

WOMEN ON NATIONAL BASIS

Commerce Chamber Committee Urges Voice in Congress and Electoral Body.

A resolution endorsing the project of national representation for Washington was adopted by the suffrage committee of the Washington Chamber of Commerce at a meeting yesterday afternoon in the Homer building.

The resolution pointed out that the committee was authorized to report to the chamber the form of suffrage for the District, which would be a national basis.

The committee found it impossible to agree upon either condemnation or approval of the local form of suffrage, upon the question whether a woman territorial delegate for the District would be authorized.

The resolution in part follows: "The suffrage committee of the Chamber of Commerce reaffirms its conviction that the best method for the beginning of the wisdom of concentrating organized community effort on the suffrage amendment to secure District national representation, as the project which can and will bring the most effective community support, and which seeks to gain for the people of the District a vitally important privilege for the first time since the American principles, entitled, and which they can enjoy with benefit to their own and without injury to any one else."

"JAYWALKING" LAW IN BUSIER SECTIONS PROPOSED FOR D.C.

Articles and of "jacking" into the street sidewalks to ask motorists for a ride.

E. E. Henderson, speaking for the Federation of Citizens Associations, urged that the city council should regulate what children from dancing across streets. For that reason, he urged that the city council should drive by a crowd of children at a greater rate of speed than would be permitted by the present law.

Mr. Henderson advocated the designation of 15th and 16th streets as one-way streets for buses. He also urged that the city council should regulate the traffic on 15th street.

Evans H. Tucker, president of the National Washington Citizens Association, made four suggestions: Stricter examination of applicants for licenses; more uniformity in the enforcement of existing regulations, especially as to speed; suspension of licenses only for the first offense, with first and second offenses, with revocation of permits for additional violations; and the establishment of a traffic court.

Charles W. Darr of the Chamber of Commerce, and Charles J. Columbus of the Merchants and Tradesmen Association, both notified the committee that their organizations would submit suggestions in writing early next week.

"SAFETY FIRST WEEK" IN DECEMBER PROPOSED

The District Commissioners will be asked to issue a resolution setting aside the week of December 13 to 19, 1921, as "Safety First Week."

A resolution adopted last night by the District of Columbia Safety Council at a meeting in the office of Superintendent of Police Gessford, chairman of the council.

During that period every organization, including labor unions, citizens associations, fraternal societies, public schools, and government departments and public schools, will be asked to observe "Safety First Week" by holding special meetings, or by circulating literature, or by holding safety first demonstrations. Theaters have displayed will be asked to exhibit films on "How Accidents Occur," and kindred subjects, or to allow speakers to make addresses on safety.

RUSHFORD BANK FAILS.

Alleged Defalcation Announced as the Cause.

BELFAST, N. Y., November 24.—Failure of the Rushford Bank at Rushford, N. Y., was announced today as the result of the alleged defalcation of its funds by its president, who is alleged to have fled with \$60,000 of the State Bank of Fillmore, of which he had been president for many years.

HONOR TO MISS BOARDMAN

Gold Medal Awarded, Recognition of Work for France.

In recognition of her work for France during the war, the French government has awarded Miss Isabel Boardman a gold medal.

"Intoxication" Has Greatest Appeal To Keith Audience

The shade of John Barleycorn, called back from the spirit world, gave the Red Cross a boost at Keith's last evening.

"Intoxication," impersonated by "Fanny," attracted a tremendous throng of admirers, and the beneficiary of which was the fourth annual Red Cross roll call.

C. R. DOUGLASS DIES; COLORED LEADER'S SON

Victim of Civil War—John Brown's Messenger—Long Employed in Federal Service.

Charles R. Douglass, only surviving son of Frederick Douglass, one of the best colored abolitionists in 1871, died last night at his home, 218 A Street northeast, following a short illness.

Mr. Douglass was seventy-six years of age, and had served in the civil war in the 54th Massachusetts Infantry and the 8th Connecticut Cavalry. He was born in Lynn, Mass., and came to this city in 1857, where he resided continuously since that time.

Two weeks ago he was confined to his home with Bright's disease, dying last night in the presence of his wife and two sons, Joseph H. and Haley G. Douglass.

Mr. Douglass held a clerkship in the War and Treasury departments for more than fifty years. He accompanied the late John Brown as a messenger on the mission to consider the annexation of Santo Domingo in 1871. He was a trustee of the Lincoln School in 1872.

He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

One of the most interesting events in his career occurred in 1859, when he was sent to the island of St. John, St. Vincent, to deliver a message to the British governor. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

POWDER EXPERT HEARD.

Du Pont Man Addresses Printing House Craftsmen.

"Bronze Powders, and Their Use in Printing and Allied Trades," was the subject of an address by G. W. Downs of the du Pont de Nemours company, at the meeting of the Printing House Craftsmen in the red room of the New York Hotel, last night.

The speaker told how the powder is made, the ingredients and proportions, together with the different characters of the various grades.

E. R. Starkweather of Salt Lake City spoke on the printing industry in the far west.

George Cole reported on the progress being made toward the organization of a craftsmen's club in Richmond, Va.

The club voted to hold a "get-together" meeting in January, and omit the December meeting, owing to its proximity to Christmas holidays.

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SOUTH AROUSED BY ASSASSINATIONS

Resolution Condemns Outrages Against Crown Forces in Ireland.

LONDON, November 24.—H. H. Asquith, former premier and leader of the opposition in the house of commons, was prepared today to move a resolution condemning outrages against crown forces and civilians in Ireland.

The resolution he had written expressed abhorrence of the brutal assassination of officers in Dublin last Sunday, deplored and condemned the action of the Irish executive department in attempting to suppress crime by methods of "terrorism in reprisals" involving the lives and property of innocent persons, and declared the urgency of taking immediate steps to bring about the pacification which is demanded in the interests of Ireland and the empire.

No Objection to Debate. The government has indicated there is no objection to debate on the subject, but fear was expressed today that further excited scenes might develop during the discussion. The debate on Irish affairs was fixed for yesterday, but it was postponed because of the illness of Mr. Deakin, who was to deliver the speech of Joseph Devlin. It was believed the temper of the house, after Sunday's occurrences at Dublin, was not suited to calm presentation of the facts.

Viscount Grey was expected to come forth from his retirement and speak in the house of lords today on the Irish home rule bill. It is believed that the discussion will be held in the house of lords, and Mr. Asquith has reached an understanding as to policy relative to the bill and its future with the lords. It is said the government is rather anxious over the fate of the home rule bill in the house of lords, where threats of rather drastic amendment have been made.

Attributed Anxiety. Opponents of the government do not hesitate to attribute anxiety to the cabinet to get the bill passed at once, because thereby the 1914 home rule bill will be automatically repealed because of the lapse of time taken in consideration of it. The speech of the Irish executive department, if it is remarked, seemed to reflect this anxiety.

Suggestions that it was probable Sinn Fein agents would attack prominent persons and property in London and other large cities during the session, has been made during the last few days, but nothing substantial has been found to lend color to the charge. The graphic claimed today that a "high authority" had said the British secret service had discovered the Sinn Fein plot to destroy property elsewhere, mentioning the Manchester ship canal and the Liverpool docks.

Full military honors will be paid on Friday to officers who were slain in Dublin Sunday morning. The funeral will be public, and the bodies will be drawn through the streets on gun carriages.

EX-ARMY SALES HEAD IS AWARDED THE D. S. M.

E. C. Morse Honored by President; Secured "Exceptionally Advantageous Prices," Says Order.

The distinguished service medal has been conferred on Ernest C. Morse of Philadelphia, former director of Army sales, for "disposing of great quantities of supplies at exceptionally advantageous prices." Mr. Morse was in charge of selling the surplus of material in the United States for a period of more than a year after the war and directed the sale of all supplies abroad after the liquidation of the French government for \$400,000,000.

The order conferring the award follows: "By direction of the President, the government of the act of Congress approved July 9, 1918, the distinguished service medal is awarded Ernest C. Morse, director of sales, supply division, general staff, for exceptionally meritorious and distinguished service in the very important duty of organizing and training a competent force for the entire novel functions of the surplus of supplies, materials and properties of every description, and with the formulation and development of sales policies, he formed his manifold duties with marked ability, energy and judgment, with the result that the United States disposed of great quantities of supplies at exceptionally advantageous prices."

English scientists have decided that passing electricity through freshly cut timber makes it more resistant against decay from fungus growth.

PUT AN EDGE ON THE CARVER AND THE APPETITE FOR THE THANKSGIVING FEAST



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GIRL IN COAT AND GLOVES

Miss O'Dea, Stenographer of Supply Bureau, Fails to Appear at Inquiry.

NEW YORK, November 24 (by the Associated Press).—Today's session of the joint legislative committee's investigation of the "building trust" started with the adjudging in contempt of Miss Elizabeth O'Dea, a stenographer employed by the builders' supply bureau.

This followed her failure to take the stand after the committee's temporary injunction obtained by her counsel restraining the committee from examining her. Her counsel argued that the subpoena served on her was invalid. A sergeant-at-arms was sent after the bureau's books.

Separate testimony was given by the committee then questioning the next witness, Anthony A. Paterno, the board of estimate met and decided to postpone until next Monday taking of evidence in its separate investigation of alleged collusive bidding in city contracts.

Paterno corroborated testimony of his brother, Joseph, yesterday that his firm had paid \$3,000 cash to delegates of Robert F. Brindell's building trades council for "protection against labor troubles" on two apartment houses being built in upper Manhattan.

The witness added that Brindell got \$100,000 a month for five men—to allow members of William Zoranko's house wreckers' union to work on the job.

Miss O'Dea is stenographer of the builders' supply bureau, of which the controlling firm is the American Business part of Charles F. Murphy, Tammany Hall leader, is a member. After temporary injunction, examining Secretary Sidney J. Treat of the Association of Dealers in Masonry Building Material, also was served on Chairman Lockwood.

Books Are Surrendered. Workings of the estimating bureau of the Concrete Fireproofers' Association were described yesterday afternoon by Rowell F. Easton, its original bookkeeper. The bureau, comprising fourteen contracting firms, also were surrendered to the committee by Miss Elizabeth O'Dea, stenographer.

Earlier the hearing was marked by a sharp clash between Samuel Untermyer, committee counsel, and Greaves Whalen, commissioner of plants and structures, formerly Mayor Hylan's private secretary, during his examination regarding city ash dumping contracts. To these developments was added testimony of former Magistrate Frank E. O'Reilly, who examined two attaches of the fifth district magistrate's court, concerning "more or less close relations" between the mayor and Commissioner of Accounts Albrecht, as law practitioners, with John J. Hendrick, who was court stenographer there.

Hendrick now is a central figure in the "building trust" controversy, a "code of practice" among plumbers and plumbing contractors throughout the city.

Greaves' Organization. Easton told how the concrete fireproofers' estimating bureau, formed June 24, 1919, grew from the Master League of Carpenters and Joiners' union until it expanded into the Concrete Fireproofers' Association, with membership of twelve firms, which individually is a member of the Building Trades' Employers' Association.

It was agreed among the twelve members, Easton testified, to permit the bureau to make their estimates on a "cost-plus" basis. The bureau was added to the estimate by the firm as an overhead charge before the bids were opened. The bureau, paid the bureau 2 1/2 per cent of the contract. Then, at the end of the year, the bureau was to receive money among the unsuccessful bidders, proportionately.

Comparatively few changes are to be made in the text books, in use in the public schools next year, it was indicated today by officials, providing the recommendations of special committees of supervisory officials and teachers appointed by Supt. Ballou are approved by the board of education. The committees were selected on October 9 by the board of education with the aim of giving school children the best books available.

In many of these instances the price of the books now in use and others available in the market is being compared. The committee has already reached a tentative conclusion that the price of the books now in use is too high. The committee has already reached a tentative conclusion that the price of the books now in use is too high.

The final part of the recommendations of the committee, according to Mr. Hart, will likely be made at a meeting within the next few days. The elementary school text book committee will meet Monday, although it is not expected that the board of education will meet at that time. Both committees hope to have their reports in the hands of Dr. Ballou prior to the Christmas holidays.

Hart, principal of Eastern High School and chairman of the text book committee of the high schools, expressed his approval of the changes in the books used in the senior institutions would be recommended to the superintendent. High school books are being reviewed by the board of education. The elementary school text book committee will meet Monday, although it is not expected that the board of education will meet at that time.

32 ARMY DEATH ORDERS. Sentences of death were imposed by courts-martial on thirty-two persons in the military service during the past year, but in no case was the sentence carried into effect, said Maj. Gen. E. H. Crowder, judge advocate general, in a report to the War Department.

Trials for desertion were slightly less numerous than for the preceding two years, but the comparative number was larger. Condemned for desertion was imposed in forty-two cases, thirty-one of the sentences being approved by the War Department. The remaining eleven were commuted to shorter terms, and one pending awaiting final action.

In all, 234 officers were sentenced to death, of these, 184 sentences were approved.

Chinese Rejoice On Arrival in U.S. of "Cure for Blues"

SAN FRANCISCO, November 24.—"Ng Ka Py," 60,000 quarts of it was declared too unpalatable to be drunk by any white man, and admitted as a medicine for Chinese here by government orders and California law, was resolutely happy today.

The shipment had been held up for several weeks on an official ruling could be obtained from Washington.

"Ng Ka Py" is a cold cure medicine, said to be popular among Chinese. It is credited with wonderful cures among them for ailments ranging from sore throat to the blues. The United States bureau of technology said it is:

"This preparation is an extract of Chinese herbs and roots, which we are of the opinion is of doubtful medicinal value, but on account of the disagreeable taste and flavor is unfit for use as a beverage."

LECTURE ON PHENOMENA.

Priest to Hold Performance in Gonzaga College Theater.

Rev. Charles M. de Heredia, S. J., of Holy Cross College, Worcester, noted psychical scholar and reporter of spiritualistic phenomena, will deliver a lecture and performance in Gonzaga College Theater tomorrow night at 8 o'clock, under the auspices of the college faculty.

The priest has just returned from a series of appearances before scientific bodies in England, Italy and Mexico, where he is said to have produced all the phenomena produced by the leading spiritualists of these countries. His efforts are intended to show that what are usually regarded as manifestations of spirit world are often simply scientific jugglery.

Cardinal Gibbons, eminent theologian and psychical scholar, of Washington and Baltimore, will be present at Father de Heredia's performance tomorrow night.

BISHOP WILL PRESIDE.

Corner Stone of Epworth Church to Be Laid Tomorrow.

The corner stone of Epworth M. E. Church South is to be laid at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the corner of 13th street and North Carolina avenue northeast. Bishop E. R. Hendrix will preside and deliver the principal address.

Rev. Dr. J. Howard Wells, president of the Epworth League, is to offer the prayer. The Scripture lesson will be read by Rev. Dr. Forrest E. Pettymann, pastor of the Epworth Church South. The stone will be laid by Bishop Hendrix, who will also pronounce the benediction. Rev. John Paul Taylor is pastor of the church.

Epworth Church, at 7th and A streets northeast, destroyed by fire last year, is being reconstructed. The congregation later decided to erect a new church on the location where the new church is to be built. The corner stone of the church was broken October 7.

HAZING STILL SURVIVES.

Report States West Point Has Not Yet Eradicated Practice.

Reports received at the War Department show that hazing, although much less prevalent than in former years, has not been entirely eradicated at West Point. An increase in the authorized strength of the corps of cadets at the academy has been recommended by Adj. Gen. Harris "in order to aid as far as possible in supplying the Army with properly trained officers."

He says it is significant that the Naval Academy has an authorized strength of 3,158 from which to supply a commission in the regular army about 5,000, while the Military Academy, with an authorized strength of 1,500, has a surplus of 1,000. He said a small proportion of the officers required for the Regular Army as at present constituted.

Though the Army reorganization act authorized an increase in commissioned personnel in the Army, he said no provision was made to increase the strength of the corps of cadets, and that the best source of supply of properly trained officers.

HEAR MISS BRILL SING.

Munitions Building Personnel Are Guests at Musical Entertainment.

The personnel of the War Department in the Munitions building were the guests yesterday afternoon at the "sing" of the finance department, of which Gen. H. M. Lord is chief. The soloist of the occasion was Miss Katherine Hill, a well known young Washington soprano, who sang delightfully. Her performance was enthusiastically received.

Knox Will Head Joint Committee On Inauguration

As chairman of the Senate committee on rules, Senator Knox of Pennsylvania will be chairman of the joint congressional committee for the inauguration of President Harding.

Secretary of State Clegg was chairman of a similar committee at the time of the inauguration of President Taft, the last republican President to hold office.

The day after the inaugural ceremonies of President Taft Senator Knox left the Senate to enter Mr. Taft's cabinet. He was Secretary of State when the republican President took office.

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