

REGULAR MESSAGES TO FAKE DISPATCHES

That Is Now Offered as Explanation of Maj. Langhorne's Return From Berlin.

CABLES UNDER HIS NAME SENT HERE BY OTHERS

Alleged Plot Detected in One Message Being Addressed to "War College, Annapolis."

Notwithstanding the studied reticence of all officials of the State and War departments regarding the case of Maj. George T. Langhorne, recently relieved from duty as military attaché at the United States embassy at Berlin, the subject of general gossip.

What made the situation especially embarrassing to the Washington authorities was that the fake dispatches accredited to Maj. Langhorne dealt not only with purely military matters within the scope of his official business, but also with diplomatic and political questions.

Communications by Wireless.

Since the cutting of the German cable as a part of the communication between Germany and the United States has been by wireless, Maj. Langhorne, when he had something to report regarding the operations in the war zones, placed his dispatches in the hands of the German authorities who, naturally, control all communications in Germany at this time, and they were forwarded to the United States by wireless.

Some of these dispatches were sent in plain language and when sent by radio were of course open to all. This fact is what made it possible for advantage to be taken of Maj. Langhorne's personal communications.

How Discovery Was Made.

What led to the discovery of the alleged plot was a blunder in addressing one of the fake dispatches from the United States attaché to "War College, Annapolis." As is well known, there is no such institution at the Maryland capital, and no one in the military service was at all likely to make such a blunder.

LEAVES U. S. SERVICE AFTER HALF CENTURY

Curtis P. Smith, Plate Printer, Resigns Place at Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

Curtis P. Smith, after fifty years' service as a plate printer in the bureau of engraving and printing, has resigned his position, and his resignation has been accepted by Acting Secretary Newton of the Treasury Department.

"My dear Mr. Smith: I hand you herewith the formal acceptance of your resignation as it was intended should have been forwarded with the letter addressed to you by the Secretary of the Treasury on the 14th instant, and beg to say, in connection therewith, that it gives me also much pleasure to publicly attest the splendid record which long service has made during your long service of nearly fifty years as an employee of this bureau, during which long period of time, so far as I can learn from the records and the testimony of your superior officers, your conduct, attendance and industry were commendable in every respect, and your record was as nearly perfect as it was practical for an employee to have.

In accepting the resignation, Acting Secretary Newton is transmitting herewith the acceptance of your resignation as an employee of the bureau of engraving and printing after a service of nearly fifty years, you having been appointed to this position in 1864.

LETTER WRITER ACCUSED OF ATTEMPTED SUICIDE

Roland Miles Arrested at His Room and Sent to Washington Asylum.

A charge of attempted suicide was preferred today against Roland Miles, 1721 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, who was arrested by the police of the third precinct yesterday.

Miles, who is said to have resided in Montgomery county, Md., before he came to this city, was taken from his room yesterday. Complaint was made to the police that he had threatened to kill himself, and when officers reached his house and knocked on his door he refused to respond.

Must Show Overt Act.

Assistant United States Attorney Given said today that prosecutions for attempted suicide would have to be instituted under the old common law, but in order to prosecute such a case an overt act must be shown.

Chicago Plasterers Strike.

CHICAGO, March 25.—Eighteen hundred plasterers, having declined to plaster lath laid by workmen who took the places of striking lathers, went on strike today.

Claims Coal Is Handed at Loss.

CHICAGO, March 25.—Figures designed to show that the western railroads spend fortunes annually on equipment to handle soft coal on which they earn no profit, were submitted by M. M. O'Neil, former general superintendent of the Illinois Central road, who testified yesterday in the interstate commerce commission hearing of the forty-one western railroads' application for higher rates.

Plans to Run Motor Buses to Baltimore

A motor bus line may be added to the steam, electric and water transportation facilities which connect Washington with Baltimore.

Trade Commission Seeks Cash Ruling

Wants Controller of Treasury to Construe Various Appropriations.

Office Seekers Clamor for Fat Jobs in View

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Proposed Route for Line

The proposed route for the new line is from Baltimore to Halethorpe, to St. Denis, to Elkridge, to Dorsey, to Washington, to Laurel, to Mulliken, to Ammendale, to Beltsville, to Branchville, to College Park and Hyattsville. The fare between the two terminal cities would be 75 cents one way.

River Steamer Wrecked

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Veteran Editor Dies

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PLANS TO RUN MOTOR BUSES TO BALTIMORE

Boulevard Company Asks Permission to Operate in District. Proposed Route.

A motor bus line may be added to the steam, electric and water transportation facilities which connect Washington with Baltimore.

The District Commissioners, and not the utilities board, however, probably will pass on the application, as the commission has no right to grant franchises, according to a ruling of the corporation counsel, and, furthermore, it has no jurisdiction over interstate traffic, such as would be carried on by the Washington and Baltimore Company.

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The federal trade commission intends to obtain a ruling from the controller of the Treasury as to just what its rights are under the recent acts of Congress making appropriations for the commission. Half a dozen appropriations were made, some of them immediately available and others available July 1.

NEWARK Valued at \$163,090.64

NEWARK, N. J., March 25.—The personal estate of Mrs. Ellen M. McClellan, widow of Gen. George B. McClellan, was valued at \$163,090.64 in an inventory filed yesterday with the surrogate here.

Office Seekers Galore

Hordes of office seekers are calling upon the members of the commission. Many United States senators, representatives and others have appeared in support of candidates for appointment as counsel, examining and other positions. The question of whether appointment can be given to some of these applicants depends upon how the controller of the Treasury rules as to the appropriations questions which are to be submitted to him by the commission.

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Commission Passes Half Million Dollar Mark in Expenditures.

Paying out the second largest check yet exchanged for title to property involved in the proposed extension of the Union station, the commission of awards has passed the half-million-dollar mark in expenditures for this purpose. The total disbursements to date for the acquisition of titles are \$538,558.

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G. R. Comley Is Granted Divorce

Justice Siddons today granted an absolute divorce to George R. Comley from Florence M. Comley. The custody of the children was given to the father, and the co-resident was required to pay the costs. Attorney D. Edward Clarke appeared for the husband.

Buford at Colon with Troops

COLON, Panama, March 25.—The United States transport Buford, with 1,228 men of the 24th Infantry on board, arrived here this morning.

Don't Put It in the Attic or the cellar, and by all means do not clutter up your rooms with articles that are not in use. A For Sale Miscellaneous ad in The Star will bring you cash for "laid-aside" articles. The cost is small—a penny a word a day or an order for three times or longer. Call Classified Department, Main 2440.

Parker, Bridget & Co., the Nationally Known Store for Men and Little Men. FREE! SAVINGS ACCOUNTS Opened for Boys At the Second National Bank -BY- Parker, Bridget & Co. Boys! Start Your Savings Account Today. IN co-operation with the Second National Bank, Parker-Bridget are pleased to announce that they are opening a number of Savings Accounts for the Boy patrons of the store. WITH this simple idea these two big concerns hope to be able to drive home another practical way of encouraging thrift and industry among Young America. LET'S teach "Young Americans" the habit of saving—the habit of thrift and industry, individual independence, Manhood will follow. THIS is only one step in making better men for the nation. This big, strong Bank and this "Nationally known store" are glad to help in this way. Mothers—Fathers—Here is "That" Opportunity to Teach Your Boy THRIFT, INDUSTRY, the SAVING HABIT. The P-B Little Men's Store is the Largest Quality Shop for Boys South of New York. Now Showing Newest Styles for Spring. That famous NEED-MET Extra Pants Suit. All the models in Norfolk styles. \$5 and \$6 \$5.00 Up \$3.95 to \$8.50 See the High Quality P-B Suits \$7.50 and Up. The Savings Department of the Second National Bank offers depositors 3% interest on savings accounts and ample security plus a courteous, personal interest. Curtis P. Smith, after fifty years' service as a plate printer in the bureau of engraving and printing, has resigned his position, and his resignation has been accepted by Acting Secretary Newton of the Treasury Department.

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