

LADIES OF MACCABEES OPEN CONVENTION HERE WITH PLEA FOR BALLOT

Mrs. Blankenburg Sounds Keynote for Suffrage Amid Beautiful Scene Which Marks Gathering at the Hotel Walton.

Ladies of the Maccabees of the World heard a plea for woman suffrage by Mrs. Blankenburg when the two days' convention of the Great Hike of Pennsylvania opened at the Hotel Walton, today.

During his address of welcome Mrs. Blankenburg announced that she had been informed that \$25,000 of the funds of the order were to be invested in Philadelphia municipal securities.

Praises of Philadelphia and Pennsylvania, and especially of the "order," the first and one of the finest of its kind, which since its organization in 1848 has had nearly 12,000,000 in death and disability claims, featured the opening address.

There are 1500 members of the Ladies of the Maccabees of the World in Philadelphia; there are 175,718 in the United States. A great many of the members are known to be decidedly pro-suffrage.

Supreme officers present: Miss Bina M. West, supreme commander, who presided at the first convention in Pennsylvania and New York; Mrs. Elizabeth E. Brown, past supreme commander; Miss Nellie E. Lounsbury, great commander for Pennsylvania; Mrs. Frances M. Helms, commander, Keystone Hike; Mrs. Georgiana England, commander, Betsy Ross Hike; Mrs. Mary C. Morrison, commander, Penn Treaty Hike; Mrs. Emma Tierney, commander, Olivet Hike; Mrs. Anna Duckworth, commander, Liberty Bell Hike; Mrs. Anna R. Havens, commander, Penn Treaty Hike; Mrs. M. Evans, commander, Penn Treaty Hike; Miss Laura Michener, commander, West Philadelphia Hike; Mrs. Louisa Jones, commander, Opus Hike; and Mrs. Sarah L. Argeman, commander, Manhattan Hike.

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Married at Elkton Six Philadelphia Couples Pilgrims at Gretna Green.

Walter Matz and Aznes M. Voelker, William J. Bradford and Violet Powell, Robert P. Kohlert and Laura A. Brill, Charles H. Beifield and Lillian Wellenbach, Merrett Hall and Mary E. Mullen, Clifford C. Carver and Kate Schwinger, all of Philadelphia; Edgar F. Grant and Sarah V. Caffrey, Washington, D. C.

Girl Locked Out on Roof Wearing by the exertions of job-hunting in New York, and almost overcome by the heat, Miss Sally Meyers went up to the roof of her rooming house for a breath of air.

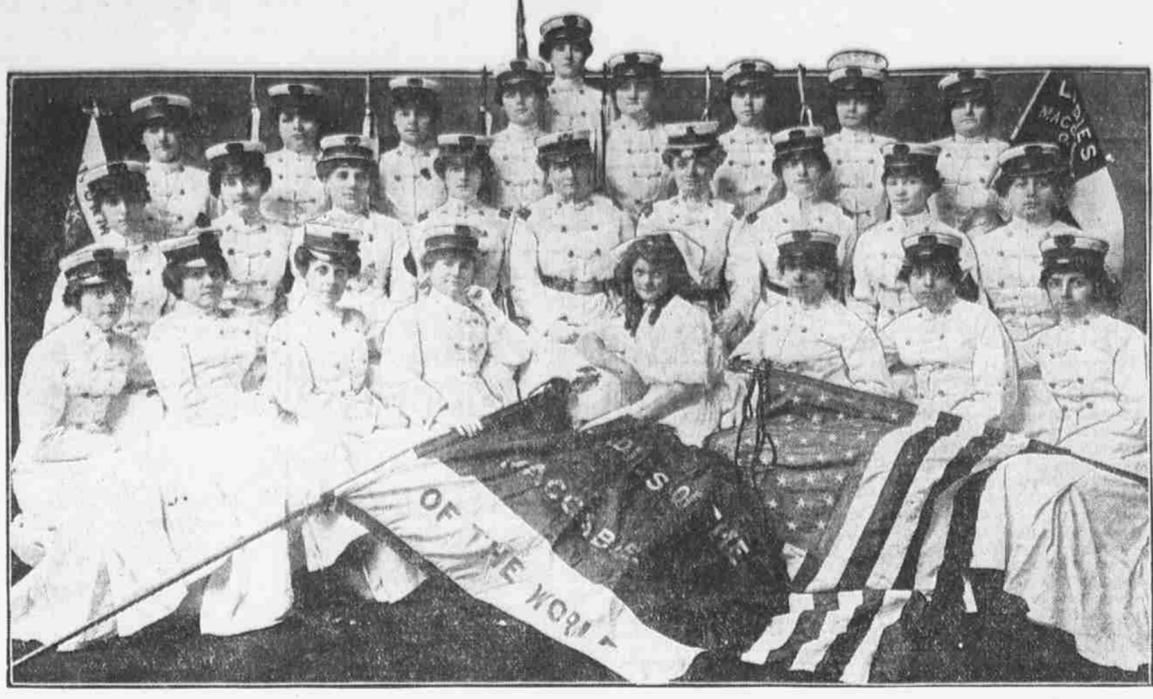
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U. S. Weather Bureau Bulletin Observations taken at 9 a. m. Eastern time.

Table with columns for Station, Date, Time, Wind, Weather, and other meteorological data for various locations.

CHAMPION RANK OF THE LADIES OF THE MACCABEES, IN SESSION HERE



Champion uniform rank No. 1, Ladies of the Maccabees of the World of Pennsylvania, Organized and entered by Miss Minnie E. Burgin, Great Record Keeper of Pennsylvania.

D. A. R. LOCKED IN GRAPPLE OVER PRESIDENCY CHOICE

Contest Between Mrs. W. C. Story and Mrs. G. T. Guernsey Bitter. WASHINGTON, April 21.—With Memorial Continental Hall buzzing like a hornet's nest and the Daughters of the American Revolution locked in a grapple over the choice of their next president general, Mrs. John Miller Horton, of Buffalo, at ease in her room at the New Willard, was believed to hold the balance of power.

That is, so close was the division between the forces of Mrs. William Cunningham Story, who seeks re-election, and Mrs. George Thatcher Guernsey, who wants to succeed her, that the indications were the deciding votes would be cast by the Buffalo chapter, of which Mrs. Horton is recent, and by those it is believed she controls among other New York State delegates.

COLONIAL DAMES OBJECT Betsy Ross Didn't Make First Flag, They Declare.

The Pennsylvania Society of Colonial Dames of America met today in Independence Hall to discuss the framing of a resolution protesting against the honor given to Betsy Ross as the maker of the first American flag. This honor, many of the Dames think, is not justly hers, as another American flag, they contend, made before hers. A similar resolution has been passed by other patriotic societies.

GOOD OLD BARNUM HERE

Small Boy Smiles Admiration and Anticipation Into Kindly Face. P. T. Barnum is in town. True, he was gathered to his fathers half a generation ago, but he is here today looking from the billboards upon the passing crowds with his shrewd, kindly face the eyes of which seem to take on a merry twinkle when the small boy walks by—slowly and often backward.

POLICE COURT CHRONICLES

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ROOSEVELT TESTIFIES IN HIS OWN WAY

Continued from Page One For Barnes, and William H. Van Henshotten, for the Colonel. The biggest crowd of the trial stormed the Court House. Every seat was filled long before court convened. Many women were present.

Barnes' "good morning" to Roosevelt was a quick, dry glance, unseen by Roosevelt, who had his head turned away and did not notice his foe's entrance. Barnes closely observed Roosevelt a few minutes, but the Colonel ignored the Republican leader.

The Colonel then resumed the stand for further direct examination. He was more like his old self than at any time since his return from the River of Doubt and the man-eating fish in South America. His teeth glistened in his old smile. The only preparation he made to undergo the expected quiz was to replace a pair of thick-lensed eye glasses by the gold-rimmed spectacles he wore into court.

Barnes fired the opening gun by asking Colonel Roosevelt when he had any conversation with Mr. Barnes. This, it is noted, was overruled. The witness called on by Mr. Barnes at Oyster Bay, said the Colonel, "In 1888, between the time I was elected governor of New York and the time I assumed the office, Mr. Barnes gave me the impression that he believed in the righteousness of boss rule."

TELLS OF PLATT'S "CONTROL" "I told Mr. Barnes," continued Roosevelt with a broad grin, "that Mr. Platt had told me when I was elected that he controlled the Legislature, and that anything I wanted that the bosses did not want would be defeated. Mr. Platt said the organization had the control."

PEOPLE "NOT PUT" TO RULE. Against the vigorous and repeated protests of Ivis, Roosevelt then told of Barnes' call on him and of his telling Barnes of his talk with Platt. "Mr. Barnes told me," resumed Roosevelt, "that the organization must rule. He said it was necessary to have bosses. The people, he said, were not fit to govern. They were better off with bosses."

ROOSEVELT THEN WAS ALLOWED TO DETAIL several conversations with Barnes. One of them dealt with former Governor Charles E. Hughes. "I told him (Barnes) that Hughes was a boss," said Roosevelt. "My sympathies and friendship at that time were all with Mr. Barnes and against Mr. Hughes."

BARNES' LETTER INTRODUCED. The defense then was allowed to read a letter from Barnes to Roosevelt in 1898, during the Hughes administration, when the Hart-Knew anti-racing bill was pending.

THIS WAS THE LETTER REFERRED TO yesterday, mentioning August Belmont, in which Barnes told Roosevelt that he had changed his mind, and was in favor of the bill to abolish horse racing, despite his friendship for Belmont.

IN THIS LETTER, Barnes reiterated his belief that the organization must rule, and referred to himself as not being a machine-made politician or a patronage broker.

"Now, I won't." But the questioner was Police Commissioner McCree, who dragged Scroggins away. Magistrate McCree discharged the man at the Trenton avenue station, with the advice that he use his argumentative powers hereafter with his worst enemy.

IT LOOKED LIKE A plain case of "D and D" when Charles Ely faced the Managum station desk, Magistrate Grellis said, referring to himself as not being a machine-made politician or a patronage broker.

"It's worse than that, Judge," a woman's shrill voice rang out from the rear of the room, and Mrs. Ely elbowed her way to the dock. "Judge, if he'd beat me up I'd forgive him in a minute."

"Oh, madam, of course, you would," groaned Grellis. "You all do that; it's enough to make the Magistrate go on a strike."

"But when he goes and beats up my boy, Aloysius—he's 19 years old, Judge, and as good a boy as ever—"

PATRIOT WHO TRIED TO END LIFE LOCKED UP

Magistrate Decides to Send Austrian, Frantic in Zeal to Enlist, to House of Correction

When the war got under way in the dog days, last August, and the headlines in the newspapers proclaimed "Russians Pour Over Frontier—50,000 Austrians Killed"—Frank Koszyk made frantic efforts to get back home and die for his country, if he died.

There was no way of getting him and thousands of other loyal Austrians in this country to the front. So Koszyk, when this was made plain to him, decided in despair to die here. He shot himself in the head.

The bullet did not kill. The young man, who is not 25 years old—was sent to the Episcopal Hospital. He recovered and came out of hospital to return to work. But he couldn't work. The pain in his head started in again and he was treated at the Philadelphia and then at the University Hospital and discharged "cured."

"Cured," said the doctors, of the physical wound, but if Frank would only stop thinking about Austria and her wrongs he would get well so much sooner.

This he would not, could not, do. He had come to this country a year ago, got a job in an iron foundry at 3rd and Ludlow streets, and lost it just before the war broke out. He was always sorry he left Austria, and almost drove his uncle, also named Frank Koszyk, crazy reading out the war stories in the papers in angry and bitter sobs.

Then came the news, when he returned to Philadelphia, that another brother, Ludwig, had fallen in battle before Przemysl. But Frank must still live. His uncle could not stand the man's brooding about the house and told him to go somewhere else.

This morning the 14-year-old Frank Koszyk took the man to the 4th and York streets station. He asked the police to "do something" for the patriot.

"Well," said Magistrate Glenn, as he surveyed the trembling and muttering man before him, "I don't like to send you to the House of Correction for what really has been a great virtue in you, but wouldn't you be able to rest up there, away from the temptation to go to the front? Maybe the war will be over in three months. Three months in the House of Correction."

CITY DISCUSSES "JITNEYS"

All Department Heads Like Them, But Want Regulation. "Jitneys," their benefits and their dangers, were discussed at the monthly meeting of the directors of municipal departments and heads of county offices at the office of Mayor Blankenburg today.

Sentiment for the "jitneys" was unanimous. They were declared a boon and a benefit from a traffic standpoint. The only jarring note was sounded over the danger possible from overcrowding the little motor cars competing with the transit lines.

Mayor Blankenburg thought that regulations should prevent patrons of the little buses from standing on the running boards in the flights up and down Broad street. Danger of more than one person's occupying the front seat beside the driver also was discussed.

Director Porter, of the Department of Public Safety, is the municipal official upon whom the weight of responsibility for the regulation of the "jitneys" is resting. The other cabinet officials assured him that he is privileged to solve the problem. It is expected that police rules may appear in a few days prohibiting riding on the running boards and forbidding more than one person to ride beside the driver.

HORLICK'S The Original Malted Milk Unless you say "HORLICK'S" you may get a Substitute.

AUTO WITH LIGHTS OUT CAUSES DRIVER'S ARREST

Mysterious Looking Car Prompts Policeman to Take Man to Station. A submarine automobile gliding through the darkness like a shadow passed suddenly in front of Policeman Smiley this morning at 3rd and Chestnut streets.

Like a flash, the thought of the recent hold-ups by bandits, and ordered the car to stop.

The driver peered over the top of the windshield and demanded to know the cause of the blockade. "You haven't got a single light on your whole boat," said the policeman, "and if it's your machine you ought to know the law."

When the driver lighted the lamps on bow and stern the glow showed two big revolvers protruding from his hip pockets. The policeman took a friendly grip on his own six-shooter and then brought the mysterious chauffeur to the 3rd and Woodland avenue station.

The prisoner gave his name as Charles Massina, and said he lived at 7th and Holstein avenue. He said he carried the revolvers because he was a night watchman.

Michael Jarrity, Massina's employer, said that he took the car out without permission, but outside of that he was all right. Magistrate Harris sentenced the prisoner to 10 days.

Given Offices by the President

WASHINGTON, April 21.—The following recess appointments were announced today: Joseph L. Ashbridge, Roundup, Mont., to be United States Marshal for Montana; John C. Morrow, Scott's Bluff, Neb., to be receiver of public moneys at Alliance, Neb.; and Thomas J. O'Keefe, Alliance, Neb., to be registrar of the land office at Alliance.

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Attention is Called to Our Special Offerings in Afton Rugs If you would sense a touch of Summer visit our opening exhibit

BIDDLE INVITATIONS AS TRAY IN MAIL

Continued from Page One when it was noticed that, in spite of requests for replies, very few had been received in proportion to the number of cards sent out.

Inquiry brought to light the fact that many of those who, because of relationship or long-established friendship with the bride, would have been first on the list of those to whom cards would be sent had not received them. Mr. and Mrs. William Hills Scull, of Overbrook, parents of Miss Margot Scull, one of the bridesmaids, were among those inadvertently "sighted," because of inefficiency and negligence of the postoffice.

GIVE INVITATIONS VERBALLY.

Mr. Biddle remarked to a friend today: "I am afraid to look half the people I know in the face for fear they had been among the great number of those apparently 'sighted.' All the members of the Biddle family have tried to remedy this negligence of the postoffice as far as possible by personal word of mouth, but when a day or so ago it became clear just how widespread was the extent of the loss of the cards, and that it would be impossible to remedy it in that fashion, the formal explanation was sent to all those to whom it was intended cards should go originally, but from whom no reply had been received."

The Biddle family cannot understand how such a large percentage of the invitations mailed could have been lost. In the handling of so vast an amount of mail an allowance can be made for the loss or misdelivery of a few.

POSTMASTER ORDERS INQUIRY.

Postmaster John A. Thornston was asked about it today. He said an investigation under the direction of Superintendent of Mail Ryan was under way and that tracers were at work in an endeavor to locate the lost invitations. The loss of the cards was brought to his attention on Monday, when Mr. Biddle called on him in person and explained the situation. The invitations had all been mailed in pasteboard boxes at the station on 17th street below Market, between 6:30 p. m., April 2, he said Mr. Biddle told him.

"We have been unable to locate any of the lost mail as yet," said Mr. Thornston, "but we are doing all we can to rectify the error, if one occurred. We are already going to get complaints, and this matter will certainly not go unnoticed. Superintendent Ryan will sift the matter to the bottom definitely to determine if carelessness on the part of postoffice employees was responsible."

While the general inefficiency of the postoffice has long been a subject of protest by a disgruntled public, which has suffered from the inadequate meth-ods of mail delivery, the most glaring indication of the wretched system that obtains under the present management.

Not long ago a general reorganization of the postoffice was announced as contemplated by the postoffice department in Washington, and inspectors were sent here to make a thorough investigation of the system here. It was then announced that the postoffice system had been reorganized. An economy program was also put in effect.

On top of this comes the present mix-up over the Biddle wedding invitations, which, in creating an embarrassing situation and general confusion, is unprecedented.

By tests conducted last winter it was definitely proved that it was virtually impossible to have mail delivered the same day it was posted. In one instance it was found that a letter posted in the central part of the city arrived at an address in West Philadelphia approximately 10 miles out of town.

Another great cause of complaint is the cutting off entirely of the 5:30 p. m. delivery in the central residential section. No mail is received there after 3 o'clock in the afternoon. As a general rule, delivery slow and out of proportion with the distance to go has been the base of the majority of previous complaints, but the blunder in the case of the wedding invitations adds another ground to a general objection to the present system.

FRAUD TESTIMONY RULED FROM RECORD IN CLAY GRAFT CASE

Judge Ferguson Grants Clay's Plea to Strike Out Photographs and Reports of Bath House Contract Juggling.

After receiving an adverse ruling from Judge Ferguson on the admission of photographs of certain municipal buildings, Assistant District Attorney Tullano rested the case of the Commonwealth against Henry Clay, former Director of Public Safety; John R. Wiggins and Willard H. Walls, charged with conspiracy to defraud the city by contract juggling.

Congressman George S. Graham, chief counsel for the defense, immediately moved that all testimony relating to the plans, specifications, contracts and proposals for bids for the public bath house at 733 and 735 Lombard street, and all testimony relating to the work done at the City Treasurer's office and on the fourth floor of City Hall be stricken from the records. The Judge sustained the motion.

"The jury must have a confused idea of what this case is about," Congressman Graham said in opening the defense after the Commonwealth had rested, "after listening to the mass of testimony, technical and often confused, which has been presented to them."

"That is what is the point at issue in this case? It is simply and solely this—did you gentlemen meet to keep this single line ever before you? It is to determine whether or not Henry Clay, former Director of Public Safety; John R. Wiggins and Willard H. Walls, charged with conspiracy to cheat and defraud the city of Philadelphia by the unlawful manipulation of contracts for work for the city, lost or more persons, acting in concert or as one mind, to accomplish the fraud. You must find direct or indirect proof of this in the case now before you, and there has not been one scintilla of evidence produced by the Commonwealth here to connect these defendants with any such combination."

While the attorneys for the defense have been able to prevent their side in three days, this will depend upon whether they decide merely to show alleged discrepancies in the testimony of the witnesses for the Commonwealth or to introduce expert testimony as well.

Butler Waives Hearing in Groce Case WEST CHESTER, Pa., April 21.—There will be no hearing today as was expected in the sensational charges brought by Frank Groce, son of Mrs. Frances Groce, against R. M. Butler, the brewer, who has been charged with an offense against his mother. Butler today waived a hearing and gave bail for appearance at criminal court.

Four Horses Burn With Barn NORRISTOWN, Pa., April 21.—The barn of George Goldberg was destroyed by fire. Four horses perished. Loss \$1000, insured.

We have this to say about competition: If you are getting our kind of work and service, you have a mighty good laundry. Neptune Laundry 1501 Columbia Ave. "Why not have the best?"