

TAFT'S SUMMER CAPITAL.

Home For President at Beverly One of Massachusetts Coast's Beauty Spots.

The cottage which President and Mrs. Taft are to occupy this summer at Beverly, Mass., is two stories and a half, painted green.

There is a great covered porch on the second floor, from which the private driveway leading to the house.

From the hall on the Beverly side of the cottage one enters the great living hall on the left.

From the living room to the right is the music room, finished in white. There is a beautiful library on the left, finished in cherry.

On the second floor, from which entrance is made from the balcony, are the chambers, all with ocean views.

From the living room on the left is the dining room, about 35 by 18, with windows opening on the ocean.

Should President Taft desire to play golf he will find the Montserrat golf links two miles away.

WORLD'S BIGGEST ENGINES.

Two on Their Way to California Weigh Nearly 300 Tons Each.

The two largest locomotives in the world, intended for the use of the Southern Pacific in the southwest.

There are eight drive wheels on the side, coupled in sets of four, with a high pressure drive on the rear four and a low pressure cylinder action on those ahead.

The total weight of each locomotive is 430,000 pounds, of which 390,000 pounds rest on the driving wheels.

WATER GUN FOR SCORCHERS.

Hammond (Ind.) Auto Speeders to Be Stopped by Three Inch Stream.

The police of Hammond, Ind., have devised a new plan to quench the ardor of the motor car scorchers.

Here will be established a water gun with a three inch nozzle and 100 pounds pressure to the inch.

Drama to Last Five Evenings. Count Tolstoy's novel "War and Peace" is now being dramatized at St. Petersburg.

Selfish Philosophy. Pliny: It is best to profit by the madness of others.

CRISP'S GOOD LUCK.

Three Women Have Taken New Jersey Policeman Abroad.

WILL RETURN IN THE AUTUMN

Reward of the Misses James of Trenton, N. J., For Officer, Captor of a Burglar Who Entered Their Home Will Accompany Him Throughout Tour of Europe.

Numberless policemen have won medals for bravery and devotion to duty, but Policeman Hamilton Crisp of Trenton (N. J.) police force is the first to be rewarded with a trip to Europe for displaying his courage on one specific occasion.

The burglar was scarcely in the lockup before the Misses James had planned a novel reward for the plucky policeman.

Crisp has been the happiest man in Trenton since the three women announced that they were going to take him with them and keep him abroad for three months.

Many policemen have asked to be transferred to Crisp's old beat during his absence in the hope that burglars may give them a chance to show that they are entitled to a trip across the ocean.

The three James sisters are the last of one of Trenton's oldest families. When they close up their school each year they go to Europe and remain for the summer, returning in time to receive their pupils for the fall term.

Owing to their well known aversion to notoriety every attempt was made to keep the matter a secret, but it became known when Crisp asked the board of police commissioners for leave of absence.

The fact that his pay will be cut off does not bother him, because he is said to have a large bank account.

"If I brought back all the things I have been asked to bring back it would take the American fleet to carry them," said Crisp just before he started for Philadelphia.

TARIFF ON BALLOON LINE.

Round Trip in One Car \$65, in Another \$115, Says Aero Club Schedule.

A price list of ascensions for the 1909 season was recently issued by the directors of the Aero Club of New England, says a Boston dispatch.

The misunderstanding grew out of the refusal of Commissioner Dennett to withdraw certain public lands for use of the forest service as ranger stations.

MISSISSIPPI IN MINIATURE.

Mighty River to Be Reproduced at Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Fair.

The lakes to the gulf deep waterway commission will make a display at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition, to be held in Seattle, Wash., showing the scheme of deepening, straightening and widening the Mississippi river from the great lakes to the gulf of Mexico.

The entire Mississippi valley will be faithfully reproduced in miniature from Chicago to New Orleans.

How We Are Increasing. At the present rate of increase the population of the United States in 1919 will be 100,000,000.

Uncertain ways unafraid are, and doubt a greater mischief than despair.—Denham.

WELLMAN TO TRY AGAIN.

Americans Back Him In Attempt to Fly to North Pole in Airship.

Walter Wellman, the newspaper correspondent, recently announced that he would this summer renew his effort to reach the north pole by means of a dirigible balloon or airship.

This expedition will be under Mr. Wellman's individual ownership and responsibility. The capital has been supplied by Americans.

The airship to be used is the America, which had a trial in a voyage of about twenty miles at Spitzbergen a year ago last September.

The America, which is the second largest airship yet built—about three-fifths the size of the Zeppelin—has been reconstructed and improved by Engineer Vaniman in the expedition workshops at Paris.

The difficulty of getting a fair start with an airship designed to go to the pole is, of course, very great," said Mr. Wellman.

BIG POSTAL CONFERENCE.

Proposed International Gathering in 1910 Meets With Approval.

James L. Cowles, secretary-treasurer of the Postal Progress league, in New York city, said the other day that his proposal for an international postal conference at Berne, Switzerland, in July, 1910, was meeting with approval.

Hemlock Heaton, M. P., wrote a letter to Mr. Cowles in which he approved of the conference.

"I never cease denouncing the British postmaster generals for their provincial instincts. I am strong for the British postmaster general to summon a meeting, first, of the postmaster generals of Europe, and even of the world, and secondly, of the postmaster generals of the empire to discuss the question of cheapening and facilitating postal and telegraphic communication."

The centennial will be held this year as a feature of commencement week and, according to the outlined plans, will include several days in its various features.

TAFT TO SIT AS A JUDGE.

Cabinet Officers Will Submit Briefs in a Dispute Over the Law.

President Taft has been called upon to sit as judge in arbitrating a difference of opinion between two members of his cabinet arising out of a clash in which Fred Dennett, commissioner of the land office, and Gifford Pinchot, head of the forestry service, fought.

The matter was passed along to the president, who has invited the cabinet members to submit their briefs.

Convicts as Art Rivals.

There is a strong rivalry between three prisoners in the Berks county prison in Pennsylvania, each of whom is an artist.

Novel Food For Parisians.

Paris of late is suffering from a craze for novel food. Three months ago roast camel meat was the dish.

The Lever That Moves It. Behind every big accomplishment there is always one big man.—Hubbard.

MIAMI'S CENTENNIAL.

Hundredth Birthday Celebration Plans of an Ohio University.

NO LACK OF NOTABLE VISITORS

President Taft Expected to Take Prominent Part in the Exercises. Largest Gathering of Miami Men in the University's History Looked For. Elaborate Program Arranged.

Miami university, one of Ohio's three state supported colleges, has the first in age, tradition and in the distinction of her graduates, will be a hundred years old in June.

The first invitation issued for the event was taken to the president by a representative of the college. Mr. Taft expressed a strong desire to come and informed the committee that he would do so if Congress adjourned before June 10, the day of the chief exercises.

The program of speeches will be extensive. George R. Wendlin of Washington, of the class of 1895, will deliver the address to the literary societies.

The most interesting figure at the celebration, if he is able to carry out his present purpose to attend, will be the Rev. Dr. Charles McCaughan of Winteret, Ia., the oldest living Miami graduate.

Insult Plus Injury. "Well, did he pay you?" asked the wife of a dentist who had been to collect a bill for a full set of false teeth that he had made for a man almost a year before.

An Interesting Drive.

An eminent Irishman, famous as a historian and man of letters, arrived one morning at Dublin in a brown study. Scarcely had his feet touched land when he was seized, bag and baggage, by an alert car driver, who soon had the dreaming gentleman unseated on a side of his car.

A Good Word For Him.

An old Scotchwoman was famous for speaking kindly. No sheep was so dark but she could discover some white spot to point out to those who could see only its blackness.

She Did.

One day, while performing for the inmates of an orphan asylum, Kellar, the magician, walked up to a sedate little girl in the audience and asked, "Will my little lady please examine this handkerchief?"

Daily Thought.

The appreciation of one act well performed, is the best incentive for another effort.

COLLECTING A DEBT.

Old Billy Bulger's Method Involved a Division of Labor.

"Got any work this mornin', Mistab Boyd?" asked old Billy Bulger, safe in the knowledge that no work would be intrusted to him.

"No," was the response, and then, before Billy could ask for the customary contribution: "But wait a minute, Lawyer Phillips has owed me \$20 for twenty years. Collect it and I'll give you half."

The old man found the lawyer in the middle of a group of prospective clients and influential citizens, thrusting through the group, he called in stentorian tones:

His Title.

A newspaper man once asked the late J. K. Hudson whether he should call him "major" or "general."

Hudson was a major in the civil war and was made a brigadier general in the Spanish war, but in the latter conflict he did not get into active service.

Woolly Art.

Frederic Remington, the illustrator, fresh from a western trip on which he had been making studies of Indians and cowpunchers and things outdoors, met an art editor who insisted upon dragging him up to an exhibition of very impressionistic pictures.

Remington, remembering what he had been told as a boy, counted ten before replying. Then:

We Touch One Another on All Sides.

No individual can be happy unless the circumstances of those around him be so adjusted as to conspire with his interest, for in human society no happiness or misery stands unconnected and independent.

Called the Deal Off.

A lad attending school craved a little holiday one morning when he started out to wrestle once again with the trials incident to getting an education.

Railway Notes.

The St. Paul will open its north coast extension for freight business by June 1.

A Wealthy Soldier's Idea.

Australians still tell stories of the colonial volunteers, although the war is a far memory. One, a member of the Stock Exchange, was left one wet and miserable night to guard a wagon load of goods.

Funeral of Sol Draper.

Niobrara, Neb., May 17. Special The News: The church funeral service of the late Solomon Draper was held today in the Episcopal church, the Rev. Marcus J. Brown preaching the sermon.

UPLIFT IN OKLAHOMA.

Popular Higher Education Planned by School Officers.

ESPECIALLY IN THE COUNTRY

Courses in School and at Home in Wide Variety of Subjects Intended to Benefit Persons in All Stages of Enlightenment—The Beautifying of Homes to Be Taught.

There is to be an educational uplift in Oklahoma if the state committee to promote the university extension movement should succeed in its plans.

The committee is composed of the Rev. A. Grant Evans, president of Oklahoma university; A. C. Scott of Epworth university; J. W. Scruggs, president of Kingfisher college; John D. Benedict of Muskogee, superintendent of schools in Oklahoma for the federal government; Henry Meier of the state university, L. P. Whitcomb of the Southwestern Normal school at Weatherford and E. D. Cameron, state superintendent of education.

Yankton Press and Dakotan: A news item from a Pierre correspondent states that a railroad camp outfit was shipped to some point west of the Missouri on the Northwestern on Wednesday last, and there was much speculation as to its destination.

The state committee is rich in plans and purposes to carry the opportunities and benefits of education and culture into all the homes of the state, especially in the rural communities.

In addition there will be a broader course for persons of all ages, even college graduates, whose credits for study will lead to a university extension diploma.

It is believed that students preparing for college may get valuable assistance by taking this course of study.

The state committee has adopted these subjects for the course of study: Agriculture in all its phases, domestic science, domestic art, commercial law, electrical engineering, history, economics, pedagogy and applied psychology, literature, bird and nature study, geography, sociology, scientific road building, home sanitation, tree planting and culture, music, astronomy, physiology and business administration.

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AN IMPROMPTU RAILROAD.

Tripp County Merchandise Will be Hauled in Traction Trains.

Dallas News: A large number of Dallas business men have become interested in a new enterprise, to be known as the Tripp County Transportation and Improvement company, and soon this new organization will have in operation a system of freight-train outfits which will enable them to transport to all parts of Tripp county five to six carloads of freight at one shipment.

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