SECRETARY WORK

Hubert Work, postmaster general, who has been named secretary of the Interior to succeed Secretary Fall.

STORES IN ESSEN LOOTED BY MOBS

Essen.—Essen experienced the wildest night since the beginning of the occupation and in the early Sunday morning hours food stores were looted and others broken into by armed mobs, said to have been composed of the unemployed.

This city is virtually without police protection at present and many of the citizens, in fear of further robberies or violence by bands in the streets, are arming themselves as best they can for their own protection.

Marks to the amount of 1,000,000,000 from the Berlin reichsbank, which were being transported to banks in Duisburg, were seized by the Belgians. This money will be applied to payment of the cost of the Rhineland army of occupation, on which account Germany is in arrears.

Unemployment in the Ruhr district is again causing some uneasiness in occupation circles.

BRIEF GENERAL NEWS

By a vote of 6 to 7 the administration ship subsidy bill was sidetracked in the senate.

Whooping cough may be cured by the application of the X-Ray, in the opinion of Boston physicians.

The Minnesota state senate has killed a bill to restore capital punishment for persons convicted of murder.

The United States shipping board sustained an operating loss of $12,692,516.11 during the months of November and December, 1922, and January, 1923, Chairman Lasker announced.

W. Burke Cockran, congressman from New York, conceded to have been one of the most eloquent orators who ever spoke from the floor of congress, died in Washington, D. C.

Senator Carter Glass, democrat of Virginia, former secretary of the treasury, declined to serve on the World war debt funding commission to which he was appointed by President Harding.

The senate failed to confirm James G. McNary, New Mexico, as comptroller of the currency, but confirmed the nominations of Cyrus E. Woods of Pennsylvania to be ambassador to Japan, and Alexander P. Moore, Pittsburg, to be ambassador to Spain.

15 Reported Injured in a Tornado.

Kansas City, Mo.—A tornado, smashing along the Kansas-Missouri border, injured 15 persons and caused property damage estimated at thousands of dollars. The storm, coming out of the southwest, struck Kansas City, Excelsior Springs and St. Joseph, Mo., the hardest blows, while Troy, Hiawatha and other Kansas towns were cut off from communication.

Federal Job Denied Negro.

Washington, D. C.—The contested nomination of Walter L. Cohen, negro republican leader of Louisiana, to be customs controller at New Orleans, was defeated by the senate which rejected the president's nomination.

Finland Ready to Pay War Debt.

Washington, D. C.—The Finnish government has opened negotiations with the American debt funding commission for the payment of its $9,294,362 war debt to the United States, it was announced officially.

Congress Pays Tribute to Mondell.

Washington, D. C.—Frank W. Mondell, republican leader in the house, who retires after a quarter of a century of legislative service, was presented with a silver service by his colleagues.

Authorized to Curb Dope Trade.

Washington, D. C.—President Harding was authorized and requested by congress to enter into negotiations with foreign governments for the limitation of production of habit forming drugs to the amount necessary for medical and scientific purposes.

Etheridge Is Freed on Larceny Charge.

Portland, Or.—Acquittal was the verdict won by John L. Etheridge, tried for larceny by embezzlement as an official of the defunct bond house of Morris Bros., Inc.

COMPARATIVE INSTALLATION COSTS OF CONCRETE AND CORRUGATED PIPE ON THREE STATE HIGHWAY JOBS

That the labor costs for hauling and placing corrugated pipe are considerably less than those in connection with reinforced concrete is perfectly obvious from a comparison of the weights per foot of the two types; but just how wide the difference is has been a matter of conjecture, since definite figures were lacking. The weights, according to California Highway Commission standards, are as follows:

Diameter	Corrugated Pipe Weight per foot	Reinforced Concrete Pipe Weight per foot
12 inches	10.8 lbs	90 lbs.
18 inches	15.7 lbs	146 lbs.
24 inches	20.7 lbs.	200 lbs.
30 inches	31.9 lbs.	355 lbs.
36 inches	38.1 lbs.	507 lbs.

Figures just at hand in connection with three recent State Highway grading contracts throw quite a little light on the matter of installation costs. Bids were called for on an alternate basis, the pipe to be either corrugated iron or concrete according to a later decision of the Commission. The Highway Commission was to supply the pipe in either case, and deliver it to the railroad station nearest the work, so the calculations of the contractors were confined to hauling, installing and back filling. The figures of the successful bidders were as follows:

JOB NO. 1

6.1 miles of Highway in Santa Barbara County, between Cuyurraca river and Buckhorn creek. The Warran Construction Co., Successful bidders.

COST OF INSTALLING PER FOOT

Diameter	No. Ft.	Concrete	Cor. Iron
12 in.	1,004	$1.75	$0.75
18 in.	1,662	2.50	1.00
24 in	428	3.00	1.25
36 in.	132	5.00	2.00

JOB NO. 2

5.7 miles in Mariposa county, between Sierra National Forest and Briceburg, Rhodes & Price, Successful bidders:

COST OF INSTALLING PER FOOT

Diameter	No. Ft.	Concrete	Cor. Iron
12 in.	1232	$2.00	$0.80
18 in.	550	2.50	1.00
24 in.	300	3.50	1.20
36 in	682	5.50	1.30

JOB NO. 3

16.8 miles in Santa Clara county, between San Felipe and Eastern Boundary. Rhodes & Price, successful bidders.

COST OF INSTALLING PER FOOT

Diameter	No. Ft.	Concrete	Cor. Iron
12 in	2120	$2.00	$0.70
15 in.	816	2.50	.75
18 in	840	3.00	.80
24 in	498	4.00	.90

These jobs ran from $150,000.00 to $400,000.00 each [illegible] any contractors bid on each of them. The figures of the successful [illegible] ers may therefore be considered fairly indicative.

In Oregon the State Highway department does not buy [illegible] lverts they allow the contractors to purchase them, and the con[illegible] erally awarded the contracts on the type of culverts on w[illegible] mak the lowest price.

An analysis of the bids in all the lettings of [illegible] ment, for the last two or three years shows [illegible] the contractor's bid price has been from 10 pe[illegible] Corrugated Culverts than on culverts of heav[illegible]

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PESTS DO TWO BILLION DAMAGE

Scores of Plant Diseases Ravage Farm Crops in United States.

CORN BORER LATEST MENACE

Many Destructive Pests and Diseases Are Imported From Europe—Boll Weevil Has Cost Enough to Pay National Debt.

Washington.—Figures show the American taxpayer is paying tribute to plant pests at the rate of about $2,000,000,000 a year, the American Nature association says.

The Atlantic states know what the chestnut blight and the white pine blister rust have done. The country knows the South's experience with the boll weevil. One of the original enemies to be brought to this land from Europe was the Hessian fly, which came in straw the soldiers used to bed their horses. That fly still costs the country the price of the Revolutionary war every year because of what it does to wheat.

Introduced from Mexico, the boll weevil has cost the cotton growers of the South enough to pay off the national debt. A hundred-million-acre corn crop is annually exposed to a dozen destructive diseases, most of which came to America from foreign fields.

Corn Borer Latest to Appear.

The last to appear is the European corn borer. Thus far science has made no headway in exterminating this pest.

A professor at Harvard university some years ago was experimenting in an effort to develop a variety of silk worms that would resist the gypsy moth. A gust of wind blew several cultures of moths through his laboratory window. Shortly thereafter the gypsy moth became a destructive pest in Massachusetts, and now extends its depredations over more than 20,000 square miles of American area. The American Nature association says this pest accomplishes almost as much economic damage as the annual fires.

The brown-tail moth came from Holland or France in shipments of roses. The Japanese beetle came to our shores on imported Japanese iris plants. The San Jose scale has rendered fruit production prohibitory in some parts of the United States and costs more than $10,000,000 a year.

Efforts to Control.

Along the Mexican border Uncle Sam maintains great fumigators large enough for several freight cars to run inside at a time. In this way all the cotton and cotton seed that comes in from Mexico is rendered harmless so far as the distribution of objectionable cotton diseases is concerned.

"The rogues' gallery" list of pests now includes more than 73 economically important crop despoilers. They include such crop criminals as the codling moth, asparagus beetle, buffalo moth, hop plant louse, horn fly, common cabbage worm, sugar-cane borer, pear midge, wheat louse, oyster-shell bark louse, pea weevil, croton bug, 23 injurious scale insects and many others. Thirty-seven of these pests have been imported from Europe.

At such important ports of entry as New York, Boston, Seattle and San Francisco, plant pest policemen now examine all seed and plant material as well as other agricultural products which might be infested with foreign disease germs.

DIGS UP 5-INCH SOLID EGGS

Smithsonian Institution to Analyze Find Made on Michigan Farm.

Crystal Falls, Mich.—Seven dark blue eggs, about five inches in diameter, were unearthed on a farm near Mastodon by Ivan Petrotski while engaged in blasting stumps. Shells of the eggs gave out a metallic sound when struck with a sledge hammer. One of them was broken and showed a perfect stage of preservation.

The Smithsonian Institution will be asked to analyze the egg, one of which is to be incubated by Petrotski.

Bullet in Boy's Appendix.

Iron River, Wis.—Earl Fox, son of Harvey Fox, is at the Ashland General hospital recovering from a severe attack of appendicitis. The little fellow, who is seven, was taken violently sick and was taken to the hospital, where an operation was performed. It was found that some time or other the child had swallowed a .22-caliber bullet which had lodged in the appendix.

Blanket Indian Going.

Ponca City, Okla.—The picturesque "red man" [illegible] fast d[illegible] g, reports at the [illegible] showed.

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BLACK CAT STOPS U. S. MAIL

Negro Driver of Postoffice Truck Won't Cross Path and Bring Bad Luck.

Lynchburg, Va.—Apparently the only thing that will delay the United States mails when there is a negro chauffeur in charge of a mail truck handling mail from the postoffice to a railway transfer is a black cat, for practically nothing else stops these trucks here.

A morning or two ago, just as day was breaking, a big mail truck, driven by a negro, was pushing rapidly out Fifth street to the Southern railway, the car at the time descending about a 10 per cent grade, when a black cat loped across the track 25 feet ahead of the truck.

Quick as a flash that chauffeur stepped on the emergency brake and stopped the car within a few feet. He then turned his car, retraced his way to Park avenue, making the detour to the station through that street rather than cross the path of the omen of ill luck.

WARSHIP CARRIES 20 PLANES

British to Launch New Vessel Especially Fitted for Accommodation Aircraft.

London.—Fitted with two hangers and designed to carry 20 airplanes which can be raised to the flying-off deck on electric lifts, the Hermes, of 10,950 tons, will shortly be put into commission for the royal navy.

This is the first aircraft carrier to be specially designed by the admiralty, and has the unusual feature of funnels, mast and superstructure on the starboard side amidship, instead of in the center, thus allowing plenty of flying-off and alighting space.

Another aircraft carrier just ready for use is the Eagle of 26,200 tons, which has been converted from a battleship originally laid down in 1913 for Chile.

SUES FOR $1,000; GETS $1,500

Woman, Ejected From Store, Underestimates Extent of Her Humiliation.

Baltimore.—A jury in Superior court thought Mrs. Teresa Hagerty was humiliated to such an extent that they awarded to her $500 more than she asked in her suit against a jeweler.

Mrs. Hagerty alleged she purchased a ring from Isidor Lakein and when she went to his store to tell him it was not what it was guaranteed to be she was ejected forcibly. She sued for $1,000 and was awarded $1,500.

Here's Latest Fish Story.

Winsted, Conn.—Frederick Walcott, president of the state fisheries and game commission, told this fish story to the Winsted club: Four hundred half-inch pickerel were placed in a pond. None was taken out dead, but in 21 days only one pickerel remained. They had eaten each other.

Woman Landlord Refuses Homes to Small Families

Mrs. Vincent Gregg of Lynn, Mass., has announced that she would rent houses owned by her only to families having at least six children. All of the houses owned by her are now rented to families with six or more children, and she says that future tenants must prove that they have big families before she will sign a lease.

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