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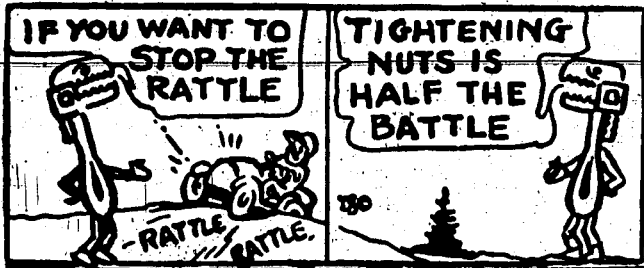
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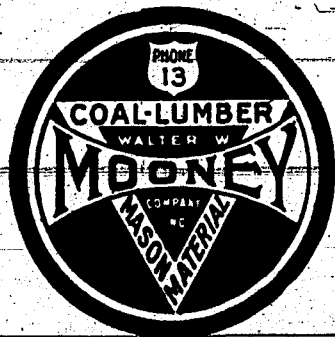
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GOVERNOR SENDS UTILITY MESSAGE

Urges Passage of Bills Which
Would Legislate Present
Board Out of Office.

CLARIFY COMMISSION'S DUTY.

Urges Remedy of Faulty Laws Which
Favor Corporations—Wants Statute
to Make Contracts Binding—Will
Not Permit Halting Trial of
Utility Board.

Trenton.—Declaring that existing laws regulating control of utility corporations by the Utility Commission are confusing and operate against the interests of the public, Governor Edwards in a special message to the legislature, urges prompt passage of the Gaede bills for the reorganization of the Public Utility Commission and additional legislation to be prepared by a conference between the committee and the attorney general.

Noting that the bills have not yet been reported out of committee, the Governor recalls his promise to suggest to the legislature remedial legislation on the subject, among suggestions, he recommends that the legislature pass laws to make clearer the powers and duties of the commission. The message deals altogether with laws to make better the administration of the public utilities, and declares that decisions of the courts have left many provisions of the laws in doubt.

One defect is the provision limiting the power of the board to suspend rates for three months, pending investigation, which the Governor says operates to the disadvantage of the public because the utility corporation absorbs so much time that there is no time left for proper investigation by the board.

"It is intolerable," says the message, "that the law should be so as to leave proper presentation of the public's side in great controversies dependent upon the grace of any corporation."

"Decisions of the courts holding that the Public Utility Commission can disregard municipal ordinance contracts appears to have created great confusion as to the legal status of the rights of those corporations and of the public. Remedial legislation is urged to correct this evil."

The message calls attention to the difference in valuation of public utilities in taxation and for rate making purposes and suggests that this be straightened out by new legislation.

The Governor makes plain that he will not allow legislation to interfere with the trial of the Public Utility Commission on the charges filed against it by Jersey City.

Edwards Makes Appointments.
Governor Edwards sent a long list of appointments to the senate for confirmation. Among them was the appointment of Ralph W. E. Douglas, one of the original public utility commissioners named by President Wilson when he was governor. Mr. Douglas is elevated to the Circuit Court bench. Among the appointments were the following:

Prosecutors of the Pleas—Monmouth county, Charles F. Sexton, of Long Branch, reappointed; Burlington, Jonathan H. Kelsey, Pemberton, reappointed; Salem, Daniel W. Beckley, Monroeville, to succeed Daniel V. Sumner, Jr., Penns Grove; Somerset, Azariah M. Beckman of Somerville, reappointed.

Judge of Circuit Court for circuit comprising Burlington, Salem, Atlantic, Gloucester and Cape May—Ralph W. E. Douglas of Camden, one of the original public service commissioners appointed by President Wilson when governor of New Jersey. He will succeed Howard R. Carrow.

District Court Judges—Somerset county, William F. Voessler of Bound Brook, reappointed; Mercer, John A. Montgomery of Trenton, reappointed; Camden, Rudolph F. Ayres, appointed under a new act to preside over the First Judicial District of that county as established by the statute.

State Public Library Commission—John P. Dillard of Trenton, reappointed. To be Member of the Civil Service Commission—Theodore H. Smith of Jersey City, county of Hudson, to succeed Max Miller of Hoboken.

To be President Judges of the Court of Common Pleas—Edwin E. Marshall of Trenton, county of Mercer, reappointed; Bullif V. Lawrence of Freehold, county of Monmouth, reappointed; Frank L. Cleary of Somerville, county of Somerset, to succeed Daniel Beckman of Somerville.

State Board of Taxes and Assessment—James Baker of Jersey City, county of Hudson, to succeed Frederick Gentien of Penns Grove.

Joker in Tube Bill.
Governor Edwards declared that he

would veto House 416 if the committee substitute providing for financing the proposed Delaware river bridge and Hudson river tunnels by direct tax instead of by bond issue, as originally provided, is passed. The so called "official copy reprint" of a "committee substitute" for House 416, the \$25,000,000 bond issue bill of Assemblyman Herschfield, which made a more or less mysterious appearance in the legislature. The original, House 416, provided that this state's portion of the cost of the contemplated traffic ways should be met from tolls on their use, augmented by assistance from the general state fund.

Just how the Herschfield bill reached its present stage is a question that is interesting the members of the legislature and at least one member of the Judiciary Committee, to which it was referred upon its introduction March 2. Also there is some curiosity as to how an "official copy reprint" of the alleged "committee substitute" came into being when the records show the measure still in the hands of the committee.

Assemblyman McAteer of Hudson, one of the minority members of the Judiciary Committee, declared that the committee had not met in the past two weeks, that the Herschfield bridge and tunnel bill had never been considered by it, and that no one had been authorized to return the measure to the house. Official copy reprints are usually prepared after bills have been reported out of committee, have been given a second reading and are ready for final passage.

Mr. Herschfield is chairman of the Judiciary Committee, and the other members, in addition to Mr. McAteer, are Assemblymen Pierson of Union, and Howard of Camden, Republicans, and Minority Leader Barrett of Essex.

Assemblyman David Young of Morris, who is opposed to any construction work on the tunnels or bridge until costs come down, was indignant when he learned of the action taken on the bill.

"This is palpably an attempt to slip something over on the legislature," said Mr. Young. "The presentation of the 'official copy reprint' makes it appear that bills have been whipped into shape for passage, and the fellows back of such schemes as this try by this method to keep the legislators from making careful investigation of the provisions. There have been other 'official copy reprint' schemes this year more than I have ever seen at any other session, and I'm going to dig to the bottom of this thing."

Under the original Herschfield bill the interest rate for the bonds was fixed at 4 1/2 per cent, and they were to be issued in denominations of "not more than \$1,000 and not less than \$100" and were to be disposed of by the state treasurer. The "committee substitute" provides that the interest rate shall not exceed 5 per cent and that the bonds shall be issued in denominations of "not more than \$50,000 and not less than \$100" and that they shall be disposed of by the State House Commission upon request of the New Jersey Interstate Bridge and Tunnel Commission.

The "substitute" supplies a sinking fund commission to be composed of the governor, the state comptroller and the state treasurer to handle the discharge of the bonds, this commission taking over the duties assigned to the state treasurer under the original bill.

The section of the "substitute" replacing the original provision that the bonds should be met by the tolls charged for use of the tunnels and bridge, with such assistance as might be necessary from the general funds of the state, follows:

"Beginning with the tax levy for the year 1921, and continuing each year until all the principal of the bonds and the interest thereon has been paid, there shall be levied a state tax, to be known as the 'Bridge and Tunnel Bond Tax,' in an amount sufficient

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Paul Deschanel, New President of France



PAUL DESCHANEL, the new president of France, now "reigns" instead of Raymond Poincaré. According to the official program established by precedent, President Poincaré drove with a military escort to the Petit Bourbon on the opposite bank of the Seine to fetch Paul Deschanel, who had been

president of the chamber of deputies. From there the two proceeded in state to the Hotel de Ville, Poincaré occupying the seat of honor by virtue of right.

At the Hotel de Ville, which is the seat not of the national government but of the municipal administration of the metropolis, President Poincaré ceremoniously presented his successor to the City Fathers, whereupon the president of the municipal council, that is to say the mayor in chief of the entire capital and the Prefect de la Seine, governor of the metropolitan county or department, welcomed the new ruler of France in the name of the city of Paris.

The two still living former chief magistrates of the republic, Emile Loubet and Fallieres, occupied places of honor at the ceremony. After Paul Deschanel had taken the oath of office, he gave a brief expression of his intentions to emulate the services of his predecessor and to fulfill the obligations of his office in accordance with the provisions of the constitution. Poincaré and Deschanel resumed their places in the presidential equipage. The outgoing president again occupied the seat on the right, no longer as a matter of prerogative, but as an act of courtesy of his successor, who drove him, still escorted by cavalry, to the residence which he had rented for Mme. Poincaré and himself in the Rue d'Alsace.

From there President Deschanel proceeded alone to the Elysee Palace, of which, after having been welcomed there with full military honors, he assumed formal possession in the presence of the members of the cabinet.

Quite a different sort of an inauguration from ours! The French president is not called upon to take oath of office and the people of Paris go about their business much as usual while the business of the president taking office is going on.

What is perhaps the nearest approach to anything resembling an investiture of office will be when the distinguished general, who is grand chancellor of the French National Order of the Legion of Honor, calls in state at the Elysee Palace on the designated afternoon to place around the neck of the new president the great gold chain of grand master of the order.

It is a gold chain composed of seventeen gold and blue enamel medallions connected with one another by large gold links, and naturally is superior to the grand cross, or first class of the order. It is fastened to each shoulder with bows of white ribbon, while suspended in front of the collar is a large cross of the order.

The first nine medallions are engraved with the names of the chief magistrates who have worn the collar since the foundation of the present republic, namely, Thiers, Marshal MacMahon, Jules Grévy, Sadi Carnot, Emile Loubet, Raymond Poincaré, and Raymond Poincaré. The name of Paul Deschanel is engraved on the tenth medallion.

This chain or collar of the order, dating from 1872, is the fourth that has been made since the foundation of the Legion of Honor. Just 45 years ago by the first Napoleon. He caused three collars to be made. The first one was for himself, and was worn by his nephew Napoleon III. throughout his reign.

The second is in the possession of Prince Joachim Murat, who inherited it from his great-grandfather, Field Marshal Joachim Murat, brother-in-law of the first Napoleon, and sometime king of Naples. The Prince Murat of today, of course, cannot wear it, not being a knight of the order, and of the lowest grade. He merely owns it as a family relic.

No one knew what had become of the third collar until it turned up in 1867 among the crown jewels of the reigning house of Austria-Hungary, and Emperor Francis Joseph wore it when he visited Paris that year in connection with the international exposition. It is now among the French crown jewels.

Of course the gold collar of the order recovers from the hands of the emperor and that worn by the first Napoleon as founder and first grand master of the order are so adorned with crowns and imperial emblems as to be unsuitable for the president of a republic. Therefore the official insignia of Paul Deschanel as the new grand master is the collar made in 1872 for Adolphe Thiers, first president of the third republic.

Although President Poincaré, like his predecessors at the Elysee Palace, was compelled to relinquish the collar of grand master at the close of his seven years' term of office, he will, ex-officio, as a past grand master, retain a knight grand cross for the remainder of his days. This in itself gives him high official rank. Indeed, the knights grand cross of the order—relatively few in number—are officially considered as among the highest dignitaries of the republic, coming immediately after the president, the speakers of the senate and of the chamber of deputies and the three marshals—Foch, Joffre and Pétain.

They are entitled to all sorts of military and



Mme. Deschanel and Her Children

official honors and prerogatives, are exempt from the jurisdiction of the ordinary courts of law and are amenable only to the senate sitting as a high court of justice. On their death the entire garrison turns out to give them funeral honors. In short, the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor, wherever bestowed upon a Frenchman, carries with it a position, it will thus be seen that France indirectly makes suitable provision both for the honor and for the maintenance of her former chief magistrates, who are thus preserved from relegation to the obscurity of ordinary everyday citizenship.

Like Poincaré, Paul Deschanel is entitled to a uniform. They are the only two presidents who have had a right to any official togethery since Marshal MacMahon. True, the uniform of President Deschanel is not a military one, but is the distinctive garb of the Forty Immortals of the Academy of France. It is a black, green, cloth suit with green silk trousers, a black hat and sword.

It is a rather attractive uniform, especially when worn by a man with any pretensions to good looks and elegance. It was devised by the first Napoleon at Moscow for the Academicians. Its simple, unobtrusive character, devoid of all gold lace and suggestive only of eminence in the arts and sciences, carries with it a distinction that is peculiarly in keeping with the role of chief magistrate of a republic such as France.

The question of a uniform for the chief magistrates of the nation indicative of his rank has frequently come up for discussion during the half-century of existence of the present republic. Adolphe Thiers, who was a dwarf, barely five feet high, with a terribly squeaky treble voice, was only dissuaded with difficulty from donning the gold-embroidered, gold-sequined uniform of a marshal of France, as supreme chief of the army, by the representation of intimate friends who were alive to the extent to which such a uniform would have emphasized in a comical manner his phenomenally diminutive stature.

President Grévy was indifferent to uniforms and preferred his shirt sleeves. But President Paul Deschanel, who was a good deal of a coxcomb, went to the length of having gorgeous uniforms and costumes designed for him and was only deterred from having them made to wear on his state visit to Petrograd by the fact becoming known and being treated with much ridicule by the Parisian press. So he had to content himself, like all his predecessors save MacMahon, with evening dress as his official garb.

While everybody will be disposed to congratulate Paul Deschanel on having attained, as president of the republic, the highest office in the gift of his countrymen, there will be many inclined to accord sympathy to his very charming wife, who is considerably his junior. While, thanks to the insistence of Raymond Poincaré, the official neglect with which the wives of the chief magistrates were formerly treated has been remedied, yet the life of the mistress of Elysee is far from agreeable.

There is not a single one of the nine women who have lived there during the last fifty years in the role of "Madame la Presidente" who has

belonged to a different party than that which elected Paul Deschanel to the presidency. Mme. Deschanel takes a keen delight in racing only for the sport itself. She will, henceforth, however, be unable to attend the races, save in her official capacity and in state. Then, too, there will be no more visiting the petits theatres, by far the most amusing form of dramatic entertainment in Paris, and she will be restricted to an occasional appearance in the state logs of the Opera or the Comedie Francaise.

She cannot but feel the attacks made upon her husband by the daily and comic press, fortunate indeed if she escapes attentions of this kind aimed at herself, such as, for instance, poor Mme. Felix Faure, whose husband was called upon by his assailants in print to resign the presidency because of the discovery made that years and years before, her father, a family lawyer of some note, had embezzled the trust funds entrusted to his care.

Moreover, as Mme. Deschanel has a large family of young children, she may be exposed to the same cowardly anonymous threats of the kidnapping of her youngsters—threats which drove Mme. Casimir-Perier almost to distraction while at the Elysee.

There is something almost pathetic in contrasting the arrival of the first ladies at the Elysee with their departure. Each of them has entered the portals of the palace with pride and pleasure depicted on her features, and making no attempt to conceal the truly feminine delight felt in occupying a position filled before her there by so many celebrated and in some cases beautiful women.

And each of them has left the Elysee broken-spirited and disappointed. Mme. Thiers was perhaps the one who carried her head the highest on her husband's return into private life. But then she was a strong-willed woman, and indignation at what she considered the nation's vile ingratitude toward him mastered every other sentiment.

Mme. MacMahon, Duchesse de Magenta, left the Elysee with the knowledge that half of the private fortune of the marshal had been expended in endeavoring to maintain the dignity of the presidency, and that, far from any one appreciating this generosity, the gallant old soldier had lost his presidential good name of the same and popularity which he had won on the battlefield.

Poor old Mme. Grévy, a woman of humble extraction, departed from the Elysee overwhelmed by the hurricane of obloquy and disgrace that the questionable doling of her son-in-law, Daniel Wilson, had brought down upon the head of her husband, forcing him to resign.

Mme. Sadi Carnot quit the Elysee a widow, her husband struck down by the hand of an assassin while driving through the streets of Lyons. As for the mysterious tragedy of the death of Felix Faure, it broke the heart and the spirit of his kind-hearted and good-humored wife.

Let us hope that the experience of the charming and gracious Mme. Deschanel there will be of a different character and that she may live to leave the Elysee at the end of her husband's seven years' term of office with the same happy look upon her homely features as when she crossed its threshold for the first time in the role of its mistress.

DADDY'S EVENING FAIRY TALE

By Mary Graham
Dancer 9-24

THE ALBATROSS.

Nick and Nancy had just read a famous poem about an albatross, that is, they said it talked of such a bird or creature, and as they knew nothing about an albatross or his ways or his family, they would love it if Daddy would tell them something about it.

"Indeed," said Daddy, "I will. You know now, come to think of it, some time ago I said to myself that I must tell you an albatross story—telling all that the albatross does, and how he looks, and how he builds his nest."

"And then somehow I forgot about it, and then it slipped my mind or some such dreadful thing."

Daddy laughed and Nick and Nancy said: "We're so glad, though, that you will tell us an albatross story."

"And please begin at once," said Nick. "Yes, please," said Nancy. "Well, that is best—to begin at once," said Daddy.

"Far down in south Georgia, in an island far off from here, which you will find in your geography if you will look it up, the Albatross family make their nest."

"In November, which is like our May where they live, they leave the ocean over which they've been wandering, and then they begin to make their home."

"Young Alice Albatross admired Miss Alice Albatross immensely. He began to pay her marked attention and he danced for her and sang for her and gobbled for her and shrieked for her."

"Will you be my albatross?" he said. "Will you be my albatross, sweet little albatross mate? Of course you aren't so very little, but I call you little because I love you and like to call you by pet names."

"Yes, will you be my albatross?" "And Miss Alice Albatross sang back: 'I will be your albatross. They have no family name such as the Johnny Penguins have. Johnny Penguin is a family name, but these birds are not family names, but just names to call them by.'"

"Well, after Miss Albatross had decided to become Mrs. Albatross they began scraping and pulling and digging at the ground to make a cone-shaped nest. They made it very high and then they laid the single egg which is their custom."

"Mr. Albatross helped his wife in everything she did, taking turns to watch over the egg. He was very

handsome with his white body, his touches of color on wings and back. He watched ahead of him and sideways to see that all was well."

"One day, when the egg was nearly hatched, the Albatrosses were really able to look after themselves, they still stay about their homes and where the colonies of many of the family are. But when the time for more little ones to come to the nests comes about the older ones go off with patches of gray down still about their plumage."

"Ah," said Mr. Albatross, "I always feared I wouldn't win you. You had so many devoted admirers. There they all were with their chests stuck out, throwing out their wings and making such fine gestures, and trying to make you look at each of them alone."

"Ah, I felt you liked us all the same at first, but then to my happiness I saw that you didn't, and that the others who had sought you for their bride were going away with their heads held low and waving them from side to side."

"Mrs. Albatross smiled to herself. She had thought it quite proper not to show Mr. Albatross too quickly that she liked him the best."

"They were sitting now on one of the stalks which formed the roof of the courtyard to their nest. Mrs. Albatross was sitting in a very dignified manner while Mr. Albatross was at her feet, squatting before her and looking at her with adoring eyes."

"They would touch their bills and stroke each other's necks and they would sing in their squawky voices, and Mr. Albatross would pose and make fine gestures for her so she wouldn't be sorry she had chosen him."

"They take turns, as I said before," continued Daddy, "to sit on the egg. Sometimes the one who has gone off will be gone a number of days looking for squids, their favorite food, but the one behind never moves from his place on the nest, but takes naps with his head under his wing."

"And, also, they are fussing with their home, making it softer and nicer all the time and looking out at the world with happy, soft brown eyes."

Adrift with Humor



SILENCED.

A young fellow who married a rich man's daughter was in the habit of troubling his father-in-law with complaints about his wife's behavior. "Really, this is too bad!" cried the frugal old gentleman one day after son-in-law had told of new domestic difficulties. "If I hear of any more complaints I will disinherit her." There were no more.

Slow but Sure.

The Customer—You ought to put in more chairs so a man won't have to wait so long.

The Barber—I got it just right now. As it is when a guy comes in here for a haircut, he and a shave at the time his turn comes.

The Extreme.

"Mr. Comeup was certainly mad when his wife told him to eat his ice cream with a fork."

"What did he say?" "He supposed her next fad would be to make him eat his soup with a tea-strainer."

Some Tough Luck.

Knicker—The old learned professor is sure having the time of his life. He can't remember his own name."

Knicker—Well, why doesn't he write it down? "Knicker—Of course, then he can't read his own writing."



HENCE THE NAME.

"Why do they call that horse 'Collections'?" "He's a trifle slow."

The Small Boy Speaks. I don't want to be an angel. And with the angels stand; I'd rather be a dim major And lead the village band.

Real Pleasures.

"Did your wife enjoy the book I sent her to read?" "Did she? Had the time of her life. Cried herself sick over it."

Their Use.

Polly—I can't walk across the street in such a flood of water, can I? "Tommy—Why not? Aren't you wearing pumps?"

In the Crowd.

"Here in a pickle in this jam," shrieked the first old lady.

"Heaven preserve us," moaned the other.

Speed but Not Joy.

Grimes—I understand that my son took you for a joy ride.

Simes—(Still white and shaken)—That was no joy ride for me. It was a fear ride—London Answers.

Degrees of Improvement.

"The noiseless typewriter is a great improvement in a busy office."

"Yes; and so would be one that didn't chew gum."

His Class.

"I told him when he proposed that marriage was a lottery."

"What did he say?" "He looked blank."

Seems So.

"If there were a navy aviation scandal."

"Yes?" "It ought to be easy enough to find the man higher up."

More Substantial.

"Don't you enjoy a verbal feast?" "Not entirely. When I go to a feast I want something besides tongue."

Unusual Scarcity.

"I am giving you a rare chance, sir, for there is only a very limited amount of this stock for sale now at this price."

"Heavens, man, are the suckers giving out already?"

Real Effort.

"You are doing nothing to try and make a living."

"You wrong me, dad. I am doing my best to marry some girl with a good paying job."

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The complaint by Fire Commissioner Everett at last night's meeting of the Township Committee of hold-up of fire apparatus at Union Avenue crossing only emphasizes every day complaint of all who use the crossing. "Safety First" is excellent and good to observe, but when the gates are put down for trains minutes away and held down until the passing train is a mile beyond the crossing, then the excess of caution and lack of intelligent handling becomes in itself a source of danger, for no one who has to get somewhere can afford to wait. It forces the taking of chances. On the average the gates are down twice as long as any safety precaution calls for, and after ten at night are usually kept down until the shanty man is waked up. It must be the railroad people have some one who can see the situation with intelligence to put in charge at this important point.

Newell Rodney Fiske Post



We are very pleased to announce that in addition to the lecture and pictures by the Rev. Dr. H. S. Brown there will be two added attractions to Monday night's entertainment at the Cranford Theatre. Our Chaplain, the Rev. Dr. A. N. Smith of Roselle Park, who went through eleven battles during the World War, and was wounded in the battle of the Argonne Forest will give an interesting address relating to experiences at the front. The second attraction will be by Comrade Joseph Gross, the post adjutant, who will sing some songs; of this feature no more need be said for Joe is a well known local favorite. He member the date, Monday evening, April 12th, at the Cranford Theatre. At the meeting Monday night six more recruits were accepted as members of the post. Several more applications were acted upon to enter at the next meeting to be held Monday, April 19th. The post has received its Charter, which may be seen in the window of Reay's Drug Store. The new members of the post are: Robert L. Dixon, Archie LaVar, John H. Lanza, Leon Schludner and George H. Holt.

EPWORTH LEAGUE

One of the best socials held by the Epworth League of St. Paul's M. E. Church, was the Easter Social on Tuesday evening. The room was decorated with blue birds and everyone was instructed as they came in to be happy. On a table in the center was a huge cake, into which each one dropped a little alk, filled with money. "Put your dough in the cake" was the order, and "a penny for each year of your age" you were supposed to put in the bag. Some of the folks must have been real old because when the cake was cut it was full of money and one bag contained one thousand pennies. There were many new games enjoyed, among which was blowing balloons, fortune telling game, sewing contest, singing contest. The latter was a revelation and was won by the Maryland Quartette who sang "Twinkle Twinkle Little Star." The quartette consisted of Mrs. C. C. Lewis, Mrs. N. J. Carr, John Witham and John Hodges. Among those who were present were the following: Mr. and Mrs. John Guker, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nick, Geo. W. Nick, Mrs. L. L. Loveland, Lynan Loveland, Miss Bertine Loveland, Albert Howell, Miss Albertine Howell, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Reinhart, Leroy Reinhart, Mrs. C. E. Vreeland, Mrs. Samuel Wood, Mrs. C. P. D'Elom, Miss W. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Carr, Miss Nellie Grossman, Miss Eleanor Combes, Edith D'Elom, Richard Windgarten, Mr. and Mrs. John Witham, Mrs. E. Grossman, W. J. Grossman, Mrs. C. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Usher, Mrs. Mary F. Raynor, Mrs. George Adkins, Walter Taylor, Fred McKinnon, Miss Mary Fortin, Gertrude Hoppenack, Agnes D'Elom, John Hodges, Kenneth Bell and Barney Wemple.

Cranford Post, American Legion

The time is now at hand—tomorrow night—when the American Legion will give its first dance of the season at the Cleveland High School. Madame MacDonald is just brimming over with jazz in anticipation of a large music-loving gathering. Her boys are all prepared to put over a dance that has never been surpassed and we can all expect a grand old time. Dancing will start promptly at 8:30 P. M., so be off hand early and start with the music. If you are late you will regret it because missing good music is discouraging to one and we don't want anybody to be discouraged. Fall in line and attend the "hit of the season."

Annual Meeting of V. I. A.

The annual meeting of the V. I. A. held Tuesday afternoon in the Presbyterian Chapel was opened with a prayer by Rev. Kenneth Martin. A report of the last annual meeting condensed from the minutes was read by the secretary. This was followed by reports of the various committees and treasurer. The President then read a general report of the year's work of the Association covering the work of all committees, whose separate reports were filed.

Mrs. Mason, chairman of the special committee on the State Endowment Fund, announced that a sum of more than \$50 had been given for that fund, which enables the Association to place the name of a member upon the Honor Roll of the State Federation. The name of the President, Miss Alice Lahey was presented to the Association and accepted by acclamation. It came as an entire surprise to the President, who for once really seemed, as she said, to "scarcely know what to say."

Miss Florence Spencer, of the Government Loan Department, gave the first talk of the afternoon on Thrift. Miss Spencer's personality and manner would make it a pleasure to hear her on any subject and she aroused a genuine interest in her subject.

Mr. Willard S. Hamilton, Secretary of the Prudential Insurance Company, gave a clean-cut, definite and earnest talk on Americanism. He spoke of the dangers and the need of their realization and of the necessity of organized intelligent effort to overcome them and especially of the tremendous multiple problems created by the overwhelming percentage of un-Americanized aliens. He outlined a plan now being worked out for a New Jersey Patriotic League organizations in a state wide effort through community co-operation to truly Americanize New Jersey.

The President in behalf of her co-workers presented Mrs. John Low with a brooch, a Friendship circle, in appreciation, first as Chairman of Entertainment and later of Americanization.

The meeting voted a slight increase in the annual dues of the Association to help carry on its rapidly expanding work. Mrs. A. L. Warnock gave the report of the nominating committee for President, Mrs. A. L. Warnock; Vice President, Mrs. M. J. Gross; Second Vice President, Mrs. D. C. N. Collins; Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. A. Knowles; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Sterling Warner; Treasurer, Mrs. Kenyon Messick. No other names were placed in nomination. Mrs. John A. Potter and Mrs. George Hanson were appointed tellers and announced the ticket unanimously elected.

There will be a Home Economics Conference at Newark N. Y. W. C. A. April 10th, at 10:30 a. m. and 9 p. m. Mrs. M. J. Gross, chairman of the State Department, requests the members of the V. I. A. to be present.

Miss Lahey's report follows: To the Members and Guests of the Association:

In making a brief report of the year's work your president wishes first to call attention to the fact that for many of our members this has been a sad year. The wing of the Angel of Death has touched many of our homes in Cranford and in other sickness and other troubles have afflicted our people. But, our is not the only place visited by sorrow. Surely the whole world has groaned in travail. Thank God for the Faith given us to know that through all the darkness God rules. That Light must come after darkness as surely as day dawns. Knowing all this we trust "the larger hope."

A personal word may be permitted just here. Your president has passed through the darkest waters, but she still believes the members of the executive board have stood loyally by her and she wishes now to publicly pay her tribute of thanks to the chairman of the board and to each member for all the comfort they gave her. During these seven months Mrs. Gross, our chairman, has never faltered although double work has been placed upon her shoulders. She was, with the help of the members of the board, carried to a successful issue a great deal of hard work. The board has never missed a session and has in fact had some extra meetings.

Now a word as to the committees. Mrs. Peniston, chairman of the benevolent committee, reports that over 20 individuals have been aided. Shoes, clothing of various kinds, and food, have been supplied where needed. In one case rent was paid. In one an insurance policy about to lapse was saved. Coal has been given. But perhaps most of all has been the wonderful help given by the personal touch of these kind women. The Needlework Guild has aided in this work with large gifts of fannels. The chairman reports a balance of money on hand amounting to \$86.33. Ten dollars was given to aid a cancer patient to reach her home in the south.

Mrs. Mead, chairman of the entertainment committee, which raises the sinews of war for the Association, reports that the Bridge held on Hallowe'en at Hampton Hall, netted \$75.00. The Charity Ball, one of the most successful ever given, netted \$260. The MacDowell Recital on Friday evening next, April 9, will bring to Cranford the finest pianist we have heard here in public. As the widow of America's greatest composer, Mrs. MacDowell is doubly interesting. Every member of the Association is urged not to miss this Recital. If we cannot get the support of our members for a really good entertainment we shall be discouraged about bringing a fine artist here. The lecture committee in which we cooperated with the Wednesday Morning Club, reports through its

chairman, Mrs. Chandler, that 414 tickets were sold for the Myers lectures. One lecture was given free, thus leaving a balance of \$114.33 in the treasury.

Mrs. Low, chairman of the Americanization committee, reports that the Egyptian Pantomime will net about \$35, which will be used in financing a May Party. During the coming weeks members of this committee will be visiting foreign-born families here. The children are to be asked to take part in the May Party. There will be May Pole dances, recitations, tableaux and the singing of patriotic songs. The teachers are asked to assist in all these plans.

Mrs. Low calls for her committee to meet at her home on April 12, at 4 P. M. Mrs. Cray, chairman of the Domestic Science Committee, reports that 355 pounds of the Dongvan Whole Wheat flour were distributed here. On Jan. 6 there was a demonstration of gas and electrical cooking appliances at the V. I. A. meeting. She has attended an important meeting at Trenton where Mrs. Frank App was the leader, 500 women being present, and where a great deal of valuable information was given to the women. Mrs. Cray would certainly have a large attendance if she would call her women and tell them all about the matters treated of at that meeting. She cites an interesting fact showing the growth of the interest in the subject. Twenty years ago Cornell University had Prof. Atwater there. He could not even interest his classes in the question. Today they are building a special building for Domestic Science.

Mrs. Kohlbeneyer, chairman of the school committee, reports attending the School Art Exhibit. Mrs. Van Sickle, chairman of the S. P. C. A., reports that a number of animals have been cared for, some of which are being housed in the new building to be a new society here and all are asked to join.

Mrs. Stephen Cox, chairman of the legislative committee, reports that letters have been written to the State Legislature endorsing certain bills, among them Daylight Saving; Vital Statistics; Railroad; Labor Bills; Helping Teachers Bills. A letter of protest was sent to Governor Edwards against the use of public money to test out dry laws.

Mrs. Breckenridge, chairman of Membership, reports 85 new members, with 15 resignations from persons leaving Cranford. Seven members have been dropped for non-payment of dues.

Mrs. Wade Hayes, has so recently been appointed as chairman of the Moving Picture committee, that she can only report on plans. It must be remembered that we have 18,000 moving picture theatres in this country. One of these is here. We cannot improve the others but we can improve and help standardize our own. The movies are destined to play a vital part in education. Shall we begin now to utilize them here and turn them to the best use possible? Mrs. Hayes says that if we show a manager that we object to any but a good type of play we shall get good ones. Some complaints have been made as to films shown here. Mrs. Hayes states that her committee plans to bring certain children's films here, based on the favorite children's books and old fairy tales as well as certain important educational films.

Mrs. Winckler, chairman of the Hospital Committee, states that owing to the fact that working people have had more money and better food there has not only been less sickness but that there has been less call on her committee. Only two cases have been sent to the hospital. One child has been fitted with glasses. The township committee has cared for contagious cases reported.

Mrs. Gross, chairman of the Red Cross Committee, reports that Mrs. Messick says that the V. I. A. stands ready to help here so that there is no need of calling on the Red Cross. As chairman of the local tuberculosis committee Mrs. Gross acted as chairman of the Tuberculosis Drive. She appointed members of the V. I. A. to serve with her and three men. The Drive totalled \$1040.

The president asked Mrs. Gross to take charge of the Navy supplies sale when Mayor Roach requested the Association to assume. The results were astonishing. About seven tons of food supplies were sold for 1920. The food was exceptionally good.

Mrs. Gross has been appointed as chairman of the Home Economics Committee of the N. J. S. F. of Women's Clubs, by our president, Mrs. Senemore. Mrs. Gray states that she regards this as most fortunate and we must all feel the same. Following a request from a member of the Association the Township Committee was asked to provide police protection for the children at the corner of Union and Springfield avenues, during the hours when they are going to and from school. The request was granted by Mr. Sims. The township committee was also asked to provide a safety zone at the intersection of Union and North avenues, where traffic is dangerous at times.

We have also asked for better protection for the tunnel and a letter was sent to the Railway Administration last June asking for less noise from the locomotive whistles. A promise was made that the matter would be attended to.

The help of the Association was asked in securing the school budget this year. The budget was secured. The Association has given its usual medals to the school and will give one now for the speaking contest.

Last spring we sent \$30 to the Forestry Association to help buy seeds for reforestation France.

The aid of the V. I. A. has been asked in forming an improvement association in a neighboring town. In getting better children's books in libraries; in securing aid for the Near East Relief; in signing the petition of the Armenia Relief Union. Five dollars has been sent to the Association for the Blind in New York.

Last Spring Mayor Roach asked our help in a Clean Up Day. Mrs. Gross, as chairman of the executive committee, took charge of the Day,

appointed her own committee and took charge of the work with the aid of Mr. A. L. Miller. Cranford looked very fine for a long while. Today there is a crying need of another clean up day. We can have it if we ask for it. Any one walking down Alden Street must be amazed to see the great piles of ashes, boxes, refuse, paper, standing or lying about as the storm sweeps on the rear of Union Avenue at that point. We all know the place. Last Spring these storekeepers with one exception, paid to have several loads of this unsightly rubbish removed. It is almost as bad now. What will you do about this?

From Cranford to the Far East is a long way. Yet this Association is no longer merely local. With the great war has come the realization that we are but a part of a great whole and if we wish to make our own place what it should be we too must not refuse to lend a hand when our aid is asked outside of the narrow limits of Cranford. Community work is being done here but with community work comes the knowledge that man does not live to himself alone but lives for all.

So in concluding this report, I ask you, as women and members of our Association to ever bear in mind that we belong together. We are only powerful as we act together. As an individual no one has power, but as representing a great body we have unlimited power. Let us lose the idea that the individual woman counts. It is the whole organization that makes us a power. So friends, members, I ask you to act as a whole. The Association can make of itself just what we want it to be made. If every woman works to make it of great value to Cranford it will be and we can make it of greater value than it ever has been if we work together.

Leonard Wood's Career.

By JOHN G. HOLME.
On December 12, 1890, Leonard Wood, a Major-General of Volunteers in the United States Army, received one of the most remarkable orders that any government has ever issued to any army officer.

He was made Governor-General of an island which for four hundred years had been a colonial dependency of one of the most reactionary monarchies on the face of the earth and was commissioned to train its militia and a half inhabitants, who had never had any voice in their government, for republican self-government. He was ordered to perform this gigantic task as quickly as possible, for the diplomatic telescopes of all the governments of the world were trained on the United States and the island, which happened to be, in natural resources, probably the richest spot of its size on the globe. The governments of Europe, Asia and South America wanted to know whether Uncle Sam really meant what he said when he pledged himself to free Cuba, or whether he was really going to annex Cuba with her inexhaustible sugar bowl.

The work before Wood was to build, rebuild and repair all the civil institutions of Cuba, such as the courts, the customs and postal departments, the school and electoral systems, establish lines of communication, expel the spies, train native public officials and supervise the writing of the Constitution. When Cuba was able to stand on her own feet, Wood was to come home.

Two years before the man who was commanded to perform this extraordinary task had been an obscure army doctor with the rank and pay of a captain. He had distinguished himself in the Spanish-American War as Colonel of the Rough Riders, the famous regiment of aristocrats and cowpunchers of which Theodore Roosevelt later became the commander when Wood was advanced to the rank of Brigadier-General. Wood had done a big job as Military Governor of Santiago de Cuba, and his success there had paved the way for his Governorship of all Cuba. Now that he looms big as Presidential possibility, the American people are more than ever interested in his career, in the forces and influences which have shaped his active life.

Leonard Wood was born in the village of Winchester, N. H., on October 9, 1860, and is therefore fifty-nine years of age. He comes of an old American stock which settled in New England long before the Revolution. One of his ancestors, Peregrine White, was the first white child born in Plymouth colony. Another ancestor, John Nixon, was one of Washington's Brigadiers, fighting through the Revolution. Leonard Wood's father, Dr. Charles Jewett Wood, left his wife and infant son, the future General, to respond to Lincoln's first call for volunteers. He was invalided home just before the Confederacy surrendered. After the Civil War the family moved to Cape Cod, Massachusetts, settling in the village of Pocasset, where Leonard Wood grew up, attended the district school and later Plover Academy, Middleboro, Mass. Here he distinguished himself as an all-around athlete. He showed a fondness for the languages and history. In his work he was persevering rather than ready. (To be continued.)

STATE OF NEW JERSEY.
To the dependants of Sarah Smith.
Take notice that Sarah Smith died on the sixteenth day of March, 1919, as a result of an injury received while employed by Herman Mahlenbeck, Cranford.
This notice is given in order that any dependants of said Sarah Smith may take advantage of the provisions of Chapter ninety five of the laws of this State, entitled "An Act to amend the act in relation to the estate of a decedent, passed at the session of the Legislature at Trenton, New Jersey, in 1917, and to amend the act in relation to the estate of a decedent, passed at the session of the Legislature at Trenton, New Jersey, in 1918, and to amend the act in relation to the estate of a decedent, passed at the session of the Legislature at Trenton, New Jersey, in 1919, and to amend the act in relation to the estate of a decedent, passed at the session of the Legislature at Trenton, New Jersey, in 1920, and to amend the act in relation to the estate of a decedent, passed at the session of the Legislature at Trenton, New Jersey, in 1921, and to amend the act in relation to the estate of a decedent, passed at the session of the Legislature at Trenton, New Jersey, in 1922, and to amend 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Town Notes.

Frank Morrill, of South avenue, spent the week-end at Lebanon.

Mrs. Robert C. Plume, of Albany, formerly of Cranford, spent Tuesday visiting friends here.

Miss Elsie Miller has returned from a week end visit with Mrs. Emily Emmons, at Lebanon.

The Misses Jean and Lottie Watson, of Walnut avenue, have returned from a visit in Washington.

Herbert Cannon, who has been ill at his parents' home in Springfield avenue, is able to be out.

Hubbard Nitchie and family of Claremont Place, have taken rooms with the Albertsons' family on Union and Forest avenues.

Francis Hanel and family, of Brooklyn, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hanel, in Springfield avenue.

Cranford Casino Opened Friday, May 14. Reservations for tables should be made before May 7th. For members and their out-of-town guests only.

Tonahill Council, No. 84, Degree of Pocahontas, Imp. O. R. M., will hold a shirt-waist dance at Flagg's Auditorium, Westfield, on Saturday, April 17. Admission 50 cents, including war tax.

The Elm Athletic Club of Cranford would like to arrange games with junior teams on their home grounds at Elm and High streets. Address all answers to Richard Matthews, 108 Elm street.

Felix DiFazio, who recently purchased the residence at 217 Walnut avenue, has sold it to William Comrie, of Grove street, who will occupy the property.

Integrity Council, No. 163, Sons and Daughters of Liberty, will celebrate its Sixteenth Anniversary this evening in Masonic Hall. The State Councilor and her staff will be present.

At the regular meeting of Board of Directors of Cranford Trust Company, held Monday evening, April 5th, Mr. Robert E. Crane was elected a Director in place of Mr. J. C. Denman, deceased.

Mrs. Mary Weber, of North avenue, west, has announced the engagement of her daughter, Miss Helen Weber, to Denman Peniston, son of Postmaster and Mrs. J. F. Peniston, of the same street. A dinner party was given in honor of the couple by Mrs. Peniston in the Peniston home Tuesday evening.

Rev. D. W. Cannon, D. D., former pastor of the First Baptist Church began revival services at the Ebenezer Baptist Church, E. 8d street, Plainfield, on Tuesday evening and will continue each evening this week. His sermons are soul stirring, come and hear the message of Salvation.

The people of Cranford are again urged not to miss the opportunity of hearing Mrs. Edward MacDowell on Friday evening at the Presbyterian chapel. The members of the executive board of the V. I. A. are invited to meet Mrs. MacDowell after the recital at Miss Lacey's home where she will be entertained while in Cranford.

The fire department answered two alarms Saturday for grass fires which were started by children burning rubbish on their property. The first fire was at the property of A. Henrich, 108 Retford avenue, and the second at the property of G. Attry, 102 North avenue, east. The flames were put out before any damage was done.

Today the Cranford Theatre presents Will Rogers in Ben Ames Williams' story "Jubilo," which recently appeared in The Saturday Evening Post. On Saturday, Alice Brady in "The Fear Market," from the play by Amelia Reeves. On Tuesday a revival of Rex Beach's greatest story, "The Spoilers," with William Farnum.

The regular meeting of the Rose Villa Musical was held last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Thompson. The attendance was large. On account of its being Holy Week the study was religious music and many beautiful compositions of Dudley Buck, Ole Speaks, Beethoven, Gottschalk, Debussy, etc. The paper by Miss Winkler treated on oratorios. Mrs. W. C. Rosencrantz was hostess of the day.

Miss Martha E. Buckholz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Buckholz, of 88 Barnside avenue, and William Milne, Jr., of Newark, were married Sunday evening, at the home of the bride's parents, by Rev. William B. Hamilton, of Eliza City. Miss Martha Roche, of Jersey City, was maid of honor, and Alfred Buckholz, a brother of the bride, was best man. The bride received many handsome presents, including several checks. A reception followed the wedding. After a short wedding trip the young couple will make their home in Newark.

Township Affairs

All the members of the Township Committee, Engineer Mosher, Attorney Austin and Building Inspector Moore were present at last night's meeting of the Township Committee.

Bids for sewer lateral in Lenox avenue, 450 feet in length with manholes and 7 manholes, were opened by Contractors Falagura, whose bid was \$1878; Louis Francisco, \$1889; C. Manna, \$1890 and Foster Callahan, \$998.50. Callahan was awarded the contract.

At last meeting of the Township Committee petitions for the improvement of Barnside avenue and of Retford avenue were presented. The Road Committee reported favorably on the Retford avenue petition extending same through Chestnut street to Walnut avenue. On the Barnside avenue petition a protest in writing by a number of property owners was filed. August Hogrefe, representing the owners who want the street improved, spoke in favor of same and questioned the good faith of the opponents. Action was deferred and Engineer Mosher directed to report at next meeting on the totals of frontage represented by the petitioners and opponents.

Property owners of North Lehigh avenue almost unanimously petitioned for the improvement of that street. This was referred to the Road Committee and Engineer for report. A petition for improvement of Claremont Place between Orange and Central avenues was likewise referred to committee.

A delegation of residents of Osborn Place, complained of the bad condition of that street and asked for improvement, also action to compel the gas and electric companies to give service. Chairman Roach said the Committee would do what it could on the service, but as to improvements the street being a private street action could not be taken. Mr. Eaton complained by letter of the condition of 6th street (South Cranford.) This also is a private street. All were referred to the Street Committee.

Fire Commissioner Everett reported 12 fire alarms since last meeting, 10 of which were grass fires. He suggested the necessity of taking action to enforce penalty against whoever may be responsible for starting such fires. Mr. Everett also asked that bids be advertised for new switchboard and motor generator equipment for fire alarm as the same is badly needed. This was ordered. The Fire Commissioner also reported the needless holding up of fire apparatus at Union avenue crossing for 5 minutes waiting for a grain to come in. This is often met with by all using the crossing. The Township Clerk was directed to write the Railroad Co.

Park Commissioner Aldrich reported tree trimming proceeding regularly and recommended that 6 to 8 lights be placed in the park.

Building Inspector Moore reported total permits for March, 6—value, buildings \$18,000. Ten applications for permits were approved. Seven driveway applications were approved, work to be done under the supervision of the Engineer.

In a letter to Chairman Roach the Business Men's Association reported the appointment of a committee of three, Jas. McMahon, I. Brenwasser and H. Allison, to work with the Township Committee in handling band concerts this Summer. Cranford Civic Board asked that a representative be appointed for conference on proposed community building. Engineer Mosher was named.

Mr. S. H. Tool called attention to proposed legislation placing jitney buses under control of the State Public Utilities Board. He thought this unnecessary and vicious legislation, emanating by the earmarks from the Public Service Corporation and asked that the committee go on record as opposing same. This, Chairman Roach said, would be considered.

S. S. Cranford's Maiden Trip.

The 9700 ton freight liner "Cranford," launched last September at the Wilmington, N. C., shipyards, of which our fellow townsman, L. C. Dilks, is the head, sailed April 1 from Liverpool for Liverpool on her maiden trip with a cargo of grain. The ship could have been in service last year but the interminable unwinding of government red tape held useful action. The good wishes of all here will be with the "Cranford."

To Form a Wood Club

All Republican voters favoring the nomination of Leonard Wood as Republican candidate for President are requested to meet at the Republican Club Rooms, Trust Company Building, Tuesday, April 13th, at 8:15 o'clock, for the purpose of forming the Leonard Wood Club of Cranford, the object of which shall be the furthering of his candidacy. Remember the date and tell your neighbor.

Trinity Episcopal Church

Rev. K. D. Martin, Rector

By special request the Easter music will be repeated next Sunday.

Thursday afternoon, meeting of the Altar Guild in the Parish House.

A Banquet for Township Committee

That the work of our Township Officials is appreciated is evidenced by the subjoined letter from the Cranford Business Men's Association, under date of March 12, which was read at last night's meeting of the Township Committee.

To the Mayor and Township Committee, Cranford, N. J.

Gentlemen:

At the last regular meeting of the Cranford Business Men's Association, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That we extend our thanks and appreciation to the Cranford Township Committee and the Highway Department for their efficient work in removing snow and keeping the streets of our business section open during our past bad weather; the splendid Police protection in the business section, the keeping of the Fire Department on the alert during the severe weather, and the placing of a new light at North avenue and Orchard street, your support of the Boy Scout Movement and remembering the Band Concert in your yearly Budget.

Assuring you again of our appreciation of these things, we are,

Yours for the Welfare of Cranford,

Cranford Business Men's Association,

L. V. HOBBS, Secretary.

Contract for Fire Apparatus Awarded

At last night's meeting of the Township Committee bids for motor fire apparatus were received from the Ahrens Fire Engine Co. on two types at \$12,800 and \$13,400; the Robinson Fire Apparatus Co. on two types at \$10,850 and \$11,000, and from the American LaFrance Co. at \$12,000. The bids were referred to committee of the whole with power, and following the meeting, after extended discussion, the contract was awarded to the American LaFrance Co., the apparatus offered by that concern coming nearer to Cranford requirements than the others offered. Satisfactory service by the same apparatus in nearby towns also helped the award.

The outfit consists of a high powered motor with heavy pumping equipment; chemical tanks and hose, and fire hose. The contract calls for delivery within 30 days.

Board of Education

The Board of Education organized Monday evening by re-electing Frederick J. Denning as president and Kenyon Messick as vice-president. Edward A. Cruckshank, Jr., and Mrs. Robert G. Stillier, who succeed C. C. Lewis and Mrs. George H. Bates as trustees, and all the other members of the board were present.

President Denning appointed the standing committees for the year as follows: Teachers, S. R. Jones, chairman; Mrs. N. K. Thompson and George A. Watson; supplies, F. L. Sholes, chairman; Edward A. Cruckshank, Jr., and Mrs. Robert G. Stillier; building and grounds, Kenyon Messick, chairman; Samuel R. Jones, F. L. Sholes, J. Ross Bates and E. A. Cruckshank, Jr.; finance, J. Ross Bates, chairman; E. A. Cruckshank, 2d, and Kenyon Messick; attendance, Mrs. N. K. Thompson, chairman; Mrs. R. C. Miller and F. L. Sholes; legislation, George A. Watson, chairman; Mrs. R. C. Miller and J. R. Bates.

The next regular meeting of the board will be held Tuesday evening, April 20.

Busy Day in Police Court

Saturday proved a busy day for Judge W. R. Hutchins at police headquarters. William Martin, of New street, was summoned into court for keeping a vicious dog. Letter Carrier Clifford Rohlf and several women testified that the dog was vicious. Mr. Martin promised to keep the animal on his own premises and the case was dismissed.

Edward Rockfeller, of Roselle, was fined \$5 for violating section 22 of the motor vehicle act. Richard Timbrook of 161 Second avenue, Roselle, was riding on the back of Rockfeller's truck and was thrown off in Union avenue. Rockfeller did not stop after the accident. Officer Martin picked up the boy and he was taken to Dr. J. L. Perkins. Examination showed the boy was uninjured. Rockfeller was summoned to court by Officer Martin.

John Brooks, a peddler of shoe strings, arrested by Officer Paul Lampert, was ordered to leave town.

George Ditzel, of Centennial avenue, was summoned by Officer Martin for driving a car without a permit. He was given a suspended sentence.

Lincoln-Sherman League

will hold its monthly meeting on Friday evening, April 9th, in the Lincoln School Auditorium. The main features of the entertainment to be given will be an interesting exhibition of physical culture training by pupils under the supervision of their teacher, Miss Lewis. Following the business meeting and entertainment refreshments will be served, followed by dancing. All mothers and fathers of pupils are earnestly requested to attend this meeting.

The League will also hold its April dance on Friday evening, April 9th, in the Lincoln School Auditorium. Music by Skell and Bones Jazz Band. Don't forget the date.

Golf Club Notes

An enthusiastic and largely attended annual meeting of the members of the Union County Country Club held at the Cranford Casino on Tuesday night.

The following trustees were elected: W. W. Buckley, G. H. Bates, H. R. Van Sann, R. M. Ford, H. C. Hayer, F. G. Sykes, Roderick Smith.

President F. C. Gay announced that seventy-nine members had signed up under the new membership plan. Many have expressed an intention to join. It is now ascertained that the necessary 100 members to insure the successful operation of the new plan of organization will be obtained, and the meeting voted unanimously to go ahead. The report of the Treasurer showed the financial condition of the club to be entirely sound.

The club owns one hundred and sixty acres of the finest land in this section, with the course conceded to be one of the best natural courses in the metropolitan district, and the clubhouse in excellent condition. The value of this plant based on sales of real estate in the vicinity and the cost of the improvements, is estimated to be nearly three times the amount of all bonded indebtedness.

In answer to inquiries the Trustees stated that the club property was not for sale and had not been offered for sale. Remarks were made by Judge C. B. Pierce, Mr. K. O. Brockbridge and others concerning the value of the club as an asset, not only to its members but to the Township of Cranford and the surrounding territory. It was agreed that the people of the community should be counted upon to support it. A committee was appointed to present the claims of the club to the loyal support of the people of Cranford as one of its most attractive and valuable institutions, and to other persons in neighboring cities and towns seeking an ideal course on which to play the "Royal and ancient game."

The course is now open for play and the summer greens will soon be in condition. Many of the members have already started on the winter greens.

ST. PAUL'S M. E. CHURCH

Friday, at 3 p. m., the Silver Tea will be held at the home of Mrs. W. E. Reinhardt, 43 South Union avenue.

Sunday services as usual at 11:00 a. m.; 12 noon, Sunday School; 8 p. m., Epworth League Prayer and Praise Service. Leader, C. L. Bell. Topic: "What Shall We Do With Our Sundays?"

The Epworth League is planning for their next social which will be "Around the World with St. Paul's Epworth League."

Cranford M. E. Church Notes.

A. LINCOLN FRETZ, Pastor.

Sunday School 9:45 a. m., Walnut avenue church.

Morning worship, 11 a. m., Walnut avenue and Eastman street churches.

Epworth League, Devotional Service, 7:10 p. m., Walnut avenue chapel.

Evening Worship, at 8 p. m., in the Walnut avenue church.

Regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held at the home of Mrs. Edward Montecourt, 23 Central avenue, Tuesday, at 8 o'clock.

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Mutt and Jeff Cartoons.
Pathé News

FRIDAY
Mabel Normand in "Pinto"
Briggs Comedy.
Topics of the Day
Pathé Review

SATURDAY
Alice Brady in
"The Fear Market"
9th episode, "Bound and Gagged"
Fox Sunshine Comedy, "A Schoolhouse"
"Scandal."

MONDAY
Capt. Newell Rodney Fish Post
No. 265. Veterans of Foreign Wars of
U. S. Doors open 7:30 p. m. Show at
8 p. m. Tickets 50c.

TUESDAY
A REVIVAL
William Farnum in
Rex Beach's "The Spoilers"
A novelty, "The Eternal Triangle"
Barton Holmes Travelogue

WEDNESDAY
Vivian Martin in
"Husbands and Wives"
"The Black Secret," Episode No. 14
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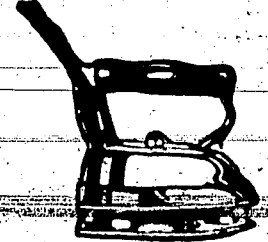
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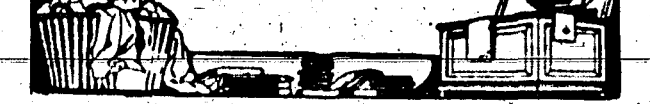
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Realty and Insurance Department

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Cranford, N. J.

Notice of Dissolution.
Notice is hereby given that the partnership of Conrad & O'Connor, proprietors of the Union Avenue Garage, 4 Union Avenue, Cranford, has been dissolved and hereafter the business will be conducted by the undersigned.
CONRAD O'CONNORS
Cranford, N. J., April 7, 1920.

LOST: Sunday morning, Brown parrot with about \$20. Letter addressed to Miss Evelyn Rodman, 183 DeKalb Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y. Reward if returned to Otisman office or 108 South avenue, Newark.

WHEN CONOVER CONNED.

By CORONA REMINGTON.

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"Well, young man?" said Brockton absently as he took his gaze off a pile of letters that were lying on the desk in front of him. "Why, hello there! It's Conover. Glad to see you." Brockton shook his visitor's hand warmly as he offered him a seat.

"Yes," was all that Conover could think to say as he dropped into the chair like a piece of lead.

The older man leaned back in his chair and waited, an expression of amused sympathy playing over his face.

"Mr. Brockton, I want to—I want to—" Conover stopped and tried again. "I want—I want—"

"I guess I know what it's about," said Brockton kindly, his blue eyes twinkling. "I had to do the same thing myself once, and I haven't forgotten it yet. It's about Doris, isn't it?"

"Yes," he answered quickly as he glanced gratefully at his prospective father-in-law.

"I thought so. How are you fixed about supporting a wife?"

"Of course, Mr. Brockton, I couldn't keep Doris in the luxury to which she is accustomed, that is, not at present—but I believe I could make her comfortable. I'd certainly do everything in my power, anyhow."

"That's right, young man, and I believe you'd do it. I know there's nothing stingy about you, and I'm glad to see it. If there's one incurable sin among mortals, it's stinginess—I never heard of anyone getting over it."

"No, sir, I don't think I'm stingy, and I feel sure we'd be very happy together."

"Take her, then, my boy," said Brockton, gently.

A few minutes later Conover left the office of L. B. Brockton, attorney, on winged feet. He stopped at a florist's shop and blew in on a most gorgeous bouquet of American Beauties. Then recklessly hailed a passing taxi and went speeding toward the Brockton home.

Somewhere far back in the recesses of his mind he realized dimly that



Totally Engrossed Planning the Rosy Future.

three boxes of flowers, two evenings at the theater, with supper afterward, and a few taxis thrown in, made rather an expensive week for a man on a salary, but after all, weren't they for Doris? And who could spend too much on such a girl? His thoughts were suddenly interrupted by the taxi coming to a standstill in front of the Brockton home.

"Your father's a regular trump!" he told his sweetheart exultantly as soon as he had entered the drawing-room.

"What did he say?" came in smothered tones from the region of his coat-front.

"He said I could have you; so you only have to name the day. Let's do it tomorrow," he pleaded.

"How absurd, you old dear. Just think about all my trousseau to make yet, and the announcements and things."

For nearly three hours they were totally engrossed planning the rosy future, but at last Conover had to pull himself away.

"When can I see you again?" he asked, as he rose to leave.

"This is Saturday," she mused.

"Let me take you to church tomorrow morning," he begged. "You know I haven't been with you to Trinity yet."

"Not in the morning," she answered, "but we could go to the evening service."

"Good! Then let's go to Foster's afterward."

"All right," Doris smilingly agreed. There remained nothing for Conover to do but wait until the evening of the next day, and a long, long wait it was. He began dressing at a little after five o'clock, and found himself ready ages too soon, in spite of the fact that he tried on every silk shirt and necktie

he possessed. At last, being unable to keep still any longer, he decided to start out and walk to Doris' home. It was only about four miles, and walking would be better than having to sit down and wait in that confounded club, where no one could understand what it was like to be engaged to the daughter of a prominent banker.

His face lighted up as he put on his hat and took a last glance at himself in the mirror.

John Conover made the distance in record-breaking time, notwithstanding he had tried to go very slowly so as to avoid arriving too soon. But there is an end to the longest wait, and the appointed hour finally approached.

"I began to think all the clocks had stopped," he told Doris as he helped her on with her wrap.

"You're such an impatient boy," she smiled at him.

Notwithstanding John's eagerness to get to church he paid little attention to what the rector was saying, but kept his eyes glued on the dainty little profile beside him. Suddenly he noticed the vestrymen starting slowly from the altar carrying the collection plates.

Four dreadful thoughts flashed into his consciousness simultaneously: "He and Doris were sitting by the second pew from the front and the plate would be practically empty; Mr. Brockton was taking up the collection in their section and he, John Conover, had in his pocket exactly one ten-dollar bill and one nickel. He had promised to take Doris to Foster's after the service, and, lastly, he felt the perspiration trickling down his back as he further remembered that stinginess was an incurable sin."

With a gasp he glanced into his pockets; his left hand gripped the ten-dollar bill, the other the nickel—which one should he draw forth and place beneath the eyes of his future father-in-law? If he put in the bill he'd be all right with the father, but how about Doris? If he put in the nickel he'd be all right with Doris, but how about the father?

Suddenly he looked down to see the almost empty plate nearly under his chin. Hysterically, he jumped, and jerking both hands out of his pockets, held them over the silver dish. His left hand opened, and the ten-dollar bill dropped from his grip.

It was all over in a second. In a frenzy he glanced down at Doris, who was looking at him with a probably thinking about that trip to Foster's at that very instant. How was he to break the news, and how would she take it? He hadn't even the time to get home.

When the services were over he walked down the aisle by her side like one going to his execution, realizing that each step was bringing him nearer the fatal moment. Now they were out of the church, and he had not thought of any possible escape. His lips were parched and his hands wet and clammy as he tried to speak to Doris.

"Doris," he began.

"Oh, there you are," a voice interrupted at his side. "I thought you'd given me the slip. Don't know what your plans are, but I was wondering whether your youngsters wouldn't come down to Foster's with me. I know there's a crowd, but she's all the family I have," Brockton explained to Conover, "and I thought maybe you'd let me have a little share tonight."

"Well, love it, daddy, dear," said Doris, slipping a hand into his.

"Nothing could make me happier," replied John with such fervency that Brockton slapped him on the back and mentally doubled the size of his wedding present.

What Spring Has in Store

According to French Scientist, the Weight of the Egg Is a Certain Indication.

That the weight of eggs may indicate the sex of chickens, under certain conditions, is suggested by experiments reported to the French Academy of Sciences. Noticing the heaviness of the cock, Mr. Lethbride found that in all breeds of fowl the adult male is from one to two pounds or more heavier than the female, and even in chicks as young as five days the difference ranges from a little more than half an ounce to a little less than an ounce.

This made it appear that the difference might also exist in the egg. Many trials showed that the eggs of leg-horns weighed from 1.9 to 2.5 ounces, the average being 2.2 ounces, and in the spring of 1918, 60 eggs selected on account of their size, were placed in an incubator for hatching. The selected eggs weighed between 2.1 ounces and 2.5 ounces, seven being slightly below the average, while the others exceeded it. The chicks hatched numbered 48, of which 37 were males and 11 females, concluding, the experimenter that the sex of the fowls can be determined in the egg. It is pointed out, however, that the parent fowls must be pure bred, and that the eggs gathered at the height of the laying season.

Convincing.

Arthur had been allowed to accompany his uncle to court, where the latter was a witness for the defense in a libel action.

While he was being cross-examined, the plaintiff's counsel asked:

"Are you married?"

The witness replied that he was.

"We have no proof of that, sir," said the cross-examiner.

Little Arthur stood up on a bench and piped up:

"Show him the bump on your head, uncle."

EVOLVED FROM THE HUMBLE SWEATER



THE humble sweater began its career as a practical, warmth-giving garment, without claims to beauty; but thanks to the imagination of beauty-loving womanhood its descendants have been industriously cultivated until there are many varieties in chic and lovely garments sprung from this ancient source.

The sweater-coat seems to prove more alluring to designers than the sweater, but in both there is a great variety of models, made of wool or silk, by hand or by machinery, or of piece goods.

For the last mentioned—the sweater-coat of piece goods—tricotette in several weaves and jersey cloth in plain or crepe weaves offer a happy choice of either silk or wool. For the richest models either of these materials is used, with embroidery in silk, and

these are the last word in the elaboration of sweaters into luxurious garments suitable for all occasions.

The pretty sweater-coat pictured strikes a happy medium between the two extremes of the purely practical and the highly ornamental in the realm of sweaters. The sweater-coat is a compromise between the two, made of silk fiber cloth which appears to be reversible. This coat adopts the flounced style with close-fitting three-quarter length sleeve, having a deep flounce set on. Its long collar gives it dignity and a narrow belt of silk jersey, making its tassel, helps out its attractiveness. It is a beautiful example of one of the new styles, matched in class by the handsome hat of braid and ribbon worn with it.

What Spring Has in Store



THERE are afternoon gowns and afternoon gowns, some of them so brilliantly designed and executed that they are not ashamed in the company of ambitious dinner dresses. But the afternoon gown most sought after is the less dressy affair that claims elegance and distinction in design, while it remains unobtrusive and simple.

Two beautiful afternoon gowns shown in the picture above are indications of what the spring has in store. These are made of dark-colored woolen materials and employ embroidery in silk, but they use these familiar things in new ways.

At the left of the two there is a dress which may be made of serge, gabardine, duvetyn, or any staple wool goods, that is to be recommended because it can be worn with a topcoat now and later, without one. It manages to be very original and very simple, depending on scalloped edges and a narrow-knotted fringe for the up-

beated in its composition. There are large scallops at the bottom of the skirt, smaller ones at the bottom of the long bodice, and still smaller ones to finish the short sleeves, and every scallop is edged with narrow fringe. It is not enough to say that the scallops are embroidered. It must be noted that the embroidered design is made for them.

Three embroidered bands on the skirt of the dress at the right are graduated in size, with the narrowest at the bottom. A narrow sash of the cloth is slipped through slashes in the bodice and ties in a flat bow with long ends at the front. The odd collar and turned-back cuffs are faced with satin and a slip pocket in the skirt must not be overlooked in this second example of excellent designing.

Julia Bottomley

IN JEWELRY FADS

Decorations Sensational Rather Than Extravagant.

Throat Latch and Pendant With Matching Earrings Brings Forth the Most Comment.

The present mode of wearing all sorts of striking jewelry has passed the stage where it may merely be referred to as extravagant; now it has become positively sensational, according to a Paris fashion writer. Quantities of remarkable jewelry were seen everywhere during the season in the south of France.

The jewel which created the most comment was a throat latch and pendant with matching earrings. These were very large and were made of platinum and diamonds. The earrings and the pendant were the same size and of the same design, the delicate chain which held the three together being of platinum and brilliants to match the three pendants.

A famous Parisian beauty wore this extraordinary ornament with the simplest possible coiffure, the hair being brushed straight back and twisted into a low knot at the nape of the neck. Her dress was an extreme décolleté in black and she kept a sable coat on most of the time, as her back was absolutely nude to the waistline. No other jewels were worn, not even a finger ring, but the marvelous brilliancy of her throat latch and earrings was the more pronounced because of the severity of the remainder of the toilette.

Another striking novelty in jewelry is a double bracelet of onyx set with rows of pearls with little chains of pearls holding the two together. This, like many of the new bracelets, is worn above the elbow.

Very large earrings are much in vogue. They, like other present-day jewelry, are usually in combinations of black and white or white and one colored stone, green and white being the combinations most often chosen. The preference for green and white jewelry has brought the emerald into even greater prominence and, despite the fact that the prices of these stones have become almost fabulous, quantities of them are worn.

Watches are quite as elaborate in their design as earrings and bracelets.

HAT MADE OF WOOD SHAVINGS



From wood pulp and shavings this exquisite hat is fashioned. It was recently shown in New York, among a number of other late Parisian ideas.

Novel Trimmings.

Braze coils, real true Chinese or Japanese coils, in some instances, and other things come under the heading of the new trims and blouses. Often they are set in a sort of frame of wool embroidery.

How About New Handbag?

Series of Fascinating Loops Is Late Style; How the Convenience Is Constructed.

And here are some plans for a perfectly delectable little example of ultramodern tendencies in bags. It is a hand bag, this, but a most different sort of hand bag, the beads not being used in any other effect or even in outline effect, but in a series of perfectly fascinating loops.

Judging from what you've already been told, then, you will buy your beads already strung, nor trouble yourself to unstring them. Also, you will buy them quite small, and of gold or silver, or any of the variety of colors that may suit your fancy, or, better still, your costume.

Now, this bag model begins with the usual satin or taffeta foundation, and on more or less conventional drawing bag lines. Before you even think about "drawing" it, though, mark it off with horizontal lines about half an inch apart, much depending on the size of the bag itself, though, in the first place.

For the marking, choose either chalk or conspicuously colored basting stitches. Then using these stripes as guide lines, begin at one of the bag seams, tack the end of your bead strand into place, loop it till it reaches the guide line below, then secure it about a quarter or an eighth of an inch from the first tacking.

Continuing that way all along, one line, go to the line below, until you reach the bottom, where, for finish, you

FURS TO BE SUMMER CRAZE



Milady's spring or summer wardrobe is not complete unless she has one of these stunning white fox neck pieces.

FEMININE FANCIES

Scotch leather sweaters are prominent.

The new Balkan blouse has a high collar.

Real lace is used on tailored lingerie.

Figured net is the latest lingerie material.

Figured voile is used for children's play frocks.

The entire hat today is expressed in the crown.

Shot taffetas are printed in pompadour patterns.

Recent trimmings are features of the overblouse.

Colored cotton embroideries are very charming.

The new up-and-down trimming is much in vogue.

Some tailored and Irish-trimmed negligees are of heavy, lustrous silk.

Black satin, draped with black tulle, is a wise choice for an evening gown.

A smart accessory is a dressy scarf of silk tissue, bordered in printed silk.

An all-white evening dress, for second mourning is made of ring dot silk net.

Angora cloths in Scotch plaids, or with blazer stripes, are used for sport coats.

Entire capes of gray squirrel fur are among the most luxurious garments.

Bulgarian embroidery, in bright colors, is seen on some of the spring blouses.

Sweaters for Spring.

New lines of women's sweaters presented by the manufacturers for spring show that the puffed style will not be featured to a large extent. The new designs show a certain looseness below the waist, but not the degree that has been the case last fall. Sleeves will be of three types: the sailor, raglan, and kimono styles. Many of the featured goods are designed on the order of the tuxedo garment.

Draperies in Vogue.

A glance at the pretty dresses in the windows of the shops indicates that one may make use of any old thing to furnish up one's spring gown this season. An old silk dress may have draped over it an old lace dress and short sleeves may be lengthened by adding wide lace to them. But not only is black used over bright colors, like green and blue, but contrasting shades are used, a blue over mahogany, for instance, or an emerald over green. They all look very pretty and fresh, but experience has shown that it is not fair to judge the fashions of the early summer and spring by the first displays.

Gingham and Silk.

Now maybe it doesn't appeal to you at first, but you'll like it and maybe you'll be wearing it before the season is out. Taffeta silk with gingham is the new combination. There are charming frocks made of taffeta with underblouses of the gingham. Gingham is also used with crepe de chine to good advantage, though undoubtedly the taffeta and gingham combination will be better liked.