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## WOODWARD & LOTHROP.

### FOXHOUNDS WIN RIBBONS

Dog Show Crowd Help Them Enjoy Award Ceremony.

Pupils of High Schools and Seminars Will Attend Kennel Club Exhibition To-day.

Dog fanciers of Washington turned out in full force last night at the annual exhibition of the Washington Kennel Club in the Arcade. It was the largest crowd of the week.

At 8:30 four packs of American foxhounds gathered around Judge Cummings, and he decorated each dog with a colored ribbon, according to respective merits. This was the most interesting feature of the day, and a throng watched the awarding of honors.

There was some talk of putting on a special force to-morrow skilled in dogology to answer questions. Dr. French, president of the club, said that it was useless to refer visitors to the printed catalogues, as they seemed to find it difficult to understand as Euclid is to a freshman.

A grand challenge tankard offered by Mrs. A. P. Gardner was awarded to Sorto, of Red Brook Kennel. The Galt & Brothers' cup was won by Afron Gem, exhibited by Mrs. W. C. Wiederseim.

To-day the judges will complete the awards. This is expected to be the biggest day, and it is expected pupils of the seminars, high schools, and such institutions will attend.

### ALL WELL AGAIN IN CHINA.

Pekin Charge d'Affaires Reports on Changsha Uprising.

The State Department received a dispatch yesterday from Henry P. Fletcher, charge d'affaires at Peking, confirming the reports of attacks upon foreign missions at Changsha, in the province of Hunan. Two English and one Norwegian missions, the dispatch said, had been burned.

Several British gunboats are reported to be on their way to afford protection to the missionaries. All foreigners are safe, Mr. Fletcher reported, and the Chinese foreign office gave assurance that no anxiety need be felt by foreign governments regarding their protection and safety.

### CHERRY TREE DANCE SUCCESS

George Washington Students and Fair Guests Attend Ball.

Waltzes Written Especially for Occasion by Robert Irby One of Evening's Features.

Three hundred students and their fair guests attended the George Washington University "cherry tree" dance at Rauscher's last night.

A feature of the ball was the "Cherry Tree Waltz," written especially for the occasion by Robert Irby, a student of the university.

Among those present were the following: The president of the university and Mrs. Needham, the secretary and Mrs. Davis, Dean and Mrs. Allen Wilbur, Dean and Mrs. Howard L. Hodgkins, Dean and Mrs. Williston S. Hough, Dean and Mrs. William R. Vance, Dean and Mrs. William C. Borden, Dean and Mrs. J. R. Walton, Dean and Mrs. David E. Buckingham, Miss Harriet Stratton Ellis and Mrs. Ellis, Dean Howard L. McBain, and Dean Henry E. Kalusowski.

The committee in charge was composed of Justin F. Selzer and John Condit Carpenter. Others who also helped to make the event a success were the following: Charity tree board—Miss Smallwood, Rose, and Helen Messer; Barry, Bolton, Newhouse, Conroy, Hutman, Schreiber, and Burrell.

### Will Study Eastern Schools.

W. B. Patterson, one of the District school teachers, will shortly visit a number of Eastern cities to study incorrigible and typical school children. Harry O. Hine, secretary of the board of education, yesterday requested the Commissioners to set aside a sum to defray his expenses.

### Unique Diversion for Children.

A unique diversion was given boys and girls at W. C. T. U. Building last night under the auspices of the society. A "stage coach social" was held, consisting of games, prizes, and refreshments, and an imaginary ride on a "make-believe" trolley, which afforded fun for the young people.

## IN THE SOCIAL WORLD

### Congressional Club Guests at White House Musicals.

### BELMONTS ARE DINNER HOSTS

New Apartment on Second Floor Has Ceiling from Old Florentine Castle—Postmaster General Hitchcock Guest of Honor at Secretary of Treasury's Function.

Mrs. Taft entertained members of the Congressional Club and their husbands at a brilliant musicale last evening at the White House.

A dinner party preceded the music, which began at 10 o'clock. Fannie Bloomfield Ziesler, pianist, and Fritz Kreisler, violinist, gave the programme, one of the best the country could produce.

It was as follows:

- Spanish Serenade.....Chaminade
- Caprice Viennois.....Kreisler
- Turkish March from "The Ruins of Athens".....Beethoven
- Transcribed for piano by Rabindranath Tagore.....Beethoven
- Chorus of Dancing Dervishes from "The Ruins of Athens".....Beethoven
- Waltz, op. 64, No. 1.....Chopin
- Etude, op. 25, No. 3.....Chopin
- Polska, op. 40, No. 1.....Chopin
- Mrs. Fannie Bloomfield Ziesler.
- Sarabande.....Sulzer
- Hungarian.....Hubay
- Song de la Cigale.....Debussy
- Mr. Fritz Kreisler.
- Scenes Without Words, op. 52, No. 4, Mendelssohn
- The Juglers, No. 4, from Six Fantaisies, op. 32
- Modest Mussorgsky
- Liedt.....Liszt
- March, No. 4, from Scenes in the Old Style
- Six dances in the old style.
- March Militaire, No. 1, from three piano duets, op. 31
- Mrs. Fannie Bloomfield Ziesler.
- Mrs. Hilkar Lee, of the piano.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Belmont were hosts at a large dinner last evening in honor of the German Ambassador and Countess von Bernstorff. There were forty guests, and the dinner was served in the new dining-room on the second floor. This was the first time this apartment has been used. It is a superb room, with the ceiling from an old Florentine palace and the decorations from other historic places in Europe. It opens from the picture gallery, where a musical programme was given after the dinner.

The Secretary of the Treasury gave a dinner last evening in honor of Postmaster General Hitchcock, and had to meet him Senator and Mrs. Elkins, Senator and Mrs. Dewey, Senator Keen and Miss Keen, Senator and Mrs. Crane, Senator and Mrs. Guggenheim, Hon. and Mrs. Wayne MacVeagh and Miss MacVeagh, Mr. A. Platt Andrew, Director of the Mint; Hon. Ben S. Cable, Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Labor; Gen. Clarence Edwards, Lieut. Col. and Mrs. Charles L. McCawley, Mr. and Mrs. Lora Anderson, Mrs. Wirt Dexter, of Boston, and her daughter, Mrs. Stanley McCormick, Mrs. Norman Williams, Mrs. Richard Harding Davis, and Mr. Weidon. Secretary and Mrs. MacVeagh entertained a dinner company on Tuesday evening in honor of the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Their other guests were Mr. Justice and Mrs. White, Mr. Justice and Mrs. Holmes, the Secretary of War and Mrs. Fickens, Sec. of State, Solicitor General and Mrs. Lloyd W. Bowers, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nelson Page, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas T. Gaff, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. James Harlan, Mrs. Merritt, Mrs. Thomas F. Bayard, widow of the former Secretary of State, and Miss Sciremore.

Mrs. MacVeagh, on both occasions, used the superb and unique collection of seven crystal balls mounted on a bronze standard of dashing wares, which is one of the finest pieces in any private collection. This was surrounded with gay colored spring blossoms, which were reflected into the balls, and made a brilliant effect. It is said Mrs. MacVeagh gives the most elaborate dinners of any hostess known in Washington for many years, and no matter how few the guests, the table appointments and menus are none the less beautiful.

Secretary and Mrs. MacVeagh took a distinguished company to Mount Vernon on Thursday on the revenue cutter Apache. They had luncheon on board, and the weather was perfect and the trip voted a beautiful one. Among the guests were Postmaster General Hitchcock, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne MacVeagh and Miss MacVeagh, the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. Hillies, the Assistant Secretary of State and Mrs. Huntington Wilson, Mrs. Herbert Parsons, Prince Koudacheff, of the Russian Embassy; Mrs. Wirt Dexter and her daughter, Mrs. Stanley McCormick; Mrs. John M. Clark and her daughter, Mrs. Davis; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nelson Page; Mr. Charles Henry Butler, Miss Kuegels, Miss Martha Phillips, Miss Georgianna Hopkins, Mrs. Miller, guest of Mrs. Clark; Miss Perkins, guest of Mrs. Page; Capt. Ross and Mr. Emery. The Secretary's flag floated from the little vessel, which attracted much attention on the river.

Mrs. Janin entertained a company at luncheon yesterday in honor of Mr. James Robert McKee, house guest of Mrs. Arthur Lee, who will return to her home in New York to-day. Mrs. McKee's daughter, Miss McKee, who has been entertained elaborately during her stay here with her mother, will return home with her.

The Bolivian Minister and his daughter, Miss Calderon, went to New York yesterday for a short visit. From there Miss Calderon will go to Waterbury, Conn., to be the guest of Mrs. Frederick Pinyly Lilley, who was formerly Miss Perle Anderson, daughter of Judge Thomas H. Anderson, of this city.

Miss Katherine Leech, daughter of Mr. John F. Leech, whose engagement to Lieut. Thurston Hughes was announced last week, entertained at a luncheon yesterday in honor of Miss Katherine Clabaugh, who will be married to-day to Mr. George Beele Bloomer. Her guests included the maid of honor, Miss Pansy Bloomer, sister of the bridegroom-elect; Miss Henderson and Miss Hopkins, of New York, house guests of the bride-elect, who will act as bridesmaids; Vera Downing, whose engagement to Mr. W. W. Finley, Jr., was announced last week; Miss Helen Downing, Miss Cole, Miss Caryl Crawford, Miss Carolyn and Miss Sadie Murray, Miss Fitch, Miss Ridgely, Miss Garlington, Miss Schroeder, Mrs. Uphur Moorhead, and Mrs. Sackett.

Miss Thunelda Breuninger and Mr. Frank M. Dushane will be married this evening at 7:30 o'clock at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Josephine Breuninger, in Massachusetts avenue. Only a few relatives and intimate friends will attend the ceremony, which will be performed by Rev. Wallace Radcliffe, pastor of New York Avenue Presbyterian Church. Miss Breuninger's sister, Miss Madalen Breuninger, will be the maid of honor, and Benson Dushane will be his brother's best man. Immediately after the ceremony and reception the bride and bridegroom will leave for a short honeymoon, and will be at home after May 15, at 1521 Eutaw place, Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Henry Butler entertained at dinner last night in honor of the Vice President and Mrs. Sherman.

Baron Ambrozy, charge d'affaires of Austria-Hungary, returned to Washington yesterday from New York, accompanied by the new charge d'affaires, Chevalier von Loewenthal-Linai, and his bride, Chevalier Linai will be the counselor of the ambassador, in charge d'affaires until the return in midsummer of the Ambassador. Baron Ambrozy will sail on April 24 for Rome, his new post.

Mrs. John Davis, of New York, will arrive in Washington to-day to be the guest of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Arthur Lee, for a time.

Miss Robyn Young entertained a bridge party yesterday in compliment to her house guest, Miss Isabel Chapman, of Baltimore, at her home in P street. A number of other guests joined the company for 5 o'clock tea.

Mrs. Anderson, wife of Mr. Justice Thomas H. Anderson, has returned from Waterbury, Conn., where she has been visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lilley, who returned with her as far as East Orange, N. J. The party attended the Knollhol-Cassidy wedding at East Orange on Tuesday.

Mrs. Brown, wife of former Justice Brown, has cards out for a luncheon on Wednesday, April 27.

Mrs. Ticknor and Miss Florence Clafin, of Boston, are visiting for the month of April in this city.

Mrs. Shepherd, sister of Senator Dooliver, is visiting with Mrs. Dooliver.

Mrs. Arthur Ramsay entertained at tea yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock for the members of the Twentieth Century Club, at Calumet place. The guests were asked to meet Rev. Anna Howard Shaw. The sun parlors, where the guests were received, were beautifully decorated with palms, dogwood blossoms, and clusters of white lilacs. Miss Flora Wilson, daughter of the Secretary of Agriculture; Mrs. Dooliver, Mrs. Victor Murdock, and Mrs. G. B. Pierce, president of the Twentieth Century Club, assisted Mrs. Ramsay in receiving her guests. Tea was served in the garden, and the table was presided over by Mrs. Ticknor, of Boston, and her niece, Miss Florence Clafin.

Mrs. Ellis Logan, chairman of the art committee of the State Federation of Clubs, will present a \$5 gold piece to the boy or girl under sixteen years of age making the best free-hand drawing of Continental Memorial Hall. Drawings must bear the name and age of the competitor and be sent to 133 Irving street northwest before May 1. The award will be made at the annual meeting of the federation on May 4, where all of the drawings will be on exhibition.

Miss Peet, of Kendall Green, will not be at home to-day, but will receive on the first and third Saturdays in May.

Mrs. William Horton Garlick entertained at a bridge luncheon in her apartment in the Ontario on Thursday. Covers were laid for twelve.

Mrs. Richard Townsend and her daughter, Miss Mathilde Townsend, who have been visiting in New York, returned to their home in Massachusetts avenue, yesterday.

The young people of army circles went to the barracks last evening for the hop given by the officers. The committee in charge was composed of Maj. Connor, Lieut. Alexander, Lieut. Sultan, and Lieut. Atkinson. The Secretary of War and Mrs. Dickinson and Col. Langitt, commanding officer of the barracks, and Mrs. Langitt received the guests.

The marriage of Miss Juliana Randall Elliott, daughter of Mrs. Thomas Monroe Elliott, of Chevy Chase, to Dr. T. F. Murphy will take place on the evening of April 26 in the suburban home of the bride's mother. Only relatives and the closest personal friends will be present, owing to the illness of the bride's mother. Miss Virginia Elliott will be her sister's maid of honor and Dr. Arthur L. Hent will be the best man.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Weaver, of Williamsport, Pa., entertained a company at dinner last evening for their daughter, Miss Phoebe Weaver, who is in the senior class at Mount Vernon Seminary. Mrs. Somers and Mrs. Hensley entertained the parents of the seniors who are in town at dinner last evening at the school.

Mr. Henry M. Craven has returned from his extensive trip in the South and will be glad to see his friends at 1343 Emerson street northeast after April 17.

Much interest is being shown in the musicale and tea for the benefit of the Prisoners' Aid Society this afternoon at the bishop's house, 147 Massachusetts street. A splendid array of talent will furnish the programme, including Mrs. Ethel Holtzclaw-Gawler, Mrs. Anton Kaspar, Mr. Mills, Mr. Edgar Priest, Mr. Ernest Lent, Mr. Richard Backing, Mr. S. L. Wrightson, Mr. Donald Freese, Mr. Laesale Spier, and Master Theodore Ward. Among those pouring tea will be Mrs. Lyman Tiffany, Mrs. Janin, Miss Kibbey, Miss Nannie Randolph Heth, Miss Acker, and some of the young girl students at the National Cathedral school.

Mrs. LeDroit Langdon Barber, accompanied by her little daughter, went yesterday to West End, N. J., to make a short visit with friends.

The benefit performance to be given to-night for the Juvenile Club in the new home of Mrs. F. B. Moran, 2313 R street, promises to be a delightful success, both artistically and financially. The programme will be one of the best offered this season at charity affairs. The artists include Miss Crennan, Mrs. DeVonne Hempstead, Mrs. Horace Dulin, Miss Evelyn Wilson, the Madrigal Quartet, and Miss Jean Wilson in some of her monologues and stories.

The patronesses are Mrs. Sherman, Mrs. Hay, Mrs. Knox, Mrs. Bernstorff, Mrs. Dickinson, Mrs. Ballinger, Mrs. LeDroit Langdon Barber, and Mrs. LeDroit Langdon Barber.

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Mrs. Hay, widow of Col. E. B. Hay, of this city, is visiting Mrs. and Miss Archibald at the Wyoming. Mrs. Hay has recently come from Chicago, where her daughter, Mrs. George Nash, formerly Miss Jewell Hay, is spending the winter with Mr. Nash. Mrs. Hay's two sons, Mr. E. B. Hay, Jr., with his wife, and Mr. Paul Hay, both live in New York, where Mrs. Hay spends most of her time.

Mrs. Charles B. Bailey, of 1424 Belmont street, was hostess Tuesday evening for the April meeting of the Dolly Madison Chapter, D. A. R. A brief business session, with the regent, Mrs. Mann, presiding, was followed by an enjoyable programme. Miss Farrington gave a piano solo. The paper of the evening was by Mrs. Spanghoff, historian of the chapter, who gave an interesting sketch of "Social life of the colonial period." Mrs. Shir-Chiff won much applause for her singing, and Mr. Gleicher delighted with the recitation of the Declaration of Independence. The programme concluded with the usual singing of "America" by the entire chapter. Miss Bailey presided over the coffee urn, and Mrs. Diller served the loes.

### MARINE BAND CONCERT.

Potomac Drive, Saturday, April 16, 1910, at 5 p. m. Concert by the United States Marine Band, William H. Santelmann, Leader. Programme: "March—National Emblem".....Ragye  
Overture—"Rienzi".....Wagner  
Suite—"Scenes Pittoresques".....Massenet  
(a) Angles  
(b) Fete Boheme  
Sextet from "Lucia di Lammermoor"  
Duet  
Meditation, A. Witteab, H. Joergensen, H. Stone, L. Sanford, G. Melville, and G. Fry.  
Excerpts from "La Boheme".....Puccini  
Waltz—"The Bachelors".....Santelmann  
Spring Jubilee in the Alps.....Gungl  
Music de ballet—"Herodias".....Massenet  
March—"Stanch and True".....Tolke

### NEXT WEEK'S PLAYBILLS.

The Columbia—Mask and Wig Club. The Mask and Wig Club, the University of Pennsylvania's famous dramatic organization, will complete its twenty-second season with a performance of "The Desert of Mahomet" at the Columbia Theater next Monday night, after the most successful run in Philadelphia and on the road in the history of the club. The chorus work and glee singing are particularly strong features of this year's show, and the specialties are one a much more elaborate scale than in previous years. The members of the company, 102 graduates, with the graduate managers, scenery, and costumes, will arrive in Washington on a special at 11:00 Monday, and return to Philadelphia Tuesday afternoon.

### New National Theatre—Aborn Opera

With the favorite, "Mlle. Modiste," as the opening opera of the limited Aborn season at the New National, the sale of seats for the four-week season began yesterday and will continue until April 26. These tickets, entitling the holder to the same seat at one of each of the four operas, are \$1, \$2, and \$3. Sale of single seats for any one of the thirty-two performances will open April 28. The operas chosen to follow "Mlle. Modiste" are Sousa's delightful "El Capitano," "The Merry Monarch," and "King Dodo," which closes the engagement.

### Wants Federal Building.

South Boston, Va., April 15—Representative Carter Glass has asked Congress for an appropriation of \$50,000 for a post-office building at this place.

## PLANS BIGGER FLEET

### Atlantic War Ships May Be Increased in 1911.

### MEYER FIXES PROGRAMME

Reorganization Once a Year Until End of Present Administration the Scheme, with the Addition of Four Armored Cruisers and the Rearrangement in General.

Secretary of the Navy Meyer has completed a tentative organization of the Atlantic battle ship fleet for the next three years, or until the end of the present administration.

The programme contemplates three reorganizations—the first next month, the second on July 1, 1911, and the last on April 1, 1912. By the first rearrangement the number of battle ships will not be increased from sixteen, which is the present strength of the Atlantic fleet. Changes will be made, however, in the way vessels composing the divisions of the fleet.

The "home port" system will be modified so that all battle ships of a division will make their headquarters in the same "home port." Under the second reorganization the fleet will be composed of twenty-one battle ships, and a punting division, consisting of four armored cruisers. Five battle ships will comprise each division, instead of four, as at present.

### Twenty-one Ships in 1912.

On April 1, 1912, the strength of the fleet will remain at twenty-one battle ships and four armored cruisers. The Wyoming, which is now under construction at Philadelphia, will become the flagship of the fleet, instead of the Connecticut, which has led the fleet for several years. Mr. Meyer also intends to have a reserve fleet of ten battle ships by April, 1912, which will make his headquarters at Philadelphia. This will give, if the plans are carried out, a fleet of thirty-one battle ships on the Atlantic Ocean. The consummation of Mr. Meyer's plan, however, is dependent upon legislation by Congress providing additional officers and men.

The creation of an armored cruiser squadron for the Atlantic fleet will necessitate the return of the Tennessee and Washington, which went to the Pacific in 1907. They will be brought back to the Atlantic next fall to join the North Carolina and Montana, which will remain on the Atlantic, after visiting the Buenos Ayres Exposition this summer. These four vessels will constitute the armored cruiser squadron.

### Plans for Next Month.

Under the reorganization to be ordered next month, the fleet will be constituted as follows:

- First division—Connecticut, Delaware, North Dakota, and Michigan.
- Second division—Louisiana, South Carolina, Kansas, and New Hampshire.
- Third division—Georgia, Nebraska, New Jersey, Virginia, and Ohio.
- Fourth division—Minnesota, Mississippi, Idaho, Maine, and Missouri.
- Fifth division, or armored cruiser division—Tennessee, Washington, North Carolina, and Montana.

### Plans for Overhauling.

Under this reorganization, four battle ships will be kept in reserve, while five others will be out of commission for general overhauling. On April 1, 1912, the Wyoming, 25,000 ton dreadnought, will succeed the Connecticut as the flagship. The other battle ships will then be as follows: First division—Arkansas, Florida, Utah, Delaware, and North Dakota. Second division—Louisiana, Michigan, South Carolina, Vermont, and New Hampshire. Third division—Connecticut, Kansas, Minnesota, Idaho, and Mississippi. Fourth division—Georgia, Nebraska, New Jersey, Rhode Island, and Virginia. The reserve battle fleet will consist of the following vessels: Missouri, Ohio, Maine, Wisconsin, Illinois, Alabama, Kearsarge, Kentucky, Iowa, Massachusetts, and Indiana.

The commander-in-chief's flagship, it is intended, will make its headquarters at New York, on account of its central location and advantages as a supply base. The heaviest ships will be docked either at New York or Norfolk, where the largest docks will be located. It is intended to have the whole fleet docked every two years for overhauling. Each division will have five ships, four of which will be ready at all times for active service, while the fifth will be at the division home port for overhauling and repairs. By this system the fleet can always be kept up to its full strength.

### ANNAPOLIS BELLE TO WED.

Miss Mary Arden Randall to Be Bride of John M. Cates.

Special to The Washington Herald. Annapolis, Md., April 15—John M. Cates, former Yale football star, graduate of the class of 1905, is to marry an Annapolis society belle. The engagement of Miss Mary Arden Randall, second daughter of John Wirt Randall, former president of the Maryland senate, of Annapolis, to Mr. Cates was announced to-day. The date of the wedding was not given.

Mr. Cates is well known in Annapolis, having been field coach of the Navy football team for three seasons. He studied law for some time, and is now assistant general solicitor for the Colorado and Southern Railroad at Denver.

### Two Stereopticon Lectures.

"Through the United States, Cuba, and Porto Rico" is the subject about which W. H. H. Smith, of the Navy Department, will speak to-morrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the Y. M. C. A. Building. The lecture will be illustrated by stereopticon views.

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