

OFFICIAL CALL FOR DEMOCRATIC STATE DELEGATE CONVENTION

FOR THE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

Following is the official call for the national Democratic delegate convention of West Virginia:

A Democratic state convention is hereby called to meet in the city of Wheeling on the 28th day of May, 1908, at 12 o'clock, M., for the purpose of electing four delegates at large, and four alternates, to represent the state at large in the Democratic national convention, which convention the city of Denver, in the state of Colorado, on the 7th day of July, 1908, and for the purpose of nominating three candidates for judges of the supreme court of appeals of West Virginia, to fill the vacancies in said court which will occur on the first day of January, 1909.

Said convention shall consist of legally elected delegates from the several counties of the state, which delegates shall be apportioned between the several counties of the state as follows: Each county to have one delegate to said convention and no more, for each one hundred votes or fractional part thereof, of fifty or more votes in the respective counties for the on, John J. Cornwell, the Democratic candidate for governor in the general election of 1904.

Delegate district conventions for the five congressional districts of the state are hereby called to nominate two alternates, who shall, as such district delegates represent the congressional district from which they are elected, in the convention to be held in the city of Denver in the state of Colorado, on the 7th day of July, 1908, as follows:

For the first district—At the city of Fairmont, in the county of Marion, in said state on the 26th day of May, 1908, at 1 o'clock p. m. of that date.

For Second District—At the city of Grafton, in the county of Taylor, in said state on the 26th day of May, 1908, at 1 o'clock p. m. of that date.

For the Third District—At the city of Hinton, in the county of Summers, in said state, on the 26th day of May, 1908, at 1 o'clock p. m. of that date.

For the Fourth District—At the city of Parkersburg, in the county of Wood, in said state, on the 26th

day of May, 1908, at 1 o'clock p. m. of that date.

For the Fifth District—At the city of Point Pleasant, in the county of Mason, in said state, on the 26th day of May, 1908, at 1 o'clock p. m. of that date.

The said several conventions to be called to order by the chairman of the Democratic Congressional committee, for each of the said districts.

The said conventions shall consist of delegates selected from the several counties composing said congressional districts, and the basis of representation in said conventions, from each of the said counties, shall be one delegate, and no more, for each one hundred votes or fractional part thereof of fifty or more votes.

The above call for said state convention, and said district conventions, is made by authority of a resolution, unanimously adopted by the Democratic State Executive committee for the state of West Virginia held in the city of Parkersburg on the second day of April, 1908.

By order of the committee, JOHN T. MCGRAW, Chairman, CARL VANCE, Secretary.

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Scaled bids will be received by the undersigned until the 25th day of May, 1908, for the following property of the late Ernest H. Art...

All the liquors, wines and beer, bar fixtures, restaurant and hotel fixtures, equipment, goods, chattels and effects, pool and billiard tables, stock of cigars and tobacco, which property is now in the building known as the Windsor Hotel, in Bluefield, West Virginia, and all other property in said premises; also the unexpired term of the lease for said Windsor Hotel.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids and to sell said property, or any part thereof, at public auction on said premises at said time or at a subsequent date.

E. H. EASLEY, Administrator.

SMYTH COUNTY ENDORSES RHEA

RESOLUTIONS CONDEMN ATTACK ON COMMISSIONER-DELEGATES TO ROANOKE.

Marion, Va., May 19.—At a mass meeting of Democrats of Smyth county yesterday, delegates were elected to the Roanoke convention. Twenty delegates were elected with one-half vote each. The delegates were instructed to vote for no delegate to the Denver convention who would not support W. J. Bryan for president. The unit rule was adopted governing the proceedings of the convention.

The following resolutions were adopted: "That we endorse the wise patriotic and business-like administration of Hon. Claude A. Swanson, governor of Virginia. That we do especially endorse the appointment of Hon. W. F. Rhea as a member of the state corporation commission of Virginia. And we denounce the unwarranted and malicious attack made upon him by his enemies and we extend our thanks to Hon. B. F. Buchanan, of Marion, Va., and others for their patriotic defense of Judge Rhea before the legislative committee."

FIVE DOLLAR PRIZE.

The best and most desirable prize yet offered at the rink will be given away on Tuesday night. The prize is a five dollar gold piece and it will be hidden among the rafters. At the sounding of a whistle the skaters will all come to a stop and to the person who is nearest the gold the prize will be given.

NOTICE.

The following is notice that J. Baker, residing at Bluefield, Mercer county, West Virginia, has made application to the county court of said county for a license to sell at retail spirituous liquors, wines, porter, ale, beer and drinks of like nature for the period beginning on May 1st, 1908, and ending June 30, 1909, at No. 11 Bluefield avenue in the town of Bluefield, Mercer county, West Virginia.

Given under my hand this the 15th day of May, 1908. Teste: ESTILL BAILEY, Clerk. 5-16-lawk4wks.

BRIGHTEN UP!

WHEN SPRING comes around and eople see everything in nature taking on a fresh bright appearance, their inclination is to go and do likewise. The inside of the house has had hard, constant usage all winter. The furniture and carpets are worn. You need a new carpet, a matting or a few rugs to brighten things up. Perhaps you want to refurnish your parlor, hall or bedroom. No doubt there are little accessories for the dining room and kitchen that would be acceptable to good housewife. No matter what you want, from the smallest item to complete house furnishings, you will find us ready to supply your every want in this line.

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SOME TITLED EUROPEAN YACHTSWOMEN

"RULE Britannia, rule the wave!" warbles the loyal Briton, and, though other nations may scoff at his enthusiasm, Britannia goes right on ruling the wave. There is no doubt that the English are the greatest race of seamen in the world, quite as great in their way as the ancient Phoenicians, and perhaps one of the secrets of their greatness is this enthusiasm and the fact that their own are, so many of them, fine sailors. Nowhere else in the world will you find so many women devoted to aquatic sports and excelling in them. It was Great Britain that gave the world a marine heroine, Grace Darling, and you will never find a finer, sturdier stock than the fisher women of her northern islands.

Even the great ladies of England are proud of their skill as navigators. Some of the famous beauties of England have won their matchless complexions in contests with the wind and waves in the seacoast villages in which their earliest years were spent. The salt sea is a wonderful invigorator of the skin and its ozone is unexcelled by anything in the pharmacopoeia. It was the open air life and the salt breezes of Jersey that gave Lily Langtry her marvelous skin. One of the best amateur sailors in England is Mrs. Cornwallis West, whose daughter, the Princess of Pless and the Duchess of Westminster, are never happier than when aboard a yacht. Mrs. George Keppel, now prime favorite at the English court, is the daughter of Admiral Sir Archibald Edmondson and comes of a race of sailors. The Marchioness of Londonderry, colonel at her best in yachting costume, when at Mount Stewart, a favorite country seat, one of her ladyship's favorite recreations is yachting. Her carelessness of ornaments, whose husband is commodore of the Royal Yacht Squadron, is one of the most accomplished of aristocratic yachtswomen. Her two daughters, Lady Constance Butler and Lady Beatrice Pitt-Carrow, are famous beauties of the London smart set, are as fond of the water as mermaids. A cold plunge into the sea every morning is said to be part of the daily routine when they are on board their father's crack yacht, the Mirage. The wife and daughter of Lord Dunraven, who twice equipped yachts to try to win the international cup from America, accompany the earl on many of his yachting expeditions on the Duchess of Rutherland, who does so many things well, is devoted to yachting. So too, are the dowager Countess de la Warr and her daughter, Lady Mary Mackenzie. Lady de la Warr sails a yacht of thirty-three tons named the Violet. The Duchess of Bedford, who is a most enthusiastic yachtswoman, can manage a boat as well as most skippers and is one of the most interesting figures at the annual Cowes regatta. Lady Londonderry, wife of the sporting earl, shares her husband's tastes in being yachting. Her favorite recreation is to sport with the Duchess of Devonshire, whose husband is one of the heads of the Royal Yacht Squadron, is a most retiring English yachtswoman, indifferent to London society



COUNTRESS OF ANNESLEY

and preferring her books at one of her husband's splendid country seats to life in the gay city. The duchess is a sister of the Earl of Durham, one of the richest nobles in the "north country" and of a race that knows and loves the sea. Her brother, Sir Hedworth Lambton, is the commander of the king's yacht, the Victoria and Albert, a much prized pleasure by the officers of the royal navy. One of the most popular of English beauties, Georgiana, Lady Dudley, is a clever yachtswoman, as is her daughter, Lady Waterford, the two scarcely ever missing a gathering of the Royal Yacht Squadron. Lady Lansdowne is never happier than when aboard on her yacht, the Santa Maria. The daughters of this vessel, which are especially handsome for an English yacht, were designed by Lady Lansdowne herself, Lady Evelyn Guinness, wife of the Hon. Walter Edward Guinness, a son of the rich English brewing family of that name, has a great penchant for the sea. Her husband is interested in the races at Cowes, and she is herself an excellent sailor. She is the third daughter of the Earl of Buchan, and her husband is the third son of Viscount Fife.

One of the most famous of the English yachtswomen is the lovely Countess of Annesley, who spent her honeymoon on board her husband's ship, the Rosa Hill. Lady Annesley is a successful fisher woman as well as sailor. The Countess Carnarvon, remembered pleasantly in this country, which she visited with her husband in 1905, is a yachtswoman of repute. Although the Carnarvons have several fine yachts, they spend much of their time on board their yacht. No list of English yachtswomen



LADY EVELYN GUINNESS

would be complete without the name of Mrs. G. A. Schenley, who can handle a boat as well as any old salt. Although comparatively unknown in America, the Schenleys have American blood in their veins, the mother of Mr. Schenley having been a Pittsburg belle who eloped with a Captain Schenley and thus transferred to English ownership some of the most valuable tracts of real estate in the city of Pittsburg. These had been handed down in the family from an Indian trader said to have first made his appearance around old Fort Duquesne about the time of the French and Indian war and to have been extremely thrifty in his dealings with the Indians. Schenley park, the principal breathing spot of the Smoky City, which extends over a large tract of land in the rear of Mr. Carnegie's library and technical school, was the gift of the Schenleys to the city. The Schenleys still keep up an acquaintance with their Pittsburg relatives, who include the Denny's, the O'Hara's and the Darlington's, but in most particulars they have become thoroughly Anglicized and in nothing more so than in their devotion to yachting.

It is natural that yachting should be a fashionable sport of the English aristocracy, for royalty itself sets the example. Queen Alexandra is a thorough daughter of the sea kings in her devotion to the ocean. She is said to be happiest on board a ship, and nothing refreshes her health and good looks so much as a cruise in the royal yacht Victoria and Albert, which has been fitted up with every appliance that can make it comfortable and convenient. Her daughters, the Princess Louise, Duchess of Fife, Princess Victoria and Queen Maud of Norway are all able



PRINCESS HENRY OF PLESS

sailors. The Connaughts, although they are not rich enough to own a very pretentious craft, are always delighted with the opportunity to take a cruise. Her daughter, the Princess Louise, Duchess of Fife, Princess Victoria and Queen Maud of Norway are all able sailors. Her daughter, Queen Victoria Eugenie of Spain, acquired her love of sailing. Her daughter, the Princess Louise, Duchess of Fife, Princess Victoria and Queen Maud of Norway are all able sailors. Her daughter, Queen Victoria Eugenie of Spain, acquired her love of sailing. Her daughter, the Princess Louise, Duchess of Fife, Princess Victoria and Queen Maud of Norway are all able sailors.

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King Edward fell heir to them they were promptly retired from active duty. The Isle of Wight, where Queen Victoria passed so many happy summers, is the favorite yachting resort of royalty. In the season all the yacht owning royalties of Europe may be met there.

Cowes week is the great event in European yachting circles. The regatta is a splendid function, in which women play a prominent and picturesque part, even to contesting for prizes. To this little town on the Isle of Wight in the first week of August repair every year the vessels of all the smart set of the yachting fraternity. The fact that it is the headquarters of the Royal Yacht Squadron, which includes all the crack vessels of Great Britain's yachting aristocracy, has made the town famous, and the regatta is its chief source of income. Various races are run for prizes offered by individuals or clubs, but the most prized trophies are the cups offered by the king, the German emperor, the Royal Yacht Squadron and the town of Cowes. All the finest vessels compete for these prizes, the race beginning at 10 o'clock in the morning and being announced by the firing of a gun from the castle, which is now the clubhouse of the Royal Yacht Squadron. All the craft in the harbor are crowded with women in trim costumes, and the results of the races are followed with the most intense excitement. The lawn of the castle during the afternoon of Cowes week is crowded with the women relatives and friends of members, but the entries is very difficult for those not included in the exclusive set of English society. Indeed, for a newcomer to be seen on the lawn at Cowes is enough to announce to the world that he or she has arrived socially.

The rich American's love for yachting has of course been fostered by the devotion of the English to this sport. It is even in its simplest form an expensive recreation, for a small yacht costs well up into the thousands, and the expense of maintaining it is very great. However, many Americans are willing to spend this money, for nothing brings them so quickly and closely into touch with the leaders of the old world aristocracy or even royalty itself than to own crack yachts and have the reputation of being smart sailors. One lesson, however, might be learned from the English. While no expense is spared in making their yachts trim and fast, luxurious furnishings are a secondary consideration. Indeed, the yachts even of royalty are, from the standpoint of the American new rich, fitted out with great simplicity. Simplicity, too, characterizes the yachting costumes of English yachtswomen. Serviceable serges and the Irish tweeds popularized by the Marchioness of Londonderry, who is a great worker on behalf of the Irish industries, are the popular materials. Trim sailor hats and substantial boots and gloves are essential features of the modish yachting costumes. Trains and the frills and frigidities sometimes seen on American yachtswomen are considered bad form by the English ladies. WINIFRED WORTHINGTON.