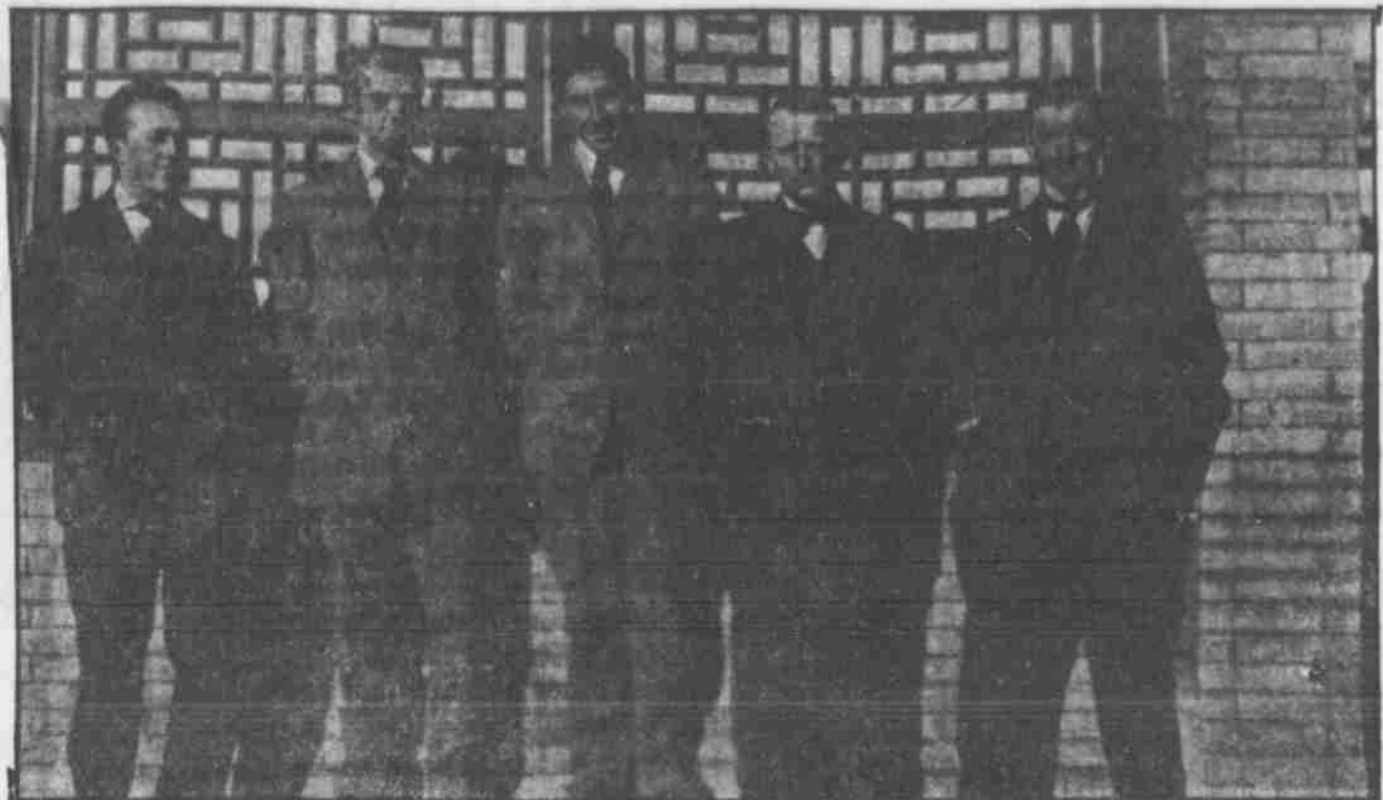


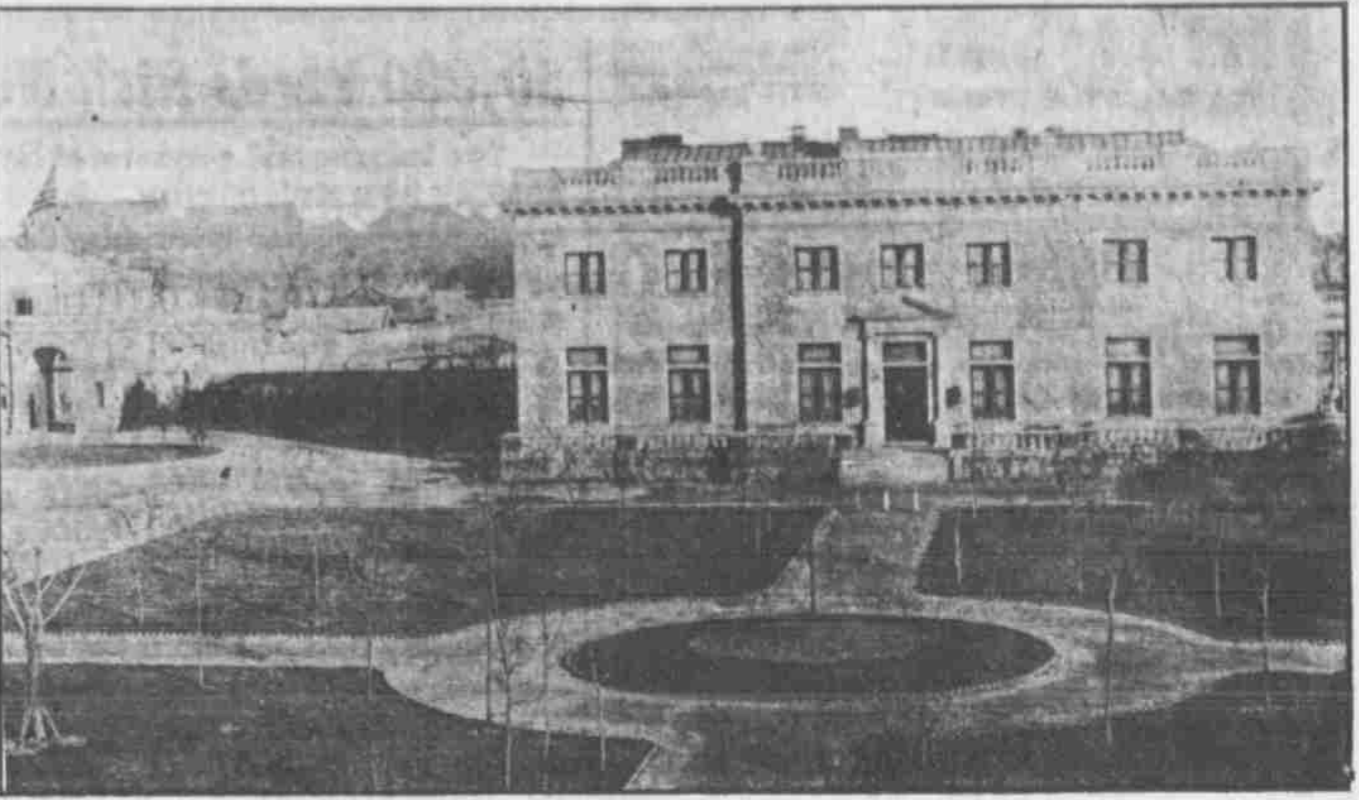
American Legation at Peking Holds Post of Honor in Chinese Capital



STUDENT INTERPRETERS, AMERICAN LEGATION, PEKING.



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HOME OF THE AMERICAN MINISTER, PEKING.

(Copyright 1909, by Frank O. Ca. pen.)... The whole northern boundary. During the Boxer uprising this foreign quarter was surrounded by Chinese houses from which the natives shot at the barbarians within and on the northern boundary, opposite where we are standing...

guards from Peking, and the Japanese have decreased their force by one-half. Some of the diplomats think that this is only a play to the Chinese galleries. They want to make the natives believe that they are anxious to remove their garrisons from Peking, a consummation which the Chinese devoutly wish...

there that the minister sits with the silk-gowned officials and chats about matters of state. The houses of the secretaries are of fairly good size, and the chancery buildings are two stories, and is well equipped with typewriters, file cases and the other necessities of an up-to-date office...

The second Chinese secretary is Mr. W. R. Peck, a graduate of Berkeley university. He was born in China, but was appointed from California. He speaks and writes Chinese, and is a valuable man.

Now let us turn to the north. We are facing the huge Tartar city. Its residences are almost hidden in a forest of low trees, but the temples show out here and there and the imperial city is right at our front. The legation quarter bumps up against it, and Uncle Sam's home adjoins the white road which leads to the Forbidden city...

Will the Guards be Removed? Indeed, the general opinion here is that the guards will eventually be removed, but that the time is not yet ripe. Many of the ministers say they would send their wives and daughters away from Peking as soon as the guards are ordered to leave...

Our Legation Buildings. And now let me tell you about the legation itself. This is the soul of Uncle Sam's home and our troops are sent here to guard it. The compound, of which the barracks form the western end, contains about ten acres. It is surrounded on two sides by a brick wall twelve feet in height...

Each of the boys has a little Chinese house of his own, consisting of one long, low building which he has furnished to taste. They have a common messroom and a first-class Chinese cook, and they live quite as well as they could at home.

Legation City. Now turn your eyes to the foreign city which extends along this wall to the Hatamen, and to the wide street which runs from that gate until it is parallel with the palace entrance before us. It is perhaps a mile long and half a mile wide, forming a rectangle in the very heart of official and business Peking...

Life in the Barracks. Before I write of the civil branch of Uncle Sam's Chinese home I would like to tell you how our soldiers live in Peking. They have their quarters in the low one-story buildings which form the walls of the western end of the legation compound...

Our Legation at Peking. The new minister to China, will find a good staff awaiting him at Peking, and will be able to do much for the United States. The China of today is business throughout, and in connection with the new nation which is coming into being there will be vast opportunities for American money and American brains...

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Gossip and Stories About Noted People. Governor Johnson's Surgeons. CHESTER, MINN., where Governor Johnson had been struggling for life at the hospital of the Drs. Mayo, had less than 7,000 inhabitants in the year 1900...

Half His Backbone Gone. After one of the rarest and most difficult operations known to surgery, James Tournell, M. D., lies on an air mattress in the Hahnemann hospital, Philadelphia, with a half of his spinal vertebrae cut away...

Curious and Romantic Capers of Cupid. German Count Wins Rich Widow. REAL international romance with a German count, an American widow and a peculiar will for his figure and Tony Faust's for his setting, was unfolded in St. Louis last week...

Looms Are Busily at Work. (Continued from Page One) piled it, but it was not wanting. As an instance of the spirit of the age, the weavers there might be told just in outline their strength to produce again the beautiful fabric once famous under the name Canterbury muslin.