

FORM NEW PARTY

Progressive Democrats Organize in Albany.

IS ANTI-HEARST MOVEMENT.

Mayor Gaynor or Justice Seabury Suggested as Right Sort of Men For Governor—A. J. Elias Made Permanent Chairman.

Albany, July 5.—Outlining a plan to cut the ground from under Hearst politically and insisting that Wall street Democrats had control of the Democratic League, F. C. Leubuscher of New York city, a former Hearstite, addressed two score of Democrats from different parts of the state, who met here to take part in next fall's campaign.

This movement is really declared to be another Gaynor attempt to outwit Hearst and the Saratoga League, at the same endeavoring to force the nomination of Gaynor or a Gaynor man for governor by the state convention.

Mr. Leubuscher as temporary chairman called the conference to order. He asserted that the progressive Democrats wanted a candidate for governor of the type of Gaynor or Justice Seabury, a former Hearst man.

A permanent organization was effected by the election of A. J. Elias of Buffalo as chairman and William Lustgarten of New York city as secretary.

The address to the people of the state adopted by the conference asserts that the real Democratic sentiment of the state is voiced when the following demands are made:

Candidates for congress who believe the tariff is a fraud and a sham and who will work for the largest possible extension of the free list.

Direct nominations unlimited in operation.

Initiative, referendum and recall.

Home rule for municipalities and counties with power to own and operate public utilities if desired by the people.

Abolition of personal property tax.

The adoption of the constitutional amendment giving the federal government the right to impose an income tax.

The nomination by the approaching Democratic state convention of a candidate for United States senator.

CAZAR'S PALACE AFIRE.

Rumors That Blaze Was Work of Incendiary.

St. Petersburg, July 5.—One entire wing of the czar's summer palace at Peterhof was destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of several hundred thousand dollars. The wing included the palace theater and other buildings. The royal family is on a cruise and did not learn of the fire until late yesterday.

There are rumors that the fire was the work of an incendiary.

NOTED ASTRONOMER DEAD.

Schiaparelli, Discoverer of Mars Canals, Passes Away.

Milan, July 5.—Professor Giovanni Virginio Schiaparelli, the former chief astronomer and director of the Milan observatory, who discovered the canal-like markings on the planet Mars in 1877, is dead.

He was born in Piedmont in 1835.

Three Women Among Victims of Lake Shore Wreck.

Cincinnati, July 5.—The Cincinnati bound section of the Lake Shore limited train, which left New York over the New York Central, crashed head-on into a Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton freight at Middlefield, Butler county, O., thirty-four miles north of here.

Nineteen persons were killed, of whom three were women. One of the passenger cars telescoped was the ladies' car, reserved for women traveling alone and children. Of the dead one woman and four men have not been identified. All those recognized are Ohioans. It is supposed that two of the unidentified men are from Dayton.

ACROSS OCEAN AIR LINE.

German Inventor Completing Craft For Aerial Voyage From Europe.

Berlin, July 5.—William Rettig, a German airmen, is completing an airship with which he hopes to voyage from Europe to America in forty-eight hours. His ship will be 420 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet long and will be able to carry thirty passengers. It will travel at an altitude of 5,000 feet.

Finding Him Out.

Indignant Constituent—This is the fourth time I have called to see the senator by appointment and found him out every time. Private Secretary (of eminent statesman)—Oh, well, I would not make a fuss about that. According to what the papers say, everybody is finding him out.—Chicago Tribune.

Matrimonial Dyspepsia.

"Well, how do you like married life?" inquired the friend.

"Not at all," replied the man who had married money and was suffering for it. "I'm a case of matrimonial dyspepsia."

Matrimonial dyspepsia?"

"Yes. She never agrees with me; she's too rich."

IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

Billy Papke. Whom Middleweights Are Sidestepping.



Since his disgraceful fiasco with old Joe Thomas, Billy Papke, "the Illinois Thunderbolt," has made frequent and emphatic denials of any crookedness about the bout that went over the fifteen rounds by "mistake." Billy has declared up and down that he will show the California public that he can fight, and fight on the square. He picked Jim (Fireman) Flynn as his next opponent, but the bout was called off. Then he made a date with Jimmy Howard, and Jimmy has just made it known that he will not enter the ring with the "Thunderbolt." It looks as though middleweights were a little leary of tackling the husky representative of the Papke family in his wrath.

Cost of Running Baseball Club.
Few people stop to consider the cost of keeping up a ball club. The expense goes on not only in the regular season, when the gates are working for the club, but it is a big proposition in the spring training camp. Manager Hughie Jennings of the Detroit recently estimated that the Tigers' expense a week while in training is just about \$1,000. He remarked that that was only a beginning.

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Pitcher Vickers Wants to Catch.

Baltimore may develop another Roger Bresnahan. Pitcher Rubie Vickers' dreams may materialize if the catching staff should get crippled. He has signed his intentions along that line and is patiently waiting for the opportunity to don the wind pad and the wire screen. Like Roger, he may get his chance, and this chance may be the development of another pitcher-catcher.

DAMES AND DAUGHTERS.

Mrs. W. G. Beggs of Seattle, Wash., has succeeded in growing a beautiful rose whose stem is smooth like that of a lily.

Mrs. Grover Cleveland and her daughters and son returned recently from Europe, where she has spent the past year, most of the time in Lausanne, Switzerland, where the children were in school.

Mrs. Catherine Van Voorhis of Rochester is said to have made the largest flag that ever floated over the capitol at Washington. She attended the suffrage convention recently held in Washington and in spite of her eighty years took part in all the proceedings.

Mrs. Virginia Hamersley Field has obtained permission to visit and give spiritual advice to condemned prisoners in the death house of Sing Sing prison. Mrs. Field has been conducting a Bible class at Sing Sing prison for twenty years.

The smallest grandmother in the world is Mrs. Minnie Myers of Fort Myers, Fla., who is seventy-five years old. She is twenty-seven and a half inches tall and weighs thirty-two pounds. She has been the mother of three children, the daughter with whom she now lives being a woman of average height. Mrs. Myers spends most of her time with her two grandchildren.

The Royal Box.

Queen Mary, consort of King George V. of England, is an admirable linguist. She speaks French, German and Italian excellently.

Crown Prince Ferdinand von Hohenlohe of Roumania is a keen soldier and very popular with the Roumanians. His wife, who was the eldest daughter of the late Duke of Saxe-Coburg, is one of the most beautiful women in Europe.

Yusuf Izzeddin Effendi, heir apparent to the Ottoman empire, was made minister of war when he was eighteen years of age. He was born in 1857. He was deprived of most of the large fortune left him by his father through the displeasure of Abdul Hamid, but he has gradually recovered it and is now said to be one of the wealthiest men in Turkey.

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English Etchings.

The British sovereign pays no rates or taxes.

The king of England has officially no surname.

The center of Ascot race course is laid out as golf links.

The gun carriage that has been used for carrying the coffins of both Victoria and Edward VII. will now be an object of popular interest in the courtyard of the Tower of London.

Recent Inventions.

Concrete bee-hives form the subject of a recent patent.

An ingenious French optician has invented a cane fitted with lenses and mirrors in such a manner that a user can see over the heads of a crowd in front of him.

A stomach telescope, invented by a London surgeon and in constant use in a hospital in that city, enables a doctor to see the exact condition of the entire interior of the stomach of a patient.

EARTH CURRENTS.

Experiments to Show Effects of Electric Traction Systems.

Interesting experiments have been made at the Kew Observatory, near London, on the effects of the electric currents produced in the earth by the electric traction systems of the British metropolis. The delicate magnetic instruments of the observatory are affected by the currents.

Metallic plates buried in the ground were connected with a photographic recording apparatus, and the tracings recorded by the instrument formed a picture of the time-table of the London Central Railway, although the nearest point of approach of that line is six miles from Kew.

Even accidental breakdowns occurring on the traction line were indicated in the photographic record.

By connecting the earth-plates with a sensitive galvanometer, the effect of the movements of the tramway controllers was rendered evident, and a telephone being attached, sounds were heard at each controller movement.

Great Tunnels Projected.

Two projects for the construction of railway tunnels of unprecedented magnitude are now under discussion. One of them, which appeals strongly to the imagination if it does not enlist much sympathy among practical men, is Monsieur de Lobel's plan for tunneling Bering Strait to connect Siberia with Alaska. The author of this plan explained it before a large meeting of the Navy and Military Club at St. Petersburg recently. Bering Strait is about 38 1/2 miles broad and 167 feet deep, but it has two islands so situated that the tunnel could be divided into three sections of about 12 1/2 miles each. The other project is older, and relates to tunneling the English Channel between Dover and Calais. French engineers have recently been studying the enterprise anew. The distance is about 23 1/2 miles. The work would be relatively easy because the tunnel would run through chalk.

Peculiarities of Submarines.

Equilibrium is almost as difficult to maintain for a submarine vessel as for an aeroplane. With modern large submarines, says Sir W. H. White, the act of diving is performed when the vessels have headway. The bow is depressed by horizontal rudders controlled by skilled men, and the vessel moves obliquely downward.

The desired depth having been attained, the steersman must so manage the horizontal rudders that the vessel shall practically maintain its level, but, in fact, its course becomes really an undulating one, up and down. There must be no movements of men or weights in the vessel without immediate compensation to restore and maintain the balance, else the submarine may dive to a disastrous depth. Manual has been found better than automatic control.

School Children's Attention.

Prof. W. Phillips read recently, before the Royal Sanitary Institute in England, a paper detailing his observations on the limit of school children's capacity for attention. He concludes that two intervals of rest of 10 minutes each during an ordinary school session are more useful than one of 20 minutes. The attention wanes more rapidly in the afternoon, and consequently the studies which most severely tax the attention, like mathematics, should be confined to the morning hours.

Professor Phillips concludes that gymnastics is not of necessity a mentally recuperative agent. If the teacher is a strict disciplinarian in gymnastics, the fatigue exhibited by the children may be of a pronounced character.

Vienna's Crown of Green.

The city of Vienna has recently undertaken, at an estimated expense of \$10,000,000, to surround itself with a belt of forests. The existing forests near the city are to be preserved, and others, together with broad green meadows, are to be established in such a way as completely to encircle the city. Land is being reserved for the new plantations, which are to be connected with the celebrated Prater, which already forms a green border for the Austrian capital on the east.

This idea is enthusiastically urged for the beautifying of the suburbs of other cities, which are now, in many cases, not only unattractive, but often hideous.

About Egypt.

The total area of Egypt proper is about 480,000 square miles, of which, however, only some 14,000 square miles are arable. The population exceeds 10,000,000, the density of the settled part thus surpassing that of any other land on earth, Belgium not excepted. The superiority of Egypt as an agricultural country is owing to the equable climate; the possibility of carrying on farming all the year round, a constant supply of water