GOSSIP OF THE HOTEL LOBBIES

STORIES OF INTEREST HEARD FROM EVERYWHERE.

Harford County Proud of Having Been Birthplace of Booths, Says Col. John Young, Even Though One Was Assassin of Lincoln—Addison, Pa., 100 Years Old, Has One Saloon.

"Harford county is proud of having been the birthplace of the Booths," said Colonel John Young, of Belair, Harford county, who was a guest at the Hotel Rennert yesterday. "The great actors were born a few miles from Belair and their old home is in very good shape at present.

"No members of the Booth family now reside in Harford county, but from time to time the old homestead is visited by some member of them. Not many years ago the little school house in which Edwin Booth and his brothers received their first instruction in the three R.'s stood not very far from the historic old courthouse in Belair. Carved in the desks could be seen the letters E. B., which had been placed there by Edwin Booth himself. The school house has been torn down and a dwelling has been erected on the site. At the old Booth homestead are many relics. The Harford Historical Society has done nothing so far to perpetuate the name of the Booth family. John Wilkes Booth cast a blot upon the family name, but nevertheless his brothers were great actors and what they have done for the theatrical world should be remembered."

In the Booth family lot in Greenmount Cemetery there is an unmarked grave. It is said to be that of John Wilkes Booth, and the family has left it unmarked for fear of vandals.

But Hasn't Addison Grown?

"There is a little town in Pennsylvania that will celebrate its centenary on July 4 with an old home-coming day," said John L. Hodges, a traveling man from the Keystone State, yesterday afternoon at the Hotel Kernan. "The little town is Addison, which has a population of 300. It is situated on the southern border of Somerset county, Pa. Addison has one street, which is three-quarters of a mile long. On the street are the only saloon in the town, three churches, three stores, three blacksmith shops and one bank. There is one policeman in the town and no lockup.

"The town was founded by Peter Augustine, who came from Holland 100 years ago. The fourth, fifth and sixth generations of Augustine are living in the town and will take part in the celebration on July 4. The only bar in the town is a licensed one. The three churches have no friction among them. The residents claim that they have never signed an antisaloon petition. All the heads of the households are propertyholders, with the exception of one tenant, who is saving money to buy a farm. There has never been a sheriff's sale since the town was founded, and the residents say that they have no need for a lockup. This is one of the most interesting towns in the United States and can teach a lesson to many cities of larger population.

"The celebration on July 4 will be a most interesting one, as it will bring together many men who have drifted away from the little town and become famous in other cities. It is needless to say that the only saloon in the town will do a good business on the home-coming day."

New Temple for Pittsburgh Masons

"Pittsburgh is soon to have one of the handsomest Masonic temples in the United States," said a prominent Mason yesterday afternoon at the Hotel Stafford. "Within a few weeks the work of erecting the new temple will begin. It will be a triumph in Grecian architecture. The total cost of the building and ground will be $1,500,000. The structure will be four stories in height. The present Masonic temple in Pittsburgh has been occupied for 65 years.

"The new building will be modern in every way. The second floor will have four Blue Lodgerooms. The fourth floor, with a height of ceiling of 36 feet, will contain an auditorium with a fully equipped stage. The room, including stage will be 123x80 feet, and with a balcony will provide a seating capacity of about 1,400. The stage proper will be 46x58 feet. In the northwestern section of this floor will be the room for the Lodge of Perfection.

"The Masonic order is growing very rapidly and its members throughout the United States are much interested in the erection of the new temple. Many cities in this country have handsome Masonic temples, but the new one in Pittsburgh will be the most up-to-date one yet erected in this country."

Women as Jurors on Coast.

"Soon after the women in California were given the right to vote, a jury composed entirely of members of the gentler sex was impaneled in a small town not far from Los Angeles," said J. L. Cook, a California fruit shipper, who spent yesterday at the Hotel Emerson. "And one man, when he found he was to be tried by a jury composed entirely of women, changed his plea from 'not guilty' to 'guilty.' The only other person tried by the jury was a newspaper editor. He was acquitted. I have just learned that beginning with this week women will be placed on the juries in San Mateo county, Cal. The sheriff of the county is much puzzled as to what to do with them. He claims that the jury room is too small. The men jurors will smoke their heads off, and he is afraid that the women will faint, as they always do. The sheriff says he sees loads of trouble ahead of him."

Naval Practice for Students.

"The Navy Department at Washington is taking an interest in the naval reserves in the different states throughout the country," said H. B. Endings, of Chicago, at the Hotel Belvedere yesterday afternoon. "The Navy Department has written letters to a number of prominent universities throughout the country, asking them to co-operate with the department in preparing a plan for the instruction of the university engineering students on board the warships during the summer months. It is a move towards the increased naval reserve. The plan is to increase the number of persons who have had training and experience in the naval service and in this manner enlarge and improve the reserve forces available for the Navy in case of an emergency.

"To this end the Navy Department plans to arrange with the administrative authorities of technical educational institutions for a limited number of students to receive instruction and training on war vessels during the summer. These students must be at least 18 years of age and have completed two years of their university work. They will not be enlisted men, but each one will have to bind himself to observe the navy regulations and obey the orders of his superior officers.

"Training will be given in steam and electrical engineering, gunnery and navigation. The training is to be practical, embracing every opportunity for actual experience, with the aim to ground each student well in one line of work rather than to give a smattering of several, so that subsequent training in a specialty may be readily developed."

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THANKFUL TO WHITE MEN

Negroes Should Appreciate Aid, Says Councilman Cummings.

The Brotherhood of St. Paul, an auxiliary organization to St. Paul's Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, Saratoga street, near Carrollton avenue, gave one of its series of popular lectures and literary entertainments at the church last night. After vocal and instrumental selections had been given, the principal address was delivered by City Councilman Harry S. Cummings upon the subject Fifty Years of Freedom and the Blessings It Has Brought. The speaker was introduced by Thomas H. Franklin, the president and organizer of the brotherhood. Rev. S. H. Norwood is the pastor. Councilman Cummings said, in part:

When on January 1, 1863, our late lamented Abraham Lincoln signed the Proclamation of Emancipation, he planted a seed whose growth of 50 years has wrought wonders in this great country of ours. Not only did this proclamation have the effect of giving freedom to more than 4,000,000 of human beings, who had for more than two centuries been held under a most cruel and inhuman system of slavery, but it had the effect of removing from the record of our country the darkest blot that has besmirched its fair name. It brought the sunlight of freedom to the slave; it lifted a heavy burden from the conscience of the master, and it started our republic on the road of progress under a system of free labor by which the laborer was fairly compensated for the labor he performed, and under this system our country, with its resources, has grown and developed to its present remarkable degree.

So that in looking backward a half century and noting the rich harvest which has developed from this seed, we can but feel that rejoicing and thanksgiving upon the fiftieth anniversary of this proclamation should not only come from the survivors and descendants of the 4,000,000 negroes who were emancipated, but from every true American citizen, who should rejoice that this curse was removed and that it marked the beginning of our country's true and substantial progress.

It is, however, with special reference to the blessings which have come to us as a race of people that I desire to speak tonight briefly. I need not picture to you tonight the sin, the cruelty, the immorality which characterized the system of slavery; they are too well known. Suffice it to say that on and after January 1, 1863, this system ended and 4,000,000 of negroes who had been forced to live under its gloom and shadow, walked into freedom. While the proclamation gave to us our freedom, it did not give to us those elements necessary for the growth and development of a people. We entered into freedom a weak, ignorant, prejudiced and penniless people. We had nothing—"Nature's green carpet was our floor and the spacious firmament our roof;" our benighted minds were unable to grapple with the simplest ideas of living. In this almost hopeless condition we started on our road as freemen. No race of people has ever started upon a more cheerless journey, and many, had they started, would have given up from exhaustion or disgust. Slavery, however, taught us the value of patience and endurance.

It was no less a distinguished statesman than Hon. Joseph G. Cannon (Uncle Joe), who, as presiding officer of the National Convention of 1904, in introducing one of the speakers, paid this tribute to the colored race. Said he: "It is my pleasure to introduce a representative of a race, which by the blessings of Providence and the sweat of their brows, have made more progress than any servile race in the annals of history."

Be it, however, ever to the credit of our Anglo-Saxon brother, the fact that he has not tightened the screws on us as a race as much as he could have done had he chosen—he has given us a chance. It was he who bought the books and built the schoolhouses. It was he who gave us employment when we were penniless. It was he who held our feeble hands and guided our tottering feet when we most needed a friend, and I know that the record we have made is not only a source of gratification to him, but will inspire and encourage him to do even more for us as our real needs appear, we, in the meantime, doing all within our power for ourselves.

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Mix one pint of granulated sugar with ½ pint of warm water and stir for 2 minutes. Put 2½ ounces of Pinex (50 cents worth) in a pint bottle and add the sugar syrup. Take a tablespoonful every one, two or three hours. Tastes good.

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THE PEOPLE'S LETTER BOX

TOPICS DISCUSSED BY READERS OF THIS PAPER.

The Tumult of the Tropics—Are Revolutions a Matter of Temperament or Is It the Climate?—Scientific Study of the Matter Urged as Superior to Battleships and Fighting Men.

Letters designed for publication in this column must be indorsed with the name and address of the writer. Anonymous communications will not be considered.
When the writer so prefers his name will not be published.
Letters should not exceed 500 words.

To the Editor: Washington hears that outbreaks are expected in all the Central American states, except Costa Rica, and forthwith makes preparations to be on the ground with battleships. For several months officials of the Departments of State, Justice and the Treasury have been collecting information as to what is going on in Central America. Have they ever made an effort to ascertain just why tropical governments have been for centuries in an almost uninterrupted turmoil? Have they inquired why one state, if it is not at war with its neighbor, is having a civil war of its own?

The immediate cause of any particular outbreak in that region is not so important to discover as the real and fundamental cause. We boast of our civilization and superior enlightenment, yet have we penetrated to the real seat of tropical disturbances? What lasting benefit will follow the swarming of United States warships and fighting men in these tropical regions on such occasions? We have done nothing to preserve the peace there, because we are ignorant of the situation and of the people. We do not go about it in the right way. There is a great deal of good in the Central Americans. That is a fact we should never forget. Let us find out just what that good is and how to encourage and develop it, how to appeal successfully to the Central American. We all know that he has a high sense of personal honor, and that to maintain that honor he will not hesitate to risk his property and his life. That is a fine trait. When we bully him with a show of force it only aggravates things. It does not make him love us. It kindles a lasting hatred.

We must treat the Central American question in a different way. First, we must get acquainted with the people there, with their character, with their temperament, with their ambitions. We should put ourselves in possession of knowledge which will enable us to handle the situation intelligently. If we act without that knowledge we are bound to do harm.

A. F. M.

Baltimore, March 10.

Bad Music of Carousels.

To the Editor: The public parks belong to all the people and, therefore, before taking any radical action, the Park Board should carefully consider the likes and dislikes of all the people. This applies to the proposal to place carousels in the parks. Many, many persons would object to these innocent amusement machines, mainly because of the alleged music that they grind out. Many adults like to visit the park as a mild sort of recreation, there to enjoy nature's beauties to the full and perhaps to read or study. Then there is the class of persons who like carousels and other amusement devices. This class is composed of the younger people and children. I would suggest that the Park Board can meet the tastes of both these classes of persons by placing the carousel in the "amusement center" of the parks. Near the zoo and the mansion, for instance, at Druid Hill. Then those persons who like the parks because of the quiet beauty there to be found would be accommodated as well as the younger people. Let us have the carousels, but let them be placed in the "amusement centers."

PARK LOVER.

Baltimore, March 10.

Maryland and the President.

To the Editor: Where, oh, where does Maryland, My Maryland, come in with the Wilson administration? Where are the men who were slated for high public office within the gift of the President? Echo answers, where? It seems that though Maryland gave quite a round figure for the candidate at the election, it did not make a deep impression upon Mr. Wilson. The Democratic leaders in this state wanted Clark, and are still wanting. Clark failed of the nomination, as did Underwood, so did Harmon. Each had friends in the Maryland camp and these rooted for their respective idols. Is it any wonder that Woodrow would row up the river and blink a while before he shakes the plum tree for the big fruit?

ONE OF THEM.

Baltimore, March 10.

Open Bids for Carousels.

To the Editor: Referring to the placing of carousels in our public parks, I notice that several gentlemen offer to build these carousels and pay the city 33 1-3 per cent. of the profits, if given a 10-year contract. There is no doubt that if a general vote were to be taken, a large majority of our citizens would favor this innocent and healthy park amusement. But, while we are about it, why not let the city derive as much financial benefit as possible? Why not advertise for bids and, as usual, award the contract to the firm offering the city the most revenue? I represent a large concern that builds carousels and am ready to bid, offering the city a much larger return than 33 1-3 per cent. of the profits.

Realizing that His Honor Mayor Preston is running this present administration on a simple and pure businesslike basis, I feel quite certain that he will insist on the carousels being placed in the parks on a business basis and in a business manner.

JOHN A. MEIXNER,
2801 North Calvert street.

Baltimore, March 10.

A Clean City Is a Healthy City.

To the Editor: George P. Phenix, vice principal of the Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute, in an address a day or two ago said the colored people here need to be educated along hygienic lines. Nothing in the way of advancing the health of the community could be of more importance than this. Some of the colored population do not require such education. They know how to keep themselves and their houses clean. A great many, however, should be taught, and a good way to teach them is by persuading those of the race who know how to take an interest in the matter and to go among their less fortunate neighbors and educate them.

Until about a decade or so ago Louisiana, Mississippi and other Southern states were periodically swept by yellow fever, which sent hundreds of the people into the grave. What is now the Panama Canal Zone was a hotbed of disease. No place in Central America and very few places in tropical South America were safe to live in because of this terrible plague. For years, however, we have heard nothing of this scourge, except in one South American state. That is because the scourge has been routed and barriers through which it cannot break have been erected. It is safe, even pleasant, now to live in Panama. This wonderful transformation has been brought about in recent years by the scientific application of hygienic laws.

If the same determined effort that has made the once unwholesome Far South a clean and desirable region is put forth in Baltimore, typhoid fever, smallpox and many other diseases that today menace and kill us will will pass into history, just as yellow fever has in the tropical countries. Give us good drinking water, keep the harbor, the streets, the alleys and the houses clean, compel the unwashed to wash, and we will not have to call in the doctor.

B. T. S.

Baltimore, March 10.

SIMONDETTIS TO MEXICO

Will Go There to Get Back Confiscated Property.

According to a special dispatch from New York last night, Ernesto Simondetti, formerly editor of El Diarrio, of Mexico, with his wife, who was Miss Katherine Noble, of Baltimore, will start from New York Thursday for Mexico to get back the property he owned in Mexico City, which the Madero administration seized and confiscated.

The government took possession of El Diarrio and ran it as a Madero organ until the recent overthrow of the Maderists. Simondetti is a close friend of Felix Diaz and of the provisional president, General Huerta, and will probably be the editor and proprietor of a government newspaper in Mexico.

Mrs. Simondetti was in an ocean disaster some years ago and was overboard on a life preserver for several hours before rescued. Simondetti, who is an Italian, was made a chevalier by the King of Italy for his work in Mexico in the interest of civilization.

Mr. Couglar Fifty Years Old.

John T. Couglar, one of the appraisers of the Register of Wills, has just celebrated his fiftieth birthday. Mr. Couglar was presented a box of candy by his fellow-employes. Miss Grace Padgett, stenographer in the office, made the presentation speech. Mr. Couglar, it is said, will be one of the Democratic candidates for clerk of the Superior Court.

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WANT DELEGATES FROM MARYLAND

TO ATTEND AGRICULTURAL INSTITUTE IN ROME.

Two Southern Women Here in Interest of Increasing Commission Which Will Attend General Assembly—Call on Governor—No Funds Available for Sending Delegates From This State.

Eager for Maryland to join hands with her sister states in naming members of the commission of the Southern Commercial Congress which will represent this country at the general assembly of the International Institute of Agriculture, which takes place in Rome in May, at which plans for promoting the interests of agriculture the world over will be discussed. Dr. Lilian W. Johnson, of Memphis, Tenn., and Miss Ernestine Noa, of Chattanooga, are in the city endeavoring to arouse interest among Marylanders in the movement for agricultural betterment.

Dr. Johnson and her companion, Miss Noa, are anxious that Maryland lose no time in naming two members of the commission, the agreement to name which was reached at the last meeting of the Southern Commercial Congress, held in Nashville, Tenn., in April of last year. Each state, including Maryland, promised to name two delegates. Maryland has so far made no selection of the gentlemen who are to represent their home state on this commission.

The first thing that the visitors did upon arriving in Baltimore was to arrange an interview with Governor Goldsborough. This interview took place yesterday, and the chief executive of the state gave the visitors a most cordial welcome. He also told them how interested he was in the movement which was now engaging the attention of the Southern Commercial Congress, and that he expected splendid results from the efforts of those who are to attend the general assembly of the International Institute of Agriculture, in Rome in May next. Governor Goldsborough informed his hearers that he had no contingent fund out of which the expenses of the two members of the commission could be paid, and that a further obstacle in the way was the fact that the legislature did not meet until January of next year, and that no appropriation could be obtained until that time.

To Designate Members.

Dr. Johnson and Miss Noa appreciated the position of Maryland's governor, and after further discussing the matter, Governor Goldsborough informed his visitors that it would be better for the Southern Commercial Congress to designate the members of the commission who are to make the trip abroad.

The two Southern women returned last November from Rome, where they met David Lubin who is the permanent delegate from the United States to the International Institute of Agriculture and spends practically all of his time in the Eternal City. Both realize the splendid advantages which are bound to accrue by reason of some intelligent plan of co-operation among farmers being decided upon and successfully carried out. After sailing for Europe the two Southern women became so deeply interested in the ultimate aim of the International Institute of Agriculture and were so appreciative of the splendid work which Mr. Lubin had done in behalf of co-operative farming that they went to Rome, met Mr. Lubin and promised him to return to America and devote their efforts toward arousing the people in every state in the Union in the movement to establish a successful plan of co-operative farming, so auspiciously begun abroad. True to their promise, Dr. Johnson and Miss Noa have spent months in traveling about the country preaching the doctrine of improved agricultural conditions. They have done more. During the last three or four months they have unaided raised more than $5,000 for the purpose of meeting the expense of circulating literature in every state in the Union. This money, which was raised in the North, has been expended. The efforts of these enthusiastic and energetic women will now be turned to the Southern States. Dr. Johnson says it is no more than right that the South, which has so much to gain from improved farming methods, should furnish its share of the money to meet the expenses of providing the Southern States with the literature outlining the work of the Southern Commercial Congress and the International Institute of Agriculture, and the possibilities of the great movement launched by these organizations.

South Should Aid.

"The Southern States," remarked Dr. Johnson in discussing the effort made to bring about a co-operative plan of operation as applied to agriculture, "must play its part in carrying forward this movement to better agricultural conditions. The South has much to gain from the success of this work. We want Maryland to lend every assistance in this lasting work. We want her two members of the commission to accompany the commissioners from all the other states in their trip to Rome. Next May the eyes of the agricultural world will be turned to that beautiful Italian city. The people of every state in the Union should gladly co-operate with each other in making this great work one of the lasting benefit to mankind,

"The commission from America will remain abroad for at least three months, and while away will have the benefit of the experience of the five experts on agriculture who have been appointed by the United States government to represent this country at the great meeting in Rome in May. In addition to the members of the commission and the experts who are to be appointed to represent America, seven delegates are to be appointed under a bill introduced by Senator Gronna and known as the Gronna bill and passed by the last Congress. This bill appropriated $25,000 to meet the expenses of the delegates while in Europe. It is expected that the seven gentlemen who are to be appointed under the provisions of this bill will spend considerable time studying co-operative agricultural plans now in existence abroad.

Dr. Johnson says that she hopes the visit of the Americans to Rome will result in the organization of a national agricultural association in America upon their return. An association of this kind, she says, would be a powerful factor in spreading intelligent knowledge relating to farming methods, and will hasten the time when agricultural pursuits will be conducted under a general plan of co-operation in the United States, which will bring happiness and prosperity to the farmers of this nation.

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WEATHER OBSERVATIONS

UNITED STATES WEATHER BUREAU, Washington, March 10.

Forecast for Tuesday and Wednesday: For Maryland, Delaware, District of Columbia and Virginia, generally fair Tuesday and Wednesday, preceded by rain Tuesday morning; not much change in temperature; moderate variable winds.

For North and South Carolina, generally fair Tuesday and Wednesday; moderate temperature; light variable winds.

For West Virginia, cloudy Tuesday, with rain in the mountain districts; Wednesday, fair.

For Northern New England, rain or snow and warmer Tuesday; Wednesday, generally fair; moderate to brisk east winds, becoming variable.

For Southern New England and Eastern New York, rain Tuesday; Wednesday, generally fair; moderate to brisk east winds, becoming variable.

For Eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey, rain, followed by fair, Tuesday; Wednesday, fair; moderate variable winds.

Weather Conditions and General Forecast: The rains have, moreover, extended northward over the Ohio Valley, Southern Lake Region and Middle Atlantic States, but over the western half of the country the weather has been mostly fair. Moderate temperatures still prevail in all sections of the country.

Rain in the Middle Atlantic States Tuesday morning will be followed by fair weather, but rains will continue until Tuesday night from the New England Coast westward over the East Lake Region and fair weather will prevail Wednesday over all eastern districts.

Rain will again overspread the West Gulf Region and unsettled conditions will gradually develop in the Northwest, causing rain or snow in that section as a disturbance over the Plateau Region moves eastward.

No change in temperature of importance is probable during Tuesday and Wednesday.

The winds along the New England Coast will be moderate to brisk easterly, becoming variable; along the Middle Atlantic Coast, moderate, variable; along the South Atlantic and Gulf Coasts, light, variable; on Lake Michigan, moderate, variable.

Steamers departing Tuesday for European ports will have moderate to brisk, variable winds, with showery weather, to the Grand Banks.

Rivers—On account of the heavy rains in the East Gulf and South Atlantic States during the last 36 hours flood warnings have been issued for the Pearl River of Missouri, the Black Warrior of Alabama and the Wateree, the Congaree and the Santee of South Carolina.

Daily Report.

Custom-house, Baltimore, March 10.

	Time.	Thermometer.	Relative Humidity.	Direction of Wind.	Velocity of Wind.	Precipitation.	State of Weather.
8 A. M.	50	65	NW.	3	T.	Raining	
8 P. M.	44	98	NE.	6	.21	Raining	

Normal temperature 39 | Highest temperature... 52
Mean temperature.. 48 | Lowest temperature.... 44

Maximum velocity of the wind, 10 miles an hour, from the northeast.

Record of Temperature.

The following table gives the minimum temperatures at 8 o'clock tonight for the past 24 hours at the following named stations:

Atlantic City, rain	44	Montgomery, cloudy	54
Bismarck, pt. cloudy	22	Montreal, pt. cloudy	20
Boston, cloudy	42	Nantucket, cloudy	38
Buffalo, cloudy	30	New Orleans, rain	62
Charleston, cloudy	58	New York, rain	42
Chicago, cloudy	32	Oklahoma, clear	46
Cleveland, rain	32	Pittsburgh, rain	36
Corpus Christi, cloudy	60	Philadelphia, rain	48
Denver, clear	18	Portland, Me., cloudy	36
Detroit, partly cloudy	28	Portland, Ore., cloudy	40
Duluth, partly cloudy	26	Providence, cloudy	40
Eastport, clear	32	Quebec, cloudy	14
Galveston, pt. cloudy	56	Raleigh, cloudy	48
Green Bay, cloudy	26	Salt Lake City, cloudy	34
Hatteras, pt. cloudy	54	San Francisco, cloudy	46
Havre, cloudy	24	St. Louis, cloudy	33
Helena, rain	28	St. Paul, clear	32
Jacksonville, rain	64	Scranton, rain	34
Kansas City, cloudy	44	Shreveport, cloudy	50
Knoxville, cloudy	46	Spokane, cloudy	28
Louisville, cloudy	44	Tampa, clear	66
Marquette, clear	18	Washington, rain	43
Memphis, cloudy	48	Winnipeg, cloudy	18

Almanac for Today.

Sun Rises.....6.24 A. M. | Sun Sets.....6.38 P. M.
Moon Sets.....9.38 P. M.

HIGH WATER.

9:00 A. M.....1.2 Feet | 9:21 P. M.....0.0 Foot

[Calculations expressed in Eastern Standard Time.]

BIG CONVENTION FOR BALTIMORE

ARMORY PLACED AT DISPOSAL OF CANNERS.

Governor Wins Fight—Some of the Trustees of the Building Objected to Its Use as a Hall and for Exhibition of Machinery—Thousands to Come to City to Attend Convention.

Governor Goldsborough won a notable victory yesterday, when the use of the Fifth Regiment Armory was voted to the National Canners' Association as their convention hall in February next. The victory was brought about by the aid extended to the Governor by State Comptroller Harrington, State Treasurer Vandiver, Attorney General Edgar Allan Poe, Adjutant General Macklin and Major Washington Bowie, the last named being one of the trustees of the building. The other trustees were against the proposition. They contended that the machinery to be installed in the building during the convention would scar the floor and otherwise injure it.

The first meeting at which the proposition to permit the canners to use the hall came up was a session of the trustees and of the state officials, who are also guardians, in Governor Goldsborough's office on Saturday. A deadlock was apparent when the first vote was taken. The Governor's next move was to call another meeting for yesterday. This meeting was attended by all the trustees and state officials who have a voice in its management, John B. Ramsay being the only absentee. The Governor reminded the trustees that when the General Assembly in 1898 made an appropriation for the erection of the Armory the promise was given that the building should be used for conventions and other large public gatherings, and that a refusal to permit the canners its use would be a violation of good faith. At the same time the trustees were advised that the owners of machinery to be exhibited will give bond against damage.

The offer of the use of the armory removes the only obstacle that stood in th way of the selection of Baltimore as the next convention city. The convention will be held in February and will attract fully 4,000 visitors. They will come to a city and state which are the headquarters of the canning industry in the United States.

FATHER WEBER SUCCUMBS

Funeral of St. Michael's Assistant Pastor Thursday.

Rev. Joseph Weber, assistant pastor of St. Michael's Catholic Church, Lombard and Wolfe streets, and one of the most prominent priests of the Redemptorist Order, who became ill while hearing confessions last Thursday afternoon, died early yesterday morning at St. Joseph's Hospital, where he had been rushed Friday morning, in an effort to save his life. Death was due to pneumonia, which developed on Saturday.

Father Weber was born in Baden, Germany, on March 4, 1852. When quite young he entered a college of the Redemptorist Order in Baden, where he completed a six-year classical course with high honors. He was then transferred to this country, and on March 6, 1871, arrived in Baltimore. A short while later he entered the Redemptorist Seminary, at Ilchester, Md., where he completed his theological training. On August 2, 1877, he was professed a member of the Redemptorist Order, and four years later was ordained a priest by Cardinal Gibbons.

The young priest then went to New York, where he served for a time as assistant pastor of Holy Redeemer Church. He was then transferred back to this city and served for a number of years at St. James' Catholic Church. About six years ago he was sent to St. Michael's, where he remained until his death. Father Weber was a man beloved by all with whom he came in contact. Besides being assistant pastor of the church, he had charge of the parochial schools and was also spiritual adviser to the German Catholic Union.

His body was removed from the hospital to the chapel in the rear of St. Michael's Church late yesterday afternoon. Tomorrow night, at 8 o'clock, the remains will be taken to the main edifice, where the solemn office of the dead will be chanted by the priests. The funeral will take place Thursday morning, at 10 o'clock. A special solemn high mass of requiem will be celebrated by Rev. Jos. Schneider, Eastern provincial of the Redemptorist Order. Bishop Owen B. Corrigan will preside at the services. Burial will be in Holy Redeemer Cemetery.

Madame Alda Coming.

Mme. Frances Alda, leading soprano of the Metropolitan Grand Opera Company, will return to Baltimore after an absence of three years, to take part in the music festival that will be given in the Lyric, on April 7, 8 and 9, by the Oratorio Society, assisted by the United German Singers and the Philadelphia Orchestra.

Mme. Alda has the reputation of being one of the greatest lyric sopranos of the day. She received her education in Europe, having studied vocal music with Mme. Blanche Marchesi, and before coming to America had appeared with great success at most of the celebrated continental opera houses, particularly at La Scala, in Milan.

She will be heard at the festival in Nowowiejski's magnificent masterpiece, Quo Vadis, which will be given by the festival chorus under the direction of Joseph Pache, the third night. The other soloists will be Edouard Lankow, first basso of the Boston Grand Opera Company, and Arthur Phillips, barytone, formerly of Hammerstein's London Grand Opera Company.

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