

MORE OF STORY

An Effort to Establish Form of Press Censorship.

NO NEW EVIDENCE OUT

Mrs. Wickersham Sees Herself at the Press Table and Tells the Newspaper Men She Hopes They Will Keep Quiet as She Wants to Hear All the Evidence.

Washington, May 5.—An effort was made to establish a new form of press censorship when the Ballinger-Pinchot investigation committee resumed its hearing this morning.

After Secretary Ballinger had taken the stand, Mrs. Wickersham, wife of the attorney general, walked up to the press table and took a seat, informing the newspaper correspondents she hoped they would keep quiet as she was very anxious to hear the testimony.

Mrs. Wickersham wore a handsome new striped flannel gown. She was informed that if she would occupy a seat in a less conspicuous position she would not be annoyed.

Mr. Ballinger was questioned at length by members of the committee in reference to the recommendations which had been made for the various irrigation projects in the different States.

Senator Flinn, of California, sought to show that the projects had largely been undertaken because of pressure brought to bear by senators and members of the house from the States where work was to be done rather than the recommendations of the director and chief engineer of the reclamation service.

Senator Flint also brought out the fact that at the time the big projects were authorized Director Newell, whom Mr. Ballinger had criticized, was not in charge of the reclamation service, but that the projects were approved by the late Secretary Hitchcock.

MEETING

The Bank of Washington Stockholders Hold Their Annual Meeting Yesterday at Noon.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bank of Washington was held at their banking house in this city yesterday at noon. The following officers were re-elected for the ensuing fiscal year: Seth Bridgman, president; Jonathan Havens, vice president; Thomas J. Latham, cashier; Jesse B. Ross, bookkeeper; Chas. R. Fleming, collector.

The following directors were re-elected: E. W. Ayers, Judge Q. H. Brown, Dr. W. A. Blount, Col. W. B. Rodman, William Bragaw, Hon. John H. Small, T. Harvey Myers, J. R. Davenport, Mr. W. S. Chadwick, of Beaufort, N. C., was elected a member of the board to fill the vacancy caused by the recent death of Mr. W. P. Bigham.

A dividend of 8 per cent has been declared on the stock, payable to stockholders on and after Monday, May 16. This makes a total cash dividend of \$58,000 paid by this bank to stockholders on the capital stock of \$50,000.

Fifteen hundred dollars was carried to the surplus fund, making the surplus \$36,500 besides the undivided profit account.

The condition of the bank was found to be very satisfactory in every respect.

COURT NEXT MONDAY.

The special term of Beaufort county Superior court recently ordered by the Governor in response to a request made by the Board of County Commissioners, will convene next Monday and will be in session one week. His Honor Judge Ferguson, of Waynesville, N. C., will preside. The principal case on the docket for trial is State vs. Carl Kelly.

THE SCHOOLS' DAY

The Schools Attended by Large Number on Second Day.

EXHIBIT IS A REVELATION

The Second Day Was Well Attended—A Most Interesting Program Was Carried Out by the Pupils of the Respective Grades—Will Do Much Good.

The second and last day of "Parents' Day" at the Washington Public Schools took place yesterday, and to the large number of parents and citizens who visited the school it was indeed a revelation—so much so that today only the highest praise is spoken of the work being accomplished by this well known institution. In every department of the school progress and advancement is seen on all sides judging by the high class of work shown to the visitor. In every department from kindergarten up, nothing but meritorious work and skill is seen. The present year has been one of the most successful in the school's history. While a large number of visitors have attended this exhibition it is to be regretted more did not avail themselves of the opportunity, for if they had, doubtless they would today be more enthusiastic over the work being consummated.

It was the pleasure of a Daily News representative to see some of the work accomplished and it can be said without contradiction no similar institution in North Carolina could surpass the class of work presented. The drawings in Latin, Greek, history, mathematics, English, manual training, etc., is wonderful. All over the large building it is to be seen specimens of the first-class work done by the students in the respective departments. A practical demonstration of what has been done is to be seen and some of those who do not believe in public education would have wonderment written on their faces if they had seen the specimens. The Daily News man must confess he was agreeably surprised. All the visitors attending this exhibition yesterday, as on the first day, were served with light refreshments by the domestic science department. Everyone was made to feel perfectly at home and every opportunity was given all to see and hear. A most interesting and entertaining program was rendered by the pupils in the different grades, a partial program of which appears below:

- Song, "Tender Little Violets." Three children, K.
- Song, "Little Shoemaker." Six children, K.
- "Great Wide, Wonderful World." By Grade 3B.
- Song, "I've Got a Farm in My Sawdust." Three girls, 3A.
- Recitation, "The Night Wind." By four children.
- Welcome song, By 4A.
- Piano solo, "Golden Waves." Rosalie Freeman.
- Hymns (a), "Holy, Holy Holy." (b) "Creation."
- Recitation, "Miss Edith Helps Things Along." Elsie Mae Foreman.
- Recitation, "Family Financiering." Jack Meekins.
- Recitation, "Dorothy's Mistake." Gladys Whitley.
- "Sweet and Low." By 7A and second year high school.
- "Wanted—A Wife." By Chalcy Lewis.
- Response, Carlotta Nicholson.
- Recitation, "Excelior." Robena Carter.
- Instrumental duet, Misses L. Bonned and Mattie Bright.
- "The Blue and the Gray." Eleanor Berry.
- Reading, "Patrick Henry Before the House of Burgesses March, 1775." Thomas Sparrow.
- Reading, "Over the Dead Body of Caesar." John Lewis Payne, John Carter and James Bonner.

Several other selections were rendered that were much enjoyed. The entire occasion has been an inspiration to the entire city and the Daily News believes that Washington is more enthused over the subject of education than ever before. We wish to congratulate the efficient superintendent and his able corps of assistants on the way they have conducted this last venture. It was a great success and there is not a citizen in Washington who has not been helped by the demonstration. Washington should feel proud of its public school system. It is accomplishing great things for the boys and girls.

We like Mr. Taft better when he is praising Theodore Thomas than when he is praising Cannon and Aldrich.

LOOKING AROUND

No Decision as to Postal Savings Bank Bill.

ABOUT THE RAILROAD BILL

Leaders are Getting Anxious and Say They Must Pass Some Kind of a Bill Before Adjourning—Anything Will Do, So It's a Railroad Bill in the Opinion of All Republicans.

Washington, D. C., May 5.—President Taft's statement that it is expected of the House and Senate to pass the legislation recommended by him in his messages, has caused the House leaders to look around and see just how matters stand. It was admitted today by leading House regulars and insurgents that the eyes of the public are on them, that they will be held responsible for the failure of the railroad bill should that measure be tied up in conference and fall to reach the White House before adjournment.

Representative Mann, of Illinois, who has charge of the bill in the House, said today he felt confident the bill would pass the house and be perfected in a way to meet the recommendations of the President. Just how long it will take to do this Representative Mann would not attempt to say, but the house, he added, would not be idle while the railroad bill is being whipped into shape by the conferees. When the railroad bill is out of the way the leaders will put through the bill admitting Arizona and New Mexico into the sisterhood of States.

What will be done with the postal savings bank bill which has already passed the Senate, will be determined shortly. The insurgents call attention to the fact that they have not consumed one-fifth of the time in debate on the railroad bill and insist that the regulars are themselves responsible for the delay.

In the Senate it is the decision of the leaders that some sort of railroad bill must be passed and signed by the President before the present session of Congress adjourns. They have reached the point where they are not very particular what kind of a measure it is, just so it may be labeled a railroad bill which will enable the party to go before the country and say that it has in part at least fulfilled the pledge of its national platform. The plan of the Senate leaders now is to eliminate the capitalization and stocks and bonds feature of the pending measure, the same as the traffic agreement and the merger sections have been dropped, and include them in a new and separate bill which will be presented at the short session. Even if there is nothing left of the original Elkins bill except the court of commerce the leaders are determined to enact that in order that it may not be said that Congress failed to enact any of the President's legislative program.

Forty-three Republicans have bound themselves together to carry out this agreement, and they are looking to the President to wield the club over four more, or enough to give them a majority to put through this program. If he is not able to bring them over it will be necessary to rely upon Democratic votes.

With the understanding that there shall be no further votes on any of the pending amendments until after the President returns, Senator Aldrich has gone to Rhode Island and will not be back until the first of next week.

GUEST OF MRS. BONNER.

Mrs. G. H. Brown, wife of Judge G. H. Brown, of the North Carolina Supreme court, was the guest of Mrs. Herbert Bonner on the steamer Hatteras Wednesday and Thursday. A trip was taken on the Hatteras from this city to Behaven and return.

ILL-FATED MAINE TO BE RAISED AFTER 12 YEARS.

Washington, May 4.—After twelve years the ill-fated battleship Maine is to be removed from the Havana harbor and the bodies which went down with the vessel will be interred in the National Cemetery at Arlington. A bill providing for such removal and burial which has passed the House today was passed by the Senate.

A SUGGESTION.

About noon, quite a large number of the smaller children on their way home, have to cross the A. C. L. railroad, while the trains are shifting. The railroad management always has a flagman at the crossing, but he can only be on one side of the train, while a large number of children are congregated on the other side close to the train while it is moving; and I have seen some of them catching hold of it, as if to jump on. Cannot the railroad management, the school board, and the town authorities agree on some plan for keeping the children at some distance from the track while the train is standing or approaching? This is offered not in the spirit of criticism of any one, but that a precautionary measure may be adopted before a little mangled body may force one. An ounce of prevention is worth a ton of cure. A CITIZEN.

GEN'L CONFERENCE

Gavel Presented to the Bishops.

THE SECOND DAY'S SESSION

All Areas of the Bishops are Present—Dr. Duffon Makes Address on the Life of Bishop Soule—AM the Delegates Have Arrived—Six Bishops to be Elected.

Asheville, May 5.—The second day's session of the quadrennial general conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, opened at 9 o'clock, with Bishop Wilson presiding. The conference rose in a body and sang: "Come Thou Almighty King." This was followed by a short Scripture reading and then "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" was sung.

The conference was led in prayer by Rev. John D. Simpson, of the Northern Alabama conference.

Dr. W. R. Lambuth, secretary of the foreign mission board, arrived here last night and was seated upon the stage this morning with the bishops, all seven of whom were present.

Bishop Hendrix took the chair and introduced Rev. John S. Simon, D.D., ex-president of the Wesleyan Methodist of England, who in a few words thanked the conference for its rising greeting.

Dr. H. E. Hobbes, of the Mississippi conference, general secretary of the Epworth League, made an address on the life of Joshua Soule, one of the leaders of Methodism in the South, who spent a large part of his life near Nashville. He presented the bishop a cedar gavel, made from a tree which grew in the yard of the old Soule homestead. The gavel was donated to the conference by Mrs. B. B. Bell, wife of Chief Justice Bell, of Tennessee.

Bishop Hendrix received it on behalf of the conference. Captain W. T. Weaver presented the bishops a gavel, taken through the kindness of Captain J. S. T. Baird, from an old stairway in the Killian home in Buncombe, where the first Sunday school class was organized 122 years ago.

The committee on arrangements donated this gavel. Bishop Hendrix taking these two gavels and the other, put the latter aside, with the remark: "Take a company; three's a crowd." This about the conference will be present associations of two of the early leaders of Methodism—Bishops Asbury and Soule.

RETURNS FROM NORFOLK.

Sheriff George Ricks returned from Norfolk yesterday afternoon on the Norfolk and Southern, bringing the prisoner, William Skipper, who escaped from the county jail about ten days ago. Skipper was arrested in Norfolk by the police of that city and the authorities here notified.

RIFLE SAFE AND SECURE \$5,000, THEN ESCAPE.

Newell, W. Va., May 5.—Four masked men early today held up the whole population of this town while they rifled a safe. Then they escaped. Bloodhounds were immediately put on their trail and the authorities of five near-by towns notified.

It was reported that they secured \$5,000.

A violent shock and a detonation drew a half-clad crowd at 2:30 a. m. to the North American Manufacturing Company's building.

Two masked men stood them off while two others went through the safe. "The first man to move is as good as dead," cried the leader. Then, calmly, but without lowering their guns, the quartet escaped, while the towns-people were searching for fire-arms.

THE GEM.

The many patrons of the Gem again packed the house last night to witness the performance of Camille and none were disappointed, as the picture was all the management claimed for it, and even more. It is a powerful drama, complete in every detail. Tonight another fine program is offered. The Call, is a Biograph story of life under the white tops. There is possibly no profession as alluring as that of a circus performer and the fascination is strongly represented in this picture. The film is a brilliant study in the influences of an occupation upon character and the effect it may have upon the individual. The Adventures is a dramatic picture of much interest with a strong plot running throughout the entire picture. Much cunning is displayed in the acting of this film. How Hubby Made-Good will bring forth many a good laugh. A wise man will profit by this picture and learn some new ways of fooling his wife. Remember at 8:30 o'clock a beautiful piece of cut glass of the latest design will be given away. It is one of the newest ones just out and very beautiful. Illustrated song tonight.

HEAVY FROST.

The heaviest frost of the season visited this section this morning, but it is not thought that the crops or fruit have been damaged.

UTTER DESOLATION

Albania a Scene of Devastation by Fire and Sword.

REBELS KILL AND PILLAGE

Although the Rebels Have Massacred Men, Women and Children the Government Forces Have Perpetrated the Worst Horrors—Situation Worst in Many Years.

Salonika, May 5.—From the Montenegrin border of Istib, more than 200 miles, Albania today is a scene of devastation. Men, women and children have been massacred by the rebels and the Turks, villages lie in ruins, and crops are laid waste. The situation is one of utter desolation. Refugees are arriving hourly to hide with their relatives. Bands of rebels have descended from the mountains on the villages of Koslovo, Glugevik and Salas, which had been occupied by the Turks and fierce fighting followed. Information at hand indicates that some of the lesser villages have been burned by the rebels in retaliation for sympathy shown the Turks, and others by the government troops to cut off the Albanian supplies. Attacks are reported on Banyani, Halakaidin and Salas.

Fierce fighting in the mountains was reported in dispatches received here today. The Albanians have resorted to guerilla warfare, overcome the Turks' advantages of superior numbers and guns.

Marauding bands of rebels have attacked many villages which have not supported the revolt. The worst horrors, however, have been perpetrated by the government troops.

Specific instances, reported by the refugees, show almost unbelievable cruelty. Whole families have been massacred in their beds and in many instances women have been dragged from their homes to the Turkish camps, to be held in slavery. The bodies of little children, impaled on bayonets, have been used to lead the fanatical troops on to further atrocities. The situation is one of the worst in the Near East in many years.

Efforts are being made to confirm a report that the rebels captured several newspaper correspondents, and are holding them captives.

NEW DEPOT.

Messrs. B. J. Hughes, superintendent of this division; C. M. James, engineer of roadway; K. C. Barrett, route agent Southern Express Co., and Mr. Griggs, insurance adjuster, went to Aurora yesterday afternoon for the purpose of ascertaining the loss to the freight and passenger depot in that town. The work of rebuilding the station will commence at once. The new building will be much larger than the old one, costing about \$3,000.

BASEBALL TOMORROW.

The Washington and Rocky Mount High School teams will rock bats at the Fleming Park tomorrow afternoon. The admission will be 10c. and 25c. It is to be hoped that a large number will witness the contest. The game promises to be exciting and close. Go out and help the home boys.

PAVING

Fifty-six Say That City Should Pave Streets; Two Say No.

As was announced through the columns of the Daily News a mass meeting was held in the city hall last evening for the purpose of considering the question whether or not the citizens residing along the route in the city to be paved shall pay for part of the street or whether the city shall furnish the curbing and pave the streets. At a meeting of the citizens sometime back this question was thoroughly discussed and the consensus of opinion on last evening was that the city should furnish the curbing and pave the streets as was expressed at the first meeting. There were 56 citizens present last night who indorsed this proposition and 2 against.

Captain George J. Studdert was the chairman of the meeting and a fair representation of the citizenship were present.

At the last meeting of the Board of Aldermen the question was raised as to this point, viz., whether or not the citizens residing along the proposed route to be paved should help pay for same or the city do so. After some discussion between several of the citizens present the board of aldermen decided to leave it to the taxpayers and voters. In consequence of this decision the mass meeting was called for last evening with the result as first stated.

Now that the matter is settled it is to be hoped the work of paving will begin at once and continue until all the streets of the city are paved as planned by the Improvement Committee.

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TO THE PHILATHEAS

Proper Credit Given to Press for Work.

INTEREST HAS INCREASED

Floasie A. Byrd, President of State Philathea Union, Writes Most Interestingly of the Movement—Calls Attention to the Campaign Against Disease, "We Do Things" She Says.

Greensboro, N. C., May 6.—For some time I have noted with satisfaction and pleasure the increasing interest of our people in regard to those problems, which, if properly solved, will not only lengthen our lives, but will make them happier, better and more useful. As a nation we are indebted to the press, to our lawmakers and our ministers for what they have done to arouse a study and to promote an understanding of the duty we owe ourselves and to those with whom we live, by making a more careful observation of the laws of sanitation and of health. The Progressive Farmer, under the caption, "You will die eight years before you should," says:

"The writer recently had the good fortune to hear Senator Owen, of Oklahoma, in vigorous advocacy of this proposition for a national department of health. He points out that while the total number of deaths from Spanish bullets in the Spanish American war was only 1,020, every day there are in the United States 1,700 needless graves for victims of preventable diseases. The annual death rate in New Zealand is 9 to the 1,000 people; in the United States 16.5 to the 1,000 people. With proper sanitation and hygiene and the prevention of unnecessary disease, lowering our death rate to what it should be, the average human life would be lengthened eight years. Or to bring the truth home to you, Mr. Reader, let us put it this way: Under our present policy of carelessness with regard to hygiene and sanitation, your life and the life of every average American is cut short eight years. You will die eight years before you ought to."

It is plain that our young people, who are not too old to prevent and check the ravages of disease should be, more than all others, eager to learn and to carry out those methods of prevention how being so universally discussed and urged by every institution that stands for the highest development of mankind.

It is natural that that disease which is most widespread, most communicable (and yet least so under proper conditions) and most deadly—tuberculosis—should be the enemy now being so vigorously fought by that God-given association—the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis. I wish to call the attention of our Philatheas throughout the State to this great campaign against disease, and particularly to urge that every Philathea class in the city of Raleigh and nearby either attend the American Tuberculosis Exhibition in a body some time between April 28 and May 10 or send representatives to make an intelligent study of this exhibition. As Philatheas, "We Do Things" and for "Other Young Women." It therefore behooves us to take a strong and permanent stand in this matter. This exhibition is intensely interesting and helpful in every particular.

FLOSSIE A. BYRD, President State Philathea Union.

AT THE GAUITY.

The range of program by Signor Luizi and Madame Renaldi was as great as was expected. These two great artists have shown their ability of being masters of the musical art. Madame Renaldi sang for her first number the beautiful old ballad "Annie Laurie" with such fine expression that it seemed her heart and soul was in that beautiful composition. Every note and word was as clear as a bell and she well deserved the applause she received. Her second number, "The Glow Worm," was equally perfect and well received.

Signor Luizi has shown to Washington music lovers that he is master of the violin and the harp. The first number "Valse Brillant" by Marple, was executed in artistic style. His technique shows that he understands the instrument to perfection. Every note ringing like chimes. "The Miserere," from H. Tevatore, was played with such feeling it would reach the heart of one that does not even appreciate music. His violin work is fully equal to the harp. Mendelssohn's "Spring Song" was so beautifully rendered that the audience sat silent until the last note was played, and a storm of applause followed. The second number, "The Gypsy Dance," by Ernst, showed that Signor Luizi's finger and bow execution is at a par with the harp. These two masters of the art are far above the picture house standard, but are making their way towards Keith & Proctor. Much praise is due Mrs. Bell for her valuable assistance in accompanying the Signor in his violin solos, and her work shows that she also is a musician of note. Program changes again tonight.

Mr. W. S. Burdage, of Bath, was in the city yesterday on business.

MARK TWAIN'S WILL

His Estate Is Valued at Less Than \$200,000.

GOES TO HIS DAUGHTER

This Does Not Include Rights in His Books Nor Unpublished Manuscripts—Heirs Have Privilege of Disposing of Their Share by Will if Necessary.

Redding, Conn., May 5.—By the will of Samuel L. Clemens (Mark Twain), filed for probate here today, the entire estate is left to Clara Langdon Clemens, wife of Ossip Gabrilowitsch. The home, Stormfield, is valued at \$30,000, and there is thought to be about \$150,000 on deposit in banks.

No estimate has been made of the literary assets, but they will be gone over by the trustees of the will later in the week. The will is dated August 17, 1909. It was drawn in Redding and was witnessed by Mr. Clemens secretary, Albert Bigelow Paine; Harry Lounsbury, superintendent of Mr. Clemens' estate, and by Charles G. Sark, of New York. The will appoints Jarvis Langdon, of Elmira, N. Y.; Zolbet S. Freeman and Edward E. Loomis, of New York, as trustees and executors.

When the will was drawn a second daughter, Jean Clemens, was alive, and by its terms each daughter is to receive 5 per cent. of all money on deposit in the bank at once, the residue of the estate to be divided equally and invested by the trustees and the income paid quarterly to the heirs. In case of the death of either heir without leaving issue or will, the whole estate is to go to the next of kin. In case there is issue and no will, the estate is to go to that issue.

The heirs have the privilege of disposing of their shares by will as they see fit. In case both heirs to the estate die without issue or will, the estate is to go to the next of kin.

The will says his daughter Clara and his biographer, Mr. Paine, know his desires as to his literary assets, and directs that the trust, as he is guided by them. No bonds are required of the trustees.

ENTHUSIASTIC

Parents' Day at the City Schools Praised by Citizens.

Editor Daily News:

My aversion to appearing in public print over my signature is overcome by my enthusiasm for the splendid display at our public school building during "Parents' Day." I have always pointed with pride to our magnificent building, but an insight into the work being done there as shown during the last two days convinces me that for the greater cause for congratulation lies not in the external magnificence, but in the thorough development of our youth.

It is hard to say where there should be the most praise, to our faithful superintendent, N. C. Newbold, who planned the work, or to his efficient corps of teachers who executed the plans, or the students who did the work. I should say that all who have had any part in bringing the school to its present state of excellence merit the most unbounding praise.

As one who loves our city, and encourages all that pertains to its welfare, I desire to urge a heartier and more enthusiastic co-operation on the part of the parents with the school authorities, in bringing to a yet higher state of perfection the system for training our boys and girls.

Very truly yours, J. A. SULLIVAN.

BEH MEN RETURN.

Messrs. W. H. McDevett, O. M. Winfield, and H. W. Taylor returned this morning from Concord, where they attended the Great Council of the Improved Order of Red Men.

Mr. Taylor was appointed a delegate to the national great council, and Mr. McDevett was elected a committee man of state of condition of the order.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

There will be a regular meeting of the Chamber of Commerce at their rooms this evening at 8:30 o'clock. A full attendance of the members is desired, as business of importance is to be transacted.

- NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
- Gem Theater.
- Gaiety Theater.
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