

REGISTRATION OF CITY VOTERS TO START THURSDAY

Books to Open Thursday Morning for Registering Municipal Electors.

Registrations of the electors of the city will start next Thursday morning, when the books will be opened for that purpose at the City Hall, according to an announcement made today by City Clerk J. A. Davis. Only those who register are qualified to vote in the municipal election April 1, next.

Persons with not less than one year's residence in the Territory and six months within the municipality are qualified for registration. The books will remain open for 30 days, closing just prior to the election date.

The Mayor, three Councilmen and one School Director are to be elected this year. While there has been little political activity locally, it is known that efforts have been made to induce Mayor I. Goldstein to seek re-election but up to the present time he has not consented. The members of the Council whose terms expire are A. W. McKinnon, William Reck, and H. R. Shepard. Owing to his candidacy for Representative in the Legislature, it is understood that Mr. Shepard will not be a candidate for re-election. Many friends of the other two retiring members have urged them to seek re-election and it is possible that they may consent to do so, according to reliable reports, although neither of them have formally consented.

GIFT TAX IN REVENUE BILL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The House late this afternoon voted 191 to 63 to place a gift tax in the revenue bill with graduated rates of one to forty per cent, the minimum applying to amounts not over \$50,000. The Democrats almost solidly voted for the amendment.

McAdoo Will Contest For Ohio Delegation

COLUMBUS, Feb. 26.—William G. McAdoo indicated he will contest for the Ohio delegation telegraphing to enter his name as a candidate in the primary.

ELEVEN PASSENGERS ON MARY FOR HERE

Passengers for Juneau on the Princess Mary due tonight are Rose Larue, Ethel Videll, Miss D. Ball, W. G. Johnson, F. McGlasson, J. A. Johnson, Mrs. H. Aplers, Miss Aplers, Olaf Larson, Steve Kanskay and Ole Vestby.

Town's Old Fire Engine Missing; Has Been Stolen

KRONBERG, Feb. 26.—Most of the 3,000 residents of this town are searching for thieves who have stolen the town's first and only fire engine. No trace of it has been found. Police believe the thieves intend to break up the apparatus and sell the metal for junk.

Traveling Libraries Help Reading Russians

BELGRADE, Feb. 26.—"The Russian people are reading today as they never have before," said H. M. Lydenberg, of the New York Public Library, on his recent return to this city after three months in Russia spent in observing library systems.

"Whatever the Soviet government is or not doing for the Russian people," Mr. Lydenberg continued, "it is making it possible for them to read books. And the Russian people are availing themselves with remarkable avidity of the new opportunities placed in their hands by the Bolshevik administration in Moscow."

"I was impressed, wherever I travelled, by the moving libraries along the rail lines, from the Polish frontier in Moscow and from Moscow to the Baltic. The libraries are installed on trains which make stops of a few days at all stations, down to the little villages. The people take out books for home reading and then return them on a subsequent trip of the library on wheels. The amount of business done by these ambulant libraries is impressive."

Postal Cards Popular In the United States

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Many people utilize the 1-cent postal cards for their correspondence. The post office department is using 1,253,000,000 a year, and is preparing to make almost 1,500,000,000 in 1925. They will cost \$815,000 to manufacture and print at the government printing office here. Last year they cost 60 cents a 1,000 to manufacture; this year they will cost 64 cents a thousand.

ACCUSE PRIEST OF KILLING HOUSEKEEPER



Rev. John J. Grady, pastor of St. Francis Xavier's Church, Northside, Pittsburgh, Pa., is shown under arrest on the charge of murdering his housekeeper, Miss Anna McDonough, 45. The priest declared the shooting was accidental, but the police found two empty shells in his revolver. Alienists have been appointed to examine his sanity.

WOMEN ARE TO MAKE DRY LAW CHIEF ISSUE

DETROIT, Feb. 26.—Prohibition will be the issue in the State and National campaigns if the women have any say in the matter, according to Mrs. George L. Grimes, President of the Women's Republican League of Wayne County.

"No candidate for any office can hope to get the women's vote unless he is bone dry," said Mrs. Grimes, speaking at a luncheon given by the Women's Republican Club in Hotel Statler. "This is the issue that will get out the woman vote."

Mrs. Grimes urged the women not only to vote in the primaries, but to attend the party conventions, to be certain that only men who support the eighteenth amendment are nominated. Women, she said, are strongly in favor of all law enforcement beginning with the Volstead law.

"However, I am almost hopeless that anything can be done with this generation," Mrs. Grimes declared. "We must begin to teach the children in the kindergarten respect for the law."

"It is only by respect for the institutions and laws of the country that the United States will be able to hold together during the time of strain that students of world affairs predict."

Wisconsin Students Sure Do Drink Water

MADISON, Wis., Feb. 26.—Students of the University of Wisconsin apparently are heavy drinkers and users of water. Officials of the Madison water plant report that during the Christmas vacation, when a majority of the 7,000 students of the institution left Madison, the daily consumption of water decreased approximately 500,000 gallons.

During ordinary times, when the university is in session, Madison uses approximately 5,000,000 gallons of water daily, it is said.

TOURIST STEAMSHIPS REVIVES OLD RITUAL CHANTY SINGING

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 26.—For the first time in many years a liner put to sea with passengers and crew "chanty" singing, as in the old days of the old sailing luger. When the Oropesa started recently on an 11 weeks' tour round South America, Chanty-master W. N. Jones led the singing of "Down to Rio," passengers and crew later joining heartily in the chorus.

During the 19,000 miles tour of the Oropesa the singing of chanteys will be observed with old-time ritual.

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FEW LAWS WILL BE ENACTED BY CONGRESS, CLAIM

Supply Bills and Tax Revision Main Work — Steece Meets with Success.

It is generally believed by well posted observers in Washington that little legislation other than departmental supply bills and the tax revision measure will be acted on by the present Congress, according to George A. Parks, head of the Alaska Field Division, U. S. General Land Office, who has just returned from a 30-day stay in the national capital. This view is also taken by many members of Congress, he said.

Col. Steece is meeting with success in presenting his estimates for appropriations for the Alaska Road Commission and will probably get virtually all that he expected to obtain for this year, said Mr. Parks. Members of Congress who visited Alaska last year were favorably impressed with the work of the Commission and are in sympathy with its aims, he said.

Railroad Estimates Pass
The Alaska Railroad estimates are also well along and the rail will get the funds it considers necessary to operate efficiently and for maintenance work, he said.

Generally speaking, Federal appropriations for the various Alaska bureaus will be taken care of by Congress about as the estimates were received from the departments. Hearings had been held on the so-called White fisheries bill, for he left Washington. A number of fishermen were before the committee and representatives of the cannery operators were also heard. Owing to conditions that exist in Congress it was considered uncertain whether the bill would be reached this session.

No hearings had been held on the latest Nelson Alaska game bill introduced several weeks ago by Delegate Sutherland. These, however, were expected to come up in a short time. If no opposition develops to the measure it is possible that it may receive final action, said Mr. Parks.

Attends Wilson Funeral
Mr. Parks was in Washington when ex-President Wilson died and attended the funeral. For several days prior to his death hundreds of people congregated before the Wilson residence, automobiles being parked for blocks around. Thousands of people crowded the streets for the funeral and filled the grounds of the cathedral in which services were held. Cars were jammed to capacity and so packed were the streets it was necessary to walk miles to attend the services.

Resentment against the German Ambassador over the flag incident was deep. After it was definitely known that the German embassy flag would not be lowered to half staff, 200 veterans of the World War, now engaged in driving taxicabs in Washington, decided to remedy the situation. In a body and in perfect order they marched to the embassy building. Enroute they secured a flagpole, an American flag and shovels with which to work. At the embassy grounds they dug a hole in the lawn, erected the pole and hoisted the American flag, lowering it to half mast. A call had been turned in for police reserves. When these arrived, the former soldiers drawn up at attention sang the Star Spangled Banner. As the song rang out, the police also came

Shabby Clothes With Snappy Cars Worries Tailors

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Automobiles, not fashions, are worrying the clothing trade.

American men are using automobiles to preserve the balance in their personal equations—with shabby clothes on the other end of the theoretical lever.

Where business men formerly prided themselves on their sartorial appearance, they now rely on their limousines to give them the necessary air of prosperity.

The Illinois Retail Clothiers Association, in their annual convention gave voice to these worries of the trade. So important has the "shabby dress" question become that the clothing trade is planning a "pride of appearance for men" campaign.

"Conservative models will be fashionable for spring and summer," said T. H. Tomlinson, president of the association. "English models made in America will be the stuff for the men who want to dress properly. Fuller trousers and loose fitting coats. Clothing that makes the man look virile and robust, although the younger man will wear them a little tighter with two and three button fronts."

NEW GAME WARDEN IS APPOINTED BY BONE

The appointment temporarily of Martin Kilian, Cordova, to be Territorial Game Warden for the Cordova district was announced today by Gov. Scott C. Bone, effective at once. He succeeds Charles H. Hall, whose resignation was recently accepted.

Mr. Kilian, although a young man, has resided in Alaska for several years. He at one time was connected with the U. S. Forest Service. He was also a member of the last Arctic expedition made by the noted Canadian explorer Stefansson.

ESTEBETH GOING NORTH

The mailboat Estebeth, Capt. James V. Davis, left port at 11 p. m. yesterday on its regular Skagway run, calling at intermediate Lynn Canal ports. He is due to return here tomorrow and sails for Sitka Thursday evening.

WELSH WOMEN BRING PEACE PETITION.



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attention. At the conclusion of the song the men who had erected the flagpole and hoisted the flag disappeared quietly.

Leaves For Westward
Mr. Parks was in Washington 20 days conferring with officials of the Department of Interior, going there after spending the holidays with his parents in Denver, Colo. He expected to leave today on the Alameda for Seward enroute to his headquarters in Anchorage. He will be there for a month or six weeks looking after official business and then return to Southeastern Alaska, visiting here, Ketchikan, Craig and Hyder.

SHOCKS OFF WEST COAST

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 26.—An earthquake shock lasting one hour was felt here Sunday night and was recorded on the Gonzales Hill instruments. It is declared the disturbance was probably off the coast of California or Alaska. Last Friday night a similar shock was recorded here.

Card Player Draws Big Hand, But He Then Drops Dead

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 26.—In the excitement of a big hand of pinochle he held in a game of cards at a pool hall in Berkeley, Jacob Allman, Southern Pacific flagman, dropped dead at the table from a heart attack.

When the man was stricken, the proprietor summoned the police ambulance, but Allman was declared dead upon admission at the Berkeley General Hospital.

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ALL MAY SOON LIVE CENTURY

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 26.—The man who reaches the century mark in life's highway will be the rule instead of the exception within the next generation if the rapid strides in prolonging life are made in the future as were accomplished during the last decade.

This prediction is made in the report of the State Board of Health showing that the average life in Kentucky has been increased fifteen years since 1909, the number of deaths in 1923 being one-third fewer than during the year 1909.

Births in 1923 were nearly one-third more in number than in 1910, thus insuring an increase in the State's manhood.

The State Board of Health attributes this condition to the continual educational campaign for the eradication of preventable diseases.

DUO REWED IN SECOND WOOING

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 26.—After an unprecedented courtship, conducted since the moment their divorce was granted by the courts of San Francisco several weeks ago, Frank and Effie Bell Wivins both fifty-one, secured a marriage license in Sacramento and were married a second time.

"This is probably something new in marriages," said Wivins, as he applied for his license. "Only recently the courts of San Francisco gave us a final divorce decree. We have been going together ever since."

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LOVE RESIGNS; IS ACCEPTED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The resignation of William J. Love as Vice-President of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, managing director of the United States Lines, is announced, accepted and effective "at the earliest possible moment," said Leigh Palmer, President of the Corporation.

ONE-ARMED PIANIST DIES.

VIENNA, Feb. 26.—The celebrated one-armed piano player Count Ceza Zichy, died at Budapest recently at the age of 74. Count Zichy lost his arm at the age of 14, but pursued his musical studies under several masters including Liszt. He was for some years President of the Hungarian National Academy of Music and composed an opera "Alar."

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