

ILLINOIS MOUNDS
BARE ANCIENT ARTStory of Early America Is
Fascinating One.

SUPPLIES CARRIED AFAR

Conch Shells Obtained From Sea,
Obsidian From Yellowstone and
Copper From Great Lakes.

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ST. LOUIS, May 28.—(Special.)—The

80 or more earthen mounds scattered

over a 500-acre tract in the Cahokia

district in Madison and St. Clair

counties in Illinois, short distance

across the Mississippi river from St.

Louis, have begun to yield up to

science their story of a North Amer-

ican people who lived and vanished

in the vague mists of long, long ago.

The record is a fascinating one of

the trade, art and agriculture of the

men who inhabited the Mississippi

valley prior to the supremacy of the

Indians, who greeted the discoverer

De Soto, and the later Jesuit explor-

ers. Hints of the story have been ob-

tained before, in excavations of

mounds in Ohio and Illinois and in

almost forgotten attempts to fathom

the mystery of the Cahokia mounds.

Expedition Is Comprehensive.

But now a comprehensive expedition

to this metropolis of the mound-

builders is beginning to get results

that will be written into history.

Professor Wendell, Massachusetts

archaeologist, is in charge of the

expedition, which is being financed

by the University of Illinois and

watched with interest by the Smith-

sonian Institution and other scientific

organizations. He made his prelimi-

nary investigation last fall, digging

through one mound to determine that

it was composed of strata of various

kinds of earth arranged by human

hands, and has just completed some

spring excavations which have re-

vealed wonders of the culture of this

forgotten race.

Task May Take Ten Years.

The diggers will return this fall

and again in other seasons, for it

will take probably ten years to re-

veal the epic of the people who

brought Conch shells from the sea,

obsidian from the Yellowstone, mica

from the Alleghenies, copper from the

Great Lakes and flint from 300 miles

away.

During five weeks of work just

completed, Dr. Moorehead unearthed

three cemeteries, 52 skeletons, 23 fu-

neral jars and urns, countless small

art objects and implements of war

and most important, an altar. Six

mounds were penetrated. The altar

was in the center of the mound of

one of the mounds. The mound has

a diameter of about 160 feet and was

about 24 feet high. The altar is a

basin-like structure of baked clay

about 13 inches in diameter, its sides

being about three inches thick. It

was filled with ashes—the nature of

which has not been determined.

Other Altars Are Unearthed.

A similar altar was found during

the preliminary work last fall, and

others have been unearthed in other

mounds in other sections of the

country. It is the theory of Dr.

Moorehead that the mound builders

used these altars in connection with

ceremonial rites. They were inserted

as this one was in a large platform

of fire-baked clay, evidently a dance

floor; and when their ceremonial use-

fulness was ended they were covered

with earth—hence the mounds.

One of the skeletons which has been

turned over to Washington university

here to be examined in an effort to

determine the age, sex and physical

characteristics. General Dr. Underwood

the skulls which have been found

show that the mound builders were

a powerful race physically and with

large brain cavities, but with a

protruding lower jaw usually associ-

ated with animal cunning and

cruelty. The ashes found in the basin

also will be submitted to an exhaus-

tive chemical analysis.

Huge Mound Investigated.

Dr. Moorehead declared that the

pottery fragments which he has found

indicate beyond doubt that the women

CONGRESSIONAL COUNTRY CLUB FORMALLY OPENED WITH DISTINGUISHED GUESTS PRESENT.



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WASHINGTON, D. C., May 28.—The Congressional Country club in Washington had its formal opening recently when several hundred members and friends journeyed to the 400-acre tract overlooking the Potomac and guided by architects inspected the whole tract, including the site for the \$400,000 clubhouse. Photo shows a group of the club's officers with some of their distinguished visitors in front of the house which now stands on the site.

Left to right—George Wallon, treasurer; Colonel E. Lester Jones, chairman of finance committee; Mrs. George Wallon; Colonel C. O. Sherrill, vice-president; Mrs. Calvin Coolidge; Congressman Oscar Lohring of Indiana, chairman board of governors; Mrs. Oscar Underwood, General C. E. Sawyer, Mrs. C. E. Sawyer, W. B. Hibbs.

LODGE DEFENDS TARIFF

PASSAGE OF "REPUBLICAN"

MEASURE PREDICTED.

Senator Denies Proposed Rates in

Permanent Bill Would Hurt

Volume of Trade.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 28.—

Congress will pass a "republican"

tariff bill before it adjourns,

Senator Lodge declared today in a

statement outlining his views on the

measure now before the senate. He

predicted that the country would approve

the bill, "when the time comes for

the electorate to pass judgment."

Night sessions will continue this

week. The republican majority in the

senate, said Mr. Lodge's statement,

"believes the policy of protection is

the surest road to the building up

and restoration of our economic

interests. That is the purpose of the

pending bill."

Senator Lodge denied that the rates

proposed in the permanent bill would

have an adverse effect on the volume

of trade.

Our foreign trade today is not suffer-

ing because of the tariff and we are

living now under the emergency

tariff act, which has higher rates, in

many cases, than those proposed in

the permanent bill," Senator Lodge

declared. "The democrats seek to

give the impression that the in-

crease in our foreign trade and in

trade conditions throughout the coun-

try are due to the Underwood tariff

act, whereas, the figures quoted by

Secretary Hoover show increases in

foreign trade which have developed

since the emergency tariff bill be-

came a law."

BAND PLAYS CONCERT

(Continued From First Page.)

Delaware, "O, Dry Those Tears"

(Del. Negro), "Organ Echoes" (Bar-

nett) and "My Sunny South" (Lamp).

PYTHIANS TO PLAY TONIGHT

Turkish Drum Corps to Be Fea-

ture of Radio Programme.

A programme considerably out of

the ordinary will be broadcast from

The Oregonian tower tonight.

Part of the programme will be the

Turkish drum corps formed within the

degree level of the Knights of Pythias

of Ashland. After temple No. 117, under

the direction of R. D. Underwood, the

drum corps has been trained to a high

degree of ability and rattles off the

selections adapted to it in first-rate

form. It will give four numbers dur-

ing the hour between 7:30 and 8:30

o'clock.

A second part of the concert will

be given by Mrs. Iona Paladeaux,

pianist and member of the Modern

Conservatory of Music. She will play

sonatas "Impromptu" (Rehnhart),

"Sonata Opus 10 No. 11" (Beethoven),

"Gavotte" (Mowry), and "Russian

Serenade" (Borodin).

The third part of the programme

will be given by Jean Lidsey, dra-

matic reader, who will be assisted at

the piano by Mrs. Paladeaux. Miss

Lidsey, who is a teacher at the Girls

Polytechnic school, reads in a typi-

cally southern negro dialect, and with

the piano accompaniment her numbers

will be "Tingling Heel", "Marching

with the Band" and "Creole Love

FRAUD PROBER IS NAMED

EX-SENATOR THOMAS TO AS-

SIST MR. DAUGHERTY.

Tribunal Within Department of

Justice Formed to Decide

Course as to Suits.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 28.—At-

torney General Daugherty announced

today the appointment of Charles S.

Thomas, ex-senator of Colorado, a

democrat, as one of the special as-

sistants to the attorney general to aid

in the prosecution of war frauds to-

gether with that of George P. Hoover

of this city.

At the same time Mr. Daugherty

announced the creation of "a special

tribunal within the department of

justice, which will constitute a board

of review" to determine whether to

proceed with or abandon suits, ac-

cording to the probability of success.

Mr. Thomas, the attorney general

said, will sit with him on this

tribunal, "together with such other

special counsel as he may deem

proper, to be employed in the different

cases, as they come up for considera-

tion, so that there will be at all times a

complete and thorough centralization

of departmental knowledge with re-

spect to every step that is taken or is

contemplated in the preparation of these

war contract cases."

The ex-senator will begin his duties

June 1.

Mr. Hoover will be associated with

United States Attorney Peyton Gor-

don of the District of Columbia.

Mr. Hoover and Mr. Gordon, the an-

nouncement said, will work on the

fraud cases with equal authority.

Mr. Thomas will bring to the de-

partment of justice, Mr. Daugherty

said, "an unusual and exact expe-

rience in precisely those matters which

will now come before him in his new

capacity, some of the most important

phases of this work while in the senate

and in his private life."

There are not going to be married

for ages. He'll stay in pictures and

I'll stay on the stage—so we prob-

ably won't see much of each other.

But you know, I was born on

Long Island and one in California,

and we'll just dash back and forth

when we get lonesome. You know

I know where we belong—and that's

behind the footlights."

SENIORS GET POSITIONS

Agricultural College Co-eds Will

Teach Next Year.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COL-

LEGE, Corvallis, May 28.—(Special.)

Several of the seniors who will be

graduates this term have been ap-

pointed to positions in educational

work in Oregon. Alma Scharpf of

Portland will teach home economics

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FIRE RAGE IN BELFAST

Several Business Houses Destroyed

and Much Looting Reported.

BELFAST, May 28.—Incendiarism

again played an important part in

the week's end proceedings in Bel-

fast and there was considerable looting.

Seven business houses were de-

stroyed, four of them today, prin-

cipally the properties of Protestant

firms in Catholic areas. The damage

amounted to thousands of pounds.

One block in Tabot street was al-

most destroyed. A bomb thrown into

a house in Shaftesbury avenue

wounded a man and his wife and

baby. Sergeant Leach of the Royal

Irish