DEGREES TO 29

B. Frank Irvine Speaker at 75th Commencement.

ENGLISH COURSE POPULAR

Rev. Wilsie Martin of Boise Is Given Honorary Degree of Doctor of Divinity.

WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY, Salem Or., June 12 .- (Special.) - Twenty-nine members of the 1919 class were awarded their bachelor of arts degrees by President Carl Gregg Doney at the close of the 75th annual commencement service of Willamette university, held in the First Methodist church yester-

day morning.

Astrong, inspiring address was given by B. Frank Irvine of Portland, who used as his subject "Work for Graduused as his subject "Work for Graduates." The speaker paid high tribute to Willamette, his Alma Mater, declaring that no other years of his life had been worth more than those spent at the university. He referred to the chaotic conditions in European countries and the need for reform in economic and political conditions in the United States, pointing out the menace threatening this country from proletariat leaders.

The English course was the most popular among the graduates, eight of them majoring in this subject. Biology had five adherents, chemistry was third with four followers; music had three and other courses one and two gradu-

Students Who Won Degrees. Following is a list of those receiving baccalaureate degrees, with their

baccalaureate degrees, with their major:
Helen Goltra Bagley, English, New York city; Faye Bolin, English, Salem; Elizabeth Briggs, history, Weiser, Idaho; Robert Gatke, history, Portland; Lelia Johnson, English, Salem; May Mickey, biology, Salem; Helen Moore, English, Eugene; Vesta Mulligan, biology, Salem; Gladys Nichols, English and French, Newberg; Harold Nichols, biology, Newberg; Mary Parounagian, tatin, Salem; Mary Putnam, English, Salem; Helen Rose, English, Emmett, Idaho; Grace Sherwood, English, Salem; Lestle Sparks, chemistry, Bandon; Carolyn Sterling, biology, Wenatchee, Wash, Louis Stewart, chemistry, Athena; Lucile St. Plerre, education, Salem; John Sutherland, philosophy, Salem; Somer Tasker, mathematics, Fortland; Charlotte Tebben, French, Portland; Elizabeth Tebben, French, Portland; Gleana Teeters, chemistry, Kellogg, Idaho; Gay Wells, mathematics, Salem; Esther Yeand biology, Mathematics, Salem; Esther Yeand biology, Kellogg, Idaho; Gay Wells, mathematics, Salem; Esther Yeand biology, Mathematics, Mathematics, Salem; Esther Yeand biology, Mathematics, Mat Kellogg, Idaho; Gay Wells, mathe-matics, Salem; Esther Yeend, biology, Walla Walla, Wash.; Venita McKinney, piano and voice, Turner; Florence Shir-ley, piano, Salem; Margarette Wible, voice, Grants Pass.

An honorary degree of doctor of divinity was conferred upon Rev. Wil-sic Martin of Boise, Idaho.

Salem Girl Wins Prize. The Hollingsworth prize of \$10 given to the student having the highest scholastic average during the senior year, was awarded to Miss Mary l'arounagian of Salem.

The alumni prize for excellence in Latin, given this year by Justice Charles Johns of the supreme court, was won by Miss Hazel Bear, a junior,

from Turner. The senior scholars for next year were announced as follows: In blology, Merrill Ohling of Albany; in French, Freda Campbell of Salem; in Latin, Grace Bangley of Salem; in history, Laverne Bowersox of Wenatches, Wash.; chemistry, Francis Cramer of La

Ir. Doney announced a \$500 sub-recription to Lausanne hall, received Tuesday. He spoke of several changes in the curriculum and faculty for next year, announcing the instal-lation of a domestic science depart-ment and a number of pre-professional

The great historical pageant was staged again Tuesday night, and the highest possible tribute was paid to the production when the vast crowd stayed shroughout the entire performance, notwithstanding the continual rain, fireat credit is due Professor Della Crowder-Miller and her assistants for the success of the three days' spectable.

BURLESON CONDEMNS ACT

STRIKE WITHOUT JUSTIFICA-TION, IT IS DECLARED.

Properties Will Be Returned to Companies With Operating Staffs Intact. Statement Says.

WASHINGTON, June 12 .- Declaring

WASHINGTON, June 12.—Declaring the strike of wire employes which began yesterday was "wholly without justification." Postmaster-General Butleson said in a statement "that no amount of pressure will avail to make the wire control board extend or go beyond" rules and regulations affecting employes hid down during the war by the national war labor board.

Mr. Burleson said his information was that telegraphic traffic had not and would not be delayed. Government business, which makes up the bulk of that handled by the telegraph companies here, was reported moving as usual today, and at the tate department, it was said, there had been no interruption of cable communication with Europe.

The present strike is wholly without justification, said the postmasistreneral. "It started at Atlanta, Gabecause, it was claimed, employes of the Southern Bell Telephone company had been dismissed solely because of affiliation with the labor organization. The complaint was promptly referred to postoffice inspectors for investigation.

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progress and before the investigators had time to ascertain the facts, a sympathetic strike against the Western Union was called in the southeastern states. An insignificant percentage of the operatives respected this order to strike. Messages were not delayed and business was handled as usual. "In the meantime it was ascertained that only seven employes of the Southern Bell Telephone company had been dismissed during the month of May, as compared with an average of five for two months preceding, and the in-

for two months preceding, and the investigation of these cases so far completed shows that no discrimination whatever has been practiced against employes of that company because of union affiliations.

union affiliations.

"Our information is that the telegraphic traffic has not been delayed
and the information received indicates
that it will not be delayed. During
the period of government control the
rules and regulations of the war labor
board were strictly observed and will
continue to be observed during the continuance of government control, but no
amount of pressure will avail to make
the wire control board extend or go

the wire control board extend or go beyond those regulations.
"When the period of government control ends the wire systems can be and will be returned to their various owners intact, with their operating organizations intact, without the values of those properties having been in the slightest impaired."

BORDER TALES ARE TOLD

JURORS IN FORD CASE HEAR OF BANDITS' DEPREDATIONS.

One Witness Relates How Mexicans Told Him They Liked Huns and Had Hatred for Americans.

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich., June 12 .romantic episode of the border, as related by Jesse Deemer, now of Buhl, idaho, from the witness stand, held the close attention of counsel and specta-tors in Judge Tucker's court yesterday. tors in Judge Tucker's court yesterday, where Henry Ford is suing the Chicago Daily Tribune for \$1,000,000 on a charge of libel.

Deemer spent many years in Mexico and along the border as a telegrapher and railroad man, rancher and store-keeper, but after his capture by bandis, the learning of his general store at the

keeper, but after his capture by bandits, the looting of his general store at Boquillas, Tex., on the lorder, and his thrilling rescue by American troopers, he exchanged his sombrero for a derby hat and retired to the comparative quiet of Idaho.

Norman Walker, correspondent of the Norman walker, correspondent of the Associated Press at El Paso; Mr. Deemer, Oscar G. Compton of San An-tonio, formerly of Glen Springs, Tex., and Orin C. Dowe, a customs inspector at Presidio, Tex., were other witnesses

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Deemer testified as to incidents in the Big Bend country of Texas. Deemer suffered from a raid made by Mexicans in the middle of May, 1915.

At Glen Springs there was a detachment of nine American soldiers whose duty it was to guard 38 to 48 miles of border. They were attacked during the night by Mexicans and Compton's four-year-old son was killed. Another son witnessed the killing.

The Mexicans who captured Deemer

The Mexicans who captured Deemer first looted his store, securing \$2000 in cash.

"They told me that they hated the Americans because President Wilson had permitted Carranza troops to pass

through United States territory to op-erate against Villa," related Deemer. "They said they liked the Germans. though, and, right then I decided to change my citizenship. I told them I

CROWDS THRONG GARDENS

SOUTH PARK BLOCKS VERI-TABLE BOWERS OF BEAUTY.

Opening Night Crowds Believed to Exceed Those of Any Previous Rose Festival.

and a couple of them for the

and or more at the open-air concert. Though it was the first night of the estival, when on other years the city ad but awakened to the fact that the flests was on. Wednesday evening saw a crush of traffic like to that of the customary closing nights. The traffic officers were stormed by continuous processions of autos, through which the pedestrians wound their way with

caution.

Officials of the festival, though as yet possessed of no definite data, declare that the night's crowds demonstrate that the occasion is fully as successful as in the past, and express their belief that the attendance on the opening day is even larger. is even larger-

BANKER POSTS CASH PRIZE

Awards Will Be Made to Men At-

taining Highest Degrees. OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE. Corvallis, June 12. — (Special.) — A. J. Johnson, president of the Benton County State bank, has offered to give \$140 annually to one man from each class of the college attaining the highest de-gree of scholarship and manhood. These awards will be made in a similar manner to the Cfura H. Waldo prizes presented to the young women com-mencement day. They will be based on success in literary and scholastic at-tainments, success in student activities, qualities of manhood and qualities of leadership. annually to one man from each class of

adership. The prizes will be distributed as follows: Senior \$50, junior \$40, sophomore \$30 and freshman \$29. In the past there has been keen competition on the part of the young women of the college for the Waldo prizes.

SALEM MAYOR TO RESIGN

Executive to Move to Farm Near Philomath.

SALEM, Or., June 12.—(Special.)— Mayor Albin of Salem has decided to throw off the cares of running a city administration and take up the more lucrative business of tilling the soil. The executive yesterday announced he will tender his resignation to the city council at the meeting next Monday

He has recently purchased a farm near Philomath to which he will go as soon as he is relieved as mayor of

REPLY TO HUN MAY BE PREPARED BY FRIDAY

Officials Talk Hopefully, but Statements Are Scouted.

PRESIDENT LOSES POINT

Clemenceau Wins Diplomatic Clash With Wilson, When Latter Wants Fixed Sum of Reparations.

PARIS, June 12 .- (By the Associated Press.) Distinct progress was reported last night on the reply of the allied and

last night on the reply of the allied and associated governments to the German counter-proposals, and indications are that the reply will be ready for delivery on Friday.

The Germans will be given five days' limit for final action, which would therefore come on or before June 18.

The main feature of this progress was an agreement regarding the reparation terms which have been the subject of a sharp controversy during

subject of a sharp controversy during the past 10 days. The fluid state of the proceedings, however, makes it difficult to accept the optimistic statements of various members of delegations, that an agreement on the reply to the German counter proposals probably will be reached speedily.

In spite of the attempt to speed up the work on the reacher conference very

the work on the peace conference, re-ports are still unavailable from com-missions dealing with Schleswig-Hol-stein, the eastern boundaries of Germany, the Belgian frontier and water-ways and harbors.

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There is some discussion in general conference circles whether a plenary session will be called to consider the reply to the German counter proposals or whether the big four will send it directly to Versailles without reference to the other nations. No indications of the procedure to be adopted is permitted to come from the council of four.

While the treaty textually is unchanged, the reply reads into it constructions, definitions and explanations of certain chauses which, in the belief of some elements of the conference, become virtually part of the treaty itself, entitling consideration because all the parties are involved.

The reply to the German counter-

The reply to the German counter-proposals agreed upon by the peace conference heads refuses the German request for a mandate for the former German colonies, it was learned today. A lengthy memorandum gives the reasons for the refusal and explains the operations of the league of na-tions on colonial matters.

Total Sum Not Set.

The reparations portion of the reply, which has been completed and has reached the printer, does not fix the total sum which the Germans must pay. The text of the treaty itself is not changed, but the reply contains assurances to Germany regarding the method of the reparations process, explaining that it is a workable arrange-

ment. ment.

President Wilson fought strenuously but vainly to include a fixed total sum in the reparations clause, and the close of the discussion leaves him unchanged, it is said, in the belief that that is the

it is said, in the belief that that is the best plan.

It is understood, however, that the president said that inasmuch as Premier Clemenceau had insisted to the contrary and also that he had signed the original draft, he would sign the reply as formulated.

It is understood that assurance will be given the Germans regarding the details of the army of occupation, the size of it, the cost of its maintenance and the duration of the occupation under favorable circumstances.

Clemenceau Wins Way. Clemenceau Wins Way.

The league of nations commission ompleted and presented to the council f four a second report containing cer-

Pools and a couple of them for the renowned hanging gardens of ancient Babylon. The prideful kings who planned those beauty spots never had seen the south park blocks on a night of the Rose Festival. Vastly to their own loss, the Babylonians were several thousand miles and a few centuries distant from the famed floral flesta of Oregon.

Thousands of merrymakers hied them to the festival center on the opening evening of the three-day pageant. Under the canopy of trees were banked gardens of flowers—all the trove of all the florists in the floral city. As the night lengthened the streamers of serpentine and the flakes of confetti variegated the throngs, thrown with laughter and received with high good humor. Campbell's American band drew an audience of a thousand or more at the open-air concert.

The first report was submitted after it had been adopted unanimously by the commission. It was rejected by the commission. It was rejected by the commission to be toned down. Any information whether the second report provides for the admission of germany into the league at the first meeting next October was refused.

Premier Clemenceau as especially firm in his refusal to agree to the admission to Germany to the league of nations immediately. The French hold that they understand German psychology better than the allies and realize what the increasing arrogance of the Germans during the last few weeks means. They say they appreciate both the form in the first meeting next October was refused.

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what they term "Germany's present haughty demand." naughty demand."

The determination of France not to consent to any material changes in the treaty with Germany was clearly lefined after the meeting of the coun-

Automobiles in Germany Stolen. BERLIN.—Large amounts of war material chiefly automobiles have been stolen in Germany and shipped over



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