has played many times in the valley and has proven herself a violinist of sterling caliber. Miss Paley has studied with Florence Alexander of San Francisco and has played



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ed for Guilio Minetti, one-time conductor of the San Francisco Symphony.

For the past two years Miss Paley has studied with Lucie Landen of the college music department, and has shown tremendous growth. She has a facile technique, singing tone, and plays with a musicianship and finesse.

Miss Paley was concertmaster of her high school orchestra and is at present concertmaster of the college orchestra; last year she played the first movement of the De Beriot Concerto, accompanied by the college orchestra. She was first violin of the college string quartette and proved her worth at chamber music.

She has broadcast several times over KMGD.

In her recital Sunday afternoon, Miss Paley will be assisted by Bernice Bubolz, pianist, one of the outstanding piano talents of southern Oregon. At 13 years of age, Miss Bubolz won first place for the province of Saskatchewan in the Canadian Musical Festival.

She is the holder of a certificate of merit from the University of Toronto Conservatory of Music. She has coached with Mordant Goodenough and appeared in recital and radio a number of times in Portland and southern Oregon. Whenever she has played, she has been acclaimed for her brilliant technique and real musicianship. Miss Bubolz will play the first movement of the Beethoven Pathétique Sonata, and a group of lighter numbers.

Students to Be Knighted.  
MONTREAL.—(UP)—An order of "The Knights of the Test-Tube" has been formed by McGill University medical students. The "knighthood" will be conferred on the student who performs the best research work during the session.

Tiny Locomotive Built.  
VANCOUVER, B. C.—(UP)—A tiny model of a locomotive, perfect in every detail, has been built entirely of cardboard by Jack Thompson, 15-year-old Vancouver high school pupil. It took him three months to make it.

### REPORT TOMORROW ON CRATER CLUB

All committees appointed to prepare plans for the reorganization of the Crater club are to meet in the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce at 7:30 tomorrow night. Larry Schade, Big Eruption, is to preside.

The committees have been at work for several weeks studying reorganization plans and their reports are to be discussed at tomorrow's meeting.

The Crater club was one of the first organizations of its kind in Oregon. It was formed for the purpose of promoting interest in southern Oregon and especially the Regue valley. It

has been inactive in recent years, but with tourist travel now on the increase the present was considered a propitious time to revive the club.

Typewriter Gang Operates.  
SANTA ROSA, Cal.—(UP)—The latest racket in northern California is the robbing, evidently by an organized gang, of typewriters from school houses. Seven were stolen from one school here. It is believed the machines are reconditioned and sold in foreign countries.

Cupid Thwarts Canadian.  
VICTORIA, B. C.—(UP)—The case of an elderly bachelor who obtained six marriage licenses in three years and used none of them has been revealed here. Officials said the Victorian, whose name they withheld, had taken out the licenses in anticipation of marrying his last six housekeepers.

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