

MECCA FOR VISITORS

Washington May Become "Convention City" of Country.

This Spring Is Proving Record Breaker for Delegations Visiting Capital—New Auditorium Planned to House Meetings.

Washington.—That Washington may soon win the title of "Convention City" is the prophecy of some old inhabitants. They say that convention meetings in the national capital grow in size and number every year.

No one keeps an official record of the organizations and their delegates that visit the city, but according to street car conductors, White House guards and watchmen in the government buildings; this spring is proving a record breaker for delegations, writes Frederick J. Haskin in Chicago Daily News.

There is no season of the year when Washington is not entertaining visitors who have gathered from the ends of the country to discuss by-laws and election of officers and to take a look at the government in action. But spring is the most favorable time for seeing Washington, and therefore spring always brings an unusually large assortment of convention followers.

The capital, with its trees bursting into pale green, its cherry blossom drive along the tidal basin, and its gay flower beds, is at its best. Later, Washington settles down to hot weather—though the chamber of commerce never admits it, and now and then displays impressive statistics and comparative reports of the weather bureau showing that the capital with its 105,000 trees, its 6,000 acres of parks and its river breeze is not so hot as it is sometimes represented.

In spite of those encouraging bulletins, spring continues to be the fashionable convention season.

Already, this year, the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Daughters of 1812 have advanced upon Washington with fluttering badges. The League of American Penwomen has gathered its collection of literary notables and celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary with a book fair, breakfast, carnival ball and other functions. And, with less pomp and ceremony, 1,000 oculists and several other scientific groups have been conferring in odd corners of the city between banquets and important sessions.

Up to now, Washington has had to admit that its inadequate assembly halls were no attraction to conventions. The small and middle-sized halls about the city have sometimes failed to expand enough to accommodate all the delegates and visitors to an unusually popular convention.

Plans are under way now, however, for an auditorium which will seat 5,000 persons. It will be thoroughly modern.

This building is to be located opposite the interior building, three blocks from the White House.

HAS NEW INVENTION



Look closely and you will see in the large market basket not groceries from the market, but a real for-sure live baby. Mrs. David Sherer of Fort Myer, Virginia, says that her baby Monita is no trouble to her at all—she just places her snugly in the warm basket and goes about on her shopping tour with no inconvenience at all.

Aubrey Sterner of St. Louis came in Friday for a visit to his family for a few days.

Miss Minnie Harrison arrived home Monday from a visit with her sister, Mrs. J. W. Wade of Kankakee, Ill., and Chicago.

The championship of the Missouri State Conference in baseball has been won by Chillicothe Business College which institution last fall also tied for the football championship.

Mrs. Chas. Parker had been missing chickens for some time and one day about a week ago she heard a noise in her hen house, and with her son, Ralph went to investigate the trouble. She saw a varmint of some kind in the coop and proceeded to destroy regardless of what it was. She succeeded in killing it and found that it was a possum. It had killed a number of chickens before she discovered it.

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In another column will be found the political announcement of Henry J. Weber of Aholt, this county, who seeks the Democratic nomination for the office of Judge of the County Court for Chariton County for the Eastern District. Mr. Weber has been a resident of Chariton County

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration as executor of the estate of Thomas Mills, deceased, have been granted the undersigned executor of said estate by the Probate Court of Chariton County, Missouri, said letters being dated May 20, 1922.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit the same to me for allowance within six months from the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any of the benefits of said estate, but if such claims are not exhibited within 12 months from said date they will be forever barred.

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Every family should keep this preparation at hand during the hot of the summer months. It is almost sure to be needed, and when that time comes, its worth many times its cost. Buy it now.

BIG CONTRACT AWARDED

In pursuance to notice recently published in The News twenty-five or more construction men assembled in the Circuit Court room last Tuesday afternoon to witness the opening of sealed bids received by Hon. E. B. Fields, secretary of the Locust Creek Drainage Association, for the work of constructing the big ditch on Locust Creek beginning about five miles north of Linn-Sullivan line and ending a short distance south of the Hannibal & St. Joseph railroad. Only eight of the construction companies filed bids. At the specified hour bids were opened and publicly read after which the directors of the Association held an executive session for the purpose of critically considering the bids. After carefully examining the bids the contract was awarded the Callahan-Walker Construction Co., of Omaha, Neb. The bid of this company was 7.9 per cubic yard for the removal of dirt and \$1.50 per yard for the removal of rock and \$45 per acre for clearing the right of way. The estimated cost of this contract will be \$197,240. When to this sum all other items of expense are added the total sum for the construction of the ditch will approximate \$300,000. When this project had its inception if it could at that time have been completed it would have cost \$450,000. The cost of labor and other items entering into this class of work has at this time fallen 40 to 50 per cent. Even now it will be cheaper to float the bonds than it would have been two years ago and now under more favorable terms.

The Callahan-Walker Company stands ready to begin the work just as soon as the bonds have been sold and it is certain that this stupendous work will be under way in less than sixty days. The construction company will at the very beginning operate two monster steam shovels or dredges and a little later a third one will be added, the contract calling for completion of the work within 18 months.

When completed this drainage ditch will be the means of reclaiming about 20,000 acres of the most productive land in this county and will be a permanent benefit not only to land owners within the district, but will add much to the taxable wealth of the county as a whole—Linneus News.

OX TEAM TOURISTS ON WAY TO CALIFORNIA

Who said the ox teams were no longer used in progressive America? St. Charles people who had this idea had a chance to have their minds disabused yesterday afternoon when Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Berrany from the State of Connecticut entered the city over Highway bridge on their way to California, each driving a span of oxen, yoked up in good-old-fashioned style. Mr. Berrany was in charge of the larger span, while his wife followed with a smaller yoke.

The Ox tourists are now in Blanchette Park, where they expect to remain until Monday, awaiting Mrs. Berrany's recovery from a spell of sickness. According to information the party had the misfortune of having their home and most of its contents destroyed by fire early this spring. They then took the \$500 they had left and rigged out their oxen outfit for their western trip.

They left from Connecticut for Medford, Oregon, where they expect to arrive in about 15 months. Mr.

and Mrs. Berrany, who had been camping in Blanchette Park since Friday afternoon, on account of the sickness of Mrs. Berrany, praise St. Charles for the liberal spirit shown toward the tourists in allowing them to camp in the local park. Mr. Berrany said that he wanted to camp in Forest Park at St. Louis, but could not secure a permit, and was forced to stay on a vacant lot near by. He expressed himself in strong terms regarding his reception at the St. Louis Park. Berrany told a reporter that he and Mrs. Berrany make an average of about 12 to 14 miles a day with their ox outfit.—St. Charles Banner-News.

"VAMPS" WHO MADE HISTORY

By JAMES C. YOUNG.

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THE WOMAN WARMAKER.

IT WAS an ill-fated ship which brought a wondrously beautiful Italian girl to England, toward the close of the Seventeenth century. But no one who saw this ivory-skinned, dark-eyed beauty, would have thought that she was to plunge England into a period of bloodshed. So her destiny proved, for Mary of Modena was the embodiment of bad luck to England. She came over from Italy as the betrothed bride of the Duke of York. In the course of a few years he ascended the throne as James II, although at the time of his marriage no one could have foreseen that event. James was a bad king, and what is perhaps worse, he was a weak king. The people muttered against him, and his wife, Mary of Modena, urged that he flee. James hesitated, and he presently was dethroned, William of Orange taking his place. Immediately James' followers banded together in what was called the Jacobite uprising, this being a play on the Latin name for James, which is Jacobus.

Mary, watching events from France, paid her court to Louis XIV. She is said to have caught the fancy of the gullible Louis and to have persuaded him to declare her son the true king of England, instead of William. Louis assented and a new war promptly began, much worse than the civil conflict which had preceded it in England. William succeeded in gaining allies when Louis declared his own grandson to be king of Spain. Soon the War of the Spanish Succession was in its full red tide and Europe ran with blood. The struggle lasted 14 years and before it ended practically every nation of the continent was drawn in. Armies were wiped out, furious battles won and lost. Prince Eugene, insulted by a slight of Louis, went to Austria and inflicted heavy defeats on the French, becoming the greatest military leader Austria ever had—and he was a Frenchman. Marlborough won battle after battle for England and undying fame for himself. Louis' ablest leader died and France just escaped falling into the clutches of her enemies.

Mary, the maker of wars, had well earned the name. But she still was unsatisfied, and when peace finally came she used all of her blandishments to stir up new Jacobite troubles in England. The Jacobite rebellions dragged on for a number of years. But they were hopeless, for William had firmly seated himself on the throne. Still Mary kept on with the resolution of despair and not until her death in 1718 could the English king breathe easy.

\$105,000 BOND ISSUE CARRIED IN HOWARD

Fayette, Mo. The \$105,000 bond issue for the purpose of building a free bridge across the Missouri river at Glasgow was authorized by the people of Howard county yesterday by an overwhelming majority of 5 to 1, the vote being 5,861 for, to 1,105 against.

Fayette, the county seat of Howard, registered a vote of 2,399 for to 29 against. Glasgow went unanimously for the proposition. Roanoke, another of the county's important towns, gave only two votes against the bond issue.

Saline county votes on a \$105,000 bond proposition for the same purpose June 2, and it is claimed there is no doubt of the bond proposition carrying.

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Fayette is to vote at an early date for an additional bond issue of \$25,000 to be used in building the bridge. This, it is said, will carry big.

Of the 1,105 votes against, New Franklin gave 700.

For free bridges the federal government gives an amount equal to any amount voted for such purposes. When Saline county votes the \$105,000 bond issue and Fayette \$25,000, the total amount available for the construction of the bridge will be \$460,000.



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STATEMENT MT. PLEASANT CHURCH AND CEMETERY

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Wm. Graves	\$13.50
G. W. Guthrie	23.25
J. M. Hershey	11.00
J. H. Smith	24.00
Ice cream supper	41.85
Total	\$113.60

Expenses

Cleaning cemetery	\$25.00
11 gallons paint	39.35
8 gallons paint	8.00
Window glass	1.25
Announcement ice cream supper in Courier	.70
S. J. Bills	.40
Bolts and nails	.50
116 hedge posts	30.60
Delivering same	5.00
Bal. in treasury	\$133.60

Try the want add column.

Soldiers Offer Wages to Keep Their Regiment

New York.—The Twenty-second infantry, which opened the war against Germany by seizing German shipping in New York harbor, has been ordered broken up and scattered, in conformity with congressional economy, but the men themselves have offered to give up two months' pay to preserve the personnel of this, one of the oldest regiments of the army.

Maj. Gen. Robert L. Bullard, commanding the Second corps area, characterized the petitions of soldiers as "one of the most remarkable exhibitions of loyalty and esprit de corps that I have ever known."



THE PAPER SAYS THAT STATION 'NIX' IS GOING TO TELL BEDTIME STORIES FOR KIDDIES OVER THE WIRELESS TONIGHT

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