



AMERICA'S BIRTHDAY.

The Four Hundredth Anniversary of its Discovery Come.

IT WILL BE CELEBRATED GRANDLY

By all the People of Wheeling--The City Already nearly Covered with Flags, Bunting and Other Decorations--Final Meeting to Perfect the Details held last Night--The Schools' Programme.

Nothing but bad weather can now interfere with the grand success of the celebration by the Wheeling people of the four-hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America by Christopher Columbus.

It looks as if the only difficulty might be that the parade of this afternoon will be so large as to be unwieldy and troublesome to handle. It will at least outstrip anything of the same kind ever seen in Wheeling. Apparently everybody is coming out, and the display will be not only impressive for its size, but creditably significant of the great event commemorated and of its influence in history.

The celebration of the occasion really began on the 12th, when all the Catholic churches and schools had exercises appropriate to the anniversary. Last night the Arion society also commemorated the event. To-day's programme will open with the exercises by the public schools, each school rendering a programme of its own. This afternoon there will be an immense procession and this evening music and addresses at the Public Building, followed by a display of fireworks on a barge moored in the river.

Yesterday the work of decorating was begun. Many houses had been decorated for the big McKinley day, and the decorations were allowed to remain. By last evening there was one mass of red, white and blue bunting, flags of all nations, portraits, wreaths and emblems almost all over the city. On the main streets the buildings not decorated were the exception. As far as the eye could reach up one side of the street and down another was a line of fluttering colors. The work was continued far into the night, and it is safe to predict that this morning the decorations will be more general, more profuse and more impressive than any ever seen in the history of the town.

A magnificent arch was erected on the Main street bridge yesterday morning and another on Market street above Twelfth was put up last night.

Among the notable decorations were those of the city and county building, the Kelly block, the Fort Henry club and the Public Library. Streamers of tri-colored bunting were stretched across Eoff street from St. Joseph's cathedral, and several of the other churches were decorated. The teachers and scholars of all the schools were engaged until a late hour yesterday evening decorating the buildings. Each tried to outdo the others, and the result is that all are trimmed up in fine style.

To-day the banks will all be closed, and most of the business, public and private, will be suspended from noon. The post-office will observe the usual holiday hours.

The Columbian committee on decoration and display met in the second branch Council chamber last night at 8 o'clock, and distributed the costumes to those who are to impersonate the prominent characters in the big street demonstration to-day.

Chairman Bayha was present, and notwithstanding the fact that he was suffering from a severe cold, he presided over the meeting, assisted by Mr. John Myles and Mr. William Muegge.

Quite a large number of gentlemen called and received their costumes, but there are still a large number to be distributed. The committee asks that those desiring to turn out who do not belong to any organization shall call at police headquarters and get costumes and be assigned to their positions in the parade. Among others twenty footmen are wanted.

The principals so far as chosen are as follows: Columbus, on the Santa Maria, Gustave Wencenroth.

On the float--Columbus landing, Columbus, George T. Finck.

Queen Isabella will be impersonated by Miss Isabella Henry, a beautiful young lady born in Cuba.

Other characters will be impersonated by Messrs. A. Manley, W. P. Cogley, William Muegge and a number of others whose names could not be given, owing to their not reporting last night. All should report this morning early and receive their costumes.

The matter relating to floats was taken up and it was found that everything was in readiness for the big turnout. The committee will meet at the Public Building at an early hour this morning to arrange minor details. The speaking will take place at the north end of the public building this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, providing the parade is over by that time. If it is not, the speaking will occur after it is over.

THE ARION CELEBRATION.

A Fine Programme Rendered at its Hall by the Society Last Night.

The Arion Society appropriately ushered in the day by a celebration at its hall last evening. A large audience was present, and an appropriate programme was rendered in a way which provoked great enthusiasm. It opened with an overture by the Opera House Orchestra, followed by a chorus by the Arion. Dr. A. F. Stifel then delivered the address of the evening, a thoughtful and graceful discourse in German on Columbus. Mr. Theodore Roller read an original poem by Rev. Dr. A. Schaffranek, formerly

of St. John's church, Wheeling, now of Missouri. This was written for the occasion, and was well read and well received. Prior to this Mrs. Flora Williams sang "Columbia," and following it the Arion sang an appropriate chorus. Mr. F. J. Diegmiller sang Denza's "Star of my Heart," and Mrs. Williams rendered Mascagni's "Sweet be thy Rest," with violin obligato. Harry Lane gave an autoharp solo, a medley of patriotic airs, and Jacques Front sang a tenor solo in German. Mrs. Williams sang again and the Arion closed the programme with a chorus, "Noch sind de Tage der Rosen," by Isenmann. The concert was followed by a ball under the management of a committee composed of Messrs. William Kirbach, H. F. Behrens, jr., Joseph Hoffman, Ed. W. Stifel and Ed. H. Vaas. Taken altogether the affair was one of the most successful ever given by the Arion.

Young Men Wanted. The committee on decoration and display for the Columbian celebration held a meeting at the Public Building last evening and distributed costumes for those who are to ride in the historical floats. They are short of men and want fifty more young men. Apply at the Public Building, first branch council chamber, at 8 o'clock this morning.

The Cyclers in the Parade.

The cyclers will form on the north side of Fourteenth street, between Market and Main, as follows: Uniformed ordinary riders according to size of wheel; uniformed safety riders according to size of riders; all not having regulation uniform. The uniform will consist of white outing shirt, knickerbockers, stockings, caps and decorated wheel. All riders must be over eighteen years of age.

One of the Floats.

St. Joseph's Cathedral will have a float of historic design in the procession to-day. It will be in the shape of Columbus's "Santa Maria." The gentlemen who took the part of Columbus and his crew in the entertainment at Convent hall last week, and which was so pronounced a success that they will repeat it on Wednesday evening next, will occupy seats in the boat, in full costume.

THE SECRETARY OF WAR HERE.

Mr. and Mrs. Elkins in the City for a Brief Sojourn.

"S. B. Elkins and wife, Elkins, W. Va.," was written on the register at the McClure house about noon yesterday. It was not long until it was widely known that the Secretary of War was in Wheeling and he was tendered an impromptu reception running through the rest of the day. Many prominent people called to pay their respects, and Mr. Elkins was obliged to keep open house, as it were, until engagements claimed his attention in the evening.

Mr. Sidney Drew called on the secretary and invited him and his party to witness the performance at the Opera House. The invitation was accepted. Mrs. Elkins was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. W. B. McMechen, Mrs. A. F. Gers-tell, her kinswoman, and Mr. Charles Burdett Hart. The secretary joined the party for awhile and returned to the hotel. Mrs. Elkins found the performance delightful, and sent her compliments to Mr. and Mrs. Drew, thanking them for the evening's enjoyment. It became noised about that Mrs. Elkins was in the house. She was soon located and was the object of much admiring attention.

Secretary and Mrs. Elkins will remain in the city over to-day and Saturday unless he is called away by imperative business demands. If he remains he will speak in the Eighth ward Saturday night.

MR. AND MRS. DREW.

A Beautiful Comedy Beautifully Presented at the Opera House.

A very good audience witnessed the performance by Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Drew at the Opera House last night. The house was not so full as the performance deserved, but it was a beautiful select audience, and it saw a beautiful rendition of a beautiful comedy.

The presence of Secretary Elkins, Mrs. Elkins and their friends gave special interest to the play. The curtain raiser, "In Honor Bound," was a fairly good indication of what was to follow. Both it and the comedy, "That Girl from Mexico," were faultlessly performed. Mr. and Mrs. Drew have surrounded themselves with a company which is worthy to support them, and that is all that need be said, even if space permitted more. If they should ever revisit Wheeling, as all hope they may under more favorable circumstances, crowded houses can be guaranteed.

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup cures coughs and colds quicker than any other remedy, because it combines the lung-healing quality of the pine tree with other valuable medicines. Sold by all dealers on a guarantee of satisfaction.

Too Much of a Risk.

It is not unusual for colds contracted in the fall to hang on all winter. In such cases catarrh or chronic bronchitis are almost sure to result. A fifty-cent bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will cure any cold. Can you afford to risk so much for so small an amount? This remedy is intended especially for bad colds and croup and can always be depended upon.

Headquarters for Fine Shoes.

E. C. Bart's celebrated fine Shoes for ladies, in all the latest styles, sizes and widths, just received. L. V. BLOND, Sole Agent.

ATTEND the Columbus ball at Turners' hall to-night.

COMMENCING Sunday, October 2, Ohio River railroad train No. 1, will leave Wheeling at 6 o'clock a. m., central time.

ROACHES, bed bugs, etc., are instantly and eternally eradicated by Bugine. 25 cents at all dealers. Give it a trial.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Matters of Minor Moment in and about the City.

THE GRAND this evening--"Little's World."

A LARGE sign is being painted on the City Hospital.

THE next attraction at the Opera House will be "Kajanka" Saturday afternoon and evening.

THE county ballot commissioners are still busily at work perfecting the details of the preparations for the coming election.

CITY CLERK THOMER presented the Young Men's Democratic club with portraits of Cleveland and Stevenson handsomely framed in walnut.

JOHN GOERING, a grocer, was found dead in a closet at his place on the corner of Eighteenth and Jacob streets last evening. Heart disease is given as the cause.

HARRY WILLIAMS, charged with obtaining \$2 on false pretenses from Jolly Bros., contractors, was sent to jail for thirty days by Squire Arkie yesterday afternoon.

In a fight on Sixteenth street night before last John Reed was hit on the head with a brick and badly injured. The police could not learn who his assailant was.

SHERIFF STEENROD and Deputy Sheriff Benz got home yesterday from Charlottesville, Va., where they took the crazy man, Strander, whose home is near that city.

THE Tariff Champions are called to meet at their hall between 12 and 1 o'clock to-day in full uniform to participate in the Columbian parade. Let there be a good turnout.

G. MENDEL & Co. will send up a lot of balloons to-day, and anybody finding one of the tabs attached to them will receive a handsome present. The advertisement elsewhere in this morning's paper explains it.

INVITATIONS have been sent out by Wheeling Typographical Union for their fifth annual ball, to take place at Turner hall on October 31. The affair promises to be a big success. Mayer's orchestra will furnish the music.

MR. LESLIE HOWARD and Miss May Cook, members of the Harry Markham Company, playing at the Elysian theater, Belleaire, came over to this city and were married. They were tendered a reception by the members of the company last evening.

L. H. HANBY delivered his lecture on Patrick Henry at the Y. M. C. A. hall last night to a good audience, which enjoyed it highly. It was a compliment to him that he had so good a hearing in spite of the numerous rival attractions in the city.

MR. FRANK W. NESSITT and Mr. Charles S. Brilles, both well known educationists of this city, have opened a school of oratory and dramatic culture at 1615 Chapline street. They teach an excellent system to remedy any defects of the voice, which has been successful in other large cities.

FREQUENT complaints are heard by horse owners of the slippery piece of pavement of asphalt block on Market street just above Twelfth. This was put down as a test. Scarcely a day passes that a horse does not slip and fall there, and in wet weather it requires extreme care on the part of the driver to avoid accidents.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Strangers in the City and Wheeling Folks Abroad.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Fisher, of Weston, registered at the Behler yesterday.

Mrs. J. J. Jones left Wednesday evening for a two weeks' visit at Wichita, Kansas.

W. H. Holt and wife, of Middlebourne, and L. W. Bartlett, of Buckhannon, stopped at the Stamm yesterday.

Misses Gertrude, Alice and Sadie Jolly, of Pittsburgh, arrived in the city yesterday and are at the Windsor.

Mr. and Mrs. John N. Howard and Mr. Harry Williams, of Cameron; Miss Bird Morrison, of Valley Grove; E. S. Moore, of Fairmont, and Mr. Sidney Drew, wife and child, are at the McClure.

Miss Lotta M. Gardner, of Sistersville; Mr. F. Heermans, of Kingwood; D. A. Dorsey and Mr. and Mrs. John L. Laughlin, of Moundsville, and seven members of the Sidney Drew company, were at the Windsor yesterday.

Proclamation.

WHEREAS, Our people are about to celebrate in a fitting manner the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America by Christopher Columbus, and of October 21, 1892, has been declared a legal holiday, therefore I do hereby request that all manufacturing and business houses suspend operations (at least during the afternoon), and that the city offices be closed in order that all will have an opportunity of taking part in and making the Columbian celebration one long to be remembered. It is further requested that all houses be decorated. C. W. SHABRIGITE, Mayor.

We close at 12 o'clock m. to-day. Geo. M. SPOOK & Co.

Go to the Columbus ball at Turners' hall to-night.

Low Rates to the Pittsburgh Exposition.

The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company announces low rate excursion to the Pittsburgh Exposition on Thursday, October 13, Saturday, October 15, Thursday, October 20, and Saturday, October 22, at \$2.00 for the round trip, including admission to the Exposition. Tickets good to return second day after date of purchase.

THE Bottom is Out.

The Tyler Desk Co., of St. Louis, Mo., have just issued their Mammoth Desk and Bank Counter Catalogue for 1892, showing New Goods, New Styles, with a cut of nearly fifty per cent below all former lists. A Standard Oak Roll-Curtain Desk for \$10, should satisfy every one that they mean just what they say. Catalogue free. Postage 12c.

A SLANDER REFUTED.

A Dirty Falsehood about a Republican Candidate Circulated.

THE PROOF THAT IT IS A SLANDER.

Mr. Moffat, the Next Sheriff, Attacked in a Very Mean Way, Defends Himself Manfully as Soon as He Knows of the Underhand Assault--A Crowd Hoist by its own Petard.

A mean, dirty, underhand assault on the good name of Mr. T. C. Moffat, the Republican candidate for sheriff of Ohio county, was actively circulated yesterday by his enemies. It apparently originated the day before, but yesterday the opposition cohorts were pushing it actively. Below is a complete official refutation of the slanderous charge, which explains itself. It must be a desperate cause that requires to be bolstered up in this way. Stung by the prospect of defeat, Mr. Moffat's opponents were willing to resort to any tactics. Fortunately their disgraceful method of attack must recoil to its advantage, under the existing circumstances.

The truth of the following statement cannot be questioned, coming on such authority, and that it is necessary to make it only shows how desperate the opposition has become.

"It having come to the knowledge of the undersigned, trustees of the Second Presbyterian church of Wheeling, that it is rumored that T. C. Moffat, treasurer of this church, has been short in his accounts, it is fair to Mr. Moffat and to the church, no less than to ourselves, to say that in the twenty years during which he has been treasurer there has never been a shortage in his cash nor any discrepancy in his accounts. Mr. Moffat has always been faithful to his trust, and this rumor now in circulation is the first intimation that has reached the church or any of its officers to the contrary. There is absolutely no foundation and never has been any foundation for such a charge.

W. B. SIMPSON, President Board of Trustees, Second Presbyterian Church.

JOSEPH LAWSON, Secretary Board of Trustees, Second Presbyterian Church of Wheeling, W. Va., October 20, 1892.

The Escort Club Meets.

The members of the Young Men's Republican Escort club are called to meet at their headquarters promptly at 1 o'clock this afternoon in full uniform to participate in the Columbian celebration parade. Every member is urged to be present.

Before forming into the line of march Hon. W. H. Hearn will, on behalf of ladies, make the formal presentation of the handsome banner which the club received last Tuesday evening. This will occur directly in front of the headquarters and will be interesting.

The club held an important meeting last night, and among other things voted unanimously that the ladies receive the heartiest thanks of the club for assisting in the entertainment of the visitors on McKinley day, and also to Chief of Police McNichols and his deputies for their valuable assistance in maintaining order along the line. The club also decided to escort General Hollis, the eminent German orator, of New York, to the Eighth ward, where he will speak Saturday night. Secretary of War Elkins will in all probability address this meeting also.

Fail to Do Our Duty.

Everybody has at times failed to do their duty towards themselves. Hundreds of lady readers suffer from sick headache, nervousness, sleeplessness, and female troubles. Let them follow the example of Mrs. H. Herbecher, Stevens Point, Wis., who for five years suffered greatly from Nervous Prostration and sleeplessness, tried physicians and different medicines without success. But one bottle of Dr. Miles' Nervine caused sound sleep every night, and she is feeling like a new person. Mrs. Elizabeth Wheeler, Laramie City, Wyoming, who tried all other remedies, declares that after three weeks' use of the Nervine for Headache, Nervous Prostration, etc., she was entirely relieved. Sold by The Logan Drug Co. Trial bottle free.

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COSGRAVE BREWING Co.'s ale and porter on draught to-day. rthas-3

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DIED.

HOTT--On Wednesday, October 19, 1892, at 11:35 o'clock a. m., EDNA VIOLA, infant daughter of Edward and Rosie Hoyt, aged 2 years and 8 months.

Funeral this (Friday) afternoon at 1 o'clock. Interment at McMechen Cemetery. Friends of the family are invited to attend.

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