

NATIONAL GALLERY OF ARTS, PROPERLY HOUSED, IS URGED

Charles L. Freer, of Detroit, Gives Views on Disposal of Widener Treasures.

FACILITIES FOR STUDENTS

Collector, Whose Gems Will Come Here On His Death, Plans Building.

A National Gallery of Art for Washington to be housed in an adequate building, affording ample study rooms for art students, is needed by Washington, in the opinion of Charles L. Freer, of Detroit, whose art treasures will come to the Smithsonian Institution here upon his death.

In answering an inquiry about his opinion regarding the disposal of the famous Widener art collection, Mr. Freer telegraphed: "I have already given my art collection to the National Gallery of Art and intend soon to erect in Washington a suitable building in which to exhibit it permanently. I would like to see additional privately acquired art collections of high quality presented to the National Gallery and exhibited permanently in one large building or in smaller buildings, as circumstances require. The buildings should include ample study rooms for the exclusive use of serious students. Every progressive art student should have an independent building in which to study the superb Widener treasures, wherever they may be permanently exhibited."

Five Gifts Lost. Mr. Freer was one of the men interested in the founding of the National Gallery of Art which now has its collection hung in the New National Museum here. When he expressed his intention of giving his collection to the gallery upon his death, officials of the Smithsonian Institution were compelled to tell him, as they had told others, that there would not be room to exhibit them. Unlike others, who, under such circumstances, had sent their collections elsewhere, Mr. Freer immediately placed \$1,000,000 in trust, the income to be used in drawing plans and beginning work on a new gallery for his collection. This building is to be located near the old museum building in the mall.

Other donors of collections, notably the late Mr. Riggs, who spent much of his life in collecting historic armor, gave their collections to other galleries, when it was found that the Smithsonian Institution could make no promises regarding space to exhibit them. The Smithsonian, the museum division, and the art gallery already have lost many valuable gifts on this account.

Preserved Intact. Mr. Freer's building will be large enough to house only his own collection. It is regarded as one of the finest art collections in America. It still is preserved intact in his Detroit home. One of its most famous gems is the so-called peacock dining room designed by Whistler for Mr. Leyland, of London. This room was purchased by Mr. Freer for \$50,000, and it has been built into the Freer residence. Its dominant notes are blue, green, and gold with peacocks and peacock feathers forming the framework of the designs.

Has Whistler Gallery. In the wall cabinets, Mr. Freer has placed his peach blow, plum, color, brown and green glasses, representing the best periods of Chinese and Japanese art. Mr. Freer also has a Whistler gallery, containing many of that artist's most celebrated paintings. Other art treasures, kept in fire-proof vaults, include scrolls and kakemonos of the finest types produced by China, Japan and Korea.

One of the rarest Chinese scrolls in existence belongs to this gallery. It was long an imperious possession and bears the cartouches of the various dynasties, which Oxford scholars now are deciphering in order to prepare a special monograph upon it.

REPLY OF GREECE SATISFIES ALLIES. Constantine's Friendly Reply Is Regarded As End of Crisis In Athens.

LONDON, Nov. 25.—Greece has satisfied the allies that there will be no Greek interference with their Balkan campaign under any circumstances, according to an Athens dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company. The required assurances are said to have been contained in a communication handed by the Athens government to the allies' diplomatic representatives, in answer to Wednesday's joint note.

OX-DRAWN SERBIAN ARTILLERY RETIRING BEFORE THE CENTRAL ALLIES DRIVE



This picture, taken in the Morava valley, is the first to reach the United States since the Austro-Germans' Offensive Began.

DIGNITARIES OF TWO AMERICAS AT MASS

Notable Gathering At St. Patrick's Gives Thanks For Prosperity and Peace.

(Continued from First Page.) Representatives of the various countries were decorated with miniature flags of those countries. A high altar stood out from a bank of palms and huge chrysanthemums that almost covered the rear wall of the sanctuary. Two choirs and a full orchestra furnished the music on the Gregorian mass and of Haydn's sixteenth mass. The sanctuary choir was under the direction of R. Mills Sibley, and Miss Jennie Giannini led the mixed choir and orchestra.

The ceremonies of the day began with the procession of church dignitaries from the parish house to the church. Preceded by the cross bearer and a long line of acolytes and altar boys, the procession passed out of the parish house, into the street and into the church. The Rev. Fr. William J. Kenney, and Miss Jennie Giannini led the mixed choir and orchestra. The Rev. Fr. John F. Fenlon, the Catholic University, in the line also were Bishop T. J. Shanley, of the Catholic University; Miss Anna C. Deacon, of St. Patrick's; the Very Rev. George Dougherty, the Very Rev. George F. Dineen, the Rev. Dr. R. J. Carroll, of St. Paul's Church, and the Rev. Thomas E. McGulgan, James A. Smyth, John M. McNamara, William J. Carroll, and M. P. J. Egan.

'Priest's March Played. The orchestra played the impressive priest's march from "The Prometheus" by Meyerbeer, as the procession entered the church and made its way up the aisle to the sanctuary. The mass began immediately with the Rev. Francis P. Doory, of St. Martin's Church, Baltimore, as the celebrant; the Rev. Joseph C. Mallon, of St. John's Church, Easton, Md., as the deacon; and the Rev. E. Carroll, of St. Paul's Church, subdeacon. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. J. T. Connelley, of the city, one of the most distinguished oratorical figures of the Middle West. His text included: "Now, therefore, our God, we give thanks to Thee, and we praise Thy glorious name."

Dr. O'Connell spoke of the wonderful progress of the great benefits that have been reaped by the people of the countries of America. He held that the destiny of the world is in the hands of the people, and that the foundation of the state is the church, and it is the people who show the way to the future of the world. He said: "Would it not be truly the shallowest pretense, in this venerated and venerable temple, where patriotism as well as religion has found utterance that is a holy tradition, not to recognize the bearing of sacred history upon our present? Could we in our reverent answer to our country's Executive overlook the happy singularity by which we are becoming a nation apart, not by limits of domain, but by conditions, which now not many people are permitted to enjoy? Shall we not on this day of the centennial of the adoption of the Constitution, enact measures that shall tend to preserve the peace and promote the prosperity of the American States? More wealth is but a dark desire that shall never see the light of day."

The reply," says the Athens message, quoting official authority, "is friendly, meets the intentions of the demands and gives all guarantees that are considered essential."

FOR THE BOY SCOUT MOVEMENT in Washington, I will give \$....., in four payments of \$..... each—first payment to be made on December 1st, 1915, and continue every six months until the last payment is made on June 1st, 1917.

Name..... Address..... Date..... Checks should be made Payable to A. C. West, Asst. Treas., Boy Scouts of America, American National Bank, 1315 F St. N. W., Washington, D. C. The Times.

WARDS OF DISTRICT ENJOYING BIG DAY

Thanksgiving Day Brings Gladness At All Charitable and Correctional Institutions. Thanksgiving brought to the wards of the District its usual quota of joy and gladness. Devotional exercises with games and athletic events at the children's homes and additions to the menu marked the day at the charitable and correctional institutions.

Many Visitors Call. There were no special exercises at the Tuberculosis Hospital. Many of the patients received calls from ministers of various denominations and other friends. Dinner consisted of turkey, sweet potatoes, corn, celery, cranberries, and mince and pumpkin pie. To each patient was given a bag containing an orange, banana, figs, raisins, and nuts.

At Training School. The afternoon program at the National Training School for Girls included a football game between teams representing the various classes, and a series of other athletic games. Turkey and cranberry sauce were the principal items on the bill of fare at the noon dinner.

Hurt Chasing Speeders. Bicycle Policeman J. C. Broderick, of the Sixth precinct, is suffering today from bruises received when he was thrown from his wheel early last night. Broderick was pursuing a speeding automobile near Fourth and H streets northwest when the accident occurred.

STEEL MEN TO AID WARSHIP BUILDING

Big Plants Ready to Co-operate In Construction in Government Yards. Information has reached Washington that the big steel companies will co-operate with the Navy Department in the matter of Government construction of the two new super-dreadnaughts which are soon to be built. The steel companies, instead of balking and refusing to furnish material in a reasonable time, will place any obstacles in the way of Government construction. They will furnish the Government the steel and will do so without needless delay.

CANCELS HOLIDAY OF LETTER CARRIERS

Department Gives Late Order Affecting Offices Throughout the United States. Washington's corps of letter carriers and clerks, did not get a full holiday today, as was expected. Last minute orders for an early morning delivery were issued by the Postoffice Department, applying to the entire United States. This order compelled Postmaster Chance to reverse himself and withdraw the holiday order for Washington.

Ask For Instructions. Mr. Roper said: "There were a great number of postmasters who did not want to take the responsibility of making the day a full holiday, and that they asked for instructions. Many of them suggested a rule for general guidance everywhere, the matter of individual postmasters to act as they saw fit. The matter was not entirely to the discretion and judgment of individual postmasters to act as they saw fit. The matter was not entirely to the discretion and judgment of individual postmasters to act as they saw fit."

Naval Draftsmen Meet. The Navy Yard branch of the American Society of Marine Draftsmen held its monthly meeting last night in New Masonic Temple, 223 Eighth street northeast. A. H. Chase, a member of the society, delivered a lecture on "Torpedoes—the Problem of Submarine Launching."

A&P PURE FOODS At Lowest Prices The Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Co. STORES: 1327 4th St. N.W., 1327 14th St. N.W., 1327 14th St. N.W., 1327 14th St. N.W., 1327 14th St. N.W. MARKETS: Eastern Market, 21st & K Sts. N.W., 1327 14th St. N.W., 1327 14th St. N.W., 1327 14th St. N.W.

SCOUT TEAMS HAVE NOW RAISED \$10,000

Twenty-Three Groups At Work Today Seeking Contributions to Fund. Although today is a public holiday, the members of the twenty-three teams of Washington business and professional men continued efforts to raise \$30,000 to finance the Boy Scout movement. Taking as their motto "The better the day, the better the deed," they called forth to solicit pledges or cash with which to assure the uninterrupted maintenance of the movement in Washington.

500 Ring Stolen

A diamond ring valued at \$500 has been stolen from the apartment of Mrs. Ella M. Roderick, 21 P street north. According to a report made to the police, the authorities were told that the thief gained entrance by forcing the rear window of the apartment, and ransacked the place while the family was absent yesterday.

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All Washington Joins In Thanks That Nation Is Afloat From War

High and Low, Rich and Poor, Express Gratitude for Blessings of Year, While From Pulpits Comes Appeal For Preparedness to Guarantee Peace.

Fraught with a peculiar significance because of the escape of this country from being plunged into troubles with foreign nations, this Thanksgiving Day, in the National Capital, was more widely and more solemnly celebrated than any similar occasion since the close of the Spanish-American war.

Practically every church in Washington either held a service of its own, or joined with other congregations in a union or a community service. At these services the President's proclamation was read, as in the early New England days where the Thanksgiving custom was born, and the pulpit topics in many of them related to peace, preparedness or patriotism.

* NOTABLES AT ST. PATRICK'S. As in the last few years the most notable celebration, from an official and a spectacular standpoint, was that at St. Patrick's Church, where the Secretary of State, the Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court, and practically all the diplomatic representatives of nations on this continent attended a Pan-American mass. Protestants and Catholics alike joined in this notable service, which has become an annual event in the Capital.

Thousand Dinners. From early morning the missions, Gospel and Central Union, were kept busy answering the calls of the needy for Thanksgiving. More than 1,000 dinners were provided by these two institutions, many of them being sent to homes in baskets. The Salvation Army's work began even earlier in the day. A breakfast, not of the usual "bread line" sort, was served from 10 to 12 o'clock at the Y. W. C. A. a special Thanksgiving dinner was provided for those away from home, and the Y. M. C. A. adopted a new plan of having newcomers among its boys invited to homes of friends of the institution for Thanksgiving dinner.

Riders On Chase. Followers of the back-to-the-saddle movement went on a paper chase, and there was much entertaining, even among the diplomats, who joined for this day in the peculiarly American holiday of Thanksgiving. All about the city, Boy Scouts could be seen hurrying with baskets to the home of some family unable to provide the accustomed Thanksgiving feast. Charity workers and volunteers from all walks of life joined in making the day one of brightness for those in charitable and correctional institutions.

The Flight of the Stork. Every normal person is interested in the arrival of the stork. It is the greatest event in one's life. The expectant mother needs, above everything else, comfort and peace of mind. This she is sure to have if Mother's Friend, the safe, dependable external remedy, is used to soothe the network of nerves and to enable the muscles to expand naturally, thus relieving undue strain. Mother's Friend, obtained at any drug store, is the one remedy used and recommended by thousands of women everywhere, who testify as to its wonderful merit.

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