

The Conning Tower

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(By Telegraph to the Tribune.)
Newport, Aug. 20.—Mrs. George D. Widener gave an "at home" at her new Bellevue Avenue villa to-night.

Mrs. Widener was dressed in black tulle and wore a costly rope of pearls. She was assisted in receiving the hundreds of guests by her daughter, Mrs. Fitz Eugene Dixon, who wore a gown of silver and gold colored material.

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Society Will See Long Programme of Ring Events at Hay Ground. Society on Long Island will be out in force to-day at the annual Suffolk Hunt Club horse show, to be held in the paddock adjoining the club house at Hay Ground.

Tableaux and living reproductions of pictures by old masters, given for the Building of Arts fund Tuesday, made the most elaborate event of the summer. Miss Matilda Bigelow appears in the upper picture, in the style of Burne-Jones; in the lower Miss Alexandra Emery reproduces Goya's "Duchess of Alva."

Mr. and Mrs. Lydie Hoyt are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son last Tuesday at their home, 167 East Seventy-fourth Street. Mrs. Hoyt was Miss Julia Robbins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Robbins.

Mr. and Mrs. Howland S. Davis are being congratulated on the birth of a son on Monday last at their home, 178 East Seventy-second Street. Mrs. Davis was Miss Laura S. Livingston, daughter of Mrs. Robert R. Livingston, of 11 Washington Square North.

Mr. and Mrs. James F. D. Lanier will return to the city from California the first part of September. Baroness Andre has returned to town from Lenox, Mass., and is at the Ritz-Carlton.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick H. Osborn, who are guests of Mrs. Osborn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Jay Schieffelin, in Ashville, Me., will return on Monday to their home in Detroit, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Iselin and Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Fish, who are taking an automobile trip through the Berkshires, were at the Hotel Elton, Waterbury, Conn., yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. George S. Franklin are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frederic B. Jennings, in North Bennington, Vt.

Mrs. Justine Townsend, who is the guest of Mrs. George Gordon King, in Newport, will later join her aunt, Miss Janet King Townsend, at her cottage in Southampton, Long Island.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert F. Weir and Miss Enid B. Aiden are at the Otsego, Cooperstown, N. Y.

Miss Geraldine F. Adee, daughter of Mrs. Ernest R. Adee, of 129 East Thirty-fifth Street, will be among the debutantes of the coming winter. She is now the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Eugene Sugny Reynal, in Newport.

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BOOKER T. WASHINGTON HEAD OF NEGRO LEAGUE

Organization "Trying to Make Law Replace Mobocracy."

Boston, Aug. 20.—Dr. Booker T. Washington, principal of Tuskegee Institute, was re-elected to-day president of the National Negro Business League for his sixteenth term.

Resolutions summarized the progress made by negroes since the league was started in Boston, fifteen years ago. "Efficiency among all lines," was given as the slogan of the organization, which was said to be "trying to secure the supremacy of law and order over mobocracy and to remove this dark blot on American civilization."

BOARD REVEALS EMPLOYERS' SINS

Walsh Tells of Bribery of Courts and Exploitation of Women.

Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 20.—Recent criticisms of the advance summary of the main report of the United States Commission on Industrial Relations brought forth a statement to-day from Frank P. Walsh, the chairman, in which he declared admissions of bribery of courts and legislative conspiracy, the exploitation of women and children, the employment of gunmen, the suppression of free speech and the commission of other social crimes against report to Congress framed by Harris Weinstein, Richard H. Aiston and S. Thurston Ballard, representatives of the employers.

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GERMAN SOCIETIES AIDED BY AMERICANS

Upset in World's Finances Cripples Relief—Foreign Catholic Workers Face Crisis.

Missionary societies received word yesterday that locusts have visited Palestine and devoured every green thing. Parts known to be devastated extend from Tripoli on the north to Sidon on the south, covering the entire Beirut district east to Damascus.

It is not known whether the calamity extends further south. So strict were military regulations that the man who brought the information from Beirut was not allowed to carry so much as a letter or even a financial report of the mission station. It was said that Jews who went to Palestine in connection with the Zionist movement are being compelled to quit because of the locusts, and that almost all progress made in horticulture and industrial plantations of the English pound sterling, something new to trouble missionary finance, have tremendous effects upon missions funds, and so-called as \$5.10 has been paid for an English sovereign. Now only \$4.55 need be paid. There are 12,000,000 givers of foreign mission money in the United States and Canada, and societies find it difficult to make them understand the situation.

Five American missionary societies have combined to help out German missionaries in many parts of the world. These found their source of support from Germany wholly cut off. A few of these Germans were in India, but the greater numbers were in South China and Persia. It is estimated that \$250,000 in American money has gone to keep German missionaries outside of Germany from starving. The societies in the combination are the American Baptist and Methodist of this city, and the Baptist and Congregational of Boston. Others have helped, among them some Canadian organizations.

In addition to these charges against the employers, the employers' representatives in their report say, according to Mr. Walsh: "When labor is effectively organized it has two most powerful weapons at its command that the employer, as he dreads and fears, because of the great damage these weapons can inflict on him. These are the strike and the primary boycott, both of which are within the moral and legal rights of the worker to use."

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