# IS SACRED SPOT

All France in Tribute at Grave of Unknown Soldier.

All Classes, All Types, Represented in Unceasing Stream Around Simple Slab of Stone.

The prayers of the faithful go up

No vestal lights are here, no sacred shades of some cathedral alsle, that every one should speak so softly, tread so light. But there is a simple slab of stone upon which flowers are scattered, all radiant in the sunlight of

a summer morning. The busy holiday traffic of the Parisian Sunday sweeps unceasingly in every direction across the great Place de l'Etoile. But here in the heart of It all is a little hushed oasis where women cross themselves, where men bare and bow their heads, where even the laughter of little children is stilled in wonderment, for here at the sepulcher of an unknown warrior a nation has enshrined the memory of a mll-Hon dead, and here, above all hallowed places in the land of France a nation's prayers are sald, F. A. Hubbell writes in the continental edition of the London Mall,

The sunlight of a new-born day had hardly flung its gold upon the great triumphal arch which rears itself so proudly over the grave of the unknown before the first of the tribute bringers arrived. They came, but in ones and twos, so early in the morning, lingered a little while, and, dropping flower offerings, passed on their way.

Gradually the city wakened. Motor cars came sweeping up the broad avenue of the Champs-Elysees, trans and busses emerged from every converging thoroughfure: Crowds passed to the great pleasure ground of the Bols de Boulogne. Others went farther arield for their holiday, but thousands here had reached their journey's end. They wished to go no farther than this little slab of stone.

The sun mounts higher in the sky and those who press about the flower sprinkled spot increase in numbers. Two cues are formed. Each winds about the base of the majestic arch on either side. In slow and never-ending procession they converge beneath it before the space of sacred ground.

Noon has gone and still the slow stream of peoples passes. All ages, all classes, all types are represented. Here a widow in somber black who for a second breaks away from the stream to kneel and lay her little bunch of lilles of the valley on the tomb. An aged man, who leans heavily on a stick, pauses, bares his head with trembling hand and passes on, A girl, white coiffured, from some distant province, has reached the end of her pligrimage. She brought flowers with her from the little village, did her best to keep them fresh and fragrant on the way. All flutteringly, she drops them on the flower-sprinkled

reached the grave. She seldom waits friend." anything; she has never waited blest. Her tribute of exquisite roses the national assembly, "Is as honorviolet spray,

It is evening and from the Champs-Elysees Napoleon's trimphal arch upon the hilltop, wrapped in the glory of the setting sun, would seem the entrance to some celestial region.

Men and women are still passing before the sepulcher, by this time hidden quite beneath a pyre of many-colored blossoms which seem almost to burn in the crimson evening glow,

that surged over the great open space. tomb is more profound.

Those who wait to pay their tribute are fewer now, but as they pass onvard from the arch toward the west the eye is blinded by the dazzling light that envelops them.

And in the majestic symbolism of hill-top arch and blazoned sky, an unknown soldier who gave his life for his friends, holds the portals through which men pass to a promised land.

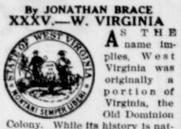
## Unlimited Phone Talkfests.

The present telephone system of Berlin, as well as of all Germany, is conducted on the gloriously unhampered system that obtained during the childhood of telephones in the United States. The number of calls is unlimited, and the sweet young German thing who wants to tell her best friend all about "what he said" last night, can do it to her heart's content if her big brother isn't felling his best friend a joke that he heard last night, or her mother isn't exchanging recipes. There is talk of the metered system, but the inhabitants of Berlin. are protesting vigorously. They say that officialdom has gone far enough and that they want to be able at least to talk without bureaucratic interfer-

## Greatest Wireless.

A new wireless station, which when completed will be the greatest in the world, will shortly be built at La Prairie, Quebec, according to A. H. Morse, managing director of the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company of Canada. A start is to be made at once by a research staff in preparation for the erection of two 330-foot steel towers, which will be set up this fall. pany C standing at attention.

# The Story of Our States



rate state.

Virginia, the Old Dominion Colony. While its history is naturally yoked up with that of the Mother State, there are many points in which the two sections of Virginia were divergent and it was for this reason that West Virginia finally became a sepa-

The first white man who probably penetrated the wilderness of this Western region was John Laderer, a German surgeen, who went on a tour of exploration in 1669. In the same year, La Salle sailed up the Ohio and landed at several points in the present state. There was little colonization until 1732, when Scotch and Irish adventurers began to fill Western Virginia. They were encouraged but little, and, in fact, the King in 1783 declared that this part of the colony was Indian country and could not rightfully be settled. Colonization continued, however, and bitter warfare was waged against the Indians and the French who had come down from the North. In 1774 the battle of Pt. Pleasant was fought, which was one of the bloodiest of Indian conflicts.

The backwoodsmen who settled in the Western part of Virginia were entirely different types of men from the wealthy slave owners along the coast. Jealousies between the two sections arose and the Western countries felt great dissatisfaction at the way Virginia was governing them. The most marked point of disagreement was over the slavery question, and it was because of this that, when Virginia seceded from the Union in 1861, West Virginia took matters in its own hands. Delegates met at Wheeling, drew up a separate constitution, and declared their independence. Their application for admission into the Union was accepted by Lincoln, and in 1863 West Virginia became the thirty-fifth

It is often called the "Panhandle State" on account of its shape. Its area is 24,170 square miles, and it has eight presidential electors. (© by McClure Newspaper Syndicate.)

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Hangman Defends His Calling. The hangman of Hungary has risen to indignant defense of his calling and denounced those who cast slurs stone. A soldier, in the sky-blue uni- upon it. He was prompted by sneerform of France, straightens himself ing references made in the Hungarian to "attention," salutes and goes his national assembly. Friends of former Emperor Charles and the anti-A woman, beautifully robed, whose Hapsburgs are always quarreling motor car with noiseless engine, drew | there, and in some cases have shouted

Michael Ball, the official hangman, In a cue. But here all are equal and has resented such slurs. "My vocahas taken her turn with the hum- tion," he writes to the president of is not more fragrant than the tiniest able and useful as that of judges, lawyers, ministers or kings. Why should the old superstition hold in modern times that the hangman's profession is disgraceful, abominable and loathsome? My friends are all perfect gentlemen, and any member of parliament can consider it only flattery when he is called my friend."

## Predicting Height.

How much will Johnnie and Mary The restless, rushing human tide grow? Dr. Bird T. Baidwin, director of the child welfare research station is waning and the silence about the of the University of Iowa has been periodically measuring and weighing a thousand boys and girls for periods of eight to twelve years, and he is able to prophesy how children under good conditions will grow. At the sec and international congress of eugenics in New York recently he said that a mother can measure the height of her seven-year-old child, increase it by a third and know within an inch or so the height that her son or daughter will attain when seventeen years old. ten years from now. Girls are likely to attain the height at a somewhat earlier age than the boys,

# As He Saw It.

He was the underpaid minister of a church whose members were wealthy but very thrifty farmers. He tried to get them to raise his salary as the cost of living increased, but failed. And the next Sunday following that board meeting he preached on fulfilling the Scriptures. He congratulated his congregation on the way they had carried out several injunctions of the Bible and finally he spoke of some not so necessary to follow.

"And now I will end with the verse which speaks of myself," he said courageously, and proceeded to read the one beginning, "The poor, ye shall always have with you."-Indianapolis News.

## Major White Decorated.

Major William G. White, commander of the first battalion of the 162nd in fantry, Oregon National Guard, has been decorated with the 25-year faithful service medal. The presentation of the medal was made by Adjutant Gen-eral White and took place Tuesday night at the Eugene armory with com-

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#### LANE COUNTY TO BECOME FILBERT GROWING CENTER

Eugene Register: Lane county is rapdly becoming the center of the fifber rowing activities of the state, accord g to the number of trees being plant in the orchards in the vicinity of Eugene and the preparations that are under way for the setting out of many nore of the young saplings during the oming spring months. A total of 1200 rees are being made ready for plant ng in the orchards of George A. Dor is, south of Springfield, and Professor . A. Young, of the University of Ore

on, is planting 600 trees in his or hard north of Springfield. The present demand for filberts and valuuts exceeds the supply and a tendily increasing market is the preiction of those who are well posted on the market conditions and it ons are that many thousands of both valuat and filbert trees will be set out n Lane county orchards within the

#### WOMAN JURY LAW CLAIMED TO BE UNCONSTITUTIONAL

A jury with only four women instead of six, as provided by the new law, tried George Stone in circuit court on a charge of contributing to the delin-

quency of minor girls.

When the case was called by Judge Skipworth, H. E. Slattery, one of the attorneys for the accused, raised the question of the constitutionality of the law which provides that at least six women shall be on a jury in sex cases where girls under 18 are involved. Dis triet Attorney Johnston waived all claims of constitutionality in this case and said he was willing to try it with any number of women or with no wom

en at all on the jury. A mild sensation was created in ourt when Mrs. Edith Luick, mother one of the little girls in the ease estified that Walter B. Jones, one of Stone's attorneys, paid her to leave the state with her daughter. Mrs Luick said she sent the girl to Oak land, Calif., but she did not go herself The child returned to Eugene later.

Country Dances Must Have License District Attorney Clyde N. Johnston calls attention to the law which pro-vides that all dances held in a public place outside of incorporated cities and towns must have a license. The dis-trict attorney says that he intends to see that this law is enforced in Lane

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