NEWS AND GOSSIP OF N. Y. THEATRES

Elsie Janis to Make Her Permanent Home in England, Mother Says.

DOINGS OF STAGE FOLKS

The next play by Max Marcin to see the footlights will be "Are You My Wife?" It is a farce in which Mr. Marcin collaborated with Roy Atwell, the actor. Mr. Atwell and Mr. Marcin, in fact, evolved this play together in their moments of leisure, and it was arranged that Mr. Atwell, in addition to figuring as the author, should also play the leading role.

The Shuberts bought the piece soon after it was submitted to them, but did not think the part in which Mr. Atwell was to be seen was at all suited to his talents as a comedian. Mr. Atwell, as well as the author, however, disagreed with them and the play passed out of the possession of the managers. But it was not long before another purchaser was found. Cohan & Harris bought the rights to the play, which about a year ago had a trial performance on the Jersey coast. The event was satisfactory so far as the farce was concerned; but the managers preferred Mr. Atwell as an author to what he accomplished in the piece as a comedian, so once more "Are You My Wife?" came on the market.

At this junction Mr. Atwell decided that he would prefer to appear only as author rather than continue to cause the postponement of the production. So when "Are You My Wife?" was again put on the market there was no longer the string attached to it that Mr. Atwell should play the comedy role. He will therefore, when Edward MacGregor produces the piece next month, be satisfied with the honors of the dramatist.

Elsie Janis is to be seen next week at the Cohan Theatre, but it is settled that England is to be her permanent home. Her mother recently made this declaration in her native State.

"Elsie and I are going back to England one of these days," she said, "and we are going to stay in England. We spent two years there. We love the English people and they seem to like us. We'd rather live there.

"So far as Elsie's concerned, she likes working on the London stage. So far as I am concerned, I like it because I'm not pestered to death about being a stage mamma."

Peggy O'Neil will be the star of "A Tale With a Wag," which is a play made by George H. Atkinson from "The White Linen Nurse," by Eleanor H. Abbott. Miss O'Neil, who was one of the first actresses selected by Oliver Morosco to succeed Laurette Taylor in "Peg o' My Heart," will play the part of a nurse, although she is compelled to become one under protest. The dramatist has added two characters to those in the book.

Cyril Maude, who is taking precautions against the failing popularity of "Grumpy," has a new play by Githa Sowerby, who wrote "Rutherford & Son." The new piece was written in collaboration with her husband, Capt. John Kendall, and is called "Dad." Mr. Maude also has a play by Horace Vachell from a novel by Mrs. Belloc Lowndes.

Valeska Suratt is to return to the stage not as a dancer in burlesque or vaudeville but as an actress. She will appear in a new version of Daudet's "Sapho," made for her by Paul M. Potter. Several heavyweight leading men are now in training for the staircase scene.

The fact that two fashion shows are just now impending in New York when there never was one here before shows the imitative character even of such showmanship. Formerly it was the usual theatrical performance which displayed styles sufficiently to satisfy the public. On the programme of Ned Wayburn's "Town Topics" at the Century Theatre there are half a dozen dressmakers named as creators of the frocks which are worn in the various scenes. That method of displaying dresses has always been regarded as sufficient in the past.

But when it was reported with apparently every appearance of authority that a musical play was given last spring through the financial backing of a dressmaking establishment and that the mannequins of this shop paraded through the aisles it was evident that an advance in the art of displaying modes had been made. Now two elaborate performances have been devised merely with the idea of displaying the frocks of the season.

If they should succeed a great problem will be removed from the minds of managers. It will not be necessary in the future to worry about actors and authors. It will be enough to get a corner on all the dressmakers.

One of the scenes in "Town Topics" burlesques the recent ways of distributing tickets to theatres. A potential theatregoer tries to buy tickets at the box office. None is to be had. Everything is sold. But a newsboy is able to sell him one and so is a sausage vender who has plenty of tickets to sell.

Grotesque as the burlesque is, it is not altogether wrong. There was a time last spring when men walked through the business streets downtown distributing cut rate tickets in large numbers to every pedestrian they met. Of course these were not passes, but tickets entitling the holder to buy seats at half price.

Bernard Granville, one of the most talented and versatile comedians on the American stage, has been unable to do anything with the play "He Comes Up Smiling," in which Douglas Fairbanks appeared for a brief season at the Eltinge Theatre last year. Evidently he has smiled for the last time.

Ralph Herz is one of the headliners this week at the Palace Theatre.

Plays and Players.

"The Princess Pat," a comic opera by Victor Herbert and Henry Blossom, with Eleanor Painter in the leading role, will be presented to-night at the Cort Theatre by John Cort.

May Irwin, who reopens her engagement in "33 Washington Square" at the Park Theatre to-night, will devote a part of this week's receipts to the Empire State Campaign Committee of the Equal Franchise League.

E. H. Sothern will open his preliminary tour in "The Two Virtues" at the Belasco Theatre, Washington, to-night before coming to the Booth Theatre here. Seats for the opening of the Hippodrome under the management of Charles B. Dillingham will be placed on sale this morning. Facilities have been provided in the form of separate box offices for each day in the week and an advance sale office.

One of the special features arranged for the opening of the Strand Roof Garden on October 4 will be an exhibition of the new dances as standardized by the dancing teachers at their recent convention.

Florenz Ziegfeld, Jr., has arranged to continue the German war pictures at the Forty-fourth Street Theatre for another two weeks. After that time the pictures will be operated by Joe Le Blang, who has purchased the rights for New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Caruso, an Italian tenor, will head the bill at the Palace Theatre next week.

Douglas Fairbanks has signed a three year contract to the Triangle Film Company and will be starred in a new photo drama by D. W. Griffith.

A special school children's matinee of "The Battle Cry of Peace" will be given Saturday morning at 11 o'clock at the Lyceum Theatre.

Louis Reicher will open his season at the Garden Theatre on November 16 with Bjornson's "When the New Wine Blooms." The company will include Hedwig Reicher, Herbert Mann, Rupert Harvey and Francis Powell.

WANTS NO HOSPITAL WITHIN WATERSHED

Merchants Association Still Sees Danger From Flow of Sewage.

GLAD OF VICTORY WON

Greater New York, the weekly bulletin of the Merchants Association of New York, saws editorially that Gov. Whitman's decision not to permit sewage to be poured into the city's water supply at Croton Lake from the sewage disposal plant of the Mohansic State Hospital "is gratifying so far as it goes."

"While granting the request made by the city," says the bulletin, "the Governor felt it necessary to defend the attitude taken by his associates in the State Government who were ready to jeopardize the health of the inhabitants of the city in order to save to the State Treasury a comparatively small amount of money.

"This attempt to justify the health authorities of the State, who should be most sensitive regarding the purity of water supplies, was good natured but not convincing. The State Health Commissioner had told the city Commissioner of Water Supply that in his opinion the sewage from the hospital eventually would have to be taken to the Hudson River. He explained this to the Governor by saying that when he made the statement he had in mind the possibility that Mohansic Lake would become a part of the water supply system for the hospital. In other words, the State Health Commissioner seems to be willing to compel New York city to drink water which he would not permit the inmates of the hospital to drink.

"The Governor's promise seems to remove the immediate danger which would have resulted from the execution of the incredible plan proposed, but there will still be danger from the possibility of a break in the pipe which is to carry the sewage from the hospital to the Hudson. The truth of the matter is that the location of the hospital and the training school within the watershed was decidedly unfortunate."

WAYBURN GIVES A CONCERT.

First Sunday Night Show Ever Seen on Century Stage.

The first Sunday night concert at the Century since Ned Wayburn took over the house for his "Town Topics" production was given last night. There were sixteen acts on the bill and a large audience manifested approval.

Among those appearing were Trixie Friganza, Vera Michelena, Blossom Seeley, Manna Zucca, Eileen Molyneux, Clifton Webb, Cross and Josephine, Marie Lavarre, Mabel Elaine, Cameron Sisters, Bert Leslie, Will Rogers, Flanagan and Edwards, the Carbrey Brothers, Lew Hearn, Jacob P. Adler, Jr., and Adelaide and Hughes. Thomas J. Gray, one of the authors of "Town Topics," announced each act as it appeared.

PARK THEATRE CUTS PRICES.

New $1 Orchestra Seat Ticket Goes Into Effect To-night.

Not to be outdone by its competitors, the Park Theatre, at which May Irwin is playing in "33 Washington Square," added a complication to the ticket situation yesterday by undercutting the new $1.50 scale in force at some houses and announcing that certain orchestra seats can be purchased for $1. These prices will be in effect to-night. Other orchestra seats will be sold at $2 and $1.50. There will be a corresponding reduction in other parts of the house.

The Park now makes the fifth first class theatre selling orchestra seats at less than the old $2 scale.

"WORLD OF PLEASURE" NEXT.

Winter Garden's New Show Will Open Next Week.

The Winter Garden's fall production, scheduled to open next week, will be known as "A World of Pleasure." As "The Passing Show of 1915" closes this coming Saturday night the house will be dark for a few evenings to admit of dress rehearsals.

Among those in the cast for "A World of Pleasure" are Rosie Quinn, Moon and Morris, McMahon, Diamond and Chaplow, Clifton Crawford, Collins and Hart, Kitty Gordon, Eleanor Brown, Stella Mayhew, William Banfield Taylor, Frances Pritchard, Sahary-Djeli, Theodore Kosloff, Jack Wilson, Ada Meade and Venita Fitzhugh.

BARS MISSIONARY CONGRESS.

President Porras Won't Let Protestants Meet in Panama City.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

PANAMA, Sept. 26.—The Bishop of Panama has protested against the holding of the missionary congress of Protestants at Panama city and President Porras has withdrawn his consent to the meetings of the congress in the National Theatre.

The State religion of the republic is Roman Catholic and the church authorities are opposed to any proselyting.

The Panama missionary conference is on the lines of the Edinburgh conference of some years ago. It is made up of many Protestant Christian bodies and had headquarters in Washington. William J. Bryan while Secretary of State cooperated with the conference in disseminating information regarding it through Central and South America and said he hoped it might aid in establishing a Christian university in Panama.

18,000 MORE JOIN Y. W. C. A.

Growth Is Fast—Expenditures Increase $400,000.

The Young Women's Christian Associations of this country gained last year in membership and income in spite of the war and the great number of appeals for relief work in Europe. The report just made public shows an increase in membership of more than 18,000. Expenditure increased almost $400,000. The annual budget of all women's associations has now reached the total of $5,225,000.

The National Training School, which has just opened its eighth year, has fifty-one students, including nine from foreign countries. All of these will take up secretarial work on completion of the term. The association has work in fifteen foreign countries, including Turkey, Japan, China and Norway.

25 ENTER WOMEN'S LAW SCHOOL

First Institution of Its Kind in America Will Open Soon.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Sept. 26.—Twenty-five young women, graduates of Radcliffe, Barnard, Bryn Mawr and Smith colleges, have entered on the list for admission to the first graduate law school in America devoted exclusively to the instruction of women, which is to be opened soon. Joseph Henry Beale, Royall professor in the Harvard Law School, is the head of the new institution, which is called the Cambridge Law School for Women. Lectures will be delivered in buildings belonging to Radcliffe College.

BELGIUM RESTORED.

Germany is to restore monuments and architecture damaged in last summer's invasion.—*Wireless despatch.*

LENOX BALL CLEARS $800 FOR A CHARITY

Marble Bust of Mrs. Osgood Field Completed by Italian Sculptor.

LENOX, Mass., Sept. 26.—The Charity Ball on Saturday night was the most successful dance held here in a decade. The receipts were $1,100, more than $800 being cleared for Miss Folsom's convalescent home.

Mr. and Mrs. Cortlandt F. Bishop went by automobile to Dublin, N. H., to take luncheon with Mr. and Mrs. Henry White. Mr. and Mrs. Bishop will start for San Francisco to-morrow. Admiral and Mrs. William H. Brownson, who have been at the Curtiss Hotel, have returned to New York. Miss Caroline T. Lawrence will entertain at tea to-morrow after the recital by Miss Ruth Deyo in the Stockbridge Casino.

Mrs. Charles Sidney Haight and Coolidge Haight will start for Fort Myer, Va., to-morrow after passing the season with Mrs. George Winthrop Folsom. Mr. and Mrs. William Pollock will entertain the council of the Lenox Garden Club to-morrow afternoon in Pittsfield. Mrs. William B. Osgood Field has been giving sittings to C. S. Pietro, the young Palermo sculptor, who has just completed a marble bust of Mrs. Field.

Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Hammond are visiting the latter's mother, Mrs. William D. Sloane. Gen. and Mrs. John R. Brooke have gone to New York from the Maplewood in Pittsfield. Gen. Brooke will go to Washington for the Grand Army reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Sorchan will return to New York on Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Morse, whose house they have occupied, will return to Stockbridge at the end of the week to keep open their villa. Dr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Southworth and Miss Amelia Hamilton will start from Stockbridge to-morrow to pass a fortnight in the Maine woods. Mr. and Mrs. Carlos M. de Heredia will go to Pasadena for the winter.

SUIT SEEKS CHURCH REMOVAL.

Christian Scientists of Flushing to Fight in Courts.

An action to compel the Christian Scientists of Flushing, who have just completed a structure costing $15,000, to remove the building from its site at Sanford avenue and Murray street, in compliance with building restrictions, has been instituted in the Queens County Court in Long Island City.

George Holders, 97 Murray street, Flushing, is the plaintiff. He alleges that the property in that section is restricted against business houses or public buildings, and also that all buildings in that section must be at least twenty feet back from the building line.

ARRIVALS BY AUTOMOBILE.

LENOX, Mass., Sept. 26.—Motor arrivals at Hotel Aspinwall to-day include Mr. and Mrs. Carl Seaberg, Arthur Hedlund, Miss Ethel Hedlund, Theodore Quist, Miss Gertrude Hammerstraus, Worcester, Mass. (Pullman); Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Ormond, Prides Crossing, Mass. (Pierce-Arrow); Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Lovering Lane, Mrs. M. T. Weich, Battle Creek, Mich. (Cadillac); Mr. and Mrs. John W. Nix, Brooklyn (Rolls-Royce); Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Cleghorn, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Crowninshield, Marblehead, Mass. (Lozier); Mr. and Mrs. Grant Ridgeway, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Prentiss, Chicago (Pierce-Arrow); Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Fletcher, Belmont, Mass. (Peerless).

COOPERSTOWN, N. Y., Sept. 26.—Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Rodgers, New York city (Cole); S. Cameron Hahn, Clara Hahn, New York city (Studebaker); Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Coleman, Mrs. T. S. Bush, Providence, R. I. (Cadillac); Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Pitman, Orange, N. J. (Peerless); Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hootsman, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Spaulding, Rochester, N. Y. (Simplex); Miss Mary E. Jenkins, Miss Emma Jenkins, Arthur Churchill, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Hyde, Syracuse, N. Y. (Packard); Mr. and Mrs. E. Arthur O'Hara, K. Grace O'Hara, Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. O'Hara, Syracuse, N. Y. (Packard); Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Fermenien, Mrs. R. C. Adams, Mrs. C. B. Sears, Buffalo, N. Y. (Cadillac); Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Chiles, Cleveland (Overland).

SUFFRAGE CALENDAR.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE PARTY.

12 M.—Street meeting at Fifth avenue and Fourteenth street.

12 M.—"Flyer" meeting at West Shore Ferry at Forty-second street.

2 to 5 P. M.—Mrs. W. J. Morton at home to suffragists, 224 Riverside Drive.

7:30 P. M.—Street meeting at 181st street and West Farms road.

8 P. M.—Street meeting at Fifth avenue and Fourteenth street.

8 P. M.—Street meeting at 225th street and Marble Hill avenue.

8 P. M.—Suffrage meeting in Presbyterian Church, 358 West Twenty-fourth street.

8 P. M.—Street meeting at Sherman avenue and 207th street.

8 P. M.—Street meeting at Sixty-seventh street and Amsterdam avenue.

8 P. M.—Watchers' School at 6 East Sixty-sixth street.

8 P. M.—Suffrage hearing at Republican Organization Club, 2228 Broadway.

8 P. M.—Free school for women watchers at 406 East 149th street.

8:30 P. M.—Regular business meeting of district at 17 West Fiftieth street.

8:30 P. M.—Street meeting at Ninety-sixth street and Broadway.

8:30 P. M.—Street meeting at Broadway and 116th street.

8:30 P. M.—Street meeting at 176th street and Southern Boulevard.

9:15 P. M.—Street meeting at 165th street, Stebbins and Prospect avenues.

MEN'S LEAGUE FOR WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

1 P. M.—Conference at Votes for Women Restaurant, 79 Wall street.

WOMEN'S POLITICAL UNION.

12:30 P. M.—Meeting at 161st street and Second avenue.

2:30 P. M.—Board meeting of the Women's Political Union, Bronx branch.

4 P. M.—Motorless speech, Tremont and Third avenues.

7:30 P. M.—Suffragists escort Roving Shop "Winner" from 149th street and Bergen avenue to Eighty-sixth street and Third avenue.

7:30 P. M.—Meeting at First avenue and Eighty-seventh street.

8 P. M.—Meeting at Tremont and Bathgate avenues.

8 P. M.—Meeting at Irving place and Fourteenth street.

8 P. M.—Meeting of campaign committee at Union Settlement, 236 East 104th street.

HEAR THAT UP-STATE SUFF HORN TOOTING

Mrs. Katherine Grey Is on Her Way in a Little Yellow Automobile.

Mrs. Katherine C. Grey, a granddaughter of the late Judge Countryman of Albany, is almost ready to start down the Hudson Valley in her yellow votes for women car to toot good suffrage music on her sixteen note Gabriel horn. Mrs. Grey plans to arrive in New York just in time to join the auto brigade of the big suffrage parade which is to take place on October 23. Albany and little towns adjacent are already familiar with Mrs. Grey's notes and the verses of the newfangled "Comin' Thro' the Rye" song she sings, one verse of which always tickles suffrage crowds:

Many a laddie has the ballot,
Not so bright as I
Many a laddie votes his ballot,
Overcome with rye.

The foreword as to Mrs. Grey's musical progress was issued yesterday by the press department of the Empire State Campaign Committee, of which Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt is president.

Pope Sends Sympathy to Gotti.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

ROME, Sept. 26.—Pope Benedict has sent an autograph letter to Cardinal Gotti, Prefect of the Propaganda, who suffered concussion of the brain through falling down stairs in the Vatican a few days ago, wishing him a speedy recovery. The Cardinal's condition is still serious.

THE SEAGOERS.

Arrivals yesterday by the White Star liner Cymric from Liverpool:

Joseph M. Patterson.	Arthur Tracy.
Louis Petre.	Capt. James McCurdy.
Garret Walker.	Miss Louise Bratieres.

FALL ACTIVITIES AT BRIARCLIFF LODGE

Mrs. Philip D. Armour Leaves Resort to Spend a Week in New York.

BRIARCLIFF MANOR, N. Y., Sept. 26.—Dr. and Mrs. James B. Clemens and family have returned from Spring Lake, N. J., and will spend the autumn at Briarcliff Lodge. Mrs. Philip D. Armour, who has been at Briarcliff Lodge for several weeks, has left for New York, where she will remain a week before returning to Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. William Harkness are entertaining over Sunday Mr. and Mrs. William H. Harkness, William H. Harkness, Jr., and Miss Natalie Jourdan of Brooklyn.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bryson of Chicago, who are spending the fall season at Briarcliff Lodge, celebrated their wedding anniversary with a dinner tonight, at which their guests were Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Doty of New York, Mrs. Robert Hotz and Miss A. Hotz of Chicago, Miss Minna Jopper, Reuben Howes, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Brixey. The dinner was served in one of the private dining rooms of the lodge, which was decorated with autumn foliage and American Beauty roses.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Vanderbilt Barton, returning from Saratoga, have joined the fall colony at Briarcliff Lodge, as have Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Low, returning from Lenox; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Dimond, from Jefferson, N. H.; Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Hoge, from Maine; Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Goodspeed of Boston, the Misses Lucy S. and Helen Bairbridge of Brooklyn, Mr. and Mrs. George D. Bonbright of Rochester, Mrs. Robert Hotz and Miss A. Hotz of Chicago, Mrs. George Deforest Grant of New York, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Burford of Louisville, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Cammann and family of New York, Mrs. Alfred Bedford and Miss A. Bedford of Brooklyn.

Mr. and Mrs. David Van Embergh have as guests Miss Evelyn D. Fogg and Mrs. Locke Richardson of New York. Mr. and Mrs. William H. Lyon of Brookline, Mass., touring, are breaking the journey with a few days stay at Briarcliff Lodge; also Mrs. E. A. Merrill and Mrs. F. W. Clapp of Boston; Miss N. F. Lewis and Miss M. L. Podine of Philadelphia; Mrs. G. Schroeder and Mrs. Charles L. Riker of New York; Mrs. George F. Baldwin and Mrs. F. M. Train of Boston; Prof. and Mrs. E. H. Sneath and Mrs. E. S. Brower of New Haven, Conn.

MANY AT SOUTHAMPTON HUNT.

Plans for Longer Season of Following the Hounds.

SOUTHAMPTON, N. Y., Sept. 26.—Members of the summer colony still here are making the best of these beautiful autumn days. Many of the younger set have been devoting their time to tennis on the Meadow Club courts. Miss Louise S. S. Trevor won the Carnegie cup and, according to the rules of the competition, became the owner of the cup. Miss Trevor also won the Harris cup, defeating Miss Florence Johnson, who played in the final matches.

The drag hunt of the Suffolk hounds yesterday was so well attended that many of the followers of the hounds expressed their regrets that the sport was so soon to come to an end. It is planned to extend the hunting season next year through the month of October. The drag hunts are gaining each year in popularity. They are one of the fall attractions at Southampton.

Henry C. Frick left this evening for Pittsburg in his private car after spending the week end at the National Golf Club.

There has been an unusual demand this fall for cottages for next season. Many cottages have been rented and new leases are being announced every day. This indicates a very early season next year.

SCHOOL IN CHURCHES IDEA WINNING FAVOR

Commissioner Whalen Wants Trial of Plan—Confers With Many Ministers.

ALL READY TO GIVE HELP

The Gary-Wirt-Ettinger public school plan, by which church buildings are to be used to relieve in part the congestion in the public schools and so largely extend educational facilities, was discussed yesterday by Commissioner John Whalen of the Board of Education and a number of ministers, representative of various denominations. Reports were received as to when denominations would be able to take up the work and criticisms of the plan were weighed. Commissioner Whalen said that criticisms of the plan or complaints that religion might be introduced thereby into the public schools were entirely unreasonable.

"When parents understand the conditions," said Mr. Whalen, "there should be no complaints. Let us say that in certain schools there are 3,000 pupils and seats for only 2,000. This means 1,000 children at best can have only part time instruction. The rest of the time the 1,000 boys and girls are at home or upon the street. Probably they are learning nothing.

"Now if parents direct and designate where they are to go and what religious instruction they are to receive, what possible harm can come if the children go to church school rooms and learn sound morals, the right doctrine of life and gain good thoughts?

"Public school education is not enough. The city does not pay a cent toward the expense of the proposed religious instruction under this Gary plan. Nobody proposes that it shall do so. The churches pay the salaries of teachers, provide rooms and bear all of the expense. I am strongly in favor of giving the play a tryout. In The Bronx, where the plan is to be tried, Italian and foreign children are in overwhelming numbers. If the plan works there it will work everywhere. Catholic, Protestant and Jew are on our committee. Nobody is trying to advance the interests of his own sect at the expense of others, or is trying to take advantage of the city. It is simply that the churches want to help solve a big problem. They ought to be welcomed gratefully."

The Rev. Dr. G. U. Wenner reported that Lutheran churches were willing to cooperate when the Board of Education was ready. The Lutheran centre in The Bronx will be Bethany Church, Teasdale place.

The Rev. C. W. Petty, speaking for the Baptist churches, said that a general committee had been named; that laymen would finance the plan, and that the Baptists would be ready to help.

The Rev. W. B. Stevens, speaking for the Episcopal churches, said that they would do their part by February 1. This is the date, it is understood, the plan is to be put in operation. The Church of the Advocate and the Bronx Church House will be headquarters.

BISHOP LAYS CORNERSTONE.

Impressive Ceremony at New Church of Nativity, Brooklyn.

The Right Rev. George W. Mundelein, Auxiliary Bishop of Brooklyn, laid the cornerstone yesterday morning of the new Church of the Nativity, at Classon avenue and Madison street. The Rev. John L. Belford is rector of the church. Simple but impressive ceremonies marked the event. More than 1,200 members of parish societies participated.

After the celebration of pontifical high mass the Rev. Thomas J. Campbell, S. J., preached the sermon. He spoke of the devotion of Catholics to their God, country and creed and paid a glowing tribute to Father Belford as a "church builder."

Ground for the new edifice was broken last March. It will have a seating capacity of 1,000.

ENGAGEMENTS ANNOUNCED.

Col. and Mrs. F. P. Olcott, 74 Carleton street, East Orange, N. J., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Marjorie Olcott, to Henry Webster Ford of Montclair. The wedding will take place next month.

Invitations have been issued by Mrs. Mary Ellis Wright, 183 Amity street, Flushing, for the marriage of her daughter, Miss Charlotte Valentine Wright, to Clyde Hurford Rae on Tuesday evening, October 12, at 8 o'clock.

Elbert B. Knowles, son of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Knowles, 889 Valley road, Montclair, N. J., and Miss Mildred Vie Koffman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward I. Koffman, 604 Haverill street, Lawrence, Mass, will be married October 19 in the Lawrence Street Congregational Church at Lawrence.

LILY LANGTRY TO RETURN.

Noted English Actress and Company to Arrive Next Month.

Arrangements have been perfected for an American tour of Lily Langtry, the English actress, who has not been to this country since 1904. She will arrive next month with her company and play in Sydney Grundy's "Mrs. Thompson," a modern comedy in four acts, in which Mrs. Langtry has the part of an up to date business woman.

Victor Kiraly and Harry S. Alward are directing her affairs, and her bookings will be made through the Klaw & Erlanger offices. After a tour of the South she will be seen in New York.

NOTABLES ON ROCHAMBEAU.

French Liner Brings 240 Persons From the War Zone.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

PARIS, Sept. 26.—Among the 240 passengers booked on the French liner Rochambeau, sailing from Bordeaux, are the following:

Gouverneur Morris, the writer; Dr. Richard P. Strong of the American Red Cross in Serbia, Frederick Macmonnies, the sculptor; Mme. Picabia, Eugene d'Harcourt, who has been in Switzerland on an official musical mission; Henry J. Reilly of Chicago, Mrs. C. Valentine Schuyler, Mrs. Calvert Brewer, Mrs. West Roosevelt of the American Ambulance, Melvin Talbott, Herman Mortenson, C. Wainwright, T. R. Childs, Drs. Longer, Davis, McCarthy and Foote and Lieut. Lazard of the War Department.

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KEIR HARDIE, NOTED LABOR LEADER, DIES

Paid Several Visits to U. S. and Made a Study of Conditions Here.

STRONGLY OPPOSED WAR

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Sept. 26.—The death of James Keir Hardie, the noted British labor leader, occurred to-day at Glasgow, Scotland, from pneumonia. He was 59 years old.

James Keir Hardie, chairman of the Independent Labor party, was one of the most interesting and picturesque figures in British public life for more than twenty-seven years. As the Socialist leader of the Labor party in the House of Commons he acquired widespread fame. He liked America and visited it on several occasions, becoming personally acquainted with nearly all the labor leaders in this country.

Keir Hardie, as he was best known, was born in Scotland on August 15, 1856. His parents were Scotch and belonged to the working class. At the age of 7 he was put to work in the mines as a helper and continued to earn his living underground with pick and shovel until he was 24. He studied by himself in his spare moments and in his early boyhood became impressed with the necessity of doing something for the working classes. While still a workman he took an active part in the organization of the miners and was elected secretary to the Lanarkshire Miners Union.

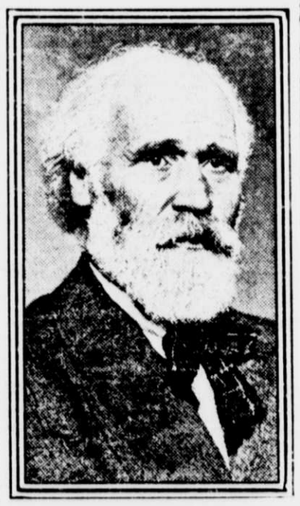
In 1882 he was appointed editor of the Cumnock *News* and continued to stir up interest in labor matters until 1886, when he resigned. Then he went into politics with great enthusiasm and in 1888 became the Labor candidate for Mid-Lanark. He was elected to the House of Commons in 1892 and was defeated in 1895. Since 1900 he was a member of Parliament from Merthyr-Tydvil, Wales.

When Keir Hardie came to New York in 1895 he had on the same miner's cap that gave his fellow members such a jolt when he wore it on his first appearance in the House of Commons. The New York Socialists made much of the distinguished leader, and he visited the Bowery, then in its prime, the jails and tenement house districts. He said that the conditions were much worse in London than here.

When Hardie was returned to Parliament in 1900 he defeated William Pritchard Morgan, a Gladstone Liberal, who had represented the district since 1888. His victory was clean cut.

In 1908 Hardie was omitted from the King's list of invited guests to a garden party at Windsor Castle. Discussing the omission before a gathering of Socialists the labor leader said: "I shall allow no interference with my political conduct in or out of Parliament by the King or the court," and the political history of recent years is evidence that he kept his word.

The labor leader came to this country again in 1908. He made many speeches before labor organizations and expressed the amazement he felt because, as he said, labor in America turned out in parades on Labor Day and then divided on election day. He returned early in 1909 and three years later made a tour of the United States and Canada. The primary reason for his visit to America that year, he said, was to be present



James Keir Hardie.

at the marriage in Brooklyn of his son, James Keir Hardie, Jr., to Marion Stoddard of Old Cumnock, Ayrshire, Scotland. He didn't go back to Wales until he had delivered many lectures and had studied conditions in the Western mining districts.

While he was in New York in 1912 Mr. Hardie said that he didn't believe there was any possibility of war between England and Germany "unless those who are fomenting war overdo themselves.

"The only ones who want war," he said then, "are the ironmasters, contractors and service men in the army and navy. Our foreign policy of interfering with the foreign policies of Europe has made England more insecure than ever before. The workingmen are greatly interested in opposing war."

Hardie, like all the Socialists, was violently opposed to the war. On August 2, 1914, he delivered a speech in Trafalgar Square, London, in which he demanded that Great Britain maintain neutrality. He called upon the workingmen of the world to use their influence, industrial and political, to stop the war.

He caused a bitter demonstration in the House of Commons on August 27, 1914, when he tried to cross-examine Sir Edward Grey concerning the negotiations then pending for neutrality. He tried to force the Government to reveal what negotiations it was making with other Governments and the House became greatly angered. It succeeded in howling Hardie down.

During the excitement Timothy Healy, the Irish leader, rushed over to Hardie's seat and exclaimed: "Do Socialists in the German Reichstag ask such questions?" and bedlam broke loose.

On February 14 last Hardie was one of forty Socialist leaders who met in London to discuss the attitude of Socialists during the war. A resolution was then adopted affirming the right and duty of a nation to defend itself when attacked. The Socialists declared they did not seek the political or economic crushing of Germany.

Keir Hardie frequently paid his respects to the rulers of Great Britain. Speaking of King George in 1914 he said:

"The King is not a statesman. He is not the pleasure loving scapegrace that his father was, but like his father he is destitute of ordinary ability. If he had been born in the ranks of the working class his most likely fate would have been that of a corner loafer."

THE REV. D. P. MORGAN, NOTED RECTOR, DEAD

Was Pastor Emeritus of Church of Heavenly Rest—Widely Known as Organizer.

SHARON, Conn., Sept. 27.—The Rev. Dr. David Parker Morgan of New York city died suddenly at his home here to-day, at the age of 73. For twenty-one years up to February, 1907, when he retired, he was rector of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Heavenly Rest at 51 Fifth avenue.

Dr. Morgan was born in Wales. He was graduated from Hartford College, Oxford, in 1866 and became metropolitan secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society of London. He came to the Church of the Heavenly Rest in 1881 and succeeded the Rev. Dr. Robert S. Howland as rector five years later.

Among the societies founded by Dr. Morgan was the Woman's Missionary Association.

The Dorcas and Employment Society, also founded by Dr. Morgan, was another well known organization to which he devoted much of his time.

Among the other church societies which were started through the work of Dr. Morgan were the Domestic Missionary Society, the Diocesan Missionary Society, the Parish Visitors Fund, the Church Periodical Club, the Penny Provident Fund, the Soup and Relief Kitchen, the Guild of St. Paul, the Choristers League, the Ministering Children's League, the Girls Friendly Society, the Industrial School, the Parish Sunday School, the Fresh Air Fund and Stepping Stones to Heavenly Rest.

Dr. Morgan received the degree of B. D. and D. D. from the University of King's College, Windsor, Nova Scotia.

MRS. NORMA PENN CONRAD.

Widow of Son of Fillmore's Secretary of War Dies Suddenly.

GARDEN CITY, Sept. 26.—Mrs. Norma Penn Conrad, widow of Charles A. Conrad, who was a son of the Secretary of War under President Fillmore, died suddenly to-day while on her annual visit to the home of her nephew, Hugh A. Krumbhaar.

Mrs. Conrad, who was 75 years old, was the daughter of Alfred Penn, a financier of New Orleans. She was a granddaughter of Col. William Byrd of Virginia. Soon after the war she married Charles A. Conrad, then a lawyer in New Orleans. He was a grandson of Nellie Curtis, the adopted daughter of George Washington. When Mr. Conrad died about twenty years ago Mrs. Conrad gave many articles that had belonged to the Washington family to the trustees of the Washington home at Mount Vernon.

The body of Mrs. Conrad will be taken by Mr. Krumbhaar to Pass Christian, Miss., for burial.

John E. Thompson.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Sept. 26.—John E. Thompson of New York, a summer resident of Warren, died to-day of heart disease at Warren. He was at dinner when he was stricken. Mr. Thompson was 75 years old. He was a partner in the Quincy Iron Company of New York. He is survived by a sister, Miss Araline Thompson of New York city, two brothers, Malcolm R. Thompson of New York and Charles P. Thompson of Minneapolis.

Mrs. Fannie G. Lathrop.

WEST ORANGE, N. J., Sept. 26.—Mrs. Fannie Graves Lathrop, widow of Levi Chapman Lathrop, died here to-day after an illness of several months. She was a daughter of R. R. Graves, once a trustee of Plymouth Church, Brooklyn; was born in that borough. In 1867 she was married to Levi Chapman Lathrop, a broker and member of the Cotton Exchange. Mr. Lathrop died eight years ago. Mrs. Lathrop was a member of the Colonial Dames of America and the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Samuel W. Rainey.

LANCASTER, Ohio, Sept. 26.—Samuel W. Rainey, 63 years old, prominent in Ohio politics for more than a quarter of a century, died in his home here tonight. He was Mayor of Lancaster for three terms and was a member of the Democratic State central committee for years. Besides his wife, five children survive him, among whom is Mrs. Edith Kerman of New York.

DIED.

ABENDSCHEIN.—At Sacramento, Cal., on September 17, 1915, William Alfred, aged 38 years, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Abendschein.
Interment Lutheran Cemetery, Monday, September 27, 1915, at 11 A. M.

CHAPIN.—At Montclair, N. J., September 24, 1915, Elizabeth A., widow of Henry Judson Chapin.
Funeral services will be held at her late residence, 40 Upper Mountain avenue, Montclair, at 11:45 A. M., Monday, September 27, after arrival of Lackawanna train leaving Hoboken at 10:51 A. M. Interment private.

CONRAD.—Suddenly, at the residence of her nephew, Hugh A. Krumbhaar, Garden City, L. I., Norna (Penn) Conrad, widow of Charles A. Conrad of New Orleans.
Baltimore, Washington, New Orleans papers please copy.

COOMBE.—On Saturday, September 25, 1915, at her residence, 116 East Sixty-third street, New York, Lydia Dalkers, beloved wife of T. Gorton Coombe.
Funeral Tuesday, September 28, at St. Bartholomew's Chapel, Forty-fourth street and Madison avenue, at 10 o'clock. Interment private.

GRIFFITH.—Dr. Harry C., aged 45 years.
Funeral from the Funeral Church, 241 West Twenty-third street (Frank Campbell Building). Time later.

LATHROP.—At Hutton Park, West Orange, N. J., September 26, 1915, Fannie Graves, wife of the late Levi Chapman Lathrop.
Funeral services will be held at the residence of her sister, Miss Graves, at 13 Franklin place, Morristown, N. J., at 2:30 P. M. Wednesday, September 29, after arrival of Lackawanna train leaving Hoboken at 1:03. Interment at convenience of family.