

REHEARSE OWN FUNERAL RITES

Samoa Chieftains Practice Obsequies; Many Chiefs Prepare Their Sepulchres.

PAGO PAGO, American Samoa, (AP).—Samoa's of rank often hold rehearsals of their own funeral obsequies. Many chiefs have built their sepulchres to be certain of a comfortable and becoming resting place.

When a Samoan chief desires to review his funeral rites, he announces his intention to his family. He first selects and appoints his successor in title, and assures himself that after his death there will be no opposition to the new chief from members of the family. Preparations for the death ceremony then are made. The retiring chiefs go through a figurative death, looking on at the funeral mourning and feasting.

A few years ago a leading orator named Magoa decided it was time to die, and attended a rehearsal of his funeral. He still lives, walking about with a stately air and looking hearty for an old man. He spends most of his time reading his Bible and attending church services. He refuses to take part in affairs of a temporal nature connected with his family or village. He is a veritable example of a "living corpse."

The Samoans show great reverence for their dead. The ceremonies attending the death of even a person of low rank are elaborate and expensive to the family of the deceased.

In the days before the introduction of Christianity in 1830, and for many years afterward, when the Samoans worshipped their tutelary gods, there was greater funeral ostentation than at present. Members of the family held vigil over the body, fasting in silence for several days. The body was wrapped in many folds of native tappa cloth, and to relieve any cadaverous appearance the face was tinged with tumeric. Outside the house, all the night before the funeral, there was lamplight and making of bodies with knives and stones, while the people kept up a dirge. Relatives and friends brought presents of fine mats or expensive cloths, which were piled on the corpse, so that the spirit of the departed would be justified in carrying to the unknown world the tidings of his importance on earth.

During the funeral of a chief the village is barricaded all roads, cutting down breadfruit trees and coconut palms. After the funeral there was prolonged feasting, all the pigs and poultry of the deceased chief's family being slaughtered. Sometimes the feasting lasted 15 days. Fine mats were distributed among the visiting relatives, and this ceremony was not without occasional bitterness, as the different ones contended by strategy to obtain the richest and hence most important mats.

The burial ceremonies of today are not much different. A departed chief is given a Christian burial, with the blessing of the One True God invoked instead of that of the tutelary gods of old. The custom of cutting down valuable trees for barricades and the traditional self-mutilation are prohibited under a law passed by the American government in 1905. In place of the nocturnal dirge of primitive chants, the people sing Christian hymns. The feasting and distribution of mats are adhered to. The relatives go to great expense in buying foreign food, such as kegs of salt beef, cans of canned beef, tins of salmon and hard bread, to supplement the supply of native pigs.

Ty Cobb Breaks Record In Every Game Played

DETROIT (AP).—Ty Cobb is smashing major league records this year every time his name appears in a box score.

During 15 years Cobb has played more games than any other American league player. The figure stood at 2,445, when the season opened, and each appearance this year establishes a new high mark.

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8-Hour Law in Sweden Brings Workers Culture

STOCKHOLM (AP).—Less jazz dancing and more reading of good books, less drunkenness and more interest in private gardens, less gambling and greater excellence in athletics are some of the conditions among Swedish laborers directly traceable to the reduction of the working day to eight hours, according to a report of the Workmen's Culture association.

Replying to a questionnaire sent out by the main office of the association, 25 societies distributed throughout Sweden reported on the benefits of the added leisure obtained by laborers since the enactment of the eight-hour law in 1919.

One of the arguments advanced against the law was that the employees would probably use their extra free hours for pleasure or other money making occupation. But that prediction was not fulfilled. Although many centers reported that the men did, in fact, find recreation in turning to other forms of physical work, the new occupations were such innocent things as planting and tending gardens, or making furniture and experimenting with the art of interior decoration. In the town of Hofors they have even undertaken to build their own cottages, more than 500 home-made homes having been built since 1920.

European Students Trade Vacation Homes

PARIS (AP).—During the Easter vacation period the National Union of Students' association of France sent several hundred young Frenchmen off to foreign lands, and in return has entertained in Paris and other university centers several hundred young foreigners sent here in exchange to get acquainted with the French students.

Fifty French university youths went to England, whose great universities always have exercised a particular attraction for Gallic students. A like-sized contingent set out for Budapest, a former enemy capital, to be sure, but a city boasting a proud old institution of learning. A similar delegation went to Verviers in Belgium, and almost simultaneously the Latin Quarter of Paris was filled with young Englishmen, Hungarians and Belgians. When the summer vacation comes, it is hoped to add Poland to the list of countries exchanging students with the French associations.

The plan, roughly, calls for an even trade. That is, the family of a British university man, for example, agrees to take in and be sponsor for a youth from the Sorbonne for a certain period, provided their own hospital is given hospitality in a French family. In some cases student clubs may take the place of families. The authorities of the University of Paris and its allied schools are enthusiastic over the growth of the movement.

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WALLA WALLA, Wash. (AP).—The greatest need of the Washington state penitentiary at the present time is employment for the prisoners, stated Clarence E. Long, warden, recently in an address to local Rotarians. There are 275 men and 24 women who are without occupation except for a few housekeeping duties, he declared.

"It is impossible to assist these men to go back into society unless something can be found for them to do," he said. "The prison has a small farm, 155 acres, but it is entirely inadequate. Tons of produce and hay are shipped in, that should be raised on the farm."

FLIGHT AROUND AUSTRALIA
MELBOURNE, (AP).—Wing Commander Goldie and Flying Officer McIntyre have started to circumnavigate Australia. They will go by way of Sydney, Brisbane, Thursday Island and Darwin, continuing round the coast to Melbourne, a distance of 9,000 miles.

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prison farm. A small percentage of the prisoners are engaged in the auto license plate factory. 25 are employed in the shoe shop and 50 in the tailoring department, but still the facilities are far from adequate.

"I do not know anything as good for these men as employment," the warden said. "These working are never in the hospital, never surly but always amenable to discipline. The idle men are ugly and are the ones who violate the rules."

"The old offenders come to us prison-broke and eager to obey rules, knowing that their chance of getting out are better if they

have no red marks. But the first offender comes in nervous. He asks for work and when he doesn't get it, associates with other idle men. In a short time opportunity for doing that man's

good has passed."

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