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Low French Birth Rate Is Serious

Military Leaders Looking Into Future Alarmed Over Small Number of Children Being Born.

Reward Large Families

By MARK SULLIVAN. PARIS, May 26.—The low birth rate of the French people—and the consequent loss of the high birth rate of the German people, together with the consciousness of this contrast on the part of French military leaders who look to the future and think of the future in terms of military manpower—is one of the deepest causes of what is now happening in Europe.

Before dealing with the more fundamental aspects of this subject it will be interesting, first, to cite in the shape of a few detached paragraphs some of the evidences that not only the French military chiefs, but leaders of thought, members of the government and publicists are keenly concerned.

Kennedy Opens Office to Aid Injured Workers

Compensation Commissioner Ousted by Bryan Says Workmen Without Advice, Due to Governor's Laxity.

Frank A. Kennedy, former state compensation commissioner, has opened an office at 602 World-Header building, on the northwest corner of Fifteenth and Fairmount streets, where, beginning Monday morning, he will advise injured workers as to their rights under the workmen's compensation law.

Mr. Kennedy was notified that he was no longer required in the capacity of state labor commissioner by Governor Bryan yesterday. Kennedy had issued a formal statement charging that the governor had crippled the department of labor by his carelessness. The governor failed to ask for an appropriation to pay the labor commissioner's salary, according to Mr. Kennedy, who says he only consented to continue in the position at the urgent request of Bryan, until a successor could be found.

Man's Skull Fractured When Auto Strikes Him

Earl Williams, 2539 Davenport street, was run down and suffered a skull fracture, last night by a car driven by Mrs. D. J. Wharton, Dietz club, at Sixteenth street and Capitol avenue. He was taken to Lord Lister hospital after he had been attended by Dr. Kinyoun, police surgeon. Mrs. Wharton turned west on Sixteenth street and failed to see Williams. Another man who was crossing the street, blocked her from dodging to the right and another car blocked the left.

Bluffs Man Gets Office

Burlington, Ia., May 26.—Officers elected by the Iowa United Commercial Travelers included: Grand secretary, A. C. Junkins, Council Bluffs.

Chinese Ambassador Back in Washington



Dr. Sze, Chinese minister to the United States, has returned to Washington, after a protracted absence, to handle the diplomatic situation brought about by the kidnaping of American citizens from the Shanghai-Pekin railway.

Chinese Soldiers Begin Campaign Against Bandits

Three Brigades of Shantung Troops, With Machine Guns and Airplanes Start Advance on Outlaws.

By Associated Press. PEKING, May 26.—Machine guns and rifles tonight are attempting to force the release of 14 foreigners, including six Americans, held by Chinese bandits in the hills above Lincheng. For three weeks crowds of official negotiators have labored in vain to free the captives who were kidnaped from the Shanghai-Pekin express, May 6.

Clash With Outlaws

Already the soldiers have had two brushes with the outlaws, with fatalities on both sides. General Tien has thrown his troops in a wide circle about the bandit hotbed and he is gradually tightening his stranglehold, cutting the outlaws' communications and hoping finally to isolate the gang that is holding the 14 foreigners.

Captives in Good Health

The captives are reported to be generally in good health, except the Italian millionaire attorney, G. D. Musso, who is suffering from an injured leg. Their clothing is new, living conditions in their prison are bad and food is none too plentiful, but in spite of all, they are said to be standing the strain well.

Behind the Chinese lines, at Tsao-Chang, is a military commission of foreign officers, headed by Brig. Gen. William D. Connor of the American army, which is investigating measures being taken by the Chinese government for the release of the prisoners. The commission will report its findings and make any recommendations for action it sees fit to the diplomatic corps at Peking.

The movement of troops towards the outlaws' retreat followed on the heels of statements in diplomatic circles that it had been definitely established that politics and not ordinary banditry was behind the holdup of the Shanghai-Pekin express near Suchow three weeks ago.

It was freely intimated that one political faction, hoping to embarrass the government, had been behind the holdup.

Good Will Found on Trade Trip

Welcome Home Best Welcome of All, Business Men Say as Greeted by Their Families.

Trip Was Huge Success

By PAUL GREER. And the best welcome of all was the welcome home. That could be seen on the faces of the Omaha business men, who returned Saturday night from their 2,000 mile trade trip through Nebraska, Wyoming and Colorado. Everywhere they had been, and they had stopped at more than 100 towns to the west, they had been greeted with open-hearted hospitality.

On the business side, the trip was highly successful. As Frank Myers, one of the trade tourists said: "This was a mighty good week. The Omaha booster spirit was reciprocated all along the route." Beginning at Sargent, in Custer county, Saturday morning, the return trip was like a triumphal procession.

Last Steps of Trip

Other towns which received the tourists Saturday were Constock, Arcadia, McAlpine, Loup City, Schupp, Ashton, Farwell, Midway, St. Paul, Chapman and Grand Island.

Trip Wonderful Success

H. R. Pinkerton, Orchard & Wilhelm company: "This 'Good Will' and promotion excursion through the wonderful productive regions of Wyoming and Nebraska has been a wonderful success. Dealers are without exception optimistic, and while stocks are low in many stores, the recent bountiful rains have prompted buying. Although little soliciting was done on the trip, a great many orders were recorded."

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Aviator Completes Gulf to Canada Nonstop Flight

Lieut. Harrison Crocker Covers 1,400 Miles From Houston, Tex., to Detroit Field in 11 Hours and 45 Minutes—Establishes World Record for One-Man Trip Without Stop.

By Associated Press. Mr. Clemens, Mich., May 26.—Lieut. Harrison G. Crocker landed at Selfridge field here at 6:15 (eastern time) tonight, completing a nonstop gulf to Canada flight. Lieutenant Crocker left Ellington field, Houston, Tex., at 5:21 (central time) this morning.

Longest Continuous Flight

Lieut. Crocker flew approximately 1,400 miles in his nonstop flight from Ellington field, Houston, Tex., to Selfridge field, Detroit, Mich., from taking off to landing being 11 hours and 45 minutes.

Exhausts Gasoline Supply

The gasoline supply of 240 gallons was exhausted when his plane was 20 minutes away from Selfridge field, and the remainder of the trip was made from the emergency fuel.

New World Record

Chicago, May 26.—Lieut. Harrison G. Crocker, flying the same plane used by Lieut. James H. Doolittle in his gulf to lakes flight, today broke the world's record for a nonstop flight for a one-man plane, formerly held by Lieutenant Doolittle, according to records of army aviation officers at Chanute field, Rantoul, Ill.

Turco-Greek Pact Clears War Clouds Over Near East

By Associated Press. LAUSANNE, May 26.—Peace instead of war in the near east, was the welcome result of a dramatic session of the Lausanne conference held at Ouchy chateau, to settle the Turco-Greek reparations controversy. Complete agreement was reached, and as this was the only remaining problem between the Greeks and the Turks, hostilities which it was feared might involve the Balkan countries, have been averted.

Complete Agreement on Question of Reparations Reached at Dramatic Session of Lausanne Conference.

By International News Service. BOCHUM, Germany, May 26.—Two persons were killed and 40 wounded in clashes between communists and German police this afternoon. Further fighting is feared tonight and Sunday.

Four in Family Hurt When Hit by Motor Car

A mother and her three children were injured yesterday when they were struck by an automobile at Twenty-fourth and Cumby streets.

Poppy Sales Net \$4,000; Legion Is Criticized

Omaha remembered the Veterans of Foreign Wars in their annual Poppy day yesterday, according to the statement made last night by H. A. Honack, chairman of the poppy committee. The receipts at the last counting amounted to \$4,000, with returns still to be made.

Public Sees Elks' Home Stone Laid

Impressive Ritual Preceded by Colorful Parade of Various Organizations, Marks Dedication.

Purposes of Order Told

Laying of the cornerstone of the new \$1,000,000 Elks' building at the southwest corner of Eighteenth and Dodge streets, yesterday afternoon was an impressive public occasion.

Automobile Winner

Automobiles were awarded to the following at the close of the Elks' Spring fiddle at the Auditorium last night: A. H. Marvin, 2115 Pratt street; Cadillac. L. E. Johnston, Hotel Harley; Geo. Sam Greenberg, 3003 Harley street; Buick.

McGilvary Girl, Betrayed by Fake Wedding, Returns

Heroine of Fire Who Disappeared Tuesday Deserted in Park by Husband of Two Days.

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Officer Loses Badge in Tussle With Drunk

Patrolman Tony Heiler is suffering from bitten knuckles, abrasions to his shin and a ruffled sense of dignity as a result of his attempt to arrest a man who refused to give his name.

Harding to Become Boy for Two Hours at Elks' Picnic for Seattle Kids

By Universal Service. WASHINGTON, May 26.—President Harding will throw off the cares of the presidency and become a boy again for two hours when he visits Seattle after his trip to Alaska.

Kansas City Stunt Flyer Killed in 700-Foot Fall

Kansas City, Mo., May 26.—Steve Montrose, Kansas City aviator, was killed here tonight when a plane in which he was closing a stunt performance fell 700 feet. The plane was wrecked. First reports to the effect that another aviator had been injured were found to be erroneous. Montrose was alone.

Held on Booze Charge

Nick Carmo, 514 North Fourteenth street, was arrested Saturday afternoon by the police morals squad on a charge of illegal possession of liquor after the squad found a still, mash and liquor in his home.

Grand Exalted Ruler Presides at Elk Rites



J.B. Masters

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The Weather table with columns for location, temperature, precipitation, and wind.