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SILVER SERVICE PRESENTED TO RETIRED EXECUTIVE TO SNOW ESTEEM.

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Ceremony Takes Place at Executive Mansion, and Large Crowd of Loyal Democrats Are on Hand —First in History.

Jefferson City.
A fund for the contribution of a set of silverware to Gov. Major to be presented to him by his appointees throughout the state. The presentation of the "testimonial" took place Thursday evening.

The silver set cost about \$1,800, and was presented to the retiring governor with a flurry of speech making at the executive mansion. Several St. Louisians made the trip to the capital for the occasion.

The presentation was in the nature of a surprise. The history of the state contains no record of a testimonial to any outgoing governor.

Commissioner Rumsey said the silver set was on display at the executive mansion in the afternoon, but the formal presentation was made in the evening. He said the whole thing had been a secret because everybody wanted to surprise the governor. D. C. McClung, appointed by the governor as warden of the penitentiary, headed the committee to collect the contributions to the fund. Commissioner Rumsey said.

After Dr. Hill.

It has become known that preparatory to the Missouri state university to appear before Governor-elect Gardner and committees of the Missouri legislature to combat an organized fight on Dr. A. Ross Hill, president of the university, and a possible curtailment of appropriations to the university.

Governor-elect Gardner's proposed repeal of the collateral inheritance tax law, the entire proceeds of which go to the state university, and his advocacy of the enactment of a general inheritance tax law, all of which would go to the state treasury, does not meet with the approval of the university authorities.

Under such a law the university would get no money except that appropriated by the legislature, which, it is feared, would mean that, if the university got anything, it would be compelled to maintain a lobby at Jefferson City during the session of the legislature. Many years ago the university lobby was one of the most pernicious at the capital. Largely with the idea of doing away with this lobby, former Gov. Lon V. Stephens urged the collateral inheritance tax to go to the university.

A legislative fight involving the university is anticipated by members of the faculty. It is known that a determined attempt will be made to force the board of curators to oust the president, Dr. A. Ross Hill and that his opponents in the legislature are prepared to go to the extent of fighting all appropriations for the university until such time as the board will agree to get rid of Dr. Hill.

Banks Save Taxes.

The St. Louis banking institutions will save approximately \$250,000 in their taxes this year as the result of the decision of the supreme court upholding the assessment of their capital stock and surplus at 50 per cent of its valuation instead of 70 per cent which the St. Louis board of equalization attempted to apply.

The decision of the supreme court in this case, according to Frederick N. Judson, of the law firm of Judson, Green & Henry, which represented the banks in the litigation, is of far-reaching importance and a notable contribution to the law of taxation in this state.

New Demurrage Rules.

Representatives of the trunk line railroads of the state argued a joint petition before the public service commission for such a change in the demurrage rates as will operate to more quickly release freight cars held on siding for unloading.

Under the existing rates, no extra charges can be made until after cars have been held for unloading 48 hours. Thereafter a charge of \$1 a car every 24 hours is added as demurrage. The railroads want the power to add penalties after cars have been held over the free limit time, and to double the demurrage charges every 24 hours.

New Labor Commissioner.

Gov. Major has appointed William H. Lewis of Scott county labor commissioner for a term expiring June 14, 1919, vice John T. Fitzpatrick of Kansas City, whose term expired June 14, 1918.

For several years Lewis has held a clerkship in the office of the secretary of state. He also is the owner of a Democratic newspaper at Benton, Scott county. In 1899 he served in the legislature from St. Francois county and was the author of several labor laws.

"Sudden Death" Mystery.

A coroner's jury has returned a verdict that J. R. Reynolds of Clarksville, Mo., who was found dead upon the street here Christmas night, came to his death at the hands of "some party or parties unknown."

It was first believed Reynolds' death was due to heart disease or apoplexy, but an examination of his head revealed the marks of what appeared to have been two blows above the forehead. Reynolds was 86 years old and stopped at the capital on

HAPPENINGS of the week IN MISSOURI

Special Heavy Contract.

Shelton's magnificent organ, according to estimates made by Chairman E. W. Stephens of the building commission, is 75 per cent complete.

Two distinct facts stand out in relief in connection with the construction. One is that the work will be completed within the amount voted by the people. The other is that not a breath of scandal has marred the enterprise.

The work has been done in record-breaking time. The corner stone was laid June 24, 1915. Eighteen months later the exterior construction was finished.

There yet remains to be executed 18 per cent of the carvings, 30 per cent of the ornamental iron and bronze, 18 per cent of the plaster work, 10 per cent of the interior marble, 50 per cent of the mill and carpentry, 15 per cent of the interior glass and glazing, 5 per cent of the mechanical and 15 per cent of the elevators.

The plan now in mind by the members of the building commission is to dedicate the building July 4 next. If tentative arrangements are carried out, Frederick D. Gardner will be inaugurated governor in the West Missouri Hall.

The first official act in the new statehood will be the signing of Gov. Major's last message to the general assembly.

Gov. Gardner will have choice of using the temporarily fitted up suite in the new building or he can use the present quarters of the executive office in the temporary statehouse.

In round numbers the contracts of the Gill company up to date aggregate \$2,500,000, and on this the commission has paid a total of \$2,278,214.11.

The Gill contracts do not include \$200,000 paid by the commission for additional ground to enlarge the campus, \$100,000 for the construction of the foundation, \$50,000 for erection and equipment of a power house and \$25,000 for concrete work on the approach to the south entrance.

Classed as "Politician."

Congressman Jacob E. Meeker, Republican, representing the tenth district, is still classified as a "politician" in Secretary of State Roach's classification of Missouri officials.

This classification is the same as was given him on his election two years ago. Meeker is the only Missouri congressman so classified, most of them being listed as lawyers. He was formerly a minister of the Congressional Church.

Confirms Kuhn's Decision.

Judge Revelle, in the supreme court, held that the finding of the St. Louis circuit court, in ousting August Kuhn from the board of education of St. Louis, and rendering judgment against him for \$11,500 over a real estate transaction in which the board of education paid \$34,000 for the property, supposed to be worth only \$22,500, was proper in all respects, and it was affirmed.

Gardner Names Donnelly.

The appointment of Col. Arthur B. Donnelly of the first regiment, national guard, to be adjutant general of the state, was announced officially by Col. Fred D. Gardner, governor-elect, simultaneous with the complete list of the next governor's staff.

The appointment of Donnelly, a Republican, will, it is said, meet with disapproval among strict party Democrats, as the office, although a military post, has for years been considered among the political plum positions within the distributing power of the governor.

Securities Checked Up.

The state's securities held in St. Louis were examined by a special legislative committee composed of State Senator John P. Morton of Richmond, Representative Richard C. Correll of Randolph county and Dr. A. C. Rickhoff, the newly elected representative from Osage county.

Every item checked up to the penny according to Senator Morton. The committee has also examined the securities held in Kansas City.

Military Ball is Off.

There was no annual military ball at the governor's mansion the night of Jan. 1. Adjutant-General O'Meara stated that the ball had been declared off because so many of the members of the national guard are out of the state. For the last 50 years this ball has been held on New Year's night.

Jobs in Sight.

Politicians are busy making states and guessing at who are to fill the various important offices within the gift of the incoming governor. However, he has let it be understood that the slogan this year will be economy.

No Bills for Awhile.

It is said that the present intention of the leaders here is that no bills will be introduced in the legislature until the inauguration festivities are over.

Democratic Rally.

A call was sent out by the Democratic state committee for a general rally of the leaders in Jefferson City, Jan. 8. Senators Stone and Reed and other party leaders of note will attend.

Every Democrat in the state is urged to attend the meeting. The state committee will meet here then. As this meeting will take place the day following the inauguration of Col. Fred D. Gardner as governor, it is expected that there will be a large gathering.

Gardner Said to Favor Morton.

John P. Morton, candidate for president pro tem of the Missouri senate, is declared here to have the edge on Senator Robert McClintic in the race for senate honors, by reason of the fact that Col. F. D. Gardner, governor-elect, has already honored Morton with unusual distinction by appointing him to the various Gardner commissions now working out state problems.

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Alexander Oravec, 70 years old, an ex-Confederate soldier, and a brilliant attorney, is dead at his home in Lexington. He was born in Mississippi, left school to join the army at the age of 15 and at the close of the war entered the University of Virginia, from which he graduated in 1869. After leaving college he came to Lexington, where he engaged in the practice of law until the time of his death. During the war he served under General Forest.

A terrific explosion of dynamite on the Monroe street line at Springfield wrecked a street car and broke windows in homes for a radius of several blocks. The car was hurled from the track and the motorman and conductor injured by flying glass. Two passengers aboard the car were uninjured. The perpetrators of the dynamiting escaped.

Joseph A. O'Day, a retired business man of Springfield, died at a desk at the court house in Springfield after signing a \$9,000 check involving a real estate transaction. He was 53 years old and the father of Paul O'Day, prosecuting attorney-elect of Grege county.

Hazel Calcutt, a young man of Warrsburg, is dead, and Theodore Larystrom of Sedalia is dangerously ill as the result of overdoses of a drug. The men were found in the washroom of a pool hall.

John McGuffin, an early resident of Saline county, is dead at his home at Arrow Rock, sixteen miles east of Marshall. He was born there in 1814.

When a Chicago, Burlington & Quincy train struck a motor truck at a grade crossing at St. Joseph, Samuel Whaley, 50 years old, driver of the truck, and William Wild, 35, a collector, who was with him, were instantly killed.

The farmers about Centralia have formed an association to buy coal and provisions in bulk lots and also to ship live stock. About twenty such clubs have been formed in Boone and Audrain counties.

Miss Cora Sease, 34 years old, member of a wealthy family, drowned herself in a bath tub, at her home in Springfield recently, while temporarily deranged.

John B. Elliott, 75 years old, a pioneer of Pettis county, is dead. For years he purchased and shipped walnut logs to all sections of the country.

The strike of the employees of the Springfield Traction Company is again growing serious. For several nights hidden sympathizers have fired several rounds of ammunition into passing street cars. Recently a fight between strikers and strike breakers was staged in front of the car barns, one man being injured.

Charles F. Carter, state senator from Clark county, regarded as the "dry" leader of the upper branch of the Missouri Legislature, said recently he has received several requests to present a bill providing for statutory prohibition for Missouri, excepting the city of St. Louis, and that he may take such action.

Mrs. Della Shanks, born in Kentucky and a resident of Sedalia for more than fifty years, is dead, aged 84 years. She is survived by a son, Bud Shanks, and a daughter, Mrs. Lillian Becker, both of Kansas City.

The high cost of print paper was given as the reason for the suspension, after January 1, of the Democrat, a St. Charles German daily, one of the oldest in the state. Col. J. H. Bode has published the Democrat since 1867.

With the municipal electric light and water plants of Hannibal on the verge of closing down because of the coal shortage, railroads agreed to furnish three cars of coal which will relieve the situation until fuel can be received from mines near Springfield, Ill., which have contracts for furnishing the city coal.

The Young Women's Christian Association at William Woods College has raised \$101 for European war sufferers in a short campaign at the school.

One hundred head of Holstein calves and twenty-five head of Holstein cows were brought to Monroe City recently from Wisconsin. The calves were distributed to the members of the Monroe City Calf Club recently organized.

Mrs. Mamie A. Autenrieth was recently given one of the largest judgments in the history of the Pettis county circuit court in a damage suit under the Federal Liability Act against the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway Company when a jury awarded her \$15,000 for the death of her husband.

Otto Walkenhorst, a pioneer and widely known citizen of Concordia, died recently of apoplexy. He was 72 years old. For twenty-three years he was justice of the peace.

Thirty thousand dollars in cash and premiums will be given in prizes at the Missouri State Corn show, to be held at Columbia January 1 to 5 in connection with the Farmers' Institute, which will be held under the auspices of the College of Agriculture.

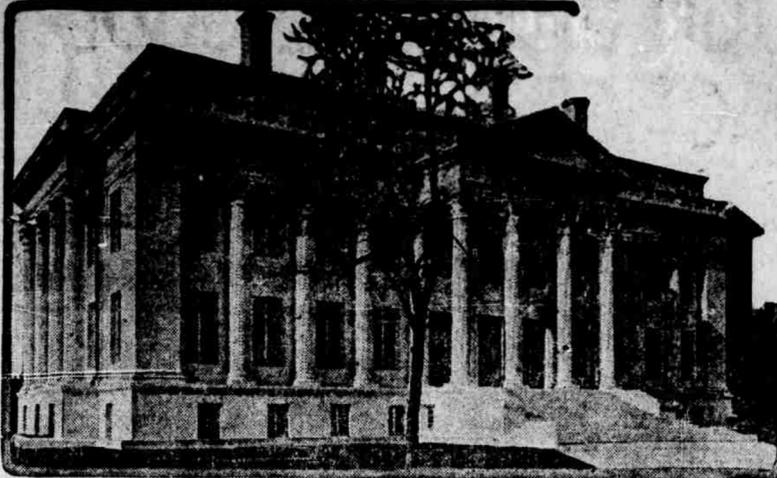
Mrs. Helen Demuth McElwain, wife of Bishop F. A. McElwain of the Episcopal church at Fairbault, Minn., and daughter of Col. H. C. Demuth of Sedalia, died in a hospital at San Antonio, Tex., recently. She was 83 years old.

Unexpected Catastrophe.
War Lord—Lord General Commander what's become of those Anzaco corps that were to be so well equipped for joining our forces?

Troubling Commander—Please your majesty, when they were ordered into action we found they had used up all their powder on their noses.

Diaphanous.
Santa—I'm afraid I'll have to get stronger glasses; I can hardly see these thin stockings the girls are wearing nowadays.—Post.

NEW BUILDING OF AMERICAN RED CROSS



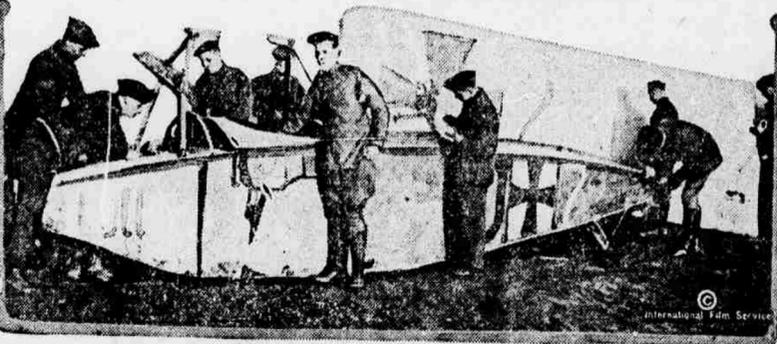
The American Red Cross will move about January 15 from its present quarters in the state, war and navy building, in Washington, into its new headquarters, a magnificent white marble edifice which occupies an entire square between the Corcoran Art gallery and D. A. R. hall. On its cornerstone, which was laid by President Wilson and former President Taft, the building is labeled: "A Memorial to the Heroic Women of the Civil War." Construction was begun early in 1915.

HATTIE CLEARS SNOW FROM HER WALKS



Hattie, the sixteen-year-old elephant of the New York Central park zoo, photographed as she cleared the paths near her residence. This is the second year that Hattie, under the direction of her good friend, Bill Snyder, which clears a 12-foot path and takes up several tons of snow at each trip.

MENDING A CAPTURED GERMAN AIRPLANE



English aviators patching up a German airplane that had been brought down, and turning it to their own use.

SHE WORKS FOR FRANCE



Miss Maud E. Kahn, oldest daughter of Otto H. Kahn, one of the foremost bankers of America, in the service uniform she wears "somewhere in France," where she is engaged in war relief work.

Wouldn't Encourage the Plants.

"What have you nice today?" asked the lady entering the grocer's store. "We have some very nice egg-plants," replied the man in the white apron.

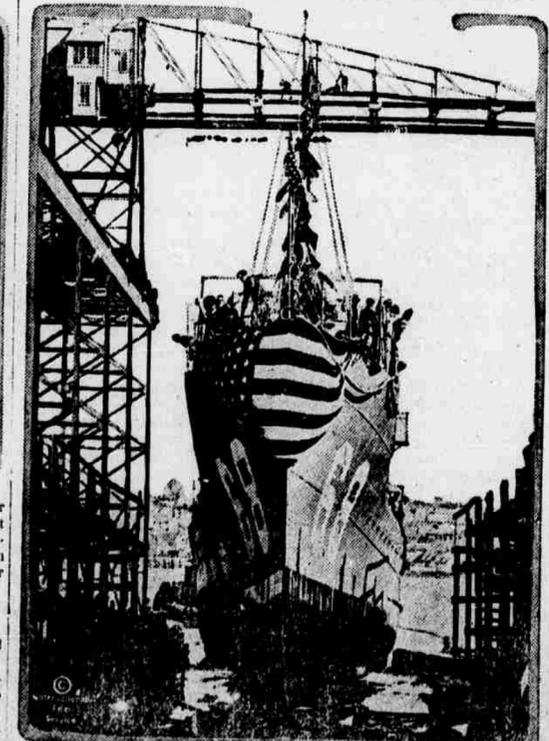
"You know I belong to the association that is boycotting everything in the way of eggs, so I cannot conscientiously have anything to do with the plants."

MUCH IN LITTLE

Berlin has registered 107,000 alien residents. Bessie Arnell, a Chicago nurse, recently received a \$500,000 bequest in the will of an aged woman she once nursed.

A strike of undertakers took place at Liverpool, England, recently. A party about to leave Buenos Aires to explore a little-known region of South America expects to study much of the country from airplanes.

LAUNCHING TORPEDO DESTROYER SHAW



Launching of the torpedo-boat destroyer Shaw at Mare Island, San Francisco, a few days ago. The vessel was nearly completed when launched. It is 315 feet long, with a speed of 35 miles an hour.

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Ancient Iron Mines.

Italian guano are being made of iron taken from mines in Sardinia which were utilized 2,000 years ago by the Romans as a source of ore to help arm their legions, and the guano are being used against nations whose tribal foes the Romans often fought.

GIVE "SYRUP OF FIGS" TO CONSTIPATED CHILD

Delicious "Fruit Laxative" can't harm tender little stomach, liver and bowels.

Look at the totem, mother! If content, your little one's stomach, liver and bowels need cleansing at once. When peevish, cross, listless, doesn't sleep, eat or act naturally, or is feverish, stomach sour, breath bad, has sore throat, diarrhoea, full of cold, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the food, constipated waste, undigested food and sour bile gently moves out of its little bowels without griping, and you have a well, playful child again. Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which contains full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups.—Adv.

No One Left.

Magistrate—This man was a stranger to you! Then why did you pick a quarrel with him?
Keky—All my friends is away on their holidays.—London Answers.

THIS IS THE AGE OF YOUTH.

You will look ten years younger if you darken your ugly, grizzly, gray hairs by using "La Creole" Hair Dressing.—Adv.

The Ruling Passion.

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"Can't you fix it so I could be out in time to see the world series next year?"

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Couldn't Be.

"Is he a composer of classical music?"
"I think not. I can pronounce his name."—Browning's Magazine.

Why That Lame Back?

Morning lameness, sharp twinges when bending, or an all-day back-ache, such is cause enough to suspect kidney trouble. Get after the cause. Help the kidneys. We Americans go it too hard. We overdo, overeat and neglect our sleep and exercise and so we are fast becoming a nation of kidney sufferers. 72% more deaths than in 1890 is the 1910 census story. Use Doan's Kidney Pills. Thousands recommend them.

A Missouri Case

H. T. Caldwell, Georgia Hotel, Georgia, Mo., says "Kidney complaint in my case was brought on by exposure and carelessness. Some of the attacks laid me up for weeks. The pains in my back were dreadful. My limbs swelled and had constant headache, aches and dizzy spells. The kidney secretions were irregular in passage and I had to get up several times at night. After doctors and medicines failed, Doan's Kidney Pills restored me to good health."

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