

BUSINESS MEN PLAN LOCAL HUGHES CLUB

Organization Committee Issues Invitation for Membership.

William R. Harr, chairman of the organization committee for a Hughes Club, has issued a circular letter and invitation to prominent men of Washington to become members of the proposed club. The committee is composed of twenty men, and as soon as a sufficient number have designated their intentions of assisting the Hughes Club will be officially organized, a constitution drafted and officers elected.

Former political affiliations and legal residence outside the District are immaterial for membership. The chief requisite is that men must believe that the best interests of the country and of the District will be realized only by the election of Mr. Hughes and the return of a Republican administration. The members of the committee who form the nucleus of the club are: William R. Harr, Oliver Metzger, Thomas E. Robertson, Robert J. Wynne, Louis A. Lent, Myer Cohen, Frederick D. McKenney, Peyton Gordon, Fred Dennett, John Lewis Smith, Frederick A. Fenning, B. H. Warner, Jr., Rufus S. Day, O. J. De Moll, William John Eynon, Charles E. Berry, Oliver A. Phelps, John A. Kratz, Jr., Herman A. Phillips, and J. Harry Cunningham.

Notes of Camp Ordway

By WATSON DAVIS. There is a very popular noncommissioned officer at Camp Ordway. He is known as the "Custodian of Car Tickets." His name is Quartermaster Sergt. Harry Acheson. He guards several thousand special yellow military car tickets over the car line running to Georgetown, as well as tickets over city lines. These tickets are issued to men when they go into the city on recruiting duty, to bring men out, or to perform other official duty. And the men, especially at this time of the month, when payday is so far in the past that the pocket does not remember it, attempt to obtain tickets under all pretexts. When they don't, and

that is often, they have been trudging along the tracks into and from the city.

The kitchen of Battery A is never lacking a cook, although since the mobilization call the kitchen force has been changed completely. When a cook leaves there is always a man ready to take his place. This is Capt. L. C. Vogt's system. He assigned men to help the cooks, and at the same time to learn the art, and the cook's assistants become full-fledged chefs when a vacancy occurs. F. L. Dunville has just been made mess sergeant and G. McClosky has been made cook.

Troop A now has a canteen with tobacco, ice cream, pop, cakes, candy, and other good things. Private Ernest M. Johnson has been officially appointed canteen steward, and he has erected a double tent fly shelter for his stock. This will soon become the social center of the camp, with a phonograph and "cats" and drink near by.

Private E. J. Taylor has earned the title of housekeeper of tent two in Company M. He cut his finger badly several weeks ago and he has not been able to drill since, and he has devoted his energies to policing the tent each day while his tent mates are at drill.

The line-up of the Headquarters Company football team has been announced, and Frank Carpenter, manager, says that his team is ready to meet any team in or out of the Guard. MacCarney, left half back; Carpenter, right half back; Benner, guard; Dille, end; Wannell, tackle; Garber, full back; Peisch, end; Wakefield, tackle; Crandall, center; Holmes, guard; Winter, quarter back.

The Machine Gun Company claims the marching record of the Third Infantry. Its officers and men say that on the return hike from Edsall, the company started ten minutes behind the rest of the regiment, and arrived at the camp three-quarters of an hour before the other companies. And in that march they had two ten-minute rests, they say. The men claim that they had a bath and their dinners by the time the other, infantrymen arrived. All of the infantry were in heavy marching order.

Submarine Launched. Long Beach, Cal., Sept. 3.—The submarine *Lox*, the first underwater vessel to be built in Southern California, has been launched here at the yards of the California Shipbuilding Company.

OYSTER 'PREPAREDNESS' CAMPAIGN INAUGURATED

Rivermen Open Season with New Dredging Restrictions.

Oyster dealers in Washington have made preparation for the opening of the season today, many having placed large orders to meet the demand which is expected when the first month with an "R" arrives, the recognized signal for reishling the succulent bivalve.

At wholesale houses along the wharves proprietors stated yesterday that they expected an unusually big season. Already notification has been received of the probable arrival within the next two or three days of several "selling vessels."

It is not contemplated, however, that the supply will be plentiful the first few weeks, owing to the new regulations in effect in Virginia and Maryland. The laws require that oysters gathered within the territories of these States shall measure two-and-one-half inches or more in length. Heretofore oystermen were permitted to sell bivalves of any size.

The "culling" of small oysters was necessary by State authorities, it is said, to protect the industry. It was found that the supply was fast being depleted, the dredgers gathering and selling the undersized bivalves, thereby damaging the market.

Under the new law oysters may be procured by tons beginning the first of September. The fleet of dories which has been beached for the past four months, will sail to the oyster beds early tomorrow morning, and the formal opening of the season will have been inaugurated.

On the fifteenth of September vessels with patent tongs, better described as "drags," will be permitted to enter the fields. These vessels are better adapted for procuring oysters than the small dories. The real season, however, starts October 15, when the large dredge vessels go into action. These boats are equipped with modern dredging appliances and make large hauls. Capt. Matt Bailey, of River Springs, well known to rivermen, has been placed in command of the "Bessie Jones," Maryland police boat, and will patrol

the river to pick up violators of the new regulations.

It was impossible to learn yesterday what price oysters would bring at the opening of the season, dealers being in doubt as to the supply which will reach here. Rivermen and merchants are in accord that the new law will do much to help the oyster business and say that while the first year may work a hardship, the future will more than repay them.

FIREMAN SAYS WIFE WON'T LET HIM WORK

Special to The Washington Herald. Baltimore, Sept. 3.—"I arbitrate, never dictate," declared Mrs. James H. Hubbard, whose husband lost a job with the Baltimore fire department, yesterday when he sent a note to the captain at the engine house to which he had been assigned, saying, "Will not be up this morning as my wife will not let me come."

Hubbard had passed the examinations for the fire department about two weeks ago with an average of 91, was accepted as a probationer and yesterday assigned to the engine house at North avenue and Bond street. But when the hour for him to put in appearance rolled around the note explaining that Mrs. Hubbard had banned the fire department arrived instead of the promising probationer, who was immediately dropped from the roll.

"Look at him," continued Mrs. Hubbard. "I leave it to you. Does he look henpecked? He does not, because ever since we have been married we have arbitrated, not argued. We have lived together without a moment's separation for ten years, and when I thought of the separation of two days, three days, sometimes a whole week, which a job in the fire department would mean for my husband—well, I just couldn't stand it."

SYMPANY FOR GERMANY.

"Iron Cross" of Wood Erected Near Kiel. Berlin, Sept. 3.—For the first time since the beginning of the war a neutral military body has openly given expression to sympathy for Germany.

In the village of Bornhoeved, near Kiel, where the Swedes defeated the Danish army December 7, 1915, an "iron cross" (of wood) was erected recently to raise money for the widows and orphans of soldiers and crippled war veterans of the district.

VARIETY IN PROGRAM OF LABOR DAY EVENTS

Auto Races, Regatta, Baseball and Carnivals Included.

As a harbinger of autumn, Labor Day, the holiday set aside in honor of the American workman, is with us again. All Washington is prepared to celebrate the event. Auto races, baseball games, picnics, a regatta and numerous other attractions are on the day's program.

The problem that faces the Washington public this morning is to decide which of the many features to attend. Those with sporting blood in their systems can go to Benning track where speed demons of national and international reputation will scorch the dirt track to the tune of eighty miles an hour—possibly a little more, probably a little less.

While not quite as fast or nearly as dusty, the boat races on the Potomac by the expert oar pullers of the Middle States Association of Amateur Oarsmen, to be held at about the same time as the auto races, will no doubt be well attended.

Two Games at Ball Park. The Nationals will play two games at American League Park. Another baseball game will be staged in connection with the celebration that is booked for Hyattsville. This latter game will be in the forenoon. Representatives Mudd and Ralston will deliver the addresses of the day at this celebration.

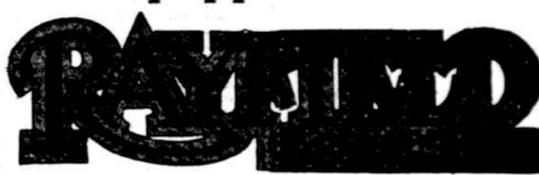
They are also on the program for the Mount Rainier celebration, which will open the two-weeks carnival to be held there.

A feature of the first day's program will be the coronation of a king and queen of Mount Rainier for a reign of two weeks.

The Ivy City Citizens' Association will hold a tag day to raise funds to be turned over to the Citizens' Welfare Association to be used in the relief work among the dependent families of the District Guardsmen.

Labor Day is a legal holiday in all the departments of the government service and thousands of government employes will witness the various activities. The concert at the Marine Barracks by the Marine Band will be omitted.

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