

# HOPE FOR THE NEGRO AS HE STILL SMILES

Declares the Rev. Mr. Gaston before the Presbyterian General Assembly.

LOCAL MINISTER THERE Presents the Report As Chairman of the Committee on Freedman.

CHICAGO, May 26.—"There is hope for anybody who can smile and the negro has never forgotten how to smile," said the Rev. John M. Gaston, of Philadelphia, before the general assembly of the Presbyterian church in the United States in supporting the report of the standing committee on freedman. The report presented by the chairman, Rev. H. F. McClelland, of Clarksburg, W. Va., told of the advance in the work among the negroes of the south.

The assembly endorsed the work of the Anti-Saloon League, the National Temperance Union and the Women's Christian Temperance Union. Specific endorsement of the Anti-Saloon League was asked of the assembly in an overtone but the particular request ordered filed and the blanket endorsement of the societies named together with all similar agencies was substituted.

Ministerial dignity was forgotten by some of the delegates as the temperature rose and several coastless ones sat in semi-comfort unreproved by Moderator Alexander. According to the report of Rev. Mr. McClelland, \$247,000 was expended last year by the freedman's board, an increase of \$34,000 over the preceding year.

# SHAKLETON TO MAKE TEST EXPEDITION

in Glaciers of Norway to Learn How Long Ration Supply Will Last.

LONDON, May 26.—With the thoroughness which has always characterized his work, Sir Ernest Shackleton is about to make a preliminary trial expedition under Arctic conditions in the glaciers of Norway. This will be for the special purpose of testing the rations for his trip across the Antarctic continent, which he hopes to make in four and a half months time. No party ever started out, without a hundred foot depots, to make such a distance as that in a straight line, but Sir Ernest and his men have made special preparations for the attempt. "Perfect Ration."

They have, with the aid of the Royal Army Medical Corps, evolved the "perfect ration." It will average only thirty-five ounces daily, as compared with the three pounds or more consumed by the average man, but it is believed it represents the highest nutritive value for polar travel.

Sir Ernest will be accompanied by five members of his staff when he goes to Norway to conduct experiments with these rations and also test his tents and motor sledges. The party will don polar kit and travel among the glaciers. While the cold will not be as intense as in the polar regions, the country will furnish the same sort of sudden blizzards as are experienced in the Antarctic.

The party will test the effect and potency of the rations in most detailed fashion. Such an experiment never has been made before.

Shackleton's new ship, the Endurance, has been almost completely fitted in Norway and will arrive at the London docks this month. She is eighteen feet longer than his last ship, the Nimrod. She is a beautiful specimen of wooden ship building, and probably the last of her class that will be constructed. Her whole keel is made of solid oak five and a half feet thick, and her sides are two feet thick. She belongs to the barkentine class, has the latest triple expansion engines, and will steam ten knots an hour. She is fitted to consume both oil and coal. When in the ice, oil will be substituted for coal, which will mean economy if she is delayed in the pack—as the boilers can be kept warm and full heat guaranteed quickly. When the oil has been used the tanks will be filled with water ballast. The Endurance will take on 100 tons of coal briquettes at the South Shetland islands, so she will enter the Weddell sea with full bunkers.

The second ship, Aurora, intended for the Ross sea side of the expedition, has been purchased and will be delivered at Hobart, Tasmania, at the end of August.

To Leave in August. The Endurance, which is to operate on the opposite side of the Antarctic, will leave England early in August for Buenos Aires, whence she will finally start for the Antarctic base in October. Most of the members of the expedition will leave England in the Endurance but Sir Ernest Shackleton will travel later by mail steamer, and join his ship at Buenos Aires.

The dogs, which constitute an important factor in the expedition, are a cross between a wolf and a Scotch stag hound, and have been bred in northern Canada. The lightest of them will turn the scales at eighty pounds whereas the heaviest dog with the last Shackleton expedition weighed forty-five pounds. They have been selected

# BARGES SUNK

By the Great Steamship, Vaterland, But No Lives Are Lost from That.

NEW YORK, May 26.—The great steamship, Vaterland, which took nearly four hours to dock when she came to this port on her maiden voyage recently, sank two coal barges as she steamed out of her berth today. Backing out under her own steam, her momentum carried her across the Hudson and she slipped in between two piers where the coal barges carrying 500 tons of coal each were tied. Both barges went down almost at once but no lives were lost.

The Vaterland cut her way into the slip almost to the shore. In backing out the water churned by her screws snapped the lines which held two Morgan liners. These vessels crashed against the sides of the piers damaging their rails and woodenwork.

# "PETE" FLEMING

Here from Mexico Visits the Scenes of His Childhood Down at Shinnston.

SHINNSTON, May 26.—Boyd Fleming, son of the late ex-sheriff, John A. Fleming, who was called home from Mexico by the serious illness of his brother, Harvey Fleming, of Clarksburg, was a guest of friends and relatives here recently.

"Pete" found a most cordial welcome awaiting him after an absence of several years. The many friends of Harvey Fleming are sorry to know of his serious illness and hope for his speedy recovery.

# RETURN TO CITY.

Mr. and Mrs. Lew's Milan have taken rooms with J. D. McReynolds at his home on Mulberry street, since their return to the city.

# SWEETHEART'S SLAYER JUMPS TO HIS DEATH

From a Fast Moving Train after Two Futile Attempts to Commit Suicide.

LISLE, Ill., May 26.—Reginald A. Barr, leaving a note declaring that his slaying of his sweetheart, Florence Bentley, three miles from here last Saturday night was accidental, jumped from a moving train here today and was killed. It was his fourth attempt at suicide.

In his note he said he took a drug twice in an effort to die beside the body of his sweetheart, but both times failed. In desperation he next jumped into a quarry pit but he lit in the stagnant water and "I couldn't sink" said the note.

The clothing on his body was still wet when taken from the track. The note said that Miss Bentley was killed when he tried to kiss her. She screamed and he placed his hand over her mouth. In the ensuing struggle they tripped and fell. He believed her neck was broken, anyway she was dead.

In an agony of remorse and fear, he sat beside her for sometime seeking to find a spark of life. Finally he gave up hope and went to Aurora, where he purchased poison. He returned and swallowed it beside the girl's body. He woke up and again made the trip to Aurora and returned to the body again with the poison. This attempt also was a failure.

# 10,000 MEN

Are at Work on the Public Highways of Washington County, Pa., Today.

WASHINGTON, Pa., May 26.—Ten thousand men were working today on 2,100 miles of highway throughout Washington county in response to a call for volunteers for Good Roads day. Among them were many professional men, merchants and manufacturers while no less than 500 students represented Washington and Jefferson college and the high school. In all towns the workers were provided with dinners.

Mrs. Samuel Semple, the only woman member of the Pennsylvania Industrial Board, is inspecting the bakeries in that state.

In this county, says William J. Locke in "The Fortunate Youth," the thirties, forties and fifties don't exist. You're either 20 or 60.

by the experts of the Hudson's Bay Company, and will be under the charge of one of the most experienced drivers from Canada, who was chosen by the commissioners of the North West Mounted Police.

The latest appointments to the expeditionary staff are Sir Philip Lee Brocklehurst, who was with Shackleton in 1907 and 1909 and who made the first ascent of Mount Erebus, and his brother Lieut. Courtney Brocklehurst of the Eleventh Hussars. Hundreds of applications for positions with the expedition have been received.

# NEXT ON THE ELIMINATION PROGRAM



# WILL TELL OF TRIP TONIGHT

Roosevelt to Give Account of Explorations in Heart of South America.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 26.—The first account of the Roosevelt South American exploration trip will be given by Col. Theodore Roosevelt in an address before the National Geographical Society here tonight. This will be his first public address following his return from South America and the only one delivered by him in the United States before his departure for Spain within a few days.

Exceeds African Journey. Col. Roosevelt will report upon the results of the expedition, which exceeded in scientific value his famous African journey and which has created a world-wide interest because of the announcement of the discovery of a river 1,000 miles long in the South Amazon valley. The journey took the exploring party through Brazil, Argentina and Chile. It was in Santiago de Chile that Col. Roosevelt's reply to the aspersions on the Monroe doctrine by a former Chilean Minister to the United States caused a demonstration to be made by a crowd of students as he left the building.

Upon his arrival in New York last week, Col. Roosevelt made the following statement concerning his address before the National Geographic Society:

His Only Address. "This will be the only address I will make before sailing for Spain. At that time I will answer any questions that any reputable person wishes to ask me about my trip."

Col. Roosevelt's promise to address the society upon his return was given to Gilbert H. Grosvenor, Director and Editor of the Society, before his departure for South America last October. This will be his first appearance in Washington since November, 1910, when he addressed the National Geographical Society on his African trip. That, also, was his first address on his return to the United States.



William J. Harris of Atlanta, Georgia, who succeeded E. Dana Durand as chief of the U. S. census bureau a year ago, has just resigned in order that he may seek the Democratic nomination for governor of Georgia. Harris is one of the best known Democrats in the South and at the time he was named head of the census bureau was chairman of the Georgia state Democratic committee. He is about thirty-nine years old and is president of a fire insurance company in Atlanta.

# MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses have been issued to Marshal M. Vanscoy and Adley L. Swick, Charles Whitney and Adelaide Lottolo, Carl Garrett and Ethel Taylor and Evert W. Murphy and Ruth Myers.

# REPUBLICAN PARTY NOW COMING BACK

# DECORATION

And Memorial Day Order is Officially Issued by Custer Post, No. 8, Here.

The following official order has been issued relating to Decoration Day and the annual memorial observance by Custer Post, No. 8, Grand Army of the Republic:

Headquarters Custer Post, No. 8, G. A. R. Clarksburg, May 26, 1914. Decoration Day Order.

Members of the Post, Sons of Veterans, of civic organizations, school children and others interested, are requested to meet at the court house, Saturday, May 30, at 1 o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of taking part in Decoration Day ceremonies.

The procession will proceed to the Odd Fellows cemetery to decorate the graves of the dead sleeping there. Committees will be appointed to visit the other cemeteries for a like purpose.

Contributions of flowers will be thankfully received and are requested to be sent to the court house. Comrade Jacob M. Swartz is hereby appointed commander of the day and will have charge of the ceremonies.

Members of the post are directed to meet at the post room in the Goff building at 10 o'clock a. m. Sunday, May 31 and proceed to the Methodist Episcopal church, corner of Pike and Second streets, where the annual memorial sermon will be preached by the pastor.

By order of Commander M. S. Riley, H. HAYMOND, Adjutant.

# THEATER PANIC.

CONNELLSVILLE, Pa., May 26.—Two hundred persons were thrown into a panic in a moving picture house here last night when films ignited. The coolness of two men restored order and everyone got out safely. The fire was entirely confined to the booth.

# FARM PRICES FOR BEEF CATTLE HIGHER

By More Than Three Per Cent But Those for Hogs and Sheep Are Lower.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 26.—Farm prices for beef cattle advanced more than three per cent but average quotations for hogs and sheep were lower on April 15 than on that date in 1913, figures prepared by the Department of Agriculture stated today. Cattle prices last month were \$6.29 per hundred, an advance of twenty-one cents. However, in Michigan, Iowa, Missouri and Kansas, there was no change in cattle prices from 1913 quotations and in Wisconsin there was a decrease of thirty cents a hundred pounds. State averages of prices for beef cattle showed greater variation than hog quotations.

Last month's lowest averages were in Alabama, Georgia and Mississippi, \$4.30, \$4.50 and \$4.40 respectively compared with \$8.50 in Rhode Island, \$7.60 in New Hampshire and \$7.50 in New Jersey, the highest. The Pennsylvania average, \$7.40, was the same in Iowa and the West Virginia average, \$6.60, was the same as South Dakota.

The average hog prices to producers on April 15 was \$7.80 a hundred, four-cents less than that of that date last year. In all the important hog producing states from Ohio to Kansas the decline was from thirty to forty cents but in some of the New England states and in practically all the South except Texas and Oklahoma prices were higher than a year ago.

# CONFLAGRATION

Sweeps a Lumber Yard District and Burns One Man to Death.

CLEVELAND, O., May 26.—One man was burned to death in the conflagration, which wrought damage estimated at \$1,500,000 in the lumber yard district along the Cuyahoga river last night. While policemen were clearing the damaged central viaduct an unknown man became confused and leaped from the bridge into the center of the flames, seventy-five feet below. He was incinerated.

All of the three persons injured in the fire will recover. The central viaduct over which street cars run from the center of the city to the southside is out of commission for weeks, a section 200 feet long having been burned away. The nickel plate bridge is also out of service and trains are being routed over the Lake Shore tracks.

# SHAMROCK LAUNCHED.

GOSPORT, Eng., May 26.—Shamrock IV, the challenger for the America's cup, was launched here today and christened by the Countess of Shaftsbury.

While Mrs. Alice Hegon Rice is writing a new novel, the interest in her 'Loved Mary' continues, making a new printing—the twenty-fifth—necessary to supply the demand.

Into Power Declares Senator Borah in a Speech in Detroit, Mich.

# VOTERS GETTING TOGETHER

Glorious Picture of the Future of the Party Reunited is Painted.

DETROIT, Mich., May 26.—A glowing picture of the future of the Republican party reunited with the Progressive element which left it in 1912 was painted here today by Senator William E. Borah, of Idaho, speaking at a state-wide "conference" of Republicans.

"The Republican party," said the senator, "is coming back into power. The proof of it is on every hand. The trend is unmistakable. I said a year ago that the amalgamation which would take place would be a small one, that the only amalgamation that was the only amalgamation that was worth while. The men who voted the third party ticket to the number of four million for reasons entirely satisfactory to them can neither be questioned as to their integrity of purpose or their patriotism. But that it was a protest and not a manifestation of purpose to permanently leave the party is now established by facts and figures which cannot be doubted.

"Now in view of this pronounced and unmistakable purpose of those who voted the course of the Republican party, in view of the determination to support its principles and its policies, what is the task before us? It is unquestionably to make our party equal to the tremendous problems which now concern us. It is to build up in this country, out of the traditions, the achievements and prestige of the past, the duties and obligations of the present, and the hopes and aspirations of the future, an organization efficient, militant and progressive—worthy of its old days and equal to the obligations which now rest upon us. It is our duty, in other words, to be as fully themselves with the Republican party as it was in its best days, a thoroughly progressive party. We ought not to assume for a moment or concede for a moment, that because the party bids fair to go back into power, there is going to be any compromise with the forces which brought it near its ruin. There is in this country a powerful influence for the bad in politics and it will take possession of any party in the world, if it can, which is enjoying power. This kind of an influence does not fight a party in the open, it holds itself in readiness to deflect the course of any party which happens to be in power. With such influences there can be no compromise if we are to have a party which is going to meet and solve the great problems which a new industrial life and a new social condition have imposed upon us.

"No man living in this splendid age, amid these exhilarating environments, can afford to permit the corroding poison of pessimism to enter his soul. But on the other hand, the curse of our age is that cold, cruel, selfish conservatism, which, living in its ease and comfort, enjoys its wealth and all it brings, refuses to see or sympathize with the conditions of those, who in the midst of a world of plenty, are bordering on the line of hunger and misery, who refuse to see the new conditions or the new problems which must be met and dealt with in the same spirit and with the same courage and progressiveness that our fathers met the problems of their age. The great and almost superhuman task, my friends, is not the gathering of wealth but its fair and equitable distribution.

"What we want in this country is a party which will do the simple but profound thing which Lincoln did, that is, gather up the common sense, the common honesty, the common patriotism, the common courage and the common righteousness of the common people of this country, and organize it into a militant, progressive, disciplined force for legal and constitutional and laws of this blessed constitution and laws of his blessed old republic."

# COLLIE DOG

Leads to Discovery of Drowning Accident, in Which Family Was Lost.

NORTH BAY, Ont., May 26.—The peculiar actions of a collie dog led to the discovery today of a drowning accident in which a whole family were lost. Finding that he was followed the dog raced to the beach where three bodies had been cast up. They were identified as Mrs. Authur Mansbridge and her two children. A search is being made for the body of Mr. Mansbridge, who had taken his wife and children picnicking in a canoe to celebrate Victoria day.

# MRS. FRAZIER DEAD.

Mrs. Ida Frazier, colored, a native of Clarksburg, is dead at her home at Oakdale, Pa., and her funeral will be held there tomorrow. Burial will be at an Oakdale cemetery. She is survived by Mrs. Jennie Simpson, of Oakdale, a daughter, M. M. Henderson, of Clarksburg, a brother, and several nieces here. She died Monday.