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THE ECCENTRIC
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The Equal Suffrage Convention

Miss M. Baldwin Favors Us with an Interesting Account of the Recent Washington Meeting.

EDITORS ECCENTRIC:—

For this infliction on your readers you are responsible, as knowing—that at this political season when the politicians are so anxious about the welfare of the man with the ballot, the woman without the ballot and the woman without a country even, counts for less than usual, if possible. I had not intended to say more, but as you ask it and as some women may read it, I will add a few of the many things of interest in the convention.—M. B.

The Woman's Equal Suffrage convention meets every year, and every second year it meets in Washington. Miss Shaw said that "the men of this city welcome us because they are in the same disfranchised condition that we are. There are some things greater than to be an office-holder and one is to be a free and enfranchised American citizen."

Mrs. Catt, the president opened the convention with one of her able speeches, not on woman's suffrage but on men's suffrage, giving some statistics which we do not often hear. In 1900 there were 2,326,000 men of voting age in the United States unable to read or write—977,000 negroes but the greater number white—1,251,000. Of the white illiterates 113,000 more are native born than foreign born. Now just one figure more and you can draw your own conclusion, 18,330 more girls than boys are yearly graduated from our public schools. Why, the little city of New Haven right under the shadow of Yale College, has 1,866 illiterate voters. Is it any wonder that woman's clubs and women everywhere are trying to educate? Is it any wonder that the mother heart of the woman is asking for child labor laws? and right here I want to ask how many know that in only 13 out of the 45 states is the mother equal guardian with the father of her child, and so hard is it to work without tools that it has taken years of hard work to get that many?

Now I want to tell you about the Congressional hearing which interested me greatly. A committee of five were appointed from the Senate and a committee of sixteen from the House to listen to the arguments of the women chosen by the convention in behalf of a bill recently introduced into Congress giving women the right to vote for members of the House of Representatives. The admission is by card and as the rooms are small for the hall of the citizens of this republic even tho it contain the minimum of criminals and the maximum of law abiding citizens, can not be heard on the floor of Congress. I was fortunate to secure a ticket to the Senate hearing which was held in the Marble Room of the Senate. The chairman of the committee was Senator Bacon of Georgia—just such a man as you would think would be sent by the legislature of a state which has twice refused to pass a child labor law tho children of six years are working there in the cotton mills twelve hours a day. Miss Anthony presided, calling on the different speakers who responded with five and ten minute speeches. At the close of the hearing Senator Mitchell, of Oregon, said that he had served his state in the Senate for twenty-one years and that no two hours of all that time had brought him as much pleasure and instruction as the two hours just passed.

The delegation attending the convention from Colorado was large and able. They came that long distance paying their own expenses, to tell of the good that had come to Colorado after ten years of woman's voting. The laws they have secured for the protection and care of children, for the poor, for the crippled and helpless, would put to shame the statute books of other states. Not only is it a crime to dock a horse's tail in Colorado, but also to import a horse with docked tail into the state.

Prominent among the speakers were Mrs. Greenfell who is serving her sixth term as State Superintendent of Public Instruction; the Hon. Alva Adams, twice governor of the state, and Mrs. M. Bradford, who at the close of of her speech, "Our Message to Garcia," gave as a toast to Miss Anthony the pledge of Colorado women to work for the cause till we have forty-five stars on our flag instead of four. Colorado women are no longer suppliants—they have arrived.

Some one asked a Colorado woman if woman's votes had cured corruption in politics in that state, and in answer she told the story of a man who was suffering from delerium tremens, "Can you cure me?" said the man. "No," said the doctor, "but I can reduce the size of the snakes." Equal Suffrage has not cured corruption in politics, but it has reduced the size of the snakes.

Mrs. Watson Lister, of Australia, was heard with much interest as their work there has been crowned with the right of full parliamentary suffrage. Australia leads the world in many reforms, and New Zealand leads Australia.

The pleasure of the reception at the White House was no doubt increased by the knowledge of the fact that the President is in sympathy with the convention, he having recommended Equal Suffrage while Governor of New York.

Clara Barton received us at her home, the house built at Johnstown for Red Cross work, then given to Miss Barton and moved to Washington. Miss Barton probably has more testimonials of love and gratitude than any other person living and it was a great pleasure to see these in her home, but it was a greater pleasure to see Miss Barton and Miss Anthony called to the front on the closing night of the convention—women whose work has been for the world, receiving its acknowledgement after eighty years. Miss Anthony thanking Miss Barton for her help and devotion, the other claiming this praise to be the highest she ever received. Eight women clad in cap and gown, graduates of the Washington Law School, escorted them to the stage thus showing their appreciation of the life-long devotion to a cause that had made it possible for them to wear this cap and gown.

M. BALDWIN.

TELEPHONE LOSSES

Birmingham Furnishes Only One Victim--Mrs. Helen H. Corson.

The downfall of the minority stockholders of the Michigan Telephone company, by the confirmation of the recent mortgage foreclosure sale practically rendered worthless all the holding of the minority. The par value of the stock is $100 per share and 244 shares were held by Oakland county people. Some of the shares were purchased at less than par value, and this of course must be deducted from the total.

The following are Oakland county stockholders:

Joseph Alleu, Milford, 3; A. V. Austin, Milford, 82; J. H. Austin, Milford 35; L. C. Axford, Rochester, 2; Aleithe Axford, Rochester, 1; C. H. Baird, Holly, 15; Frank R. Boyd, Pontiac, 1; Patrick Byrne, Milford, 2; E. A. Chapman, Walled Lake, 2; I. P. Clark, South Lyon, 1; Samuel Carpenter, South Lyon, 2; Mrs. Helen H. Corson, Birmingham, 1; May E. Crissman, Rochester, 3; F. D. Cuthbig & Son, Troy, 1; Cyclone Woven Wire Fence Co., Holly, 1; Fred Daniels, Troy, 1; Charles Everett, South Lyon, 1; Edith Fletcher, Milford, 2; Frank Flumerfelt, Orion, 1; Mrs. Ellen Gaunt, Milford, 12; C. H. Going, Pontiac, 8; Mary J. Green, Orchard, 5; Daniel L. Howes, South Lyon, 1; Jessie B. Maybee, Waterford, 1; George M. Milliman, South Lyon, 1; Charles H. Rorabacher, South Lyon, 1; W. S. Seaver, Highland Station, 2; Charles W. Sculby, Milford, 5; Wm. B. St. Johns, Highland, 3; William C. Towar, Pontiac, 13; Thomas Thornhill, Milford, 10; William C. Webb, Milford, 10; William C. Webb, Milford, 2; Mrs. Maria A. Wilcox, Rochester, 10; Mary Wilton, Milford, 14.

FRIENDS of the ECCENTRIC are requested when they have probate business, to ask the Publication of the legal notice in this paper.

RESOLUTION.

At a regular semi-monthly meeting of Court Troy, No. 49, F. of A., the following resolutions were passed unanimously Resolutions on the death of Bro. Frank F. Denison.

WHEREAS, it has pleased the Supreme Ruler in His all wise judgment to remove from our midst Bro. Frank F. Denison while in the noontide of life, when success had crowned his worldly efforts and while surrounded by a loved and happy family; therefore be it

RESOLVED by Court Troy, No. 49, Foresters of America, that in the loss of Bro. Denison this Court loses an active, energetic and faithful brother of the fraternity. The record of his life is like a star lighting up the dark places in our journey to the grave. His place will be a hard one to fill, for his was a life of friendliness, kindliness, honesty and thoughtfulness. How honorably has he sustained the cares of life. How sweetly comes the memory of his kindly acts; be it further

RESOLVED, That our charter be draped in his memory for 30 days, and that we extend to the relatives and immediate friends of our departed brother, who are most heartstricken at the loss we have all sustained, our heartfelt sympathy, and would join with them in seeking comfort from Him who alone can give comfort in the hour of sorrow, our infinite Father loving and merciful.

JOHN HADDEN,
WM. LAKIE,
CYRUS JARVIS,
GEO. A. CLARK,
CHAS. BAKER,
CHAS. STRAIN,
Committee.

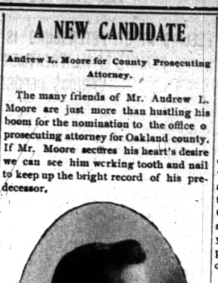
You Need a Rest.

If you are not feeling well, don't call a doctor but take a lake trip! You return home feeling new life and your brain blown free from cobwebs. Send 2c for folder and map. Address, A. A. Schantz G. P. T. Mgr., Detroit, Mich. tf

A NEW CANDIDATE

Andrew L. Moore for County Prosecuting Attorney.

The many friends of Mr. Andrew L. Moore are just more than hustling his boom for the nomination to the office o prosecuting attorney for Oakland county. If Mr. Moore secures his heart's desire we can see him working tooth and nail to keep up the bright record of his predecessor.



Andrew L. Moore of this city has formally announced his candidacy for the republican nomination for prosecuting attorney. Mr. Moore is an Oakland county boy and has been engaged in the practice of law in this city for eight years, during which time he has built up a fine practice and has earned the reputation of being one of the best trial lawyers in the county. His ability as a platform speaker and an orator is well known. He is also largely interested in several of our manufacturing interests in this city.—Pontiac Gazette.

THAD D. SEELEY

Has announced his candidacy for State Senator. Mr. Seeley has served two terms in the house, and is the present member from the first district of this county. His experience in legislation gives him ample equipment for promotion to the senate, and added to this, his sturdy common sense and genial personality will add to his influence and usefulness in the upper house. Thad Seeley is all right in every spot and place.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

ADJOURNED MEETING.

[OFFICIAL.]

COUNCIL ROOM, Feb. 29, 1904.

Meeting called to order, President Rundel in the chair.

Trustees present—Whitehead, Johnston, Parks and Snow.

Absent—Daines and O'Neal.

Moved by Johnston, supported by Whitehead, that the bills be allowed as read.

Vote by call of roll. Ayes—Whitehead, Johnston Parks and Snow.

The following bills were allowed:

WATER WORKS FUND.

Charles E. Mudge	$ 1 70

HIGHWAY FUND.

Al Hutton	12 00

GENERAL EXPENSE FUND.

J. H. Shults	1 65
C. H. Schlaack & Co	5 42
Whitehead & Mitchell	10 00
A. P. Jacobs	2 50
H. M. Benedict	50
W. E. McClellan	2 00

Johnston moved, supported by Whitehead, that the village board borrow $350 00 for 90 days.

Vote by call of roll. Ayes—Whitehead, Johnston, Snow and Parks.

Johnston moved, supported by Snow, that there be $221.30 transferred from the General Expense Fund to the Water Works Fund.

Carried.

Minutes read and approved.

Moved to adjourn.

Carried.

CHAS. E. TOMS, Clerk.

J. F. RUNDEL, President.

REGISTRATION NOTICE

To the Electors of the Village of Birmingham, County of Oakland, State of Michigan

Notice is Herby Given, that a meeting of Board of Registration of the Village above named, will be held at the Bank of Birmingham, within said Village, on Saturday, Mar. 12, A. D. 1904, for the purpose of registering the names of all such persons who shall be possessed of necessary qualifications of electors, and who may apply for that purpose, and that said Board of Registration will be in session on the day and at the place aforesaid from 9 o'clock in forenoon until 5 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose aforesaid.

Dated this 25th day of February, A. D. 1904.

By order of the Village Board of Registration.

CHAS. E. TOMS,
Clerk of Said Village.

VILLAGE ELECTION NOTICE

To the Electors of the Village of Birmingham, County of Oakland, State of Michigan:

Notice is Hereby Given, That the next ensuing Election for said Village will be held at the Town Hall, in said Village, on Monday, March 14 A. D. 1904, at which election the following Officers are to be chosen, viz:

One Village President,
One Village Clerk,
One Village Treasurer,
Three Trustees for 2 years,
One Assessor.

The polls of said Election will be open at 7 o'clock A. M., and will remain open until 5 o'clock P. M. of said day of election.

By order of the Board of Election Inspectors of said Village.

Dated this 25th day of February, A. D. 1904.

CHAS. E. TOMS,
Clerk of Said Village.

PONTIAC'S PIONEER GATHERING

Thirtieth Annual Meeting at the Court House on Monday Well Attended--Good Program of Song, Story and Speech.

From the Gazette.

The court house was crowded on Monday by many gray haired men and women, the sturdy pioneers of this city and county. They came to attend the thirtieth annual meeting of the Oakland County Pioneer Society and the many stories, songs and recollections of their youthful days made them as happy apparantly as though they were again mere care free children.

In place of the usual banquet they enjoyed this year an old-fashioned basket picnic with hot coffee served to all by the ladies.

The program, one of the best the society ever had, was opened by Thomas L. Patterson with the president's address. Other speakers were John Frank, who spoke of his boyhood days and mentioned many of the changes that have taken place since that time. He said that Detroit was then only a trading station. He told how they took they grain to Royal Oak in those early days, where the old horse cars transferred it to Detroit.

Chas. F. Kimball read a paper on "The Pontiac Jacksonian—40 years ago," prepared by William P. Nisbett, of Big Rapids, who was unable to attend.

Mr. Kimball recalled the New Year's eve of 1853, when stationed at New Orleans as military agent for the state of Indiana he retired late at night on board one of the federal ships there and was nearly eaten up by mosquitoes, but awakening in the early morning of Jan. 1, 1864, nearly frozen. He said:

"The men were all sitting around a red-hot stove that morning; the water was frozen in the buckets on deck and snow and sleet covered the ground, and that was at New Orleans."

Charles Fish, nearly blind and an inmate of the county house, who boasts of but 68 years, but who looks at least 80, rendered several vocal and violin selections and brought the house down by playing "Money Musk" and "Old Dan Tucker," as he said they were played when he was on earth before.

Just before closing with "America," Mr. Fish was required to play again. As everyone had been given opportunity to tell of their experiences, and they were numerous and varied, Mr. Fish took it upon himself to tell how on the night of July 3, 1854, he earned about $10 by climbing the 190-foot flag pole then standing at the corner of Huron and Saginaw streets and replacing the halyard, which refused to work. He then sang a song which he said he was compelled to sing that night, 50 years ago.

Mr. Patterson boasts of being one of the people who was at the court house on the night of Gen. Lee's surrender and of furnishing some of the colored wax candles which made the old building look brilliant on that memorable night.

Advertised Letters.

The following is a list of letters remaining in the Birmingham postoffice February 27, 1904:

Mrs. John Dettloff, Mr. Jas. P. Marshall, Mrs. E. A. Fiemiah.

JOHN HANNA, P. M.

OBITUARY.

MRS. AUGUSTA SCHLAACK.

Died at the home of her son Philip Schlaack in this village, Tuesday night, Mrs. Augusta Schlaack, widow of Frederick Schlaack who died 32 years ago. Deceased was left a widow with six small children to care for which she did in a manner that reflects great credit and honor upon her. She contracted pneumonia a short time ago and this with heart failure caused her death. She had all the care that loving hearts and willing hands could give her in her last moments. Two sisters aged 72 and 76 years were with her when she breathed her last, Mrs. Philip Brand, of Troy, age 72, and Mrs. Lewis Burr, of Colerain, age 76. Deceased was 74 years of age and leaves behind to mourn her loss Chas. H. Schlaack, Philip, Frank and George. Her daughters are Mrs. F. Ford, of this village, and Mrs. Henry Bittner, of Rathbone, Mich. Not a death in a family of six has yet occurred—an unusual fact.

WILLIAM RULE.

Died Feb. 17, 1904, in Mephis, Tenn., of pneumonia, William Rule. He was born in Lockport, N. Y., July 2, 1854, and was the eldest son of the late John Rule who lived in this locality for 25 years. He married Miss Anna Darrel, Sept. 22, 1880. To them were five children born, three daughters and two sons, now left orphans as their mother passed away three years ago. Death is but the messenger that comes to all. Your memory will live until time, the healer of all finite things, will sooth the bleeding hearts that now mourn your loss.

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