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EDITORIAL PAGE

FRANKLIN K. LANE.

THE death of Franklin K. Lane, formerly secretary of the interior under President Wilson, is a national loss. It is so recognized in the press of the nation...

will render him due honors no doubt. But one mark of its appreciation of the worth of the man it has lost is lacking.

COL. HARVEY SPEAKS OUT.

WE predicted a short time after the appointment of Col. Harvey as ambassador to the court of St. James and representative of President Harding that he would not be one of the silent kind of diplomats.

He has only been at his post a few days, but already he has made the hair on the back of the neck of certain hyphenated Americans stand up straight and has elicited a request for information as to whether his words really represent the views of the president or not, from certain anti-British congressmen.

"We have not had to wait long for the first American repercussion to Ambassador Harvey's words of greeting to the British people upon his arrival in the united kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

Take note of the fact that the dispatch announcing the death of ex-Secretary Lane also mentions the fact that he left no estate. A large share of his mature life was spent in working for the public, either for the state of California or for the United States.

He left no estate. He lived and died a poor man because he devoted the great talents God gave him to the service of his fellow men in governmental activities, and the public is a poor paymaster and an ungrateful employer to men of conspicuous ability.

"I am glad to have this opportunity of expressing at the outset the message of good will, cheer and hope which my president has commissioned me to convey to your king. We must realize that if we are to grapple successfully with the great problems of the present and the future we must pass from recollection to action.

But as all countries have our Christian sympathy in their trials during these tempestuous times, and as we are under moral obligations to every people and nation which has contributed materially or culturally to American civilization, why quarrel with Col. Harvey? He is obviously doing his best as America's foremost diplomat abroad. The senate should not make trouble for him."

The Haskin Letter

By FREDERICK J. HASKIN

ART AS A NATIONAL ASSET.

Washington, May 18.—That the American government and American business are neglecting a great business opportunity in not providing for the development of native art and artists, as the governments of other civilized countries do, is the statement of Joseph Pennell, perhaps the most widely known of American graphic artists, and generally considered to be the foremost American etcher and lithographer.

As a result this situation, neither the great artists of Europe nor their pictures come to America, and the American painter is forced to go to Europe in search of both.

A National Art Center. The remedy that Mr. Pennell proposes for this situation is the establishment of a national department of fine arts. It would not be an innovation in governmental mechanism.

He says further that the nucleus of such a department would be a fine arts commission, a body which has done remarkably good work with small powers and funds. Mr. Pennell would have this body given jurisdiction over a great educational center in connection with which would be conducted a government school of art.

That such a center of intellectual and social life is one thing this country sadly lacks was pointed out by John Galsworthy, the famous British novelist, who recently visited America. It is interesting to note that, just as Mr. Pennell emphasizes the need for making Washington an art center, Mr. Galsworthy believes that the nation must become the literary capital of America.

he declares that the United States went into the war with no altruistic or unselfish motives, but solely and only for our own good. Also that we did not win the war but only helped to shorten it a little. Also that our only interest in Europe is economic and the gathering of dollars for our own pocket.

Jealous husband tears off his wife's ears. It's a wise husband who knows where his wife's ears are located these days.—Denver Times.

The old fashioned father who burned "the midnight oil" has a young son who burns the midnight gas.—Columbia (S. C.) Record.

The plural wife, says the Anklton Star, has become a social menace. Also an economic mystery.—Birmingham Age Herald.

That woman lecturer who said men were better dressed than women was thinking of the quantity.—Washington Post.

Sweden has abolished capital punishment and Norway is talking of giving up prohibition. The spirit expressed in these seems about the same thing.—Providence Journal.

The only good point about wicked movies is that the patrons get so excited they forget to read the titles aloud.—Baltimore Sun.

New York plans the establishment of a House of Poets. If contemporary poets are admitted it's sure to be a rough house.—New Orleans Item.

It is just as easy for a man to hold a woman's baby to suit her as it is for a woman to put a man's hat on to suit him.—Lincoln Star.

A diplomat says yes, he means perhaps. If he says perhaps, he means no. If he says no, he's no diplomat.—Saginaw News Courier.

A Philadelphia woman has invented a chocolate-covered pretzel. Taken with a glass of near-beer with whipped cream on it, this should make a very pleasing afternoon refreshment.—Tacona Ledger.

New Bureau Officers of Roosevelt County

Special to The Tribune. Wolf Point, May 20.—The Roosevelt County farm bureau has completed a referendum election of officers and leaders for the ensuing year with the following results: B. F. Roth, Poplar, president; Lucy Curran, Poplar, secretary-treasurer; Henry Lowe, Culbertson, organization project leader; Earl Goin, Poplar, crops project leader; Alvin Warrior, Brockton, rodent control project leader; A. A. Woods, Culbertson, boys' and girls' club project leader; Mrs. Ethel Wix, Culbertson, woman's work project leader; R. E. Nesbit, Dowd, marketing project leader; A. F. Toavs, Wolf Point, farm loans and credits project leader.

Cut and Wire Worms Get Start in Blaine

Special to The Tribune. Blaine, May 20.—The cut worm and the wire worm are reported to have made their appearance in the fields on the Big Flat, but as yet no serious damage has been reported. County Agent Thorfinson went out to the Silver Bow district Tuesday to make an investigation into the case. It is reported that worms of some kind are found in great numbers in the soil and they have caused no little consternation to the farmers, who have anxiously been watching their crops.

Chinook Graduates Listen to Sermon

Special to The Tribune. Chinook, May 20.—The Rev. William Rogers, pastor of the Presbyterian church, delivered the baccalaureate address to the graduating class of the high school at Griffin's hall, on Sunday evening. The Rev. Reuben Dutton delivered the invocation and benediction. Vocal solos were given by Miss Julia Ziebarth and Attorney E. J. McCabe. Commencement exercises will take place on Friday evening.

RETURN FROM YAKIMA.

Special to The Tribune. Chinook, May 20.—Earl Newby, formerly a resident of Chinook but now of the Yakima valley, Washington, has returned to Chinook on a business mission of several weeks.

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WIFE IS GIVEN DIVORCE. CHILDREN AND ALIMONY

Hayra, May 20.—A divorce has been granted in the district court to Marie Fritchard from Griffith Fritchard of Inverness. Mrs. Fritchard was awarded the custody of the minor child and two-thirds of the 80-acre homestead near Inverness, and \$50 per month alimony.

MOTOR-MOWER SECURED FOR COURT HOUSE LAWN

Special to The Tribune. Chinook, May 20.—The court house lawn will be kept in its usual trim and attractive condition this summer but with less expense of time and manual labor, by means of a new motor lawn mower, installed and tried out this week by Janitor William Minikin.

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Pungent Paragraphs

The Cream of the Nation's Humor. Jealous husband tears off his wife's ears. It's a wise husband who knows where his wife's ears are located these days.—Denver Times.

The SPIRIT of AMERICA

DAILY EDITORIAL DIGEST. Prepared Exclusively for The Tribune. Today's Subject: MR. EDISON'S TEST.

Thomas Edison's declaration that college men "don't seem to know anything" has raised a storm of criticism from the American press as to the inventor's method of arriving at his conclusion. Despite his "high authority," remarks the New York Evening Post, "it means certain that the intelligence of the college graduate must be assessed on the basis of what he knows concerning the sources of shellac, the geographical origin of prunes, cork and sardines and the name of the inventor of logarithms."

Here and there an editorial writer is found who considers the criticism of the collegian with a certain amount of sympathy. The Washington Herald, for instance, agrees that some colleges "atrophy the connection," as Mr. Edison puts it, between the student's "eyes and mind." The result, says the Herald, "which is sometimes paralleled in kindergartens and primary grades" where—

"The concentration born to every child and quite invariably found in babyhood is dissipated by the sweetest and light of too great a variety of amusement and too little interest. Mr. Edison's verdict is too sweeping, yet it is valuable in coming from him, must arrest attention and may get results."

The fact that he has "reforms to suggest" causes the Springfield Republican to credit the great inventor with "accelerating education" with his ideas on the substitution of moving pictures for text books. While the Wilmington Star feels that the list of questions presented "was neither complete nor representative," it adds that Mr. Edison assumes, perhaps with reason, "that the man who has been trained to think 'will necessarily have accumulated a respectable store of everyday knowledge through his powers of observation.'"

For the most part, however, the papers refuse to take the Edison test one hundred proof. The Rochester Democrat Chronicle proposes four questions itself, and declares that if the student cannot answer them he must admit he is "amazingly ignorant."