

### BREMNER DIES; \$100,000 RADIUM TEST A FAILURE

New Jersey Congressman, Ill for Four Years, Fought Cancer Heroically.

HOPEFUL TO THE END.

Wanted to Go Back to Washington and Urge Law Creating Radium Institute.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 5.—Robert Gunn Bremner, member of Congress from the Seventh New Jersey District and editor of the Passaic Daily Herald, died to-day of cancer at a local sanitarium where he had been undergoing radium treatment since last December. He had been suffering from the disease for four years. Mr. Bremner was thirty-nine years old and married, but had no children.

Mr. Bremner came to Dr. Howard Kelly's sanitarium to try the radium after physicians in this country and Europe had vainly tried to cure him. It was found that the disease had made such inroads upon him that little could be done to help him and that the fight against death would be made with all the odds against him.

Mr. Bremner was optimistic, however, and tubes containing \$100,000 worth of radium were applied to the growth. For a time the patient seemed to improve and members of his family frequently expressed the belief that he would recover. They clung to this hope until a few days ago, when the sick man was seized with a sinking spell.

Mr. Bremner's election to Congress was accomplished while he lay in bed. He did not make a speech. The election is said to have been a tribute to his pluck.

On the night before the election President Wilson, then Governor of New Jersey, visited Passaic and made a speech for Bremner.

Mr. Bremner was a native of Kolas, Cattaraugus, Scotland, whence his family emigrated to Canada when he was a youth. His mother, Mrs. Alexander Bremner, is living in Camilla, Canada.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—Representative Bremner's death, though not unexpected, was a shock to his friends in Congressional circles, where his fight for life had been watched with much sympathy. After conference between Speaker Clark and Democratic Leader Underwood it was determined not to adjourn the House at once, because of the great pressure of business, but a resolution was agreed upon for adjournment as soon as the business arranged for the day had been disposed of.

Another resolution was drawn to express the sympathy of the House and a committee was appointed by Speaker Clark.

Mr. Bremner was last in the House the day Congress adjourned for the Christmas holidays and while he chatted freely and was smiling he was in much distress. While he was dying last night the House was discussing his bill for a bureau of labor safety. It was his hobby.

President Wilson and Secretary Tumulty were deeply affected when they learned of Representative Bremner's death. While Bremner underwent radium treatment both the President and Secretary Tumulty kept in close touch with the hospital at Baltimore and sent many messages of encouragement. Secretary Tumulty will attend the funeral.

PASSAIC, N. J., Feb. 5.—When news of the death of Congressman Robert Gunn Bremner was received here Mayor George M. Seger ordered the flags on all city buildings to be half-masted as a mark of respect. Flags were displayed at half-mast on many other buildings in the city.

### LESS MEAT IF BACK AND KIDNEYS HURT

Take a glass of Salts to flush Kidneys if Bladder bothers you.

Eating meat regularly eventually produces kidney trouble in some form or other, says a well-known authority, because the uric acid in meat excites the kidneys, they become overworked; get sluggish; clog up and cause all sorts of distress, particularly backache and misery in the kidney region; rheumatic twinges, severe headaches, acid stomach, constipation, torpid liver, sleeplessness, bladder and urinary irritation.

## Divorce a Tangled Problem, But Opponents Fail to Suggest Any Alternative Remedy



"Has Any Anti-Divorce Advocate Ever Offered a Constructive Alternative?" Asks the Rev. John Haynes Holmes of the Church of the Messiah.

"No Man and Woman Who Have No Love for One Another or Perhaps Hate Each Other, Should Be Forced to Live Together as Husband and Wife."

By Marguerite Mooers Marshall. If a husband and wife enter a court that has the sanctity and privacy of a confessional, if they testify truthfully that there is an utter absence of love between them, if they are allowed time for reconsideration, but do not reconsider, if the court vainly attempts to remove the difficulties in the way of reconciliation, if the effort to reawaken love proves useless, if an appeal in the name of the family to a joint sense of responsibility fails flat, and if a divorce is not granted—what is to be done?

What positive solution have the opponents of divorce to offer to that which the Rev. John Haynes Holmes of the Church of the Messiah rightly calls "the most sadly tangled problem of our time?" When was it ever an answer to a problem to say, "Do nothing?" If divorce won't make the sum of a wretched marriage come out right, what will? What is to be done?

Dr. Holmes and many of us will be interested in the replies which such persons as Senator Ransdell of Louisiana should be able to make to this question. Senator Ransdell is fathering a Federal amendment which would forever prohibit divorce with the right to remarry in the United States. But so far he has not divulged what he would put in the place of the legal severance of two persons to whom a legal relationship has become an intolerable burden.

WHAT IS THE CONSTRUCTIVE ALTERNATIVE? "Has any anti-divorce advocate ever offered a constructive alternative?" Dr. Holmes queried, when I showed him the report of Senator Ransdell's activities. Dr. Holmes, you should know, is the author of an extraordinarily sane and candid little volume called "Marriage and Divorce." In it the author takes a position midway between such outposts as the Senator from Louisiana on the one hand and Ellen Key on the other.

"I have always been unable to understand," continued the clergyman, "the absence of a constructive effort on the part of society to bring about the right sort of marriages. If there were more of an effort in this direction, there would be no need of consuming so much energy over this question of divorce.

"The stability of the family depends not half so much upon keeping people together who have once married as upon preventing the marriage of these people until they have given some reasonable assurance of their knowledge of conditions, their seriousness of purpose, and their sincerity of affection."

"What is the type of marriage which you believe most likely to succeed and which you think society should encourage?" I asked.

Dr. Holmes's dark eyes glowed. He is a young man, but I fancy he looks even younger than he is, with his smooth-shaven, almost featureless face, his buoyantly alert carriage, and his rapid play of expression. I detest the phrase "live wire," but there really is a suggestion of something electrical about him.

LOVE THE EXCLUSIVE ELEMENT OF THE TRUE MARRIAGE.

"There is no marriage, in the truest sense of the word," he replied, "unless love is the exclusive element out of which it is built. The marriage is not the outward ceremony or institution—it is not the plighting of the troth, the giving of the ring, or the speaking of the benediction. The true marriage is nothing more nor less than union of souls in the spirit of perfect love, and where this spirit,

DIVORCE CASES SHOULD BE PRIVATE—IN THE NATURE OF THE CONFESSORIAL

YOUNG PEOPLE SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO MARRY

SWEET HEARTS SHOULD BE MADE TO WAIT A YEAR BEFORE MARRYING



Miss Mary Walsh Tells Chicago Police Ward Leader Struck and Knocked Her Down.

CHICAGO, Feb. 5.—Miss Mary Walsh, twenty-four, a pretty little woman who served as Democratic clerk of election in the Fourth Ward on registration day, was under the care of a physician to-day when Joseph McDonough, a ward worker, was arraigned on the charge of brutally assaulting her.

Accompanied by Edward Oehl, Republican election clerk, Miss Walsh went through her precinct last night verifying the registration lists. When she stopped at the McDonough home, she told the police, McDonough, a man of powerful build, called her a vile name and struck and knocked her down.

McDonough was arrested early today and promptly bailed out by a candidate for Alderman. He denied the charge.

Eight suffragists will fight for Aldermanic nominations in the primaries Feb. 24. It was announced to-day when the time for filing candidates' petitions expired.

Mrs. Raymond Robins, wife of a Progressive party leader, died for the Bull Moose nomination in the Seventeenth Ward, just before the entries closed at midnight. Two other Progressive women, Miss Marion H. Drake and Mrs. Julia Agnew, are candidates in other wards.

The Democrats have two women candidates for Council seats, Miss Sara M. Hopkins and Mrs. Marie Gerhardt, and the Socialists three—Mrs. Josephine C. Kaneko, Mrs. Lydia McDermott and Miss Maude J. Ball.

CHARITY BALL TO-NIGHT.

Mrs. Algernon S. Sullivan to Lead Grand March—Tango and Mazurka.

All social roads will lead to-night to the annual Charity Ball, which is to be given at the Waldorf-Astoria, in aid of the New York Nursery and Child's Hospital. The ballroom suite of the second floor of the hotel will be given over for the dancing, accommodating several thousand people. To meet the modern demand, two of the smaller ballrooms have been set aside for the dancing of the tango and mazurka.

Mayor John Purroy Mitchell and Mrs. Mitchell and officers from the Navy Yard and Governor's island are to attend, and many other distinguished guests. The grand march will commence at 10 o'clock, led by Mrs. Algernon Sydney Sullivan, who led it when Fourteenth street was a fashionable thoroughfare and society women wore hoopskirts.

Acquitted of Killing J. F. Mooney, Coroner Hellenstein and a Cononer's Jury to-day discharged John B. M. Deper, a saloon-keeper, of No. 41 West One Hundred and Fifty-ninth street, for the killing of John F. Mooney, twenty-six years old, of No. 452 West One Hundred and Sixty-fourth street. Mooney was shot by Deper on Jan. 14 while drinking in the rear room of Deper's saloon. After the jury had returned their verdict, Deper was arrested, charged with violating the Sullivan law.

### NO SUNDAY DRINK GOES NOW ON A NEAR SANDWICH

Good Old Jury Stood for It, but the Court Set the Verdict Aside.

IT ISN'T A REAL MEAL.

And It Insults Intelligence, Says Justice Philbin, to Say Drinkers Go After It.

Goodby, poor little, emaciated "Raines Law" sandwich! Justice Philbin in the Supreme Court sang your requiem to-day and unless he is reversed by higher courts, his decision becomes the law, and that's the end of you.

Albert Buttner has—or did have until W. W. Farley, Excise Commissioner, swooped down upon it—a hotel with a Sunday back room refreshment parlor at No. 1221 Westchester avenue, the Bronx. Several Sundays in succession Farley's special agents visited Buttner's, only to learn that instead of serving meals to patrons the centre of each table was laden exclusively with one thing, lonely, near leather sandwich, supposed to be a lawful meal. Under the liquor license regulations Buttner got a license to sell liquor on Sunday if he served meals with the liquor, and as Farley didn't think a near leather sandwich a meal for all comers he sued Buttner for the liquor tax bond.

THE JURY SHOWED TENDER REGARD FOR SANDWICH.

A jury trial was held at Buttner's request. The jury had liberal views and might have known a thirst in its time, for it returned a verdict in favor of Buttner and permitted him to retain his license—and his sandwich. This didn't satisfy the Court.

"The testimony of Mr. Farley's witnesses," says Justice Philbin, "is definite and positive that liquor was served on the Sundays in question without any food and that no food was paid for. The defendant Buttner did not deny this, and did not claim that any charge was made for the sandwiches which he admitted on trial were served with the liquor." The circumstances as testified to by witnesses for both the plaintiff and the defendant clearly exclude the inference that the sales were in good faith made to persons who could justly or fairly have been regarded as having resorted to Mr. Buttner's hotel during the hours when meals were regularly served therein for the purpose of obtaining a meal.

"To assume that the defendant and his witnesses, with their experience, sincerely believed that said persons, under the conditions they themselves described, visited said hotel in good faith to obtain a meal and not solely for the purchase of liquor, would be tantamount to charging him with lack of ordinary intelligence."

And then Justice Philbin speaks in cold, judicial language of the sympathetic jury:

"The fact that the jury reached the conclusion it did, notwithstanding the weight of evidence, is not difficult to explain. There is always a prejudice against the enforcement of laws in the nature of disciplinary regulations and affecting personal conduct, such as that upon which the plaintiff based his case. The verdict will be set aside and a new trial ordered."

MEN'S FROCK COATS MUST GO

Cutters' Decree Also an Inch Trouser Said for Evening Dress.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—By an edict of the International Association of Custom Cutters professional dressmakers, dressmakers and ladies' dressers have been declared "out of style." The frock coat must go.

The double breasted habillment of the undertaker, the country minister and the confidence man will be put in cedar chests. Hereafter, according to the association, the ceremonial dress of the daylight hours will be the cutaway, or morning coat.

Incidentally, it is decreed that men appearing in evening dress without at least an inch wide trouser braid are really not quite proper. They might as well appear in nightshirts, say the cutters.

It is also rumored that silk trousers will be de rigueur for the spring of 1914. Silk and wool mixed suiting will be another of the spring innovations.

KILLS FAMILY AND HIMSELF.

GIESSEN, Germany, Feb. 4.—After killing his wife and four children with a hatchet, Wilhelm Lehmann committed suicide by throwing himself in front of a railway train.

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### BALTIMORE SWIMMER AND CABBAGE BOUQUET FROM SHIP'S COOK



### SHIP'S ENGINEER KILLED BY EXPLOSION AT SEA

Three Other Members of the Crew of the San Gregorio Seriously Injured.

The oil tank steamer San Gregorio, on to-day from Rotterdam, reported that on Monday evening last a valve box in her engine room broke, allowing the compartment with live steam. William Kemp, an engineer, was scalded to death and three other members of the crew were seriously burned. They were in the ship's hospital when the vessel came in to-day.

### 19 INJURED IN AUTO CRASH.

Train Smashes Night-Seeing Car in Jacksonville, Fla.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Feb. 5.—Nineteen persons were injured, four seriously, here to-day when a railroad train struck a sightseeing automobile. All those hurt are Florida people.

The BILTMORE DANCING. Beginning Tuesday, February Third, the Dance at the Biltmore will be held in the Music Room from four till half after six o'clock on the afternoons of Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Cards of admission One Dollar and a Half each. Dancing every evening beginning Tuesday, February Third, in the Main Dining Room, after ten-thirty. Service a la Carte. Mrs. A. M. THACKARA, Junior, assisted by Mr. CHARLES E. BURDEN, Junior. IMPORTANT: Carriage Entrance on Vanderbilt Ave. at Forty-fourth Street. GUSTAV BAUMANN, President. JOHN McE. BOWMAN, Vice President.

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