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## DONATION OF \$1,000 STARTS FUND TO BRING SUNDAY HERE

John W. Foster Asks To Be Allowed to Head List of Guarantors for Big Revival.

Immediate Steps Taken to Form Committee, Which Will Go to Philadelphia to Invite Evangelist.

John W. Foster, former Secretary of State, today was announced by the Billy Sunday committee as the first man to offer financial support for the campaign.

General Foster asked that he be allowed to head the list of guarantors for a Sunday campaign in Washington with a \$1,000 subscription.

Second on the list was Mrs. Harriet Monroe, of the Gospel Mission, who pledged \$50 in her own name, and said that she had two more pledges of \$50 each from persons whose names were withheld.

Immediate steps will be taken to make up the roster of the committee provided for last night at the city-wide conference on a Billy Sunday campaign. This committee will go to Philadelphia early next week to extend a formal invitation to Mr. Sunday to come here.

Set For Next Fall. Next October or November was regarded today as the probable date of the campaign. It is understood that Mr. Sunday has only tentative dates for that month.

An overwhelming majority favored him at the city-wide conference of pastors and laymen last night. Only an eye and nay vote was required, and it was estimated by the chairman that only seven voted against his coming.

A majority of clergymen in every denomination except the Lutheran urge his coming. Even Lutherans decline to oppose him, and two broke away from the ranks last evening and announced they would co-operate in the campaign.

This decision was reached at the Luther Place Memorial Church, where one of the most sensational, dramatic, and eventful religious gatherings ever held in this city took place.

Laymen openly charged their own pastors "charged them" with "opposing" (Continued on Second Page.)

## CANADIAN IS HONORED BY MASTER PAINTERS

Election of A. M. McKensie to Presidency Banishes Hard Feeling Over Flag Incident.

Any hard feeling that may have lingered in the bosoms of the Canadian delegates to the convention of the International Association of Master House Painters and Decorators, in session at the Raleigh, because of the controversy at the opening session as to the use of the British flag in the decorations of the hall, was banished today when A. M. McKensie, of Hamilton, Canada, was unanimously elected president of the association for the ensuing year.

A high tribute was paid Mr. McKensie by John Decey, of Pittsburgh, who made the nomination, who characterized him as a master painter of sterling worth and one of the most earnest workers for the welfare of his brother painters in the ranks of the association.

Other officers elected were William J. Abrecht, of Toledo, vice president; Alexander Peter, of Boston, re-elected chief organizer; and Joel Kennedy, re-elected secretary-treasurer.

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## Burleson Snubbed By Kitchin, House Report

Reports of a snub to Postmaster General Burleson by Congressman Kitchin of North Carolina, next Democratic leader, as a sidelight on the Administration's fight for the ship purchase bill, were rife at the Capitol today.

Burleson is "pro" and Kitchin violently "anti" toward the bill.

Today, when Burleson sought Kitchin at the House, he time and again, through pages and doorkeepers, asked Kitchin to "come outside" for a little chat.

It was reported that Kitchin let the Cabinet officer cool his heels for nearly a half hour before he sent word for Burleson to meet him in his office.

## USE OF U. S. FLAG AROUSES GERMANY

Will Not Continue Lenient If British Vessels Resort to Practice Much Further.

Serious consequences to American merchant vessels in new German zone may result from the use of the American flag by British vessels, according to statements made today by officials of the German government.

It is not to be expected, they say, that Germany will continue lenient in its treatment of vessels which fly American colors if it is shown that British vessels are resorting to this practice to any further extent.

In time of war, they point out, offensive action must be taken quickly and it is not regarded as likely that matters of German submarines will take the trouble to look up a ship's papers under all circumstances.

Heretofore, these officials say, the sight of an American flag on a merchant vessel is altogether likely to give rise to the suspicion that she is a British craft.

Through this condition of affairs inadvertent damage to or complete destruction of an American vessel in the zone should not occasion too great surprise.

Persons in intimate touch with the situation are convinced that the German admiralty will outline its attitude in these or similar terms to the American government on the matters of the use of American flags on British vessels.

## MANIAC SHOOTS NUN AT WIFE'S DEATHBED

Suddenly Crazy by Grief, Man Sends Volley of Bullets Through Hospital.

DENVER, Colo., Feb. 11.—Sister Libiria, a nun, was shot and fatally wounded and a patient and two attendants were injured when Frank Rosso, forty-two, suddenly became crazed by grief while standing by the bedside of his dying wife in St. Anthony's Hospital today.

After the shooting, Rosso was observed in the room, meeting two hospital attendants in the hall.

He fired three shots at them, but all missed. He was then overpowered and placed in a padded cell until removed to the county hospital.

Mrs. Rosso died a few hours later.

## PLAZA BOARD PAYS OUT \$42,251 MORE

Checks Mailed to Eight Owners of Property Near Union Station.

Checks for \$42,251 were mailed by the plaza board today to eight owners of property in squares 721 and 722 of the tract between the Capitol and the Union Station, which is being acquired by the Government for park extension purposes.

This brings the total payments made to property-owners in the section up to \$74,488.

Samuel C. Peckler, Jr., representing square 80, on which a value of \$15,000 has been placed, is the latest recipient of a check from the board.

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Standing pat on the Gore bill in the Senate, refusing to make any further concessions to bring back the recalcitrant Democrats or win over the Progressive Republicans, the President, it seems practically certain, has determined to risk all on an extra session, although at the White House the question of an extra session was studiously avoided in anything approaching official comment.

On the other hand a member of Congress who saw the President, but declined the use of his name, declared that the President had told him flatly that if the bill was defeated an extra session would be called.

This, added, to the fact that the President conferred long and earnestly with Mr. Kitchin, whose functions as floor leader will not begin until the next Congress, multiplied the evidence that an extra session would be called.

Battle Ground Shifts. The battleground on the bill was temporarily shifted to the House today when the bill was taken to the floor and the Gore substitute brought to a vote next week, in advance of Senate action.

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The Gore substitute, however, does not contain the provision demanded by the recalcitrant Democrats in the Senate for a purely temporary ship purchase law.

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The Senate will begin work on some of the appropriation bills.

The House will pass the sundry civil bill and early next week the Rules Committee will report on the bill.

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The premier stated that he recognized that there had been considerable unnecessary anxiety resulting from the lack of reliable news from the fighting front. He stated that in order to relieve this the government has decided to publish twice weekly from now on reports from Field Marshal French showing just what is transpiring on the continental battle line.

## BARRICADES DOOR, THEN KILLS SELF

Norman Boyer, Writer, Ends Life With Gas in Rhode Island Avenue Apartment.

Barricading himself in his room by placing a bed against the door, Norman Boyer, thirty-six years old, a magazine writer, ended his life with a gas today at the home of his mother, Stuart Boyer, in the Seaton apartment, 159 Rhode Island avenue northwest.

"I realize too late I made a mistake that wrecked my life. This is the only thing I can do now," read a note left by the suicide.

Boyer, according to the police, came to Washington about six weeks ago. He had been a patient at a New York hospital for nervous troubles, and had been in bad health for some time.

Stuart Boyer told the police that his brother had been very despondent over his condition and had said on several occasions that his life was not worth living.

Coroner Nevitt gave a certificate of death by suicide. Boyer was unmarried.

## LEDOCHOWSKI HEADS ORDER OF JESUITS

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## Mother's Wedding Gift To Heiress a Black Eye

"Mrs. Breitung Was Awfully Mad and They Had a Fight," Maid Testifies at \$250,000 Alienation Suit Against Bride's Father.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Miss Juliet Breitung's wedding present from her mother was a beautiful black eye, according to Miss Ada Gaffner, former maid for the Breitungs.

Miss Gaffner testified today for Max Kleist, the young gardener who eloped with the dark-eyed heiress and who is now suing her father, Edward N. Breitung, the Michigan millionaire, for \$250,000 for alienation of his bride's affections.

"Mrs. Breitung was awfully mad when Miss Juliet told her she had married Max," said the maid. "On Sunday, in the St. Regis Hotel here they had a fight."

"How did it result?" queried Kleist's attorney.

BLACK EYE AND TORN WAIST. "Mrs. Breitung had one torn shirtwaist, Miss Juliet had one torn shirtwaist and Miss Juliet had one black eye," said the maid with precision.

"Miss Juliet had me introduce Max to her at Marquette, Mich.," continued the maid. "She told me she liked his looks and she ran out on the lawn one morning when I was talking to Max. After that I used to carry notes she wrote to Max."

"She said he was a nice boy—that she loved him—that he was just the kind of a boy she wanted to marry. She said she never would marry a man her mother would choose."

"Mrs. Breitung told Miss Juliet she never would allow her to live with a man who took care of the house to save the maid. She said she ought to have made a better match."

Given Her Choice. "Mr. Breitung said she could take her choice—she could let him send Max down to the mines in New Mexico to work for six months to see whether he was any good, or she could go to Max at once. If she did that, Mr. Breitung would give her \$250,000."

Miss Gaffner admitted that she, however, had not seen Miss Juliet since she had married Max. She denied, however, that Max ever had come to the Breitung house at night to see Juliet, after Mrs. Breitung had retired.

Attorneys for Kleist rested their case early this afternoon without calling Miss Breitung to the stand.

Delaney Nichol, attorney for Breitung, at once moved a dismissal of the suit on the grounds that the plaintiff had offered no evidence to show that the Breitung heiress exerted unlawful influence upon her daughter to get her to give up her gardener-husband. Arguments on the motion to dismiss were resumed after the lunch recess.

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The new head of the Jesuits was formerly assistant head of the order in Germany and in a periphrasis of the late Cardinal Ledochowski.

## GERMAN ARMY IS FORCED TO ABANDON LODZ TO RUSSIANS

Von Hindenburg Moves Headquarters Seventy Miles to Rear, to Kalisz, Near Border of Poland and Posen.

Notable Advance of Grand Duke Nicholas' Forces Indicated in Dispatches From Russian Capital.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—Dispatches from Petrograd say that the Germans have been forced to evacuate Lodz and that it has again been re-occupied by the Russians, under the Grand Duke Nicholas. It is stated that the headquarters of the German army have been removed to Kalisz, seventy miles in the rear and close to the boundary of Poland and Posen.

The official press bureau has no confirmation of the report, although it has made no objection to the publication, simply declining to assume responsibility for the accuracy of the information.

Lodz, seventy-five miles southeast of Warsaw, was captured by the Germans on December 6, in connection with the general drive which Field Marshal von Hindenburg made toward Warsaw.

Riots in Berlin. The Coppenhagen correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company wires that serious riots took place in the potato markets in Berlin yesterday.

The police were required to take stern measures to suppress the disorders. The potato market was closed, the correspondent says, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon because the supply was exhausted. Shortly afterward the potato section of the central markets was closed for the same reason.

Fighting crowds stormed the shops demanding potatoes and shouting "Where are the potatoes?" The market was closed, the correspondent says, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon because the supply was exhausted. Shortly afterward the potato section of the central markets was closed for the same reason.

Orders have been issued to all of the brewers to reduce their output.

## Berlin Claims Successes in Argonne Region and Western Theater of War

BERLIN, via wireless to London, Feb. 11.—Further ground gained in the Argonne region and satisfactory progress of the campaign in the east were claimed by the war office today.

It was stated that in the Argonne fighting, German and allied troops, with two machine guns, had been captured, as well as six small cannon. In the Vosges there had been a few local successes reported.

The engagements on the east Prussian frontier are both being progressing satisfactorily. In Poland, on the right bank of the Vistula, the Germans have advanced to the southwest of Sieradz, taking 100 prisoners.

Another bombardment of La Boisselle and Solsons is in progress.

A great portion of both cities has been demolished by the persistent shell fire but the Germans have been unable to make any progress with their infantry.

Indications today point to an attempt to renew the general offensive at Arras which began yesterday. The German forces there having been increased by a number of fresh battalions sent from northern Belgium.

The German aviators are again very active in the north and have dropped

## SOLON'S WIVES BALK AT THE "HOT POLLO"

Three Front Rows of Gallery Are Roped Off to Separate Them From "People."

"Sure sign election's over," gasped visitors in the Senate galleries today, as they looked at attendants roping off the three front rows of the Senators' families' gallery.

To separate the wives of the Senators from the "common people" who are noisy friends of the Senators, these front rows, alongside of the two rows reserved for White House and Vice Presidential guests, were roped off. As the whole gallery is reserved for the elect, the new roping off is believed to mark the establishment of a new social line. During the recent debates Senators' wives and daughters have been fearfully annoyed by being obliged to sit next to political friends of the Senators, to whom the privilege of this reserved gallery, for sound political reasons, could not be refused.

## Asks Congress to Aid Samoan Storm Victims

Appeal for \$50,000 Congressional appropriation to relieve natives of Manua, Samoan Islands, made homeless by yesterday's hurricane, was called by the Navy Department today, by Acting Governor Woodruff.