

News Notes and Gossip of Washington Smart Set

Many Entertainments Are Planned by the Leaders of Society in Washington. Gossip of Hostesses.

The Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, Carl Vrooman, left Washington yesterday to make a series of visits in Indiana, Chicago, and several other places, where he will deliver addresses. Mr. Vrooman will be gone about two weeks. He returned to Washington about ten days ago from Charlevoix, on Lake Michigan, where Mrs. Vrooman is spending the summer. She will come to Washington some time next month.

The Secretary of Commerce and Mrs. William C. Redfield and their son, Humphrey F. Redfield, arrived at the Manchester House, Vermont, yesterday by automobile. Mr. and Mrs. Redfield have been making a series of visits in Syracuse, N. Y., where they were guests of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Drury, in Pittsfield, Mass., where they visited the Misses Redfield, sisters of the Secretary, and at Woods Hole, Mass., where they were with the Secretary of Agriculture and Mrs. David Franklin Houston. They are now touring in New England.

Regis d'Oliviera, the recently appointed Brazilian minister to Austria-Hungary, and Mme. Oliveira arrived in Newport yesterday, and are at the Manchester House. They have been visiting the Brazilian Ambassador and Mme. da Gama at their summer home, at Long Branch, N. J.

Senor da Gama arrived at the Brazilian embassy in Washington last evening to greet the Brazilian minister to Mexico, Don Manuel Cardoso de Oliveira, who, with his family and staff, arrived in Washington this morning. They were met by an official party and escorted to the Willard, where they will remain until Monday. In the party are Mrs. Oliveira and four daughters, Miss Oliveira, Miss Carolina, Miss Marie Clara, and Miss Lidia Oliveira, ranging from twenty-three to thirteen; the secretary of the legation in Mexico, Carlos Cordillo, and his wife, and Mrs. C. Betancourt.

A schedule has been arranged at the State Department which will be carried through if it meets the approval of the minister and his family. They will be received by the President and entertained by the various officials and diplomats and it is expected that on Monday they will go to one of the seaside resorts, possibly Long Branch, where the ambassador and Mme. da Gama are in their summer home.

Invitations have been received in Washington for the marriage of Miss Henrietta Winlow Fitch, daughter of Mrs. Henry Fitch, and Lieut. Stephen Clegg Rowan, U. S. A., Saturday, September 11, at 12 o'clock at All Saints Church, Bay Head, N. J.

Mrs. Henry Corbin is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Huntington Wilson at Cherry Neck, Newport.

Justice and Mrs. Joseph H. McKenna have left Atlantic City and are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Davenport Brown, at Medfield, Mass.

Commander C. Hussey, U. S. N., and Mrs. Hussey, will leave Washington August 25 to take an extended automobile trip through the White mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. James M. Thomson are at the New Willard for a short stay. Mrs. Thomson is the daughter of George Clark before her marriage in June.

Edward Beale McLean is making a short stay in Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Ryburn Clay are making a short stay in Washington while en route from Endicott, N. Y., to their home in Atlanta. Mr. Clay is a son of the late Senator A. S. Clay of Georgia.

Medill McCormick, of Chicago, is at the Shoreham. Other arrivals at the Shoreham are Mrs. Charles E. Batchelder, of Philadelphia; Miss P. B. Wetherill, of Chester, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Torrence, of Detroit; Otto R. Rogers, of New York; W. S. Wald of Pittsfield, Mass.; the Rev. George Calvert Carter, of Bryn Mawr, Pa.; Mrs. Henry M. Wilson, of Pittsburgh; Mrs. F. Lewis, and Mrs. Shields Russell, of Keswick, Va.

Count Henri de Sibilski, accompanied by Theodore Percival, daughter of Dew, visited at Colone Hall, the summer residence of J. Bottle Harnese from the week-end. The count will return to his city the first of the week, where he will go to New York, where he will sail for Europe the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Harrison, who have been at the St. Regis, in New York, for a few days, have gone to Philadelphia for a brief stay.

Mrs. Hugh T. Taggart and her son, William Lother Taggart, have left Washington for Atlantic City, where they will remain a fortnight.

Andrew A. Jones, Jr., the young son of the First Assistant Secretary of the Interior and Mrs. Jones, has spent his Thousand Island Park, where he will visit Miss Grace Lord, niece of Mrs. Jones, returning to his home in New York, after a visit of a few weeks here with her aunt and uncle.

Livingston Phelps, secretary of the American embassy at Rome, and Mrs.

Phelps motored to Mt. Washington at Bretton Woods to spend the week-end.

Miss Lotta Genevieve Walsh has returned to Washington from Lake Placid, N. Y., where she has been since the early summer. Miss Walsh will go to the Panama-Pacific Exposition early in September.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Belmont, Mr. and Mrs. August Belmont, Miss Margaret Draper, Miss Katherine Knight, Miss Margaret Shontz, Miss Rhoda Cogan, Miss Margaret Perrin, Mr. and Mrs. Edson Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. Gibson Fahnestock, Paymaster Livingston Hunt, U. S. N., and Mrs. Hunt, Mrs. Herbert Shipman, and George Peabody Eustis attended the tennis tournament in Newport yesterday.

Charles P. Huchser, of the Swiss legation, who has been at Bar Harbor, will come to Washington tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Grafton Minot have arrived in Berlin, where the former is connected with the United States embassy. Mrs. Minot was Miss Constance Gardner, daughter of Congressman and Mrs. Augustus C. Gardner, of Massachusetts.

Prominent society people were at the Stockbridge Golf Club house, Stockbridge, Mass., yesterday when Walter E. Tucker, of Washington, and Roger H. Hovey, of New Haven, won their matches in the semi-finals for the Stockbridge Cup. Both Mr. Tucker and Mr. Hovey have won the cup twice before, and the cup will be lifted by the winner of play. The only other player ever to lift the Stockbridge Cup was Dr. Malcolm McBurney, of New York.

Miss Sarah Bushnell, the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Q. Bushnell, of New York, was married to Mr. LeRoy Taylor Howard, of this city, at 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon, August 19, at St. Paul's Cathedral in New York city. The Rev. Father Cartwright performed the ceremony. Dr. and Mrs. Howard, after a short wedding trip, will be at home at 811 Rhode Island, in this city.

Mrs. George Howard and Mrs. George Bradley were among the luncheon hostesses in Newport yesterday.

Gen. Horace Porter, Charles Huchser, of the Swiss legation, Dr. Constantin Brun, the Danish minister; Count Bonde, of the Swedish legation; Mr. and Mrs. Peter G. Gerry, who are on their yacht, the *Yves*; the Swedish Minister and Mme. Ekengrin, and A. Vouras, of the Greek legation, were a few of the guests at the dance at the Hotel Hamilton when women have been admitted. It is the beginning of a new policy by the club, and as soon as alterations are made in the regulations, the club will be open to women.

Col. Robert M. Thompson turned over his houseboat, the *Everglades*, to Commander Evans, U. S. N., stationed at the club, and is entertaining his company there yesterday. Her guests including Mrs. William Wickham, Baltimore; Miss E. Stiles, Southampton, and Lieut. Joseph M. Smith and William A. Calhoun, Paymaster H. G. Bowring, Ensign John P. Reardon, C. L. Beas, and F. W. Dillingham, United States Navy.

The wedding party for the marriage of Miss Olga Wiborg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Wiborg, and Sidney Webster Fish, son of Sylvester Fish, which will take place Saturday, September 18 in the Episcopal Church at Easthampton, L. I., will include Miss E. S. Wiborg and Miss Mary Hoyt Wiborg as her only bridesmaids. Her best man, Mr. Fish will have Benjamin Moore, son of Mrs. Clement Moore, as the ushers selected are all classmates of Mr. Fish, Harvard, '08. They are P. Erskine Wood, Charles L. Appleton, Frederic H. Cruger, and James Park. After an extended wedding tour, Mr. Fish and his bride will take apartments in New York city.

Mrs. John Hays Hammond has issued invitations to the governors of nearly every State in the Union to be present at the Italian festa which she will give at her summer home at Gloucester, Mass., Wednesday. The festa will be given under the patronage of the Italian ambassador, the proceeds going to the suffering wives and children of the Italian reservists in New England.

Dr. Edward H. Egbert is stopping at the McAlpin, in New York city.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerome N. Bonaparte will entertain at dinner tonight at Narragansett Pier.

Of wide interest to society both here and abroad is the announcement made yesterday by Mr. and Mrs. C. Ledwith Blair, of New York, of the engagement of their daughter, Miss Florence Led-

with Blair, to H. Rivington Pyne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Rivington Pyne. Mr. Pyne, after his graduation from Princeton last summer, was appointed an attaché to the United States embassy in Berlin and became secretary to the ambassador, James W. Gerard. He returned to this country at the end of last winter on leave, and is with his parents at Upton Pyne, Bernardville, N. J., near Blairden, the country place of Mr. Blair.

The engagement signifies the uniting of two families of the first importance in society and in finance and is a chapter in a romance typical of society in this part of the country. Mr. and Mrs. Pyne have been neighbors at Bernardville in a section of elaborate country places since they were children.

Miss Sarah E. Pierce, daughter of Charles H. Pierce, of this city, and Harriette House, was married Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock by the Rev. Forrest J. Prettymann, in the presence of only the family and a few intimate friends. There were no attendants. The bride wore her traveling costume and carried Bride roses and a bunch of white flowers. Mr. and Mrs. House left immediately after the ceremony for their wedding trip, after which they will reside at 1618 Monroe street.

A wedding of interest here, which will be solemnized in London, September 10, will be that of Miss Sylvia De Graese Fox, daughter of Mrs. De Graese Fox, of Philadelphia, who has been living abroad for several years, and Capt. Cecil Arthur Shaw of the British army.

The wedding will be a quiet affair, and none of the bride's many relatives, except her mother, who before her marriage was Miss Harriet Biddle, will attend.

The bride and bridegroom will live in Aldershot, England, where Captain Shaw is stationed. He is a veteran of the Boer war, from which he came as a companion of the distinguished service order; has been in the front in the present war, and now has a brigade of the Royal Engineers.

Frank Alfred Carter, of this city, will marry Miss Ethel Emily Wheeler, of Lee, London, at St. Mildred's, in that city, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. William P. Pope, of Columbus, Miss., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Pope, at their residence in Columbia road. Mr. Pope is connected with one of the largest firms of cotton brokers in the South.

Some Job Ready For Zoo Stork

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 20.—If old Doc Stork doesn't fall down on his job, they're going to have a bouncing baby hippopotamus out at the zoo one of these days. Superintendent Robert D. Carson announced the coming event yesterday.

They're training the stork in the zoo for the job. The bird never has carried anything so hefty as a hippopotamus, and the keepers are a little "leery" for fear he will let the baby drop while flying over the park.

The baby will be the first hippopotamus born in the zoo. There's a baby stork on route, too, which gave Superintendent Carson an opportunity yesterday to fatten a New York boat that the Bronx had the only baby stork born in captivity.

"I see by the papers," the superintendent said, "that New York is bragging that the only stork born in captivity saw the light of day there recently. Somebody over in New York must be dreaming. Why, we have been breeding storks here for twenty years, and have four young ones right now."

Items of Interest and Importance of Past, Present, and Future Among Official and Fashionable Folk.

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Her daughter, Mrs. Julia Thomas, who is now eighty-four, and was also a slave with her mother, was in the same room, peeling potatoes and regarding the inquisitive reporter with a none too favorable eye. It was plain that she did not fancy this sudden leap into publicity. But Mrs. Gillis, whose conversation is limited because of her age, gave a throaty little chuckle at "the fourth one today," and kept on eating her pears.

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The reason her descendants are not sure of her age is that a family Bible which contained the records was burned when the home of her master, Colonel Peterson, was burned during the war. She has sat in that room nearly to the Spring Garden, about seven miles from Petersburg, and from the time she was a little girl until she was an old woman, waiting on table, milking the cows and feeding the chickens. Her husband was also a slave, but he paid \$50 a year to be allowed to work for himself. He was a fisherman and was quite prosperous.

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There are others over the century mark in New York State and they are all women. Mrs. Nancy Sweet, of Oswego, 102, and Miss Marie Hare, of Johnstown, 101.

Thaw Picks Forty New Suits at \$5,000 Cost

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 20.—The fastidious taste of Harry Thaw, for good clothes is still predominant, for an order for forty new suits has been completed by a tailor here, and the assortment of tweeds, twills, plaids and checkers was shipped to Thaw in California, where he is supposed to be by this time. The tailor reports that Thaw is a connoisseur in the art of dress, and his judgment in picking styles and shades was the best evidenced by any of his customers. The order cost in the neighborhood of \$5,000.

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BUFFALO ZOO BOASTS LARGEST ELEPHANT

Frank is Also the Ugliest and Most Criminal in His Various Proclivities.

BUFFALO, Aug. 20.—That Frank of the Buffalo zoo is probably the largest and certainly the ugliest elephant now in existence is the testimony of circus men and other travelers who have given passing judgment on his bulk this summer. The remarks on his disposition, however, made by those who live with him, including his keepers and Curator Crawford. When told of the recent death by strangling of the New York elephant, whose mantle of cruelty he had worn, Frank, the Buffalo animal was little moved, knowing that the construction of his home gives him none of the opportunities of the metropolitan elephants.

According to animal trainers and other authorities who have visited the zoo, Frank is the tallest elephant in the United States and probably in the known animal kingdom. He has the best teeth, another notable feature. His height is ten feet at the neck and ten feet six inches at the back. In spite of all this, his actual worth in money would not be great because of his unclean disposition and criminal tendencies.

To the majority of zoo visitors the fact that Frank is the largest mountain of flesh they have ever seen furnishes sufficient interest. The natural history features of Frank and the rest of the zoo family trotted them out at all. Wherefore, mothers tell their eager children to watch the big squirrels, who are really raccoons. There is much talk about the bald-headed eagle, who is not bald-headed, but has only the appearance of baldness and is known officially as the bald eagle. The only bald-headed bird in existence, according to authorities, is the vulture. Polar bears are universally called white polar bears. To nearly all corners the yaks are burials and the bona fide species in the fields beyond are "the other kind of buffalo."

One man is getting all the attention of the public these days, the other having come to an untimely end through eating too many green leaves. He leaves were blown into his tank, and he managed to eat a large quantity before he was discovered. As the heavy iron door failed to be closed, the sea lion's interest in it faded, and he quietly dropped out.

Bar Scores Lynching.

SALT LAKE CITY, Aug. 20.—A resolution on the Leo M. Frank lynching, presented by Stephen S. Gregory, of Illinois, was adopted unanimously by the American Bar Association in session here.

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 - Every Woman's or Misses' Summer Wash Street Dress. Values to \$7.50. \$1.88
 - 12 Women's and Misses' Street Dresses, of silk and poplin. Sizes 16, 18, 20 only. Values to \$15.00. \$6.98
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