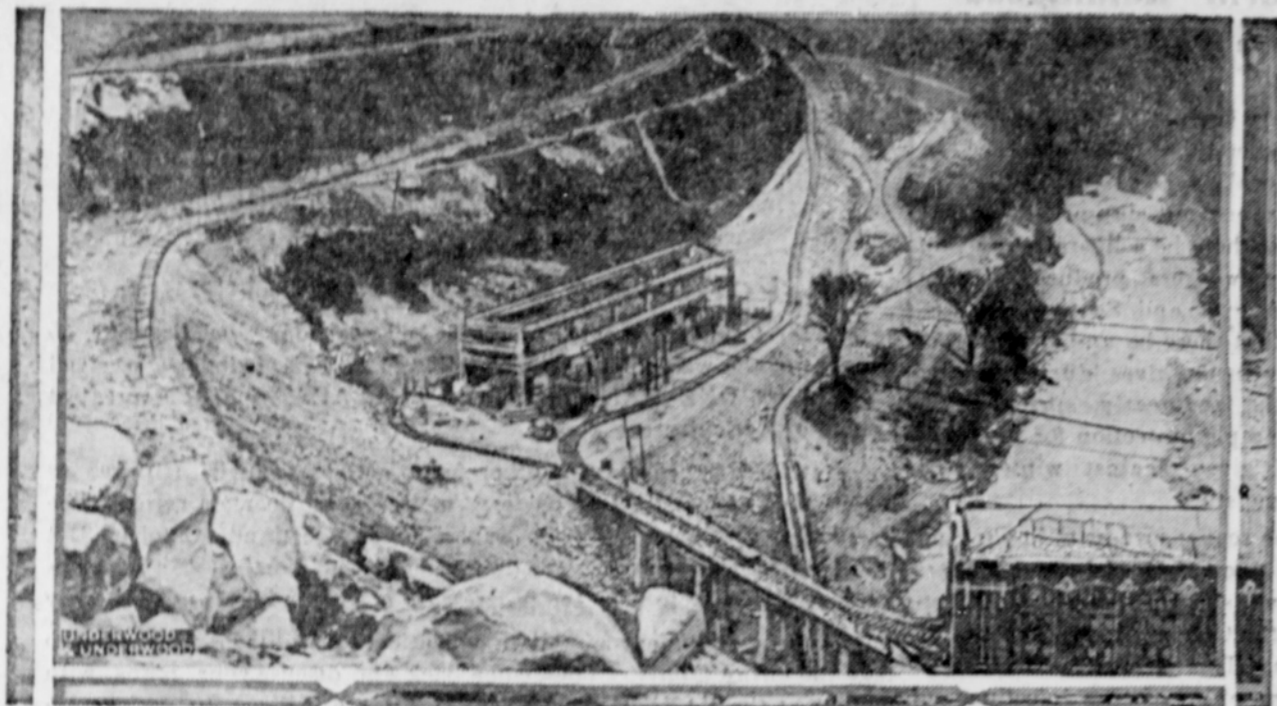
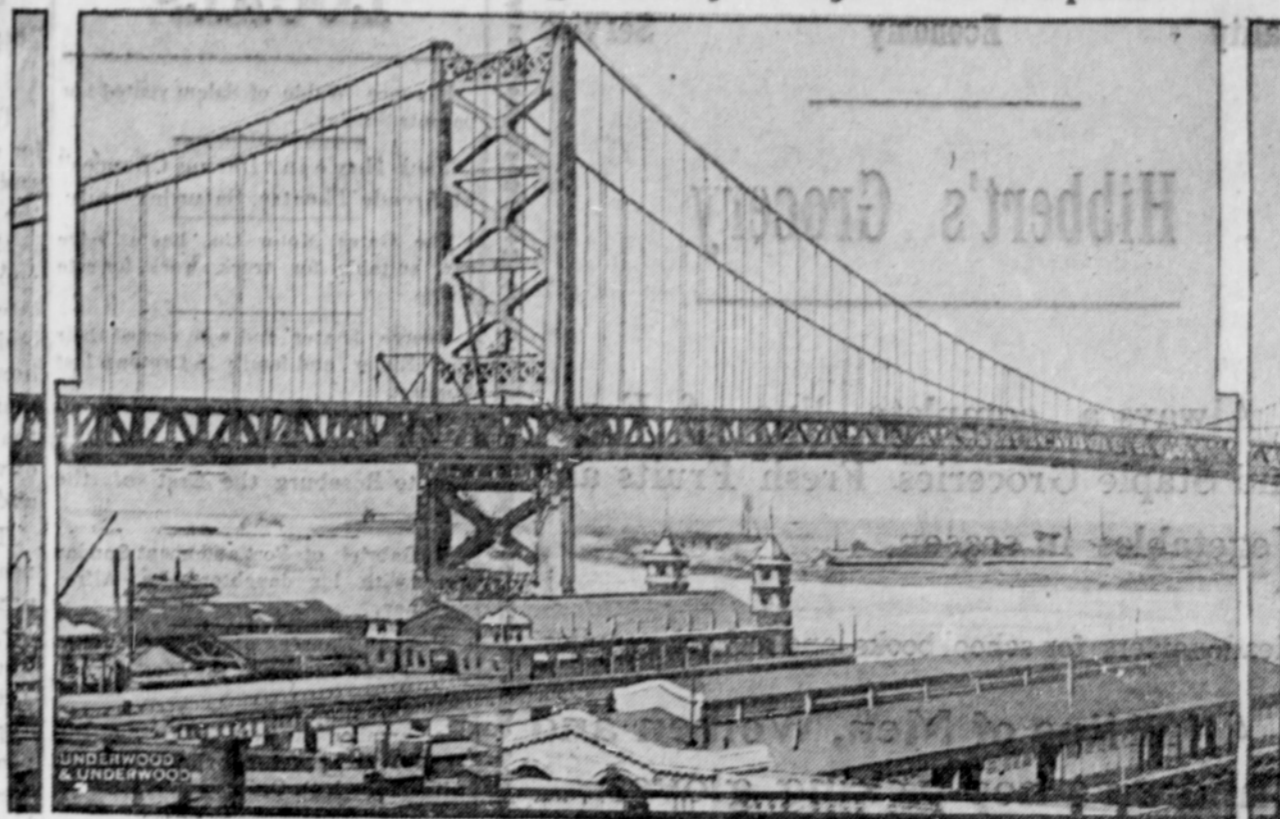


## Huge Hydro-Electric Plant in Kentucky



The great Dix river hydroelectric dam near High Bridge, Ky., is nearing completion. Work was started in the fall of 1923, and a lake 34 miles long will soon be driving generators with a total capacity of 30,000 horse power—more than is developed by the famous Roosevelt dam in Arizona. This plant will supply electricity to Indiana, Virginia and the greater part of Kentucky. Nearly 1,000 men are pushing the job to completion at top speed. The dam is the largest rock-filled dam in the world. This picture was taken from its top and shows the power house and transformers.

## Completion of Bridge Delayed by Tolls Dispute



A new and interesting picture of the bridge across the Delaware river between Philadelphia, Pa., and Camden, N. J. The question of toll charges, which New Jersey will not allow, may halt the work on the Jersey side. The view is looking toward Camden.

## Yank Shot While Fighting Chinese

### Mother of Morgan Palmer Tells Story of Son's Fate.

Harbin, Manchuria.—Morgan Palmer, the American who was killed by Chinese bandits at his ranch on the Sungari river last month, met death while staging a warlike demonstration intended to frighten away the bandits.

This news was brought to Harbin by Palmer's mother and the son of Dr. Harvey J. Howard of the Rockefeller hospital in Peking, who were at the ranch at the time. Doctor Howard, who also was visiting Palmer, was captured by the bandits and still is held for ransom.

Mrs. Palmer, relating the details of the fight, said that her son, rising early on the morning of July 20, declared his intention to take guns and go by automobile to show the bandits he was prepared for them if they should attack his ranch. Doctor Palmer had intended to take a river steamer for Harbin that day, but joined Palmer's party with his son. The others were a Russian chauffeur, Palmer's Chinese servant and a Russian boy.

Arriving at the village adjacent to the bandits' stronghold, the party got out and sent the car back for reinforcements but the Chinese guard in the village refused to accompany the party. Harold Baldwin, Palmer's ranch manager, returned with the chauffeur and tried to prevent further advance, knowing the bandits were well armed and mounted.

Dr. Howard surrenders. Palmer, however, insisted on going on. He led his party to a ruined temple four miles from his ranch and midway between two villages. Baldwin climbed to the top of the temple to reconnoiter. Palmer, Doctor Howard and the Chinese and Russian boys entered a nearby cornfield, while young Howard remained alone in the car. From the top of the temple Baldwin saw the bandits mount and prepare to make a sortie. He descended and started the car in pursuit of Palmer and his group and at the same time the bandits made a move to cut off their retreat, whereupon Baldwin swerved to pick up others of the party, who from the running board of the automobile carried on a running fight while making a dash for the ranch.

Meanwhile Palmer and those with him were encircled by another group of bandit horsemen. Doctor Howard and the Russian boy threw down their rifles and made signs of surrender.

but Palmer and his Chinese servant continued firing.

According to the Russian youth, the bandits dismounted and crept up behind Palmer, Indian fashion, shooting him through the head at close range and then killing the Chinese boy in a similar way.

Later the outlaws sent messengers to the Palmer ranch demanding money and ammunition. The defenders there who had gathered around Palmer's mother collected all the available funds and cartridges and went to make terms for the release of the prisoners who had surrendered, but found the bandits had decamped.

Bandits flee from troops. Morgan Palmer's body was recovered and buried under a great oak near the ranch house, together with that of the Chinese boy, whom Palmer held in great affection. Howard Baldwin read the Episcopal service at the funeral.

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### Make Hay by Hot Air Farmers' Joke on Sun

Madison, Wis.—Experimental engineers of the department of agriculture, University of Wisconsin, reported on a new method in hay-making recently demonstrated at Genesee depot experimental farms.

By means of a high-pressure hot air fan, new mown hay was ready for baling eight hours after raking. Besides obviating field drying, the artificial process eliminates the risk of moisture damage and pests.

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## Plan Memorial in Hills of Dakota

### May Carve Washington-Lincoln Statue on "Needles."

Rapid City, S. D.—A national shrine, modeled from one of nature's vagaries, and situated in the beautiful Black hills of South Dakota, is the vision of Gutzon Borglum, the sculptor, and a group of South Dakota residents who view the Black hills as the greatest undeveloped wonderland in the United States.

The shrine would be a monument of Washington and Lincoln, standing side by side, their figures carved from a huge needle-like piece of granite which towers 200 feet above its immediate base.

Borglum has long held this vision. He expects soon to visit South Dakota to discuss details for raising the \$1,000,000 necessary to its completion.

Shaft Visible Many Miles. In the Black hills there is a group of rocks that rise perpendicularly as high as a fifteen or more story office building. The rocks are known as

the Needles. One of these has withstood the elements more than its neighbors and there remains a wide base from which there ascends a shaft tapering almost to a point.

This shaft rises to a height greater than any elevation east of the Rockies except Mount Harney, itself in the Black hills.

Situated among virtual mountains of red, purple and gold, their slopes dotted with towering pines, the proposed memorial rock may be seen for miles before the long, slowly ascending trail finally brings the visitor within its shadow.

Here Borglum found a setting for a national memorial.

Financial Backing in View.

With the advice of several South Dakota residents, Borglum chose as the characters for this memorial Washington and Lincoln, two outstanding figures in American history, whom he knew would appeal to the patriotism of every corner of the United States.

Information reaching supporters of the memorial in this state indicates that the financial problem will be met. Several wealthy persons have listened sympathetically to the plan, and it is understood one New York multimillionaire virtually has agreed to finance the project single-handed.

### U. S. Tourists to Cuba to Get Tax Exemption

Havana.—Citizens of the United States will receive the same privileges given Cuban citizens by the immigration authorities, under a recent department ruling.

The treasury department has exempted tourists and other travelers from payment of the one-quarter of one per cent tax on money above \$50 taken out of the country by travelers. Secretary of the Treasury Cartaya authorized steamship companies to issue identification cards to passengers, which, on their leaving the country, absolves them from either making a statement as to the amount of money they are carrying or payment of the tax.

### Fruit Planted 300 Years Ago

Jacksonville, Fla.—Ponce de Leon the Spaniard who discovered Florida while in search of the fountain of youth, is credited with having brought the first grapefruit to this country. For 300 years the fruit was not cultivated.

## Mongols Halt U. S. Explorers

### Order American Asiatic Expedition Out of Country.

Urga, Mongolia.—The Mongolian government has ordered the third Asiatic expedition of the American Museum of Natural History, under the leadership of Roy Chapman Andrews, to cease its exploration and scientific work and to leave Mongolian territory, alleging that Mr. Andrews has violated the terms of his agreement with Mongolian scientific organizations.

The Mongolian government alleges that besides carrying out his scientific work in the domain of paleontology, geology and zoology, Mr. Andrews' expedition also has engaged in topographical observation work and has employed a number of suspicious military sense persons.

Mr. Andrews also is accused of carrying on political propaganda and stirring up the Mongolians against "the Red Bolsheviks."

Long Having Trouble.

New York.—Expulsion of the Andrews expedition from Mongolia was not unexpected, officials of the American Museum of Natural History said, since Roy Chapman Andrews, the leader, recently reported "unusually difficult conditions" in his relations with the territorial authorities.

Museum officials are hopeful, despite the expulsion order, that the situation might be clarified before the expedition actually quits the territory.

Finds Sand-Dune Race.

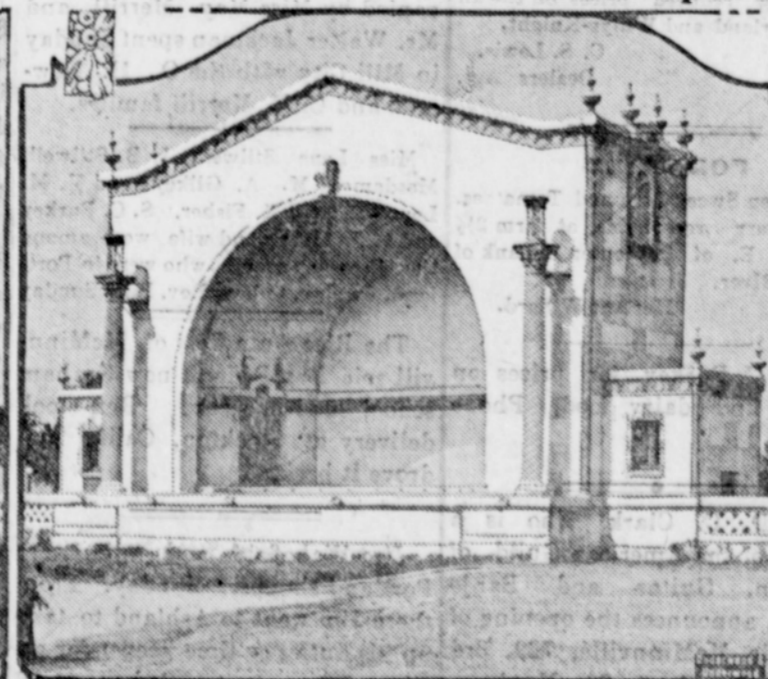
Peking.—Stone implements and weapons of a race of men who lived thousands of years ago among sand dunes on the shore of a lake since

### Cowboy Killed in Rodeo at Spot He Shot Enemy

Salt Lake City, Utah.—Roy Kivet, twenty-four, cowboy and adopted son of Charles B. Irwin, rancher of Cheyenne, Wyo., was killed when a horse he was riding in a steer-roping contest in a rodeo here fell with him. The rider sustained a broken neck and fractured skull when crushed beneath his mount.

The accident occurred on almost the exact spot and almost a year to the day that Kivet shot and killed Harry Bowles in a rodeo meet here last year. Kivet was acquitted for murder on a plea of self-defense. He also was the second son of Mr. Irwin to die while roping a steer.

### Architectural Gem in Davenport



This music pavilion, believed to be the most artistic in any public park in America, has just been dedicated at Davenport, Iowa. It was presented to the city by W. D. Peterson as a memorial to his daughter Wilma, a talented musician, who died recently. The pavilion, which cost \$50,000, is built of Indiana limestone and polychrome terra cotta in Spanish renaissance style.

### No Babies Born in 30 Years on Japanese Isle

Tokyo.—The population of the Ryukyu islands, which lie between Japan and Formosa, is rapidly dying off, declared S. Sakurai, a health officer of the Okinawa prefecture, who attended the recent health conference in Tokyo.

Malaria is blamed principally for the decrease. In eight villages of the Yoyama group, it was said, not a baby has been born for 30 years.

In Nozoko village, Mr. Sakurai said, one sick old woman was the only inhabitant. In 1922 an appropriation of 10,000 yen was made by the government to combat malaria in the islands.

### Wobblies in Jail-Break Foiled by Cold Water

Fargo, N. D.—I. W. W.'s lodged in the Cass county jail here attempted to break for freedom, smashing doors and wrecking cells. Freedom was within reach.

Unable to cope with the prisoners single handed, Sheriff John Ross issued an "SOS" call to the local fire department.

Eight-inch streams of water were played on the rioting-prisoners until they retreated to their cells.

John F. Theis played a piano without intermission for over twenty-seven hours at Philadelphia, July 5.

## Furnishes Books to Needy Exiles

### Church Club Aids Workers in Remote Places.

New York.—The Church Periodical club, a unique co-operating agency of the Episcopal church, has prepared an appeal to the general convention of the church at New Orleans for books, magazines, pamphlets, even newspapers—old and new, and on every subject—to carry on the work which it voluntarily assumed 37 years ago.

This organization's task is to keep the mission workers of the church, especially in the out-of-the-way places of the world, supplied with reading matter.

A globe-trotting lady, entering the hut of a missionary in one of these waste places some years ago, found him perched on a ladder, his head bent back, scanning the columns of an old newspaper which had been pasted over a stovepipe hole. It was the only thing he had to read. That was the

inspiration for the founding of the club.

In the intervening years its work has extended to every part of the world. It supplies not only Bibles, prayer books and hymnals, but scientific works, fiction, magazines, newspapers, picture cards and calendars, games, sheet music and phonograph records, all free.

It maintains a score of "traveling libraries" and is practically the sole support of a half-dozen well-equipped permanent libraries in various parts of the world.

The particularly appealing feature of the club's work is in supplying reading material to those who are isolated in the far-off places. Children of the missionaries are not neglected, for to them are sent the latest children's books and games.

During the last year 31,761 current periodicals from 13,000 friends of the club were sent to the workers all over the world; 2,188 Bibles were distributed, 8,806 prayer books, 63,399 books of theological or secular character were supplied to institutions or individuals; and 521,188 old magazines and papers, 212,029 Christmas and Easter cards, 33,052 pictures and games and 9,254 pieces of music and records were put into the hands of workers all over the globe who otherwise would have had little, if any, of these diverting agencies of civilization to beguile their leisure hours.

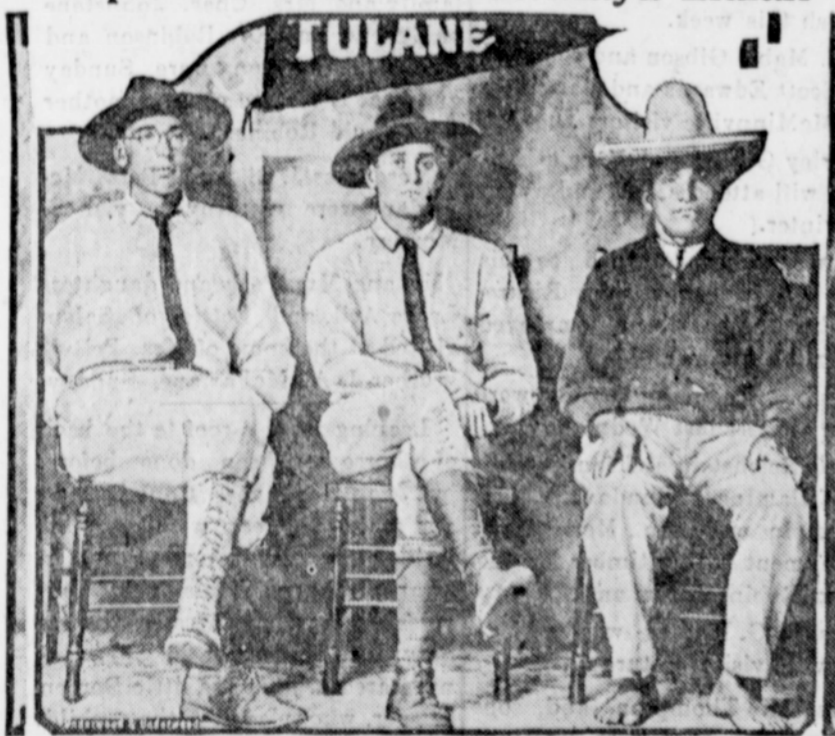
### Prison Reform Laws Help to Empty Britain's Jails

London.—Probationary methods for adults and the "borstal" treatment for young people have been responsible for a marked decrease in the population of British prisons, so much so that more than twenty jails in England and Wales, or one-third of the total, have been closed since 1914.

There are now only about forty prisons in use throughout the country and these are not fully occupied.

A home office official says fewer and fewer people are being committed to prison because the tendency now is to reform a man or woman if he be at all possible. The increased use of probationary methods has worked well, and in the opinion of the official the time is not far distant when prisons will be used only for habitual criminals with whom all attempts at reform have failed.

## Explorers Return With Maya Indian



Frans Blom (left) and Oliver LaFarge, leaders of the Tulane university expedition to Central America, with the pure-blooded Maya Indian whom they brought back to New Orleans. They have spent six months studying the remains of the ancient Maya civilization.