

TO AID CAMPAIGN OF THE RED CROSS

Citizens' Associations and Other Civic Bodies Represented at Public Meeting.

MISS MABEL BOARDMAN EXPLAINS THE PURPOSE

Movement Throughout Country to Increase Membership of Organization Formed for Relief Work.

A majority of the citizens' associations of the District were represented at the meeting called by Admiral N. E. Mason at the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce, 1202 F street, yesterday afternoon, for the organization of the Red Cross membership campaign here.

Application Blanks Distributed.

Applicants for membership will be registered at the headquarters of the exhibition arranged in connection with the campaign in the streets, and a great number of application blanks have been distributed by mail.

Appeal for Support.

The work of the Red Cross should, it is asserted by the association of officials, command the interest and support of every citizen. It is not a private association nor a limited corporation, but an organization "of the people, by the people and for the people."

Status Not Generally Understood.

That an ignorance of the status of the Red Cross in this country exists in some cases to a surprising degree is evidenced by a suggestion offered by one of the speakers at a recent congress of the National Society League, in this city.

VERDICT IN E-2 MISHAP.

Explosion of Gases Blamed—Authorities Held Responsible. NEW YORK, January 28.—A coroner's jury in Brooklyn yesterday returned a verdict that the accident which cost the lives of five men on the United States submarine E-2, in the Brooklyn navy yard a fortnight ago, was due to the explosion of gases. The jurors said that as they were unable to determine the cause of the gases, it was their unanimous decision that the authorities in charge were responsible, and should not have permitted employees, or others to enter the E-2, without proper protection.

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BOY RUN OVER BY TRUCK DIES TWO HOURS LATER

James Higgs Fatally Injured. Other Accidents on Streets of the City.

A big motor truck belonging to J. Edward Chapman yesterday afternoon ran over and fatally injured James Higgs, twelve years old, 219 L street southeast, at Virginia avenue and 6th street southeast. The accident happened about 1:30 o'clock and the injured boy died at Casualty Hospital two hours later.

It is stated that the truck was filled with coal and was being operated by George L. Meredith, colored, 2013 Vermont avenue. Meredith was held to appear at an inquest late today.

Sarah Stein, five years old, while on roller skates near her home on Bladensburg road yesterday afternoon, was knocked down by an automobile operated by Hugh H. Stephens, U. S. S. Dolphin, and injured on the head and nose. In an effort to avoid doing serious injury to the child, Stephens ran his car against a pole and was slightly hurt. He took the child to Casualty Hospital.

An automobile owned by Admiral Richardson Clover, 1535 New Hampshire avenue, and operated by Miss Beatrice Clover, last night collided with a team belonging to the quartermaster department of the army at Connecticut avenue and Jefferson place. The pole of the team was struck and the driver, Joseph Bohannon, 1832 O street, driver of the team, sustained an injury to his hand.

Senator Swanson's automobile yesterday afternoon collided with a street car at Connecticut avenue and M street. The breaking of the fender of the automobile was the only damage done, occupants of the machine escaping injury.

A collision between two automobiles, one owned by C. E. Fowler, 50 Bryant street northwest, and the other belonging to Bushrod Garrison, 1227 Longfellow street, occurred yesterday afternoon near 1st and Bryant streets. Mr. Garrison's car was slightly damaged.

LAUD SAMUEL GOMPERS AT A BIRTHDAY DINNER

Work of Federation President on Sixty-Sixth Anniversary.

The sixty-sixth birthday anniversary of Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, was celebrated last night by a banquet given in his honor by the Central Labor Union at the Elks' Club. William B. Wilson, Secretary of Labor, was the principal speaker, and Edward L. Tucker, president of the Central Labor Union, was the toastmaster.

Mr. Wilson told of the achievements of Mr. Gompers during the past thirty-five years in the cause of labor, saying that it has been during Mr. Gompers' regime that the greatest progress by labor in the history of the world has been made.

He specified the passage of legislation looking to the enforcement of a shorter working day, the protection of child labor and the betterment of sanitary conditions under which wage-earners now work.

Other addresses complimentary to Mr. Gompers were delivered by Representatives Frank Buchanan, John J. Casey of Pennsylvania and John J. Nolan of California; Ernest Rohm of New York, John Deviny president of the Plate Printers' Union, and Thomas Williams, W. J. Spencer, Grant Willis Moore, Hugh Kerwin, Grant Hamilton, James G. Lane, James O'Connell, Albert Berres, Hugh Digney, John R. Colpoys, J. E. Toome and Luke Ludlow. Among the speakers were also Joseph A. Hardie, S. T. McCully, Thomas Lavender, James Hasset, H. Smith, F. H. Spuner, F. Sheib, E. Han, D. Pleas, W. Montgomery, S. E. Beach, R. Grace, H. F. Oehler, G. Hernan, M. Killman, J. L. Ward, F. Fowler, F. N. Whitehead, W. C. Connor, G. S. Webster, A. Shultz, W. A. James, C. B. Runt, J. Beck, C. T. Smith, W. Shaeffer, C. F. Miller, E. Wood, W. Spencer, John Williams, P. J. Ryan, L. Lehmann, W. Haus, G. Jacobs, G. Clancy, John Deviny, Mrs. Samuel Gompers, Miss Sadie Gompers, Mrs. Samuel Gompers, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Wilner, Newton A. James, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Shell, Mrs. T. Frederick, T. Heimerichs, B. S. Kroger, W. Beiten, W. Keeler, John H. Lorch, T. McQuade, F. Kraemer, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Jones, G. Harnung and Mr. and Mrs. A. Halder.

Deaths Reported.

The following deaths have been reported to the health department in the last twenty-four hours: Mary J. Ball, 81 years, 129 Carroll street southeast. John E. Dean, 1 year, Providence Hospital. Kate M. Glasgow, 51 years, 307 E street northwest. Henry T. Hatfield, 44 years, Government Hospital for the Insane. Ella E. Steel, 58 years, Astoria flats. James E. Seaman, 42 years, 343 McLean avenue. Morris R. George, 64 years, 753 Quebec street northwest. Robert W. Thornton, 39 years, Soldiers' Home. Sherman Rifenburg, 48 years, Sibley Hospital. Ellen Colbert, 57 years, 515 Respublic Street. Jennie Stoeband, 82 years, 2909 M street northwest. Infant of John and Nannie Woodford, 6 days, 217 V street northwest. Daniel Green, 11 years, 136 C street southwest. Richard F. Quivers, 55 years, 823 Delaware avenue southwest. Amanda Moore, 65 years, Stanton road.

BIBLE CLASS GIVES PLAY.

Local Charities to Benefit From Lutheran Church Entertainment. "A perplexing situation" was the title of a play given Wednesday evening by the A. O. Hutterly Bible class of St. Paul's Lutheran Church. A large audience was in attendance. The proceeds are to be devoted to local charitable work. Musical selections were also given. Those in the cast included: E. J. Nagle, Mrs. Joseph F. Randall, William U. Hutterly, Miss Verena Schmidt, Miss Virginia K. Griffith, Mr. Charles D. Skippin, Miss Edna Hyer, Miss Agnes Suman, Andrew J. Hutterly, Miss Corinne E. Hutterly, William B. Wright, William E. Owens, Jr., and George C. Hutterly.

Nations Forbid Sale of Ships.

Americans are warned by the Department of Commerce to make careful inquiry when contemplating the purchase of foreign vessels, as Great Britain, Austria-Hungary, Germany, France, Norway, Brazil and Spain have enacted laws forbidding sale of ships under their flags. These nations possess more than three-fourths of the world's shipping tonnage.

TRAFFIC CLUB GIVES ITS ANNUAL DINNER

Principal Address Is Made by Representative Heflin of Alabama.

CORPORATION REGULATION AND SUFFRAGE HIS TOPIC

Conspiracy Clause of the Sherman Anti-Trust Law Is Attacked by Mr. Brandenburg.

"Platform promises are like railroad platforms—they are made to get on and not to stand on," declared Representative J. Thomas Heflin of Alabama, in an address before the Washington Traffic Club at its annual dinner last night at the Raleigh Hotel. The speaker said he was referring to promises made by men seeking an office.

Taking up the subject of corporations, Mr. Heflin said they have come to stay. "I believe in the regulation of corporations, believe in the governmental control of corporations, but that the regulation should be for the betterment of the service of the corporation." He declared the democratic party under the present administration has caused the growth and development of every corporation in this country.

"I don't like to talk politics," said the speaker. "I never run for office, but yield to the clamor of the people. I told his hearers that if the country ever goes to war—and he hoped it would not—the railroads will be one of the most potent factors.

Attacks Woman Suffrage.

Woman suffrage was attacked by the speaker. He said a woman was never intended to hold a public office or to do the work of a man. "God Almighty never intended it," he said. He declared that four-fifths of the women of this country do not want the ballot, and that if the majority of the women of Alabama told him they wanted the ballot and ought to have it, I might give it them, but would declare that I did not believe it."

About 175 members and guests sat down at the dining tables, which were laden with massive white potatoes, grapefruit and other eatables from southern and western states. Redecorating the guests' table was a ten-foot model of a steamboat, while on another table was a model freight car of the Southern railway laden with bags of cotton. J. C. Williams, president of the club, acted as toastmaster.

Decries "Ceaseless Antagonism."

W. F. Ham vice president of the Washington Railway and Electric Company, was the first speaker of the evening. He attacked the "terrible and ceaseless antagonism" of the public against the corporations of this country. He said he is proud to be a corporation man and that he cannot understand "this dislike of corporations."

The speaker said "corporations are human, their officers, who are elected by stockholders, are human and so are the men all the way down the line human, so that I say a corporation is human, so that I say a corporation is human, so that I say a corporation is human."

List of the Guests.

Among those present were: J. C. Williams, W. F. Ham, E. C. Brandenburg, J. T. Moffett, J. M. Culp, C. P. King, J. H. Treat, A. J. Whitney, Frank Sutton, E. G. John, A. M. Keppel, Cuno H. Rudolph, Dr. L. C. Duffey, Chris J. Goodier, George L. Starkey, W. Y. Stillwell, G. D. Sidensticker, John W. Keen, E. L. Pelletier, H. J. Stancil, J. F. Taylor, Robert E. Shannon, Rodney G. Martin, C. S. Schermer, R. H. Sneed, P. A. Shaekelford, D. B. Johnson, Edward W. Duvall, George Duvall, Joseph E. McCreary, H. Browning, W. C. Johnson, Milton E. Allen, Dr. J. J. Kaveney, Leo L. Herrell, F. J. Mershberger, Walter H. Allen, John C. McLaughlin, George L. Rose, Jr., J. L. Ross, H. P. Cary, John A. Emery, J. H. Pepper, G. F. Kallenbach, H. H. Degart, W. A. Abrams, T. E. Reese, H. R. Houser, C. E. Phelps, O. J. Deming, James C. Cross, E. B. Bowling, W. L. White, J. P. Kavanagh, Dr. W. E. Tanton, Herbert Jackson, Charlton M. Clark, Arthur J. McFarlow, John D. McMahon, Jack Lewis, Nathan Weill, R. W. Brooke, E. O. Gill, R. Harry Brooke, R. J. Brooke, C. Taylor Carter, Charles O. Parks, J. P. M. Duvall, Representative J. Thomas Heflin, J. E. Conroy, E. T. Conroy, J. T. Brooks, J. M. Watkins, E. H. Kemper, John D. Potts, J. Philip Hermann, S. B. Cooke, Jr., Cunningham Baker, William E. Parks, J. L. Hayes, W. H. Williams, E. J. Marshall, Jr., A. E. Fowler, R. R. Cooker, J. C. Hutterly, Walter H. Hutterly, George Clough, Jr., Clyde H. Freed, J. S. Poston, P. R. Martin, B. S. Mack, Henry Bartlett, G. H. Sanderson, Charles P. Haysburg, D. V. Jones, R. St. John, E. I. Ober, John L. Newbold.

Epilepsy Claim Divorces Pair.

Justice Anderson has signed a decree annulling the marriage of Joseph E. Thompson and Marguerite Estep, which was performed in August, 1914. Mr. Thompson in his suit claimed that at the time of the marriage he was suffering from epileptic dementia. Three physicians testified that at about the time of an epileptic seizure the plaintiff would not have sufficient mental conception of what he was doing and would not afterward recollect what he had done. Attorney E. L. Clark appeared for the husband.

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Erection of a science hall and a law school building for George Washington University has been recommended to the board of trustees by Rear Admiral Charles Herbert Stockton, U. S. N., retired, president of the institution. The board is expected to give the matter consideration at its next meeting.

Increased Quarters Needed.

"On account of the increased enrollment," reads President Stockton's recommendation, "a necessity has arisen for a law school building and a science hall, with chemistry laboratories. These buildings should be prepared, especially adapted for their purposes, and with increased and modern facilities for instruction."

The recommendation framed by President Stockton would seem to indicate that immediate expansion of the plant is preferred to limitation of the student body. President Stockton feels that the university should meet the demands of those seeking knowledge, and that the turning away of those in quest of higher education should be avoided, if possible.

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A special lot of Stiff and Soft Hats—former price \$2.00—offered to-morrow for clearance at 85c

Store Hours: 8:30 to 5:30

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Clearance of Trousers. Men's \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50 Trousers \$1.95 Men's \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00 Trousers, all sizes \$2.95

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We believe that there is scarcely a home in Washington and vicinity for which this sale does not hold something that will prove as good an investment as ever was made. 15 Per Cent Off All Floor Coverings.

New Spring Millinery Here \$4.98 and \$5.98

A display in delightful completeness, portraying with faithful accuracy the new styles. Brimless Turbans, Sailor, Mushroom and Poke shapes, flower wreathed and feather trimmed. Also Chic Straw Braid and Maline Combinations in the new colors fashion has decreed for spring.

Men's \$2.00 and \$2.50 High-grade Shirts, \$1.29

Several other good makes included also. You certainly can't help realizing the importance of the reduction—the saving is exceptional. Of woven and plain madras, negligé and plaited bosom effects, with soft and stiff cuffs. Men's 69c and 75c Shirts, 48c Of percale and madras. Coat models, with attached cuffs. Men's \$1.00 and \$1.50 Vindex Shirts, 79c Of finest madras and pongee, in a variety of pleasing patterns, and colors. Men's 50c Cambic Night-Robes, 39c Full cut, generously made garments; neatly trimmed. Men's Suspenders, 9c Made of 25c and 50c suspender webbing. Men's 19c Silk Fiber Hose, pair, 12 1/2c In black and white. Double soles, toes and heels. Men's \$1.15 Pongee Pajamas, 79c All perfect, full-cut garments. Silk-frog trimmed. Men's 50c Silk Neckwear, 27c Large flowing end shapes in a host of colors and patterns. Men's \$1.25 and \$1.50 Underwear, 95c Broken lines of all-wool shirts and drawers.

These Are January Clearance Days In the Boys' Section—Values Extraordinary!

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