K. of C. Delegates Arrive in City for Victory Convention

Plans Will Be Laid for $50,000,000 War Fund Campaign

Meeting on Tuesday

Several Secretaries Back From Front Will Tell of Activities in "Huts"

Delegates from all sections of the United States, including foreign possessions, and from Canada began arriving in New York yesterday preparatory to the opening at the Waldorf Tuesday of what is probably the most important convention ever held by the Knights of Columbus.

The Knights will give the first general accounting of their stewardship of the Catholic war activities in this country and abroad, and details will be completed for the big drive soon to be launched for the Knights' $50,000,000 war fund to enable them to maintain in action their adopted slogan, "Everybody Welcome—Everything Free."

In line with the dominant American spirit to win the war, the Knights have designated this year's gathering as their "Victory Convention." It will be launched formally Tuesday morning at St. Patrick's Cathedral, when Cardinal Farley will occupy the throne at solemn high mass to be sung by the Right Rev. Michael J. Lavelle, rector of the Cathedral. Church dignitaries and priests from New York and many other cities also will be present. Monsignor Lavelle will be assisted by the Right Rev. Edward McGoldrick, pastor of St. Cecelia's Church, Brooklyn; the Rev. Bernard J. O'Reilly, of Glen Cove, L. I., and other priests.

Sermon by Bishop Russell

The sermon will be preached by the Right Rev. William T. Russell, Bishop of Charleston, S. C., one of the militant leaders of Catholic affairs in this country, who also will deliver the principal address at the convention. Bishop Russell is one of four bishops appointed to direct Catholic war activities in this country.

The most important task before the convention will be the arrangement of the programme for the continuance and expansion of the work overseas. James A. Flaherty, Supreme Knight, will deliver the keynote speech to the delegates, informing them not only of what already has been accomplished to aid the government in its war programme abroad, but of the vast amount of work among the soldiers in the camps and cantonments at home. No date has yet been set for the start of the Knights' $50,000,000 drive, but this will be decided upon by the convention.

Need 2,000 Secretaries

At the same time impetus will be given to the organization's drive for 2,000 secretaries for overseas service before the end of the year. The secretaries are being recruited rapidly now, but unusual efforts will have to be put forth in this direction if the Knights are to achieve their goal within the specified time.

That the delegates may obtain first-hand information regarding the work of the Knights abroad, several representatives of the order who have just returned from an inspection of the work overseas will report. The report showing the work accomplished in the home camps will be submitted by William J. McGinley, supreme secretary of the order.

Already the membership of the order amounts to more than 416,000, and reports to be read at the convention will show that not only is this membership growing fast, but that approximately 10 per cent of the order's total membership is in active military service.

No Heat, No Rent, Is Court Ruling

Supreme Tribunal Reverses Municipal Verdict in Favor of Landlord

Landlords of heatless apartments will derive cold comfort from a decision yesterday by the Appellate Term of the Supreme Court, which reversed a municipal court decision in favor of a landlord who sued a tenant who refused to pay rent because his apartment was not properly heated last winter.

The suit was brought by A. C. Bliss, landlord, against Roy C. Clark, tenant. Mr. Clark not only refused to pay rent for February, but brought a counter claim for gas stoves and gas used by him in heating his home during that month.

In reversing the lower court's findings in favor of the landlord the Appellate Term said: "It follows where there is no express covenant to furnish heat the tenant may abandon the premises and successfully resist a claim for rent, but such lack of heat cannot be a basis of an action against the landlord, and the tenant cannot continue to occupy the apartment and counter claim in an action for rent."

Plattsburg Applicants Prove Persistent

PLATTSBURG, N. Y., Aug. 3.—Although there are no vacancies in the officers' training camp here, Colonel C. E. Dentler, commandant, is overwhelmed with applications for admission by every mail. Several applicants have come in person, some of them from long distances. Except in the rare instances where such men are able to take the places of alternates, none has gained admission.

There are now 3,050 students in the camp and by Saturday there will be 3,300. About 1,000 are members of reserve officers' training corps, coming from colleges where there has been military training for two or three years. Such men will serve as non-commissioned officers and assistant instructors.

Richard L. Simon, of 53 West Eighty-ninth Street, New York, a student in Columbia University; Warren H. Wardle, of Roxbury, Mass., and Kenneth Low, an Amherst student, living at 509 Fifth Street, Brooklyn, have been chosen as song leaders.

Browning machine guns have reached camp and are being tested.

Jews From America Sought For Upbuilding of Palestine

Walter E. Meyer, of Zionist Commission, Tells of Friendly Reception Accorded by Arabs and of Work Done by the British Army

The first to bring official messages from Jewish Palestine is Walter E. Meyer, who was attached to the Zionist Administrative Commission as financial adviser to Dr. Chaim Weitzman. Mr. Meyer, who is a graduate of Yale and of Harvard Law School, was one of America's dollar-a-year men and was in France on war work when his services were requested by Dr. Weitzman.

Mr. Meyer was in Palestine ten weeks. In his opinion the great need for the upbuilding of the Jewish national homeland is American-Jewish immigrants, possessing Jewish idealism and knowledge of American methods and principles, who would make investments, launch commercial enterprises, develop industries and afford employment to the population. Later there will be need for men of special training, including teachers. For cultural reasons it will be desirable that the teachers shall be proficient in English and French as well as Hebrew, he said.

Were Received by Arabs

In connection with the negotiations with the Arabs Mr. Meyer said that one of the most significant features of the commission's arrival in Palestine was the reception tendered to it by General Storrs, the military governor of Jerusalem, at which Dr. Weitzman gave such a lucid and satisfying explanation of the Zionist aims that the Grand Mufti, Musa Kasin Pacha, declared, "We, the Jews and the Arabs, must love each other like brothers."

"In the colonies the morale is wonderful," Mr. Meyer said. "The colonists are looking forward to the future hopefully. Malnutrition in the cities is due to inability to bring in food supplies. This condition will be remedied by the double-track railroad which the British army has built to Jaffa. Another thing that will improve conditions in Jerusalem and help eradicate typhoid and others epidemics is the waterworks which the army has constructed.

Want to Join Army

"The young Jews of Palestine are clamoring to be accepted as volunteers in the British army. Over 800 already had enlisted when I left. The girls were organizing to render whatever service they could as nurses, typists or clerks."

Mr. Meyer spoke with enthusiasm of the Jewish legion, the London contingent of which has already received its fire baptism. Their commander is Colonel Patterson, of the 71st Mule Corps fame, but two-thirds of the officers are Jews. Among them is Lieutenant Vladimir Zhabotinsky, the founder of the Jewish legion.

France Plans U. S. Statue

'Right Overthrowing Might' to Honor Intervention

PARIS, Aug. 3.—A monumental statue, depicting Right overthrowing Might, commemorating the intervention of the United States in the cause of civilization, will be erected at the mouth of the Gironde River, whence Lafayette sailed for America.

Maurice Damour, Secretary of Appropriations of the French Chamber of Deputies, the originator of the scheme, announces that he has received promises of support from the Mayor of Bordeaux, ex-Premier Monis, the president of the Council of the Department of Gironde and the Bordeaux Chamber of Commerce, which, he says, will permit of the project being realized.

Guard Bayonets Worker

New York Man Receives Wound in the Chest

NEWARK, N. J., Aug. 3.—Joseph M. Kotowski, twenty-eight, of New York City, employed by the Submarine Boat Company at Port Newark, was bayoneted in the chest by a guard.

Kotowski said he was formerly in the British army, was wounded in the present war and expects to be called back into service soon. Yesterday he was on line with other men, waiting to deposit his pay check, when a guard ordered him to "Move up closer!" He said he could not move closer, but the guard thought he should, and then he thrust his bayonet into his chest.

Mrs. Skeffington Slips Into Ireland

Sinn Fein Agitator Eludes British Police and Enters Forbidden Territory

DUBLIN, Aug. 3.—The "Independent" says that Mrs. Sheehy Skeffington has eluded the vigilance of the British police and has arrived in Ireland.

Mrs. Skeffington is the widow of F. Sheehy Skeffington, formerly editor of the "Irish Citizen," who was shot by a British officer during the Sinn Fein rising in Ireland early in 1916. Mrs. Skeffington testified at the court martial of the officer who shot her husband. This officer was found guilty, but insane.

After the court martial Mrs. Skeffington visited the United States and addressed several meetings of Sinn Feiners. She was arrested in San Francisco in April of this year while addressing a meeting held to protest against Irish conscription. She sailed for England in June and was allowed to land there. The granting of a new passport to Mrs. Skeffington was made with the stipulation that she could not return to Ireland.

Dowling's Death Sentence Commuted to Imprisonment

LONDON, Aug. 3.—Lance Corporal Joseph Dowling, of the Connaught Rangers, who was landed on the coast of Ireland from a German submarine three months ago, heard without emotion Friday the sentence of the court-martial that he be executed. The sentence was read aloud to the prisoner on the parade ground at the London Tower, in the presence of the troops quartered there. The King, acting on the recommendation of his advisers, has communted the sentence to imprisonment for life. Dowling was found guilty on charges of aiding the enemy.

If precedent is followed Dowling probably will be released after serving twenty years, provided his conduct has been good.

Osborne Pays Flying Visit to Sing Sing Farm

OSSINING, N. Y., Aug. 3.—Despite the order of James M. Carter, State Superintendent of Prisons, forbidding Thomas Mott Osborne, former warden of Sing Sing, to visit any prisons in this state, Mr. Osborne, who is now a commander in the navy, dropped in today at the Sing Sing prison farm at Wingdale and had a chat with many of his old charges.

The news of Mr. Osborne's exploit caused jubilation among the prisoners in Sing Sing, who prophesied that the founder of the Welfare League was preparing to return to civilian prison reform work and that he would be the next Superintendent of Prisons.

William Moyer, the present warden of Sing Sing, had no comment to make on Mr. Osborne's visit, enthusiastic or otherwise. He jumped into his motor car and started post haste for Wingdale. Superintendent Carter also, it was learned, made a hasty trip to the prison farm.

Commander Osborne travelled by motor to Wingdale from Portsmouth, N. H., where he has charge of a naval prison. His driver was William Duffy, whom Commander Osborne, during his régime as warden, had transferred from an upstate prison to Sing Sing to be "tamed." Duffy was in sailor's uniform.

American Red Cross Aided 412,566 French in June

The American Red Cross reached 412,566 civilians in France in June through its civil affairs department, according to a report sent by cable by Harvey D. Gibson, American Red Cross Commissioner to France. Sixteen civilian hospitals and one for maimed soldiers were opened during the month, with a total capacity of 1,698 beds.

Of the 412,566 civilian beneficiaries of the organization 127,043 were helped by the children's bureau, 10,179 by the tuberculosis bureau, 38,638 by the war zone bureau, 226,638 were refugees and 10,168 were mutilés. The number treated was greater by 85,353 than in any previous month.

To Aid Wounded Britons

The American Committee of the Kitchener Memorial Fund and the Allenby Foundation will observe the anniversary of Great Britain's declaration of war by appealing for funds for the homes for disabled British soldiers and sailors. Contributions may be sent to the committee at 120 Broadway.

'Fighting Parson' of Salvation Army Is Praised by T. R., Jr.

Maj. Roosevelt Asks Chaplain Be Made Captain in the Regular Service

Was in Big Battles

Doughnuts and Pies Have Won Enthusiasm of the Men in the Trenches

A real "fighting parson" is Major John E. Atkins, of the Salvation Army, who returned Friday from the front, where he has been attached to Major Theodore Roosevelt, jr.'s, command, the 1st Battalion of the 26th Infantry, ever since that body has been in active service.

"Over the top" he has gone three times with the soldiers, and gained such a reputation for bravery in action that Major Roosevelt has recommended his appointment as captain in the regular army.

When he was not in the thick of the fighting the major, a man of fifty-three, was carrying sacks of home-made doughnuts to the hungry fighters or he was holding services where the whine of flying shell mingled with the singing of his congregation.

Boys Need Cheering Up

"It isn't the big things you do for the boys that count," says the major. "It's the little, trifling things, like bringing them a bit of chocolate or a cigarette and talking to them when they need it. We have the finest bunch of boys in the world on the front. Their morale is fine."

In March Major Atkins was caught in the trenches during a harassing barrage attack by the enemy. He calls it the worst thing on the front. On June 28 he was in the thick of an attack, led by Major Roosevelt, in which thirty-seven Germans were captured.

Praise Colonel's Sons

The major has no use for the fighting Boche, who he says lacks individual aggressiveness.

On the night of the wounding of Captain Archibald Roosevelt, commanding Company B of the 26th, Major Atkins was with the young man. He praised the bravery of both Roosevelt boys.

Major Atkins says the Salvation Army huts are making a name for themselves with the soldiers because they are open night and day and serve hot chocolate, pie and doughnuts free all night in the dark when all other huts are closed. The organization now has 1,200 workers abroad, 85 per cent of them women.

After a short rest Major Atkins will return to the front.

Griffith—Truax

Son and Daughter Attend Their Parents at Wedding

Mrs. Martha Riggs Truax, widow of Arthur D. Truax and daughter of Mrs. Herman L. Riggs, of 56 East Eighty-seventh Street, was married to Frederick W. Griffith, of Palmyra, N. Y., last evening, in the Brick Presbyterian Church. Only relatives were present at the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. Dr. Theodore Fiske Savage, of Christ Church.

The bride wore a gown of Georgette crêpe. Her only attendant was her daughter, Margaret Truax, who was in white net over pink satin. She wore a large pink hat and carried pink roses. Frederick Griffith served as his father's best man. There was no reception.

Mr. and Mrs. Griffith will motor through the Berkshires and the Adirondacks to Mr. Griffith's camp at Canada, where they will spend several weeks.

Smith—Shinn

The marriage of Miss Natalie Ida Shinn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Shinn, of Pelham Manor, N. Y., to L. Brewster Smith, of Mount Vernon, N. Y., took place yesterday afternoon at the home of the bride's parents. The bride was attended by Mrs. James J. Walsh, of New York City. Dr. Archibald J. MacLane, of South Beach, Conn., acted as Mr. Smith's best man. Only relatives and intimate friends witnessed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Smith left in the evening for Lake George and Lake Champlain. On their return they will live in Mount Vernon.

Krenson—Fox

Miss Katharine Neal Fox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Fox, 505 West 112th Street, was married to Captain Campbell MacDonald Krenson, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Day Krenson, of Savannah, Ga., yesterday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Samuel G. Redmond, Madison, N. J. The bride was attended by Miss Anna Stewart Fox, her sister, and Miss Dorothy Redmond. Charles Mackall, of Savannah, served as best man.

The bride is a graduate of Barnard College, class of '15. Captain Krenson is stationed at Norfolk, Va., and is connected with the construction division of the Quartermaster's Department.

Miss Edith M. Bond Engaged

Mrs. William Edward Bond, of 119 East Nineteenth Street, New York, and New Canaan, Conn., announces the engagement of her daughter, Miss Edith McIlvaine Bond, to John J. Lawrence. Miss Bond is in Washington as a member of the Red Cross Motor Corps. Mr. Lawrence is a lawyer of New York, but is engaged in war work in Washington.

Chase-Hendrick Engagement Off

Announcement has been made that the engagement of Miss Grace Pomeroy Hendrick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ellwood Hendrick, of 139 East Fortieth Street, and Rodney Chase, of the United States Naval Aviation Corps, has been broken. The engagement was announced in May and the wedding was to have taken place next month.

Kings Register Turns In $2,581

Register Richardson Webster of Kings County announced yesterday that he had turned back to the taxpayers $2,581.04, the profits of his office during July. Except in 1906, the office has not been a paying proposition before.

Brooklyn Gas Co. Ordered to File Tariff Schedule

Public Service Commission Acts on Report of $1.25 Charges

The alleged installation of a number of $1.25 meters by the Brooklyn Borough Gas Company, after the promise of officials temporarily to retain the old 95-cent rate, led the Public Service Commission for the 1st District yesterday to pass resolutions demanding an immediate accounting.

By the order of the commission the company is required to file within two days a tariff schedule showing its present rate for gas and the authority under which that rate has been put into effect. The company is also forbidden to change its rate after the schedule is filed without thirty days' notice given to the commission and to the public. The resolution was introduced by Commissioner F. J. H. Kracke, and seconded by Commissioner Travis H. Whitney.

Ex-Justice William L. Ransome, counsel for the commission, was instructed to begin injunction proceedings at once to restrain the company from charging more than the old rate.

According to information laid before the commission, the company has begun to put into force a $1.25 rate by converting old quarter-in-the-slot meters to higher tariff charges. This, it was stated, is a misuse of Referee Charles E. Hughes's decision in the Brooklyn Borough 80 cent gas case. The action of the commission is intended to forestall the effects of the Hughes decision, which is said to have been accepted by the gas company as permission to charge whatever it pleased.

District Attorney Harry E. Lewis, of Brooklyn, in a letter to Mr. Ransome, said he intended to ask an immediate appeal from Mr. Hughes's ruling. He pointed out that the company had no right to profit by the decision, and that people in affected sections could not be compelled to pay a discriminatory rate.

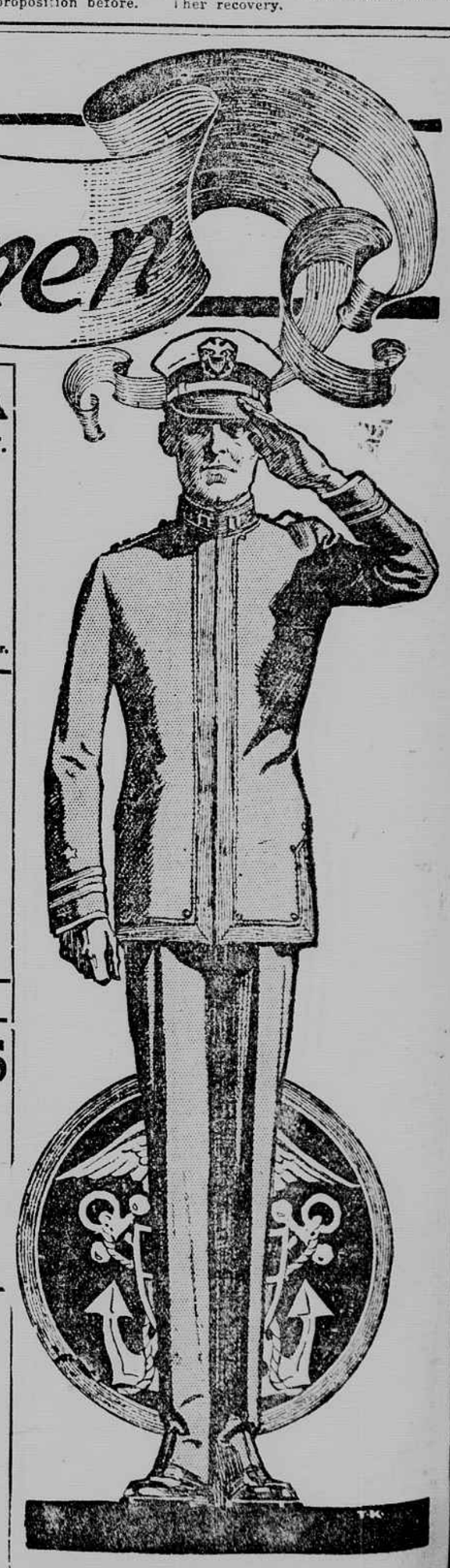
Receiver for Property of Evans R. Dick Appointed

Justice McAvoy yesterday appointed Philip C. Samuels receiver for the property of Evans R. Dick, formerly a member of Dick Bros. & Co., stock brokers. The receivership was asked by Francis W. Adams, who last May obtained a judgment for $26,815 against Mr. Dick.

The judgment debtor has testified that he has a bank account balance of $538. He said that $10,000 in bonds of the Long Island Railroad, of which he was alleged to be the owner, belonged to Mrs. Elizabeth T. Dick.

Anna Held Better

Miss Anna Held, who is ill in her apartment at the Hotel Savoy, was reported yesterday to have improved somewhat, but Dr. E. M. Overton, her physician, said that her condition is still critical. Little hope is held for her recovery.



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