Women to Hold All-Day Meeting On Efficiency

Voters' League Officials and Others to Meet at Home of Mrs. Vanderlip at Scarborough July 14

Mrs. Catt Will Be Speaker

Elimination of the Grosser Forms of Corruption in Politics To Be Discussed

Women political leaders of both parties and officials of the League of Women Voters, as well as club presidents and representatives of large organizations of women, have been invited to attend an all day conference on "Government Efficiency" at the home of Mrs. Frank Vanderlip in Scarborough on July 14.

In the invitation which she extended, as chairman of the New York State League of Women Voters, Mrs. Vanderlip said:

"We are convinced that all women are agreed in their earnest desire and intention that the grosser forms, at least, of political corruption shall be done away with and that the scandalous use of money in elections, so unfortunately prevalent in this state, shall stop. If women accept positions of responsibility in the party organizations without insisting that an honest attempt be made to do away with these conditions when the inevitable fight on this issue comes, their hands will be tied by the fact that they have tacitly condoned them. Nothing would give us more heartfelt satisfaction than to support any work to this end that you may be doing inside your party."

Mrs. Thompson to Speak

The speakers will include Mrs. Lewis S. Thompson, vice chairman of the Republican Ways and Means Committee of New Jersey, and Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, honorary president of the National League of Women Voters.

Equal representation of women with men in the leadership of political parties will be one of the chief matters discussed. Mrs. Thompson will tell how the equal representation law passed during the last session of the New Jersey legislature is working.

"We believe," said Mrs. Vanderlip, "that the dignity and influence of women inside the parties are necessarily impaired when they become members of a party organization through the arbitrary choice of a county or state chairman and are thus deprived of the support and independence which they would enjoy were they the free choice of the voters. Equally, the women voters enrolled in the parties are not represented on the state and county committees, while the women members in place of being elected are arbitrarily chosen by the men. We believe that women, even if so appointed, must have equality of numbers to make themselves felt."

New Efficiency Department

The conference was called as a result of the action of the national convention of women voters in April, when it was voted to create a new department of "government efficiency." This was to be divided into two divisions, described as follows: "The study of the most efficient forms of government, with a view to their adoption, and the study of election laws and methods, with a view to making the machinery of government more responsive to the real wishes of the voters, and to do away with the corruption which now exists."

Mrs. Catt will speak on "Making Government Responsive to the Wishes of the People." Other speakers will be W. H. Dodds, secretary of the National Municipal League; Homer Folks, executive secretary of the State Charities Aid Society, who has recently returned from Europe, where he established Red Cross health centers; Miss Mabel Carney, assistant professor of rural education, Teachers College; Professor A. R. Hatton, National Municipal League, Cleveland; Henry Curran, president of the Borough of Manhattan; Walter Arndt, executive secretary, Citizens Union; Raymond Ingersoll, executive secretary City Club of New York, and Albert Bard, chairman of the Honest Ballot Association.

Schwarz Goes to Oyster Bay

Prize-Winning Artist Will Depart for Rome in September

Frank G. Schwarz, winner of the Louis Comfort Tiffany Foundation, set out yesterday for Oyster Bay to live and paint at the studio of the foundation there until September, when he will sail for Rome. He carried two battered suitcases, an easel and a roll of sketching paper and wore a newly pressed blue suit which came out of pawn yesterday.

He wore also a somewhat disapointed expression because he had hoped that arrangements might be made for him to see the fight. Reporters had tried to get Tex Rickard to invite him, but the effort was made too late, Mr. Rickard having left Madison Square Garden.

"Gee, I would have liked to see it," said the young artist. "I can just imagine those two fine, big fellows in action and the picture they would make. But I guess a good deal has come my way and they really are expecting me out at Oyster Bay."

71st to Celebrate Fourth

Two Days' Holiday Program On at Peekskill

PEEKSKILL, N. Y., July 2.—Members of the 71st Infantry, in camp on the state military field in Peekskill, arranged to-day a two days' holiday program for to-morrow and Monday which will include special Independence Day ceremonies.

The officers gave a dance this evening. Several young women from Manhattan attended. Lieutenant Raymond Brown, Protestant chaplain, will conduct services to-morrow morning, and Father Paul, a missioner of Garrison, will conduct Catholic field mass.

Brigadier General William Weigel, U. S. A., of Camp Dix, will review the regiment at 2 o'clock to-morrow afternoon. A host of visitors from New York will be on hand.

Mrs. Hearst Tells Position

Not Certain She Would Accept Nomination for Congress

Following reports that Mrs. William Randolph Hearst, wife of the publisher, might be a candidate for Congress, Mrs. Hearst issued this statement yesterday:

"I have not considered the matter of a possible Congressional nomination sufficiently to make a decision. I am not sure, even if a nomination were offered me, that Washington is the place in which I could do my best work. I am very satisfied with the work that Mayor Hylan has given me an opportunity to do here in New York."

Wheeler Calls Anti-Dry Parade Attack on Law

New York Demonstration Is Likened to Broussard's Speech Against Prohibition

From The Tribune's Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, July 2.—The proposed anti-prohibition parade in New York was attacked here to-day by Wayne B. Wheeler, general counsel of the Anti-Saloon League, in a statement in which he replied to Senator Broussard, who recently vigorously arraigned dry legislation in a speech in the Senate.

"The attack of Senator Broussard on national prohibition," Wheeler said, "is simply a restatement of former wet propaganda."

"Senator Broussard's speech," Wheeler continued, "like the proposed anti-prohibition parade to be held in New York, can accomplish no good purpose. Every bootlegger, rum runner and lawbreaker will get encouragement from this booze parade. Every law-abiding citizen will be ashamed of it. It is an attack on law and order."

Firemen Fight Blaze in Great Neck Engine House

Newly Purchased Apparatus Suffers in Fire Believed To Be Incendiary

After Daniel Beyer and John Walsh, two members of the Alert Fire Company, of Great Neck, L. I., had locked up the firehouse for the night on Friday they discovered smoke issuing from a window in the rear of the building. They opened the firehouse door and found the motorized apparatus, but recently purchased, on fire. Nearly $1,000 worth of damage was done to apparatus and building before the blaze was extinguished.

An alarm was turned in at once, and when volunteer firemen reached the scene Beyer and Walsh were fighting the flames with chemical tanks. The fire was not controlled until a hose line had been laid to a nearby hydrant and the station flooded with water.

The belief was expressed by members of the company that the blaze had been set by a firebug who wanted first to put the apparatus out of commission before firing the houses of Great Neck. More loyal members of the Alert company hinted that the fire was set by some rival who was jealous of the new fire engine.

Drug Store Man's Son Burned in Oil Blast

Two Others Also Injured When Can Explodes in Brooklyn Store

A five-gallon can of alcohol exploded yesterday afternoon in Morris Horney's drug store at Forty-seventh Street and Fifth Avenue, Brooklyn, burning Joseph, the eighteen-year-old son of the proprietor, so severely that he is not expected to live. Two employees suffered painful burns.

The young man was filling the can from a barrel holding fifty-two gallons. A few feet away was a lighted gas plate. A draft from the window threw the flame toward the stream of alcohol and the contents of the can exploded in Horney's arms.

Afire from head to foot, he ran to the street, pursued by Benjamin Bergman, the prescription clerk, and Daniel Reeves, the soda fountain clerk. Within a few doors of the store they overtook the young man and beat out the flames in his clothing. Their own hands were burned.

Horney was taken to Norweigian Hospital. His home is at 165 Floyd Street, Brooklyn.

The fire started by the explosion was extinguished after a hard fight by firemen. It consumed the barrel of alcohol. Families living above the store were ordered out by the police.

Fight Over Constantine Greets Greek Steamship

Police Called to Quell Outbreak at Pier as King Alexander Docks in Brooklyn

The Greek steamship King Alexander arrived here yesterday from the Piraeus with 1,323 passengers, among them two belligerent factions, one opposed to and the other in favor of maintaining King Constantine on the throne. There was no outbreak aboard ship, but groups of Greeks who went to the pier to meet friends and relatives aboard got into altercations and fights, which required the services of reserves from the Fourth Avenue police station.

Among the passengers on the King Alexander were Bishop Germanos Troyanos, of the Greek Orthodox Church, who is a fervid monarchist, and Alexis Coulonvakis, a Greek lawyer, who is close to Venizelos, the former Prime Minister.

Delegations had gone to the pier to receive each of these passengers, and they, too, contributed to the disturbance on the South Brooklyn pier. A stone was hurled at the automobile of the Greek bishop, but it missed its mark.

Legion Head Helps Camps

Preparedness Is Duty of Every Citizen, Says Major Emry

In a statement issued yesterday Major John G. Emry, national commander of the American Legion, urged Legionnaires to assist the War Department in furthering the military training camps for citizens to be held in all corps areas this summer.

"The lesson of these camps is a potential protection to the institutions of government under which this country has grown great," said Major Emry. "While it is not necessary for the United States to maintain enormous armed forces in times of peace, it is the individual obligation of every citizen to be prepared to defend his country in time of need."

See Race Hatred Growing

Colored People's Convention Deplores Lack of Sympathy

DETROIT, July 2.—An increasing lack of sympathy and sense of justice on the part of white people were held responsible for recent race conflicts, and an appeal for a better inter-racial understanding was made in resolutions adopted at the closing session last night of the convention of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Other resolutions demanded on behalf of the negro unrestricted suffrage, a Federal law against mob violence, abolition of the "jim crow" car and public schools for negro children.

The government was asked to appoint a commission to make a survey of race relations and recommend corrective legislation.

Another resolution advocated an international disarmament conference.

Going On To-day

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American Museum of Natural History, admission free.
Metropolitan Museum of Art, admission free.
Aquarium, admission free.
New York Historical Society, 170 Central Park West, admission free.
Van Cortlandt Park Museum, admission free.
Zoological Park, admission free.

Warm Weather Brings Drop in Prices of Food

Chucks and Plates of Beef Reach New Low Level With No Buyers; Housewives Want Dearer Cuts

Old Potatoes $1.25 Barrel

Week Is Marked by Unusual Demand for Fruits and Melons; Lemons Climb

Hot weather prevailing during the last week has caused a marked reduction in food prices, according to a report published yesterday by the State Division of Foods and Markets. The report says:

"The live stock market in the last week has been demoralized on account of hot weather and a very light demand. Calves were held over from day to day until as many as 1,200 were on the market at one time, with practically no buyers. Most of the liberal receipts of country dressed calves were delivered in bad condition due to the extreme heat, and many were condemned by the Board of Health or refused by merchants. The prices ranged from 5c to 10c per pound.

"Chucks and plates of beef were offered at a new low price of 2c per lb., with no buyers. This is not only the outcome of hot weather, but the effect of the marked tendency of housewives to buy only the dearer cuts of meat.

Old Potatoes Cheap

"The last of the old season crops of vegetables are rapidly disappearing from the market, Southern and nearby new crop produce taking its place. Some old potatoes are still available, but the demand is negligible. What remains are selling slowly at from $1.25 to $1.50 per barrel of 150 lbs. This is in striking contrast to the prices of $8 to $10 for the same quantity of old potatoes at this season last year. Old carrots are still on sale, but are a drug on the market. The large supply of new carrots from nearby is sufficient to supply the limited demand. The old stock is bringing from 75c to $2 per barrel, whereas last year at the same date prices ranged from $15 to $16 per barrel. Old onions are on the market yet, but most of the stock is worthless and some is being dumped. At this time last year the supply had been exhausted for some time.

"Western fruit shipments were marked by the first full car of fresh figs ever received from California. The car contained 1,180 packages, weighing from ten to twelve pounds each. The entire car was sold at prices varying from $2.25 to $2.30 per package.

"The week was marked by an unusual demand for fruits and melons. The approximate total receipts for melons were: Watermelons, 396 cars; cantaloupe, 251 cars; for fruits: cherries, 65 carloads and 3,000 baskets from New York State; peaches, 201 cars; raspberries, 8,000 crates; currants, 3,000 crates; huckleberries, 2,500 crates; gooseberries, 500 crates; blackberries, 8 cars.

Lemon Demand Strong

"Because of the hot weather and in anticipation of the Fourth of July trade the demand has been strong for lemons throughout the week. During the week a boat load of lemons from Sicily brought the highest prices in the memory of present buyers. They brought at auction from $9.12½ to $10.37 for first choice stock of old crop containing 300 lemons per box. Thirteen carloads of California lemons sold at $12.25 to $13.50 per box of 300 lemons. Twelve thousand boxes of oranges arrived during the week on the steamer Willsolo by way of the Panama Canal. There was some decay, the average running from 5 per cent to 10 per cent. The prices hold up well under the continued demand.

"The following table gives the prices at which perishables sold in the wholesale markets on July 1 of this year and on the corresponding date of last year:

	1921	1920
Strawberries, best, qt.	40@45c	25@35c
Cauliflower, best, bbl.	$4.25	$3.00@3.50
Radishes, red tip, bunch	1@2c	2½@3c
Rhubarb, large, bunch	4@5c	3@4c
Calves, country dressed, fancy, lb.	5@10c	20c
Bulls, lb.	3@5c	6¾@10c
Sheep, lb.	2½@5c	4¾@9c
Butter, creamery, best, lb.	35½@36½c	59½@60c
Eggs, white, best, doz.	42@44c	58@60c
Syrup, gallon	$1.25@1.40	$2.30@2.50

C. F. Rand Is Honored By British Institution

New York Mining Engineer Elected to Iron and Steel Organization

Charles F. Rand, chairman of the executive board of Engineering Foundation and one of the leaders of postwar research in American industry, has been elected an honorary member of the Iron and Steel Institute of Great Britain, according to word received at the national headquarters of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers in this city.

The award to Mr. Rand is the second given to American engineers recently, Professor Robert Peele, of the School of Mines of Columbia University, having been elected to honorary membership in the Institution of Mining and Metallurgy of London.

Mr. Rand is a mining engineer of 61 Broadway. He is now in England as Honorary Secretary of the Engineering Mission of Thirteen, which last Wednesday presented the John Fritz medal for achievement in applied science to Sir Robert Hadfield. On July 8 the mission will go to Paris to bestow the John Fritz medal for 1922 upon Eugene Schneider, head of the Creusot Works.

Graduate 822 Home Nurses

Red Cross Course Completed by High School Girls

With the graduation in the last week of 822 high school girls of fourteen and fifteen years old from the Red Cross course in Home Nursing, the number of girls trained by the Red Cross to give competent nursing care in their own families has reached well over 3,000.

The course in home care of the sick is offered to the pupils in the Washington Irving, the Julia Richman and the Wadleigh high schools by the New York County Chapter Red Cross as part of a plan to make the average New York household better able to cope with emergency illness. Graduate nurses are the instructors and school officials are giving the home nursing pupils credit for the course on their final diplomas.

The Red Cross certificates state that the holders have a general knowledge of the causes and prevention of sickness, can recognize symptoms and are equipped to handle patients with communicable diseases as well as care for babies.

From the Washington Irving High School there were 108 graduates, 357 in the Julia Richman and a like number in the Wadleigh High School.

Poland Ratifies Rumanian Pact

WARSAW, July 2.—The military convention between Poland and Rumania was ratified by the Polish Diet yesterday, despite the opposition of the Socialists. The convention was signed by delegates of the two countries last March.

Milwaukee Alien-Born One-third German

Census Bureau Figures Place Poles in Second Place, With 23,060

WASHINGTON, July 2.—Persons of German birth comprised nearly one-third of 110,068 foreign-born population of Milwaukee at the time of the 1920 census. A statement to-day by the Census Bureau placed the German-born population at 39,576. Other foreign-born included 23,060 Poles, 7,105 Russians, 5,906 Austrians, 4,803 Hungarians, 4,497 Czechs, 4,022 Italians and 4,359 Jugo-Slavs.

Scandinavians are heavily represented in the foreign-born population of Minneapolis and St. Paul. Minneapolis was recorded as having 26,515 native Swedish and 16,389 natives of Norway, while across the river in St. Paul were 9,912 native-born Swedish and 3,818 native-born Norwegians. Minneapolis had, among the city's 88,032 foreign-born white population, 6,445 Canadians, 6,439 Germans, 6,222 Russians, 4,789 Poles and 2,222 Austrians. St. Paul's foreign-born whites include 8,724 Germans, 4,228 Russians, 3,053 Irish, 2,429 Austrians and 2,555 Poles.

Warns Against Proposed Insurance Legislation

New York Life President Opposes Lockwood Committee Plan for Investments

Darwin P. Kingsley, president of the New York Life Insurance Company, in the course of a letter to The Tribune in connection with his resignation from the Citizens' Protective Housing League, issues a warning that if the Legislature enacts proposed legislation compelling life insurance companies to invest in certain securities the "consequences will certainly be very serious."

He refers to the plan of the Lockwood committee and citizens' organizations interested in the housing situation to propose laws requiring the insurance companies to invest a proportion of their funds in real estate mortgages. Mr. Kingsley complains of the inference drawn from his letter "that New York will get no aid in crisis from lending corporations."

His letter reads:

"Over the fraction of my letter to Mr. Nathan Hirsch, president of the Citizens' Protective Housing League, printed in your columns this morning, you put very misleading headlines. The life companies of New York have never ceased their efforts to relieve the housing situation and they do not, so far as I know, intend to cease now. What I object to is legal compulsion which will destroy the discretion of trustees, invite reprisals from the other states and result in killing the goose that laid the golden egg.

"The West thinks that too many of those eggs have been laid already in New York. Texas passed such a law some years ago and all the large companies left that state. The investing committees of the life companies of New York have tried, after first establishing security and a proper return, to recognize the 'rights' of localities from which the money to be invested came. In this they have been remarkably successful, but New York naturally has always had and now has her full share.

"If the Legislature of this state indulges in the economic folly of departing from its traditional program of telling trustees what they shall not buy, and undertakes to tell them what they shall buy, the consequences will certainly be very serious."

New Export Tax Halts Tampico Oil Shipments

Mexican Producers No Longer Are Able to Compete With American Product

Special Cable to The Tribune

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MEXICO CITY, July 2.—Exportation of petroleum from Tampico virtually ceased yesterday, when the export tax measure recently passed by the Mexican Congress took effect. The tax placed on Mexican oil makes it impossible for producers here to compete with the American product in American markets. The cessation of shipments will seriously curtail the revenue accruing to the Obregon government from this source.

The failure of the Obregon government yesterday to meet the interest on its debt caused no surprise here. The banking situation is growing more critical, and many business houses have been hard hit by the economic depression.

President Obregon will attend the big celebration of the Fourth here on Monday, when he is expected to meet American Chargé Summerlin for the first time since the interchange of notes with Washington on recognition of the Obregon administration. Official Mexico apparently is not worried by the international situation.

The government is, however, carrying out troop concentrations in the north, ostensibly to meet the revolt that is said to be developing there. Rebels burned five bridges between Altillo and Monterey Thursday, but train service between the two cities is maintained by a circuitous route. Repairs are expected to be completed in a day or two. General Carlos Green, of Tabasco, is reported to have been arrested, although the charges against him have not been disclosed. Green is accused in connection with the death of several persons.

Stolen Van Found in Street

The police of the West 121st Street station notified the authorities at Metuchen, N. J., last night that they had seized a large red auto van which answered the description of one of two automobile trucks containing $120,000 worth of merchandise which were stolen on the state highway outside of Metuchen Friday. The truck was empty.

Patrolman William Quinn, of the West 121st Street station, saw the van standing at 124th Street and Eighth Avenue yesterday morning. No one claimed the machine during the day, and last night it was driven to the police station.

Harding Expected to State Views on Soldier Bonus

WASHINGTON, July 2.—A statement from President Harding regarding the proposed soldiers' bonus legislation is expected soon by Senate leaders. Belief was expressed to-day that the President would advocate passage of the legislation which he discussed recently with Senator McCumber, Republican, of North Dakota, in charge of the bill, and other Senate leaders.

As the McCumber bill would not authorize any payments to former service men until 1922, it was believed probable that action might be deferred for a few weeks, in view of negotiations for temporary suspension of Senate business while committee work on the tariff bill proceeds. The recess plan probably will be presented next week.

MacMillan Sails From Boston

BOSTON, July 2.—The small schooner Bowdoin, in which Donald B. MacMillan is to make an expedition to explore the Arctic wastes of Baffin Land, left here to-day on a further stage of the voyage east toward Wiscassett, Me., which will be its point of departure from the United States. Compasses will be adjusted at Marblehead to-day and to-morrow.

Cost $5,115,927,689 to Run U. S. In 1921, Billion Under 1920

WASHINGTON, July 2.—The cost of running the United States government during the fiscal year which ended Friday was $5,115,927,689, according to the Treasury Department's statement for the close of business June 30. The figures, however, are subject to final adjustment. Revenues from all sources, although showing a drop of a billion under the previous year, amounted to $5,624,932,960, and there was a balance of cash in the general fund amounting to $549,678,105 enough to meet expenses for several days. Expenditures average around $40,000,000 a day for the week before the fiscal year ended.

For the year ending June 30, 1920, the government's income was $6,694,565,388, and its expenditures $6,403,343,841. All types of taxes collected during the 1921 year showed losses, compared with 1920 returns, but the big decrease was in the income and profits levy, which produced $3,206,046,157 in 1921 and $3,944,949,287 the previous year.

During the 1921 year the government obtained $8,864,998,322 from sales of its securities and retired $9,182,027,170 worth of securities. Listed in the ordinary disbursements was $999,144,731 paid during the year as interest on all classes of debts.

The gross national debt at the end of the year was $23,977,450,552, while at the end of the 1920 fiscal year it was $24,299,321,467. The high point in the debt of the United States for all time came August 31, 1919, when it was $26,596,701,648.

Archbishop Lauri And Other Notables Sail on Lafayette

Prelate to Assume Duties in Poland; American Diplomats Leave for Peru on the Steamship Essequibo

Archbishop Lauri, transferred from Peru as Papal Nuncio to Poland, sailed on the French liner Lafayette for Havre yesterday to take up his new duties. Members of the Catholic clergy here who were his students in Rome several years ago were at the pier.

J. J. Champnois, representative of the French government for the exchange of students, was another passenger on the Lafayette, and went at the head of a party of fifteen students, ten young women and five young men, who will attend various colleges and universities in France.

Elsie Ferguson, actress, accompanied by her husband, Thomas B. Clarke jr., also sailed on the Lafayette. Miss Ferguson said she would return in the late summer to begin rehearsals of a new play by Zoe Akins, which will be produced by Sam Harris.

Among other first cabin passengers were Mrs. G. C. Lodge, daughter-in-law of Senator Henry Cabot Lodge; Dr. and Mrs. Carol Voigtlin, of Washington; E. W. Edwards and Miss Helen Edwards, of Cincinnati, and Dr. William Blancard.

A large party of diplomats and others who are to attend the centenary celebration of Peru's independence sailed yesterday on the Essequibo, of the Pacific Line. The Earl of Dundonald, who will represent Great Britain at the celebration, was accompanied by his sister, Lady Cochrane.

The Orbita, of the Royal Mail Steam Packet Line, sailed yesterday on her second outward voyage to Cherbourg, Southampton and Hamburg. Judge and Mrs. Leopold Prince, of 29 East 124th Street, were among the first cabin passengers.

The Furness-Withy liner Fort St. George left yesterday on her first cruise to Nova Scotia, Cape Breton and the St. Lawrence River, taking out 300 passengers.

Fashion Bows to Demand For Comfort in Clothes

Tendency Toward Outdoor Life To Be Met by Looser Modeled Suits

ROCHESTER, July 2.—That the tendency toward outdoor life demands clothing of more youthful design and more conforming to ease and comfort is the conclusion of the joint style committee of the National Association of Retail Clothiers and of the International Association of Designers, which presented its report to the convention of the designers' association here today.

The spring styles for 122 in general prescribe looser bodies, wider shoulders and narrower lapels.

Ocean City Cloudburst Halts Traffic 4 Hours

Trolley Passengers Marooned and Many Streets Are Inundated During Storm

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., July 2.—A cloudburst this afternoon inundated Ocean City, short circuiting trolley power lines, marooning passengers in miniature lakes, flooding out automobiles and generally stopping all business and travel for nearly four hours. The downpour came about 2 o'clock, after a steady rain in the morning. Instantly third rail lines and overhead trolley wires were put out of commission. This affected not only the West Jersey and seashore trains, but all cars on the shore fast line between Atlantic City and Pleasantville and from Somers Point to Ocean City.

In Ocean City itself the water completely flooded Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth and Eleventh streets at the intersection of West Avenue. Cellars were filled and first floors of many stores covered to a depth of six inches. According to observers the water fall came without warning. Particularly heavy and black storm clouds appeared overhead and from this suddenly came solid sheets of water, the fall continuing for nearly fifteen minutes.

Smithers Left $3,105,438

MINEOLA, L. I., July 2.—According to a transfer tax appraisal filed in the Surrogate's office here to-day, Francis S. Smithers, who died in New York November 29, 1919, left an estate of $3,105,438.89, net.

Under date of June 13, 1895, Mr. Smithers left by deed of trust one-third of his property as a life estate to his widow, Mabel S. Smithers. Exclusive of this the estate is distributed as follows: Charles Smithers jr., of 19 Nassau Street, New York City; Herbert B. and Austin L. Smithers, both of 120 Broadway, sons, $59,756.20 each; another son, Francis S. Smithers, $482,353.22, and a daughter, Louisa B. Innes, $196,613.

Among the largest items in stocks are 4,841 shares in the North American Company, valued at $261,414, and 1,473 shares of the United States Steel Corporation preferred, valued at $156,449.

Republicans Obtain Option on Syracuse Arena for Convention

Special Dispatch to The Tribune

SYRACUSE, July 2.—After a conference with Republican State Chairman George A. Glynn, State Senator George R. Fearon to-day obtained an option on the Arena for the holding of the Republican convention in this city September 22 and 23.

Chairman Glynn said addresses would be made at the convention by prominent Republicans from all over the country. Vice-President Coolidge, Secretary of State Hughes and United States Senators Wadsworth and Calder would attend, he declared.

Republican state gatherings in the past have been held at Saratoga Springs, but the close of the hotels there at the end of the racing season makes that place unavailable.

Democrats Anxious To Run Untermyer For Appeal Bench

Afraid of His Attitude in Coming Mayoralty Race; Republicans in Central Section Favor Andrews

While state Republicans will not take decisive action with reference to naming a candidate for judge of the Court of Appeals to fill the place made vacant by the death recently of Emory A. Chase, the leaders are sounding out the sentiment and probably will reach a tentative agreement on a candidate before the convention meets on September 22.

The sentiment in the central part of the state favors the selection of Judge William S. Andrews, of Syracuse, who was designated to the Court of Appeals bench by Governor Whitman. He presided at the Barnes-Roosevelt libel action in 1915. Alonzo B. Clearwater, of Kingston, also is under consideration by the leaders.

The Democratic leaders probably will try to get Samuel Untermyer to consider the nomination. Mr. Untermyer now is in Europe, but he will be back in October. The Democratic leaders are afraid of the possible attitude of Mr. Untermyer in the coming mayoralty campaign. There is a desire to placate his opposition to the present Hearst-Hylan-Tammany control at the City Hall. Mr. Untermyer in bygone years has been one of the most liberal campaign contributors to the Democratic party. His son, Irwin, was nominated for justice of the Supreme Court by the Tammany men in 1919 and defeated by a fusion of the independent forces. Mr. Untermyer desired the appointment of his son at the hands of Governor Smith, but the appointments went to Corporation Counsel Burr and Edward J. McGoldrick. The estrangement between Mr. Untermyer and the Tammany men is complete. He is on record as saying that if Senator Charles C. Lockwood is nominated for Mayor he will take the stump for him.

The Democratic leaders also are considering Lewis R. Parker and Robert P. Whalen, both of Albany, for the nomination. The Albany County Democrats are planning to wage a hard campaign for Mayor in Albany this fall, and they think that the naming of an Albany man for judge of the Court of Appeals would help.

Pastor to Fine Newlyweds In Ban on Rice Showers

Bridal Parties Must Deposit $5 in Advance at Church of St. Thomas the Apostle

Father John B. McGrath, of the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle, 118th Street and St. Nicholas Avenue, has placed a ban on rice showers at church weddings. To make it effective, he has announced, he intends to impose a fine of $5 upon newly weds whose friends assail them with a rice barrage as they leave the edifice.

Bridal parties will be asked for a deposit in advance of the nuptials, and in the event of a rice shower the money will be used to pay for cleaning the steps and aisles. If the rule is obeyed the bride and groom will get their money back.

Father McGrath hit upon the idea of a fine when his requests that the practice be stopped failed to produce results. He has told his parishioners he believed the throwing of rice at the church was a desecration.

Weather Report

Figures indicated are standard time.

Sun rises... 4:29 a.m. | Sun sets... 7:31 p.m.
Moon rises.. 2:43 a.m. | Moon sets.. 5:30 p.m.

Local Forecast.—Generally fair and somewhat warmer to-day; to-morrow partly cloudy, probably local thunder showers; gentle to moderate southwesterly winds.

Local Official Record.—The following official record shows temperatures during the last twenty-four hours, in comparison with the corresponding date of last year:

	1921.	1920.		1921.	1920.
3 a. m.	66	69	3 p. m.	74	78
6 a. m.	65	68	6 p. m.	72	73
9 a. m.	69	71	9 p. m.	70	68
12 noon.	72	76	11 p. m.	69	68

Highest, 74 degrees (at 3 p. m.); lowest, 65 (at 6 a. m.); average, 70; average same date last year, 72; average same date for thirty-three years, 72.

Humidity

8 a. m... 82 | 1 p. m... 72 | 8 p. m... 88

Barometer Readings

8 a. m..29.86 | 1 p. m...29.87 | 8 p. m..29.89

General Weather Conditions

WASHINGTON, July 2.—A disturbance of wide extent and marked intensity was central over eastern Colorado to-night. It was attended by showers in the northern Rocky Mountain region and the northern plains states and was followed by a rapid rise in pressure and a decided fall in temperature over the plateau and northern Rocky Mountain regions. Snow was falling in Yellowstone National Park at night, with a temperature of 38 degrees. The temperature continued considerably above normal from the plains states and southern Rocky Mountain regions eastward, except along the immediate Atlantic coast, and there were local thunder showers in the Southeastern states and in portions of the north Atlantic states.

The weather will be partly cloudy Sunday in the states east of the Mississippi River and scattered thunder showers are probable in the upper lake region, the lower Ohio Valley and the Southern states. Under the influence of the Colorado disturbance the weather will be unsettled over most sections east of the Mississippi River on Monday, and scattered thunder showers are probable in the middle Atlantic states and the Southern states and general showers and thunder storms in the lake region and the Ohio Valley. There will be no important changes in temperature east of the Mississippi River Sunday and Monday, except that cooler weather will overspread Michigan and Indiana Monday afternoon or night.

District Forecasts.—Eastern New York—Generally fair and somewhat warmer today; to-morrow partly cloudy, probably scattered thunder showers.

Southern New England—Generally fair to-day; to-morrow partly cloudy and somewhat warmer.

Eastern Pennsylvania—Generally fair today, warmer in southeast portion; to-morrow partly cloudy, probably local thunder showers.

New Jersey and Delaware—Generally fair to-day; to-morrow partly cloudy, probably local thunder showers; not much change in temperature.

Western Pennsylvania and Western New York—Generally fair to-day; to-morrow partly cloudy, probably local thunder showers; little change in temperature.

Joseph A. Cantor Dies; Head of Tax Department

Served in Legislature and Congress; Borough President of Manhattan in 1902

Joseph A. Cantor, president of the Department of Taxes and Assessments since the beginning of the Hylan administration, died early yesterday at his home, 2345 Broadway.

Mr. Cantor was well known in state and city politics. He was born at 19 Second Street, on December 4, 1854. When he was fourteen years old he went to work in a law office. In 1872 he became a reporter for The World, where he remained for five years, employing his spare time in the study of law.

In 1884 he was a delegate at large to the National Democratic Convention and that autumn he was elected to the Assembly. He was returned there for two succeeding years. In 1887 he went to the Senate, where he guided the Democratic forces for ten years. Mr. Cantor was elected on the Reform Ticket, so called, to be President of the Borough of Manhattan from 1902 to 1904. In 1910 he was made chairman of the New York Commission on Congestion of Population. Three years later he was elected representative in the 20th Congressional District.

He is survived by two daughters and a young son. Funeral services will be held at the residence to-morrow afternoon.

Maj. Spera, Last of Escort On Sheridan's Ride, Dies

Officer of Pennsylvania Cavalry Troop in Civil War Succumbs at 87 in Omaha

OMAHA, July 2.—Major Weidner Harvey Spera, the last surviving member of the escort that rode with General Philip Sheridan from Winchester to Cedar Creek, died recently at his home, 735 Madison Avenue, Council Bluffs.

Major Spera was eighty-seven years old. He was born in Ephrata, Lancaster County, Pa.

Immediately after the war began Major Spera organized a troop of cavalry in Lancaster County. He was commissioned captain of this troop in 1861. Later he was promoted to the rank of major and served with the 17th Pennsylvania Cavalry throughout the war.

Following the war Major Spera went to Philadelphia and entered newspaper work. He was editor of newspapers in both Reading and Harrisburg. In 1881 he went West and settled in Council Bluffs, where he remained until his death.

EDWARD T. SMITH

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., July 2.—Edward T. Smith, sixty-eight years old, a nephew of Abraham Lincoln, is dead as a result of injuries received when he was struck by an automobile. His mother, Mrs. Anne Smith, and Mrs. Lincoln were sisters. His father, C. M. Smith, was known as the "merchant prince" of Springfield. It was in the rear of the Smith store that Lincoln wrote his first inaugural address.

WILLIAM DUNN HANNA

MONTREAL, July 1.—William Dunn Hanna, former general fuel inspector of the Grand Trunk Railway, died today at the age of seventy-seven after an illness of ten days. He had a large acquaintance in the coal districts of the United States.

Trapped Thief Shoots Self

Buffalo Burglar Refuses to Reveal Identity

BUFFALO, July 2.—Trapped by several men in a house which he had been trying to rob, an unidentified man shot himself to-day. He may die. At the hospital where he was taken he refused to reveal his identity.

"I'm a burglar and shot myself because I didn't want to be taken alive," he said. "Here's the gun; leave me alone. I will die as John Doe, New York."

The burglar was caught in the cellar of Mrs. Rose Heinrich's house in South Park Avenue. Mrs. Heinrich was beaten over the head by the man when she tried to summon help. Her condition is serious. Her cries, however, aroused neighbors, who broke in a door. As they rushed into the house the burglar shot himself in the temple.

Man Who Helped Release John Boyle O'Reilly Dead

NEW HAVEN, Conn., July 2.—William E. Lyons, one of a group of men who outfitted and sailed with the Catalpa expedition, which released several Irish political prisoners in Australia, died at his home here yesterday. Among those released by the expedition was John Boyle O'Reilly, poet and long editor of The Boston Pilot, who had been sent to Australia for participation in the Irish uprisings.

Birth, Engagement, Marriage, Death and In Memoriam Notices *may be telephoned to The Tribune any time up to midnight for insertion in the next day's paper. Telephone Beekman 3000.*

BIRTHS

SMITH—Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Smith (nee Emma Krasnoff, 1575 Grand Concourse, New York, announce the arrival of a son, Joseph W., on June 30, at New York Infirmary.

ENGAGEMENTS

SULLIVAN—BALL—Mr. and Mrs. Stephen J. Ball, of 71 Valentine Lane, Yonkers, N. Y., announce the betrothal of their daughter, Margaret M., to John J. Sullivan jr., of New York City.

MARRIAGES

FLOYD—GROUT—On Friday, July 1, 1921, by the Rev. John Haynes Holmes, Louise Adams Grout to William Floyd.

M'VAUGH—CLARKE—On Wednesday, June 29, 1921, at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Brooklyn, at 3:30 p. m., Marie Stuart Clarke to Keith Fry McVaugh.

RANDALL—JACOB—On Saturday, June 25, at Pelham Manor, Eleanor Vinton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jacob, and Mr. Bradley Randall, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Randall.

WILSON—M'KAY—On July 2, 1921, at Port Colborne, Ontario, Canada, Charity Elizabeth, daughter of Mrs. Donald McKay, to Mr. Michael Lambert Wilson, of Bronxville, N. Y.

DEATHS

BARKER—On July 1, 1921, Isabella R. Barker (nee Banta), beloved wife of Curtis H. Barker, in her 54th year. Funeral services will be held at her late residence, 1246 Bloomfield st., Hoboken, N. J., on Sunday, July 3, at 3 p. m.

BERNHARD—George, suddenly, in his 55th year, beloved husband of Rebecca and loving father of Helen and Nicholas and brother of Jacob, Sam, Max, Rose Vogel and Rebecca Michaelson. Funeral from his late residence, 333 Central Park West, on Sunday, July 3, at 10 a. m.

BEST—On Thursday, June 30, Sarah Killen, widow of James Best. Funeral from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Morris Losee, White Plains road, Glenville, Sunday, July 3, at 2 o'clock. Interment Sleepy Hollow.

BUTLER—Louise Collins, beloved wife of William Allen Butler and daughter of the late Charles and Mary Terry Collins, at her home, at Southampton, on July 2. Funeral services at Round Oak, Yonkers, Tuesday morning, July 5, at 10:30, on arrival of the 9:50 train from Grand Central, daylight saving time.

CHAPEL—Suddenly, on Thursday, June 30, 1921, in his