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Special Correspondence of The Star.

HYATTSVILLE, Md., February 5, 1910.

As the result of the determination of the officials of the City and Suburban Electric railway, running between the Treasury Department, Washington, and Berwyn, Prince George county, to rigidly enforce a regulation to the effect that patrons must present their commutation books to conductors, several passengers who have declined to show these books have been ejected from the company's cars during the past two or three days.

At the company's office the statement is made that these books, which are sold at a rate considerably lower than the regular fare, are used by various members of families, and the practice had been carried to such an extent that it wa found necessary to order the conductors to see that each commuter has his own book. Prior to the first of the month the conductors would accept coupons without requiring the presentation of the book to which they belonged, and this custom had been prevailing for so long a period that when the conductors demanded the books the commuters were taken by surprise. Written in large red type across the book is the warning: "This book must be shown the conductor upon demand." And one of the provisions contained in the agreement between the commuter and the company states that "coupons are not good and will not be accepted for fare unless passenger presenting same can show the book cover bearing the same number as the coupon." And the coupon says: "Not good if detached."

There was nothing to prevent several persons clubbing together and purchasing one of these books, thereby obtaining the advantage of the reduced fare, and it was a common practice for purchasers of the books to take out rides and leave them home for the use of other members of the family.

FIRE AT SMITH COLLEGE.

Twenty-Five Girl Students Routed From Dormitory.

NORTHAMPTON, Mass., February 5.—Twenty-five Smith College girl students were forced to flee from their dormitory, Clarke House, by fire last night. The girls escaped injury, but most of them lost their personal effects. The flames practically destroyed the rear of the dormitory.

Clarke House is on the campus. The sounding of the alarm and the screams of the frightened girls quickly brought the whole student body to the scene.

Lecture to Students.

J. D. Baltimore, instructor of metal work at the Armstrong Technical High School, delivered a lecture to the engineering class of the evening school last night on "The Construction and Management of the Steam Boiler and Testing of Boiler Materials."

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CHILE TO BE HOST

This Government Asked to Join in Celebration.

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Argentine Republic Also Observes Centennial—Trip to South America Delightful.

BY WILLIAM E. CURTIS.
Written for The Star and the Chicago Record-Herald.

The President of Chile, through Senor Don Anibal Cruz, the minister from that country, has tendered an invitation to the government of the United States to participate in the ceremonies that will occur the 18th of next September at Santiago, in celebration of the centennial anniversary of the first act in the series of events which culminated in the separation of that colony from Spain.

In May, 1810, the Spanish captain general, named Carasco, arrested a number of the most prominent citizens of Santiago for manifesting publicly their joy and approval over the news from Buenos Aires that the Spanish governor of that colony had been compelled to resign. His act aroused so much public indignation that Carasco was compelled to abdicate his office, and a junta of citizens was appointed to govern the country until the 18th of September, 1812. A little more than two years ater, under the leadership of Ambrose O'Higgins, the people of Chile proclaimed their declaration of independence of the Spanish crown.

Ambrose O'Higgins, as his name would suggest, was of Irish birth, but had come to South America at an early age, settled in Chile, and by his brilliant ability and force of character became one of the most influential men in that colony. He was among the citizens who were arrested and imprisoned by Carasco for rejoicing over the rebellion of Buenos Aires; he was a member of the junta which governed the country during the interim, and continued to be the leader of the movement for independence until his death, when his son took his place and proved as patriotic, as able and as influential as the father.

Chile's National Hero.

Bernardo O'Higgins is the greatest patriotic hero in Chile history, and his bust will be placed in the new building of the bureau of American republics in Washington as her contribution to the gallery of immortals, the greatest of Americans. He is regarded as the father of the republic, and, like Washington in the United States, was the commander-in-chief of the revolutionary forces and the first president of the republic after independence was established. His statue stands in the Almeda of Santiago, the most powerful battleship is named in his honor, and his birthday is always celebrated by the people of the country, perhaps with more formality and regularity than we celebrate the 22d of February.

The Fourth of July of Chile is the 18th of September, as an Irishman would say, because on that day, 1812, independence was proclaimed, and it is always celebrated as a national holiday in the same way that we celebrate our Independence day. This year a special celebration takes place at Santiago September 18, at which the President of the Argentine Republic will be present, having already accepted the invitation of the President of Chile. It is expected that the Presidents of Brazil, Uruguay, Peru, Bolivia and Ecuador will also be present, although their acceptances have not yet been officially announced. A cordial invitation has been sent to President Taft and to Secretary Knox, and the latter has the greatest desire to accept, although at present it does not seem possible for him to do so. Senator Root, who visited Chile four years ago and received a royal reception, has also been invited, but it will be impossible for him to attend because he will be engaged in the argument of the Newfoundland fisheries case before a tribunal at The Hague.

Mr. Root would be appointed chairman of the United States delegation to the fourth international conference, which meets in Buenos Aires in July, 1910, but for this engagement.

Argentina to Celebrate.

The centennial celebrations in Chile have been arranged to follow a similar celebration of the centennial of the declaration of Argentine independence, which occurs on May 10 next. As I have told you in a previous letter, the Argentines will have three separate expositions of transportation, agriculture and fine arts, respectively; several monuments will be unveiled, including one of George Washington, to be erected by the American residents of the Argentine Republic, a gateway by the British residents and some similar tributes by the Italians. The celebrations begin on May 10, at Buenos Aires.

The international American conference begins its session on July 10, to which eight or ten distinguished citizens of the United States will be sent as delegates. The appointments have not been announced, and will not be until Congress has formally authorized them, and has made provision for the expenses. The House committee on appropriations provided $75,000 in the deficiency bill, but when that measure came up for consideration in the House, it was reduced to $50,000. Secretary Knox is confident that the Senate will restore the original amount, and will ask for a further appropriation of $25,000 to enable our government to participate in the centennial celebrations in Chile, for both are equally important.

The President has already ordered a squadron of four battleships to attend the international naval review, which will take place at Valparaiso during the latter part of September. Germany, England, Italy and the Argentine Republic have also accepted the invitation, and it is expected that France, Brazil, Japan and other countries will do so. The display is expected to be one of the principal features of the celebration, for the Chileans are very proud of their naval history.

Formal Welcome Planned.

At the close of the international conference at Buenos Aires, which will probably be during the first or second week of September, the entire body will be transported across the Cordilleras on special trains to participate in the program that the Chilean government will arrange. The excursion will stop at Rosario, Cordova, Mendoza and other important cities in the interior of Argentina, and will pass through the Uspallata tunnel under the Andes, which has recently been completed. Upon crossing the boundary into Chile they will be received with ceremonies of welcome. The president of that republic, his cabinet, the supreme court, the senate and house of representatives and other official bodies will be present to extend a welcome, and to escort them to Santiago, where they will be entertained with that lavish hospitality for which the Chileans are famous. Some years ago, when the American fleet, under Admiral Upshur, visited Valparaiso, all the officers and sailors that could be spared were made the guests of the nation, and were taken to Santiago on special trains and entertained there for several days.

An industrial exposition will be held in Chile during the summer as a part of the program and a new building is now being erected for that purpose. Chile has been in the habit of having annual expositions of art, agriculture, minerals and the industries, and the building in which they are held is one of the most beautiful samples of architecture in America. The new building is said to be equally fine.

Secretary Knox has already accepted the invitation, extended through Senor Cruz, to the delegates from the United States to the international American conference, and they are assured of a cordial welcome.

The government of Chile has recently appointed the following gentlemen as delegates to the conference at Buenos Aires: Senor Don Anibal Cruz, minister of Chile to Washington; Senor Archaja, minister from Chile to the Argentine Republic; Senor Huneeus, recently minister of foreign affairs; Senor Bello, a prominent lawyer, who married the daughter of former President Balmaceda, and Senor Matthieu, who has been in the diplomatic service of Chile for many years.

Return by West Coast.

It is expected that after the centennial celebration at Santiago the American delegation will return to the United States by the west coast and via Panama, and visit Peru and Ecuador on the journey, provided the sanitary conditions of Guayaquil will permit them to land in the latter country. The bubonic plague has been raging there for some time, and the government refuses to take the necessary measures to stamp out the disease. Therefore all steamships along the coast have boycotted Guayaquil, and, indeed, they are compelled to do so or hey would not be allowed to stop at any other port.

There has been a very spirited correspondence between the health authorities on the Isthmus of Panama and the government of Ecuador on this subject, and no vessel that visits the port of Guayaquil will be allowed to enter the harbor of Panama so long as a single case of the bubonic plague is known to exist there. The sanitary authorities of Chile and Peru have taken similar action, and there is not the slightest danger of infection so long as this strict quarantine is kept up. And it is expected that the authorities of Ecuador will take immediate measures to clean up their commercial capital, which has always been one of the filthiest cities in the universe.

It is to be hoped that a large number of Americans will attend the centennial celebration at Buenos Aires, and cross over the Cordilleras into Chile to join in the celebrations there. The Lampert & Holt steamship line, whose office is at 301 Produce Exchange, recently has put on four new eleven-thousand-ton steamers, called the Voltaire, Veronese, Velasquez and Verdi, in addition to the four seven-thousand-ton steamers, named the Titian, Tintoretto, Thespis and Terence, and the Byron and the Tennyson, of 5,000 tons each, which have been in the service for some time. These steamers are all new, and are fitted up with all modern conveniences, with electric lights and enormous refrigerators. They sail from New York on the 5th and 20th of each month, stopping at Bahia, Rio de Janeiro, Santos, Rio Grande do Sul, Montevideo and Buenos Aires. The fare to the latter city is $180, and the voyage requires twenty-six days. After passing Hatteras the sea is always calm. Three days out of New York the steamer passes into the tropics, and the weather remains warm and delightful during the rest of the voyage. The seasons are reversed, hence, when it is summer here it is winter down there, which is the best time to visit those countries.

Journey Across Andes.

The Hamburg-American Steamship Company sent the Blucher, one of its finest steamers, to Buenos Aires, sailing the 22d of January, with two or three hundred excursionists, to be gone for four months; and I understand that this excursion is to be repeated later in the season, in time to visit the exposition and attend the international American conference at Buenos Aires. But all who make the voyage should return by the west coast. The journey across the Andes is extremely interesting and the interior of the Argentine Republic has many attractions, while Chile is one of the most interesting countries in America. There are three regular lines of steamers on the west coast from Valparaiso to the Isthmus of Panama, belonging to the Pacific Steam Navigation Company, the Chilean Steamship Company and to the Hamburg-American Steamship Company. The latter was formerly known as the Kosmos line.

These steamers stop at all the ports along the west coast, and the voyage should be broken at Mollendo, where a railway runs up to Arequippa, Lake Titicaca and La Paz, the capital of Bolivia, and everybody should stop at Callao, the port of Lima, the capital of Peru, which is altogether the most interesting city in South America. From there excursions may be taken by railway into the interior of the republic.

The voyage along the west coast is the most delightful that can be made on any of the seven seas. It never rains, it never blows, there are no storms from one year's end to the other, and the vessels are built accordingly. The cabins open out upon the deck with large windows, instead of upon interior corridors. Going that way it will be possible to stop at Panama and see the canal.

From Colon, on this Caribbean coast, there is a choice of steamers to the United States. The Panama railway steamers belong to our government and run to New York direct. The Hamburg-American company sends a steamer every week, stopping at various points along the Spanish Main and several of the West India Islands; the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company also sends a steamer every week, stopping at Kingston, and the United Fruit Company, better known as the "banana trust," sends a 5,000-ton steamer every week and makes the voyage from Colon to New Orleans in five days.

FOUND AT LOS ANGELES.

Detective to Be Sent After Man Under Indictment Here.

Charles A. Sarber, who is under two indictments in this city for alleged false pretenses, has been arrested in Los Angeles, Cal., at the request of Maj. Sylvester. It is said that Sarber is a dealer in oil stocks, and that he is well known in New York, Pittsburg and Ohio. It is charged that while in this city several months ago he gave worthless checks at the Highlands, New Willard and Campbell's restaurant.

Sarber was arrested in New York and brought here. He was released on $500 security for his appearance in the Police Court, and when indictments were returned against him, it is stated, the Police Court charge was nolle prossed. When the stock dealer was wanted he was not to be found.

Inspector Boardman and Detectives Baur and Cornwell succeeded in locating him in Los Angeles, and had him arrested. Maj. Sylvester will send a detective to get Sarber.

UPPER MARLBORO SHOOTING.

Wife of Wounded Negro Blames His Brother-in-Law.

With a serious bullet wound in his abdomen, Joseph Curtis, colored, was brought to this city this morning from Upper Marlboro, Prince George county, Md., and taken to the Casualty Hospital to be treated.

His wife accompanied him. She told the police that William Dent, brother-in-law of her husband, had done the shooting.

Mrs. Curtis said her husband and Dent fell into a dispute about 10:30 o'clock last night about some trivial aair, and that two shots were fired. She said she was unable to get a physician last night to attend her husband.

She brought the wounded man to the city on a Chesapeake Beach railroad train. Sheriff Sweeney and his deputies have been told of the shooting.

Boy Accidentally Injured.

William Gilison, colored, ten years old, whose parents reside at 1013 12th street, was accidentally run over yesterday afternoon while at 12th and L streets. He was painfully injured about his head. An ambulance was summoned and the boy removed to the Emekgency Hospital.

Colored Woman Dies Suddenly.

Ella Hall, colored, died suddenly this morning at her home, 2020 1st street southwest. There had been no physician in attendance during her last illness. A certificate of death from natural causes was given.

AMONG THE FRATERNITIES

MASONIC.

LODGES.

Feb. 7—Anacostia, No. 21, E. A.
Pentalpha, No. 23, M. M.
Feb. 8—Federal, No. 1, M. M.
Acacia, No. 18, M. M.
Takoma, No. 29, F. C.
Feb. 9—Harmony, No. 17, M. M.
School of instruction.
Feb. 10—Geo. C. Whiting, No. 22, Business.
The New Jerusalem, No. 9, F. C.
Feb. 11—St. John's, No. 11, M. M.
Hope, No. 20, M. M.
Not Bulletined:
Potomac, No. 5; Benj. B. French, No. 15.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

Feb. 8—Mount Horeb, No. 7, Election.
Potomac, No. 8, Election.
Feb. 9—GRAND CHAPTER, Annual Meeting, Election.
Feb. 10—Washington, No. 2, Mark.
Not Bulletined:
Eureka, No. 4.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR COMMANDERIES.

Feb. 7—Orient, No. 5, Regular Business.
Not Bulletined:
De Molay, No. 4, and Washington, No. 1.

ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE.

Feb. 8—Evangelist Chapter, Rose Croix, Business.

EASTERN STAR CHAPTERS.

Feb. 7—Ruth, No. 1.
Feb. 8—Electa, No. 2, and Bethlehem, No. 7.
Feb. 9—Naomi, No. 3, and Brookland, No. 11.
Feb. 11—Takoma, No. 12, and Cathedral, No. 14.

The annual meeting of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter for the District of Columbia and the election of officers for the ensuing year occur Wednesday evening at Masonic Temple. It is said important questions will be discussed affecting the per capita tax and the revenue of the Grand Chapter.

Osiris Lodge, No. 26, voted at its communication Wednesday evening to change its meeting place from the Scottish Rite Cathedral, 1007 G street northwest, to the new Masonic Temple. The change was made necessary by the sale of the old building.

Hiram Lodge, No. 10, will hold its annual memorial services Friday evening, February 18, at 7:30 o'clock. Hiram's mortuary list for the past year includes Alexander T. Borland, Marvin P. Fisher, Walter G. Duckett, George E. Bowers, Louis Luders, William T. Riley, Robert L. Magruder and William M. Ash. Worshipful Master William Gleason Pond has made special preparation for the occasion.

Mithras Lodge of Perfection will hold its annual election of officers Tuesday evening, February 15. The lodge, together with Evangelist Chapter, Rose Croix; Robert de Bruce Council of Kadosh and Albert Pike Consistory has now changed its meeting place to the House of the Temple, 433 3d street northwest. The first Scottish Rite degree work scheduled at the House of the Temple will be rendered at the communication of Mithras Lodge of Perfection Tuesday evening, February 22, when the fourth and fifth degrees will be conferred.

The local Scottish Rite bodies are busy preparing their classes in time for the Maundy Thursday banquet. Reports from each indicate that this year's class will be a very large one.

The annual theater party of Columbia Commandery, No. 2, K. T., will be given at the Columbia Theater Monday evening, when Henrietta Crosman will appear in "Sham." Commander Sebring reorts that a large turnout of the members is promised for that evening.

Francis A. Sebring has again been advanced to the head of a Masonic body in the District of Columbia, this time in his election as high priest of Mount Vernon Royal Arch Chapter, No. 3. The other officers elected and installed by Mount Vernon Chapter at the same time were Roger O'Donnell, king; Harry G. Kimball, scribe; Arthur L. Bryant, captain of the host; Fred M. Bock, principal sojourner; William J. Naylor, royal arch captain; Emmons S. Ellsworth, master of the third vail; Edson B. Phillips, master of the second vail; William S. Adkins, master of the first vail, and George Burke, sentinel.

The Association of Worshipful Masters perfected its organization last Saturday evening in the library hall of Hiram Lodge, No. 10, by the election of the following officers: Henry F. Woodard, Washington Centennial Lodge, No. 14, president; Horace P. McIntosh, Hope Lodge, No. 20, vice president; John Lane Johns, King Solomon Lodge, No. 31, secretary-treasurer, and A. R. Serven, Federal Lodge, No. 1, and William G. Pond, Hiram Lodge, No. 10, members of the executive committee. The association modified the by-laws used by its predecessors so as to provide for monthly meetings at 8 o'clock on the last Saturday evening of each month and the increase of the annual dues. After adjournment refreshments were served at the Hotel Rupertus, with the newly elected president as the host of his brother masters.

Francis A. Springer, master of Acacia Lodge, No. 18, has announced that arrangements have been perfected for a series of lectures on the landmarks of Masonry, to be delivered at the lodge communications when circumstances permit.

Monarch J. W. Collins announces the third grand ceremonial session of Kallipolis Grotto of the Veiled Prophets will differ from its predecessors in several important particulars which may not be published. Special attention is to be paid to the fact that it occurs on St. Valentine's day, and the menu for the banquet is said to reflect the sentiment of the occasion. A class of 100 neophytes is promised.

Commander John W. Michael of Potomac Commandery, No. 3, announces that the grand commander and his associate officers of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, for the District of Columbia will visit the commandery the evening of February 16, when the grand inspector general will make his annual inspection. He urges a full attendance of the knights.

Illustrious Potentate Alex. Grant is making special preparations for the ceremonial session of Almas Temple of the Mystic Shrine at the National Rifles Armory the evening of February 21.

Worshipful Master Gratz E. Dunkum of La Fayette Lodge, No. 19, again announces as a feature of the social evening of the lodge Thursday, February 17, the lecture by Past Grand Master George W. Atkinson of West Virginia on "Masonry." There are to be some surprises at the session, he also promises.

Royal Arch Chapter elections have taken place recently, as follows: Columbia Chapter, No. 1, Wednesday evening, resulting in the choice of Nathan J. Ward as high priest, Francis N. Westerman as king, William T. Hastings as scribe, Harry L. Strang, jr., secretary, and Richard P. Nixon, treasurer.

Eureka Chapter, January 28, making Daniel G. Davis high priest, Charles S. Heinline king, Henry Jaeger scribe, G. Y. At Lee secretary, Theodore Friebus treasurer, and Blair McKenzie, Walter T. Paine and William A. Harries proxies to the Grand Chapter.

La Fayette Chapter, No. 5, Tuesday evening, making Ernest F. King high priest, Clement W. Huske king, Ervin S. Hubbard scribe, William A. Craig secretary, A. F. Fox treasurer, and J. G. Jones, L. H. Meyers and J. W. Thornton proxies to the Grand Chapter.

George C. Whiting Lodge, No. 22, is preparing for its forty-first annual reunion Monday, February 28, at its Masonic Hall, 1210 Wisconsin avenue. The committee in charge promises an interesting and entertaining program, and the members are urged to be present. The following is the committee of arrangements: I. B. Nordlinger, E. H. Fowler, D. F. Dumberth, E. S. Smith, R. H. Young, C. C. Kennon, M. A. Beckham, W. C. Barr, B. F. Harper, W. E. Greaves, R. A. Bogley, Gustav Karger, E. W. R. Ewing, B. F. Fuller.

The annual election of officers of Washington Naval Chapter, No. 6, Royal Arch Masons, for the ensuing year was held at the stated convocation of the chapter Tuesday evening. The meeting was largely attended and each officer was regularly and individually balloted for. In every instance the officers elected received the unanimous and enthusiastic vote of the chapter for advancement. This result not only created an extremely happy feeling within the rank and file of Naval Chapter, but it has also inspired the favorable comment and congratulations of the many friends of the newly elected officers. The officers were installed the evening of their election, as follows: John Scrivener, high priest; Jules A. Rodier, king; Joseph H. Milans, scribe; John Schultz, secretary; Adam Gaddis, treasurer; Samuel Scrivener, captain of the host; J. Frank Campbell, principal sojourner; Harry M. Reynolds, Royal Arch captain; Charles E. Baker, master of the third vail; Frank Heindel, master of the second vail; William T. Hebbard, master of the first vail; F. C. McCathran, sentinel, and Alexander McKenzie and Charles A. Stockett, trustees.

Martha Chapter, No. 4, O. E. S., will give a concert and dance Wednesday evening, at 8 o'clock. The program will consist of readings by Miss Irene Bewley, solos by Miss Fisher and Mr. Temple, and an Italian opera by Mrs. Williams, with Mrs. Heinline as accompanist.

The Matrons of 1908, O. E. S., held their tenth regular meeting Friday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. Julia Streater, 3160 18th street northwest. Those present were Mrs. Elizabeth Heinline, Mrs. Elizabeth McAleer, Mrs. Grace Bernhard, Miss Hattie Crump, Mrs. Carrie Fuller, Mrs. Minerva Crawford, Mrs. Ida Faber and Mrs. Carrie G. Smith.

After the business was disposed of those present engaged in a guessing contest prepared by the entertainment committee. The prize was won by Mrs. Faber. Refreshments were served, after which the matrons adjourned to meet February 24 at the home of Mrs. Carrie Kidd, 125 11th street northeast.

Odd Fellows.

At the regular meeting of Harmony Lodge, No. 9, I. O. O. F., last Wednesday evening, arrangements were completed for its degree team to confer the second degree in Alexandria, Va., Tuesday evening, upon candidates belonging to Serepta Lodge of that place.

The degree team, accompanied by a large number of the members of the lodge, will leave the station, 12th street and Pennsylvania avenue, Tuesday evening at 7:15 o'clock for Alexandria.

Federal City Lodge, No. 20, has announced work in the second degree for Wednesday evening at the Northeast Temple.

A number of applications were acted on last Wednesday evening. Past Grand S. N. Mallory was elected grand instructor for the ensuing term.

Golden Rule Lodge, No. 21, I. O. O. F., met in regular session Tuesday evening, Noble Grand J. A. Willamette presiding. A communication from Grand Master Daniel A. Dugan was received stating the annual grand visitation to the lodge would occur March 29, 1910. He also requested that the lodge recommend a suitable person for appointment as grand instructor. Past Grand W. H. Smoot was recommended for the position.

The noble grand appointed the following assistant degree directors: Past Grands F. A. Norway, J. W. Hollyday, J. A. Quisenberry and J. W. Clampitt.

L. S. Kann of Golden Rule Lodge, No. 21, I. O. O. F., accompanied by his wife, is spending the winter at Monticello, Fla. He writes that he is enjoying the balmy breezes of that section, with a temperature these days of 68 degrees.

Knights of Pythias.

The adoption of new by-laws, as submitted by the committee, and an entertainment pronounced the best of its kind given by the body in years were features of the session of Union Lodge, No. 22, Knights of Pythias, Wednesday evening.

Among those who took part in the entertainment were Charles T. Roderick, with bass solos; F. M. McBride, recitation; C. H. Spaar, in manipulations of the brush; Handschild, with his explanation of how to care for and manage an automobile; quartet selections by Messrs. Roderick, Ramsay, Cason and McCulloch, and a moving picture entertainment by Mr. Konicka of Arkansas.

Refreshments and a smoker folowed.

Mount Vernon Lodge, No. 5, will confer the rank of page at its convention Wednesday evening, and every member has been requested to be present.

Other Orders.

The Junior Order of United American Mechanics will hold its first grand public meeting of the season at Odd Fellows' Hall, 423 7th street northwest, Monday evening at 8 o'clock, in honor of delegates from the states of New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Ohio and Virginia, who are expected to arrive Sunday to attend the fraternal immigration conference to be held in this city Tuesday and Wednesday. These delegates are said to represent 205,000 voters, and they come instructed to urge legislation on immigration at this session of Congress.

Headquarters will be established at the Cochran Hotel. The local branch of the order has sent out 1,500 invitations to members in the city to be present at the reception Monday night.

Installation of officers for the current term by District President Mrs. Hester A. Burke, assisted by officers of the camp, was the feature of the meeting of Camp No. 2, Patriotic Order of Americans, Wednesday night.

The officers are: Past president, Mrs. Lillian Russell; assistant past president, Mrs. Sylvania Bunce; president, Mrs. Ida M. Gayle; assistant president, Mrs. Christina Abernethy; vice president, Mrs. Kate Boyd; assistant vice president, Mrs. Kate Young; conductor, Mrs. Sarah Kershaw; assistant conductor, George W. Turnburke; recording secretary, W. E. Saunders; assistant recording secretary, Mrs. Florence Johnson; financial secretary, George W. Petitt; treasurer, Mrs. Frances Barry; guardian, Mrs. Mary Dailey; sentinel, Mrs. Annie Petitt; trustees, Mrs. Mary E. Cosden, George W. Turnburke and Wash P. Evans; chaplain, Mrs. Mary E. Cosden.

Routine business was transacted, provision made for a number of sick members and reports of committees of arrangements for the entertainment on the 16th instant were read. Remarks on good of the order were made by representatives from the various camps and the newly installed officers.

The district president, Mrs. Hester A. Burke, and the retiring president, Mrs. Lillian Russell, were recipients of testimonials of esteem. National Representative James W. Allison made the presentations on behalf of the camp. The retiring president was given a past president's jewel, the district president making the presentation on behalf of the camp.

The next visitation of the district president will be to Camp No. 3 the 17th instant.

Refreshments were served.

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Case Will Be Appealed and Will Be Finally Taken to Supreme Court. Defendants Dejected.

HARTFORD, Conn., February 5.—A verdict was rendered yesterday in the United States court by the jury in the suit of D. E. Loewe of Danbury against 200 union hatmakers of this state. After having been out more than two hours, the jury ordered actual damages of $74,000 to the plaintiff, but as the suit was brought under the Sherman anti-trust law, triple damages can be recovered. The claim for damages was based upon losses sustained during a boycott of the Loewe firm.

There was a remarkable scene in court when the verdict was announced. The defendants in attendance were stunned for a time, and then in groups dejectedly discussed the blow. It is estimated that the costs in the case will amount to at least $10,000, and these, with the counsel fees, may bring the bill against the United Hatters of North America to fully $250,000.

Meaning of the Verdict.

Speaking in regard to the significance of the verdict in the case, which is said to be the most important of its kind ever tried in this country, Attorney Davenport, senior counsel for the plaintiff, said:

"First—It means that individual members of labor unions are bound by the action of their officers, and they cannot allow them to do as they please.

"Secondly—It means that the Sherman anti-trust law protects manufacturers and merchants from boycott attacks.

"In substance, it is a new declaration of independence."

The plaintiff, D. E. Loewe, was surrounded by friends in the courtroom and congratulated upon the outcome. He said that if he had not won he would have had to go out of business.

Verdict Practically Directed.

Judge Platt, in his charge, practically instructed the jury to bring in a verdict for the plaintiff. He said the only question for them to decide was one of damages, and these were to be based upon the losses sustained by the plaintiff between July, 1902, and September, 1903, the period during which the boycott against the Loewe factory was maintained.

A bill of exceptions will be filed by the defense, and the case will be carried to the federal court of appeals and the United States Supreme Court. The suit, which was for $240,000 damages, has been on trial for eleven weeks. It was instituted by the Anti-Boycott Society, through Mr. Loewe. The expense of defending the suit falls upon the United Hatters of North America, who filed a bond to protect the defendants.

TO FORMULATE PROTEST.

Opponents of Johnston Sunday Bill to Hold Mass Meeting.

In pursuance of the protest against the Sunday bill recently passed by the Senate a mass meeting has been called for tomorrow evening at National Rifles' Hall, G street between 9th and 10th streets. Invitations have been extended to the Seventh Day Adventists, the Hebrew congregations, German societies, Secular League, Personal Liberty League, Mercantile Association and other organizations said to be against the Johnston Sunday bill.

The mass meeting will be held under the auspices of the Religious Liberty Association as "a protest against the encroachments upon the civil and religious rights of the people," as W. A. Colcord, secretary of the religious liberty bureau, expresses it in the call for the gathering. There will be a program of music by an orchestra, a male quartet and special choir. Addresses will be delivered by W. W. Prescott, E. W. Farnsworth, K. C. Russell and W. A. Colcord.

Tentative arrangements are being made to form a joint committee composed of representatives of the several organizations and religions that are arrayed against the enactment of compulsory Sunday observance laws. This committee will secure the co-operation of similar associations throughout the United States, it is said.

SLATE IS NAMED.

Independent League, W. R. C., Has List of Candidates.

The Independent League of the Woman's Relief Corps has placed in nomination a list of officers for the department. Mrs. Marion M. Lewis of Lincoln Corps is named for department president, Mrs. Corinne Strickland of Burnside Corps for Senior vice president, Mrs. H. A. Wyman of Lafayette Corps, junior vice president, Mrs. Gertrude Morgan of Thomas Corps treasurer, Mrs. Emma Harlow of Lafayette Corps chaplain, Mrs. Margaret Brook of Sheridan Corps for chairman of the executive board, Mrs. Cora L. Smith of Sheridan Corps for deelgate at large and Mrs. Marie Smith of Burnside Corps as delegate to the national convention.

Officers of the league deny reports that Mrs. Lewis has withdrawn her name from the contest. The next meeting of the league will be held Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Ferguson, 1648 North Capitol street.

Fire Causes $600 Loss.

Several companies of the fire department responded to an alarm shortly after 6 o'clock last evening, and found a blaze in the house of John Ellis, 489 Missouri avenue. The fire was of unknown origin and caused about $600 damage.

Dead Sitting in Chair.

Mrs. Flora Johnson, colored, seventy-one years old, was found dead at her home, 71 Defrees street, about 5:30 o'clock yesterday. She was seated on a chair when death came. Coroner Nevitt made an examination of the body and gave a certificate of death from natural causes.

GAYLEY SEEKS DIVORCE

STEEL VICE PRESIDENT ALLEGES DESERTION.

Complaint Filed at Reno, Nev., Where He Is Building a Residence.

RENO, Nev., February 5.—Suit for divorce on the ground of desertion was filed yesterday by James Gayley, second vice president of the United States Steel Corporation. The complaint alleges desertion, setting out the date of the marriage and the names of the children. No mention is made of the common property, and it is therefore presumed that a satisfactory settlement has been made and that there will be no contest on the part of the defendant, Julia Gardiner Gayley, whose residence is given as No. 20 Washington square north, New York.

The names of the children are given as Mary, Agnes and Florence, living in New York city.

During his residence in Reno, Gayley lectured at the University of Nevada on the iron industry. He recently purchased a lot in the residence district of Reno, and is having a twenty-five-thousand-dollar building erected.

Wife Refuses to Talk.

NEW YORK, February 5.—Mrs. Julia Gardiner Gayley, wife of James Gayley, was reached over the telephone at her residence in New York last night and informed that her husband had filed suit for divorce at Reno, Nev.

"This is the first I have heard of it," said Mrs. Gayley. "I have nothing whatever to say. Please say nothing," she added. Then she hung up the receiver.

ST. LOUIS, February 5.—Miss Julia T. Gardiner was a society belle in St. Louis when she married James Gayley. The latter was then superintendent of the E. and G. Brooke Iron Works of Birdsboro, Pa. His father, a clergyman of Colora, Md., officiated at the marriage. Among the guests was Malcolm Gayley of Chicago.

Miss Gardiner was a daughter of Col. C. C. Gardiner, who at the time of her marriage was general agent for an insurance company here. Her brother, C. C. Gardiner, jr., succeeded her father in business.

CLAIMS HE WAS SWINDLED.

Georgetown Hotel Man Complains of Men With Whom He Dealt.

Detectives Pratt and Howlett are investigating a complaint made yesterday by Benjamin Lenovitz, proprietor of the Farmers and Merchants' Hotel, 3270 M street, that he had given up $1,100 to alleged swindlers with whom he had negotiated for the sale of his hotel and saloon business.

It is believed that the three men came here from New York to work the "lemon" game on the hotel man. They probably knew of the trouble Lenovitz had recently had in connection with a raid made at his place and thought he would be anxious to make a sale.

Lenovitz proved an easy victim. He saw the three men, one of them giving his name as Harry Marcus and representing he was the son of a millionaire banker. He displayed packages which, he said, contained $10,000 each. He wanted to present the business to Otto Harris, his valet, he said, and during the course of the transaction Lenovitz put up the $1,100 as evidence of good faith.

When Lenovitz concluded he had been swindled he called on the police to have the trio arrested. A warrant has been issued for their arrest and the police are endeavoring to locate them.

EFFECTIVE FROM THIS TIME.

Decision Regarding the New Building Regulations.

Several builders called at the District building today to find out whether or not their building operations would be affected by the statement published in a local newspaper to the effect that those who obtained permits prior to November 15, when the new building regulations went into effect, would have to comply with the new regulations.

The situation is that from now on all buildings will have to comply with the new regulations, which, in effect, are framed to encourage the erection of fireproof buildings.

Many applications were made for permits some time prior to November 15, and the permits were granted after November 15. To clear up the applications and permits at or near the time the change of regulations was made, the Commissioners waited four months, and now that there are no pending permits it has been decided that all new buildings must comply with the new regulations.

TAKEN ILL IN CHURCH.

Miss Margaret A. Sullivan Dies Before Arrival of a Physician.

Miss Margaret A. Sullivan, sixty-five years old, was taken ill last night about 8 o'clock while attending the first Friday devotions at Holy Trinity Church. She was removed to the priest's house, adjoining the church, and a physician summoned, but death occurred before the physician reached her.

Death was due to heart disease. Miss Sullivan was a member of a Boston family, but had resided in this city a number of years. In recent years she had boarded at the home of Thomas B. Blackman, 3411 O street, and had been attended by Dr. W. C. Gwynn for heart trouble.

Thaddeus D. Sullivan, a brother, is in the army and is stationed at Fort Hunt, while Miss Mary Agnes Sullivan, a sister, is in a convent in Richmond, Va. An undertaker took charge of the body and prepared it for burial, which will be in Mount Olivet cemetery.

Eagles to Hold Memorial Services.

Washington Aerie, No. 125, Fraternal Order of Eagles, will hold its seventh memorial service at the New National Theater tomorrow evening, beginning at 8 o'clock. Many members of the order and their friends have been invited to attend the services.