

MR. TAFT AND THE CARNEGIE FUND

President Has Said He Considers His Salary Adequate.

HARD TIMES OF SOME EX'S.

Other Countries Save Men of High Official Rank From Danger of Work in Old Age—Grant, in Business, Had the Saddest Experience of Any of Our Former Presidents.

The president of the United States receives annually from the nation during the four years of his office \$75,000 a year. In addition, a number of such expenses as the upkeep of the White House and the stables and garages are paid for, and, of course, the salaries of the staff of executive offices are also a national charge.

Other countries have, however, considered it of importance to secure men who have held high official rank from the danger of spending their old age with not sufficient to live upon and from the temptation of undertaking occupations which might tend to bring into disrepute the high offices they have held.

Difficulties of Retirement. In many cases it has happened that ex-presidents of the United States have been possessed of sufficient private means to retire from all public activities and to end their days in comfort and peace, like George Washington.

Andrew Johnson, indeed, in 1869 retired into seclusion, and little was heard of him till he was called to the United States senate in 1875 for the last few months of his life.

Grant's Sad Experience. The saddest fortune that befell any ex-president was that of General Ulysses S. Grant. After he had retired and had made his famous tour around the world he settled down in New York.

In his distress he went to William H. Vanderbilt. Mr. Vanderbilt gave him a check for \$100,000 absolutely without security. This was swallowed up in the wreck, and General Grant in order to give some return for the money took to the financier all his collection of swords of honor, medals and trophies.

He then set himself to write his memoirs, and the last year of his life, when he was already fighting the cancer in his mouth which killed him, was given up to the production of the work.

Two Returned to Law. Both Benjamin Harrison and Grover Cleveland were lawyers by profession and turned to the bar when they left the White House.

Mr. Cleveland formed for a short time a law partnership with Francis Lynde Stetson and afterward settled down at Princeton, N. J. There he did some lecturing in the university and also contributed to magazines.

BLAMES MODERN FICTION FOR INCREASING DIVORCES.

Felix Adler Says It Causes Us Lightly to Regard Serious Problems.

Because there are so many millions of homes in this country, Professor Felix Adler believes today that 100,000 divorces in a year do not mean that the home is being disrupted.

He does not believe either that the divorces are the result of immorality, for, he said, that in Bavaria, where there were no divorces, there was much immorality.

"It is a certain state of mind which is the cause of the increase of divorce," he said, "and it is very largely due to the desire of women to throw off all yokes and assert their independence. It is this which makes many women desire an experimental or trial marriage."

He said that Ellen Key and women of her type were responsible for much of the unrest among women and that young people, influenced by modern fiction, learned to think of life less seriously than they should.

"Married life is a triangle," he said, "the husband and wife and the children, but the father and mother are too apt to ask whether they can agree to live together instead of considering what their duty is to their offspring. They separate and leave their children to the care of the state."

"One great modern heresy is that the state can take care of the child. We talk in an offhand way of great public asylums for the care of children. Much is said about what scientific experts can do with children, but while it is true that parents cannot take the place of scientific experts, the latter cannot take the parents' place."

SINGLE HANDED COMBAT.

Moonlight Duel Between Turkish Officer and Veteran Montenegrin.

A Balkan war correspondent tells a striking story of the fighting near Tarabos. In a hospital at Rieka, he says, he saw a young Turkish officer who had been terribly hacked about with sabre cuts.

An old Montenegrin, a veteran of many fights, accepted the challenge, and the two battled together for a long while, scrupulously observing the laws of an honorable duel.

FLYING LIFE SAVING DEVICES.

For Rescues at Sea and Installation on Troopships.

Navy officials are contemplating the adoption of a special type of flying machine as a means for rescuing persons from a disabled ship at sea.

Other boards have been holding sessions in San Francisco and Manila, and when all of the recommendations are received the quartermaster corps will determine what devices will be purchased to be installed on army transports.

STAR TRIPS OF THE FUTURE.

Scientist Says They May Be Possible by Use of Coronium.

H. Krauss Nield, one of the scientists present at a recent banquet at the Authors' club of London, referring to the presence of coronium in the sun said that it would be very interesting if it could be collected on the earth.

Future visits to the earth's neighbors in the solar system or even further he did not regard as an absolute impossibility. Such a prediction seemed to him no more wonderful than would have been the statement 300 years ago that it would be possible to throw a message across the Atlantic without the guidance of even an intervening wire.

Balkan Costumes a la Mode.

Events in the Balkans have encouraged several of the Paris dressmakers to launch extraordinary costumes named after the present focus of interest.

GUEST OF KING AT FIRST BATTLE

Nicholas Tipped Moscos Hostilities Were About to Begin.

SAW OPENING GUN FIRED.

Diplomat, Returning Home, Gives Graphic Description of the Montenegrin Victory at Detchich, Where the Great Struggle Began, and Tells of Allies' Preparedness For Long Fight.

C. H. Moscos of Concord, N. H., returning United States minister to Greece and Montenegro, is the first eyewitness of the battles between the allies and the Turks to bring back to this country graphic pictures of the grim precision of modern warfare.

"The attack of the allies upon Turkey was absolutely prearranged," he said. "Every foot of the campaign and the part that each of the little powers was to play in tackling their giant neighbor and common enemy were planned last May. At that time a secret meeting of the military strategists of Montenegro, Serbia, Greece and Bulgaria was held in a little town in Dalmatia.

Knew War Was Inevitable.

"I witnessed the mobilization of the Greeks at Athens and then the mobilization of the Montenegrins at Cetinje, the capital of Montenegro. Everything went as smoothly as a well oiled machine, and even while the big European powers were saying peace could be maintained the leaders of the various little nations knew war was as inevitable as the rising of the sun, because it had been determined upon."

"Two days before the Montenegrins opened hostilities King Nicholas, the much beloved monarch of the little state, called me to an audience and gave me an advance tip.

"If you will go to Detchich," said he, naming a little Turkish town just across the border from Montenegro, 'at 8 o'clock next Wednesday morning in the night during the night and placed in positions previously selected opened up on the fortifications and the Turkish guns replied. I stood back with the staff of General Martinovich, the commander of the Montenegrin army, and watched the action through field glasses.

Watching the First Battle.

"It was grim. It was terrible. But there was something tremendously inspiring in the sight of the two columns of Montenegrins moving forward with the precision of a football squad advancing the ball. Under cover of the heavy artillery firing the two columns pushed boldly up the heights toward the fortifications, deploying as they went, and soon the roar of volley firing supplied a steady undertone to the booming of the heavy guns.

"I could see the rending and smashing of the Turkish fortifications under the exploding shells from the Montenegrins' guns; watched the long line of white cottonball puffs along the parapets where the red crescent flag waved; followed the detached blocks of men clambering up the heights, inexorably closing in on the doomed fortress.

"Finally, after about five hours of fighting, there was a faint cheer borne across the valley, even above the roar of guns, and I saw the Montenegrins sweep forward in the final dash up the slope to the parapets of the fort itself. Soon it was all over. The red flag waved and dropped, and in its place rose the flag of little Montenegro, while bugles saluted it."

Montenegrins Wonderful Fighters.

Mr. Moscos said he witnessed two other minor engagements at Tuzl and Tchipehamik and saw the preliminary skirmishes of the siege of Scutari.

"The Montenegrins are born fighters," said the retiring minister. "Physically they are such magnificent men that anybody under six feet in height is counted a dwarf. General Martinovich, the commander, is the one great dynamo of the country—commander, secretary of state, treasurer and everything else combined. He is a marvel."

"The first victories over the Turks were expected by the allies, but it has been a great surprise to them as well as to the European observers that the Turks have not recovered from their initial reverses. The allies expected grim resistance, yet they have just begun to meet it at the doors of Constantinople itself."

Now the Stingless Bee.

Dr. J. A. Nelson, the bee expert of the department of agriculture, has discovered a "stingless" bee, which, however, being deprived of the bitterness of its sting, also lacks the sweetness of honey-making.

Buttons.

Buttons are certainly as ancient as the siege of Troy, in the ninth century before our era, for, both in that unfortunate city and at Mycenae, Dr. Schliemann discovered objects of gold, silver and bronze which could have had no other use than that of buttons.

The Metaphor of the Spider.

Better than most metaphors that have been drawn from the spider's way of life is the delightfully human one of Alphonse Karr's in his "Voyage d'Autour de Mon Jardin." The spider, he says, is more truthful than man.

More Class.

Little Bess—What does your father do? Little Nell—He's a horse doctor. Little Bess—Oh, dear! I guess I'd better not play with you then. I'm afraid you don't belong to our set.

Slandering a Saint.

"Fifteen years ago," said the aged brother, addressing the congregation, "I gladly gave my heart to the Lord."

Fig Leaves.

The story is told of a young lady from the east who, seeing a fig tree for the first time, exclaimed, "Why, I always thought fig leaves were larger than that!"—San Francisco Argonaut.

A Good Laugh.

One good, hearty laugh is a bombshell exploded in the right place, while spleen and discontent are a gun that ticks over the man who shoots it off.—De Witt Talmage.

A Too Ominous Beginning.

She—If a girl proposed to you, you wouldn't dare to refuse her. He—If a girl had the nerve to propose to me I wouldn't dare marry her.—Boston Transcript.

There is no policy like politeness, since a good manner often succeeds where the best tongue has failed.

Melbourne Customs.

In Melbourne no Sunday papers are permitted, no hotels are allowed to open their bars from midnight on Saturday until Monday morning, and any one driving past a place of worship at a faster pace than a walk while service is in progress is liable to be arrested.

Ancient Chinese Writing.

The British museum contains the oldest known examples of Chinese writing in the form of animals' bones inscribed with characters.

Britain's Oldest Office.

The oldest office under the crown is that of lord high steward, which was in existence before the time of Edward the Confessor—indeed, some authorities say that it was instituted by Offa in 757. For a long period this official was second only to the king, and the office was for some time hereditary in certain noble families.

Come Out of the Big End of the



Instead of the Little End of the Horn! That's What You'll Do if You Read and Heed.

That Christmas shopping has to be done anyway, so why not get first choice, have an easy time of it yourself, lighten the labors of your girls and make everybody happy by getting an early start?

BEAT SANTA CLAUS TO IT!

CHARTER NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made by Martin B. Allen, Edmund B. Hardenbergh, William J. Ward, Fred W. Powell, G. William Sell, Charles H. Dorringer, J. Samuel Brown, Leopold Blumenthal, Frederick W. Kreitner, Horace T. Menner, Charles P. Searle, William J. Reifler, Robert J. Murray, Frank G. Terwilliger, Sigmund Katz, to the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on Tuesday, December 24th A. D. 1912, at 10 o'clock a. m., under the provisions of an Act of Assembly entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and government of Street Railway Companies in this Commonwealth" approved the 14th day of May A. D. 1889, and the supplements thereto for the charter of an intended corporation to be called the

WAYNE COUNTY STREET RAILWAY COMPANY.

the character and route of which are for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating a street railway for public use in the conveyance of passengers and property to be operated by any motive power except steam; BEGINNING at a point on the public road known as the Carbonade Pike opposite the school house in the village of Seelyville, in the Township of Texas, County of Wayne and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; thence over, along and upon the said public road in an easterly direction to its intersection with the westerly borough line of Honesdale, in said County and Commonwealth; thence over, along and upon Park street in said Borough in a northeasterly direction to its intersection with Main street; thence over, along and upon Main street in said Borough, in a southerly direction to the Gurney Electric Elevator Company; thence also from the intersection of said Park street with Main street in said Borough, over, along and upon said Main street in a northerly direction to the northerly Borough line of Honesdale in said County and Commonwealth; thence over, along and upon a public road known as the Bethany Turnpike in the Township of Texas, said County of Wayne, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to a point in the same opposite the bridge crossing the Dyberry River near the residence of C. F. Bullock; thence also from the intersection of Main street in the Borough of Honesdale, said County and Commonwealth with Eleventh street, over, along and upon said Eleventh street to the easterly boundary line of the Borough of Honesdale; thence also from the intersection of Main street in the Borough of Honesdale, said County and Commonwealth with Fourth street, over, along and upon said Fourth street to the easterly boundary of said borough at a bridge

spanning the Lackawaxen River; thence over, along and upon said bridge in the said Township of Texas, Commonwealth, in an easterly direction to its intersection with the public road known as the Old Plank Road; thence over, along and upon said public road known as the Old Plank Road in said Township of Texas in a southerly direction to a point in the same at or near Carley Brook; thence over, along and upon the Canal lands formerly of the Delaware and Hudson Company now of the Erie and Wyoming Valley Railroad Company in the Townships of Texas and Palmyra and the Borough of Hawley, in the said County and Commonwealth, to the County line of Pike county in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; thence also from a point in said Canal lands in the said Borough of Hawley opposite the bridge, over the Lackawaxen River at the foot of Erie and Church streets in said Borough of Hawley, over, along and upon the said bridge to said Church street; thence over, along and upon said Church street in the Borough of Hawley, in a northwesterly direction to Main Avenue in said Borough; thence over, along and upon Main Avenue in said Borough of Hawley in a northerly direction to the passenger station of the Erie Railway Company; thence also from the point of intersection of Main Avenue with River Street in said Borough of Hawley, over, along and upon said River Street in a westerly direction to Chestnut Avenue in said Borough of Hawley; thence over, along and upon said Chestnut Avenue in a southerly direction to Keystone street; thence over, along and upon said Keystone Street in an easterly direction in said Borough of Hawley to Main Avenue; thence returning by the same route to the place of beginning, and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges by said Act of Assembly and the supplements thereto conferred.

HENRY W. DUNNING, Solicitor. Honesdale, Nov. 28, 1912. 85w3.

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF WAYNE COUNTY.

Robert Stewart v. Susie Stewart. To SUSIE STEWART: You are hereby required to appear in the said Court on the second Monday in December next, to answer the complaint exhibited to the judge of said court by Robert Stewart, your husband, in the cause above stated, or in default thereof a decree of divorce as prayed for in said complaint may be made against you in your absence. F. C. KIMBLE, Sheriff. Garratt, Attorney. Honesdale, Pa., Nov. 6, 1912. 89w4.

Our GOLD TABLETS if used promptly will make short work of a cold. O. T. CHAMBERS, PHARMACIST, Honesdale, Pa.

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