

TAKING PATRIOTISM AT MT. VERNON HIT

Charging to See Washington's Home Opposed, Though Official Defends It

NECESSARY, HE DECLARES

By GEORGE NOX McCAIN Washington, May 20.—The flag of Mount Vernon are at half-mast today. Chief Justice White, chairman of the Advisory Committee of the Ladies' Association, lies dead in Washington.

It was his assurance to the association that their title to George Washington's mansion and estate was incontestable that gave the women such confidence in their position.

There is, I find, another unique angle to this determined attempt to get hold of Mount Vernon, out of the admission fee and make it free to all the people.

It is the distinctive air of femininity which pervades the association. The fact is overlooked that this is due to the social characteristics of another and past generation.

"Mount Vernon Ladies' Association" is the charter name. It is everywhere emphasized. The publications of the association even emphasize the "ladies" idea.

The new age with its emphasis on the word "woman" instead of "ladies" has perhaps everything to do with this. At any rate it is not essential to the question and does not rise above the dignity of a quibble.

\$200,000 Reserve Fund The ladies have done a memorable thing in preserving Washington's home. They have paid in full the purchase price and have a reserve fund of \$200,000.

Attempts to wrest the ownership and management of Mount Vernon from the hands of the association have been made in the past, but not with the determination of the present effort.

For years there was an attorney regularly retained by certain interests in Washington to bring this question before Congress at each session.

Among the complaints were that the number of paid officials was out of proportion to the work required. A resident superintendent, resident assistant superintendent and a resident engineer at large salaries for a mansion and farm of 250 acres.

If some of the salaried employees were dispensed with the estate could be made free to the people of the nation, and with an appropriation from the Government, these surplus employees could be dispersed with.

Charter Authorizes Charge These arguments, however, do not bear scrutiny. The association is a private corporation. It can employ as many paid officials as it may deem desirable. The effort has been not only to retain the property in first-class condition but in the same condition it was when occupied by General Washington.

Besides, under its charter from the Virginia House of Delegates it is expressly stipulated that an admission fee of twenty-five cents may be charged. Resident Superintendent Harmon H. Dodge has occupied that position for thirty-five years. He is peculiarly fitted for the position.

He is, I think, the best-informed individual in this country on the life and history of Washington and his times. Arthur T. Brice, of Washington, is treasurer of the association.

Mr. Brice pointed out the following from the charter of the association, granted March 19, 1858, by the Virginia House of Delegates, in which State Mount Vernon is located: "Said Mount Vernon Ladies' Association of the Union shall not have the power to alienate the land or any part thereof, or to create a change therein, or to lease the same without the consent of the General Assembly of Virginia first had and obtained."

Crux-Including Sentence The crux of the situation, so far as Government ownership is concerned, is contained in Mr. Brice pointed out in the closing sentence of the charter: "And if from any cause the said association shall cease to exist, the property owned by the said association shall revert to the Commonwealth of Virginia, sacred to the purposes for which it was originally purchased."

Resident Superintendent Dodge commenting briefly on the proposed Government action and the plan of throwing the estate open to the public free of charge, said: "We have had experience in that connection. During the war no soldier in uniform was charged an admission fee. On Saturday afternoons the fire workers employed in Washington in the departments were also admitted free. As a result the estate was on Saturdays turned into a public rendezvous."

vous for the young people. The gram was trampled last night, destroyed, newspapers and lunch boxes were scattered through the woods and the spot hallowed to the memory of the greatest man of all times because nothing more than a great picnic ground. It cost hundreds of dollars to repair the damage.

ART STUDENTS GRADUATE

Diplomas, Certificates and Prizes Awarded by Industrial School Commencement exercises of the Pennsylvania Museum and School of Industrial Art were held last night in Witherspoon Hall. The speaker of the evening was Dr. Warren P. Laird, dean of the School of Fine Arts of the University of Pennsylvania.

PLENTY OF COWGIRLS HERE

Dozen Philadelphia Girls Answer "Ad" of Texas Cowboys for Wives Fully a dozen Philadelphia girls answered the appeal of a man cowboy of Brownwood, Texas, who are looking for wives.

The cowboys wrote Chief of Police Gravenor, of Camden, asking him to put them in touch with a number of "nice, sensible girls who would like to live on a ranch." Chief Gravenor made the request of the cowpunchers public yesterday.

Today his mail was larger than it has been for years. Girls from Philadelphia, Trenton, Chester and Norristown, as well as many of Camden answered and gave full details concerning themselves. Several of them said they yearned to live on a ranch and do their shopping on horseback.

Deaths of a Day Mrs. Mary A. Carr Mrs. Mary A. Carr, wife of Charles N. Carr, died yesterday morning at 1710 North Fifteenth street. She is survived by her husband, a son, Walter A. Carr, and a daughter, Mrs. J. Lewis Troemer.

Robert McCarthy Robert McCarthy, an operator for three-and-a-half years in the employ of Western Union Telegraph Co., died Wednesday at his home, 2605 South Eighteenth street.

A. G. Bradford's Funeral Albert G. Bradford, a member of the advertising firm of N. W. Ayer & Son, was buried yesterday from St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Fifty-fifth street and Baltimore avenue.

Jacob H. Bush's Funeral Jacob H. Bush, widely known undertaker, who died Tuesday at his home, 3356 North Front street, after a long illness, will be buried from his home this afternoon. Interment will be made in Greenmount cemetery.

Miss Emily R. Lyman Funeral services for Miss Emily Redwood Lyman, Chester, member of the Pennsylvania Society of the Colonial Dames, who died Wednesday in her apartments in the Wayneswood, Wayne, will be conducted this morning in St. Mary's Church, Wayne.

Mrs. Charles J. Webb The funeral of Mrs. Katie E. Webb, wife of Charles J. Webb, president of Charles J. Webb & Co., wool merchant, who died yesterday in her home, Ashbourne road, Elkins Park, will be held Monday afternoon. Interment will be private.

Manufacturers' Clearance SALE—20% OFF on our Framed Mirrors Splendid line of Picture Frames Fine Mouldings Big Variety, All Woods Latest Finishes Frames to Order

Matthew Schramm & Son 39 North 9th St. Second Floor WHOLESALES RETAILERS

BEAUX ARTS CAFE Broad and Girard Ave. Friday, May 20 JOHN DAVIS COMPANY Hats for Ladies 1120 Chestnut St. Will Give Away FREE FOUR HATS to holders of the LUCKY NUMBERS Hats Made by Tenne Hat Co. New York and Paris

AT THREE ARTS CLUB



This autographed miniature of the late James Cardinal Gibbons, on ivory, is a part of the joint exhibitions now in progress at the clubhouse, 1219 Locust street

BUDDING MOVIE GIRL STAR ON WAY TO COAST IN AUTO

Pretty Olga C. Grover, 18, of Boston, Will Seek Fame in Los Angeles—Delivers Letter to Mayor

Just from Boston High School and a tyro in the moving-picture company in Boston, Miss Olga C. Grover, eighteen years old, is driving overland in her sedan to Los Angeles and movie fame, provided, as she says, "I work hard and make good."

Wears Khaki Uniform She arrived in Philadelphia this morning from Trenton, attired in a comfortable but, nevertheless, fetching khaki uniform, aviator's coat and blue-braided hat, sensible shoes and leather puttees, designed by her mother, Mrs. Florence Grover.

CARDINAL BACKS CAMPS Indorsement for Citizens' Training Sounded by Prelate Indorsement of citizens' training camps to be established throughout the country this summer by the Government was made today by Cardinal Dougherty in a letter to the Citizens' Committee in charge of the campment at Camp Mead.

Are You Getting Fewer Auto Sales or Only Your Share? Is all to be attributed to existing conditions? Are you sure that it is not the way your sales are handled? I am a Sales Executive who can get the maximum results out of the automobile market. I know automobiles and know women. Let me talk your sales proposition over with you.

WANTED Job Composer Cylinder Pressman Job Pressman Only first-class men 48-hour week

COLLINS INSTITUTE OF PHYSICAL CULTURE COLLINS BLDG. WALNUT ST. AT 13TH

There's no such thing as being well enough. You're either at the top of your powers or below par. And there's no way of telling how wonderfully well you can be until you try the different Collins' System.

Collins Institute of Physical Culture Collins Bldg. Walnut St. at 13th

Four of our newest styles in Cordovan, Norwegian Grain, Scotch Grain, Tan Calf, Variety New Light Tans, Big Selection Plain Oxfords. Nine Dollars Biggest Variety and Best Values Obtainable in Philadelphia—Then, Too, Style in Every Stitch—A Glance in Our Window Will Convince Prices \$8, \$9 & \$11 Zimmerman's MEN'S SHOES 1312 Chestnut St. Market St. SHOPS OPEN SATURDAY EVENINGS

RAILROADS AT WORK ON NEW SCHEDULES

Timetables of Local Trains Being Revised for Daylight Saving

CHANGES OUT NEXT WEEK

Assurance that the schedules of all the regular commuters' trains will be adjusted to conform with daylight saving, which begins here June 5, was given today by Edwin L. Lewis, general passenger agent of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway.

When the Reading's schedules have been worked out tentatively they must be turned over to the road's operating department. The movements of trains under the new time will be tested on huge boards to guard against the possibility of collisions.

The same principle will guide the railroad heads in adjusting their system to daylight saving so that regular passengers will be saved vexatious waits in starting for offices or homes.

Pony Bites a Boy Irvin Miller, seven years old, of 5629 Master street, was bitten last night by a pony, with which he was playing in front of his home.

Seeks One Record "The only kind of a record we're trying to hang up is to see more of the United States in one tour than anybody ever saw before," the pretty little movie aspirant said.

Wanted Copy Work Special Rates STENOGRAPHER—NOTARY Expert, Reasonable, Confidential. Experienced in all lines. Moderate. Auto License HOTEL VENDIG Quick Licenses DAY Saturdays Afternoons NIGHT (Sundays)

WHO are the ten best sellers? Nine are backed up by advertising. HERBERT M. MORRIS Advertising Agency Every Phase of Sales Promotion North American Bldg. Philadelphia

MARBLE FOUNTAINS at Greatly Reduced Prices

Large carved bird bath with finely modeled leaf pedestal and basin, complete with marble boy and swan fountain. 3 ft., 4 inches high by 3 ft., 2 inches wide. Reduced from \$600.00 to \$400.00.

Carved marble fountain with finely carved base pedestal and basin. 48 inches high by 30 inches wide. Reduced from \$250.00 to \$175.00.

Carved marble fountain and bird bath, with finely carved pedestal and base. 48 inches high by 27 inches wide. Reduced from \$180.00 to \$100.00.

AND MANY OTHERS THE ROSENBAUGH GALLERIES 1320 WALNUT STREET Philadelphia

\$45 Suits That have Everything in Style, Quality and Appearance We have concentrated our energies this season on producing Suits at \$45 that out-rival the offerings of any other house at this popular price. That we have succeeded in so doing is an accomplished fact—proven by the vast quantities that are being sold daily. There are splendid grades of unfinished worsteds, chevots and tweeds in all the desirable colorings and patterns, made in our unequalled standard of tailoring and workmanship. Models and sizes to properly and appropriately dress every one. JACOB REED'S SONS 1424-1426 Chestnut Street

LIPPINCOTT TAKES OFFICE Becomes Mayor Without Friction Although Low Man in Vote J. H. Lippincott took the office of Mayor of Haddonfield, N. J., last night without the slightest friction. There were all sorts of rumors, reports and murmurings to the effect that his right to the office would be questioned. There were even hints of legal proceedings and some talk of appeals to the Supreme Court. But it all faded when Mr. Lippincott walked calmly to the seat occupied by former Mayors of Haddonfield and sat down. He took this action at a meeting of the County Commissioners. According to Haddonfield precedent the three commissioners must also all other offices. Mayor, Director of Finance and Director of Public Works. The commissioners chosen at an election held on Tuesday were Mr. Lippincott, Morris B. Clark and Fred Holloway. Clark and Holloway received more votes than Mr. Lippincott and each thought he himself had the right to be Mayor.

TEXTILE MEN ON OUTING

Alumni Members From All Parts of United States Here for Meeting Textile men from all parts of the country who arrived in this city yesterday to attend the twentieth annual meeting of the Alumni Association of the Philadelphia Textile School are today enjoying an outing at the Philmont Country Club.

Automobiles conveyed the visitors from the school to the country club at 9 o'clock this morning. The traditional ball game between married and single alumni was a feature of the day's fun.

This evening, at the banquet in the Manufacturers' Club, the visiting alumni will hear addresses by John S. Lawrence, of New York, and Elias L. Howland, managing editor of the New York Journal of Commerce.

\$1500 A YEAR FOR PASTORS Reformed Class Adopts That Minimum in Philadelphia District Hereafter the minimum salary paid a pastor of the Reformed Church in Philadelphia and sections of Montgomery, Chester and Berks Counties will be \$1500, with a parsonage furnished.

Two Shipworkers Scalded Thomas Cole, twenty-six years old, of 2138 Kater street, was seriously scalded and John Green, thirty-seven years old, of 1703 Lombard street, escaped with lesser injuries, when the valve of a steamship they were repairing burst on a steamship at Pier 46, South Wharves, at 9 o'clock this morning.

BAILEY BANKS & BIDDLE CO. JEWELERS SILVERSMITHS STATIONERS STERLING SILVER WEDDING GIFTS Centerpieces - Flower Vases Dinner and Tea Services in many patterns

Blue Serge Suits of soft-handling blue serge, \$29, \$35, \$42. We know of no such fine quality serge in suits at these prices!

Single-breasted and double-breasted Suits in fine cassimeres and worsteds—light grays, herring-bones, homespuns, club checks—pencil stripes in red, gray, blue, green, gold, orange, purple—Combination Sports Suits with knickers or long trousers, either or both.

All at prices consistently low—quality, the best the money can buy! \$30, \$35, \$40, \$45, \$50

PERRY & CO. Sixteenth and Chestnut Sts.

SPECIAL Men's Black and Tan Oxfords \$6.75; were \$10

Right out of regular stock. This season's styles. All sizes. We considered them honest value at the original price.

NIEDERMAN 930 Chestnut St. 39 S. 8th St. 203 N. 8th St.

AUTO MECHANICS! Quick and efficient service in your garage or service station will please your patrons. Advertise for mechanics in THE LEDGER MORNING and EVENING Walnut 3000—Main 1601