

ROOT AND CUMMINS BOTH PAST SIXTY

Two Statesmen to Observe Their Natal Days.

FAMOUS ADDRESS RECALLED

Words of Former Secretary of State Spoken on Visit to Central and South America Still Imprinted in Minds of School Children—Maine Blown Up Thirteen Years Ago.

Senator Root is sixty-six years old today, and Senator Cummins celebrates his sixty-first birthday anniversary.

It seems appropriate at this time, when the Pan-American Conference is sitting in this city, to repeat the words which Senator Root, then Secretary of State, made on his visit to the Central and South American republics a few years ago, and which to-day are repeated by school children in those countries. They made a lasting impression. In almost his first sentence this cold, unemotional, incisive man from the North found the key to Latin-American hearts.

"I bring from my country," he said, "a special greeting to the elder sisters in the civilization of America."

Impressed Latin America. The enthusiasm that broke loose was all the more demonstrative because of its suspension during the period of suspicion. He could have made no stronger appeal to Latin-American pride. There isn't a schoolboy in Latin America who cannot repeat that sentence, and much more of Mr. Root's speech. "We wish for no victories but those of peace," continued Mr. Root, "for no territory except our own, for no sovereignty except the sovereignty over ourselves."

Senator Root's chief peculiarity is his ability as a listener. He listens without prejudice, which is one of the rarest of all gifts. Not only has Mr. Root genius for listening, but he rivals Wu Tung-fang in his ability to interview an interviewer. This little incident is still talked about in newspaperdom: A well-known New York reporter came to Washington to obtain Mr. Root's plans for ending the Philippine insurrection. That was when Mr. Root was Secretary of War. When the reporter returned he was asked what he had got.

"Got?" replied the reporter, soulfully. "Got nothing. The Secretary saw me all right, and I told him nearly all I knew about the newspaper business, and was just starting in to tell him how to own your own house on 50 a week when an assistant secretary broke in to consult him about a matter of business, and I had to go."

Born in Pennsylvania. Senator Albert Baird Cummins, of Iowa, the other Senatorial birthday child, is a native of Pennsylvania, where he was graduated from the Waynesburg College, this institution conferring upon him the degrees of M. A. and LL. D. Cornell College, of Iowa, gave him another LL. D.

He is a lawyer by profession, and was a member of the house of representatives of the twenty-second general assembly of Iowa, a member of the Republican National Committee from 1882 to 1890, and governor of Iowa from January, 1902, until November, 1908, when he was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Charles McNamara. Cummins was re-elected, and his present term will not expire until March, 1915.

Peter Stenger Grosscup, judge of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals at Chicago, who is known in connection with the injunction issued by him in connection with Judge William A. Woods against Eugene V. Debs and other officers of the American Railway Union, and also with the case of the Titanic, and other stirring legal propositions, celebrates his fifty-ninth birthday to-day.

He is a native of the Buckeye State and a graduate of Wittenberg College and the Boston Law School. Among his most notable judicial acts are included his opinion dissenting from the two circuit judges, but sustained by the Circuit Court of Appeals, upon the application of the Duc de Choiseul to have the Titanic explosion on Sundays. He is the president of the John Crerar Library in Chicago, of which city he is a resident.

Today, five years ago the wedding of the Duc de Choiseul and Miss Mary Shonts took place in New York. Duc de Choiseul died in April, 1909.

Day of Maine's Destruction. Thirteen years ago to-day the destruction of the United States battleship Maine in the harbor of Havana took place, resulting in the death of 264 men and two officers.

It was on this day forty-seven years ago that the first meeting of the Knights

CATARRH OF THE STOMACH

A Pleasant, Simple, but Safe and Effective Cure for It. Catarrh of the stomach has long been considered the next thing to incurable. The usual symptoms are a full or bloated sensation after eating, accompanied sometimes with belching, or watery risings, a formation of gases, causing flatulence on the heart and lungs, and difficult breathing, headache, sick, nervousness, and a general played-out, languid feeling. There is often a foul taste in the mouth, coated tongue, and if the interior of the stomach could be seen it would show a slimy, inflamed condition. The cure for this common and obstinate trouble is found in a treatment which causes the food to be readily, thoroughly digested, and the stomach to ferment and irritate the delicate mucous surfaces of the stomach. To secure a prompt recovery from the use of a necessary thing to do, and when normal digestion is secured the catarrhal condition will have disappeared. According to Dr. Harlanston, the safest and best treatment is to use after each meal a tablet composed of Diphosphate, Aspetic Peppin, a little Nux Golden Seal, and fruit acids. These tablets can now be found at all drug stores under the name of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, and are not being patented, can be used with perfect safety and assurance that they will follow their regular use after meals. The plan of dieting is simply another name for starvation, and the use of unprepared foods and new-fangled breakfast foods simply makes matters worse, as any dyspeptic who has tried them knows. As Dr. Bennett says, the only reason you can imagine why Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are not advertised is because a medicine is advertised or is sold in drug stores only if it is protected by a trade-mark it must be a humbug, whereas a matter of truth any druggist who is obedient to the laws that Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets have cured millions of stomach, heartburn, and nervous prostration, and run-down condition generally than all the patent medicines and doctors' prescriptions for stomach trouble combined. Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets is the safest preparation, as well as the simplest and most convenient remedy for any form of indigestion, catarrh of the stomach, biliousness, headache, heartburn, and bloating after meals. Send your name and address to-day for a free trial package and see for yourself. Address P. A. Stuart Co., 110 Stuart Building, Marshall, Mich.

TO-DAY THEY CELEBRATE.

WORDS OF PRAISE FOR BOY SCOUTS

Encouraging Messages Read at Council Banquet.

MGB. SHAHAN A SPEAKER

University President Voices His Hearty Approval of Movement and Mortimer L. Schiff, of New York, Makes Glowing Speech—Col. Roosevelt's Letter Provokes Enthusiasm.

With representatives of nearly every denomination present to lend moral and oral support, the dinner of the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America, at the New Willard last night, marked an epoch in the history of the organization and gave it an impetus that will greatly facilitate the already encouraging strides being taken to establish the movement as the strongest and most potential for the advancement of the youth of America.

President Taft, Col. Roosevelt, and other distinguished men, by word of mouth and mail, united in praising the movement. Mr. Thomas J. Shahan, D. D., president of Catholic University, and Mortimer L. Schiff, of New York, were among the speakers who commended the aims of the organization at the dinner last night. Others included Gifford Pinchot, John L. Alexander, Dr. Charles P. Neill, Ambassador Bryce, Lee McClung, Treasurer of the United States, Representative Hobson, and Assistant Secretary Hays, of the Department of Agriculture.

Scouts Give Exercises. During the serving of the dinner a demonstration of various scout activities by groups of Boy Scouts of this city and Baltimore was given at one end of the red room, the exercises giving the guests a good insight into the training accomplished by the boys.

In delivering the invocation Mr. Shahan voiced his hearty approval of the Boy Scout movement and declared any organization which would make a power for good among the younger generation of this country deserves nothing but the highest praise and co-operation from all religious and State bodies, regardless of creed or party affiliations. Mr. Schiff declared it his belief that the work being accomplished by the movement would ultimately render unnecessary the extended activities among the juveniles of great cities in that it would eradicate the causes that make for delinquency among boys.

"The United States is not a military nation in this age of civilization," said Mr. Schiff, "but if the great good that is being wrought through the Boy Scout movement could not be accomplished otherwise, I would favor its being termed a military movement."

Aim to Train Boys. Mr. Alexander said the movement was aimed to train boys for self-reliant, self-respectful citizenship. "A nonsectarian movement recognizes no lines so far as a boy's faith is concerned, and its personnel welcomes Catholics, Protestants, and Jews alike," said Mr. Alexander. "It seeks to inculcate reverence for God and loyalty to country, and their physical expression in a good turn done daily."

"You have in the Boy Scout movement," wrote Ambassador Bryce, "the means of doing great good by pouring a fresh stream of vigorous and wholesome aspirations into the lives of our young people, stimulating their sense of comradeship, refining their sense of honor, and giving them high ideals of self-respect and mutual help toward which to strive."

Col. Roosevelt's letter was read, and provoked great enthusiasm among the directors. The former President said he earnestly believed in the possibility of the movement among boys. "There are several things," he said, "which we should see to in the future, and they are: They should grow up strong and alert, able to stand the strain of an honest day's hard work and of an honest attempt to help forward the material and moral progress of our country."

All Indorse Movement. Gov. Hadley, of Missouri, Foss, of Massachusetts, and Brown of Georgia indorse the movement in messages read to the banqueters. Ernest Thompson Seton, chief scout of the Boy Scouts of America, who is an English lecturer on the subject, and Jacob A. Ellis, of New York, a member of the council, also contributed words of cheer.

Yesterday afternoon President Taft received the members of the executive council in the East Room of the White House and made a brief speech in which he showed not only that he believed in the Boy Scout movement, but that he knew what joys camping out and playing scout had for the youth of the country.

FOUND DEAD IN HOTEL. Body of Richard F. Perkins is Removed to District Morgue. Richard F. Perkins, forty-eight years old, was found dead in a room at the Bancroft Hotel, Eighteenth and H streets northwest, yesterday afternoon by Alfred J. Bell, a clerk. The coroner was notified. Death was due to alcoholism.

Perkins is supposed to have lived in Herndon, Va. Mrs. Charles Whitney, of Milton, Mass., believed to have been an aunt of the dead man, and John Catts, of Herndon, Va., a friend, have been notified of the death. The body was removed to the morgue.

BRIG. GEN. DAVIS RETIRES.

Army Officer Also Celebrates Sixty-fourth Birthday. Brig. Gen. George B. Davis, Judge Advocate General of the War Department, while also celebrating his sixty-fourth birthday, will be placed on the retired list of the army at noon to-day, with the rank of major general. He will be succeeded by Col. Emory Crowder, at one time judge advocate general of the United States army in Cuba.

Col. Crowder, with the rank of brigadier general, has twelve years more to serve before he retires. He is one of the best known officers in the service, and his familiarity with the duties of a judge advocate general makes him most adaptable for that position.

VALENTINES FLOOD MAILS.

Huge Stacks of Cards Pass Through City Post-office. Worn out by a day's work made heavy by "love-dove" mail, the mail carrier thanks his stars that St. Valentine's Day comes but once a year.

From morning until night yesterday, the post-office employees sorted and handled stacks of multi-colored mail of every shape and variety, from the children's comic to the most sentimental of all the "reticent."

Ocean Steamships.

New York, Feb. 14.—Lusitania, at Liverpool; Celtic at Harve; Olympic at Liverpool; Galathea from foreign ports—Princess Irene, at Gibraltar.

PARK FOR SOUTHEAST.

Senator Bankhead's Plan for Special Hearing Is Accepted. A provision was inserted in the District appropriation bill yesterday by Senator Bankhead of Alabama, for the purchase of the Carpenter-Pennsylvania avenue tract in Southeast Washington.

Senator Bankhead was absent on Monday when the appropriation bill was under discussion, and asked for a reconsideration yesterday. Senator Gallinger, chairman of the committee, had no objection, and the amendment appropriating \$200,000 for the purchase of 121 acres was passed. The proposition has been before Congress a number of times, and the park is expected to be one of the most beautiful in the city.

ARMY WILL BUY MORE AEROPLANES

Curtiss and Wrights Will Compete for Business. Military aeronauts will, within a few weeks, make rapid progress in the United States. With the preliminary appropriation of \$25,000 immediately available the government will soon add two or three latest model machines to the obsolete one now in Texas. Brig. Gen. James Allen, Chief Signal Officer, has already asked Curtiss and the Wrights for prices.

Jerome Paucault, general manager for the Curtiss company, was in Washington yesterday and had a conference with Gen. Allen regarding the sale of biplanes to the government. Glenn H. Curtiss is at Coronado Beach, Cal., where he is training Lieut. Elyson of the navy and Lieut. Beck, Kelly, and Walker of the army. The lessons thus far have been of a preliminary nature, but Curtiss reports that Elyson is showing himself quite proficient. The Curtiss company has two machines on the coast and two in the East available for military use.

The army's sole requirement will be that the machine offered for sale to the government is of American make, has made a successful flight, and is in good condition. This will practically limit the list to the Curtiss and Wright designs. Aviator Ely, who flew to the deck of the Pennsylvania, is on his way East and will be in Washington in a few days.

Information has been received in this city from Mexican officers indicating that the revolutionists intend to shoot at military aviators who operate along the border of the United States. The insurgents, it was said, would blame the disaster on the Mexican regulars if an aviator happens to be shot, for the purpose of creating friction between the United States and Mexico. This information will be turned over to the War Department, and aviators flying along the border will be warned.

WANTS STANDARD COURSE.

Board of Trade Committee Takes Up Private School Plan. The private schools committee of the Board of Trade at its meeting yesterday took steps to obtain the standardization of the courses of instruction in private schools in the city and their further improvement.

A committee composed of the chairman, Thomas W. Sidwell, Arthur T. Ramsey, and Court Woods, was appointed to draft a bill providing that the United States Commissioner of Education shall, through his department, prescribe a uniform curriculum for private schools, and give the school, which must respect and classify such of them as so desire, shall have power to request the right to inspect these schools, and shall publish a list of approved private schools.

The object of the measure is to raise the standard of these schools and to provide by comparison a healthy emulation among them that will lead to their betterment.

BRIGADE SERVICE PLANNED.

Will Be Held at Epiphany Chapel Next Sunday. The quarterly brigade service will be held at Epiphany Chapel, Twelfth and C streets southwest, next Sunday evening. Services will be conducted by the chaplain, Rev. Dr. McKim, with the following address. Announcement will be made of the George Washington birthday celebration at the Y. M. C. A.

The brigade headquarters announces the following officers have qualified for promotion and will be commissioned immediately: Capt. Howard A. Saunders, quartermaster; Capt. Daniel C. Roper, Jr., Capt. Oliver Wendell Holmes, First Lieut. Jesse Mann, First Lieut. Bruce Baker, Second Lieut. Allison F. H. Scott, and Second Lieut. Raymond Keith.

The annual athletic meet will be held Saturday, May 6, and will be under the direction of the following committee: Capt. H. C. Chase, chairman; Capt. John C. Hunter, Jr., and First Lieut. Rosser L. Hunter, Jr. Details will be announced by the committee.

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TURBULENT SESSION OF COMMERCE BODY

Continued from Page One. rates here are higher than in other cities, and contended that the charges are too high.

W. E. Shannon said the whole matter should be laid on the table, as the Chamber did not want to earn the reputation of being corporation baiters. He maintained that the service in the District is the best underground separate exchange that is to be found anywhere in the capital and that the telephone company, that had spent millions of its money to give Washington good service, ought to be protected. He said also that the criticisms showed a narrow point of view, and that it all looked as though there was an effort to ruin the company. John H. Magruder, a heavy user of telephones, said he is satisfied with his service and his bills.

In a Ringing Speech.

H. B. F. Macfarland, in a ringing speech, turned the whole matter from a Congressional investigation into a resolution to support heartily the bill now before Congress providing for a public service commission for the District that would regulate not only the telephone company, but the gas, the electric light, street railway companies, and every public service corporation in the District. This bill had been advocated by mouth and pen for years, and had now received the endorsement of President Taft in its present form before Congress. This measure would be a permanent control, and would provide the Commission with the right to change conditions most needed. His suggestion went through, despite the appeal of Mr. Darr to get the investigation.

Joseph Strasburger moved a resolution that by its passage caused a letter to be sent to the postmaster advocating closing the city post-office on Sunday, so far as the work of carriers only is concerned. D. S. Porter presented a report that favored the raising of the pay of government employees 3-1-3 per cent. The resolution urged a square deal for the government, and a similar one for the part of the Chamber, and the matter is carried through. The report and the resolution were ordered to be transmitted to the Appropriations Committee of the House and the Senate, and also to each member of the Senate District Committee.

Chapin Brown, chairman of the municipal legislation committee, called on Joseph L. Weller, and the committee on the bill now before Congress, in which the rights of citizens in land in the District is menaced, who reported that opposition to the measure has been advocated. An objection was made in charge of George C. Gertman's subcommittee, which favored that District employees who are paid by the day should have the same sick-leave rights as those paid by the year. A resolution of endorsement was carried.

Mr. Gertman reported on the matter of paying the District employees twice a month, and the employees of the Federal government. A resolution urging this matter upon the Commissioners was carried unanimously.

Granville M. Hunt asked that the Chamber grant \$1,000 to host the subscription to the George Washington Memorial Hall. In responding this, D. J. Kaufman said he renewed his offer to give \$1,000 personally to this fund, if forty-five of the members of the Chamber would give a like amount. He wanted to be able to pay his inside of sixty days.

Told of the Work. H. B. F. Macfarland, representing the Associated Charities, told of the work this organization is doing, and while making no direct appeal for funds to carry on the work, excited deep interest among the members of the Chamber by his graphic description of the methods and efficiency of the body.

A. Leftwich Sinclair called attention to the bill now before Congress which robs citizens of the District of all right to appeal from the Supreme Court of the District to the United States Supreme Court where judgment, without costs, exceeds \$5,000. Five members were appointed to protest against the passage of the bill.

The committee appointed to take up the matter of vice-a-month pay for teachers and other District employees is composed of Jackson H. Ralston, G. G. Lincoln, H. B. F. Macfarland, Thomas C. Noyes, and John W. Smith.

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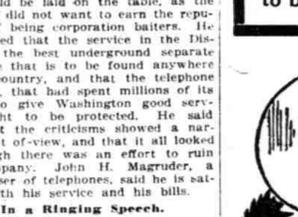
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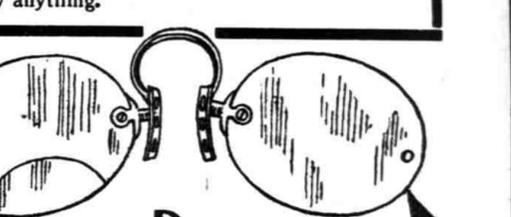
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CAREER OF TRAGEDY HAS TRAGIC ENDING

Harrisonburg Man's Body Is Found in Wilderness. Harrisonburg, Va., Feb. 14.—The story of the life of John R. Gilmer, whose mangled body was found Sunday by dogs in a remote hollow on the Blue Ridge Mountains, reads stranger than fiction.

When twenty years of age he enlisted in the Twenty-second Brigade of United States volunteers. On his way to the Philippines his transport was wrecked in the Pacific Ocean. Gilmer and his companions had a thrilling escape. In the Philippines Gilmer managed through murky swamps under the pitiless sun, stood guard at night in water up to his arm pits, and endured untold hardships. At the close of the Philippine hostilities he was advanced in rank for faithfulness and bravery.

On his return to a station in Texas he was in a railroad wreck. A score of persons were killed and Gilmer almost alone escaped almost unhurt. While in service he developed tuberculosis and was sent to the government sanatorium in New Mexico. In 1902 he was honorably discharged and came back to his home in Rockingham almost a physical wreck. Eighteen days ago his relatives here thought that he had gone back to Texas. He was last seen leaving the Virginia Hotel in Elkton.

Sunday morning while W. A. Shook was rambling through the Blue Ridge Mountains his dogs found the dead body of Gilmer. With all the flesh eaten and torn from the face, body, and arms and legs, the skeleton presented a ghastly sight. For two weeks bird and beast had fed on the body. The body was buried yesterday by the side of his parents near McGaheysville, Rockingham County.

Preserves Natural Color of the Hair

"Any woman can postpone for years the time when her hair becomes thin and gray. It is a mistake to shampoo frequently with soap and water, as that tends to make the scalp scaly and hard and the hair dull and faded. The hair will respond quickly to the proper home treatment. Put in a few ounces of orris root and four ounces of theriac. Shake until well mixed. Once or twice a week sprinkle a little of this powder on the head and brush it thoroughly through the hair. This dry shampoo removes dirt, dust, and dandruff from the scalp and leaves the hair fresh, sweet, and clean. The theriac helps to grow beautiful hair and preserves its natural color."

(From Woman's National Magazine.)