

France's Future as Colonial Power May Hinge on Morocco

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France's whole future as a great colonial power may lie in Morocco.

It has all but lost out in Indo-China. It must hold its North African possessions — Morocco, Algeria and Tunisia — or face the loss of its position as a world power. Morocco is the key to all three.

The success or failure of Premier Edgar Faure's present desperate attempt to work out a complicated solution of the Morocco crisis is now being determined.

Faure may well fall if he fails. French premiers are expendable, but if he fails it will be up to his successor, or one of his successors, to try to hold Morocco and its sister areas by force of arms or by political persuasion.

Fertile Land
Morocco is a country of fertile orchards, of plains and rugged

mountains of Arabs and of Berber tribesmen — and of about 500,000 French colonists.

It extends from the Atlantic ocean to the burning sands of the Sahara Desert. France's stake in its 158,000 square miles is enormous.

It is almost forgotten now that Moroccan resistance to foreign rule nearly caused the premature outbreak of World War I, and that it did lead indirectly to the overthrow of King Alfonso XIII of Spain.

Morocco's history goes back more than 1000 years before Christ, when its coast was dotted with Phoenician villages. Next came the Carthaginians.

Augustus Caesar made it the Roman province of Mauretania. Arab Status

Morocco's status as an Arab country dates back to 682 when the Arabians started invading it from the east.

Out of this gred the Moorish Empire which extended across North Africa to the Egyptian frontier.

The Arabs were so powerful then that they managed to invade Spain and establish themselves in it. Later their piratical sea rovers ranged as far as the English coast.

Morocco's present status dates from the turn of the century when France, Britain and Germany became interested in it. France won out.

Rebellion Against France
But there was a rebellion, one of many, against France in 1911. Germany took advantage of it to send its gunboat Panther to Agadir, and toyed with the idea of intervention. German Foreign Minister Alfred von Kiderlin-Waechter was ready to go to war.

Kaiser Wilhelm II and Chancellor Theobald von Bethmann-Hollweg opposed him. David Lloyd George settled that matter when he announced that Britain would go to war beside France if necessary.

Then, after World War I, came the great revolt of Abdel Krim in Spanish Morocco. The Spanish Army was routed. Spain and France together defeated Abdel Krim. But the revolt was the beginning of the end for King Alfonso.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

A few days ago, a fabulously interesting educational experiment was announced. Its purpose is to locate young men and young women of HIGH APTITUDE and enable them to go to college regardless of their financial means.

Under this program, at least 200 of next June's cream-of-the-crop high school and prep school students will be given four-year college scholarships. The scholarships will be given to winners of a nationwide competition, regardless of their financial means. The AMOUNTS of the scholarships will range from a token \$100-a-year to those students who do not need financial help TO FULL TUITION AND LIVING COSTS for four years.

THE purpose of it?

It is to find and train LEADERS for the United States of America. It is prompted by the belief that too much leadership material is going to waste in our country because too many young people who have the necessary qualifications are unable to go to college to get the training they need to become leaders in industry, science and government.

That is the story in a nutshell.

WHERE is the money to come from?

The program is to be financed at the start by \$20,500,000 provided by the Ford Foundation and the Carnegie Corporation of New York. Our great corporations and our very wealthy individuals will be encouraged to contribute to the fund in order to keep the program going.

WHAT is it the Good Book says? You will find it in Matthew (19:24):

"It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God."

THOSE are rough words. But we must consider the times and the circumstances in which they were spoken. There came to Jesus (it was on the coast of Judea, which are still troubled by man's inhumanity to man) a young man who had kept all the conventions. He hadn't murdered anybody. He hadn't lied. He hadn't stolen.

He said to Jesus: "What lack I yet?" Matthew tells us that Jesus said to him: "If thou wilt be perfect, go and sell that thou hast and give to the poor." As Matthew relates it, when the young man heard that he went

away sorrowful, for he had great possessions and he was loath to give up any part of them.

THAT was nearly 20 centuries ago. Twenty centuries ago, rich men were apt to be a rugged lot. It was seldom indeed that they EARNED their wealth, in the sense that we think today of the earning of wealth—that is to say, by using their talents for management and money-making in the creation of enterprises that add to the comfort and the happiness and the welfare of EVERYBODY.

More often than not, they got their possessions by the use of the strong right arm in taking it away from somebody else by force. As for giving any of it away—well, they just didn't do it. If anyone had suggested such a thing, they would have laughed him to scorn. Or, more likely, they would have had him thrown into the bottom cell of the dungeon.

Reading in the history books of the rich men of 20 centuries ago, it isn't hard to believe that it would have been easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for any of them to give anything away for the benefit of the common run of the people of their day.

ANYWAY—

This program to enable the young men and young women of high aptitude to go to college and become leaders in the world of today, regardless of their financial means, is started off with money GIVEN AWAY by two modern men of great wealth—Henry Ford and Andrew Carnegie. It is expected to be added to by contributions from other men of great wealth.

I think it can be said truthfully that the world is getting better.

Couple Trying to Escape City Life Now Not Sure

Eules, Tex. —(U.P.)—Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Willis wanted to get away from big city life, so they moved to this small community between Dallas and Fort Worth. Now they're not so sure they made the right move.

They operate a business in nearby Arlington, Tex., and Mrs. Willis drives there to take care of it. Her husband drives daily to Grand Prairie, Tex., where he works in an airplane plant.

They go to a Dallas church, have a Fort Worth telephone number, and get their mail at Hurst, Tex.

Quotes From the News

By UNITED PRESS

Bartley Crum, attorney for Rita Hayworth, explaining why they oppose a writ ordering her to bring her daughter Yasmin to visit Rita's ex-husband, Aly Kahn:

"What Rita wants is the right to call the French cops in case something goes wrong."

Mrs. Muriel McCormick Hubbard, heiress to an estimated \$40,000,000 fortune, answering adoption application questions as how much income, insurance and real property she had:

"Over \$100,000."

Farmer Keron Walsh, Durand, Ill., father of nine polio-stricken children, to a Los Angeles woman who telephoned him, she was praying for the children and asked what else she could do:

"I just told her to keep praying."

Marine Capt. Richard S. McCutchen when asked if he would try for the top prize on The \$64,000 Question "TV-quiz program, which he won:

"I am so proud to belong to a 'go' organization that the answer is I go."

Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas on his threatened arrest by a policeman in Stalingrad for taking a flashlight picture on the street at night, during his recent tour of the Soviet Union:

"Apparently the word had not gotten down that the patrolman was supposed to be friendly."

Asbestos heir Tommy Manville Jr., asked if he planned to marry again, after divorcing his ninth wife, the former Anita Eden of Atlanta, Ga., for a reported \$400,000 settlement:

"The way it's going, when I can find a woman who can support me this time."

Philadelphia Dist. Atty. Samuel Dash investigating the abortion death of food chain heiress, Mrs. Doris Osterreicher:

"One thing we want to know is why Mrs. Silver didn't want her daughter to have the baby."

New Jersey State CIO President Paul Krebs in a letter to West German automobile manufacturer Heinz Nordhoff who espoused a six-day work week, at his proposed plant at New Brunswick, N.J., during a celebration marking production of the millionth Volkswagen:

"I can only surmise that the 40,000 liters of beer consumed . . . or the can-can act that occurred during the festival might have had a distracting effect on your speech."

Is That So?

By EUGENE BURNS
Ranger-Naturalist

Supposedly, the wisdom of our forefathers reposes in their wise sayings. To test one of these, here's another fact vs. fallacy:

Fallacy: Old Saw—"As useless as a last year's bird's nest."

Fact: Many a last year's bird's nest is more useful—some are reused year after year; others are subleased to bird and animal tenants; and two nests that I know of help feed and clothe the old saw-quoter himself!

Among birds reusing their last year's nest are the osprey and eagle. Unmolested these birds may occupy and enlarge their eyries until the huge structures collapse. One at Vermilion, O., was reoccupied by bald eagles for 5 years and was estimated to weigh 4,000 pounds when it finally collapsed.

Without a by-your-leave, As for subleasing, a woodpecker's sublessee list is perhaps the most imposing. Take the gila woodpecker and gilded flickers of Southern Arizona. These birds hollow out nest cavities in the cactus trunks of the saguara and these in turn become the abode of the elf owl, pigmy owl, screech owl, sparrow hawk, ash-throated flycatcher, martin, crested flycatcher, cactus wren, and Lucy's warbler. Besides they have been the homes of scaly lizards, snakes, rats and mice.

When snows blow, the tiny deer mouse family may often be found safely tucked into a discarded red-winged blackbird's nest. In northern woods, tree swallows, house wrens, bluebirds and woodmice quite frequently take up their abode in woodpecker's hewed-out cavity. And to this list, add squirrels.

As for man's two uses of old nests, in the Far East myriads of tiny swiftlets make nests entirely from the secretion of their salivary glands. This material is almost 50 per cent protein. Once the nest has served its purpose, it is gathered, washed, and dried for the trade—and a lucrative trade, the price often exceeding \$25 a pound.

The second use is eiderdown. This comes from eider ducks. In the far north, this bird grows a special nuptial down which it plucks from its breast to line the nest. Extremely light, elastic and an excellent nonconductor of heat, this material is harvested when the bird first lines her nest with it and also when the nest is abandoned, each nest yielding perhaps an ounce of the precious down.

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Planners Say Shrub, Tree Proposal Would Encourage Planting

A proposed city ordinance concerning trees and shrubbery, which was recommended to the city council for passage by the city planning commission this week, would tend to increase the number of shade trees in Medford, planning commission members said today.

The ordinance, a "model" one prepared by the bureau of municipal research and service at the University of Oregon in cooperation with the League of Oregon Cities, aims at the beautification of Oregon's municipalities, they pointed out.

The city planners, in discussions leading up to their recommendation, have pointed out that trees and shrubbery add greatly to the looks of every town, and they feel the planting of trees should be encouraged, not discouraged.

Would Serve Better
One reason for recommending the proposed ordinance, they said, was because existing city regulations prohibit planting of trees in parking strips. The proposed ordinance would also serve the purpose of protecting sidewalks, streets and sewers from damage by tree roots better than does the simple ban on trees, they pointed out, by designating which trees are dangerous to utilities when planted in parking strips, and by providing that trees which become nuisances can be removed.

It was also pointed out that FHA regulations encourage the planting of trees because they increase property values. The proposed ordinance provides rules for the planting of trees in parking strips only, and not elsewhere on private property except for varieties which might

endanger utilities and become dangerous.

Town's Fire Department Builds Own Fire Truck

Jamestown, N. Y. —(U.P.)—The Jamestown fire department, going along with the current do-it-yourself craze, recently finished building a new fire truck.

The vehicle constructed around a used two-ton chassis at a cost of \$5,000. If the department had purchased a similar fire truck it would have cost at least \$15,000.

William D. Carlson, fire department maintenance supervisor, drew up the plans for the truck. Carlson, fireman Norman A. Pederson and the men at station 2 did all the labor.

Robert (Lefty) Grove won the American league pitching title five times between 1929 and 1939, more than any other AL pitcher.

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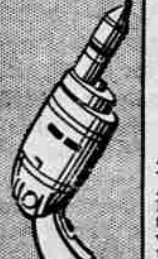
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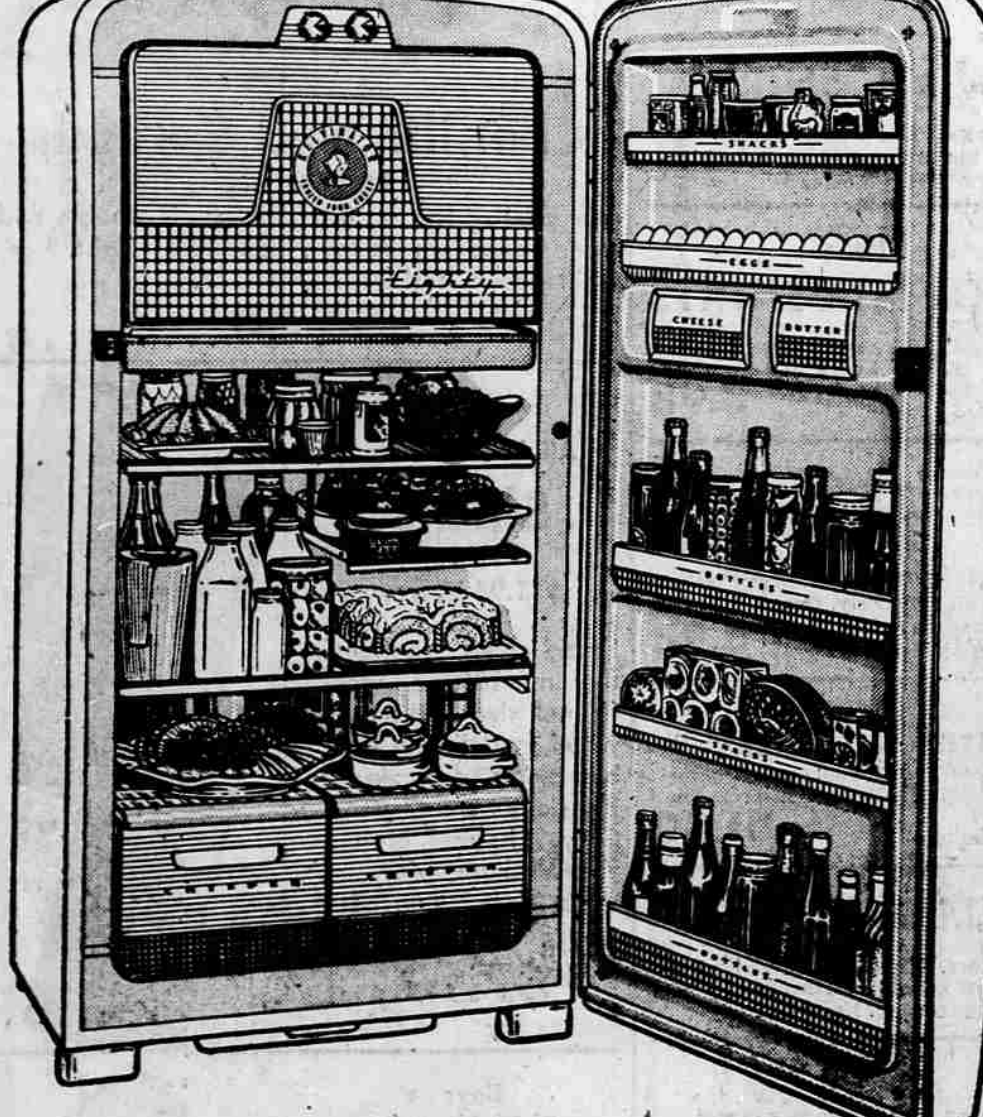


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