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McCook Temple No. 24, Pythian Sisters meets the 2d and 4th Wednesdays at 7:30 p. m.
M. J. CORDEAL, M. E. C.
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Taft's Pleasure.

President Tells How He Enjoys Strolls in Busy Streets.

Talking as if he were merely a friend who had dropped in for a short chat and not the president of the United States, Mr. Taft recently revealed much of his personal side to the newspaper men of the capital at an informal reception given him at the National Press club in Washington.

Prepared for a stroll along Pennsylvania avenue and several of the other busy thoroughfares of the city, which he took after he left the club, the president declared he found much pleasure in walking and looking in the shop windows. He said he enjoyed seeing some person give him a long look and then look away, while the next person would give a second look, then poke his companion in the ribs "and in the dignity paid by Americans to high office call out, 'Hello, Taft!'"

Speaking of the White House and its duties, the president said there was a "sense of isolation in life there;" that "nobody just drops in on one in a neighborly way, but all the callers come by engagement."

As to getting tired out with work, the president said that the preparation of messages for congress was the hardest he was called on to do; that the three or four hours a day he spent in discussing the qualifications for office of men recommended, or rather, the claims they could make as to why they should be appointed, was not real work.

KERMIT THE BETTER SHOT.

Host Who Entertained Colonel Roosevelt in Africa Says So.

W. N. McMillan, who entertained former President Theodore Roosevelt on his ranch near Nairobi, East Africa, last June, passed through Kansas City, Mo., recently, on his way to New York. He had been visiting on the Pacific coast.

"While at my ranch Colonel Roosevelt did not read an American newspaper or magazine," said Mr. McMillan. "He continually refused to discuss national or international politics, although many residents of the neighborhood questioned him on these subjects. 'I am here for pleasure,' was his answer to one and all. 'When I return to the United States I will say what I think about the situation.'"

"Colonel Roosevelt is a fair shot, not an extraordinary marksman," continued Mr. McMillan. "Kermit is a better shot than his father, as Colonel Roosevelt admits to every one except Kermit. He is afraid it would make the young man think too much of himself to tell him so. It does not, however, take any wonderful marksmanship to hit an elephant or a rhinoceros."

A FISH WITH LEGS.

Carnegie Explorer's Discovery May Be the Piscatory Missing Link.

A tin box marked "Handle With Care" arrived at the Carnegie institute in Pittsburgh the other day containing a specimen of scaleless aquatic life, called popularly "a fish with legs," found by Dr. John Haseman at Manaus, Brazil.

"The specimen received," said Dr. Holland, director of the institute, "is a scaleless animal, which is blind, has a dorsal cartilaginous cord instead of a true skeleton, has teeth in a small head, mouth on the under side and a protruding jaw and a dorsal skin flap resembling a fin, apparently the link between the salamander and a fish. The discovery is most important to zoologists."

Dr. Haseman found the specimen at the junction of the Rio Negro and the Amazon recently while on an exploring trip for the Carnegie institute.

EAT LOTS OF PUDDING.

President Taft's Advice to Boy Soprano Who Desires to Be Tall.

Albert Hole, the English boy soprano, called at the White House the other day to see President Taft, although he owes allegiance to King Edward. Albert is only about three feet high, and one thing which he greatly desires is to be tall. He told the president that and got this advice:

"Well, Albert, you want to eat lots of pudding. That will make you tall." Albert said he would.

Monument to E. H. Harriman.

A monument to the late E. H. Harriman, the railroad financier, will be erected in Orange county, N. Y., by the Orange County Horse and Road Improvement association, of which Mr. Harriman was president. The association is now winding up its affairs, and its balance in the treasury will be devoted to a permanent recognition of the services of Mr. Harriman in the development of good roads and his efforts in behalf of breeding blooded horses.

Offer of \$200 For University Emblem.

A prize of \$200 has been offered by the authorities of Cornell university at Ithaca, N. Y., for designs for a new university emblem. The designs may be heraldic in character in the form of a shield or escutcheon, and experts in heraldry may pass upon them. The competition will be open to any person, it not being limited to alumni of Cornell university.

Wills a Farm to Illinois Town.

The will of the late James A. Cunningham of Vincennes, Ind., sixty-six years old, who was recently killed while hunting in Idaho, bequeaths a 1,100 acre farm at Emison, in Knox county, Ind., and \$200,000 in cash to the town of Hoopston, Ill.

PAN-AMERICAN BANK PROJECT

Institution to Be Bonded by United States Government.

AN AID FOR ALL THE AMERICAS

To Have Branches in All the Republics—Unanimously Favored by Our Southern Neighbors—Aggregate of Their Estimated Loans During Next Twenty Years \$650,000,000.

That a Pan-American bank, with branches at the capitals of the South and Central American republics and headquarters in New York city, is the safest and most direct way for American capital to participate in bond flotation is the consensus of official opinion in Washington.

The supporters of the project include every South American diplomat of note. All declare there is no limit to the gilt edged opportunities which the southern continent offers to American capital, and only diplomatic limits prevent them from stating in so many words that their respective countries would rather borrow from the United States than abroad.

The Honduran loan of approximately \$4,000,000, through John P. Morgan last August, is the first of the so called Pan-American loans to receive official approval from the state department. While behind this approval there is the spirit of the new diplomacy which forces finances to the fore. Secretary Knox is following his fixed policy of eliminating Europe from Central and South American affairs—a policy that is not distasteful to the American republics if admissions made by well posted officials are a criterion.

Will Borrow \$650,000,000.

A canvass recently made shows that the extent of these financial operations is of large proportions. The amount involved is estimated at \$650,000,000. The sums that make it up will be borrowed progressively during a period of twenty years.

Semi-official figures obtained show that the loans will be divided as follows:

Argentina, \$200,000,000; Bolivia, \$35,000,000; Chile, \$175,000,000; Ecuador, \$50,000,000; Honduras, \$30,000,000; Panama, \$50,000,000; Peru, \$20,000,000; Venezuela, \$20,000,000, with the remaining \$50,000,000 taken up by the smaller republics in this category: Colombia, \$5,000,000; Costa Rica, \$10,000,000; Dominican Republic, \$8,000,000; Guatemala, \$10,000,000; Salvador, \$12,000,000, and Uruguay, \$5,000,000.

Panama will probably require more than \$30,000,000, especially when the canal is in full operation, owing to increases in land values and the necessity of improving the adjacent territory on both sides under the republic's jurisdiction.

Officials, including the diplomatic representatives of the above named countries, do not deny that these loans cannot very well be carried out without the aid of a Pan-American bank whose rate of exchange can equal that of London and Paris. It is said also that it will not be one of the obligations of the lender—if the lender be an American bank—to pay in gold, as the new bank would have arrangements to honor any other currency at full market value.

Needed For Panama Canal's Success.

That the United States cannot very well hope to make a commercial success of the Panama canal without such a central international banking institution is another admission made by officials. It is cited that Great Britain has the advantage of branch banks at Cairo and Alexandria, in Egypt, in order to have every banking facility with which to carry out its enormous traffic through the Suez canal. Comparative statistics based upon the tonnage that goes through the Suez and which will find it more convenient to use the Panama canal and other data furnished by the department of commerce, labor and navigation of the European governments show that the Panama canal will not have to wait as long as the Suez canal did to reach its highest development. It will mean only two years at most to rearrange travel schedules, shifting the routes from the Mediterranean to the Panama canal.

Tolls and other charges, besides drafts and general exchange of commercial paper, made necessary at two ports of the importance that Colon and Panama will reach as soon as the canal is in operation, make it necessary, diplomats say, for a bank of unlimited possibilities to be in operation at either of these cities. And such a bank could very well be the Pan-American bank, operated by the wealthiest banking interests of the United States—as, for instance, the Morgan syndicate, whose branches in the European money centers give them every advantage in Europe without dislodging their gold reserves at headquarters.

Owing to the delicate relations between the southern republics and the likelihood that trouble may always arise to sway, to a certain extent, the credit or financial standing of any of them, it is said that the bank would have to be an institution bonded by the American government, which would thus be responsible for its obligations. It would also guarantee the banking syndicate the protection of the United States, which is the nucleus of the so called partnership between the state department and financiers interested in the Pan-American bank project.

A SAVAGE WITCH.

His Life Was Saved by the Chief of the Quiah Tribes.

The author of "Heroes of Modern Crusades," the Rev. Edward Gilliat, M. A., at one time master of Harrow school, says in his book that he had years ago the privilege of meeting the king of the Quiah country, Teiti Agamson, at Harrow. The Quiah king had been educated at St. Augustine's college, Canterbury, and was able to lecture to the Harrowians in good English. In his lecture he told a quaint story which brings one nearer to the weird lives of the Quiahs, a small agricultural and trading tribe of inoffensive characters on the west coast of Africa.

"In my country," said the king, "we have no prisons; therefore if a culprit is brought to me I must chop off something—an ear or two, a hand or a foot—and he goes home a sadder and a wiser man. Just before I left for England a chief came to my hut, bringing a prisoner.

"What has he done, friend? I asked.

"He is a dangerous witch, O king. He can turn himself into an alligator."

"Pooh! Nonsense! I don't believe that old fashioned stuff."

"Oh, but we saw him do it down by the big river."

"Indeed! Well, chief, tell me all about it. You saw him yourself?"

"I did. We were hunting by the banks of the river with our rifles when all at once we saw a big alligator lying on a rock in the river. The witch man was lying asleep in a hammock some fifty yards away. Oh, the dangerous creature he is!

"Well, king, do not laugh with your eyes like that, for I am speaking the truth. I put up my rifle to shoot the alligator; but, to our great fear, as soon as I fired this fellow rolled out of his hammock and fell on the ground and rubbed his back and swore he was hurt.

"Now, O king, if this witch had not been inside the alligator how could he have been hurt when I fired?"

"Gentlemen," concluded the king, "I see you are laughing with your eyes, but it is very difficult to rule over a people untaught and given over to superstition.

"What did I do? Why, if I had left him free they would have killed him as soon as I had gone on my ship, so I saved his life by chopping off his left ear."

MODERN CHESS.

The Game Vastly Different From That of the Ninth Century.

Chess is but a game, a pastime, a relaxation, but it has at times absorbed the faculties of the intellectual in every clime. Perhaps the greatest onlogy on the game was the remark of Sir Walter Raleigh, "I do not wish to live longer than I can play chess." It is certain that those who do not play the game are quite unable to form any conception of the high intellectual delights experienced by the chess enthusiast.

The origin of chess has been sought in vain. The fact is the game has so changed, developed and improved down the course of centuries that in its present form it would not be recognized by its inventor, if there ever was one. The oldest chess problem on record is thought to be that contained in an ancient Persian manuscript attributed to Caliph Kalif Ben Mutash Billah, who reigned in Bagdad A. D. 832 to 842. But the reader would have to learn the old rules before it was intelligible. For example, the queen could make a move of only one square at a time and that on a diagonal, but a queen promoted from a pawn was allowed to make a move of two squares diagonally. The bishop had no power over any square except the third from which it stood on its own diagonal line, but it was allowed to travel over any piece that happened to be between. In short, it was a totally different game. Chess in the precise form in which we know it and play it today is a comparatively modern game. —London Strand Magazine.

Amending a Proverb.

There are a lot of silly proverbs knocking about. Take, for instance, "If pigs had wings they would fly." Now, this is absurd if you like. Do you know what sized wings a pig weighing eighty pounds would require in order to fly? They would measure about thirty yards from tip to tip. A nice state of things to keep pigs in an aviary with wings of that size! The proverb would run much better:

If pigs could fly
Pork would be high.
—London Scraps.

The Right Way.

Little Willie liked ice cream, but he objected to turning the freezer. One day his mother was agreeably surprised to find him working at the crank as if his life depended on it.

"How did you get Willie to turn the ice cream freezer?" she said to her husband. "I offered him 2 cents to do it, and he wouldn't."

"You didn't go about it the right way, my dear," replied her husband. "I bet him a cent he couldn't turn it for half an hour!"

Pretty Ancient.

"What is the oldest form of literature?"

"I dunno, but I guess some of the musical comedy jokes must reach back pretty nearly that far."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Adam's Kick.

Eve—What makes you look so cross? Adam—I wish you wouldn't be so loud in your dresses. It isn't necessary for you to pick the most highly colored autumn leaves.—New York Press.

BARILEY.

John W. Wolf and Fred Huntwork are down in Alabama looking for land. Ivan Clark, wife and babe are here from Council Bluffs, Iowa, visiting with the home folks, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Clark and Mrs. Clements.

Charles Hartwell, wife and children are here from Council Bluffs, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Sol Stigebouer and Mrs. Ruby were over, last week, from Danbury, visiting with Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Stigebouer.

Foster Stigebouer recently bought a fine farm three miles northwest of Bartley of D. J. Richmond. This is nicely located for a beautiful home.

Cliff Sipe was over from Danbury, only day last week, to visit his parents Mr. and Mrs. James Sipe.

Frank Doak was down from Indianola this week looking after his interests in our bustling burg.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ritchie and Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Hodgkin and children visited, Sunday, with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bush, Jr.

The work on the G. W. Jones building is being rushed these nice days by from 5 to 10 hands. It will be a model building when completed.

Chair Hickman has secured a position in the Shoemaker meat market.

The Citizens hotel is having a fine business and patrons are well pleased with the fare.

The ice passed down the river without doing any damage to the bridges over the Republican here.

Prof. Cocker went over to Danbury, Saturday, to attend the county teachers' association.

Guy Grissel also went over to attend the county spelling contest, which was held at the same time and place. Guy was winner in the contest against 25 other contestants. This is the second time Bartley has won in the spelling contest.

Mrs. Ruby Hindman was over from the Beaver, last Saturday, visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Axtell.

Mr. Fidler lost a horse, Saturday. It had been their family pony for years.

Mr. Shippee is making concrete blocks for the new store room being erected by Durbin & West. The foundation will be in this week.

A pleasant party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Hodgkin, last Saturday.

Sheriff Higgins was down from McCook, last Saturday.

Miss Eula Azell went to Stockville, Monday, to open a millinery store.

DANBURY.

C. W. Rogers moved on his farm south of Marion, Tuesday last.

O. B. Woods is having a tussel with the smallpox this week.

S. R. Messner who has been in Arkansas for the past three weeks arrived at home Wednesday.

The Danbury Band went to Marion Wednesday to play for the Odd Fellows Convention.

Herbert Stone came in Wednesday for a visit with his uncle, W. A. Stone. Mrs. Joe Dolph is improving this week.

Miss Betcher, county superintendent of schools, arrived Thursday to attend the Teachers' Meeting, which was held here Saturday.

Several of the Lebanonites were up Saturday at the teachers' meeting.

Mrs. M. M. Young came home Sunday from McCook, where she has been for the past week.

The Grammar Room had a party at J. E. Noes' place Thursday night.

There was a well pleased audience out to hear Miss Viva Wright and Dr. Beach Saturday night.

E. L. Redburn, state chemist, was here Wednesday to examine the medicine that was in the fire of the Robinson & Robinson drug store. He says that the medicine is all O. K.

Anderson Graham departed Friday for Arkansas on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Leisure arrived home Friday from Lincoln, where they have been taking medical treatment.

Gaylie Miles will give a basket supper at her school Friday evening, March 11.

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