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BUSINESS BOOM HERE FORECAST BY NEW BUILDING

184 More Permits Issued in Last Month Than in Same Period for 1921.

UNEMPLOYED TOTAL 3,000

Demand for Labor Shown to Be Steadily Increasing, Federal Agent Says.

By HARVEY L. COBB.

Business in Washington, as reflected in building and employment figures, show a steady improvement for the last five weeks, which promises to grow continuously better.

Building of homes and apartment houses has started a month and a half sooner this year than last.

Permits for building—accepted as an indication of the trend of business—show there were 184 more building permits for the month ended March 18, 1922, than for the same period in 1921.

The Valuation Triples.

Total valuation of building permits for week ended, March 11, covering schools, homes apartment houses and business property, aggregates $4,000,000, compared with a valuation for the same week, last year, of $1,325,000.

The present number of unemployed in Washington is estimated to be 3,000, compared with nearly twice as many unemployed on the same day last year.

A total number of 12,440 persons were placed in employment during the last eight months by the local Federal Employment Service, compared to 3,320 during the same period last year, indicating the dissemination of nearly a third more people in constructive industry.

During January and February the local employment office received more calls for all classes of skilled and unskilled labor than it did in the preceding four months.

Jobs Quickly Provided.

An average of five to eight weeks was required by the local Federal Citizens' Employment Bureau to place an unskilled laborer during those four months. Today the bureau is able to find employment for all unskilled laborers who apply in two to three weeks.

Figures of the employment bureau, which is located at 1410 Pennsylvania avenue, show it has been successful in placing 51 per cent of the applicants applying there for a position within three weeks. At the same period last year the bureau was able to find employment for only 35 per cent of the applicants.

From these facts and figures is based the statement made at the beginning of this article that business in Washington shows a steady improvement for the last five weeks, with reasonable assurance that it will continue to grow better, due to the increasing activities in building trades and other lines of industry.

Unemployment Decreases.

Unemployment in Washington is 40 per cent less this month than it was last, according to R. L. Livingston, director of the Federal Citizens' Employment Bureau, whose figures more or less accurately reflect local conditions here.

"Present conditions warrant the prediction that things will continue to improve in Washington with the coming of spring," said Mr. Livingston.

"There is an increasing amount of building activities in the city, as reflected by the amount of skilled and unskilled labor placements, and we are having more and more calls every day for these.

"The bureau has been informed by Major F. S. Besson, assistant to the Engineer Commissioner, that street repairing in Washington will start possibly next week, with weather permitting, and this will greatly reduce the unemployment situation in Washington."

Few, if any of those being employed through the Federal Employment Bureau are being taken on by the Government, the bureau's figures show. This is explained by the fact that practically all Government employes are now coming under civil service and are therefore allocated from one bureau to another.

78,865 U. S. Employes Here.

Total number of Federal employes in Washington, according to figures furnished by the commission, is 78,865 as compared to 90,559 on July 31, 1920. The figures show that since July, 1921, there have been as many additions to the Federal pay roll as eliminations, and that during the last eight months the number of Federal employes has remained on an even keel.

The largest classification of skilled laborers out of employment in Washington, according to the Federal Bureau's figures, are mechanics. More than 400 mechanics seeking work are registered with that bureau. More than 95 per cent of them were men laid off at the navy yard.

Anti-Saloon League is Rebuffed by Goff

"Neither the Anti-Saloon League nor any other league is not going to run the Department of Justice."

This pronouncement was made yesterday by Judge Guy D. Goff, Assistant Attorney General, who said further:

"The Anti-Saloon League, if it would have more confidence in the Department of Justice, would have no cause to complain of the department's efforts to enforce the prohibition law or any other law."

The league is reported to have objected to the removal from office in Philadelphia this week of Special Assistant District Attorney Walnut.

NEW THOUGHT MEETING.

Dr. A. B. Campbell-Shields, of New York, will speak at the New Thought Temple, 1814 N street northwest, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. today. His morning subject will be "Saul" and the evening "Science and Life."

GIRL WORKERS PLAN BIG NEW ATHLETIC CLUB

Meeting Monday Will Work Out Details and Start Drive For Members.

By A. CLOYD GILL.

Shifting from dancing steps to swimming strokes, 350 Government workers living at the Plaza dormitories will, on Monday evening have outlined to them plans for the erection and operation of a commodious new swimming pool and athletic club in the vicinity of the Department of the Interior building.

The hour usually utilized in learning new dance steps will be given over to a discussion of the proposed athletic club and the advantage of swimming strokes as exercise.

Approximately 650 Washington young women have already signed applications for membership in the United Athletic Club, which is negotiating for the land and which has had tentative plans drawn.

Seek 1,000 Members.

Officers of the athletic club will ask the girls living at the Government Hotels to become members of the organization and augment their dancing lessons with swimming lessons.

At the Monday evening meeting, there will be musical selections by the Interior Department band, by a quartet from the same organization and motion pictures showing the Seine Swimming contest, bathing beauty contests and the inter-allied games at Paris in 1919.

Several members of the club, who have already achieved more than local notice as expert swimming experts will tell the Government workers of the aims and purposes of the new club.

The club is seeking 1,000 women members and plans are to have the club building and pool ready for use by fall.

Miss Etta Mackay, famous swimming expert, who has taken a leading part in the organization of the new club, will speak at the meeting.

Miss Marie Kemper is president of the club, Miss F. M. Damon is vice president, and Mrs. Henrietta Boustead is secretary and treasurer. The board of governors is composed of Frances Peyton Smith, Marie Kemper, Lorraine Cole, Ruth Lukens, G. Marie McClary, Monica Gordon, Annie P. Shekell, and Isabel Wayson.

Will Enter Contests.

The pool proper will be seventy-five feet long and forty feet wide, and will be of white enameled tiling throughout. A regulation high diving platform will be installed in addition to the usual spring board, water chute, flying rings and other fittings.

A balcony to accommodate 400 spectators will encircle the pool and a movable glass roof will be fitted.

There will be a fully equipped gymnasium with classes in physical culture, fencing, indian clubs, etc.

The club members propose to offer entrants in all national swimming contests, and with the Potomac river near-by for long-distance swimming practice, they believe they will be prepared to compete with the best classes in the country.

1922 HORSE SHOW WILL START MAY 12

George B. Hulme to Preside Over Harness Classes. Other Selections.

George B. Hulme, "grand old man" of the horse show ring, will judge harness classes at the National Capital Horse Show, which opens May 12, it was announced at a meeting of the executive committee of the local association yesterday. Mr. Hulme has judged at London, Paris and New York, in addition to officiating at dozens of smaller shows, and has been a judge at the local show ever since it was launched by the present organization.

C. W. Benton, New York state horseman and member of the New York mounted police, will also judge in the harness classes, in addition to specializing on the police classes.

Hunters and saddle stock generally will be judged by Arthur Werthen, Front Royal, Va., and Fletcher Harper, master of hounds of the Piedmont Hunt Club, The Plains, Va., two of Virginia's best known huntsmen and horse experts.

Judges for the military classes have not been selected the officials preferring to consult with Army officials before making a choice.

Wide spread interest in the coming show is being evinced by out-of-town horsemen, who are preparing to bring their horses here for the event.

Several special surprises are being prepared by the executive committee and there will be many novel features added to this year's show.

Police Catch Alleged Seminary Pickpocket

The mysterious disappearance of money and other valuables from the overcoats of men attending the Columbia Hall, foreign mission seminary of the Seventh Day Adventists, was believed to have been solved last night when Constable Charles W. Ferrar, of Montgomery county, arrested Earl Coyle, nineteen years old, a telegraph messenger, living at Takoma Park, Md.

Constable Ferrar placed a marked $1 bill in the overcoat of A. T. Johnson and lay in wait. Ferrar said that he caught the messenger in the act of taking the money and found it in his possession. The pocket-picking has been in operation since a week before Christmas. Ferrar said Coyle admits other robberies. He was removed to the jail at Rockville last night.

First Prize Winner.
Gride's American Beauty Roses first prize winner at New York Flower Show. 1314 F.—Adv.

FETES FAIR BELGIAN GIRLS

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This group of girls came to Hopewell, Va., from their native Belgium a year ago to teach girls employed in a silk mill the art of making fine silk. Thursday afternoon they were entertained at a tea by the Belgian Ambassador, Baron de Cartier, and Baroness de Cartier, at the Embassy. The Ambassador and his wife are shown in the center of the front row, surrounded by a bevy of Belgian beauties.

U. S. IS IN CONTROL OF CENTER MARKET

Tenants Approve Regulations Devised by Secretary of Agriculture.

Operation and control of the Center Market by proposed rules and regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture was unanimously approved by more than 150 tenants of the market at a public meeting staged by the department Friday. The final rules and regulations controlling the operation of the market are expected to be approved by April 1.

The only point upon which there was a division of opinion related to the hours of opening and closing. Wholesalers desire early opening and closing, but retailers request that later hours of doing business be fixed.

It is necessary for wholesalers to be at the market at 4 to 5:30 a. m. and their business is finished by 2:30 to 3 p. m. On the other hand, the retailers do not appear until 7 to 8 a. m., and wish to remain open until 5:30 p. m. to handle the considerable volume of trade that comes from Government employes after 4:30.

One proposed solution of the problem is to segregate the wholesalers from the retailers. Department officials state that their decision as to opening and closing hours will naturally be influenced by the interests of the general public, although every effort will be made to acquiesce in the wishes of a majority of the tenants.

Philip Hutton Dies Suddenly at Home

Philip Hutton, seventy-four years oldl and an old resident of the District, died suddenly yesterday at his home, 1004 M street southeast. He was a son of George and Sarah B. Hutton, also life-long residents of this city.

Hutton was employed in the navy yard at the time of his death. He was a member of the Association of Oldest Inhabitants, and took an active part in all their activities up to the time of his death. He is survived by two sisters, Isabel and Catherine R. Hutton.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow at 2 p. m. Interment will be in Congressional Cemetery.

Foreign Trade Pupils Plan Journey Abroad

One hundred students at Georgetown University School of Foreign Service will visit a foreign country this summer to make special surveys with a view to meeting the demands of American trade, it was announced last night by Rev. W. Coleman Nevils, S. J., regent of the school.

The choice of countries lies among Spain, Portugal, Mexico and Columbia. The government of each of these countries has extended an invitation.

A conference with officials of the State and Commerce Department will be held before the trip is finally arranged. It is expected, however, that the students will go to Mexico.

Busy Week Is Outlined for Washington Elks

The Washington Lodge of Elks today announced the following program for the coming week:

Monday, 8 p. m., drill team; Tuesday, 8 p. m., membership committee meeting; Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., employment committee, 8 p. m., regular lodge session; Thursday, 9 p. m., regular dance; Friday, 8 p. m., band rehearsal.

The installation of newly elected officers of the lodge will take place April 5, in the lodge room, with past district deputy Grand Exalted Ruler James L. Ward as installing officer. The Elks' concert band, Arthur S. Witcomb, director, will play. Supper and vaudeville will follow.

AUBURN ALUMNI TO DINE.

Local graduates and former students of Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Ala., will hold their annual banquet at the University Club at 7 o'clock Wednesday night. The speakers will include Senator Heflin and Congressman John McDuffie and L. B. Rainey, Brig. Gen. Robert E. Noble is president of the local alumni.

$460,000,000 Received As Income Taxes

ONLY incomplete figures were available at the Treasury Department yesterday on the income tax payments, but these indicated the full returns of the March 15 payments would closely approximate Secretary Mellon's original estimate of $460,000,000.

A large part of that sum, however, reached collectors and was paid into the Treasury before the final day for the initial returns with the first installment.

ALLEGED BIGAMIST HELD AT ROCKVILLE

Louis W. Fielder Faces Charge of Wedding Two Wives.

Louis W. Fielder, Washington man, who some time ago wooed and wed an actress while, it is charged, he had another wife living, has been locked in the Montgomery county jail at Rockville, Md., to await the action of a grand jury on a charge of bigamy.

Several weeks ago Fielder visited Rockville and married Miss Eva M. Frazier, an actress. It is claimed that he had a wife from whom he was not divorced. She was formerly Miss Madalyn E. Stanton, of Virginia.

A preliminary hearing was given Fielder in the Rockville police court shortly after his arrest. Both young women testified against him. He was held for the grand jury, but released under bonds of $2,000, signed by John J. O'Neil, of Chevy Chase, Md.

O'Neil on Friday had Fielder taken into custody here and returned to Rockville and turned over to the county authorities. O'Neil claimed that he had learned that Fielder was preparing to leave Washington.

Uses Messenger to Get Forged Check Cashed

A novel scheme was used yesterday by an unidentified man to get a check cashed.

The man summoned Frank Johnson, a telegraph messenger, and asked him to take a check for $20 to the Liberty National Bank. Shortly afterward the bank discovered that the check was forged.

About an hour after the man had worked his scheme he summoned Edward Peters, another telegraph messenger, and requested him to have a check for $40 cashed. Peters sought a policeman. While he was on his quest the stranger vanished.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETS

The Columbia Historical Society will meet in Cosmos Club assembly hall at 8:15 o'clock Tuesday night. Frederick L. Fishback will give an illustrated lecture on "Lincoln in Washington." Miss Cleo L. Scanland will be the soloist and John Claggett Proctor will recite a poem, "In After Years."

PATROL LEADERS TO MEET.

The third session of the Patrol Leaders' Training Class, Boys' Scouts, will be held in the boys' department, Central Y. M. C. A., Saturday morning. The speakers will be Edward H. DeGroot, J. T. K. Plant and Major S. C. Godfrey.

CONCERT
MONDAY AT 3 P. M.
BY THE
U. S. MARINE BAND ORCHESTRA.
W. H. SANTELMANN, Leader.
TAYLOR BRANSON, Second Leader.
PROGRAM.
March, "Under the Starry Banner" ..... West
Overture, "Rakoczy" ..... Keler-Bela
Grand scenes from "La Gioconda" ..... Ponchielli
Xylophone solo, "Liebesfreud" ..... Kreisler
(Musican Wilbur D. Kieffer.)
Valse de concert, "Dream On the Ocean" ..... Gung'l
Tone poem, "Finlandia" ..... Sibelius
Marines' hymn—
"The Halls of Montezuma."
"The Star-Spangled Banner."

LEAVENWORTH GETS 30 D. C. PRISONERS

Roy E. Arnold Among Those Sent to Serve Long Prison Terms.

In a day or two the Federal prison at Leavenworth will have an added population of thirty persons. They left last night on the Leavenworth special, which was in charge of Samuel C. Brooks, chief clerk at the city jail.

John Niffon, a Canadian youth who was convicted on the charge of slaying Frederick Schnurr, was given the longest term. He will serve twenty years on the charge of second-degree murder. Milton Metcalf, who was jointly convicted with Niffon, was given a sentence of thirteen years. Niffon admitted in court that he fired the shot that proved fatal to Schnurr.

After a wait of four years at the city jail, Clarence E. Tucker, a forger, was removed to the prison to serve a sentence of ten years. Two negroes were given fourteen years each on the charge of robbery and another was given a ten-year sentence on the charge of house-breaking and robbery.

Roy E. Arnold, who enticed a girl to leave the city with him and who is a married man, will serve a sentence of five years on a white slavery charge.

Alfred Knowles, who was on a "hunger strike" for several days, will spend six years at the prison on a grand larceny charge. Officials at the jail said last night that he left heavier in weight than when he was admitted to the institution. He was implicated in the theft of an automobile.

Others who were given a jaunt on the Leavenworth special were Frank H. Acton, who was given a two-year sentence on the charge of house-breaking; Charles E. Carnell, three years for forgery; Clarence Howard, four years for forgery, and Matthew S. Myers, two years for larceny.

Mrs. Laura Flesher to Head District Y.W.H.A.

Mrs. Laura Flesher was elected president of the Young Women's Hebrew Association at a meeting in the Eighth Street Temple Thursday night. Other officers are Mrs. Louis Kramer, vice president; Miss Rose Hornstein, executive secretary; Miss Theresa Shefferman, recording secretary; Miss Clara Roberts, corresponding secretary; Miss Florence Frank, financial secretary; Miss Mollie Lazerow, treasurer.

The following chairmen of committees were elected: Miss Jeanne Porton, entertainment; Mrs. Louis Kramer, social welfare; Mrs. Hyman Levy, athletic; Miss Mary Ogus, Americanization; Miss J. Brandenburger, educational; Mrs. Joseph Wilner, membership; Miss Rickie Gans, hospitality; Mrs. Julius Singer, publicity.

The organization was addressed by Hrs. Herman Hollander and Dr. Abram Simon.

Boys' Club Exhibits Pictures at Keith's

The first of the series of motion pictures for the benefit of the Washington Boys' Club was shown yesterday at Keith's Theater. The film was "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star," featuring little Zoe Ray and Dorphea Brown.

Before the picture the boys gave an athletic exhibition, including a blind boxing match.

Two more pictures will be given on succeeding Saturday mornings. Little Red Riding Hood will be shown next week at the National. Cinderella and the Magic Slipper will be shown April 1 at the Shubert-Belasco. The Boys' Club will stage exhibitions before each picture.

K. C. TO GIVE CONCERT.

All members of the Knights of Columbus are invited to attend a sacred concert to be given at 8:30 o'clock tonight in the Knights of Columbus Hall, 918 Tenth street northwest, under the auspices of Patuxent Council, Knights of Columbus, Laurel, Md.

DR. J. A. MURPHY TO SPEAK

Dr. J. A. Murphy, District school health officer, will address the Scoutmasters' Club, Washington Boy Scouts, at a meeting Tuesday night in Epiphany Parish House. His subject will be "Nutrition and Health." Round table discussion on outdoor activities will follow.

PLAN BARRIERS TO SAFEGUARD NEW D. C. BANKS

House Expected to Favor Bill For Stricter U. S. Supervision.

By VINCENT F. CALLAHAN.

The House District Committee this week is expected to approve the bill providing investigation by the Comptroller of the Treasury of all banks organizing in the District under a charter secured from another State.

Congressman Frank C. Millspaugh of Missouri, chairman of the subcommittee which held a hearing on the bill, said last night his committee would make a favorable report to the House Committee Wednesday.

"The bill is a forerunner to a general banking law for the District," Congressman Millspaugh said. "It will protect every man and woman in Washington who invests in a new bank and is a measure which the city needs.

"Witnesses before the subcommittee have pointed out to us how easy it is for 'fly-by-night' banks to organize here and defraud hundreds of people out of money invested in an institution which cannot possibly run at a profit.

"The bill will give the Comptroller authority to investigate the character of the officers in the bank and to determine, as near as possible, whether the particular locality where the institution is to be located is financially able to support a bank."

D. I. Crissinger, the Comptroller, told the committee last week that many new banks are nothing but promotion schemes.

"I have no desire to put additional work on my shoulders or to obtain more authority," the Comptroller said, "but I feel that this committee would be doing the people of Washington a great service by having a law passed which will permit my department to investigate an institution before it opens."

Five new banks are now being organized in Washington. If the bill is passed these banks will come under Government supervision before opening. Under present laws the Comptroller can only make investigations after a bank is opened, and then his powers are limited.

The Senate has passed the bill and the House is expected to take similar action.

The measure is favored by the Washington Clearing House and the Better Business Bureau.

There are now thirty-one banks in Washington organized under State charters, fifteen national banks and six trust companies. In the cases of the other banks the law provides for Government supervision before opening.

Washington bankers yesterday expressed themselves in favor of the measure. They declared that the District should have uniform laws which restrict State-chartered banks in the same respect as national banks.

UTILITIES VALUATION SCORED BY CLAYTON

Tells Federation of Citizens New Commission Would Make Them Equitable.

A new Public Utilities Commission would demand new depreciation values for properties of the gas and electric companies of the District. This is the belief of William McK. Clayton, as voiced at the meeting last night of the Federation of City Associations. He claims that the depreciation value of these companies today are the same as those of nine years ago.

"The Public Utilities Commission has been a rate-making body for public utilities corporations in the District to insure them a proper and safe rate of return," Mr. Clayton declared. "If we had never had a Public Utilities Commission, Congress would dictate the rate. When the war came on, Congress would have been too busy to take such matters under advisement, and the different corporations would have had to worry along the best they could," he continued.

Mr. Clayton read a letter from Secretary of the Public Utilities commission, wherein it was stated that body thought it advisable to wait until the effect of six tokens for 40 cents was ascertained before action was taken upon the recommendation of three tokens for 20 cents.

Principal Allan Davis, of Southeast Citizens' Association, pointed out that the District Commissioners will not approve Senator Capper's bill for increase in teachers' salaries because they believe statutory employes are next in order for increase in salary. These employes have not had an increase for ten years, the Commissioners claim.

A resolution from the Park View Citizens' Association was passed asking for opening of minor street from Georgia avenue to Ninth street and improvement of traffic conditions in the vicinity of the baseball park.

A resolution from the West End Citizens' Association asking for restoration of $5,000 which they claim was provided by the Budget Committee of the Senate District Committee on Appropriations and which was left out of the District appropriation bill for improvement of the autoists' tourist park in East Potomac Park and for repair and construction of buildings for auto tourists was adopted.

E. B. Carrier was admitted as a delegate from the Cleveland Park Community to the Federation to succeed Col. Henry S. Graves.

PARENT-TEACHERS MEET.

The Taylor-Ludlow Parent-Teacher Association met in the Ludlow school Thursday night. Dr. Joseph A. Murphy, District public school health officer, spoke on the value of a balanced diet for school children.

Speeders Can't Pay Collateral In Installments

A DOLLAR down and a dollar a week is no way to furnish collateral after rarest for speeding.

Such was the edict of Dick Mansfield, motorcycle policeman in the Second precinct, to William Paul Cherry, seventeen years old, of 515 Third street northwest.

Young Cherry was arrested Thursday for speeding. Five dollars' collateral was asked. He didn't have it, but promised to return if released. He didn't return.

So yesterday Policeman Mansfield called up young Cherry's boss to find out why he didn't come back. The boss said the youngful speeder planned to pay the collateral a dollar down and dollar a week.

But Policeman Mansfield says no. Young Cherry will have to come back and put up the five.

PARENTS SUBMIT SCHOOL PROGRAM

Send Suggestions to Senator Capper for Improving District Conditions.

A group of parents have sent to Senator Capper, chairman of the Senate's School sub-committee, a comprehensive program for the betterment of school conditions in Washington.

The program includes the recommendation that the Board of Education should be nominated by the President and cinformed by the Senate, and be entirely independent of the District Commissioners. A school planning committee, with jurisdiction over the planning of school buildings and grounds, also is recommended.

Repairs to the schools should be made under the direction of the Board of Education; promotion of teachers, according to seniority, and session room pay should be abolished; the salary of the school superintendent should be increased, and the office of superintendent of supplies, construction and equipment should be provided for. There are about 100 signatures to the petition.

Studio Tea Arranged in Memory of Poets

The anniversaries of the death of the poet, Longfellow, and the statesman, John C. Calhoun, will be commemorated at the sixth of a series of memorial teas to "Makers of America" at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon in the studio of Miss Byrd Mock, the Old Brick Capitol.

The memorial address on Longfellow will be made by the Rev. Francis Xavier Doyle, professor of philosophy and literature in Georgetown University. Senator Nathaniel Barksdale Dial of South Carolina, will make the address on Calhoun.

John Temple Graves, the closest living relative of John C. Calhoun, and Capt. and Mrs. Clarence Crittenden Calhoun, also near relatives, will be present. Mrs. Calhoun will pour tea, assisted by Girl Scouts.

Home Club Will Hold House Warming Party

The Home Club will give a house-warming party at its new home, 17 Dupont circle, at 9 o'clock tonight, with Secretary of the Interior and Mrs. Fall and the club officers in the receiving line. All members of the Interior Department have been invited.

The department orchestra will give a musical program and will accompany a quartet, composed of Mr. Middleton, Miss Chenoweth, Miss Robinson, and Mr. Ivans.

Twenty new members have been received in the past week. During the coming week the formation of a number of committees will be completed.

COLORED Y.M.C.A. DRIVE ON

The inter-city membership campaign between the Baltimore and Washington colored branches of the Y. M. C. A was today continued until March 24 or 27. The score now stands at Baltimore, 381, Washington, 343. Ralph Barbour was awarded a loving cup for the largest number of members secured by a single team and William B. Harris for the wining division.

MISSISSIPPIANS TO MEET.

The Mississippi Society will meet at 8 o'clock Wednesday night in Confederate Memorial Hall, 1322 Vermont avenue northwest. Former Senator George E. Chamberlain, of Oregon, now a member of the shipping board, will speak.

JONES TO ADDRESS TEXANS

Congressman Marvin Jones, of Texas, will be the speaker at the first meeting of the new Texas Club at the Hadleigh Hotel Thursday night. Congressman Claude B. Hudspeth was elected president of the club at the organization meeting March 2. The club plans a barbecue and picnic for April 21, the anniversary of the battle of San Jacinto, by which Texas won its independence from Mexico.

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POLICE FAVOR RESTORATION OF PAWNSHOP

Support Bill Now Before Congress as Aid to Uncovering "Fences."

By JOHN J. McGANN.

Return of the legal pawnshop to Washington through passage of the "pawnbroker's bill" now before Congress, is being urged by the police force as an aid in convicting dealers who handle stolen property. The help given detectives through transfer certificates is now lacking because of the prevailing laws which prohibit such methods of dealing.

Detective Sergeant George Wech, former pawnshop inspector and now supervising the "second-hand business" of the District is vigorously campaigning for the passage of the measure. He is, however, emphatic in his expressed opposition to any proposed measure which would permit loans on chattel mortgages.

Notes Differences.

Wech calls attention to the difference between collateral loans on personal property and chattel mortgage loans and explains that loans secured by pledged personal property can never become a menace to the community because the borrower receives nearly the actual value of the pledged article less the interest for one year.

Should a borrower not receive such full value and the article, as required by law, should finally be sold at public auction, the legal broker would then be compelled to return to the borrower any amount obtained for such article in excess of the original loan, plus the accrued interest. The actual loss, Wech points out, could not be much and would always be personal.

It is quite different with chattel mortgages, Wech explains. Such loans are nearly always made on household goods or articles held in common by the family. They are made on a promissory note secured by a chattel mortgage on household goods. Such loans are made on a promise to repay in the uncertain future, with the understanding that the household goods mortgaged as security and essential to the maintenance of a home will be taken from the family in the event of defaulted payments.

Loan Shark Evil.

"No organization can possibly be established or maintained, whether a philanthropic, semi-philanthropic or straightaway business proposition, which could promise to eliminate the eventual foreclosure features of any chattel mortgage loan proposition," declares Wech.

"It was the loan shark who advanced money at exhorbitant rates of interest on chattel mortgages, who was responsible for the movement resulting in legislative measures now in force. While many reasons may be advanced for the re-establishment of the legal pawn shop, chattel mortgage loans on household goods should not be permitted."

Bureau Electrician Dies From His Burns

As a result of burns he received Friday night when his clothing became ignited from a spark from an electric motor at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Martin S. Hart, twenty-six years old, died yesterday afternoon at Emergency Hospital.

Hart had been cleaning an electric motor in the examining division when his oil-soaked clothing became ignited. About 200 women were thrown into a panic when they saw Hart trying to extinguish the flames by rolling on the floor.

Hart made his home with his mother, Mrs. J. W. Hart, 1 S street northeast. Funeral services will be held at St. Martin's Church.

Strayer's College Boys Debate Rail Question

The regular debate by members of the commercial department of Strayer's Business College, under C. J. Crouch, chairman, was held Friday. P. J. Harmon was the guest of honor. The subject was, "Resolved, That the railways should be owned and controlled by the United States Government."

Members of the winning affirmatives side were Oscar Lee Smith, R. F. Rogers and C. C. Parker. The negative was Everett James, Myron Burdette and Mr. Rose.

CALIFORNIA U. DINNER.

The local alumni of the University of California will hold a banquet on Charter Day, next Thursday, at 7 o'clock in the Lafayette Hotel.

HEAR
Garber-Davis
Dance Orchestra
Play
"O Sole Mio"
Columbia Record 75c
Two Other Hits
3 O'clock in the Morning 75c
Lola Lo 75c
Vocalion Records
These three hits delivered anywhere $2.25
Harry C. Grove
1210 G St.