

Appointment of Envoy to China Being Delayed

Pressure by Friends of Aspirants to Post Holds Up Naming of Successor to Schurman.

Washington, March 26.—Insistent pressure by friends of various aspirants is holding up appointment of a minister to Peking to relieve Dr. Jacob Gould Schurman for his new duties as ambassador to Germany. The filling of the vacant legation in Rumania and Albania also is caught in the blockade due to activities of friends of claimants.

Protection Inadequate.

The defacto government in Peking possesses as much nominal control of the situation as has been held by any recent Chinese central government. However, little if any reliance can be placed upon the ability of the Peking authorities to afford adequate protection to foreigners should there come a new alignment of the military factions, accompanied by fighting in parts of China remote from the sea coast and from the protection of foreign warships.

Throes Awakening.

Students of Chinese developments report that the vast and untidy fabric of the old monarchy is in the throes of a political awakening on the part of a large group of its hundreds of millions of inhabitants. The active centers of this spread of political thought have been traced largely to the student groups, and there is said to be today in China as in some other countries, a movement which is assimilating rapidly much of the doctrine preached in Soviet Russia.

Hartington Mason Honored by Fellow Lodge Members

Hartington, March 26.—At the close of the degree work by Robert G. Mason, who has been a member of the Masonic order here for 30 years, fellow lodge members presented him with a watch and chain in white gold, the case being inscribed "Bob 155," the number of Hartington lodge.

Butler County Teachers' Convention Date April 4

David City, March 26.—Butler county superintendent has set April 4 as date for the Butler county educational convention in this city. The program includes a solo by Edith Treadway, two lectures by Charles S. Bream of Lincoln on "The Teacher and the Community," and "Growth From Which Nations Grow," vocal duet by Marie Smith and Dorothy Moran, conference with the county superintendent and a vidding song by little folks of this city. Teachers will be given free admission tickets for the picture "Abraham Lincoln."

400 Chickens Burned.

Nebraska City, March 26.—A large chicken house and nearly 400 young chickens were destroyed by fire late last night when a stove in the building became overheated, on the Wilbur Sim farm just outside of the city limits. The fire department prevented spread of the fire to adjoining buildings.

Bonfire Destroys Barn.

Nebraska City, March 26.—Fire destroyed a large barn and implement shed on the farm of Fred Sand, southeast of here, late yesterday, together with the contents. The fire was caused by a bonfire built too near the barn.

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Quick Wits and Quick Legs

Quick wits alone are not enough. No, sir, they are not enough. In time of danger it is useless to think quickly and then hesitate and be slow to put into action the result of your quick thinking. Quick thinking and quick action must go together. Either is useless without the other. Of course, you know the old saying: "He who hesitates is lost." It is a true saying. If Peter Rabbit had hesitated an instant when he was surprised by Reddy Fox up there by Johnny Chuck's house he would have been lost.

But Peter didn't hesitate. His wits worked fast. They told him that there was just one way and only one way of escape open to him and that was Johnny Chuck's house. Never had he been in there. He hadn't expected ever to go in there as long as Johnny and Polly Chuck used it. They might be very angry, and Peter knew that



He bounded forward and dived head first down into the long hall of Johnny Chuck's house.

he was no match for an angry Chuck, to say nothing of two angry Chucks. Still he didn't hesitate. He bounded forward and dived headfirst into the long hall of Johnny Chuck's house, and couldn't help grinning as he thought of Reddy Fox and how angry he would be. Peter knew that Reddy hadn't once thought he, Peter, would dare go into Johnny Chuck's house with Johnny and Polly right there.

He heard Polly Chuck scrambling down the hall behind him. He heard Johnny Chuck growling and snarling and guessed that Johnny had turned in his doorway to face Reddy Fox, which was just what Johnny had done. As he went further and further toward the Chuck bedroom Peter continued to think fast. Polly Chuck behind him was saying things not at all pleasant to listen to. She was telling Peter just what she was going to do to him when she caught him. Peter knew that she could do just what she said she would do. No, it wasn't at all pleasant to hear.

"There must be some back hall leading to a back door somewhere," thought Peter. "Johnny and Polly Chuck are too clever to have a home with only one door. The thing to do is for me to find that and get out as quickly as possible before Reddy Fox thinks of it. It may be he knows where it is. If he does and thinks of it he will hurry over to it, for he will guess that Polly Chuck will drive me out that way. But if he doesn't know where it is, or doesn't think of it, I will have a chance to get away."

So you see Peter's wits were working fast and his legs were working just as fast. In fact, they were work-

Child Bride Taken From Husband by Juvenile Officers

'Parents Whipped Me, So I Went to Council Bluffs and Got Married,' Says Girl, 14.

Juvenile officers and police located Mary Vokal, 14, at 5126 South Twenty-first street, Thursday afternoon. Mary, a sixth grade pupil at Highland school, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vokal, 2616 Drexel street, South Omaha.

She ran away from school last Friday with Jesse Vermuelen, 24, to Council Bluffs where they were married. Mary wants to remain married. She remained loyal to her young husband under questioning of juvenile officers, before she was taken to Riverview home.

Stepmother by Marriage.

But her chances of remaining a married woman are small, for juvenile officers have information that her husband is a former Fort Crook soldier, is the father of two children by a former marriage. "Jesse and I have been going to-

The next story: "Reddy Decides He Doesn't Want a Rabbit Breakfast." (Copyright, 1925).

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Pawnee County Judge to Serve as Cupid's Aide

Pawnee City, March 26.—"I'm ready to issue licenses and marry them right now," said Judge Hiram H. Hawkins of Pawnee county, defining his attitude on the repeal of the 10-day bill by the legislature without an emergency clause.

Parents to Ask Annulment.

"We went to Council Bluffs. I waited outside while they got a license. Mrs. John Graser and Lyman Howland and some other friends were with us. No one seemed to think I was too young to marry. I knew Jesse had been married before, but he told me he was divorced. I want to stay with him rather than go back home or to school."

The girl's voice was lifeless and she seemed a little dazed by the rapid train of events. Her young husband is being held at the police station, according to juvenile officers. Her parents say they will ask annulment of the marriage.

Business Men Pay Tribute to Late O. P. Fulton at Beatrice

Beatrice, March 26.—Rites for O. P. Fulton were held at the family residence conducted by Rev. Rose McCorn, assisted by Rev. W. A. Mulligan. Burial was in Evergreen Home cemetery. Business men and others attended the services, and the floral offerings were especially beautiful. Mr. Fulton had been engaged in the

Civil War Veteran, 89, Dies at Soldiers' Home

York, March 26.—W. S. Fullmer, formerly a York county resident, died Monday evening at the Soldiers' home at Leavenworth, Kan. Mr. Fullmer was 89 years of age. His daughter, Mrs. Della Gilbert, is a resident of York. Mr. Fullmer served in the

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2 cups milk 4 tablespoons flour
4 tablespoons butter
1 cup cheese, grated or sliced fine
24 Iten Fairy Crackers broken into quarters
1/2 cup fine cracker crumbs heated with 1 tablespoon of butter.

Melt the butter, stir in flour, add milk slowly and cook until thick. Add cheese and stir until melted. Pour into a buttered baking dish, mixing it with the broken crackers. Cover with the buttered crumbs. Bake fifteen minutes in a moderate oven.

Variations
All variations that are made with macaroni and cheese may be used.
1-Cooked and sliced meat or cooked ground meat; fresh fish or flaked cooked salmon or tuna may be substituted for cheese.
2-Tomato sauce may be substituted for the white sauce with the cheese or with the variations.
3-Chicken in place of the cheese and tomato sauce in place of the thickened milk make an excellent combination.

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