

## SECRETARY TAFT PROVIDES FOR CUBAN CENSUS

Immediately Upon Its Completion National Elections Will Be Held.

Charles E. Magoon, provisional governor of Cuba, has sent from Havana to the Bureau of Insular Affairs of the War Department the first official statement to reach this country regarding the arrangement made by Secretary Taft for the holding of the Cuban elections. The statement is as follows:

"An electoral census of the island will be taken within as short a period as is requisite to make it thorough, fair, and complete for electoral purposes. The census being completed, one election will be held for municipal and provisional officers within such period thereafter as affords reasonable time for complying with all requirements of the new electoral law."

"A national election for vacancies in the Cuban congress and for election of presidential and senatorial electors will be held within six months after the election for municipal and provisional officers. The electoral colleges for election of president and vice president and vacancies in the senate are to convene at the date prescribed by the constitution of Cuba, to wit, 160 days after the national election. The carrying out of this plan is strictly dependent on the tranquility of the country, which must continue through the two elections, thus giving assurance of stability of the new government. The President approved the recommendation. The plan is satisfactory to everybody."

It is the desire of the authorities that the census shall be undertaken as soon as possible, and Brig. Gen. Clarence F. Edwards, chief of the Insular Bureau, is trying to hurry matters along. A cablegram was received today from Governor Magoon, in which he makes the request that Victor H. Olmsted, now statistician of the Agriculture Department, be assigned as director of the census. Mr. Olmsted conducted the census of Cuba in 1898.

### E. H. RYAN PROMOTED IN PRINTING OFFICE

Public Printer Stillings has created the position of solicitor and filled it by the promotion of Edward H. Ryan, who has recently been connected with the inspecting division. The new position pays \$2,500 per annum. The solicitor will keep in touch with the various departments and endeavor to keep the office supplied with work at all seasons.

C. & S. Velvet Kind—Quality Ice Cream. It's pure, rich and delicious. Druggists'.

## Building Trades Men Figure Out New Plan To Maintain Harmony

Employers and Dealers Will Appoint Board of Arbitration.

To Equitably Settle All Differences in Future.

The employing contractors and dealers in building materials here have set on foot a movement which gives promise of being a potent factor in maintaining harmony and in securing the equitable adjustment of any differences which may come up in the future, affecting the building industry in the District.

The plan which has been started by the employers and dealers in building material is the appointment of a board of governors, the members of which are to be elected by the employers' association of the building trades of the District of Columbia.

Absolute authority is delegated to this board by the employers and dealers, thus giving to this organization a power which, used conservatively, will tend to settle equitably the differences that arise and hence avoid future contention and disturbance in connection with the industry.

**Trade Organizations Represented.**

The membership of the Employers' Association of the District of Columbia is composed of representatives from each of the several trade organizations connected with the building industry and also dealers in building material. This embraces practically all parties connected in this capacity in the building trade.

This association is to elect annually one representative from each branch of the industry to serve on the board of governors. For the ensuing year the following members will compose this board:

T. W. Smith, representing millwork; W. T. Gallier, lumber dealer; Samuel Ross, steel and iron work; Hugh Kelly, paint and glass; C. H. Rudolph, hardware; John Mitchell, jr., plumbers' supplies; D. L. Holbrook, brick manufacturers; S. M. Frazier, masons' material; R. J. Beall, cement work; Thomas Eagan, steam and hot water workers; W. D. Nolan, plumbing; J. R. Gallaway, electrical work; Warren M. White, sheet metal and tinning; W. A. Kennedy, fire proofing construction; W. S. Hutchinson, tilework; C. C. Murray, plastering; W. H. Marriott, slate roofing; G. H. Forsberg, machinists; Charles Rose, roofing; H. E. Rupprecht, marble work; J. Vehmeyer, stone work;

### Businesses Represented in Board of Governors

Millwork and lumber.  
Steel and iron work.  
Paints, glass, and hardware.  
Plumbers' supplies, plumbing.  
Brick manufacturers, masons' material, and cement work.  
Steam and hot water workers.  
Electrical work.  
Sheet metal and tinning.  
Fireproof construction, tilework.  
Plastering, roofing, slate roofing.  
Machinists.  
Marble work, stone work.  
Master Builders' Association and Employers' Association.

Joseph Richardson, Master Builders' Association, and E. C. Graham, Employers' Association.

**Fifteen Millions Annually.**

The industry represented by this board of governors is the largest and most important within the District of Columbia, distributing for labor and material annually about \$15,000,000. Any general tie-up in this industry means vast loss to the public as well as all parties connected therewith, one month's idleness in this industry means to the business interests of the city of Washington, an immediate loss of \$1,000,000 or more, and a general loss which cannot be estimated in figures. The board of governors announces that it will exhaust every resource and bend all its effort and energy to promote harmony and prevent discord between the employer and employee, thereby insuring a continuance of the prosperous and harmonious conditions that now exist.

### PEDESTRIAN GETS PROOF OF VISIT TO WASHINGTON

Frans Emanuel Kivekas, the Finnlander who is making a pedestrian trip around the world on a \$5,000 wager, called on Commissioner Macfarland yesterday to secure evidence of his visit to this city. He was given a letter signed by Dr. William Tindall, secretary to the Board of Commissioners, under the seal of the District of Columbia, as is usual in such cases.

**Artistic Floral Work**

For weddings, whether the house or the church is to be decorated, consult Gude, 1214 F.

## SCHOOL CHILDREN PREPARING FOR SONG FESTIVAL

Third Annual Event for Benefit of Playground Fund.

Five hundred children's picked voices from every sixth, seventh, and eighth grade of Washington's public schools have been under training of Miss Alys E. Bentley, director of music in the schools for three weeks, in preparation for the third annual public school song festival, to be given under the management of the Washington Playground Association, for the benefit of summer playgrounds in connection with school buildings. Two performances will be given at the National Theater, a dress rehearsal at the afternoon of May 16, when the parents and friends of the singers will be present, and the principal performance the evening of May 17.

Particular interest is attached to the event this year for the reason that the previous success of the enterprise on two occasions has attracted the support of many of Washington's society leaders, who this spring will be its patrons and patronesses. Former Secretary Shaw, of the Treasury, was present at the concert at Convocation Hall last spring, and was so favorably impressed with the high order of the music that he mentioned it to President Roosevelt, who expressed a desire to attend the next one. Accordingly, a box has been reserved for the President.

Special effort is being put forth at this time by the Washington Playground Association to secure enough funds to establish adequate playground facilities for children of the National Capital. It is said by the public-spirited citizens who are behind the movement that the \$3,500 a year given to them by Congress is wholly inadequate for the purpose, and will not enable them to satisfy the crying need of the children of the streets.

The committee on arrangements for the song festival is as follows: James E. West, chairman; Mrs. Henry L. West, secretary; Charles S. Clark, treasurer; Miss Edith C. Westcott, Miss Elizabeth Oliver, Mrs. William L. Oliver, John W. Crawford, and Capt. James F. Oyster.

### NATIONAL LECTURER GUEST OF WOODMEN'S CAMP

Edward F. Burns, national lecturer, for the Woodmen of the World, of Newark, N. J., will be the guest of the following W. O. W. camps this week: Columbia Camp, Pythian Temple, Monday night; Lincoln Camp, Eighth and I streets northeast, Tuesday night; A. R. Talbot Camp, 316 Pennsylvania avenue southeast, Thursday; Harmony Camp, Odd Fellows Hall, Seventh street northwest, Friday night. West End Camp will meet with A. R. Talbot Camp. Open meetings with musical programs will be held, and refreshments will be served by each camp.

## BACHELOR GIRLS TO TAX THE MEN

All Over Forty Years of No More Use, They Say.

DANVILLE, Ill., April 13.—Danville bachelor girls have appealed to the city council for relief in the way of an ordinance taxing bachelors.

The male declare that unless an effort is made for their proposed ordinance in the council, over which Mr. Lewman now presides, they will fight for a man who will favor them.

The proposed ordinance is a new feature in the city campaign.

According to the petition, every single man between the ages of twenty and forty should be subject to a tax. Men more than forty years of age are of no use and choloform is the best manner in which to be rid of them. Women would graduate the tax as follows: From twenty to thirty years, \$5; twenty-five to thirty, \$10; thirty to thirty-five, \$15; thirty-five to forty, \$20.

## CHURCH RECEPTION TO PASTOR JEFFRIES

A delightful occasion was participated in Friday evening by the members and friends of St. Paul M. E. Church, South, Second and S streets northwest, in the form of a reception to the pastor, the Rev. P. W. Jeffries, and his sister, Miss E. Grace Jeffries. The church was very tastefully decorated with palms. An address of welcome was delivered by Dr. A. L. Howard and fittingly responded to by the pastor. The remainder of the program consisted of vocal solos by Misses Lillian Chenoweth, Laura Collison, Rose Helen Bigelow, and Little Miss Louise Young; recitations by Percy C. Bowen and Miss Lottie Bowen, and a piano solo by Miss Nellie Neal. At the conclusion of the program, E. F. Nelson, president of the Epworth League, spoke of the splendid work done by Miss Jeffries and presented her with a handsome bouquet of pink carnations as a token of esteem from the members of the church. Refreshments were served later.

St. Paul Church was organized under the administration of the Rev. P. W. Jeffries in September, 1904.

### MORRIS HILLQUIT TO SPEAK ON PHASES OF SOCIALISM

The Economic Educational League, whose headquarters are at 112 C street northwest, under auspices of which Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Phelps Stokes spoke on Socialism a month ago, announce that they have secured the services of Morris Hillquit, of New York, who will speak tonight on various phases of Socialism, at Pythian Temple, 102 Ninth street northwest.

## PLACE FOR BROWN, OUSTED FOR TYLER

Pennsylvanian Appointed an Assistant Attorney General.

The President has appointed William Wallace Brown, of Pennsylvania, to be Assistant Attorney General to defend suits before the Spanish Treaty Claims Commission in place of Assistant Attorney General Fuller, who has resigned, to take effect May 31.

Mr. Brown was until recently Auditor for the Navy in the Treasury Department, but was promoted in order to give way to Ralph W. Tyler, the Ohio colored man whose fate had been such a matter of interest to State and national politicians for several months. Mr. Tyler was first proposed for the surrogship of the post at Cincinnati, was next picked out for the place equally at good at Toledo, and later was suggested for various good berths in the Buckeye State. Every time his name was "mentioned" in the State press, the colored man heart and soul, as long as he was to take a job in some other community, but as soon as there was any danger of his coming to the town, he kicked like the proverbial steer. Finally, to make peace in the before-happy family, the State decided to give Tyler a place in Washington, and it is presumed that every one in Ohio is satisfied.

## COMPILATION OF ACTS AFFECTING DISTRICT

There has just been issued from the Government Printing Office, a 48-page book, which is a compilation of the acts of Congress affecting the District of Columbia, for the second session of the Fifty-eighth Congress, December 3, 1906, to March 4, 1907.

The work was compiled by Capt. William F. Meyers, assistant secretary to the Board of Commissioners, and chief clerk of the executive office, under direction of the Commissioners. The book is a valuable reference work to national legislation pertaining to the District, each subject being classified in such a way that it can be easily found. Captain Meyers is one of the best posted officials of the District government, in this connection, and his work shows the care and pains with which the book has been compiled.

The work is in for free distribution, but can be had from the Public Printer at its actual cost of production, \$1.15.

Baltimore and Return, \$1.25, Baltimore and Ohio R. R. Every Saturday and Sunday. All trains both ways, both days except Royal Limited. City Offices, 1417 G st. and 619 Penna. ave.

## ENTIRE BRITTON JURY SELECTED

John Abner Makes Offer of Confession for Immunity.

LEXINGTON, Ky., April 13.—The entire jury has now been selected to try Bill Britton, charged with the assassination of James Cockrell, in Breathitt county. One hundred and twenty-five men were examined. The jurors are Thomas Sheely, farmer; W. J. Smith, wholesale shoe dealer; E. B. Hawkins, tobacco man; B. D. Wood, contractor; B. D. Yarnell, of this county; Charles Dobson, horseman; Jasper Wilson, farmer; John M. Berry, feed merchant; B. M. Clark, farmer; J. A. Stevenson, farmer; R. M. Redd, and John Furlong, Britton waived arraignment and entered a plea of not guilty. Judge James Hargis, who with his brothers, Alexander and Elbert, and Ed Callahan, was tried here in May for the same murder, sits at the counsel table with the defense's attorneys.

Britton has been in jail nearly three years. He has become so affected with rheumatism that he cannot wear shoes, and uses louse slippers to and from the courthouse.

John Smith, the Breathitt county feudist who confessed to complicity in the assassination of Dr. B. D. Cox, implicating Judge James Hargis, Elbert Hargis, and Ed Callahan, and others, is here as a witness for prosecution against Bill Britton.

Smith is closely guarded by his brother, Govan Smith, at his boarding house, to prevent assassination. Smith will not venture on the streets. He has been guarded from the wrath of Hargis since he made the confession in January.

John Abner, charged jointly with Smith, sent word to Attorney Byrd, of the prosecution, by Govan Smith that he had written his confession to his part in Breathitt assassination plot, and would give away the whole thing if promised immunity from punishment.

Byrd refused the offer, sending word to Abner that he had evidence sufficient to convict Abner, Smith, Britton, Alexander, "Jim," and Elbert Hargis, without promising clemency to any one. Abner will arrive here tonight.

### ARRANGE MEETING PROGRAM FOR POLITICAL SCIENCE

Announcement was made at the War Department yesterday of the program for the seventh annual meeting in Philadelphia on April 19 and 20 of the American Academy of Political and Social Science. The topic decided upon for discussion this year is the "American Colonial Policy and Administration," and many notable speakers will make addresses.

The most-wanted widths and patterns in  
**Val. laces**  
**39c dozen yards**  
Actual 50c to 85c values. Edges and insertions—38 matched sets to choose from

Here's the banner lace sale of 1907. The lot is a part of our big laces and embroidery purchase.

Every piece perfect, and all 1 inch or 1 1/4 inch wide. These are the widths most wanted for summer use. Not a single piece worth less than 50c a dozen yards and a good share worth up to 85c a dozen. **38 Completed Matched Sets to choose from.**

You're probably at this very minute planning on summer frocks that will require laces of this character. You want them for your dainty undergarments, lingerie gowns, and waists, for gimpes and sleeves, for lingerie effects in hats, edging and trimming parasols—and a dozen other things as important.

First Floor Bargain Tables—S. Kann, Sons & Co.

**S. KANN, SONS & CO.**  
8th ST. & PA. AVE.  
"THE BUSY CORNER"

**Dressmaking notions**  
Big sale this week. In all 66 cut price things from which we choose 12 as representative values.

4 pairs, 10c, 12c, and 15c light waist dress shields, sizes 2, 3, and 4 for ..... 25c	Skirt Gages—A device for marking the skirt to an even length all around. Easy to use. .... 25c	Warren's soft silk collar foundations; regular 10c each kind. Sale price 5c	Washington 400 count plus, regularly 4c paper. Sale price; three papers for ..... 5c
Busy all-silk Taffeta lining, 3 1/4 line, black, white and colors; regularly 15c a piece. Special 11c	Scissors, imported; all sizes; 3 1/2 to 6 inches long; worth 25c to 40c. Sale price, choice. .... 19c	Books and eye, odds and ends of various makes, all sizes black or white; worth 10c a card. Sale price 2c	Crowley's Gold eye needles; all sizes; sold regularly 5c a paper. Sale price, choice. .... 3c
A dozen spools John J. Clark's 200-yard machine cotton, black or white, all numbers, for 22c	Colored Featherstitch ed braid, full pieces; regularly selling at 10c. Sale price. .... 3c	Cling socket fasteners, black or white, large or small; regularly 15c dozen. Sale price. .... 10c	Blas seam tape, all widths, selling regularly 10c to 15c per piece. Sale price. .... 8c

**White goods**  
An immense purchase

You cannot recall the time when so many of the wanted weaves in White Goods were at one time offered at the price advantages indicated by sale price for these lots.

French Lawn—150 pieces of the regular 35c quality, extra fine and sheet and 10 inches wide. It will be sold very low. 19c	India Linon—One case of 40-inch material, a grade that sells regularly at 18c; special per yard. .... 12 1/2c
Batiste—35 pieces, fine imported, highly mercerized, 47 inches wide, a positive 40c quality, a yard. .... 25c	Linon Finished Percale—Imported material, 100 pieces more of this high grade percale, 36 inches wide and a regular 25c value for a yard. .... 15c
Flaid Lawns—Also in checked effects, 55 pieces, very fine and sheer, five different styles, actually worth 20c a yard. Special a yard. .... 12 1/2c	Figured Madras—Assorted lot, regular shirting madras, in 12 different patterns, regular 15c a yard value, per yard. .... 10c
Perfian Lawns—65 pieces, superior grade, 47 inches wide, worth every cent of 35c a yard. Monday, a yard. .... 22c	English Nainsook—Silk finished, fine quality, 12-yard piece of a quality that sells regularly for \$1.25 per piece, the piece tomorrow only. .... \$1.25
Dotted Swiss—200 pieces, very sheer, with small dots only, never sold for less than 12 1/2c a yard before. Here tomorrow for 8c only. .... 8c	Batiste—Long cloth—Superior quality, 12-yard pieces; regularly worth \$1.75 a piece. Tomorrow per piece. .... \$1.30
English Long cloth—Superior quality, 12-yard pieces; regularly worth \$1.75 a piece. Tomorrow per piece. .... \$1.30	

**All-silk China or habutai wash silks**

27 inches wide, a yard

**29c**

Positively the last chance this year to buy these at this price, the maker wants more now than our retail price for all ends of pieces. A full line of colors for Monday—pinks, blues, rose, red, turquoise, gray, navy, brown, green, reseda, lavender, helio, tan, champagne, and plenty of white, ivory, cream and black. This is the ideal silk for shirt waists, waist linings, kimono, negligees, etc.

Silk Dept.—First Floor.

## The greatest event of the year "Sample" embroideries at such savings

If you have been around town buying embroideries you know how scarce good kinds are—and how high-priced! It is rare good luck that we secured this sample line, including Demi-Flouncings, Insertings, Edgings, and All-overs to sell at a third to one-half less than regular retail price. We worked hard to get these embroideries—and were favored by the maker because we had patronized him liberally in the past! The outer edge of the embroidery that extends from the cover is a trifle soiled, but the balance is intact and clean.

**THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO BUY EMBROIDERIES—USE IT.**

<b>Insertings==3 lots</b> Insertings, 2 to 3 inches wide, blind and open work designs. Worth 35c to 50c yd. for ..... <b>25c</b> Insertings, 2 to 5 inches wide in blind and open-work designs. Were 60c to \$1 yd. .... <b>39c</b> Insertings, 3 to 7 inches wide in beautiful raised designs; also open work designs. Were 75c to \$1.25 yd. at.... <b>49c</b>	<b>Demi-flouncings==3 lots</b> Swiss and Nainsook Demi-flouncings, 18 inches wide and in so many different designs that it is impossible to give details. Lot at 39c Worth 50c to 75c Lot at 49c Worth 85c to \$1.00 Lot at 68c Worth \$1.25 to \$2.50 <b>Embroidery edgings</b> Just two lots, and both grand bargains: Lot at 10c Lot at 12 1/2c Worth 15c and 18c yard Worth 20c and 22c yard See the bargain tables, first floor.	<b>All-over Embroideries</b> All-overs, 22-in. wide and in showy or the popular "baby" effects. Worth 69c to 85c yard at..... <b>50c</b> All-overs, 22-in. wide, choice of "showy" or the fashionable "baby" designs. Were \$1.00 and \$1.39 yd. for..... <b>70c</b>
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<b>A good trunk only \$6.98</b> Choice of two sizes—30 and 32 inches. Trunks that are strongly made, canvas covered; sheet iron bottom; some with heavy iron bumpers. Excellent lock, solid riveted throughout; fitted with attached straps; are lined in cloth and have two trays and hat box. 1st floor—Linen Department.	<b>Barnsley linen crash Underprice tomorrow</b> Barnsley Linen Crash you know is the best made. It's good weight and lasts longest. The 17-inch wide regular 12 1/2c quality we shall sell tomorrow at yard..... <b>9 1/2c</b>	<b>12 1/2c cotton, 8c yd.</b> If that price will not induce a visit to the domestic sections, we positively do not know what to offer. This cotton is 36 inches wide and made of round thread. It has a linen finish and is of a weight suitable for wash suits and skirts—1st floor.	<b>Lightweight blanket 59c</b> Made of cotton of good quality. Size 10-quarter. Just the size and shape that's wanted for warm nights when just a little bit more is needed. Usual 75c value. Special 59c each. 1st floor—Bedwear Department.	<b>Lining lawn, 12 1/2c</b> 40 inches wide Although the price of this material has jumped 2c a yard since last season—our price remains the same! Lining Lawn in all colors and black or white. A yard only 12 1/2c. 1st floor—S. Kann, Sons & Co.	<b>St. Gall Sheer printed batiste in white with rings, polka dots, stripes, and figured effects in colors. This fabric makes the prettiest of jumper suits. Worth 15c yd for 12 1/2c</b>
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**Wash goods for your pretty summer frocks**  
It's about time to "get in line"

Sheer Colored Lawn, 40 inches wide in light blue, pink, corn, lavender, red, and black; absolutely fast color and worth 15c a yard. Special. .... 12 1/2c

Natural Tan All linen suiting for making skirts, suits or boys' and girls' dresses. Worth 25c a yard. For ..... 19c

Imported French Organdy—the remainder of the Devereaux stock—this fine material will become "limp" in damp weather; plain or fancy grounds with pretty colored patterns. Regularly 37 1/2c to 50c a yard. Tomorrow at..... 23c

Corded Flaid Cotton Voile, in the new brown shade—one of the season's most popular dress fabrics. Looks like a silk for goods. Worth 35c yard for ..... 25c

1st Floor—S. Kann, Sons & Co.