

TO DISCUSS WAYS TO PREVENT BLINDNESS

Workers for Sightless Will Meet in Washington Thursday in Two-Day Session.

Workers for the blind, who will gather here Thursday for a two-day session will take up methods of prevention of blindness as the principal topic. The act that needless blindness is responsible for a cost of \$600,000 annually, is given by those in charge of the conference as the reason for the gathering. The headquarters and registration bureau is at the Hotel Gordon, where a "get-together" luncheon will be held Thursday noon. President Wilson is to receive the delegates and visitors at 2 o'clock, and the opening session at 3 o'clock is to be presided over by John F. Hildeson, superintendent of the Maryland School for the Blind. Senator Gore of Oklahoma will preside at the public meeting to be held at the Public Library Thursday night at 8 o'clock. The invocation is to be pronounced by the Rev. Henry N. Couden, the blind chaplain of the House of Representatives. Speakers at the meeting are to be Congressman Samuel Kirkpatrick of Iowa, Edward Van Tave, president of the type fund commission for the blind; Olin H. Burritt, superintendent of the Pennsylvania State Institution for the Education of the Blind; Dr. C. F. Fraser, superintendent of the Halifax, N. S. school for the blind; H. Randolph Latimer, principal of the Maryland School for the Blind; M. C. Mizel, of New York, chairman of the type fund commission; and Charles F. Campbell, executive secretary of the Ohio commission for the blind, and editor of the Outlook for the blind. Friday morning's session at the Hotel Gordon is to be presided over by Herbert L. Satterlee, of the New York commission for the blind, the topic of discussion being recent State-wide organization and work for the adult blind. Following a conference luncheon, the delegates and visitors are to visit the reading room for the adult blind at the Library of Congress, the Washington Home for the Blind, the Columbia Polytechnic for the blind and the National Library for the Blind.

TO COMMAND UTAH



CAPT. J. H. GIBBONS, Of the Battleship Louisiana, Who Will Be Placed in Command of the Utah on the Voluntary Retirement, After Thirty Years of Active Service, of the Present Commander, Capt. Louis S. Van Duzer.

Urges Working Men to Fight for Half-and-Half

Because a change in the fiscal relations between the Federal and District governments is expected materially to increase their burdens of taxation, laboring men of the District are called upon, in an editorial in the current issue of the Union Labor Advocate, to use all reasonable efforts against pending legislation calculated to retard the progress of the Capital and disturb the half-and-half system. "All the plans for the physical and moral development of the National Capital for the future depend upon the continuance of this arrangement," the editorial reads. The expression of the labor paper is in line with the activities of the committee of 10, which, through Chairman Henry B. Macfarland, today expressed appreciation of the labor organ's stand. Speaker Clark will be a prominent figure in the Easter Boardwalk parade today at Atlantic City. He left today for the resort, and will deliver a lecture tonight.

LEGISLATORS CHAFE UNDER HARD RULES

Rank and File Are Little Better Off Than Under "Uncle Joe."

By JOHN SNURE. Agitation is growing at both ends of the Capitol over the rules. In the Senate there is intense feeling over the abuses of the secret session, and in the House the resentment is growing over the fact that the rules, which many misguided persons think have been liberalized, are in reality just about as restrictive from liberal as they were in the palmy days of "Uncle Joe Cannon." The recent trouble in the Senate over the confirmation of Winthrop M. Daniels as a member of the Interstate Commerce Commission, a struggle carried on behind closed doors, in spite of the demands of various progressive Senators for publicity and open sessions, has brought the feeling against the executive session to a head. This feeling found expression in the serving of notice by Senators Cummins, Follette, Kenyon, Clark, Norris, Poindexter, Bristow and others that they did not intend to observe the rule of secrecy in this case. Then came the Kenyon resolution to abolish the executive session. This was tabled by the combined votes of reactionaries of both Democratic and Republican parties. But it was done only by a majority. Senator La Follette happened to be absent at the time or the vote would have been a tie, and it would have been up to the Vice President. Is Not the End. This vote, however, is far from the last word on the abolition of the executive session, save in case of treaties. Senator Kenyon intends to keep up the agitation, and so do other Senators. The truth is, the executive session for the purpose of considering nominations and any matter which is of unusual international importance, has outlived its usefulness it ever had, if it ever had any. On several occasions, men have been confirmed for office who did not deserve to be confirmed, or what they said. With the Senate this right has been abused, but on the other hand it has proven at times extremely fortunate for the public there was such a rule. The feeling over the illiberal rules in the House may be developed more clearly than it now is, if a plan to put

Rubbish Is Contraband in War on the Fly

Rubbish and refuse, flies and dirt are to be contraband in the District of Columbia beginning tomorrow. For an entire week a vigorous war will be made in behalf of sanitation. The fly, as the deadly opponent to health and sanitation, should suffer the brunt of the attack. It is Washingtonians during the clean-up week. While the unsightly places are being eradicated, attention should also be paid to exterminating the deadly fly. A fly killed on Monday will mean a lessening of disease and unhappiness for Washington during the summer months to follow. "Clean up the city and clean out the fly," is the slogan of the District Health Department.

Washington merchants are signifying their intention to give no quarter to the disease-carrying fly this summer. One prominent merchant, who prides himself in having everything sparkling clean in his store, has advised the Health Department that he has arranged to kill every fly that registered at his place this summer. "I have arranged to keep the pests from the front of my establishment this year," he writes. "I have put an additional wiring, and I will keep a system of electric fans going that will not permit a fly to light in my neighborhood." Today's returning warm atmosphere brought additional flies to the surface, and made all the more apparent the necessity of killing the fly now. Kill the fly before it kills you.

SOUTHERNERS WILL REJOICE IN POWER

Many Places in Legislative Halls of Nation to Be Theme of Celebration.

Many prominent Southerners will attend the annual banquet of the Southern Society at the Raleigh Wednesday night. The fact that more Southerners are identified with the policies of the nation now than were connected with the Government in the first seventy years of its history, is to be made the chief point in the celebration. Governor Stuart of Virginia, Secretary of State Bryan, Secretary of the Navy Daniels, and Maurice F. Egan, minister to Denmark, will speak. At the head of the society is Claude N. Bennett. The other officers are: Secretary, Dr. Clarence J. Owens; financial secretary, Dr. A. J. McKelway; treasurer, Robert Lee Montague; chairman, Dr. William Taylor Snyder; historian, William Kearney Carr; vice presidents, Speaker Champ Clark, Senator Duncan U. Fletcher, Senator Joseph E. Ransell, Senator Luke Lea, Dr. T. P. Chapman, Judge Judson C. Clements, Major Holmes Conrad, J. J. Darlington, and H. M. Jacobway. The executive committee is composed of C. C. Calhoun, chairman; Dr. J. Henning Nelson, E. B. Merritt, Mrs. Gill Bamford Smith, and Mrs. Henry D. Clayton. Arrangements for the banquet are in the hands of Dr. Owens, managing director of the Southern Commercial Congress, assisted by Senator Hoke Smith, Hillary A. Herbert, George W. Atkinson, John Corbican, Jr., Mrs. Josephus Daniels, Mrs. Duncan U. Fletcher, Mrs. Asbury F. Lever, and Mrs. Harriet T. Graves.

GETS NAVY POSITION



CAPT. THOMAS WASHINGTON, Who has been made chief hydrographer of the Navy Department to succeed Capt. G. F. Cooper, who has been placed in command of the battleship Louisiana.

MURDERS GIRL FOR NOT HURRYING MEAL

Then Shoots Her Father and Brother, and Is Captured by Police After Pistol Fight.

GERMANTOWN, Pa., April 12.—Frances Colista, sixteen years old, was shot and killed last night by an Italian whom she had refused food. A moment after she fell dead, with a bullet through her heart, her father, Samuel Colista, and her brother Peter were both shot through the head by the Italian. With the father and brother lying side by side on the kitchen floor calling for help, the Italian fired the three remaining shots in his pistol and then fled. Colista and his son are in the Chestnut Hill Hospital. Physicians say they will die. The Italian was captured by Policemen Valentine and Floyd, of the Germantown police station, in a lumber yard four squares from the Colista home, after a running fight, during which both the policemen and the fugitive exchanged more than a dozen shots. At the Germantown police station the prisoner gave the name of Gouri Rizzuto, of Passaic, N. J. He was locked up, and will be sent to City Hall today. According to the police, Rizzuto was friendly with the Colista family, and frequently visited them. Investigation by Floyd and Valentine developed the story that last night the man entered the kitchen of the home, where Frances Colista was cooking supper, and demanded food. The girl, it was said, refused to hurry the meal, and when he attempted to force her she called for help. This angered the Italian. In a moment he had drawn his pistol and fired at her. The six shots in the kitchen of the Colista home attracted a great crowd of Italians from the neighborhood, who followed the man and the pursuing policemen. When the police opened fire on Rizzuto, cries of "Lynch him!" sounded through the street. In the lumber yard, the policemen guarded the prisoner with their guns until the arrival of a patrol wagon. Huge Throng Expected For Barry Unveiling. As many visitors are expected here for the unveiling of the Commodore John Barry statue in Franklin Park, Fourth and K streets northwest, on May 15 and 16, as were present at the unveiling of the Columbus monument in the Union Station plaza, according to Michael G. McCormick, chairman of the committee on visitors' welfare. Cavalry, infantry, marines and naval cadets will march in the parade and the Marine Band is to play at the unveiling and probably will take part in the pilgrimage to Mt. Vernon.

Y. M. C. A. Urges Men to Go to Church Easter

Association life and activities among the people of the Orient will be depicted at an illustrated lecture to be delivered at the Y. M. C. A. building by W. S. Washburn on Sunday, April 12. In deference to the many special services in the churches tomorrow, the association will omit its regular meeting for men, and all members are urged to attend at least one Easter church service.

Clark Off to Seashore.

Speaker Clark will be a prominent figure in the Easter Boardwalk parade today at Atlantic City. He left today for the resort, and will deliver a lecture tonight.

Youngest Senator Turns His 34th Year Today

Senator Luke Lea, of Tennessee, the youngest member of the United States Senate is thirty-four years old today. It is also the anniversary of the birth of Thomas Jefferson, founder of the Declaration of Independence. Senator Lea was elected to the Senate January 22, 1911. He is a graduate of Columbia University Law School and the University of the South.

Bank Which Failed Is To Be Reopened Soon

Permission has been given by the Treasury Department for the reopening of the First-Second National Bank, of Pittsburgh, which closed its doors last July. Comptroller of the Currency Williams, who has been in conference with officials of the institution, says the bank will be able to pay off its old indebtedness and start business with a capital of \$4,000,000 and a surplus of \$1,000,000.

Mrs. M. L. Cropley, Forty Years Resident, Dead

Mrs. Mary Lee Cropley, sixty-four years old, a resident of this city for forty years, who died Friday evening at her home, 102 Third-street northwest, will be buried in Oak Hill Cemetery tomorrow at 3 o'clock, after obsequies have been conducted by the Rev. Samuel H. Greene, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church. Mrs. Cropley was a native of Virginia, but came to Washington in 1871, when she married George W. Cropley, who died last July. Four daughters, all residing in this city, survive.

Brewery Men to Sign Wage Contract Tuesday

Representatives of the five Washington breweries and the brewery workers will meet Tuesday to sign new wage contracts which were agreed to late yesterday after conferences of more than a week. Both sides express satisfaction at the agreement. The men won their demand for an eight-hour day and increased wages, and the employers reserved the right to discharge any employee whose services will not be necessary after the number of saloons is reduced next November through the operation of the Jones-Worka excise law. The minimum wage increase is a week per man. Bottlers are raised from \$12 to \$15, stablemen from \$14 to \$15, driver foremen from \$16 to \$17, and drivers \$25 a week, from which they must pay helpers.

Vandal Attacks Statues Of Kaiser's Ancestors

BERLIN, April 12.—Antoine Astier, said to be a retired chief surgeon of the French navy, is held here today, suspected of having attempted to disfigure or destroy four statues of the Kaiser's ancestors in the famous Avenue of Victory. Astier is believed to be insane. The statues were only slightly mutilated before Astier was arrested. The beaks of the German eagles about the statues had been broken off. See Parole for Abe Reuff In Decision by Court. SAN FRANCISCO, April 12.—Abe Reuff, ex-boss of San Francisco, serving fourteen years in the State prison for bribery, may be paroled as a result of a decision of the State supreme court. The court says prisoners are eligible to parole after one year.

10c Bags of Sea Salt 5c. \$3.50 Clothes Washers With This Coupon 49c. 15c Bottles of Witch Hazel 8c. 10c Imported Powder Books, 5c.

STORE HOURS—8:45 A. M. to 5:30 P. M. IT PAYS TO DEAL AT GOLDENBERG'S. Goldenberg's SEVENTH AND K "THE DEPENDABLE STORE". Washington Agents for "Holeproof" Hosiery. New spring weights now ready, for men, women and children. Six pairs, guaranteed to wear for six months, \$1.50 and \$2.00.

15c Cans of Talcum Powder 6c. 5c Spools of Basting Cotton 4 for 10c. THIS COUPON and 5c for the pound can of Violet Talcum Powder, good quality borated kind. Regularly 15c value.

50c Garden Combination Spade and Trowel... 29c. THIS COUPON and 25c for 50c Garden Tool Combination (three useful tools in one); made of heavy iron and steel. Can be used for spade, rake, or trowel. Easily operated by spring. Complete with 36-inch handle.

10c Cakes of Toilet Soap 5c. THIS COUPON and 5c for regular 10c cakes of famous Renaissance Soap, the well-known antiseptic kind for toilet and bath.

Beautiful Silk Dresses. Values That Cap the Climax for Remarkable Low Pricing on. \$18, \$20 and \$22.50 Values at \$9.75. A sale of stunningly smart Silk Dresses that presents the most remarkable values Washington women have ever known—a capture of a high-class maker's remaining stock of spring and summer models at a price that hardly covers the cost of the beautiful materials and workmanship. Yours the opportunity to share in the biggest economies known! The newest and most alluring models of the famous Paris dressmakers are reproduced in these charming Silk Dresses—soft, rich silks have been draped, in masterful ways to emphasize their beauty, while the trimmings are of the finest sort. Materials include, Chiffon Taffetas, Changeable Taffetas, Silk Crinkled Crepe, Crepe de Chine, Flowered Crepe, Plain Crepe, Silk Poplin, Moire Silk Poplin, Silk Canton Crepe, Crepe Meteor, Charmeuse and Messaline. Designed in many effects, with peg, draped and triple ruffle and tier styles, spiral and corkscrew ruffles and pannier models. Choose from all the most sought-after colors, such as tango, taupe tobacco, alabaster, new blue, navy, plumcot, mignonette, helio, also black. All sizes for misses and women. After-Easter Clearing Sale of Women's Tailored Suits. Former \$22.50, \$25.00, and \$27.50 Values Reduced to \$13.75.

Imported French Flowers. Worth \$1.00 to \$2.00, at 25c. Another remarkable purchase of Beautiful Imported French Flowers—just the trimmings so much in demand this season. Many in bunches large enough to trim entire hat; others are in smaller clusters. The lot includes large Monteurs, Wreaths, Clusters and Sprays, in all the prettiest colors and shadings. Roses in all sizes, Pansies, Forget-Me-Nots, Fruits, Berries, etc. First Floor, New Millinery Section.

Purchase of 500 Dozen Untrimmed Hats At 1/2 and 1/3 Regular Prices! This wonderful opportunity is brought about as the result of a purchase of 500 dozen High-class Untrimmed Hats from a leading manufacturer; the cancelled order turned back by a large wholesaler because they were delivered too late for his purpose. We took the entire lot, comprising 300 dozen Black and 200 dozen Colored Hats. Choice is offered of a large assortment of the latest-most modern shapes, including Continentals, Four-cornered Hats, High-side Hats, Pokes, Bandeau Hats, Sailors, Turbans, Watteaus, flat effects and numerous other styles. Besides black there is every good shade, including new blue, taupe, gold, brown, purple, dark green, navy, etc. Hats Worth \$1.50 to \$2 at 69c. Hats Worth \$2.25 to \$3 at 89c. Hats Worth \$3.50 to \$4 at \$1.79.

\$3.50 Jap Matting Rugs 9x12-Ft. \$1.95. 9x12-ft. Japanese Matting Rugs, made of close-woven, 150-warp smooth-finish, long rush straw—not the usual rough straw usually sold at similar prices. Choice of handsome floral, medallion, oriental and conventional designs, in light and dark colors. 18x36 Matting Rugs, regularly 15c, at 7c. 27x54 Matting Rugs, regularly 29c, at 15c. 3x6 ft. Matting Rugs, regularly 50c, at 25c. 6x9 ft. Matting Rugs, regularly \$1.75, at .95c. 9x9 ft. Matting Rugs, regularly \$2.50, at \$1.29.

27-in Yarn Mercerized Poplins 11c. Regular 19c and 25c Values at... Value-wise women will need no urging to attend this wonderful sale of New Spring Poplins—the low price speaks volume. They are the genuine Yarn Mercerized Poplins that always retain their handsome silk-like finish. No amount of washing or exposure can harm them. Ideal in every way for spring and summer dresses. In a large assortment of plain shades, also silk stripes in self-color and variegated woven stripe effects. 45-inch Woven Crepe, with the new mercerized crepe weave; the newest and most stylish material, in all wanted street and evening shades. Regularly 25c 12 1/2c. 45x36 Bleached Pillowcases, large size, hand torn and ironed; finished with wide hem. Worth 18c each. Sale price... 12 1/2c. Crochet Bedspreads, double-bed size, in marcellise design. Worth \$1.75 each. Sale price... \$1.19. 38-inch White Cambrie, a fine, close-woven, soft-finish grade, for women's undergarments. Worth 16c yard. Sale price... 6 7/8c.

45-In. White "Sylvia" Lawn Sold Regularly at 35c 19c. The ideal white material for dainty, charming summer waists and dresses. Besides being so stylish and serviceable it possesses the added virtue of washing easily and always retains its handsome natural finish. An extra fine sheer quality, with a fine, crisp, distinctive finish; made of selected Sea Island cotton; snow-white bleached. One day at 19c a yard. 36-inch White Irish-Linen-Balish Percale, a very fine, even-thread quality, for making waists, skirts, and dresses. Regular 12 1/2c. 36-inch White Bleached Percale, an extra fine, raised-weave grade, the ideal white material for skirts and suits. Worth 25c yard. Sale price... 14c. 32-inch White Crepe Voile, with neat white woven ratine stripes—a distinctive white novelty for waists and dresses. Worth 25c yard. Sale price... 12 1/2c. 42-inch White French Voile, an extra fine even thread, two-ply quality. Worth 35c yard. Sale price... 18c. Nightgowns and Petticoats Regular \$1 Value at 69c. A well known manufacturer cleaned up his excess lot of certain popular lines of Undermuslins to us at a materially lessened figure. The Gowns are fashioned of sheer soft-finish nainsook, with deep yokes of fine Swiss embroidery; others with Valenciennes laces and wide ribbons. Empire and yoke styles. The Petticoats with deep embroidery in eyelet and blind work designs. Large assortment of effective styles, all tastefully trimmed and well made. Women's Combination Garments, of good quality nainsook, trimmed with embroidery and lace; drawers finished with val and linen lace 69c.