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EVANS—At the residence of her grandson, Mr. George Recto, 134 P street northwest, Sunday morning, February 14, 1915, MARY ELIZABETH EVANS, widow of Benjamin Macomb Evans, aged ninety-two years.

Funeral from Calvary Baptist Church, Eighth and H streets northwest, Tuesday, February 16, at 3 o'clock p. m. Interment private in Glenwood Cemetery.

PEACE PARTY OPENS QUARTERS.

Temporary headquarters of the Woman's Peace Party will be opened today at 1338 F street northwest, and every member of the party in the city is urged to aid in making the peace meeting to be held in Masonic Temple Washington's birthday a success.

A feature of the meeting on that day will be the presentation by Mrs. Christian Hemmick of the "tableaux vivant," recently produced at the Beaux Arts ball at the Willard Hotel. She will be assisted by Hazel MacKaye and others.

FLOWERS TO DECK DEEP FOR HEROES

Army and Navy League Will Commemorate Sinking of the Maine.

SALUTE WILL BE FIRED

Patriotic Organizations Will Observe Seventeenth Anniversary of Battleship Disaster.

With eulogies by members of Congress, a procession of the patriotic organizations of the country and the firing of the national salute of twenty-one guns, the Army and Navy Union today will commemorate the seventeenth anniversary of the sinking of the battleship Maine in Havana Harbor.

This afternoon a launched, manned by the District Naval Militia and police of the Harbor precinct, will steam down the Potomac River from the Aqueduct Bridge, strewing flowers in its wake in commemoration of those of the Maine's crew whose bodies were never found. The boat will leave the Aqueduct Bridge at 2 o'clock.

The ceremonies will begin in the riding hall at Fort Myer, Va., at 2 o'clock, and will be participated in by the Army and Navy Union, and the Ladies' Auxiliary of that organization, United Spanish War Veterans' committee and its ladies' auxiliary, and McIntyre Post, No. 7, Veterans of Foreign Service.

To Meet Under Banners.

On entering the riding hall members of the various organizations will assemble under their banners in designated sections of the hall. This assemblage will be called to attention by Col. John McElroy, chairman of the executive committee in charge of the ceremonies. This will be followed by an invocation by Maj. Timothy O'Keefe, chaplain of the Fifth United States Cavalry.

The colors will be presented by the color guard of the Fifth Cavalry, and simultaneously the salute of twenty-one guns will be fired by a battery of the Third Artillery to the strains of "The Star Spangled Banner."

Capt. J. W. Mitchell, secretary of the executive committee, will then read the memorial address of Carlos Manuel de Cespedes, the Cuban Minister, who will be unable to attend. This will be followed by orations by Commander H. Oden Lake, of the Army and Navy Union; Myron M. Parker, and Representative Julius Kahn, of California. The ceremonies in the riding hall will be brought to a close by the firing of three volleys by a troop of the Fifth Cavalry in honor of the sailors and marines who went to the bottom of Havana Harbor in February, 1898.

Women in Procession.

The woman's executive committee, headed by Mrs. Isabel W. Ball and attended by the veterans of the various military organizations and a detachment of sailors and marines from the U. S. S. Mayflower, will go in solemn procession to the Maine section of Arlington National Cemetery.

The procession will cluster around the Maine memorial, consisting of a mast of the ill-fated battleship, and the floral decorations sent by President Wilson and the Cuban Minister will be placed upon the memorial. A detachment of marines will then fire three volleys over the graves of the dead heroes. Taps will be sounded and the procession dismissed.

RICHLY FURNISHED APARTMENT RAIDED

Police Say Fashionable Massachusetts Avenue Building Contained Poker Room.

A fashionable apartment on Massachusetts avenue northwest, the scene of a raid by police of the Second precinct about 2 o'clock yesterday morning, and four men were taken into custody. Eight of the men caught in the room were released without being charged. The host, George Lockhart, sixty-six, will appear in court this morning to answer charges of running a poker establishment. He was released under $500 bail.

The raid was conducted by Lieut. John Murphy, of the Second precinct, assisted by Sergt. Pearson and Policemen Haller, Stone, Sutton, Braxton and Baker. Their entry into the room was a surprise to the players, who were gathered around parlor tables.

According to Lieut. Murphy, the place was fitted up for gambling purposes only, no cooking or other domestic utensils being found. Poker was the only game played, according to the police. The room was luxuriously furnished, it is said, and was a fine example of a richly patronized establishment.

Blaze Does $1,200 Damage.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Fisman, who live over their grocery store at 1907 Twelfth street northwest, were slightly burned when they attempted to extinguish a fire discovered in the store last night. They refused hospital treatment. The flames did damage of about $1,000 to the stock and $200 to the building. The cause is unknown.

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ITALIANS AID SUFFERERS.

Rich and Poor Hear Concert at Poli's Theater.

Italians of Washington, rich and poor, last night set aside class distinction and gathered in Poli's Theater to listen to a concert, given by the United Italian Societies of Washington for the benefit of the Italian earthquake sufferers. The theater was well filled and a large sum was realized to forward to officials in that country.

Among the distinguished Italians present were Count V. Macchi di Cellere, Italian Ambassador; Giuseppe Brambilla, counselor of the embassy; Marquis Arrigo Tacoli, first secretary at the embassy; Gino Buti, attache, and Dr. Melloni. The boxes were occupied by L. Perna and family, Mr. and Mrs. P. Badice, Miss L. Merrina and Mme. Albino.

The organizations that co-operated in arranging the concert were Cavallotti Lodge, No. 71, and Roma Lodge, No. 167, Sons of Italy; Vittoria Emanuele, Fratellanza, Colomba, Ambaretatrice Maria, Trinacria, and Garibaldi.

SERGEANT, SHOT TWICE, MAY LIVE

Policeman Wounded in Fight with Suspect Is Not in Grave Danger.

NEWMAN SERIOUSLY HURT

Police Say They Hold Knotted Ropes and Cloth for Gags as Evidence Against Prisoners.

The condition of Police Sergt. Harry R. Lohman, of the First precinct, who was shot twice in a revolver battle with Lewis Newman, an ex-marine on Ninth street early Sunday morning, was said to be favorable for recovery at Emergency Hospital last night. At the first examination it was thought the .38 caliber bullets had entered his chest and penetrated the lung, but Dr. Harry Lewis, superintendent of the hospital, said last night he was satisfied they had not entered the chest cavity. An X-ray photograph taken yesterday will be developed today, following which, the operation will be performed.

"Sergt. Lohman was suffering from a cold before the accident, and this will require all our vigilance to prevent complications of pneumonia from developing," declared Dr. Lewis.

Newman's Condition Serious.

It is believed the condition of Newman, twenty-nine years old, whose leg was broken in two places by two bullets, is more serious than that of Lohman. A charge of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill awaits Newman.

Sergeant Lohman was shot as he attempted to arrest Newman on Ninth street, between D and E streets northwest, about 2 o'clock Sunday morning. Accompanying Lohman was Precinct Detective H. A. Cole, who was engaged in arresting Newman's companion, Frank Mack, colored, when the firing began.

As he heard the shots, Cole turned and saw Lohman fall and Newman running down the street, he says. Holding the negro with one hand, the detective, hampered by gloves and a heavy overcoat, finally drew his revolver from an inner pocket and opened fire upon the fleeing man, who was about a half block away. As the second fusillade began, Policeman O. C. Clay ran up Ninth street toward Newman opening fire upon him. A second later Newman dropped. The injured men were rushed to Emergency Hospital.

Sergt. Lohman and Detective Cole were in civilian clothes all the evening, patrolling the downtown section for suspicious persons. Shortly before 2 o'clock they came upon Newman and Mack. Shadowing them for a few minutes, the policemen became aware that the men were in communication with a colored woman, afterward identified as Elsie Griffith, who was walking nearly abreast of them across the street.

Policemen Closed In.

The three walked around the block, the policemen following, finally returning to Ninth and F streets, where the woman approached a white man, who hailed a cab. At this moment, the men across the street were seen to stop. The policemen closed in on Newman and Mack.

As Lohman extended his arm to take hold of Newman, saying: "You are under arrest," the latter is said to have drawn his revolver and opened fire. With Mack in handcuffs, the arrest of the Griffith woman followed. A revolver Mack had thrown away was found later. They are said to have confessed having "framed up" a hold-up, with the Griffith woman as the "bait." The police say she carried knotted ropes for quick binding purposes and cloth for gags.

"MACK" IN FILM DEBUT.

Charles M. Sommerville in Picture Role at Leader.

Charles M. Sommerville, better known as "Mac," whose home is at 2001 R street northwest, will make his debut at the Leader Theater today as a moving picture actor.

Mr. Sommerville has lived in Washington all his life. He went to Philadelphia recently and joined the Lubin Company. He will be seen here for the first time this week, although he has been acting for some time.

Negro Held as Assailant.

Arville Butler, colored, nineteen, was arrested by police of the Eleventh precinct last night charged with having assaulted with a deadly weapon Ernest Cogan, a conductor on the Anacostia line, Saturday night about 11 o'clock. In the fight Cogan received several blows in the face. His clothes are said to have been cut with a knife.

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WILSON TRAPPED, SAYS SUFFRAGIST

Must Come Out for Ballot or Have "Bluff Called," Asserts Kate Gordon.

THRILLS VOTE ASSEMBLY

Woman Declares State Campaigns Have Justified Demand for Democratic Support—South Unites for It.

Miss Kate Gordon, of New Orleans, one of the most eminent ballot seekers of the South and president of the Southern States Woman Suffrage Conference, yesterday thrilled a distinguished assemblage in the Jardine de Danse by declaring that President Wilson and the Democratic party have been caught between two fires and must come out with a woman suffrage plank in their next platform or stand before the nation "with their bluff called."

Miss Gordon explained how, when President Wilson, a year ago, said woman suffrage is a State and not a national question, the Southern States Woman Suffrage Conference was organized to fight for the ballot through the States, and how in little more than a year the conference has grown to include fifteen Southern States and the District of Columbia, with many thousands of members.

Hints Democrats "Bluffed."

Miss Gordon did not say so in so many words, but she made it clear that many believe the Democrats were "bluffing" when they said suffrage should be put up to the States, and that the party was merely seeking to evade the strong influence of the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage and the National American Woman Suffrage Association, which demand the ballot by amendment of the Constitution.

"Today the Southern States Woman Suffrage Conference occupies the most advantageous spot on the suffrage map," declared Miss Gordon. "The women seeking the ballot from Congress have forced the Democrats to say: 'It is not up to Congress but up to the State legislatures.' Now here we come along and demand of the Democratic State legislatures: 'Give us the vote.' We believe the Democratic party is for States' rights and we are going to make it live up to that tradition by putting a woman suffrage plank in the next platform."

Miss Gordon said her organization has 1,000 Southern newspapers behind it and she called this the "strongest factor aiding woman suffrage." She asserted that the negro women of the South today form the biggest obstacle to woman suffrage and asserted that final solution of child labor problems will come when mothers of the nation may have a voice in shaping laws.

The meeting was held under the auspices of the Kate Gordon Chapter of the Southern States Woman Suffrage Conference. Mrs. Wesley Martin Stoner, chairman of the chapter, presided. Representative Abercrombie, of Alabama, declared the equal ballot is needed for "what it will do for women, for the men, for the home, for politics, and for the nation," and asserted that "in the light of our increasing intelligence woman suffrage soon will come."

Cites Cigarette Habit.

Representative McKellar, of Tennessee, said: "Opponents of woman suffrage have told me the ballot is unwomanly, and I have asked whether they thought it is more unwomanly to cast a ballot than it is for a woman to drink highballs in her club, smoke cigarettes in her boudoir, play bridge in her drawing room, or gossip on her front veranda."

Col. John Temple Graves, newspaper writer, said: "Were I asked to give a concise, concrete argument for woman suffrage now, I would point to Miss Kate Gordon, the best citizen of the Crescent City of New Orleans. Another argument I could advance is Sophie Irene Loeb, a New York newspaper writer, who has done such things as giving New York a better taxicab service, establishing twenty-seven playgrounds in that city, and making its picture theaters sanitary and safe."

ALEXANDRIA POLICE ARREST CARD PLAYERS

Alleged Gambling House in King Street Raided and Five Men Taken to Headquarters.

Alexandria, Va., Feb. 14.—Police Sergt. Scott and a detail of policemen at 8 o'clock this morning raided an alleged gambling house located on the second floor of a building on the south side of King street, between Royal and Fairfax streets. Five men were captured, together with cards and chips. All left $5 collateral for their appearance.

William H. Hunter, sixty-eight years old, died at 2 o'clock this afternoon at his home, 330 South Lee street. He had been ill for the past six months from cirrhosis of the liver. The deceased was a moulder and for many years had been employed at the Washington Navy Yard. He is survived by his wife. His funeral will take place from his late home at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

A minstrel performance will be given tomorrow and Tuesday nights in the Young Men's Sodality Lyceum Hall under the direction of Tom Trodden, of Washington. Another will be given in the parish hall of Christ P. E. Church Sunday school tomorrow night.

In observance of the 100th anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Ghent, the banks, State offices and public schools here will be closed Wednesday.

The funeral of Mrs. Kate Maria Daniels was held this afternoon from the Episcopal Chapel at Lincolnia, Fairfax County. Burial was made there.

Whitehead Kluttz, former president of the North Carolina State senate, this afternoon addressed a men's meeting in the Westminster Building of the Second Presbyterian Church, taking for his subject, "The Strength of Youth."

BAND CONCERT PROGRAM.

At the United States Marine Barracks, this afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock, by the United States Marine Band Orchestra, William H. Santelmann, leader.

March, "Universal Freedom"...Blankenburg
Overture, "Oberon"...Von Weber
String quintet, "Old Folks at Home"...Busch
Grand scenes from "Tannhauser"...Wagner
First Valse, op. 83...Durand
(a) "Love's Ecstacy"...Rotz
(b) "Dance of the Fisher Girls"...Von Blon
Galop, "Vivos"...Ziehrer
"The Star Spangled Banner."

TRAP CATCHES MOTORISTS.

Maryland Officials Arrest Two Washington Men for Speeding.

Hyattsville, Md., Feb. 14.—A speed trap set on the Washington and Baltimore Boulevard at Riverdale today caught a man, who said he is Harvey S. Cote, of 4125 Ninth street northwest, Washington and Edward Fauer, also of Washington. Three autoists from Baltimore and two Maryland residents also were arrested. Each deposited $5 collateral after being arraigned before Justice of the Peace Robert E. Joyce, of Mount Ranier.

The trap was laid and arrests were made by Deputy Automobile Commissioner Thomas H. Wildman and Constable E. C. Kern. They charged all of the autoists with exceeding the speed limit. Those from Baltimore arrested were L. J. Willinger, of 1304 East Chase street; H. M. Pierce, of 1721 West North avenue, and J. Lippold, of 1902 West North avenue.

Fred Givencrsen, of Irvington, Md., and Lawrence P. Timanus, of Catonsville, Md., also were taken in custody.

RUSSIANS FLEE TOWARD NIEMEN

Petrograd Admits Retirement Before Heavy Forces of Germans.

LULL IN CARPATHIANS

Terrific Battles Developing East of East Prussian Frontier and in Bukowina.

(By Special Correspondent of The Washington Herald and London Daily Telegraph.)

Petrograd, Feb. 14.—All the fighting on the eastern frontier is regarded here as in a state of transition, but apparently two great battles are in progress, one east of the East Prussian frontier, the other in Bukowina.

In both places the Russians have withdrawn before superior forces of Germans and Austrians. The fighting in the Carpathians for the moment is overshadowed by these great battles.

On the extreme right of the Russian position operations have spread as far as Jurburg. This town lies on the right bank of the Niemen, seven miles east of the Russian-German boundary line. Just beyond the line, to the west is the Prussian town of Schmaleninken, the terminus of one of the German railways, which runs from the frontier.

No further than eighteen or twenty miles to the northwest separted from the Niemen by an immense tract of swampy forest there is another of these termini.

The two branches come together a couple of miles north of Tilsit. To the south of Tilsit the railway branches into three lines, so that the Germans have abundant facilities for the rapid concentration of troops in this region. Their past efforts on the right bank of the Niemen were, however, singularly unsuccessful. Until recently they had very few troops on the north side of the river. Nothing further has become known as to the fighting to the west of Maraggra-Bova, which was reported in the official bulletins Friday evening. In the Lyck zone, however, a German attack is reported to have been repulsed with heavy losses. The Russians are offering determined resistance to the German advance on Ostrolenka.

At present there is nothing to indicate where the Germans intend to concentrate the main force of the blow which they are planning to deliver from East Prussia.

The following statement was issued tonight from headquarters of the general staff:

"The engagements on the right bank of the Vistula are developing.

"On the Mokhova-Ostrolenke front only skirmishes have occurred.

"In Lyck and in the Raygrod Graevo district stubborn fighting continues.

"In the north the Russians are retiring before considerable forces of the enemy in the direction of their fortified line on the River Niemen.

"In the Carpathians, the Russians have repulsed the enemy's attacks in the districts of Gorlitz and Svidnik.

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Exposition Expected to Give Housewives Many a Hint for Buying of Table Supplies.

Washington's first exposition of foodstuffs by public dealers will be opened this morning at 11 o'clock at Center Market. The scheme of such an exhibition is new here, and is expected to work a revolution in the manner Washingtonians buy their table supplies by offering a comprehensive inspection of an institution like Center Market.

The opening will be announced by Edward O. Whitford, president of the Washington Market Company, who will introduce the speakers of the day—Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, pure food expert; John H. Sherman, District superintendent of weights, measures, and markets, and Dr. William C. Woodward, District health officer. The United States Marine Band, led by W. H. Santelmann, will furnish the music of the initiatory services, and also will give concerts during the afternoons and evenings, excepting Thursday night. The exhibition will close Saturday night.

Preparations have been under way for nearly two months, and more than 200 dealers have been adding to the attractiveness of the 996 booths, until the interior of the market presents a veritable forest of evergreens and flowers. Even the exterior of the market has been decorated.

Visitors will receive souvenir programs, containing the names and businesses of the merchants. The booklet also gives a sketch of the history of the market and explains the advantages of the institution, comparing it to other public markets of the country.

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WILHELMINA CASE IN HANDS OF U. S. ENVOY

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ships will be destroyed which are suspected of carrying British soldiers or munitions of war.

Should Great Britain continue to maintain the attitude shown in the Wilhelmina's detention, there will be no change in Germany's plan of campaign, notwithstanding the protest of the United States government. If the British government intends to exert every effort to deprive the civil population of Germany of an adequate food supply while the German government, it was explained here, will use every agency of modern warfare to destroy Great Britain's food supply, which for the most part is carried in British bottoms.

It is believed here that the German government will refuse to modify its war plans against Great Britain, but it is also thought that it will be willing to take such steps as it can to prevent the sinking of any American merchant vessels which may be passing through the war zone or which may be engaging in neutral commerce. It was explained here that if the British merchant vessels continue to use the American flag to protect themselves against German submarines, the German submarines will have no way of examining their papers to ascertain their true identity. It was declared that it is impracticable for a submarine to stop a merchant vessel and send an officer on board to inspect the ship's papers. The British merchant ships, it was said, are almost all armed with three-inch rapid-firing guns and one shot from these guns would be fatal to any submarine which came within range.

A reply to the American protest to Germany asking what steps will be taken to protect American vessels in the war zone surrounding Great Britain is not expected at the State Department for several days.

The response of the British government to the note of protest regarding the use of the American flag by British merchant vessels has been coming into the State Department telegraph office in sections, and while several thousand code words have arrived so far the completed note has not yet been deciphered and put into its regular sequence.

It is expected here that the German government will make prompt steps to prevent further difficulty over the alleged detention of the diplomatic correspondence of Henry Van Dyke, American Minister to the Netherlands, about which he complained to the State Department several days ago. This incident offers no serious diplomatic question, it was said.

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