

## FRENCH MAY BE ASKED EXPLAIN CRANE AFFAIR

**Former Minister to China Reported Sentenced By Military Court**

WASHINGTON, May 26.—Resolution directing Secretary Hughes to make an immediate inquiry of the French government concerning the correctness of reports concerning the imposition of a two year sentence upon Charles R. Crane by the French military court at Damascus, was introduced today by Representative Sabath, democrat, Illinois.

PARIS, May 26.—Charles R. Crane said today that before his arrival at Damascus, Syria, the United States consul there handed down the American flag, took down his shield and refused to have further relations with the French authorities until they apologized for an incident. The French finally apologized and the consul resumed relations, he said.

CHICAGO, May 26.—A sentence of 20 years imprisonment on a charge of inciting recent disturbances in the French mandate territory of Syria was handed out to Charles R. Crane of Chicago, according to a copyrighted dispatch from Cairo, Egypt, published in the Chicago Daily News. Crane was former ambassador to China. The report said the sentence was passed after a hearing by default, that is, in the absence of the accused.

## BEARD 16 FEET LONG

**North Dakota Farmer Promises to Win Sacramento Honors**

WHAPETON, N. D., May 26.—Though civic pride has prompted the male population of Sacramento, Cal., to go unshaven in preparation for the "Days of '49" celebration, a goodly share of the "local color" promises to be provided by a retired farmer of North Dakota.

For Hans N. Langseth, 75-year old resident of this county, is going out California way to show the "boys" a beard that is a beard, as he puts it. By actual measurement his is several inches more than sixteen feet.

A score of years ago, Langseth was traveling with a side show. But the public refused to believe his beard was real. "The same old bunk," they said, and passed up his tent. So he went back to farming.

Langseth was born in Norway. He lived in Iowa from 1867 to 1885 and then moved to Clay county, Minnesota, where he lived two years before settling in this country.

Not since he was 29 years old has Langseth shaved. Then he noticed his beard grew remarkably fast, so he decided to see what length it would attain. It's too long now for convenience, but he carries it tucked away in a sack attached to the inside of his waistcoat.

## MAY WITHDRAW SHIPS

PORTLAND, May 26.—The shipping board's threat today to withdraw seven board vessels, now allocated here, followed the action of the union last night in accusing the board representative here of favoring the longshoremen's union in the strike controversy. The shippers declared, however, that they intended to boycott the shipping board's vessels anyhow.

## WEATHER PROBABILITIES

The barometric pressure rose quite rapidly last night and reached the highest point in a number of days, this afternoon. The Cyclo Stormograph at Underwood's is again recording a fall. Tonight will probably be warmer than last night when the low reached 25 at 4 a. m.

Forecast for next 24 hours: Generally fair with moderate winds.

The Tycos recording thermometer registered maximum and minimum temperatures today as follows:  
High ..... 55  
Low ..... 25

## Marines on Way to Guard U. S. Legation



First picture of United States marines marching to entrain for Peking to reinforce American troops there guarding United States legation in Chinese civil war.

## A. L. LEAVITT MADE CIRCUIT JUDGE TO SUCCEED C. F. STONE

**Appointment Is Announced by Governor Olcott; May Take Bench Tomorrow**

SALEM, May 26.—A. L. Leavitt has been appointed circuit judge of Klamath county to succeed C. F. Stone, Governor Olcott announced today.

Disposal of 200 cases in 31 days on the bench, is the record of the retiring circuit judge, C. F. Stone, who accepted the appointment to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Judge D. V. Kuykendall, taking office February 23 of this year. The outstanding feature of Judge Stone's work was the dispatch with which he handled the business coming before him.

Judge Stone announced his intention to resign immediately following the primaries. Judge Leavitt probably will assume office Saturday, as his commission is expected to arrive here tonight.

## NEW STORE MODERN

**Plate Glass and Mahogany Features of Currin's Pharmacy**

Glittering plate glass and gleaming mahogany will greet shoppers at the opening tomorrow morning at Currin's drug store at 840 Main, opposite the Central school. Currin has installed the last word in modern fixtures, doing away with counters and using only wall cabinets with plate glass sliding doors, thus giving more floor space and permitting customers to examine wares at their leisure.

In addition to a full line of standard drugs, Currin will carry every conceivable toilet article, phonographs and the famous Franzen candies. "Quality first" will be the store's watchword, Currin said.

Currin has had many years experience as a druggist, having been with several pharmacies here as well as elsewhere.

## ELECTRICAL MEETING

**Pacific Coast Association to Convene in Los Angeles**

LOS ANGELES, May 26.—The Sixth Annual Convention of the Pacific Coast Electrical Association will be held in Los Angeles May 31-June 2. About 500 delegates are expected to attend. The program includes industrial conferences, technical papers and discussions, addresses, election of officers and a number of entertainment features.

Mayor George L. Cryer will welcome the delegates and A. B. West president of the association, will respond. Other speakers include, Howard P. Beebe, president of the Investment Banker's Association of America; John D. Fredericks, president of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce; Robert Sibley, editor of an electrical publication, and H. M. Aylesworth, executive manager of the National Electric Light association.

## WRIGHT FUNERAL SERVICES

Funeral services will be held in Whitlock chapel at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon for James Henry Wright, 59 Washington street, a farm laborer, who died here this morning at the age of 66 after a long illness. The Rev. A. L. Rice will officiate.

## ORATOR LIKE BRYAN TAKE TARIFF OUT OF POLITICS, E. H. GARY ADVOCATES

**Chautauqua Speaker Bears Marked Resemblance to Commoner**

An orator of the William J. Bryan type is said to describe Geo. H. Bradford, the speaker at tomorrow evening's Chautauqua. Bradford bears a physical resemblance to the celebrated Nebraska statesman and is reputed to have a flow of eloquence very reminiscent of the democratic standard-bearer in his palmy days.

Bradford became chancellor of the Methodist University of Oklahoma since 1910, but demand for his services as a lecturer lately forced him to resign his collegiate activities. "This Way Up" is the title of his lecture, an inspiring appeal that is said to be especially helpful to young folk of high school age.

Tomorrow afternoon's feature is a concert by the Batting-Mahler Duo. Tonight the great American comedy "Turn to the Right" will be presented. Many residents have doubtless seen the play and know its worth. It is said that the Keighly players interpret it in a fashion that brings out all its artistic merit.

## BONANZA MAN PASSES

Funeral services were held yesterday at 10 o'clock at Bonanza for John B. Pool, a well-known young rancher of that section, who died at his home last Monday night from influenza-pneumonia. He is survived by a wife and three children and the following sisters and brothers: Mrs. C. F. Nichols, Talent, Oregon; Mrs. D. E. Cox and Mrs. R. C. Cowley of Lorella; Frank and J. B. Pool of Bonanza, and L. P. Pool of Hildebrand.

The decedent was 39 years old and had lived in Klamath county for 26 years. He was born near Medford.

## STEEL MAGNATE WOULD SUBSTITUTE SALES TAX FOR INCOME TAX; ADVISES AGAINST BONUS

**New York City Iron and Steel Industry Leader Declares Himself 'Still an Optimist'**

NEW YORK, May 26.—Elbert H. Gary, in an address at the American Iron and Steel institute today, advocated that congress take the tariff out of politics, that it play no favorites in its tendency to regulate things, that it substitute a sales tax for the income tax and that it forget the soldier bonus until the nation is less severely burdened financially.

As for the business future of America, Gary declared himself "still an optimist." In the iron and steel industry, he said, the profits were not satisfactory, but that few if any ought not to be doing business at a loss.

## HE SPENT ONE CENT

**Democratic Candidate for Legislature No Spendthrift**

SALEM, Ore., May 26.—One cent for a postal card, applying for a nomination blank, was the expenditure of George A. Lovejoy, candidate for the democratic nomination for representative from Multnomah county, as revealed by his expense statement filed here.

## HOME RUN KING IS SUSPENDED FOLLOWING ROW

**Display of Temper Results in Babe Ruth Being Declared Ineligible**

CHICAGO, May 26.—Babe Ruth was declared today ineligible to play with the Yankees until a complete investigation has been made of his argument with Umpire Hildebrand which resulted in the home run king being put out of the game yesterday after he had thrown sand in the umpire's face. President Ben Johnson of the American league, who announced the decision, said a final decision would be made tomorrow.

Ruth will not be permitted to play today, a one-day suspension and a stiff fine probably will be his punishment, it was said.

Johnson said Ruth had become extremely nervous, over his previous suspension and the long lead in home runs obtained by Ken Williams of the St. Louis Browns, and over Ruth's failure to hit when he got back into the game. Johnson said this attitude placed Ruth in a condition that might cause him to do things in the heat of a game which he would regret a few minutes later.

CHICAGO, May 26.—Babe Ruth was fined \$200 and removed from the captaincy of the New York Yankees by Ben Johnson, president of the American league, this afternoon.

## OLCOTT'S LEAD 510

**Official Reports Lacking Only From Three Counties**

PORTLAND, May 26.—With official reports lacking only from Curry, Harney and Wheeler counties, the latest figures today gave Olcott 49,020, Hall 42,510, a lead for Olcott of 510. The name of ex-collector of internal revenue Milton A. Miller was written in for the democratic nomination for state treasurer. He may be a candidate against Hoff.

## WON'T GET HIM IN WHILE NURSIE IS ON THE JOB



## NINETEEN LIVES LOST IN POWDER HOUSE AND COAL MINE EXPLOSIONS

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., May 26.—Eleven miners were killed last night in an explosion in Acmar mine number three of the Alabama fuel and iron company, St. Clair county, according to a report received here today.

## CO-OPERATION IS ASKED BY LEGION FOR MEMORIAL DAY

**March to Cemetery and Appropriate Exercises Planned; Flowers Are Needed for Graves**

Co-operation of the schools, labor council, chamber of commerce, library club, Spanish war veterans and all organizations represented on the Klamath community council, has been asked for Memorial day by the American Legion, Commander Fred Westerfield announced today.

It is planned to meet at the courthouse in the forenoon and march to the cemetery where graves will be decorated and appropriate exercises held. As many ex-service men are employed away from the city, and will be unable to be present, the Legion has requested that as many persons as possible lend their aid in helping to commemorate the day. Persons having flowers which they will donate for the graves are asked to notify Mrs. Percy Burke, Mrs. Kip Van Riper or Mrs. Ed. Martin.

More definite plans for the Memorial day program will be published Monday.

## LEGION RAPS KLAN

**California Executive Committee Is Opposed to Principles**

SAN FRANCISCO, May 26.—Declaring that the Ku Klux Klan is founded on doctrines which would divide our citizens into groups and classes which attempt to set one class of our citizens against another, the California state executive committee of the American Legion, adopted a resolution opposing the principles of the Klan and commending John R. Quinn, state commander, for resigning from it.

The resolution opposing the Klan said in part: "Be it resolved that both the principles and policies of the Ku Klux Klan are fundamentally opposed to the welfare of our country and the patriotic principles upon which the American Legion is founded."

And, be it further, resolved, that the American Legion is unalterably opposed to the Ku Klux Klan, and it is the sense of this Executive Committee that no loyal members of the American Legion can or should support the doctrines of the Ku Klux Klan."

Before the resolution was passed Quinn read a statement made at the time of calling the meeting. In it he stated that he applied for membership in the Klan under a misunderstanding, had resigned when he had investigated further the organization's activities, and hoped that the committee would subscribe to his public criticism of the Klan. A resolution affirming the Executive Committee's loyalty and confidence in Quinn and commending his action in resigning from the Klan was passed.

## City Team Will Stage Practice Game Sunday

Baseball fans will have opportunity to witness the king of sports at Modoc park Sunday afternoon when the City team will battle with other local players. John Houston, who has organized the City team, says he has gathered a fast aggregation capable of giving any team in this part of the state a run for its money.

The line-up: Dr. Noel, catcher; J. Foster and Finerman, pitchers; Bressler, first; Durbin, second; H. Foster, se.; Houston, third; Humphrey, Abbe and Crawford, outfield.

No admission will be charged but a collection will be taken to help defray the cost of uniforms.

## KU KLUX KLAN IS DENOUNCED AT CHAUTAUQUA

**Dr. Evans Turns Searchlight of Truth on Secret Organization**

"Let There Be Light" is the title of the lecture of Dr. Arthur Walwyn Evans, speaker at last night's Chautauqua, and he certainly turned the searchlights on full force. He hunted out every nook and corner where the foes of America lurk and exposed them to a glare of brilliant eloquence.

With sledgehammer sentences he tore apart the pretensions of the Ku Klux Klan. He denounced the organization as "dangerous messengers" to democratic government and declared his intention to express his full opinion of it on every Chautauqua platform in Oregon. He searched his soul for words to express his American disapproval of masked attempts to supersede the American government with mob rule, and the Americanism of the audience responded with cheers and loud applause.

Avowing his ironclad Protestantism and asserting that he was a member of the Masonic order, Evans declared that he knew the reason for his religious faith but knew no reason why any American should support an organization which appealed to race and religious hatred and sought to upset the principle of religious freedom that is the foundation of American liberty.

He laid bare the reason for the Klan's existence in a blow when he referred to the \$15.50 initiation fee, a portion of which goes to the imperial wizard, Dr. Simmons, in Atlanta, who "four years ago wasn't worth a plugged nickel" and now has a fortune, built from Ku Klux receipts.

Evans is a steam riveter in action and with machine-like precision he starts at the bottom to build a structure of logic that is not flattering to American pride but houses wholesome truth.

He started with the schools, declaring while America had greatest expenditure of public money for school buildings and equipment, we were woefully weak in teachers. He attributed this to small salaries, quoting statistics showing an average annual wage for the 650,000 rural teachers of the United States of \$440; the annual wage of 250,000 as \$245; the highest annual wage as \$1033.

The colleges are no better. Where Yale pays a professor of law \$6,000 a year, it pays its football coach \$16,000. Other universities set brawn above brain in the same manner. The speaker said he was an ardent baseball fan and believed in clean sport as an upholder of character but advocated reasonable adjustment of such discriminatory remuneration.

As a result of low salaries, there is too small a proportion of men teachers. Discipline is lax. We have high school Soviets and educational strikes. Young folk get no conception of the dignity of discipline and see only servility in yielding the individual will to constituted authority. When occasionally a teacher endeavors to enforce authority, she finds fond parents upholding willful offspring.

And the logical conclusion is reached, the speaker indicated, in armed revolt in the West Virginia coal fields, mob rule in Springfield and Omaha, Ku Klux outrages in Texas, a coast to coast wave of crime unlike anything in Europe with all its hatreds and jealousies.

The schools must get back to fundamentals, Evans declared, and he pointed to the 25 per cent illiteracy showing during the selection of men for war service, as an evidence of failure.

The Chautauqua tent was cold last night but the temperature went up several degrees when the lecturer warmed up to his subject. He spoke, not as a critic, but as an American citizen, firm in his belief in the supremacy of American institutions, he said, deeply appreciative of American opportunities but with an abiding belief it was time for Americans to awake and correct the evils that are weakening democracy and handicapping American progress.