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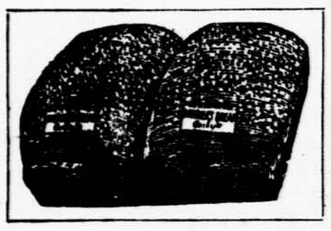

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POLITICS NOT THE TOPIC

SECRETARY TAFT AND GOV. DINEEN IN CONFERENCE.

Former May Make Known His Intentions in a Speech in Oklahoma June 6.

Governor Dineen of Illinois and Secretary Taft engaged in a conference today, following a hearing on the Chicago drainage canal project, that is likely to be accredited as having political significance. It will be recalled that on a recent visit of Gov. Dineen to consult the President at the White House the Secretary of War was called in "merely to meet the governor," it was said. The story was brought out then that the governor was asked to take up the management of the Taft campaign in Illinois, and possibly become the favorite-son candidate in the state with a view to delivering the delegation to Secretary Taft at the opportune moment. The story was denied at the time, but it was called to the attention of both the Secretary and the governor today. Both denied that they had been considering political issues today and laughingly declared that broad questions of statesmenship were all that had engaged their attention. The interview was cut short by a call from the White House for Secretary Taft to go there and confer with the President.

May Break Political Silence.

Secretary Taft, it is expected, will break his political silence for the first time since he has been regarded as a receptive candidate for the republican nomination for the presidency in a speech which he probably will deliver at Tulsa, Oklahoma, June 6, on the occasion of the assembling of the first republican state convention. The Secretary has accepted an invitation to attend that convention. It is not specifically stated that he is to make a speech then, but it is not doubted that he will do so if requested, nor is it likely that the republicans of the new state will fail to extend the necessary invitation. In Secretary Taft's opinion, the political campaign in Oklahoma will be a hot one, and probably will determine for a number of years to come the political complexion of the new state. The issues presented are expected to be national in character, and it may be possible that Secretary Taft can find much to say to the people in Oklahoma, in convention assembled, that will interest them in general republican principles without in any way bringing in the personal equation.

Taft's Western Trip.

This visit to Tulsa will be only an incident in a considerable western trip which Secretary Taft is about to take. He probably will discuss economic subjects at the millers' convention at St. Louis on the 30th inst., which naturally would involve allusions to the effect of the completion of the Panama canal upon the important American flour export trade with the orient and the west coast of South America.

After his Oklahoma visit the secretary is going to make an official tour of inspection of the great military posts so that he will be in position to renew his efforts with Congress at the next session in behalf of the creation of great brigade posts and concentration camps, with a more comprehensive knowledge of the subject than he had when this project was first broached last year.

NO RAIN IN SIGHT.

Fine Weather Promised for Tomorrow—At the Zoo.

A fine day is promised tomorrow by Prof. Edward B. Garriott, an official forecaster of the weather bureau, and it is the expectation that many persons will visit the Zoological park and other suburban places as spring outing parties. Arrangements were being made at the Zoo today to receive a large number of visitors tomorrow. The large number of birds that has been enclosed in winter quarters were this afternoon being transferred to the outdoor cages for the ensuing season.

Prof. Garriott says tomorrow will arrive with clear skies and be just cool enough for walking and outdoor exercise. The temperature tomorrow morning is expected to go down to 44 or 14 degrees lower than this morning. The April showers of today have passed away, he added, and there is now no rain in sight.

SALES OF REALTY.

Price Paid for Lot on K Near 17th Street.

The photograph of the old frame house at the northwest corner of 9th street and Grant place, the home of the late William Galt, that appeared in The Star yesterday, with its accompanying statement to the effect that the property had been sold for $45,000, was misleading to those who had not seen the previous announcement in The Star of the sale of the property for the price mentioned.

The transaction, however, did not include the entire frontage on 9th street, but only the forty feet front, wih the depth of the lot of 170 feet, which is at the corner or southern portion of the property. The balance of the frontage is about equal to the part sold. As the dividing line between what was sold and the remainder comes within the southern side of the house, it will be necessary to remove the old structure in order to make the space available for the business building which is planned to be erected on the corner.

A lot on the north side of K street between 16th and 17th streets and a short distance east of 17th street has been sold by J. Augustus Taylor, real estate broker, for Dr. Collins. The price paid was $11,000. The lot has a frontage of twenty-eight feet and a depth of 146 feet, with a thirty-foot alley at the rear and on a portion of the west side. The total area is about 4,200 square feet, and the price per square foot was about $2.60. The purchaser is Herbert A. Gill.

Mr. Taylor has also sold the three-story brick house, 1819 F street northwest, in connection with H. L. Rust, real estate broker, for $6,700. The purchaser was Mr. Wagler. Also in connection with Charles A. Shields the house 1340 A street southeast, for $4,000.

Hint to Travelers.

Those who are about to start on a journey, whether by land or sea, are advised to take along a supply of Moxie. Drink it whenever thirsty and feel the result of its nerve-sustaining properties. Drinkers of Moxie sleep better and eat better, it is claimed, and have clear heads and steady nerves. Moxie, it is also declared, will obviate the danger arising from impurities in drinking water, the sources of which may be doubtful, and sea travelers who use it are less liable to seasickness.

Major Armes to Give Reception.

Major George Armes announces that he will hold a reception at Fairfield, on Connecticut avenue extended, tomorrow between 2 and 4 o'clock, to members of the 2d Army Corps, veterans of the Army of the Potomac and to the Virginia Democratic Association. The occasion will be of a patriotic and fraternal blending.

Another Smith Heir Discovered.

CHICAGO, May 4.—Another heir to the millions left by James Henry Smith has been found in South America. Whether there is likely to be a contest of the will from that source has not developed.

The newly revealed heir is a brother of Smith, of whose existence only the relatives, a few close friends and the old neighbors in the village of Milburn, Lake County, Ill., were aware. For some reason, possibly an oversight, his name was not included by Evanston relatives in the list of posible legatees given out ten days ago, although the relatives have learned of his existence.

John Yule Smith is the brother's name. He is several years older than the man of the great fortune. He is now in Valparaiso, Chile, trying to carve out a fortune of his own.

ATTACK HUGHES REFORMS

PLAN OF NEW YORK BOSSES TO KILL GOVERNOR'S BILLS.

Measures Framed for People to Be Emasculated by Bi-Partisan Combine—The Utility Fight.

ALBANY, May 4.—The bi-partisan boss combination, having demonstrated its prowess by "vindicating" Superintendent of Insurance Otto Kelsey, is planning this treatment of Gov. Hughes' reform measures:

The emasculation of the utilities bill in such a manner as to make it less offensive to corporations.

The smothering of the bill ordering a recount of the ballots cast during the last municipal election in New York city.

The defeat of the bill for a housecleaning of the state departments, as recommended by Gov. Hughes.

An attempt to repeal the Elsberg rapid transit act, in order to make fast the grip of the Ryan-Belmont merger on the future subways of New York.

The defeat of the ballot reform bill.

The emasculation or complete defeat of the new reapportionment plan for a thorough redistricting of the state.

There is no mistaking the confidence of the leaders of the bi-partisan boss combination to accomplish all these things. Though Raines says there is no combination, the combine is even stronger than appeared in the vote by which the governor was defeated in the Kelsey case under most extraordinary circumstances.

Raines and McCarren.

It is freely predicted today that there will be more votes at the command of the Raines-McCarren combination to carry through its plans for the strangulation of reform and to bring about the return of the old-time machine methods than in the Kelsey fight.

Some of the senators who voted with the governor in the Kelsey matter frankly declare they will not be bound by any orders in the future. Senators like Cassidy, Emerson, Gilchrist, Grattan and three or four others, who tardily or reluctantly cast their votes for the removal of Kelsey when it was discovered that the bi-partisan combine did not need them, simply obeyed the command of their local bosses to stand by the governor in that case. They will not be so easily controlled in the future, not only because of their desire to climb on the Raines band wagon, but because their own local bosses, who feared defeat Thursday night and consequent public denunciation, are already beginning to pluck up courage and hope for a revival of the boss industry.

Attack Centered on Utilities Bill.

Every force that can be directed at and concentrated upon the undertaking to defeat the utilities bill as it is now framed will be at the command of the bi-partisan combine. Even the supporters of the governor admit the probability of the amendment of the measure in several important particulars. The power of removal clause, for instance, will be changed to compel the consent and approval of the senate.

The powers of the commission over the borrowing of money and acquirement of subsidiary companies or competitors is certain to be abridged if the combine has its way. The right of review is another feature which the "interests," through their legislative agents, in and out of both branches, will attempt to amend.

There is serious talk among the leaders in control of the situation of going to the length of even rejecting the governor's utilities bill and passing one framed by themselves.

MAY BUILD A HOME.

Project Being Considered by the Confederate Veterans.

The confederate veterans of the District are giving important consideration to the project of building a handsome home in this city for the several confederate societies here, it is said. A committee consisting of Major J. McD. Carrington, president of the local society of southern soldiers; Judge Seth Shepard, Capt. Hickey and Capt. William Gordon held a conference yesterday to take into consideration the advisability of incorporating the Confederate Veterans' Association, with the view of purchasing real estate and erecting thereon a permanent home building for the association as well as for the Daughters of the Confederacy, the Sons of Confederate Veterans and kindred organizations.

Major Carrington, who commanded the of all those interested in the home builder Virginia in the civil war, informed a Star reporter today that a mass meeting of all those inteested in the home building project or favorable to it, will be held next Friday evening in Confederate Veterans' Hall, 1410 H street. There will be several speakers, and he hopes the result of the gathering will be to give the matter a strong impetus.

Delegates have been elected as follows by Camp 171, United Confederate Veterans, to represent the society at the reunion in Richmond, Va., May 30 to June 3 next: John T. Callaghan, R. H. McKim, J. McD. Carrington, John M. Hickey, William A. Gordon, Thomas W. Hungerford, Edwin P. Jones, Leigh Robinson, Holmes Conrad, Seth Shepard, R. S. Denney, John H. Walsh, C. C. Meade, George M. Gordon, A. G. Holland, A. F. Smith.

ART IN THE SOUTH.

Lecture by James B. Townsend Before National Society.

An interesting and enlightening lecture on "Art in the South" was given by Mr. James B. Townsend of New York at a special meeting of the National Society of the Fine Arts last Friday evening, in the assembly hall of the Cosmos Club. Reviewing the conditions past and present, and telling in delightful fashion of the adventures of a traveling exhibition in the south, Mr. Townsend demonstrated the barrenness of the field and the possibilities of development. Telling of the wealth of the south in portraits by the great early American painters, he urged the establishment of a portrait gallery—like that of England—in connection with our national gallery, and expressed the hope that through the generosity of the owners some of the best existing examples would eventually find here a permanent home. Mr. Townsend told frankly of the difficulties which retarded the widening of art knowledge in the south, but he spoke optimistically, and left his audience assured of the fertility of the field, as well as conscious of the fact that already there were signs of an awakening. Mr. Townsend was the director of the art exhibit at the Charleston exposition, and is the editor of the American Art News, the publishers of which have sent out, under his supervision, an excellent little exhibition of contemporary American paintings to several of the largest southern cities during the past winter.

VETERANS AT CAMP FIRE.

Old Soldiers Gather Upon Invitation of the W. R. C.

Some of the visiting veterans attended a camp fire given Thursday night by the members of the Woman's Relief Corps to Lincoln Post, G. A. R., at 514 9th street.

The president of the Relief Corps, Mrs. Adelaide H. Feathers, assisted by her staff officers, was in charge of the festivities. Mrs. Feathers' welcoming speech was loudly applauded, and Commander Bloodgood of the post responded. Others who made speeches were: Senior Vice President Feathers, Chaplain Walker, Adjutant McEldary, Officer of the Day Street and Comrade Rose.

One of the features was the presentation of a mammoth bouquet of American Beauty roses to the past department president, Mrs. Ida L. Chase, commemorating her fortieth marriage anniversary. Mrs. Sarah Vandoren, a charter member of the corps, was presented by Mrs. Lewis with a set of hand-painted china of six pieces, the gift of the corps. The entertainment was brought to a close with a buffet luncheon.

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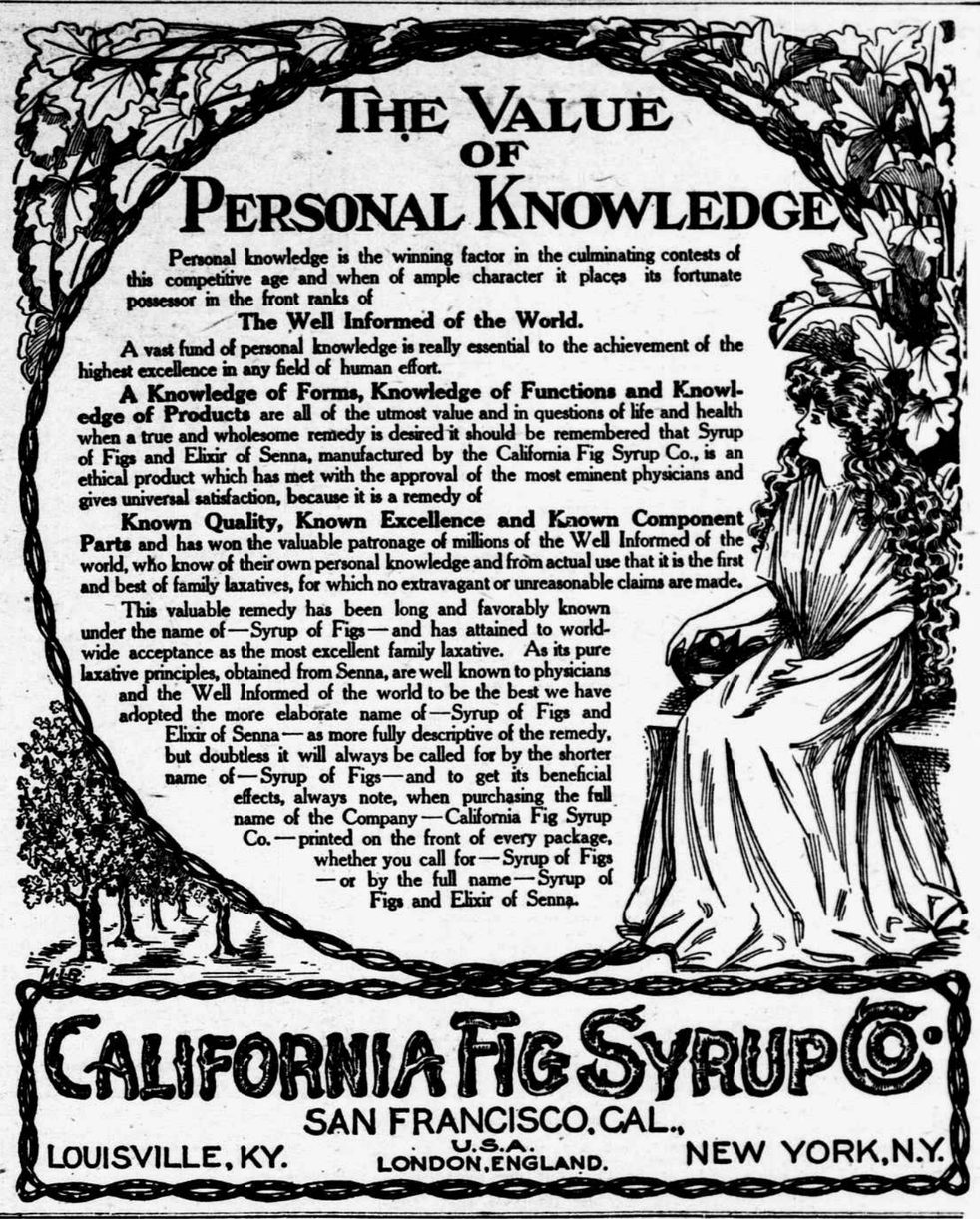

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OF INTEREST TO TEACHERS

DECISION AFFECTING PAYMENT OF THEIR SALARIES.

Promotions Become Effective at End of School Year Without Action by Board.

An important decision affecting the salaries of public school teachers in the District has been rendered by Stuart McNamara, assistant United States attorney and special counsel for the board of education.

The promotions provided for in public act 254, Mr. McNamara says, become effective at the end of the current school year without any action on the part of the board of education, provided the record of the teacher has been satisfactory.

The following letter was written by Attorney McNamara to Superintendent Chancellor May 1:

"I am requested by Mr. Hughes, assistant superintendent of schools, to advise you whether the public act No. 254 shall be interpreted, in so far as it provides for the promotion of teachers at the close of the current year, as requiring that every teacher must be formally promoted by the board of education to the next higher salary in his class, subject to the condition that his work is satisfactory; or interpreting the act as operating of itself to afford the teacher the next higher salary in his class without action of the board, unless the board formally withholds the promotion because the teacher's work may be deemed unsatisfactory.

Without Action by Board.

"I am of the opinion that under the provisions of section 6 of the act a teacher shall receive the next higher salary in his class after June 30, 1907, without any action of the board of education, provided, of course, his work is satisfactory, and that he is not formally withheld from such increase by reason of his work being unsatisfactory. If he has been already promoted within his class or group, he shall not receive another promotion within one year. It might be well, however, to notify the teachers of their advance.

"If it be desired to promote a teacher from one class to another, it would then be required that such promotion be effected upon the recommendation of the officer having the direct supervision of the teacher and the action of the board of education. Such recommendation must be, in each case, approved by the superintendent of schools.

"A promotion of a teacher for suprior work from group A to group B of class 6 may be made only after oral and written examinations by the board of examiners, as provided in section 6."

CAPTURED AFTER LONG CHASE.

Alleged Murderer of Two Farmers and Woman—Complete Confession.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., May 4.—Charles H. Rogers, who is charged with the murder of the two Olney brothers, aged, prosperous farmers here, and Alice Ingerick, who lived on the Olney farm, was brought here yesterday. Rogers was captured in Los Angeles, Cal., after a chase which continued more than a year. The officer who brought him here from the west declared that Rogers has made a complete confession, saying that he committed the triple murder and that he had no accomplice. He secured $16 from his victims.

The bodies of the Olney brothers were found in a wood lot near their farm, where they had been shot to death on October 6, 1905. The body of Alice Ingerick, the young daughter of the housekeeper, was found in the cellar of the Olney home, where she had been killed by a blow on the head with the top of a butter jar. Mrs. Ingerick was found lying unconscious in the barn. She was so badly beaten that she said she was unable to recall anything about the assault.

Held for Big Burglary.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—Charged with breaking into and stealing $16,000 worth of furs from a store in New York city, Bennie Pearlmudder, alias Bloom, alias Blum, is making a vigorous fight against his extradition. He was arrested three weeks ago upon a request from the east, but was released on a writ of habeas corpus, with bail fixed at $10,000. When his case was called yesterday Pearlmudder was ordered into custody with bail fixed at $5,000 in cash. He is charged with burglary and grand larceny.

40 Institutions Share in Ropes' Will.

SALEM, Mass., May 4.—More than forty bequests to religious, charitable or public institutions are contained in the will of Eliza O. Ropes of Salem, filed for probate here yesterday.

The principal beneficiaries are church institutions, although Harvard University receives stocks and bonds for the establishment of the Nathaniel Ropes chair of political economy.

Tuskegee Institute, Carlisle Indian School and Berea College and several Cincinnati institutions are generously remembered.

RECORD MAY WEATHER

LAST NIGHT COLDEST SPRING EVER FELT AT KANSAS CITY.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 4.—The coldest May weather on record was experienced last night in this part of the southwest. Today the temperature rose rapidly.

At Kansas City and generally in the northwestern corner of Missouri 27 degrees was recorded. This is many degrees colder than any previous May record.

The lowest temperature, 23, was recorded from Toronto, in southeastern Kansas, three counties west from the Missouri line. Other temperatures: McPherson, central Kansas, 24; Brown county, northeastern Kansas, 25; Fort Dodge, southwestern Kansas, 25; northern Oklahoma, 33; Amarilla, panhandle of Texas, 28.

Heavy Wet Snow in Ohio.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, May 4.—Driven by a fierce gale from the northwest, heavy wet snow fell over northern Ohio today. The storm caused much delay to telegraph service.

Fruit Prospects Gone.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., May 4.—The mercury was below freezing throughout northwest Missouri last night and garden truck was practically ruined. What little fruit had escaped the late frosts was killed. It was the coldest night ever known here in May.

"SILENT" SMITH'S RETURN.

Body Passes Through Chicago on Its Way East.

CHICAGO, May 4.—The body of James H. Smith of New York, who died recently in Japan, passed through Chicago today on its way to New York city. The body was accompanied by Mrs. Smith, Miss Stewart, daughter of Mrs. Smith; Eugene Zimmerman of Cincinnati and the Duke and Duchess of Manchester. William Rhinelander Stewart, son of Mrs. Smith, met her at the depot here when the train arrived. Mr. Zimmerman said that the funeral details had not been arranged, and that he was unable to say anything about them.

The metal casket was inclosed in an outer box heavily bound with iron rods. The whole weighed more than a ton, and required the services of eight men and two trucks to convey it from one car to another.

COX WARNS REPUBLICANS.

Says They Must Not Mix Politics in Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, May 4.—National and municipal politics must not conflict, according to the advice given yesterday by George B. Cox, whose retirement as Hamilton county leader was announced more than a year ago after several years of successful leadership. Mr. Cox said:

"In the coming municipal election the Taft-Foraker fight must have no part. If it does, it might mean the defeat of the republican party. Separate the two issues; settle the one before taking up the other."

Mr. Cox said he was simply expressing his opinion as a citizen on the situation in the state as it appeared to him and that it did not mean his return into active politics. He declared that it seemed to him that the party is facing an entirely new problem, as never before in the history of the party has Ohio had two presidential candidates, and this situation calls for the splitting of issues.

"We have a mayor to elect. My idea is that we ought to get this off our hands before taking up the national proposition. If we try to carry both along at the same time, we may cause the defeat of the republican party in the municipal election.

"Suppose, just for the sake of argument, we unite the municipal and national issues. Here is Taft or Foraker. Suppose, now, the Hamilton county organization indorses Mr. Taft, the probability is the Foraker bunch would bolt and the municipal election might be lost for the sake of something that can be done as well by a different method

"The only way to carry out both successfully is to get the city election off our hands. Then we can take up the other. By means of a primary we can decide who is who—Taft or Foraker—and the republican convention at a later date can pass upon the candidate and indorse him for the support of the party."

Alleged Missouri Police Graft.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 4.—Following allegations of corruption in the police department here an investigation having the approval of Gov. Folk will probably be started at once. Police Commissioners Gallagher and Rozzello went to Jefferson City late yesterday at the request of the governor to talk over local conditions, and after a conference that lasted late into the night Gov. Folk is quoted as saying:

"If there are crooks in the department they must be found out, and if they are found out they must be summarily dismissed. There will be no halting. Conditions at Kansas City are not reassuring."

ALEXANDRIA AFFAIRS

GENERAL NEWS OF OLD DOMINION CITY.

Special Correspondence of The Star.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., May 4, 1907.

Rev. G. I. Humphreys, the newly appointed pastor of the Methodist Protestant Church, was tendered a reception last night by the congregation of that church, which was largely attended. A musical and literary program was given, and an address of welcome on behalf of the ministerial association of the city was delivered by Rev. Edgar Carpenter, rector of Grace Protestant Episcopal Church. Mr. John H. Trimyer responded on behalf of the congregation, and a response was also made by Rev. Mr. Humphreys. Several solos were contributed by Mr. Kenneth Ogden. A quartet, composed of Anna, Hattie, Ervin and Raymond Padgett, gave several selections during the evening.

Those desiring to participate in the democratic primary, to be held June 19 next to nominate a candidate for Congress from the eighth district, will have to pay their capitation tax by 9 o'clock tonight, otherwise they will not be allowed to vote During the past few days a large number of delinquents have paid up, and it is anticipated that a larger vote will be polled in this city than on any previous occasion.

Charles Bendheim, of the democratic senatorial committee of this district, stated last night that he was in receipt of a letter from State Senator Lewis H. Machen, representing this city and the counties of Alexandria, Fairfax and Prince William, asking that the committee hold a meeting here next week for the purpose of having the democratic primary, which will be held June 19 next, nominate a candidate for Congress; also to fix upon that date for selecting a nominee for the house of delegates from this district and a state senator. Owing to the fact, it is stated, that the senatorial committee is required to give sixty days' notice of the primary and the candidates are required to give thirty days' notice, Chairman Bendheim is of the opinion that the plan is impracticable. It is not thought that either Delegate James R. Caton of this city or State Senator Lewis H. Machen, also of this city, will have any opposition in the coming contest.

A meeting of the delegates and alternates of Post F, Travelers' Protective Association, will be held Monday night next at the new Hotel Rammel for the purpose of ratifying plans that have been formed for the entertainment of the delegates to the annual state convention of that organization, which will meet in this city May 10 and 11 next.

A pair of horses attached to a wagon, the property of Mrs. James Young, who resides near Pohick Church, Fairfax county, ran away from the intersection of Cameron and Henry streets yesterday afternoon and were not intercepted until they reached the foot of Duke street. A pocket book containing about $8, a basket and some insurance papers, which were in the wagon, were thrown out and lost. The wagon was slightly damaged.

The annual examination of applicants for positions as teachers in the public schools of this city, which commenced Thursday last, was concluded this afternoon. The examination was conducted by Superintendent K. Kemper and Miss Pearl Hoffman.

PASSED THE FIRST TEST.

138 Candidates for Naval Academy Are Mentally Fit.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., May 4.—One hundred and thirty-eight candidates for the Naval Academy, 101 of whom hold principal appointments, were successful in the recent mental examinations conducted under the supervision of the civil service commission at the several stations throughout the country. The academic board met yesterday afternoon and finally passed upon the examination papers and announced the names of the successful ones.

In all, 328 candidates took the examinations, so that less than 40 per cent were successful. The candidates will now be notified to report at the Naval Academy early in June to be examined as to their physical condition.

ACCEPTED WITH REGRET.

The President's Response to Commissioner Allen's Resignation.

Mr. Frederick I. Allen, commissioner of patents, has received from President Roosevelt the following cordial letter accepting with regret the resignation recently tendered by the former:

"My Dear Mr. Allen: I accept your resignation with genuine regret. I have known for some time that you were holding the office at a loss to yourself, and have felt that you probably would in the end, for the sake of your family, resume your private practice. I could not help hoping that it would not, however, be until the end of my term.

"With hearty thanks for the work you have done for the government in the past, and earnestly hoping for you the success in your new field that you deserve, I am,

"Sincerely yours,

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT."