TARDY LAND OWNERS DELAY PLAZA AWARDS

Property Holders Who Have Accepted Are Not to Suffer, However.

Tardiness of some few property holders on square 722, included in the proposed Union station plaza extension, in accepting the offer of "a fair market value" for their parcels of realty made by the commission of awards, may defeat the purpose of the commission to put money into the hands of the property holders before Christmas. But it will not be allowed to prevent satisfactory arrangements with accepting property holders, before Christmas, that will give them the positive assurance that their money soon will be forthcoming. This ceretainty, it is expected, will be convertible into liquid assets by any who desire to realize in part for holiday purposes.

The commission is determined to wait only a few more days for acceptance or rejections of its offers. By Tuesday or Wednesday such of the acceptances or rejections for property in square 722 as have been received will be laid before the President as the findings of the commission; those parcels of property that have not been included in these findings, because of failure of response from owners as to their disposition to accept or reject the offer, will go over and not be reported to the President, at the earliest, until the commission is prepared to report other findings.

Details to Be Cared For.

The President's acquiescence in the findings, which will establish them as awards, will not immediately place the money in the hands of the property owners in exchange for titles. The Department of Justice will require several days to complete the abstracts of titles, which are only certified up to March. While not many transfers have taken place in the meantime, it is necessary to have the certification to date. Not until this is done will title pass to the government and payments be made to property holders.

WOULD HAVE STUDENTS TRY SELF-GOVERNMENT

William Gill Advocates Adoption of System in Schools of the District.

Student government for the public schools of Washington as a means to character building was urged by William Gill, in an address before the Federation of Women's Clubs at the Public Library today. Mr. Gill had charge of similar work in Cuba when that country was "cleaned up" by the United States forces. The meeting today was the last of the Saturday morning meetings until January 9.

Through student government in the schools of Cuba, said Mr. Gill, civic pride had been carried into the homes and the cleaning-up process had been made easier. Also, the children had learned to be considerate to one another and had ceased the use of indecent language. He explained that he had urged school authorities of Washington to place student government in the schools, but that they have not yet taken the matter up, saying other things are more pressing at present.

Mrs. Elizabeth Gates Perry, chairman of the committee on political science, which had this morning's meeting in charge, said the teachers in the public schools are already overburdened and expressed the belief that student government cannot be installed unless given extra pay for additional work or special teachers are employed.

Mrs. William M. Stoner and Mrs. M. B. Granger were other speakers. Mrs. Ellis Logan, president of the federation, urged co-operation and greater effort by all members of that organization during the next calendar year.

JOHN G. GREENAWALT DROPS DEAD IN OFFICE

Veteran of Civil War and a Principal Examiner in Pension Bureau.

John G. Greenawalt, a veteran of the civil war and a principal examiner of the pension office, dropped dead in the Pension office building about 12:30 o'clock this afternoon.

Mr. Greenawalt was detailed in the office of the deputy commissioner. He had been ill several weeks ago, but had returned to duty for the last couple of days. He had not complained to any of the other employes of feeling ill. Mr. Greenawalt was about to leave the building for lunch this afternoon when he was seen to fall to the floor.

Employes went to his assistance, but he died before medical aid could reach him. Death is believed to have resulted from heart disease.

Mr. Greenawalt, who resided at 1507 Irving street northwest, was born in Pennsylvania October 24, 1840. He was appointed to the pension office from South Bend, Ind., September 1, 1882. His wife, a son and daughter survive him. Frank Greenawalt, the son, who is employed in the Department of Commerce, was summoned to the pension office and took charge of the remains.

SAN LUIS POTOSI GIVEN UP.

Reported Revolt of the Garrison Against Villa.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., December 19.—A dispatch received by the local Mexican consul today said:

"The Villa garrison at San Luis Potosi revolted against Villa this morning and surrendered the city to Gen. Samuel de Los Santos, who is loyal to Gen. Carranza."

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WAR NEWS IN BRIEF.

It is indicated by the German war office statement of today that the offensive in the west now rests with the allies. The Berlin communication says a series of hostile attacks were repulsed.

Today's French official statement asserts that further important advantages have been won by the allies, who apparently are now making an effort to push back the German line at the sharp angle north of Paris where it swings eastward. In two instance it is admitted that the Germans have made progress.

The day's official reports fail to clear up the situation in the east. The German announcement was as indefinite as before, merely stating that in Poland the pursuit of the Russians was continuing and that a Russian cavalry attack on the East Prussian frontier had been defeated.

London reports indicate that the offensive movement of the allies in the west is designed to prevent the sending of German reinforcements to Poland.

Reports that the allies had captured Roulers, in Flanders, lack official confirmation.

BERLIN RECEIVES U. S. CHRISTMAS SHIP GIFTS

Reception Given by Capital for Formal Presentation of Articles.

BERLIN, December 18, via London, December 19, 5:15 a.m.—The American Christmas gifts, brought on the American ship Jason for the children of fallen German soldiers, arrived today. They were accompanied from Naples by representatives of the German foreign office.

A reception was given by the municipality of Berlin for the formal presentation of the gifts. It was attended by the lord mayor, leading city functionaries, Baron Mumm von Schwarzenstein, representing the foreign office; Prince Hatzfeldt, president of the German Red Cross, which undertakes the distribution of the gifts; James W. Gerard, the American ambassador, his wife and other members of the embassy, and the empress' two chief ladies in waiting. The crown prince's three eldest sons, dressed in sailor suits, also were present and attracted much attention.

Five hundred girls and boys, with American and German flags, were stationed on the broad stairway of the town hall and awaited the arrival of the official party, and a picked choir of children sang Christmas carols around a Christmas tree.

Characterized as "Noble Deed."

The lord mayor in the course of his speech of welcome said:

"This noble deed will be kept in our memory for a long time as a pledge to us that our worldly quarrels are overpowered by the gospel 'Peace on Earth Good Will Toward Men.'"

The Norddeustche Zeitung commenting editorially on the arrival of the gifts says:

"We extend the capital's heart's welcome to this demonstration, free from any political design and an expression of pure love of humanity, whose value the German people know how to appreciate even in the stress of war time.

"The Christmas festival has not lost its charm to the souls of Germans by reason of the war forced upon us."

U. S. WAR MUNITIONS FOR EUROPEAN POWERS

Secretary Redfield Furnishes the Senate With Statement as to Shipments.

In response to Senator Hitchcock's resolution asking for information as to shipment of munitions of war by the United States, Secretary Redfield of the Commerce Department today submitted a report giving data so far as available. The report was not complete, he said, because there are 15,000 firms in the country that could manufacture and export war munitions, and that it had been impossible to make a complete investigation.

The report gave figures on the exportation of cartridges, gunpowder and firearms from this country to the rest of the world for the fiscal years 1913 and 1914, ending in June, and for August, September and October of 1914, November figures for this year not being available.

Heaviest Last October.

Heaviest shipments of ammunition indicated since the war were in October, 1914, chiefly to the United Kingdom and France. For this month munition exports to the warring nations totaled $1,104,744 worth of cartridges, $539,360 worth of firearms and $1,114 worth of gunpowder. France received in this month $383,250 worth of cartridges and $392,812 worth of firearms.

The United Kingdom in this month received from this country cartridges valued at $700,699; firearms, $86,183; Canada $20,825 in cartridges and $60,257 in firearms.

For the twelve months ending June, 1914, the United States exported cartridges valued at $938,489 to the countries now at war, and two million five hundred and eighty-three and forty-four dollars' worth to the rest of the world. For August and September the shipments to warring nations were much less, and since the war began there is no record of shipments of war munitions to Germany, Russia, Belgium or Servia.

Tribute to Late Sereno E. Payne.

Resolutions of tribute to the late Representative Sereno E. Payne of New York were adopted by the House ways and means committee today. A similar resolution from the Business Men's Association of Auburn, N. Y., Mr. Payne's home city, were submitted to the committee.

BILL WOULD INCREASE REGULAR ARMY FORCE

Representative Anthony's Proposal Carries Out General Staff's Scheme.

Fifteen new regiments of infantry, five regiments of cavalry and five regiments of artillery would be added to the present regular army if a bill proposed by Representative Anthony of Kansas is enacted. The bill carries out the scheme of the general staff and general officers of the army. Representative Anthony is a member of the military affairs committee of the House. It will be offered as an amendment to the forthcoming army appropriation bill unless the committee reports a bill providing for this increase.

Mr. Anthony disclaims any intention of making the question of national defense a political issue. He has hoped that Chairman Hay would take up the recommendations of the Secretary of War and introduce them as a bill. As the chairman does not seem disposed to support the administration in this respect, Mr. Anthony proposes to take up the question.

Army Weakness No Secret.

"I am not in sympathy with some of the recent sensational utterances of Representative Gardner of Massachusetts," said Mr. Anthony. "The weakness of our regular army is no secret or mystery. We simply have not enough soldiers in the regular army to provide for the garrisoning of the Panama Canal Zone, Hawaii and the Philippines, and for the defense of the United States, according to the plans of the general staff.

"This administration, when all of its plans are carried out, will have so many troops stationed in our possessions and on the Panama canal that there will not be left in this country even a nucleus for an army to defend us against an attack. All these facts can be ascertained by consulting the official army register, and it is only a question as to whether Congress is going to make up for the deficiency in the army stationed at home growing out of the force that has been sent to the foreign garrisons.

Personnel Most Efficient.

"There is nothing the matter with the personnel of the army. I believe for its size the United States Army is the most efficient in the world. It has a body of 4,000 of the best trained officers and its enlisted personnel is admitted to be superior to any in the world.

"While the argument of the Secretary of War in his annual report in the main is sound, his recommendations are not along the right line to make up the deficiency in the strength of the army. He describes the regular army as a nucleus and in carrying out this theory he should have recommended additional regiments or organizations so that they could be expanded in the event of war. The amendment that I will propose to the army appropriation bill will provide for this and I think will more nearly meet the needs of the country than the proposition of the Secretary to increase the strength of the existing organizations of the army."

BILL TOTALS $34,138,580

Rivers and Harbors Measure Reported to the House Today. Economy the Keynote.

The annual rivers and harbors appropriation bill, carrying $34,138,580, was reported to the House today by Representative Sparkman from the rivers and harbors committee. Explaining the sharp reductions from the estimates made by the army engineers and the omission of all new projects from the bill, the report of the committee said:

"In view of the necessity for economy in government expenditures, a thing desirable at all times, but owing to the extraordinary conditions brought about by the present European war, more imperative now perhaps than at any time during the past decade, it was thought advisable to omit new projects from the bill and to reduce the appropriation and authorizations to the lowest possible minimum commensurate with efficiency and a reasonable degree of progress toward the completion of each improvement now under way."

SCARBOROUGH CORONER BARS "MURDER" VERDICT

SCARBOROUGH, England, December 18, via London, December 19.—The inquest over the bodies of those who lost their lives in the bombardment of this place by a German fleet Wednesday was ended today. The verdicts returned were similar to those found at Hartlepool and Whitby—that the victims were killed by shells from German warships. The foreman of the jury wanted to use the word "murder," but the coroner explained that this would necessitate the prosecution of some one.

GARDNER PLANS FOR HEARING.

Will Appear Before House Committee Either Monday or Tuesday.

Representative Gardner of Massachusetts arranged today for a hearing before the House military committee, either Monday or Tuesday, on the question of the military preparedness of the country. Mr. Gardner has a resolution pending in the House for the creation of a commission to investigate the whole question.

An increase of twenty-five regiments in the regular army is proposed by a bill introduced in the House today by Representative Anthony of the military affairs committee. The measure would authorize the Secretary of War to immediately raise and equip five additional regimnts of artillery, five of cavalry and fifteen of infantry. It would also repeal the present law limiting the army to 100,000 men.

Funeral Services for Capt. Burdett.

Funeral services for Capt. Samuel S. Burdett, former commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, who died September 24 in England, are to be held in this city Monday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock at All Souls' Church, 14th and L streets northwest. Interment is to be at Arlington national cemetery.

A Christmas Story.

Vera Edmondson has an entertaining story in the next Sunday Magazine of The Sunday Star, which she calls "The Other Three." Its love interest will bring the sympathy of every reader for the lorn couple, which will be abundantly satisfied on their Christmas eve. "The Christmas Lute," by Frances Irvin, is also a Christmas story.

After the first of the year New Jersey will require all automobiles to carry mirrors, to enable drivers to see the road in their rear.

GEORGETOWN CITIZENS TO PLAN CIVIC WORK

President Doyle Appoints Association's Committees for the Ensuing Year.

A meeting of the Georgetown Citizens' Association is to be held Monday night at Potomac Savings Bank Hall, Wisconsin avenue and M street northwest. Plans for the association's civic work for the ensuing year are to be outlined.

President John Hadley Doyle has appointed committees for the ensuing year, as follows:

Executive—Frank P. Leetch, chairman; Albion K. Parris, Henry S. Matthews, John Hadley Doyle, George W. Offutt and Thomas J. Stanton.

Legislative—J. Holdsworth Gordon, chairman; George A. King, G. Warren Offutt, James Berrall, W. F. McReynolds, George Y. Worthington, Robert L. Middleton, E. A. Boeger and Dr. H. J. Nichols.

Public health—Dr. Howard E. Ames, chairman; Dr. George W. Wood, Dr. Henderson Suter, Dr. Michael J. Ready, Dr. F. Scott Avery, Prof. Edgar Frisbey, Robert B. Tenney, Rev. H. J. Shandelle, and F. Baker Weaver.

Public improvements—T. Janney Brown, chairman; Henry W. Offutt, Isaac Birch, Louis Hopfenmaier, J. T. Jenkins, J. Leo Kolb, L. C. Mallory, W. K. Reeves, J. W. Stohlman and W. W. Anderson.

Commercial interests—Henry W. Offutt, chairman; George L. Nicholson, W. F. Weaver, Benjamin Sinsheimer, Mercer B. Mayfield, P. F. Carr, George J. Esterday, H. W. Fisher and C. P. Hancock.

Schools—Alexander S. Stewart, chairman; Albert Stabler, Joseph A. Oliver, Lloyd B. Wight, W. Hunter Haycock, William A. Leetch, S. K. Radford and Rev. Christopher Sparling.

Parks and reservations—George Y. Worthington, chairman; Frank P. Leetch, E. M. Talcott, Charles P. Williams, Charles C. Warden, W. F. Weaver, Dr. W. W. Morgan, E. E. Van Orstrand and R. E. Beckham.

Finance—George W. Ray, chairman; E. S. Kennedy, Joseph H. Bradley, P. H. Marshall, Reginald B. Locker, George E. Truett and E. D. Pennebaker.

Membership — Edward F. Locker, chairman; Joseph Edward Libby, Arthur Small, F. A. Carlson, Frank A. Kerr, Dr. R. R. Layton, A. M. Baer, W. H. Houghton, Emery H. Bogley and Louis P. Heiston.

Publicity—Ralph A. Collins, chairman; George Y. Worthington, jr.; F. A. Carlson, Spencer Gordon, J. C. Huddleston, Charles Gannon, J. McKenney Berry, J. J. Waters, F. G. Wrenn.

POLICE SEEK INDIVIDUAL ACCUSED OF SWINDLING

Unidentified Colored Man Wanted for Procuring Money by Fraud. Robberies Reported.

An unidentified colored man is wanted by the police to answer for several petty swindles perpetrated during the past two weeks. His scheme is to call at a private house and engage a room. He points out the necessity for getting a new bed for his room, explaining that a home is what he wants, and in several instances he induced the landlady to advance him money with which to purchase a bed. Mrs. William Liverpool, 2446 Nichols avenue southeast, his latest victim, gave the swindler $5 yesterday afternoon.

Reports of Thefts.

Harry Yesbek, 923 K street northwest, reported to the police the loss of $75 in cash. The money, he stated, was taken from his house yesterday afternoon. Yesbek said he thought the money was taken by a colored man and that the latter left the city.

George Bland, janitor at 2415 20th street northwest, told the police of a robbery committed in his apartment. Entrance was gained through the door that was left unfastened, he said, and articles of wearing apparel worth $2 taken.

The theft of an overcoat was reported by Harry C. Hixon, 434 New York avenue northwest. He told the police that his coat was taken from St. Dominic's Church yesterday.

Garfield Post Elects Officers.

James A. Garfield Post, No. 7, Department of the Potomac, G. A. R., has elected the following officers for the year 1915: Commander, William M. Potter; senior vice commander, Roberts Harleston; junior vice commander, John E. Bristol; quartermaster, John M. Young; surgeon, Thomas Calver; chaplain, A. H. G. Richardson; officer of the day, John Connelly; patriotic instructor, William Potter; officer of the guard, B. McCarthy; delegates, Messrs. Harleston, Bristol and Clark; alternates, Messrs. Ziriax, Connelly and Myers; memorial committee, Thomas Calver, and relief committee, A. H. Frear.

Bandit Shipped Loot by Parcel Post.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, December 19.—The $13,100 obtained by Frank G. Hohl, the automobile bandit who Thursday robbed two bankers and was later killed after fatally wounding a policeman, or at least a part of it, was shipped by parcel post to Louisville, Ky., by the robber.

RURAL MAIL IN YEAR HALF BILLION POUNDS

Increase in Service Shown in Annual Report of Fourth Assistant Postmaster General.

Details of the increase in the usefulness and smoothness of the rural free delivery service of the United States are contained in the annual report just issued of the fourth assistant postmaster general, in charge of that part of Uncle Sam's mail service, for the fiscal year ended June 30 last. . . . ?

More than three billion pieces of mail, varying in weight from a fraction of an ounce to fifty pounds, says James I. Blakeslee, the fourth assistant postmaster general, and totaling nearly half a billion pounds, are delivered and collected annually at the very homes of the twenty-odd million people of the rural districts, thus effectually breaking down the barrier of isolation that at one time prevailed in many places.

Requests for New Routes.

That the services of the rural free delivery system are appreciated by the people at large is evidenced by the fact that within the year the department received 1,517 petitions for new routes. The utilization of motor transportation, says Mr. Blakeslee, by carriers is constantly becoming more general. With this class of vehicles it is possible, he says, to cover at least twice the territory served by horse-drawn contrivances, although, of course, the cost of upkeep is greater.

June 30, 1914, according to the report, there were in operation 43,652 rural routes, an increase of 847 over the preceding year. Routes to the number of 860, with an aggregate length of more than 20,000 miles, were established during the year, while but thirteen routes, totaling 302 miles, were discontinued. The net increase in carriers was 830.

During the fiscal year 1,185 fourth-class post offices were established and 2,371 discontinued. Of the latter, 719 were on account of extensions of rural delivery.

Great Demand for Scales.

The demand for scales, due to the increase in the parcels post facilities, has been extraordinarily large, and has necessitated the purchase and distribution during the year of 31,300 100-pound scales. It is thought that before all post offices are thus equipped 20,000 more will have to be provided.

Following the thorough and detailed analysis of the rural free delivery facilities, Mr. Blakeslee sets forth a number of improvements and changes in connection with a variety of other matters under his charge, such as mail bag repair shops, mail lock shops, canceling machines, the handling of dead letters, labor-saving devices, etc., and closes his report as follows:

"In effecting the extensive readjustments and improvements brought about by this office during the year, an exceptional strain has developed upon its personnel. This has been borne loyally and successfully and I deem it a pleasurable duty to record here my deep sense of appreciation of the admirable fidelity displayed throughout by the employes of the bureau."

Capt. Grafton L. Daggett Dead.

Capt. Grafton L. Daggett, one of the veteran steamboat men of New England, died Thursday last at his home at Vineyard Haven, Mass., in the eighty-seventh year of his age. Capt. Daggett was master of many vessels on New England and other waters, and was master, it is stated, of the steamer River Queen, when she was employed as a dispatch boat during the civil war and was used by President Lincoln for trips from Washington to City Point, on the James River, to visit the army in the field. Later the River Queen was employed for many years as an excursion steamer on the Potomac. She was burned at her dock here about two years ago.

Judge N. Charles Burke of the court of appeals of Maryland received a number of bad bruises when he fell while alighting from a trolley car in front of his home near Towson, Md.

RAILROAD INFLUENCE AT WORK, IT IS AVERRED

Representative Moon's Charge in Reference to Post Office Bill Throws House in Turmoil.

After the House yesterday defeated the special rule to make privileged the large amount of special legislation proposed in the post office appropriation bill, Chairman Moon of the post office committee made a heated charge that "railway influences had been at work to defeat the measure." The charge threw the House into a noisy turmoil for a few minutes, and Chairman Henry of the rules committee backed up the statement by declaring that he knew of railroad influence that had been at work in the rules committee in an effort to block a report on the resolution.

The particular object at which railway influence might be aimed, if there is such influence, is new legislation proposing an adjustment of railway mail pay. This is said to be distasteful to the railroads. However, the House defeated the special rule principally because of its widespread effect on rural free delivery carriers and postmasters. The post office bill carries new legislation which affects a reduction in postmasters' salaries to a great extent and also provides for a contract system of rural free deliveries to be established in one county in each state for experimental purposes.

STATES TO AID IN MAKING FLAG FOR CANAL OPENING

Work to Be Done in Betsy Ross House, Each Governor to Supply a Star.

PHILADELPHIA, December 19.—The American flag to be unfurled at the official opening of the Panama canal will be made in the Betsy Ross house in this city and each of the stars to be placed in the flag will be supplied by the governor of one of the states of the Union, according to an announcement made yesterday at a meeting of the survivors of the executive committee and members of the Bi-centennial Association. The committee will ask President Wilson to release the flag by pressing an electric button at Washington.

Charles W. Alexander, secretary of the bi-centennial committee, announced that President Wilson will be asked to become sponsor for a movement for having "The Star Spangled Banner" sung throughout the land when the flag is unfurled. It is the plan of the committee that the flag ceremony at the canal occur at a specified time and for the national anthem to be sung in every city, town and village in the United States at that moment.

SEVERAL AUTOS IN COLLISION.

Machines and Street Car Damaged in Accidents.

An electric automobile, owned and operated by E. H. Pilson, 2121 R street northwest, collided with a street car near Connecticut avenue and M street northwest yesterday afternoon. The street car was slightly damaged.

An automobile belonging to the Russian embassy struck an electric light pole at 14th and H streets northwest yesterday afternoon. The breaking of the electric light globe was the only damage done.

An automobile belonging to the Chilean minister, standing in front of 917 Pennsylvania avenue northwest yesterday afternoon, was struck by an automobile operated by Frederick Wallace. Both machines were damaged.

George L. Stoksdale, a well known resident and farmer of Baltimore county, Md., died at his home at Freeland after being ill for two months of heart trouble.

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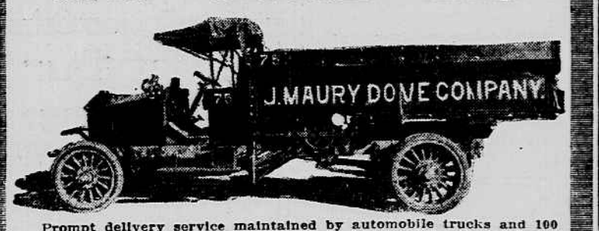

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LOSS BY FOREST FIRES KEPT WITHIN $400,000

More Than $100,000,000 in Timber Threatened Up to December 1, Forest Service Announces.

Up to December 1, 6,112 fires this year had threatened the national forests of the United States with destruction of more than $100,000,000 of timber, but, according to preliminary figures announced by the forest service today, an actual loss of only $400,000 was sustained.

December 1, 1910, the loss of timber in the national forests caused by fires that year was estimated at $15,000,000 and the total number of fires was 1,000 less than for the same period this year.

That the number of fires this year carried greater danger to the forests than any year since the establishment of the national forests, but resulted in a smaller loss than ever before, is explained by the forest service as due to the efficient work of the protective organization in preventing and extinguishing forest fires.

In this connection the forest service says:

Work of Protective Organization.

"Of the entire 6,112 fires which threatened the national forests, 81 per cent were extinguished by the protective organization before they had covered ten acres. The percentage of fires that burned over more than ten acres was smaller than in any previous year.

"While detailed reports have not yet been received appraising the exact loss to the government through forest fires, a preliminary estimate shows that the loss of merchantable timber will probably not exceed $400,000.

"Reports of the fires and damage up to December 1 indicated that there was still a dangerous condition in southern California and in certain portions of the national forests of the east. The service says that the total for the year will be increased by fires in these regions during December. The conditions of drought and other factors of forest fire hazard were said to be worse than in 1910, when the disastrous Idaho fires occurred.

"A long dry season, sustained periods of high temperature, recurring hard and steady winds, and in certain places unusually hot, dry nights, rendered the forests exceedingly inflammable and the problem of fire prevention unusually difficult."

Holy Name Society Officers.

The following officers have been elected by the Holy Name Society of St. Stephen's Catholic Church:

President, Patrick T. Niland; vice president, Michael E. Buckley; recording secretary, Thomas R. J. Cavanaugh, and treasurer, Arthur Williamson.

The following have been appointed as delegates to the Washington section of the Holy Name Union:

Thomas Niland, Austin Moore, James Cleary and James McArdle.

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